Allen Parish, Louisiana 2017-2019 **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	27.9	46.4	41.4	43.6	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%) ¹	16.7	18.6	*	19.6	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	33.5	40.9	34.3	23.9
Repeat cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	90.7	96.8	100.0	97.5	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous live birth (%)	25.2	30.6	30.3	30.1	n/a
No prenatal care (%)	2.0	*	*	*	n/a
Entered prenatal care in 1st trimester (%)	71.8	85.4	71.5	82.2	n/a

Low Birth Rate and Preterm Births

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target	
Low birth weight newborn (%)	10.8	7.7	16.5	9.4	7.8	
Preterm newborn (%)	12.9	10.6	13.9	11.2	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