

Morehouse Parish, Louisiana 2013-2015 Maternal and Child Health Profile



Teen Births

	LA	Morehouse				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Birth Rate, females 15-17 years of age ¹	16.1	14.5	34.1	**	26.3	36.2
Birth Rate, females 18-19 years of age ¹	66.1	84.1	100.6	0.0	102.3	105.9
Birth Rate, females 15-19 years of age ¹	36.1	42.3	60.9	**	53.3	n/a
Births to women under 20 (%)	8.5	8.9	14.2	**	12.1	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%)	18.0	15.4	20.9	0.0	19.5	n/a

Delivery Characteristics and Birth Spacing

	LA	Morehouse				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Primary Cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	31.7	39.8	42.6	**	41.0	23.9
Repeat Cesarean among low risk ² women (%)	92.4	93.3	86.6	**	88.8	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous birth (%)	25.6	22.6	24.9	**	23.9	n/a

Infant Health Indicators

	LA	Morehouse				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Low birth weight (%)	10.7	7.8	16.3	**	12.9	7.8
Very Low birth weight (%)	2.0	**	2.8	**	1.9	1.4
Very low birth weight infants born at Level III hospitals or subspecialty perinatal centers (%)	81.9	**	38.9	0.0	42.9	n/a
Preterm Birth (%)	12.4	12.3	15.6	**	14.4	11.4
Very Preterm Birth (%)	2.2	**	3.0	**	2.0	1.8
Small for Gestational Age (%)	10.3	6.5	14.5	0.0	11.1	n/a

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Morehouse				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Fetal ³	5.7	0.0	**	**	**	5.6
Perinatal ³	9.3	0.0	7.9	**	**	5.9
Neonatal ⁴	4.7	0.0	7.9	0.0	4.5	4.1
Postneonatal ⁴	3.3	**	**	0.0	**	2.0
Infant ⁴	8.0	**	9.5	**	8.2	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	Morehouse				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
1-4 years ⁵	40.7	0.0	**	0.0	**	25.7
5-9 years ⁵	15.6	**	**	0.0	**	12.3
10-14 years ⁵	20.8	**	0.0	0.0	**	15.2
15-19 years ⁵	69.6	**	**	**	185.8	55.7
20-24 years ⁵	116.8	0.0	**	0.0	**	88.5

Data Sources

2013-2015 Live births, fetal deaths and deaths: Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics

2013-2015 Population estimates: Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015

2013-2015 Population estimates: Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2016

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

²Low risk is defined as a pregnant woman who has full a 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

⁵Rate 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
 Counts <20 can be unstable and subject to variations; interpret with caution