

Number and percent of infants placed on back to sleep
by select sociodemographic characteristics: NYC PRAMS, 2006*

Research shows that infants are safest sleeping on their backs.**

Characteristic	Number	Percent	95% CI
Overall			
All NYC mothers, 2006	63,563	57.9	54.7 - 61.1
Age			
19 and under	3,184	44.2	31.4 - 57.8
20 to 24	12,982	53.6	46.4 - 60.6
25 to 34	33,005	57.3	52.8 - 61.6
35 and over	14,392	69.5	62.6 - 75.7
Race/ethnicity			
White non-Hispanic	23,781	70.5	64.6 - 75.8
Black non-Hispanic	11,514	45.2	38.6 - 51.9
Hispanic	19,849	52.2	46.8 - 57.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	8,195	67.3	57.4 - 75.9
Education			
Less than high school	11,668	52.7	44.9 - 60.4
High school	15,931	46.9	41.0 - 52.8
More than high school	35,930	67.3	63.0 - 71.4
Insurance before pregnancy			
No insurance	16,881	54.3	48.1 - 60.3
Medicaid	14,315	47.6	41.1 - 54.1
Other insurance	31,992	66.4	61.8 - 70.8
Nativity			
Foreign born	34,484	55.7	51.3 - 59.9
US born (Includes Puerto Rico & U.S. Virgin Islands)	29,062	60.9	55.9 - 65.6
Borough of residence			
Bronx	10,346	49.5	42.2 - 56.9
Brooklyn	20,361	56.2	50.6 - 61.7
Manhattan	12,105	63.3	55.7 - 70.4
Queens	18,009	63.0	56.5 - 69.1
Staten Island	2,741	55.5	40.2 - 69.8

* Notes.

1. PRAMS Question #57: How do you most often lay your baby down to sleep now?

Answers:

- On his or her side
- On his or her back
- On his or her stomach

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>