

# Webster Parish, Louisiana 2009-2011 Maternal and Child Health Profile



## Teen Births

	LA	Webster				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Birth Rate, females 15-17 years of age <sup>1</sup>	23.1	30.9	35.5	**	33.2	n/a
Birth Rate, females 18-19 years of age <sup>1</sup>	86.2	111.7	98.9	**	103.5	n/a
Birth Rate, females 15-19 years of age <sup>1</sup>	48.4	63.2	60.9	64.5	61.3	n/a
Births to women under 20 (%)	12.4	14.6	17.9	20.0	15.7	n/a
Repeat teen (15-19) births (%)	19.5	18.8	20.0	**	19.6	n/a

## Delivery Characteristics and Birth Spacing

	LA	Webster				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Primary Cesarean delivery among low risk <sup>2</sup> women (%)	23.7	22.8	26.7	**	24.1	23.9
Repeat Cesarean among low risk <sup>2</sup> women (%)	96.7	96.1	96.3	100.0	96.2	81.7
Births to women within 24 months of a previous birth (%)	26.6	24.3	32.6	**	27.5	n/a

## Infant Health Indicators

	LA	Webster				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Low birth weight (%)	10.8	10.5	17.0	**	13.0	7.8
Very Low birth weight (%)	2.1	1.8	3.0	0.0	2.2	1.4
Very low birth weight infants born at Level III hospitals or subspecialty perinatal centers (%)	88.1	70.6	64.7	0.0	67.7	83.7
Preterm Birth (%)	12.4	15.4	16.0	16.7	15.7	11.4
Very Preterm Birth (%)	2.3	2.4	3.5	**	2.8	1.8
Small for Gestational Age (%)	10.4	8.9	16.5	**	11.7	n/a

## Fetal and Infant Mortality

	LA	Webster				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
Fetal <sup>3</sup>	5.3	8.5	**	0.0	5.8	5.6
Perinatal <sup>3</sup>	6.1	8.5	**	0.0	6.4	5.9
Neonatal <sup>4</sup>	4.7	**	**	0.0	**	4.1
Postneonatal <sup>4</sup>	3.5	**	**	0.0	**	2.0
Infant <sup>4</sup>	8.2	**	8.7	0.0	5.2	6.0

### Definitions and inclusion criteria for select indicators

**Low Birth Weight:** <2,500g at delivery (5.5 lbs)  
**Very Low Birth Weight:** <1,500g at delivery (3.3 lbs)  
**Preterm Birth:** <37 weeks gestational age  
**Very Preterm Birth:** <32 weeks gestational age  
**Fetal Death:** stillborn with gestation ≥ 20 weeks or birth weight ≥ 350 grams  
**Perinatal Death:** fetal deaths plus deaths to infants under 7 days of age  
**Neonatal Death:** deaths to infants under 28 days of age  
**Post Neonatal Death:** deaths to infants that occur between 28 days and 365 days after birth  
**Infant Death:** deaths to infants under 1 year of age

## Child and Adolescent Mortality

Age at Death	LA	Webster				Healthy People 2020 Target
		White*	Black*	Hispanic	All	
1-4 years <sup>5</sup>	37.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.7
5-9 years <sup>5</sup>	14.6	**	0.0	0.0	**	12.3
10-14 years <sup>5</sup>	24.7	**	**	0.0	**	15.2
15-19 years <sup>5</sup>	37.6	**	**	0.0	0.0	55.7
20-24 years <sup>5</sup>	122.7	**	**	0.0	**	88.5

### Data Sources

2009-2011 live births, fetal deaths and deaths: Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics  
 2009-2011 population estimates: *Census County Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2009 to July 1, 2011* Release Date: June

## Early Childhood Risk

Webster	Overall Risk Ranking	Factors Ranked as "High Risk"	Factors Ranked at "Moderate Risk"
	High	Low Birth Weight (2009), Infant Mortality (2007-2009), Pre-Literacy Skills	Births to Single Mothers, Mothers With Less Than High School Education, Ages 0-5 In Poverty, Median Income, Ages 0-5 Uninsured, Attending Pre-K, HS/EHS Or HQ Child Care

The *Early Childhood Risk and Reach Report* (Fall 2012) includes 11 indicators impacting the well-being of children under age 5 by parish. These risk indicators relate to Economic, Health and Education Factors. An average score of "Low Risk" suggests that young children in that parish are more likely to be well-prepared and ready for school. A score of "High Risk" suggests that the young children are at risk for entering school already behind and remaining behind. The complete report can be found at [www.partnersforhealthybabies.org](http://www.partnersforhealthybabies.org)

<sup>1</sup>Rate per 1,000 female population in specified age range

<sup>2</sup>Low risk is defined as a pregnant woman who has full a term (37 up to 42 weeks), singleton, and vertex presentation baby

<sup>3</sup>Rate per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths

<sup>4</sup>Rate per 1,000 live births

<sup>5</sup>Rate per 100,000 population in specified age range

\*Non Hispanic

\*\*Rates or percents with numerators greater than zero and less than 5 are not reported