

Delivery Statistics Report (2017 Preliminary Births)

Planned Out of Hospital Births

(Includes Deliveries That Were Intended for Home or Birth Center Regardless of Where Delivery Actually Occurred)

Washington State

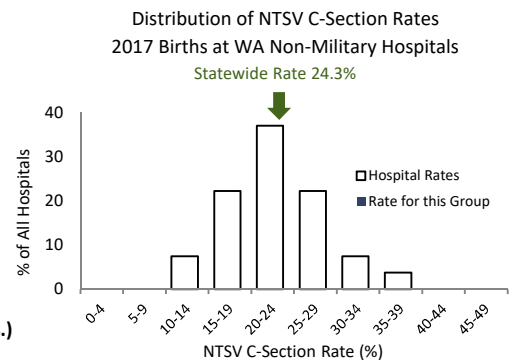
Deliveries and Medicaid Status

	2015	2016	2017	3-year TOTAL	Net Change '16 to '17
Total Deliveries for Planned Out of Hospital Births (Group)	3,497	3,565	3,402	10,464	NA
Deliveries with Medicaid-paid Maternity Care	1,303	1,310	1,300	3,913	NA
Percent Medicaid Deliveries	37%	37%	38%	37%	1%
Percent Medicaid Deliveries for WA Non-Military Hospitals	51%	51%	50%	51%	-1%

C-Sections Among Nulliparous Term Singleton Vertex (NTSV) Deliveries

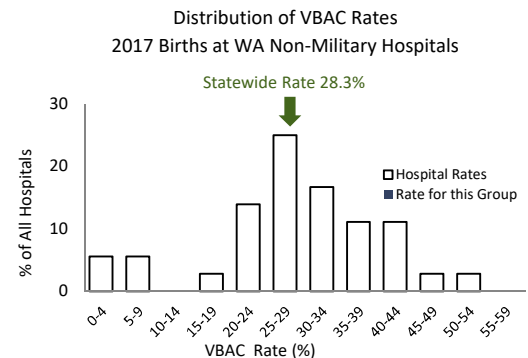
	2015	2016	2017	Net Change '16 to '17	3-year
NTSV Deliveries	1,106	1,128	995	NA	3,229
NTSV C-Section Rates					
Rate for this Group	10.7%	9.7%	8.0%	-1.6%	9.5%
WA Non-Military Hospitals	23.5%	23.6%	24.3%	0.8%	23.8%

(Group Rate Includes Transfers to Higher Level of Care. Hospital Rate Excludes Transfers.)



Vaginal Births After Cesarean (VBAC) for Term Singleton Vertex Deliveries

	2015	2016	2017	Net Change '16 to '17	3-year
Deliveries Post-C-Sec	77	78	75	NA	230
VBAC Rates					
Rate for this Group	96.1%	94.9%	92.0%	-2.9%	94.3%
WA Non-Military Hospitals	27.1%	28.4%	28.3%	-0.2%	27.9%

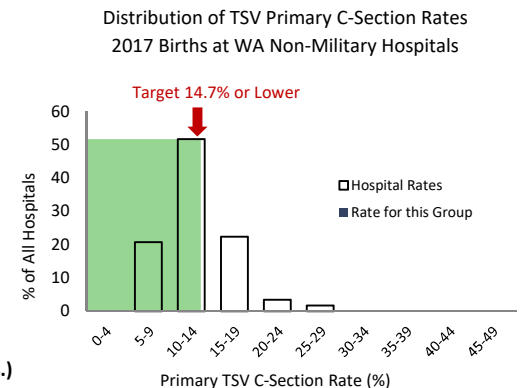


Primary C-Sections Among Term Singleton Vertex (TSV) Deliveries

GOAL: decrease primary C-sections among TSV deliveries to 14.7%

	2015	2016	2017	Net Change '16 to '17	3-year
TSV Deliveries/No Prior C	3,273	3,292	3,187	NA	9,752
Primary C-Section Rates					
Rate for this Group	4.1%	3.9%	2.8%	-1.2%	3.6%
WA Non-Military Hospitals	13.7%	13.9%	14.2%	0.3%	13.9%

(Group Rate Includes Transfers to Higher Level of Care. Hospital Rate Excludes Transfers.)



DATA SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS: Certificates for live births and fetal deaths were provided by the DOH Center for Health Statistics and included in the First Steps Database. Medicaid status was determined by individual-level linkage to Medicaid claims and eligibility performed by the First Steps Database. **2017 birth data are preliminary.** Years refer to calendar years.

WA Non-Military Hospitals exclude births in military facilities or facilities that do not typically perform deliveries, and C-Section measures exclude cases where mother was transferred to higher level care for maternal medical or fetal indicators for delivery, or hospital births where intended place of birth was other than hospital. **Planned Out of Hospital Births** include midwife-attended deliveries in birth centers or at home, deliveries with originally intended birthplace of birth center or planned home birth that occurred elsewhere, and transfers for a higher level of care where facility transferred from is a birth center or midwife/midwife group.

Total Deliveries includes live births and fetal deaths after 20 weeks' gestation. **Medicaid** refers to births to women who received Medicaid-paid maternity care. **C-Sections (NTSV)** is the percent of Cesarean sections among nulliparous, term, singleton, liveborn, vertex deliveries. **Term** is defined as gestational age of at least 37 completed weeks. **Vaginal Births After Cesarean (VBAC)** is the percent of vaginal births among live births to appropriate candidates. Women whose pregnancies were at term, had a single fetus with vertex presentation, and who had one prior C-section were considered **appropriate candidates for VBAC**. Birth Center licensure does not allow for VBAC, so VBAC numbers shown are for planned or achieved home births. Number of prior C-sections is determined by Birth Certificate number reported and by longitudinal linkage. **Chart** comparison VBAC Rates are limited to hospitals that offer planned vaginal birth delivery after a prior Cesarean section (VBAC). **Primary C-Sections** is the percent of Cesarean sections among term, singleton, liveborn, vertex deliveries to women with no prior C-sections. The **Primary TSV C-Section Target** for Washington State is based on Results Washington (see www.results.wa.gov). **Planned Out of Hospital Births** Group Rates do not show on the comparison charts for hospital rate distributions because the group rates are outside of the hospital rate distribution.