

Pediatric Respiratory Rates	
Age	Rate (breaths per minute)
Infant (birth–1 year)	30–60
Toddler (1–3 years)	24–40
Preschooler (3–6 years)	22–34
School-age (6–12 years)	18–30
Adolescent (12–18 years)	12–16

Pediatric Pulse Rates		
Age	Low	High
Infant (birth–1 year)	100	160
Toddler (1–3 years)	90	150
Preschooler (3–6 years)	80	140
School-age (6–12 years)	70	120
Adolescent (12–18 years)	60	100

*Pulse rates for a child who is sleeping may be 10 percent lower than the low rate listed.*

Low-Normal Pediatric Systolic Blood Pressure	
Age*	Low Normal
Infant (birth–1 year)	greater than 60*
Toddler (1–3 years)	greater than 70*
Preschooler (3–6 years)	greater than 75
School-age (6–12 years)	greater than 80
Adolescent (12–18 years)	greater than 90

*\*Note: In infants and children aged three years or younger, the presence of a strong central pulse should be substituted for a blood pressure reading.*