STATE BREASTFEEDING PROFILE
STATE X

State Indicators: Breastfeeding Outcomes

Results from the National Immunization Survey (NIS), 2005

- Infants ever breastfed: 72.1%
- Infants breastfeeding at 6 months: 34.3%
- Infants breastfeeding at 12 months: 14.7%
- Infants exclusively breastfeeding at 3 months: 31.2%
- Infants exclusively breastfeeding at 6 months: 11.8%


State Indicators: Breastfeeding Promotion, Protection, and Support

Baby Friendly-Designated Facilities

Percent of live births occurring in Baby-Friendly facilities: 6.28%

Baby Friendly-designated facilities located within the state (BFHI, 2007):
- Facility A with 1,239 births in 2006
- Facility B with 471 births in 2006
- Facility C with 662 births in 2006

To learn more about the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) and its designation criteria, visit www.babyfriendlyusa.org

Professional breastfeeding support from a board-certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC)*

Number of IBCLCs per 1000 live births in the state, 2006: 2.35 /1000 live births

* The credential “International Board Certified Lactation Consultant” (IBCLC) identifies an experienced member of the health care team who has acquired specialist skills, made an in-depth study of breastfeeding and lactation, and passed a rigorous certification examination administered by the International Board of Certified Lactation Examiners (IBCLE) www.iblce.org/become.htm
Mother-to-Mother breastfeeding support

Number of La Leche League mother-to-mother groups* per 1,000 live births in the state, 2006 (LLLI, 2007) = ___49____/1000 live births

* NOTE: When LLL Group totals crossed state lines (e.g., represented several states or a regional area), each state’s individual group total was calculated in proportion to their percentage of live births within the multi-state area.

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The State Health Department has a total of 3 staff, for a total of 2.5 FTE, dedicated to breastfeeding promotion.

State Health Department breastfeeding website:
www.statex/breastfeeding.com

State Legislation in support of breastfeeding

- State legislation permits breastfeeding in public places = YES
- State legislation mandates that employers accommodate the needs of lactating women in the workplace = NO

For the most current information on breastfeeding-related legislation, visit the National Conference of State Legislatures website at: http://www.ncsl.org/programs/health/breast50.htm

State X State Breastfeeding Coalition

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