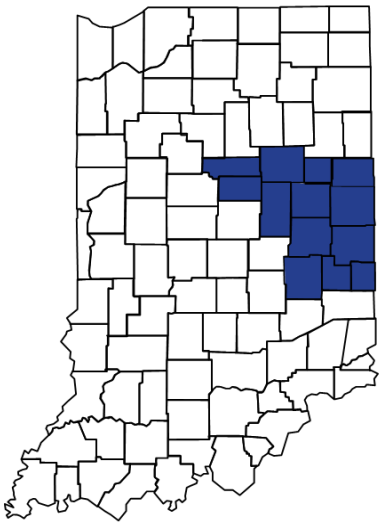
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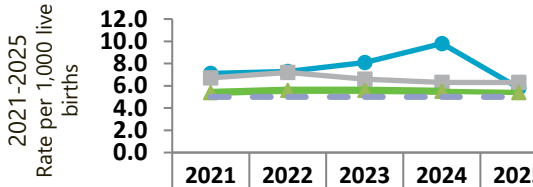
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Infant Mortality Facts

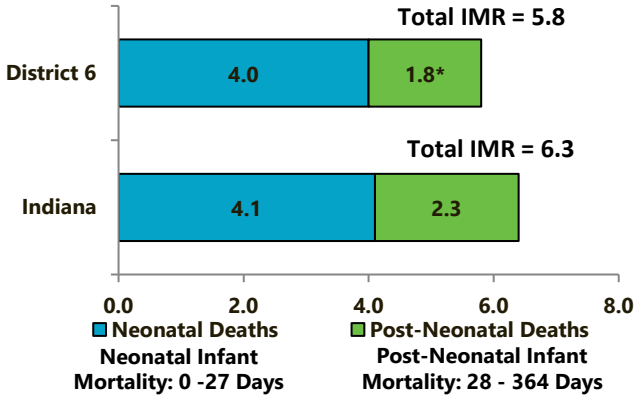
- The infant mortality rate (IMR) is the number of babies who die in the first year of life per 1,000 live births.
- In 2025, there were 506 infant deaths across the state, making the infant mortality rate 6.3.
- Of the 506 Indiana infant deaths in 2025, 39 occurred in District 6.
- Non-Hispanic (NH) Black infants are 2.1 times more likely to die than NH White infants in Indiana.
- For more information about infant mortality and birth outcomes in Indiana, visit our dashboard.

Infant Mortality Rates



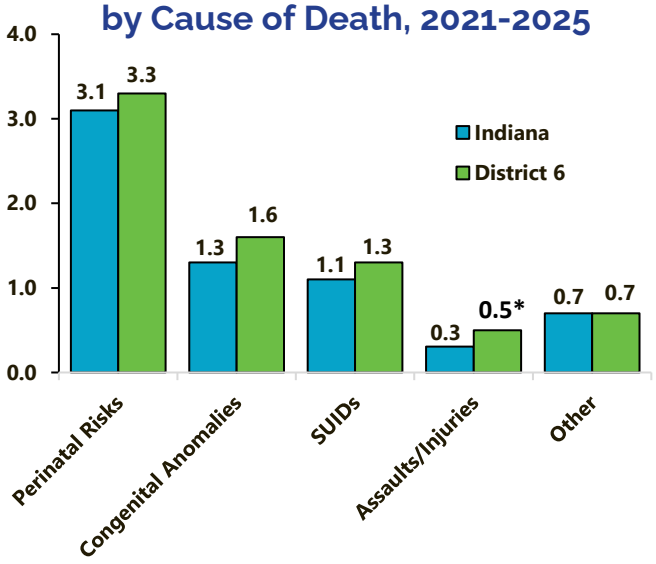
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
District 6	7.1	7.3	8.1	9.8	5.8
Indiana	6.7	7.2	6.6	6.3	6.3
U.S.	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.4
HP 2030 Goal	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Infant Mortality Rates by Age at Death, 2025



Note: Age-specific mortality rates may not sum to the overall IMR, and cause-specific percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Infant Mortality Rates by Cause of Death, 2021-2025



How to Reduce Infant Mortality

- Improve overall health for women of child-bearing age
- Promote early and adequate prenatal care
- Decrease early elective deliveries before 39 weeks
- Decrease prenatal smoking and substance use
- Increase breastfeeding duration and exclusivity
- Support birth spacing and wellness between pregnancies
- Promote the ABCs of safe sleep: place baby to sleep alone, on his or her back, in a crib

Birth Outcome Indicators
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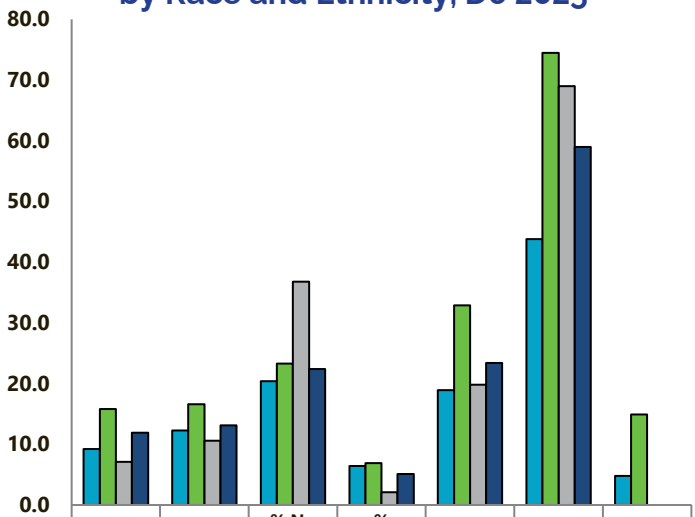
Indiana Quick Facts

- Smoking rates among pregnant women continue to be higher than the national rate.
- Just over 1/4 of pregnant women do not receive early prenatal care (PNC).
- NH Black infants in Indiana are more likely to be low birth weight (LBW) or preterm.
- NH Black and Hispanic women in Indiana are more likely to not receive early prenatal care (1st trimester).
- NH White women in Indiana are more likely to smoke during pregnancy.

District 6 Quick Facts

- 6,705 live births in 2025
- Higher percentages of preterm and low birth weight births compared to the state of Indiana
- Higher percentage of women receiving early PNC compared to Indiana
- Higher percentage of women smoking during pregnancy compared to Indiana
- Lower percentage of breastfeeding at hospital discharge compared to Indiana

Birth Outcome Indicators by Race and Ethnicity, D6 2025



	% LBW	% Preterm	% No Early PNC	% Smoking **	% Not BF	% Medicaid	IMR^
NH White	9.2	12.3	20.4	6.4	18.9	43.8	4.8
NH Black	15.8	16.6	23.3	6.9	32.9	74.5	14.9*
Hispanic	7.1	10.6	36.8	2.1*	19.8	69.0	* *
A/U	11.9	13.1	22.4	5.1*	23.4	59.0	* *

^ = Rate per 1,000 live births
*Numerator fewer than 20, rate unstable
**Numerator fewer than 5, rate suppressed
A/U = Additional/Unknown
NH = Non-Hispanic

LBW = Low Birth Weight PNC = Prenatal Care BF=Breastfeeding IMR = Infant Mortality Rate

	% LBW (< 2,500 G)	% PRETERM (< 37 WKS GESTATION)	% NO EARLY PNC (1ST TRIMESTER)	% SMOKING~	% NOT BF	% MOTHER ON MEDICAID	IMR
BLACKFORD	9.8*	13.4*	18.8	**	26.8S	51.8	**
DELAWARE	11.2	14.7S	14.9S	5.8S	21.9S	53.0	5.6*
FAYETTE	9.1	13.8	32.7	8.4S	19.9	56.6	**
GRANT	9.8	12.2	16.8S	8.6S	24.1S	61.4	9.0*
HENRY	8.8	9.9	24.4	7.6S	19.7	48.3	15.6*
HOWARD	10.7	12.6	21.6S	4.5	23.6S	44.5	**
JAY	8.4	9.0	33.2	4.5*	17.4	31.3	**
MADISON	10.1	12.0	16.8S	5.9S	16.0	44.4	6.2*
RANDOLPH	8.6	14.0	30.5	7.9S	23.3S	54.1	**
RUSH	6.2*	10.5*	30.9	3.7*	19.1	46.3	**
TIPTON	6.4*	13.5*	20.6	**	15.6	28.4	**
UNION	8.5*	11.3*	29.6	**	12.7*	31.0	**
WAYNE	7.6	12.4	32.0	7.0S	18.1	50.0	**
DISTRICT 6	**9.6**	**12.4**	**22.0**	**6.1**	**20.1**	**48.4**	**5.8**
INDIANA	**8.4**	**11.1**	**26.7**	**3.0**	**15.0**	**38.4**	**6.3**

* = Fewer than 20 birth outcomes, percentage unstable
** = Fewer than 5 birth outcomes/infant deaths, percentage/rate suppressed
S = County significantly different from state **(significance not calculated for Mothers on Medicaid).**
~Due to a change in reporting methods, smoking during pregnancy should not be compared to previous years data.