### Birth Weight Classification

**Premature infants may be classified by weight independent of gestational age:**
- Low birth weight (LBW)  < 2,500 g (<5 lb 8 oz)
- Very low birth weight (VLBW)  < 1,500 g (<3 lb 5 oz)
- Extremely low birth weight (ELBW)  < 1,000 g (<2 lb 3 oz)

**Infants may also be classified by weight for a specific gestational age:**
- Small for gestational age (SGA)  Weight < 10th percentile
- Appropriate for gestational age (AGA)  Weight 10-90th percentile
- Large for gestational age (LGA)  Weight > 90th percentile

March of Dimes. Medical resources.  
http://www.who.int/whosis/indicators/compendium/2008/2bwVerVindex.html.