

TITLE V INDICATOR TEMPLATE

INDICATOR: Neonatal Mortality Rate

DEFINITION: The number of infant deaths occurring at less than 28 days of age per 1,000 live births

NUMERATOR: The number of infant deaths occurring at less than 28 days of age, by place of residence, in a calendar year

DENOMINATOR: The total number of live births, by place of residence, in a calendar year

HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:

Reduce the neonatal mortality rate to no more than 2.9 per 1,000 live births.
(Baseline: 4.8 per 1,000 live births in 1998) (Objective 16-1d)

RISK FACTORS: Congenital anomalies; respiratory distress syndrome; short gestation; low birth weight; maternal complications; race/ethnicity (African American, Puerto Rican)

See also risk factors for infant mortality.

Year	California				LA County			
	Neonatal Mortality		95% Confidence Interval		Neonatal Mortality		95% Confidence Interval	
	Deaths	Rate	Lower	Upper	Deaths	Rate	Lower	Upper
1993	2,429	4.2	4.0	4.3	868	4.6	4.3	4.9
1994	2,467	4.4	4.2	4.5	819	4.5	4.2	4.9
1995	2,164	3.9	3.8	4.1	759	4.3	4.0	4.6
1996	2,041	3.8	3.6	4.0	649	3.8	3.5	4.1
1997	2,056	3.9	3.8	4.1	629	3.9	3.6	4.2
1998	1,993	3.8	3.7	4.0	626	3.9	3.6	4.3
1999	1,843	3.6	3.4	3.7	561	3.6	3.3	3.9
2000	1,957	3.7	3.5	3.8	531	3.4	3.1	3.7
2001	1,889	3.6	3.4	3.7	551	3.6	3.3	3.9
2002	1,908	3.6	3.4	3.8	531	3.5	3.2	3.8

Denominator: Live Births		
Year	California	LA County
1993	584,483	189,706
1994	567,034	180,394
1995	551,226	174,862
1996	538,628	168,973
1997	524,174	162,036
1998	521,265	158,604
1999	518,073	156,153
2000	531,285	157,391
2001	527,371	153,523
2002	529,245	151,167

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics, 1993-2002.