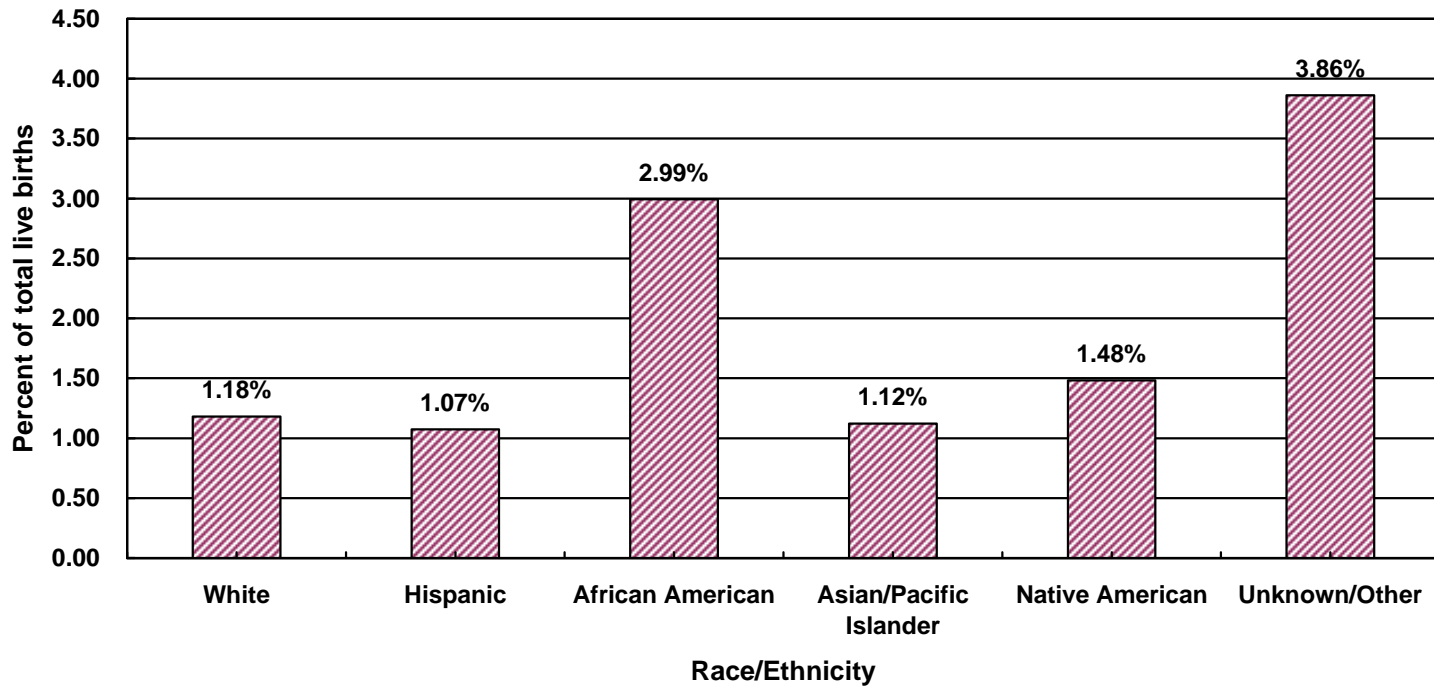


**Very Low Birthweight Live Births, as Percent of Total Live Births
by Mother's Race/Ethnicity*
Los Angeles County, 1999**



	Race/ Ethnicity											
	White		Hispanic		African American		Asian/Pacific Islander		Native American		Unknown/Other	
Live Births	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<1,500 grams	348	1.18	1,042	1.07	411	2.99	169	1.12	4	1.48	19	3.86
Total	29,514	100.00	97,103	100.00	13,724	100.00	15,050	100.00	270	100.00	492	100.00

* White, African American, Asian/Pacific Islander, Native American and other races exclude Hispanic ethnicity
Hispanic includes any race category

Year 2000 Objective: Reduce very low birthweight to an incidence of no more than 1 percent of live births.

Note: Very low birthweight is defined as weight less than 1,500 grams at birth.

Source: 1999 birth records from the California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics