

Data Brief 315. Adoption-related Behaviors Among Women Aged 18–44 in the United States: 2011–2015

Data table for Figure 1. Percentage of women aged 18–44 who ever considered adopting, were currently seeking to adopt, or had ever adopted a child: United States, 2011–2015

	Number (thousands)	Percent (standard error)	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
Ever considered adopting	20,978	37.7 (0.95)	35.8	39.6
Currently seeking to adopt	693	1.2 (0.17)	1.0	1.6
Ever adopted	392	0.7 (0.12)	0.5	1.0

NOTES: CI is confidence interval. Ever considered adopting a child includes women who were currently seeking to adopt and women who ever adopted a child. Currently seeking to adopt includes women who were seeking to adopt a nonbiological child living with them or another nonbiological child not living with them. Ever adopted includes women who ever adopted a child, regardless of prior relationship to that child. The adopted child could be a child of her spouse or partner or a child of another relative.

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Data table for Figure 2. Percentage of women aged 18–44 who had ever considered adopting a child, by selected characteristics: United States, 2011–2015

Characteristic	Number (thousands)	Percent (standard error)	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
Age group				
18–24	5,437	37.8 (1.56)	34.8	40.9
25–34	8,290	39.3 (1.25)	36.9	41.8
35–44	7,251	35.8 (1.29)	33.3	38.4
Hispanic origin and race				
Hispanic	3,835	34.7 (1.58)	31.7	37.9
Non-Hispanic white	11,691	37.4 (1.17)	35.1	39.8
Non-Hispanic black	3,006	39.7 (2.01)	35.8	43.8
Fertility problems				
No	16,955	35.3 (0.97)	33.4	37.2
Yes	4,023	52.6 (2.14)	48.3	56.8
Number of previous live births				
None	9,659	43.5 (1.38)	40.8	46.3
One	3,941	38.1 (1.65)	34.9	41.5
Two or more	7,378	31.8 (1.19)	29.5	34.2

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Data table for Figure 3. Percentage of women aged 18–44 who were currently seeking to adopt a child, by selected characteristics: United States, 2011–2015

Characteristic	Number (thousands)	Percent (standard error)	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
Age group				
18–24	91	0.6 (0.15)	0.4	1.0
25–34	297	1.4 (0.31)	0.9	2.2
35–44	305	1.5 (0.29)	1.0	2.2
Hispanic origin and race				
Hispanic	105	0.9 (0.21)	0.6	1.5
Non-Hispanic white	348	1.1 (0.22)	0.8	1.7
Non-Hispanic black	148	2.0 (0.51)	1.2	3.3
Fertility problems				
No	441	0.9 (0.17)	0.6	1.3
Yes	252	3.3 (0.58)	2.3	4.7
Number of previous live births				
None	339	1.5 (0.28)	1.1	2.2
One	136	1.3 (0.28)	0.9	2.0
Two or more	219	0.9 (0.20)	0.6	1.4

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Data table for Figure 4. Percentage of women aged 18–44 who had ever adopted a child, by selected characteristics: United States, 2011–2015

Characteristic	Number (thousands)	Percent (standard error)	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
Age group				
18–24	10	0.1 (0.05)	0.0	0.3
25–34	113	0.5 (0.15)	0.3	0.9
35–44	269	1.3 (0.30)	0.9	2.1
Hispanic origin and race				
Hispanic	18	0.2 (0.07)	0.1	0.4
Non-Hispanic white	187	0.6 (0.13)	0.4	0.9
Non-Hispanic black	84	1.1 (0.40)	0.6	2.3
Fertility problems				
No	271	0.6 (0.12)	0.4	0.9
Yes	121	1.6 (0.52)	0.8	3.0
Number of previous live births				
None	191	0.9 (0.24)	0.5	1.5
One	66	0.6 (0.22)	0.3	1.3
Two or more	135	0.6 (0.14)	0.4	1.0

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