

Table 1 Demographic characteristics of women who had normal weight (NBW) babies and those who had babies with low birth weight (LBW)

Variable	NBW (<i>n</i> = 190)	LBW (<i>n</i> = 35)	<i>P</i> -value
	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	
Maternal age ^a (years)	26 (4.5)	24 (4.8)	0.10
Stress scoring ^a	47 (4.1)	46 (9.1)	0.96
Number of prenatal care visits ^a	10.8 (2.9)	10.1 (3.0)	0.22
Weight gain during pregnancy (kg) ^a	12.7 (5.7)	11.8 (4.2)	0.35
Gestational age (weeks) ^a	39.1 (1.1)	38.1 (1.6)	0.1
	%	%	
Maternal education^b			0.18
No education	6	6	
Primary school	34	18	
High school	23	30	
Above high school	37	46	
Maternal job^b			0.26
Working in the home	97	95	
Employed outside the home	3	5	
Birth order ^b (first born)	54	65	0.26
Infant sex ^b (male)	57	43	0.20
Planned pregnancy ^b (yes)	72	68	0.66

^aStudent *t*-test.

^b χ^2 test.

SD = standard deviation.