

**TABLE 2C-3
NUMBER AND RATE¹ OF INFANT DEATHS BY RACE/ETHNICITY AND AGE GROUP, 1991-2001**

NUMBER OF INFANT DEATHS:

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
White non-Hispanic	268	281	231	270	277	245	230	242	196	244	221
Neonatal	149	153	145	166	180	164	141	154	143	153	156
Postneonatal	117	128	86	103	97	81	89	88	53	91	65
Hispanic	190	174	183	187	181	225	224	229	238	213	236
Neonatal	114	109	122	115	128	152	153	153	151	144	159
Postneonatal	76	65	61	72	53	73	71	76	87	69	77
Black	51	41	52	41	38	48	36	53	52	49	62
Neonatal	37	21	29	24	20	30	24	37	31	27	41
Postneonatal	14	20	23	17	18	18	12	16	21	22	21
American Indian	72	66	56	58	49	50	44	62	49	54	57
Neonatal	33	36	35	25	19	24	18	28	29	36	22
Postneonatal	39	29	21	33	30	26	26	34	20	18	35
Asian	4	5	7	2	3	5	6	6	5	8	8
Neonatal	4	3	4	1	2	4	5	3	3	4	5
Postneonatal	0	2	3	1	1	1	1	3	2	4	3
All groups²	584	568	531	558	549	576	542	592	547	568	587
Neonatal	338	323	337	331	350	377	342	375	363	364	386
Postneonatal	246	245	194	226	199	199	200	217	184	204	201

INFANT MORTALITY RATES:

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
White non-Hispanic	7.0	7.4	6.3	7.4	7.2	6.4	6.1	6.2	5.1	6.1	5.7
Neonatal	3.9	4.1	4.0	4.5	4.7	4.3	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	4.0
Postneonatal	3.1	3.4	2.4	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.3	1.4	2.3	1.7
Hispanic	9.4	8.1	8.2	7.9	7.2	8.2	8.0	7.9	7.7	6.3	6.7
Neonatal	5.6	5.1	5.5	4.8	5.1	5.5	5.5	5.3	4.9	4.2	4.5
Postneonatal	3.8	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.1	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.2
Black	20.3	16.8	21.6	16.6	17.0	20.5	14.5	20.2	19.3	17.8	22.7
Neonatal	14.7	8.6	12.1	9.7	9.0	12.8	9.7	14.1	11.5	9.8	15.0
Postneonatal	5.6	8.2	9.6	6.9	8.1	7.7	4.8	6.1	7.8	8.0	7.7
American Indian	11.8	11.2	9.7	10.5	9.6	9.4	8.3	11.4	9.3	9.6	10.7
Neonatal	5.4	6.1	6.1	4.5	3.7	4.5	3.4	5.1	5.5	6.4	4.1
Postneonatal	6.4	4.9	3.6	6.0	5.9	4.9	4.9	6.2	3.8	3.2	6.6
Asian	4.1	4.8	6.0	1.6	2.2	3.5	3.7	3.4	2.7	3.9	3.8
Neonatal	4.1	2.9	3.4	.8	1.5	2.8	3.1	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.4
Postneonatal	.0	1.9	2.6	.8	.7	.7	.6	1.7	1.1	2.0	1.4
All groups²	8.6	8.3	7.7	7.9	7.6	7.7	7.2	7.6	6.8	6.7	6.9
Neonatal	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.8	5.0	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.5
Postneonatal	3.6	3.6	2.8	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.4

¹Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births in specified ethnic/gender group. Infant deaths are by the race/ethnicity of the decedent. For consistency with the national data, the denominators used to calculate infant mortality rates were changed from race/ethnicity of parents to race/ethnicity of mother as stated on the birth certificate. To provide continuity and ease of interpretation, trend data by race/ethnicity in the above table have been re-calculated by race/ethnicity of mother for all years beginning with the 1991 data year. The change in the basis for calculating infant mortality rates results in lower rates for white infants and higher rates for most minority infants than when they are computed by the previous method.

²Includes records with other and unknown ethnic group.