# Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Infant Mortality among American Indians & Alaska Natives in Oregon

### Infant Mortality Rates

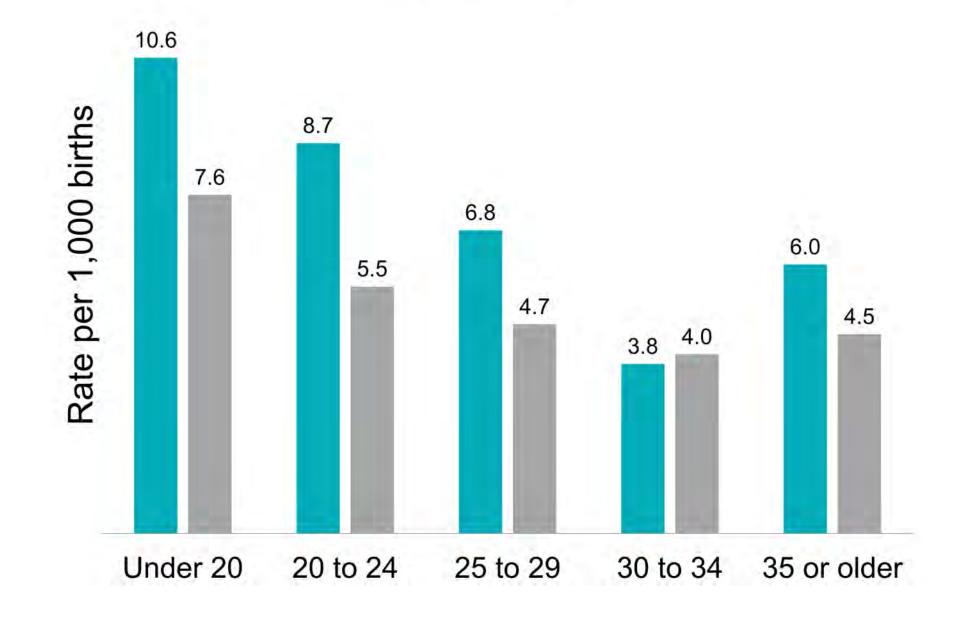
The infant mortality rate in Oregon is higher for AI/AN babies than the average across all races. While AI/AN infant mortality rates have decreased over time, it remains higher than the state average. With the exception of mothers aged 30-34, the infant mortality rate is higher for babies born to AI/AN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

Oregon Infant Mortality Rates by Mother's Age









## 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 2008-2012

2013-2017

AI/AN infant mortality rates

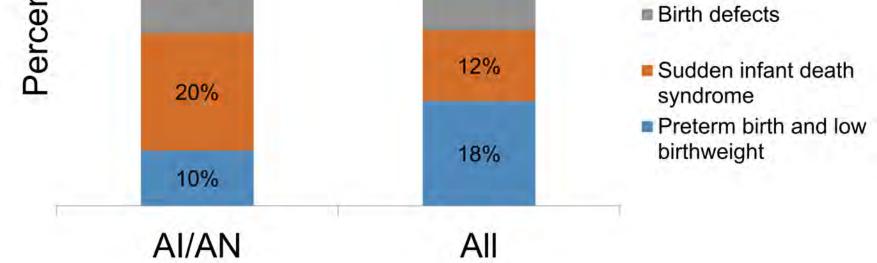
Decreased by 25%

Between 2008-2012 & 2013-2017

#### 15% 20% Other 8% nt of infant deaths 2% 2% 6% Maternal pregnancy complications 8% 20% Labor and Delivery 8% Conditions 5% Injuries Infection 24% 20%

### Oregon Causes of Infant Mortality, 2008-2017

#### common among AI/AN.



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