

Vernon Parish, Louisiana 2010-2012 Maternal and Child Health Profile



Teen Births

	LA	Vernon				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Birth Rate, females 15-17 years of age ¹	20.7	23.9	35.7	**	23.9	n/a
Birth Rate, females 18-19 years of age ¹	81.7	137.9	119.0	165.0	136.9	n/a
Birth Rate, females 15-19 years of age ¹	45.1	69.5	69.0	73.3	69.1	n/a
Births to women under 20 (%)	11.5	10.7	12.5	9.3	10.5	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%)	19.1	18.5	19.0	**	18.1	n/a

Delivery Characteristics and Birth Spacing

	LA	Vernon				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Primary Cesarean among low risk ² women (%) ³	34.6	32.6	27.6	29.9	31.6	23.9
Repeat Cesarean among low risk ² women (%) ³	94.6	97.8	97.4	89.5	96.4	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous birth	25.9	26.4	28.8	30.9	27.5	n/a

Infant Health Indicators

	LA	Vernon				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Low birth weight (%)	10.8	8.0	16.4	5.3	9.0	7.8
Very Low birth weight (%)	2.1	1.2	4.1	**	1.7	1.4
Very low birth weight infants born at Level III hospitals or subspecialty perinatal centers (%)	87.7	88.5	84.2	**	81.5	n/a
Preterm Birth (%)	12.4	10.6	18.4	8.4	11.5	11.4
Very Preterm Birth (%)	2.3	1.4	3.7	1.9	1.8	1.8
Small for Gestational Age (%)	10.2	7.0	12.5	7.5	7.9	n/a

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Vernon				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Fetal ⁴	5.0	2.7	**	0.0	2.8	5.6
Perinatal ⁴	6.8	4.0	**	**	4.3	5.9
Neonatal ⁵	4.7	4.0	**	**	4.3	4.1
Postneonatal ⁵	3.3	4.9	0.0	0.0	3.4	2.0
Infant ⁵	8.0	8.9	**	**	7.7	6.0

Definitions and inclusion criteria for select indicators

Low Birth Weight: <2,500g at delivery (5.5 lbs)
Very Low Birth Weight: <1,500g at delivery (3.3 lbs)
Preterm Birth: <37 weeks gestational age
Very Preterm Birth: <32 weeks gestational age
Fetal Death: stillborn with gestation ≥ 20 weeks or birth weight ≥ 350 grams
Perinatal Death: fetal deaths plus deaths to infants under 7 days of age
Neonatal Death: deaths to infants under 28 days of age
Post Neonatal Death: deaths to infants that occur between 28 days and 365 days after birth
Infant Death: deaths to infants under 1 year of age

Child and Adolescent Mortality

Age at Death	LA	Vernon				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
1-4 years ⁶	37.7	**	0.0	0.0	**	25.7
5-9 years ⁶	15.7	**	0.0	0.0	**	12.3
10-14 years ⁶	20.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.2
15-19 years ⁶	70.6	98.7	**	0.0	86.8	55.7
20-24 years ⁶	116.3	106.1	**	0.0	78.4	88.5

Data Sources

2010-2012 live births, fetal deaths and deaths: Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics
 2010-2012 population estimates: *Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2012* Release Date: June 2015

¹Rate per 1,000 female population in specified age range

²Low risk is defined as a pregnant woman who has term (>37 weeks gestation), singleton, and non-breech presentation

³2010 data not included due to inability to combine variables used for calculation of measure from previous version of birth certificate

⁴Rate per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths

⁵Rate per 1,000 live births

⁶Rate per 100,000 population in specified age range

*Non-Hispanic

**Rates or percents with numerators greater than zero and less than 5 are not reported