

Wisconsin PRAMS

Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System



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Latest data available

PRAMS data from 2023 are now available. In 2023, the revised [PRAMS Phase 9 survey](#) was used for the first time. This version of the survey included new questions on hypertension management, alcohol use during pregnancy, delivery experiences, postpartum anxiety, doula support, housing stability, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and more.

In 2023, Wisconsin PRAMS also oversampled mothers who identified as American Indian or Alaska Native. These new data will allow us to update findings shared in the report [PRAMS for Native Mothers, 2020, P-02500a \(PDF\)](#).

If you would like to request or learn more about 2023 PRAMS data, please reach out to the Wisconsin PRAMS team by emailing DHSDPHPRAMS@dhs.wisconsin.gov.



Student internships

This summer, three public health graduate students have been using Wisconsin PRAMS data as a part of their internships. These students are working on data projects around prenatal care access, perinatal mental health, and community factors impacting maternal health outcomes. Wisconsin PRAMS is eager to continue supporting workforce development and partnering with students.

Accessing PRAMS data

Contact Wisconsin PRAMS at DHSDPHPRAMS@dhs.wisconsin.gov with any requests or questions about data access!

Aggregate data or presentation

If you would like to request aggregate data or a presentation using PRAMS data, please email Wisconsin PRAMS with the details of your request. Aggregate data requests may require Division of Public Health Data Governance Board approval.

Research file

If you would like to access the PRAMS research file for your own analysis, please email Wisconsin PRAMS to request an application. Your completed application will be reviewed by the Division of Public Health Data Governance Board. Upon approval, a Data Use Agreement will be drafted granting you access to PRAMS data for your stated purpose.

National PRAMS data

The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) provides the option to download PRAMS data across multiple jurisdictions. To access these data, you will need to fill out a form and create an online account. More information can be found on the [CDC PRAMS website](#).

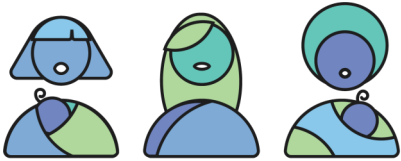


Data highlight: Medical warning signs

Medical warning signs include things to watch for during and after pregnancy that require immediate medical attention (such as fever, frequent of severe headaches, dizziness, or severe stomach pain). It is important for pregnant people and their families to be aware of these signs so that they know when to seek help. The CDC promotes the awareness of pregnancy and postpartum medical warning signs through the [Hear Her campaign](#).


Beginning in 2023, the Wisconsin PRAMS survey included questions about awareness of medical warning signs. This information can be used to assess the success of outreach efforts or adjust strategies so that all families receive this vital information.

85% of Wisconsin mothers got information about medical warning signs during their pregnancy (2023).





Where did mothers get information about medical warning signs?

Reported sources among those who got information during their pregnancy—participants could select more than one source

A health care provider
 **96%**

Family or friends
 **61%**

Websites or social media
 **56%**

Any source that uses the slogan “Hear Her”
 **12%**

“ I left the hospital with a mildly elevated blood pressure. I had to go back for blood pressure checks every day after being released (on a Sunday) and was readmitted for postpartum pre-eclampsia on that Wednesday. I was made aware of the warning signs but I want people to know that it’s rare but it is possible for this to happen.

—PRAMS participant

We want to hear from you!

We are always looking for ways to bring PRAMS data to action. If you are interested in using PRAMS data for your program, we are happy to work together to help meet your needs. Please feel free to email us if you have any questions, ideas, or data needs!

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