

# DELAWARE VITAL STATISTICS ANNUAL REPORT LIVE BIRTHS, 2016



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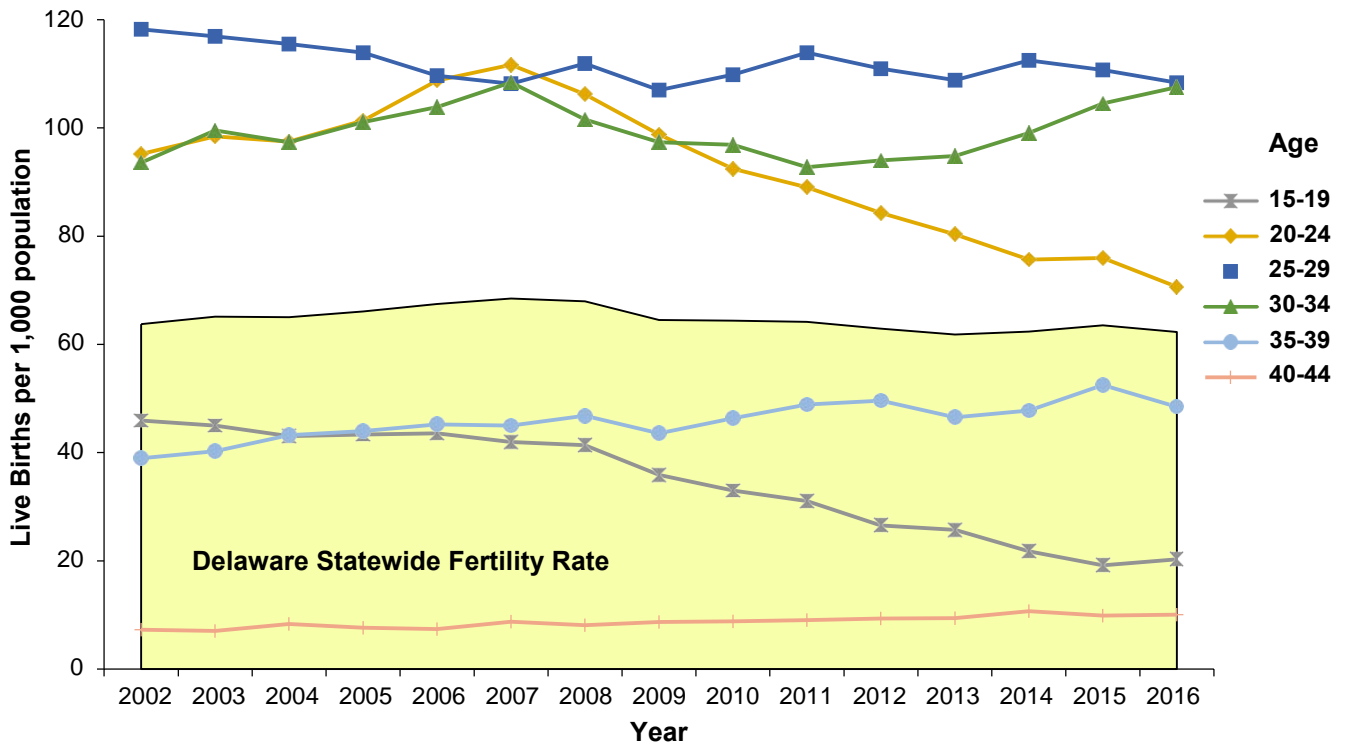
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## LIVE BIRTHS

In 2016, there were 11,415 births in Delaware; 10,461 were to Delaware residents and 954 were to non-residents. Additionally 506 births to Delaware residents occurred out of state, for a total of 10,967 Delaware resident births, 178 fewer Delaware resident births than in 2015.

The recent national declines in general fertility and live birth rates were also apparent in Delaware statistics. From 2007 to 2016, the general fertility rate (number of births per 1,000 women ages 15-44 years) declined from a high of 68.5 to 62.3 births per 1,000 women aged 15-44. The birth rate of teens (15-19) exhibited the largest decline at 51.7 percent, followed by a 36.7 percent decrease for women ages 20-24. Although birth rates for women ages 30-34 years increased by 14.4 percent between 2012 and 2016, the 2016 birth rate remains lower than the 2007 rate. For women ages 35-39, the birth rate decreased 2.3 percent between 2012 and 2016, while for women ages 40-44, the birth rate increased 7.9 percent

**Figure 8. Annual Fertility and Age-Specific Live Birth Rates, Delaware, 2002-2016**



Note: Age unit is in years.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

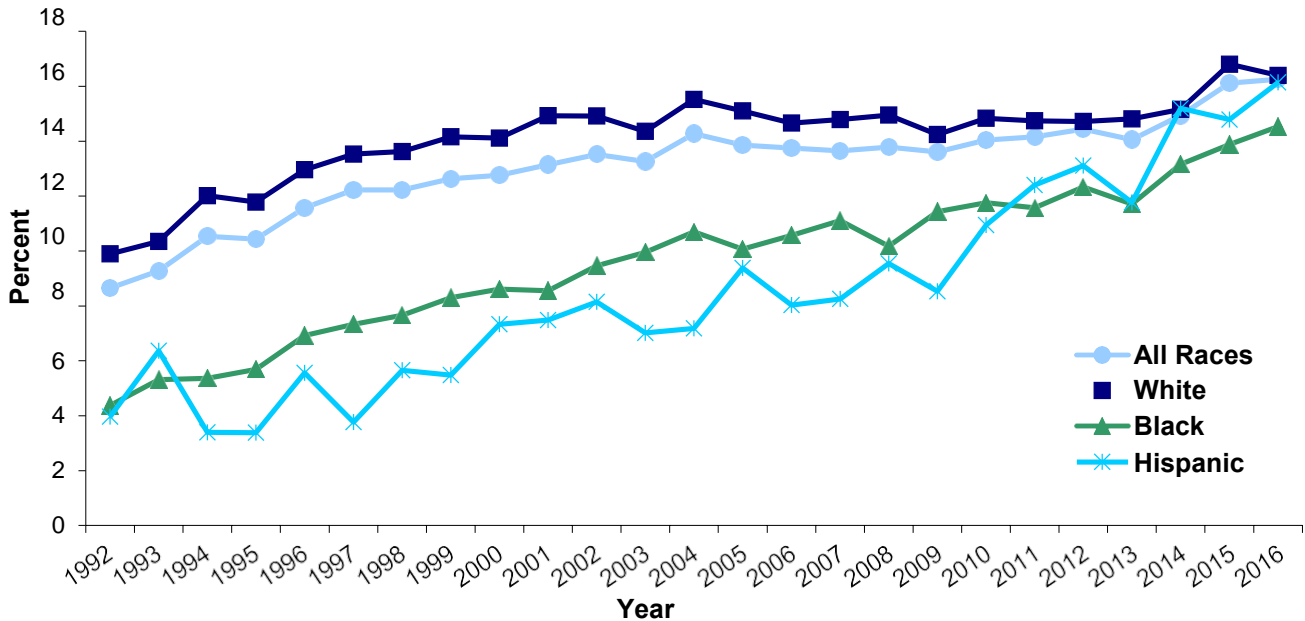
From 2012 to 2016, the decline in the number of births seen in teens ages 15-19 was apparent in both the 15-17 and 18-19 age groups. Birth rates among teens ages 15-17 decreased 28.4 percent while birth rates among teens 18-19 fell 18.6 percent. In the 2012-2016 time period, Sussex County had the highest birth rate for teens in both age groups, followed by Kent County.

To view long-term birth rate trends by more detailed age and race categories, see Tables C-5 through C-8 in the Live Births section of the annual report.

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Between 1992 and 2004, the percentage of births to women 35 and older exhibited a clear upward trend. The percentage then remained stable until 2009. In 2016, 16.3 percent of all births were to women 35 and older, a 19.4 percent increase since 2009.

**Figure 9. Annual Percent of Live Births to Women 35 or Older by Race and Hispanic Origin,\* Delaware, 1992-2016**

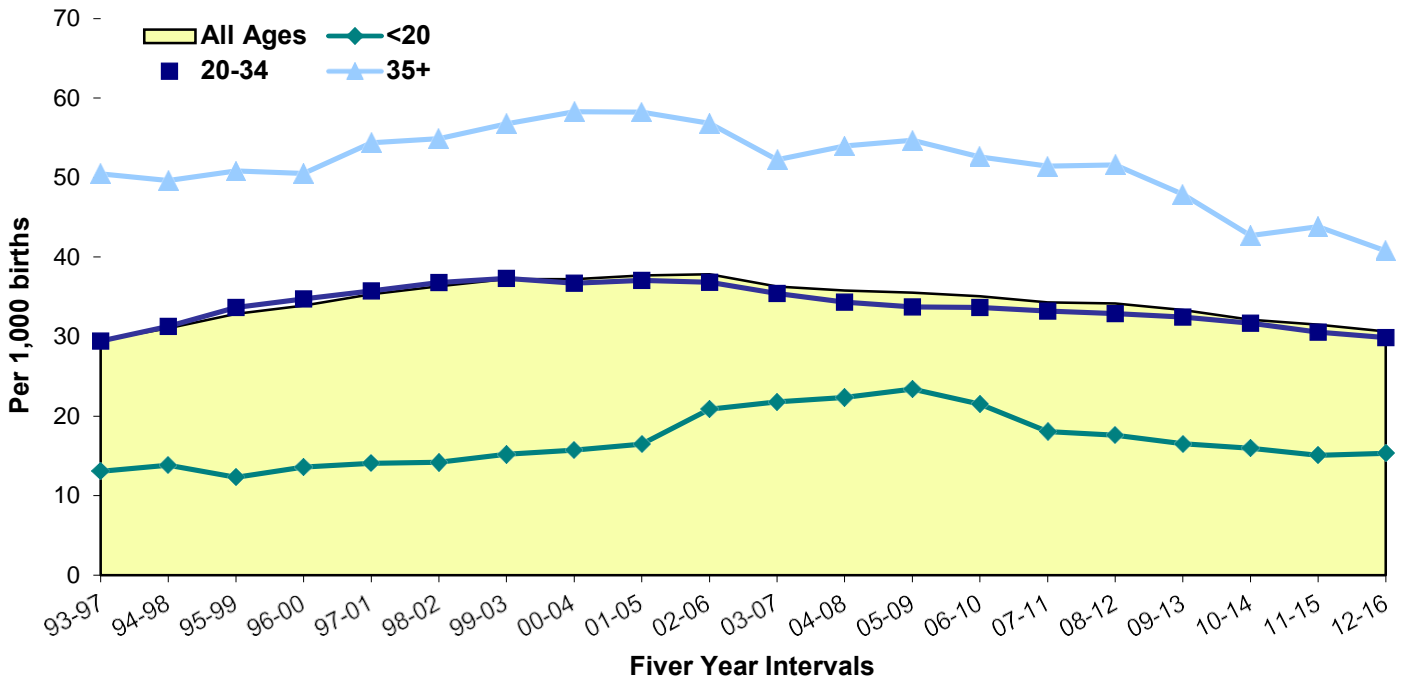


\*Note: Hispanic can be of any race

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

For mothers of all ages, the rate of plural births increased 10 percent between 1993-1997 and 2012-2016. In 2012-2016, older mothers (35+) had the highest plural birth rates, at 41 multiples per 1,000 births, almost three times that of mothers under 20, and 36 percent higher than mothers 20-34.

**Figure 10. Five-year Average Plural Birth Rate by Age of Mother, Delaware, 1993-2016**



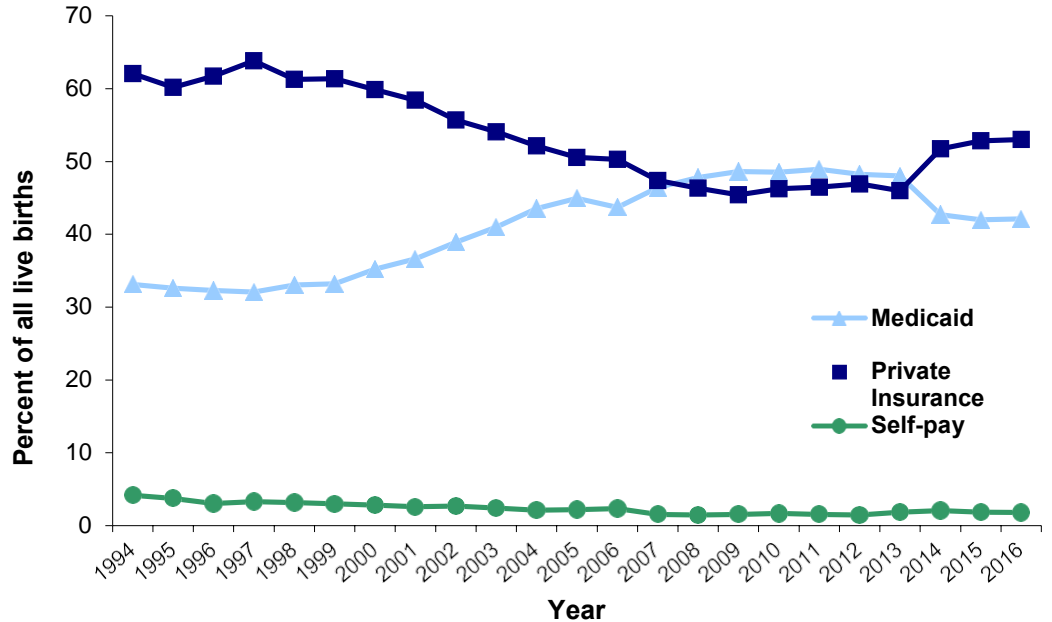
Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

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In 2016, 95 percent of live births had either private insurance or Medicaid listed as the primary source of payment; the remaining 5 percent were split between other government coverage and self-pay.

- In 2016, private insurance paid for more births than Medicaid.
- Medicaid was still the primary source of payment for the majority of mothers under 20, covering 79.6 percent of black mothers, and 73.5 percent of white mothers.

**Figure 11. Percent of Births by Source of Payment for Delivery, Delaware, 1994-2016**

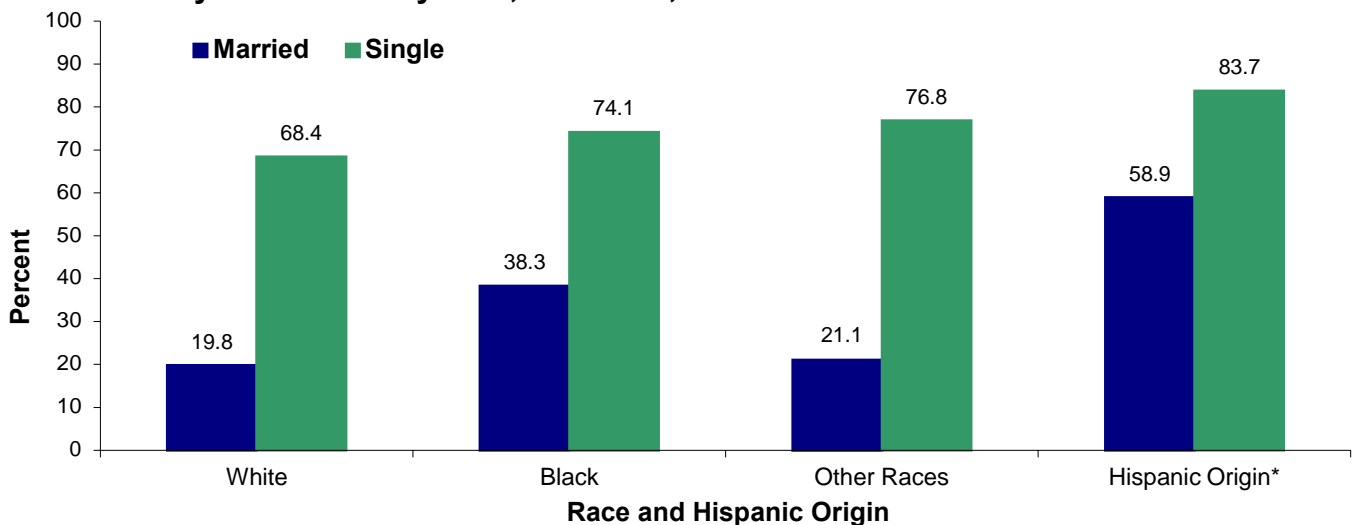


Source: Delaware Department of Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

Marital status has a tremendous effect on the use of Medicaid as the primary source of payment for delivery:

- The number of single white women who used Medicaid as their primary source of payment (68.4 percent) was more than triple that of white married women (19.8 percent).
- The number of single black women who used Medicaid as their primary source of payment (74.1 percent) was almost double that of black married women (38.3 percent).
- The number of single women of other races who used Medicaid as their primary source of payment (76.8 percent) was more than three times higher than among married women of other races (21.1 percent).
- The number of single Hispanic women who used Medicaid as their primary source of payment (83.7 percent) was significantly higher than Hispanic married women (58.9 percent).

**Figure 12. Percent of Births by Race, Hispanic Origin, Marital Status, and Medicaid as Primary Source of Payment, Delaware, 2016**



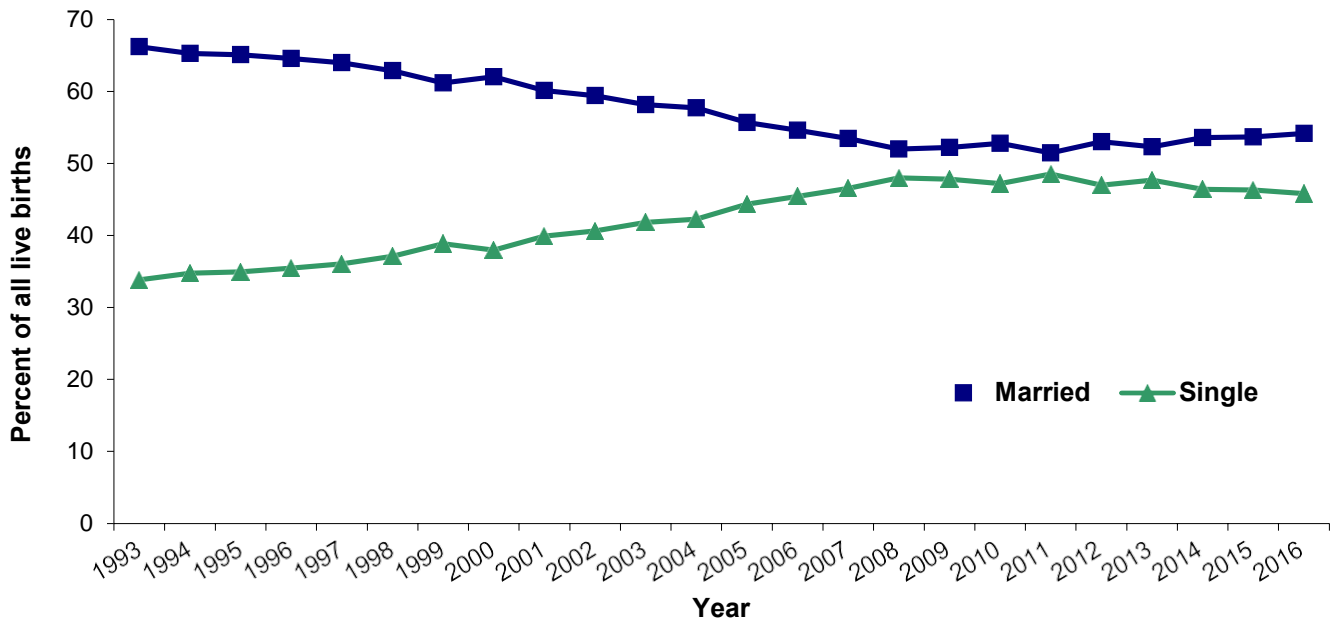
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Source: Delaware Department of Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

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After increasing steadily from 1993 to 2008, the percent of births to unmarried women stabilized. The number of births to unmarried women fell by 4.5 percent from 2008 to 2016, compared to a 4.2 percent increase in births to married women during that same time period. In 2016, 45.8 percent of all births were to unmarried women.

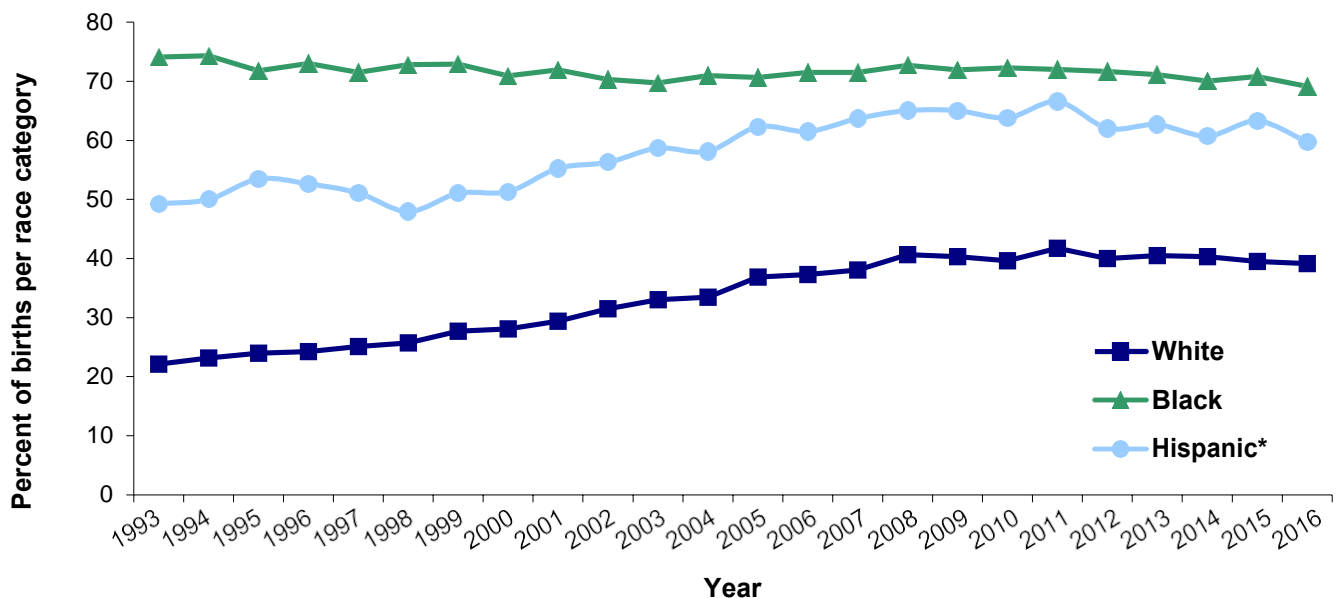
**Figure 13. Annual Percent of Births by Mother's Marital Status, Delaware, 1993-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

This shift in the distribution of mother's marital status was only apparent in births to white and Hispanic women. Between 1993 and 2016, the percentage of births to unmarried white women increased from 22 to 39 percent, and the percentage of births to unmarried Hispanic women rose from 49 to 60 percent. During the same time period, the percent of births to unmarried black women remained stable at approximately 70 percent.

**Figure 14. Percent of Live Births to Unmarried Women by Race and Ethnicity, Delaware, 1993-2016**



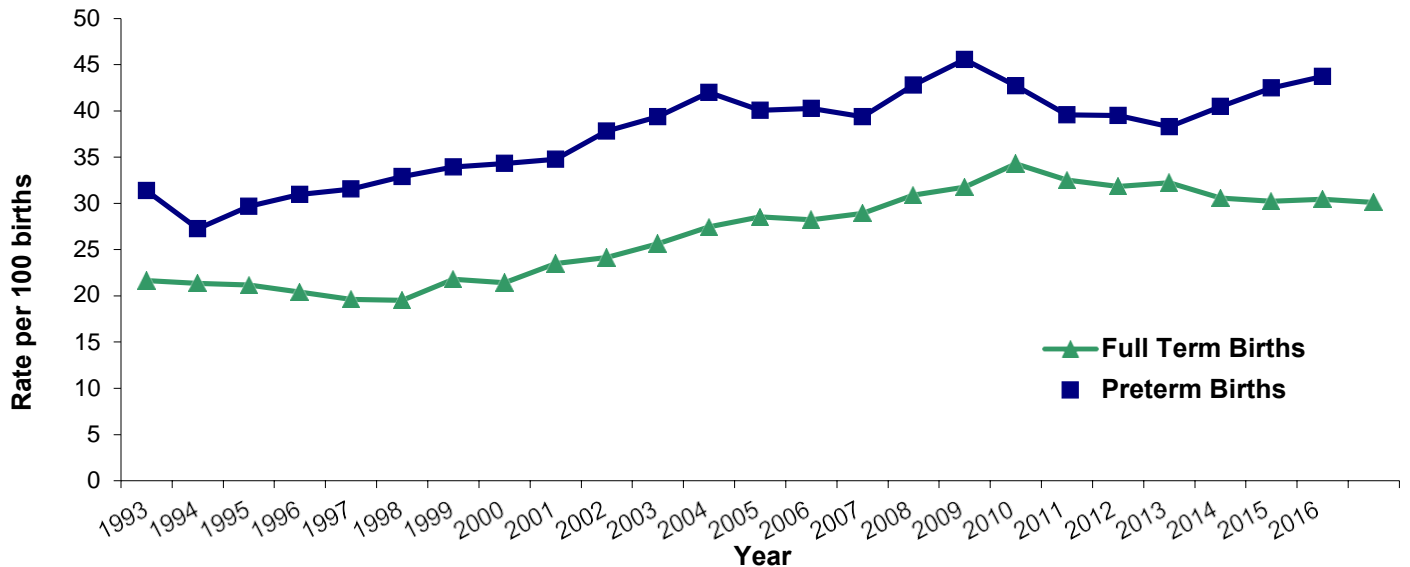
\*Note: Hispanic can be of any race

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

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From 1998 to 2016, the rate of cesarean deliveries increased 37.1 percent, to 31.8 per 100 live births, whereas vaginal births decreased only 11.1 percent. Since 1998, both preterm (<37 weeks gestation) and term (37+ weeks gestation) births had increases in cesarean delivery rates. Although term births demonstrated a greater increase in rates between 1998 and 2016, the C-section rate for preterm births remained higher at 43.7 per 100 preterm births, versus 30.1 per 100 term births in 2016.

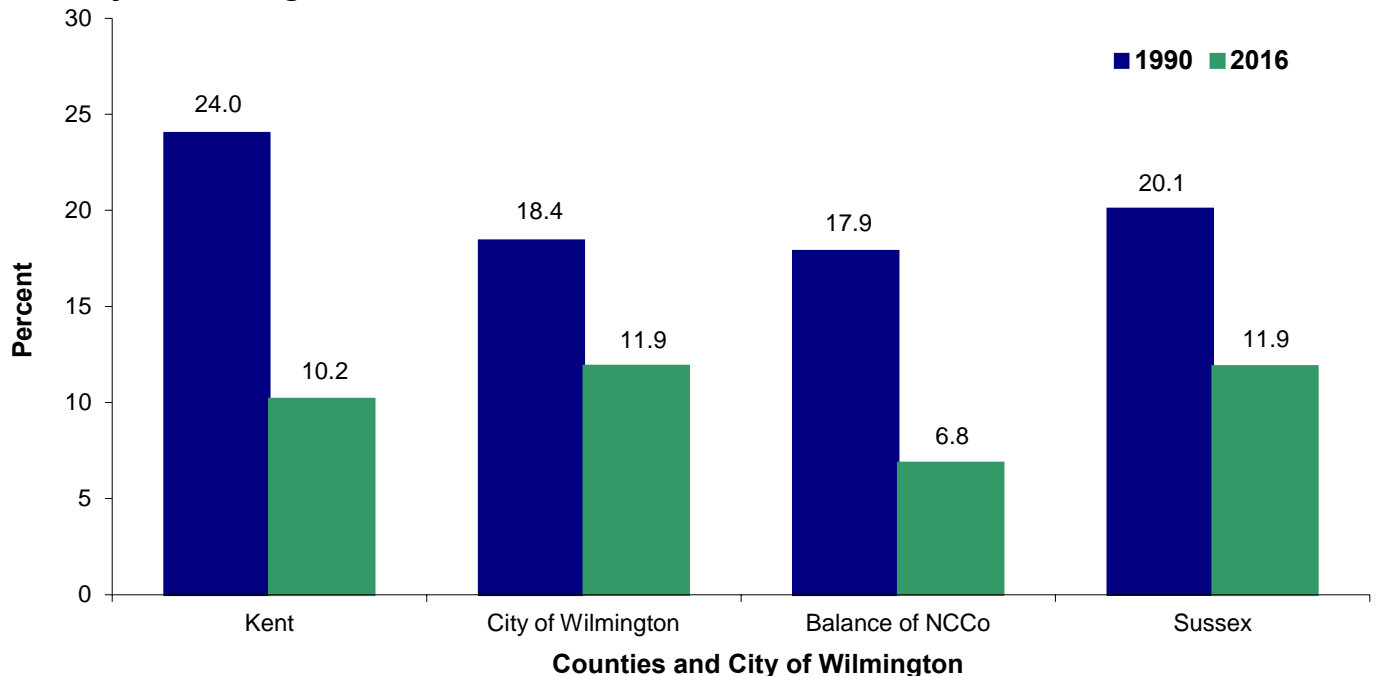
**Figure 15. Annual Rate of Cesarean Deliveries by Gestational Category, Delaware, 1993-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

From 1990 to 2016, the percentage of Delaware mothers who used tobacco while pregnant decreased in all three counties and the city of Wilmington. In 2016, the city of Wilmington and Sussex County had the highest percentage of mothers who smoked while pregnant.

**Figure 16. Percent of Mothers who Smoked while Pregnant, Delaware Counties and City of Wilmington, 1990 and 2016**



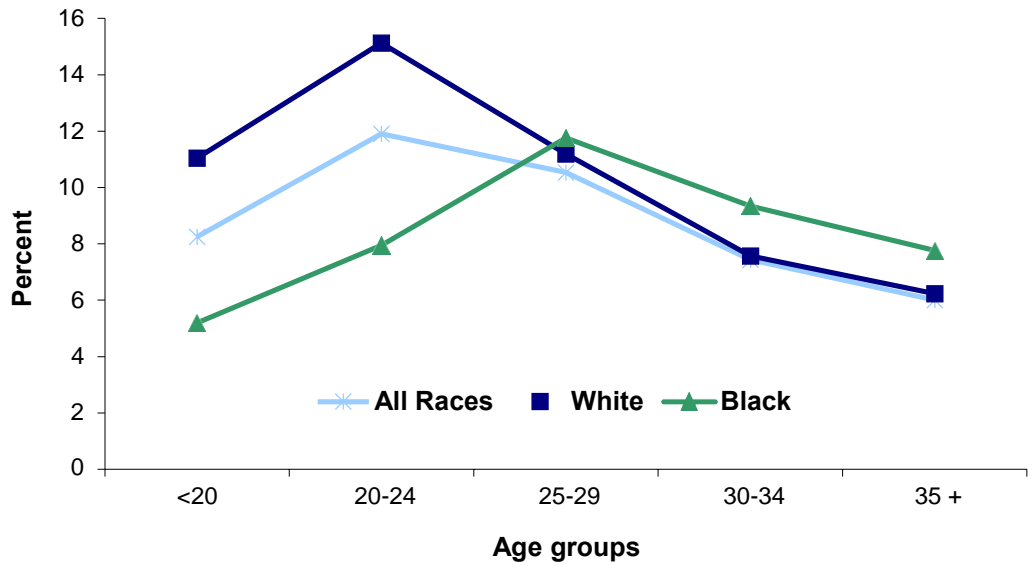
Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

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White mothers younger than 25 were more likely to smoke while pregnant than black mothers in the same age group.

Black mothers older than 30 were more likely to smoke while pregnant than white mothers.

**Figure 17. Percent of Mothers who Smoked While Pregnant by Age Group and Race, Delaware, 2016**

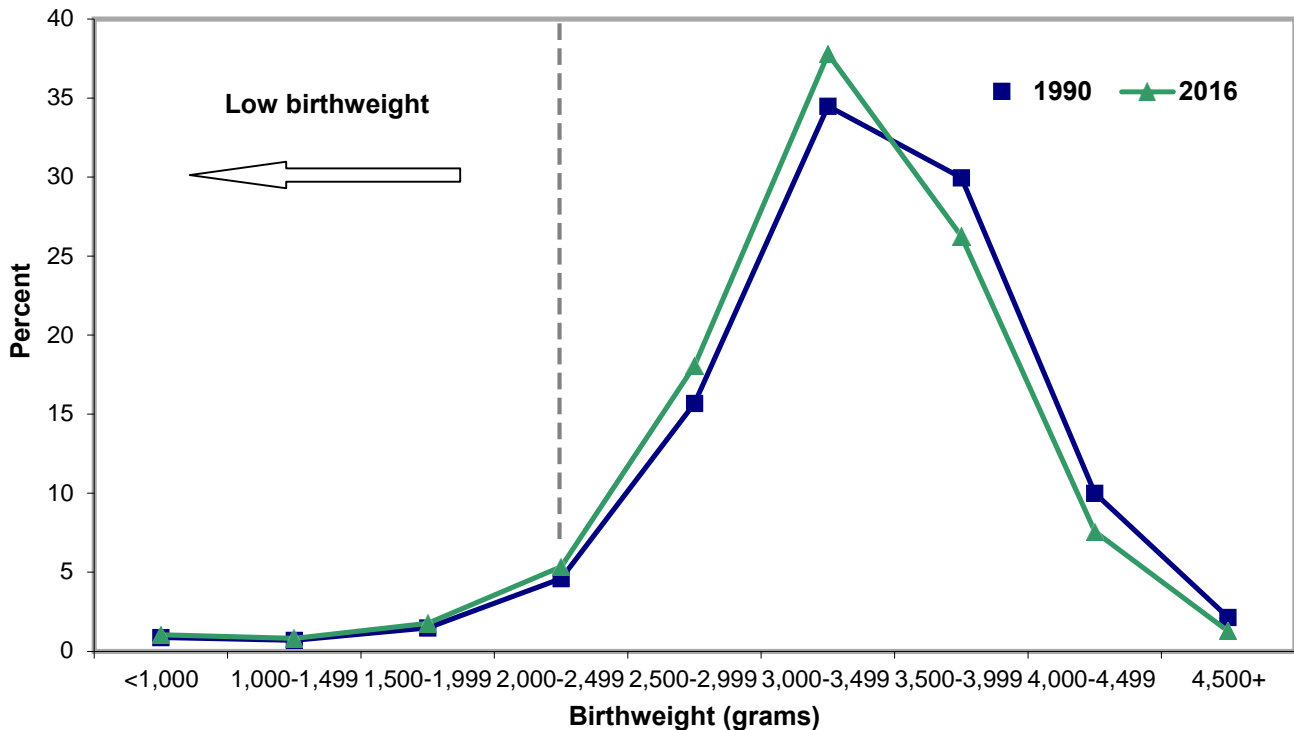


Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

In 2016, 15.0 percent of Delaware women who smoked while pregnant gave birth to low birthweight babies (< 2,500 grams), versus the significantly lower percentage (8.6) of non-smokers who gave birth to low birthweight babies.

The percent distribution of births by birthweight did not differ significantly between 1990 and 2016. The greatest percentage of births fell within the 3,000 to 3,499 gram range.

**Figure 18. Percent Distribution of Births by Birthweight, Delaware, 1990 and 2016**



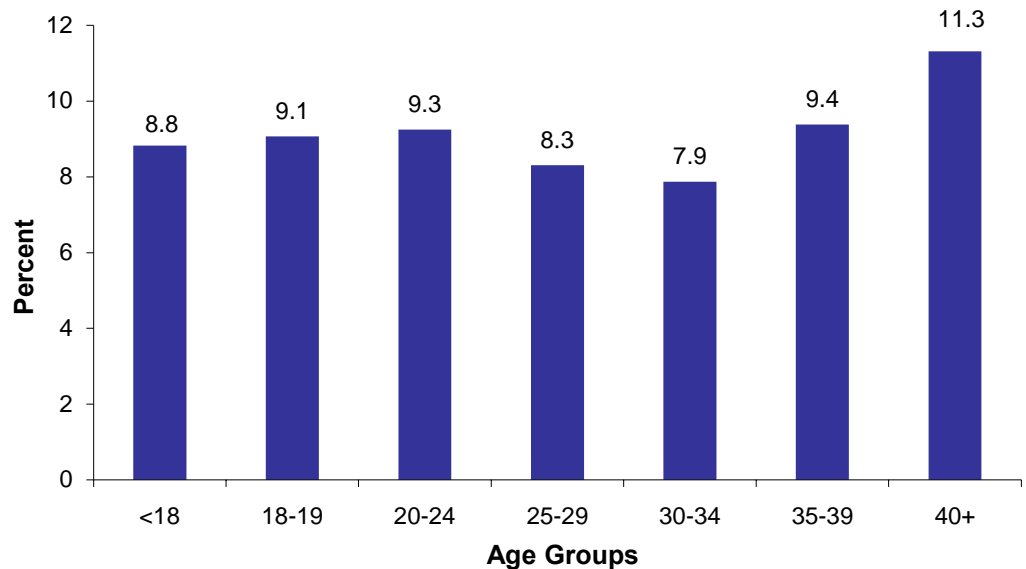
Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

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In 2012-2016 the five-year percent of low birthweight (LBW) births and very low birthweight (VLBW) births remained relatively stable at 8.6 and 1.8, respectively.

The percent of LBW births was greatest for mothers in the 40 and older age group (11.3 percent) and lowest for those in the 30-34 age group. (7.9 percent)

**Figure 19. Five-year Percent of Low Birthweight Births (<2,500 grams) by Mother's Age, Delaware, 2012-2016**

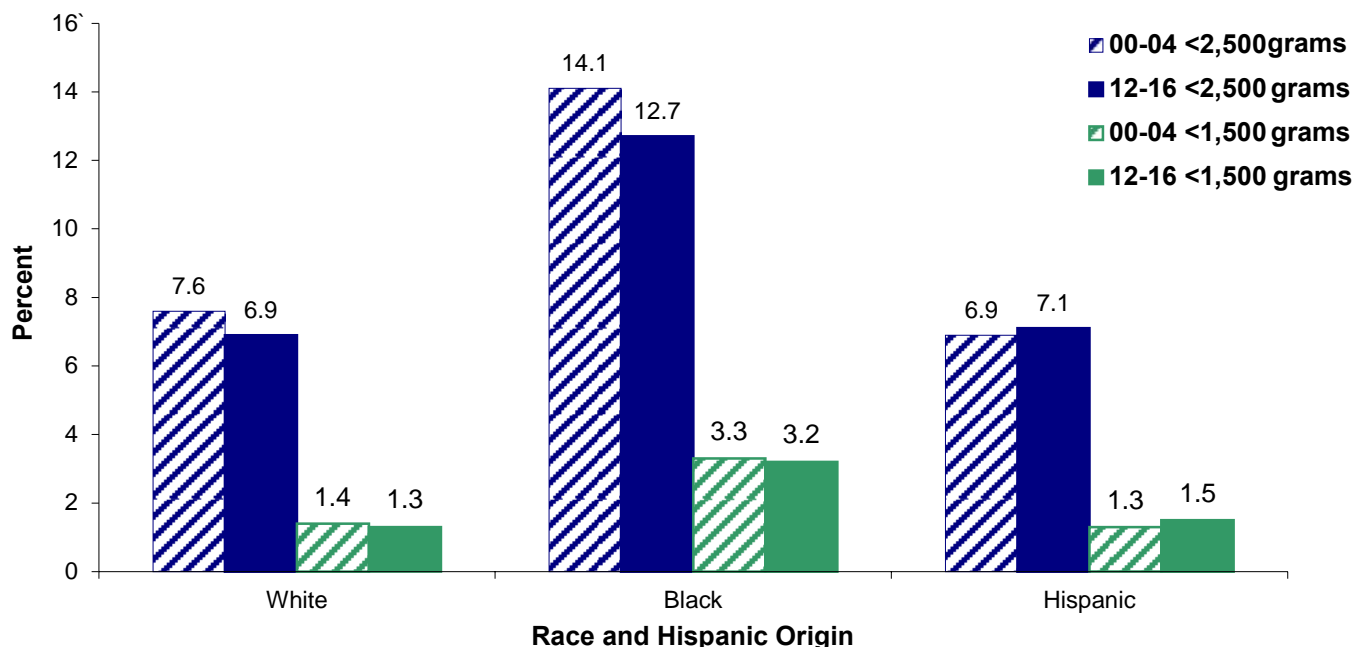


Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

In 2012-2016 among mothers of all ages, black mothers had the highest percentage of LBW and VLBW births, at 12.7 percent and 3.1 percent, respectively.

Between 2000-2004 and 2012-2016, the percentages of white and black infants born at low birthweight declined. During this same time period, the percentage of black and white infants born at very low birthweight declined, while the percentage Hispanic infants born at very low birthweight showed a slight increase.

**Figure 20. Five-year Average Percent of Low (<2,500 grams) and Very Low Birth Weight Births (<1,500 grams) by Race and Hispanic Origin, Delaware, 2000-2004 and 2012-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**TABLE C-1. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER, COUNTIES, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 2006-2016**

**ALL RACES**

Area/ Age	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>U.S.</b>	4,265,555	4,316,233.00	4,247,694.00	4,130,665.00	3,999,386.00	3,953,590.00	3,952,841.00	3,932,181.00	3,988,076.00	3,978,497.00	3,941,109.00
<20	441,832.00	451,094.00	440,522.00	414,831.00	372,175.00	333,746.00	309,060.00	276,203.00	251,847.00	232,215.00	211,726.00
20-24	1,080,437.00	1,082,354.00	1,052,184.00	1,005,982.00	951,688.00	925,200.00	916,811.00	896,745.00	882,567.00	850,509.00	802,763.00
25-29	1,181,899.00	1,208,408.00	1,195,774.00	1,166,787.00	1,133,713.00	1,127,583.00	1,123,900	1,120,777.00	1,145,392.00	1,152,311.00	1,147,879.00
30+	1,561,387.00	1,574,377.00	1,559,214.00	1,543,065.00	1,541,810.00	1,567,061.00	1,603,070.00	1,637,779.00	1,707,527.00	1,742,708.00	1,778,743.00
<b>Delaware</b>	11,894	12,097	12,016	11,369	11,291	11,227	10,982	10,802	10,934	11,145	10,967
<20	1,281	1,251	1,251	1,085	983	909	768	730	621	552	594
20-24	3,056	3,095	3,000	2,831	2,707	2,642	2,534	2,431	2,298	2,279	2,099
25-29	3,226	3,335	3,477	3,280	3,293	3,297	3,151	3,139	3,297	3,319	3,303
30+	4,331	4,416	4,288	4,173	4,308	4,379	4,529	4,502	4,718	4,995	4,971
<b>Kent</b>	2,230	2,243	2,294	2,258	2,228	2,166	2,206	2,180	2,266	2,258	2,247
<20	246	252	235	209	198	183	162	134	129	99	153
20-24	679	685	672	719	633	601	597	599	608	576	518
25-29	625	689	669	687	703	685	664	665	726	736	760
30+	680	617	718	643	694	697	783	782	803	847	816
<b>New Castle</b>	7,300	7,357	7,229	6,794	6,780	6,880	6,479	6,444	6,450	6,585	6,430
<20	716	669	695	613	546	527	410	395	323	296	298
20-24	1,652	1,599	1,554	1,424	1,418	1,417	1,294	1,286	1,157	1,171	1,050
25-29	1,953	1,965	2,081	1,921	1,915	1,956	1,822	1,812	1,887	1,868	1,851
30+	2,979	3,124	2,899	2,836	2,901	2,980	2,953	2,951	3,083	3,250	3,231
Wilmington	1,341	1,290	1,295	1,237	1,064	1,111	1,005	1,057	1,000	973	983
<20	243	221	238	193	153	159	122	132	89	79	85
20-24	423	399	375	360	294	275	264	270	245	242	229
25-29	317	309	337	312	275	301	258	278	267	260	279
30+	358	361	345	372	342	376	361	377	399	392	390
Balance of NC County	5,959	6,067	5,934	5,557	5,716	5,769	5,474	5,387	5,450	5,612	5,447
<20	473	448	457	420	393	368	288	263	234	217	213
20-24	1,229	1,200	1,179	1,064	1,124	1,142	1,030	1,016	912	929	821
25-29	1,636	1,656	1,744	1,609	1,640	1,655	1,564	1,534	1,620	1,608	1,572
30+	2,621	2,763	2,554	2,464	2,559	2,604	2,592	2,574	2,684	2,858	2,841
<b>Sussex</b>	2,364	2,497	2,493	2,317	2,283	2,181	2,297	2,178	2,218	2,302	2,290
<20	319	330	321	263	239	199	196	201	169	157	143
20-24	725	811	774	688	656	624	643	546	533	532	531
25-29	648	681	727	672	675	656	665	662	684	715	692
30+	672	675	671	694	713	702	793	769	832	898	924

Sources: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center.

**TABLE C-2. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER, COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 2006-2016**

**WHITE**

Area/ Age	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>U.S.</b>	3,310,308	3,336,626	3,274,163	3,173,293	3,069,315	3,020,355	2,999,820	2,985,757	3,019,863	3,012,855	N/A
<20	311,947	318,103	309,714	291,731	261,750	234,461	218,091	196,625	181,135	167,446	N/A
20-24	818,253	818,503	791,852	751,430	706,130	680,525	670,593	653,819	644,363	620,891	N/A
25-29	935,928	954,168	942,837	917,877	893,103	883,545	874,345	869,697	882,562	885,936	N/A
30+	1,244,180	1,245,852	1,229,760	1,212,255	1,208,332	1,221,824	1,236,791	1,265,616	1,311,327	1,338,093	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	8,110	7,996	8,113	7,612	7,566	7,510	7,312	7,087	7,194	7,244	7,051
<20	717	659	703	592	546	511	443	389	354	305	317
20-24	1,894	1,895	1,871	1,788	1,659	1,588	1,536	1,433	1,413	1,334	1,203
25-29	2,291	2,278	2,393	2,270	2,290	2,273	2,151	2,086	2,199	2,177	2,171
30+	3,208	3,164	3,146	2,962	3,071	3,138	3,182	3,179	3,228	3,428	3,360
<b>Kent</b>	1,557	1,528	1,578	1,538	1,502	1,497	1,507	1,440	1,520	1,493	1,436
<20	131	151	132	111	103	105	83	64	80	53	69
20-24	449	428	440	469	410	370	376	371	381	346	312
25-29	466	501	472	485	507	514	475	463	518	495	528
30+	511	448	534	473	482	508	573	542	541	599	527
<b>New Castle</b>	4,802	4,711	4,560	4,260	4,264	4,308	3,985	3,953	3,934	3,904	3,821
<20	384	337	343	310	265	271	212	189	156	135	150
20-24	940	922	865	809	783	775	679	678	661	598	513
25-29	1,334	1,265	1,327	1,239	1,233	1,230	1,130	1,091	1,129	1,096	1,087
30+	2,144	2,187	2,025	1,902	1,983	2,032	1,964	1,995	1,988	2,075	2,071
Wilmington	488	472	446	423	444	446	375	409	401	369	366
<20	51	43	50	39	36	43	30	41	22	17	22
20-24	118	118	87	105	92	79	67	63	64	62	52
25-29	140	118	138	106	131	123	95	101	93	96	90
30+	179	193	171	173	185	201	183	204	222	194	202
Balance of NC County	4,314	4,239	4,114	3,837	3,820	3,862	3,610	3,544	3,533	3,535	3,455
<20	333	294	293	271	229	228	182	148	134	118	128
20-24	822	804	778	704	691	696	612	615	597	536	461
25-29	1,194	1,147	1,189	1,133	1,102	1,107	1,035	990	1,036	1,000	997
30+	1,965	1,994	1,854	1,729	1,798	1,831	1,781	1,791	1,766	1,881	1,869
<b>Sussex</b>	1,751	1,757	1,975	1,814	1,800	1,705	1,820	1,694	1,740	1,847	1,794
<20	202	171	228	171	178	135	148	136	118	117	98
20-24	505	545	566	510	466	443	481	384	371	390	378
25-29	491	512	594	546	550	529	546	532	552	586	556
30+	553	529	587	587	606	598	645	642	699	754	762

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**TABLE C-3. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER, COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 2006-2016**

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Area/ Age	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>U.S.</b>	666,481	675,676	670,809	657,618	636,425	632,901	634,126	634,760	640,562	640,079	N/A
<20	113,615	116,006	114,249	107,548	96,606	86,615	78,813	68,649	60,979	55,644	N/A
20-24	213,877	215,052	212,493	208,885	202,082	201,323	202,527	200,706	197,102	189,986	N/A
25-29	166,860	170,270	169,068	165,737	160,007	161,100	163,050	167,521	175,096	180,147	N/A
30+	172,129	174,348	174,999	175,448	177,730	183,863	189,736	197,884	207,254	214,154	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	3,018	3,251	3,245	3,159	3,086	3,084	2,952	3,049	2,920	3,069	3,014
<20	523	531	526	479	419	386	306	323	244	222	250
20-24	1,012	1,037	1,034	959	976	992	924	916	797	859	793
25-29	691	790	845	821	788	799	763	838	840	888	859
30+	792	893	840	900	903	907	959	972	1,039	1,100	1,112
<b>Kent</b>	578	645	645	646	638	602	610	648	647	672	687
<20	110	95	99	91	93	75	76	63	44	41	74
20-24	211	237	217	229	206	213	202	209	204	216	182
25-29	125	168	175	186	163	154	166	178	187	208	198
30+	132	145	154	140	176	160	166	198	212	207	233
<b>New Castle</b>	2,026	2,128	2,152	2,063	2,019	2,054	1,930	1,972	1,862	2,004	1,903
<20	320	320	339	296	268	250	186	197	152	147	136
20-24	647	626	630	566	591	609	571	555	448	514	471
25-29	470	519	562	527	517	535	497	548	543	568	545
30+	589	663	621	674	643	660	676	672	719	775	751
Wilmington	820	802	824	794	601	647	600	615	563	573	579
<20	186	176	185	151	116	116	88	86	63	59	61
20-24	298	277	285	255	195	195	194	203	173	174	172
25-29	170	185	192	198	141	174	153	170	166	154	178
30+	166	164	162	190	149	162	165	156	161	186	168
Balance of NC County	1,206	1,326	1,328	1,269	1,418	1,407	1,330	1,357	1,299	1,431	1,324
<20	134	144	154	145	152	134	98	111	89	88	75
20-24	349	349	345	311	396	414	377	352	275	340	299
25-29	300	334	370	329	376	361	344	378	377	414	367
30+	423	499	459	484	494	498	511	516	558	589	583
<b>Sussex</b>	414	478	448	450	429	428	412	429	411	393	424
<20	93	116	88	92	58	61	44	63	48	34	40
20-24	154	174	187	164	179	170	151	152	145	129	140
25-29	96	103	108	108	108	110	100	112	110	112	116
30+	71	85	65	86	84	87	117	102	108	118	128

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**TABLE C-4. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER, COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 2006-2016**

**HISPANIC ORIGIN<sup>1</sup>**

Area/ Age	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>U.S.</b>	1,039,077	1,062,779	1,041,239	999,548	945,180	918,129	907,677	901,033	914,065	924,048	N/A
<20	148,125	150,974	147,240	138,336	123,609	111,236	104,118	94,174	87,007	81,350	N/A
20-24	303,454	305,262	293,054	274,726	254,723	243,724	241,138	237,705	239,121	236,264	N/A
25-29	280,615	287,942	281,319	270,641	254,982	248,269	244,474	244,243	248,971	256,106	N/A
30+	306,883	318,601	319,626	315,845	311,866	314,900	317,947	324,911	338,886	350,242	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	1,917	1,914	1,845	1,653	1,426	1,427	1,396	1,342	1,573	1,542	1,543
<20	290	255	275	223	174	166	135	148	134	135	151
20-24	614	654	565	524	404	394	375	334	422	393	371
25-29	550	537	498	467	425	431	428	401	432	448	441
30+	463	468	507	439	423	436	458	459	585	566	580
<b>Kent</b>	166	199	185	197	156	162	178	184	204	214	197
<20	25	31	28	31	17	16	15	22	16	11	23
20-24	49	67	54	74	52	55	59	58	71	69	52
25-29	48	63	40	47	57	52	50	52	62	70	69
30+	44	38	63	45	30	39	54	52	55	64	53
<b>New Castle</b>	1,183	1,069	1,015	906	760	789	726	707	881	797	827
<20	185	136	154	137	101	116	84	86	79	68	74
20-24	379	340	293	268	207	206	187	178	245	203	197
25-29	331	285	290	255	213	221	227	205	236	224	239
30+	288	308	278	246	239	246	228	238	321	302	317
Wilmington	267	228	200	174	172	161	118	154	178	136	142
<20	50	37	38	30	25	34	18	25	17	12	20
20-24	94	89	64	61	55	40	39	42	54	35	38
25-29	70	48	65	49	48	48	32	49	37	44	37
30+	53	54	33	34	44	39	29	38	70	45	47
Balance of NC County	916	841	815	732	588	628	608	553	703	661	685
<20	135	99	116	107	76	82	66	61	62	56	54
20-24	285	251	229	207	152	166	148	136	191	168	159
25-29	261	237	225	206	165	173	195	156	199	180	202
30+	235	254	245	212	195	207	199	200	251	257	270
<b>Sussex</b>	568	646	645	550	510	476	492	451	488	531	519
<20	80	88	93	55	56	34	36	40	39	55	54
20-24	186	247	218	182	145	133	129	98	106	121	122
25-29	171	189	168	165	155	158	151	144	134	154	133
30+	131	122	166	148	154	151	176	169	209	201	210

Note: Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-5. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE TEENAGE LIVE BIRTH RATES BY AGE AND RACE OF MOTHER , COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE 1997-2016**

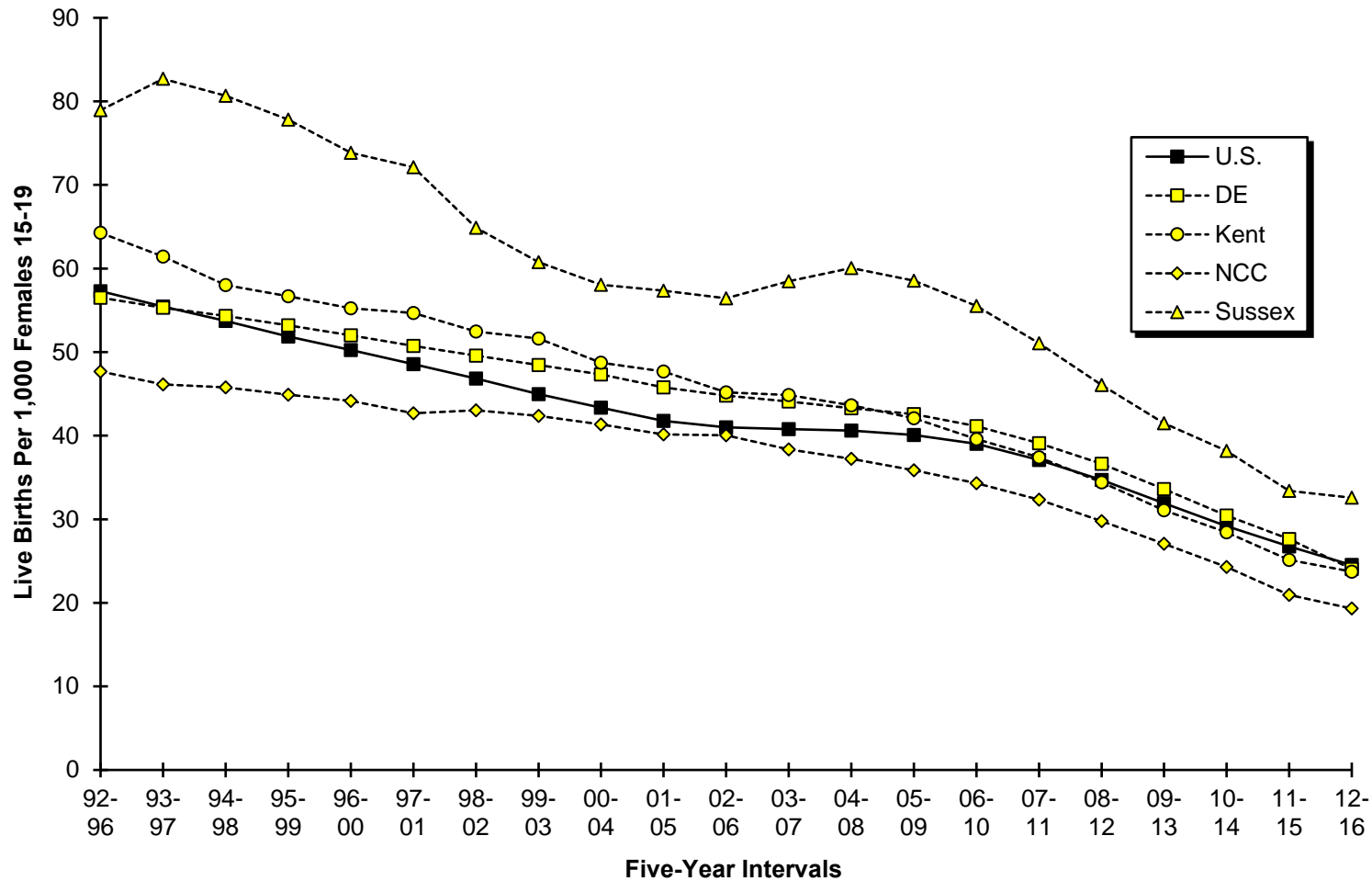
Age/Area/ Race	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>Teens 15-19</b>																
<b>U.S.</b>	48.5	46.8	45.0	43.3	41.8	41.0	40.8	40.6	40.1	39.0	37.1	34.7	31.9	29.2	26.7	24.5
White	43.7	42.4	41.1	39.7	38.5	37.9	37.7	37.6	37.1	36.2	34.5	32.3	29.8	27.3	25.2	N/A
Black	79.4	75.3	71.0	67.5	64.1	62.4	61.7	61.2	60.2	58.4	55.5	51.9	47.8	43.5	39.6	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	49.6	48.4	47.3	45.7	44.8	44.1	43.3	42.6	41.1	39.1	36.6	33.6	30.5	27.6	24.8	22.6
White	37.2	36.6	36.5	35.7	35.6	35.9	35.5	35.3	34.5	32.8	31.0	29.1	26.4	24.4	22.1	20.1
Black	90.4	86.5	81.6	77.5	73.4	69.9	67.2	65.6	62.9	60.0	56.4	51.4	47.1	41.8	37.1	33.8
<b>Kent</b>	54.7	52.4	51.6	48.7	47.7	45.2	44.9	43.6	42.1	39.6	37.4	34.4	31.1	28.4	24.9	23.7
White	49.8	46.2	44.5	40.3	38.2	35.8	36.3	35.2	34.5	32.4	31.3	28.1	24.9	23.6	21.1	19.1
Black	67.5	69.8	73.1	75.3	77.0	74.8	71.7	69.7	65.6	63.5	58.2	55.6	50.8	44.5	37.0	36.4
<b>New Castle</b>	42.7	43.0	42.4	41.3	40.2	40.0	38.3	37.2	35.9	34.3	32.3	29.8	27.1	24.3	21.8	19.3
White	29.6	30.9	31.5	31.4	31.5	32.2	31.1	30.1	29.3	27.6	26.0	24.1	22.0	19.9	18.0	15.9
Black	91.6	86.7	80.3	74.6	68.3	65.3	61.4	59.7	57.2	55.3	52.5	48.1	43.8	39.1	35.0	30.9
Wilmington	111.2	107.4	103.1	98.5	92.4	91.3	86.6	85.5	82.8	78.2	74.1	68.9	64.0	57.9	53.9	48.0
White	98.9	105.4	108.2	110.2	109.8	107.6	101.8	98.7	95.6	87.2	88.4	84.5	84.6	79.6	72.2	61.2
Black	129.0	122.0	115.3	108.2	99.9	97.9	92.6	92.0	89.2	85.0	79.7	73.2	65.8	58.2	53.8	47.9
<b>Sussex</b>	72.0	64.8	60.7	58.0	57.3	56.4	58.5	60.0	58.6	55.5	51.1	46.1	41.5	38.2	34.9	32.6
White	55.7	48.5	45.8	45.1	45.3	46.9	48.0	51.3	50.3	49.2	46.1	45.1	40.6	38.4	35.2	33.2
Black	119.6	108.3	97.6	91.5	90.3	83.7	87.6	87.3	86.5	78.3	73.8	61.9	58.5	51.5	48.2	45.0
<b>Teens 15-17</b>																
<b>U.S.</b>	28.4	26.7	25.0	23.7	22.5	21.9	21.7	21.5	21.0	20.3	19.1	17.6	15.8	14.0	12.5	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	31.6	29.3	27.5	25.9	24.5	23.3	22.8	22.2	20.8	19.6	18.2	16.2	14.5	12.9	11.3	10.1
<b>Kent</b>	30.3	28.7	27.5	25.0	24.2	21.6	21.1	20.6	19.8	18.8	17.4	16.0	14.3	12.5	10.4	9.8
<b>New Castle</b>	29.6	28.4	27.0	25.1	23.3	22.4	21.4	20.5	19.1	18.1	16.7	14.9	13.4	12.0	10.6	9.1
<b>Sussex</b>	40.1	33.2	29.3	29.6	28.7	28.1	29.4	30.2	27.6	26.1	24.3	21.2	18.4	16.4	14.8	13.7
<b>Teens 18-19</b>																
<b>U.S.</b>	79.7	77.6	75.1	72.8	70.8	70.0	69.9	69.6	68.6	66.6	63.2	59.3	55.1	51.0	47.4	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	73.1	74.1	74.7	74.5	75.6	76.3	75.0	73.9	72.1	68.2	63.7	58.7	53.4	48.8	44.4	41.2
<b>Kent</b>	91.2	87.5	87.1	84.4	83.8	81.4	80.4	77.6	74.5	69.7	66.5	61.1	55.5	51.7	46.2	44.6
<b>New Castle</b>	58.2	61.1	62.3	64.0	65.6	67.6	65.0	63.7	61.9	58.9	55.3	51.2	46.6	41.8	38.0	34.4
<b>Sussex</b>	126.1	117.8	112.6	103.6	101.2	99.2	102.3	104.1	104.0	99.3	91.0	82.4	75.0	70.0	64.6	60.6

**Notes:**

1. Teenage live birth rates represent the number of live births in a specific age category (e.g., 15-19) per 1,000 women in that age category.
2. Historical rates may change from one annual report to another due to refinements in the population estimates. Therefore, historical trends should not be examined by comparing rates from previous annual reports.

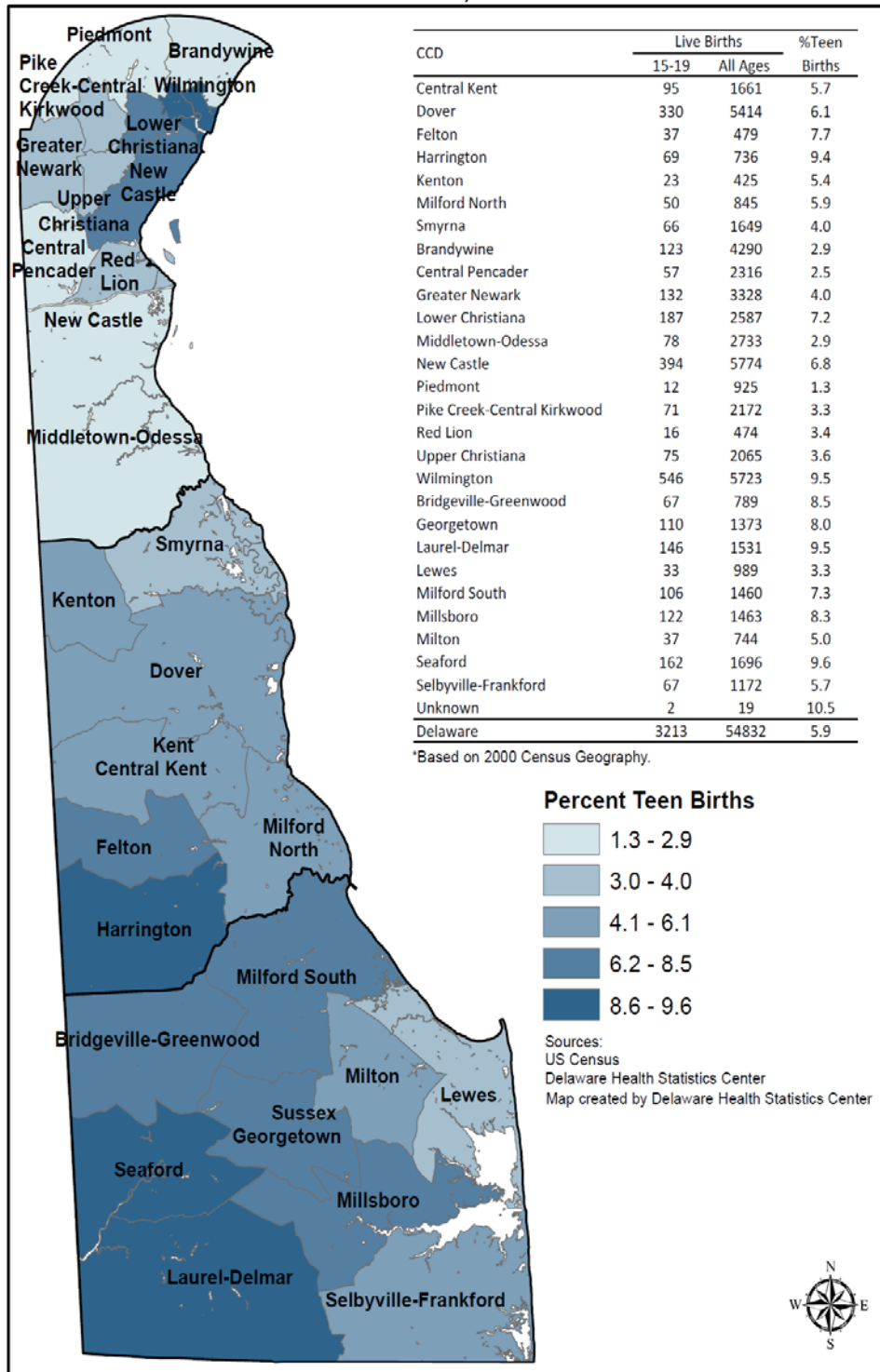
Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
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**Figure C-1. Five-Year Average Teenage (15-19) Live Birth Rates, U.S., Delaware, and Counties, 1992-2016**



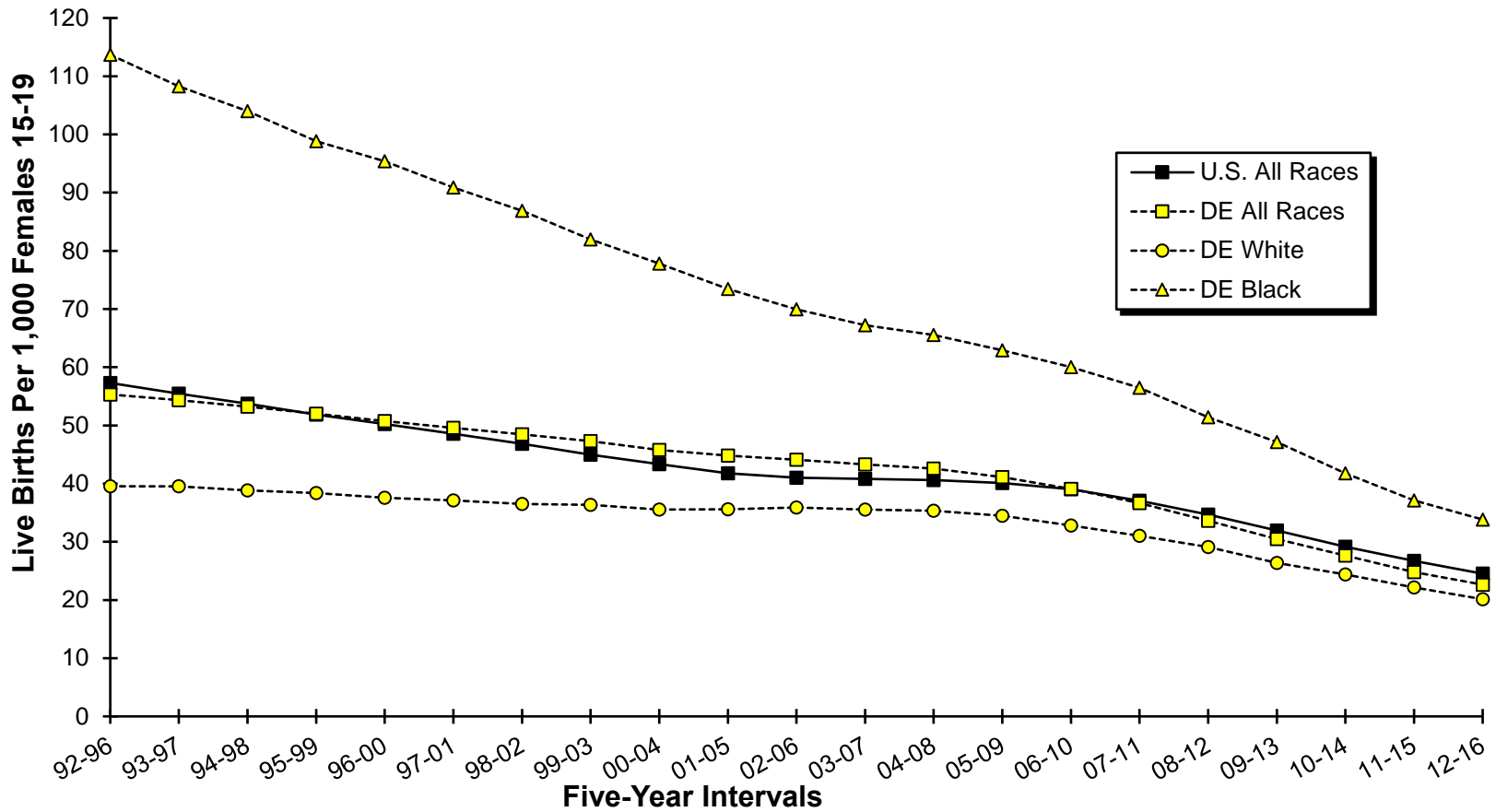
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**Figure C-2**  
**Five-year Average Percent Live Births to Teens (15-19) by Census County Division\***  
**Delaware, 2012-2016**



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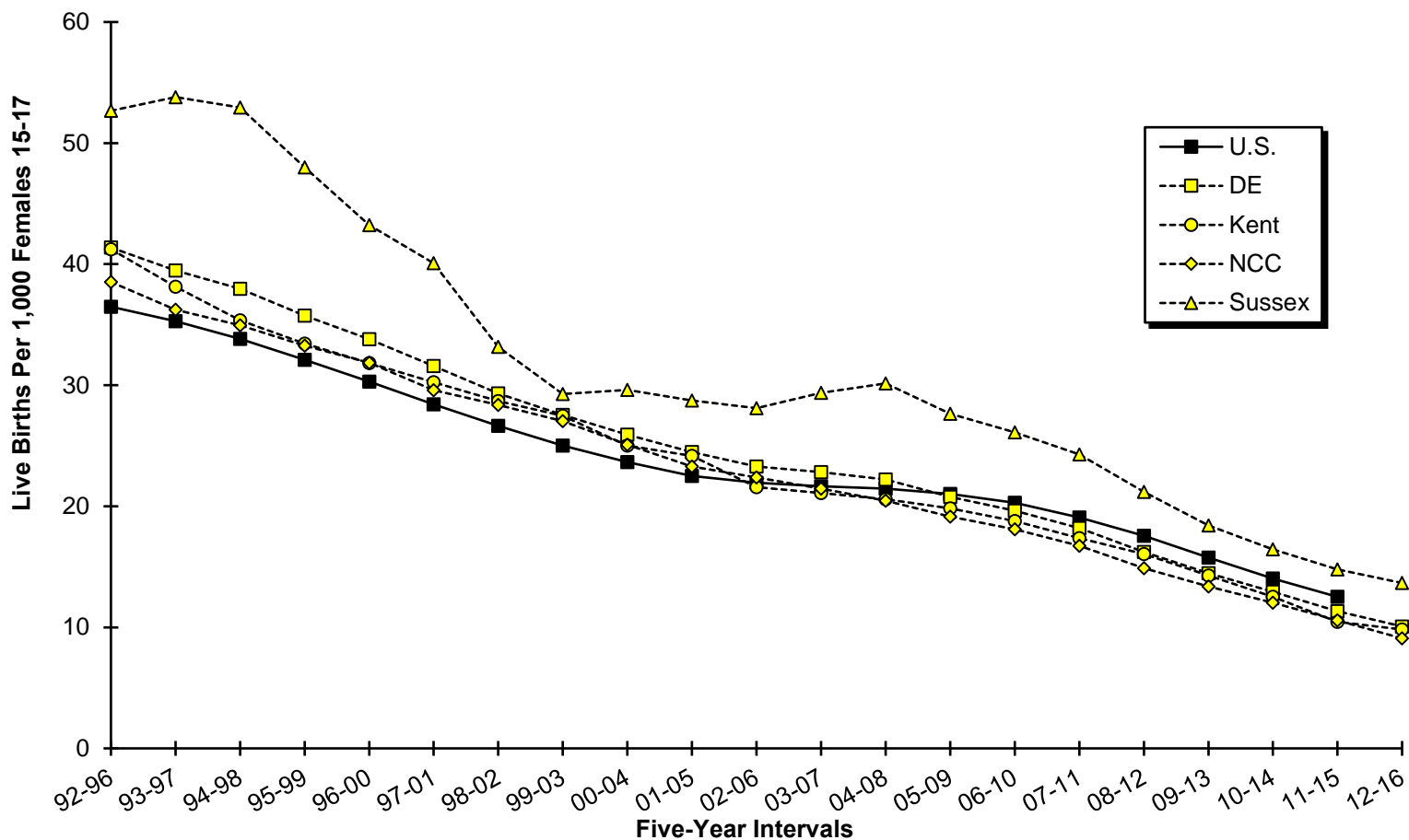
**Figure C-3. Five-Year Average Teenage (15-19) Live Birth Rates by Race, U.S., and Delaware, 1992-2016**



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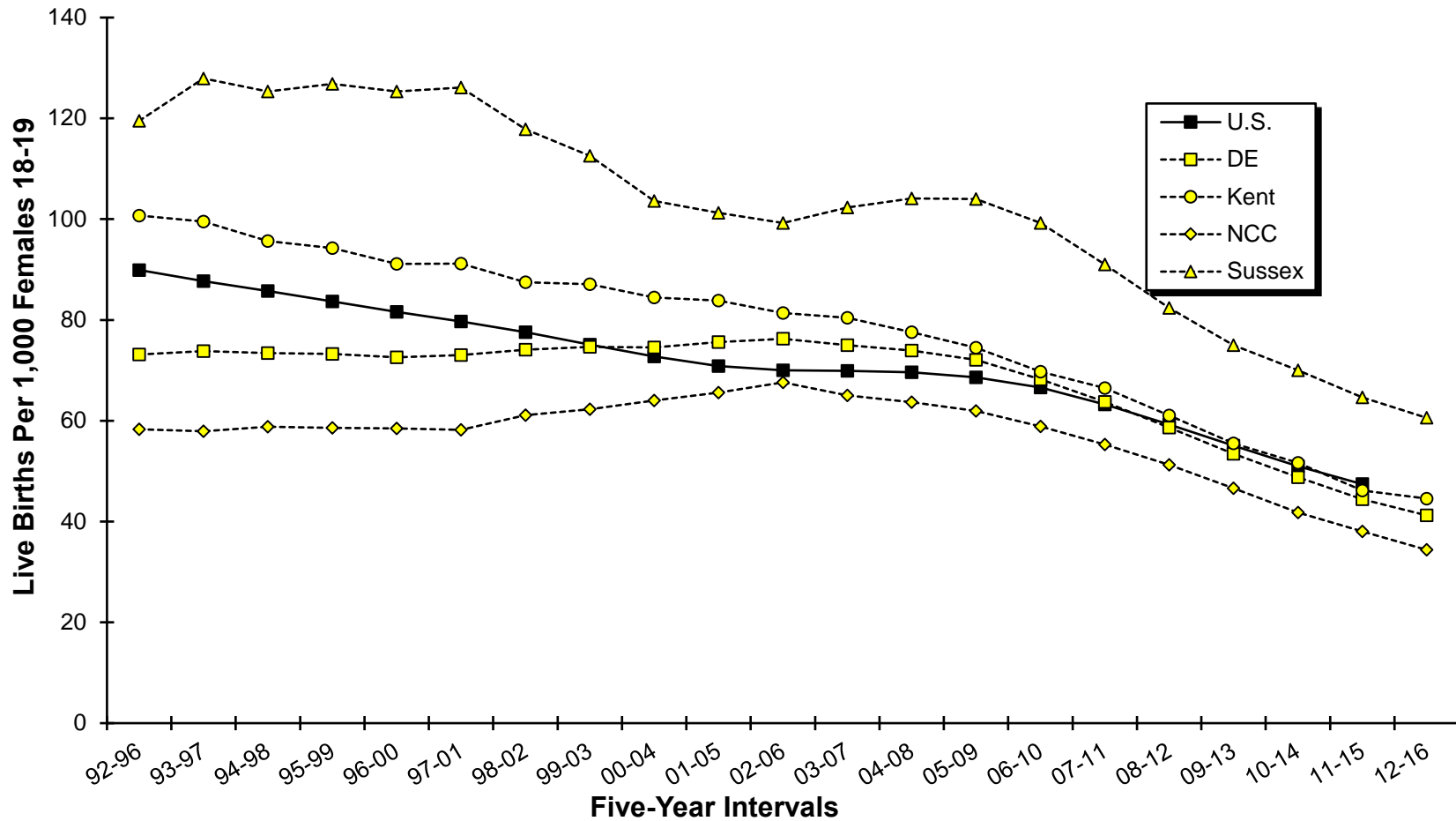


**Figure C-4 Five-Year Average Teenage (15-17) Live Birth Rates, U.S., Delaware and Counties, 1992-2016**



Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
 Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**Figure C-5. Five-Year Average Teenage (18-19) Live Birth Rates, U.S., Delaware and Counties, 1992-2016**



Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
 Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-6. FIVE-YEAR GENERAL FERTILITY AND AGE-SPECIFIC LIVE BIRTH RATES BY COUNTY, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**ALL RACES**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>																
General	64.7	64.9	65.3	65.7	65.9	66.5	67.4	67.8	67.8	67.3	66.2	64.9	63.7	63.1	62.8	62.5*
10-14	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3*
15-19	48.5	46.8	45.0	43.3	41.8	41.0	40.8	40.6	40.1	39.0	37.1	34.7	31.9	29.2	26.7	24.5*
20-24	107.6	106.7	105.4	104.2	102.8	102.8	103.3	103.2	102.1	99.6	95.5	91.0	86.7	83.3	80.8	78.6*
25-29	111.5	112.7	114.1	115.1	115.6	116.5	117.2	116.8	115.8	114.1	111.9	109.6	107.6	106.5	105.7	104.7*
30-34	87.6	89.6	91.7	93.5	94.6	96.0	97.6	98.3	98.6	98.5	97.9	97.2	96.9	97.6	98.7	100.0*
35-39	38.1	39.3	40.7	42.2	43.5	45.0	46.2	46.8	46.9	46.8	46.7	46.8	47.3	48.3	49.5	50.6*
40-44	7.6	7.8	8.1	8.4	8.6	8.9	9.2	9.4	9.6	9.8	10.0	10.1	10.3	10.4	10.5	10.7*
45-49**	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8*
<b>Delaware</b>																
General	61.7	62.4	63.1	63.8	64.3	65.4	66.4	67.0	66.9	66.5	65.9	64.7	63.5	63.1	62.9	62.5
10-14	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
15-19	49.6	48.5	47.3	45.8	44.8	44.1	43.3	42.6	41.1	39.1	36.6	33.6	30.5	27.6	24.8	22.6
20-24	96.6	98.0	98.3	97.7	97.4	100.1	103.3	104.9	105.2	103.4	99.4	93.9	88.8	84.2	81.0	77.3
25-29	108.8	111.6	113.8	115.4	115.4	114.6	112.5	111.6	110.0	109.2	110.1	110.6	110.0	111.1	111.3	110.2
30-34	86.5	88.5	91.3	94.1	96.1	98.9	101.9	102.3	102.3	101.4	99.1	96.3	95.0	95.4	97.0	99.8
35-39	34.8	36.0	37.1	38.7	40.3	42.2	43.5	44.8	44.9	45.3	46.0	46.9	46.9	47.8	49.1	49.0
40-44	6.2	6.5	6.8	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.6	8.7	9.0	9.4	9.6	9.8
45-49**	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7
<b>Kent</b>																
General	65.2	65.8	66.4	66.0	66.3	67.0	67.7	67.6	68.0	67.4	66.5	65.9	64.9	64.7	64.5	64.7
10-14	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
15-19	54.7	52.5	51.6	48.7	47.7	45.2	44.9	43.6	42.1	39.6	37.4	34.4	31.1	28.4	24.9	23.7
20-24	133.3	133.5	132.5	130.2	125.4	124.5	125.2	120.7	120.3	116.8	112.0	107.7	104.9	101.4	100.1	98.2
25-29	116.1	120.1	119.8	119.3	120.0	120.0	118.9	117.5	116.8	115.5	115.4	114.1	113.6	114.4	115.0	116.3
30-34	72.5	73.0	76.2	77.9	80.2	83.4	85.2	86.6	87.7	87.3	86.0	85.8	85.0	85.7	86.2	87.1
35-39	27.8	29.2	30.3	30.5	32.0	34.3	34.7	37.0	36.9	37.0	35.7	37.8	36.7	38.3	40.7	41.3
40-44	4.8	5.1	5.4	5.6	6.2	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.0	6.9	7.3	7.7	7.8	7.8	8.5
45-49**	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5
<b>New Castle</b>																
General	59.5	60.3	61.0	61.6	61.9	63.0	63.5	63.8	63.5	63.1	62.7	61.6	60.5	60.2	60.0	59.4
10-14	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3
15-19	42.7	43.0	42.4	41.4	40.2	40.0	38.3	37.2	35.9	34.3	32.3	29.8	27.1	24.3	21.8	19.3
20-24	76.9	78.2	78.8	77.7	78.2	82.0	85.3	88.1	89.3	88.6	85.2	79.9	75.4	71.2	67.8	63.7
25-29	103.9	106.5	108.8	109.9	108.7	106.8	102.8	101.0	99.3	98.9	101.3	104.0	104.8	107.2	107.7	105.5
30-34	93.0	94.9	96.8	99.6	101.4	104.0	107.6	108.5	107.9	106.1	102.9	98.3	96.0	96.3	98.8	102.7
35-39	39.4	40.1	41.4	43.0	44.6	46.3	47.7	48.3	48.1	48.5	49.7	50.1	50.6	51.2	51.4	50.6
40-44	6.9	7.2	7.4	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.6	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.6	9.3	9.5	9.9	10.2	10.3
45-49**	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
<b>Sussex</b>																
General	66.9	67.3	68.2	70.4	71.6	73.2	75.8	77.8	77.9	77.8	76.4	74.9	72.6	71.5	71.0	71.0
10-14	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5
15-19	72.1	64.9	60.7	58.1	57.3	56.4	58.5	60.0	58.6	55.5	51.1	46.1	41.5	38.2	34.9	32.6
20-24	149.4	153.0	152.5	154.7	151.4	148.2	147.8	147.2	142.0	136.6	131.0	124.6	115.9	109.4	104.9	101.4
25-29	122.7	124.3	128.5	134.5	139.1	142.8	148.8	152.5	148.8	145.2	138.1	130.4	123.2	120.0	118.5	118.0
30-34	73.7	77.5	83.2	87.6	90.6	94.4	97.0	95.2	96.8	99.2	98.9	100.6	103.2	103.8	102.8	104.0
35-39	24.7	27.0	28.0	30.8	32.3	34.6	36.0	39.0	40.6	42.1	43.4	45.0	44.2	45.8	49.7	51.5
40-44	4.9	5.4	5.8	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.2	6.4	6.6	7.1	8.1	8.6	9.2	9.3	9.4
45-49**	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.6

**Notes:**

1. Historical rates may change from one annual report to another due to refinements in the population estimates. Therefore, historical trends should not be examined by comparing rates from previous annual reports.
  2. General fertility rates represent the total number of live births per 1,000 women 15-44 years of age.
  3. Age-specific live birth rates represent the number of live births in a specific age category per 1,000 women in that age category.
- \*\* The number of births shown is the total for women aged 45-54 years. The birth rate is computed by dividing births to women aged 45-54 years by women aged 45-49 years, because most of the births in this group are to women aged 45-49.

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**TABLE C-7. FIVE-YEAR GENERAL FERTILITY AND AGE-SPECIFIC LIVE BIRTH RATES BY COUNTY, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**WHITE**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>																
General	64.1	64.6	65.2	65.7	66.0	66.7	67.6	67.9	67.9	67.4	66.4	65.1	63.9	63.3	63.0	N/A
10-14	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	N/A
15-19	43.7	42.4	41.1	39.7	38.5	37.9	37.7	37.6	37.1	36.2	34.5	32.3	29.8	27.3	25.2	N/A
20-24	104.8	104.2	103.3	102.2	101.1	101.1	101.5	101.3	100.1	97.6	93.5	88.9	84.7	81.4	78.9	N/A
25-29	114.9	116.5	118.1	119.3	119.9	120.8	121.4	120.9	119.6	117.8	115.5	112.9	110.8	109.6	108.7	N/A
30-34	91.0	93.3	95.6	97.5	98.7	100.1	101.6	102.3	102.5	102.3	101.8	100.9	100.5	101.0	102.0	N/A
35-39	38.7	40.0	41.5	43.1	44.6	46.1	47.3	47.8	47.8	47.6	47.4	47.4	47.8	48.7	49.8	N/A
40-44	7.5	7.8	8.0	8.3	8.6	8.8	9.1	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.2	N/A
45-49**	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>																
General	60.2	60.7	61.3	62.0	62.8	64.1	65.0	66.0	66.1	65.8	65.5	65.0	63.9	63.6	63.4	62.9
10-14	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
15-19	37.1	36.5	36.3	35.6	35.6	35.9	35.5	35.3	34.5	32.8	31.0	29.1	26.4	24.4	22.1	20.1
20-24	84.5	85.6	85.9	86.1	87.1	90.5	94.0	96.8	98.2	96.4	93.0	88.5	83.3	79.0	75.7	72.0
25-29	114.8	116.5	117.7	118.2	118.2	117.2	114.2	113.2	111.9	111.5	112.8	114.5	114.2	115.4	115.0	113.3
30-34	96.1	98.4	100.9	103.7	105.2	108.1	110.6	111.4	110.7	109.5	106.7	103.7	101.8	101.8	103.1	105.7
35-39	37.1	38.3	39.3	41.0	43.0	44.8	46.0	47.9	47.8	47.9	48.5	49.2	48.9	49.6	50.6	49.8
40-44	6.5	6.8	7.0	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.7	8.0	8.5	8.8	9.1	9.6	9.8	9.9
45-49**	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7
<b>Kent</b>																
General	65.9	66.5	67.0	66.4	66.8	67.8	68.5	68.9	69.9	69.5	69.1	69.1	68.0	67.8	67.7	66.9
10-14	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
15-19	49.7	46.2	44.5	40.2	38.2	35.8	36.3	35.2	34.5	32.4	31.3	28.1	24.9	23.6	21.1	19.1
20-24	138.4	143.7	144.3	142.3	136.5	131.7	126.4	119.5	116.8	111.7	106.1	103.0	99.8	96.1	93.6	91.7
25-29	124.9	127.3	127.7	128.0	131.1	136.1	140.3	141.2	142.3	140.1	137.6	131.5	126.9	125.3	122.5	121.6
30-34	77.5	78.9	82.5	84.6	87.7	92.1	94.0	97.1	99.8	101.0	102.9	107.3	107.3	107.8	108.0	104.4
35-39	28.5	30.4	31.9	32.1	34.0	35.9	36.3	38.9	39.3	39.5	38.1	40.3	39.1	39.9	42.9	43.2
40-44	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.7	6.2	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	7.0	7.4	7.7	7.9	8.5
45-49**	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4
<b>New Castle</b>																
General	58.0	58.6	59.2	59.6	60.2	61.3	61.8	62.1	61.6	61.1	60.7	59.6	58.8	58.6	58.2	57.3
10-14	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2
15-19	29.4	30.8	31.3	31.2	31.5	32.2	31.1	30.1	29.3	27.6	26.0	24.1	22.0	19.9	18.0	15.9
20-24	62.3	62.5	63.3	62.8	64.4	68.4	73.1	76.6	79.5	78.7	76.2	70.8	66.5	63.2	59.6	55.1
25-29	109.0	110.7	112.1	111.1	108.4	105.1	98.8	95.3	93.4	93.1	95.8	100.5	103.1	106.2	106.7	104.1
30-34	105.1	107.2	108.9	111.3	111.7	114.3	117.4	117.9	115.1	111.6	106.4	99.8	96.1	95.6	97.9	102.4
35-39	42.4	43.2	44.3	46.2	48.4	50.1	51.6	52.6	51.8	51.7	52.4	52.1	52.7	52.8	51.8	49.9
40-44	7.3	7.6	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.1	8.4	8.7	8.5	9.0	9.6	9.6	9.7	10.2	10.4	10.3
45-49**	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
<b>Sussex</b>																
General	63.4	63.6	63.8	66.3	68.3	70.4	72.1	75.9	76.7	77.3	77.0	77.7	75.4	74.7	74.9	75.3
10-14	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4
15-19	55.5	48.3	45.7	45.0	45.3	46.9	48.0	51.3	50.3	49.2	46.1	45.1	40.6	38.4	35.2	33.2
20-24	136.9	141.5	138.9	142.2	140.2	139.1	136.3	138.4	134.3	129.7	125.3	122.4	113.8	106.7	103.6	100.8
25-29	128.1	128.5	129.8	136.4	144.3	148.3	154.5	162.9	159.8	155.5	149.0	142.5	133.7	129.9	128.4	128.3
30-34	79.5	83.7	88.4	93.7	97.9	101.4	102.8	103.1	106.2	110.2	111.3	115.0	118.7	119.3	117.1	117.7
35-39	26.5	28.5	29.1	31.8	33.6	35.5	36.7	40.8	42.5	43.5	45.9	48.5	46.4	48.4	53.8	55.5
40-44	5.0	5.5	6.1	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.0	6.0	6.3	6.5	7.1	8.0	8.8	9.6	9.7	9.8
45-49**	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.6

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**TABLE C-8. FIVE-YEAR GENERAL FERTILITY AND AGE-SPECIFIC LIVE BIRTH RATES BY COUNTY, U.S., AND DELAWARE , 1996-2015**

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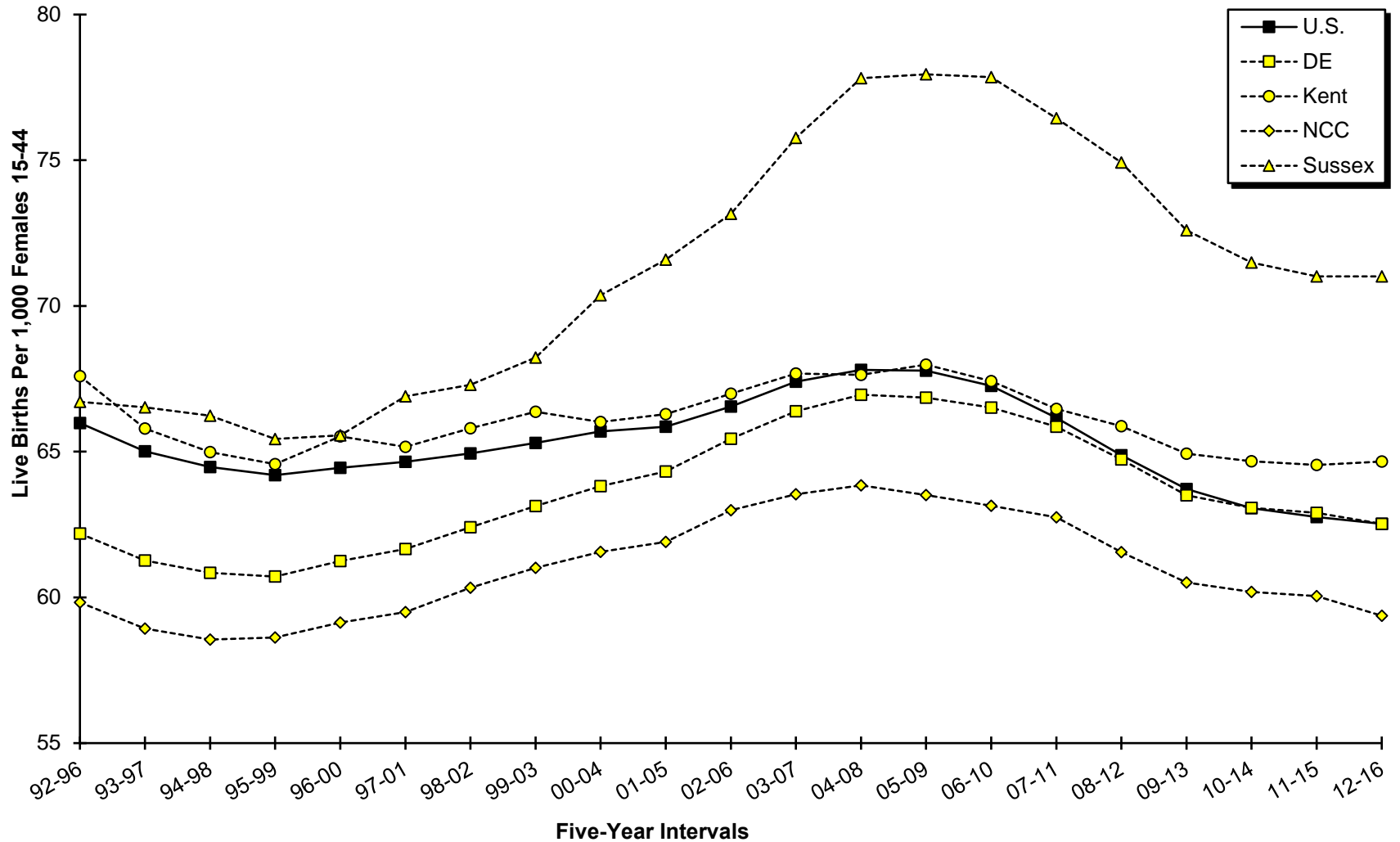
Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>																
General	68.9	68.2	67.5	67.3	67.0	67.8	69.0	69.9	70.2	69.7	68.5	67.2	66.0	65.1	64.7	N/A
10-14	2.5	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	N/A
15-19	79.4	75.3	71.0	67.5	64.1	62.4	61.7	61.2	60.2	58.4	55.5	51.9	47.8	43.5	39.6	N/A
20-24	136.9	135.1	132.5	130.5	128.5	129.0	130.6	131.5	130.9	128.3	123.4	118.2	113.2	108.8	105.6	N/A
25-29	98.0	98.9	99.7	101.1	102.4	104.7	106.9	108.1	108.2	107.1	105.3	103.5	102.4	102.0	102.0	N/A
30-34	63.8	64.2	64.8	65.8	66.8	68.5	70.6	72.2	73.4	73.9	73.9	73.9	74.4	75.6	77.3	N/A
35-39	30.5	31.0	31.6	32.3	33.0	33.9	34.9	35.6	36.1	36.4	36.7	37.2	38.0	39.3	40.7	N/A
40-44	6.8	7.0	7.2	7.5	7.7	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.5	9.7	10.0	N/A
45-49**	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>																
General	68.9	68.9	69.2	69.4	69.4	69.5	70.7	71.1	71.1	71.1	70.6	68.8	67.6	66.3	65.9	65.3
10-14	3.3	2.9	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
15-19	90.9	86.9	82.0	77.8	73.4	69.9	67.2	65.6	62.9	60.0	56.4	51.4	47.1	41.8	37.1	33.8
20-24	146.4	144.6	142.2	137.8	133.7	133.8	135.5	134.9	133.2	131.8	128.0	121.9	116.7	111.0	107.5	103.0
25-29	96.8	100.5	103.9	106.9	108.0	105.3	104.2	104.2	102.5	101.7	103.1	102.4	102.4	102.8	104.7	104.4
30-34	57.7	58.2	61.2	64.0	68.4	71.7	76.9	78.1	81.0	80.5	78.9	76.4	75.4	75.6	77.0	79.8
35-39	26.2	27.3	29.2	30.3	31.1	33.1	35.2	35.7	37.1	39.4	41.4	42.8	44.5	45.3	46.4	46.5
40-44	4.9	5.2	5.3	6.4	6.9	7.1	7.9	8.6	8.9	9.2	9.4	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.5	9.9
45-49**	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6
<b>Kent</b>																
General	66.4	67.3	69.1	68.9	69.1	69.2	70.8	69.9	69.9	69.6	68.2	66.1	65.1	64.3	64.2	65.1
10-14	3.0	3.1	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6
15-19	68.0	70.3	73.6	75.9	77.0	74.8	71.7	69.7	65.6	63.5	58.2	55.6	50.8	44.5	37.0	36.4
20-24	131.5	121.1	118.9	115.1	111.4	117.5	130.8	132.5	139.6	141.7	139.5	131.9	129.2	125.8	127.9	125.1
25-29	97.1	105.8	107.4	104.0	102.2	90.9	84.5	81.2	80.0	79.3	83.3	88.0	93.8	98.7	107.1	112.8
30-34	58.3	56.8	60.5	59.8	61.6	63.4	67.4	67.1	67.6	65.8	60.6	53.9	51.9	52.9	52.9	57.8
35-39	24.8	25.2	25.4	25.4	26.6	30.2	31.9	33.7	33.4	34.5	34.4	36.6	36.9	38.7	39.8	39.5
40-44	4.1	4.9	5.1	5.2	6.1	7.0	7.8	8.0	8.8	9.9	9.6	8.7	9.0	8.9	7.8	8.8
45-49**	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.3	0.9	0.7
<b>New Castle</b>																
General	67.5	68.0	68.0	67.9	67.7	68.2	68.8	69.5	69.6	69.9	69.6	68.0	66.7	65.2	65.0	63.9
10-14	3.1	2.6	2.1	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7
15-19	92.0	87.0	80.6	74.9	68.3	65.3	61.4	59.7	57.2	55.3	52.5	48.1	43.8	39.1	35.0	30.9
20-24	140.7	144.8	143.6	138.1	133.3	133.3	130.3	128.6	125.0	123.6	118.5	112.4	106.9	100.1	96.1	91.0
25-29	95.4	98.8	101.7	105.8	108.1	108.2	109.0	111.4	110.8	109.8	110.4	108.0	105.8	104.9	105.2	103.1
30-34	59.0	59.9	62.2	66.2	71.8	75.3	81.0	83.6	88.1	88.5	88.4	87.3	87.3	87.4	89.1	90.5
35-39	28.5	29.6	31.7	32.7	33.5	34.9	37.1	37.4	39.0	41.2	44.0	45.3	46.5	47.1	48.7	49.0
40-44	5.3	5.4	5.7	6.9	7.4	7.4	8.3	9.2	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.5	10.1	10.4
45-49**	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6
<b>Sussex</b>																
General	78.9	75.7	75.7	77.3	78.0	76.8	80.7	81.4	80.8	79.8	80.2	77.8	77.0	75.4	74.0	73.5
10-14	4.4	3.7	3.0	3.2	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.2
15-19	120.3	108.9	98.1	92.0	90.3	83.7	87.6	87.3	86.5	78.3	73.8	61.9	58.5	51.5	48.2	45.0
20-24	195.5	183.2	177.3	177.5	175.5	163.6	165.0	166.2	159.8	154.4	155.2	151.9	145.5	142.8	135.0	132.1
25-29	103.7	102.3	111.0	117.6	117.3	116.1	118.8	115.5	110.3	109.8	108.0	102.9	101.2	99.5	98.5	98.2
30-34	50.6	50.4	56.2	56.7	56.6	60.8	66.0	62.8	62.3	62.2	63.7	67.3	67.0	67.9	71.4	73.5
35-39	16.4	18.8	20.3	22.9	23.5	26.4	28.6	27.8	30.5	35.7	36.0	37.0	45.6	46.8	45.8	47.8
40-44	4.1	4.6	4.0	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.7	6.6	7.0	6.9	8.0	9.3	8.3	7.7	8.2	8.6
45-49**	0.5	1.0	1.2	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.5

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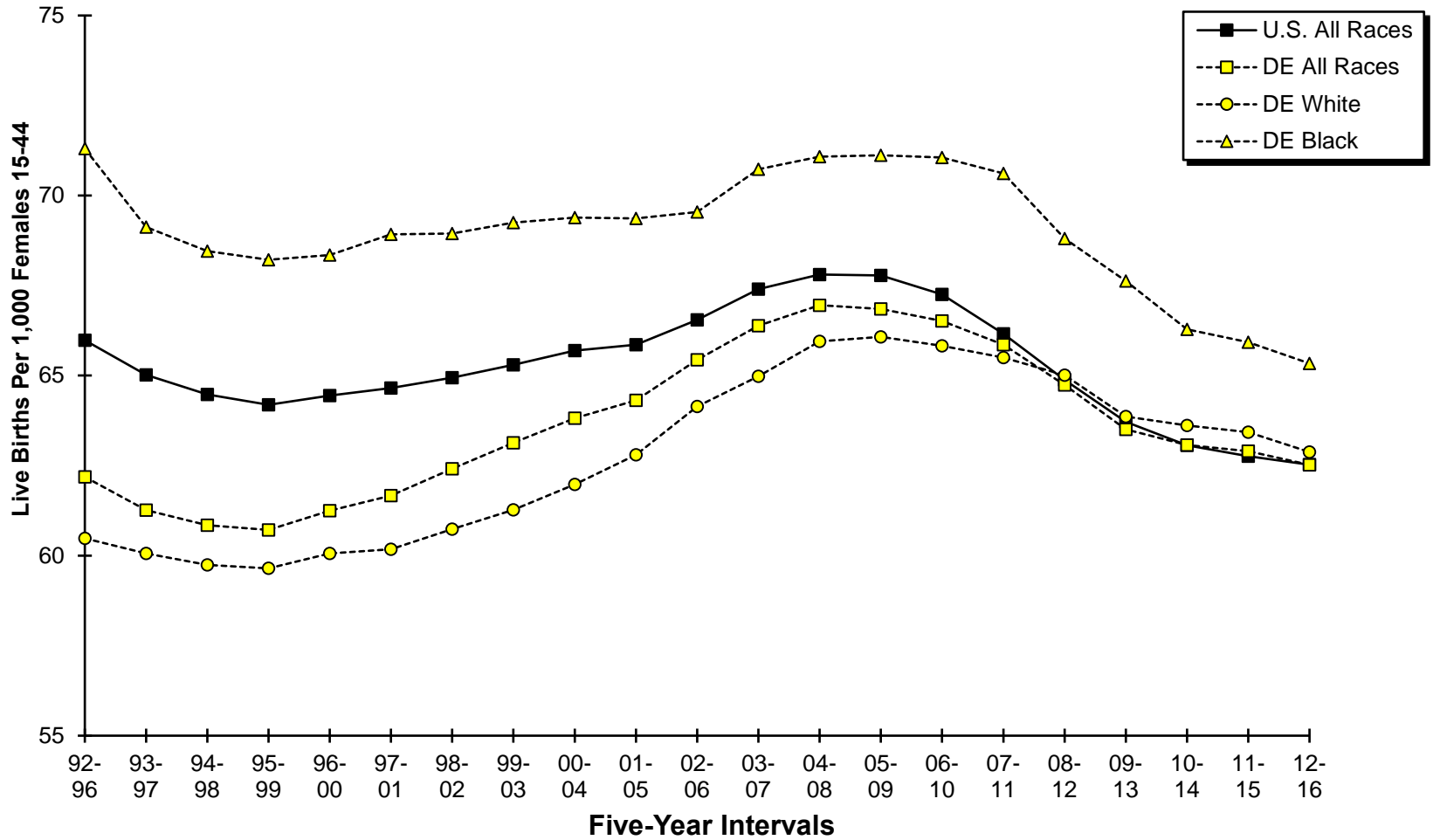
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**Figure C-6. Five-Year Average General Fertility Rates, U.S., Delaware, and Counties, 1992-2016**



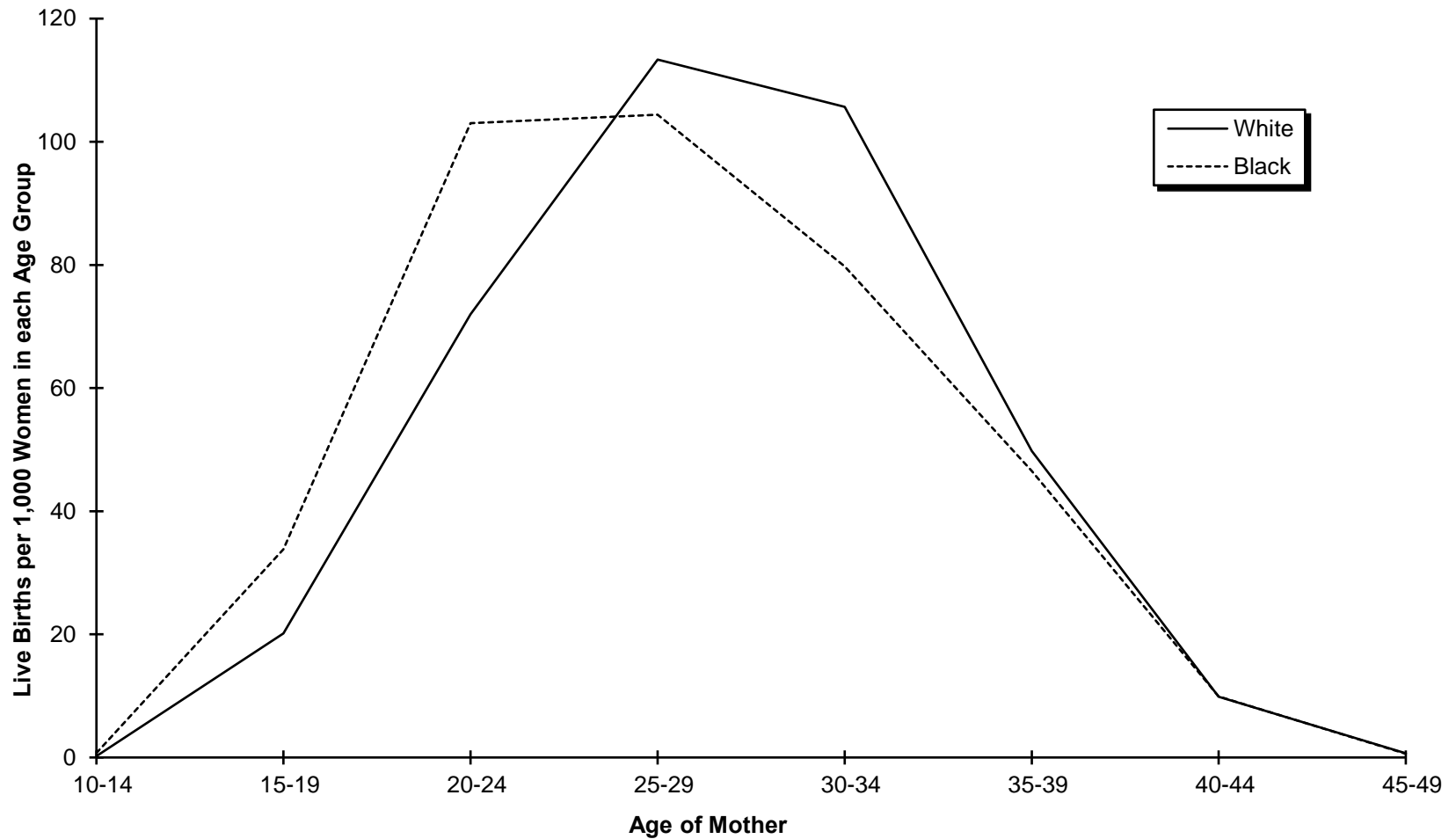
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**Figure C-7. Five-Year Average General Fertility Rates by Race, U.S., and Delaware, 1992-2016**



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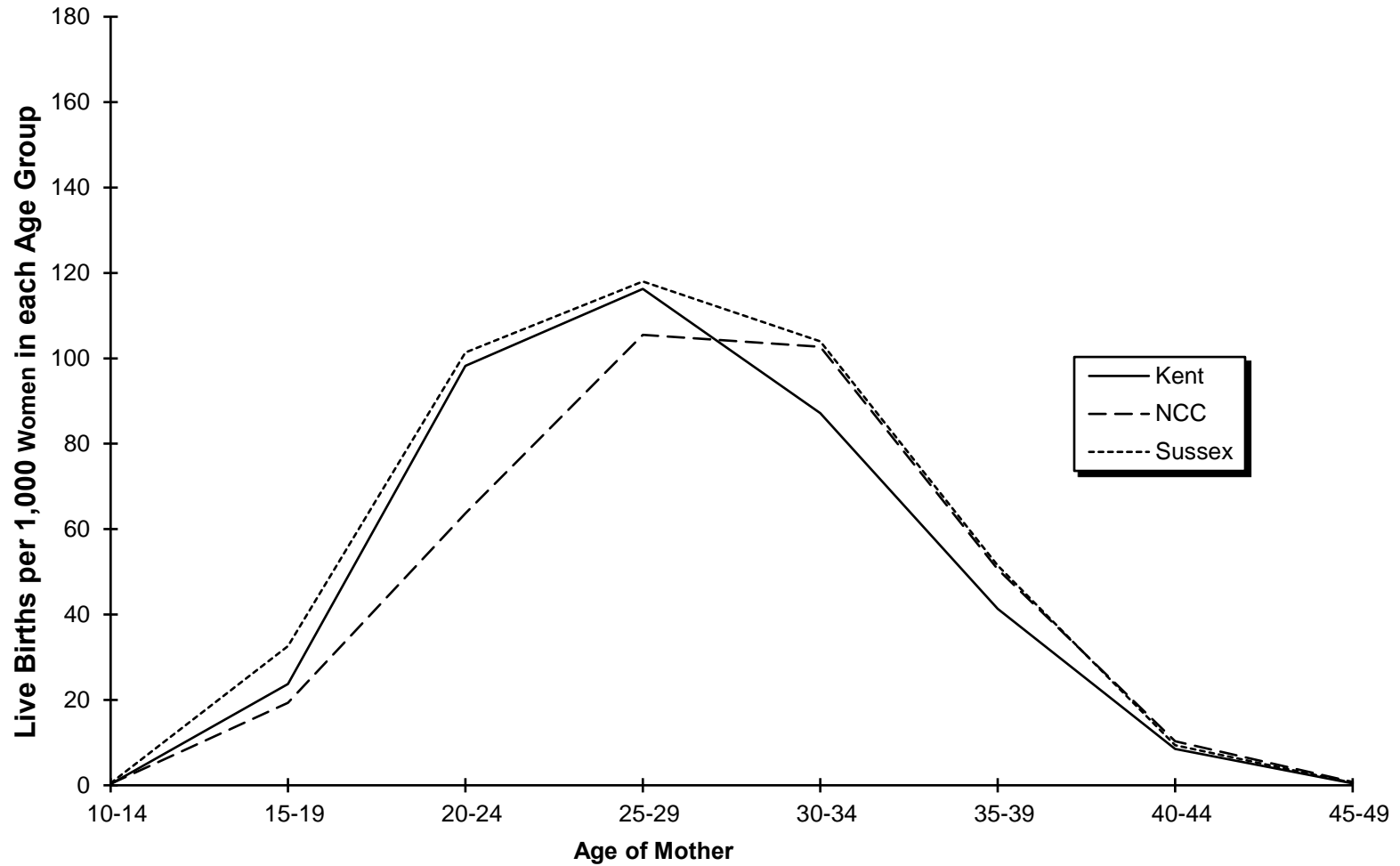
**Figure C-8. Five-Year Average Age-Specific Live Birth Rates by Race, Delaware, 2012-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**Figure C-9. Five-Year Average Age-Specific Live Birth Rates by Counties, 2012-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-9. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE, RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE 2016**

Area/ Age	Race										Hispanic Origin**
	All Races	White	Black	American Indian*	Asian or Pacific Islander (API)					All Other	
					Chinese	Japanese	Hawaiian	Filipino	Other API		
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	7,051	3,014	26	113	2	3	49	485	187	1,543
<15	14	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
15-17	147	70	69	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	42
18-19	433	240	175	1	0	0	0	0	3	14	105
20-24	2,099	1,203	793	10	4	0	0	5	36	42	371
25-29	3,303	2,171	859	6	43	0	1	15	139	55	441
30-34	3,188	2,204	674	4	41	1	1	14	205	36	331
35-39	1,481	958	363	4	17	1	1	13	87	29	206
40+	302	198	75	0	8	0	0	2	15	3	43
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	1,436	687	15	5	0	1	20	38	41	197
<15	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	36	15	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	6
18-19	115	53	56	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	17
20-24	518	312	182	8	0	0	0	1	4	11	52
25-29	760	528	198	1	3	0	0	4	13	10	69
30-34	538	368	135	4	1	0	1	8	14	7	29
35-39	224	126	83	1	0	0	0	5	4	4	17
40+	54	33	15	0	1	0	0	2	2	1	7
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	3,821	1,903	8	102	2	0	26	423	115	827
<15	8	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
15-17	73	32	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	20
18-19	217	115	93	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	52
20-24	1,050	513	471	2	3	0	0	4	29	24	197
25-29	1,851	1,087	545	3	38	0	0	9	124	34	239
30-34	2,043	1,329	457	0	39	1	0	5	180	25	182
35-39	994	618	244	3	16	1	0	8	76	21	112
40+	194	124	50	0	6	0	0	0	12	1	23
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilmington	983	366	579	2	5	0	0	1	10	18	142
<15	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	23	5	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
18-19	59	16	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14
20-24	229	52	172	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	38
25-29	279	90	178	1	2	0	0	1	3	2	37
30-34	259	132	116	0	1	0	0	0	3	7	32
35-39	106	58	41	0	2	0	0	0	1	4	15
40+	25	12	11	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance of NC County	5,447	3,455	1,324	6	97	2	0	25	413	97	685
<15	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
15-17	50	27	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14
18-19	158	99	51	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	38
20-24	821	461	299	1	3	0	0	4	28	21	159
25-29	1,572	997	367	2	36	0	0	8	121	32	202
30-34	1,784	1,197	341	0	38	1	0	5	177	18	150
35-39	888	560	203	3	14	1	0	8	75	17	97
40+	169	112	39	0	6	0	0	0	10	1	23
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	1,794	424	3	6	0	2	3	24	31	519
<15	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
15-17	38	23	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	16
18-19	101	72	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	36
20-24	531	378	140	0	1	0	0	0	3	7	122
25-29	692	556	116	2	2	0	1	2	2	11	133
30-34	607	507	82	0	1	0	0	1	11	4	120
35-39	263	214	36	0	1	0	1	0	7	4	77
40+	54	41	10	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	13
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Notes:

\*Includes any births that may have occurred to Aleut and Eskimo mothers.

\*\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-10. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS TO MARRIED MOTHERS BY AGE OF MOTHER AND AGE OF FATHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Age of Mother	Age of Father									
	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>Delaware</b>	5,942	0	1	11	280	1,227	2,190	1,370	743	120
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
18-19	36	0	0	6	16	11	0	0	1	2
20-24	499	0	0	2	200	200	65	11	10	11
25-29	1,798	0	0	1	50	833	655	165	54	40
30-34	2,321	0	0	1	10	158	1,277	614	220	41
35-39	1,073	0	0	1	3	22	183	535	309	20
40+	213	0	0	0	1	3	10	44	149	6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	1,193	0	0	2	123	326	391	216	120	15
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18-19	13	0	0	1	9	2	0	0	1	0
20-24	162	0	0	1	87	62	9	1	2	0
25-29	445	0	0	0	22	217	156	37	5	8
30-34	383	0	0	0	3	38	197	88	52	5
35-39	156	0	0	0	1	6	26	81	40	2
40+	34	0	0	0	1	1	3	9	20	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	3,617	0	0	9	92	641	1,395	924	488	68
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18-19	16	0	0	5	4	6	0	0	0	1
20-24	198	0	0	1	66	82	37	5	2	5
25-29	997	0	0	1	17	446	388	93	32	20
30-34	1,528	0	0	1	4	96	851	422	129	25
35-39	733	0	0	1	1	10	114	374	220	13
40+	145	0	0	0	0	1	5	30	105	4
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilmington	309	0	0	2	11	51	121	81	34	9
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18-19	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	21	0	0	0	9	6	4	1	0	1
25-29	85	0	0	1	2	34	30	12	2	4
30-34	125	0	0	0	0	9	77	28	9	2
35-39	60	0	0	0	0	2	9	36	11	2
40+	17	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	12	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance of NC County	3,308	0	0	7	81	590	1,274	843	454	59
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18-19	15	0	0	4	4	6	0	0	0	1
20-24	177	0	0	1	57	76	33	4	2	4
25-29	912	0	0	0	15	412	358	81	30	16
30-34	1,403	0	0	1	4	87	774	394	120	23
35-39	673	0	0	1	1	8	105	338	209	11
40+	128	0	0	0	0	1	4	26	93	4
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	1,132	0	1	0	65	260	404	230	135	37
<15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
18-19	7	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	1
20-24	139	0	0	0	47	56	19	5	6	6
25-29	356	0	0	0	11	170	111	35	17	12
30-34	410	0	0	0	3	24	229	104	39	11
35-39	184	0	0	0	1	6	43	80	49	5
40+	34	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	24	2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note:

This table only includes births to married mothers since information regarding the father is not usually collected when the mother is single. See Technical Notes for details.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-11. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY EDUCATION AND AGE OF MOTHER BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Education	Age									
	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	14	147	433	2,099	3,303	3,188	1,481	302	0
<9	571	8	15	26	79	163	155	104	21	0
9 to 11	1,083	5	117	157	297	241	161	84	21	0
H.S. Graduate	2,953	0	13	199	977	922	549	243	50	0
1 to 3 College	2,816	0	1	51	626	1,020	745	306	67	0
4+ College	3,486	0	0	0	109	936	1,563	737	141	0
Unknown	58	1	1	0	11	21	15	7	2	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	2	36	115	518	760	538	224	54	0
<9	90	2	2	0	18	30	16	20	2	0
9 to 11	251	0	29	46	76	50	29	16	5	0
H.S. Graduate	617	0	5	58	207	203	96	40	8	0
1 to 3 College	709	0	0	11	186	273	165	58	16	0
4+ College	561	0	0	0	27	196	227	88	23	0
Unknown	19	0	0	0	4	8	5	2	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	8	73	217	1,050	1,851	2,043	994	194	0
<9	240	4	10	10	25	67	71	42	11	0
9 to 11	529	3	54	84	138	117	83	41	9	0
H.S. Graduate	1,683	0	8	101	538	514	330	159	33	0
1 to 3 College	1,480	0	0	22	274	528	422	195	39	0
4+ College	2,470	0	0	0	72	615	1,130	552	101	0
Unknown	28	1	1	0	3	10	7	5	1	0
<b>Wilmington</b>	983	3	23	59	229	279	259	106	25	0
<9	39	2	3	2	3	13	11	5	0	0
9 to 11	150	1	15	28	37	34	24	10	1	0
H.S. Graduate	383	0	4	25	137	117	73	21	6	0
1 to 3 College	189	0	0	4	45	65	46	26	3	0
4+ College	214	0	0	0	6	47	103	43	15	0
Unknown	8	0	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	0
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	5,447	5	50	158	821	1,572	1,784	888	169	0
<9	201	2	7	8	22	54	60	37	11	0
9 to 11	379	2	39	56	101	83	59	31	8	0
H.S. Graduate	1,300	0	4	76	401	397	257	138	27	0
1 to 3 College	1,291	0	0	18	229	463	376	169	36	0
4+ College	2,256	0	0	0	66	568	1,027	509	86	0
Unknown	20	1	0	0	2	7	5	4	1	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	4	38	101	531	692	607	263	54	0
<9	241	2	3	16	36	66	68	42	8	0
9 to 11	303	2	34	27	83	74	49	27	7	0
H.S. Graduate	653	0	0	40	232	205	123	44	9	0
1 to 3 College	627	0	1	18	166	219	158	53	12	0
4+ College	455	0	0	0	10	125	206	97	17	0
Unknown	11	0	0	0	4	3	3	0	1	0

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-12. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY EDUCATION AND RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Education	Race								Hispanic Origin*	
	All Races		White		Black		Other		Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	100.0	7,051	100.0	3,014	100.0	865	100.0	1,543	100.0
<9	571	5.2	486	6.9	47	1.6	37	4.3	389	25.2
9 to 11	1,083	9.9	650	9.2	383	12.7	50	5.8	284	18.4
H.S. Grad.	2,953	26.9	1,655	23.5	1,177	39.1	116	13.4	444	28.8
1 to 3 College	2,816	25.7	1,824	25.9	851	28.2	132	15.3	287	18.6
4+ College	3,486	31.8	2,412	34.2	537	17.8	526	60.8	121	7.8
Unknown	58	0.5	24	0.3	19	0.6	4	0.5	18	1.2
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	100.0	1,436	100.0	687	100.0	120	100.0	197	100.0
<9	90	4.0	73	5.1	12	1.7	5	4.2	21	10.7
9 to 11	251	11.2	142	9.9	95	13.8	14	11.7	27	13.7
H.S. Grad.	617	27.5	364	25.3	232	33.8	21	17.5	62	31.5
1 to 3 College	709	31.6	454	31.6	218	31.7	37	30.8	61	31.0
4+ College	561	25.0	397	27.6	122	17.8	42	35.0	21	10.7
Unknown	19	0.8	6	0.4	8	1.2	1	0.8	5	2.5
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	100.0	3,821	100.0	1,903	100.0	676	100.0	827	100.0
<9	240	3.7	189	4.9	25	1.3	25	3.7	149	18.0
9 to 11	529	8.2	295	7.7	208	10.9	26	3.8	156	18.9
H.S. Grad.	1,683	26.2	842	22.0	753	39.6	83	12.3	271	32.8
1 to 3 College	1,480	23.0	882	23.1	515	27.1	75	11.1	153	18.5
4+ College	2,470	38.4	1,603	42.0	392	20.6	464	68.6	88	10.6
Unknown	28	0.4	10	0.3	10	0.5	3	0.4	10	1.2
Wilmington	983	100.0	366	100.0	579	100.0	36	100.0	142	100.0
<9	39	4.0	26	7.1	11	1.9	2	5.6	14	9.9
9 to 11	150	15.3	36	9.8	107	18.5	7	19.4	37	26.1
H.S. Grad.	383	39.0	89	24.3	289	49.9	4	11.1	46	32.4
1 to 3 College	189	19.2	58	15.8	124	21.4	7	19.4	32	22.5
4+ College	214	21.8	155	42.3	44	7.6	15	41.7	11	7.7
Unknown	8	0.8	2	0.5	4	0.7	1	2.8	2	1.4
Balance of NC County	5,447	100.0	3,455	100.0	1,324	100.0	640	100.0	685	100.0
<9	201	3.7	163	4.7	14	1.1	23	3.6	135	19.7
9 to 11	379	7.0	259	7.5	101	7.6	19	3.0	119	17.4
H.S. Grad.	1,300	23.9	753	21.8	464	35.0	79	12.3	225	32.8
1 to 3 College	1,291	23.7	824	23.8	391	29.5	68	10.6	121	17.7
4+ College	2,256	41.4	1,448	41.9	348	26.3	449	70.2	77	11.2
Unknown	20	0.4	8	0.2	6	0.5	2	0.3	8	1.2
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	100.0	1,794	100.0	424	100.0	69	100.0	519	100.0
<9	241	10.5	224	12.5	10	2.4	7	10.1	219	42.2
9 to 11	303	13.2	213	11.9	80	18.9	10	14.5	101	19.5
H.S. Grad.	653	28.5	449	25.0	192	45.3	12	17.4	111	21.4
1 to 3 College	627	27.4	488	27.2	118	27.8	20	29.0	73	14.1
4+ College	455	19.9	412	23.0	23	5.4	20	29.0	12	2.3
Unknown	11	0.5	8	0.4	1	0.2	0	0.0	3	0.6

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each race/origin category.
  3. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-13. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS TO SINGLE MOTHERS BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**  
**ALL RACES**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	33.0	33.3	33.7	34.2	35.0	36.0	37.1	38.3	39.4	40.1	40.6	40.8	40.8	40.6	40.5	N/A
<20	78.9	79.3	79.8	80.5	81.4	82.5	83.6	84.7	85.6	86.4	87.2	87.9	88.3	88.6	88.8	N/A
20-24	48.6	49.6	50.7	51.9	53.3	54.8	56.4	57.9	59.3	60.6	61.8	62.9	63.8	64.6	65.2	N/A
25-29	23.0	23.7	24.5	25.5	26.7	28.1	29.4	30.8	31.9	32.8	33.5	34.1	34.6	35.2	35.9	N/A
30+	14.4	14.4	14.6	15.0	15.5	16.1	16.9	17.8	18.6	19.4	20.1	20.7	21.2	21.6	22.0	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	38.0	38.9	39.8	40.5	41.8	42.9	44.1	45.4	46.4	47.0	47.6	47.7	47.6	47.4	47.2	46.6
<20	89.6	89.6	90.0	90.1	90.8	91.4	92.1	92.8	93.2	93.3	93.7	93.9	94.0	94.2	94.5	94.5
20-24	61.4	63.1	64.7	65.8	67.3	68.3	69.6	70.6	71.6	72.7	73.9	74.5	75.0	75.7	76.1	76.0
25-29	25.4	26.8	28.5	30.2	32.5	34.4	36.3	38.0	39.6	40.6	41.9	42.7	43.6	43.8	44.6	44.8
30+	14.4	14.8	15.2	15.8	16.9	17.7	18.5	19.8	20.9	21.8	22.9	24.0	24.8	25.7	26.5	26.9
<b>Kent</b>	38.8	39.2	40.0	40.6	41.5	41.8	42.8	43.6	43.9	44.0	45.0	45.1	45.0	45.0	45.7	45.7
<20	83.8	84.1	84.0	84.8	85.8	86.1	87.3	88.6	89.0	89.1	90.0	90.3	91.4	91.8	92.5	92.5
20-24	50.2	50.7	52.3	53.5	55.1	57.1	58.9	60.1	60.9	61.6	63.0	64.2	64.9	66.1	67.8	67.8
25-29	24.8	26.4	28.1	29.2	30.0	30.6	31.1	32.5	33.1	34.2	35.5	36.9	37.0	37.8	39.6	40.4
30+	16.7	16.4	16.3	16.2	17.4	17.4	18.5	19.6	20.6	20.9	22.5	22.9	23.8	24.6	25.8	26.6
<b>New Castle</b>	35.6	36.7	37.6	38.1	39.2	40.4	41.4	42.6	44.0	44.8	45.4	45.7	45.8	45.5	45.1	44.6
<20	92.4	92.0	92.3	92.0	92.4	93.0	93.5	94.3	94.9	95.1	95.3	95.4	94.9	95.1	95.3	95.4
20-24	66.4	68.3	70.1	70.8	71.8	72.2	73.5	74.2	75.5	76.8	78.1	78.5	79.1	79.8	80.1	80.4
25-29	24.0	25.3	26.9	28.8	31.3	33.5	35.6	37.3	39.1	40.3	41.8	42.6	43.7	43.9	44.2	44.5
30+	13.1	13.4	13.7	14.3	15.2	16.0	16.8	18.0	19.3	20.2	21.2	22.3	23.1	23.9	24.6	25.1
Wilmington	68.1	68.5	69.0	68.9	69.7	69.9	70.3	71.0	71.6	71.1	70.6	70.1	69.3	68.1	68.2	68.3
<20	96.5	96.2	96.0	95.8	96.0	96.4	97.0	97.6	98.1	97.9	97.9	97.7	97.5	96.9	97.1	97.2
20-24	83.5	84.3	85.1	85.3	86.1	86.6	87.6	88.3	89.5	90.0	90.7	90.5	90.8	90.9	91.5	91.0
25-29	55.0	55.9	57.7	58.5	61.9	62.8	63.4	63.5	65.8	65.4	66.7	67.9	69.7	68.0	69.4	69.4
30+	36.3	36.0	35.9	36.2	37.9	37.7	38.7	40.5	41.2	40.4	40.1	40.9	40.2	41.2	42.7	45.2
Balance of NC County	28.7	29.9	30.9	31.7	32.9	34.2	35.4	36.7	38.0	39.2	40.3	40.8	41.2	41.2	40.8	40.2
<20	90.1	89.7	90.2	90.0	90.4	91.1	91.7	92.6	93.2	93.7	94.1	94.4	93.8	94.3	94.5	94.6
20-24	60.5	62.7	65.0	65.9	67.2	67.5	68.9	69.7	71.0	72.6	74.3	75.1	76.0	76.9	77.2	77.6
25-29	18.9	20.3	21.8	24.0	26.4	28.6	30.8	32.6	34.0	35.6	37.2	38.0	39.1	39.8	39.9	40.3
30+	10.3	10.6	11.0	11.7	12.4	13.3	14.0	15.1	16.3	17.4	18.5	19.7	20.7	21.4	22.0	22.3
<b>Sussex</b>	45.7	46.6	47.6	48.8	51.0	52.4	53.9	55.3	56.1	56.2	56.6	56.1	55.8	55.4	54.9	53.5
<20	87.9	88.1	89.3	90.1	91.6	92.0	92.8	93.0	93.0	92.6	93.3	93.2	93.8	94.3	94.3	94.3
20-24	60.4	62.7	64.1	66.4	68.9	70.3	71.3	72.5	73.4	74.4	75.6	75.9	76.0	76.3	76.0	75.0
25-29	31.2	32.7	35.1	36.2	38.8	41.3	43.8	45.2	47.4	47.6	48.7	48.8	50.0	49.6	50.7	50.1
30+	18.9	20.3	21.2	22.8	24.6	26.1	26.6	28.0	28.6	29.5	30.6	31.7	32.2	33.7	34.3	33.8

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-14. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS TO SINGLE MOTHERS BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**WHITE**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	26.8	27.3	27.9	28.6	29.6	30.7	32.0	33.2	34.3	35.1	35.6	35.9	35.9	35.8	35.8	N/A
<20	72.6	73.3	74.1	75.1	76.3	77.7	79.1	80.4	81.5	82.6	83.7	84.5	85.1	85.6	85.9	N/A
20-24	40.7	41.9	43.3	44.8	46.4	48.2	49.9	51.6	53.0	54.4	55.6	56.6	57.5	58.3	54.4	N/A
25-29	18.1	18.8	19.7	20.8	22.0	23.3	24.7	26.0	27.1	28.0	28.7	29.2	29.7	30.2	31.0	N/A
30+	11.1	11.3	11.6	12.1	12.6	13.3	14.2	15.1	15.9	16.8	17.5	18.0	18.5	19.0	19.4	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	27.2	28.5	30.0	31.1	32.9	34.5	35.7	37.3	38.6	39.2	40.1	40.5	40.4	40.4	40.4	39.9
<20	83.1	83.3	84.3	84.8	86.1	87.3	88.2	89.3	90.1	90.3	90.8	91.2	91.4	91.9	92.1	92.2
20-24	49.8	52.1	54.8	56.7	59.0	60.6	62.0	63.2	64.4	65.4	66.8	67.5	67.9	68.7	69.1	69.0
25-29	17.7	19.0	20.8	22.6	25.1	27.2	29.3	31.1	32.8	33.9	35.5	36.1	37.1	37.4	38.1	38.1
30+	9.7	10.4	10.8	11.5	12.5	13.4	13.9	15.4	16.4	17.1	18.4	19.8	20.5	21.6	22.6	23.0
<b>Kent</b>	28.6	29.0	30.1	30.9	31.9	32.5	33.7	34.4	34.6	34.7	35.7	35.7	35.7	36.2	36.5	36.3
<20	75.5	76.0	76.7	78.1	79.8	81.1	82.8	84.2	84.9	85.0	85.4	85.8	87.3	88.0	88.8	88.3
20-24	37.6	38.3	40.6	42.7	44.9	47.3	48.8	50.1	50.6	51.5	52.7	54.5	55.2	56.6	57.4	57.5
25-29	17.6	18.5	20.1	21.4	21.9	22.6	23.5	24.3	24.5	25.7	27.1	27.4	28.2	29.3	30.3	30.7
30+	12.2	12.2	12.1	11.8	13.0	12.9	14.0	15.3	16.0	15.8	17.5	18.0	18.5	19.3	20.7	21.2
<b>New Castle</b>	24.5	26.0	27.6	28.5	30.0	31.5	32.6	33.9	35.5	36.3	37.2	37.8	37.9	37.9	37.7	37.2
<20	86.8	86.5	87.1	86.6	87.5	88.5	89.3	90.4	91.5	92.1	92.6	93.1	92.5	93.1	93.1	93.7
20-24	55.4	58.0	61.0	62.3	63.9	64.7	66.4	67.4	69.1	70.5	72.0	72.4	72.9	73.7	74.4	74.8
25-29	15.8	17.3	19.2	21.2	23.8	26.2	28.2	29.9	31.9	33.4	35.3	36.1	37.4	37.8	37.9	37.9
30+	8.3	8.8	9.3	9.9	10.6	11.4	11.8	13.0	14.0	14.8	15.8	17.3	18.1	19.0	19.9	20.4
Wilmington	39.6	40.9	42.7	43.6	45.5	46.3	47.3	48.1	49.0	48.3	48.6	48.1	47.1	45.2	44.8	43.9
<20	87.5	86.1	85.4	85.9	87.4	87.9	89.9	92.2	93.4	93.6	94.8	93.4	93.7	92.4	92.8	93.2
20-24	64.4	66.7	69.5	70.4	72.1	72.8	74.9	75.6	77.8	79.6	81.7	80.0	80.5	81.4	82.1	80.8
25-29	30.5	31.7	35.8	37.3	42.3	43.9	44.8	44.7	47.5	46.9	49.0	50.4	52.2	49.0	50.0	48.8
30+	16.8	17.4	17.2	17.5	18.8	18.7	19.3	21.2	20.9	20.2	20.5	21.8	20.4	21.6	22.4	23.8
Balance of NC County	23.0	24.5	26.0	26.9	28.4	29.9	31.0	32.3	34.0	35.0	35.9	36.6	36.8	37.1	36.9	36.4
<20	86.7	86.5	87.4	86.7	87.5	88.6	89.1	90.1	91.2	91.8	92.2	93.0	92.3	93.3	93.2	93.8
20-24	54.2	56.8	59.8	61.2	62.9	63.6	65.2	66.3	67.9	69.3	70.7	71.4	72.0	72.8	73.5	74.2
25-29	14.5	16.0	17.7	19.6	22.0	24.5	26.5	28.3	30.3	32.0	33.8	34.6	35.8	36.7	36.7	36.9
30+	7.6	8.1	8.6	9.3	9.9	10.8	11.2	12.3	13.3	14.3	15.3	16.9	17.8	18.7	19.6	20.0
<b>Sussex</b>	35.4	36.7	37.9	39.7	42.7	45.0	46.5	48.7	50.0	50.0	50.7	50.8	50.4	50.0	50.0	48.8
<20	81.9	82.5	84.9	86.4	88.4	89.4	90.3	90.9	91.1	90.7	91.3	91.4	91.9	92.4	92.4	92.4
20-24	50.1	54.0	56.1	59.3	62.6	65.1	65.6	67.0	68.1	68.8	70.0	70.8	70.9	71.0	71.0	70.2
25-29	24.3	25.5	26.9	28.4	31.9	34.3	37.4	40.0	42.5	42.3	43.6	43.8	44.5	43.9	45.5	45.2
30+	14.9	16.1	16.8	18.2	20.4	21.9	22.4	24.7	26.0	26.7	28.2	29.4	30.1	31.5	32.3	31.8

Note:

Births prior to 1989 are reported by race of child. Beginning in 1989, births are reported by race of mother. See Technical Notes for details.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-15. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS TO SINGLE MOTHERS BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**BLACK**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	68.8	68.6	68.5	68.4	68.6	69.0	69.6	70.3	71.0	71.5	71.8	71.9	71.8	71.4	71.0	N/A
<20	95.7	95.7	95.8	95.9	96.0	96.2	96.4	96.6	96.8	97.0	97.2	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.2	N/A
20-24	80.4	80.7	81.0	81.3	81.7	82.2	82.9	83.6	84.4	85.3	86.0	86.6	87.1	87.4	87.5	N/A
25-29	57.0	57.4	57.9	58.7	59.7	60.8	62.0	63.0	64.0	64.8	65.6	66.1	66.7	67.2	67.8	N/A
30+	42.5	42.1	41.7	41.6	41.8	42.1	42.8	43.6	44.6	45.4	46.2	46.8	47.3	47.6	47.8	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	72.0	71.8	71.1	70.7	70.7	70.6	70.9	71.5	71.7	72.0	72.1	72.1	71.8	71.4	71.1	70.6
<20	97.7	97.6	97.6	97.4	97.3	97.2	97.6	97.9	97.9	97.8	98.0	97.8	97.8	97.9	98.2	98.2
20-24	84.8	85.4	85.1	84.9	85.3	85.3	86.0	86.8	87.6	88.3	88.9	89.2	89.3	89.8	90.2	90.2
25-29	57.4	58.1	59.1	60.1	61.4	62.8	63.8	65.2	65.9	66.7	67.6	69.3	69.5	69.7	70.3	70.6
30+	41.3	40.0	39.1	39.5	40.1	40.0	40.8	41.4	42.0	43.1	43.7	44.1	45.0	45.9	46.5	47.1
<b>Kent</b>	70.1	70.3	69.6	69.2	68.6	68.3	67.8	68.2	68.5	68.2	68.3	69.4	68.9	68.1	69.2	68.8
<20	96.2	96.0	95.4	94.7	94.0	93.2	93.7	94.4	94.8	94.9	96.0	95.9	96.5	96.3	97.0	97.0
20-24	80.5	80.7	79.7	78.7	78.9	79.3	80.2	81.0	82.4	82.1	82.9	83.5	83.9	84.9	87.0	86.8
25-29	54.7	57.4	57.3	56.9	56.7	57.4	56.1	58.5	59.4	60.3	60.6	64.8	63.4	63.9	66.6	68.0
30+	37.7	36.2	35.9	36.4	36.7	36.7	36.7	36.9	38.0	39.1	39.6	41.0	42.5	42.0	43.1	43.3
<b>New Castle</b>	71.1	70.8	70.2	69.6	69.4	69.6	70.1	70.7	71.0	71.3	71.4	71.2	71.0	70.9	70.4	70.0
<20	98.3	98.2	98.4	98.3	98.2	98.4	98.6	98.9	98.9	98.8	98.6	98.4	98.1	98.1	98.4	98.3
20-24	86.4	87.2	87.3	87.1	87.5	87.5	88.2	88.6	89.4	89.9	90.3	90.6	90.7	91.2	91.3	91.7
25-29	56.9	57.2	58.1	59.8	61.9	63.5	65.4	66.5	67.0	67.3	68.3	69.1	69.6	69.8	70.1	70.2
30+	41.8	40.0	38.9	38.6	39.2	39.2	40.4	41.4	42.5	43.4	44.2	44.3	45.3	46.4	47.1	47.8
Wilmington	84.8	85.0	85.3	84.9	85.4	85.3	85.3	85.5	85.7	85.4	84.9	84.7	84.7	84.9	85.2	85.8
<20	98.7	98.9	99.0	98.9	98.9	99.2	99.3	99.3	99.4	99.0	98.8	98.9	98.9	99.1	99.3	99.4
20-24	91.3	91.5	91.6	91.8	92.0	92.4	93.3	93.6	94.2	94.5	94.5	94.8	94.9	94.9	95.1	94.9
25-29	74.0	74.7	75.2	75.2	77.2	77.6	77.6	78.1	79.9	80.0	80.3	81.5	82.7	82.0	82.9	83.2
30+	61.3	60.9	61.7	61.5	64.0	62.8	63.3	64.2	64.4	63.5	63.4	63.3	64.4	67.5	69.2	72.5
Balance of NC County	60.3	59.9	59.2	59.0	59.0	59.5	60.6	61.5	61.7	63.0	64.1	64.3	64.4	64.6	64.0	63.1
<20	97.7	97.3	97.4	97.6	97.4	97.4	97.8	98.4	98.3	98.5	98.4	98.0	97.3	97.3	97.7	97.4
20-24	81.7	83.1	83.3	83.0	83.5	83.2	84.1	84.6	85.4	86.5	87.5	88.1	88.3	89.3	89.3	90.0
25-29	46.6	47.0	48.5	51.7	54.2	56.2	59.0	60.4	59.9	60.7	62.3	63.1	63.5	64.5	64.5	64.6
30+	32.7	31.1	30.1	30.1	30.4	30.8	32.5	33.4	34.4	36.3	37.7	37.9	39.0	39.9	40.3	40.4
<b>Sussex</b>	77.6	77.5	76.9	77.7	78.6	78.1	78.3	79.3	79.3	80.5	80.5	80.2	79.6	79.1	77.5	76.1
<20	97.0	97.0	97.1	97.1	97.9	97.7	98.2	98.2	97.8	97.8	98.1	97.7	98.1	98.9	98.8	99.6
20-24	84.0	83.9	83.3	84.2	85.0	84.8	85.4	87.2	88.2	90.4	91.2	91.4	91.5	91.3	90.8	89.8
25-29	63.0	63.8	66.3	65.6	65.5	67.1	67.3	68.3	70.7	73.8	74.9	77.3	78.8	78.5	77.8	76.5
30+	43.2	44.5	45.0	49.7	51.8	51.1	50.3	49.0	45.9	47.8	47.2	48.5	47.7	49.4	48.7	49.0

Note: Births prior to 1989 are reported by race of child. Beginning in 1989, births are reported by race of mother. See Technical Notes for details.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**TABLE C-16. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS TO SINGLE MOTHERS BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**HISPANIC ORIGIN\***

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	42.0	42.5	43.2	44.1	45.2	46.7	48.3	49.7	51.0	52.0	52.7	53.2	53.3	53.3	53.2	N/A
<20	72.9	73.3	73.9	74.9	76.2	78.0	79.7	81.2	82.6	83.9	85.1	86.0	86.7	87.2	87.5	N/A
20-24	48.4	49.5	50.7	52.1	53.7	55.7	57.7	59.5	61.1	62.6	63.9	65.0	65.8	66.4	67.0	N/A
25-29	32.1	33.1	34.3	35.7	37.2	39.1	40.9	42.5	44.0	45.2	46.1	46.9	47.4	47.8	48.3	N/A
30+	25.4	25.8	26.3	27.1	28.0	29.1	30.4	31.7	32.9	34.0	34.9	35.6	36.1	36.5	36.9	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	51.6	52.9	55.0	56.3	58.5	59.6	61.1	62.3	63.5	63.8	64.8	64.6	64.1	63.1	63.0	61.7
<20	80.2	80.2	80.7	81.1	83.5	85.3	86.4	88.4	89.4	89.0	89.4	89.5	89.2	90.2	91.6	92.5
20-24	59.4	61.6	64.5	66.2	67.3	68.1	69.9	70.6	72.3	73.7	75.2	75.1	75.4	74.7	75.0	74.6
25-29	40.2	41.8	44.5	46.9	50.6	52.4	55.1	56.3	57.6	57.7	60.2	60.4	60.4	60.2	60.8	58.7
30+	31.7	33.1	35.0	36.4	38.2	39.9	40.2	42.6	43.9	45.1	46.0	47.5	47.7	47.6	47.5	46.7
<b>Kent</b>	42.2	41.3	41.1	44.5	47.8	48.4	51.9	54.4	55.0	55.0	56.5	54.8	54.8	53.7	54.7	55.3
<20	81.3	76.9	71.6	70.8	76.6	77.3	80.8	84.4	85.7	82.6	81.3	79.4	81.2	84.9	88.8	89.7
20-24	46.1	42.9	46.2	50.0	53.8	54.5	59.2	61.0	62.8	64.5	66.9	67.3	67.1	64.7	65.1	66.7
25-29	29.6	30.3	32.2	40.0	39.7	39.2	43.5	44.2	43.8	44.3	46.3	45.5	46.9	46.5	51.0	50.5
30+	24.4	24.7	22.2	19.8	24.3	26.9	29.1	35.8	37.2	38.2	40.0	37.2	35.5	36.5	36.0	37.1
<b>New Castle</b>	48.0	49.5	52.3	52.7	54.3	55.6	56.3	57.4	59.1	60.0	61.4	62.7	62.6	62.2	61.6	60.3
<20	78.1	78.6	79.9	79.3	81.3	83.4	84.3	86.8	88.7	89.5	90.7	91.4	90.6	92.1	93.1	94.1
20-24	56.4	59.2	63.1	64.6	64.8	66.0	67.4	67.7	69.8	72.2	74.2	75.2	77.5	78.0	78.8	78.8
25-29	34.8	37.0	40.0	41.7	45.5	47.2	48.7	49.8	51.4	51.7	55.1	56.8	57.1	58.0	57.6	55.5
30+	29.0	29.1	31.1	31.3	32.4	33.7	34.3	36.6	38.0	39.7	40.5	43.0	42.4	42.3	41.7	41.4
Wilmington	60.1	61.1	63.3	63.5	65.6	67.8	67.8	68.8	70.6	71.0	70.8	72.0	71.5	69.3	68.4	68.1
<20	82.9	81.9	81.8	82.2	84.5	86.0	88.1	91.5	93.6	94.4	95.1	93.8	93.2	89.9	89.6	91.3
20-24	63.3	66.8	69.0	69.0	69.4	71.8	72.7	74.2	78.1	81.8	83.2	82.2	83.1	82.2	79.5	78.8
25-29	47.9	48.5	52.5	52.4	57.2	61.6	61.9	61.0	62.0	62.5	62.0	64.5	67.3	66.8	68.1	65.8
30+	43.5	43.2	44.6	45.5	47.7	47.6	45.8	48.0	47.5	44.5	43.6	49.7	46.2	47.3	48.0	51.1
Balance of NC County	42.5	44.6	48.0	48.8	50.6	51.8	52.9	54.2	56.0	57.1	59.0	60.4	60.4	60.4	60.0	58.5
<20	74.9	76.5	78.9	77.6	79.7	82.2	82.6	85.0	86.9	87.8	89.2	90.6	89.8	92.8	94.2	95.0
20-24	53.1	55.7	60.6	62.8	63.1	64.0	65.6	65.6	67.2	69.0	71.4	73.2	75.9	76.8	78.6	78.8
25-29	29.5	32.9	35.9	38.5	42.1	43.3	45.4	46.9	48.7	49.0	53.4	54.9	54.5	55.9	55.1	53.3
30+	23.9	24.5	27.3	27.8	28.9	30.7	31.9	34.4	36.2	38.8	39.9	41.9	41.8	41.3	40.5	39.5
<b>Sussex</b>	63.1	64.7	65.6	67.7	70.3	71.3	73.1	73.6	73.9	72.8	72.8	70.7	69.7	68.0	68.5	66.3
<20	85.7	86.0	86.1	89.6	91.3	92.7	92.8	92.8	92.2	90.3	89.9	89.4	89.6	88.3	89.7	90.6
20-24	69.2	72.0	72.8	74.8	76.4	76.3	77.6	78.2	79.0	78.8	79.4	77.7	75.8	74.0	73.8	71.4
25-29	54.8	56.0	57.5	59.0	63.1	66.0	69.5	70.9	72.0	71.2	72.2	70.4	69.6	68.6	69.5	67.2
30+	43.9	47.7	49.8	54.0	56.4	57.5	57.7	57.7	58.1	57.3	57.6	57.4	58.9	58.3	59.4	57.1

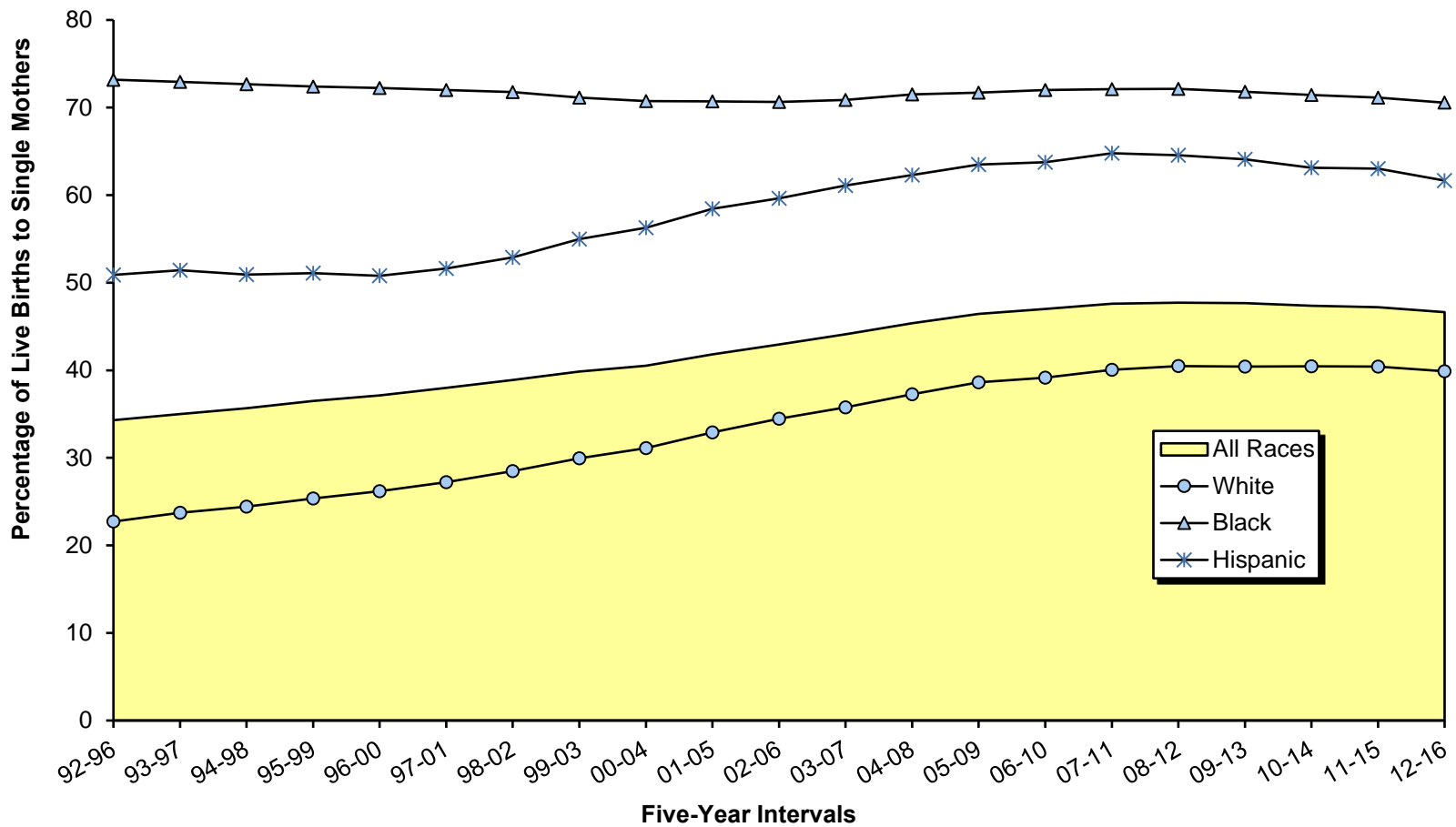
**Notes:**

\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.  
Percentages in this table should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**Figure C-10. Five-Year Average Percentage of Births to Single Mothers by Race and Hispanic Origin\*, Delaware, 1992-2016**



Note: \*Hispanic may be of any race.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-17. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE, MARITAL STATUS, RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Age	Marital Status, Race, and Hispanic Origin														
	Total					Married					Single				
	All Races	White	Black	Other	Hispanic Origin*	All Races	White	Black	Other	Hispanic Origin*	All Races	White	Black	Other	Hispanic Origin*
<b>Delaware</b>	10967	7051	3014	865	1543	5942	4292	930	697	621	5025	2759	2084	168	922
<15	14	7	6	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	14	7	6	1	4
15-17	147	70	69	8	42	2	2	0	0	1	145	68	69	8	41
18-19	433	240	175	18	105	36	28	5	3	10	397	212	170	15	95
20-24	2,099	1,203	793	97	371	499	369	79	50	92	1,600	834	714	47	279
25-29	3,303	2,171	859	259	441	1,798	1,319	257	215	191	1,505	852	602	44	250
30-34	3,188	2,204	674	302	331	2,321	1,691	352	272	183	867	513	322	30	148
35-39	1,481	958	363	152	206	1,073	736	195	134	118	408	222	168	18	88
40+	302	198	75	28	43	213	147	42	23	26	89	51	33	5	17
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	1,436	687	120	197	1,193	890	231	69	80	1,054	546	456	51	117
<15	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0
15-17	36	15	17	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	36	15	17	4	6
18-19	115	53	56	6	17	13	11	2	0	2	102	42	54	6	15
20-24	518	312	182	24	52	162	130	25	7	12	356	182	157	17	40
25-29	760	528	198	31	69	445	352	69	22	36	315	176	129	9	33
30-34	538	368	135	35	29	383	278	81	24	17	155	90	54	11	12
35-39	224	126	83	14	17	156	98	45	12	11	68	28	38	2	6
40+	54	33	15	6	7	34	21	9	4	2	20	12	6	2	5
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	3,821	1,903	676	827	3,617	2,441	580	577	349	2,813	1,380	1,323	99	478
<15	8	3	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	4	1	2
15-17	73	32	39	2	20	0	0	0	0	0	73	32	39	2	20
18-19	217	115	93	9	52	16	11	3	2	5	201	104	90	7	47
20-24	1,050	513	471	62	197	198	128	33	37	45	852	385	438	25	152
25-29	1,851	1,087	545	208	239	997	658	156	178	108	854	429	389	30	131
30-34	2,043	1,329	457	250	182	1,528	1,058	231	233	107	515	271	226	17	75
35-39	994	618	244	125	112	733	488	128	110	67	261	130	116	15	45
40+	194	124	50	19	23	145	98	29	17	17	49	26	21	2	6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilmington	983	366	579	36	142	309	203	82	23	45	674	163	497	13	97
<15	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	0
15-17	23	5	17	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	23	5	17	1	6
18-19	59	16	42	1	14	1	1	0	0	1	58	15	42	1	13
20-24	229	52	172	5	38	21	10	8	3	8	208	42	164	2	30
25-29	279	90	178	9	37	85	45	32	7	16	194	45	146	2	21
30-34	259	132	116	11	32	125	96	22	7	14	134	36	94	4	18
35-39	106	58	41	7	15	60	42	13	5	6	46	16	28	2	9
40+	25	12	11	2	0	17	9	7	1	0	8	3	4	1	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance of NC County	5,447	3,455	1,324	640	685	3,308	2,238	498	554	304	2,139	1,217	826	86	381
<15	5	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	2	1	2
15-17	50	27	22	1	14	0	0	0	0	0	50	27	22	1	14
18-19	158	99	51	8	38	15	10	3	2	4	143	89	48	6	34
20-24	821	461	299	57	159	177	118	25	34	37	644	343	274	23	122
25-29	1,572	997	367	199	202	912	613	124	171	92	660	384	243	28	110
30-34	1,784	1,197	341	239	150	1,403	962	209	226	93	381	235	132	13	57
35-39	888	560	203	118	97	673	446	115	105	61	215	114	88	13	36
40+	169	112	39	17	23	128	89	22	16	17	41	23	17	1	6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	1,794	424	69	519	1,132	961	119	51	192	1,158	833	305	18	327
<15	4	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	2
15-17	38	23	13	2	16	2	2	0	0	1	36	21	13	2	15
18-19	101	72	26	3	36	7	6	0	1	3	94	66	26	2	33
20-24	531	378	140	11	122	139	111	21	6	35	392	267	119	5	87
25-29	692	556	116	20	133	356	309	32	15	47	336	247	84	5	86
30-34	607	507	82	17	120	410	355	40	15	59	197	152	42	2	61
35-39	263	214	36	13	77	184	150	22	12	40	79	64	14	1	37
40+	54	41	10	3	13	34	28	4	2	7	20	13	6	1	6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note:  
\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-18. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY LIVE BIRTH ORDER AND AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Birth Order	Age									
	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	14	147	433	2,099	3,303	3,188	1,481	302	0
First	4,287	13	138	336	1,133	1,292	973	324	78	0
Second	3,538	1	9	82	640	1,111	1,112	499	84	0
Third	1,815	0	0	12	251	541	627	326	58	0
Fourth+	1,324	0	0	3	74	359	475	331	82	0
Unknown	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	2	36	115	518	760	538	224	54	0
First	852	2	34	91	282	279	124	31	9	0
Second	688	0	2	22	147	257	187	56	17	0
Third	386	0	0	2	71	124	124	55	10	0
Fourth+	321	0	0	0	18	100	103	82	18	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	8	73	217	1,050	1,851	2,043	994	194	0
First	2,616	8	69	167	581	796	698	240	57	0
Second	2,133	0	4	40	323	608	735	366	57	0
Third	994	0	0	7	108	280	354	207	38	0
Fourth+	684	0	0	3	37	167	255	180	42	0
Unknown	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Wilmington	983	3	23	59	229	279	259	106	25	0
First	362	3	21	43	103	81	70	33	8	0
Second	291	0	2	12	83	85	73	29	7	0
Third	160	0	0	2	31	59	47	17	4	0
Fourth+	169	0	0	2	12	54	69	26	6	0
Unknown	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Balance of NC County	5,447	5	50	158	821	1,572	1,784	888	169	0
First	2,254	5	48	124	478	715	628	207	49	0
Second	1,842	0	2	28	240	523	662	337	50	0
Third	834	0	0	5	77	221	307	190	34	0
Fourth+	515	0	0	1	25	113	186	154	36	0
Unknown	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	4	38	101	531	692	607	263	54	0
First	819	3	35	78	270	217	151	53	12	0
Second	717	1	3	20	170	246	190	77	10	0
Third	435	0	0	3	72	137	149	64	10	0
Fourth+	319	0	0	0	19	92	117	69	22	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note:

Live birth order is the number of children born alive to the mother including the current birth.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-19. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY LIVE BIRTH ORDER, RACE, AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE 2016**

Area/ Birth Order	Race								Hispanic Origin*	
	All Races		White		Black		Other		Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	100.0	7,051	100.0	3,014	100.0	865	100.0	1543	100.0
First	4,287	39.1	2,821	40.0	1,048	34.8	408	47.2	473	30.7
Second	3,538	32.3	2,301	32.6	912	30.3	311	36.0	465	30.1
Third	1,815	16.5	1,153	16.4	556	18.4	98	11.3	334	21.6
Fourth+	1,324	12.1	774	11.0	497	16.5	48	5.5	270	17.5
Unknown	3	0	2	0.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	100.0	1,436	100.0	687	100.0	120	100.0	197	100.0
First	852	37.9	558	38.9	240	34.9	52	43.3	77	39.1
Second	688	30.6	458	31.9	193	28.1	37	30.8	62	31.5
Third	386	17.2	245	17.1	119	17.3	21	17.5	35	17.8
Fourth+	321	14.3	175	12.2	135	19.7	10	8.3	23	11.7
Unknown	0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	100.0	3,821	100.0	1,903	100.0	676	100.0	827	100.0
First	2,616	40.7	1,606	42.0	678	35.6	325	48.1	255	30.8
Second	2,133	33.2	1,272	33.3	597	31.4	251	37.1	262	31.7
Third	994	15.5	581	15.2	337	17.7	69	10.2	176	21.3
Fourth+	684	10.6	360	9.4	290	15.2	31	4.6	133	16.1
Unknown	3	0.0	2	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.1
Wilmington	983	100.0	366	100.0	579	100.0	36	100.0	142	100.0
First	362	36.8	151	41.3	196	33.9	15	41.7	41	28.9
Second	291	29.6	120	32.8	164	28.3	6	16.7	44	31.0
Third	160	16.3	51	13.9	101	17.4	7	19.4	34	23.9
Fourth+	169	17.2	44	12.0	117	20.2	8	22.2	23	16.2
Unknown	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Balance of NC County	5,447	100.0	3,455	100.0	1,324	100.0	640	100.0	685	100.0
First	2,254	41.4	1,455	42.1	482	36.4	310	48.4	214	31.2
Second	1,842	33.8	1,152	33.3	433	32.7	245	38.3	218	31.8
Third	834	15.3	530	15.3	236	17.8	62	9.7	142	20.7
Fourth+	515	9.5	316	9.1	173	13.1	23	3.6	110	16.1
Unknown	2	0.0	2	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	100.0	1,794	100.0	424	100.0	69	100.0	519	100.0
First	819	35.8	657	36.6	130	30.7	31	44.9	141	27.2
Second	717	31.3	571	31.8	122	28.8	23	33.3	141	27.2
Third	435	19.0	327	18.2	100	23.6	8	11.6	123	23.7
Fourth+	319	13.9	239	13.3	72	17.0	7	10.1	114	22.0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

*Notes:*

1. Live birth order is the number of children born alive to the mother including the current birth.
  2. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  3. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each race/origin category.
  4. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-20. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY PLURALITY AND AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Plurality	Age									
	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	14	147	433	2,099	3,303	3,188	1,481	302	0
Single	10,644	14	147	419	2,040	3,217	3,086	1,429	292	0
Plural	323	0	0	14	59	86	102	52	10	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	2	36	115	518	760	538	224	54	0
Single	2,185	2	36	111	500	742	524	218	52	0
Plural	62	0	0	4	18	18	14	6	2	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	8	73	217	1,050	1,851	2,043	994	194	0
Single	6,234	8	73	209	1,023	1,802	1,971	960	188	0
Plural	196	0	0	8	27	49	72	34	6	0
Wilmington	983	3	23	59	229	279	259	106	25	0
Single	953	3	23	57	223	272	246	104	25	0
Plural	30	0	0	2	6	7	13	2	0	0
Balance of NC County	5,447	5	50	158	821	1,572	1,784	888	169	0
Single	5,281	5	50	152	800	1,530	1,725	856	163	0
Plural	166	0	0	6	21	42	59	32	6	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	4	38	101	531	692	607	263	54	0
Single	2,225	4	38	99	517	673	591	251	52	0
Plural	65	0	0	2	14	19	16	12	2	0

Note:  
Plural births represent twins, triplets, etc.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-21. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY PLURALITY, RACE, AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE 2016**

Area/ Plurality	Race								Hispanic Origin*	
	All Races		White		Black		Other		Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	100.0	7,051	100.0	3,014	100.0	865	100.0	1,543	100.0
Single	10,644	97.1	6,857	97.2	2,919	96.8	837	96.8	1,505	97.5
Plural	323	2.9	194	2.8	95	3.2	28	3.2	38	2.5
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	100.0	1,436	100.0	687	100.0	120	100.0	197	100.0
Single	2,185	97.2	1,402	97.6	663	96.5	116	96.7	191	97.0
Plural	62	2.8	34	2.4	24	3.5	4	3.3	6	3.0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	100.0	3,821	100.0	1,903	100.0	676	100.0	827	100.0
Single	6,234	97.0	3,711	97.1	1,845	97.0	654	96.7	799	96.6
Plural	196	3.0	110	2.9	58	3.0	22	3.3	28	3.4
Wilmington	983	100.0	366	100.0	579	100.0	36	100.0	142	100.0
Single	953	96.9	357	97.5	560	96.7	34	94.4	138	97.2
Plural	30	3.1	9	2.5	19	3.3	2	5.6	4	2.8
Balance of NC County	5,447	100.0	3,455	100.0	1,324	100.0	640	100.0	685	100.0
Single	5,281	97.0	3,354	97.1	1,285	97.1	620	96.9	661	96.5
Plural	166	3.0	101	2.9	39	2.9	20	3.1	24	3.5
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	100.0	1,794	100.0	424	100.0	69	100.0	519	100.0
Single	2,225	97.2	1,744	97.2	411	96.9	67	97.1	515	99.2
Plural	65	2.8	50	2.8	13	3.1	2	2.9	4	0.8

*Notes:*

1. Plural births represent twins, triplets, etc.
  2. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  3. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each race/origin category.
  4. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**TABLE C-22. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY PLACE OF BIRTH, TYPE OF FACILITY, AND RESIDENCE STATUS, DELAWARE, 2016**

Place of Birth/ Type of Facility	Births to Delaware Residents		Births Occurring in Delaware		Births in Delaware to Non-Residents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>DELAWARE</b>						
HOSPITAL						
Beebe Medical Center	837	7.6	856	7.5	19	2.0
Kent General	1,925	17.6	1,971	17.3	46	4.8
Christiana Care	5,676	51.8	6,439	56.4	763	79.5
Milford Memorial	335	3.1	335	2.9	0	0.0
Nanticoke Memorial	846	7.7	872	7.6	26	2.7
St. Francis	611	5.6	644	5.6	33	3.4
Total	10,230	93.3	11,117	97.3	887	92.4
BIRTHING CENTER	161	1.5	224	2.0	63	6.6
HOME BIRTH	62	0.6	64	0.6	2	0.2
ENROUTE/OTHER	8	0.1	10	0.1	2	0.2
UNKNOWN	0	0.0	6	0.1	6	0.6
TOTAL	10,461	95.4	11,421	100.0	960	100.0
<b>OUT-OF-STATE</b>						
HOSPITAL						
Crozier Med. Center, PA	88	0.8	N/A		N/A	
Peninsula General, MD	105	1.0	N/A		N/A	
Riddle Memorial, PA	39	0.4	N/A		N/A	
Other Hospitals	270	2.5	N/A		N/A	
Total	502	4.6	N/A		N/A	
BIRTHING CENTER	4	0.0	N/A		N/A	
HOME BIRTH	0	0.0	N/A		N/A	
ENROUTE/OTHER	0	0.0	N/A		N/A	
UNKNOWN	0	0.0	N/A		N/A	
TOTAL	506	4.6	N/A		N/A	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,967</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11,421</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Notes:

1. N/A indicates category not applicable.
2. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**TABLE C-23. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<2,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**ALL RACES**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	N/A
<20	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.4	N/A
20-24	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	N/A
25-29	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	N/A
30+	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6
<20	11.1	11.3	11.2	11.2	11.5	11.4	11.2	11.3	11.1	10.5	10.4	10.1	9.8	9.9	9.6	9.0
20-24	8.9	9.1	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.8	9.9	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.0	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.3
25-29	7.6	7.9	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.5	8.2	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3
30+	8.7	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.1	8.4	8.5
<b>Kent</b>	8.6	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.9	9.1
<20	11.0	11.9	12.0	11.3	12.4	11.7	11.4	11.0	11.8	10.3	10.4	9.8	10.4	10.9	10.2	9.5
20-24	8.2	8.3	9.1	9.4	9.3	9.8	9.8	9.2	8.2	8.5	8.2	7.7	7.9	8.6	8.6	9.1
25-29	7.5	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.5	9.0
30+	8.7	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.4	9.3	9.0	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.4	9.1	9.1
<b>New Castle</b>	9.1	9.3	9.6	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.9
<20	11.6	11.8	11.5	11.9	12.5	12.4	12.5	12.7	12.0	11.2	11.0	10.3	10.1	10.2	9.8	9.2
20-24	10.0	10.2	10.4	10.3	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.4	10.5	10.2	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.9	10.0
25-29	7.9	8.4	8.7	8.8	9.0	9.1	8.7	8.4	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3
30+	8.7	8.9	9.1	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.7
<b>Wilmington</b>	13.5	14.2	14.1	14.0	14.4	13.9	13.6	13.4	13.5	13.2	12.6	12.3	12.3	11.8	12.0	12.2
<20	14.6	14.9	14.2	13.8	14.7	14.7	14.4	14.5	14.6	14.3	12.7	12.1	13.2	12.7	11.7	12.0
20-24	13.9	14.4	15.1	14.7	15.1	14.7	14.2	13.6	13.9	13.5	13.0	13.6	14.1	13.6	14.1	14.3
25-29	13.0	14.0	13.0	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.9	13.2	13.7	13.7	12.8	11.9	11.4	10.7	10.6	10.8
30+	12.6	13.6	13.7	14.3	14.5	13.4	12.9	12.7	12.2	11.8	12.0	11.5	11.4	11.1	11.8	11.8
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	8.1	8.3	8.6	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.5	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3
<20	9.9	10.1	10.0	10.9	11.4	11.1	11.5	11.7	10.7	9.8	10.3	9.5	8.7	9.1	9.0	8.1
20-24	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.2	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.9
25-29	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.4	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.7	8.0	8.0	8.1	7.9
30+	8.2	8.3	8.6	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.7	8.3	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	8.3
<b>Sussex</b>	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.8	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
<20	10.1	9.4	9.6	9.4	8.4	8.8	8.2	8.4	8.7	8.9	9.0	10.0	8.7	8.4	8.7	8.1
20-24	6.9	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.9	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.1	7.7
25-29	6.7	7.1	7.6	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.2	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.8	7.5	7.6
30+	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.3	7.6	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	7.7	7.2	7.5	7.3

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
 Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-24. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<2,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

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Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<20	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20-24	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
25-29	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
30+	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	7.0	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9
<20	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.3	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.6	7.8	7.5
20-24	6.7	7.2	7.5	7.6	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.2	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.7
25-29	5.8	6.2	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.0	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.7
30+	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.5	7.2	7.1	7.0	6.8	7.0	7.1
<b>Kent</b>	6.6	7.3	7.6	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.4	7.7	7.6
<20	8.9	10.1	10.1	9.4	9.7	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.5	8.1	8.0	7.3	7.3	8.7	8.6	8.9
20-24	6.3	6.8	7.3	7.7	7.4	8.3	8.0	7.8	7.0	7.5	6.8	6.4	6.2	6.6	6.4	6.6
25-29	4.9	4.9	6.0	6.2	6.4	5.9	6.0	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.8	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.7
30+	6.9	8.2	8.3	8.6	8.5	8.4	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.0	7.8	8.6	8.1
<b>New Castle</b>	7.2	7.3	7.7	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.9
<20	8.5	8.5	8.7	9.5	9.9	9.6	10.0	9.5	8.8	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.8
20-24	7.4	7.8	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	6.9
25-29	6.2	6.6	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.6	7.3	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.3
30+	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.7	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.1
Wilmington	8.8	9.4	9.2	9.3	9.1	8.8	8.1	7.9	7.7	8.1	7.6	8.2	8.3	8.0	8.1	8.3
<20	10.3	9.8	9.5	9.1	8.9	9.3	9.7	9.4	9.8	11.0	8.1	9.1	10.6	8.7	7.8	9.1
20-24	10.2	11.6	11.9	12.1	11.5	11.3	8.7	7.9	7.8	8.3	7.9	9.8	10.8	11.2	11.0	11.4
25-29	8.5	9.0	9.3	8.6	7.7	8.4	8.0	7.6	7.6	8.2	6.3	6.7	5.6	5.5	5.5	6.3
30+	7.9	8.3	7.4	8.3	8.7	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.2	7.3	8.1	8.3	8.4	8.0	8.5	8.3
Balance of NC County	7.0	7.1	7.5	7.6	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.4	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7
<20	8.3	8.3	8.6	9.6	10.1	9.6	10.0	9.6	8.6	7.5	7.8	7.3	7.1	7.6	7.8	7.6
20-24	7.0	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.5	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.4
25-29	6.0	6.4	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.5	7.2	6.8	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.2
30+	7.4	7.3	7.6	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.4	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.6	7.0	
<b>Sussex</b>	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.4
<20	8.6	7.7	7.8	7.1	6.1	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.6	6.8	6.7	7.3	6.3
20-24	5.8	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.1	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.9	7.3	7.0	6.3	6.1	5.8	5.7	6.3
25-29	5.7	6.2	6.8	6.8	7.0	6.5	6.4	5.9	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.8	6.0	6.8	6.6	6.8
30+	8.1	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.3	7.2	6.8	6.9	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.5	6.8	6.1	6.4	6.2

Note:  
N/A indicates data not available.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-25. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<2,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

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Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	13.0	13.1	13.1	13.2	13.3	13.4	13.5	13.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<20	13.6	13.7	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.2	14.2	14.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20-24	12.1	12.3	12.5	12.7	12.9	13.0	13.1	13.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
25-29	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.2	12.4	12.5	12.6	12.7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
30+	14.4	14.3	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.3	14.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	14.0	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.3	14.6	14.3	14.0	13.9	13.6	13.2	12.9	12.9	12.6	12.6	12.7
<20	14.1	14.5	14.2	14.2	14.9	14.8	14.4	14.8	15.0	14.4	14.4	13.8	13.2	12.9	11.8	10.6
20-24	13.3	13.2	13.5	13.4	13.9	14.0	14.4	13.6	13.4	12.9	12.4	12.2	12.5	12.4	12.6	13.2
25-29	13.8	13.8	13.3	12.8	13.1	13.2	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.8	13.1	12.8	13.0	12.9	12.8	12.6
30+	15.0	15.7	15.6	16.0	15.7	16.3	15.6	15.1	14.8	14.7	13.8	13.2	13.0	12.5	12.7	12.9
<b>Kent</b>	14.4	13.9	14.0	13.9	14.3	13.8	13.7	12.6	12.5	11.8	11.7	11.2	11.5	11.4	11.7	12.3
<20	14.6	14.9	15.0	14.4	15.6	14.2	13.5	12.4	13.9	13.1	13.9	13.4	14.3	13.4	11.4	9.4
20-24	12.8	12.2	12.9	13.3	13.6	13.1	13.4	12.2	11.0	10.7	11.0	10.5	11.5	12.3	12.5	13.3
25-29	14.8	12.8	13.1	12.2	12.8	12.2	12.2	11.4	11.3	10.8	10.3	10.5	10.5	11.1	12.1	12.8
30+	16.7	17.0	16.1	16.5	16.3	16.4	16.2	14.9	15.3	13.8	12.9	11.7	11.1	9.9	10.5	11.7
<b>New Castle</b>	14.6	14.9	14.7	14.7	14.8	15.1	14.9	14.6	14.5	14.3	13.8	13.3	13.4	13.1	13.2	13.1
<20	14.6	15.1	14.4	14.4	15.4	15.4	15.4	16.2	15.8	14.8	14.4	13.1	12.7	12.8	12.0	10.8
20-24	14.5	14.1	14.3	14.0	14.2	14.4	15.0	14.5	14.8	14.2	13.2	13.0	13.0	12.7	13.2	13.7
25-29	14.0	14.4	13.8	13.5	13.6	13.5	12.8	12.8	12.8	13.2	13.7	13.4	13.8	13.5	13.2	12.8
30+	15.3	16.0	16.3	16.6	16.2	16.8	16.0	15.4	15.0	15.0	14.2	13.6	13.6	13.2	13.5	13.5
<b>Wilmington</b>	16.2	17.0	17.1	17.0	17.7	17.3	17.1	16.8	17.0	16.3	15.7	14.8	15.1	14.5	14.8	14.9
<20	15.5	16.2	15.5	15.3	16.6	16.3	15.7	15.7	15.8	15.0	13.8	12.7	14.0	14.1	12.9	12.9
20-24	15.4	15.5	16.6	16.0	16.7	16.3	16.7	16.1	16.6	15.6	15.1	15.1	15.3	14.4	15.2	15.5
25-29	16.3	17.6	15.7	15.8	16.5	16.4	16.6	17.2	17.7	17.6	17.2	15.5	15.3	14.2	13.3	13.3
30+	18.6	20.8	22.4	22.7	22.4	21.3	19.8	18.7	18.0	17.1	16.7	15.3	15.3	15.4	16.6	16.6
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	13.3	13.2	13.0	13.1	12.9	13.7	13.5	13.2	13.0	13.1	12.8	12.5	12.6	12.5	12.5	12.3
<20	13.2	13.6	12.7	13.2	13.7	14.2	14.9	16.7	15.7	14.5	15.0	13.6	11.6	11.8	11.3	9.1
20-24	13.6	12.8	12.2	12.1	12.0	12.8	13.6	13.1	13.4	13.1	11.9	11.7	11.8	11.7	12.1	12.7
25-29	12.7	12.5	12.8	12.3	12.2	12.1	10.8	10.4	10.1	10.9	11.9	12.4	13.1	13.2	13.2	12.6
30+	13.7	14.0	13.9	14.4	13.9	15.3	14.7	14.2	13.9	14.3	13.4	13.0	13.0	12.6	12.5	12.5
<b>Sussex</b>	11.2	11.7	11.5	11.7	12.3	13.3	12.7	13.0	12.7	13.0	12.9	13.2	12.5	12.4	11.4	11.6
<20	12.4	12.4	12.7	13.6	12.6	13.6	12.4	13.1	13.5	14.5	14.9	16.6	13.8	12.8	11.6	11.8
20-24	10.3	10.8	11.5	11.5	13.1	13.9	13.5	12.3	11.6	11.2	11.3	11.6	11.9	11.7	10.8	11.6
25-29	11.1	12.0	10.9	10.0	11.1	13.2	12.6	14.3	14.2	14.1	14.3	13.7	13.2	13.0	11.9	11.5
30+	11.2	12.1	10.4	11.3	11.4	11.8	11.4	12.8	12.3	13.6	12.3	13.0	12.0	12.7	11.7	11.5

Note:

N/A indicates data not available.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-26. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<2,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

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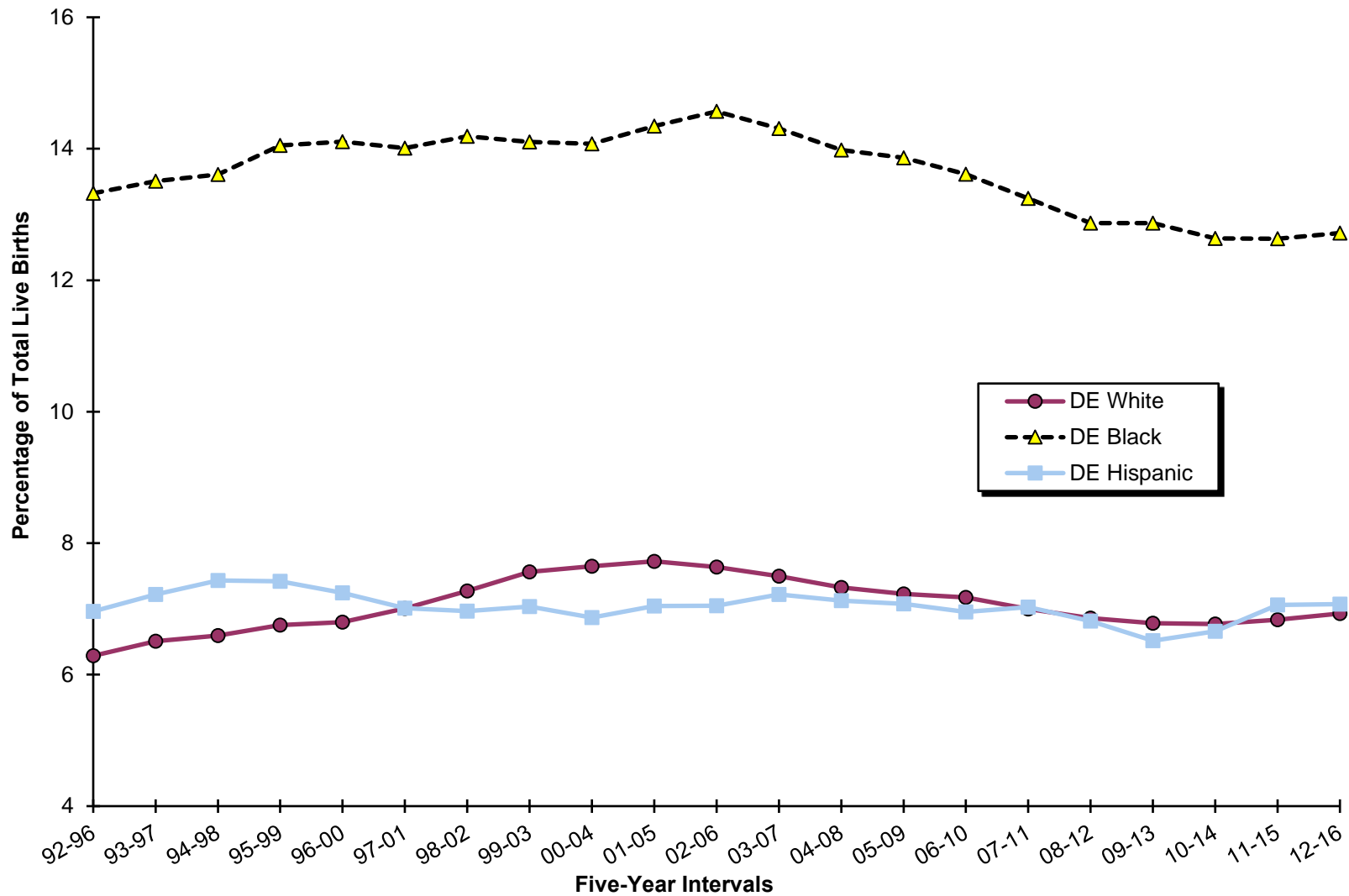
Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.1	N/A
<20	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	N/A
20-24	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	N/A
25-29	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.4	N/A
30+	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.6	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.5	6.7	7.1	7.1
<20	10.0	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.3	7.8	8.4	7.6	7.5	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.8	8.4	8.3
20-24	5.4	6.3	6.9	7.2	6.9	7.2	7.4	7.0	6.6	6.9	6.8	5.9	5.5	6.0	6.6	6.6
25-29	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.7	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.5
30+	7.7	7.5	6.9	6.1	6.6	6.5	7.1	7.5	8.2	8.0	8.2	8.4	7.9	7.3	7.8	7.6
<b>Kent</b>	6.3	8.2	8.1	8.3	9.5	9.4	8.8	9.1	8.4	7.3	8.2	8.1	7.3	7.4	7.7	8.2
<20	7.8	10.3	12.3	7.9	10.8	12.6	9.2	7.8	8.8	7.6	6.5	7.5	7.9	8.1	6.3	6.9
20-24	5.0	7.1	7.6	10.3	9.7	11.0	10.6	10.0	7.7	7.4	8.3	7.8	6.4	6.4	7.4	7.1
25-29	4.8	7.7	6.7	8.0	11.3	9.4	8.0	9.8	9.9	7.8	9.3	8.9	8.5	7.3	7.3	8.9
30+	9.8	9.0	7.4	5.2	6.3	4.4	6.6	8.0	7.7	6.4	7.9	7.8	6.8	8.3	9.1	9.0
<b>New Castle</b>	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.5
<20	10.3	8.5	8.3	9.0	9.1	8.5	10.1	9.3	8.6	8.1	8.5	7.6	8.6	8.4	8.5	8.2
20-24	6.6	7.5	7.7	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.2	7.3	7.4	6.8	6.0	6.6	7.1	6.9
25-29	8.1	7.1	6.6	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.6	7.1	7.0	6.9	6.6	6.9	6.1	6.6	7.2	7.1
30+	7.8	8.1	7.5	6.7	7.9	7.6	8.0	8.4	9.0	9.1	9.3	9.2	9.3	8.5	8.3	8.0
<b>Wilmington</b>	8.8	9.7	8.9	8.9	9.4	9.8	9.3	9.8	9.7	9.9	8.8	10.2	9.2	8.8	9.1	10.2
<20	8.8	8.6	7.3	7.1	8.0	9.5	10.1	11.4	11.3	11.1	7.9	9.7	9.8	8.4	8.5	10.9
20-24	7.8	10.2	10.3	11.2	10.9	11.5	9.2	9.0	7.8	8.0	7.1	9.7	8.9	10.0	10.5	11.1
25-29	8.7	9.4	8.8	7.6	8.0	8.6	8.6	9.3	10.1	10.4	8.1	8.3	6.6	5.6	7.6	8.5
30+	10.6	10.4	8.1	8.5	10.3	8.5	9.3	10.3	11.0	11.5	12.7	14.0	12.5	10.9	9.5	10.5
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	7.6	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.0	6.8	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.2	7.6	7.0	6.9	7.1	7.4	6.9
<20	11.3	8.4	8.9	10.1	9.7	8.0	10.1	8.4	7.6	7.1	8.8	6.9	8.2	8.4	8.6	7.4
20-24	6.0	6.2	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.4	7.0	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.5	6.0	5.2	5.7	6.2	5.9
25-29	7.9	6.3	5.9	5.9	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.6	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.5	5.9	6.9	7.1	6.8
30+	6.9	7.3	7.4	6.3	7.3	7.4	7.7	8.0	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.4	8.7	8.0	8.1	7.6
<b>Sussex</b>	5.1	4.8	5.7	5.2	5.1	5.4	5.6	5.0	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.1	4.9	5.1	5.8	6.0
<20	9.7	7.5	7.2	6.0	5.2	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.8	4.3	4.3	5.5	4.1	6.3	8.8	8.9
20-24	3.3	3.5	5.1	4.4	4.2	5.1	5.9	4.9	5.3	6.2	5.5	4.0	4.4	4.6	5.3	5.7
25-29	4.5	4.9	6.1	6.2	7.0	6.7	6.0	5.1	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.4	5.0	4.3	4.6
30+	6.3	5.4	5.2	4.7	3.8	4.7	5.0	5.5	6.6	6.5	6.5	7.2	6.0	5.4	6.6	6.4

Notes:

\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.  
Percentages in this table should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

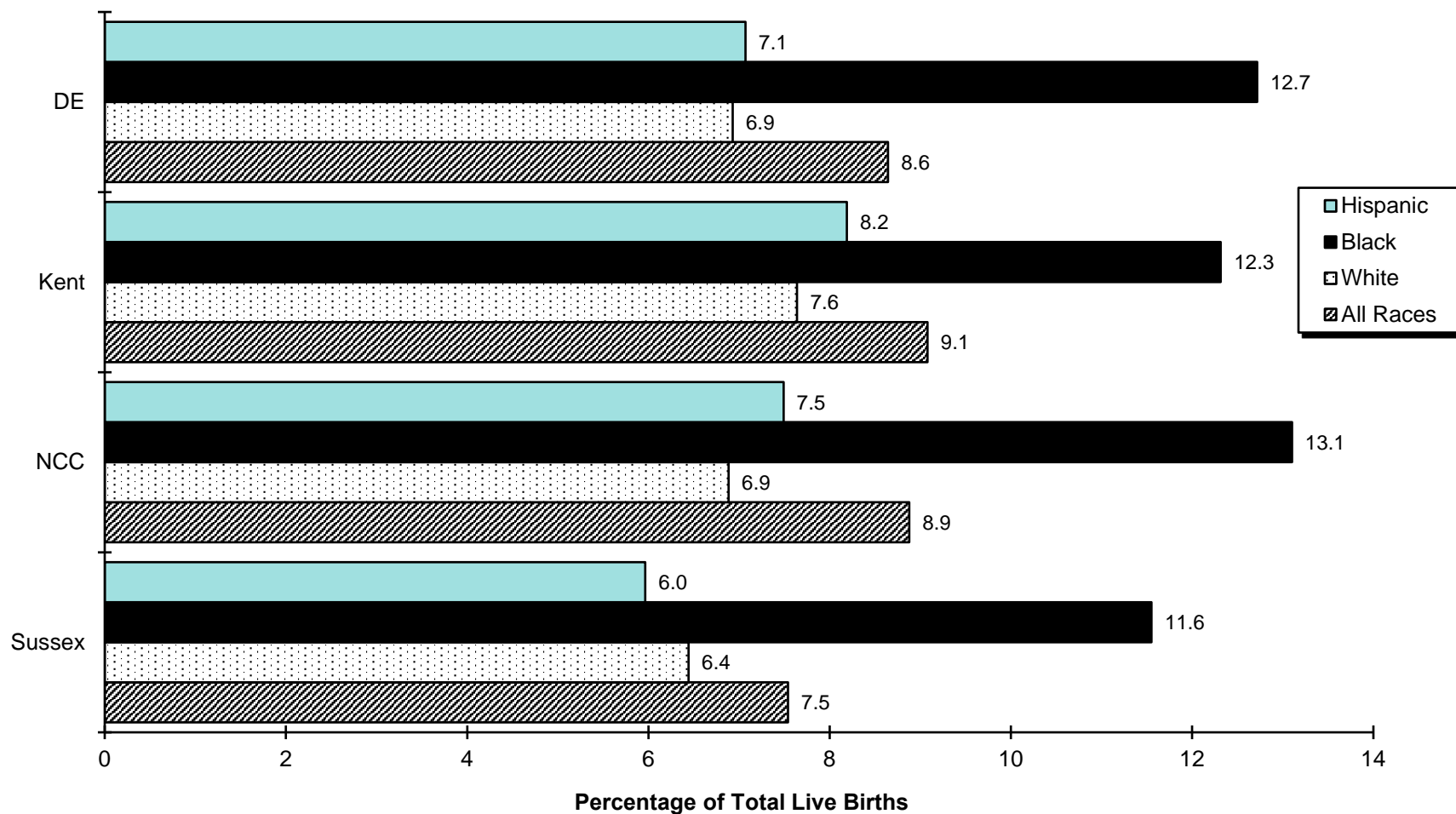
**Figure C-11. Five-Year Average Percentage of Low Birthweight Births (<2,500 Grams), by Race and Hispanic Origin\*, Delaware, 1992-2016**



Note: \*Hispanic may be of any race.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**Figure C-12. Five-Year Average Percentage of Low Birthweight Births (<2,500 Grams), by Race and Hispanic Origin\*, Delaware and Counties, 2012-2016**



Note: \*Hispanic may be of any race.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-27. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF VERY LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<1,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**ALL RACES**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	N/A
<20	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	N/A
20-24	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	N/A
25-29	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	N/A
30+	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
<20	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.6
20-24	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8
25-29	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8
30+	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7
<b>Kent</b>	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.7
<20	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	2.1	2.2	2.7	2.6	3.0	2.0	2.1	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.8	1.6
20-24	1.8	1.6	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.8	1.8
25-29	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.7
30+	2.0	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.7
<b>New Castle</b>	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
<20	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.5
20-24	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1
25-29	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1
30+	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
<b>Wilmington</b>	3.0	3.1	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.8	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.8
<20	3.2	3.5	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.6	3.0	3.2	3.2	2.3	2.7	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.2
20-24	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1
25-29	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.7	3.1	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.8
30+	2.9	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.4	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.4	2.6
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8
<20	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.2
20-24	2.0	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.8
25-29	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9
30+	1.6	1.7	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8
<b>Sussex</b>	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
<20	2.4	2.3	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.8
20-24	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.3
25-29	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.3
30+	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-28. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF VERY LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<1,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1996-2015**

**WHITE**

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<20	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20-24	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
25-29	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
30+	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
<20	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2
20-24	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.2
25-29	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3
30+	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
<b>Kent</b>	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3
<20	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.1	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.9
20-24	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.5
25-29	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4
30+	1.3	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.3
<b>New Castle</b>	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4
<20	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.3
20-24	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.4
25-29	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3
30+	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4
Wilmington	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.5	2.0
<20	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.4	0.9	2.0	1.1	1.2	2.0	2.3
20-24	2.8	2.8	2.3	1.7	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.3	0.6	0.7	1.2	1.1	1.2	2.3
25-29	1.4	1.3	2.0	1.4	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.0	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.5
30+	1.7	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.7	1.4	1.8	1.7	2.3	2.3	1.9	1.9	2.2
Balance of NC County	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
<20	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.1
20-24	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3
25-29	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3
30+	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
<b>Sussex</b>	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
<20	1.7	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.7	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.3
20-24	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.8
25-29	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.2
30+	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.0

Note:  
N/A indicates data not available.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**TABLE C-29. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF VERY LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<1,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

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Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<20	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20-24	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
25-29	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
30+	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1
<20	3.3	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.2	2.8	2.6	2.1
20-24	3.4	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.9
25-29	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2
30+	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.2	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.4
<b>Kent</b>	3.8	3.1	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.2	3.2	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.8
<20	2.7	2.3	2.7	2.5	3.1	3.1	4.1	3.7	4.4	3.1	3.5	2.8	3.3	3.1	3.7	2.7
20-24	3.5	2.7	3.2	3.1	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.6	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.5
25-29	3.8	2.8	3.5	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.4	2.0	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.5	2.1	2.9
30+	5.5	5.1	4.7	4.5	3.8	3.5	3.4	3.5	4.1	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.3	2.6	3.0	3.1
<b>New Castle</b>	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.3
<20	3.3	3.6	3.3	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.9	3.8	3.3	3.2	3.2	2.8	2.4	1.7
20-24	3.8	3.5	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0
25-29	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.8	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.6
30+	4.2	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.6
Wilmington	3.6	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.1	3.9	4.1	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.3
<20	3.4	3.7	3.4	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.9	3.8	2.7	2.9	2.7	2.3	1.9	2.2
20-24	3.6	3.5	4.0	3.9	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.2	3.3	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5
25-29	3.0	3.3	2.7	3.7	4.2	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.5	5.0	4.6	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.7
30+	4.5	5.2	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.3	5.4	4.5	5.3	5.1	4.8	4.0	4.1	3.5	3.0	3.2
Balance of NC County	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.2
<20	3.1	3.6	3.2	3.1	3.5	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.3	2.7	1.3
20-24	4.1	3.5	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.7
25-29	4.2	3.7	3.9	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.7	3.2	3.6	4.0	3.9	4.1	4.1	3.5
30+	4.0	3.9	4.3	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.2	3.7
<b>Sussex</b>	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.3	2.5
<20	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.7	2.3	1.9	1.8	2.6	3.2	3.8	3.9	4.4	3.1	2.2	2.0	2.6
20-24	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.9
25-29	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.4	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.2	1.8	2.0
30+	2.4	3.2	3.0	3.8	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.5	3.7	4.9	4.2	4.1	3.4	3.8	2.6	2.4

Note:  
N/A indicates data not available.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-30. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF VERY LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (<1,500 GRAMS), BY AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, U.S., AND DELAWARE, 1997-2016**

**HISPANIC ORIGIN\***

Area/ Age	1997 -2001	1998 -2002	1999 -2003	2000 -2004	2001 -2005	2002 -2006	2003 -2007	2004 -2008	2005 -2009	2006 -2010	2007 -2011	2008 -2012	2009 -2013	2010 -2014	2011 -2015	2012 -2016
<b>U.S.</b>	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	N/A
<20	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	N/A
20-24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	N/A
25-29	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	N/A
30+	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	N/A
<b>Delaware</b>	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.4
<20	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9
20-24	1.0	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0
25-29	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.6
30+	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.4
<b>Kent</b>	0.5	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	1.8
<20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3
20-24	0.7	0.6	1.2	0.9	0.4	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.7	2.0	1.7	2.0	2.2	1.3
25-29	0.8	2.1	1.3	1.3	2.0	1.8	1.0	1.4	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.4	2.3
30+	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.6	1.1	1.9	1.7	1.4	2.8	2.6	1.8	3.0	3.0	1.8
<b>New Castle</b>	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6
<20	3.7	3.2	3.4	3.0	2.3	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.7	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.8	1.3
20-24	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.5
25-29	2.1	1.7	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.2	1.9
30+	1.6	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.4	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.4
Wilmington	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.2	1.1	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.5	2.1
<20	3.6	3.8	3.2	2.2	1.3	1.2	0.9	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.2	2.8	1.5	1.7	1.9	3.3
20-24	2.0	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.2	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.9
25-29	2.7	2.1	2.5	1.2	1.1	2.2	1.8	1.7	2.1	2.5	1.2	1.7	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.5
30+	1.2	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.4	1.3	1.8	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.9	3.3	3.2	2.3	2.2
Balance of NC County	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.5
<20	3.8	2.9	3.6	3.4	2.8	2.0	1.9	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.9	2.0	2.3	1.7	1.8	0.7
20-24	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.4
25-29	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.3	2.4	2.0
30+	1.7	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.3
<b>Sussex</b>	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0
<20	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.2	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.5	2.0	2.7
20-24	0.4	0.8	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.0
25-29	0.5	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.7
30+	1.6	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.3

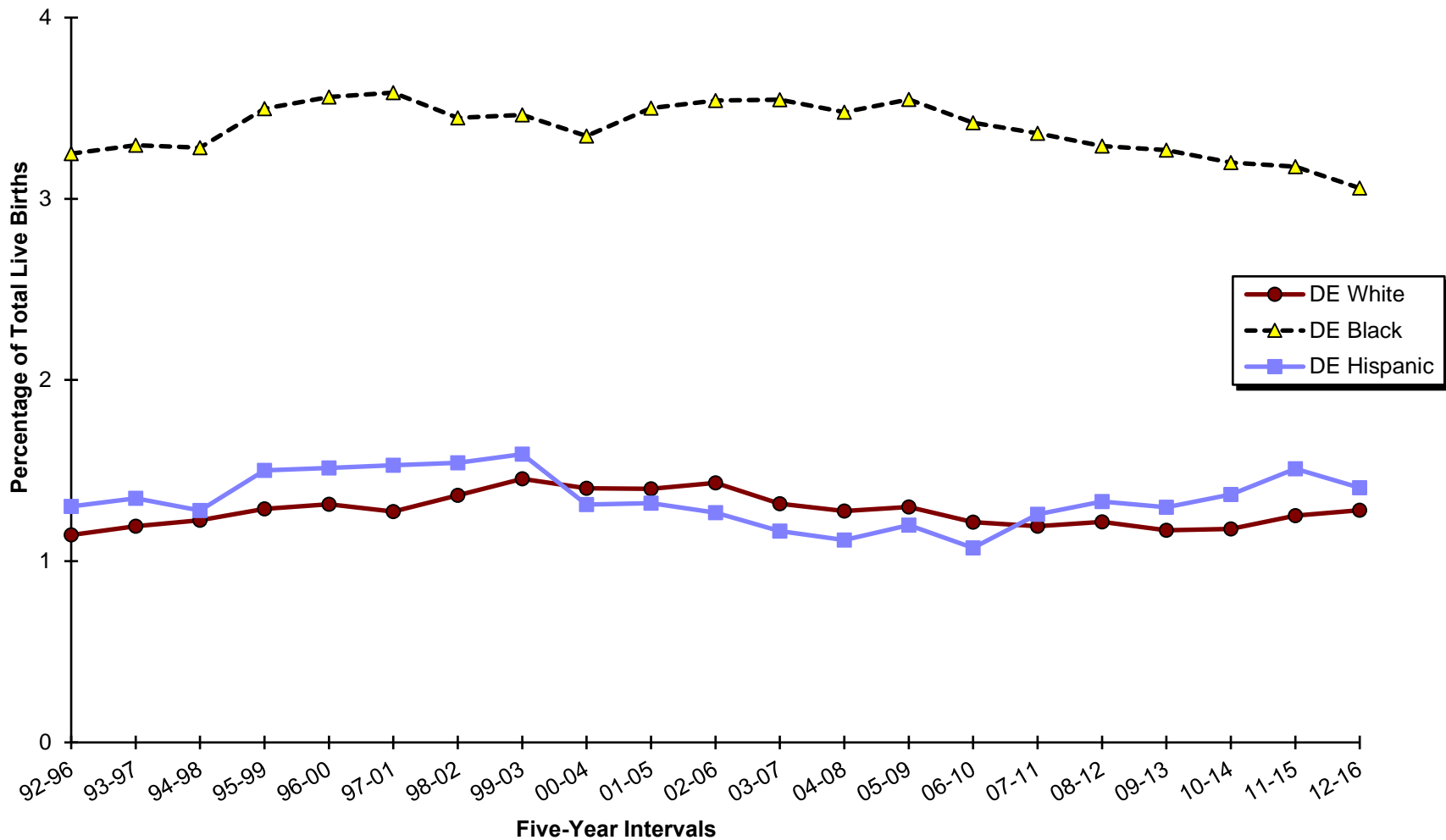
**Notes:**

\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.  
Percentages in this table should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics

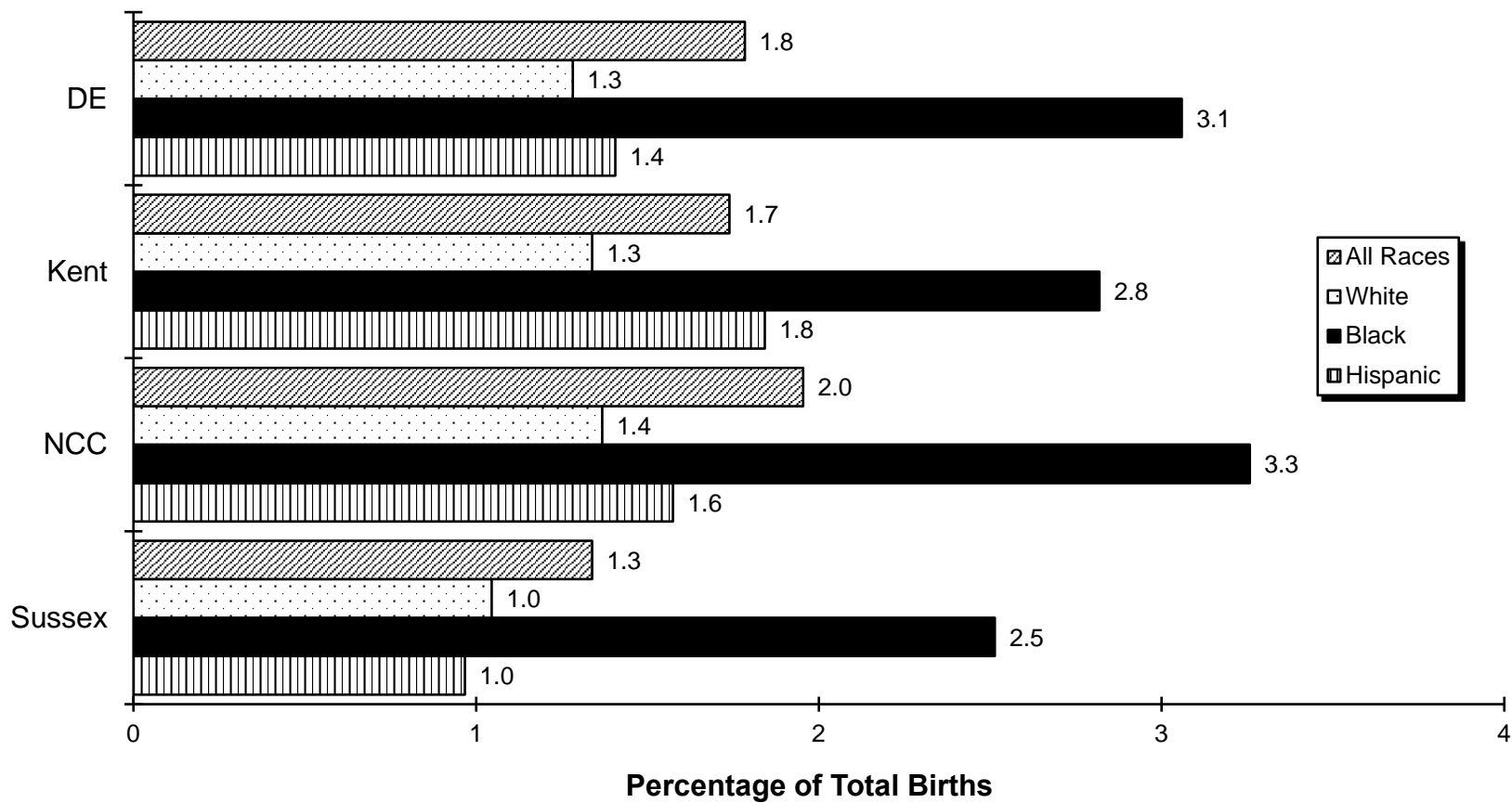
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**Figure C-13. Five-Year Average Percentage of Very Low Birthweight Births (<1,500 Grams), by Race and Hispanic Origin\*, Delaware, 1992-2016**



Note: \*Hispanic may be of any race.  
 Sources: Delaware Department of Health and Social Service, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**Figure C-14. Five-Year Average Percentage of Very Low Birthweight Births (<1,500 Grams), by Race, Delaware and Counties, 2012-2016**



Note: \*Hispanic may be of any race.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-31. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTHWEIGHT IN GRAMS AND AGE OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Birthweight	Age									
	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	14	147	433	2,099	3,303	3,188	1,481	302	0
<2,500	986	1	11	38	214	281	258	147	36	0
<1,500	204	0	3	7	46	63	43	35	7	0
<500	29	0	0	0	8	8	7	6	0	0
500-749	41	0	1	1	10	13	6	8	2	0
750-999	44	0	0	2	9	12	13	6	2	0
1,000-1,499	90	0	2	4	19	30	17	15	3	0
1,500-1,999	194	1	1	6	42	55	52	31	6	0
2,000-2,499	588	0	7	25	126	163	163	81	23	0
2,500+	9,981	13	136	395	1,885	3,022	2,930	1,334	266	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	2	36	115	518	760	538	224	54	0
<2,500	215	0	4	11	58	68	38	33	3	0
<1,500	43	0	1	3	7	16	8	8	0	0
<500	6	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	0	0
500-749	6	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	0
750-999	7	0	0	2	1	1	2	1	0	0
1,000-1,499	24	0	1	1	3	10	3	6	0	0
1,500-1,999	35	0	0	0	14	10	6	5	0	0
2,000-2,499	137	0	3	8	37	42	24	20	3	0
2,500+	2,032	2	32	104	460	692	500	191	51	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	8	73	217	1,050	1,851	2,043	994	194	0
<2,500	578	1	3	22	98	155	184	92	23	0
<1,500	126	0	0	3	28	37	30	23	5	0
<500	22	0	0	0	5	7	5	5	0	0
500-749	28	0	0	1	8	7	4	7	1	0
750-999	28	0	0	0	5	7	10	4	2	0
1,000-1,499	48	0	0	2	10	16	11	7	2	0
1,500-1,999	113	1	0	3	13	28	39	25	4	0
2,000-2,499	339	0	3	16	57	90	115	44	14	0
2,500+	5,852	7	70	195	952	1,696	1,859	902	171	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Wilmington</b>	983	3	23	59	229	279	259	106	25	0
<2,500	103	0	1	4	28	25	28	15	2	0
<1,500	34	0	0	1	11	9	6	7	0	0
<500	6	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	0
500-749	12	0	0	1	4	3	1	3	0	0
750-999	6	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	10	0	0	0	2	3	2	3	0	0
1,500-1,999	17	0	0	0	3	3	7	4	0	0
2,000-2,499	52	0	1	3	14	13	15	4	2	0
2,500+	880	3	22	55	201	254	231	91	23	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	5,447	5	50	158	821	1,572	1,784	888	169	0
<2,500	475	1	2	18	70	130	156	77	21	0
<1,500	92	0	0	2	17	28	24	16	5	0
<500	16	0	0	0	2	5	5	4	0	0
500-749	16	0	0	0	4	4	3	4	1	0
750-999	22	0	0	0	3	6	7	4	2	0
1,000-1,499	38	0	0	2	8	13	9	4	2	0
1,500-1,999	96	1	0	3	10	25	32	21	4	0
2,000-2,499	287	0	2	13	43	77	100	40	12	0
2,500+	4,972	4	48	140	751	1,442	1,628	811	148	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	4	38	101	531	692	607	263	54	0
<2500	193	0	4	5	58	58	36	22	10	0
<1500	35	0	2	1	11	10	5	4	2	0
<500	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
500-749	7	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	1	0
750-999	9	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	0	0
1000-1499	18	0	1	1	6	4	3	2	1	0
1500-1999	46	0	1	3	15	17	7	1	2	0
2000-2499	112	0	1	1	32	31	24	17	6	0
2500+	2,097	4	34	96	473	634	571	241	44	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Notes:**

1. Low birthweight is less than 2500 grams.
2. Very low birthweight is less than 1500 grams.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-32. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTHWEIGHT IN GRAMS, RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Birthweight	Race				Hispanic Origin*
	All Races	White	Black	Other	
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	7,051	3,014	865	1,543
<2,500	986	490	408	81	110
<1,500	204	96	92	16	25
<500	29	9	16	4	2
500-749	41	16	23	2	8
750-999	44	24	17	3	4
1,000-1,499	90	47	36	7	11
1,500-1,999	194	98	85	10	28
2,000-2,499	588	296	231	55	57
2,500+	9,981	6,561	2,606	784	1,433
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	1,436	687	120	197
<2,500	215	101	101	12	25
<1,500	43	21	21	1	6
<500	6	3	3	0	0
500-749	6	4	2	0	2
750-999	7	4	3	0	2
1,000-1,499	24	10	13	1	2
1,500-1,999	35	18	15	2	7
2,000-2,499	137	62	65	9	12
2,500+	2,032	1,335	586	108	172
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	3,821	1,903	676	827
<2,500	578	260	252	60	53
<1,500	126	54	59	13	14
<500	22	5	13	4	2
500-749	28	10	16	2	6
750-999	28	15	11	2	2
1,000-1,499	48	24	19	5	4
1,500-1,999	113	51	55	6	13
2,000-2,499	339	155	138	41	26
2,500+	5,852	3,561	1,651	616	774
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Wilmington</b>	983	366	579	36	142
<2,500	103	21	80	2	13
<1,500	34	10	24	0	5
<500	6	0	6	0	0
500-749	12	3	9	0	4
750-999	6	4	2	0	1
1,000-1,499	10	3	7	0	0
1,500-1,999	17	2	14	1	3
2,000-2,499	52	9	42	1	5
2,500+	880	345	499	34	129
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Balance of NC County</b>	5,447	3,455	1,324	640	685
<2,500	475	239	172	58	40
<1,500	92	44	35	13	9
<500	16	5	7	4	2
500-749	16	7	7	2	2
750-999	22	11	9	2	1
1,000-1,499	38	21	12	5	4
1,500-1,999	96	49	41	5	10
2,000-2,499	287	146	96	40	21
2,500+	4,972	3,216	1,152	582	645
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	1,794	424	69	519
<2,500	193	129	55	9	32
<1,500	35	21	12	2	5
<500	1	1	0	0	0
500-749	7	2	5	0	0
750-999	9	5	3	1	0
1,000-1,499	18	13	4	1	5
1,500-1,999	46	29	15	2	8
2,000-2,499	112	79	28	5	19
2,500+	2,097	1,665	369	60	487
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0

Notes:

1. Low birthweight is less than 2500 grams.

2. Very low birthweight is less than 1500 grams.

\* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-33. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, WEEKS OF GESTATION, AND AGE OF MOTHER, DELAWARE, 2016**

Race-Origin/ Weeks	Age							
	Total	<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown
<b>All Races</b>	10,967	594	2,099	3,303	3,188	1,481	302	0
<20 Weeks	13	0	4	6	2	1	0	0
20-27 Weeks	91	2	21	32	18	14	4	0
28-31 Weeks	175	17	38	48	42	26	4	0
32-35 Weeks	658	36	124	174	195	97	32	0
36 Weeks	451	27	88	119	125	74	18	0
37-39 Weeks	5,617	262	1,025	1,688	1,641	821	180	0
40 Weeks	2,277	151	421	679	715	267	44	0
41 Weeks	1,065	65	235	340	292	122	11	0
42+ Weeks	611	34	141	211	157	59	9	0
Unknown	9	0	2	6	1	0	0	0
<b>White</b>	7,051	317	1,203	2,171	2,204	958	198	0
<20 Weeks	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
20-27 Weeks	46	1	8	17	11	6	3	0
28-31 Weeks	103	9	20	30	26	15	3	0
32-35 Weeks	375	18	63	96	120	57	21	0
36 Weeks	272	17	48	72	73	51	11	0
37-39 Weeks	3,575	143	567	1,099	1,122	527	117	0
40 Weeks	1,520	75	261	464	520	170	30	0
41 Weeks	742	33	148	243	216	94	8	0
42+ Weeks	411	21	86	145	116	38	5	0
Unknown	6	0	1	5	0	0	0	0
<b>Black</b>	3,014	250	793	859	674	363	75	0
<20 Weeks	12	0	3	6	2	1	0	0
20-27 Weeks	38	1	12	14	4	6	1	0
28-31 Weeks	59	7	15	13	12	11	1	0
32-35 Weeks	237	18	56	65	62	28	8	0
36 Weeks	143	10	38	34	34	21	6	0
37-39 Weeks	1,588	106	410	457	367	204	44	0
40 Weeks	546	68	139	156	113	61	9	0
41 Weeks	239	28	73	67	51	17	3	0
42+ Weeks	149	12	46	46	28	14	3	0
Unknown	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
<b>Other</b>	865	27	97	259	302	152	28	0
<20 Weeks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-27 Weeks	7	0	1	1	3	2	0	0
28-31 Weeks	13	1	3	5	4	0	0	0
32-35 Weeks	40	0	3	12	12	10	3	0
36 Weeks	33	0	2	12	17	2	0	0
37-39 Weeks	435	13	46	124	148	85	19	0
40 Weeks	205	8	19	57	81	35	5	0
41 Weeks	83	4	14	30	24	11	0	0
42+ Weeks	49	1	9	18	13	7	1	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Hispanic Origin*</b>	1,543	151	371	441	331	206	43	0
<20 Weeks	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
20-27 Weeks	10	1	1	5	3	0	0	0
28-31 Weeks	33	7	8	10	4	3	1	0
32-35 Weeks	113	10	23	31	15	25	9	0
36 Weeks	66	8	15	17	17	7	2	0
37-39 Weeks	785	69	194	203	178	118	23	0
40 Weeks	315	35	74	98	67	35	6	0
41 Weeks	135	13	34	43	31	13	1	0
42+ Weeks	84	8	22	32	16	5	1	0
Unknown	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

*Notes:*

Weeks of gestation are calculated from the first day of the last normal menstrual period to date of delivery.

\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-34. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BIRTHWEIGHT, AND WEEKS OF GESTATION, DELAWARE, 2016**

Race-Origin/ Birthweight	Weeks of Gestation									
	Total	Preterm				Term			Postterm	Unknown
		<28 Weeks	28-31 Weeks	32-35 Weeks	36 Weeks	37-39 Weeks	40 Weeks	41 Weeks	42+ Weeks	
<b>All Races</b>	10,967	104	175	658	451	5,617	2,277	1,065	611	9
<500	29	27	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
500-999	85	60	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	90	10	55	18	0	5	1	0	1	0
1,500-1,999	194	0	36	112	17	25	0	2	1	1
2,000-2,499	588	1	9	195	94	249	15	11	13	1
2,500-2,999	1,984	6	17	161	167	1,210	232	97	93	1
3,000-3,499	4,144	0	23	99	116	2,354	955	366	226	5
3,500-3,999	2,879	0	9	56	48	1,361	770	424	210	1
4,000-4,499	832	0	0	15	7	344	261	144	61	0
4,500+	142	0	0	1	2	69	43	21	6	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>White</b>	7,051	47	103	375	272	3,575	1,520	742	411	6
<500	9	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
500-999	40	26	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	47	8	29	8	0	1	1	0	0	0
1,500-1,999	98	0	25	50	7	13	0	1	1	1
2,000-2,499	296	0	6	100	46	124	6	6	7	1
2,500-2,999	1,097	5	10	92	105	650	133	46	55	1
3,000-3,499	2,608	0	11	70	76	1,478	593	244	133	3
3,500-3,999	2,073	0	7	42	33	972	557	309	153	0
4,000-4,499	665	0	0	12	3	280	196	118	56	0
4,500+	118	0	0	1	2	57	34	18	6	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Black</b>	3,014	50	59	237	143	1,588	546	239	149	3
<500	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
500-999	40	30	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	36	2	21	8	0	4	0	0	1	0
1,500-1,999	85	0	7	57	9	11	0	1	0	0
2,000-2,499	231	1	3	74	39	98	8	4	4	0
2,500-2,999	699	1	6	57	48	451	65	37	34	0
3,000-3,499	1,163	0	12	24	33	673	267	87	65	2
3,500-3,999	612	0	1	13	11	294	161	88	43	1
4,000-4,499	116	0	0	3	3	48	39	21	2	0
4,500+	16	0	0	0	0	9	6	1	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Other</b>	865	7	13	40	33	435	205	83	49	0
<500	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
500-999	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	7	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,500-1,999	10	0	4	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
2,000-2,499	55	0	0	18	9	24	1	1	2	0
2,500-2,999	181	0	1	11	13	104	34	14	4	0
3,000-3,499	359	0	0	5	7	196	90	34	27	0
3,500-3,999	188	0	1	0	3	93	51	27	13	0
4,000-4,499	48	0	0	0	0	14	26	5	3	0
4,500+	8	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Hispanic Origin*</b>	1,543	11	33	113	66	785	315	135	84	1
<500	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
500-999	12	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1,000-1,499	11	0	7	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
1,500-1,999	28	0	7	17	1	2	0	0	0	1
2,000-2,499	57	0	0	21	6	28	1	1	0	0
2,500-2,999	254	1	5	26	25	149	29	11	8	0
3,000-3,499	647	0	7	31	25	358	148	46	32	0
3,500-3,999	403	0	3	12	9	186	109	52	32	0
4,000-4,499	107	0	0	3	0	49	26	20	9	0
4,500+	22	0	0	0	0	12	2	5	3	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Notes:

Weeks of gestation are calculated from the first day of the last normal menstrual period to date of delivery.

\*Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center



**TABLE C-35. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE, HISPANIC ORIGIN, AGE OF MOTHER, AND PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Race-Origin/ Age	Source of Payment											
	Total		Medicaid		Private Insurance		Self Pay		Other Government		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>All Races</b>	10,967	100.0	4,925	44.9	5,500	50.2	196	1.8	308	2.8	37	0.3
<20	594	100.0	454	76.4	122	20.5	8	1.3	8	1.3	2	0.3
20-24	2,099	100.0	1,353	64.5	641	30.5	29	1.4	73	3.5	3	0.1
25-29	3,303	100.0	1,516	45.9	1,581	47.9	67	2.0	128	3.9	11	0.3
30-34	3,188	100.0	1,030	32.3	2,026	63.6	52	1.6	72	2.3	8	0.3
35+	1,783	100.0	572	32.1	1,130	63.4	40	2.2	27	1.5	13	0.7
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...
<b>White</b>	7,051	100.0	2,737	38.8	3,925	55.7	133	1.9	236	3.3	20	0.3
<20	317	100.0	233	73.5	71	22.4	6	1.9	7	2.2	0	0.0
20-24	1,203	100.0	723	60.1	403	33.5	19	1.6	58	4.8	0	0.0
25-29	2,171	100.0	870	40.1	1,154	53.2	49	2.3	92	4.2	6	0.3
30-34	2,204	100.0	605	27.5	1,509	68.5	27	1.2	57	2.6	6	0.3
35+	1,156	100.0	306	26.5	788	68.2	32	2.8	22	1.9	8	0.7
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...
<b>Black</b>	3,014	100.0	1,901	63.1	1,016	33.7	47	1.6	44	1.5	6	0.2
<20	250	100.0	199	79.6	47	18.8	1	0.4	1	0.4	2	0.8
20-24	793	100.0	574	72.4	200	25.2	9	1.1	9	1.1	1	0.1
25-29	859	100.0	563	65.5	266	31.0	8	0.9	21	2.4	1	0.1
30-34	674	100.0	352	52.2	288	42.7	23	3.4	10	1.5	1	0.1
35+	438	100.0	213	48.6	215	49.1	6	1.4	3	0.7	1	0.2
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...
<b>Other</b>	865	100.0	276	31.9	541	62.5	14	1.6	28	3.2	5	0.6
<20	27	100.0	22	81.5	4	14.8	1	3.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
20-24	97	100.0	52	53.6	36	37.1	1	1.0	6	6.2	2	2.1
25-29	259	100.0	78	30.1	156	60.2	9	3.5	15	5.8	1	0.4
30-34	302	100.0	72	23.8	224	74.2	1	0.3	5	1.7	0	0.0
35+	180	100.0	52	28.9	121	67.2	2	1.1	2	1.1	2	1.1
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...
<b>Hispanic Origin*</b>	1,543	100.0	1,138	73.8	326	21.1	31	2.0	39	2.5	8	0.5
<20	151	100.0	128	84.8	18	11.9	4	2.6	1	0.7	0	0.0
20-24	371	100.0	304	81.9	58	15.6	4	1.1	4	1.1	1	0.3
25-29	441	100.0	304	68.9	104	23.6	9	2.0	21	4.8	3	0.7
30-34	331	100.0	236	71.3	78	23.6	7	2.1	9	2.7	1	0.3
35+	249	100.0	166	66.7	68	27.3	7	2.8	4	1.6	3	1.2
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...

**Notes:**

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each age category.
3. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
4. All Delaware residents born out of state whose source of payment for delivery was not stated, were assigned to the private insurance category. See Technical Notes.

\* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-36. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE, HISPANIC ORIGIN, MARITAL STATUS OF MOTHER, AND PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Race-Origin/ Marital Status	Source of Payment											
	Total		Medicaid		Private Insurance		Self Pay		Other Government		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>All Races</b>	10,967	100.0	4,925	44.9	5,500	50.2	196	1.8	308	2.8	37	0.3
Married	5,942	100.0	1,355	22.8	4,166	70.1	133	2.2	262	4.4	25	0.4
Single	5,025	100.0	3,570	71.0	1,334	26.5	63	1.3	46	0.9	12	0.2
<b>White</b>	7,051	100.0	2,737	38.8	3,925	55.7	133	1.9	236	3.3	20	0.3
Married	4,292	100.0	849	19.8	3,129	72.9	94	2.2	205	4.8	15	0.3
Single	2,759	100.0	1,888	68.4	796	28.9	39	1.4	31	1.1	5	0.2
<b>Black</b>	3,014	100.0	1,901	63.1	1,016	33.7	47	1.6	44	1.5	6	0.2
Married	930	100.0	356	38.3	516	55.5	27	2.9	30	3.2	1	0.1
Single	2,084	100.0	1,545	74.1	500	24.0	20	1.0	14	0.7	5	0.2
<b>Other</b>	865	100.0	276	31.9	541	62.5	14	1.6	28	3.2	5	0.6
Married	697	100.0	147	21.1	507	72.7	11	1.6	27	3.9	4	0.6
Single	168	100.0	129	76.8	34	20.2	3	1.8	1	0.6	1	0.6
<b>Hispanic Origin*</b>	1,543	100.0	1,138	73.8	326	21.1	31	2.0	39	2.5	8	0.5
Married	621	100.0	366	58.9	208	33.5	12	1.9	30	4.8	4	0.6
Single	922	100.0	772	83.7	118	12.8	19	2.1	9	1.0	4	0.4

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each marital status category.
  3. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
  4. All Delaware residents born out of state whose source of payment for delivery was not stated, were assigned to the private insurance category. See Technical Notes.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-37. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY RACE, HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, METHOD OF DELIVERY, AND PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Race-Origin/ Method	Source of Payment											
	Total		Medicaid		Private Insurance		Self Pay		Other Government		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>All Races</b>	10,967	100.0	4,925	100.0	5,500	100.0	196	100.0	308	100.0	37	100.0
Vaginal	7,476	68.2	3,357	68.2	3,726	67.7	149	76.0	228	74.0	16	43.2
C-section	3,489	31.8	1,568	31.8	1,772	32.2	47	24.0	80	26.0	21	56.8
Unknown	2	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>White</b>	7,051	100.0	2,737	100.0	3,925	100.0	133	100.0	236	100.0	20	100.0
Vaginal	4,905	69.6	1,915	70.0	2,697	68.7	104	78.2	179	75.8	10	50.0
C-section	2,145	30.4	822	30.0	1,227	31.3	29	21.8	57	24.2	10	50.0
Unknown	1	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>Black</b>	3,014	100.0	1,901	100.0	1,016	100.0	47	100.0	44	100.0	6	100.0
Vaginal	1,978	65.6	1,249	65.7	666	65.6	33	70.2	28	63.6	2	33.3
C-section	1,036	34.4	652	34.3	350	34.4	14	29.8	16	36.4	4	66.7
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>Other</b>	865	100.0	276	100.0	541	100.0	14	100.0	28	100.0	5	100.0
Vaginal	574	66.4	186	67.4	354	65.4	10	71.4	21	75.0	3	60.0
C-section	291	33.6	90	32.6	187	34.6	4	28.6	7	25.0	2	40.0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>Hispanic Origin*</b>	1,543	100.0	1,138	100.0	326	100.0	31	100.0	39	100.0	8	100.0
Vaginal	1,095	71.0	815	71.6	225	69.0	24	77.4	28	71.8	3	37.5
C-section	447	29.0	323	28.4	100	30.7	7	22.6	11	28.2	5	62.5
Unknown	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each source of payment category.
3. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
4. All Delaware residents born out of state whose source of payment for delivery was not stated, were assigned to the private insurance category. See Technical Notes.

\* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-38. NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS BY METHOD OF DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Method of Delivery	Number
<b>Total</b>	10,967
<b>Vaginal</b>	7,476
<b>C-Section</b>	3,489
Primary C-Section	1,877
Repeat C-Section	1,612
<b>Unknown</b>	2

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**TABLE C-39. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTHWEIGHT IN GRAMS AND METHOD OF DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Birth weight	Method of Delivery							
	Total		Vaginal		C-Section		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	10,967	100.0	7,476	68.2	3,489	31.8	2	0.0
<2,500	986	100.0	537	54.5	449	45.5	0	0.0
<1,500	204	100.0	104	51.0	100	49.0	0	0.0
1,500-2,499	782	100.0	433	55.4	349	44.6	0	0.0
2,500+	9,981	100.0	6,939	69.5	3,040	30.5	2	0.0
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of live births in each birth weight category.

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**TABLE C-40. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER AND METHOD OF DELIVERY, DELAWARE, 2016**

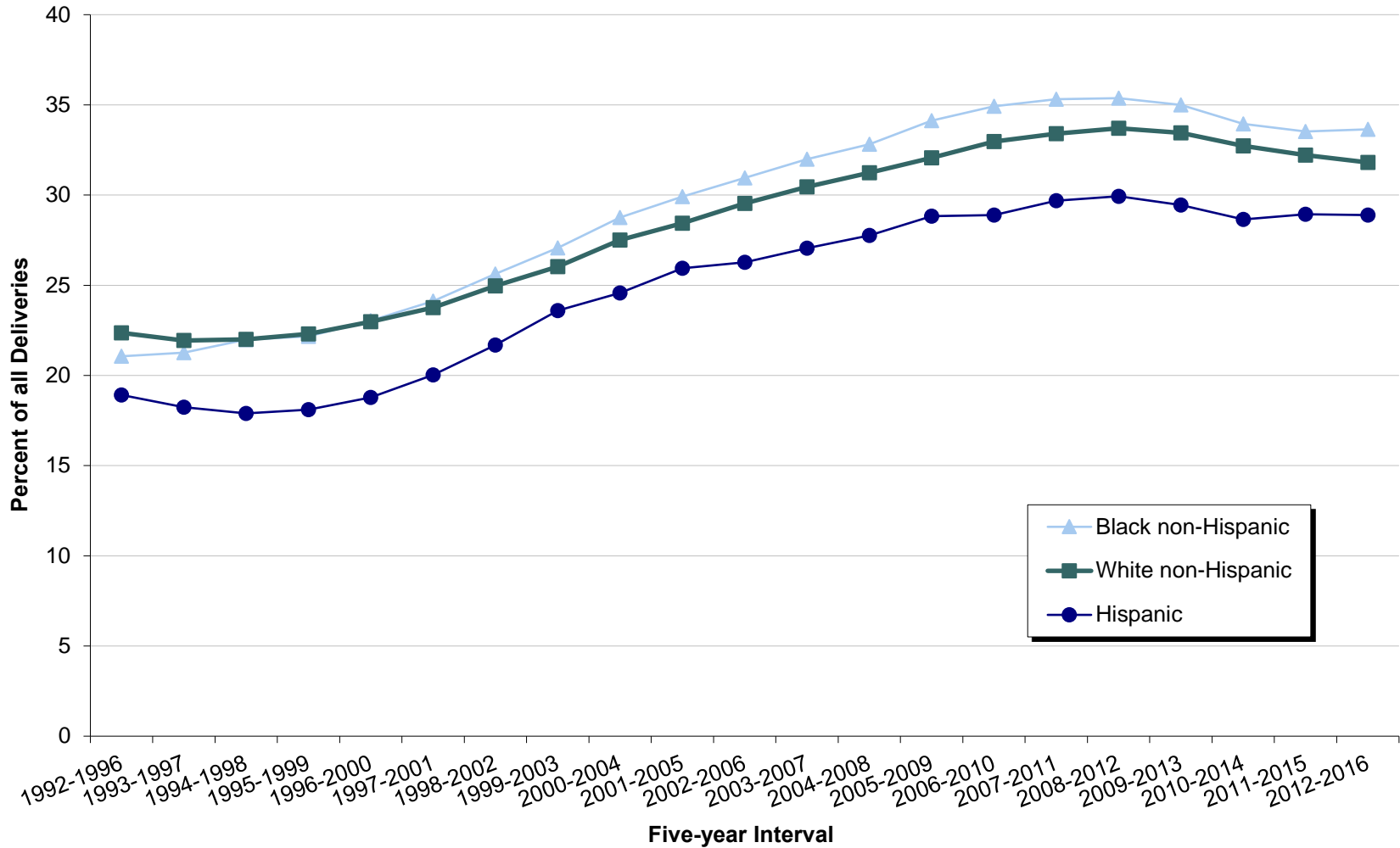
Age	Method of Delivery							
	Total		Vaginal		C-Section		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	10,967	100.0	7476	68.2	3,489	31.8	2	0.0
<20	594	100.0	474	79.8	120	20.2	0	0.0
20-24	2,099	100.0	1565	74.6	534	25.4	0	0.0
25-29	3,303	100.0	2292	69.4	1,011	30.6	0	0.0
30-34	3,188	100.0	2106	66.1	1,081	33.9	1	0.0
35+	1,783	100.0	1039	58.3	743	41.7	1	0.1
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of live births in each age category.
- ...Indicates percentage is not calculated because the denominator is zero.

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**Figure C-15. Five-year Percent Births by Cesarean Section Delivery by Race and Ethnicity, Delaware, 1992-2016**



Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-41. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS FOR MOTHERS REPORTING TOBACCO USE DURING PREGNANCY BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF MOTHER, BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Tobacco Use	Race								Hispanic Origin*	
	All Races		White		Black		Other		Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	100.0	7,051	100.0	3,014	100.0	865	100.0	1,543	100.0
Yes	991	9.0	699	9.9	274	9.1	16	1.8	50	3.2
No	9,967	90.9	6,349	90.0	2,737	90.8	849	98.2	1,489	96.5
Unknown	9	0.1	3	0.0	3	0.1	0	0.0	4	0.3
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	100.0	1,436	100.0	687	100.0	120	100.0	197	100.0
Yes	229	10.2	173	12.0	50	7.3	6	5.0	5	2.5
No	2,015	89.7	1,262	87.9	635	92.4	114	95.0	192	97.5
Unknown	3	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	100.0	3,821	100.0	1,903	100.0	676	100.0	827	100.0
Yes	490	7.6	299	7.8	181	9.5	8	1.2	38	4.6
No	5,936	92.3	3,521	92.1	1,721	90.4	668	98.8	786	95.0
Unknown	4	0.1	1	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	3	0.4
Wilmington	983	100.0	366	100.0	579	100.0	36	100.0	142	100.0
Yes	117	11.9	25	6.8	90	15.5	2	5.6	12	8.5
No	866	88.1	341	93.2	489	84.5	34	94.4	130	91.5
Unknown	-	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Balance of NC County	5,447	100.0	3,455	100.0	1,324	100.0	640	100.0	685	100.0
Yes	373	6.8	274	7.9	91	6.9	6	0.9	26	3.8
No	5,070	93.1	3,180	92.0	1,232	93.1	634	99.1	656	95.8
Unknown	4	0.1	1	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	3	0.4
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	100.0	1,794	100.0	424	100.0	69	100.0	519	100.0
Yes	272	11.9	227	12.7	43	10.1	2	2.9	7	1.3
No	2,016	88.0	1,566	87.3	381	89.9	67	97.1	511	98.5
Unknown	2	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.2

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
  2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total births within each race/origin category.
  3. Percentages for the categories "Other" and "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-42. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE OF MOTHER AND MOTHER'S REPORTED USE OF TOBACCO DURING PREGNANCY, DELAWARE, 2016**

Age	Reported Tobacco Use							
	Total		Yes		No		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	10,967	100.0	991	9.0	9,967	90.9	9	0.1
< 18	161	100.0	3	1.9	158	98.1	0	0.0
18-19	433	100.0	46	10.6	387	89.4	0	0.0
20-24	2,099	100.0	250	11.9	1,848	88.0	1	0.0
25-29	3,303	100.0	348	10.5	2,952	89.4	3	0.1
30-34	3,188	100.0	237	7.4	2,947	92.4	4	0.1
35 +	1,783	100.0	107	6.0	1,675	93.9	1	0.1
Unknown	0	...	0	...	0	...	0	...

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of births in each age category.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-43. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY BIRTHWEIGHT IN GRAMS AND MOTHER'S REPORTED USE OF TOBACCO DURING PREGNANCY BY COUNTY, CITY OF WILMINGTON, AND DELAWARE, 2016**

Area/ Birth Weight	Reported Tobacco Use							
	Total		Yes		No		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Delaware</b>	10,967	100.0	991	100.0	9,967	100.0	9	100.0
<2500	986	9.0	171	17.3	813	8.2	2	22.2
2500+	9,981	91.0	820	82.7	9,154	91.8	7	77.8
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>Kent</b>	2,247	100.0	229	100.0	2,015	100.0	3	100.0
<2500	215	9.6	40	17.5	174	8.6	1	33.3
2500+	2,032	90.4	189	82.5	1,841	91.4	2	66.7
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>New Castle</b>	6,430	100.0	490	100.0	5,936	100.0	4	100.0
<2500	578	9.0	87	17.8	491	8.3	0	0.0
2500+	5,852	91.0	403	82.2	5,445	91.7	4	100.0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Wilmington	983	100.0	117	100.0	866	100.0	0	...
<2500	103	10.5	23	19.7	80	9.2	0	...
2500+	880	89.5	94	80.3	786	90.8	0	...
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	...
Balance of NC County	5,447	100.0	373	100.0	5,070	100.0	4	100.0
<2500	475	8.7	64	17.2	411	8.1	0	0.0
2500+	4,972	91.3	309	82.8	4,659	91.9	4	100.0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
<b>Sussex</b>	2,290	100.0	272	100.0	2,016	100.0	2	100.0
<2500	193	8.4	44	16.2	148	7.3	1	50.0
2500+	2,097	91.6	228	83.8	1,868	92.7	1	50.0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Notes:

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of live births in each tobacco use category.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-44. PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS FOR MOTHERS REPORTING TOBACCO USE DURING PREGNANCY BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN, U.S. AND DELAWARE, 2002 -2016**

Year/ Area	Race			Hispanic Origin*
	All Races	White	Black	
<b>2016</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
U.S.				
Delaware	8.9	9.6	8.9	3.2
<b>2015</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	9.9	10.8	10.8	3.3
<b>2014</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	10.1	10.9	10.3	3.2
<b>2013</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	10.9	11.7	10.3	4.5
<b>2012</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	12.4	13.8	11.3	3.7
<b>2011</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	11.7	13.0	10.4	3.6
<b>2010</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	12.3	13.3	11.8	3.0
<b>2009</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	13.4	14.5	12.8	3.4
<b>2008</b>				
U.S.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	12.4	13.3	12.3	3.2
<b>2007</b>				
U.S.	10.4	N/A	N/A	2.1
Delaware	12.8	14.0	12.6	3.4
<b>2006</b>				
U.S.	13.2	N/A	N/A	2.8
Delaware	9.4	10.1	8.5	2.8
<b>2005</b>				
U.S.	12.4	N/A	N/A	2.7
Delaware	11.6	12.7	10.3	3.3
<b>2004</b>				
U.S.	16.3	N/A	N/A	5.7
Delaware	11.8	12.4	11.8	2.9
<b>2003</b>				
U.S.	10.7	11.6	8.1	2.7
Delaware	11.3	12.6	10.2	3.0
<b>2002</b>				
U.S.	11.4	12.3	8.7	3.0
Delaware	12.9	13.9	12.0	4.0

*Notes:*

1. N/A indicates data not available.
  2. Percentages for the category "Hispanic" should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers.
  3. US percentages are based on the numbers reported by some states only.
- \* Mothers of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Hispanic Origin and Race in the Technical Notes.

Sources: *National Center for Health Statistics  
Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*



**TABLE C-45. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY DAY OF THE WEEK, DELAWARE, 2016**

Day	Number	Percent
Sunday	1,037	9.5
Monday	1,602	14.6
Tuesday	1,770	16.1
Wednesday	1,770	16.1
Thursday	1,772	16.2
Friday	1,752	16.0
Saturday	1,264	11.5
Total	10,967	100.0

*Notes:*

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of live births.

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**TABLE C-46. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS BY MONTH, DELAWARE, 2016**

Month	Number	Percent
January	860	7.8
February	856	7.8
March	995	9.1
April	885	8.1
May	932	8.5
June	971	8.9
July	941	8.6
August	938	8.6
September	959	8.7
October	905	8.3
November	886	8.1
December	839	7.7
Total	10,967	100.0

*Notes:*

1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of live births.

*Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center*

**TABLE C-47. MOST POPULAR BIRTH NAMES BY SEX OF CHILD, DELAWARE, 2015-2016**

**Males**

Rank	2015	
	Name	Number
1	Liam	63
2	Mason	59
3	Noah	58
4	Michael	51
5	Jackson	47
6	Luke	46
7	William	43
8	Aiden	42
8	Alexander	42
10	Anthony	40
10	Benjamin	40
10	Logan	40
13	Christopher	39
14	Cameron	38
15	Ethan	37

Rank	2016	
	Name	Number
1	Michael	62
2	Liam	61
3	Mason	50
4	Noah	49
5	William	47
6	Alexander	44
6	Carter	44
6	Logan	44
9	Jacob	42
10	Jackson	40
10	James	40
12	Anthony	39
13	Joseph	38
14	Benjamin	36
14	Lucas	36

**Females**

Rank	2015	
	Name	Number
1	Ava	61
2	Olivia	59
3	Sophia	56
4	Emma	44
5	Abigail	41
5	Mia	41
7	Madison	40
8	Grace	34
9	Isabella	33
10	Savannah	32
11	Aubrey	29
11	Avery	29
11	Charlotte	29
11	Sofia	29
15	Elizabeth	28

Rank	2016	
	Name	Number
1	Ava	65
2	Olivia	61
3	Charlotte	49
4	Emma	44
5	Sophia	43
6	Isabella	42
7	Harper	40
8	Elizabeth	37
9	Aubrey	33
10	Emily	30
10	Riley	28
11	Madison	26
11	Mia	26
14	Amelia	25
14	Avery	25

*Note:*

The most popular names reflect the most frequently occurring names based upon spelling. No attempt is made to account for variations in spelling.

*Source:* Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-48. RANKING OF PERCENTAGE OF LOW BIRTHWEIGHT (<2,500 GRAMS), U.S., 50 STATES AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 2016**

State	Low Birthweight	
	Rate	Rank
Alabama	10.0	2
Alaska	5.0	50
Arizona	7.0	29
Arkansas	8.0	12
California	6.0	41
Colorado	9.0	4
Connecticut	7.0	29
<b>Delaware</b>	8.0	12
District of Columbia	N/A	51
Florida	8.0	12
Georgia	9.0	4
Hawaii	8.0	12
Idaho	7.0	29
Illinois	8.0	12
Indiana	8.0	12
Iowa	6.0	41
Kansas	7.0	29
Kentucky	9.0	4
Louisiana	10.0	2
Maine	7.0	29
Maryland	8.0	12
Massachusetts	7.0	29
Michigan	8.0	12
Minnesota	6.0	41
Mississippi	11.0	1
Missouri	8.0	12
Montana	7.0	29
Nebraska	7.0	29
Nevada	8.0	12
New Hampshire	6.0	41
New Jersey	8.0	12
New Mexico	9.0	4
New York	7.0	29
North Carolina	9.0	4
North Dakota	6.0	41
Ohio	8.0	12
Oklahoma	7.0	29
Oregon	6.0	41
Pennsylvania	8.0	12
Rhode Island	8.0	12
South Carolina	9.0	4
South Dakota	6.0	41
Tennessee	9.0	4
Texas	8.0	12
Utah	7.0	29
Vermont	6.0	41
Virginia	8.0	12
Washington	6.0	41
West Virginia	9.0	4
Wisconsin	7.0	29
Wyoming	8.0	12
United States	N/A	

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
 Delaware Department of Health and Social Services,  
 Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

**TABLE C-49. RANKING OF PERCENTAGE OF LIVE BIRTHS BY CESAREAN DELIVERY AND PERCENTAGE OF BIRTHS TO SINGLE MOTHERS, U.S., 50 STATES AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 2016**

State	Cesarean Deliveries		Single Mothers	
	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank
Alabama	34.4	43	44.0	10
Alaska	23.0	2	36.0	32
Arizona	27.5	15	45.0	6
Arkansas	32.3	35	44.0	10
California	31.9	32	38.0	28
Colorado	26.2	9	22.0	49
Connecticut	35.4	47	36.0	32
<b>Delaware</b>	31.8	31	45.0	6
District of Columbia	31.6	30	N/A	51
Florida	37.4	49	46.0	5
Georgia	33.8	40	44.0	10
Hawaii	25.2	5	37.0	30
Idaho	23.9	3	27.0	48
Illinois	31.1	27	39.0	23
Indiana	29.8	20	42.0	16
Iowa	30.1	22	35.0	37
Kansas	29.5	19	36.0	32
Kentucky	34.6	45	41.0	18
Louisiana	37.5	50	52.0	2
Maine	28.9	16	39.0	23
Maryland	33.7	39	39.0	23
Massachusetts	31.3	29	33.0	41
Michigan	32.0	33	41.0	18
Minnesota	26.8	10	32.0	43
Mississippi	38.2	51	53.0	1
Missouri	30.2	23	39.0	23
Montana	29.1	17	36.0	32
Nebraska	31.0	26	32.0	43
Nevada	33.8	40	47.0	4
New Hampshire	30.9	25	33.0	41
New Jersey	36.2	48	34.0	39
New Mexico	24.8	4	51.0	3
New York	33.8	40	38.0	28
North Carolina	29.4	18	40.0	21
North Dakota	26.8	10	31.0	46
Ohio	30.8	24	43.0	14
Oklahoma	32.0	33	42.0	16
Oregon	27.2	12	35.0	37
Pennsylvania	29.8	20	40.0	21
Rhode Island	31.3	28	44.0	10
South Carolina	33.5	38	45.0	6
South Dakota	25.3	6	36.0	32
Tennessee	32.6	36	43.0	14
Texas	34.5	43	41.0	18
Utah	22.3	1	18.0	50
Vermont	25.7	7	39.0	23
Virginia	33.0	37	34.0	39
Washington	27.4	13	31.0	46
West Virginia	34.9	46	45.0	6
Wisconsin	26.0	8	37.0	30
Wyoming	27.4	13	32.0	43
United States	31.9		40.3	

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics  
 Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health,  
 Delaware Health Statistics Center