

## Women's Health Disparities

### Key Facts:

- Black Women in Louisiana had the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest rate in the United States who has not visited a doctor due to cost from 2004-2006.
- Black Women in Louisiana had the highest rate in the United States who had no health insurance and ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> nationally among women that did not have a personal health care provider. (2004-2006)
- Hispanic Women in Louisiana had the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest rate in the United States who has not had a Pap test in the past three years. (2004-2006)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest rate in the United States that lived in poverty. (2004-2006)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest percentage in the United States that did not have a high school diploma. (2004-2006)
- Hispanic and Black Women had the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> highest rates of cardiovascular disease in the United States. (2004-2006)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 12th highest rates of obesity in the United States. (2004-2006)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 7<sup>th</sup> highest cancer mortality rates in the United States. (2004-2006)
- Black Women rank 17<sup>th</sup> nationally with the highest rate of new HIV/AIDS cases (43.5 per 100,000) but outpaces white and Hispanic women with 3.3 and 14.3 per 100,000. (2004)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest rate in the United States for giving birth to low-birthweight babies. (2003-2005)
- Black Women in Louisiana had the 6<sup>th</sup> highest rate of diabetes in the United States. (2004-2006)

\*Kaiser Family State Health Statistics: *"Putting Women's Health Care Disparities on the Map"*

## Louisiana: No Health Insurance Coverage, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

No Health Insurance Coverage, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.84	2.18
All Women	25.9%	17.7%
White Women	19.7%	12.8%
All Minority Women	36.3%	27.9%
Black Women	36.9%	22.4%
Hispanic Women	NSD	37.3%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Women	NSD	18.2%
American Indian/Alaska Native Women	NSD	33.7%

## Louisiana: No Personal Doctor/Health Care Provider, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

No Personal Doctor/Health Care Provider, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.66	1.94
All Women	19.4%	17.5%
White	15.5%	13.2%
All Minority	25.8%	25.7%
Black	26.4%	17.3%
Hispanic	20.7%	36.9%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	18.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	21.1%

## Louisiana: No Dental Checkup in Past Two Years, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

No Dental Checkup in Past Two Years, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.31	1.43
All Women	32.1%	28.7%
White	29.0%	25.4%
All Minority	38.0%	36.4%
Black	38.8%	35.9%
Hispanic	30.0%	41.5%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	25.1%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	35.0%

## Louisiana: No Doctor Visit in Past Year Due to Cost, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

No Doctor Visit in Past Year Due to Cost, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.66	1.55
All Women	23.0%	17.5%
White	18.5%	14.7%
All Minority	30.6%	22.8%
Black	31.1%	21.9%
Hispanic	28.0%	27.4%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	12.1%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	25.7%

## Louisiana: No Pap Test in Past Three Years, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

No Pap Test in Past Three Years, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
No Pap Test	1.12	1.27
All Women	13.6%	13.2%
White	12.7%	12.2%
All Minority	14.1%	15.5%
Black	12.9%	11.0%
Hispanic	21.4%	16.3%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	24.1%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	18.2%

## Louisiana: Late Initiation of or No Prenatal Care, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2007

Late Initiation of or No Prenatal Care, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2007		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	2.48	2.04
All Women	15.5%	16.2%
White	9.2%	11.1%
All Minority	22.9%	22.7%
Black	24.1%	23.9%
Hispanic	16.3%	22.9%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	11.7%	14.7%
American Indian/Alaska Native	15.6%	30.1%

## Louisiana: Poverty, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Poverty, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	2.18	2.18
All Women	23.7%	16.4%
White Women	16.5%	11.9%
All Minority Women	36.0%	25.8%
Black Women	37.4%	28.5%
Hispanic Women	NSD	27.4%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Women	NSD	15.0%
American Indian/Alaska Native Women	NSD	32.8%

## Louisiana: Median Household Income, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Median Household Income, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	2.22	1.82
All Women	\$33,000	\$45,000
White	\$44,420	\$54,536
All Minority	\$20,000	\$30,000
Black	\$18,000	\$26,681
Hispanic	NSD	\$27,748
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	\$52,669
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	\$24,000

## Louisiana: Gender Wage Gap for Women who are Full-Time Year-Round Workers Compared to Non-Hispanic White Men, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Gender Wage Gap for Women who are Full-Time Year-Round Workers Compared to Non-Hispanic White Men, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.37	1.21
All Women	63.0%	69.2%
White	70.2%	73.3%
All Minority	51.4%	60.8%
Black	51.4%	61.1%
Hispanic	NSD	50.9%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	77.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	56.5%

## Louisiana: Women with No High School Diploma, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Women with No High School Diploma, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	2.50	3.11
All Women	15.1%	12.4%
White	9.7%	7.3%
All Minority	24.3%	22.8%
Black	24.8%	14.9%
Hispanic	NSD	35.8%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	10.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	18.1%

## Louisiana: Fair or Poor Health Status, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.78	2.07
All Women	14.3%	12.8%
White Women	11.2%	9.5%
All Minority Women	19.9%	19.7%
Black Women	20.1%	16.9%
Hispanic Women	17.7%	26.9%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Women	NSD	7.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native Women	NSD	22.1%

Notes/Sources([show](#))

**Notes:** Data are for women ages 18–64. All Minority women includes Black, Hispanic, Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native women, and women of two or more races. Disparity score greater than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing worse than White women. Disparity score less than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing better than White women. Disparity score equal to 1.00 indicates that minority and White women are doing the same. Data are derived from the Kaiser Family Foundation report, Putting Women's Health Care Disparities on the Map, available at: <http://www.kff.org/womensdisparities/>.

**Sources:** Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2004-2006.

## Louisiana: Diabetes, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Diabetes, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.90	1.87
All Women	5.3%	4.2%
White	4.0%	3.3%
All Minority	7.6%	6.2%
Black	7.8%	7.5%
Hispanic	8.1%	6.1%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	3.2%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	8.6%

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## Louisiana: Cardiovascular Disease, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Cardiovascular Disease, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.85	1.46
All Women	4.5%	3.2%
White	3.5%	2.7%
All Minority	6.4%	3.9%
Black	6.6%	4.8%
Hispanic	6.1%	4.0%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	1.2%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	8.7%

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**Sources:** Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2004-2006. The cardiovascular disease module was only used by 8 states in 2004: DE, LA, OH, OK, PA, SC, VA, WV.

## Louisiana: Obesity, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Obesity, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.87	1.41
All Women	25.8%	22.7%
White	19.8%	20.1%
All Minority	36.9%	28.4%
Black	38.8%	37.8%
Hispanic	26.6%	27.3%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	8.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	30.4%

Notes/Sources([show](#))

**Notes:** Data are for women ages 18–64. Obesity is defined by body mass index. All Minority women include Black, Hispanic, Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native women, and women of two or more races. Disparity score greater than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing worse than White women. Disparity score less than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing better than White women. Disparity score equal to 1.00 indicates that minority and White women are doing the same. Data are derived from the Kaiser Family Foundation report, Putting Women's Health Care Disparities on the Map, available at: <http://www.kff.org/womensdisparities/>.

**Sources:** Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2004-2006.

## Louisiana: Cancer Mortality, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2004

Cancer Mortality, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2004		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.14	0.86
All Women	179.5	162.2
White	170.0	161.4
Black	207.2	189.3
Hispanic	80.5	106.7
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	108.1	96.7
American Indian/Alaska Native	68.0	112.0

### Notes/Sources

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**Sources:** Data from 2000–2004 and provided by the National Vital Statistics System public use data file. Death rates calculated by the National Cancer Institute using SEER\*Stat.

## Louisiana: New AIDS Cases, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004

New AIDS Cases, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	12.05	11.58
All Women	16.5	9.4
White	3.3	2.3
All Minority	39.2	26.4
Black	43.5	50.1
Hispanic	14.3	12.4
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.0	1.8
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.0	7.0

Notes/Sources([show](#))

**Notes:** Data are for women ages 13 and older. All Minority women include Black, Hispanic, Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native women, and women of two or more races. Disparity score greater than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing worse than White women. Disparity score less than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing better than White women. Disparity score equal to 1.00 indicates that minority and White women are doing the same. Data are derived from the Kaiser Family Foundation report, Putting Women's Health Care Disparities on the Map, available at: <http://www.kff.org/womensdisparities/>.

**Sources:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. AIDS cases, by geographic area of residence and metropolitan statistical area of residence, 2004. HIV/AIDS Surveillance Supplemental Report 2006;12(No. 2). Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/surveillance/resources/reports/>. SC-EST2007-agesex-res: Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Single-Year of Age and Sex for the United States and States: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2007. Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau. Available at <http://www.census.gov/popest/datasets.html>.

## Louisiana: Babies Born to Low Birth Weight, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004

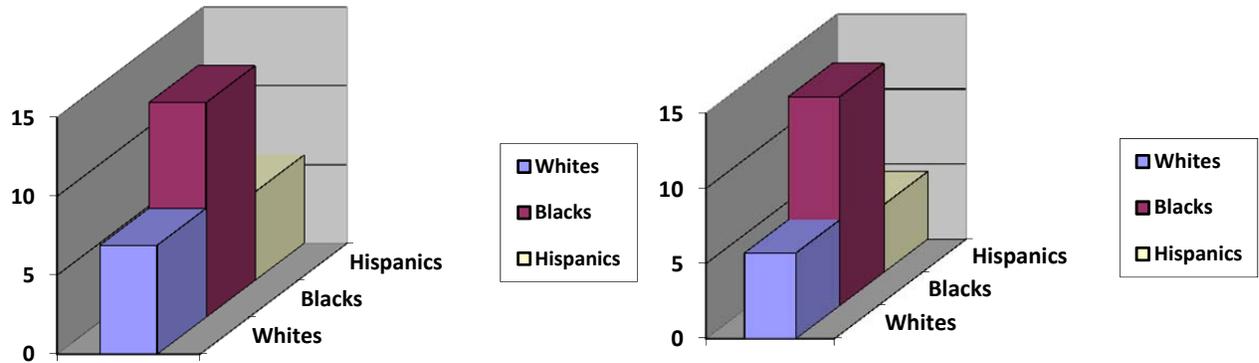
Percent of Live Births that are Low-Birthweight, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2003-2005		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	1.97	1.38
All Women	11.0%	8.1%
White	8.1%	7.2%
All Minority	16.0%	9.9%
Black	15.3%	13.8%
Hispanic	7.6%	6.8%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	8.5%	7.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	10.1%	7.4%

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**Notes:** Percent of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams, in 2003-2005. Excludes live births with unknown birthweight. All Minority women include Black, Hispanic, Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native women, and women of two or more races. Disparity score greater than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing worse than White women. Disparity score less than 1.00 indicates that minority women are doing better than White women. Disparity score equal to 1.00 indicates that minority and White women are doing the same. Data are derived from the Kaiser Family Foundation report, Putting Women's Health Care Disparities on the Map, available at: <http://www.kff.org/womensdisparities/>.

**Sources:** Health, United States, 2007. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, Birth File.

### Infant Mortality Rate (Deaths per 1,000 Live Births) by Race/Ethnicity, 2006



#### United States

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Infant mortality is defined as death during the first year of life. This measure excludes fetal deaths (abortions and miscarriages). The infant mortality rate is defined as the number of deaths within the first year of life per 1,000 live births. Children born to African American mothers (13.9 per 1,000 live births) tend to have higher infant mortality rates than those born of Caucasian mothers (7.1 per 1,000 live births), Hispanic (5.6) and Asian/Pacific Islanders (0.96). Rates are per 1,000 live births in 2006

### Louisiana: Women in Female-Headed Households with Children, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006

Women in Female-Headed Households with Children, by State and Race/Ethnicity, 2004-2006		
	LA	US
Disparity Score	2.57	1.70
All Women	25.7%	22.1%
White	15.6%	17.4%
All Minority	40.2%	29.6%
Black	42.8%	45.0%
Hispanic	NSD	23.0%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	NSD	9.2%
American Indian/Alaska Native	NSD	32.9%

