Infant Mortality Rates by Selected Characteristics
Mississippi Residents, 2017

Geographic Area: Mississippi

Characteristic	Infant Mortality Rate			Characteristic	Infant Mortality Rate		
	Total	White	Black		Total	White	Black
Overall Infant Mortality				**Marital Status**			
Infant Mortality	8.7	6.2	11.9	Married	6.3	5.5	10.1
Neonatal Mortality	5.7	3.8	8.3	Unmarried	10.8	7.7	12.3
Postneonatal Mortality	3.0	2.4	3.6				
				Prenatal Care			
Sex				No care	42.1	23.2	56.7
Male	10.5	7.7	14.1	1st trimester	7.6	4.9	11.6
Female	6.8	4.7	9.6	2nd trimester	9.4	10.0	8.7
				3rd trimester	9.5	15.7	5.4
Plurality							
Single Births	7.9	5.8	10.7	**Kotelchuck Index**			
Plural Births	30.6	21.1	39.4	Inadequate	12.9	12.8	12.9
				Intermediate	7.0	7.3	5.1
Birthweight				Adequate	3.9	2.3	6.1
Less than 2,500 grams	50.5	44.7	54.5	Adequate plus	10.9	7.8	15.2
Less than 1,500 grams	212.8	201.8	217.8				
1,500-2,499 grams	14.3	20.0	10.3	**Method of Delivery**			
2,500 grams or more	3.2	2.7	3.6	Vaginal	7.7	5.0	11.6
				C-section	10.3	8.3	12.3
Gestational Age (Clinical)							
Less than 37 weeks	45.8	35.2	55.7	**Mother's Education**			
Less than 32 weeks	200.7	183.5	209.0	Less than high school	10.8	8.4	12.8
32-36 weeks	13.4	15.1	12.3	High school	9.7	6.9	12.1
37-38 weeks	4.4	3.4	5.0	1-3 years of college	8.7	5.8	12.0
39 weeks or more	2.1	2.0	2.2	4 or more years of college	4.7	4.7	5.6
Mother's Age				**Cigarette Use During Pregnancy**			
Less than 20 years	12.3	4.9	16.8	None	8.2	5.5	11.2
Less than 18 years	13.2	6.6	15.8	Before pregnancy only	5.2	0.0	18.3
18-19 years	12.0	4.4	17.3	Quit during pregnancy	15.1	13.9	17.9
20-24 years	9.4	6.0	12.9	Smoked throughout preg.	14.3	12.4	20.9
25-29 years	8.8	6.5	12.0				
30-34 years	7.4	6.3	9.8				
35 years or more	6.2	6.9	5.1				
Number of Previous Live Births							
0	9.2	5.1	14.9				
1	6.4	5.1	8.6				
2	8.7	7.0	10.6				
3	10.9	9.9	10.3				
4	16.0	11.6	18.2				
5 or more	18.0	25.7	11.5				

Note: Total includes races other than white and black.

Rates based on less than 20 events are considered unstable and are printed in red.

Infant mortality rate = infant deaths per 1,000 live births