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La Plata County Births and Deaths 2002

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Selected birth characteristics: La Plata county residents, 2002

Characteristic	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	447	100.0
Age of Mother		
10-17	12	2.7
18-19	20	4.5
20-29	230	51.5
30+	185	41.4
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	42	9.4
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	6	1.3
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	166	37.1
No Prenatal Care	3	0.7
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	40	8.9
Education of Mother <12 Years	53	11.9
Live Births to Unmarried Women	126	28.2
Smoking During Pregnancy	50	11.2

* 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, 2002

Characteristic	All Ages		10-17		18-19		20-29		30+	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	447	100.0	12	100.0	20	100.0	230	100.0	185	100.0
Race/Ethnicity of Mother										
White Non-Hispanic	337	75.4	6	50.0	15	75.0	164	71.3	152	82.2
White Hispanic	60	13.4	4	33.3	*	*	40	17.4	15	8.1
Black	3	0.7	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	0	0.0
Other	47	10.5	*	*	*	*	25	10.9	18	9.7
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)										
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	6	1.3	0	0.0	3	15.0	*	*	*	*
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care										
No Prenatal Care	166	37.1	6	50.0	6	30.0	91	39.6	63	34.1
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	3	0.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*
Education of Mother <12 Years	40	8.9	*	*	4	20.0	21	9.1	14	7.6
Live Births to Unmarried Women	53	11.9	12	100.0	5	25.0	30	13.0	6	3.2
Smoking During Pregnancy	126	28.2	10	83.3	13	65.0	82	35.7	21	11.4
Smoking During Pregnancy	50	11.2	4	33.3	4	20.0	30	13.0	12	6.5

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 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.
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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, 2002

Characteristic	White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	337	100.0	60	100.0	3	100.0	3	100.0	44	100.0
Age of Mother										
10-17	6	1.8	4	6.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
18-19	15	4.5	*	*	*	*	0	0.0	*	*
20-29	164	48.7	40	66.7	*	*	*	*	24	54.5
30+	152	45.1	15	25.0	0	0.0	*	*	16	36.4
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	28	8.3	6	10.0	*	*	0	0.0	6	13.6
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	3	0.9	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	*	*
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	120	35.6	25	41.7	*	*	3	100.0	17	38.6
No Prenatal Care	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	27	8.0	8	13.3	*	*	0	0.0	3	6.8
Education of Mother <12 Years	30	8.9	14	23.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	20.5
Live Births to Unmarried Women	71	21.1	23	38.3	0	0.0	*	*	31	70.5
Smoking During Pregnancy	35	10.4	11	18.3	0	0.0	*	*	3	6.8

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Sums may not add to total due to cases with age or race/ethnicity of mother unknown.

Percentages are of total births of each race/ethnicity group, 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.

Live births and fertility rates by age group of mother: La Plata county residents, 2002

Age Group	Births	Population	Fertility Rate
All Ages	447	10,301	43.4
Teen Age Groups			
13-14	*	598	*
15-17	11	1,012	10.9
18-19	20	975	20.5
10-17	12	2,507	4.8
10-19	32	3,482	9.2
All Age Groups			
10-14	*	1,495	*
15-19	31	1,987	15.6
20-24	106	1,699	62.4
25-29	124	1,564	79.3
30-34	112	1,477	75.8
35-39	57	1,606	35.5
40-49	16	4,105	3.9

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Sums may not add to total due to cases with age of mother unknown.

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

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

See technical notes at www.cdphe.state.co.us/hs for definition of fertility rate.

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

Vital statistics summary: La Plata county residents, 1992, 1998-2002

	1992	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998-2002 Annual Average
Total Population	34,433	41,174	42,760	44,250	45,470	46,245	43,980
Total Births							
Number	412	456	406	440	472	447	444
Birth Rate	12.0	11.1	9.5	9.9	10.4	9.7	10.1
General Fertility Rate	48.8	47.7	41.3	43.7	46.0	43.4	44.4
Age of Mother 10-17							
Number	21	17	9	12	7	12	11
Percent of Total Births	5.1	3.7	2.2	2.7	1.5	2.7	2.6
Fertility Rate	11.8	7.6	3.9	4.9	2.8	4.8	4.7
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)							
Number	25	39	22	17	49	42	34
Percent	6.1	8.6	5.4	3.9	10.4	9.4	7.6
Prenatal Care Later Than 1st Trimester							
Number	76	152	167	148	179	166	162
Percent	18.7	33.6	41.3	33.6	38.0	37.1	36.7
Births to Unmarried Women							
Number	95	100	102	119	146	126	119
Percent	23.1	21.9	25.1	27.0	30.9	28.2	26.7
Mother's Education <12 Years							
Number	52	55	34	52	51	53	49
Percent	12.9	12.1	8.4	11.8	10.9	11.9	11.1
Infant Deaths							
Number	3	4	0	4	*	*	*
Rate	7.3	8.8	0.0	9.1	*	*	*
Neonatal Deaths							
Number	*	*	0	*	*	*	*
Rate	*	*	0.0	*	*	*	*
Total Deaths							
Number	200	240	245	238	227	251	240
Crude Rate	580.8	582.9	573.0	537.9	499.2	542.8	546.2
Age-Adjusted Rate	794.2	744.3	743.1	707.6	650.2	690.7	706.3
Cardiovascular Disease							
Number	64	61	69	67	76	61	67
Age-Adjusted Rate	261.2	207.9	222.5	210.4	240.2	185.5	213.1
Heart Disease							
Number	48	43	52	50	57	48	50
Age-Adjusted Rate	192.8	145.8	166.5	156.1	180.6	143.6	158.6
Cerebrovascular Disease							
Number	16	18	15	12	11	10	13

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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.

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

Vital statistics summary: La Plata county residents, 1992, 1998-2002

	1992	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998-2002 Annual Average
Age-Adjusted Rate	68.4	62.0	49.8	37.3	33.9	32.3	42.5
Malignant Neoplasms							
Number	42	70	48	54	38	57	53
Age-Adjusted Rate	167.0	218.8	145.6	153.3	96.6	154.0	152.6
Lung Cancer							
Number	4	18	13	9	6	11	11
Age-Adjusted Rate	16.3	57.1	38.8	29.1	16.2	28.9	33.5
Breast Cancer							
Number	3	3	*	10	4	5	5
Age-Adjusted Rate	10.9	8.7	*	25.3	8.9	13.1	12.5
Total Unintentional Injuries							
Number	12	27	24	17	18	26	22
Age-Adjusted Rate	39.0	68.9	60.2	40.5	43.9	57.6	54.3
Motor Vehicle							
Number	7	17	11	6	10	17	12
Age-Adjusted Rate	20.8	39.7	25.2	12.3	21.8	36.0	27.1
Other Unintentional Injuries							
Number	5	10	13	11	8	9	10
Age-Adjusted Rate	18.1	29.2	35.0	28.2	22.1	21.6	27.2
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases							
Number	15	16	19	14	17	21	17
Age-Adjusted Rate	62.1	53.0	61.1	45.1	53.2	62.0	54.8
Suicide							
Number	7	7	7	5	10	9	8
Age-Adjusted Rate	20.6	16.5	17.1	13.3	21.0	17.2	17.2
Homicide and Legal Intervention							
Number	0	3	3	0	0	*	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	0.0	6.4	7.0	0.0	0.0	*	*
Work-Related Injury							
Number	*	0	0	4	0	3	*
Age-Adjusted Rate	*	0.0	0.0	8.4	0.0	5.8	*

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Deaths from selected causes by race/ethnicity: La Plata county residents, 2002

Cause of Death	All Races		White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	251	100.0	212	100.0	26	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	13	100.0
Cardiovascular Disease	61	24.3	48	22.6	9	34.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	30.8
Heart Disease	48	19.1	35	16.5	9	34.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	30.8
Cerebrovascular Disease	10	4.0	10	4.7	0	0.0	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	57	22.7	54	25.5	3	11.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lung Cancer	11	4.4	10	4.7	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Breast Cancer	5	2.0	5	2.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	21	8.4	19	9.0	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unintentional Injuries	26	10.4	20	9.4	3	11.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	23.1
Motor Vehicle	17	6.8	13	6.1	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Other Unintentional Injuries	9	3.6	7	3.3	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Pneumonia and Influenza	7	2.8	7	3.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Suicide	9	3.6	6	2.8	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Diabetes Mellitus	5	2.0	*	*	*	*	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	4	1.6	3	1.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Alzheimer's Disease	7	2.8	6	2.8	*	*	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	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	49	19.5	44	20.8	3	11.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Injury by Firearm	5	2.0	3	1.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*
Drug-Induced Deaths	4	1.6	3	1.4	*	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	4	1.6	4	1.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	3	1.2	3	1.4	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, 2002

Age Group	Deaths	Population	Age-Specific Death Rate
All Ages	251	46,245	5.4
Infant	*	447	*
Neonatal	*	447	*
1-4	0	1,909	0.0
5-9	*	2,662	*
10-14	0	3,117	0.0
15-19	*	4,047	*
20-24	*	3,777	*
25-29	4	3,401	1.2
30-34	0	3,107	0.0
35-39	5	3,158	1.6
40-44	7	3,891	1.8
45-49	14	4,199	3.3
50-54	19	3,667	5.2
55-59	9	2,642	3.4
60-64	15	1,817	8.3
65-69	9	1,359	6.6
70-74	25	1,139	21.9
75-79	31	838	37.0
80-84	33	573	57.6
85+	75	473	158.6
1-14	*	7,688	*
15-24	*	7,824	*
25-64	73	25,882	2.8
65+	173	4,382	39.5

* 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, 2002

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	57	4.6	173	39.5
Cardiovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	7	0.6	53	12.1
Heart Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	7	0.6	40	9.1
Cerebrovascular Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	2.3
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	1.2	42	9.6
Lung Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	8	1.8
Breast Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	3	0.7
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	19	4.3
Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	8	0.6	11	0.9	5	1.1
Motor Vehicle	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	6	0.4	7	0.6	*	*
Other Unintentional Injuries	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	4	0.3	3	0.7
Pneumonia and Influenza	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	0	0.0	6	1.4
Suicide	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	7	0.6	*	*
Diabetes Mellitus	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	3	0.7
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	0	0.0	3	0.2	*	*
Alzheimer's Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	7	1.6
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	3	0.2	10	0.8	34	7.8
Injury by Firearm	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	3	0.2	*	*
Drug-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	0.3	0	0.0
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.2	*	*
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.

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 for selected causes: La Plata county residents, 2002

Cause of Death	N	Crude Rate	Age-Adjusted Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
All Causes	251	542.8	690.7	606.9	774.5
Cardiovascular Disease	61	131.9	185.5	139.4	231.5
Heart Disease	48	103.8	143.6	103.1	184.0
Cerebrovascular Disease	10	21.6	32.3	7.6	13.5
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Malignant Neoplasms	57	123.3	154.0	113.3	194.6
Lung Cancer	11	23.8	28.9	5.6	10.7
Breast Cancer	5	10.8	13.1	2.1	5.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	21	45.4	62.0	35.3	88.7
Unintentional Injuries	26	56.2	57.6	34.8	80.3
Motor Vehicle	17	36.8	36.0	18.5	53.5
Other Unintentional Injuries	7	15.1	17.6	2.9	6.9
Pneumonia and Influenza	7	15.1	21.2	4.4	9.0
Suicide	9	19.5	17.2	1.9	5.2
Diabetes Mellitus	5	10.8	13.4	2.2	5.7
HIV Infection	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	4	8.6	7.8	0.6	2.9
Alzheimer's Disease	7	15.1	22.8	5.1	10.1
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	49	106.0	136.9	98.1	175.8
Injury by Firearm	5	10.8	10.1	1.0	3.6
Drug-Induced Deaths	4	8.6	7.3	0.5	2.6
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	4	8.6	7.8	0.6	2.9
Work-Related Injury (Y/N Check Death Certificate)	3	6.5	5.8	0.3	2.5

* 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.