

Table 107. Fetal and Infant Deaths: 1990 to 2003

[See Appendix III]

Year	Fetal deaths			Infant deaths		Fetal mortality rate ³			Perinatal mortality rate	
	Total ¹	20 to 27 weeks ²	28 weeks or more ²	Less than 7 days	Less than 28 days	Total ¹	20 to 27 weeks ²	28 weeks or more ²	Definition I ⁴	Definition II ⁵
1990 . . .	31,386	13,427	17,959	19,439	23,591	7.49	3.22	4.30	8.95	13.12
1995 . . .	27,294	13,043	14,251	15,483	19,186	6.95	3.33	3.64	7.60	11.84
1996 . . .	27,069	12,990	14,079	14,947	18,556	6.91	3.33	3.60	7.43	11.64
1997 . . .	26,486	12,800	13,686	14,827	18,507	6.78	3.29	3.51	7.32	11.51
1998 . . .	26,702	13,229	13,473	15,061	18,915	6.73	3.35	3.41	7.21	11.50
1999 . . .	26,884	13,457	13,427	14,874	18,700	6.74	3.39	3.38	7.12	11.44
2000 . . .	27,003	13,497	13,506	14,893	18,733	6.61	3.31	3.32	6.97	11.19
2001 . . .	26,373	13,122	13,251	14,622	18,275	6.51	3.25	3.28	6.90	11.02
2002 . . .	25,943	13,072	12,871	15,020	18,791	6.41	3.24	3.19	6.91	11.05
2003 . . .	25,653	13,168	12,485	15,152	18,935	6.23	3.21	3.04	6.74	10.83

¹ Fetal deaths with stated or presumed gestation of 20 weeks or more. ² Not stated gestational age proportionally distributed. ³ Rate is number of fetal deaths in specified group per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths. ⁴ Infant deaths of less than 7 days and fetal deaths with stated or presumed period of gestation of 28 weeks or more, per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths. ⁵ Infant deaths of less than 28 days and fetal deaths with stated or presumed period of gestation of 20 weeks or more per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths.

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