

TABLE 2-6. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS WITH SELECTED MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS
BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP¹ OF MOTHER, CALIFORNIA, 2010 (By Place of Residence)

| RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER | Live Births | Late or No Prenatal Care ^{2†} | Preterm Births ^{3†} | Obstetric Estimate of Preterm Births ^{4†} | Cesarean Deliveries | Low Birthweight ^{5†} | | Live Births by Plurality of Delivery (Twin or More Births) |
|--|----------------|--|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | | | | | | <1500 grams | 1500-2499 grams | |
| TOTAL | 509,979 | 15,995 | 49,490 | 43,527 | 168,379 | 5,859 | 28,833 | 15,921 |
| HISPANIC | 257,269 | 9,395 | 25,229 | 20,846 | 83,878 | 2,774 | 13,105 | 5,612 |
| NON-HISPANIC | | | | | | | | |
| 2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS | 10,285 | 360 | 1,009 | 937 | 3,314 | 123 | 665 | 370 |
| AMERICAN INDIAN | 1,910 | 150 | 238 | 191 | 662 | 25 | 104 | 41 |
| ASIAN | 60,654 | 1,217 | 5,401 | 5,099 | 19,954 | 592 | 4,181 | 1,837 |
| BLACK | 27,704 | 1,269 | 3,829 | 3,441 | 10,435 | 719 | 2,675 | 1,139 |
| PACIFIC ISLANDER | 2,235 | 200 | 264 | 231 | 774 | 37 | 121 | 53 |
| WHITE | 140,670 | 3,088 | 12,373 | 11,635 | 46,082 | 1,403 | 7,242 | 6,184 |
| OTHER | 345 | 10 | 45 | 33 | 117 | 6 | 24 | 16 |
| UNKNOWN | 8,907 | 306 | 1,102 | 1,114 | 3,163 | 180 | 716 | 669 |
| MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS TO A SPECIFIED GROUP: | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 100.0 | 3.2 | 10.0 | 8.6 | 33.0 | 1.1 | 5.7 | 3.1 |
| HISPANIC | 100.0 | 3.7 | 10.1 | 8.1 | 32.6 | 1.1 | 5.1 | 2.2 |
| NON-HISPANIC | 100.0 | | | | | | | |
| 2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS | 100.0 | 3.6 | 10.1 | 9.1 | 32.2 | 1.2 | 6.5 | 3.6 |
| AMERICAN INDIAN | 100.0 | 8.0 | 13.0 | 10.1 | 34.7 | 1.3 | 5.4 | 2.1 |
| ASIAN | 100.0 | 2.0 | 9.1 | 8.4 | 32.9 | 1.0 | 6.9 | 3.0 |
| BLACK | 100.0 | 4.8 | 14.3 | 12.5 | 37.7 | 2.6 | 9.7 | 4.1 |
| PACIFIC ISLANDER | 100.0 | 9.2 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 34.6 | 1.7 | 5.4 | 2.4 |
| WHITE | 100.0 | 2.2 | 9.0 | 8.3 | 32.8 | 1.0 | 5.1 | 4.4 |
| OTHER | 100.0 | 3.0 | 13.4 | 9.6 | 33.9 | 1.7 | 7.0 | 4.6 |
| UNKNOWN | 100.0 | 3.6 | 13.2 | 12.7 | 35.5 | 2.0 | 8.1 | 7.5 |

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).

² Third trimester or no prenatal care.

³ Birth prior to 37 weeks of gestation. Gestation is calculated from reported date of last menses.

⁴ Birth prior to 37 weeks of gestation. Gestation is calculated from obstetric estimate of gestation at delivery.

⁵ Birthweight of less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds).

[†] Births with unknown values were subtracted from total births before percentages were calculated. Not Reported weeks of gestation include gestation reported as: under 17 weeks, over 53 weeks, and not reported. Gestation is calculated from reported date of last menses.

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