

TABLE 2-7. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS WITH SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP¹
OF MOTHER, CALIFORNIA, 2009 (By Place of Residence)

RACE/ETHNIC GROUP	Live Births	Mothers Under 20 Years of Age	Mothers Completing 12 Years or More of School	Mothers Born in the United States	Unmarried Mothers	At Least 4 Live Births ²	Fathers Under 20 Years of Age	Fathers Completing 12 Years or More of School
TOTAL	526,774	48,359	379,614	300,944	213,685	64,636	20,624	346,715
HISPANIC	269,953	35,276	154,078	122,097	141,885	42,290	15,286	133,818
NON-HISPANIC								
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	9,828	1,153	8,653	8,708	4,464	895	508	7,905
AMERICAN INDIAN	1,987	256	1,477	1,949	1,170	430	104	1,284
ASIAN	62,854	1,128	58,463	11,727	9,034	3,356	471	57,092
BLACK	28,611	3,783	23,270	25,874	19,851	4,607	1,726	19,072
PACIFIC ISLANDER	2,397	164	2,031	1,321	846	520	85	1,906
WHITE	141,193	6,008	130,394	123,234	33,284	11,416	2,222	124,345
OTHER RACE	330	10	270	164	154	44	8	239
UNKNOWN	9,621	581	978	5,870	2,997	1,078	214	1,054
DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS AS A PERCENT[†] OF TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS TO SPECIFIED GROUP:								
TOTAL	100.0	9.2	74.8	57.2	40.6	12.3	4.2	74.5
HISPANIC	100.0	13.1	58.3	45.2	52.6	15.7	6.2	56.1
NON-HISPANIC								
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	100.0	11.7	89.4	88.6	45.4	9.1	5.7	90.3
AMERICAN INDIAN	100.0	12.9	76.6	98.1	58.9	21.6	6.1	78.3
ASIAN	100.0	1.8	95.2	18.7	14.4	5.3	0.8	95.8
BLACK	100.0	13.2	83.1	90.5	69.4	16.1	7.7	87.1
PACIFIC ISLANDER	100.0	6.8	88.4	55.8	35.3	21.7	3.8	90.4
WHITE	100.0	4.3	94.1	87.3	23.6	8.1	1.7	94.4
OTHER RACE	100.0	3.0	84.9	50.3	46.7	13.4	2.8	85.7
UNKNOWN	100.0	6.1	87.8	61.8	31.4	11.3	2.5	94.2

¹ The race and ethnic groups in this table utilize nine mutually exclusive race and ethnicity categories. These categories are Hispanic and the following Non-Hispanic categories of Two or More Races, American Indian (includes Eskimo and Aleut), Asian, Black, Pacific Islander (includes Hawaiian), White, Other Race, and Unknown (includes refused to state). These groups are not comparable with race groups used in Vital Statistics of California reports prior to 2000.

² Number of mothers who have had at least 4 children and were 15 years old or older.

[†] Births with unknown values were subtracted from total births before percentages were calculated.

Source: State of California, Department of Public Health, Birth Records.