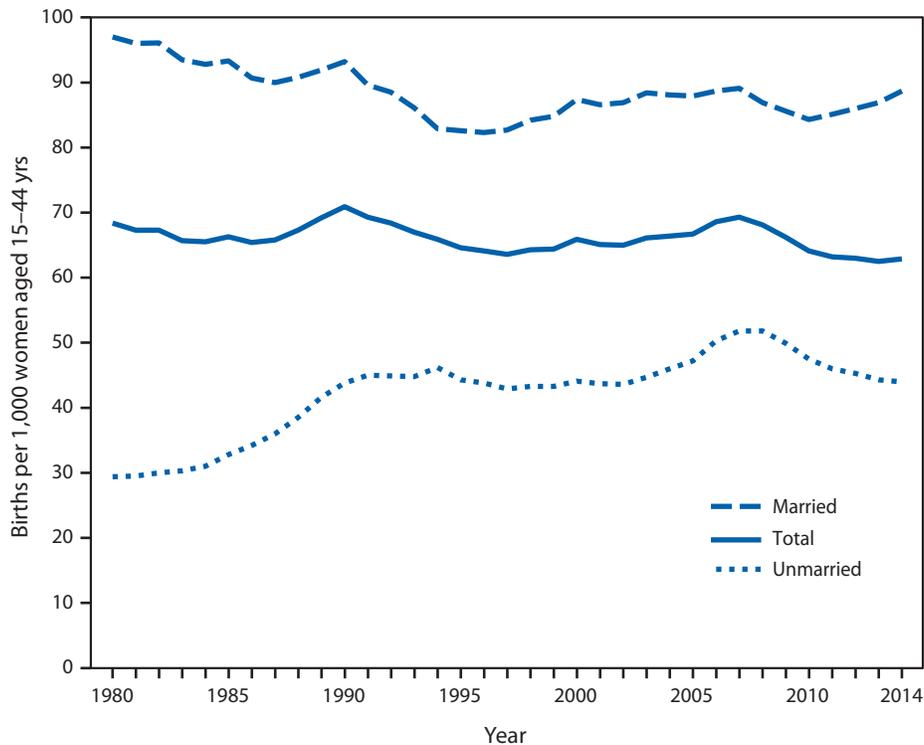


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Annual Birth Rates,* by Marital Status — National Vital Statistics System, United States, 1980–2014†



* Births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years in each category.

† Data for 2014 are preliminary.

The birth rate for married women (97.0 per 1,000) was more than three times that for unmarried women (29.4) in 1980. From 1980 to the mid-1990s, the birth rate among married women generally declined, whereas the rate for unmarried women generally increased. Both rates stabilized in the mid-1990s and then increased until 2007–2008. The birth rate among unmarried women declined from 51.8 in 2007 and 2008 to 44.0 in 2014. The birth rate for married women dropped 5% during 2007–2010 but increased to 88.7 in 2014.

Source: Hamilton B, Martin J, Osterman M, Curtin S. Births: preliminary data for 2014. *Natl Vital Stat Rep* 2015;64(6). Available at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr64/nvsr64_06.pdf.

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