

# Fact Sheet

## Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Core Performance Measure 11 The Percent of Mothers who Breastfed their Infants at Hospital Discharge (Risk Factor)

### Percent of Breastfeeding: U.S.-OH Comparison: 1992-2002

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
U.S.	54.2	55.9	57.4	59.7	59.2	62.4	64.3	67.2	68.4	69.5	70.1
OH	47.8	48.7	48.9	52.5	52.0	54.7	56.1	58.9	61.0	62.4	63.7
MCH BG Targets							52	53	53	61	65

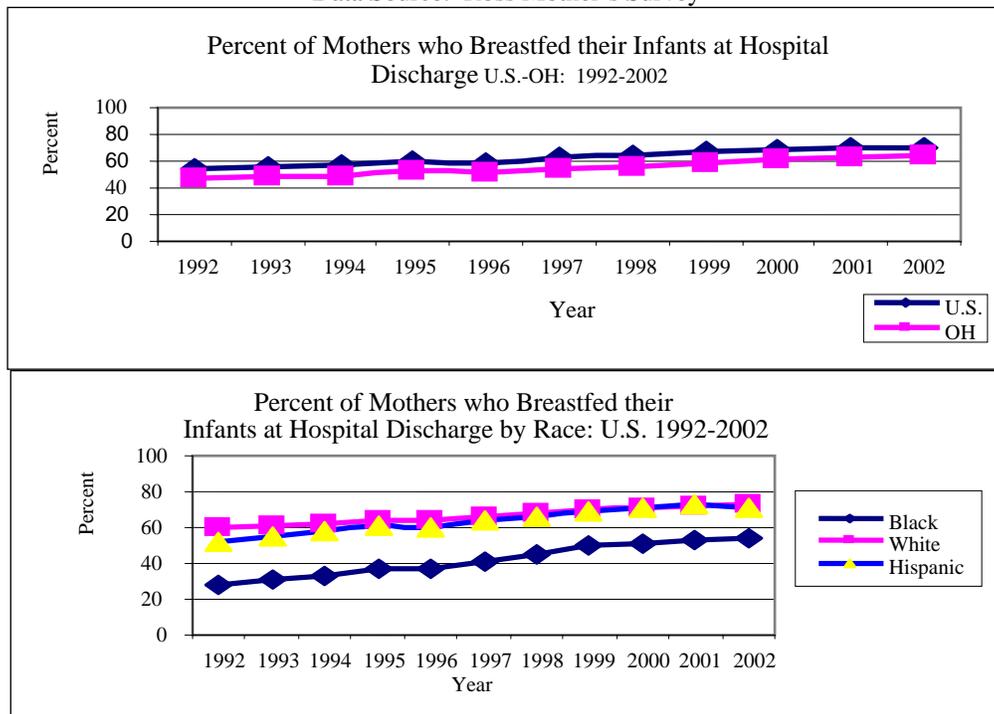
Data Source: Ross Mother's Survey

### Percent of Mothers who Breastfed their Infants by Race

#### U.S., 1992-2002

HP 2010 Target < 75%>											
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
White	60.0	61.1	62.3	64.3	63.8	66.5	67.9	70.2	71.5	72.2	73.4
Black	28.1	30.8	33.2	37.0	37.1	41.3	44.9	50.0	50.8	52.9	53.9
Hispanic	52.4	55.5	57.8	61.0	60.5	63.6	66.2	69.4	70.8	73.0	70.7

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#### Key Data Summary

- Trends for mothers who breastfed their infants have remained stable with the percentage of mothers in all racial groups showing an increase across the period 1992 to 2002.
- There is a disparity in the percentage of black mothers who breastfed their infants compared to white and Hispanic mothers but the gap is narrowing.
- In 2002 in the U.S., 73.4 percent of white mothers, 70.7 percent of Hispanic mothers, and 53.9 percent of black mothers breastfed their infants.
- Ohio Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) Data: 56.6 percent of mothers reported that they breastfed their babies in 1999. In 2000 and 2001, the figures were 63 percent and 62.4 percent respectively.

#### HP 2010 Goal

- 2010 Target is 75 percent; 1998 baseline is 64 percent.

#### U.S./Ohio Comparison: 2000 Data

- There is a slight difference in the percentage of Ohio mothers who breastfed their infants at hospital discharge compared to the U.S. From 1992 to 2002, a higher percentage of mothers in the nation breastfed their infants than Ohio mothers.

#### Literature Review

- Research shows that breast milk nourishes infants and helps protect them from illness.