

Table 20. Infant mortality rates and international rankings: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) countries, selected years 1960-2007

(Data are based on reporting by OECD countries)

Country ²	Infant ³ deaths per 1,000 live births							International rankings ¹	
	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2005	2007	1960	2007
Australia.....	20.2	17.9	10.7	8.2	5.2	5.0	4.2	6	21
Austria.....	37.5	25.9	14.3	7.8	4.8	4.2	3.7	20	13
Belgium.....	31.4	21.1	12.1	8.0	4.8	3.7	3.9	18	15
Canada.....	27.3	18.8	10.4	6.8	5.3	5.4	5.1	13	24
Chile.....	120.3	79.3	33.0	16.0	8.9	7.9	8.3	28	29
Czech Republic.....	20.0	20.2	16.9	10.8	4.1	3.4	3.1	5	5
Denmark.....	21.5	14.2	8.4	7.5	5.3	4.4	4.0	9	19
Finland.....	21.0	13.2	7.6	5.6	3.8	3.0	2.7	7	4
France.....	27.7	18.2	10.0	7.3	4.5	3.8	3.8	14	14
Germany.....	35.0	22.5	12.4	7.0	4.4	3.9	3.9	19	15
Greece.....	40.1	29.6	17.9	9.7	5.9	3.8	3.5	21	9
Hungary.....	47.6	35.9	23.2	14.8	9.2	6.2	5.9	24	25
Iceland.....	13.0	13.2	7.7	5.9	3.0	2.3	2.0	1	1
Ireland.....	29.3	19.5	11.1	8.2	6.2	4.0	3.1	16	5
Israel.....	---	---	15.6	9.9	5.5	4.4	3.9	---	15
Italy.....	43.9	29.6	14.6	8.1	4.3	3.8	3.5	23	9
Japan.....	30.7	13.1	7.5	4.6	3.2	2.8	2.6	17	3
Mexico.....	92.3	80.9	52.6	39.2	19.4	16.8	15.7	27	30
Netherlands.....	16.5	12.7	8.6	7.1	5.1	4.9	4.1	3	20
New Zealand.....	22.6	16.7	13.0	8.4	6.3	5.0	4.8	11	22
Norway.....	16.0	11.3	8.1	6.9	3.8	3.1	3.1	2	5
Poland.....	54.8	36.7	25.5	19.3	8.1	6.4	6.0	25	26
Portugal.....	77.5	55.5	24.3	10.9	5.5	3.5	3.4	26	8
Republic of Korea.....	---	45.0	---	---	---	4.7	3.6	---	12
Slovak Republic.....	28.6	25.7	20.9	12.0	8.6	7.2	6.1	15	27
Spain.....	43.7	28.1	12.3	7.6	4.4	3.8	3.5	22	9
Sweden.....	16.6	11.0	6.9	6.0	3.4	2.4	2.5	4	2
Switzerland.....	21.1	15.1	9.1	6.8	4.9	4.2	3.9	8	15
Turkey.....	189.5	145.0	117.5	[^] 51.5	31.6	18.4	15.9	29	31
United Kingdom.....	22.5	18.5	12.1	7.9	5.6	*5.1	4.8	10	22
United States.....	26.0	20.0	12.6	9.2	6.9	6.9	6.8	12	28

---Data not available.

*Data are Estimated. See OECD website for updated data and further notes. Available at: http://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?DataSetCode=HEALTH_STAT.

[^]Break in series. See OECD website for updated data and further notes. Available at: http://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?DataSetCode=HEALTH_STAT.

1/Rankings are from lowest to highest infant mortality rates (IMR). Countries with the same IMR receive the same rank.

The country with the next highest IMR is assigned the rank it would have received had

the lower-ranked countries not been tied, i.e., skip a rank.

2/Refers to countries, territories, cities, or geographic areas with at least 2.5 million population and with complete counts of live births and infant deaths according to the United Nations Demographic Yearbook.

3/Under 1 year of age.

NOTES: Some rates for selected countries and selected years were revised and differ from previous editions of *Health, United States*.

Data for additional years are available. See Appendix III.

SOURCE: The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Health Data 2011, incorporating revisions to the annual update. Available from: http://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?DataSetCode=HEALTH_STAT.

See Appendix I, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).