

Infant Death Rate	
SHIP website description	This indicator shows the infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births. Infant mortality has long been considered the most sensitive indicator of the overall health of a population. While there have been several decades of improvement in infant mortality, Maryland's rate remains higher than the national average.
Source	Maryland MDH Vital Statistics Administration (VSA) Annual Report
Numerator	Number of deaths of children less than one year old
Denominator	Number of live births (by race of mother) from MDH Vital Statistics Administration
Threshold	5
Censorship (if below threshold)	Rate not reported if below threshold. Counts may be available upon request.
Calculation and metric	(Numerator/Denominator) *1,000
Race/ethnicity categories (on SHIP chart)	All races/ ethnicities (aggregated) Black Non-Hispanic Hispanic White Non-Hispanic
Other	None