

**Table 2. Infant mortality rates, live births, and infant deaths by selected characteristics and specified race of mother: United States, 2000 linked file**

Characteristics	All races	Race of mother			
		White	Black	American Indian <sup>1</sup>	Asian/Pacific Islander
Infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births in specified group					
Total .....	6.9	5.7	13.5	8.3	4.9
Age at death:					
Total neonatal .....	4.6	3.8	9.1	4.4	3.4
Early neonatal (< 7 days) .....	3.7	3.0	7.4	3.4	2.8
Late neonatal (7-27 days) .....	0.9	0.8	1.8	1.0	0.7
Postneonatal .....	2.3	1.9	4.3	3.9	1.4
Sex:					
Male .....	7.5	6.2	14.8	9.9	5.3
Female .....	6.2	5.1	12.1	6.7	4.4
Plurality:					
Single births .....	6.1	5.0	12.1	7.9	4.4
Plural births .....	31.1	26.7	52.7	27.2	26.2
Birthweight:					
Less than 2,500 grams .....	59.4	54.1	75.8	62.7	44.4
Less than 1,500 grams .....	244.3	232.7	266.9	265.7	234.4
1,500-2,499 grams .....	15.8	16.0	15.8	19.7	12.3
2,500 grams or more .....	2.5	2.2	3.9	4.3	1.6
Period of gestation:					
Less than 32 weeks .....	180.9	170.2	203.7	163.4	170.5
32-36 weeks .....	9.4	8.9	11.2	11.6	8.5
37-41 weeks .....	2.6	2.4	4.1	4.1	1.7
42 weeks or more .....	2.9	2.5	4.8	5.8	2.2
Trimester of pregnancy prenatal care began:					
First trimester .....	6.1	5.1	12.2	7.4	4.4
After first trimester or no care .....	8.8	7.2	14.3	9.1	5.6
Second trimester .....	7.2	6.2	11.0	7.5	4.6
Third trimester .....	6.1	5.4	8.3	7.9	3.8
No prenatal care .....	33.8	25.7	50.0	29.9	32.7
Age of mother:					
Under 20 years .....	9.9	8.5	13.8	9.1	10.4
20-24 years .....	7.6	6.2	13.1	7.0	5.4
25-29 years .....	6.1	5.1	13.1	9.1	4.1
30-34 years .....	5.6	4.7	13.8	9.7	4.4
35-39 years .....	6.4	5.4	14.5	7.0	4.8
40-54 years .....	7.9	7.0	15.1	*	7.4
Educational attainment of mother:					
0-8 years .....	6.8	6.3	13.4	*	6.5
9-11 years .....	9.5	8.0	14.6	9.9	6.9
12 years .....	7.5	6.1	13.2	7.5	5.4
13-15 years .....	5.9	4.8	11.7	8.1	4.5
16 years and over .....	4.3	3.8	10.6	*	3.7
Live-birth order:					
1 .....	6.8	5.8	13.3	7.6	4.5
2 .....	6.0	5.1	11.9	7.2	4.6
3 .....	6.9	5.6	13.2	7.9	5.0
4 .....	8.4	6.6	15.2	9.6	6.4
5 or more .....	10.8	8.3	17.8	12.8	10.5
Marital status:					
Married .....	5.4	4.9	11.5	6.3	4.5
Unmarried .....	9.9	7.8	14.4	9.8	7.2
Mother's place of birth:					
Born in the 50 States and D.C. ....	7.2	5.8	13.5	8.4	6.4
Born elsewhere .....	5.1	4.8	9.6	*	4.5
Maternal smoking during pregnancy: <sup>2</sup>					
Smoker .....	10.7	9.4	19.8	12.2	8.6
Nonsmoker .....	6.5	5.2	12.7	6.8	4.8

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Characteristics	All races	Race of mother				
		White	Black	American Indian <sup>1</sup>	Asian/ Pacific Islander	
			Live births			
Total .....	4,058,882	3,194,049	622,621	41,668	200,544	
Sex: .....						
Male .....	2,076,998	1,636,101	316,123	21,193	103,581	
Female .....	1,981,884	1,557,948	306,498	20,475	96,963	
Plurality: .....						
Single births .....	3,932,630	3,094,255	601,471	40,750	196,154	
Plural births .....	126,252	99,794	21,150	918	4,390	
Birthweight: .....						
Less than 2,500 grams .....	308,074	209,477	81,116	2,825	14,656	
Less than 1,500 grams .....	58,810	36,828	19,369	493	2,120	
1,500-2,499 grams .....	249,264	172,649	61,747	2,332	12,536	
2,500 grams or more .....	3,748,046	2,982,366	541,244	38,813	185,623	
Not stated .....	2,762	2,206	261	30	265	
Period of gestation: .....						
Less than 32 weeks .....	77,558	49,050	24,991	808	2,709	
32-36 weeks .....	389,686	286,787	81,704	4,403	16,792	
37-41 weeks .....	3,256,070	2,591,605	466,915	32,297	165,253	
42 weeks or more .....	292,209	232,591	44,121	3,630	11,867	
Not stated .....	43,359	34,016	4,890	530	3,923	
Trimester of pregnancy prenatal care began: .....						
First trimester .....	3,284,281	2,649,248	444,515	27,961	162,557	
After first trimester or no care .....	665,447	468,195	154,014	12,368	30,870	
Second trimester .....	512,735	365,191	114,193	8,914	24,437	
Third trimester .....	108,073	74,936	25,275	2,652	5,210	
No prenatal care .....	44,639	28,068	14,546	802	1,223	
Not stated .....	109,154	76,606	24,092	1,339	7,117	
Age of mother: .....						
Under 20 years .....	477,520	337,462	122,763	8,215	9,080	
20-24 years .....	1,017,815	772,818	202,598	13,633	28,766	
25-29 years .....	1,087,563	874,190	141,974	10,053	61,346	
30-34 years .....	929,299	764,721	94,815	6,097	63,666	
35-39 years .....	452,064	368,714	49,299	2,983	31,068	
40-54 years .....	94,621	76,144	11,172	687	6,618	
Educational attainment of mother: .....						
0-8 years .....	234,099	208,604	15,560	1,790	8,145	
9-11 years .....	631,992	466,162	140,204	11,124	14,502	
12 years .....	1,273,074	965,245	243,337	16,234	48,258	
13-15 years .....	872,288	681,775	140,829	8,534	41,150	
16 years and over .....	986,525	828,252	71,404	3,177	83,692	
Not stated .....	60,904	44,011	11,287	809	4,797	
Live-birth order: .....						
1 .....	1,622,429	1,282,509	232,361	14,551	93,008	
2 .....	1,312,692	1,048,898	184,065	11,660	68,069	
3 .....	676,606	533,632	110,864	7,370	24,740	
4 .....	259,976	197,007	51,002	3,949	8,018	
5 or more .....	169,589	117,785	42,022	3,979	5,803	
Not stated .....	17,590	14,218	2,307	159	906	
Marital status: .....						
Married .....	2,711,813	2,327,678	195,962	17,315	170,858	
Unmarried .....	1,347,069	866,371	426,659	24,353	29,686	
Mother's place of birth: .....						
Born in the 50 States and D.C. ....	3,180,551	2,563,153	545,286	39,421	32,691	
Born elsewhere .....	866,215	623,419	74,038	2,126	166,632	
Not stated .....	12,116	7,477	3,297	121	1,221	
Maternal smoking during pregnancy: <sup>2</sup> .....						
Smoker .....	425,107	360,981	52,852	7,553	3,721	
Nonsmoker .....	3,063,543	2,372,979	529,582	30,187	130,795	
Not stated .....	38,261	30,443	5,137	896	1,785	

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		Infant deaths			
Total .....	27,960	18,246	8,391	346	977
Age at death: .....					
Total neonatal .....	18,733	12,179	5,684	183	688
Early neonatal (< 7 days) .....	14,893	9,614	4,582	143	553
Late neonatal (7-27 days) .....	3,841	2,565	1,102	40	135
Postneonatal .....	9,227	6,067	2,707	164	289
Sex: .....					
Male .....	15,664	10,223	4,683	210	548
Female .....	12,297	8,023	3,708	137	429
Plurality: .....					
Single births .....	24,037	15,578	7,276	321	862
Plural births .....	3,924	2,668	1,115	25	115
Birthweight: .....					
Less than 2,500 grams .....	18,299	11,326	6,145	177	651
Less than 1,500 grams .....	14,366	8,569	5,169	131	497
1,500-2,499 grams .....	3,933	2,757	976	46	154
2,500 grams or more .....	9,259	6,672	2,116	166	305
Not stated .....	403	248	129	4	21
Period of gestation: .....					
Less than 32 weeks .....	14,033	8,348	5,091	132	462
32-36 weeks .....	3,663	2,557	913	51	142
37-41 weeks .....	8,418	6,092	1,909	131	285
42 weeks or more .....	851	592	212	21	26
Not stated .....	995	657	266	11	61
Trimester of pregnancy prenatal care: .....					
First trimester .....	19,966	13,618	5,418	207	723
After first trimester or no care .....	5,858	3,374	2,200	112	172
Second trimester .....	3,687	2,247	1,261	67	112
Third trimester .....	660	407	211	21	20
No prenatal care .....	1,511	720	727	24	40
Not stated .....	2,136	1,254	773	27	82
Age of mother: .....					
Under 20 years .....	4,744	2,883	1,692	75	94
20-24 years .....	7,724	4,825	2,648	96	155
25-29 years .....	6,631	4,429	1,858	91	252
30-34 years .....	5,238	3,589	1,311	59	280
35-39 years .....	2,872	1,990	713	21	148
40-54 years .....	751	530	169	4	49
Educational attainment of mother: .....					
0-8 years .....	1,583	1,305	208	16	53
9-11 years .....	5,977	3,721	2,045	110	100
12 years .....	9,511	5,928	3,201	121	261
13-15 years .....	5,172	3,270	1,648	69	185
16 years and over .....	4,224	3,146	759	11	308
Not stated .....	1,495	876	530	19	70
Live-birth order: .....					
1 .....	11,034	7,404	3,098	111	420
2 .....	7,912	5,317	2,198	84	313
3 .....	4,656	3,008	1,466	58	123
4 .....	2,172	1,308	776	38	51
5 or more .....	1,834	973	750	51	61
Not stated .....	353	236	102	5	9
Marital status: .....					
Married .....	14,643	11,518	2,253	109	764
Unmarried .....	13,318	6,728	6,138	238	214

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Infant deaths					
Mother's place of birth:					
Born in the 50 States and D.C. ....	22,795	14,870	7,385	331	209
Born elsewhere .....	4,446	2,974	713	10	749
Not stated .....	720	402	293	5	19
Maternal smoking during pregnancy: <sup>2</sup>					
Smoker .....	4,556	3,384	1,048	92	32
Nonsmoker .....	19,793	12,222	6,746	204	622
Not stated .....	729	483	190	29	27

\* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision; based on fewer than 20 deaths in the numerator.

<sup>1</sup> Includes Aleuts and Eskimos.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes data for California, which do not report tobacco use on the birth certificate.

NOTE: Infant deaths are weighted so numbers may not exactly add to totals due to rounding. Not stated responses were included in totals but not distributed among groups for rate computations.