

Characteristics of Whatcom County Individuals Who Gave Birth

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Individuals Who Gave Birth	2,205	2,265	2,330	2,257	2,142	2,139	1,965	1,983	2,010	1,929
Race / Ethnicity										
White	1,684	1,677	1,692	1,602	1,507	1,493	1,348	1,355	1,379	1,266
Hispanic	282	300	312	329	318	319	321	296	285	343
Asian	76	87	100	105	99	112	85	98	93	91
African American	-	15	17	15	30	19	12	15	12	15
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Native American	85	114	105	107	84	86	64	71	75	53
More than 1 race	54	58	71	64	77	75	79	87	66	83
Other/Unknown	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Average Age (Yrs.)	28.6	28.8	28.9	29.1	29.6	29.6	29.7	29.9	30.0	30.3
Age Less Than 18 Yrs. Old	29	24	30	25	16	-	14	18	-	14
Marital Status (Married)	1,521	1,575	1,605	1,580	1,514	1,504	1,325	1,387	1,430	1,303
High School Education or Higher	1,934	2,001	2,076	1,985	1,902	1,880	1,722	1,750	1,756	1,679
Smoking History (Yes)	198	190	131	144	127	123	119	105	64	48
Prenatal Care Began										
First Trimester	1,585	1,526	1,530	1,568	1,552	1,594	1,415	1,474	1,523	1,405
Second Trimester	478	530	555	437	377	328	284	304	309	327
Third Trimester	70	91	161	138	123	121	112	105	104	111
None	25	30	28	13	13	-	24	26	19	28
Unknown	47	88	56	101	77	-	130	74	55	58
Low Birthweight	80	83	95	97	96	100	84	82	73	87
Singleton Liveborn	2,151	2,216	2,261	2,203	2,099	2,098	1,920	1,940	1,970	1,879

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Race / Ethnicity										
White	76.4%	74.0%	72.6%	71.0%	70.4%	69.8%	68.6%	68.3%	68.6%	65.6%
Hispanic	12.8%	13.2%	13.4%	14.6%	14.8%	14.9%	16.3%	14.9%	14.2%	17.8%
Asian	3.4%	3.8%	4.3%	4.7%	4.6%	5.2%	4.3%	4.9%	4.6%	4.7%
African American	-%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	1.4%	0.9%	0.6%	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Native American	3.9%	5.0%	4.5%	4.7%	3.9%	4.0%	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%	2.7%
More than 1 race	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%	2.8%	3.6%	3.5%	4.0%	4.4%	3.3%	4.3%
Other/Unknown	0.5%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Age Less Than 18 Yrs. Old	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	0.7%	-%	0.7%	0.9%	-%	0.7%
Marital Status (Married)	69.0%	69.5%	68.9%	70.0%	70.7%	70.3%	67.4%	69.9%	71.1%	67.5%
High School Education or Higher	87.7%	88.3%	89.1%	87.9%	88.8%	87.9%	87.6%	88.3%	87.4%	87.0%
Smoking History (Yes)	9.0%	8.4%	5.6%	6.4%	5.9%	5.8%	6.1%	5.3%	3.2%	2.5%
Prenatal Care Began										
First Trimester	73.4%	70.1%	67.3%	72.7%	75.2%	77.7%	77.1%	77.2%	77.9%	75.1%
Second Trimester	22.2%	24.3%	24.4%	20.3%	18.3%	16.0%	15.5%	15.9%	15.8%	17.5%
Third Trimester	3.2%	4.2%	7.1%	6.4%	6.0%	5.9%	6.1%	5.5%	5.3%	5.9%
None	1.2%	1.4%	1.2%	0.6%	0.6%	-%	1.3%	1.4%	1.0%	1.5%
Unknown	2.1%	3.9%	2.4%	4.5%	3.6%	-%	6.6%	3.7%	2.7%	3.0%
Low Birthweight										
Singleton Liveborn	3.7%	3.7%	4.2%	4.4%	4.6%	4.8%	4.4%	4.2%	3.7%	4.6%

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Characteristics of Whatcom County Medicaid Individuals Who Gave Birth

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Medicaid Individuals	1,127	1,141	1,217	1,187	1,065	1,061	977	940	919	927
All Individuals Who Gave Birth	2,205	2,265	2,330	2,257	2,142	2,139	1,965	1,983	2,010	1,929
Race / Ethnicity										
White	727	699	743	700	593	596	538	517	494	471
Hispanic	232	246	247	270	257	255	253	230	213	264
Asian	41	38	50	65	57	59	45	48	38	40
African American	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Native American	72	98	-	86	72	69	-	-	64	42
More than 1 race	39	38	45	39	48	45	46	44	39	47
Other/Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	59	-
Average Age (Yrs.)	26.8	27.1	27.2	27.6	27.8	27.9	28.1	28.4	28.2	28.5
Age Less Than 18 Yrs. Old	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marital Status (Married)	519	543	573	604	521	521	432	438	413	402
High School Education or Higher	881	897	988	948	840	831	773	747	712	706
Smoking History (Yes)	173	164	115	132	114	110	111	100	58	43
Prenatal Care Began										
First Trimester	734	694	735	751	685	726	637	612	614	603
Second Trimester	303	317	323	286	238	206	182	188	189	192
Third Trimester	47	56	105	89	87	74	77	71	68	71
None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maternity Support Services (MSS)	564	480	428	365	295	361	348	295	294	299
Average No. MSS Visits	4.4	4.0	5.0	5.5	6.6	6.4	6.6	7.1	7.9	7.5
Infant Case Management (ICM)	83	91	136	117	124	148	148	144	151	174
Average No. ICM Visits	4.5	5.0	5.2	6.1	5.8	5.5	4.8	6.3	6.2	6.4
Low Birthweight	46	50	54	56	64	61	49	45	41	51
Singleton Liveborn	1,098	1,114	1,180	1,160	1,041	1,038	956	914	899	906

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% of All Individuals Who Gave Birth	51.1%	50.4%	52.2%	52.6%	49.7%	49.6%	49.7%	47.4%	45.7%	48.1%
Race / Ethnicity										
White	64.5%	61.3%	61.1%	59.0%	55.7%	56.2%	55.1%	55.0%	53.8%	50.8%
Hispanic	20.6%	21.6%	20.3%	22.7%	24.1%	24.0%	25.9%	24.5%	23.2%	28.5%
Asian	3.6%	3.3%	4.1%	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	4.6%	5.1%	4.1%	4.3%
African American	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Native American	6.4%	8.6%	-%	7.2%	6.8%	6.5%	-%	-%	7.0%	4.5%
More than 1 race	3.5%	3.3%	3.7%	3.3%	4.5%	4.2%	4.7%	4.7%	4.2%	5.1%
Other/Unknown	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	3.2%	6.4%	-%
Age Less Than 18 Yrs. Old	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Marital Status (Married)	46.1%	47.6%	47.1%	50.9%	48.9%	49.1%	44.2%	46.6%	44.9%	43.4%
High School Education or Higher	78.2%	78.6%	81.2%	79.9%	78.9%	78.3%	79.1%	79.5%	77.5%	76.2%
Smoking History (Yes)	15.4%	14.4%	9.4%	11.1%	10.7%	10.4%	11.4%	10.6%	6.3%	4.6%
Prenatal Care Began										
First Trimester	66.8%	63.8%	62.2%	66.2%	67.2%	71.5%	70.0%	68.8%	69.4%	68.2%
Second Trimester	27.6%	29.1%	27.3%	25.2%	23.4%	20.3%	20.0%	21.1%	21.4%	21.7%
Third Trimester	4.3%	5.1%	8.9%	7.8%	8.5%	7.3%	8.5%	8.0%	7.7%	8.0%
None	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Unknown	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%	-%
Maternity Support Services	50.0%	42.1%	35.2%	30.7%	27.7%	34.0%	35.6%	31.4%	32.0%	32.3%
Infant Case Management	7.4%	8.0%	11.2%	9.9%	11.6%	13.9%	15.1%	15.3%	16.4%	18.8%
Low Birthweight										
Singleton Liveborn	4.2%	4.5%	4.6%	4.8%	6.1%	5.9%	5.1%	4.9%	4.6%	5.6%

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