

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Resident data. Data in these tables include Wisconsin resident births and infant deaths, regardless of the state of occurrence.

Sources. Live birth data are from birth certificate statistical files. Infant death data are from a file of the year's resident infant deaths (death certificate data) with birth certificate information matched.

Race/Ethnicity. Live births and infant deaths are classified by race and Hispanic ethnicity of mother, which are birth certificate items. The race/ethnicity categories are mutually exclusive; thus Hispanics/Latinos are not included in any other race/ethnic group.

Birth rates for age groups. The < 20 birth rate is based on the female population aged 15-19. The 40+ birth rate is based on the female population aged 40-44.

Infant mortality. The infant mortality rate is the number of infant deaths per thousand live births. An infant death is a death occurring to a live-born individual less than one year of age.

Late or no prenatal care. This is defined as prenatal care started in the third trimester of pregnancy, or no prenatal care.

Note: Numbers for 2004 may differ slightly from earlier published reports. A reporting error was discovered after the 2004 report was published; it affected only the reported number of births, not rates or percents.

More Wisconsin birth statistics from the Department of Health and Family Services can be found online at <http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/births>. For additional information, call (608) 266-2838, e-mail ninnell@dhfs.state.wi.us, or write to:

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