Maternal Health Statistics and Policies
NYC FACT SHEET

105,403 births\(^1\) each year

Births by insurance type\(^1\)
- Private: 40%
- Medicaid: 57%
- Other: 2%
- Self Pay: 1%

Births by race-ethnicity\(^1\)
- Non-Hispanic White: 33%
- Non-Hispanic Black: 19%
- Hispanic or Latino: 29%
- Indigenous: 0.2%

Maternal mortality

Maternal mortality ratio
- 42 per 100,000 births\(^2\)

Black people in NYC are 3.6x more likely\(^3\) to die from pregnancy-related causes compared to Hispanic people and 7.7x more likely\(^3\) compared to white people.

Less than 42 days postpartum
- 66%

43+ days postpartum
- 14%

80% of pregnancy-related deaths in NYC occur postpartum\(^3\)

Maternal mortality ratio
- 51 per 100,000 births

NY state Medicaid income eligibility thresholds\(^4\)

% of Federal Poverty Level

- Low-income adults/parents: 138%
- Pregnant women: 223%
- Children: 405%

Key Medicaid policies and other initiatives adopted by NY state to promote maternal-child health

- ACA Medicaid expansion\(^4\)
  - Adopted
- Medicaid unborn child option\(^5\)
  - Not adopted
- State maternal mortality review committee\(^6\)
  - Active
- State perinatal quality collaborative\(^7\)
  - Active
- Postpartum uninsurance rate for Medicaid births\(^8\)
  - 10.5%

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