

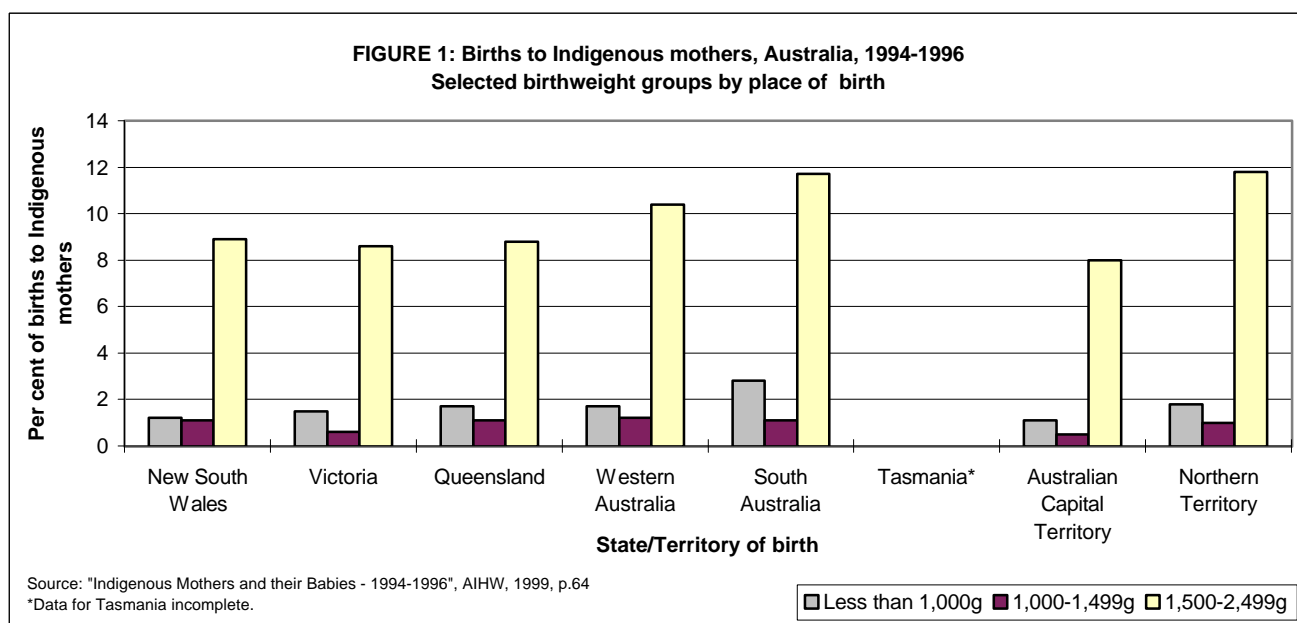
BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Age of mother (years)										
Less than 20	62	8.5	208	8.1	2,548	6.6	287	4.8	3,106	6.4
20-34	544	74.3	1,957	76.4	31,033	79.9	4,861	80.7	38,400	79.7
35 and over	126	17.2	395	15.4	5,258	13.5	878	14.6	6,657	13.8
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Indigenous status of mother										
Indigenous	74	10.1	239	9.3	2,196	5.7	248	4.1	2,757	5.7
Non-indigenous	658	89.9	2,320	90.6	36,641	94.3	5,776	95.9	45,400	94.3
Not stated	-	-	1	0.0	2	0.0	2	0.0	6	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Marital status of mother										
Single	137	18.7	443	17.3	4,726	12.2	538	8.9	5,845	12.1
Married/defacto	581	79.4	2,073	81.0	33,612	86.5	5,437	90.2	41,707	86.6
Other	14	1.9	44	1.7	501	1.3	50	0.8	609	1.3
Not stated	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	2	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Country of birth of mother										
Australia	613	83.7	2,157	84.3	32,349	83.3	5,143	85.3	40,266	83.6
Other English speaking	66	9.0	209	8.2	3,344	8.6	528	8.8	4,148	8.6
Non-English speaking	51	7.0	194	7.6	3,139	8.1	352	5.8	3,736	7.8
Other ^(b)	2	0.3	-	-	7	0.0	3	0.0	13	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Area of usual residence of mother^(c)										
Urban	440	60.1	1,643	64.2	25,500	65.7	3,938	65.4	31,526	65.5
Rural	215	29.4	780	30.5	11,813	30.4	1,854	30.8	14,662	30.4
Remote	26	3.6	96	3.8	1,272	3.3	200	3.3	1,595	3.3
Other	51	7.0	41	1.6	254	0.7	34	0.6	380	0.8
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Number of previous deliveries										
None	335	45.8	1,158	45.2	15,421	39.7	1,877	31.1	18,795	39.0
One to four	369	50.4	1,319	51.5	22,731	58.5	4,008	66.5	28,429	59.0
Five or more	28	3.8	82	3.2	686	1.8	141	2.3	937	1.9
Not stated	-	-	1	0.0	1	0.0	-	-	2	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Plurality of pregnancy										
Singleton	549	75.0	2,016	78.8	38,167	98.3	6,025	100.0	46,763	97.1
Twin	151	20.6	501	19.6	671	1.7	1	0.0	1,324	2.7
Other multiple	32	4.4	43	1.7	1	0.0	-	-	76	0.2
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Includes not stated country of birth and "Other" countries as per Table 4.05.

(c) "Other" includes interstate/overseas. "Rural" includes "Remote Major", ie. Mt Isa.

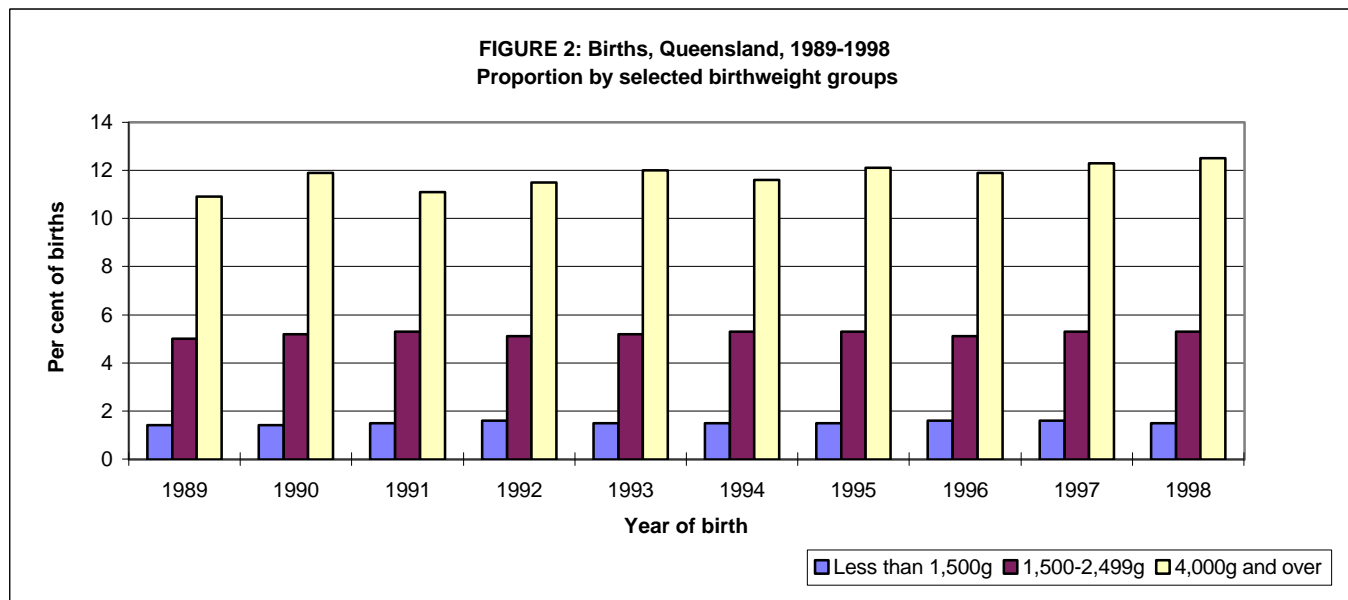


BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Number of antenatal visits										
Less than 2	87	11.9	96	3.8	543	1.4	41	0.7	768	1.6
2 or more	644	88.0	2,459	96.1	38,283	98.6	5,984	99.3	47,374	98.4
Not stated	1	0.1	5	0.2	13	0.0	1	0.0	21	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Type of antenatal care										
Public hospital/clinic	314	42.9	905	35.4	10,455	26.9	1,568	26.0	13,242	27.5
Shared care	192	26.2	877	34.3	15,427	39.7	2,432	40.4	18,929	39.3
Private medical practitioner	179	24.5	738	28.8	12,645	32.6	1,962	32.6	15,525	32.2
Private midwifery practitioner	3	0.4	2	0.1	165	0.4	55	0.9	227	0.5
Private medical & midwife practitioners	1	0.1	2	0.1	7	0.0	4	0.1	14	0.0
No antenatal care	41	5.6	31	1.2	131	0.3	4	0.1	208	0.4
Not stated	2	0.3	5	0.2	9	0.0	1	0.0	18	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Assisted conception status										
Not assisted	649	88.7	2,360	92.2	37,922	97.6	5,922	98.3	46,858	97.3
Assisted conception	79	10.8	200	7.8	909	2.3	99	1.6	1,287	2.7
Not stated	4	0.5	-	-	8	0.0	5	0.1	18	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Type of facility from where mother was transferred before giving birth										
Homebirth	1	0.1	-	-	16	0.0	4	0.1	21	0.0
Birth centre	-	-	6	0.2	99	0.3	17	0.3	122	0.3
Public facility	207	28.3	262	10.2	466	1.2	49	0.8	984	2.0
Private facility	26	3.6	32	1.3	4	0.0	1	0.0	63	0.1
Not stated facility	-	-	-	-	3	0.0	-	-	3	0.0
Not transferred ^(b)	498	68.0	2,260	88.3	38,251	98.5	5,955	98.8	46,970	97.5
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Accommodation type										
Not applicable - Planned homebirth	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Public	532	72.7	1,835	71.7	26,252	67.6	4,051	67.2	32,670	67.8
Private shared/single	198	27.0	723	28.2	12,476	32	1,919	31.8	15,318	31.8
Not stated	2	0.3	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	4	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Includes not stated antenatal transfer.

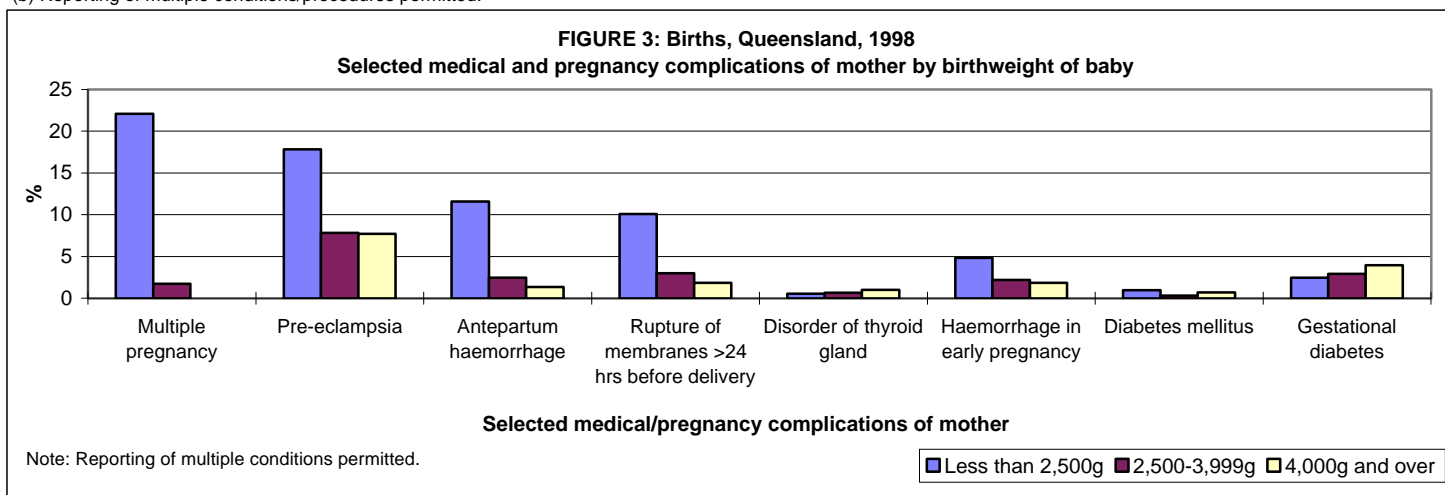


**BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY**

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Selected pregnancy / medical complications^(b)										
Pre-eclampsia	122	16.7	465	18.2	3,036	7.8	464	7.7	4,087	8.5
Rupture of membranes >4 hrs before labour (<24 hrs before delivery)	63	8.6	210	8.2	2,301	5.9	319	5.3	2,893	6.0
Asthma	37	5.1	129	5.0	1,392	3.6	194	3.2	1,752	3.6
Rupture of membranes >24 hrs before delivery	98	13.4	234	9.1	1,165	3.0	112	1.9	1,609	3.3
Gestational diabetes	10	1.4	71	2.8	1,134	2.9	238	3.9	1,453	3.0
Infectious and parasitic diseases	31	4.2	89	3.5	1,138	2.9	153	2.5	1,412	2.9
<i>Streptococcal infection</i>	13	1.8	35	1.4	472	1.2	77	1.3	597	1.2
<i>Active genital herpes</i>	3	0.4	12	0.5	233	0.6	29	0.5	278	0.6
<i>Viral hepatitis</i>	6	0.8	20	0.8	150	0.4	10	0.2	186	0.4
<i>Syphilis</i>	1	0.1	8	0.3	50	0.1	4	0.1	63	0.1
Antepartum haemorrhage, abruptio placentae and placenta praevia	153	20.9	228	8.9	953	2.5	82	1.4	1,416	2.9
Haemorrhage in early pregnancy	77	10.5	82	3.2	848	2.2	111	1.8	1,118	2.3
Disorder of thyroid gland	1	0.1	17	0.7	259	0.7	59	1.0	336	0.7
Epilepsy	9	1.2	21	0.8	236	0.6	21	0.3	287	0.6
Substance abuse	12	1.6	40	1.6	160	0.4	4	0.1	216	0.4
Diabetes mellitus	7	1.0	24	0.9	115	0.3	42	0.7	188	0.4
Intrauterine fetal death	77	10.5	35	1.4	40	0.1	2	0.0	154	0.3
Suspected fetal anomaly	49	6.7	17	0.7	70	0.2	5	0.1	141	0.3
Infection of amniotic cavity	60	8.2	16	0.6	11	0.0	2	0.0	89	0.2
Cervical incompetence	17	2.3	7	0.3	29	0.1	1	0.0	54	0.1
Total	732		2,560		38,839		6,026		48,163	
Length of antenatal stay (days)										
0-1	451	61.6	1,991	77.8	36,239	93.3	5,587	92.7	44,269	91.9
2-7	194	26.5	404	15.8	1,944	5.0	327	5.4	2,870	6.0
8-14	41	5.6	83	3.2	198	0.5	27	0.4	349	0.7
15-21	21	2.9	27	1.1	92	0.2	5	0.1	145	0.3
22 and over	16	2.2	31	1.2	76	0.2	9	0.1	132	0.3
Not applicable- Planned homebirth	-	-	2	1.2	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Not applicable- Born before arrival	8	1.1	22	1.2	179	0.5	16	0.3	226	0.5
Not stated	1	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Selected procedures and operations during pregnancy, labour & delivery, or the puerperium^(b)										
Obstetric ultrasound	715	97.7	2,513	98.2	38,216	98.4	5,933	98.5	47,381	98.4
Amniocentesis	66	9.0	121	4.7	1,556	4.0	201	3.3	1,944	4.0
Removal of retained placenta	52	7.1	67	2.6	598	1.5	71	1.2	788	1.6
Chorionic villus sampling	17	2.3	29	1.1	242	0.6	50	0.8	338	0.7
Encirclement suture of cervix	24	3.3	19	0.7	71	0.2	7	0.1	121	0.3
Total	732		2,560		38,839		6,026		48,163	
Onset of labour										
Spontaneous - not augmented	277	37.8	973	38.0	14,258	36.7	1,819	30.2	17,331	36.0
Spontaneous - augmented	77	10.5	422	16.5	10,602	27.3	1,691	28.1	12,793	26.6
Induced	164	22.4	504	19.7	8,994	23.2	1,982	32.9	11,645	24.2
No labour	213	29.1	661	25.8	4,984	12.8	533	8.8	6,391	13.3
Not stated	1	0.1	-	-	1	0.0	1	0.0	3	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Reporting of multiple conditions/procedures permitted.



BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

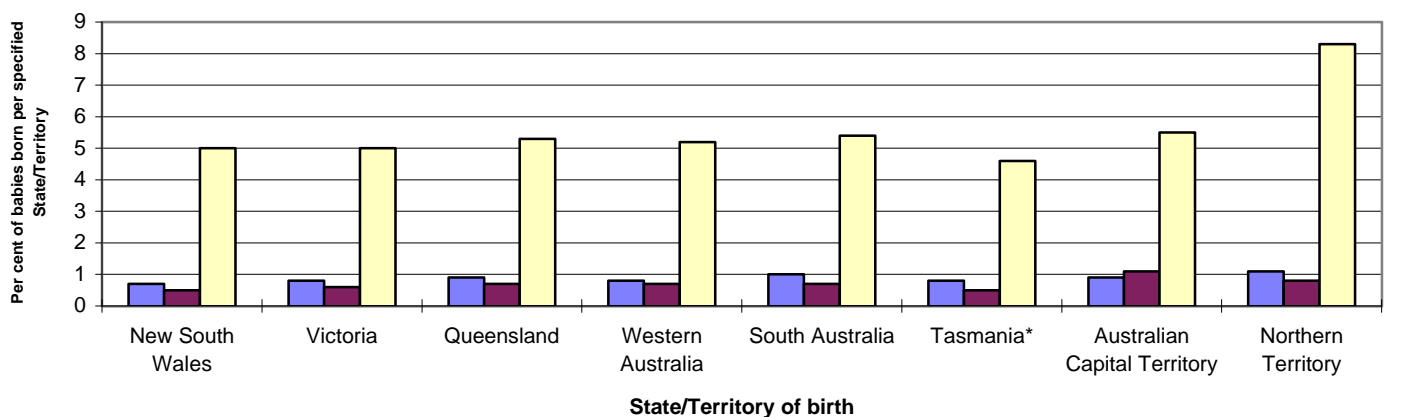
Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Place of delivery										
Public facility	586	80.1	1,971	77.0	28,002	72.1	4,308	71.5	34,867	72.4
Private facility	138	18.9	564	22.0	10,319	26.6	1,594	26.5	12,617	26.2
Birth centre	-	-	1	0.0	228	0.6	53	0.9	282	0.6
Homebirth	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Born before arrival	8	1.1	22	0.9	179	0.5	16	0.3	226	0.5
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Perineal status (vaginal deliveries only - including vacuum and forceps)										
Intact	380	94.8	918	61.5	13,233	43.5	1,663	36.0	16,197	43.8
Lacerated - sutured	8	2.0	299	20.0	9,691	31.8	1,705	37.0	11,704	31.7
Lacerated - not sutured	1	0.2	98	6.6	2,548	8.4	386	8.4	3,034	8.2
Episiotomy	11	2.7	178	11.9	4,973	16.3	859	18.6	6,021	16.3
Not stated	1	0.2	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	2	0.0
Total	401	100.0	1,493	100.0	30,445	100.0	4,614	100.0	36,958	100.0
Selected labour and delivery complications^(b)										
Obstructed/abnormal labour	120	16.4	645	25.2	12,700	32.7	2,522	41.9	15,988	33.2
Meconium liquor	29	4.0	204	8.0	5,563	14.3	1,087	18.0	6,885	14.3
Fetal distress	60	8.2	349	13.6	3,416	8.8	482	8.0	4,307	8.9
Primary post-partum haemorrhage	19	2.6	52	2.0	872	2.2	241	4.0	1,184	2.5
Retained placenta or membranes (without haemorrhage)	53	7.2	68	2.7	654	1.7	82	1.4	857	1.8
Total	732		2,560		38,839		6,026		48,163	
Length of postnatal stay for mothers delivering in hospital/birth centre and discharged home (days)										
0	101	14.7	40	1.7	842	2.2	121	2.1	1,105	2.4
1	119	17.3	122	5.1	4,425	11.7	598	10.2	5,264	11.2
2	80	11.6	199	8.3	6,802	17.9	1,019	17.3	8,100	17.3
3	68	9.9	282	11.7	7,476	19.7	1,201	20.4	9,027	19.2
4 - 7	233	33.9	1,193	49.5	16,887	44.5	2,735	46.5	21,048	44.8
8-14	76	11.0	477	19.8	1,482	3.9	199	3.4	2,234	4.8
15-21	9	1.3	72	3.0	41	0.1	6	0.1	128	0.3
22 and over	2	0.3	27	1.1	8	0.0	-	-	37	0.1
Total	688	100.0	2,412	100.0	37,963	100.0	5,879	100.0	46,943	100.0
Separation status of mother										
Planned homebirth ^(c)	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Discharged	688	94.0	2,412	94.2	37,963	97.7	5,879	97.6	46,943	97.5
Transferred	44	6.0	146	5.7	763	2.0	91	1.5	1,045	2.2
Died	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated	-	-	-	-	2	0.0	1	0.0	4	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Reporting of multiple conditions/procedures permitted.

(c) Includes 11 mothers transferred to a facility from a homebirth.

FIGURE 4: Births, Australia, 1997
Proportion by selected birthweight groups by place of birth



Source: "Australia's Mothers and Babies - 1997", AIHW, 1999, p.80
*Data for Tasmania incomplete.

■ Less than 1,000g ■ 1,000-1,499g ■ 1,500-2,499g

BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Selected methods of analgesia or anaesthesia used during labour and delivery^(b)										
None reported	104	14.2	354	13.8	7,049	18.1	1,040	17.3	8,549	17.8
At least one method	627	85.7	2,206	86.2	31,788	81.8	4,984	82.7	39,608	82.2
<i>Nitrous oxide</i>	125	17.1	786	30.7	18,275	47.1	3,046	50.5	22,234	46.2
<i>Narcotic (IM/IV)</i>	232	31.7	519	20.3	11,279	29.0	1,720	28.5	13,751	28.6
<i>Epidural</i>	179	24.5	783	30.6	10,496	27.0	1,802	29.9	13,261	27.5
<i>Spinal</i>	150	20.5	549	21.4	4,391	11.3	610	10.1	5,700	11.8
<i>General anaesthesia</i>	153	20.9	231	9.0	1,016	2.6	162	2.7	1,563	3.2
<i>Other</i>	37	5.1	33	1.3	543	1.4	97	1.6	712	1.5
Not stated	1	0.1	-	-	2	0.0	2	0.0	6	0.0
Total	732		2,560		38,839		6,026		48,163	
Method of delivery										
Spontaneous vertex	247	33.7	1,283	50.1	26,744	68.9	4,002	66.4	32,280	67.0
Forceps/vacuum	40	5.5	136	5.3	3,495	9.0	606	10.1	4,278	8.9
Caesarean section	321	43.9	1,066	41.6	8,390	21.6	1,411	23.4	11,188	23.2
Breech	111	15.2	72	2.8	183	0.5	2	0.0	368	0.8
Other	13	1.8	3	0.1	26	0.1	4	0.1	47	0.1
Not stated	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Accoucheur										
Obstetrician	296	40.4	1,058	41.3	12,973	33.4	2,094	34.7	16,422	34.1
Other medical officer	208	28.4	581	22.7	5,970	15.4	1,022	17.0	7,782	16.2
Midwife	216	29.5	791	30.9	16,133	41.5	2,362	39.2	19,505	40.5
Student midwife	3	0.4	82	3.2	2,762	7.1	404	6.7	3,251	6.7
Medical student	-	-	23	0.9	803	2.1	123	2.0	949	2.0
Other	8	1.1	24	0.9	189	0.5	20	0.3	241	0.5
Not stated	1	0.1	1	0.0	9	0.0	1	0.0	13	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Gestation (weeks)										
Less than 28	408	55.7	1	0.0	-	-	-	-	410	0.9
28-36	317	43.3	1,678	65.5	1,381	3.6	11	0.2	3,388	7.0
37-41	6	0.8	878	34.3	36,764	94.7	5,706	94.7	43,358	90.0
42 and over	-	-	3	0.1	692	1.8	308	5.1	1,003	2.1
Not stated	1	0.1	-	-	2	0.0	1	0.0	4	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

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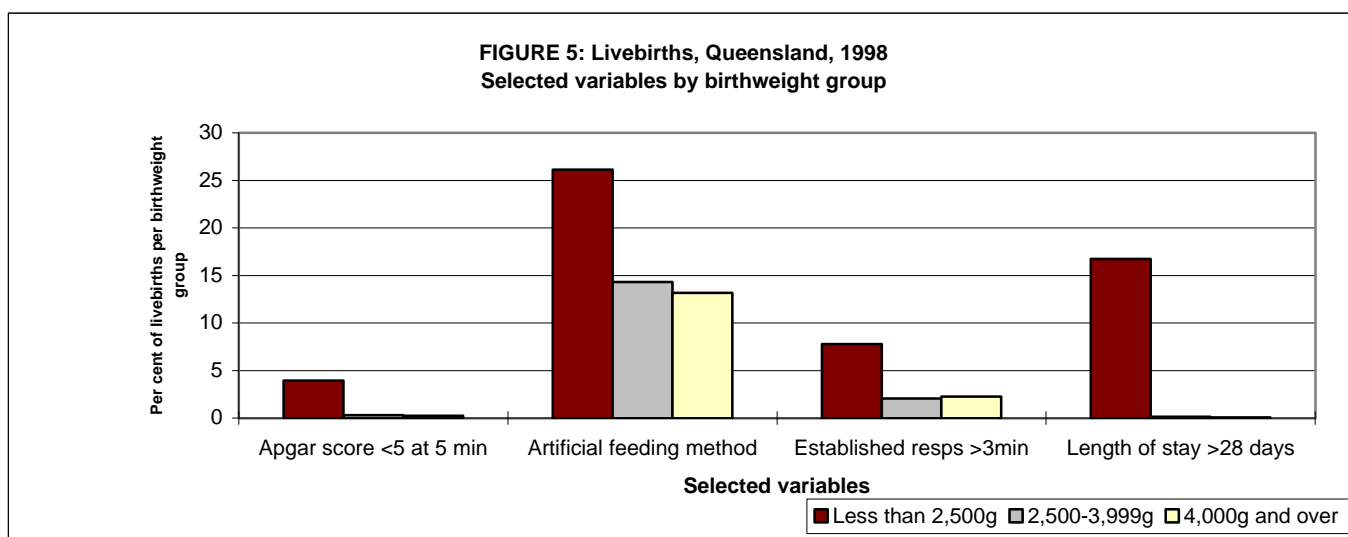


FIGURE 6: Births, Queensland, 1998
Birthweight by size of birth facility

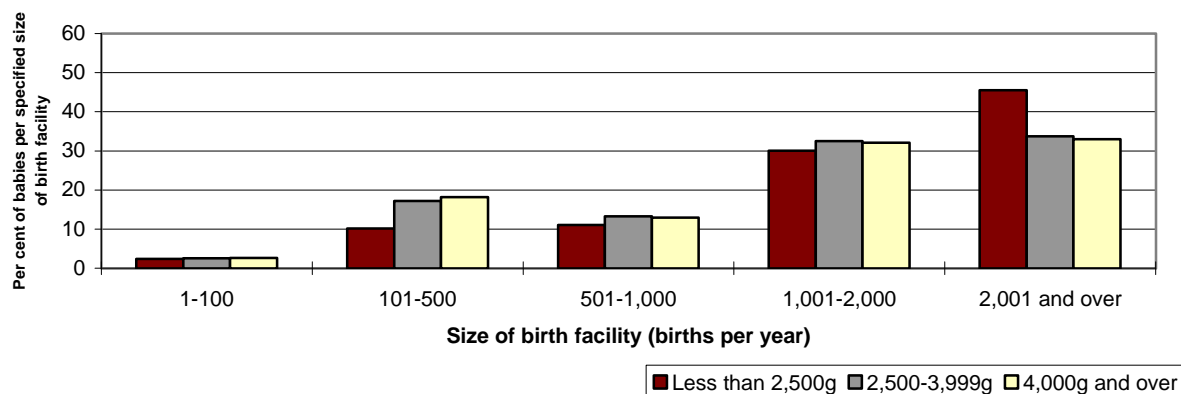
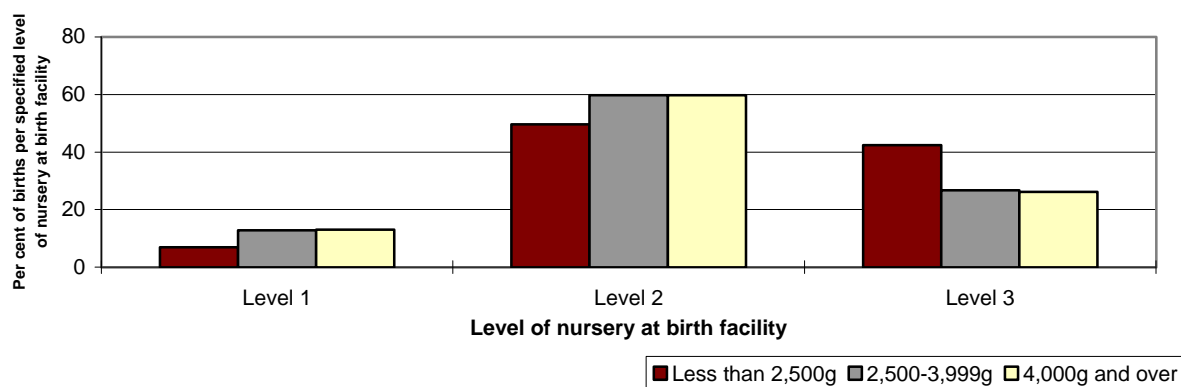


FIGURE 7: Births, Queensland, 1998
Birthweight by level of nursery at birth facility



BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Size of birth facility (births per year)										
1-100	38	5.2	39	1.5	984	2.5	157	2.6	1,219	2.5
101-500	46	6.3	289	11.3	6,683	17.2	1,096	18.2	8,115	16.8
501-1,000	43	5.9	320	12.5	5,160	13.3	778	12.9	6,301	13.1
1,001-2,000 ^(b)	167	22.8	821	32.1	12,630	32.5	1,935	32.1	15,553	32.3
2,001 and over	430	58.7	1,067	41.7	13,092	33.7	1,989	33.0	16,578	34.4
Planned homebirth	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Born before arrival	8	1.1	22	0.9	179	0.5	16	0.3	226	0.5
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Level of nursery at birth facility										
Level 1	59	8.1	168	6.6	4,981	12.8	784	13.0	5,993	12.4
Level 2	201	27.5	1,434	56.0	23,212	59.8	3,598	59.7	28,446	59.1
Level 3	463	63.3	934	36.5	10,353	26.7	1,573	26.1	13,323	27.7
Other	1	0.1	-	-	3	0.0	-	-	4	0.0
Planned homebirth	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Born before arrival	8	1.1	22	0.9	179	0.5	16	0.3	226	0.5
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Includes 1 hospital with a level 3 nursery.

LIVEBIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Apgar score at 1 minute										
0-4	200	39.1	226	9.0	1,243	3.2	239	4.0	1,909	4.0
5-7	168	32.8	608	24.2	5,747	14.8	1,038	17.2	7,561	15.8
8-10	141	27.5	1,673	66.5	31,756	81.9	4,739	78.7	38,312	80.1
Not stated	3	0.6	7	0.3	25	0.1	4	0.1	40	0.1
Total	512	100.0	2,514	100.0	38,771	100.0	6,020	100.0	47,822	100.0
Apgar score at 5 minutes										
0-4	84	16.4	35	1.4	115	0.3	15	0.2	249	0.5
5-7	103	20.1	156	6.2	768	2.0	121	2.0	1,148	2.4
8-10	322	62.9	2,317	92.2	37,868	97.7	5,879	97.7	46,390	97.0
Not stated	3	0.6	6	0.2	20	0.1	5	0.1	35	0.1
Total	512	100.0	2,514	100.0	38,771	100.0	6,020	100.0	47,822	100.0
Establishment of respirations >3 minutes (excludes babies who were intubated at birth or failed to establish respirations)										
	82	16.0	153	6.1	797	2.1	136	2.3	1,169	2.4
Selected neonatal resuscitation methods^(b)										
Nil resuscitation	48	9.4	477	19.0	12,987	33.5	1,710	28.4	15,226	31.8
At least one method	463	90.4	2,037	81.0	25,784	66.5	4,309	71.6	32,594	68.2
<i>Oral/pharyngeal suction</i>	316	61.7	1,710	68.0	21,718	56.0	3,576	59.4	27,321	57.1
<i>Facial oxygen</i>	195	38.1	1,114	44.3	9,579	24.7	1,741	28.9	12,630	26.4
<i>Bag and mask</i>	183	35.7	483	19.2	2,763	7.1	498	8.3	3,927	8.2
<i>Narcotic antagonist injection</i>	6	1.2	69	2.7	680	1.8	115	1.9	870	1.8
<i>IPPV via ETT^(c)</i>	242	47.3	106	4.2	239	0.6	32	0.5	619	1.3
Not stated	1	0.2	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	2	0.0
Total	512		2,514		38,771		6,020		47,822	
Selected neonatal treatment^(b)										
None	62	12.1	822	32.7	34,364	88.6	5,277	87.7	40,529	84.7
At least one method	450	87.9	1,692	67.3	4,406	11.4	742	12.3	7,291	15.2
<i>Oxygen >4 hrs</i>	399	77.9	787	31.3	1,360	3.5	207	3.4	2,754	5.8
<i>Phototherapy</i>	330	64.5	699	27.8	1,408	3.6	175	2.9	2,612	5.5
<i>Intramuscular/Intravenous antibiotics</i>	368	71.9	591	23.5	1,181	3.0	244	4.1	2,385	5.0
<i>Intravenous fluid</i>	431	84.2	859	34.2	1,028	2.7	174	2.9	2,493	5.2
<i>Mechanical ventilation</i>	343	67.0	219	8.7	188	0.5	15	0.2	765	1.6
Not stated	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.0
Total	512		2,514		38,771		6,020		47,822	
Administration of Vitamin K										
Oral	3	0.6	12	0.5	218	0.6	49	0.8	282	0.6
Intramuscular injection	453	88.5	2,485	98.8	38,267	98.7	5,886	97.8	47,092	98.5
None	56	10.9	17	0.7	277	0.7	84	1.4	438	0.9
Not stated	-	-	-	-	9	0.0	1	0.0	10	0.0
Total	512	100.0	2,514	100.0	38,771	100.0	6,020	100.0	47,822	100.0
Feeding method for livebirths discharged home from a facility/birth centre										
Breastmilk	78	48.1	1,484	70.7	31,707	83.9	4,987	85.0	38,256	83.3
Artificial milk	68	42.0	523	24.9	5,409	14.3	773	13.2	6,773	14.7
Both breastmilk and artificial milk	16	9.9	92	4.4	689	1.8	106	1.8	903	2.0
Total	162	100.0	2,099	100.0	37,805	100.0	5,866	100.0	45,932	100.0
Length of stay of livebirths discharged home from a facility/birth centre (days)										
0	-	-	9	0.4	807	2.1	119	2.0	935	2.0
1	-	-	41	2.0	4,368	11.6	592	10.1	5,001	10.9
2	-	-	95	4.5	6,710	17.7	1,012	17.3	7,817	17.0
3	-	-	143	6.8	7,376	19.5	1,194	20.4	8,713	19.0
4-7	-	-	663	31.6	16,721	44.2	2,721	46.4	20,105	43.8
8-14	-	-	455	21.7	1,614	4.3	214	3.6	2,283	5.0
15-27	3	1.9	474	22.6	163	0.4	10	0.2	650	1.4
28 and over	159	98.1	219	10.4	45	0.1	4	0.1	427	0.9
Not stated	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	-	-	1	0.0
Total	162	100.0	2,099	100.0	37,804	100.0	5,866	100.0	45,932	100.0

(a) Includes babies with a not stated birthweight.

(b) Reporting of multiple methods/treatments permitted.

(c) Intermittent positive pressure ventilation via endotracheal tube.

BIRTHS, QUEENSLAND, 1998
SELECTED VARIABLES BY BIRTHWEIGHT OF BABY

Selected variables	Birthweight in grams									
	Less than 1,500		1,500-2,499		2,500-3,999		4,000 and over		Total ^(a)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Congenital anomaly status										
No anomaly	508	69.4	2,378	92.9	37,431	96.4	5,831	96.8	46,153	95.8
At least one anomaly	221	30.2	182	7.1	1,408	3.6	195	3.2	2,007	4.2
Not stated	3	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Separation status of baby										
Planned homebirth ^(b)	-	-	2	0.1	111	0.3	55	0.9	171	0.4
Discharged	162	22.1	2,099	82.0	37,805	97.3	5,866	97.3	45,932	95.4
Transferred	232	31.7	390	15.2	827	2.1	98	1.6	1,548	3.2
<i>To a facility with a Level 1 nursery</i>	14	1.9	89	3.5	519	1.3	63	1.0	685	1.4
<i>To a facility with a Level 2 nursery</i>	144	19.7	168	6.6	113	0.3	10	0.2	435	0.9
<i>To a facility with a Level 3 nursery</i>	47	6.4	98	3.8	156	0.4	19	0.3	321	0.7
<i>Other^(c)</i>	27	3.7	35	1.4	39	0.1	5	0.1	106	0.2
<i>Not stated</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.0	1	0.0
Died	338	46.2	69	2.7	94	0.2	7	0.1	510	1.1
Not stated	-	-	-	-	2	0.0	-	-	2	0.0
Total	732	100.0	2,560	100.0	38,839	100.0	6,026	100.0	48,163	100.0
Perinatal deaths										
	No.	Rate ^(d)	No.	Rate ^(d)	No.	Rate ^(d)	No.	Rate ^(d)	No.	Rate ^(d)
Stillbirths	220	300.5	46	18.0	68	1.8	6	1.0	341	7.1
Neonatal deaths	117	228.5	33	13.1	55	1.4	2	0.3	208	4.3
Perinatal deaths	337	460.4	79	30.9	123	3.2	8	1.3	549	11.4

(a) Includes not stated birthweights.

(b) Includes 12 babies transferred and 1 neonatal death.

(c) Other includes Interstate facilities.

(d) Neonatal death rate per 1,000 livebirths of specified birthweight group.

Stillbirth and Perinatal death rate per 1,000 total births of specified birthweight group.

