

TABLE 2-11  
 PERCENT OF BIRTHS WITH SELECTED MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS  
 BY RACE/ETHNICITY<sup>1</sup> OF MOTHER  
 CALIFORNIA, 1990-1998  
 (By Place of Residence)

YEAR	PERCENT OF BIRTHS BY MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS <sup>2</sup>			
	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>3</sup>	Preterm Birth <sup>4</sup>	Cesarean Birth	Low Birthweight <sup>5</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>				
1998	3.6	10.1	21.7	6.2
1997	3.7	9.9	21.0	6.1
1996	3.8	9.8	20.6	6.1
1995	4.6	9.9	20.6	6.1
1994	4.8	9.9	20.8	6.2
1993	5.0	9.9	21.3	6.0
1992	5.3	9.7	21.6	5.9
1991	6.3	9.7	22.3	5.8
1990	7.0	9.7	22.2	5.8
<b>AMERICAN INDIAN</b>				
1998	7.6	11.0	22.1	5.8
1997	7.2	11.3	20.3	5.7
1996	7.5	10.6	22.0	6.1
1995	9.8	11.2	21.6	6.8
1994	9.5	11.1	22.1	6.7
1993	7.2	11.8	22.9	6.8
1992	8.5	11.2	23.5	6.2
1991	9.9	10.8	23.6	5.9
1990	10.0	10.6	23.9	6.3
<b>ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER</b>				
1998	2.7	9.8	20.6	6.9
1997	2.9	9.5	19.4	6.8
1996	2.8	9.7	19.2	6.8
1995	3.2	9.5	19.1	6.4
1994	3.3	9.6	19.1	6.4
1993	3.4	9.7	19.6	6.1
1992	3.7	9.6	20.0	6.3
1991	4.3	10.1	20.9	6.3
1990	4.5	10.0	21.0	6.0
<b>BLACK</b>				
1998	4.5	14.6	24.9	11.7
1997	4.5	14.6	23.3	12.1
1996	4.2	14.7	23.0	11.9
1995	5.1	14.8	23.3	12.1
1994	5.5	15.1	23.3	12.6
1993	5.8	15.7	24.5	12.7
1992	6.2	15.6	24.4	12.7
1991	6.7	15.8	24.6	12.7
1990	7.4	15.8	24.9	12.5
<b>HISPANIC</b>				
1998	4.5	10.3	20.9	5.6
1997	4.6	10.1	20.3	5.6
1996	4.9	10.0	19.8	5.4
1995	5.8	10.1	19.6	5.5
1994	6.4	10.1	19.6	5.5
1993	6.9	10.1	19.9	5.4
1992	7.7	10.1	19.7	5.3
1991	9.6	10.1	20.3	5.2
1990	10.9	10.2	20.0	5.2
<b>WHITE/OTHER RACES</b>				
1998	2.4	8.9	22.5	5.7
1997	2.4	8.7	21.9	5.5
1996	2.4	8.7	21.6	5.5
1995	3.2	8.7	21.8	5.6
1994	3.1	8.6	22.1	5.5
1993	2.9	8.4	22.8	5.3
1992	2.7	8.0	23.5	5.2
1991	3.1	8.0	24.2	5.0
1990	3.6	7.9	24.1	5.1

<sup>1</sup> American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Black, and White/Other Races exclude Hispanic. American Indian includes Eskimo and Aleut. Hispanic includes any race category.

<sup>2</sup> Percents are calculated using total births which includes unknown and not reported in the specified category.

<sup>3</sup> Third trimester or no prenatal care.

<sup>4</sup> Birth prior to 37 completed weeks of gestation.

<sup>5</sup> Birthweight of less than 2500 grams (5lb 8oz).