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Births and Birth Rates

During 1975, 3,144,198 live births were registered in the United States. This represented a decrease of 0.5 percent from the 3,159,958 in 1974. Provisional data for the first 10 months of 1976 indicate a further decline of less than 1 percent from the same period in 1975.

The birth rate also declined, from 14.9 live births per 1,000 population in 1974 to 14.8 in 1975, the lowest rate ever recorded in the United States.

The fertility rate reached a record low for the fourth consecutive year at 66.7 live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years. This was 2.5 percent below the rate of 68.4 observed in 1974. The present rate is 46 percent below the rate of 122.7 observed in 1957 at the height of the post-war baby boom. The fertility rate has decreased each year since 1957 except 1969 and 1970 when slight increases occurred. Provisional data through October 1976 show a further decline of 2.4 percent below that for the same period of 1975.

The decline in fertility is also reflected in lower rates for all age-of-mother groups from 15-19 through 40-44 years and for all birth orders. Within the group 15-19 years there are small differences in the decline: among teenagers 15-17 years the rate declined 3 percent, from 37.7 in 1974 to 36.6 in 1975, while among older teenagers 18-19 years the rate declined 4 per-



cent, from 89.3 to 85.7. For other age groups the declines ranged from 2 to 4 percent. The only increase was for girls aged 10-14 years (8 percent), who accounted for only 0.4 percent of all births, while the rate for women aged 45-49 years remained unchanged. By live-birth order, the largest declines (from 5 to 13 percent) were for the fourth and higher order births. Other decreases were between 1 and 2 percent.

There were, however, three age-birth order categories for which increases occurred: first order births to women 25-29 and 30-34 years (less than 1 percent and 4 percent, respectively) and second order births to women 30-34 years (2 percent). These increases probably represent previously postponed births. Rates were unchanged within some age-birth order categories for which they were already low (younger women with high birth orders and older women with low birth orders). Decreases were generally highest among fourth and higher order births regardless of age of mother.

In 1975 the fertility rate for white women was 63.0 births per 1,000 women and 89.2 for Negro women. The differential between the rates for white and Negro women increased as a result of the larger decline for white than for Negro women. In the recent past (1965 to 1974), however, the differential between these rates has narrowed each year except during 1970-72.

Numbers of births decreased in the New England, East North Central, Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, and East South Central Divisions, with the largest decrease (3 percent) found in the South Atlantic Division. Increases in numbers ranged from 1 percent to almost 2 percent for the remaining four geographic divisions. Numbers of births decreased in 28 States and the District of Columbia and increased in 22 States.

Birth rates increased by less than 1 percent in the West North Central and West South Central Divisions and decreased for the remainder of the divisions except for the Pacific, for which the rate was unchanged. The largest decreases were for the South Atlantic (5 percent) and New England (3 percent) Divisions. Rates decreased in 31 States and the District of Columbia, increased in 15 States, and were unchanged in 4 States.

Sex Ratio of Births

In 1975 the sex ratio of births was 1,054 males per 1,000 females. This ratio varies little from year to year and is consistently higher for white births than for Negro births. In 1975 the ratio was 1,059 for white births and 1,030 for Negro births.

Month of Birth

Table 7 shows the final numbers of births in 1975 by month of birth and race and the observed and seasonally adjusted fertility rates.

Attendant at Birth

In 1975, 98.7 percent of all live births were classified as having been delivered by physicians in hospitals. Physicians outside of hospitals delivered 0.4 percent, and midwives and other and unspecified persons delivered the remaining 0.9 percent.

Age of Father

The birth rate for men decreased 2 percent, from 55.5 births per 1,000 men aged 15-54 years in 1974 to 54.4 in 1975. The rates for white and Negro men also decreased, from 51.5 to 50.3 for white men and from 84.2 to 83.0 for Negro men. The highest rate for white men (121.8) occurred among those aged 25-29 years, while for Negro men the highest rate (170.6) was found among those aged 20-24 years.

Declines in birth rates for men were observed for all age groups except 55 years and over, where the rate remained the same. Declines ranged from 1 to 5 percent with the largest decline found among men aged 20-24 years.

Weight at Birth

Low-birth-weight infants are those who weigh 2,500 grams (5 pounds 8 ounces) or less at birth. In 1975, 7.4 percent of all live births



were in this category, the same proportion as in 1974. The proportion of low-birth-weight infants was over twice as high among Negro births (13.1 percent) as among white births (6.3 percent).

In 1975 the median birth weight was 3,320 grams, or about 7 pounds 5 ounces. White infants had a median weight of 3,360 grams compared with 3,140 grams for Negro infants, a difference of over 7 ounces.

Multiple Births

During 1975 there were 60,258 live births in multiple deliveries (twins, triplets, etc.) resulting in a multiple birth ratio of 19.2 live births in multiple deliveries per 1,000 total live births. For white births the ratio was 18.5 and for Negro births it was 23.1.

Illegitimate Births

National estimates of the number of illegitimate births are based on information reported on the birth certificates of 38 States and the District of Columbia.

There were an estimated 447,900 illegitimate births in 1975, an increase of 7 percent over the previous year. This increase resulted mainly from a sharp increase of 11 percent among white births. This was the third consecutive year in which an increase occurred for this racial group. Negro illegitimate births increased almost 5 percent between 1974 and 1975.

The number of illegitimate births increased for almost every age group with particularly large increases for women 20-24 and 25-29 years (9 and 12 percent, respectively). A decline was found for women 35-39 years (1 percent) due solely to a decrease among Negro women in this age group. There was no change among women aged 40 years and over. Much larger increases were found among white women (6 to 14 percent) than among Negro women (1 to 9 percent).

The illegitimacy rate, a measure of the probability of having an illegitimate birth, increased 3 percent, from 24.1 illegitimate births per 1,000 unmarried women in 1974 to 24.8 in 1975. This increase followed decreases for 4 consecutive years and was a result of the 7-percent increase in the rate for white women (11.8 in 1974 to 12.6 in 1975). At the same time the illegitimacy rate among Negro women decreased 1 percent, from 86.6 to 85.6. E

The illegitimacy rate for teenagers continued to increase in 1975 (4 percent); in addition, the rate for women aged 20-24 years increased for the first time since 1970. Rates for the other age groups declined or remained unchanged. Among white women the rate increased for all age groups under 35 years with the largest increase (9 percent) for teenagers 15-19 years. The rate decreased 2 percent for women aged 35-39 years and was unchanged for women 40 years and over. However, among Negro women, the rate increased only for those aged 40 years and over (7 percent). There was no change for Negro teenagers 15-19 years, and decreases for the age groups 20-24 to 35-39 years ranged from 1 to 16 percent.

The illegitimacy ratio increased nearly 8 percent during 1975, to 142.5 illegitimate births per 1,000 total live births. For white births the ratio increased almost 12 percent to 73.0, while for Negro births the increase was nearly 4 percent, to 487.9.

Interval Since Last Live Birth

The date of last live birth, reported by 42^o States and the District of Columbia in 1975, is used to compute the interval since last live birth for second and higher order births.

The mean interval since last live birth increased from 43.9 months in 1974 to 44.6 months in 1975. Among white births the increase was from 44.0 to 44.6 months, and for Negro births, from 43.7 to 45.1 months.

The mean interval since last live birth was shortest for second order births (41.2 months), increased with rising birth order through fifth order births (52.5 months), and subsequently decreased to 44.5 months for eighth and higher order births.

The proportion of second and higher order births occurring within 24 months of the previous live birth decreased slightly, from 26.3 in 1974 to 26.2 percent in 1975, due to the de-



crease for Negro births (from 32.1 percent in 1974 to 30.8 percent in 1975). Among white births there was a slight increase, from 25.0 in 1974 to 25.1 in 1975.

In general, as birth order increased the proportion of births occurring within 24 months of the previous birth increased, ranging from 25.5 percent for second births to 33.5 percent for eighth and higher order births.

Educational Attainment of Mother and Father

During 1975, 42 States and the District of Columbia required reporting of educational attainment of parents on the birth certificate. Among live births in these reporting areas, 71.4 percent were born to mothers who had completed 12 years or more of formal education in public schools or the equivalent in accredited private or parochial schools. The proportion of births that occurred to fathers in this educational category was 78.3 percent. The proportion of births to parents with at least 12 years of school has increased while the proportion to those with 8 years or less has decreased every year since educational attainment data became available in 1969. Births to mothers in this lower educational category accounted for 5.8 percent of all births while births to fathers in this category accounted for 6.2 percent.

As in previous years a large racial differential was observed for education of parents. While 75.0 percent of white births occurred to women with 12 years or more of schooling only 54.9 percent of Negro births were to women in this category. A smaller racial differential existed for education of father: 79.6 percent of white births were to fathers with at least 12 years of school compared with 68.2 percent of Negro births. The racial differential has decreased each year since 1969 for both mothers and fathers.

The median number of years of school completed by women giving birth in 1975 was 12.5 for white women and 12.1 for Negro women; for fathers the comparable medians were 12.7 and 12.4, respectively. The median varied by age, increasing from 11.2 among women aged 15-19 years to 12.8 among those aged 25-29 and 30-34 years, and then decreasing to 12.3 among women aged 40 years and older. Since the younger mothers are not old enough to have completed as many years of school, a wide variation was also found within the age group 15-19 years. The median ranged from 9.9 years for mothers aged 15 years to 12.2 years for mothers aged 19 years. Similar patterns were found for both racial groups. Although the median for the age group 15-19 years was lower for Negro than for white mothers, for each single year of age 15 to 19 the median was the same or higher for Negro mothers. This apparent discrepancy is due to the larger proportion of Negro mothers at the younger ages within the age group 15-19 years in comparison to white mothers.

The median number of years of school completed by mothers was 12.5 for first order births, increased to 12.6 for second order births, and then decreased to 10.7 for eighth and higher order births.

Month of Pregnancy Prenatal Care Began

In 1975, 42 States and the District of Columbia required reporting of the month in which prenatal care began. Only 1.3 percent of infants were born to mothers having no prenatal care, a decrease from 1.4 percent the previous year. The proportion of births to mothers beginning care during the first 3 months of pregnancy increased from 72.1 to 72.4 percent between 1974 and 1975.

Slightly over three-quarters of all white births were to mothers who began care during the first trimester in contrast to just over half of all Negro births.

The trimester in which prenatal care began varied by age of mother. The proportion of infants born to mothers who began prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy increased from a low of 30.9 percent among mothers under 15 years to a high of 81.5 percent among those aged 25-29 years, and then decreased with age to 60.3 percent among mothers 40 years and over. A similar pattern was found for both racial groups.

Number of Prenatal Visits

In 1975 the reporting area for number of prenatal visits included 38 States and the District of Columbia. The median number of prenatal visits for mothers who had some prenatal care was 10.8 in 1975 compared with 10.7 in 1974. Medians for white births increased from 11.0 to 11.1 in 1975 and for Negro births from 8.9 to 9.1.

The number of prenatal visits is correlated with the trimester of pregnancy in which prenatal care began in the 37 States and the District of Columbia in which both items were reported. When prenatal care began during the first trimester the median number of prenatal visits per birth was 11.9; during the second trimester, 8.5; and during the third trimester, 4.6. Much of the racial differential found for the median number of visits can be attributed to differences in the timing of the first prenatal visit. In 1975 the median number of visits by trimester for white births was 12.0, 8.8, and 4.9, respectively, and for Negro births, 10.7, 7.5, and 4.2, respectively.

Period of Gestation

A premature infant is one born before 37 weeks of gestation. In 1975, 40 States and the District of Columbia measured length of gestation from the first day of the mother's last normal menstrual period (LMP). During 1975 there was an increase of almost 5 percent in the proportion of births that were premature (8.9 percent in 1975 compared with 8.5 percent the previous year). Over twice as high a proportion of Negro infants (16.1 percent) as white infants (7.6 percent) were classified as premature.

Of all births in the LMP reporting areas, 35.1 percent were born at 37-39 weeks gestation; 22.4 percent, at 40 weeks; 24.9 percent, at 41-42 weeks; and 8.7 percent were born at 43 weeks or more gestation.

SOURCES OF DATA

Data shown in this report for 1975 are based on 100 percent of the birth certificates from Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New York (exclusive of New York City), North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and Wisconsin, which provided data through the Cooperative Health Statistics System. Data from the remaining areas are based on a 50-percent sample of the birth certificates filed in those areas.

This report presents summary tabulations from the final natality statistics for 1975. More detailed tabulations for 1975 will be published in *Vital Statistics of the United States, Volume I - Natality.* Prior to the publication of that volume, the National Center for Health Statistics will respond to requests for unpublished data whenever possible.

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Table 1. LIVE BIRTHS, BIRTH RATES, AND FERTILITY RATES, BY RACE: UNITED STATES, 1950, 1955, 1960, AND 1965-75

[Birth rates per 1,000 population in specified group. Fertility rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years in specified group]

		Number				Birth	rate		Fertility rate				
Year	Total	White	A11 c	ther	Total	White	A11 c	ther	Total	White	All o	ther	
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REGISTERED BIRTHS1													
1975 ² 1974 ² 1972 ² 1970 ³ 1970 ⁴ 1970 ² 1970 ⁴ 1970 ⁵ 1970 ⁵ 1970 ⁶ 1980 ⁸ 1986 ⁸ 1980 ⁸ <td< td=""><td>3,144,198 3,159,958 3,135,965 3,255,411 3,555,970 3,731,336 5,600,206 3,501,564 3,502,959 3,606,274 3,606,274 3,760,358 4,257,850</td><td>2,575,792 2,551,030 2,655,558 2,919,746 3,091,264 2,993,614 2,912,224 2,922,502</td><td>592,202 584,166 585,935 602,853 636,224 640,122 606,592 589,340 598,457 613,044 636,498 657,106</td><td>511,581 507,162 512,597 531,329 564,960 572,362 543,132 531,152 543,976 558,244 581,126 602,264</td><td>14.8 14.9 15.6 17.2 18.4 17.8 17.5 17.8 16.4 19.4 23.7</td><td>13.8 14.0 13.9 14.6 16.2 17.4 16.9 16.6 16.8 17.4 18.3 22.7</td><td>21.2 21.4 21.9 22.9 24.7 25.1 24.4 24.2 25.0 26.1 27.6 32.1</td><td>20.9 21.0 21.5 22.6 24.5 25.3 24.0 23.9 24.9 25.9 27.5 31.9</td><td>66.7 68.4 69.2 73.4 81.8 87.9 86.5 85.7 87.6 91.3 96.6 118.0</td><td>63.0 64.7 65.3 69.2 77.5 84.1 82.4 81.5 83.1 86.4 91.4 113.2</td><td>89.3 91.0 94.3 100.3 109.5 113.0 114.8 114.9 119.8 125.9 133.9 153.6</td><td>89.2 90.6 94.3 100.5 110.1 115.4 113.6 114.0 119.7 125.7 133.9 153.5</td></td<>	3,144,198 3,159,958 3,135,965 3,255,411 3,555,970 3,731,336 5,600,206 3,501,564 3,502,959 3,606,274 3,606,274 3,760,358 4,257,850	2,575,792 2,551,030 2,655,558 2,919,746 3,091,264 2,993,614 2,912,224 2,922,502	592,202 584,166 585,935 602,853 636,224 640,122 606,592 589,340 598,457 613,044 636,498 657,106	511,581 507,162 512,597 531,329 564,960 572,362 543,132 531,152 543,976 558,244 581,126 602,264	14.8 14.9 15.6 17.2 18.4 17.8 17.5 17.8 16.4 19.4 23.7	13.8 14.0 13.9 14.6 16.2 17.4 16.9 16.6 16.8 17.4 18.3 22.7	21.2 21.4 21.9 22.9 24.7 25.1 24.4 24.2 25.0 26.1 27.6 32.1	20.9 21.0 21.5 22.6 24.5 25.3 24.0 23.9 24.9 25.9 27.5 31.9	66.7 68.4 69.2 73.4 81.8 87.9 86.5 85.7 87.6 91.3 96.6 118.0	63.0 64.7 65.3 69.2 77.5 84.1 82.4 81.5 83.1 86.4 91.4 113.2	89.3 91.0 94.3 100.3 109.5 113.0 114.8 114.9 119.8 125.9 133.9 153.6	89.2 90.6 94.3 100.5 110.1 115.4 113.6 114.0 119.7 125.7 133.9 153.5	
1955	4,097,000 3,632,000	3,485,000 3,108,000	613,000 524,000	558,251 466,718	25.0 24.1	23.8 23.0	34.5 33.3	31.0	118.3 106.2	113.7 102.3	154.3 137.3	126.9	

¹Beginning 1970, excludes births to nonresidents of the United States.
 ²Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Sources of Data.
 ⁶Based on a 50-percent sample of births.

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Table 2. LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER, LIVE-BIRTH ORDER, AND RACE: UNITED STATES, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Live-birth order refers to number of children born alive to mother. Figures for age of mother not stated are distributed]

						Age of ma	other				
Live-birth order and race	Total	Under	15	5-19 years	3						
		15 years	Total	15-17 years	18-19 years	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years
Total	3,144,198	12,642	532,235	227,270	354,968	1,093,676	936,786	375,500	115,409	26,319	1,628
First child Second child	1,319,126 985,726 441,404	11,976 296 13	451,586 103,893	197,377	254,209 80,435	516,528 397,647	269,688 357,796	56,677 105,598	10,901	1,671 2,468	99 110
Fourth child	183,925 82,148	15 3 -	14,901 1,760 208	1,916 155 21	12,985 1,605 187	123,406 32,180 7,835	71,366 26,682	93,042 55,614 28,790	21,253 19,461 14,916	2,978 3,405 3,541	123 136 176
Sixta child Seventh child Eighth child and over	40,918 22,163 31,464	-	22 13 36	1 2	21 11 36	1,815 522 257	10,165 3,902 2,441	15,346 8,286 8,681	10,569 6,946 12,513	2,850 2,333 6,875	151 161 661
White	37,324 2,551,996	354 5,073	9,819 410,129	4,340 148,344	5,479 261,785	13,486 894,676	9,058 809,906	3,466 318,149	932 93 ,2 66	198 20,560	11 1,237
First child	1,075,597 821,770	4,888 66	329,151 66,544	132,600 12,416	196,551 54,128	442,849 327,501	239,412 318,594	48,794 92,126	9,056 14,797	1,361 2,046	86 96
Third child Fourth child Fifth child	357,461 143,054 61,214	8 - -	7,346 675 80	763 42 6	6,583 633 74	88,929 19,468 3,916	159,036 55,840 18,618	81,638 47,533 23,054	17,954 16,543 12,437	2,450 2,883 2,960	100 112 149
Sixth child Seventh child Eighth child and over	29,443 15,263 19,622		7 3 18	- -	7 1 18	844 222 121	6,336 2,271 1,232	11,426 5,706 5,005	8,438 5,127 8,180	2,279 1,805 4,620	113 129 446
Not stated	28,572 592,202	111 7,569	6,305 172,109	2,515 78,926	3,730 93,183	10,826	7,567	2,867 57,351	734	156 5,759	6 391
First child Second child	243,529 163,956	7,088 230	122,435 37,349	64,777 11,042	57,659 26,307	73,679 70,146	30,276 39,202	7,883 13,472	1,845 3,121	310 422	13 14
Third child Fourth child Fifth child	83,943 40,871 20,934	5 3 +	7,555 1,085 128	1,153 113 15	6,402 972 113	34,477 12,712 3,919	26,652 15,526 8,064	11,404 8,031 5,736	3,299 2,918 2,479	528 522 581	23 24 27
Sixth child Seventh child Eighth child and over	11,475 6,900 11,842	=	15 10 18	1	14 10 18	971 300 136	3,829 1,631 1,209	3,920 2,580 3,676	2,131 1,819 4,333	571 528 2,255	38 32 215
Not stated	8,752 511,591	243 7,315	3,514 161,044	1,825 74,946	1,689 86,093	2,660 175,915	1,491 100,966	599 43,567	198 17,579	42 4,859	5 336
First child Second child	210,432 138,890	6,842 226	114,000 35,126	61,300 10,600	52,700 24,526	63,004 62,162	20,297 30,120	4,895 8,911	1,169 2,034	214 299	11 12
Third child Fourth child Fifth child	72,501 35,932 18,646	5 2 -	7,282 1,041 127	1,126 113 15	6,156 928 112	31,463 11,752 3,722	22,358 13,661 7,203	8,565 6,679 4,968	2,418 2,341 2,092	393 433 510	17 23 24
Sixth child Seventh child Eighth child and over	10,231 6,162 10,696	-	15 8 15	1	14 8 15	924 291 120	3,461 1,503 1,122	3,400 2,290 3,365	1,893 1,578 3,882	507 469 2,001	31 23 191
Not stated	8,091	240	3,430	1,791	1,639	2,477	1,241	494	172	33	4

Table 3. BIRTH RATES BY AGE OF MOTHER, LIVE-BIRTH ORDER, AND RACE: UNITED STATES, 1975

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[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Rates are live births per 1,000 women in speci-fied age and racial groups. Live-birth order refers to number of children born alive to mother. Figures for age of mother and live-birth order not stated are distributed]

				~		Age of mo	ther				
Live-birth order and race	15-44 years ¹	10-14	1	5-19 years		20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
		years	Total	15-17 years	18-19 years	years	years	years	years	years	years
Total	66.7	1.3	56.3	36.6	85.7	114.7	110.3	53.1	19.4	4.6	0.3
First child Second child Third child Pourth child Firth child Sixth and seventh child Eighth child and over	28.4 21.2 9.5 3.9 1.8 1.4 0.7	1.2 7.0 0.0 7.0	44.4 10.2 1.5 0.2 0.0 0.0	32.4 3.9 0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0	62.3 19.7 3.2 0.4 0.0 0.0	54.8 42.2 13.1 3.4 0.8 0.2 0.0	32.1 42.5 22.1 8.5 3.2 1.7 0.3	8.1 15.1 13.3 7.9 4.1 3.4 1.2	1.8 3.0 3.6 3.3 2.5 3.0 2.1	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.6 0.9 1.2	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.1 0.1
- White	63.0	0.6	46-8	28.,3	74.4	109.7	110.0	52.1	18.1	4.1	0.2
First child Second child Third child Fourth child Fifth child Sixth and seventh child Eighth child and cver	26.9 20.5 8.9 3.6 1.5 1.1 0.5	0.6 0.0 7.0 - -	38.2 7.7 0.9 0.1 0.0 0.0 0.0	25.7 2.4 0.1 0.0 0.0 -	56.7 15.6 1.9 0.2 0.0 0.0	55.0 40.7 11.0 2.4 0.5 0.1 0.0	32.9 43.7 21.8 7.7 2.6 1.2 0.2	6.1 15.2 13.5 7.8 3.8 2.8 0.6	1.8 2.9 3.5 2.4 2.7 1.6	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.6 0.8 0.9	
All other	89.3	4.7	108.6	82.0	150.1	143.5	112.1	59.7	27.6	7.6	0.5
First child Second child Third child Fourth child Fifth child	37.3 25.1 12.8 6.2 3.2 2.6 1.8	4.6 0.1 0.0 - - -	78.9 24.1 4.9 0.7 0.1 0.0	68.9 11.7 1.2 0.1 0.0 0.0	94.6 43.1 10.5 1.6 0.2 7.0 0.0	53.8 51.3 25.2 9.3 2.9 0.9 0.1	26.8 34.8 23.6 13.8 7.2 4.8 1.1	8.3 14.2 12.0 8.5 6.0 6.8 3.9	2.3 3.9 4.2 3.7 3.1 5.5 5.5	0.4 0.6 0.7 0.7 0.8 1.5 3.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.1
Negro	89.2	5.1	113.8	86.6	156.0	145.1	105.4	54.1	25.4	7.5	0.5
First child	37.4 24.6 12.8 6.3 3.3 2.9 1.9	4.9 0.2 0.0 0.0	82.3 25.4 5.3 0.8 0.1 0.0 0.0	72.6 12.6 1.3 0.1 0.0 0.0	97.3 45.3 11.4 1.7 0.2 0.0 0.0	52.7 52.0 26.3 9.8 3.1 1.0 0.1	21.5 31.8 23.6 14.4 7.6 5.2 1.2	6.1 11.2 10.7 8.4 6.2 7.1 4.2	1.7 3.0 3.5 3.4 3.0 5.1 5.1	0.3 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 1.5 3.1	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.1 0.3

¹Rates computed by relating total births, regardless of age of mother, to women aged 15-44 years.

Table 4. TOTAL SERTILITY RATES, AND BIRTH RATES BY AGE OF MOTHER: UNITED STATES, 1960 AND 1965-75

[Total fertility rates are the sums of birth rates by age of mother multiplied by 5. Birth rates are live births per 1,000 women in specified group, enumer-ated as of April 1 for 1960 and 1970 and estimated as of July 1 for all other years. Figures for age of mother not stated are distributed]

	Total	Age of mother											
Year	fertility rate	Under 15 years	15-19 years	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years				
1975 ¹ , ² 974 ¹ , ²	1,799.0 1,856.6	1.3	56.3 58.1	114.7 119.0	110.3 113.3	53.1	19.4 20.2	4.6 4.8	0.3				
973 ¹ , ²	1,895.6	1.2	59.7 62.0	119.0 120.7 131.0	113.5	54.4 56.1 60.2	20.2 22.0 24.8	4.0 5.4 6.2	0.1				
970 ¹ , ⁸	2,021.9	1.1	64.7	150.6	134.8	67.6 73.3	24.8 28.7 31.7	8.1	0.				
9/0° 969 ³	2,480.0 2,465.0 2,476.8	1.0	68.3 66.1 66.1	167.8 166.0 167.4	143.1 143.0 140.3	74.1 74.9	33.4 35.6	8.8 9.6	0.				
900 ***********************************	2,572.6	0.9	67.9 70.6	174.0 185.9	142.6	79.3 85.9	38.5 42.2	10.6 11.7	0.				
965 ⁸	2,928.0	0.8	70.4 89.1	196.8 258.1	162.5 197.4	95.0 112.7	46.4	12.8	0. 0.				

¹Excludes births to nonresidents of the United States. ²Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Sources of Data. ³Based on a 50-percent sample of births. ⁴Based on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.

Table 5. BIRTH RATES BY LIVE-BIRTH ORDER: UNITED STATES, 1960 AND 1965-75

[Rates are live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years, enumerated as of April 1 for 1960 and 1970 and estimated as of July 1 for all other years. Figures for live-birth order not stated are distributed]

Year	Total	Live-birth order												
	10531	1	2	3	4	5	6 and 7	8 and over						
1975 ¹ , ²	66.7 68.4 69.2 73.4 81.8 87.9 86.5 85.7 87.6 91.3 96.6	28.4 28.9 28.8 29.9 32.1 34.2 32.8 32.1 30.8 31.0 29.8	21.2 21.5 21.1 21.5 23.1 24.2 23.4 22.5 22.6 22.5 23.4	9.5 9.6 9.8 10.7 12.5 13.6 13.4 13.2 13.9 14.8 16.6	3.9 4.2 4.5 5.3 6.4 7.2 7.4 7.5 8.3 9.2 10.7	1.8 1.9 2.2 2.7 3.3 3.8 4.0 4.2 4.8 5.4	1.4 1.5 2.2 2.8 3.2 3.5 3.9 4.5 5.2 6.0	0.7 0.8 0.9 1.2 1.5 1.8 2.0 2.3 2.7 3.2 3.7						

¹Excludes births to nonresidents of the United States. ²Eased on 100 percent of births in celected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Sources of Data. ³Eased on a 50-percent sample of births. ⁴Eased on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.

Table 6. LIVE BIRTHS BY SEX AND SEX RAT	O, BY RACE: UNITED STATES, 1960 AND 1965-75
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		Total			White			All othe	er	Negro			
Year	Male	Female	Males per 1,000 females	Male	Female	Males per 1,000 females	Male	Female	Males per 1,000 females	Male	Female	Males per 1,000 females	
1975 ¹ , ² 1974 ¹ , ² 1973 ¹ , ² 1972 ¹ , ² 1971 ¹ , ³ 1970 ¹ , ³ 1969 ³ 1969 ³ 1966 ³ 1966 ³ 1966 ³ 1960 ³ 	1,613,135 1,622,114 1,608,326 1,669,927 1,922,910 1,915,378 1,946,572 1,796,326 1,805,389 1,845,662 1,927,054 2,179,708	1,537,844 1,528,639 1,588,484 1,733,060 1,816,008	1,054 1,055 1,052 1,052 1,053 1,053 1,053 1,053 1,053 1,059 1,049	1,590,140 1,539,420 1,497,612 1,501,228 1,535,486	1,250,773 1,239,998 1,290,980 1,419,788 1,501,124 1,454,194 1,414,612	1,059 1,059 1,057 1,056 1,059 1,059 1,059 1,059 1,055 1,055 1,055	297,095 297,294 305,349 322,952 325,238 307,152 298,714	287,071 288,641 297,504 313,272 314,884 299,440 290,626 296,297 302,668 313,866	1,032 1,035 1,030 1,026 1,031 1,023 1,028 1,028 1,028 1,028 1,028 1,028	257,277 259,877 268,842	252,720 262,487 278,530 281,854 268,624 262,188 269,652 275,970	1,030 1,030 1,028 1,024 1,024 1,024 1,022 1,025 1,017 1,025 1,026 1,016	

¹Excludes births to nonresidents of the United States. ²Pased on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Sources of Data. ³Pased on a 50-percent sample of births. ⁴Pased on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.

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Table 7. LIVE BIRTHS BY MONTH AND RACE, AND BIRTH AND FERTILITY RATES BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population for specified month. Birth rates based on the total population. Fertility rates based on women aged 15-44 years]

			Number		Obs	erved	Seasonal	lly adjusted
Konth	Total	White	All o	ther	Birth	Fertility	Birth	Fertility
		white	Total	Negro	rate	rate	rate	rate
Total	3,144,193	2,551,996	592,202	511,581	14.8	66.7		
January	259,173 238,153 261,609 250,992 261,572 255,734 279,744 279,937 273,750 267,841 249,907 265,787	203,167 193,404 213,717 206,212 214,738 203,572 226,399 225,643 221,369 216,802 201,440 214,533	50,006 44,749 47,891 44,780 46,834 47,162 53,345 54,294 52,331 51,039 48,467 51,254	43,615 38,850 41,616 38,484 40,100 40,481 46,299 47,033 45,261 43,957 41,203 44,083	14.4 14.6 14.5 14.4 14.6 15.5 15.5 15.6 14.8 14.2 14.6	65.3 66.3 65.7 65.0 69.7 69.7 70.3 66.4 63.9 65.7	14.8 14.8 15.1 15.1 15.0 14.9 14.6 14.6	67.3 67.3 67.2 68.2 68.3 67.6 67.2 65.8 65.6 65.3 64.7 65.7

Table 8. LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE AND BIRTH RATES: UNITED STATES, EACH DIVISION AND STATE, 1975

[By place of residence. Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Rates per 1,000 estimated midyear population in each area]

		Number		Birth			Number		Birth
Division and State	Total	White	Negro	rate	Division and State	Total	White	Negro	rate
United States	3 144 198	2,551,996	511.581	14.2	South Atlantic-Con.				
oni bea statesser-asser-asser-	3,14,130	2,001,000		1.4.1	Virginia	70,124	52,974	15,960	14.1
					West Virginia	28,086	26,886	1,090	15.6
New England	148.024	137,327	9,091	12.1	North Carolina	80,926	55.057	23,827	14.8
Maine	15,279	15,087	62	14.4	South Carolina	46,697	28,046	18.345	16.6
New Hampshire	11,049	10,911	55	13.5	Georgia	79,990	51,562	27,962	16.2
Vermont-	6,745	6,691	16	14.3	Florida	105,732	77,761	26,911	10.2
Massachusetts	68,309	63,177	4,302	14.3	FIOTLOR	103,752	(1,101	يتلقر وع	16.1
Rhode Island	10,727	10,012	4, 502 587	11.6	East South Central	218,920	158,686	59.011	16.2
Connecticut	35,915	31,449	4.069	11.6	Kentucky	54,680	49,766	4,669	16.1
Connecticuteressessessessessessesses	33,813	51,445	4,069	1 11.0	Tennessee	62,347	49,766	13,507	14.9
Middle Atlantic	477,114	386,400	83,355	12.8	Alabama	58,086	37,862	20,074	14.9
New York	236,178	183,770	47,513	13.0		43,807			18.7
New Jersev	91.862			12.6	Mississippi	43,807	22,721	20,761	1 79.1
		73,432	17,074		W at fault gauge at	700 740	000 717	73 870	
Pennsylvania	149,074	129,198	18,768	12.6	West South Central	360,749	282,717	71,772	17.3
					Arkansas	34,457	25,454	8,523	16.3
East North Central	609,690	510,270	92,629	14.9	Louisiana	67,933	40,876	26,683	17.9
Ohio	158,701	136,673	20,900	14.8	Oklahona	42,694	34,682	4,246	15.7
Indiana	82,433	73,240	8,764	15.5	Texas	215,665	181,705	32,320	17.6
Illinois	169,420	130,482	35,895	15.2	J ,				J
Michigan	133,963	109,570	23,240	14.6	Mountain	176,801	160,203	5,147	18.3
Wisconsin	65,173	60,305	3,830	14.1	Montana	12,058	10,774	66	16.1
] _]			i	Idaho	16,243	15,887	55	19.8
West North Central	245,750	244,122	16,187	14.7	Wyoming	6,962	6,686	78	18.6
Minnesota	56,444	53,991	1,116	14.4	Colorado	40,205	37,538	1,784	15.9
Iowa	41,378	40,212	840	14.4	New Mexico	21,036	17,568	546	18.3
Missouri	68,519	57,272	10,615	14.4	Arizona	39,578	33,426	1,532	17.8
North Dakota	10,596	9,824	93	16.7	Utah	31,663	30,655	140	26.3
South Dakota	11,250	9,744	53	16.5	Nevada	9,056	7,669	946	15.3
Nebraska	23,669	22,237	1,045	15.3					1
Kansas	33,894	30,842	2,425	15.0	Pacific	424,777	354,386	36,191	15.0
					Washington	50,782	46,158	1,877	14.3
South Atlantic	482,373	337,683	138,198	14.3	Oregon	33,392	31,561	759	14.6
Delaware	8,242	6,362	1,802	14.2	California	317,423	267,038	32,988	15.0
Maryland	52,817	37,721	13,986	12.9	Alaska	7,467	5,320	229	21.2
District of Columbia	9,759	1.314	8,315	13.6	Hawaii	15,713	4,311	338	18.2

Table 9. LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF FATHER, AGE OF MOTHER, AND RACE: UNITED STATES, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Figures for age of mother not stated are distributed]

						Age	of father	•				
Age of mother and race	Total	Under 15 years	15-19 years	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years	50-54 years	55 years and over	Not stated
Total	3,144,198	159	158,795	779,417	979,471	536,994	213,086	84,710	32,351	11,444	6,149	341,622
Under 15 years	12,642 562,238 1,093,676 936,786 375,500 115,409 26,319 1,628	81 57 11 6 2 2 2	2,746 135,885 18,967 985 164 38 10	863 225,520 497,083 50,384 4,720 745 97 5	132 39,680 383,657 512,059 39,169 4,246 509 19	45 7,824 67,181 261,717 184,604 14,436 1,143 44	17 2,279 16,312 50,969 94,363 46,042 3,021 83	6 802 5,412 14,011 24,549 29,372 10,368 190	3 381 2,070 5,353 8,091 9,404 6,369 680	- 152 867 2,027 3,112 2,983 1,969 334	2 109 472 1,135 1,596 1,708 992 135	8,747 169,549 101,644 38,140 15,130 6,433 1,841 138
White	2,551,996	78	128,670	658,197	861,545	467,926	178,251	69,141	25,840	8,668	4,174	149,506
Under 15 years	5,073 410,129 894,676 808,906 318,149 93,266 20,560 1,237	20 43 7 4 2 2 2 -	1,488 109,961 16,172 866 141 32 10	609 184,145 426,596 42,255 3,869 630 88 5	87 32,343 332,785 459,193 33,286 3,417 417 17	31 6,216 55,484 230,223 163,105 11,912 918 37	13 1,763 12,780 41,672 80,690 38,846 2,418 69	6 597 4,069 11,051 20,166 24,511 8,575 166	293 1,539 4,174 6,551 7,552 5,200 531	101 663 1,506 2,368 2,289 1,487 254	1 73 307 783 1,085 1,167 667 91	2,818 74,594 44,274 17,179 6,886 2,908 780 67
Negro	511,581	72	27,290	106,815	95,747	50,931	25,541	12,243	5,230	2,280	1,399	184,033
Under 15 years	7,315 161,044 175,915 100,966 43,567 17,579 4,859 336	55 13 2 2 - -	1,222 23,614 2,353 83 14 4	236 37,483 62,122 6,298 589 79 8 -	41 6,316 43,075 41,526 4,169 570 49 2	14 1,316 9,067 22,889 15,712 1,763 165 5	4 429 2,828 6,519 9,755 5,532 465 9	- 167 1,107 2,260 3,284 3,873 1,534 18	3 75 441 900 1,227 1,480 971 133	- 39 164 416 638 551 406 66	1 31 206 359 399 260 38	5,739 91,561 54,651 19,867 7,820 3,328 1,002 65

Table 10. BIRTH RATES BY AGE OF FATHER: UNITED STATES, 1960 AND 1965-75

[Rates are live births per 1,000 men for specified group. Figures for age of father not stated are distributed. Beginning 1970, excludes births to non-residents of the United States]

	10.54	Age of father											
Year	15-54 years ¹	15-19 years ²	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years	50-54 years	55 years and over			
1975 ⁹	54.4 55.5 56.1 59.4 66.3 71.5 70.1 73.5	21.1 21.9 22.5 23.3 23.7 25.6 24.1 22.1	97.8 102.8 105.6 114.3 130.7 146.6 143.6 	126.6 131.3 132.2 139.6 161.5 175.0 172.9 	82.7 84.9 86.8 92.4 104.1 112.3 111.8 	40.1 40.8 42.5 46.6 53.1 57.6 58.5 68.2	16.6 16.8 17.9 19.9 22.7 24.9 25.5 	6.1 6.2 6.6 7.3 8.1 9.1 9.3 12.0	2.1 2.2 2.2 2.5 2.8 3.1 3.3 4.2	0.4 0.4 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.6			
1965 ⁴	77.4 94.8	20.0 21.5	163.2 202.2	193.7 232.6	131.8 154.2	73.9 87.4	34.0 42.6	13.2 16.7	4.7	0.0			

¹Rates computed by relating total births, regardless of age of father, to men aged 15-54 years. ²Rates computed by relating births to fathers under 20 years of age to men aged 15-19 years. ³Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent cample of births in all other States; see Sources of Data. ⁴Based on a 50-percent cample of births.

Table 11. LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTH WEIGHT, AGE OF MOTHER, AND RACE: UNITED STATES, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States]

							Birth	weight ¹					
Age of mother and race	Total	500 grams or less	501- 1,000 grams	1,001- 1,500 gramc	1,501- 2,000 grams	2,001- 2,500 grams	2,501- 3,000 grams	3,001- 3,500 grams	3,501- 4,000 grams	4,001- 4,500 grams	4,501- 5,000 grams	5,001 grams or more	Not stated
Total	3,144,198	3,278	13,467	19,552	44,618	150,712	561,186	1,188,982	859,487	243,439	43,467	5,731	10,279
Under 15 years 15-19 years 20-24 years 30-34 years 30-34 years	12,642 582,238 1,093,676 936,786 375,500 115,409 26,319 1,623	40 800 1,080 800 402 128 25 3	176 3,567 4,319 3,303 1,483 509 104 6	174 5,581 6,318 4,436 2,053 795 182 13	388 11,572 14,890 10,550 4,787 1,889 515 37	1,002 36,339 51,141 37,775 16,550 6,037 1,659 109	3,360 126,468 197,779 151,101 59,327 18,546 4,327 278	4,923 229,544 422,209 349,664 134,469 39,049 8,633 491	2,114 133,367 298,524 275,624 109,627 32,722 7,069 440	380 29,018 79,629 83,115 36,469 11,837 2,766 175	30 3,889 12,933 15,163 7,759 2,882 754 57	4 349 1,430 2,018 1,208 528 179 15	51 1,694 3,434 3,237 1,366 387 106 4
White	2,551,996	2,044	8,661	12,760	30,338	105,549	413,157	960,649	746,514	219,442	39,484	5,075	8,324
Under 15 years 15-19 years 20-24 years	5,073 410,123 894,676 808,906 319,149 93,266 20,560 1,237	7 419 706 540 284 69 16 3	57 1,930 2,778 2,425 1,040 346 81 4	68 3,219 4,053 3,264 1,497 536 113 10	140 6,734 10,201 7,976 3,530 1,303 357 32	299 20,960 36,047 29,711 12,771 4,490 1,195 75	1,057 77,155 147,841 122,449 47,265 14,055 3,142 193	2,034 162,864 344,152 300,144 113,217 31,174 6,706 353	1,131 106,859 260,857 247,354 96,517 27,698 5,755 343	247 25,030 72,156 76,425 32,775 10,317 2,339 154	18 3,442 11,837 14,039 6,959 2,513 628 49	2 291 1,284 1,811 1,070 455 150 12	13 1,226 2,764 2,769 1,164 305 79 4
Negro	511,591	1,186	4,557	6,364	13,320	41,341	130,892	195,747	93,649	19,169	3,146	521	1,700
Under 15 years 15-19 years 20-24 years 30-34 years	7,315 161,044 175,915 100,966 43,567 17,579 4,859 336	33 379 364 240 107 54 9	113 1,585 1,478 818 394 147 20 20 2	101 2,287 2,149 1,043 484 238 61 1	244 4,697 4,407 2,279 1,026 518 144 5	691 14,843 14,017 6,901 3,104 1,353 403 29	2,246 46,963 45,120 22,780 9,128 3,567 1,007 71	2,782 62,215 68,709 38,601 15,687 6,052 1,593 108	931 23,870 32,007 21,718 9,938 3,987 1,107 91	125 3,362 6,073 5,162 2,816 1,248 363 19	9 347 858 860 640 299 106 7	2 52 124 168 95 51 26 3	38 444 609 376 148 65 20

¹Equivalents of the gram weight in terms of pounds and ounces are as follows:

500 grams or less=1 lb. 1 oz. or less 501-1,000 grams = 1 lb. 2 oz. - 2 lb. 3 oz. 1,001-1,500 grams = 2 lb. 4 oz. - 3 lb. 4 oz. 1,501-2,000 grams = 3 lb. 3 oz. - 4 lb. 6 oz. 2,001-2,500 grams = 4 lb. 7 oz. - 5 lb. 8 oz. 2,501-3,000 grams = 5 lb. 9 oz. - 6 lb. 9 oz.

3,001-3,500 grams = 6 lb. 10 oz. - 7 lb. ll oz. 3,501-4,000 grams = 7 lb. 12 oz. - 8 lb. 13 oz. 4,001-4,500 grams = 8 lb. 14 oz. - 9 lb. 14 oz. 4,501-5,000 grams = 9 lb. 15 oz. - 11 lb. 0 oz. 5,001 grams or more = 11 lb. 1 oz. or more

Table 12. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS, ILLEGITIMACY RATES, AND ILLEGITIMACY RATIOS, BY AGE OF MOTHER AND RACE: UNITED STATES, 1975

[National estimates based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other of the 39 States and the District of Columbia which require reporting of legitimacy status. Figures for age of mother not stated are distributed]

		Numb	erl			er 1,000 n specifi	unmarried ed group	. women	Ratio	Ratio per 1,000 live births			
Age	Total	All other		Total	White	All o	ther	Total	All o		ther		
	10641	White	Total	Negro	TOTAL	White	Total	Negro	TOTAL	White	Total	Negro	
All ages	447,900	186,400	261,600	249,600	² 24.8	² 12.6	² 80.4	² 85.6	142.5	73.0	441.7	487.9	
Under 15 years	11,000	3,600	7,500	7,200					870.1	709.6	990.9	984.3	
15-19 years	222,500	93,900	128,600	123,800	24.2	12.1	88.1	95.1	382.1	229.0	747.2	768.	
15 years	23,800	9,500	14,300	13,800					711.5	519.4	943.2	947.1	
16 years	41,400	17,400	24,000	23,200					558.4	369.6	886.8	896.4	
17 years	51,600		29,600	28,500					431.1	265.1	806.5	826.0	
18 years	55,600	23,600	31,900	30,600					342.6	201.7	704.7	726.2	
20-24 years	50,200 134,000	21,400	28,800 79,500	27,600 75,600	31.6	15.7	103.8	100.0	260.5	147.8	601.1	627.9	
25-29 years	50,200	21,200	29,000	27,100	28.0	15.1	75.3	109.9 78.1	122.5 53.6	60.9 26.2	399.5 226.8	429.8	
30-34 years	19,800	8,600	11,200	10,500	18.1	10.0	48.7	51.0	52.7	27.0	195.3	268.4 241.0	
35-39 years	8,100	3,600	4,500	4,200	9.1	5.4	20.1	20.3	70.2	38.6	203.1	238.9	
40 years and over	2,300	1,000	1,300	1,200	32.6	31.5	37.0	37.2	82.3	45.9	211.4	231.0	

¹Due to rounding estimates to the nearest hundred, figures by race may not add to totals. ²Rates computed by relating total illegitimate births, regardless of age of mother, to unmarried women 15-44 years. ³Rates computed by relating illegitimate births to mothers aged 40 years and over to unmarried women aged 40-44 years.

Table 13. LIVE BIRTHS BY INTERVAL SINCE LAST LIVE BIRTH, LIVE-BIRTH ORDER, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to second and higher order births occurring within the areas reporting date of last live birth to residents of these areas. Live-birth order refers to number of children born alive to mother]

	Total, second and			Li	ve-birth ord	ler		
Interval since last live birth and race	higher order births ¹	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 and over
Total	1,419,450	786,097	350,694	145,415	64,664	31,538	16,921	23,121
0 months	19,036 23,468 142,671 166,414 308,361 230,791 158,929 99,774 190,557	6,135 12,407 74,465 94,861 191,755 142,021 88,807 50,297 75,000	5,955 5,976 35,871 39,127 67,599 53,288 41,415 28,519 57,865	2,975 2,638 16,240 16,590 25,535 19,000 15,446 11,174 29,008	1,405 1,179 7,245 7,173 10,668 7,798 6,471 4,932 14,548	694 570 3,700 3,645 5,297 3,809 2,987 2,251 7,007	343 310 1,938 1,931 3,060 2,054 1,676 1,160 3,464	3,665
Not stated	79,449 1,155,585	50,349 658,254	15,179 285,584	6,809 113,793	3,245 48,552	1,578 22,888	985 11,762	1,304 14,752
0 months	14,418 16,559 109,210 135,115 258,921 194,338 131,942 81,727 152,794 60,561	$\begin{array}{r} 5,036\\ 9,264\\ 59,235\\ 79,257\\ 165,816\\ 122,656\\ 75,220\\ 41,613\\ 59,835\\ 40,322 \end{array}$	4,907 4,098 27,499 31,458 55,595 44,517 34,617 23,795 48,060 11,038	2,342 1,704 11,864 12,900 20,192 15,074 12,367 9,069 23,578 4,704	1,045 732 4,972 5,369 8,131 5,939 4,959 3,824 11,449 2,133	519 327 2,472 2,685 3,952 2,824 2,194 1,725 5,176 1,014	247 175 1,257 1,351 2,309 1,462 1,203 778 2,417 563	322 259 1,911 2,095 2,926 1,866 1,383 924 2,279 787
Negro	221,376	105,370	54,929	27,268	14,133	7,604	4,562	7,510
0 months	3,174 5,981 27,974 25,780 40,335 29,890 22,764 15,436 33,140 16,902	957 2,702 12,424 12,513 20,530 15,458 11,296 7,410 13,229 8,851	887 1,533 6,988 6,394 9,947 7,280 5,711 3,974 8,492 3,723	557 808 3,746 3,107 4,487 3,336 2,647 1,802 4,816 1,962	340 396 1,978 1,560 2,181 1,552 1,315 965 2,768 1,038	154 217 1,073 857 1,169 838 691 457 1,632 516	81 118 602 480 670 529 422 347 928 385	198 207 1,163 869 1,351 857 682 481 1,275 427

¹Excludes not stated birth order.

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Lotisiana, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Virginia, which did not require reporting of date of last live birth.

Table 14. LIVE BIRTHS BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF MOTHER AND FATHER, BY RACE OF CHILD: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

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[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting educational attainment to residents of these areas]

Years of school completed		Mother		Father				
	Total	White	Negro	Total	White	Negro		
Total	2,272,342	1,823,156	395,930	2,272,342	1,823,156	395,930		
0-5 years	17,221 13,671 19,819	13,520 10,167 13,456	2,513 2,634 5,742	19,747 14,752 15,653	15,647 11,966 12,491	3,167 2,303 2,818		
8 years 9 years 10 years	78,010 118,290 188,205	58,193 84,257 133,498	17,434 31,170 50,510	70,649 66,788 111,892	55,647 90,702	8,475 9,833 19,095		
11 years 12 years	200,250 993,760 149,581	132,940 822,584 128,758	62,867 153,665 18,069	123,123 806,534 116,531	93,616 683,550 102,854	27,074 106,903 11,245		
14 years	129,823 57,563 185,437	110,395 50,079 167,021	16,104 5,851 12,383	157,144 60,021 213,605	102,834 139,001 52,644 197,494	14,612 5,921 10,721		
17 years and over	67,818 52,894	59,129 39,159	4,588	168,969 326,934	154,865	6,405 167,358		

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Arkansas, California, Idaho, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington, Which did not require reporting of educational attainment of mother and father.

Table 15. LIVE BIRTHS BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF MOTHER, AGE OF MOTHER, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

Eased on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting educational attainment to residents of these areas. Figures for age of mother not stated are distributed

			Years of so	hool completed	l by mother	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Age of mother and race	Total	C-8 years	9-11 years	12 years	13-15 years	16 years and over	Not stated
Total	2,272,342	128,721	506,745	993,760	336,967	253,255	52,894
Under 15 years	9,449 419,397 24,370 53,733 68,441 116,972 137,876 786,707 680,912 272,705 83,246	6,457 33,075 6,783 6,360 6,413 6,729 6,799 32,794 26,541 16,460 9,513	2,516 231,111 16,553 44,504 63,993 57,199 49,857 152,288 69,636 33,269 14,172	- 135,038 170 1,330 13,605 43,493 71,409 419,856 291,550 106,560 33,225	9,763 27 195 1,822 7,724 130,207 133,705 45,223 10,941	- 102 - - 102 34,865 139,052 64,070 13,177	476 10,333 864 1,517 2,229 2,729 2,994 16,697 15,428 7,124 2,218
40 years and over	19,925 1,823,156	3,891	3,753	7,561	2,123	1,989	2,218 618 39,159
Under 15 years	3,465 286,819 12,569 32,552 58,198 82,111 101,289 635,836 585,644 229,512 66,651 15,229	2,493 23,983 3,993 4,425 4,911 5,270 5,384 25,863 20,764 12,455 7,074 2,663	793 152,717 8,022 26,533 42,967 39,790 35,275 110,848 50,724 23,570 9,674 2,364	97,814 94 791 8,885 53,661 348,058 251,835 90,957 27,658 6,266	5,955 21 117 947 4,870 108,653 123,651 29,769 9,309 1,821	81 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	169 6,269 3300 822 1,318 1,721 2,018 12,452 12,452 5,712 1,655
Negro	395,930	28,323	144,547	153,665	40,023	1,695 16,971	420 12,401
Under 15 years	5,804 124,549 11,367 20,251 26,654 32,551 33,726 135,225 78,076 34,379 13,799 4,098	3,831 8,403 2,656 1,810 1,404 1,321 1,217 5,649 4,331 3,133 1,972 999	1,669 73,833 8,172 17,251 19,763 16,162 12,506 37,854 16,937 8,783 4,173 1,313	34,792 76 523 4,515 13,265 16,413 65,052 34,438 13,359 4,869 1,156	3,578 - 6 77 839 2,656 18,817 11,962 4,210 1,199 258	- 20 - 20 3,992 7,916 3,723 1,114 206	304 3,913 463 681 990 964 915 3,881 2,492 1,171 474 166

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Arkancas, California, Idaho, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington, which did not require reporting of educational attainment of mother.

Table 16. LIVE BIRTHS BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF MOTHER, LIVE-BIRTH ORDER, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting educational attainment to residents of these areas]

		Years of school completed by mother										
Live-birth order and race	Total	0-8 years	9-11 years	12 years	13-15 years	16 years and over	Not stated					
Total	2,272,342	128,721	506,745	993,760	336,967	253,255	52,894					
First child	947,000 713,028 319,633 132,477 58,833 28,635 15,330 21,089 36,317	41,107 30,016 20,661 12,862 8,093 5,124 3,329 6,336 1,193	220,322 133,902 72,008 36,249 17,815 9,227 5,091 6,785 5,346	407,000 333,031 145,795 56,503 22,911 9,928 4,880 5,573 8,139	144,816 115,780 46,022 15,969 5,923 2,623 1,162 1,315 3,359	118,121 88,982 29,977 8,592 2,962 1,144 548 555 2,373	15,634 11,317 5,170 2,302 1,129 589 320 526 15,907					
White	1,823,156	95,336	350,695	822,584	289,232	.226,150	39,159					
First child	764,711 589,511 256,108 100,918 42,470 19,696 9,559 11,992 27,791	29,453 23,994 16,324 9,756 5,630 3,517 2,130 3,516 816	155,463 96,989 49,927 23,594 10,791 5,249 2,632 2,760 3,290	340,386 279,562 119,667 44,733 17,469 7,367 3,552 3,870 5,978	123,273 100,771 39,634 13,524 4,991 2,174 965 1,067 2,833	104,960 79,798 26,822 7,750 2,658 1,037 510 501 2,114	11,176 8,397 3,734 1,561 731 352 170 278 12,760					
Negro	395,930	28,323	144,547	153,665	40 , 0 23	16,971	12,401					
First child	160,935 106,973 55,854 28,167 14,811 8,074 4,879 8,341 7,896	10,257 4,790 3,542 2,563 1,386 1,386 1,029 2,443 355	60,295 33,831 20,386 11,662 6,547 3,699 2,288 3,843 1,996	59,752 47,733 23,410 10,605 4,953 2,323 1,232 1,591 2,066	16,199 12,425 5,296 2,080 805 385 166 225 442	8,383 5,620 1,917 544 199 67 27 40 174	4,049 2,574 1,303 693 369 214 137 199 2,863					

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Arkansas, California, Idaho, New Mexico, Fennsylvania, Texas, and Washington, which did not require reporting of educational attainment of mother.

Table 17. LIVE BIRTHS BY MONTH OF PREGNANCY PRENATAL CARE BEGAN, AGE OF MOTHER, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting month of pregnancy prenatal care began to residents of these areas]

			Menti	n of pregnancy	prenatal care	began	
Age of mother and race	Total	lst or 2d month	3d month	4th-6th month	7th-9th month	No prenatal care	Not stated
Tota1	2,707,551	1,182,263	696,706	561,588	121,092	34,720	111,182
Under 15 years	11,051 502,613 943,758 8(5,009 322,342 99,030 23,748	1,493 133,286 417,605 421,154 159,975 40,965 7,785	1,696 122,020 247,239 210,210 84,094 25,584 5,863	4,960 171,523 183,358 116,103 52,289 21,776 6,579	1,673 40,900 40,423 21,523 10,067 4,738 1,763	510 11,021 11,910 6,118 2,987 1,632 642	719 23,863 38,318 29,901 12,330 4,335 1,116
White	2,194,058	1,023,671	579,003	403,774	83,233	21,983	82,384
Under 15 years	4,442 354,272 772,114 693,217 271,703 79,783 18,516	636 101,787 362,694 376,997 140,418 34,522 6,417	639 90,474 207,177 182,956 71,929 21,161 4,672	1,937 113,741 137,697 89,454 39,849 16,275 4,821	738 26,722 27,955 15,727 7,345 3,444 1,307	229 6,435 7,614 4,141 2,007 1,032 465	263 15,113 28,777 23,942 10,161 3,294 834
Negro	442,420	131,407	100,567	140,374	32,301	11,274	26,497
Under 15 years	6,333 138,683 151,659 87,736 38,263 15,270 4,417	833 29,262 47,826 33,598 13,939 4,757 1,137	1,029 29,601 35,162 21,215 9,055 3,511 994	2,526 54,229 45,453 21,624 9,365 4,633 1,544	882 12,921 10,578 4,453 2,031 1,011 375	262 4,232 3,751 1,648 803 446 127	451 8,443 8,688 5,198 2,365 912 240

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Idaho, Massachusetts, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, which did not require reporting of month of pregnancy prenatal care began.

Table 18. LIVE BIRTHS BY MONTH OF PREGNANCY PRENATAL CARE BEGAN AND RACE: TOTAL OF 42 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting month of pregnancy prenatal care began to residents of these areas]

Race	' Total	Month of pregnancy prenatal care began											
		lst or 2d month	3d month	4th month	5th month	6th month	7th month	Sth month	9th month	No prenatal care	Not stated		
Total	2,707,551	1,182,263	696,706	296,107	164 , 777	100,704	66,558	39,061	15,473	34,720	111,182		
White Negro	2,194,058 442,420	1,023,671 131,407	579,008 100,557	221,228 66,472	114,224 45,094	68,322 28,808	45,621 18,192	27,036 10,115	10,581 3,994	21,983 11,274	82,384 26,497		

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Idaho, Massachusetts, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, which did not require reporting of month of pregnancy prenatal care began.

Table 19. LIVE BIRTHS BY NUMBER OF PRENATAL VISITS AND RACE: TOTAL OF 38 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting the number of prenatal visits to residents of these areas]

Race	Total	Number of prenatal visits											
		NO visits	1-2 visits	3-4 visits	5-6 visits	7-8 visits	9-10 visits	11-12 visits	13-14 visits	15-16 visits	17-18 visits	19 visits or more	Not stated
Tota1	1,792,174	16,747	37,627	77,020	147,270	232,150	382,503	454,510	189,629	105,675	22,295	24,754	101,994
White Negro	1,435,771 310,506		20,579 14,790					395,472 49,623		91,124 12,560	19,364 2,494	20,437 3,891	74,120 26,247

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Fennsylvania, and Texas, which did not require reporting of number of prenatal visits.

Table 20. LIVE BIRTHS BY NUMBER OF PRENATAL VISITS, MONTH OF PREGNANCY PRENATAL CARE BEGAN, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 37 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting number of prenatal visits and month of pregnancy prenatal care began to residents of these areas]

						Nu	mber of p	renatal v	isits			r	
Month of pregnancy prenatal care began and race	Total	No visits	l-2 visits	3-4 visits	5-6 visits	7-8 visits	9-10 visits	ll-12 visits	13-14 visits	15-16 visits	17-18 visits	19 . visits or more	Not stated
Total	1,721,206	16,175	36,306	74,435	142,265	224,429	368,396	431,339	160,512	99,946	21,691	24,260	101,45
lst-2d month	738,751		2,679	7,129	22,227	63,472	150,009	252,816	123,680	70,766	15,766	17,760	12,44
3d month	446,015		2,722	9,004	32,362	65,337	127,742	129,677	42,492	21,412	4,348	4,396	6,52
4th-6th month	358,152		10,902	36,060	69,368	84,929	83,842	44,277	12,600	6,788	1,369	1,800	6,19
7th-9th month	74,489		19,038	21,060	16,679	8,783	4,026	1,958	657	337	67	124	1,760
No prenatal care	16,175	16,175				••••			•••				
Not stated	87,624		965	1,182	1,629	1,908	2,777	2,611	1,083	643	121	180	74,528
White	1,382,134	8,629	19,834	43,766	95,391	171,511	306,374	376,582	160,940	86,508	18,850	20,038	73,71
1st-2d month	638,286		1,433	4,199	15,554	50,597	129,132	225,017	111,452	62,415	13,947	15,073	9,46
3d month	370,141	[]	1,414	5,320	22,342	52,096	108,244	112,908	37,821	18,138	3,699	3,490	4,669
4th-6th month	251,763		5,265	20,213	44,972	61,218	63,950	34,958	10,223	5,139	1,069	1,232	3,52
7th-9th month	48,618		11,165	13,374	11,493	6,292	2,687	1,466	518	261	50	104	1,00
No prenatal care	8,629	8,629				••••		• • • •	•••				· · ·
Not stated	64,697	••••	557	660	1,030	1,308	2,161	2,233	926	555	85	139	55,04
Negro	294,348	6,379	14,239	27,272	41,613	46,119	53,357	45,704	15,797	11,522	2,416	3,800	26,13
lst-2d month	84,617		1,127	2,633	5,905	11,180	17,656	22,723	9,705	7,036	1,504	2,378	2,77
3d month	65,561		1,181	3,320	8,989	11,483	16,748	14,067	3,778	2,826	571	830	1,768
4th-6th month	94,678		5,081	14,364	21,849	20,860	17,381	8,163	2,059	1,515	295	536	2,57
7th-9th month	21,721		6,527	6,491	4,330	2,050	999	417	114	69	17	17	69
No prenatal care	6,379	6,379	••••	· · · ·	••••	· • • •			• • •				
Not stated	21,392	· · · ·	323	464	540	546	573	334	141	76	29	39	18,32

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Remnsylvania, Texas, and Virginia, which did not require reporting of both number of prenatal visits and month of pregnancy care began.

Table 21. LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTH WEIGHT, PERIOD OF GESTATION, AND RACE: TOTAL OF 40 REPORTING STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1975

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[Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States. Refers only to births occurring within the areas reporting the first day of last normal menstrual period (LEP) to residents of these areas]

							Birth	weight							
Period of gestation and race	Total	500 grams or less	501- 1,000 grams	1,001- 1,500 gramo	1,501- 2,000 grams	2,001- 2,500 grams	2,501- 3,000 grams	3,001- 3,500 grams	3,501- 4,000 grams	4,001- 4,500 grams	4,501- 5,000 grams	5,001 grams or more	Not stated		
Total	2,396,193	2,452	10,147	14,897	33,938	114,794	426,644	203,867	656,111	186,598	33,474	4,506	8,765		
Under 20 vecks	637 11,056 19,577 82,094 55,733 665,328 423,720 471,110 164,532 502,346	169 1,187 56 19 3 51 33 21 20 893	133 4,879 1,305 376 40 102 63 42 31 3,177	54 1,757 5,243 2,267 236 556 126 119 95 4,444	33 666 4,694 10,841 1,871 4,461 851 798 443 9,280	19 495 2,318 21,364 9,626 33,045 8,374 7,421 3,440 28,692	67 594 2,319 20,281 19,455 155,105 59,195 51,892 21,079 95,657	94 745 2,123 17,171 16,084 283,191 171,453 168,076 59,179 185,751	51 358 1,029 7,635 6,613 150,925 133,761 168,939 54,619 126,931	14 31 197 1,532 1,391 30,209 37,667 59,887 20,128 34,892	- 22 46 239 256 4,473 5,956 11,798 4,324 6,361	2 26 12 55 45 534 669 1,510 701 902	61 247 235 315 1,026 572 607 273 5,316		
White	1,923,947	1,506	6,344	9,559	22,701	79,039	308,803	721,514	565,799	167,281	30,261	3,954	7,186		
Under 20 weeks 20-27 weeks	416 7,067 12,691 56,203 40,872 527,217 356,211 407,695 138,120 377,395	90 793 32 11 - 34 27 18 17 484	62 3,276 828 213 20 63 33 28 18 1,803	25 1,093 3,581 1,489 168 365 66 63 53 2,651	26 363 3,223 7,630 1,314 3,029 603 526 302 5,679	11 268 1,359 15,392 6,931 23,218 5,959 5,370 2,469 18,052	37 325 1,303 13,356 14,255 115,311 45,071 40,193 15,553 63,399	73 431 1,273 11,013 11,731 225,473 141,975 141,614 49,437 139,294	37 242 7L7 5,476 5,033 127,755 121,973 151,549 48,166 104,846	11 72 146 1,162 1,063 26,776 34,030 55,255 18,323 30,443	- 13 36 178 221 3,897 5,403 10,973 3,971 5,564	- 15 7 40 35 492 577 1,400 634 754	44 170 176 243 96 804 494 501 232 4,426		
Negro	402,347	907	3,595	4,976	10,406	32,466	103,123	154,093	73,473	15,042	2,468	426	1,372		
Under 20 veeks	274 3,736 6,375 23,434 13,217 115,971 55,555 52,029 22,343 109,413	78 376 23 8 3 15 6 1 3 394	67 1,504 442 154 20 38 29 13 13 1,315	29 606 1,537 727 64 178 53 53 35 1,694	7 288 1,363 2,936 509 1,316 228 228 223 133 3,373	8 213 894 5,411 2,474 8,700 2,160 1,884 838 9,624	30 256 952 6,310 4,624 34,685 12,100 10,108 4,933 28,925	19 294 770 5,536 3,815 48,164 24,242 21,738 9,211 40,304	14 102 280 1,911 1,389 18,710 13,399 13,753 5,415 18,500	3 8 44 318 267 3,229 2,809 3,229 3,467 1,350 3,547	- 6 10 46 27 477 401 597 266 639	2 9 5 12 10 67 70 79 54	17 74 55 65 15 192 58 83 32 781		

NOTE: Excludes data for Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Idaho, Massachusetts, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin, which did not reguire reporting of first day of last normal menstrual period.

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 Data not available

 Category not applicable

 Quantity zero

 Quantity more than 0 but less than 0.05
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