

Indiana Birth Spacing

2016-2020



Division of
**Maternal &
Child Health**

Birth Spacing Data

This fact sheet is based on 2016-2020 Indiana births, specifically births to individuals who previously delivered a live birth, and complete date of birth information for both events was required.

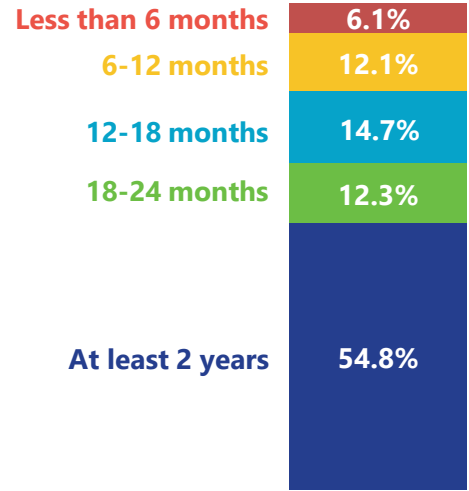
The calculated intervals incorporate the estimated gestation of the most recent pregnancy as well.

Because of the unique nature of this analysis, the data provided should not be compared to other materials or statistics that are based on all Indiana birth records.

Birth Spacing Intervals	By Race & Ethnicity		
	NH Black	NH White	Hispanic
Less than 6 months	8.9%	5.6%	5.9%
6-12 months	12.5%	12.4%	10.2%
12-18 months	11.3%	16.0%	10.6%
18-24 months	9.5%	13.3%	9.3%
At least 2 years	57.8%	52.7%	64.0%

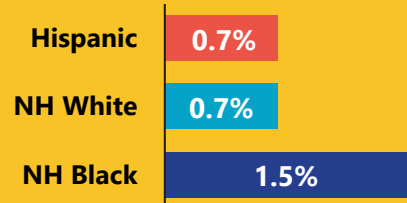
NH = Non-Hispanic

Birth Spacing in Indiana



More than 2x

higher percentage of births that were preterm and had an interval less than 6 months in NH Black births compared to NH White and Hispanic births.



Preterm Birth Percentages by Birth Spacing Interval

