

TABLE 4-2. LIVE BIRTHS, INFANT DEATHS, AND COHORT INFANT MORTALITY RATES BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP¹ OF MOTHER, CALIFORNIA, 2003-2007
(Rates are per 1,000 live births.)

RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER	LIVE BIRTHS				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	540,812	544,758	548,897	562,472	566,318
HISPANIC	269,637	275,234	282,925	293,407	297,031
NON-HISPANIC					
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	7,110	7,163	7,391	8,232	9,464
AMERICAN INDIAN	2,004	2,073	2,117	2,139	2,012
ASIAN	61,509	62,125	61,750	62,978	66,263
BLACK	29,196	28,688	28,783	30,059	29,513
PACIFIC ISLANDER	2,409	2,544	2,532	2,524	2,612
WHITE	162,901	159,015	155,996	154,382	151,015
OTHER	206	187	228	253	307
UNKNOWN	5,840	7,729	7,175	8,498	8,101
RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER	INFANT DEATHS				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	2,865	2,912	2,998	2,947	3,022
HISPANIC	1,365	1,460	1,502	1,503	1,521
NON-HISPANIC					
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	28	33	55	58	52
AMERICAN INDIAN	14	16	15	19	15
ASIAN	236	234	255	258	316
BLACK	320	351	365	363	364
PACIFIC ISLANDER	19	20	25	16	26
WHITE	718	714	779	717	723
OTHER	2	1	1	2	-
UNKNOWN	163	83	1	11	5
RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER	COHORT INFANT MORTALITY RATES				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.2	5.3
HISPANIC	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.1
NON-HISPANIC					
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	3.9	4.6	7.4	7.0	5.5
AMERICAN INDIAN	7.0	7.7	7.1	8.9	7.5
ASIAN	3.8	3.8	4.1	4.1	4.8
BLACK	11.0	12.2	12.7	12.1	12.3
PACIFIC ISLANDER	7.9	7.9	9.9	6.3	10.0
WHITE	4.4	4.5	5.0	4.6	4.8
OTHER	a,b	a,b	a,b	a,b	a,b
UNKNOWN	27.9	10.7	0.1	1.3	0.6

¹ The race and ethnic groups in this table utilize nine mutually exclusive race and ethnicity categories. These categories are Hispanic and the following Non-Hispanic categories: Two or More Races, American Indian (includes Eskimo and Aleut), Asian, Black, Pacific Islander (includes Hawaiian), White, Other Race, and Unknown (includes refused to state). These groups are not comparable with race groups used in Vital Statistics of California reports prior to 2000.

^a Rates not calculated for fewer than 5 events.

^b Rates not calculated for fewer than 1,000 live births.

Source: State of California, Department of Public Health, Birth Cohort Files.