Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana 2017-2019 **Maternal and Child Health Profile**

Teen Births

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
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Birth rate per 1,000 females 15-19 years of age	27.9	11.8	24.6	13.9	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%) ¹	16.7	*	*	*	n/a

Cesarean Delivery, Birth Spacing, and Prenatal Care

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Primary cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	29.6	21.9	26.4	24.0	23.9
Repeat cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)		90.5	95.5	92.4	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous live birth (%)	25.2	22.7	24.6	23.0	n/a
No prenatal care (%)	2.0	1.0	3.3	1.3	n/a
Entered prenatal care in 1st trimester (%)	71.8	76.5	68.5	72.2	n/a

Low Birth Rate and Preterm Births

		Non-Hispanic	Non-Hispanic		Healthy People
	LA	White	Black	All	2020 Target
Low birth weight newborn (%)	10.8	7.3	15.5	8.7	7.8
Preterm newborn (%)	12.9	10.8	12.7	11.0	11.4

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Fetal mortality rate ³	5.3	*	0	*	5.6
Infant mortality rate ⁴	7.7	*	*	*	6.0

Definitions and inclusion criteria for select indicators

Low Birth Weight:<2,500g at delivery (5.5 lbs) Preterm Birth: <37 completed weeks gestational age Fetal Death: stillborn with gestation ≥ 20 completed weeks or birth weight ≥ 350 grams
Infant Death: deaths to children under 1 year of age

Rates in some parishes may be unreliable due to small population size. Interpret these rates with caution.

Data Sources

2017-2019 Live births, fetal deaths and deaths: Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics

2017-2019 Population estimates: Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2019

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¹Rate of females 15-19 years of age who became pregnant and who had already been pregnant at least once before in their lives

² Low risk is defined as a pregnant woman who has a full term (37 up to 42 weeks), singleton, and vertex presentation baby

³Rate per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths

⁴Rate per 1,000 live births

^{*}Rates with numerator greater than zero and fewer than 5 are not reported