

# Infant Mortality



## Michigan Child Health Facts

### Why it matters for **MICHIGAN**



**All infants remain at risk** through the first year of life

Infants that die in Michigan are **disproportionately**:



premature with low birth weight



born to mothers on Medicaid



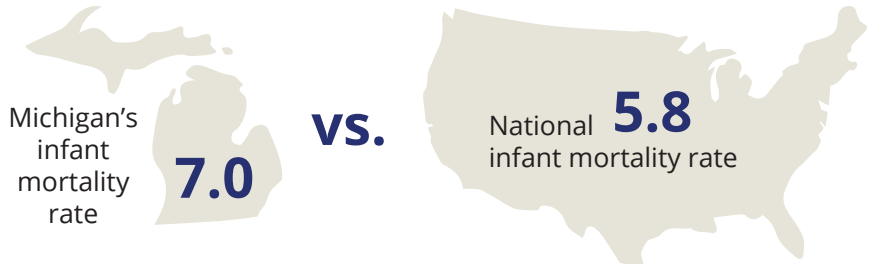
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the result of unintended pregnancies

## 2014 Infant Mortality Rates

*number of infants that die before their first birthday per 1,000 live births*



**Michigan *STILL* ranks last** nationally in maternal mortality

*rate of women who die while pregnant or within one year of giving birth*



### What's being done

#### Establishing perinatal regions

Led by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, developing a working system to direct the delivery of babies to the most appropriate facilities, equipped to address mother's and baby's needs.

#### Michigan Infant Mortality Reduction Plan

A collaborative group of stakeholders have created a plan for action and accountability.

#### Home Visiting

A variety of evidence based models are available to provide family support and parent coaching



### What needs to be done



Stress strategies to improve the pre-conception health of women



Support all evidence-based strategies to reduce pre-term births



Promote safe sleep practices



Additional support for home visiting parent coaching and family support programs



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