

Table 1. Pregnancy, birth and abortion rates per 1,000 women aged 15–19, and abortion ratio, by race, 1980–1992

| Race and measure | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pregnancy rate* | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All women 15–19 | 111.0 | 109.9 | 109.8 | 109.3 | 107.9 | 109.0 | 106.7 | 106.6 | 111.4 | 114.9 | 117.1 | 115.8 | 111.9 |
| Sexually active women 15–19 | 246.7 | 241.5 | 238.2 | 230.6 | 222.9 | 220.6 | 212.1 | 206.2 | 208.2 | 216.6 | 222.6 | 222.0 | 216.3 |
| Birthrate | 53.2 | 52.2 | 52.4 | 51.4 | 50.6 | 51.0 | 50.2 | 50.6 | 53.0 | 57.3 | 60.4 | 62.1 | 60.7 |
| Abortion rate | 42.8 | 42.9 | 42.7 | 43.2 | 42.9 | 43.5 | 42.3 | 41.8 | 43.5 | 42.0 | 40.6 | 37.6 | 35.5 |
| Abortion ratio† | 44.6 | 45.1 | 44.9 | 45.7 | 45.9 | 46.0 | 45.7 | 45.2 | 45.1 | 42.3 | 40.2 | 37.7 | 36.9 |
| White | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pregnancy rate* | 96.8 | 95.9 | 95.6 | 94.4 | 93.0 | 93.2 | 90.0 | 89.6 | 93.0 | 95.8 | 98.3 | 97.0 | 93.0 |
| Birthrate | 45.6 | 44.9 | 45.0 | 43.9 | 42.9 | 43.3 | 42.3 | 42.5 | 44.4 | 47.9 | 50.8 | 52.8 | 51.8 |
| Abortion rate | 38.3 | 38.2 | 37.9 | 37.9 | 37.7 | 37.5 | 35.6 | 35.1 | 36.1 | 34.8 | 33.9 | 30.5 | 28.1 |
| Abortion ratio† | 45.6 | 46.0 | 45.7 | 46.3 | 46.8 | 46.4 | 45.7 | 45.2 | 44.9 | 42.1 | 40.1 | 36.6 | 35.2 |
| Nonwhite | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pregnancy rate* | 181.2 | 177.1 | 176.4 | 177.5 | 175.5 | 180.0 | 180.7 | 180.1 | 189.1 | 193.4 | 189.6 | 189.6 | 185.2 |
| Birthrate | 90.9 | 87.5 | 87.1 | 85.9 | 85.1 | 85.4 | 84.8 | 85.5 | 89.2 | 95.9 | 96.5 | 98.4 | 95.5 |
| Abortion rate | 65.5 | 65.6 | 65.3 | 67.6 | 66.7 | 70.5 | 71.8 | 70.4 | 74.6 | 71.3 | 67.1 | 65.1 | 64.2 |
| Abortion ratio† | 41.9 | 42.9 | 42.8 | 44.0 | 43.9 | 45.2 | 45.8 | 45.2 | 45.5 | 42.6 | 41.0 | 39.8 | 40.2 |
| Black | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pregnancy rate* | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | 224.3 | 223.7 | 218.7 |
| Birthrate | 97.9 | 94.5 | 94.3 | 93.9 | 94.1 | 95.4 | 95.8 | 97.6 | 102.7 | 111.5 | 113.1 | 115.5 | 112.4 |
| Abortion rate | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | 80.5 | 77.4 | 76.2 |
| Abortion ratio† | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | 41.6 | 40.1 | 40.4 |

*Includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriages and stillbirths. †Percentage of pregnancies (excluding miscarriages) that end in abortion. *Notes:* No data are presented separately for nonwhite women other than blacks because of small numbers and the heterogeneity of the group. In this and subsequent tables, data are tabulated according to the woman's age at the pregnancy outcome and according to the mother's race (not the child's); u=unavailable.