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The purpose of this descriptive research was to investigate the relationship between selected factors, social support and maternal newborn attachment in adolescent mothers. One hundred postpartal adolescent mothers who attended prenatal clinics and who had vaginal delivered from April to July 1997 at Police General Hospital were selected by the purposive sampling method. The data collection instruments included the Demographic Data Questionnaire, Support Behavior Inventory, Maternal Attachment Inventory and Mother-Infant Screening Tool. Percentage, Range, Arithmetic mean, Standard Deviation, Pearson product moment correlation coefficient and Stepwise multiple-regession were used to analyze the data. The finding indicate that the subjects had a high score of social support and maternal newborn attachment(p<.05). Social support is statistically positive correlation to maternal newborn attachment. When selected factors and social support are entered into the regression model, social support is the only significant predictors which accounte for variance of 8.58 percent. Selected factors are not statistically relate and can not predict maternal newborn attachment. (p>.05)