

Figure 15.1: Percent of Live Births to Women With at Least a High School Diploma by Maternal Race/Ethnicity and by Maternal Borough of Residence, 2009

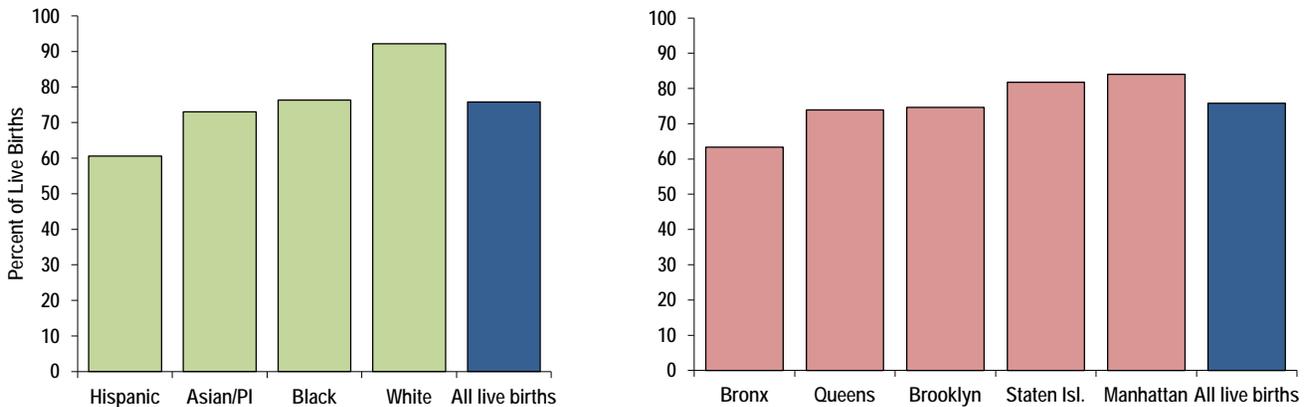


Table 15.1: Live Births by Maternal Education

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	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
All live births	125563	100	124023	100	122937	100	124345	100	124099	100	122725	100	125506	100	128961	100	127680	100	126774	100
Maternal education																				
Less than HS	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	31992	25.2	30503	24.2
8th Grade or Less	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10019	7.85	9307	7.34
9-12th Grade, No Diploma	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21973	17.2	21196	16.7
HS Graduate or GED	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	29069	22.8	29403	23.2
Some College/Associate Degree	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	27812	21.8	27473	21.7
Bachelor's Degree	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21646	17.0	21943	17.3
Master's Degree or More	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	16596	13.0	16855	13.3
Unknown/not stated	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	565		597	0.5

Table 15.2: Live Births to Women With at Least a High School Diploma by Maternal Race/Ethnicity

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	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Births to Women with at least a High School Diploma																				
Among blacks	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	20883	75.2	20772	76.4
Among whites	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	34984	91.5	35290	92.1
Among Hispanics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	23679	58.9	24319	60.5
Among Asian/Pacific Islanders	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	13266	73.0	12934	73.0
Births to Women with at least a High School Diploma																				
Among all live births	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	95123	74.8	95674	75.8

Technical Notes:

* Due to changes in the 2008 birth certificate, data from past years are not comparable. In 2008, the birth certificate "Parents' education" item changed from requesting the highest year of education to highest level of education.

- Births with unknown/not stated maternal education are not included in the denominator when calculating percentages.

Source: Bureau of Vital Statistics data compiled by Bureau of Maternal, Infant, and Reproductive Health, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, August 2011.

Table 16.1: Live Births to Women With at Least a High School Diploma by Borough of Residence

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	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Births to Women with at least a High School Diploma																					
Among Manhattan residents	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	16359	81.7	16746	84.1
Among Bronx residents	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	13516	62.2	13777	63.3
Among Brooklyn residents	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	30091	73.2	30989	74.6
Among Queens residents	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	20441	73.3	20194	73.9
Among Staten Island residents	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4717	83.0	4647	81.8
Births to Women with at least a High School Diploma																					
Among all live births	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	95123	74.8	95674	75.8

Highlights

- In 2009:
 - Approximately three quarters (75.8%) of all births in New York City were to women with at least a high school diploma (Figure 15.1, Table 15.1).
 - The percentage of births to women with at least a high school diploma was lowest among Hispanics (60.5%) and Bronx residents (63.3%) (Figure 15.1, Table 15.2, Table 16.1).

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