

Data Brief 489. Perinatal Mortality in the United States, 2020–2021

Data table for Figure 1. Perinatal, late fetal, and early neonatal mortality rates: United States, 2020–2021

Specified group	Mortality rate (per 1,000)	
	2020	2021
Perinatal . . . . .	5.64	5.54
Late fetal . . . . .	2.78	2.80
Early neonatal . . . . .	2.86	2.75

NOTES: Perinatal mortality rate is the number of fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more and infant deaths younger than age 7 days per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more. Late fetal mortality rate is the number of fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more. Early neonatal mortality rate is the number of infant deaths younger than age 7 days per 1,000 live births.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, natality data file.



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**Data table for Figure 2. Perinatal mortality rate, by age of mother:  
United States, 2020–2021**

Age	Perinatal mortality rate (per 1,000)	
	2020	2021
Younger than 20 . . . . .	7.17	6.97
20–24. . . . .	5.97	5.95
25–29. . . . .	5.39	5.31
30–34. . . . .	5.08	4.98
35–39. . . . .	5.77	5.67
40 and older. . . . .	8.06	7.81

NOTE: Perinatal mortality rate is the number of fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more and infant deaths younger than age 7 days per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths at 28 completed weeks of gestation or more in a specified age group.

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Data table for Figure 3. Perinatal mortality rate, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2020–2021

Race and Hispanic origin	Perinatal mortality rate (per 1,000)	
	2020	2021
Black, non-Hispanic. . . . .	9.94	9.45
White, non-Hispanic . . . . .	4.67	4.67
Hispanic. . . . .	5.06	4.92

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Data table for Figure 4. Perinatal mortality rate, by state: 2021

Area	Perinatal mortality rate (per 1,000)		Change from 2020 to 2021
	2020	2021	
Alabama	7.22	7.48	†
Alaska	4.53	6.81	†
Arizona	5.56	6.19	†
Arkansas	7.63	8.28	†
California	4.91	4.88	†
Colorado	4.88	5.18	†
Connecticut	4.06	4.00	†
Delaware	6.33	4.57	†
District of Columbia	5.73	7.82	†
Florida	6.15	6.47	†
Georgia	6.68	6.34	†
Hawaii	5.18	5.17	†
Idaho	5.19	5.07	†
Illinois	5.72	5.43	†
Indiana	6.06	5.50	†
Iowa	4.75	4.44	†
Kansas	6.15	5.94	†
Kentucky	6.54	6.20	†
Louisiana	6.23	5.63	†
Maine	6.74	5.48	†
Maryland	6.43	6.16	†
Massachusetts	4.66	4.06	†
Michigan	6.34	6.04	†
Minnesota	4.94	5.12	†
Mississippi	8.61	8.55	†
Missouri	6.19	5.83	†
Montana	4.44	4.18	†
Nebraska	4.76	4.75	†
Nevada	6.16	6.42	†
New Hampshire	5.33	6.31	†
New Jersey	5.16	4.27	-17
New Mexico	4.38	4.15	†
New York	4.96	4.77	†
North Carolina	6.59	6.15	†
North Dakota	6.64	4.24	†
Ohio	6.48	6.72	†
Oklahoma	5.99	6.37	†
Oregon	5.21	5.09	†
Pennsylvania	5.71	6.20	†
Rhode Island	5.82	5.05	†
South Carolina	6.98	7.04	†
South Dakota	6.73	5.09	†
Tennessee	6.03	5.72	†
Texas	4.92	4.74	†
Utah	5.67	5.38	†
Vermont	4.47	4.63	†
Virginia	4.96	5.54	†
Washington	4.54	4.33	†
West Virginia	6.28	6.72	†
Wisconsin	6.42	5.52	-14
Wyoming	5.05	6.07	†

† Change not significant at  $p = 0.05$ .

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