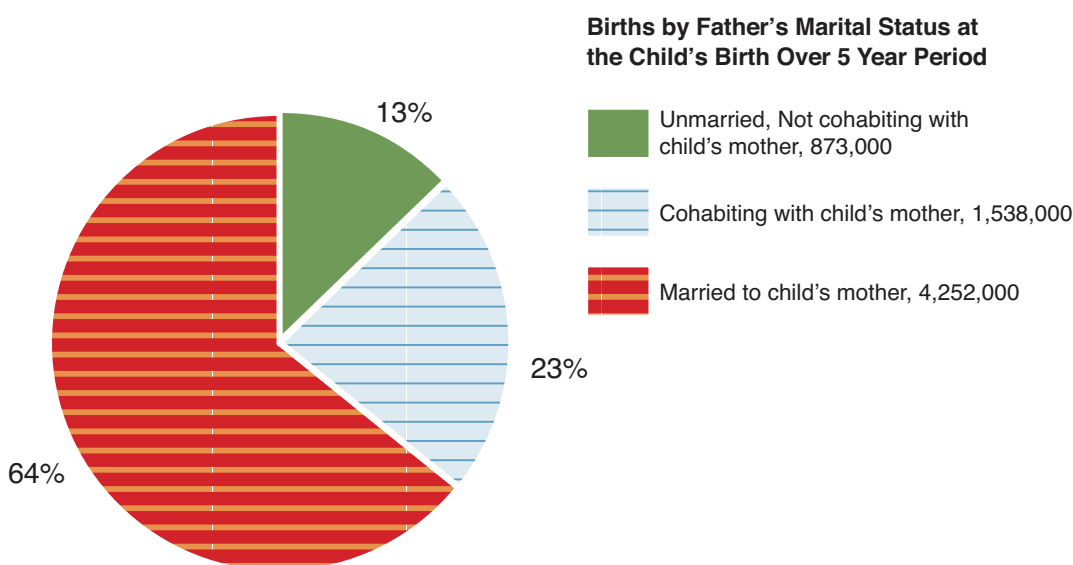


D-8. Distribution of Births that Result from an Unplanned Pregnancy by Father's Marital Status at the Child's Birth, 2002

- ▲ A majority of births that result from an unplanned pregnancy were fathered by men who were married to the child's mother. This finding is somewhat surprising, but is most likely due to the fact that men causing an unplanned pregnancy, who were not married to the child's mother, are less likely to be reflected in the data, either because they were unaware of the pregnancy (13.5% of men who were not cohabiting with the child's mother were not asked about pregnancy intention because they did not learn about the child until after the birth), or the pregnancy did not result in a birth (48% of unplanned pregnancies to unmarried women result in abortion, refer to C-2 for more information).
- ▲ One-quarter of all unplanned births that resulted from an unplanned pregnancy were fathered by men who were cohabiting with the child's mother.



Distribution of Births that Result from an Unplanned Pregnancy by Father's Marital Status at the Child's Birth, 2002					
	Total ¹⁶	Married to the Child's Mother	Unmarried		
			Not Cohabiting with the Child's Mother	Cohabiting with the Child's Mother	Total
Number (in the last 5 years)	6,667,000	4,252,000	873,000	1,538,000	2,412,000
Percent	100%	64%	13%	23%	36%

Source: Author's tabulations based on findings reported in Martinez GM, Chandra A, Abma JC, Jones J, Mosher WD. Fertility, contraception, and fatherhood: Data on men and women from Cycle 6 (2002) of the National Survey of Family Growth. National Center for Health Statistics. Vital Health Stat 23(26). 2006

16. Note that, due to rounding, numbers may not sum to total.