

Region 4, Louisiana 2016-2018 Maternal and Child Health Profile

Teen Births

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Birth rate per 1,000 females 15-19 years of age	28.9	23.4	44.5	31.4	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%) ¹	17.1	14.1	19.7	17.0	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 (%)	30.4	32.5	38.4	34.3	23.9
Repeat cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	91.1	93.6	96.7	94.7	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous live birth (%)	25.3	26.1	29.9	27.2	n/a
No prenatal care (%)	2.1	1.1	2.5	1.7	1.8
Entered prenatal care in 1 st trimester (%)	71.0	83.2	70.9	77.8	n/a

Low Birth Rate and Preterm Births

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Low birth weight newborn (%)	10.7	6.8	15.2	9.7	7.8
Preterm newborn (%)	12.8	9.6	16.5	12.0	11.4

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Fetal mortality rate ³	5.8	3.3	8.2	5.0	5.6
Infant mortality rate ⁴	7.8	4.7	11.4	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

Child and Adolescent Injury-Related Leading Causes of Death

Age at Death	Region 4		
	Leading Cause of Death	Second Leading Cause of Death	Third Leading Cause of Death
1-4 years	Motor Vehicle Crash	Drowning	Fire
5-9 years	*	*	*
10-14 years	Motor Vehicle Crash	Suicide	*
15-19 years	Motor Vehicle Crash	Homicide	Suicide
20-24 years	Motor Vehicle Crash	Homicide	Accidental Poisoning

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

²Low 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

Data Sources

2016-2018 Live births, fetal deaths and deaths:
Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics

2016-2018 Population estimates: *Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2018*