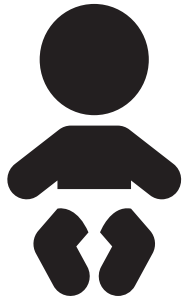


Minority Women Have Smaller Babies

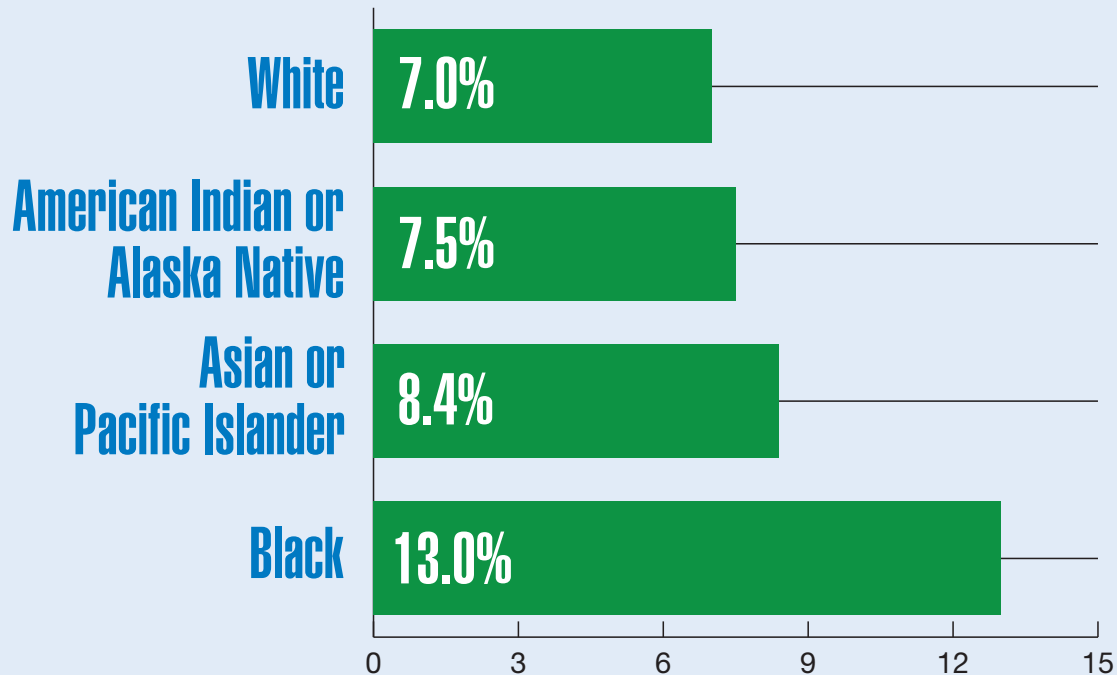


Low birth weight can be a sign of inadequate prenatal care.

In 2015, Black women were almost twice as likely to have low-birth-weight babies as White women (13% vs. 7%).

HHS has several programs that aim to improve birth outcomes, such as HRSA's Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Program.

Percentage of Babies Born Below 2,500 Grams, 2015



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System-Nativity.

Note: Lower % is better.

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