



**California Department of Public Health**  
**Number of Live Births, Number of SIDS Deaths, SIDS Death Rates, and Annual Percent Change**  
**by Year and Race/Ethnicity, California Residents 2002-2006**



		White (non-Hispanic)	African American (non-Hispanic)	American Indian/Aleut/ Eskimo (non-Hispanic)	Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	Multiple Race (non-Hispanic)	Total <sup>1</sup> Births
2002	Births	161,470	29,807	1,966	61,787	263,023	6,813	529,245
	Deaths	74	28	-	9	50	7	168
	SIDS Death Rate (per 100,000 live births)	45.8	93.9	-	*	19.0	*	31.7

		White (non-Hispanic)	African American (non-Hispanic)	American Indian/Aleut/ Eskimo (non-Hispanic)	Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	Multiple Race (non-Hispanic)	Total <sup>1</sup> Births
2003	Births	162,920	29,211	2,004	63,934	269,691	7,112	540,827
	Deaths	60	29	2	6	69	9	175
	SIDS Death Rate (per 100,000 live births)	36.8	99.3	*	*	25.6	*	32.4
	Percent Change in Rate from Previous Year <sup>2</sup>	-20	6	-	-	35	-	2

		White (non-Hispanic)	African American (non-Hispanic)	American Indian/Aleut/ Eskimo (non-Hispanic)	Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	Multiple Race (non-Hispanic)	Total <sup>1</sup> Births
2004	Births	158,992	28,679	2,073	64,665	275,188	7,162	544,685
	Deaths	64	24	-	11	65	7	171
	SIDS Death Rate (per 100,000 live births)	40.3	83.7	-	17.0*	23.6	*	31.4
	Percent Change in Rate from Previous Year <sup>2</sup>	9	-16	-	-	-8	-	-3

		White (non-Hispanic)	African American (non-Hispanic)	American Indian/Aleut/ Eskimo (non-Hispanic)	Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	Multiple Race (non-Hispanic)	Total <sup>1</sup> Births
2005	Births	155,900	28,756	2,116	64,263	282,823	7,382	548,700
	Deaths	57	26	1	5	55	7	151
	SIDS Death Rate (per 100,000 live births)	36.6	90.4	*	*	19.4	*	27.5
	Percent Change in Rate from Previous Year <sup>2</sup>	-9	8	-	-	-18	-	-12

		White (non-Hispanic)	African American (non-Hispanic)	American Indian/Aleut/ Eskimo (non-Hispanic)	Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	Multiple Race (non-Hispanic)	Total <sup>1</sup> Births
2006	Births	154,227	30,016	2,136	65,472	293,276	8,219	562,157
	Deaths	45	21	3	4	53	8	134
	SIDS Death Rate (per 100,000 live births)	29.2	70.0	*	*	18.1	*	23.8
	Percent Change in Rate from Previous Year <sup>2</sup>	-20	-23	-	-	-7	-	-13

<sup>1</sup>Births with a race of "Other" or "Unknown" are not shown, however, they are included in the "Total Births".

<sup>2</sup>Percent change value was calculated based on the undrounded SIDS rate. Using the rounded SIDS rate may result in a different percent change due to rounding error.

\*Rates based on fewer than 20 events are considered unstable and should be interpreted with caution. Rates not computed for fewer than 10 events.

Number of live births were derived from the California Birth Statistical Master Files, 2002-2006. Number of SIDS deaths were derived from the California Death Statistical Master Files, 2002-2006. SIDS deaths were identified by ICD-10 code R95.

Beginning in 2000, up to three races could be indicated on birth and death certificates, allowing for persons to be identified as "Multiple Race". Race/ethnicity tabulations that include "Multiple Race" categories are not compatible with or easily comparable to data in the old, single race format prior to 2000.