## Michigan Stillbirth Rate, 2015

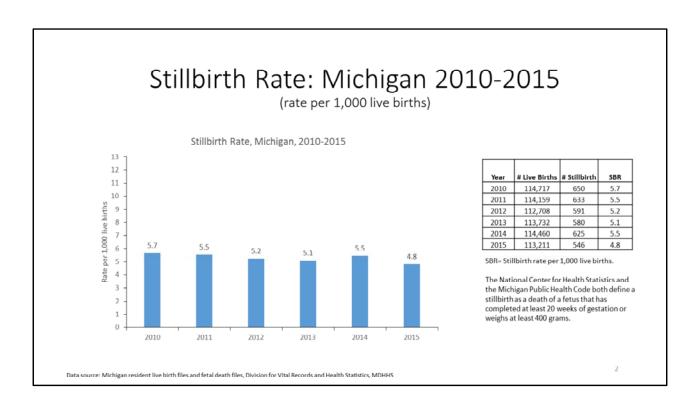
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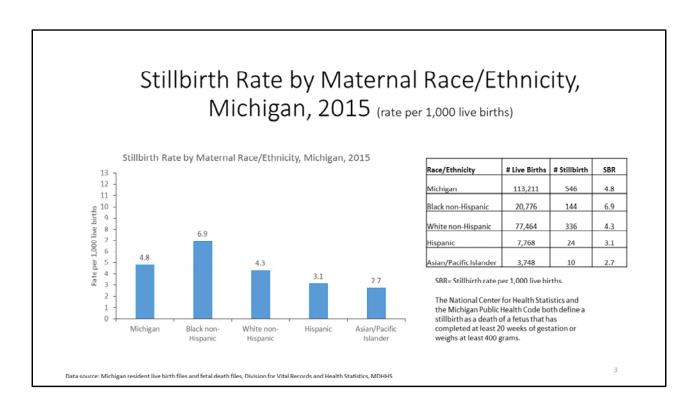
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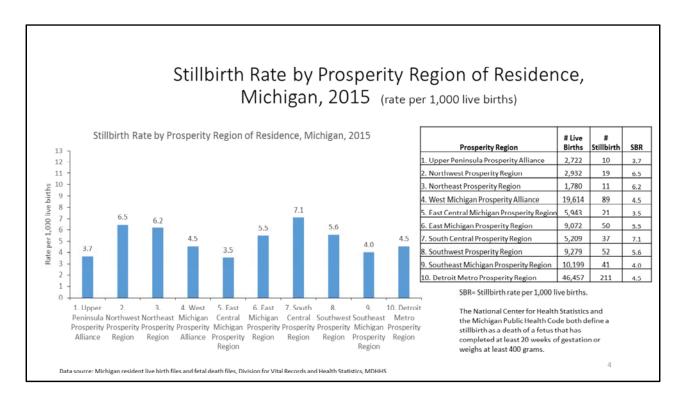
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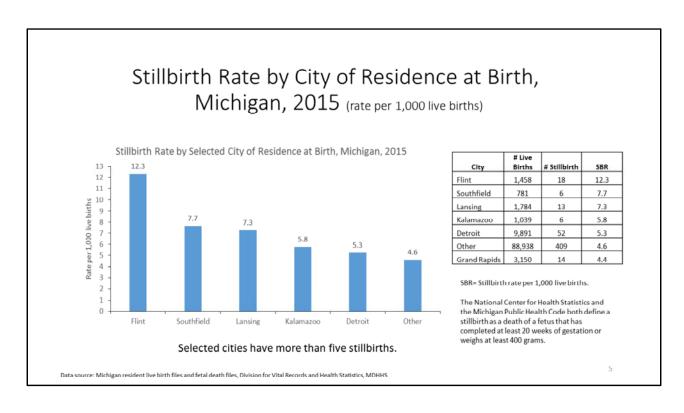
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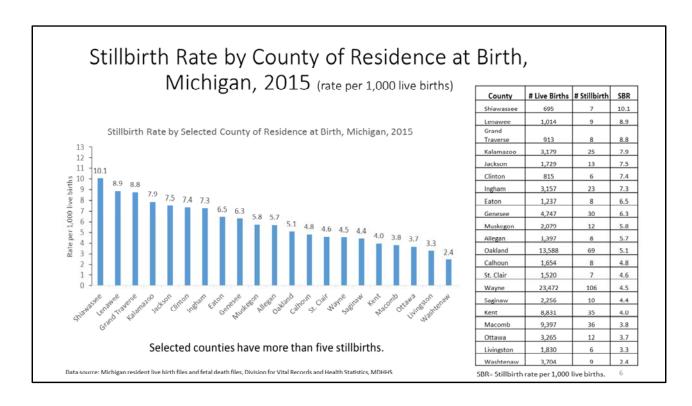
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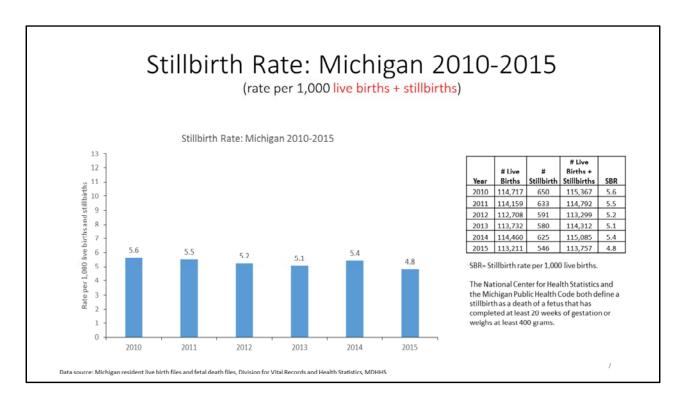
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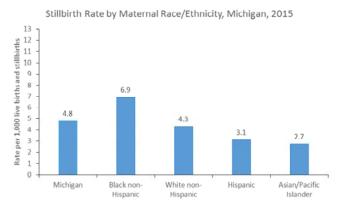


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## Stillbirth Rate by Maternal Race/Ethnicity, Michigan, 2015 (rate per 1,000 live births + stillbirths)



Race/Ethnicity	# Live Births	# Stillbirth	# Live Births + Stillbirths	SBR					
					Michigan	113,211	546	113,757	4.8
Black non-Hispanic	20,776	144	20,920	6.9					
White non- Hispanic	77,464	336	77,800	4.3					
Hispanic	7,768	24	7,792	3.1					
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,748	10	3,758	2.7					

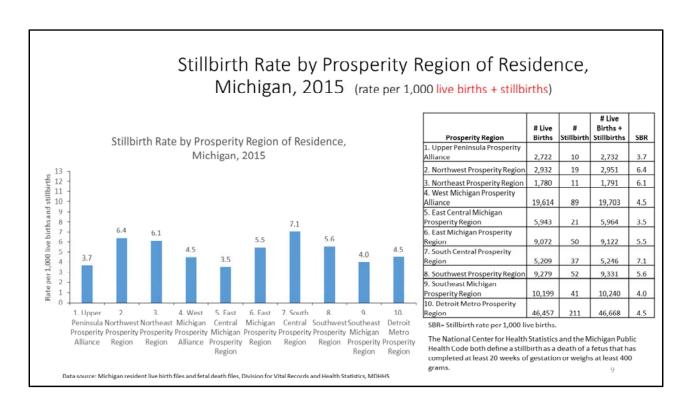
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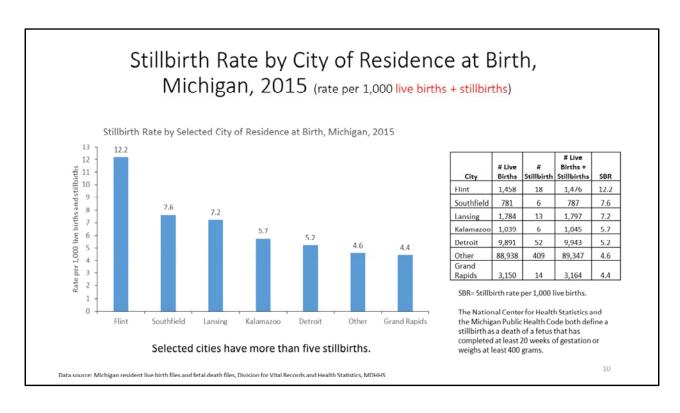
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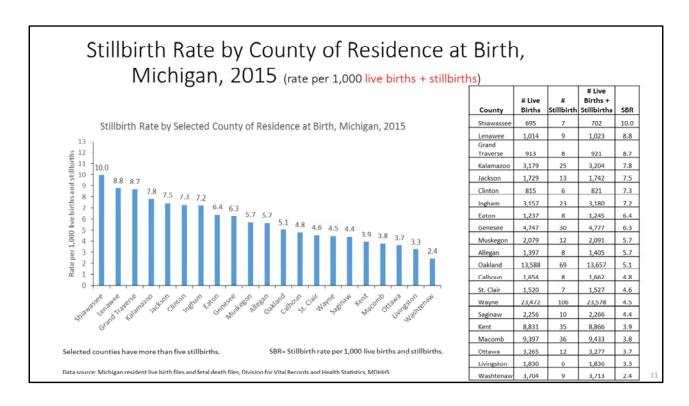
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