

**TABLE 2C-3
NUMBER AND RATE¹ OF INFANT DEATHS BY RACE/ETHNICITY AND AGE GROUP, 1993-2003**

NUMBER OF INFANT DEATHS:

		1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
White non-Hispanic	Total	231	270	277	245	230	242	196	244	221	229	208
	Neonatal	145	166	180	164	141	154	143	153	156	151	143
	Postneonatal	86	103	97	81	89	88	53	91	65	78	65
Hispanic or Latino	Total	183	187	181	225	224	229	238	213	236	238	274
	Neonatal	122	115	128	152	153	153	151	144	159	165	190
	Postneonatal	61	72	53	73	71	76	87	69	77	73	84
Black or African American	Total	52	41	38	48	36	53	52	49	62	36	48
	Neonatal	29	24	20	30	24	37	31	27	41	16	31
	Postneonatal	23	17	18	18	12	16	21	22	21	20	17
American Indian or Alaska Native	Total	56	58	49	50	44	62	49	54	57	39	44
	Neonatal	35	25	19	24	18	28	29	36	22	20	18
	Postneonatal	21	33	30	26	26	34	20	18	35	19	26
Asian or Pacific Islander	Total	7	2	3	5	6	6	5	8	8	9	11
	Neonatal	4	1	2	4	5	3	3	4	5	7	5
	Postneonatal	3	1	1	1	1	3	2	4	3	2	6
All groups²	Total	531	558	549	576	542	592	547	568	587	552	586
	Neonatal	337	331	350	377	342	375	363	364	386	360	388
	Postneonatal	194	226	199	199	200	217	184	204	201	192	198

INFANT MORTALITY RATES:

		1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
White non-Hispanic	Total	6.3	7.4	7.2	6.4	6.1	6.2	5.1	6.1	5.7	5.9	5.4
	Neonatal	4.0	4.5	4.7	4.3	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.7
	Postneonatal	2.4	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.3	1.4	2.3	1.7	2.0	1.7
Hispanic or Latino	Total	8.2	7.9	7.2	8.2	8.0	7.9	7.7	6.3	6.7	6.6	7.0
	Neonatal	5.5	4.8	5.1	5.5	5.5	5.3	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.9
	Postneonatal	2.7	3.0	2.1	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.1
Black or African American	Total	21.6	16.6	17.0	20.5	14.5	20.2	19.3	17.8	22.7	13.1	15.9
	Neonatal	12.1	9.7	9.0	12.8	9.7	14.1	11.5	9.8	15.0	5.8	10.3
	Postneonatal	9.6	6.9	8.1	7.7	4.8	6.1	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.3	5.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	Total	9.7	10.5	9.6	9.4	8.3	11.4	9.3	9.6	10.7	7.0	7.5
	Neonatal	6.1	4.5	3.7	4.5	3.4	5.1	5.5	6.4	4.1	3.6	3.1
	Postneonatal	3.6	6.0	5.9	4.9	4.9	6.2	3.8	3.2	6.6	3.4	4.4
Asian or Pacific Islander	Total	6.0	1.6	2.2	3.5	3.7	3.4	2.7	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.4
	Neonatal	3.4	.8	1.5	2.8	3.1	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.4	3.1	2.0
	Postneonatal	2.6	.8	.7	.7	.6	1.7	1.1	2.0	1.4	0.9	2.4
All groups²	Total	7.7	7.9	7.6	7.7	7.2	7.6	6.8	6.7	6.9	6.3	6.5
	Neonatal	4.9	4.7	4.8	5.0	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.3
	Postneonatal	2.8	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.2

¹ Number 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. 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.

² Includes records with other and unknown ethnic group.