

Data Dictionary for Dataset: Births

| Column | Column Name/Field Name | Description |
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| A | Year | Year of Birth |
| B | State of Residence | Mother's State of Residence |
| C | County of Residence | Mother's County of Residence |
| D | Place of Birth | Place of birth is the type of facility or place where the birth occurred such as hospital, birthing center, home, en route, or other. |
| E | Mom's Race | Race data are grouped for purposes of data analysis into the following categories established by NCHS: <i>White, Black, Other (American Indian/Aleut/Eskimo and Asian & Pacific Islander {Chinese, Japanese, Hawaiian, Filipino and Other Asian or Pacific Islander})</i> . |
| F | Mom's Hispan | Mother is of Hispanic origin (Yes or No). This question is considered to be separate from the Race question. |
| G | Mom's Marital Status | Mother's Marital Status |
| H | Mom's Education | Mother's Educational Attainment or the highest level of formal education completed. Education is divided into three groupings; under grade twelve, high school graduate or equivalent (GED), and one or more years of college. |
| I | Mom's Age | Mother's age is divided into three groupings; less than twenty years of age, twenty to thirty four years of age, and thirty five years and older. |
| J | Start of Prenatal Care | Trimester Prenatal Care Began |
| K | Payment | Source of Payment for delivery (private insurance, Medicaid, and self pay) |

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| L | Mode of Delivery | Method of Delivery in two groups: vaginal or cesarean section. |
| M | Live Birth Order | Live Birth Order indicates the numeric relationship of a newborn child to other children born alive to the mother during previous deliveries. |
| N | Plurality | Plurality represents the number of siblings born as the result of a single pregnancy. |
| O | Gestation | Gestation is the number of weeks elapsed between the first day of the last normal menstrual period (LMP) and the date of birth. When the date of the LMP is incompletely reported or the length of gestation as computed from the LMP is inconsistent with the reported birth weight, the "clinical estimate of gestation" is used. Preterm is less than 37 weeks. Term is 37 weeks to 41 weeks. Post-term is more than 42 weeks. |
| P | Birthweight | Birthweight is the first weight of the fetus or newborn obtained after birth. This weight should be measured within the first hour of life before significant postnatal weight loss has occurred. Birthweight is measured in grams and divided into three groups; less than 1500 grams, 1500 to 2499 grams, and greater than 2500 grams. |
| Q | Gender | Gender |
| R | Count | This column has been added strictly to be able to count records for summaries and visualizations. The value will always be "1". |