The Arkansas Maternal Mortality Review Committee (AMMRC) reviews maternal deaths that occur during pregnancy or within one year of the end of a pregnancy to determine causes of death, contributing factors, and to recommend interventions for preventing maternal deaths in Arkansas.

**SUMMARY**  
(Years 2018-2019)

- **74** pregnancy-associated deaths per 100,000 live births
- **31** pregnancy-related deaths per 100,000 live births
- **91%** of pregnancy-related deaths were preventable

**Black/African American women were 1.7x as likely to die from pregnancy-related causes as white non-Hispanic women.**

**LEADING CAUSES OF PREGNANCY-RELATED DEATHS IN 2018-2019**
- Cardiomyopathy
- Cardiovascular conditions
- Hemorrhage (excludes aneurysms or cerebrovascular accidents)
- Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy
- Infection

**PREGNANCY-ASSOCIATED DEATHS BY RELATEDNESS AND TIMING OF DEATH IN RELATION TO PREGNANCY**

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<th>Time Period</th>
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**PAYMENT SOURCE FOR DEATHS OCCURRING AFTER DELIVERY**

- Pregnancy-related deaths: 43% private insurance, 57% Medicaid
- Pregnancy-associated but not related deaths: 50% private insurance, 50% Medicaid

For more information: [https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/arkansas-maternal-mortality-review-committee](https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/arkansas-maternal-mortality-review-committee)