

### Birth Trends in Los Angeles County

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### **Objectives**

- Show trends in births in LAC, 2000 2017
  - Mother's race/ethnicity
  - Mother's nativity
  - Mother's age
- Review factors possibly associated with trends
  - Socioeconomic



### Methods

Calculation of rates and other statistics:

- Total fertility rates and age-specific birth rates
- Mean age at first birth



### Total fertility rates - defined

- A measure of completed family size.
- Average number of children a woman would bear if today's age-specific rates of fertility prevailed throughout her lifetime.
- Best for making comparisons over time or between groups.
- The replacement rate is a TFR of 2.1 births per woman.



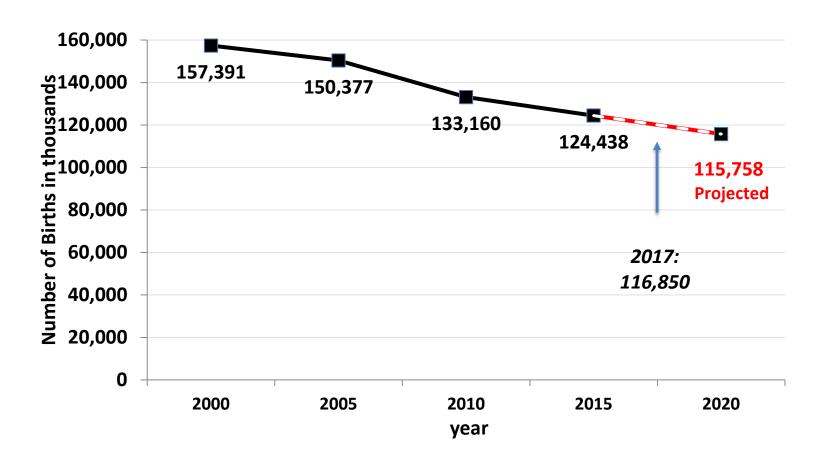
#### **Data Sources**

- Birth data: Birth Statistical Master File (BSMF)

- Population denominators and statistics:
  - NCHS Bridged Estimates
  - Public Use Microdata file (PUMS)
  - American Community Survey (ACS)



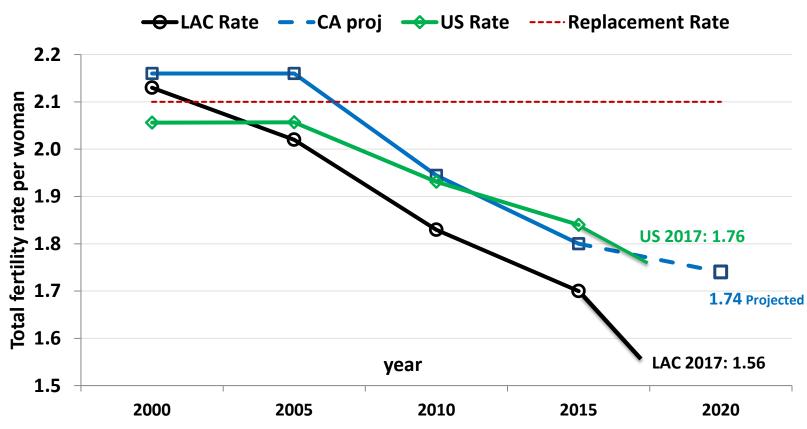
### Births, Los Angeles County, 2000-2020.



Source: California Department of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master Files for Los Angeles County Residents. California Department of Finance. Demographic Research Unit. 2018. Historical and Projected Fertility Rates and Births, 1990-2040. Sacramento: California Department of Finance. January 2018.



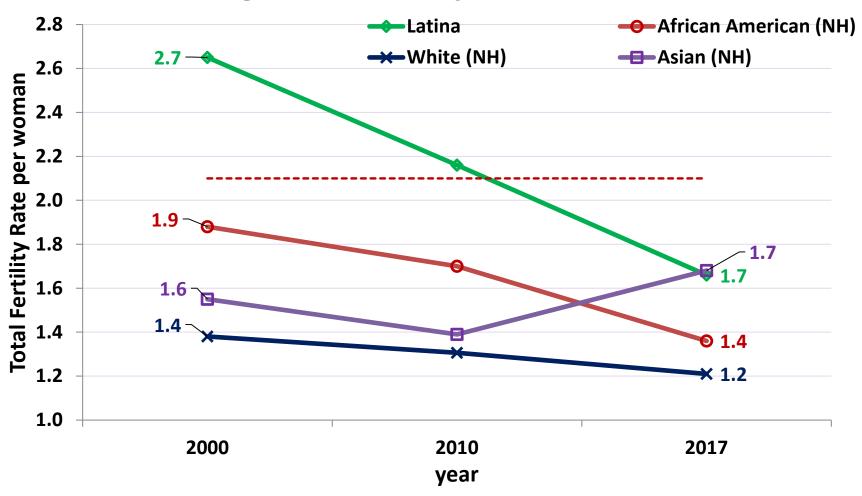
# Total fertility rates, Los Angeles County, CA, and US, 2000-2020.



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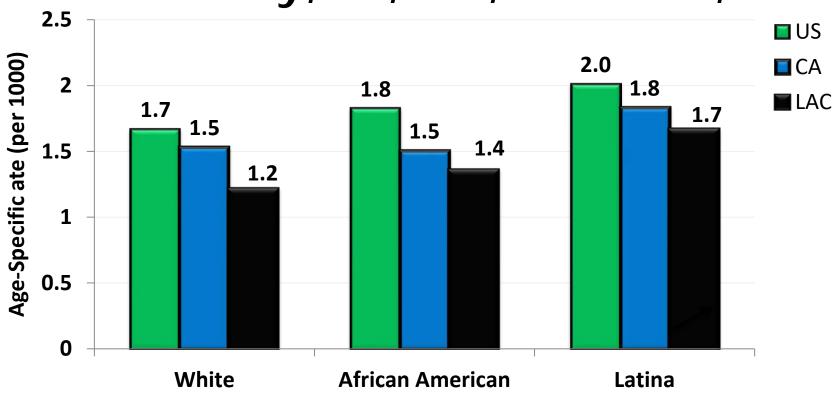


### Total fertility rates by mother's race/ethnicity, Los Angeles County, 2000-2017



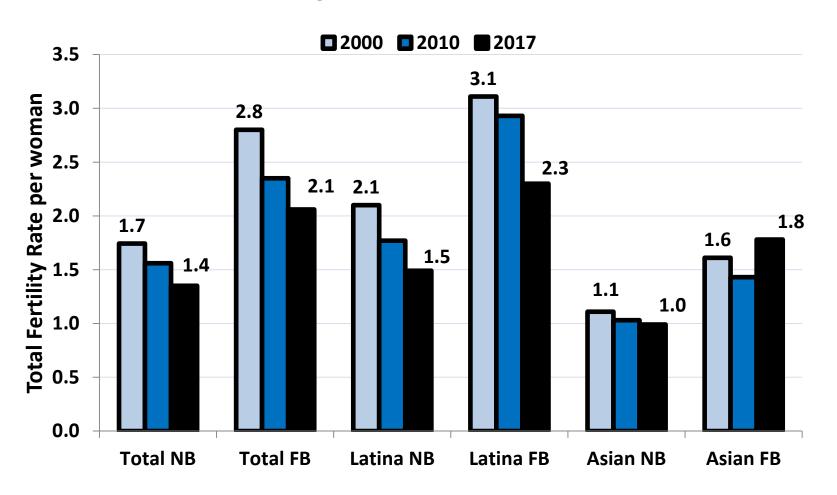


# Total fertility rates, by mother's race/ethnicity, US, CA, and LAC, 2017



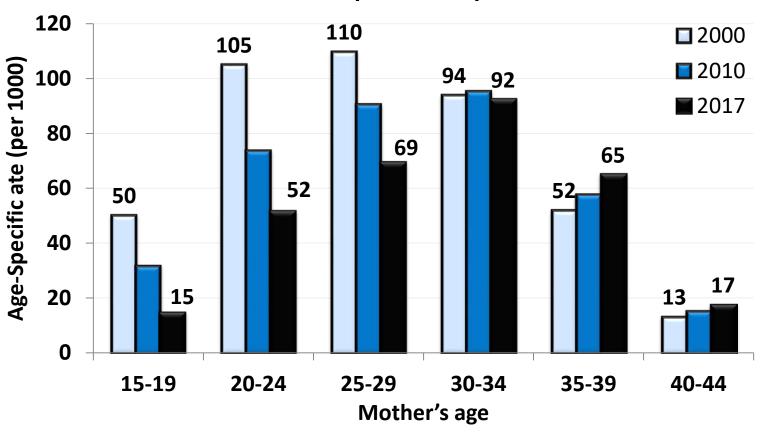


# Total fertility rates by mother's nativity and race/ethnicity, LAC, 2000, 2010, 2017.



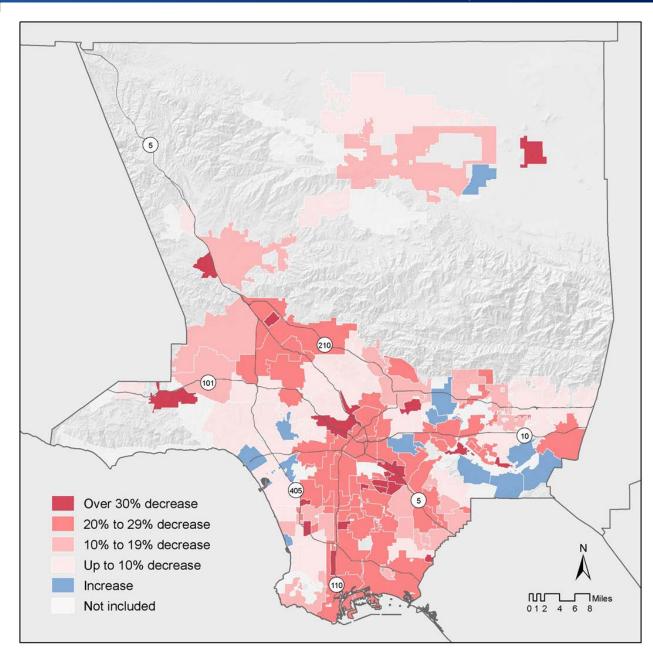


### Age-specific rates, Los Angeles County, 2000, 2010, 2017.





# Changes in births by city, 2007 vs 2015



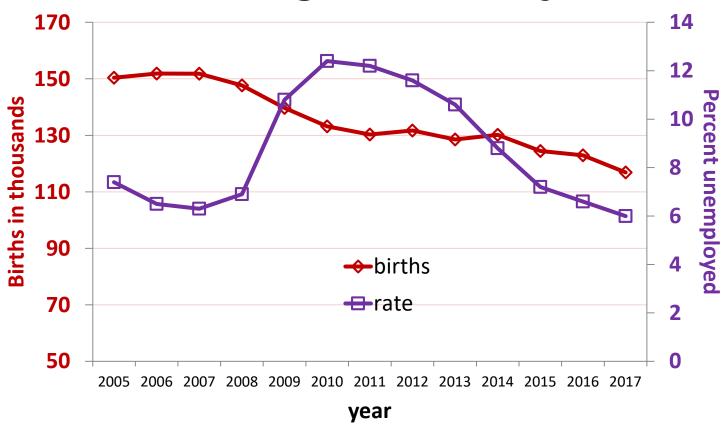


#### **Economic Factors**

- Unemployment & changes in births
- Birth rate by mother's educational attainment



# Change in unemployment rate and births, Los Angeles County, 2005-2017.

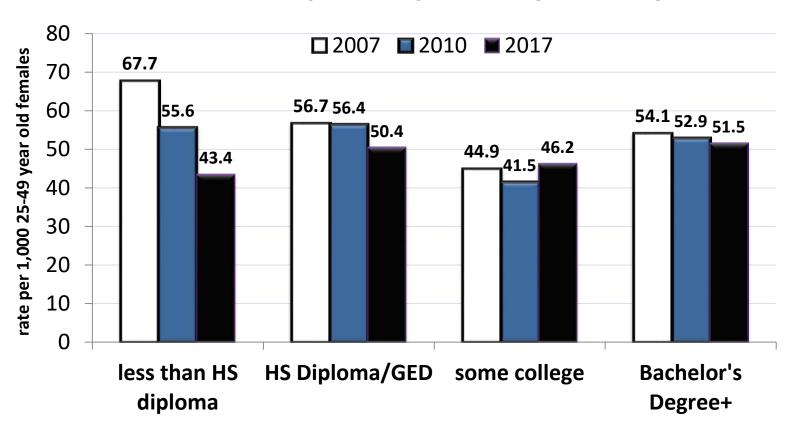


Data source: Census Bureau's American Community Survey 1-year samples, Table S2301.

California Department of Public Health's Birth Statistical Master Files, Los Angeles County Residents



# Birth rates\* by mother's educational attainment, LAC, 2007, 2010, 2017



Data sources: California Department of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master File, 2007, 2010, and 2017. Census Bureau's Public Use Microdata (PUMS) 2007, 2010, and 2017 1-year estimates.