

**TABLE 3
LIVE BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES
BY AGE OF MOTHER
CALIFORNIA, 1996 - 2000
(By Place of Residence)**

AGE OF MOTHER (In Years)	NUMBER OF BIRTHS					PERCENT CHANGE 1999 TO 2000
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	
TOTAL	538,628	524,174	521,265	518,073	531,285	2.6
Under 15	1,485	1,256	1,066	1,038	895	-13.8
15-19	63,118	59,851	58,141	56,577	55,373	-2.1
20-24	127,431	122,924	121,317	120,270	122,591	1.9
25-29	145,795	141,195	140,369	137,637	139,615	1.4
30-34	125,030	121,938	121,326	121,779	127,502	4.7
35-39	61,836	62,674	64,210	65,532	68,685	4.8
40-44	13,158	13,506	14,010	14,272	15,614	9.4
45 and Over	685	766	777	904	957	5.9
Not Stated	90	64	49	64	53	

AGE OF MOTHER (In Years)	BIRTH RATES ¹					PERCENT CHANGE 1999 TO 2000
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	
TOTAL	74.7 ^a	72.2 ^a	71.2 ^a	70.5 ^a	71.9 ^a	2.0
Under 15	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	-22.2
15-19	61.6	56.7	53.6	50.2	48.1	-4.2
20-24	128.1	122.8	119.8	116.3	114.8	-1.3
25-29	123.6	121.6	122.3	122.5	127.0	3.7
30-34	92.6	91.4	93.1	95.8	101.5	5.9
35-39	44.0	44.4	45.0	46.0	48.5	5.4
40-44	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.4	11.2	7.7
45 and Over	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	-
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 and 2000 Population: 1997-2040 Population Projections with Age, Sex and Race/Ethnic Detail, January 1998. 1997 Population: Population Estimates by State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Records.