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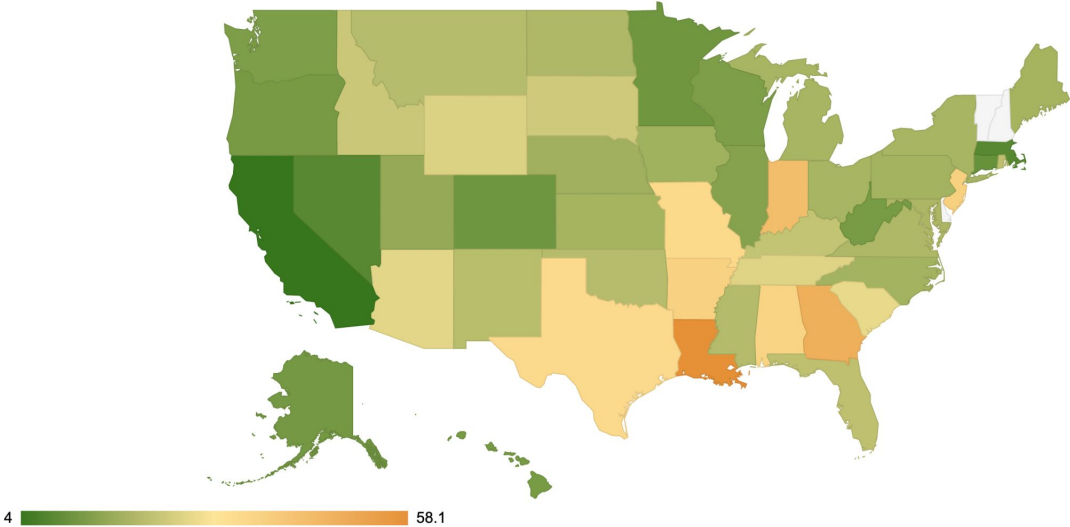
A California success story told with data

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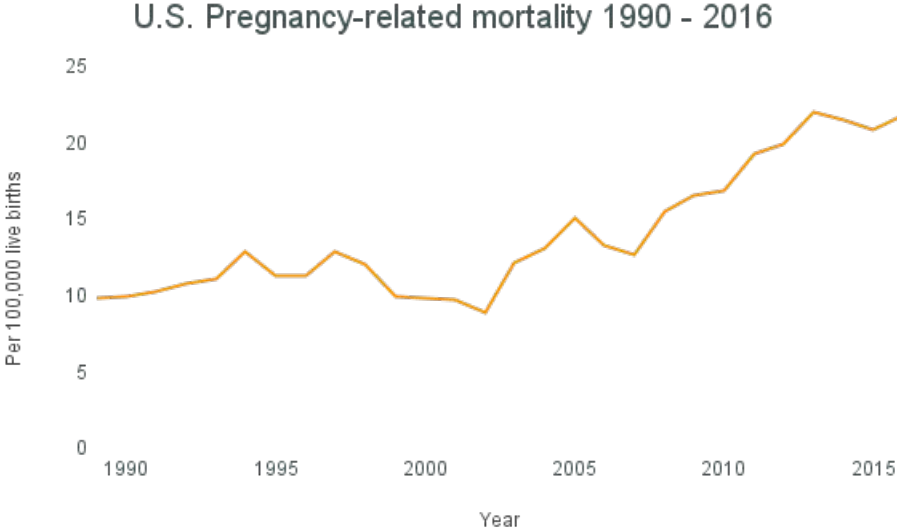
U.S. Pregnancy-related mortality 1990 - 2016

Today, Louisiana has the highest maternal mortality rate:
58 per 100 live births.

Maternal Mortality Rate by State 2021. (2021). World Population Review. Retrieved December 20, 2021, from https://worldpopulationreview.com/state-rankings/maternal-mortality-rate-by-state

Preventable Maternal Deaths in Louisiana
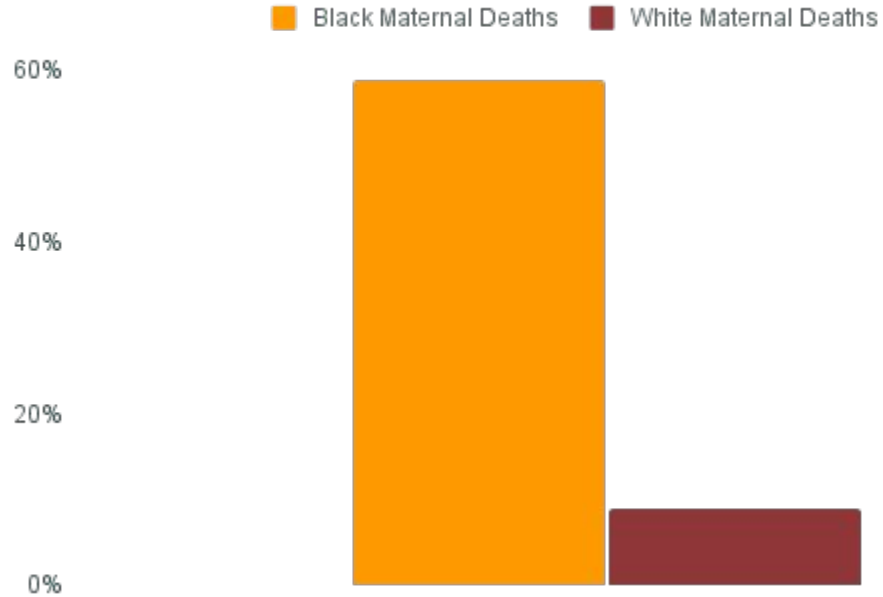
■ Black Maternal Deaths   ■ White Maternal Deaths

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Maternal Mortality by Race and Hispanic Origin

Hispanic
18.4%

Non-Hispanic white
23.3%

Non-Hispanic black
58.3%

California maternal mortality dropped 55% since 2006. Why?
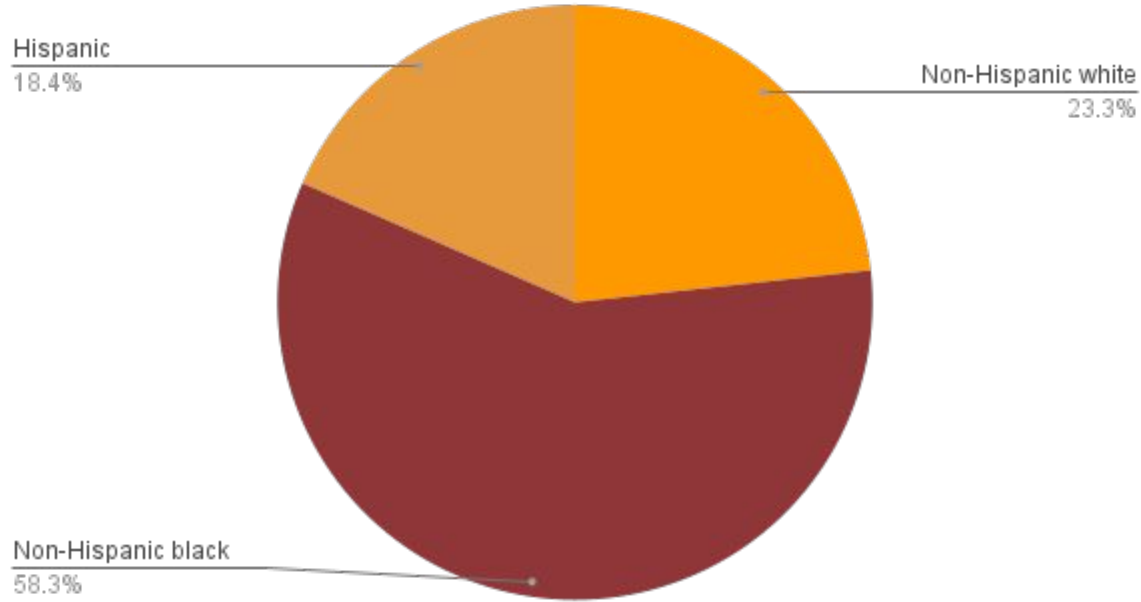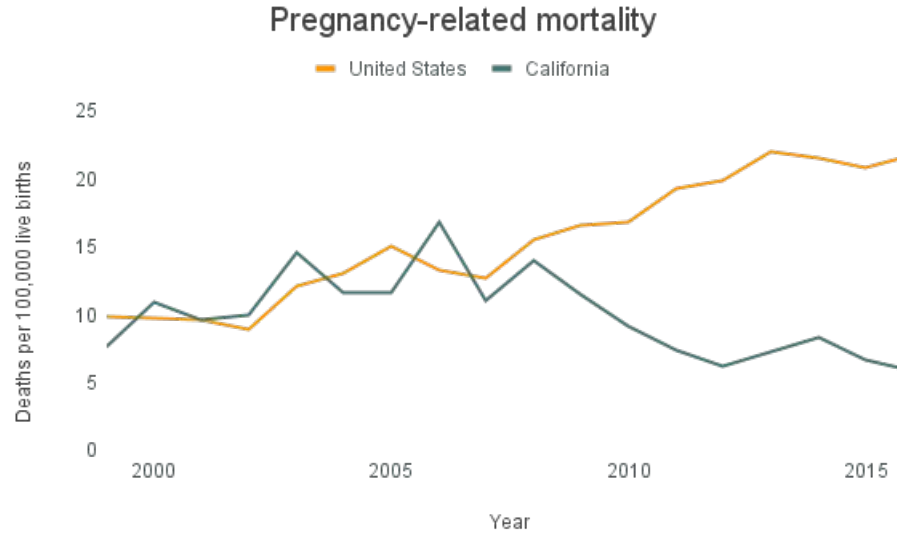

Pregnancy-related mortality

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California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative - research, quality care improvements, and outreach.

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