

Table 33. Number of maternal deaths and maternal mortality rates for selected causes, by race: United States, 2007

[Maternal causes are those assigned to categories A34,O00-O95,O98-O99 of the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD-10)*, Second Edition. An increasing number of states use a separate item regarding pregnancy status on the death certificate to help identify these deaths; see "Technical Notes." Rates are per 100,000 live births in specified group; see "Technical Notes"]

Cause of death (based on ICD-10, 2004)	Number				Rate			
	All races	White ¹	All other ¹		All races	White ¹	All other ¹	
			Total ¹	Black ¹			Total ¹	Black ¹
Maternal causes (A34,O00-O95,O98-O99)	548	335	213	179	12.7	10.0	21.7	26.5
Pregnancy with abortive outcome (O00-O07)	31	12	19	18	0.7	*	*	*
Ectopic pregnancy (O00)	14	3	11	11	*	*	*	*
Spontaneous abortion (O03)	9	5	4	3	*	*	*	*
Medical abortion (O04)	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	*
Other abortion (O05)	1	-	1	1	*	*	*	*
Other and unspecified pregnancy with abortive outcome (O01-O02,O06-O07)	7	4	3	3	*	*	*	*
Other direct obstetric causes (A34,O10-O92)	362	219	143	117	8.4	6.6	14.6	17.3
Eclampsia and pre-eclampsia (O11,O13-O16)	64	42	22	19	1.5	1.3	2.2	*
Hemorrhage of pregnancy and childbirth and placenta previa (O20,O44-O46,O67,O72)	41	30	11	9	0.9	0.9	*	*
Complications predominately related to the puerperium (A34,O85-O92)	93	49	44	31	2.2	1.5	4.5	4.6
Obstetrical tetanus (A34)	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	*
Obstetric embolism (O88)	33	18	15	8	0.8	*	*	*
Other complications predominately related to the puerperium (O85-O87,O89-O92)	60	31	29	23	1.4	0.9	3.0	3.4
All other direct obstetric causes (O10,O12,O21-O43,O47-O66,O68-O71,O73-O75)	164	98	66	58	3.8	2.9	6.7	8.6
Obstetric death of unspecified cause (O95)	20	11	9	7	0.5	*	*	*
Indirect obstetric causes (O98-O99)	135	93	42	37	3.1	2.8	4.3	5.5
Maternal causes more than 42 days after delivery or termination of pregnancy (O96-O97)	221	130	91	72	5.1	3.9	9.3	10.7
Death from any obstetric cause occurring more than 42 days but less than one year after delivery (O96)	215	129	86	68	5.0	3.9	8.8	10.1
Death from sequelae of direct obstetric causes (O97)	6	1	5	4	*	*	*	*

* Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision; see "Technical Notes."

- Quantity zero.

¹ Race categories are consistent with the 1977 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) standards. Multiple-race data were reported for deaths by 27 states and the District of Columbia and, for births, by 27 areas; see "Technical Notes." The multiple-race data for these reporting areas were bridged to the single-race categories of the 1977 OMB standards for comparability with other reporting areas; see "Technical Notes."