

Table 8. Teenage childbearing, according to detailed race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, selected years 1970–2001

[Data are based on birth certificates]

<i>Maternal age, race, and Hispanic origin of mother</i>	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Age of mother under 18 years	Percent of live births											
All races	6.3	7.6	5.8	4.7	4.7	5.3	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.1	3.8
White	4.8	6.0	4.5	3.7	3.6	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.3
Black or African American	14.8	16.3	12.5	10.6	10.1	10.8	10.3	9.7	8.9	8.2	7.8	7.3
American Indian or Alaska Native	7.5	11.2	9.4	7.6	7.2	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.4	7.9	7.3	6.8
Asian or Pacific Islander	---	---	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.3
Chinese	1.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Japanese	2.0	1.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5
Filipino	3.7	2.4	1.6	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.5
Hawaiian	---	---	6.6	5.7	6.5	7.6	6.8	6.7	7.8	6.2	5.7	4.9
Other Asian or Pacific Islander	---	---	1.2	1.8	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.5
Hispanic or Latino ¹	---	---	7.4	6.4	6.6	7.6	7.3	7.2	6.9	6.7	6.3	5.8
Mexican	---	---	7.7	6.9	6.9	8.0	7.7	7.6	7.2	7.0	6.6	6.2
Puerto Rican	---	---	10.0	8.5	9.1	10.8	10.2	9.5	9.2	8.5	7.8	7.4
Cuban	---	---	3.8	2.2	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.1	2.7
Central and South American	---	---	2.4	2.4	3.2	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.1
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latino	---	---	6.5	7.0	8.0	9.0	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.1	7.6	6.8
Not Hispanic or Latino: ¹												
White	---	---	4.0	3.2	3.0	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.3
Black or African American	---	---	12.7	10.7	10.2	10.8	10.4	9.8	9.0	8.3	7.8	7.3
Age of mother 18–19 years												
All races	11.3	11.3	9.8	8.0	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.5
White	10.4	10.3	9.0	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.1	6.9
Black or African American	16.6	16.9	14.5	12.9	13.0	12.4	12.5	12.5	12.6	12.4	11.9	11.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	12.8	15.2	14.6	12.4	12.3	12.7	12.3	12.2	12.5	12.3	12.4	12.5
Asian or Pacific Islander	---	---	3.9	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.0
Chinese	3.9	1.7	1.0	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8
Japanese	4.1	3.3	2.3	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.2
Filipino	7.1	5.0	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.6
Hawaiian	---	---	13.3	12.3	11.9	11.5	11.6	11.9	11.0	11.9	11.7	11.3
Other Asian or Pacific Islander	---	---	3.8	3.5	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.1
Hispanic or Latino ¹	---	---	11.6	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.1	9.8	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.7
Mexican	---	---	12.0	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.5	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.3
Puerto Rican	---	---	13.3	12.4	12.6	12.7	13.0	12.7	12.7	12.6	12.2	11.8
Cuban	---	---	9.2	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.0	4.8	4.4	4.8
Central and South American	---	---	6.0	5.8	5.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.3
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latino	---	---	10.8	10.5	11.1	11.1	11.1	10.9	11.4	11.4	11.3	10.5
Not Hispanic or Latino: ¹												
White	---	---	8.5	6.6	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.1	5.9
Black or African American	---	---	14.7	12.9	13.0	12.4	12.6	12.6	12.7	12.5	12.0	11.6

--- Data not available.

¹Prior to 1993, data from States lacking an Hispanic-origin item on the birth certificate were excluded (see Appendix II, Hispanic origin).

NOTES: The race groups, white, black, American Indian or Alaska Native, and Asian or Pacific Islander, include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Interpretation of trend data should take into consideration expansion of reporting areas and immigration. Data for additional years are available (see Appendix III).

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