

Lafourche Parish, Louisiana 2008-2010 Maternal and Child Health Profile



Teen Births

	LA	Lafourche				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Birth Rate, females 15-17 years of age ¹	25.2	17.5	37.6	51.6	22.7	36.2
Birth Rate, females 18-19 years of age ¹	90.9	65.1	112.9	185.8	78.7	105.9
Birth Rate, females 15-19 years of age ¹	51.5	36.5	67.8	105.3	45.1	n/a
Births to women under 20 (%)	13.1	10.4	20.7	15.0	12.7	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%)	20.0	15.3	19.3	14.7	16.8	n/a

Delivery Characteristics and Birth Spacing

	LA	Lafourche				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Primary Cesarean delivery among low risk ² women (%)	22.3	30.1	28.1	17.5	28.4	23.9
Repeat Cesarean among low risk ² women (%)	97.5	98.6	97.8	91.7	98.1	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous birth (%)	27.5	24.2	25.8	21.0	24.5	n/a

Infant Health Indicators

	LA	Lafourche				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Low birth weight (%)	10.8	8.3	13.7	2.6	9.2	7.8
Very Low birth weight (%)	2.1	1.2	3.5	0.0	1.6	1.4
Very low birth weight infants born at Level III hospitals or subspecialty perinatal centers (%)	89.0	62.5	46.2	0.0	53.2	83.7
Preterm Birth (%)	12.4	11.6	16.1	6.0	12.3	11.4
Very Preterm Birth (%)	2.3	1.3	4.2	0.0	1.8	1.8
Small for Gestational Age (%)	10.5	7.5	13.7	9.4	8.9	n/a

Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Lafourche				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Fetal ³	5.5	5.1	**	0.0	4.1	5.6
Perinatal ³	6.3	5.5	**	0.0	4.4	5.9
Neonatal ⁴	4.7	2.2	**	0.0	2.3	4.1
Postneonatal ⁴	3.8	4.1	6.7	0.0	4.7	2.0
Infant ⁴	8.5	6.3	9.4	0.0	7.0	6.0

Definitions and inclusion criteria for select indicators

Low Birth Weight: <2,500g at delivery (5.5 lbs)
Very Low Birth Weight: <1,500g at delivery (3.3 lbs)
Preterm Birth: <37 weeks gestational age
Very Preterm Birth: <32 weeks gestational age
Fetal Death: stillborn with gestation ≥ 20 weeks or birth weight ≥ 350 grams
Perinatal Death: fetal deaths plus deaths to infants under 7 days of age
Neonatal Death: deaths to infants under 28 days of age
Post Neonatal Death: deaths to infants that occur between 28 days and 365 days after birth
Infant Death: deaths to infants under 1 year of age

Child and Adolescent Mortality

Age at Death	LA	Lafourche				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
1-4 years ⁵	40.6	**	**	0.0	**	25.7
5-9 years ⁵	16.5	**	**	0.0	**	12.3
10-14 years ⁵	24.9	**	**	0.0	36.3	15.2
15-19 years ⁵	82.0	97.8	**	0.0	**	55.7
20-24 years ⁵	134.7	135.7	134.8	0.0	123.3	88.5

Data Sources

2008-2010 live births, fetal deaths and deaths: Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics

2008-2010 population estimates: *Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2008 to July 1, 2010 Release Date: June 2011*

Early Childhood Risk

	Overall Risk Ranking	Factors Ranked as "High Risk"	Factors Ranked at "Moderate Risk"
Lafourche	Low	None	None

The *Early Childhood Risk and Reach Report* (Fall 2012) includes 11 indicators impacting the well-being of children under age 5 by parish. These risk indicators relate to Economic, Health and Education Factors. An average score of "Low Risk" suggests that young children in that parish are more likely to be well-prepared and ready for school. A score of "High Risk" suggests that the young children are at risk for entering school already behind and remaining behind. The complete report can be found at www.partnersforhealthybabies.org

¹Rate per 1,000 female population in specified age range

²Low risk is defined as a pregnant woman who has full a term (37 up to 42 weeks), singleton, and vertex presentation baby

³Rate per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths

⁴Rate per 1,000 live births

⁵Rate per 100,000 population in specified age range

*Non Hispanic

**Rates or percents with numerators greater than zero and less than 5 are not reported