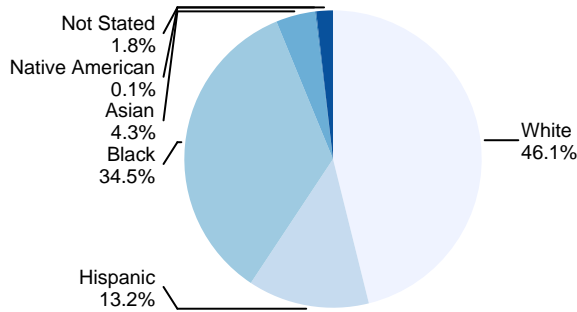


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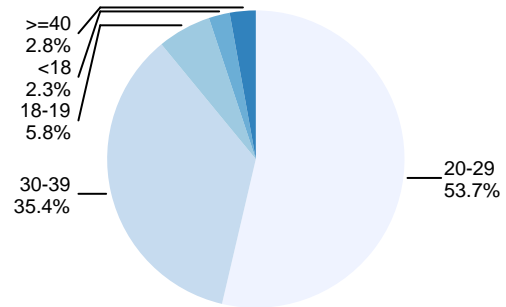
Georgia
Birth Profile

Births by Maternal Characteristics, 2013¹

Maternal Race / Ethnicity



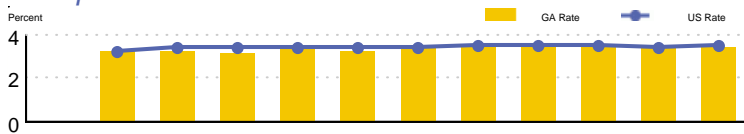
Maternal Age



Total live births = 128,748

Births by Plurality, 2003-2013^{1, 2}

Multiple Births

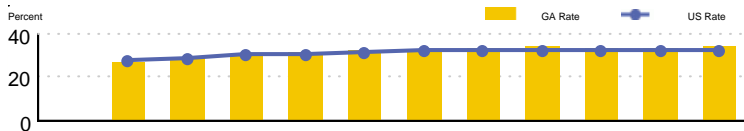


Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
GA Rate	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4
US Rate	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5

- In 2013, 3.4% of all live births were multiple births, and 96.6% were singleton births in Georgia.
- Between 2003 and 2013, the percentage of multiple births in Georgia increased 3%.
- An increase in multiple births is related to increasing maternal age and greater use of infertility treatment.
- Multiple births are associated with increased risks for adverse outcomes and pregnancy complications such as prematurity, low birthweight, gestational diabetes, and preeclampsia.

Births by Method of Delivery, 2003-2013¹

Cesarean Deliveries



Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
GA Rate	27.2	29.2	30.5	31.2	32.1	32.9	33.6	34.0	33.6	33.8	34.2
US Rate	27.5	29.1	30.3	31.1	31.8	32.3	32.9	32.8	32.8	32.8	32.7

- In Georgia in 2013, 34.2% of live births were cesarean deliveries, and 65.8% were vaginal deliveries.
- Between 2003 and 2013, the percent of live births delivered by cesarean section in Georgia increased nearly 26%.
- In Georgia in 2013, the rate of vaginal births after a previous cesarean (VBAC) was 8.8% of live births among women who had a previous cesarean delivery.

Footnotes

- All race categories exclude Hispanics.
- Multiple births include twin, triplet, and higher order deliveries.
- VBAC rates based on the 2003 Revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth. Details available at: <http://www.marchofdimes.org/peristats/calc/dm>.

Sources

- 1 National Center for Health Statistics, final natality data.
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