

Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

16-7. Increase the proportion of pregnant women who attend a series of prepared childbirth classes.

National Data Source	National Survey of Early Childhood Health (NSECH), HRSA, MCHB and CDC, NCHS.
State Data Source	Not specified.
Healthy People 2000 Objective	Not applicable.
Changes since the 2000 Publication	None.
Measure	Percent.
Baseline (Year)	66 (2000)
Target	77
Target-Setting Method	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup. For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
Numerator	Number of mothers who had ever attended childbirth classes.
Denominator	Mothers of children under 3 years of age.
Population Targeted	U.S. civilian noninstitutionalized population.
Questions Used to Obtain the National Baseline Data	From the 2000 National Survey of Early Childhood Health: ➤ <i>Did you attend a childbirth class before the birth of (CHILD)?</i> ➤ <i>Did you attend a childbirth class before your other child or children were born?</i>
Expected Periodicity	Annual.
Comments	This objective moved from developmental to measurable in October 2004 when a national data source became available. See Appendix A for focus area contact information.