

Number and percent of women who exclusively breastfed for 8 weeks or more by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2009

Characteristic	Number	Percent	95% CI
Overall			
2009 Births	29,430	27.9	24.9 - 31.1
Age			
19 and under	1,795	25.9	15.8 - 39.3
20 to 24	6,080	27.1	20.8 - 34.5
25 to 34	15,717	28.3	24.2 - 32.8
35 and over	5,838	28.4	22.0 - 35.7
Race/ethnicity			
White non-Hispanic	8,321	29.6	24.0 - 36.0
Black non-Hispanic	5,862	27.1	20.8 - 34.4
Hispanic	10,494	29.1	23.9 - 34.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,163	22.1	15.3 - 30.7
Other	1,445	28.6	16.7 - 44.5
Education			
Not a High School Graduate	5,543	24.0	18.1 - 31.2
High School Graduate	7,727	28.9	23.0 - 35.5
Some College	6,302	26.8	20.9 - 33.6
College Graduate	9,858	30.8	25.5 - 36.7
Payment for Prenatal Care			
Medicaid	15,925	28.6	24.5 - 33.2
No Medicaid	13,506	27.1	22.9 - 31.7
Nativity			
US Born	13,228	26.9	22.7 - 31.6
Foreign born	16,203	28.7	24.6 - 33.2
Borough of residence			
Bronx	5,797	27.0	20.6 - 34.6
Brooklyn	9,513	25.3	20.6 - 30.6
Manhattan	5,579	33.8	26.3 - 42.2
Queens	7,317	29.0	23.0 - 35.8
Staten Island**	1,224	26.0	14.0 - 43.0

* Notes: Responses are based on answers to questions 51a and 51b, below.

1. Question 51a: How old was your new baby the first time he or she drank liquids other than breast milk (such as formula, water, juice, tea, or cow's milk)?

Question 51b: How old was your new baby the first time he or she ate food (such as baby cereal, baby food, or any other food)?

Answers:

_____ weeks or _____ months

My baby was less than 1 week old

My baby has not had any liquids other than breast milk (51a)/My baby has not eaten any foods (51b)

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 1,394 NYC women giving birth in 2009.

** estimates based on <60 respondents and may not be reliable.