

# INFANT MORTALITY PREVENTION

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ON INFANT MORTALITY

Possibility was born the day you were born...



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● **INFANT  
MORTALITY  
DATA:**

**INFANT  
MORTALITY  
RATES**

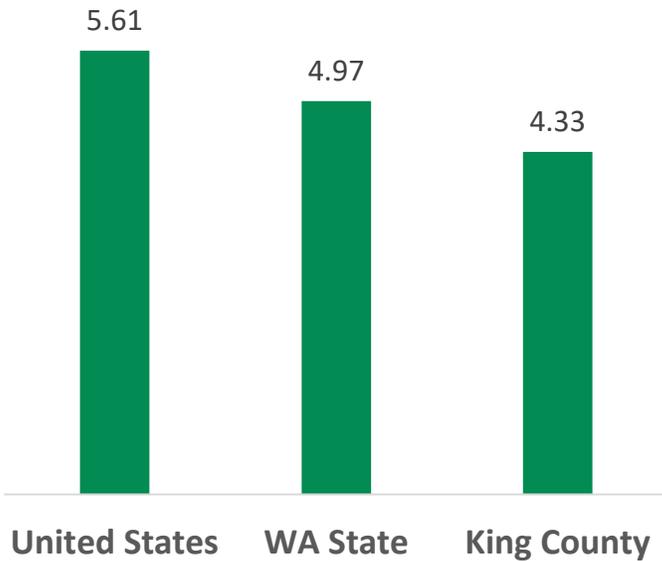
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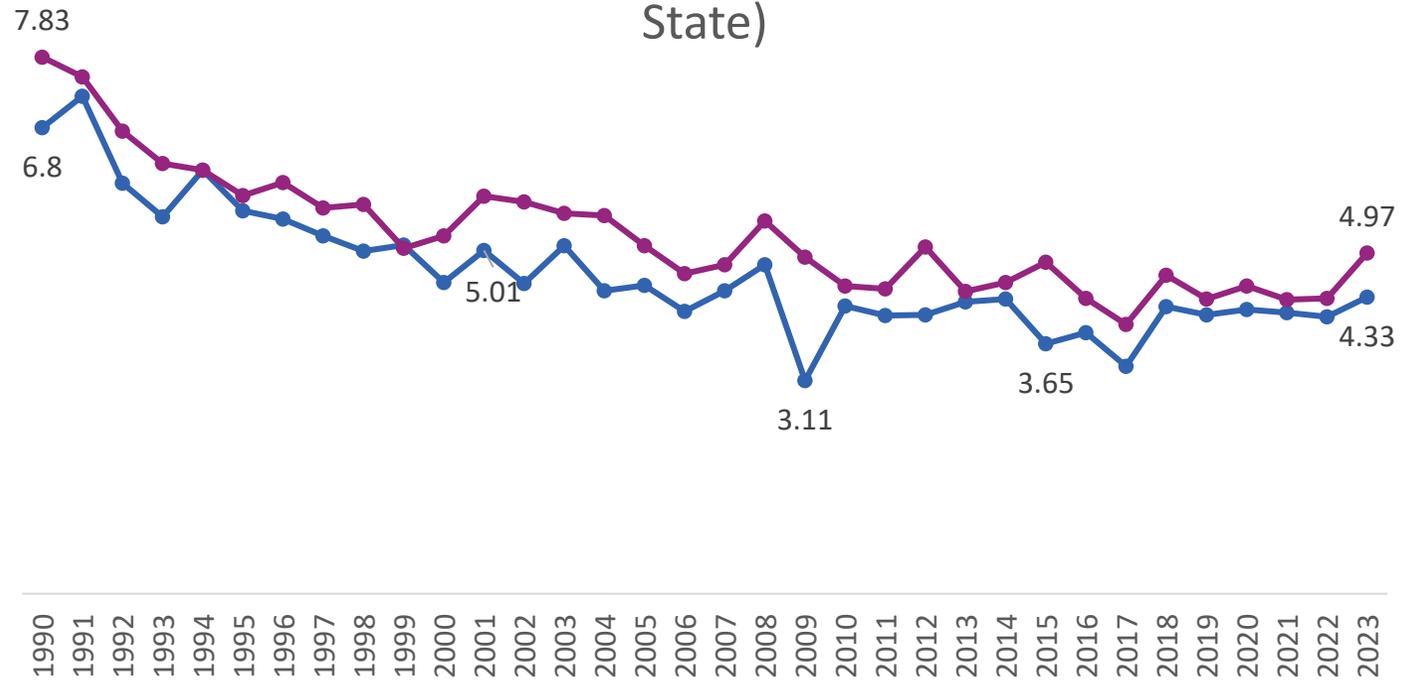
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# INFANT MORTALITY RATES (U.S., WA STATE, & KING COUNTY)

Infant Mortality Rate, 2023  
(number of infant deaths per  
1,000 live births)



Infant Mortality Rate 1990-2023 (King County & WA State)

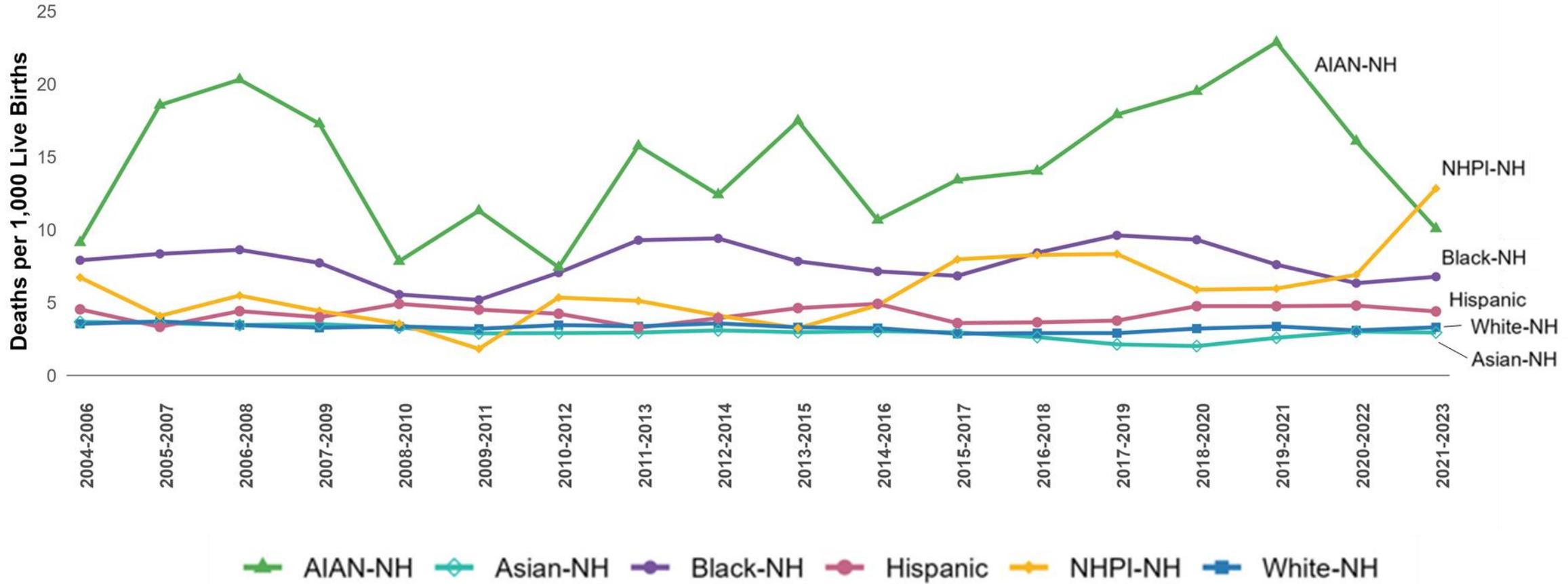


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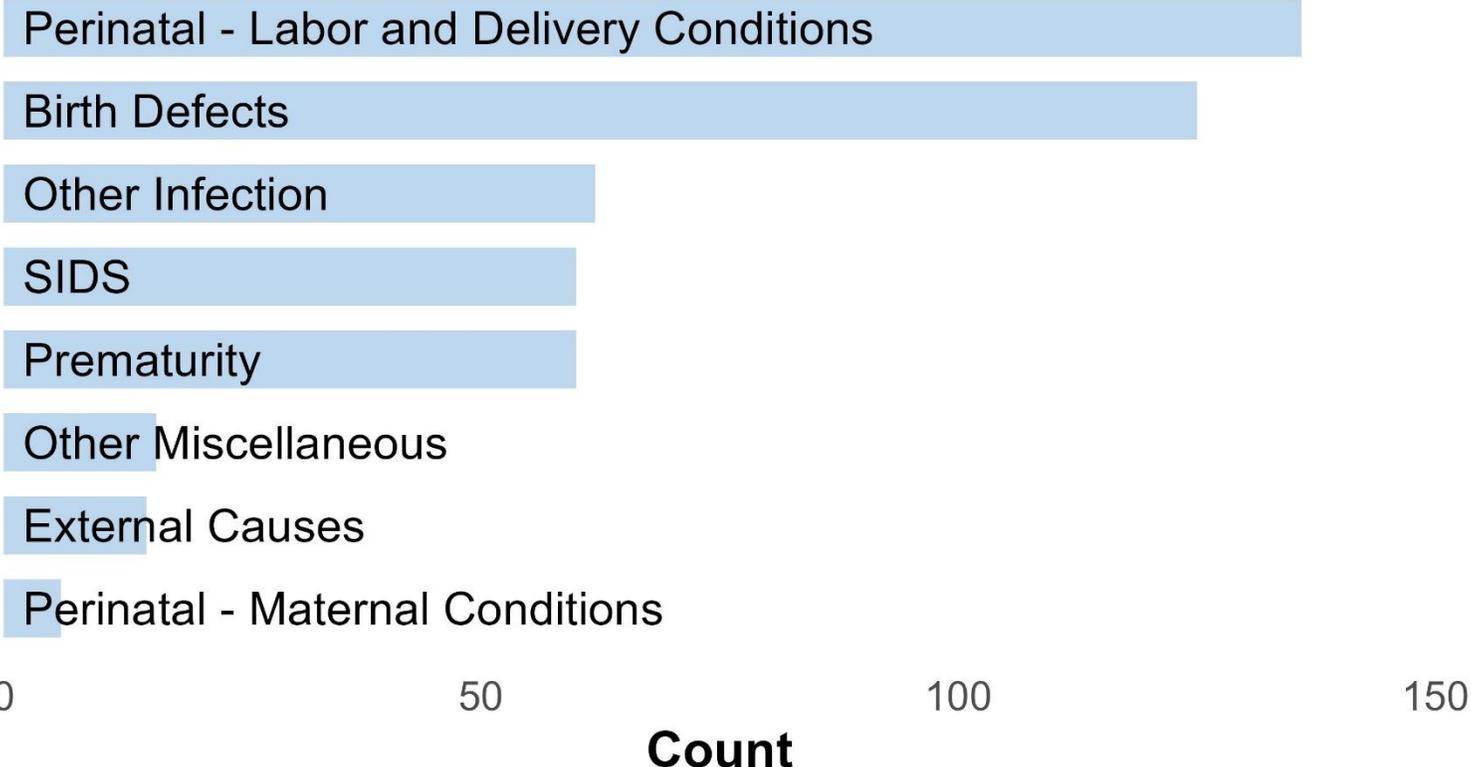
[National Vital Statistics Reports Volume 73, Number 5 July 25, 2024 Infant Mortality in the United States, 2022: Data From the Period Linked Birth/Infant Death File](#) ; Washington State Department of Health, Center for Health Statistics, Death Certificate Data, 1990–2023 Community Health Assessment Tool (CHAT), Jan 2025.

# Disparities by Race/Ethnicity

King County, 2004-2023



# CAUSES OF INFANT MORTALITY



Health Sciences, APDE: June 09, 2025  
Data source: WA DOH CHS, CHAT NIMS 2019-2023

# THE INFANT MORTALITY PREVENTION NETWORK

## The Network

### Best Starts for Kids: Funding 6 organizations

- Atlantic Street Center
- Hummingbird Indigenous Family Services
- Open Arms Perinatal Services
- Pacific Islander Health Board
- Seattle Indian Health Board
- Somali Health Board

# ● THE INFANT MORTALITY PREVENTION NETWORK

## The Work of the Network

Providing culturally relevant, culturally versatile, community designed infant mortality prevention strategies.

Examples:

- Perinatal case management
- Doula services
- Centering Motherhood

## THE INFANT MORTALITY PREVENTION NETWORK



# Hummingbird

INDIGENOUS FAMILY SERVICES

Hummingbird Indigenous Family Services launched in 2019 with the mission of healthy Indigenous babies being born into healthy Indigenous families being supported by healthy Indigenous communities. Hummingbird is the first and only Indigenous agency in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties to exclusively serve Indigenous babies and families from zero to three.

# THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?

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...And it will live as long as you live.—Marcus Solero

