

**INDICATOR:** **Distribution of births by race/ethnicity, 1997**

**DEFINITION:** The proportion of total live births for selected race/ethnic groups

**NUMERATOR:** Number of live births, by race/ethnicity, by place of residence, in a calendar year

**DENOMINATOR:** Total number of live births, by place of residence, in a calendar year

**HEALTHY PEOPLE 2000 OBJECTIVE:**  
None

**RISK FACTORS:** Not applicable

Race/Ethnicity	1997 California				1997 County			
	Live Births		95% Confidence Interval		Live Births		95% Confidence Interval	
	Number	Percent	Lower	Upper	Number	Percent	Lower	Upper
<b>TOTAL</b>	524,174	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	162,036	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Asian	53,855	10.27%	10.19%	10.36%	14,943	9.22%	9.08%	9.36%
African American	35,957	6.86%	6.79%	6.93%	14,530	8.97%	8.83%	9.11%
Hispanic	248,795	47.46%	47.33%	47.60%	100,228	61.86%	61.62%	62.09%
Native Am.	2,582	0.49%	0.47%	0.51%	304	0.19%	0.17%	0.21%
Pacific Islander	2,779	0.53%	0.51%	0.55%	611	0.38%	0.35%	0.41%
White	177,347	33.83%	33.71%	33.96%	31,072	19.18%	18.98%	19.37%
Other	413	0.08%	0.07%	0.09%	107	0.07%	0.05%	0.08%
Unknown	2,446	0.47%	0.45%	0.49%	241	0.15%	0.13%	0.17%

Live Births 1997	
DENOMINATOR: Total Live Births	
State	County
524,174	162,036
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**Source:** 1997 birth records from California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics

