

Number and percent of women who are overweight or obese before pregnancy by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2009

Characteristic	Number	Percent	95% CI
Overall			
2009 Births	39,386	38.5	35.2 - 42.0
Age			
19 and under	1,632	26.1	15.5 - 40.6
20 to 24	9,058	42.3	34.8 - 50.1
25 to 34	20,090	37.6	33.1 - 42.4
35 and over	8,606	40.7	33.7 - 48.2
Race/ethnicity			
White non-Hispanic	7,276	25.3	20.1 - 31.3
Black non-Hispanic	11,938	55.6	48.0 - 63.0
Hispanic	15,046	45.8	39.6 - 52.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	2,652	18.8	12.5 - 27.4
Other	2,143	45.5	30.6 - 61.3
Education			
Not a High School Graduate	9,555	48.0	39.8 - 56.3
High School Graduate	9,488	36.3	29.9 - 43.1
Some College	11,633	48.3	41.3 - 55.4
College Graduate	8,524	26.7	21.7 - 32.4
Payment for Prenatal Care			
Medicaid	22,644	42.8	38.0 - 47.7
No Medicaid	16,742	34.0	29.5 - 38.8
Nativity			
US Born	21,587	42.7	37.9 - 47.6
Foreign born	17,799	34.5	29.9 - 39.3
Borough of residence			
Bronx	10,594	51.2	43.3 - 59.0
Brooklyn	13,866	37.6	32.2 - 43.3
Manhattan	3,550	21.7	15.5 - 29.4
Queens	9,811	41.1	34.2 - 48.3
Staten Island**	1,565	35.9	21.8 - 52.9

* Notes.

1. Body mass index (BMI) was calculated based on mothers' self reported weight and height just before pregnancy. A BMI of 25 or higher is counted as overweight or obese.

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 1,394 NYC women giving birth in 2009.

** estimates based on <60 respondents and may not be reliable.