



California Report Card 2004: Focus on Children in Immigrant Families

Low Birthweight Infants by Mothers' Nativity, California, 2002

COUNTY	Percentage of Low Birthweight Births to U.S.-Born Mothers	Rank (U.S.-Born Mothers)	Percentage of Low Birthweight Births to Immigrant Mothers	Rank (Immigrant Mothers)
California	6.8%		5.9%	
Alameda	7.1%	40	6.2%	26
Alpine	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Amador	5.0%	6	LNE	N/R
Butte	6.4%	27	5.8%	16
Calaveras	5.5%	10	LNE	N/R
Colusa	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Contra Costa	6.6%	31	5.7%	15
Del Norte	4.9%	5	LNE	N/R
El Dorado	6.6%	31	8.6%	36
Fresno	6.8%	34	6.0%	22
Glenn	5.1%	7	LNE	N/R
Humboldt	6.1%	18	LNE	N/R
Imperial	5.4%	9	5.3%	11
Inyo	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Kern	7.2%	42	5.2%	6
Kings	6.3%	24	5.2%	6
Lake	7.1%	40	LNE	N/R
Lassen	4.7%	3	LNE	N/R
Los Angeles	7.6%	47	6.1%	25
Madera	6.1%	18	6.8%	33
Marin	6.1%	18	6.3%	30
Mariposa	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Mendocino	6.2%	21	5.1%	5
Merced	7.4%	45	5.4%	12
Modoc	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Mono	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Monterey	6.9%	36	5.2%	6
Napa	7.3%	43	5.2%	6
Nevada	5.5%	10	LNE	N/R
Orange	6.2%	21	5.9%	21
Placer	5.2%	8	5.8%	16
Plumas	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Riverside	6.0%	16	6.0%	22
Sacramento	6.8%	34	5.2%	6
San Benito	4.2%	2	4.5%	3
San Bernardino	7.3%	43	6.4%	31



County	Percentage of Low Birthweight Births to U.S.-Born Mothers	Rank (U.S.-Born Mothers)	Percentage of Low Birthweight Births to Immigrant Mothers	Rank (Immigrant Mothers)
San Diego	6.3%	24	5.8%	16
San Francisco	7.9%	48	5.5%	14
San Joaquin	6.9%	36	6.3%	29
San Luis Obispo	6.3%	24	4.6%	4
San Mateo	7.0%	39	5.8%	16
Santa Barbara	6.4%	27	6.2%	26
Santa Clara	6.5%	30	6.2%	26
Santa Cruz	5.6%	13	6.0%	22
Shasta	5.5%	10	LNE	N/R
Sierra	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Siskiyou	7.5%	46	LNE	N/R
Solano	6.9%	36	7.5%	34
Sonoma	4.7%	3	4.3%	1
Stanislaus	6.7%	33	5.8%	16
Sutter	5.8%	14	6.6%	32
Tehama	6.0%	16	LNE	N/R
Trinity	LNE	N/R	LNE	N/R
Tulare	6.2%	21	4.4%	2
Tuolumne	4.1%	1	LNE	N/R
Ventura	6.4%	27	5.4%	12
Yolo	5.8%	14	7.8%	35
Yuba	10.0%	49	LNE	N/R

Source: Children Now analysis of data from the California Department of Health Services, Vital Statistics, "Number of Low Birthweight Infants By Mother's Nativity By County, 2002," unpublished data, accessed February 11, 2004.

Notes: Low number event (LNE) indicates that 10 or fewer U.S.-born or immigrant mothers received prenatal care in the first trimester. No ranking (N/R) indicates that there is insufficient data to rank the given county. These data exclude mothers for whom place of birth is unknown. The U.S.-born mothers category only includes those mothers born in the 50 states or District of Columbia; it does not include mothers born in Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands or other U.S. territories.