In the United States
Women are more likely to die due to pregnancy-related causes than women in other developed countries.
[1]

700 women die , each year due to pregnancy-related causes.^[1]

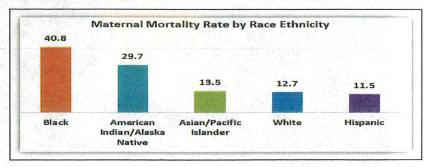
⇒ 3 in 5 deaths are due to preventable causes^[2]

Pregnancy-related deaths occur during pregnancy, at delivery, and up to one year.^[2] Factors include ...

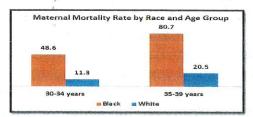
- -Issues with access to healthcare
- -Problems missed or identified too late
- -Warning signs not recognized

Disparities exist by race, age, and educational level. [3]

Black women are 3.2 times as likely to die from pregnancy-related causes as white women.^[2]



Black women, ages 30-34 years and 35-39 years are more likely to die from pregnancy-related causes as white women of the same age. [3]

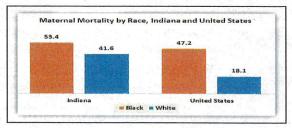


Black women, with some college and college graduate or higher are more likely to die from pregnancyrelated causes as white women with same level of education. [3]

In Indiana

Maternal mortality rate (MMR) in Indiana is more than twice the U.S. rate. [4]

- MMR continues to increase [6]
- Black MMR id 1.2 times higher than white MMR. [4]
- Black MMR in Indiana is 3 times higher than white MMR in the U.S.^[4]



Recent activity in U.S. to address maternal mortality: -H.R. 1318 – Preventing Maternal Deaths Act of 2018 was signed into law on December 21, 2018 [4] -Mothers and Offspring Mortality and Morbidity Awareness (MOMMA's) Act introduced in the U.S. House and U.S. Senate in March of 2019 [5]

Recent activity in Indiana to address maternal mortality:

- -Maternal Mortality Review Committee law signed [9]
- -Indiana Medicaid coverage for Doulas [9]
- -Indiana State Department of Health received federal funding through the Center for Disease Control and Prevention to support the Maternal Mortality Review Committee. [10]

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