

Table 17. Number, birth rate, and percent of births to unmarried women by age, race, and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2000

Measure and age of mother	All races ¹	White		Black		Hispanic ²
		Total	Non-Hispanic	Total	Non-Hispanic	
Number						
All ages	1,347,043	866,355	521,686	426,649	415,152	348,173
Under 15 years	8,219	4,173	1,754	3,785	3,716	2,458
15-19 years	369,456	242,505	149,174	113,671	111,015	94,028
15 years	20,417	12,177	5,901	7,517	7,341	6,367
16 years	43,583	27,894	14,970	14,039	13,708	13,103
17 years	73,906	48,943	29,093	22,263	21,740	19,996
18 years	104,733	69,765	44,266	31,224	30,462	25,694
19 years	126,817	83,726	54,944	38,628	37,764	28,868
20-24 years	503,602	322,075	200,383	163,259	159,279	122,678
25-29 years	255,092	162,667	91,142	80,916	78,510	72,389
30-34 years	130,213	83,128	47,267	40,501	39,010	36,510
35-39 years	64,523	41,364	25,398	19,907	19,181	16,208
40 years and over	15,938	10,443	6,568	4,610	4,441	3,902
Rate per 1,000 unmarried women in specified group						
15-44 years ³	45.2	38.9	27.9	72.5	---	97.3
15-19 years	39.6	33.1	24.5	77.0	---	74.2
15-17 years	24.4	20.0	13.6	49.9	---	51.0
18-19 years	62.9	53.2	41.4	116.9	---	110.6
20-24 years	74.5	62.9	46.6	132.8	---	150.2
25-29 years	62.2	55.9	37.6	89.6	---	149.5
30-34 years	40.7	37.0	25.0	51.9	---	101.5
35-39 years	20.0	18.0	12.9	25.9	---	48.4
40-44 years ⁴	5.0	4.5	3.3	6.3	---	12.4
Percent of births to unmarried women						
All ages	33.2	27.1	22.1	68.5	68.7	42.7
Under 15 years	96.5	94.0	95.3	99.4	99.5	93.2
15-19 years	78.8	72.8	73.1	95.6	95.7	72.6
15 years	93.5	90.3	92.4	99.2	99.2	88.6
16 years	89.7	85.8	87.6	98.6	98.7	84.1
17 years	85.2	80.5	82.4	97.7	97.8	78.0
18 years	78.9	73.1	74.4	95.8	96.0	71.2
19 years	70.8	64.0	64.0	92.5	92.6	64.2
20-24 years	49.5	41.7	38.2	80.6	80.8	49.6
25-29 years	23.5	18.6	14.0	57.0	57.1	33.2
30-34 years	14.0	10.9	7.7	42.7	42.6	25.8
35-39 years	14.3	11.2	8.4	40.4	40.3	25.7
40 years and over	16.8	13.7	10.6	41.3	41.1	28.8

--- Data not available.

¹ Includes races other than white and black and origin not stated.² Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.³ Birth rates computed by relating total births to unmarried mothers, regardless of age of mother, to unmarried women aged 15-44 years.⁴ Birth rates computed by relating births to unmarried mothers aged 40 years and over to unmarried women aged 40-44 years.

NOTES: For 48 States and the District of Columbia, marital status is reported on the birth certificate; for Michigan and New York, mother's marital status is inferred; see Technical notes. Rates cannot be computed for unmarried non-Hispanic black women because the necessary populations are not available. Rates for some population groups, particularly Hispanic and Asian or Pacific Islander, may be overstated; see Technical notes.