



STILLBIRTH FACTS AND INFORMATION

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DEFINITION

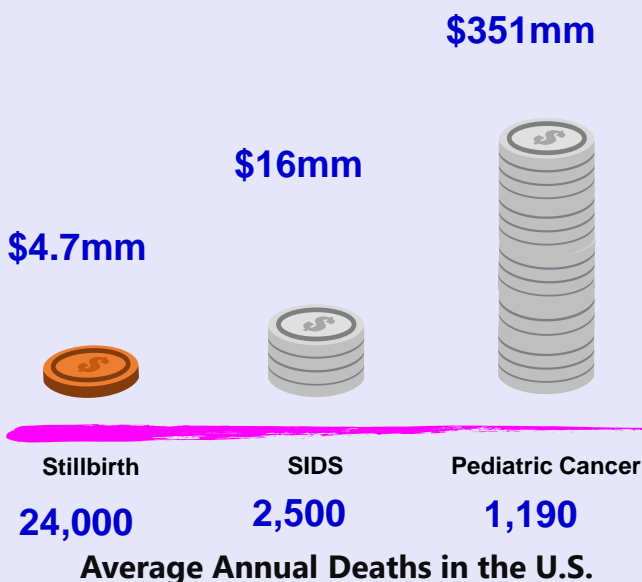
According to The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), stillbirth is defined as:

- The death or loss of a baby before or during delivery after 20 weeks of pregnancy.¹

FACTS

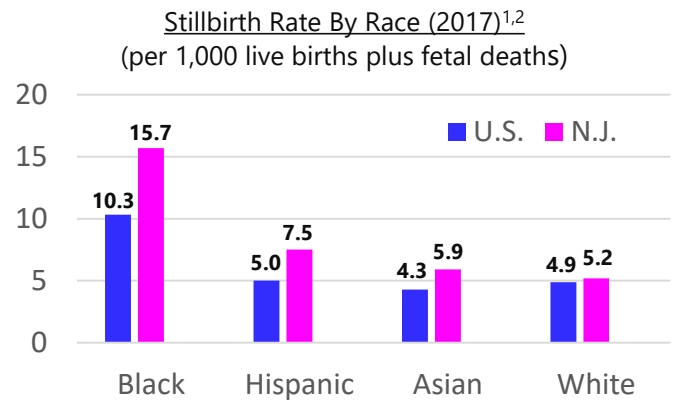
- There are 24 countries with lower stillbirth rates than the U.S. and 154 countries that are reducing their stillbirth rates more rapidly than the United States.²
- Stillbirth occurs in all races, religions, socioeconomic classes, and maternal age groups leaving no pregnancy immune.²
- Most stillbirths are preventable and occur at a viable gestational age.²
- Stillbirth continues to be a significantly underfunded public health issue.²

2016 U.S. Funding



NATIONAL STATISTICS

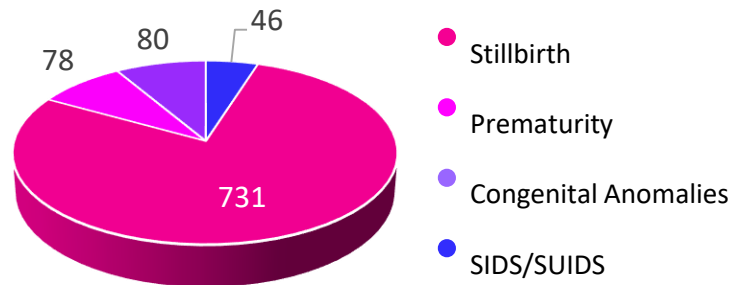
- Stillbirth affects about 1 in 160 pregnancies nationally.¹
- Each year, 24,000 babies are stillborn in the United States—10x that of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).¹
- There are significant racial disparities in stillbirth. More stillbirths occur among mothers of Black race compared to mothers of other races.¹



NEW JERSEY STATISTICS

- In 2017, 731 stillbirths occurred in the state of New Jersey—more than the combined number of deaths from SIDS, prematurity, and congenital anomalies.³

NJ: Number of Deaths by Cause (2017)³



- The rate of fetal mortality in NJ continues to remain higher than that of the U.S.³
- There are approximately 700 maternal deaths **NATIONALLY** each year vs. 700+ stillbirths in **NJ ALONE**.¹

1. <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/stillbirth/facts.html>. Accessed July 17th, 2020.
 2. <https://www.thelancet.com/series/ending-preventable-stillbirths>. Accessed July 17th, 2020.
 3. <https://www-doh.state.nj.us/doh-shad/>. Accessed July 17th, 2020.