

TABLE 14
LOW WEIGHT BIRTHS AND PERCENT¹ OF LOW WEIGHT BIRTHS
BY RACE OF MOTHER²
ALABAMA, 1960-2012

YEAR	TOTAL		WHITE		BLACK AND OTHER	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
1960	6,840	8.5	3,462	6.8	3,378	11.2
1961	6,874	8.5	3,358	6.6	3,516	11.7
1962	6,822	8.7	3,484	7.1	3,338	11.4
1963	6,720	8.8	3,201	6.7	3,519	12.5
1964	6,794	8.9	3,379	7.0	3,415	12.2
1965	6,276	8.9	3,124	7.0	3,152	12.2
1966	5,967	9.0	3,076	7.2	2,891	12.3
1967	5,354	8.3	2,871	6.9	2,483	10.9
1968	5,676	8.9	3,027	7.2	2,649	12.3
1969	5,796	9.0	3,058	7.0	2,738	12.9
1970	6,045	9.0	3,119	6.9	2,926	13.3
1971	5,841	8.8	3,011	6.8	2,830	12.6
1972	5,373	8.7	2,590	6.5	2,783	12.9
1973	5,122	8.6	2,558	6.6	2,564	12.4
1974	5,031	8.5	2,423	6.3	2,608	12.6
1975	4,886	8.4	2,414	6.4	2,472	12.1
1976	4,753	8.2	2,366	6.3	2,387	11.7
1977	4,912	7.9	2,351	6.8	2,561	11.8
1978	5,042	8.4	2,405	6.2	2,637	12.3
1979	4,968	8.0	2,298	5.8	2,670	11.8
1980	4,985	7.9	2,273	5.6	2,712	11.9
1981	4,885	7.9	2,326	5.9	2,559	11.7
1982	4,755	7.9	2,228	5.7	2,527	11.8
1983	4,679	7.9	2,294	6.0	2,385	11.6
1984	4,687	7.9	2,176	5.7	2,511	12.0
1985	4,785	8.0	2,323	6.0	2,462	11.9
1986	4,767	8.0	2,317	6.0	2,450	11.8
1987	4,790	8.0	2,301	5.9	2,489	12.0
1988	4,880	8.0	2,330	6.0	2,550	11.8
1989	5,171	8.3	2,462	6.1	2,709	12.1
1990	5,331	8.4	2,546	6.2	2,785	12.5
1991	5,470	8.7	2,622	6.5	2,848	12.9
1992	5,275	8.5	2,476	6.2	2,799	12.7
1993	5,376	8.7	2,663	6.7	2,713	12.5
1994	5,533	9.1	2,738	6.9	2,795	13.1
1995	5,448	9.0	2,815	7.1	2,633	12.8
1996	5,635	9.3	2,909	7.3	2,726	13.2
1997	5,639	9.3	2,993	7.4	2,646	12.9
1998	5,748	9.3	3,031	7.3	2,717	13.2
1999	5,800	9.3	3,049	7.3	2,751	13.5
2000	6,154	9.7	3,242	7.7	2,912	13.7
2001	5,815	9.6	3,067	7.6	2,748	13.9
2002	5,844	9.9	3,151	7.9	2,693	14.2
2003	5,932	10.0	3,275	8.1	2,657	14.2
2004	6,204	10.3	3,383	8.4	2,821	14.8
2005	6,428	10.7	3,527	8.6	2,901	15.0
2006	6,616	10.5	3,523	8.3	3,093	15.1
2007	6,695	10.4	3,535	8.2	3,160	14.9
2008	6,716	10.6	3,478	8.3	3,238	15.3
2009	6,472	10.4	3,436	8.2	3,036	14.8
2010	6,183	10.3	3,299	8.2	2,884	14.6
2011	5,908	10.0	3,071	7.7	2,837	14.5
2012	5,866	10.1	2,995	7.8	2,871	14.5

¹Denominator includes only births with known birth weight. Low birth weight refers to births weighing less than 2,500 grams.

²Data for 1960-1989 are by race of the child.