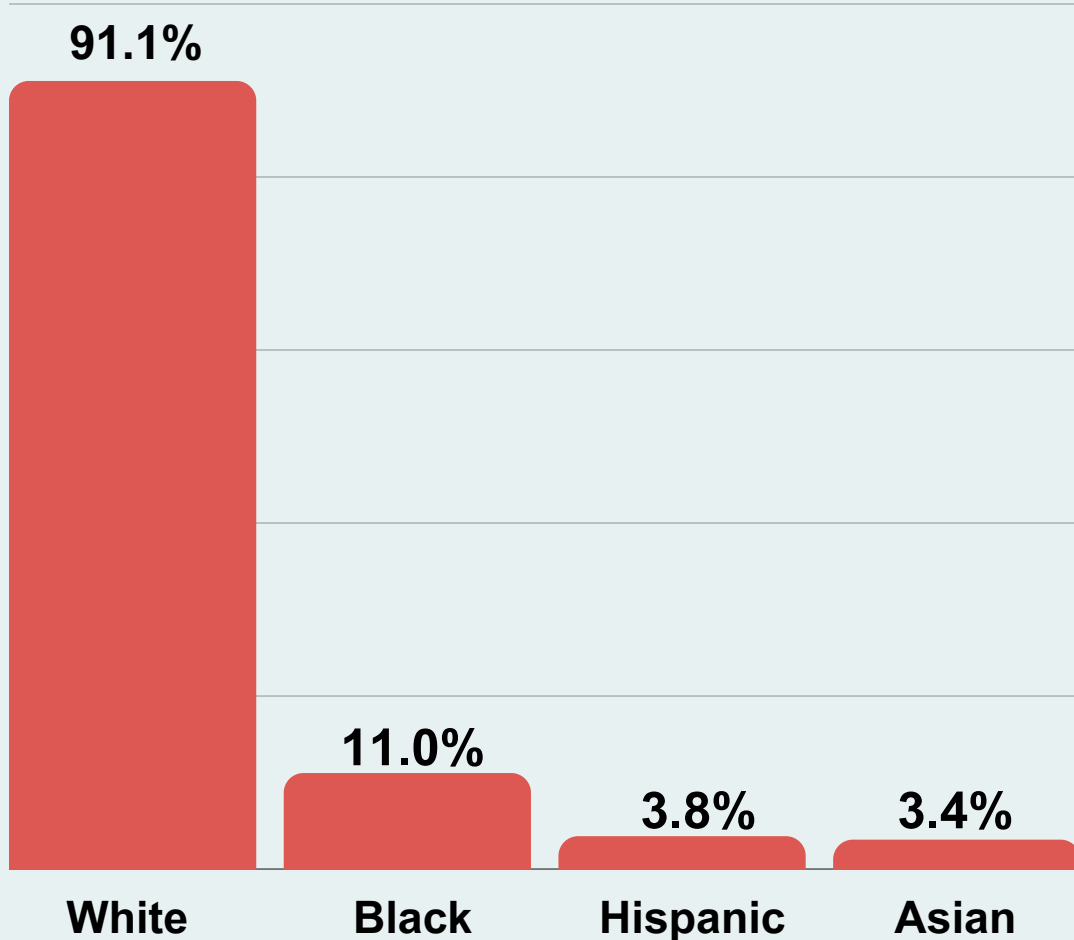


Percentages of Arkansas Mothers Who Delivered With Providers of the Same Race/Ethnicity



89% of Black mothers
96.2% of Hispanic mothers
96.6% of Asian mothers
DID NOT DELIVER WITH A PROVIDER OF THE SAME RACE/ETHNICITY

Race/ethnicity alignment is associated with improved provider-patient communications in primary care settings¹ and increased preventive healthcare utilization.²

Striving for cultural competency and team diversity is critical to adequately care for an evolving and diverse patient population.

Doulas (trained professionals who provide emotional and educational support) can help bridge gaps in maternal health disparities and improve the birth experience.³

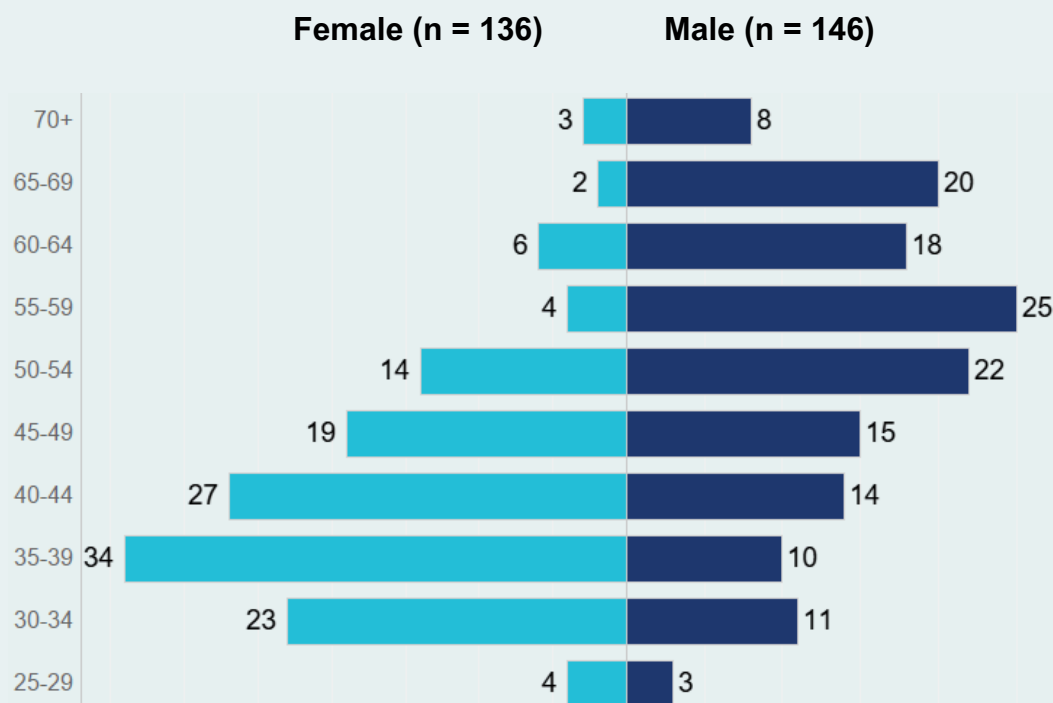
No Pacific Islander or American Indian/Alaska Native mothers delivered with providers of the same race/ethnicity.

Visit achi.net/library/racial-alignment-delivering-providers for references.

Note: For purposes of this analysis, “providers” includes physicians, certified midwives, and certified nurse midwives. In 2022, there were 32,439 deliveries attended by healthcare providers; for 30,624 of those deliveries, race/ethnicity information was available for both the mother and the delivering provider.

Data sources: Arkansas Department of Health birth records (mothers’ race and ethnicity) and Arkansas State Medical Board licensure files (providers’ race and ethnicity).

Providers Delivering in Arkansas by Age and Sex



Providers Delivering in Arkansas by Race and Ethnicity

