

**TABLE 1B-24  
CHANGES FROM 2012 TO 2022 IN SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS OF NEWBORNS AND ARIZONA WOMEN GIVING BIRTH  
BY AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY**

| Characteristics                                  | Urban <sup>a</sup> |        |              | Rural  |       |              | White non-Hispanic |        |              | Hispanic or Latino |        |              | Black or African American |       |              | American Indian or Alaska Native |       |              | Asian or Pacific Islander |       |              |
|--|--------------------|--------|--------------|--------|-------|--------------|--------------------|--------|--------------|--------------------|--------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|--------------|
|  | 2012               | 2022   | % Change     | 2012   | 2022  | % Change     | 2012               | 2022   | % Change     | 2012               | 2022   | % Change     | 2012                      | 2022  | % Change     | 2012                             | 2022  | % Change     | 2012                      | 2022  | % Change     |
| <b>Number of births<sup>b</sup></b>              | 74,128             | 68,504 | <b>-7.6</b>  | 11,597 | 9,798 | <b>-15.5</b> | 38,670             | 32,792 | <b>-15.2</b> | 33,146             | 33,584 | <b>1.3</b>   | 4,715                     | 4,847 | <b>2.8</b>   | 5,569                            | 4,010 | <b>-28.0</b> | 3,625                     | 3,122 | <b>-13.9</b> |
| <b>Per 100 births:</b>                           |                    |        |              |        |       |              |                    |        |              |                    |        |              |                           |       |              |                                  |       |              |                           |       |              |
| <b>Teenage mother<sup>c</sup></b>                | 9.0                | 4.3    | <b>-52.2</b> | 12.2   | 6.2   | <b>-49.2</b> | 5.1                | 2.3    | <b>-54.9</b> | 14.0               | 6.6    | <b>-52.9</b> | 11.5                      | 5.3   | <b>-53.9</b> | 16.0                             | 7.3   | <b>-54.4</b> | 2.2                       | 1.0   | <b>-54.5</b> |
| <b>Unwed mother<sup>d</sup></b>                  | 44.1               | 43.9   | <b>-0.5</b>  | 52.4   | 51.9  | <b>-1.0</b>  | 30.4               | 30.2   | <b>-0.7</b>  | 57.2               | 55.5   | <b>-3.0</b>  | 64.8                      | 61.6  | <b>-4.9</b>  | 78.5                             | 78.2  | <b>-0.4</b>  | 17.3                      | 16.4  | <b>-5.2</b>  |
| <b>Early prenatal care<sup>e</sup></b>           | 83.4               | 72.1   | <b>-13.5</b> | 77.7   | 67.1  | <b>-13.6</b> | 88.4               | 76.9   | <b>-13.0</b> | 78.2               | 68.3   | <b>-12.7</b> | 79.9                      | 65.6  | <b>-17.9</b> | 68.2                             | 57.1  | <b>-16.3</b> | 87.1                      | 75.6  | <b>-13.2</b> |
| <b>0-4 prenatal visits</b>                       | 1.2                | 6.7    | <b>458.3</b> | 1.5    | 8.7   | <b>480.0</b> | 0.6                | 4.8    | <b>700.0</b> | 1.9                | 8.2    | <b>331.6</b> | 1.1                       | 9.4   | <b>754.5</b> | 2.0                              | 14.0  | <b>600.0</b> | 0.7                       | 5.2   | <b>642.9</b> |
| <b>C-Section</b>                                 | 27.9               | 29.0   | <b>3.9</b>   | 25.7   | 26.0  | <b>1.2</b>   | 28.7               | 28.2   | <b>-1.7</b>  | 26.0               | 28.2   | <b>8.5</b>   | 31.9                      | 32.3  | <b>1.3</b>   | 23.8                             | 27.1  | <b>13.9</b>  | 32.1                      | 34.3  | <b>6.9</b>   |
| <b>LBW rate</b>                                  | 6.9                | 7.7    | <b>11.6</b>  | 7.3    | 8.3   | <b>13.7</b>  | 6.5                | 7.2    | <b>10.8</b>  | 6.8                | 7.3    | <b>7.4</b>   | 11.7                      | 12.9  | <b>10.3</b>  | 6.7                              | 8.7   | <b>29.9</b>  | 7.2                       | 10.6  | <b>47.2</b>  |
| <b>Newborn intensive care</b>                    | 5.1                | 7.2    | <b>41.2</b>  | 3.5    | 8.0   | <b>128.6</b> | 4.7                | 7.4    | <b>57.4</b>  | 4.9                | 6.7    | <b>36.7</b>  | 6.9                       | 9.4   | <b>36.2</b>  | 4.2                              | 9.1   | <b>116.7</b> | 4.1                       | 6.5   | <b>58.5</b>  |
| <b>Preterm births (&lt; 37 weeks)</b>            | 9.2                | 9.8    | <b>6.5</b>   | 9.1    | 9.7   | <b>6.6</b>   | 8.7                | 9.2    | <b>5.7</b>   | 9.4                | 9.6    | <b>2.1</b>   | 11.9                      | 12.7  | <b>6.7</b>   | 9.7                              | 12.5  | <b>28.9</b>  | 8.4                       | 10.5  | <b>25.0</b>  |
| <b>Births paid for by the AHCCCS<sup>f</sup></b> | 52.4               | 44.4   | <b>-15.3</b> | 57.5   | 57.4  | <b>-0.2</b>  | 35.0               | 29.5   | <b>-15.7</b> | 73.1               | 59.7   | <b>-18.3</b> | 68.3                      | 65.5  | <b>-4.1</b>  | 62.2                             | 62.3  | <b>0.2</b>   | 29.3                      | 21.1  | <b>-28.0</b> |

Notes: <sup>a</sup> Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma counties; the remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas; see **Technical Notes** for more information; <sup>b</sup> Per 100 live births; <sup>c</sup> Less than 20 years old; <sup>d</sup> Beginning with data year 2015, the coding of marital status has changed as such unmarried category includes divorced; <sup>e</sup> Entered care in first trimester of pregnancy; <sup>f</sup> The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is the State's Medicaid program.