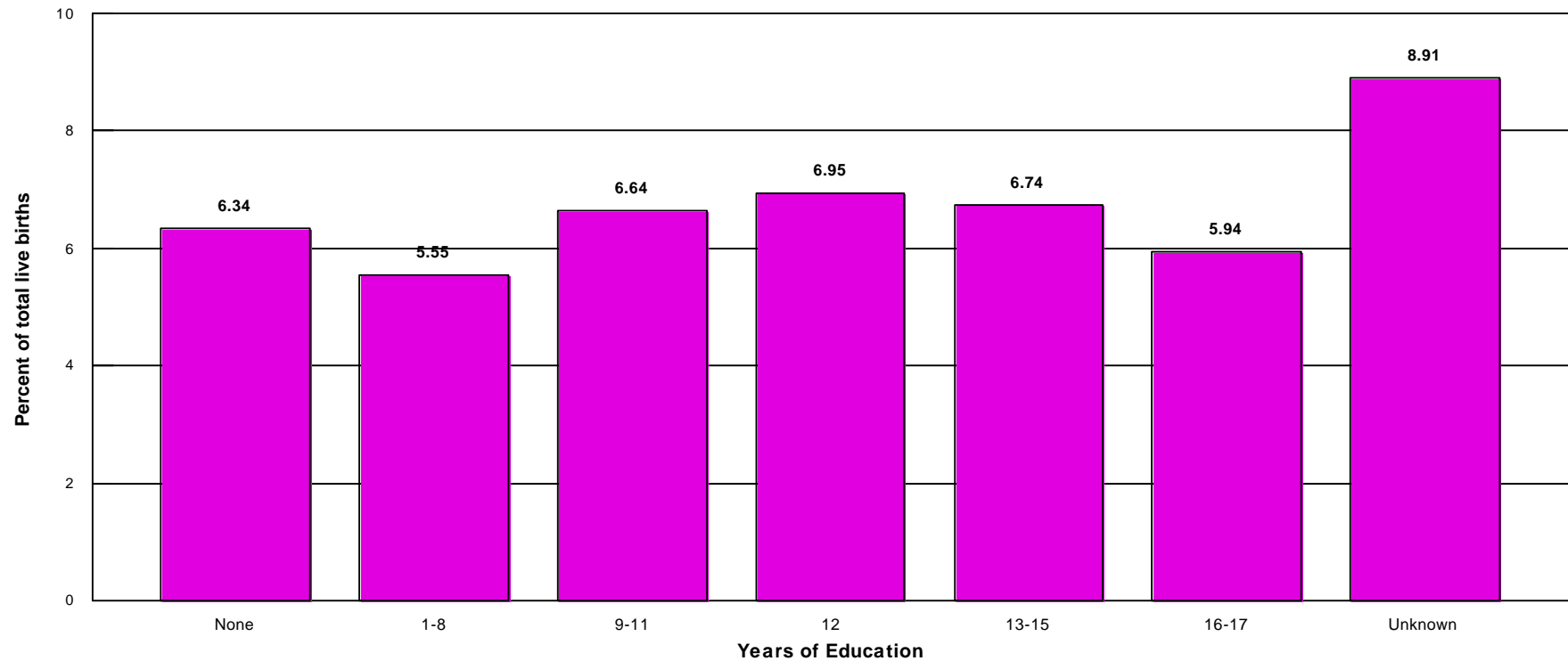


Low Birthweight Live Births, as Percent of Total Live Births, by Mother's Years of Education

Los Angeles County, 1997



	Years of Education													
	None		1 - 8		9 - 11		12		13 - 15		16 - 17		Unknown	
Live Births	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<2,500 grams	40	6.34	1,503	5.55	2,377	6.64	3,078	6.95	1,829	6.74	1,514	5.94	146	8.91
Total	631	100.00	27,083	100.00	35,822	100.00	44,270	100.00	27,118	100.00	25,474	100.00	1,638	100.00

Year 2000 Objective: Reduce low birthweight to an incidence of no more than 5 percent of live births.

Note: Low birthweight is defined as weight less than 2,500 grams at birth.

Year '17' = mothers who attained college degree or above

This analysis did not adjust for teen mothers who may not be old enough to have reached higher categorical education level.

Source: 1997 birth records from the California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics