

Supplemental Table 9. Comparison of Childbearing Patterns Between Preliminary Vital Statistics Estimates for Calendar Year 2008, the June 2010 Current Population Survey, and the 2009 American Community Survey

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(Percent distribution. Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics	Vital Statistics 2009	CPS July 2009 to June 2010		ACS 2009	
		Estimate	Margin of error ¹	Estimate	Margin of error ¹
Number of births	4,131	3,686	186	4,254	39
Percent distribution	100.0	100.0	(X)	100.0	(X)
AGE ²					
15 to 19 years	9.9	8.2	1.4	7.2	0.2
20 to 24 years	24.4	24.9	2.2	22.4	0.4
25 to 29 years	28.2	27.5	2.3	27.9	0.4
30 to 34 years	23.1	22.3	2.2	23.9	0.4
35 to 39 years	11.5	13.6	1.8	14.0	0.3
40 to 44 years	2.6	3.6	1.0	4.6	0.2
RACE ³					
.White only	76.8	75.0	2.4	68.6	0.4
.White only, not Hispanic	53.5	56.1	2.6	55.0	0.4
.Black only	14.8	15.6	1.9	15.1	0.3
.Asian and Pacific Islander or Asian only	6.1	6.4	1.2	5.4	0.2
HISPANIC ORIGIN (of any race) ⁴					
Hispanic	24.2	20.5	2.8	21.9	0.4
MARITAL STATUS ⁵					
.Currently married and separated	59.0	64.4	2.5	64.6	0.4
.Unmarried	41.0	35.6	2.5	35.4	0.4
BIRTH ORDER ⁶					
First birth	40.2	39.8	2.5	NA	NA
Second or higher	59.2	60.2	2.5	NA	NA

Footnotes:

Note: The universe for the CPS is Women 15 to 44 years old at the time of interview between July 2009 to June 2010. The universe for vital statistics is for all women with births in 2009. The universe for ACS is women 15 to 50 in 2009 who had a birth in the past year, although only women aged 15-44 are used in this table to ensure proper comparisons.

1/ When the margin of error is added to or subtracted from the point estimate, it produces a 90 percent confidence interval.

2/ Vital Statistics data reflect the age of the mothers at the time of child's birth. CPS and ACS data indicate age of women at survey date.

3/ Race of mother. CPS and ACS data refers to White only; White only, not Hispanic; Black only; and Asian only (these differ and are not necessarily comparable to the Vital statistics race categories of White, not Hispanic; Black; and Asian and Pacific Islander).

4/ Origin of mother.

5/ CPS data refer to marital status of women at the time of interview and include as currently married never married women at the time of their first birth who subsequently married by the time of the interview. Vital Statistics data refer to marital status at the time of the birth. ACS data refer to currently married versus or separated as married and widowed, divorced, or never married as unmarried.

6/ 0.6 percent of birth certificates did not report birth order to Vital Statistics.

Sources: Hamilton, B.E., Martin, J.A., and Ventura, S.J. Births: Preliminary Data for 2009. National Vital Statistics Reports, Web release; vol 59 no 3. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. Released December 2010, and U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, June 2010 and American Community Survey, 2009.

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