

Number and percent of infants placed on back to sleep  
by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2007\*

Research shows that infants are safest sleeping on their backs.\*\*

Characteristic	Number	Percent	95% CI
<b>Overall</b>			
All NYC mothers, 2007	65,570	57.6	54.2 - 60.9
<b>Age</b>			
19 and under	4,416	54.9	41.7 - 67.5
20 to 24	11,391	43.1	36.1 - 50.4
25 to 34	34,944	59.6	54.9 - 64.1
35 and over	14,820	71.6	64.5 - 77.7
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>			
White non-Hispanic	22,000	63.1	56.8 - 68.9
Black non-Hispanic	12,286	45.3	38.3 - 52.4
Hispanic	21,261	57.5	52.0 - 62.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	9,818	67.7	57.7 - 76.4
<b>Education</b>			
Less than high school	11,565	50.5	42.8 - 58.2
High school	18,591	50.5	44.2 - 56.7
More than high school	35,030	65.4	60.9 - 69.7
<b>Insurance before pregnancy</b>			
No insurance	16,317	49.7	43.3 - 56.0
Medicaid	14,956	50.7	43.9 - 57.6
Other insurance	34,199	66.6	61.8 - 71.0
<b>Nativity</b>			
Foreign born	36,883	61.0	56.4 - 65.4
US born (Includes Puerto Rico & U.S. Virgin Islands)	28,039	53.4	48.4 - 58.3
<b>Borough of residence</b>			
Bronx	11,387	58.2	50.2 - 65.7
Brooklyn	22,040	50.5	45.0 - 55.9
Manhattan	12,508	71.4	63.2 - 78.4
Queens	17,091	58.8	51.9 - 65.4
Staten Island (estimate based on < 60 respondents and may not be reliable)	2,544	63.9	46.6 - 78.2

\* Notes.

1. PRAMS Question #57: How do you most often lay your baby down to sleep now?

Answers:

- On his or her side
- On his or her back
- On his or her stomach

2. Totals for each category may not equal overall total due to missing data or rounding.

3. Data are weighted and are based on responses of 1,492 NYC women giving birth in 2007.

\*\*See A Parent's Guide to Safe Sleep, from the American Academy of Pediatrics:

<http://www.healthychildcare.org/pdf/SIDSparentsafesleep.pdf>