

LIVE BIRTHS, BAHAMAS 1993-2016

A. INSTITUTIONAL CENSUS OF LIVE BIRTHS OCCURRING IN THE BAHAMAS, 1993-2016 ⁽¹⁾

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 ⁽³⁾ 2016 ⁽³⁾																							
	New Providence																							
Princess Margaret Hospital ⁽⁴⁾	4,908	4,395	4,334	4,246	4,326	4,366	3,817	3,838	3,879	3,866	3,725	3,882	4,171	3,842	4,387	4,164	4,105	3,838	3,869	3,728	3,403	3,691	3,556	3,387
Doctors Hospital	373	449	611	495	449	399	491	463	525	434	406	376	423	513	511	432	353	326	305	290	245	238	232	248
Centreville Surgical and Birthing Centre ⁽⁵⁾	n/a	n/a	n/a	20	10																			
New Beginnings Birthing and Surgical Centre ⁽⁶⁾	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	21	11	9	16	7	7	8	4	5	4	3	2	1	3	2	1	0	3	1	0
Total, New Providence	5,281	4,844	4,945	4,766	4,806	4,776	4,317	4,317	4,411	4,307	4,139	4,262	4,599	4,359	4,901	4,598	4,459	4,167	4,176	4,019	3,648	3,932	3,789	3,635
<i>% Change Over Previous Year</i>	<i>-1.9</i>	<i>-8.3</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>-3.6</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>-0.6</i>	<i>-9.6</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>-3.9</i>	<i>3.0</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>-5.2</i>	<i>12.4</i>	<i>-6.2</i>	<i>-3.0</i>	<i>-6.5</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>-3.8</i>	<i>-9.2</i>	<i>7.8</i>	<i>-3.6</i>	<i>-4.1</i>
<i>Percent (%) of Total Births (All Bahamas)</i>	<i>79</i>	<i>79</i>	<i>79</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>83</i>
Grand Bahama																								
Rand Memorial Hospital	1,056	992	1,025	921	1,010	937	919	817	819	783	813	796	843	850	859	822	840	802	743	765	741	699	708	684
Other Grand Bahama ⁽⁷⁾	14	32	57	43	48	11	46	78	54	66	72	74	74	64	72	49	36	63	62	63	44	36	46	30
Total, Grand Bahama	1,070	1,024	1,082	964	1,058	948	965	895	873	849	885	870	917	914	931	871	876	865	805	828	785	735	754	714
<i>% Change Over Previous Year</i>	<i>-0.9</i>	<i>-4.3</i>	<i>5.7</i>	<i>-10.9</i>	<i>9.8</i>	<i>-10.4</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>-7.3</i>	<i>-2.5</i>	<i>-2.7</i>	<i>4.2</i>	<i>-1.7</i>	<i>5.4</i>	<i>-0.3</i>	<i>1.9</i>	<i>-6.4</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>-1.3</i>	<i>-6.9</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>-5.2</i>	<i>-6.4</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>-5.3</i>
<i>Percent (%) of Total Births (All Bahamas)</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>
Family Islands (Excluding Grand Bahama)	323	236	226	183	158	120	82	75	69	60	30	22	32	23	22	11	13	17	19	19	8	15	18	14
<i>% Change Over Previous Year</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>-26.9</i>	<i>-4.2</i>	<i>-19.0</i>	<i>-13.7</i>	<i>-24.1</i>	<i>-31.7</i>	<i>-8.5</i>	<i>-8.0</i>	<i>-13.0</i>	<i>-50.0</i>	<i>-26.7</i>	<i>45.5</i>	<i>-28.1</i>	<i>-4.3</i>	<i>-50.0</i>	<i>18.2</i>	<i>30.8</i>	<i>11.8</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-57.9</i>	<i>87.5</i>	<i>20.0</i>	<i>-22.2</i>
<i>Percent (%) of Total Births (All Bahamas)</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.3</i>
Total, All Bahamas	6,674	6,104	6,253	5,913	6,022	5,844	5,364	5,287	5,353	5,216	5,054	5,154	5,548	5,296	5,854	5,480	5,348	5,049	5,000	4,866	4,441	4,682	4,561	4,363
<i>% Change Over Previous Year</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>-8.5</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>-5.4</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>-3.0</i>	<i>-8.2</i>	<i>-1.4</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i>-2.6</i>	<i>-3.1</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>7.6</i>	<i>-4.5</i>	<i>10.5</i>	<i>-6.4</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>-5.6</i>	<i>-1.0</i>	<i>-2.7</i>	<i>-8.7</i>	<i>5.4</i>	<i>-2.6</i>	<i>-4.3</i>
<i>Percent (%) Total Births (All Bahamas)</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>
B. REGISTERED LIVE BIRTHS, BAHAMAS ⁽²⁾																								
Registered Live Births	4,637	4,357	4,272	4,168	4,129	4,184	3,592	4,551	4,495	4,902	4,987	4,511	4,773	4,989	5,182	5,124	5,025	4,915	4,757	4,469	4,330	4,363	n.a.	n.a.
<i>% Change Over Previous Year</i>	<i>-7.3</i>	<i>-6.0</i>	<i>-2.0</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>-0.9</i>	<i>1.3</i>	<i>-14.1</i>	<i>26.7</i>	<i>-1.2</i>	<i>9.1</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>-9.5</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>3.9</i>	<i>-1.1</i>	<i>-1.9</i>	<i>-2.2</i>	<i>-3.2</i>	<i>-6.1</i>	<i>-3.1</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>
C. UNDER-REGISTRATION OF EVENTS																								
Estimated % Births Unregistered/ Late Registered	30.5	28.6	31.7	29.5	31.4	28.4	33.0	13.9	16.0	6.0	1.3	12.5	14.0	5.8	11.5	6.5	6.0	2.7	4.9	8.2	2.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
D. CRUDE LIVE BIRTH RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION																								
POPULATION	24.8	22.3	22.4	20.8	20.8	20.1	18.3	17.4	17.4	16.7	16.0	16.1	17.1	16.1	17.5	16.2	15.6	14.4	14.1	13.6	12.3	12.8	12.3	11.7

Source: ⁽¹⁾ Health Information and Research Unit (HIRU), Ministry of Health (based on institutional census of events); ⁽²⁾ Department of Statistics (based on registered events)

N.B. ⁽³⁾ 2015-2016 figures are preliminary.

⁽⁴⁾ Beginning in 2001, the SIP system is used as a source for Princess Margaret Hospital's live birth count. In 2015, the Postnatal count was used as a temporary source for the the Public Ward, while the BACESDIN report was used for the Private Ward estimate. Postnatal counts were also used for 2016.

⁽⁵⁾ The Centreville Surgical and Birthing Centre opened in 1992, and HIRU began a census there in 1996. The Centre closed in 1997.

⁽⁶⁾ New Beginnings opened in 1995, and Health Information commenced a census in 1996.

⁽⁷⁾ Includes data from The New Sunrise Medical Centre, Emsley-West End Clinic, and Eight Mile Rock Clinic.

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