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	15-44 years (1)	15-19 years			20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years (2)
		Total	15-17 years	18-19 years					
ALL RACES (3)									
Reported/Inferred (4)									
1996.....	44.8	42.9	29.0	65.9	70.7	56.8	41.1	20.1	4.8
1995.....	45.1	44.4	30.5	67.6	70.3	56.1	39.6	19.5	4.7
1994.....	46.9	46.4	32.0	70.1	72.2	59.0	40.1	19.8	4.7
1993.....	45.3	44.5	30.6	66.9	69.2	57.1	38.5	19.0	4.4
1992.....	45.2	44.6	30.4	67.3	68.5	56.5	37.9	18.8	4.1
1991.....	45.2	44.8	30.9	65.7	68.0	56.5	38.1	18.0	3.8
1990.....	43.8	42.5	29.6	60.7	65.1	56.0	37.6	17.3	3.6
1989.....	41.6	40.1	28.7	56.0	61.2	52.8	34.9	16.0	3.4
1988.....	38.5	36.4	26.4	51.5	56.0	48.5	32.0	15.0	3.2
1987.....	36.0	33.8	24.5	48.9	52.6	44.5	29.6	13.5	2.9
1986.....	34.2	32.3	22.8	48.0	49.3	42.2	27.2	12.2	2.7
1985.....	32.8	31.4	22.4	45.9	46.5	39.9	25.2	11.6	2.5
1984 (5).....	31.0	30.0	21.9	42.5	43.0	37.1	23.3	10.9	2.5
1983 (5).....	30.3	29.5	22.0	40.7	41.8	35.5	22.4	10.2	2.6
1982 (5).....	30.0	28.7	21.5	39.6	41.5	35.1	21.9	10.0	2.7
1981 (5).....	29.5	27.9	20.9	39.0	41.1	34.5	20.8	9.8	2.6
1980 (5).....	29.4	27.6	20.6	39.0	40.9	34.0	21.1	9.7	2.6
Estimated (6)									
1980 (5).....	28.4	27.5	20.7	38.7	39.7	31.4	18.5	8.4	2.3
1979 (5).....	27.2	26.4	19.9	37.2	37.7	29.9	17.7	8.4	2.3
1978 (5).....	25.7	24.9	19.1	35.1	35.3	28.5	16.9	8.2	2.2
1977 (5).....	25.6	25.1	19.8	34.6	34.0	27.7	16.9	8.4	2.4
1976 (5).....	24.3	23.7	19.0	32.1	31.7	26.8	17.5	9.0	2.5
1975 (5).....	24.5	23.9	19.3	32.5	31.2	27.5	17.9	9.1	2.6
1974 (5).....	23.9	23.0	18.8	31.2	30.5	27.9	18.4	10.0	2.6
1973 (5).....	24.3	22.7	18.7	30.4	31.5	29.6	20.3	10.8	3.0
1972 (5).....	24.8	22.8	18.5	30.9	33.2	30.8	22.6	12.0	3.1
1971 (7).....	25.5	22.3	17.5	31.7	35.5	34.5	25.2	13.3	3.5
1970 (7).....	26.4	22.4	17.1	32.9	38.4	37.0	27.1	13.6	3.5
1969 (7).....	24.8	20.4	15.2	30.8	37.3	37.9	27.0	13.5	3.6
1968 (7).....	24.3	19.7	14.7	29.6	37.2	38.3	27.8	14.8	3.8
1967 (8).....	23.7	18.5	13.8	27.6	38.1	41.1	28.9	15.3	4.0
1966 (7).....	23.3	17.5	13.1	25.6	39.0	45.1	32.7	16.3	4.1
1965 (7).....	23.4	16.7	---	---	39.6	49.1	37.2	17.4	4.5

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	15-44 years (1)	15-19 years			20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years (2)
		Total	15-17 years	18-19 years					
1964 (7)	23.0	15.9	---	---	39.5	49.9	36.9	16.3	4.4
1963 (7)	22.5	15.3	---	---	39.9	48.8	33.1	16.1	4.3
1962 (7)	21.9	14.8	---	---	40.7	46.6	29.6	15.6	4.1
1961 (7)	22.7	16.0	---	---	41.4	46.4	28.2	15.4	3.9
1960 (7)	21.6	15.3	---	---	39.7	45.1	27.8	14.1	3.6
1955.....	19.3	15.1	---	---	33.5	33.5	22.0	10.5	2.7
1950.....	14.1	12.6	---	---	21.3	19.9	13.3	7.2	2.0
1940.....	7.1	7.4	---	---	9.5	7.2	5.1	3.4	1.2
WHITE, TOTAL									
Reported/Inferred (4)									
Race of mother									
1996.....	37.6	34.5	22.7	54.1	59.0	49.9	36.1	17.8	4.3
1995.....	37.5	35.5	23.6	55.4	58.0	48.7	34.2	16.9	4.2
1994.....	38.3	36.2	24.1	56.4	58.1	49.7	34.2	17.3	4.3
1993.....	35.9	33.6	22.1	52.4	54.2	46.7	32.2	16.4	3.9
1992.....	35.2	33.0	21.6	51.5	52.7	45.4	31.5	16.2	3.6
1991.....	34.6	32.8	21.8	49.6	51.5	44.6	31.1	15.2	3.2
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1989.....	30.2	28.0	19.3	40.2	43.8	39.1	26.8	13.1	2.9
1988.....	27.4	25.3	17.6	36.8	39.2	35.4	24.2	12.1	2.7
1987.....	25.3	23.2	16.2	34.5	36.6	32.0	22.3	10.7	2.4
1986.....	23.9	21.8	14.9	33.5	34.2	30.5	20.1	9.7	2.2
1985.....	22.5	20.8	14.5	31.2	31.7	28.5	18.4	9.0	2.0
1984 (5)	20.6	19.3	13.7	27.9	28.5	25.5	16.8	8.4	2.0
1983 (5)	19.8	18.7	13.6	26.4	27.1	23.8	15.9	7.8	2.0
1982 (5)	19.3	18.0	13.1	25.3	26.5	23.1	15.3	7.4	2.1
1981 (5)	18.6	17.2	12.6	24.6	25.8	22.3	14.2	7.2	1.9
1980 (5)	18.1	16.5	12.0	24.1	25.1	21.5	14.1	7.1	1.8

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Estimated(6)									
Race of child									
1980 (5)	16.2	15.9	11.7	22.8	22.4	17.3	10.5	5.3	1.4
1979 (5)	14.9	14.6	10.8	21.0	20.3	15.9	10.0	5.1	1.4
1978 (5)	13.7	13.6	10.3	19.3	18.1	14.8	9.4	4.8	1.3
1977 (5)	13.5	13.4	10.5	18.7	17.4	14.4	9.3	4.9	1.4
1976 (5)	12.6	12.3	9.7	16.9	15.8	14.0	10.1	5.5	1.4
1975 (5)	12.4	12.0	9.6	16.5	15.5	14.8	9.8	5.4	1.5
1974 (5)	11.7	11.0	8.8	15.3	15.0	14.7	9.5	5.5	1.5
1973 (5)	11.8	10.6	8.4	14.9	15.5	15.9	10.6	5.9	1.7
1972 (5)	11.9	10.4	8.0	15.1	16.6	16.5	12.1	6.5	1.6
1971 (7)	12.5	10.3	7.4	15.8	18.7	18.5	13.2	7.2	1.9
1970 (7)	13.9	10.9	7.5	17.6	22.5	21.1	14.2	7.6	2.0
1969 (7)	13.4	9.9	6.6	16.6	23.0	22.5	15.1	7.6	2.0
1968 (7)	13.1	9.7	6.2	16.6	23.0	22.1	15.0		4.7 (2)
1967 (8)	12.5	8.9	5.6	15.3	23.0	22.7	14.0		4.7 (2)
1966 (7)	11.9	8.5	5.4	14.1	22.6	23.4	15.7		4.9 (2)
1965 (7)	11.6	7.9	---	---	22.0	24.3	16.6		4.9 (2)
1964 (7)	11.0	7.4	---	---	21.1	24.0	15.9		4.8 (2)
1963 (7)	10.5	7.0	---	---	20.7	21.9	14.2		4.6 (2)
1962 (7)	9.8	6.5	---	---	19.9	19.8	12.6		4.3 (2)
1961 (7)	10.0	7.1	---	---	19.7	19.4	11.3		4.2 (2)
1960 (7)	9.2	6.6	---	---	18.2	18.2	10.8		3.9 (2)
1955	7.9	6.0	---	---	15.0	13.3	8.6		2.8 (2)
1950	6.1	5.1	---	---	10.0	8.7	5.9		2.0 (2)
1940	3.6	3.3	---	---	5.7	4.0	2.5		1.2 (2)
WHITE, NON-HISPANIC									
Reported/Inferred(4)									
Race of mother									
1996	28.3	27.0	16.9	43.8	44.5	35.7	26.6	13.9	3.3
1995	28.2	27.7	17.6	44.5	43.8	34.9	25.3	13.0	3.2
1994	28.5	28.1	18.0	45.0	43.8	35.0	24.8	12.9	3.1
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1992.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1991.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1990 (9).....	24.4	25.0	16.2	37.0	36.4	30.3	20.5	6.1	---
BLACK, TOTAL									
Reported/Inferred(4)									
Race of mother									
1996.....	74.4	89.2	64.0	129.2	125.8	84.5	54.5	25.5	6.1
1995.....	75.9	92.8	68.6	131.2	127.7	84.8	54.3	25.6	6.0
1994.....	82.1	100.9	75.1	141.6	138.1	93.6	57.2	26.3	5.9
1993.....	84.0	102.4	76.8	141.6	142.2	94.5	57.3	25.9	5.8
1992.....	86.5	105.9	78.0	147.8	144.3	98.2	57.7	25.8	5.4
1991.....	89.5	108.5	80.4	148.7	147.5	100.9	60.1	25.6	5.4
1990.....	90.5	106.0	78.8	143.7	144.8	105.3	61.5	25.5	5.1
1989.....	90.7	104.5	78.9	140.9	142.4	102.9	60.5	24.9	5.0
1988.....	86.5	96.1	73.5	130.5	133.6	97.2	57.4	24.1	5.0
1987.....	82.6	90.9	69.9	123.0	126.1	91.6	53.1	22.4	4.7
1986.....	79.0	88.5	67.0	121.1	118.0	84.6	50.0	20.6	4.4
1985.....	77.0	87.6	66.8	117.9	113.1	79.3	47.5	20.4	4.3
1984 (5).....	75.2	86.1	66.5	113.6	107.9	77.8	43.8	19.4	4.3
1983 (5).....	76.2	85.5	66.8	111.9	107.2	79.7	43.8	19.4	4.8
1982 (5).....	77.9	85.1	66.3	112.7	109.3	82.7	44.1	19.5	5.2
1981 (5).....	79.4	85.0	65.9	114.2	110.7	83.1	45.5	19.6	5.6
1980 (5).....	81.1	87.9	68.8	118.2	112.3	81.4	46.7	19.0	5.5
Estimated(6)									
Race of child									
1980 (5).....	83.2	90.3	70.6	121.8	116.0	82.9	47.0	18.5	5.5
1979 (5).....	83.0	91.0	71.0	123.3	114.1	80.0	44.8	19.3	5.9
1978 (5).....	81.1	87.9	68.8	119.6	111.4	79.6	43.9	18.5	6.2
1977 (5).....	82.6	90.9	73.0	121.7	110.1	78.6	45.7	19.0	6.6
1976 (5).....	81.6	89.7	73.5	117.9	107.2	78.0	45.0	19.2	7.0
1975 (5).....	84.2	93.5	76.8	123.8	108.0	75.7	50.0	20.5	7.2
1974 (5).....	85.5	93.8	78.6	122.2	109.8	80.3	51.8	24.3	6.7
1973 (5).....	88.6	94.9	81.2	120.5	116.0	84.5	57.8	27.6	7.7

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1972 (5).....	91.6	98.2	82.8	128.2	121.2	88.3	57.4	30.4	8.5
1971 (7).....	96.1	98.6	80.7	135.2	130.6	99.6	68.6	32.7	10.1
1970 (7).....	95.5	96.9	77.9	136.4	131.5	100.9	71.8	32.9	10.4
1969 (7).....	90.6	90.3	72.0	128.4	125.3	99.5	70.1	34.3	10.1
HISPANIC (10)									
Reported/Inferred (4)									
Race of mother									
1996.....	93.2	74.5	53.4	110.4	146.5	139.1	90.8	42.3	12.3
1995.....	95.0	78.7	56.3	117.9	148.9	133.8	89.2	43.4	12.2
1994.....	101.2	82.6	59.0	123.6	154.8	141.6	95.5	48.4	14.0
1993.....	95.2	74.6	51.9	114.6	140.5	137.7	90.9	47.8	14.1
1992.....	95.3	72.9	51.0	110.5	142.2	138.3	91.8	48.1	14.5
1991.....	93.7	72.4	50.5	109.6	135.4	137.5	89.1	47.7	14.2
1990.....	89.6	65.9	45.9	98.9	129.8	131.7	88.1	50.8	13.7

--- Data not available.

- (1) Rates computed by relating total births to unmarried women, regardless of age of mother, to unmarried women aged 15-44 years.
- (2) Rates computed by relating births to unmarried women aged 40 years and over to unmarried women aged 40-44 years. Rates by race for years prior to 1969 are computed by relating births to unmarried women aged 35 years and over to unmarried women aged 35-44 years.
- (3) Includes races other than white and black.
- (4) Data for States in which marital status was not reported have been inferred from other items on the birth certificate and included with data from the reporting States; see Technical Appendix.
- (5) Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Technical Appendix.
- (6) Births to unmarried women are estimated for the United States from data for registration areas in which marital status of mother was reported; see Technical Appendix.
- (7) Based on a 50-percent sample of births.
- (8) Based on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.
- (9) Rates for 1990 based on data for 48 States and District of Columbia which reported Hispanic origin on the birth certificate. Rates shown for ages 35-39 years for non-Hispanic white women are based on births to unmarried women aged 35-44 years.
- (10) Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

NOTE: Rates cannot be computed for unmarried non-Hispanic black women because the necessary populations are not available.