

Variation seen in distribution of characteristics of COVID-19 during pregnancy

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From July 2020 to June 2022, there were changes in the distributions of characteristics of mothers with COVID-19 by maternal age, race and Hispanic origin, education level, and source of payment, according to a June *Vital Statistics Rapid Release* report, a publication from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Michelle J.K. Osterman, from the National Center for Health Statistics in Hyattsville, Maryland, and colleagues describe changes in the distribution of characteristics of mothers with and without presumed or confirmed COVID-19 during pregnancy. Data were based on reports provided to the National Center for Health Statistics by 14 states and the District of Columbia for births occurring between July 2020 and June 2022.

The researchers found that during the study period, there were changes in the distributions of mothers reported to have COVID-19 by <u>maternal</u> <u>age</u> (for example, from 61.6 to 51.1 percent for mothers

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