

Table 108. Infant, Neonatal, and Maternal Mortality Rates by Race: 1980 to 2004

[Deaths per 1,000 live births, except as noted. Excludes deaths of nonresidents of U.S. Infant and maternal deaths are based on race of the decedent. Fetal deaths and live births are based on race of mother. See also Appendix III]

Race and year	Infant mortality ¹	Neonatal mortality ¹		Post-neonatal mortality ¹	Fetal mortality rate ²	Late fetal mortality rate ³	Perinatal mortality rate ⁴	Maternal mortality rate ⁵
		Under 28 days	Under 7 days					
ALL RACES								
1980	12.6	8.5	7.1	4.1	9.1	6.2	13.2	9.2
1990	9.2	5.8	4.8	3.4	7.5	4.3	9.1	8.2
1995	7.6	4.9	4.0	2.7	7.0	3.6	7.6	7.1
2000	6.9	4.6	3.7	2.3	6.6	3.3	7.0	9.8
2001	6.8	4.5	3.6	2.3	6.5	3.3	6.9	9.9
2002	7.0	4.7	3.7	2.3	6.4	3.2	6.9	8.9
2003	6.9	4.6	3.7	2.2	6.2	3.0	6.7	⁶ 12.1
2004	6.8	4.5	3.6	2.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	⁶ 13.1
WHITE								
1980	10.9	7.4	6.1	3.5	8.1	5.7	11.8	6.7
1990	7.6	4.8	3.9	2.8	6.4	3.8	7.7	5.4
1995	6.3	4.1	3.3	2.2	5.9	3.3	6.5	4.2
2000	5.7	3.8	3.0	1.9	5.6	2.9	5.9	7.5
2001	5.7	3.8	3.0	1.9	5.5	2.9	5.9	7.2
2002	5.8	3.9	3.1	1.9	5.5	2.8	5.9	6.0
2003	5.7	3.9	3.1	1.8	5.2	2.7	5.8	⁶ 8.7
2004	5.7	3.8	3.0	1.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	⁶ 9.3
BLACK								
1980	22.2	14.6	12.3	7.6	14.7	9.1	21.3	21.5
1990	18.0	11.6	9.7	6.4	13.3	6.7	16.4	22.4
1995	15.1	9.8	8.2	5.3	12.7	5.7	13.8	22.1
2000	14.1	9.4	7.6	4.7	12.4	5.4	13.0	22.0
2001	14.0	9.2	7.6	4.8	12.1	5.3	12.8	24.7
2002	14.4	9.5	7.8	4.8	11.9	5.2	12.8	24.9
2003	14.0	9.4	7.5	4.6	12.0	5.1	12.4	⁶ 30.5
2004	13.8	9.1	7.3	4.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	⁶ 34.7

NA Not available. ¹ Infant (under 1 year of age), neonatal (under 28 days), early neonatal (under 7 days), and postneonatal (28 days-11 months). ² Number of fetal deaths of 20 weeks or more gestation per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths. ³ Number of fetal deaths of 28 weeks or more gestation (late fetal deaths) per 1,000 live births plus late fetal deaths. ⁴ Number of late fetal deaths plus infant deaths within 7 days of birth per 1,000 live births plus late fetal deaths. ⁵ Per 100,000 live births from deliveries and complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium. Beginning 2000, deaths are classified according to the tenth revision of the *International Classification of Diseases*; earlier years classified according to the revision in use at the time; see text, this section. ⁶ Increase partially reflects the use of a separate item on the death certificate on pregnancy status by an increasing number of states.

Source: U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, *Health, United States 2006; National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 55, No. 19, August 21, 2007; and unpublished data.