American College of Nurse-Midwives State Chartbook

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Arizona Midwifery Workforce, 2023

Midwifery Workforce Indicators, 2023

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<td>Births in 2022</td>
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<td>Midwives per 1,000 Births</td>
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<td>Midwife-attended births 2022</td>
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Arizona has not achieved the 6 midwives per 1,000 births recommended by the WHO.

Board-certified midwives include certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives, who are certified by the American Midwifery Certification Board. Board-certified midwives’ professional association is the American College of Nurse-Midwives.


Board-certified midwives are regulated by the Board of Nursing.

Arizona has one midwifery education program at the University of Arizona at Tucson.
Arizona Maternity Care Workforce Density

Arizona’s maternity care workforce density is smaller than the United States as a whole.

Arizona’s midwife density does not meet the World Health Organization recommended minimum midwifery workforce size of 6 midwives per 1,000 births.
Midwife-attended Births in Arizona

Change in Midwife Attended Births Over Time

USA  Arizona

0.0%  0.0%
5.0%  5.0%
10.0% 10.0%
15.0% 15.0%
20.0% 20.0%
25.0% 25.0%
30.0% 30.0%

Births by Payer Source, 2022

Sources of Payment for Birth

Percent of Births Midwife-Attended by Payer, Arizona 2022

- Other
- Self-Pay
- Medicaid
- Private Insurance
Births by Race or Ethnic Category, 2022

Race & Ethnicity Distribution of Births, 2022

- More than One
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Hispanic
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black non-Hispanic
- White non-Hispanic

Midwife-Attended Births by Race / Ethnicity

- More than One
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Hispanic
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- White non-Hispanic
Births by Maternal Residence

Maternal Residence, 2022

Birth Attendants in Arizona

USA | Arizona | Arizona Midwives
---|---|---
Metro | non-Metro | Metro
Birth Attendants in Arizona

Metro | non-Metro
---|---
Physician | Midwife
Arizona Health Indicators, 2022

Increasing the midwifery workforce size could help Arizona:

• Meet the need for contraception
• Increase access to early prenatal care
• Increase access to breast cancer screening.
Arizona Midwifery Regulation Assets & Opportunities

**Asset:** Midwives practice independently (AS §08.68.850(1))

**Opportunity:** Midwives receive 85% the fee a physician receives for the same service (7 A.A.C. 145.100)

**Opportunity:** Certified Midwives are not eligible for licensure

**Asset:** Midwives prescribe independently (12 AAC 44.440)

**Asset:** Hospitals can appoint midwives to medical staff, allowing midwives to admit (7 AAC 12.110. Medical staff)