

Data Brief 387. Births in the United States, 2019

Data table for Figure 1. General fertility rates, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2018 and 2019

Race and Hispanic origin	2018	2019
All races and origins ¹	59.1	58.3
Non-Hispanic, single race ² :		
White	56.3	55.3
Black	62.0	61.4
Hispanic ³	65.9	65.3

¹Includes births to race and origin groups not shown separately, such as Hispanic single-race white, Hispanic single-race black, and non-Hispanic multiple-race women, as well as births with origin not stated.

²Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. In this table, non-Hispanic women are classified by race. Race categories are consistent with 1997 Office of Management and Budget standards. Single race is defined as only one race reported on the birth certificate.

³Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

NOTE: General fertility rates are births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 in a specified group.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

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Data table for Figure 2. Prenatal care beginning in the first trimester, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2018 and 2019

Race and Hispanic origin	2018	2019
All races and origins ¹	77.5	77.6
Non-Hispanic white ²	82.5	82.8
Non-Hispanic black ²	67.1	67.6
Hispanic ³	72.7	72.1

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Data table for Figure 3. Medicaid as source of payment for the delivery, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2018 and 2019

Race and Hispanic origin	2018	2019
All races and origins ¹	42.3	42.1
Non-Hispanic white ²	30.0	29.4
Non-Hispanic black ²	65.3	65.1
Hispanic ³	58.9	59.0

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Data table for Figure 4. Preterm birth rates, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2018 and 2019

Race and Hispanic origin	Preterm ¹	Early preterm ²	Late preterm ³
All races and origins ⁴			
2018	10.02	2.75	7.28
2019	10.23	2.77	7.46
Non-Hispanic white ⁵			
2018	9.09	2.26	6.83
2019	9.26	2.27	6.99
Non-Hispanic black ⁵			
2018	14.13	4.90	9.23
2019	14.39	4.94	9.45
Hispanic ⁶			
2018	9.73	2.56	7.17
2019	9.97	2.61	7.36

¹Preterm is less than 37 completed weeks of gestation.

²Early preterm is less than 34 completed weeks of gestation.

³Late preterm is births at 34–36 completed weeks of gestation.

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