

Live Births by characteristics of Mother between: 2012 2014

Introduction

This briefing describes the summary statistics of characteristics of mothers that have registered births to babies in Birmingham between 2012 and 2014. The age of mother was included in the births data for the first time in 2014.

Number of Births and rates

Within Birmingham between 2012 and 2014, a total of 52,110 live births were registered. Table 1 shows the actual number of live births by year. A decreasing trend can be seen, with a 5% reduction between 2012 and 2014.

Year	2012	2013	2014
Number of Live Births	17766	17420	16924

Table 1 Live Births by Year (2012 2014)

During 2014, the crude birth rate (CBR) for Birmingham was 15.4 per thousand population compared to an England rate of 12.2. The General Fertility Rate (GFR) is the number of live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44, while the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is the average number of live children that a group of women would bear if they experienced the age-specific fertility rates for that area and period. Both the General Fertility Rate (GFR) and Total Fertility Rate (TFR) for Birmingham were also higher than the England rates.

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Table 2 – Fertility rates of Birmingham and England

Summary statistics of live births – 2014

Table 3 is a summary of the characteristics of (46.9%) proportion

- 40% of births in Birmingham were to mothers not born in the UK
- Birmingham Cross City CCG accounted for two thirds of births
- Hodge Hill (14.9%) , Ladywood (13.9%) and Hall Green (12.0%) districts had the highest percentage of births
- Nearly 95% of births occurred within deprivation quintiles 1 (85.6%) and 2 (8.9%)
- Just under two thirds of births occurred within Birmingham Women's Hospital (32.5%) and Birmingham Heartlands Hospital (27.5%)

Table 3 Summary statistics of births 2014

Gender	Number	%	%
Male	8764	51.8%	51.3%
Female	8160	48.2%	48.7%
Birthweight (n=16828)			
<2500g	1535	9.1%	7.0%
>2500g	15293	90.9%	93%
Age of Mother			
All Ages	16924		661496
Under 18	173	1.0%	0.9%
Under 20	666	3.9%	3.7%
20-24	2987		