

Number and percent of infants sleeping in bed with others (bedsharing)
by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2006*

Research shows that infants are safest sleeping alone in a crib, cradle, or bassinet.**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	95% CI
Overall			
All NYC mothers, 2006	50,318	46.1	42.8 - 49.3
Age			
19 and under	3,734	51.6	38.3 - 64.7
20 to 24	13,119	54.5	47.3 - 61.6
25 to 34	24,739	43.2	38.8 - 47.7
35 and over	8,725	42.3	35.5 - 49.5
Race/ethnicity			
White non-Hispanic	11,770	35.0	29.5 - 40.9
Black non-Hispanic	14,909	58.8	51.9 - 65.2
Hispanic	15,603	41.4	36.1 - 46.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	7,760	63.7	53.7 - 72.6
Education			
Less than high school	10,780	48.8	41.1 - 56.6
High school	15,712	46.8	40.9 - 52.8
More than high school	23,566	44.2	39.8 - 48.7
Insurance before pregnancy			
No insurance	16,074	52.3	46.1 - 58.4
Medicaid	14,200	47.5	41.1 - 54.0
Other insurance	19,892	41.3	36.7 - 46.0
Nativity			
Foreign born	29,605	48.0	43.6 - 52.3
US born (Includes Puerto Rico & U.S. Virgin Islands)	20,684	43.6	38.7 - 48.6
Borough of residence			
Bronx	9,361	45.4	38.1 - 52.8
Brooklyn	17,173	47.9	42.3 - 53.5
Manhattan	8,250	42.8	35.5 - 50.4
Queens	14,120	49.5	42.9 - 56.2
Staten Island	1,414	28.6	17.4 - 43.4

* Notes.

PRAMS Question #58: How often does your new baby sleep in the same bed with you or anyone else?

Answers:

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Rarely
- Never

Women who reported their infant 'sometimes', 'often', or 'always' slept with others were counted as bedsharing.

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 1,525 NYC women giving birth in 2006.

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

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