**Key Data Summary – Ohio**
- In 2006, the postneonatal mortality rate was 2.6 per 1,000 live births. Ohio’s postneonatal rate has remained fairly stable during the period 1997-2006, as shown in the first graph.
- In 2006, the black postneonatal mortality rate was 5.2 per 1,000 live births, compared with the white postneonatal mortality rate of 2.1 per 1,000 live births, as shown in the second graph.
- The black rate is 2.5 times the white rate.

**Healthy People 2010 Objective 16-1**
- Objective 16-1e: Reduce postneonatal deaths to 1.2 per 1,000 live births.

**U.S./Ohio Comparison**
- In 2005, the U.S. postneonatal mortality rate was 2.4 per 1,000 live births, compared with 2.7 per 1,000 live births in Ohio.

**Additional Information**
- Postneonatal death reflects events experienced in infancy, including SIDS, birth defects, injuries and homicide. Birth defects, many of which are unlikely to be preventable given current scientific knowledge, account for about 17 percent of postneonatal deaths; the remainder are likely to stem from preventable causes.

*Postneonatal mortality is the death of an infant from age 28 days to less than 1 year.*