

A Quick Look at Disparities in Birth Outcome

Indicator	Ohio Total	White Rate	Black Rate	Difference (Black/White)
Infant Mortality <i>(per 1,000 live births)</i>	7.7	6.3	14.8	2.3x
Neonatal Mortality <i>(per 1,000 live births)</i>	5.2	4.2	10.1	2.4x
Postneonatal Mortality <i>(per 1,000 live births)</i>	2.5	2.1	4.7	2.2x
Low Birth Weight	8.7%	7.6%	13.9%	1.8x
Very Low Birth Weight	1.7%	1.3%	3.2%	2.5x
Preterm Birth	12.9%	11.8%	18.5%	1.6x
Unintended Pregnancy <i>(Ohio PRAMS 2004)</i>	44.5%	40.3%	65.4%	1.6x

**Mortality, birth weight and gestational age data are from 2007; unintended pregnancy data are from 2004*

Data source: Ohio Department of Health Vital Statistics, Ohio PRAMS