

LOCAL PROFILE

Nashville, Tennessee Davidson County

Population (MSA¹): 1,485,689

Population (City of Nashville-Davidson): 552,120

City Population by Race and Ethnicity

White	65.9%
Black/African American	26.8%
Hispanic/Latin American	4.7%
Asian	2.4%
American Indian, Alaska Native	0.3%

Government Structure

The **City of Nashville** is the capital of Tennessee and the county seat of **Davidson County**. The City and County governments merged in 1963 to form the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County (generally known as “Metro Nashville”). This government is then divided into an Urban Services District, made up of the land within the 1963 boundaries of Nashville, and a General Services District, consisting of the rest of the County.

Nashville has a strong-mayor version of the mayor-council form of government. The Metropolitan Council is composed of 40 Council Members, 35 of whom are elected from districts and five of whom are elected at-large. The Mayor is the executive and administrative head of the City and is elected to a four-year term. The Mayor has the power to veto ordinances passed by the Council. The Urban Services District has its own Urban Council that is made up of the three at-large Members of the Metropolitan Council who reside within the Urban Services District and receive the highest number of votes. The Metropolitan Council exercises all the general governmental powers held by a county government, while the Urban Council is restricted to those additional basic services necessary for the functioning of a city, such as fire protection, sewers, lighting, and waste collection.

Public health services are provided by the Metro Public Health Department, which is run by a Board of Health and a Director of Health. The Board is comprised of six members who are appointed to five-year terms by the Mayor and then confirmed by the Metropolitan Council. The Board then appoints the Director of Health for a term of up to five years. The Department is divided into five sections: Administration and Finance, Environmental Health, Family Youth & Infant Health, Health Services Access, and Population Health Programs.

[1] Metropolitan Statistical Area – Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin, TN
Government Structure Sources:
<http://www.nashville.gov/>
<http://www.nashville.gov/council/>
<http://www.nashville.gov/mayor/>
<http://www.municode.com/resources/gateway.asp?pid=14214&sid=42>
<http://health.nashville.gov/>



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Total number of women aged 13-44: 131,320

Women needing contraceptive services and supplies: 72,320

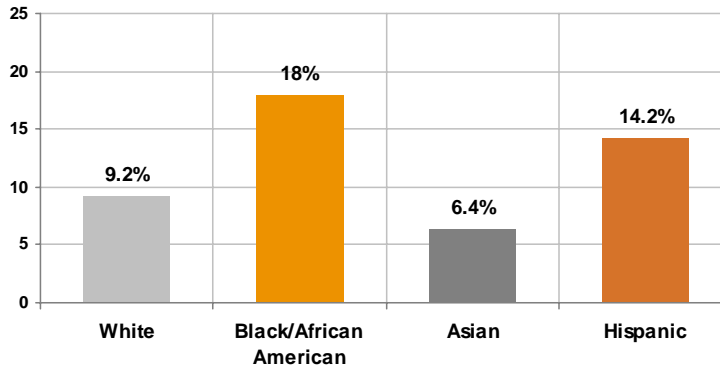
Birth Outcomes

Infant mortality, rate per 1,000 live births	8.5
Low birthweight	6.7%

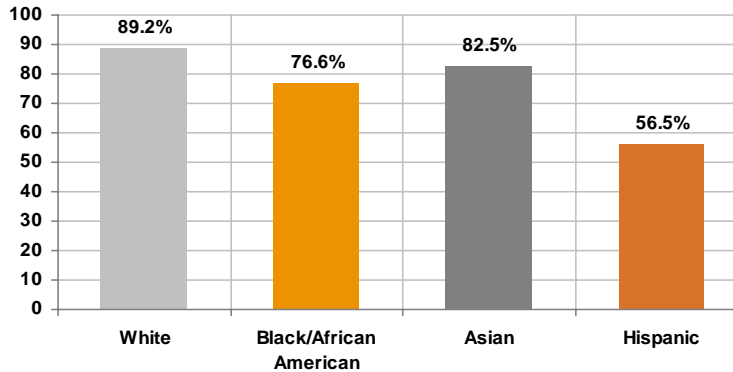
Cervical Cancer

Percent of women receiving regular Pap testing	86.0%
Cervical cancer, rate per 100,000 ¹	8.5

Share of Births to Teenage Mothers by Race and Ethnicity



Share of Mothers That Received Adequate Prenatal Care by Race and Ethnicity



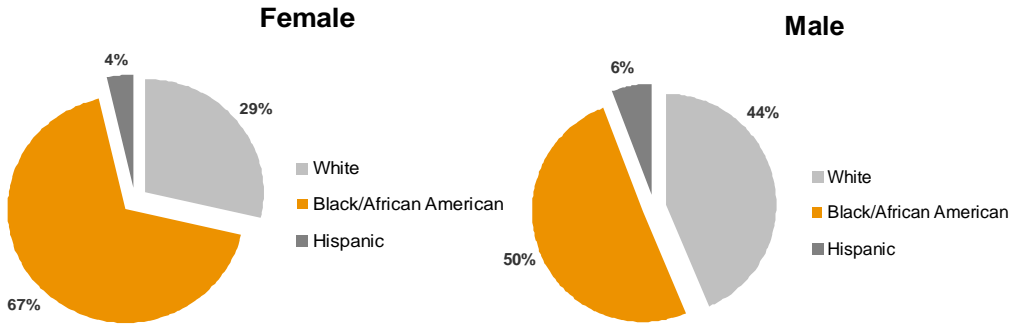
[1] Due to unavailability of local data, figure reflects rate for state of Tennessee

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Sexually Transmitted Infection Total Incidence Rates per 100,000

AIDS	14.7
Chlamydia	341.7
Gonorrhea	116.3
Syphilis	5.8

AIDS Cases by Sex, Race and Ethnicity



Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Cases by Sex

