

Colorado County Births and Deaths 2008

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Selected birth characteristics: La Plata County residents, 2010

Characteristic	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	577	100.0
Age of Mother		
10-17	11	1.9
18-19	31	5.4
20-29	293	50.9
30+	241	41.8
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	45	7.8
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	6	1.0
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	150	26.6
No Prenatal Care	*	*
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	47	8.1
Education of Mother <High School Diploma/GED	76	13.3
Live Births to Unmarried Women	165	28.8
Smoking During Pregnancy	56	9.8

"Education of Mother," "Births to Unmarried Women," and "Smoking During Pregnancy" are among items collected starting in 2007, using the revised birth certificate, that are not directly comparable to data collected before 2007. See notes page at end of report for details of these revised data items.

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

Selected birth characteristics by age group of mother: La Plata County residents, 2010

Characteristic	All Ages		10-17		18-19		20-29		30+	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	577	100.0	11	100.0	31	100.0	293	100.0	241	100.0
Race/Ethnicity of Mother										
White, Non-Hispanic	407	71.5	4	36.4	12	38.7	193	66.6	198	83.5
White, Hispanic	40	7.0	*	*	6	19.4	26	9.0	6	2.5
Black	6	1.1	0	0.0	*	*	4	1.4	0	0.0
Asian American/Pacific Islander	8	1.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	6	2.5
American Indian/Native Alaskan	52	9.1	3	27.3	7	22.6	35	12.1	7	3.0
Other	56	9.8	*	*	4	12.9	30	10.3	20	8.4
Unknown	8		0	0.0	0	0.0	3		4	
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	45	7.8	0	0.0	3	9.7	19	6.5	23	9.5
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	6	1.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	4	1.7
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	150	26.6	4	36.4	12	40.0	92	32.1	42	17.9
No Prenatal Care	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	47	8.1	0	0.0	3	9.7	21	7.2	23	9.5
Education of Mother <High School Diploma/GED	76	13.3	9	81.8	18	58.1	40	13.7	9	3.8
Live Births to Unmarried Women	165	28.6	11	100.0	26	83.9	104	35.5	24	10.0
Smoking During Pregnancy	56	9.8	3	27.3	5	16.1	39	13.4	9	3.8

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Percentage not computed for cells shaded in light gray.

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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, 2010

Characteristic	White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian American/Pacific Islander		American Indian/Native Alaskan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	407	100.0	40	100.0	6	100.0	8	100.0	52	100.0
Age of Mother										
10-17	4	1.0	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	5.8
18-19	12	2.9	6	15.0	*	*	0	0.0	7	13.5
20-29	193	47.4	26	65.0	4	66.7	*	*	35	67.3
30+	198	48.6	6	15.0	0	0.0	6	75.0	7	13.5
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	34	8.4	3	7.5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	5	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	93	23.2	18	47.4	3	50.0	*	*	20	40.8
No Prenatal Care	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	35	8.6	*	*	3	50.0	*	*	3	5.8
Education of Mother <High School Diploma/GED	24	5.9	13	32.5	*	*	0	0.0	12	23.1
Live Births to Unmarried Women	84	20.6	19	47.5	4	66.7	*	*	33	63.5
Smoking During Pregnancy	39	9.6	9	22.5	*	*	0	0.0	*	*

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

Live births and fertility rates with 95% confidence limits by age group of mother: La Plata County residents, 2010

Age Group	Births	Population	Fertility Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
All Ages	577	10,114	57.0	52.5	61.6
Teen Age Groups					
13-14	*	570	*	*	*
15-17	10	887	11.3	3.8	18.8
18-19	31	855	36.3	23.1	49.4
10-17	11	2,270	4.8	1.8	7.9
10-19	42	3,125	13.4	9.2	17.6
All Age Groups					
10-14	*	1,383	*	*	*
15-19	41	1,742	23.5	16.1	30.9
20-24	118	1,992	59.2	48.6	69.9
25-29	175	1,689	103.6	88.8	118.4
30-34	140	1,574	88.9	74.6	103.3
35-39	80	1,544	51.8	40.4	63.2
40-49	21	3,467	6.1	3.3	8.8

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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, 2000, 2006-2010

	2000	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2006-2010 Annual Average
Total Population	43,941	48,408	49,146	50,073	50,759	51,334	49,944
Total Births							
Number	445	555	633	600	592	577	591
Birth Rate	10.1	11.5	12.9	12.0	11.7	11.2	11.8
General Fertility Rate	44.5	55.1	62.3	58.8	58.6	57.0	58.4
Age of Mother 10-17							
Number	12	12	23	14	16	11	15
Percent of Total Births	2.7	2.2	3.6	2.3	2.7	1.9	2.6
Fertility Rate	5.0	5.0	9.6	5.9	6.9	4.8	6.4
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)							
Number	17	54	46	47	41	45	47
Percent	3.8	9.7	7.3	7.8	6.9	7.8	7.9
Prenatal Care Later Than 1st Trimester/No Care							
Number	149	221	201	184	157	150	183
Percent	33.5	40.0	32.0	31.1	26.7	26.6	31.2
Births to Unmarried Women							
Number	121	145	180	186	185	165	
Percent	27.2	26.1	28.4	31.0	31.3	28.6	
Mother's Education <12 Years							
Number	51	68	72	85	85	76	
Percent	11.5	12.3	11.5	14.2	14.4	13.3	
Infant Deaths							
Number	5	*	0	0	4	*	*
Rate	11.2	*	0.0	0.0	6.8	*	*
Neonatal Deaths							
Number	*	*	0	0	3	*	*
Rate	*	*	0.0	0.0	5.1	*	*
Total Deaths							
Number	237	285	276	263	302	245	274
Crude Rate	539.4	588.7	561.6	525.2	595.0	477.3	549.0
Age-Adjusted Rate	708.2	697.4	654.2	596.4	655.5	510.6	620.6
Cardiovascular Disease							
Number	66	84	96	76	86	73	83
Age-Adjusted Rate	208.2	215.3	240.7	175.6	189.5	154.2	194.0
Heart Disease							
Number	49	73	84	65	71	55	70
Age-Adjusted Rate	153.5	187.0	210.0	147.4	155.5	116.0	161.9

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Vital statistics summary: La Plata County residents, 2000, 2006-2010

	2000	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2006-2010 Annual Average
Cerebrovascular Disease							
Number	12	10	7	8	11	14	10
Age-Adjusted Rate	37.5	25.3	17.9	19.9	24.9	30.7	23.9
Malignant Neoplasms							
Number	52	69	60	61	63	55	62
Age-Adjusted Rate	148.1	163.9	135.8	131.4	131.6	112.5	134.4
Lung Cancer							
Number	8	16	18	17	8	13	14
Age-Adjusted Rate	25.9	39.5	46.9	38.7	16.6	28.1	33.6
Breast Cancer							
Number	10	7	3	*	3	6	4
Age-Adjusted Rate	25.4	16.0	6.8	*	5.2	11.3	9.0
Total Unintentional Injuries							
Number	18	26	32	23	30	14	25
Age-Adjusted Rate	43.3	51.9	71.2	49.7	64.1	27.2	52.6
Motor Vehicle							
Number	7	13	15	9	11	*	10
Age-Adjusted Rate	15.0	24.4	30.9	20.5	22.1	*	20.0
Other Unintentional Injuries							
Number	11	13	17	14	19	12	15
Age-Adjusted Rate	28.4	27.5	40.3	29.1	42.1	23.7	32.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases							
Number	13	10	11	23	19	15	16
Age-Adjusted Rate	42.1	23.4	27.3	52.9	40.7	33.9	35.8
Suicide							
Number	5	8	8	9	9	10	9
Age-Adjusted Rate	13.4	17.1	15.4	18.2	15.4	17.4	16.7
Homicide and Legal Intervention							
Number	0	*	4	*	*	*	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	0.0	*	7.4	*	*	*	*
Work-Related Injury							
Number	4	*	*	*	0	*	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	8.4	*	*	*	0.0	*	*

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Deaths from selected causes by race/ethnicity: La Plata County residents, 2010

Cause of Death	All Races		White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian American/Pacific Islander		American Indian/Native Alaskan	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	245	100.0	210	100.0	23	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	8	100.0
Cardiovascular Disease	73	29.8	63	30.0	7	30.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	37.5
Heart Disease	55	22.4	46	21.9	7	30.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Cerebrovascular Disease	14	5.7	13	6.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Malignant Neoplasms	55	22.4	47	22.4	5	21.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Lung Cancer	13	5.3	11	5.2	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Breast Cancer	6	2.4	6	2.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	15	6.1	14	6.7	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unintentional Injuries	14	5.7	11	5.2	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Motor Vehicle	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Unintentional Injuries	12	4.9	10	4.8	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Pneumonia and Influenza	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Suicide	10	4.1	7	3.3	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Diabetes Mellitus	4	1.6	3	1.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
HIV Infection	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	8	3.3	6	2.9	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Alzheimer's Disease	14	5.7	14	6.7	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
Homicide and Legal Intervention	*	*	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Septicemia	*	*	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	45	18.4	41	19.5	4	17.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Injury by Firearm	7	2.9	5	2.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Drug-Induced Deaths	7	2.9	5	2.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	10	4.1	8	3.8	*	*	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

* 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, 2010

Age Group	Deaths	Population	Age-Specific Death Rate
	Age Group	Age Group	Age Group
All Ages	245	51,334	4.8
Infant	*	577	*
Neonatal	*	577	*
1-4	*	2,337	*
5-9	0	2,930	0.0
10-14	*	2,807	*
15-19	*	3,745	*
20-24	3	4,204	0.7
25-29	*	3,639	*
30-34	3	3,263	0.9
35-39	4	3,290	1.2
40-44	3	3,125	1.0
45-49	10	3,705	2.7
50-54	12	4,251	2.8
55-59	16	4,187	3.8
60-64	20	3,311	6.0
65-69	17	2,194	7.7
70-74	17	1,438	11.8
75-79	28	938	29.9
80-84	31	717	43.2
85+	73	692	105.5
1-14	*	8,074	*
15-24	5	7,949	0.6
25-64	70	28,771	2.4
65+	166	5,979	27.8

* 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, 2010

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	*	*	*	*	5	0.6	12	0.9	58	3.8	166	27.8
Cardiovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	14	0.9	56	9.4
Heart Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	11	0.7	41	6.9
Cerebrovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	12	2.0
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Malignant Neoplasms	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	15	1.0	40	6.7
Lung Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	11	1.8
Breast Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	3	0.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	13	2.2
Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	3	0.2	5	0.3	3	0.5
Motor Vehicle	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0
Other Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	3	0.2	4	0.3	3	0.5
Pneumonia and Influenza	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0
Suicide	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.4	*	*	3	0.2	*	*
Diabetes Mellitus	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	*	*
HIV Infection	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	*	*	6	0.4	*	*
Alzheimer's Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	14	2.3
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	0	0.0	0	0.0	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	*	*	0	0.0
Septicemia	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	*	*	*	*	7	0.5	34	5.7
Injury by Firearm	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	3	0.2	*	*
Drug-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	3	0.2	*	*	*	*
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	7	0.5	*	*
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

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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, 2010**

Cause of Death	N	Rate	Age-Adjusted Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
All Causes	245	477.3	510.6	446.4	574.7
Cardiovascular Disease	73	142.2	154.2	118.5	190.0
Heart Disease	55	107.1	116.0	84.9	147.2
Cerebrovascular Disease	14	27.3	30.7	14.4	47.0
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Malignant Neoplasms	55	107.1	112.5	81.7	143.3
Lung Cancer	13	25.3	28.1	12.5	43.7
Breast Cancer	6	11.7	11.3	4.0	22.4
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	15	29.2	33.9	16.3	51.6
Unintentional Injuries	14	27.3	27.2	12.5	41.9
Motor Vehicle	*	*	*	*	*
Other Unintentional Injuries	11	21.4	22.6	11.5	37.4
Pneumonia and Influenza	*	*	*	*	*
Suicide	10	19.5	17.4	7.9	30.7
Diabetes Mellitus	4	7.8	9.1	2.7	19.2
HIV Infection	*	*	*	*	*
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	8	15.6	13.8	5.5	25.9
Alzheimer's Disease	14	27.3	33.7	16.1	51.4
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	*	*	*	*	*
Homicide and Legal Intervention	*	*	*	*	*
Septicemia	*	*	*	*	*
Congenital Anomalies	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Perinatal Period Conditions	*	*	*	*	*
All Other	45	87.7	95.0	66.9	123.2
Injury by Firearm	7	13.6	12.1	4.4	23.5
Drug-Induced Deaths	7	13.6	13.4	5.2	25.4
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	10	19.5	16.8	7.4	30.0
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	*	*	*	*	*

** 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.

Notes Regarding Colorado's Revised Certificate of Live Birth

These tables contain Colorado birth data that were collected using the 1989 Revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth (unrevised) and the 2003 Revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth (revised)^{1,2,3}. Colorado's birth registration system used the unrevised certificate for births through calendar year 2006; while births in 2007 through the present were registered using the revised certificate. Among the differences in the revised birth certificate are changes to the following data items:

- Mother's and father's race, captures multiple race identification instead of single race identification
- Mother's and father's education, captures highest degree attained instead of total years of education
- Mother's marital status at time of birth, captures never married, married, widowed, separated, and divorced instead of just married or unmarried
- Cigarette smoking before and during pregnancy, captures levels of smoking in each trimester instead of just smoking any time during pregnancy

And the addition of the following data items:

- Method of delivery includes fetal presentation and trial of labor prior to cesarean delivery
- Pre-pregnancy weight, weight at delivery and height, used to calculate Body Mass Index
- Congenital anomalies, certain conditions have been added or removed
- Fertility therapy
- Did mother get WIC food for herself during this pregnancy
- Infections during pregnancy
- Maternal morbidity
- Breast feeding
- Principal source of payment for the delivery

Data items noted above that were collected using both the unrevised certificate and the revised certificate are not directly comparable. Analyses of birth data for time periods that include both revised and unrevised data should be performed with caution.

To facilitate analyses of births by race, the multiple race identification in revised certificates has been bridged back to a single race using a system developed by the National Center for Health Statistics at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention⁴. *Please note*, however, that there has been an increase in the number of births reported with "other" or "unknown" maternal and paternal race and/or Hispanic ethnicity beginning in 2007 compared to previous years. This is likely attributable to the change to the revised certificate.

The Health Statistics Section at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is available to assist with analyses of these data, as well as to answer questions one might have regarding the revised certificate and the affected data items. For further information or assistance, please contact the Health Statistics Section at **(303) 692-2160** or by e-mail at health.statistics@state.co.us.

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