## Maternal Mortality

INDICATOR:

DEFINITION: The number of maternal deaths per 100,000 live births

NUMERATOR: The number of maternal deaths defined by death due to pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium as identified by ICD-9 codes 630-676, or by ICD-10 codes O00-O99, 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 maternal deaths to no more than 4.3 per 100,000 live births.
(Baseline: 9.9 per 100,000 live births in 1999) (Objective 16-4)

RISK FACTORS:
Race/ethnicity (African American); maternal age over thirty; high parity; late entry into prenatal care; lack of comprehensive prenatal care; tobacco use during pregnancy; alcohol/substance abuse during pregnancy

| Year | California |  |  |  | Los Angeles County |  |  |  |
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|  | Maternal Mortality | 95\% Confidence Interval |  | Maternal Mortality |  | 95\% Confidence Interval |  |  |
|  | Deaths | Ratio | Lower | Upper | Deaths | Ratio | Lower | Upper |
| 1997 | 45 | 8.6 | 8.3 | 8.8 | 20 | 12.3 | 11.8 | 12.9 |
| 1998 | 34 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.7 | 14 | 8.8 | 8.4 | 9.3 |
| 1999 | 43 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 8.5 | 14 | 9.0 | 8.5 | 9.4 |
| 2000 | 21 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 19 | 12.1 | 11.5 | 12.6 |
| 2001 | 54 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 10.5 | 20 | 13.0 | 12.5 | 13.6 |
| 2002 | 56 | 10.6 | 10.3 | 10.9 | 25 | 16.5 | 15.9 | 17.2 |
| 2003 | 82 | 15.2 | 14.8 | 15.5 | 21 | 13.8 | 13.2 | 14.4 |
| 2004 | 74 | 13.6 | 13.3 | 13.9 | 26 | 17.2 | 16.5 | 17.8 |
| 2005 | 92 | 16.8 | 16.4 | 17.1 | 22 | 14.6 | 14.0 | 15.2 |
| 2006 | 108 | 19.2 | 18.9 | 19.6 | 28 | 18.4 | 17.8 | 19.1 |
| 2007 | 80 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 14.4 | 22 | 14.5 | 13.9 | 15.1 |


| Denominator: <br> Live Births <br> Year California |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1997 | 524,174 | 162,036 |
| 1998 | 521,265 | 158,604 |
| 1999 | 518,073 | 156,153 |
| 2000 | 531,285 | 157,391 |
| 2001 | 527,371 | 153,523 |
| 2002 | 529,245 | 151,167 |
| 2003 | 540,827 | 152,192 |
| 2004 | 544,685 | 151,504 |
| 2005 | 548,700 | 150,377 |
| 2006 | 562,157 | 151,837 |
| 2007 | 566,137 | 151,813 |

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Year 2010 Objective: Reduce maternal mortality ratio to no more than 4.3 per 100,000 live births.
Source: California Department of Public Health, Center for Health Statistics, OHIR Vital Statistics Section, 1997-2007.


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    California Department of Public Health, Center for Health Statistics, OHIR Vital Statistics Section, Vital Statistics Query System, 2007

