

TABLE 1-11. BIRTHS, PERINATAL AND INFANT DEATHS, AND DEATH RATES BY METHOD OF DELIVERY, CALIFORNIA, 2001
(By Place of Residence) (Based on 2001 Birth Cohort File)

| METHOD OF DELIVERY | BIRTHS | | INFANT DEATHS | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | Total Births | Live Births | PERINATAL DEATHS | | | Post-Neonatal Deaths | Total Infant Deaths |
| Total Perinatal Deaths | | | Fetal Deaths | Neonatal Deaths | | | |
| TOTAL | 530,405 | 527,452 | 4,845 | 2,953 | 1,892 | 927 | 2,819 |
| CESAREAN | 132,859 | 132,477 | 1,069 | 382 | 687 | 375 | 1,062 |
| VAG-AFTER CS | 6,665 | 6,606 | 92 | 59 | 33 | 10 | 43 |
| VAGINAL | 390,762 | 388,311 | 3,574 | 2,451 | 1,123 | 533 | 1,656 |
| UNKNOWN | 119 | 58 | 110 | 61 | 49 | 9 | 58 |

| METHOD OF DELIVERY | INFANT DEATHS | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| | PERINATAL DEATHS | | | Post-Neonatal Death Rates | Total Infant Death Rates |
| Total Perinatal Death Rates | Fetal Death Rates | Neonatal Death Rates | | | |
| TOTAL ¹ | 9.1 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 5.3 |
| CESAREAN | 8.0 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 8.0 |
| VAG-AFTER CS | 13.8 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 1.5 | 6.5 |
| VAGINAL | 9.1 | 6.3 | 2.9 | 1.4 | 4.3 |

¹ Includes unknown method of delivery.

Note: Total births are live births plus fetal deaths of 20 weeks or more gestation.

Neonatal deaths are deaths under 28 days of age.

Perinatal deaths are neonatal deaths plus fetal deaths of 20 weeks or more gestation.

Postneonatal deaths are deaths occurring between the 28th day and the end of the first year of life.

Infant deaths are under one year of age.

Fetal and perinatal death rates are per 1,000 total births.

Neonatal, postneonatal, and infant death rates are per 1,000 live births.

Death rates based on small numbers are highly unreliable.

Rates are not shown for unknown categories.

Source: State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Cohort Files.