



Profile of Maternal and Infant Characteristics: Baltimore City 2006-2011

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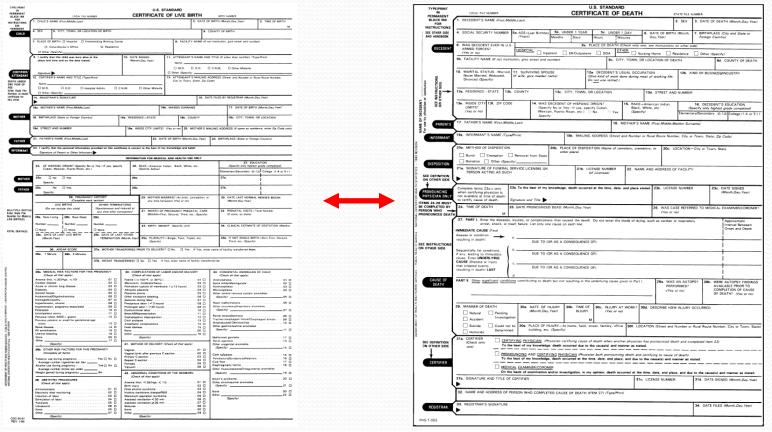
Objectives of the Profile

- To provide an updated summary of characteristics related to maternal and infant health in Baltimore City
- To illustrate characteristics that are associated with poor birth outcomes in Baltimore City



Linked Birth and Death Data

- Data from 2006-2010 birth certificates were linked with data from 2006-2011 death certificates
- 98% Linkage of Infant Deaths to Births among Baltimore City Residents





Structure of the Profile

- Background of Maternal and Infant Health in Baltimore City
- Maternal Characteristics
- Pregnancy Characteristics
- Infant Characteristics
- Conclusions



Definitions

- **Infant Mortality:** Death occurring to an infant between birth and < 1 year of age (expressed as a rate per 1,000 live births)
- Neonatal death: Death occurring to an infant < 28 days of age
- **Post-Neonatal death**: Death occurring to an infant between 28 days and one year of age
- Sleep-Related death: Infant death due to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), Accidental Asphyxiation or suffocation in bed (ASSB), or Unknown cause, but associated with infant sleep

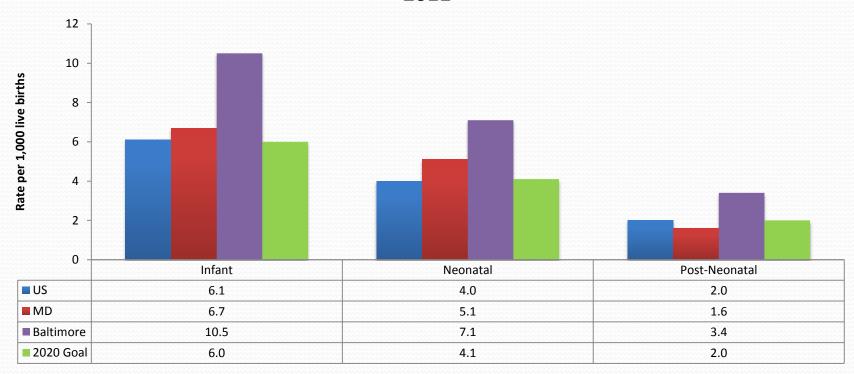


BACKGROUND



How Does Baltimore Compare?

Infant Mortality Rates: Baltimore, Maryland, US 2011

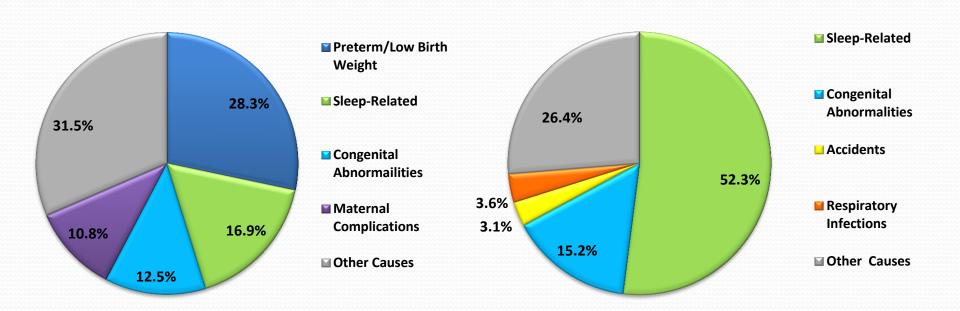




Leading Causes of Infant Mortality: Baltimore City

Leading Causes of Infant Death 2006-2011

Leading Causes of Post-Neonatal Death 2006-2011



Infant Mortality Rates Over Time

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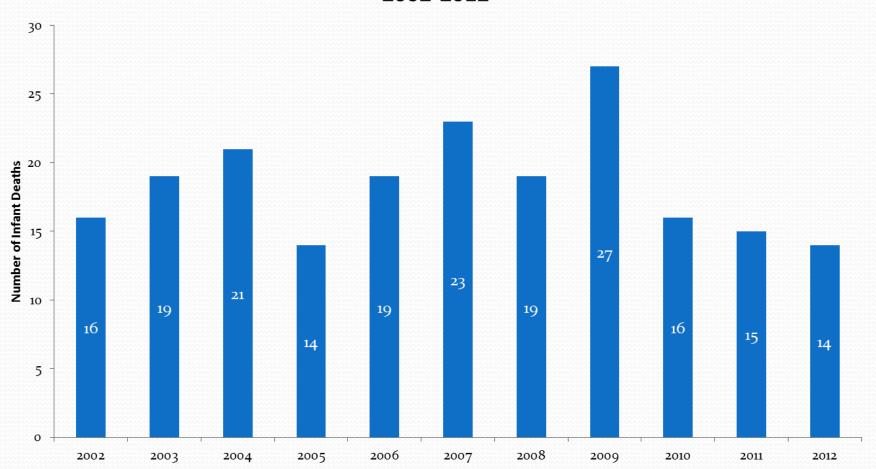
Infant Mortality Baltimore City by Race and Maryalnd 2000-2011





Sleep-Related Infant Deaths

Baltimore City Sleep-Related Deaths 2002-2012





Baltimore City

- In 2011, a total of 93 infants died, resulting in an infant mortality rate of 10.5 per 1,000 live births
- In 2011, black infants were about 5 times more likely to die than white infants
- In 2011, Baltimore City's infant mortality rate was 1.6 times greater than Maryland's rate, resulting in 33.5 excess infant deaths*

^{*} The # of infant deaths in Baltimore City that is in excess of what would be expected if Baltimore City had the same infant mortality rate as Maryland

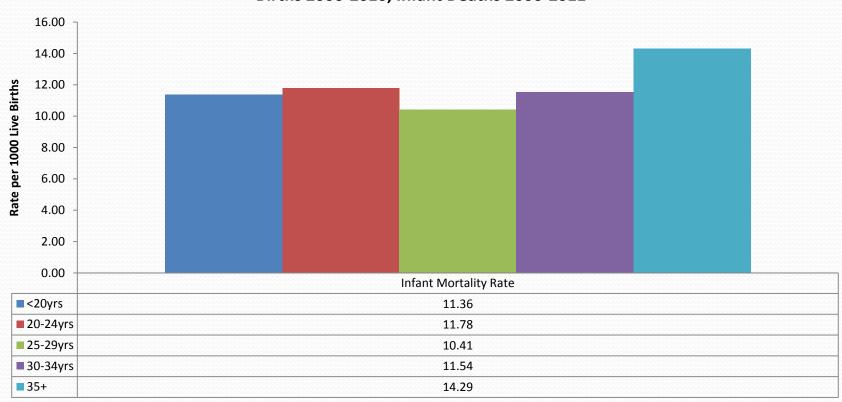


MATERNAL CHARACTERISTICS



Maternal Age

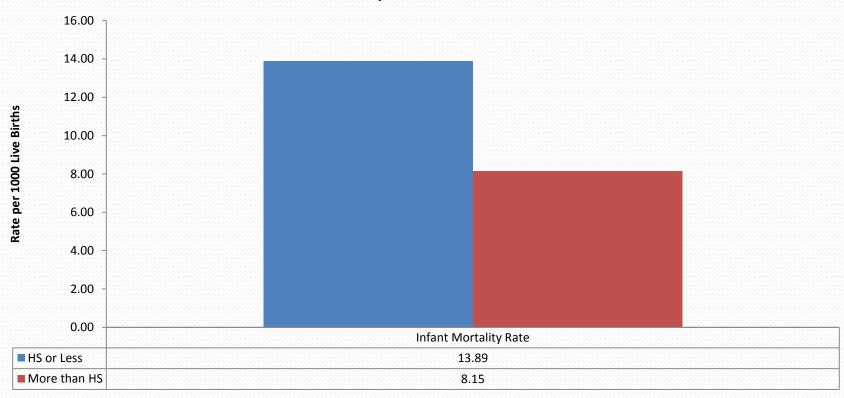
Mortality Rates by Maternal Age Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Maternal Education

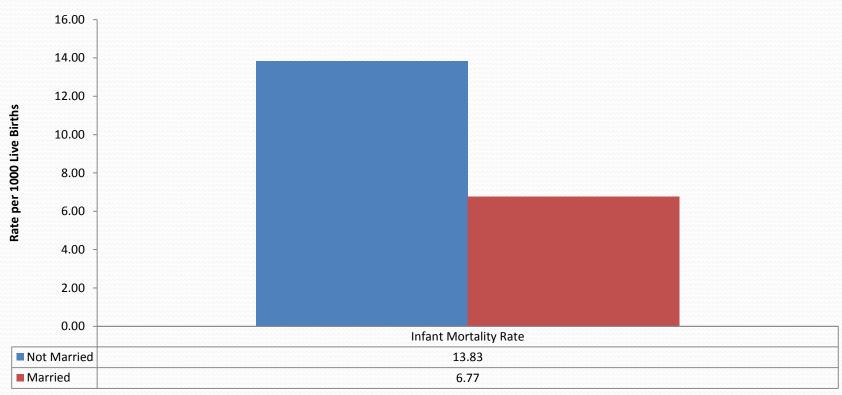
Infant Mortality Rates by Maternal Education Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Maternal Marital Status

Infant Mortality Rates by Marital Status Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





PREGNANCY CHARACTERISTICS



Birth Spacing

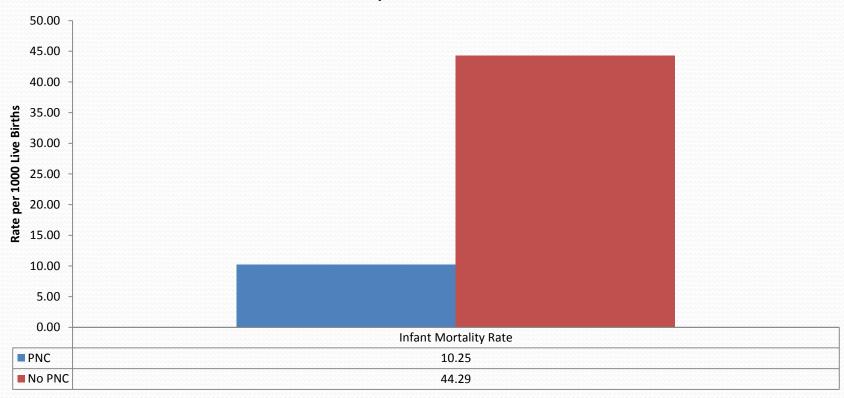
Up to 3yrs Post-Partum
Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Prenatal Care

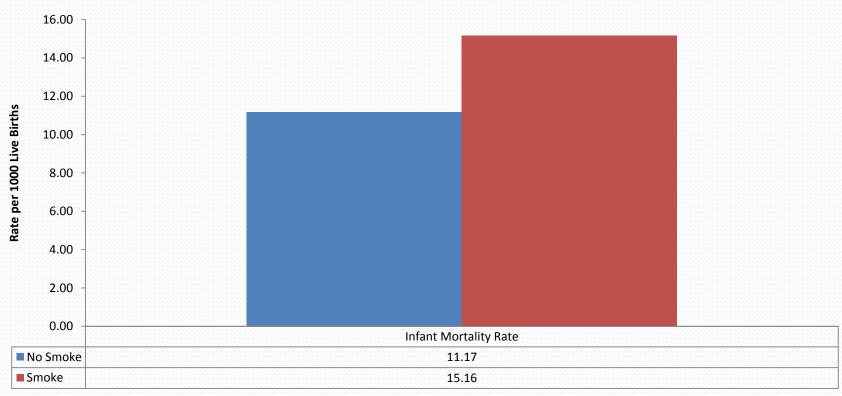
Infant Mortality Rates by Prenatal Care Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Smoking Status Reported at Birth

Infant Mortality Rates by Maternal Smoke Status Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Maternal Body Mass Index (BMI)

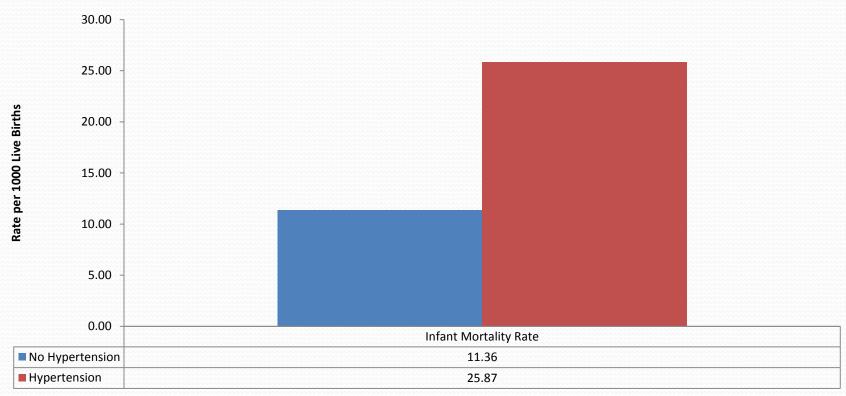
Infant Mortality Rates by Pre-Pregnancy BMI Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Maternal Chronic Hypertension

Infant Mortality Rates by Maternal Hypertension Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011



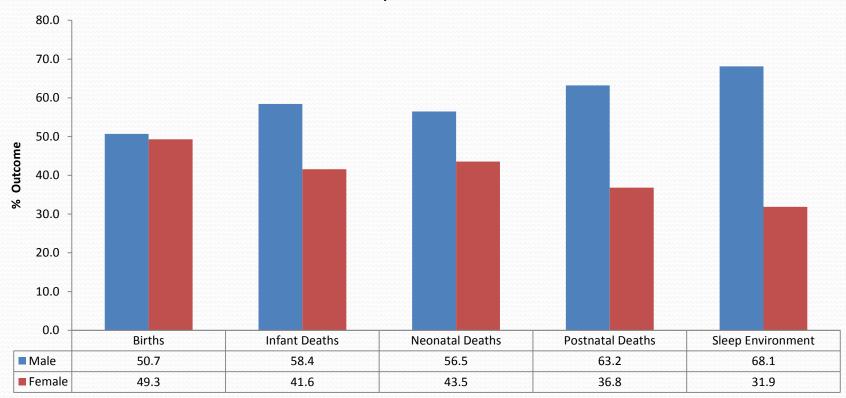


Infant Characteristics



Gender of Infant

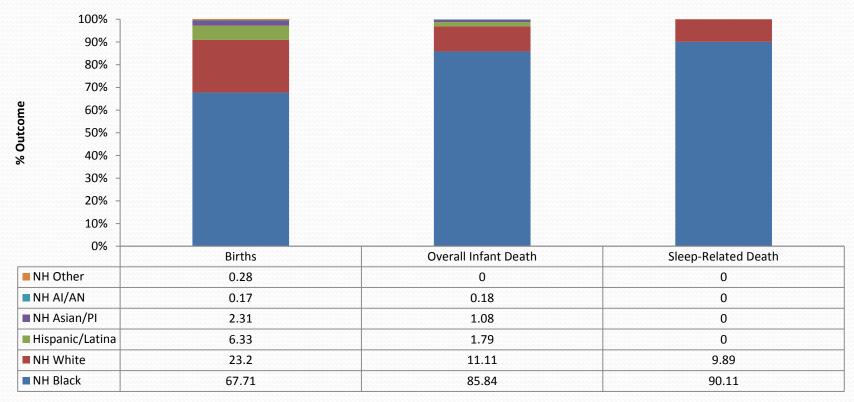
Gender of Infant Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011





Race of Infant

Race of Infants Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011

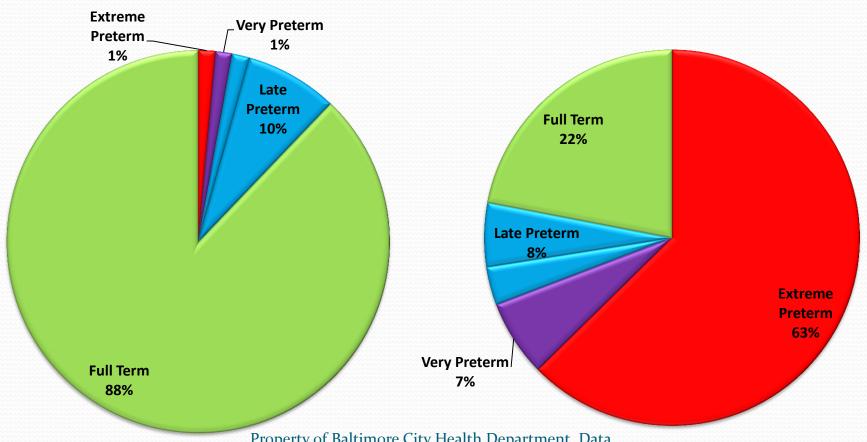




Percent of Live Births and Infant Deaths by Gestational Age (wks)



Infant Deaths by Gestational Age, 2011

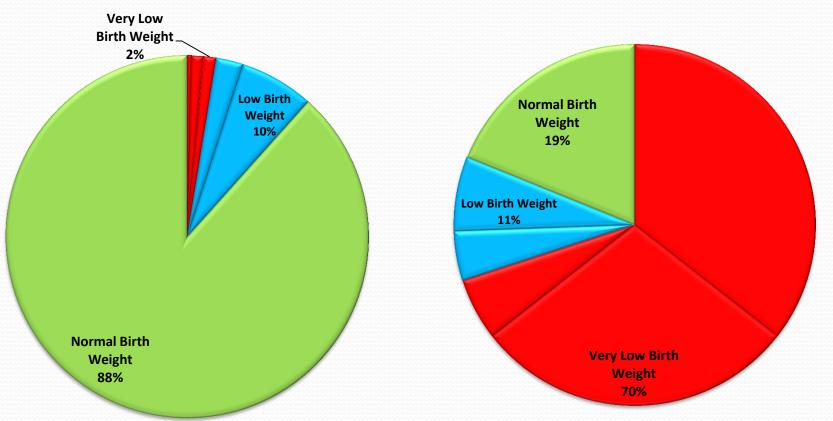




Percent of Live Births and Infant Deaths by Birth Weight (g)

Live Births by Birthweight (g), 2011

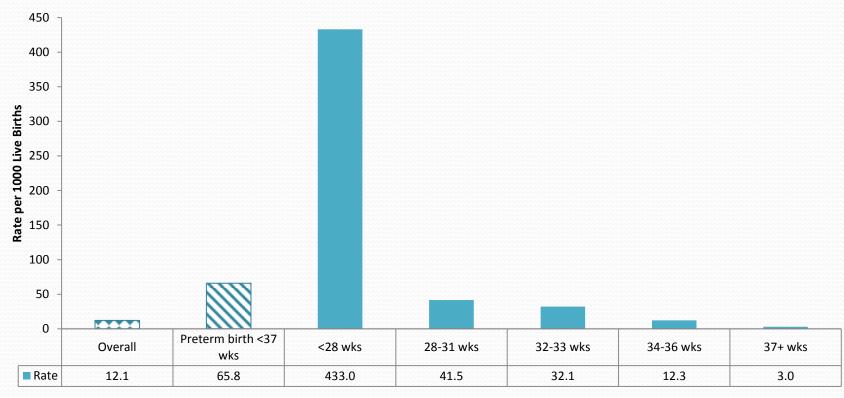
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Gestational Age and Overall Infant Mortality

Gestational Age and Overall Infant Mortality Births 2006-2010, Infant Deaths 2006-2011

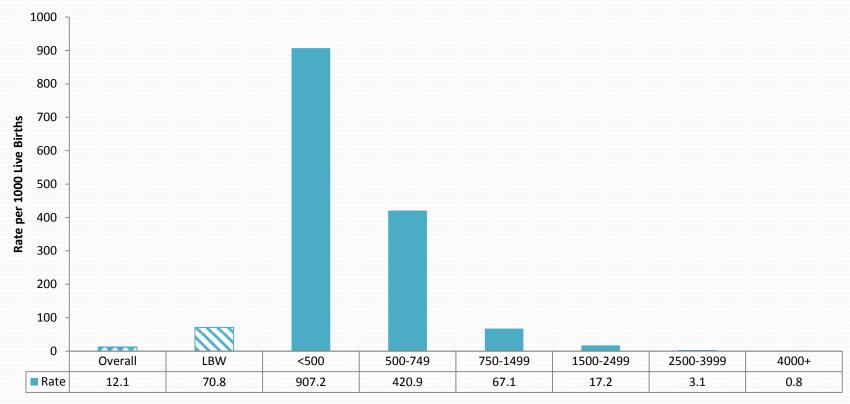




Birth Weight and Overall Infant Mortality

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Conclusions

Maternal and pregnancy characteristics associated with infant death after preliminary analysis:

Maternal Characteristics

- Increasing Maternal Age
- 2. Single status
- 3. Less education



Conclusions

Pregnancy Characteristics

- 1. Birth spacing 18 months or less between pregnancies
- No prenatal care
- 3. Reported smoking during pregnancy
- 4. Elevated BMI, especially 30 or greater
- 5. Chronic Hypertension