

Table 112. Infant, Neonatal, and Maternal Mortality Rates by Race: 1980 to 2005

[Deaths per 1,000 live births, except as noted. Data based on death certificates, fetal death records, and birth certificates. Excludes deaths of nonresidents of U.S. 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 | 6.2 | 3.1 | 6.7 | ⁶ 13.1 |
| 2005 | 6.9 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 2.3 | 6.2 | 3.0 | 6.6 | ⁶ 15.1 |
| WHITE⁷ | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 5.3 | (NA) | (NA) | ⁶ 9.3 |
| 2005 | 5.7 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 5.3 | (NA) | (NA) | ⁶ 11.1 |
| BLACK⁷ | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 11.5 | (NA) | (NA) | ⁶ 34.7 |
| 2005 | 13.7 | 9.1 | 7.3 | 4.7 | 11.4 | (NA) | (NA) | ⁶ 36.5 |

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. ⁷ Infant deaths are tabulated by race of decedent; fetal deaths and live births are tabulated by race of mother.