

Number and percent of infants sleeping in bed with others (bedsharing)  
by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2007\*

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

| Characteristic   | Number | Percent | 95% CI      |
|--|--------|---------|-------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |        |         |             |
| All NYC mothers, 2007  | 51,193 | 45.1    | 41.8 - 48.5 |
| <b>Age</b>   |        |         |             |
| 19 and under   | 3,280  | 40.8    | 29.0 - 53.8 |
| 20 to 24   | 13,319 | 50.8    | 43.5 - 58.0 |
| 25 to 34   | 26,370 | 45.1    | 40.5 - 49.8 |
| 35 and over  | 8,224  | 39.7    | 32.9 - 47.0 |
| <b>Race/ethnicity</b>  |        |         |             |
| White non-Hispanic   | 14,115 | 40.5    | 34.6 - 46.7 |
| Black non-Hispanic   | 13,870 | 51.1    | 44.0 - 58.1 |
| Hispanic   | 14,068 | 38.3    | 33.0 - 43.9 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander   | 8,936  | 62.1    | 52.1 - 71.2 |
| <b>Education</b>   |        |         |             |
| Less than high school  | 9,839  | 43.4    | 35.9 - 51.2 |
| High school  | 17,214 | 46.7    | 40.5 - 53.0 |
| More than high school  | 23,947 | 44.8    | 40.3 - 49.4 |
| <b>Insurance before pregnancy</b>  |        |         |             |
| No insurance   | 18,425 | 56.6    | 50.2 - 62.8 |
| Medicaid   | 11,475 | 38.9    | 32.5 - 45.8 |
| Other insurance  | 21,195 | 41.2    | 36.6 - 46.1 |
| <b>Nativity</b>  |        |         |             |
| Foreign born   | 28,072 | 46.4    | 41.8 - 51.0 |
| US born (Includes Puerto Rico & U.S. Virgin Islands)                       | 22,554 | 43.2    | 38.3 - 48.2 |
| <b>Borough of residence</b>  |        |         |             |
| Bronx  | 8,114  | 41.9    | 34.2 - 49.9 |
| Brooklyn   | 22,081 | 50.7    | 45.2 - 56.2 |
| Manhattan  | 6,084  | 35.0    | 27.5 - 43.2 |
| Queens   | 13,467 | 46.3    | 39.6 - 53.1 |
| Staten Island (estimate based on < 60 respondents and may not be reliable) | 1,447  | 35.3    | 21.0 - 52.7 |

\* Notes.

1. 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 1,492 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>