Infant Mortality Rates

The infant mortality rate in Oregon is higher for AI/AN babies than the average across all races. While AI/AN infant mortality rates have decreased over time, it remains higher than the state average. With the exception of mothers aged 30-34, the infant mortality rate is higher for babies born to AI/AN mothers of all ages.

Causes of Infant Mortality

Among AI/AN in Oregon, SIDS, birth defects and injuries were the most common causes of infant mortality. Injuries and SIDS made up a larger proportion of infant deaths among AI/AN than in the general population while pregnancy and labor complications were less common among AI/AN.