

## TITLE V INDICATOR TEMPLATES

### INDICATOR: Infant mortality

**DEFINITION:** The number of infant deaths occurring at less than 365 days of age per 1,000 live births

**NUMERATOR:** The number of infant deaths occurring at less than 365 days of age, by place of residence, in a calendar year

**DENOMINATOR:** The total number of live births, by place of residence, in a calendar year

### HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:

Reduce the infant mortality rate to no more than 4.5 per 1,000 live births.  
(Baseline: 7.2 per 1,000 live births in 1998) (Objective 16-1c)  
No more than 4.5 infant deaths per 1,000 live births

**RISK FACTORS:** Race/ethnicity; prematurity/disorders related to short gestation; low birth weight; congenital anomalies; young maternal age; low maternal education level; maternal tobacco use; maternal alcohol or substance use/abuse; poor maternal nutrition; inadequate prenatal care; unintended pregnancy; maternal psychosocial problems; maternal medical complications/ chronic illness during pregnancy (including diabetes); pregnancy complications; short interpregnancy interval; injury (including domestic violence); infection; respiratory distress syndrome; family history of SIDS

	California				LA County			
	Infant Mortality		95% Confidence Interval		Infant Mortality		95% Confidence Interval	
Year	Number	Rate	Lower	Upper	Number	Rate	Lower	Upper
1990	4,828	7.9	7.7	8.1	1,628	8.0	7.6	8.4
1991	4,596	7.5	7.3	7.8	1,588	7.8	7.4	8.2
1992	4,174	6.9	6.7	7.2	1,421	7.2	6.8	7.6
1993	3,970	6.8	6.6	7.0	1,381	7.3	6.9	7.7
1994	3,948	7.0	6.7	7.2	1,252	6.9	6.6	7.3
1995	3,478	6.3	6.1	6.5	1,176	6.7	6.3	7.1
1996	3,186	5.9	5.7	6.1	999	5.9	5.5	6.3
1997	3,091	5.9	5.7	6.1	950	5.9	5.5	6.2
1998	2,994	5.7	5.5	5.9	936	5.9	5.5	6.3
1999	2,787	5.4	5.2	5.6	841	5.4	5.0	5.7
2000	2,884	5.4	5.2	5.6	777	4.9	4.6	5.3
2001	2,815	5.3	5.1	5.5	828	5.4	5.0	5.8

DENOMINATOR: Live Births	
California	LA County
611,666	204,124
609,228	202,737
600,838	197,415
584,483	189,706
567,034	180,394
551,226	174,862
538,628	168,973
524,174	162,036
521,265	158,604
518,073	156,153
531,285	157,391
527,371	153,523

**Source:** California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics, 1990-2001