Infant Mortality Rates by Selected Characteristics
Mississippi Residents, 2019

Geographic Area: Mississippi

Characteristic	Infant Mortality Rate			Characteristic	Infant Mortality Rate		
	Total	White	Black		Total	White	Black
Overall Infant Mortality				**Marital Status**			
Infant Mortality	8.8	6.4	11.8	Married	5.6	5.0	8.5
Neonatal Mortality	5.2	3.8	6.9	Unmarried	11.2	8.7	12.6
Postneonatal Mortality	3.6	2.7	4.9				
				Prenatal Care			
Sex				No care	46.5	28.6	59.8
Male	10.0	8.7	11.7	1st trimester	8.0	5.5	11.9
Female	7.5	4.1	12.0	2nd trimester	8.8	8.3	8.8
				3rd trimester	5.6	6.6	5.1
Plurality							
Single Births	7.9	5.5	11.0	**Kotelchuck Index**			
Plural Births	28.9	30.4	28.8	Inadequate	10.8	10.3	11.5
				Intermediate	12.0	8.2	15.5
Birthweight				Adequate	4.9	3.5	6.9
Less than 2,500 grams	46.9	39.3	52.2	Adequate plus	10.0	7.3	13.8
Less than 1,500 grams	180.6	171.9	185.5				
1,500-2,499 grams	16.6	12.7	19.2	**Method of Delivery**			
2,500 grams or more	3.3	3.2	3.4	Vaginal	7.5	4.7	11.4
				C-section	10.5	8.9	12.5
Gestational Age (Clinical)							
Less than 37 weeks	40.3	29.3	50.0	**Mother's Education**			
Less than 32 weeks	165.9	150.2	176.4	Less than high school	13.6	11.3	17.5
32-36 weeks	14.2	10.0	17.9	High school	10.2	6.6	12.9
37-38 weeks	4.2	4.8	3.3	1-3 years of college	7.1	5.4	8.9
39 weeks or more	2.7	2.1	3.6	4 or more years of college	5.9	4.7	9.6
Mother's Age				**Cigarette Use During Pregnancy**			
Less than 20 years	13.1	10.6	14.6	None	7.9	5.4	11.0
Less than 18 years	15.4	16.1	15.9	Before pregnancy only	21.1	17.1	33.3
18-19 years	12.2	8.8	14.1	Quit during pregnancy	9.2	3.5	21.3
20-24 years	8.2	6.9	9.3	Smoked throughout preg.	15.9	12.8	24.3
25-29 years	8.5	5.4	12.8				
30-34 years	7.7	4.4	14.6				
35 years or more	9.3	8.5	9.4				
Number of Previous Live Births							
0	9.4	7.1	12.6				
1	7.1	4.7	10.7				
2	8.2	5.8	10.8				
3	9.2	8.5	10.4				
4	12.9	13.2	12.0				
5 or more	15.4	3.3	23.8				

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