Rapides Parish, 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	29.4	49.5	36.7	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%) ¹	17.1	20.4	14.6	17.3	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 risk² women (%)	30.4	40.5	42.8	41.3	23.9
Repeat cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	91.1	95.9	98.9	97.2	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous live birth (%)	25.3	24.6	29.0	26.2	n/a
No prenatal care (%)	2.1	1.7	2.3	2.0	1.8
Entered prenatal care in 1st trimester (%)	71.0	88.1	87.7	87.8	n/a

Low Birth Rate and Preterm Births

		Non-Hispanic Non-Hispanic			Healthy People
	LA	White	Black	All	2020 Target
Low birth weight newborn (%)	10.7	8.4	16.0	11.3	7.8
Preterm newborn (%)	12.8	10.9	16.8	12.9	11.4

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target
Fetal mortality rate ³	5.8	3.2	4.4	3.4	5.6
Infant mortality rate ⁴	7.8	3.5	9.9	6.1	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 with numerator greater than zero and fewer than 5 are not reported Rates in some parishes may be unreliable due to small population size. Interpret these rates with caution.

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

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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

³Rate per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths

⁴Rate per 1,000 live births