

TABLE 2C-3
NUMBER AND RATE¹ OF INFANT DEATHS BY RACE/ETHNICITY AND AGE GROUP, 1997-2007
NUMBER OF INFANT DEATHS:

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
White non-Hispanic	Total	230	242	196	244	221	229	208	211	245	232	237
	Neonatal	141	154	143	153	156	151	143	155	163	161	161
	Postneonatal	89	88	53	91	65	78	65	56	82	71	76
Hispanic or Latino	Total	224	229	238	213	236	238	274	314	296	297	338
	Neonatal	153	153	151	144	159	165	190	209	205	213	239
	Postneonatal	71	76	87	69	77	73	84	105	91	84	99
Black or African American	Total	36	53	52	49	62	36	48	39	44	65	63
	Neonatal	24	37	31	27	41	16	31	25	19	37	43
	Postneonatal	12	16	21	22	21	20	17	14	25	28	20
American Indian or Alaska Native	Total	44	62	49	54	57	39	44	44	52	41	52
	Neonatal	18	28	29	36	22	20	18	21	27	26	27
	Postneonatal	26	34	20	18	35	19	26	23	25	15	25
Asian or Pacific Islander	Total	6	6	5	8	8	9	11	10	15	7	11
	Neonatal	5	3	3	4	5	7	5	7	9	3	9
	Postneonatal	1	3	2	4	3	2	6	3	6	4	2
All groups ²	Total	542	592	547	568	587	552	586	622	653	642	701
	Neonatal	342	375	363	364	386	360	388	421	424	440	479
	Postneonatal	200	217	184	204	201	192	198	201	229	202	222

INFANT MORTALITY RATES:

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
White non-Hispanic	Total	6.1	6.2	5.1	6.1	5.7	5.9	5.4	5.4	6.2	5.4	5.6
	Neonatal	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.8
	Postneonatal	2.4	2.3	1.4	2.3	1.7	2.0	1.7	1.4	2.1	1.7	1.8
Hispanic or Latino	Total	8.0	7.9	7.7	6.3	6.7	6.6	7.0	7.7	7.0	6.6	7.4
	Neonatal	5.5	5.3	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.9	5.1	4.9	4.7	5.2
	Postneonatal	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.6	2.1	1.9	2.2
Black or African American	Total	14.5	20.2	19.3	17.8	22.7	13.1	15.9	12.1	12.8	16.8	15.1
	Neonatal	9.7	14.1	11.5	9.8	15.0	5.8	10.3	7.8	5.5	9.6	10.3
	Postneonatal	4.8	6.1	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.3	5.6	4.4	7.3	7.2	4.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	Total	8.3	11.4	9.3	9.6	10.7	7.0	7.5	7.2	8.3	6.4	8.1
	Neonatal	3.4	5.1	5.5	6.4	4.1	3.6	3.1	3.4	4.3	4.0	4.2
	Postneonatal	4.9	6.2	3.8	3.2	6.6	3.4	4.4	3.8	4.0	2.4	3.9
Asian or Pacific Islander	Total	3.7	3.4	2.7	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.4	3.8	5.3	2.2	3.2
	Neonatal	3.1	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.4	3.1	2.0	2.7	3.2	1.0	2.6
	Postneonatal	0.6	1.7	1.1	2.0	1.4	0.9	2.4	1.1	2.1	1.2	0.6
All groups ²	Total	7.2	7.6	6.8	6.7	6.9	6.3	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.3	6.8
	Neonatal	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.7
	Postneonatal	2.7	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.0	2.2

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.

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

²Includes records with other and unknown ethnic group.