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La Plata County Births and Deaths 2004

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Selected birth characteristics: La Plata county residents, 2004

Characteristic	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	496	100.0
Age of Mother		
10-17	8	1.6
18-19	23	4.6
20-29	250	50.4
30+	215	43.3
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	31	6.3
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	3	0.6
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	173	35.1
No Prenatal Care	0	0.0
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	23	4.6
Education of Mother <12 Years	55	11.1
Live Births to Unmarried Women	141	28.4
Smoking During Pregnancy	35	7.1

** indicates one or two events in the category.
 Sums may not add to total due to cases with age of mother unknown.
 Percentages are of total births, excluding cases with specific characteristics unknown.
 See technical notes at www.cdphe.state.co.us/hs for definitions of data items.
 Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

Selected birth characteristics by age group of mother: La Plata county residents, 2004

Characteristic	All Ages		10-17		18-19		20-29		30+	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Characteristic										
Total Live Births	496	100.0	8	100.0	23	100.0	250	100.0	215	100.0
Race/Ethnicity of Mother										
White Non-Hispanic	361	72.8	*	*	9	39.1	175	70.0	175	81.4
White Hispanic	75	15.1	4	50.0	7	30.4	43	17.2	21	9.8
Black	3	0.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*
Other	57	11.5	*	*	7	30.4	31	12.4	17	7.9
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	31	6.3	0	0.0	*	*	18	7.2	12	5.6
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	3	0.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	173	35.1	5	62.5	10	43.5	95	38.2	63	29.6
No Prenatal Care	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	23	4.6	0	0.0	*	*	10	4.0	12	5.6
Education of Mother <12 Years	55	11.1	8	100.0	7	30.4	34	13.6	6	2.8
Live Births to Unmarried Women	141	28.4	7	87.5	18	78.3	91	36.4	25	11.6
Smoking During Pregnancy	35	7.1	0	0.0	3	13.0	27	10.8	5	2.3

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Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Selected birth characteristics by race/ethnicity of mother: La Plata county residents, 2004

Characteristic	White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	361	100.0	75	100.0	3	100.0	6	100.0	51	100.0
Age of Mother										
10-17	*	*	4	5.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
18-19	9	2.5	7	9.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	7	13.7
20-29	175	48.5	43	57.3	*	*	*	*	30	58.8
30+	175	48.5	21	28.0	*	*	5	83.3	12	23.5
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	24	6.6	5	6.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	3	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	122	34.0	29	39.2	*	*	*	*	20	39.2
No Prenatal Care	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	16	4.4	5	6.7	0	0.0	*	*	*	*
Education of Mother <12 Years	19	5.3	28	37.3	0	0.0	*	*	7	13.7
Live Births to Unmarried Women	75	20.8	29	38.7	*	*	0	0.0	36	70.6
Smoking During Pregnancy	30	8.3	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	7.8

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 Percentages are of total births, excluding cases with specific characteristics unknown.
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 Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

Live births and fertility rates by age group of mother: La Plata county residents, 2004

Age Group	Births	Population	Fertility Rate
All Ages	496	9,964	49.8
Teen Age Groups			
13-14	0	603	0.0
15-17	8	961	8.3
18-19	23	969	23.7
10-17	8	2,418	3.3
10-19	31	3,387	9.2
All Age Groups			
10-14	0	1,457	0.0
15-19	31	1,930	16.1
20-24	119	1,554	76.6
25-29	131	1,598	82.0
30-34	115	1,538	74.8
35-39	84	1,495	56.2
40-49	16	3,939	4.1

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Rates are live births per 1,000 female population in each age group.

Population data for 'all ages' are females ages 15-44.

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Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Vital statistics summary: La Plata county residents, 1994, 2000-2004

	1994	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000-2004 Annual Average
Total Population	36,911	44,570	45,618	46,279	46,788	47,169	46,085
Total Births							
Number	450	445	474	449	522	496	477
Birth Rate	12.2	10.0	10.4	9.7	11.2	10.5	10.4
General Fertility Rate	50.7	43.9	46.4	44.0	51.3	49.8	47.1
Age of Mother 10-17							
Number	14	12	7	11	14	8	10
Percent of Total Births	3.1	2.7	1.5	2.4	2.7	1.6	2.2
Fertility Rate	7.2	4.9	2.8	4.4	5.7	3.3	4.2
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)							
Number	35	17	48	42	42	31	36
Percent	7.8	3.8	10.1	9.4	8.0	6.3	7.5
Prenatal Care Later Than 1st Trimester							
Number	76	149	177	167	191	173	171
Percent	17.0	33.5	37.4	37.2	36.7	35.1	36.0
Births to Unmarried Women							
Number	101	121	146	125	150	141	137
Percent	22.4	27.2	30.8	27.8	28.7	28.4	28.6
Mother's Education <12 Years							
Number	48	51	51	52	59	55	54
Percent	10.9	11.5	10.8	11.6	11.3	11.1	11.3
Infant Deaths							
Number	3	5	*	*	*	*	*
Rate	6.7	11.2	*	*	*	*	*
Neonatal Deaths							
Number	*	*	*	*	0	*	*
Rate	*	*	*	*	0.0	*	*
Total Deaths							
Number	223	237	231	255	274	247	249
Crude Rate	604.2	531.7	506.4	551.0	585.6	523.7	539.9
Age-Adjusted Rate	790.5	698.4	624.3	647.9	692.7	573.0	644.4
Cardiovascular Disease							
Number	50	66	76	63	81	77	73
Age-Adjusted Rate	187.7	205.4	223.9	173.5	216.6	186.7	200.6
Heart Disease							

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Birth rates are per 1,000 total population.

General fertility rates are births per 1,000 females ages 15-44.

Fertility rates for mothers ages 10-17 are births per 1,000 females of this age group.

Infant and neonatal mortality rates are per 1,000 live births.

Other death rates are per 100,000 population.

Age-adjusted rates are adjusted to the 2000 U.S. population using the direct method applied to 10-year age groups.

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Vital statistics summary: La Plata county residents, 1994, 2000-2004

	1994	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000-2004 Annual Average
Number	44	49	57	50	63	59	56
Age-Adjusted Rate	166.5	151.5	168.4	135.8	166.3	141.4	152.3
Cerebrovascular Disease							
Number	6	12	11	10	14	15	12
Age-Adjusted Rate	21.2	37.0	31.7	29.1	39.5	37.3	34.9
Malignant Neoplasms							
Number	47	52	39	57	65	61	55
Age-Adjusted Rate	167.3	146.0	95.0	141.9	155.6	136.5	135.2
Lung Cancer							
Number	11	8	6	11	13	14	10
Age-Adjusted Rate	36.7	25.5	15.2	26.6	31.8	30.0	26.0
Breast Cancer							
Number	3	10	4	5	8	5	6
Age-Adjusted Rate	9.7	25.1	8.7	12.1	15.8	12.1	14.7
Total Unintentional Injuries							
Number	15	18	19	28	28	14	21
Age-Adjusted Rate	42.1	42.7	44.9	60.5	57.9	30.2	47.3
Motor Vehicle							
Number	10	7	10	19	13	9	12
Age-Adjusted Rate	27.0	14.8	21.5	39.8	24.9	18.9	24.1
Other Unintentional Injuries							
Number	5	11	9	9	15	5	10
Age-Adjusted Rate	15.1	28.0	23.4	20.8	33.0	11.3	23.1
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases							
Number	10	13	17	21	15	10	15
Age-Adjusted Rate	34.5	41.5	49.6	56.4	38.6	22.2	41.2
Suicide							
Number	11	5	10	9	13	8	9
Age-Adjusted Rate	33.3	13.2	21.0	17.1	27.8	16.6	19.0
Homicide and Legal Intervention							
Number	3	0	0	*	*	*	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	8.3	0.0	0.0	*	*	*	*
Work-Related Injury							
Number	0	4	0	3	0	0	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	0.0	8.3	0.0	5.9	0.0	0.0	*

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Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Deaths from selected causes by race/ethnicity: La Plata county residents, 2004

Cause of Death	All Races		White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	247	100.0	220	100.0	17	100.0	*	*	0	0.0	8	100.0
Cardiovascular Disease	77	31.2	71	32.3	4	23.5	*	*	0	0.0	*	*
Heart Disease	59	23.9	54	24.5	3	17.6	*	*	0	0.0	*	*
Cerebrovascular Disease	15	6.1	14	6.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Atherosclerosis	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Malignant Neoplasms	61	24.7	59	26.8	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Lung Cancer	14	5.7	14	6.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Breast Cancer	5	2.0	5	2.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	10	4.0	9	4.1	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unintentional Injuries	14	5.7	11	5.0	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Motor Vehicle	9	3.6	6	2.7	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Other Unintentional Injuries	5	2.0	5	2.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Pneumonia and Influenza	10	4.0	9	4.1	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Suicide	8	3.2	6	2.7	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Diabetes Mellitus	6	2.4	4	1.8	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
HIV Infection	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	11	4.5	6	2.7	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	37.5
Alzheimer's Disease	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	4	1.6	3	1.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Homicide and Legal Intervention	*	*	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Septicemia	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Congenital Anomalies	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Perinatal Period Conditions	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
All Other	42	17.0	39	17.7	3	17.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Injury by Firearm	5	2.0	4	1.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Drug-Induced Deaths	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	6	2.4	4	1.8	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

** indicates one or two events in the category.
Percentages are of total deaths of each race/ethnicity category.
Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

Deaths and age-specific death rates: La Plata county residents, 2004

Age Group	Deaths	Population	Age-Specific Death Rate
All Ages	247	47,169	5.2
Infant	*	496	*
Neonatal	*	496	*
1-4	0	1,953	0.0
5-9	*	2,564	*
10-14	0	2,969	0.0
15-19	*	3,953	*
20-24	0	3,456	0.0
25-29	*	3,400	*
30-34	*	3,291	*
35-39	7	3,014	2.3
40-44	5	3,647	1.4
45-49	10	4,086	2.4
50-54	16	3,940	4.1
55-59	12	3,012	4.0
60-64	21	2,066	10.2
65-69	14	1,665	8.4
70-74	25	1,353	18.5
75-79	21	1,016	20.7
80-84	39	692	56.4
85+	68	584	116.4
1-14	*	7,486	*
15-24	*	7,409	*
25-64	75	26,455	2.8
65+	167	5,310	31.5

** indicates one or two events in the category.
 Infant death is death in the first year of life. Neonatal death is death occurring prior to the 28th day of life.
 Infant and neonatal mortality rates are per 1,000 live births. Other death rates are per 1,000 population of the age group.
 Population figures for infant and neonatal groups are live births.
 Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

Deaths and age-specific death rates from selected causes: La Plata county residents, 2004

Cause of Death	<1		1-14		15-24		25-44		45-64		65+	
	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate
All Causes	*	*	*	*	*	*	16	1.2	59	4.5	167	31.5
Cardiovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	15	1.1	62	11.7
Heart Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	13	1.0	46	8.7
Cerebrovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	13	2.4
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Malignant Neoplasms	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	4	0.3	17	1.3	39	7.3
Lung Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	0.3	10	1.9
Breast Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	3	0.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	7	1.3
Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	5	0.4	6	1.1
Motor Vehicle	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	3	0.2	3	0.6
Other Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	3	0.6
Pneumonia and Influenza	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	8	1.5
Suicide	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	5	0.4	*	*	0	0.0
Diabetes Mellitus	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	4	0.8
HIV Infection	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	4	0.3	5	0.9
Alzheimer's Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	3	0.6
Homicide and Legal Intervention	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0
Septicemia	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Congenital Anomalies	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Perinatal Period Conditions	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
All Other	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	7	0.5	31	5.8
Injury by Firearm	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	0	0.0
Drug-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	0	0.0
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	4	0.3	0	0.0
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

** indicates one or two events in the category.
 Infant (<1 year) mortality rates are per 1,000 live births.
 Other rates are deaths per 1,000 population of the age group.
 Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

**Deaths, crude death rates and age-adjusted death rates with 95% confidence limits from selected causes:
La Plata county residents, 2004**

Cause of Death	N	Rate	Age-Adjusted Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
All Causes	247	523.7	573.0	502.5	643.5
Cardiovascular Disease	77	163.2	186.7	145.2	228.2
Heart Disease	59	125.1	141.4	105.3	177.6
Cerebrovascular Disease	15	31.8	37.3	18.3	56.3
Atherosclerosis	*	*	*	*	*
Malignant Neoplasms	61	129.3	136.5	101.9	171.2
Lung Cancer	14	29.7	30.0	14.1	45.9
Breast Cancer	5	10.6	12.1	1.6	4.7
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	10	21.2	22.2	3.3	7.3
Unintentional Injuries	14	29.7	30.2	14.1	46.2
Motor Vehicle	9	19.1	18.9	2.5	6.1
Other Unintentional Injuries	5	10.6	11.3	1.4	4.3
Pneumonia and Influenza	10	21.2	24.7	4.1	8.6
Suicide	8	17.0	16.6	2.0	5.4
Diabetes Mellitus	6	12.7	13.5	1.7	4.9
HIV Infection	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	11	23.3	23.5	3.3	7.4
Alzheimer's Disease	*	*	*	*	*
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	4	8.5	8.8	0.9	3.4
Homicide and Legal Intervention	*	*	*	*	*
Septicemia	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Congenital Anomalies	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Perinatal Period Conditions	*	*	*	*	*
All Other	42	89.0	100.7	70.1	131.3
Injury by Firearm	5	10.6	10.2	1.0	3.6
Drug-Induced Deaths	*	*	*	*	*
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	6	12.7	11.7	1.2	4.0
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

** indicates one or two events in the category.
Rates are deaths per 100,000 population.
Crude death rates are calculated without age-adjustment.
Age-adjusted rates are adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population using the direct method applied to 10-year age groups.
Age-adjusted rates provide a better basis for comparison among different geographical areas or time periods.
Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*