St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana 2017-2019 **Maternal and Child Health Profile**

Teen Births

		Non-Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	All	Healthy People
	LA	White	Black	All	2020 Target
Birth rate per 1,000 females 15-19 years of age	27.9	11.2	25.4	14.0	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%) ¹	16.7	8.3	11.6	9.5	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	27.8	34.1	28.5	23.9
Repeat cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	90.7	89.3	92.7	90.4	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous live birth (%)	25.2	23.4	26.9	23.5	n/a
No prenatal care (%)	2.0	.7	1.0	.9	n/a
Entered prenatal care in 1st trimester (%)	71.8	78.5	69.1	75.4	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	7.6	13.3	8.4	7.8	
Preterm newborn (%)	12.9	10.3	14.9	11.0	11.4	

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	All	Healthy People 2020 Target		
Fetal mortality rate ³	5.3	4.3	9.5	6.1	5.6		
Infant mortality rate ⁴	7.7	3.8	5.9	5.0	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