Infant Mortality Rates

The infant mortality rate in Washington is higher for AI/AN babies than the average across all races. While AI/AN infant mortality has decreased over time, it remains significantly higher than the state average. The infant mortality rate is higher for babies born to mothers of all ages. For AI/AN mothers between the ages of 25-34, the rate of infant mortality is approximately twice that of the state average.

Causes of Infant Mortality

Among AI/AN in Washington, preterm birth and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS) were the most common causes of infant mortality and made up a larger proportion of deaths than in the general population. Conversely, birth defects and conditions occurring during labor and delivery made up a smaller proportion of AI/AN infant deaths than the general population.

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