INFANT MORTALITY
DISPARITIES BY RACE AND ETHNICITY IN VANDERBURGH COUNTY 2011-2016

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2015 Racial Disparities in Vanderburgh County

2011-2015 Infant Mortality Rates (IMR)

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2015 Preterm Births

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Natality Quick Facts

While Vanderburgh County (VC) has seen improvements in measures focused around natality over the past several years, there are still many concerning racial and ethnic disparities.

% Low Birthweight

- White: 7.4%
- Black: 13.3%
- Hispanic: 9.9%

% of Mothers on Medicaid

- White: 31.6%
- Black: 63.3%
- Hispanic: 50.6%

One County: Worlds Apart

10.2*^ At 10.2, the IMR for Black women in VC is similar to Seychelles (10.2), a small island nation off the eastern coast of Africa. It totals just 177 mi² of land. Seychelles has a life expectancy 5 years lower than the United States. 1,2

7.2* At 7.2* and 7.3, respectively, the IMR for Hispanic and White women in VC is similar to Puerto Rico (7.4), a U.S. territory currently experiencing an economic recession1,2

5.8* In 2016, the United States IMR stood at 5.8 infant deaths/1,000 live births.1

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*Infant Mortality Rate is the number of infant deaths/total live births in a geographic area, given per 1,000

*Numerator is less than 20, and the rate is unstable.