

**TABLE 3
LIVE BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES
BY AGE OF MOTHER
CALIFORNIA, 1995 - 1999
(By Place of Residence)**

AGE OF MOTHER (In Years)	NUMBER OF BIRTHS					PERCENT CHANGE 1998 TO 1999
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	
TOTAL	551,226	538,628	524,174	521,265	518,073	-0.6
Under 15	1,640	1,485	1,256	1,066	1,038	-2.6
15-19	66,644	63,118	59,851	58,141	56,577	-2.7
20-24	132,607	127,431	122,924	121,317	120,270	-0.9
25-29	148,585	145,795	141,195	140,369	137,637	-1.9
30-34	127,853	125,030	121,938	121,326	121,779	0.4
35-39	60,577	61,836	62,674	64,210	65,532	2.1
40-44	12,573	13,158	13,506	14,010	14,272	1.9
45 and Over	679	685	766	777	904	16.3
Not Stated	68	90	64	49	64	

AGE OF MOTHER (In Years)	BIRTH RATES ¹					PERCENT CHANGE 1998 TO 1999
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	
TOTAL	76.3 ^a	74.7 ^a	72.2 ^a	71.2 ^a	70.5 ^a	-1.0
Under 15	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	-
15-19	67.2	61.6	56.7	53.6	50.2	-6.3
20-24	128.2	128.1	122.8	119.8	116.3	-2.9
25-29	123.9	123.6	121.6	122.3	122.5	0.2
30-34	91.9	92.6	91.4	93.1	95.8	2.9
35-39	43.7	44.0	44.4	45.0	46.0	2.2
40-44	10.3	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.4	-
45 and Over	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	14.3
Not Stated	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not Applicable.

¹ Age-specific birth rates are per 1,000 females in specified age groups. "Under 15" rates are calculated per 1,000 females aged 10-14 years; "45 and Over" rates are calculated per 1,000 females aged 45-49 years.

^a Total rates are per 1,000 females 15-44 years of age, technically known as the General Fertility Rate.

- Rates unchanged from prior year.

Note: Rates in this report may differ from rates in previously published Advance Reports since rates were revised to reflect the most current population released by the Department of Finance.

Source: State of California, Department of Finance; 1995-1996 Population: 1970-1996 Population Estimates with Age, Sex and Race/Ethnic Detail, January 1998. 1997 Population: Population Estimates by Age, Sex and Race/Ethnic Detail, June 1999. 1998 Population: Population Estimates by Age, Sex, and Race/Ethnic Detail, May 2000. 1999 Population: 1997-2040 Population Projections with Age, Sex, and Race/Ethnic Detail, December 1998.

State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Records.