

**QUEENSLAND PERINATAL DATA COLLECTION**  
**NUMBER OF MOTHERS BY SELECTED VARIABLES BY YEAR <sup>(a)</sup>**

Selected variable	Year of birth																	
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Indigenous status of mother</b>																		
Aboriginal	1,914	2,118	2,147	2,059	1,898	1,984	2,030	1,995	2,260	2,098	2,255	2,444	2,403	2,567	2,714	2,946	2,874	3,002
Torres Strait Islander	552	521	508	513	541	494	553	501	522	554	586	581	580	573	551	536	473	514
Both Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander	20	92	194	229	254	243	277	271	287	285	329	348	349	365	385	359	401	394
Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander	44,790	44,713	45,192	45,714	46,207	45,593	46,644	47,280	51,265	52,768	56,018	56,917	57,667	57,517	57,462	58,821	58,428	58,899
Not stated	2	6	1	9	8	10	8	4	3	14	40	37	24	5	13	5	7	2
<b>Age of mother (years)</b>																		
Less than 20	3,235	3,085	3,159	3,183	3,158	3,067	3,046	3,003	3,069	3,076	3,260	3,456	3,340	3,344	3,120	3,165	2,943	2,702
20-34	37,705	37,849	38,117	38,147	38,303	37,795	38,342	38,528	41,566	42,289	44,564	44,933	45,523	45,539	45,830	47,442	47,222	48,083
35 or more	6,338	6,516	6,765	7,194	7,447	7,462	8,124	8,520	9,702	10,354	11,404	11,938	12,160	12,144	12,175	12,060	12,018	12,026
Not stated	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Marital status</b>																		
Single	5,915	5,786	5,640	5,595	5,720	5,551	5,520	5,417	5,985	5,868	6,681	6,951	6,967	7,180	7,335	7,374	7,143	7,374
Married/defacto	40,829	41,059	41,693	42,245	42,475	42,064	43,277	43,956	47,601	49,042	51,735	52,535	53,192	52,984	52,838	54,350	54,142	54,586
Other	534	603	709	673	698	699	709	671	750	793	799	821	838	858	937	926	867	841
Not stated	-	2	-	11	15	10	6	7	1	16	13	20	26	5	15	17	31	10
<b>Number of previous pregnancies<sup>(b)</sup></b>																		
None	18,718	18,509	19,070	19,448	19,759	19,205	20,033	20,356	21,708	22,208	23,731	24,149	24,649	24,878	25,132	25,683	25,943	25,863
One to four	27,702	28,015	28,049	28,103	28,214	28,165	28,438	28,717	31,372	32,264	34,088	34,706	34,899	34,738	34,620	35,580	34,885	35,593
Five or more	858	924	923	972	935	953	1,041	977	1,255	1,247	1,409	1,472	1,475	1,411	1,373	1,403	1,355	1,355
Not stated	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
<b>Plurality of pregnancy</b>																		
Singleton	46,554	46,763	47,361	47,762	48,156	47,484	48,674	49,210	53,418	54,754	58,231	59,269	60,015	60,041	60,098	61,628	61,217	61,820
Twin	690	662	658	733	723	810	821	826	896	941	978	1,042	988	967	1,001	1,021	944	970
Other multiple	32	24	22	26	28	28	17	13	21	23	19	16	20	19	24	16	21	21
Not stated	2	1	1	3	1	2	-	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	-
<b>Onset of labour</b>																		
Spontaneous - not augmented	17,126	17,177	17,179	16,514	15,700	15,446	15,948	16,164	18,097	18,577	19,840	20,505	21,409	22,227	22,040	22,715	22,053	21,848
Spontaneous - augmented	13,237	12,668	12,431	12,828	12,658	11,869	11,920	12,439	12,731	12,653	13,744	13,935	13,431	12,613	12,307	12,215	12,067	12,064
Induced	11,038	11,485	12,003	12,200	12,752	12,261	12,422	11,699	12,687	13,048	13,553	13,615	13,661	13,579	14,180	14,620	14,938	15,633
No labour	5,877	6,117	6,429	6,980	7,798	8,747	9,220	9,749	10,822	11,439	12,091	12,270	12,519	12,595	12,596	13,091	13,125	13,266
Not stated	-	3	-	2	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	2	3	13	2	26	-	-
<b>Number of mothers</b>	<b>47,278</b>	<b>47,450</b>	<b>48,042</b>	<b>48,524</b>	<b>48,908</b>	<b>48,324</b>	<b>49,512</b>	<b>50,051</b>	<b>54,337</b>	<b>55,719</b>	<b>59,228</b>	<b>60,327</b>	<b>61,023</b>	<b>61,027</b>	<b>61,125</b>	<b>62,667</b>	<b>62,183</b>	<b>62,811</b>

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Indigenous status of mother</b>																		
Aboriginal	4.1	4.5	4.5	4.2	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.2	3.8	3.8	4.1	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.8
Torres Strait Islander	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8
Both Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander	94.7	94.2	94.1	94.2	94.5	94.4	94.2	94.5	94.4	94.7	94.6	94.4	94.5	94.3	94.0	93.9	94.0	93.8
Not stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Age of mother (years)</b>																		
Less than 20	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.1	5.1	4.7	4.3
20-34	79.8	79.8	79.3	78.6	78.3	78.2	77.4	77.0	76.5	75.9	75.2	74.5	74.6	74.6	75.0	75.7	75.9	76.6
35 or more	13.4	13.7	14.1	14.8	15.2	15.4	16.4	17.0	17.9	18.6	19.3	19.8	19.9	19.9	19.9	19.2	19.3	19.2
Not stated	-	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Marital status</b>																		
Single	12.5	12.2	11.7	11.5	11.7	11.5	11.2	10.8	11.0	10.5	11.3	11.5	11.4	11.8	12.0	11.8	11.5	11.7
Married/default	86.4	86.5	86.8	87.1	86.9	87.1	87.4	87.8	87.6	88.0	87.4	87.1	87.2	86.8	86.4	86.7	87.1	86.9
Other	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3
Not stated	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
<b>Number of previous births</b>																		
None	39.6	39.0	39.7	40.1	40.4	39.7	40.5	40.7	40.0	39.9	40.1	40.0	40.4	40.8	41.1	41.0	41.7	41.2
One to four	58.6	59.0	58.4	57.9	57.7	58.3	57.4	57.7	57.9	57.9	57.6	57.5	57.2	56.9	56.6	56.8	56.1	56.7
Five or more	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2
Not stated	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	-	-
<b>Plurality of pregnancy</b>																		
Singleton	98.5	98.6	98.6	98.4	98.5	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.4	98.4	98.3	98.3	98.5	98.4
Twin	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5
Other multiple	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Not stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
<b>Onset of Labour</b>																		
Spontaneous - not augmented <sup>(b)</sup>	36.2	36.2	35.8	34.0	32.1	32.0	32.2	32.3	33.3	33.3	33.5	34.0	35.1	36.4	36.1	36.3	35.5	34.8
Spontaneous - augmented	28.0	26.7	25.9	26.4	25.9	24.6	24.1	24.9	23.4	22.7	23.2	23.1	22.0	20.7	20.1	19.5	19.4	19.2
Induced	23.4	24.2	25.0	25.1	26.1	25.4	25.1	23.4	23.4	23.4	22.9	22.6	22.4	22.3	23.2	23.3	24.0	24.9
No labour	12.4	12.9	13.4	14.4	15.9	18.1	18.6	19.5	19.9	20.5	20.4	20.3	20.5	20.6	20.6	20.9	21.1	21.1
Not stated	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-
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<b>Method of birth</b>																		
Vaginal non-instrumental	32,684	32,648	32,881	32,163	31,706	30,445	30,623	30,570	32,754	32,980	34,852	34,961	35,331	35,278	35,158	35,848	35,406	35,866
Forceps	2,357	2,180	1,999	1,819	1,529	1,262	1,004	949	947	1,096	1,174	1,184	1,142	1,170	1,158	1,392	1,535	1,709
Vacuum	2,099	2,098	2,183	2,354	2,515	2,577	2,942	3,055	3,391	3,353	3,849	4,320	4,494	4,762	4,775	4,931	4,722	4,718
Caesarean section	10,821	11,188	11,650	12,940	13,879	14,852	15,761	16,309	18,148	19,266	20,368	20,935	21,084	20,822	21,089	21,556	21,509	21,530
Other	77	47	34	40	61	60	36	25	41	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
<b>Birthweight (grams)</b>																		
Less than 1,500	783	732	790	806	798	752	774	809	828	955	926	937	959	973	977	1,000	947	963
1,500-2,499	2,527	2,560	2,496	2,679	2,571	2,811	2,683	2,835	3,085	3,202	3,183	3,209	3,430	3,324	3,326	3,518	3,452	3,487
2,500-3,999	38,824	38,839	39,321	39,368	39,852	39,437	40,428	40,913	44,596	45,559	48,556	49,419	49,750	49,966	50,208	51,360	51,295	51,859
4,000 or more	5,900	6,026	6,135	6,460	6,464	6,190	6,473	6,340	6,767	6,980	7,561	7,831	7,901	7,759	7,663	7,832	7,467	7,508
Not stated	4	6	5	5	5	6	9	13	5	12	18	5	11	10	7	17	11	6
<b>Gestation (weeks)</b>																		
Less than 28	412	410	432	440	442	406	384	453	459	531	490	517	537	552	557	552	522	580
28-36	3,461	3,388	3,449	3,725	3,632	3,803	3,890	4,028	4,369	4,595	4,763	4,775	4,909	4,825	4,898	5,369	5,148	5,185
37-41	43,107	43,358	44,025	44,209	44,897	44,365	45,599	46,005	50,070	51,234	54,566	55,686	56,177	56,293	56,371	57,467	57,212	57,778
42 or more	1,058	1,003	840	933	718	620	491	417	379	342	414	419	422	356	349	338	290	280
Not stated	-	4	1	11	1	2	3	7	4	6	11	4	6	6	6	1	-	-
<b>Facility Type</b>																		
Public	34,838	35,350	36,250	36,388	34,503	33,312	34,119	34,430	37,658	38,742	41,530	42,201	42,795	42,787	43,360	44,855	44,332	45,630
Private	12,984	12,637	12,332	12,723	14,922	15,656	15,946	16,138	17,284	17,615	18,294	18,731	18,767	18,741	18,320	18,332	18,258	17,618
Home Births	213	171	164	126	103	61	67	58	42	47	81	110	123	85	69	89	104	98
Born Before Arrival (BBA) <sup>(b)</sup>	-	-	-	79	162	166	234	283	297	302	339	358	366	419	432	450	478	468
Not stated	3	5	1	2	-	1	1	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	9
<b>Perinatal deaths</b>																		
Stillbirths	353	341	347	358	363	329	307	347	375	391	417	384	447	413	401	460	411	432
Neonatal deaths	200	208	171	184	199	177	176	198	185	223	202	206	233	233	210	196	207	201
Perinatal deaths	553	549	518	542	562	506	483	545	560	614	619	590	680	646	611	656	618	633
<b>Number of babies</b>	<b>48,038</b>	<b>48,163</b>	<b>48,747</b>	<b>49,318</b>	<b>49,690</b>	<b>49,196</b>	<b>50,367</b>	<b>50,910</b>	<b>55,281</b>	<b>56,708</b>	<b>60,244</b>	<b>61,401</b>	<b>62,051</b>	<b>62,032</b>	<b>62,181</b>	<b>63,727</b>	<b>63,171</b>	<b>63,823</b>

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(b) Not collected prior to 1 July 2000.

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<b>Method of birth</b>																		
Vaginal non-instrumental	68.0	67.8	67.5	65.2	63.8	61.9	60.8	60.1	59.3	58.2	57.9	56.9	56.9	56.9	56.5	56.3	56.1	56.2
Forceps	4.9	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.1	2.6	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.7
Vacuum	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.8	6.0	6.1	5.9	6.4	7.0	7.2	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.4
Caesarean section	22.5	23.2	23.9	26.2	27.9	30.2	31.3	32.0	32.8	34.0	33.8	34.1	34.0	33.6	33.9	33.8	34.1	33.7
Other	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.0	-	-	-
<b>Birthweight (grams)</b>																		
Less than 1,500	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5
1,500-2,499	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.4	5.2	5.7	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5
2,500-3,999	80.8	80.6	80.7	79.8	80.2	80.2	80.3	80.4	80.7	80.3	80.6	80.5	80.2	80.6	80.7	80.6	81.2	81.3
4,000 or more	12.3	12.5	12.6	13.1	13.0	12.6	12.9	12.5	12.2	12.3	12.6	12.8	12.7	12.5	12.3	12.3	11.8	11.8
Not stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Gestation (weeks)</b>																		
Less than 28	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9
28-36	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.6	7.3	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.9	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	8.4	8.2	8.1
37-41	89.7	90.0	90.3	89.6	90.4	90.2	90.5	90.4	90.6	90.4	90.6	90.7	90.5	90.8	90.7	90.2	90.6	90.5
42 or more	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.3	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4
Not stated	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-
<b>Facility Type</b>																		
Public	72.5	73.4	74.4	73.8	69.4	67.7	67.7	67.6	68.1	68.3	68.9	68.7	69.0	69.0	69.7	70.4	70.2	71.5
Private	27.0	26.2	25.3	25.8	30.0	31.8	31.7	31.7	31.3	31.1	30.4	30.5	30.2	30.2	29.5	28.8	28.9	27.6
Home Births	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Born Before Arrival (BBA) <sup>(b)</sup>	-	-	-	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7
Not stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	-	-	0.0	-	0.0
<b>Perinatal deaths</b>																		
Stillbirths <sup>(c)</sup>	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.3	6.7	6.1	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.3	7.2	6.7	6.4	7.2	6.5	6.8
Neonatal deaths <sup>(d)</sup>	4.2	4.4	3.5	3.8	4.0	3.6	3.5	3.9	3.4	4.0	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.3	3.2
Perinatal deaths <sup>(c)</sup>	11.5	11.4	10.6	11.0	11.3	10.3	9.6	10.7	10.1	10.8	10.3	9.6	11.0	10.4	9.8	10.3	9.8	9.9
<b>Number of babies</b>	<b>48,038</b>	<b>48,163</b>	<b>48,747</b>	<b>49,318</b>	<b>49,690</b>	<b>49,196</b>	<b>50,367</b>	<b>50,910</b>	<b>55,281</b>	<b>56,708</b>	<b>60,244</b>	<b>61,401</b>	<b>62,051</b>	<b>62,032</b>	<b>62,181</b>	<b>63,727</b>	<b>63,171</b>	<b>63,823</b>

(a) Changes to the MR63d form may have influenced reporting. Form changes occurred in 1990, 1991, July 1994, July 1997, July 1998, July 1999 and July 2006.

(b) Not collected prior to 1 July 2000.

(c) Per 1,000 births.

(d) Per 1,000 livebirths.