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## INTRODUCTION

Adverse pregnancy outcomes are recorded by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for infants with congenital anomalies (birth defects) and other serious neonatal conditions (Table 1). Each year in Illinois, IDPH's Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System (APORS) obtains information on thousands of such births throughout the state. Information about congenital anomalies and other adverse pregnancy outcomes identified in newborn infants was first collected statewide by APORS in 1989. Table 1 shows the number of cases and observed rates of the different neonatal conditions that make up the APORS case definition for 1997 – 2001. Because multiple adverse outcomes may coexist, it is possible for an infant to be counted in more than one of the categories in Table 1.

**Table 1. Frequency of Infants Meeting APORS Case Criteria, 1997 – 2001**

| Infants   | 5-Year Total | Annual Average | Rate <sup>1</sup> | % APORS Cases |
|---|--------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Total APORS Cases   | 81,603       | 16,320.6       | 892.6             | 100.0         |
| Intensive Care >24 hours<br>(meets no other APORS criteria) | 35,621       | 7,124.2        | 389.6             | 43.7          |
| Birth Defects   | 19,147       | 3,829.4        | 209.4             | 23.5          |
| Very Low Birth Weight                                       | 17,050       | 3,410.0        | 186.5             | 20.9          |
| Died During Newborn Hospitalization                         | 10,495       | 2,099.0        | 114.8             | 12.9          |
| Positive for Controlled Substances                          | 7,620        | 1,524.0        | 83.4              | 9.3           |
| Fetal Deaths  | 6,334        | 1,266.8        | 69.3              | 7.8           |
| Congenital Infections                                       | 5,392        | 1,078.4        | 59.0              | 6.6           |
| Intrauterine Growth Retardation                             | 2,552        | 510.4          | 27.9              | 3.1           |
| Retinopathy of Prematurity                                  | 2,198        | 439.6          | 24.0              | 2.7           |
| Endocrine, Metabolic or Immune Disorder                     | 236          | 47.2           | 2.6               | 0.3           |
| Fetal Alcohol Syndrome                                      | 163          | 32.6           | 1.8               | 0.2           |
| Blood Disorder  | 162          | 32.4           | 1.8               | 0.2           |
| Other Conditions <sup>2</sup>                               | 155          | 31.0           | 1.7               | 0.2           |

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Neurofibromatosis, chorioetinitis, strabismus, endocardial fibroelastosis, occlusion of cerebral arteries, cerebral lipidoses

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

Information about adverse pregnancy outcomes is collected for two major reasons. First, infants with a congenital anomaly or other problem often need special services to help assure that they reach their full potential. Therefore, these babies are referred to their local health departments for follow-up services. Second, the data are collected for surveillance and evaluation purposes. These may include describing disease patterns, tracking trends, conducting cluster investigations, and developing education and intervention strategies.

APORS is the most complete source of data on adverse pregnancy outcomes that exists in Illinois. All Illinois hospitals are mandated to report infants born to Illinois women. (Perinatal centers in St. Louis, Mo., voluntarily participate.) APORS is a passive surveillance system since reports are sent to IDPH rather than APORS staff going to hospitals to identify children with adverse outcomes. Such passive systems, though economical and relatively easy to operate, are likely to underestimate adverse outcome rates. The Trust for America's Health (2002) gave APORS a rating of B because of this lack of active surveillance activities. Twenty-one states achieved a rating of B or higher among the 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Birth certificates (maintained by the Department's Division of Vital Records) are an additional data source, allowing APORS to identify infants with very low birth weights or with certain birth defects, otherwise unreported by the hospitals. The Division of Vital Records also provides information about fetal deaths from the death certificates.

This report is restricted to birth defects identified in newborn infants or fetal deaths. (It differs from some other Division of Epidemiologic Studies reports that have included information obtained through an active surveillance project undertaken in 1998.) Information about children whose only APORS case criteria was a stay of more than 24 hours in the intensive care unit is not explored in this report. These children generally go home healthy and, once home, do not need special services. APORS staff believe that the incidence of infants prenatally exposed to controlled substances is subject to testing bias (Fornoff *et al.*, 2001) and so is not discussed here.

This report includes two sections. The first describes the county-specific incidence rates of seven groups of major birth defects. In addition, a listing of the International Classification of Diseases – Ninth Revision Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) codes corresponding to each included birth defect is provided, together with a brief description of each defect. The second section provides similar information about other adverse pregnancy outcomes, including most of those listed in Table 1.

## METHODS

### *Calculation and Interpretation of Rates and Confidence Intervals*

Annual incidence rates (per 10,000 live births) for selected adverse pregnancy outcomes identified during the newborn hospital stay or associated with a fetal death were calculated as

$$10,000 \times \frac{\text{number of infants with selected congenital anomaly}}{\text{number of live births}}$$

The numbers of live births were obtained from the IDPH master birth files, provided by the Department's Center for Health Statistics.

Occurrence of a specific adverse outcome is assumed to be a rare event, therefore following a Poisson distribution. Exact confidence intervals were calculated for each rate (Armitage and Berry, 1987, page 134). Where there is a large number of birth defect cases, the confidence interval is narrow, indicating that the rate is stable. Where there are few birth defect cases, the confidence interval becomes very wide, indicating that the rate is not very stable and a small change in the number of infants born with the specific birth defect could result in a large change in the rate.

To compare two rates, it is important to look not just at their value, but also their confidence intervals. As a conservative approximation, if two confidence intervals overlap, then there is no evidence that the two rates are really different. If two confidence intervals do not overlap, then the rates are said to be statistically different. In this report, we use 95 percent confidence intervals; where the confidence intervals do not overlap the rates are statistically different at the 5 percent level ( $p < 0.05$ ).

### ***Multiple Comparisons***

Since this report examines a large number of adverse outcomes, the corresponding statistical tests are subject to the "multiple comparison problem." For a given birth defect, the observed rate is an estimate of the true birth defect rate in the population. When two rates from different times or groups are compared, statisticians will assert that the observed rates are evidence of the groups having differing birth defect rates, if the observed rates are so different that the chance of them coming from the same underlying population is less than 5 percent. The 5 percent type I error rate, however, suggests that when 100 comparisons are made on average, five will provide statistical evidence that there are two true differing rates, when, in fact, there is no difference between the two groups. Therefore, as more comparisons are made, more may be statistically significant, just by chance. In this report, no explicit corrections of the multiple comparison problem were made; instead, when discussing trends, exact probabilities are reported. The smaller the reported probability, the more likely that the difference is not simply the result of chance.

### ***Creating Map Illustrations***

The maps in this report were created using MapInfo® (version 6.5, MapInfo Corporation). The categories were determined by the program using natural break-points in the data. The maps are used to create a visual representation of birth defect incidence rates and do not have any statistical significance associated with them.

## SECTION I

### BIRTH DEFECTS

Birth defects were the leading cause of infant mortality in the United States in 2000, making up more than 20 percent of infant deaths. Birth defects also contribute substantially to childhood morbidity and long-term disability. More than 4,500 different birth defects have been identified.

There are three major categories of known causes:

- chromosomal disorders (either hereditary or arising during conception);
- exposure to an environmental chemical (for example, medications, alcohol, cigarettes, solvents); and
- mother's illness during pregnancy, exposing her baby to viral or bacterial infection.

The stage of fetal development at the time of exposure to one of the latter two causes is critical. Fetal development is particularly vulnerable to disruption in the first trimester of pregnancy. Despite increasing understanding of factors that give rise to birth defects, the causes of about 60 percent of all birth defects remain unknown. The same congenital anomaly may have completely different causes in different individuals.

Because a baby may be born with more than one birth defect, he/she may be counted in more than one birth defect group. A baby may even have more than one birth defect from the same birth defect group. So, the data in this report cannot be used to determine the number of children with a particular group of birth defects. The only exception is the group of central nervous system defects; these defects are mutually exclusive and so the number of birth defects corresponds to the number of babies.

Almost 30,000 major birth defects identified in Illinois newborns between 1997 and 2001 were reported to APORS – a rate of 321.8 per 10,000 live births. In Illinois, heart and circulatory system defects are the most commonly identified; 33.2 percent of all reported birth defects are heart or circulatory defects.

The life expectancy and quality of life for individuals with many birth defects has improved over the last 40 years. This is a result of —

- Pioneering surgery that corrects certain birth defects before a baby is born;
- Neonatal intensive care units that provide specialized care and use advanced technology to treat babies; and
- New tests and treatments that improve the welfare of babies.

## CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM DEFECTS

Central nervous system (CNS) defects involve the brain, spinal cord and associated tissues. These include neural tube defects (anencephaly, spina bifida and encephalocele), microcephalus and hydrocephalus. A description of each defect follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 2, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Anencephaly* is a defect that occurs when the head end of the neural tube fails to close, resulting in the absence of a major portion of the brain, skull and scalp. It includes craniorachischisis in which there is incomplete closure of both the skull and the spinal column. This condition is incompatible with life.

*Spina bifida* is a defect in which part of the spinal cord is exposed because of a bony defect in the vertebral column. It may be associated with hydrocephalus. The degree of disability depends on the extent and location of the malformation.

*Encephalocele* is a defect affecting the skull resulting in the protrusion of the meninges and portions of the brain through a bony midline defect in the skull. Infants with this condition are likely to die or to be severely retarded.

*Microcephalus* is an abnormally small head due to failure of brain growth during pregnancy resulting in retardation and developmental delays.

*Hydrocephalus* is an abnormal buildup of cerebrospinal fluid in the ventricles of the brain. The fluid is often under increased pressure and can compress and damage the brain. The prognosis depends on the cause of the hydrocephaly; children may be retarded or develop normally after surgery to treat the defect.

**Table 2. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Central Nervous System Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                     | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate per 10,000 live births | 95% Confidence Interval |       |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|                            |                |       |                             | Lower                   | Upper |
| Anencephalus               | 740.0-740.1    | 159   | 1.7                         | 1.5                     | 2.0   |
| Spina bifida <sup>1</sup>  | 741.00-741.93  | 260   | 2.8                         | 2.4                     | 3.1   |
| Encephalocele              | 742.0          | 55    | 0.6                         | 0.5                     | 0.8   |
| Microcephalus              | 742.1          | 269   | 2.9                         | 2.6                     | 3.3   |
| Hydrocephalus <sup>2</sup> | 742.3          | 560   | 6.0                         | 5.5                     | 6.6   |

<sup>1</sup> Includes only spina bifida without anencephaly. <sup>2</sup> Includes only hydrocephaly without spina bifida.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

These observed rates may be substantially lower than the true rates because APORS does not collect birth defect information from miscarriages or elective abortions. Because CNS defects are very severe, many affected babies will miscarry early in pregnancy. Additionally, since the defects are detectable in pregnancy either by alpha-fetoprotein testing or ultrasound screening, women may elect to abort a baby with a CNS defect.

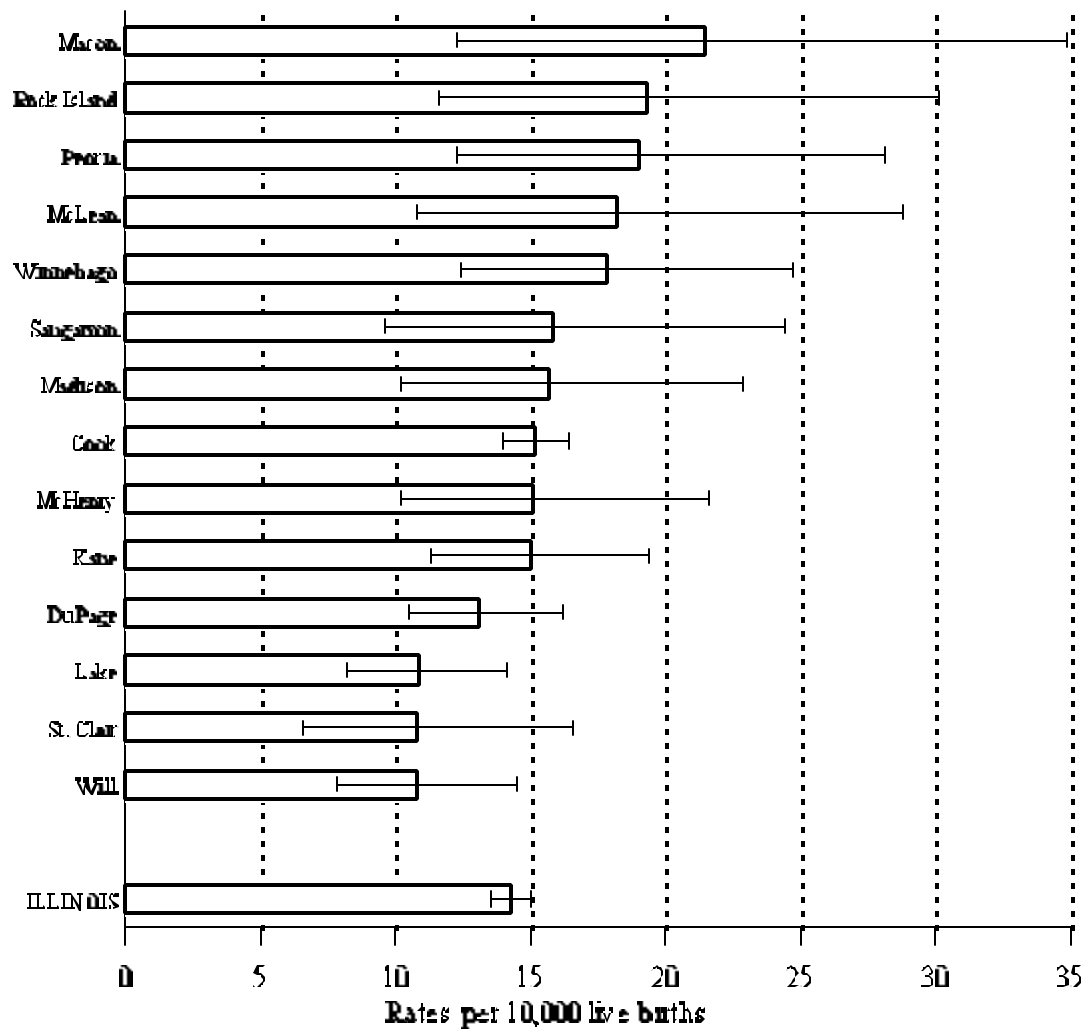
**Table 3. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Central Nervous System Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | Cases | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |       | County      | Cases | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |       |
|------------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|
|            |       | Rate <sup>1</sup>   | Lower | Upper |             |       | Rate <sup>1</sup>   | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 1,303 | 14.3                | 13.5  | 15.0  | Lee         | 1     | 5.2                 | 0.1   | 29.2  |
| Adams      | 7     | 16.6                | 6.7   | 34.3  | Livingston  | 3     | 12.3                | 2.5   | 35.9  |
| Alexander  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 4     | 24.2                | 6.6   | 61.9  |
| Bond       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 4     | 26.8                | 7.3   | 68.7  |
| Boone      | 4     | 13.9                | 3.8   | 35.5  | McHenry     | 30    | 15.1                | 10.2  | 21.6  |
| Brown      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 18    | 18.2                | 10.8  | 28.8  |
| Bureau     | 6     | 29.2                | 10.7  | 63.5  | Macon       | 16    | 21.5                | 12.3  | 34.9  |
| Calhoun    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 13.4  |
| Carroll    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 43.0  | Madison     | 26    | 15.7                | 10.2  | 22.9  |
| Cass       | 1     | 10.4                | 0.3   | 58.0  | Marion      | 3     | 11.2                | 2.3   | 32.8  |
| Champaign  | 15    | 13.6                | 7.6   | 22.4  | Marshall    | 1     | 14.5                | 0.4   | 80.9  |
| Christian  | 2     | 9.8                 | 1.2   | 35.3  | Mason       | 1     | 11.0                | 0.3   | 61.1  |
| Clark      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 1     | 11.0                | 0.3   | 61.6  | Menard      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 4     | 19.9                | 5.4   | 51.0  | Mercer      | 1     | 10.4                | 0.3   | 58.0  |
| Coles      | 2     | 6.8                 | 0.8   | 24.5  | Monroe      | 1     | 6.0                 | 0.2   | 33.6  |
| Cook       | 646   | 15.2                | 14.0  | 16.4  | Montgomery  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 21.8  |
| Crawford   | 1     | 9.2                 | 0.2   | 51.0  | Morgan      | 3     | 14.5                | 3.0   | 42.5  |
| Cumberland | 1     | 15.6                | 0.4   | 86.7  | Moultrie    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.9  |
| DeKalb     | 8     | 14.4                | 6.2   | 28.4  | Ogle        | 3     | 10.0                | 2.1   | 29.2  |
| DeWitt     | 1     | 9.7                 | 0.2   | 54.2  | Peoria      | 25    | 19.0                | 12.3  | 28.1  |
| Douglas    | 2     | 13.6                | 1.6   | 48.9  | Perry       | 2     | 16.8                | 2.0   | 60.6  |
| DuPage     | 88    | 13.1                | 10.5  | 16.2  | Piatt       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 1     | 9.3                 | 0.2   | 51.6  | Pike        | 1     | 10.5                | 0.3   | 58.4  |
| Edwards    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 6     | 25.5                | 9.3   | 55.4  | Pulaski     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 1     | 7.8                 | 0.2   | 43.6  | Putnam      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 1     | 11.2                | 0.3   | 62.3  | Randolph    | 2     | 10.5                | 1.3   | 37.8  |
| Franklin   | 5     | 21.7                | 7.0   | 50.5  | Richland    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton     | 3     | 14.7                | 3.0   | 43.0  | Rock Island | 19    | 19.3                | 11.6  | 30.1  |
| Gallatin   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 20    | 10.8                | 6.6   | 16.6  |
| Greene     | 1     | 11.3                | 0.3   | 63.2  | Saline      | 5     | 32.8                | 10.7  | 76.6  |
| Grundy     | 3     | 12.5                | 2.6   | 36.7  | Sangamon    | 20    | 15.8                | 9.6   | 24.4  |
| Hamilton   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 1     | 25.2                | 0.6   | 140.3 |
| Hancock    | 1     | 9.0                 | 0.2   | 50.1  | Scott       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 1     | 8.1                 | 0.2   | 44.9  |
| Henderson  | 1     | 25.1                | 0.6   | 139.6 | Stark       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 2     | 7.0                 | 0.9   | 25.4  | Stephenson  | 2     | 6.6                 | 0.8   | 23.9  |
| Iroquois   | 1     | 5.6                 | 0.1   | 31.0  | Tazewell    | 12    | 15.3                | 7.9   | 26.7  |
| Jackson    | 10    | 29.8                | 14.3  | 54.7  | Union       | 3     | 29.3                | 6.0   | 85.5  |
| Jasper     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 10    | 17.2                | 8.2   | 31.6  |
| Jefferson  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 15.9  | Wabash      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 30.6  | Warren      | 3     | 28.1                | 5.8   | 82.2  |
| JoDaviess  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 2     | 23.8                | 2.9   | 86.0  |
| Johnson    | 1     | 15.7                | 0.4   | 87.3  | Wayne       | 1     | 10.1                | 0.3   | 56.3  |
| Kane       | 56    | 15.0                | 11.3  | 19.4  | White       | 1     | 12.1                | 0.3   | 67.6  |
| Kankakee   | 13    | 17.1                | 9.1   | 29.2  | Whiteside   | 3     | 7.8                 | 1.6   | 22.8  |
| Kendall    | 5     | 12.2                | 4.0   | 28.5  | Will        | 42    | 10.8                | 7.8   | 14.5  |
| Knox       | 5     | 15.7                | 5.1   | 36.6  | Williamson  | 1     | 2.8                 | 0.1   | 15.8  |
| Lake       | 57    | 10.9                | 8.2   | 14.1  | Winnebago   | 35    | 17.8                | 12.4  | 24.7  |
| LaSalle    | 10    | 14.2                | 6.8   | 26.1  | Woodford    | 4     | 18.7                | 5.1   | 47.9  |
| Lawrence   | 1     | 12.1                | 0.3   | 67.2  |             |       |                     |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 1. Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> and 95% Confidence Intervals for Central Nervous System Defects in Newborn Infants By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM DEFECTS

Cardiovascular system defects involve the heart and circulatory systems. They are the most common group of birth defects, with a rate of 106.7 cases per 10,000 live births in Illinois. A description of each major defect follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 4, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Common truncus* is the failure of the fetal truncus arteriosus to divide into the aorta and pulmonary artery. It can be corrected surgically.

*Transposition of great arteries* is a defect in which the position of the aorta and the pulmonary artery is transposed. Immediate surgical correction is needed.

*Tetralogy of Fallot* is a defect consisting of four abnormalities that results in poorly oxygenated blood being pumped to the body. It can be corrected surgically.

*Ventricular septal defect* is a hole in the wall between the lower chambers of the heart. The openings may resolve without treatment or require surgical treatment.

*Atrial septal defect* is a hole in the wall between the upper chambers of the heart. The openings may resolve without treatment or require surgical treatment.

*Endocardial cushion defect* is a spectrum of septal defects arising from imperfect fusion of the endocardial cushions in the fetal heart. These defects are repaired surgically.

*Pulmonary valve atresia and stenosis* is an obstruction or narrowing of the pulmonary heart valve. Mild forms are relatively well tolerated and require no intervention. More severe forms are surgically corrected.

*Tricuspid atresia* is the absence or pathological narrowing of the valve between the right atrium and ventricle. Severe cases are corrected surgically.

*Ebstein anomaly* is a deformation or displacement of the tricuspid valve with the septal and posterior leaflets being attached to the wall of the right ventricle. Only disabling cases are corrected surgically.

*Aortic valve stenosis* is a narrowing or obstruction of the aortic heart valve. This condition can be repaired surgically in some cases.

*Hypoplastic left heart syndrome* is a form of congenital heart disease in which the entire left half of the heart is underdeveloped. This condition can be surgically repaired in a series of three procedures over a period of one year. Transplantation is also a treatment. This condition is usually fatal in the first month of life if not treated.

*Patent ductus arteriosus* is a condition when the channel between the pulmonary artery and the aorta fails to close at birth. The vast majority close spontaneously and cause no problems. Medical or surgical correction may be done if necessary.

*Coarctation of the aorta* is a defect in which the aorta is narrowed somewhere along its length. Surgical correction is recommended even for mild defects.

*Pulmonary artery anomalies* are defects in the formation of the pulmonary artery – often obstruction or narrowing of the artery. Treatment will depend on the specific defect.

Surgical procedures seek to repair defects as much as possible and to restore circulation to as normal as possible. Some can be repaired even before birth; others may require multiple

surgical procedures after birth. Smaller defects may be repaired in a cardiac catheterization laboratory instead of an operating room. These procedures can save the lives of critically ill neonates and may eliminate or delay more invasive procedures.

**Table 4. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Cardiovascular System Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                               | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                      |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Common truncus                       | 745.0          | 34    | 0.4               | 0.3                 | 0.5   |
| Transposition of great arteries      | 745.1x         | 199   | 2.2               | 1.9                 | 2.5   |
| Tetralogy of Fallot                  | 745.2          | 219   | 2.4               | 2.1                 | 2.7   |
| Ventricular septal defect            | 745.4          | 1,726 | 18.9              | 18.0                | 19.8  |
| Atrial septal defect                 | 745.5          | 1,871 | 20.5              | 19.5                | 21.4  |
| Endocardial cushion defect           | 745.6x         | 192   | 2.1               | 1.8                 | 2.4   |
| Pulmonary valve atresia and stenosis | 746.01, 746.02 | 246   | 2.7               | 2.4                 | 3.0   |
| Tricuspid valve atresia and stenosis | 746.0          | 33    | 0.4               | 0.2                 | 0.5   |
| Ebstein anomaly                      | 746.2          | 39    | 0.4               | 0.3                 | 0.6   |
| Aortic valve stenosis                | 746.3          | 68    | 0.7               | 0.6                 | 0.9   |
| Hypoplastic left heart syndrome      | 746.7          | 134   | 1.5               | 1.2                 | 1.7   |
| Patent ductus arteriosus             | 747.0          | 3,813 | 41.7              | 40.4                | 43.1  |
| Coarctation of aorta                 | 747.10         | 174   | 1.9               | 1.6                 | 2.2   |
| Pulmonary artery anomalies           | 747.3          | 1,004 | 11.0              | 10.3                | 11.7  |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

A number of factors impact the reported incidence rate of congenital cardiovascular defects in newborn infants:

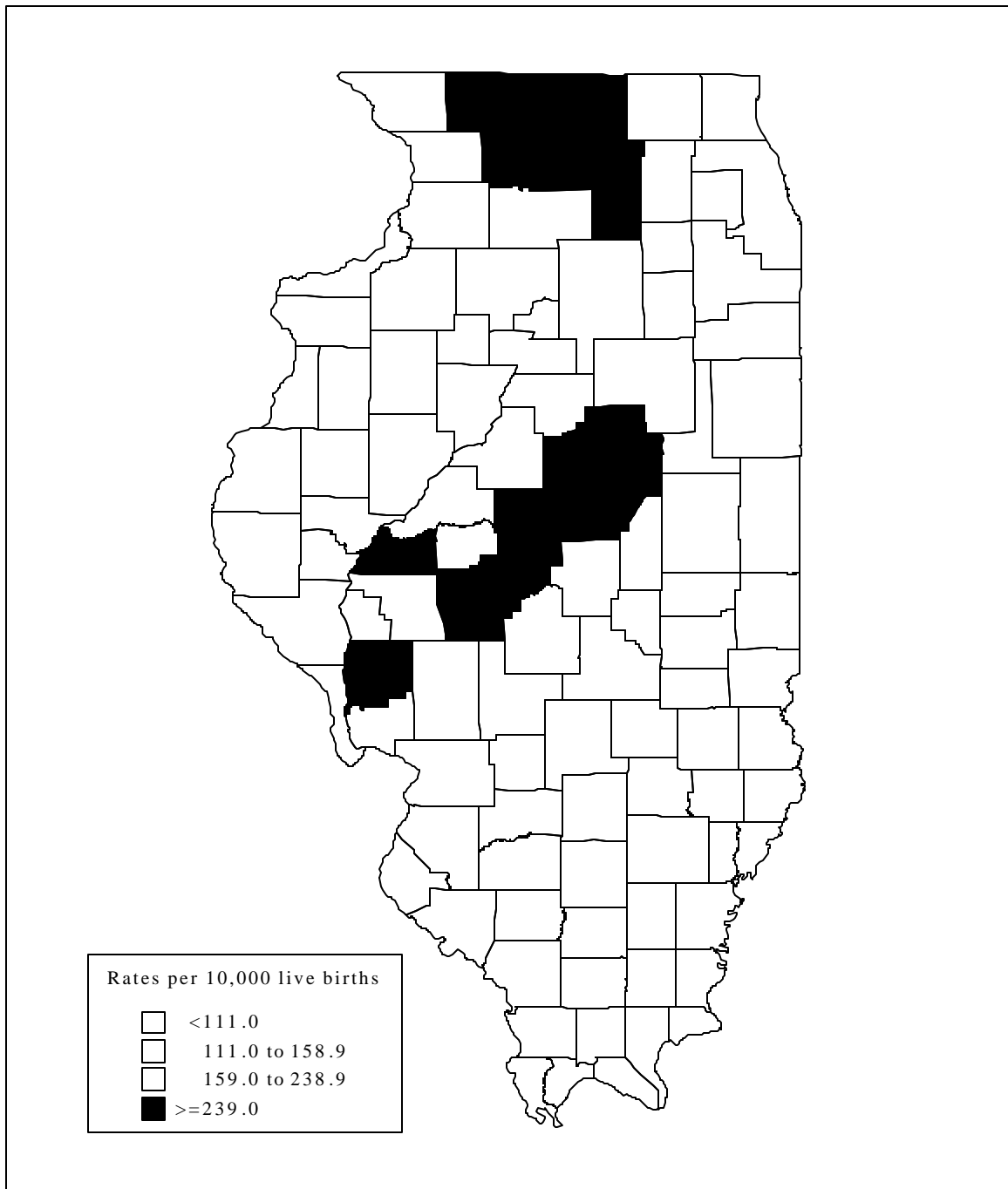
- In the past, many premature infants would have died with undiagnosed heart defects. More survive today as a result of improved care.
- Improved diagnostic techniques allow minor heart defects that are asymptomatic or that would resolve without treatment to be identified.
- Some serious heart defects are asymptomatic at birth, with symptoms first developing days or weeks later. An infant who had been discharged before the onset of symptoms would not be included in the APORS database.
- In this report, all patent ductus arteriosus defects are included even if they are typical of a premature birth and later resolve without treatment. Other birth defect registries may count these defects differently, factoring in birth weight or gestational age.

**Table 5. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Cardiovascular System Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 9,752               | 106.7             | 104.6 | 108.8 | Lee         | 25                  | 131.0             | 84.8  | 193.4 |
| Adams      | 60                  | 142.6             | 108.8 | 183.5 | Livingston  | 18                  | 73.7              | 43.7  | 116.5 |
| Alexander  | 5                   | 75.9              | 24.6  | 177.1 | Logan       | 41                  | 247.9             | 177.9 | 336.3 |
| Bond       | 4                   | 41.6              | 11.3  | 106.5 | McDonough   | 15                  | 100.6             | 56.3  | 165.9 |
| Boone      | 92                  | 318.7             | 256.9 | 390.8 | McHenry     | 272                 | 137.0             | 121.2 | 154.3 |
| Brown      | 6                   | 217.4             | 79.8  | 473.2 | McLean      | 241                 | 244.0             | 214.1 | 276.8 |
| Bureau     | 23                  | 111.9             | 70.9  | 167.9 | Macon       | 161                 | 216.0             | 184.0 | 252.1 |
| Calhoun    | 3                   | 124.5             | 25.7  | 363.8 | Macoupin    | 40                  | 145.8             | 104.2 | 198.6 |
| Carroll    | 15                  | 174.8             | 97.8  | 288.3 | Madison     | 180                 | 108.4             | 93.2  | 125.5 |
| Cass       | 23                  | 239.6             | 151.9 | 359.5 | Marion      | 40                  | 149.4             | 106.7 | 203.5 |
| Champaign  | 130                 | 117.4             | 98.1  | 139.5 | Marshall    | 14                  | 203.2             | 111.1 | 340.9 |
| Christian  | 37                  | 180.8             | 127.3 | 249.3 | Mason       | 16                  | 175.4             | 100.3 | 284.9 |
| Clark      | 1                   | 10.4              | 0.3   | 58.0  | Massac      | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.4  |
| Clay       | 8                   | 88.4              | 38.2  | 174.2 | Menard      | 9                   | 129.9             | 59.4  | 246.5 |
| Clinton    | 20                  | 99.6              | 60.8  | 153.8 | Mercer      | 14                  | 145.7             | 79.6  | 244.4 |
| Coles      | 41                  | 138.8             | 99.6  | 188.3 | Monroe      | 17                  | 102.5             | 59.7  | 164.2 |
| Cook       | 2,998               | 70.4              | 67.9  | 73.0  | Montgomery  | 27                  | 159.2             | 104.9 | 231.6 |
| Crawford   | 4                   | 36.6              | 10.0  | 93.8  | Morgan      | 42                  | 203.5             | 146.7 | 275.1 |
| Cumberland | 8                   | 124.4             | 53.7  | 245.2 | Moultrie    | 21                  | 221.3             | 137.0 | 338.3 |
| DeKalb     | 143                 | 257.7             | 217.2 | 303.5 | Ogle        | 105                 | 349.2             | 285.6 | 422.7 |
| DeWitt     | 26                  | 252.9             | 165.2 | 370.6 | Peoria      | 238                 | 181.1             | 158.8 | 205.6 |
| Douglas    | 8                   | 54.2              | 23.4  | 106.8 | Perry       | 7                   | 58.7              | 23.6  | 120.9 |
| DuPage     | 665                 | 99.2              | 91.8  | 107.0 | Piatt       | 8                   | 87.6              | 37.8  | 172.7 |
| Edgar      | 5                   | 46.3              | 15.0  | 108.1 | Pike        | 18                  | 188.7             | 111.8 | 298.2 |
| Edwards    | 5                   | 127.6             | 41.4  | 297.7 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 38                  | 161.2             | 114.1 | 221.3 | Pulaski     | 2                   | 39.4              | 4.8   | 142.2 |
| Fayette    | 18                  | 140.7             | 83.4  | 222.4 | Putnam      | 5                   | 159.2             | 51.7  | 371.6 |
| Ford       | 15                  | 167.8             | 93.9  | 276.7 | Randolph    | 18                  | 94.1              | 55.8  | 148.8 |
| Franklin   | 18                  | 78.0              | 46.2  | 123.2 | Richland    | 8                   | 78.4              | 33.9  | 154.5 |
| Fulton     | 23                  | 112.8             | 71.5  | 169.3 | Rock Island | 213                 | 216.1             | 188.1 | 247.2 |
| Gallatin   | 1                   | 29.9              | 0.8   | 166.8 | St. Clair   | 210                 | 113.2             | 98.4  | 129.6 |
| Greene     | 22                  | 249.4             | 156.3 | 377.6 | Saline      | 4                   | 26.2              | 7.2   | 67.2  |
| Grundy     | 24                  | 100.4             | 64.3  | 149.4 | Sangamon    | 320                 | 252.6             | 225.7 | 281.9 |
| Hamilton   | 3                   | 65.6              | 13.5  | 191.8 | Schuyler    | 4                   | 100.8             | 27.5  | 258.0 |
| Hancock    | 5                   | 45.0              | 14.6  | 104.9 | Scott       | 3                   | 91.7              | 18.9  | 268.1 |
| Hardin     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 23                  | 185.2             | 117.4 | 277.9 |
| Henderson  | 4                   | 100.3             | 27.3  | 256.7 | Stark       | 7                   | 180.4             | 72.5  | 371.7 |
| Henry      | 39                  | 136.9             | 97.3  | 187.1 | Stephenson  | 95                  | 314.0             | 254.1 | 383.9 |
| Iroquois   | 13                  | 72.3              | 38.5  | 123.6 | Tazewell    | 134                 | 170.7             | 143.0 | 202.1 |
| Jackson    | 22                  | 65.5              | 41.0  | 99.2  | Union       | 5                   | 48.8              | 15.8  | 113.8 |
| Jasper     | 11                  | 198.2             | 98.9  | 354.6 | Vermilion   | 62                  | 106.6             | 81.8  | 136.7 |
| Jefferson  | 15                  | 64.8              | 36.2  | 106.8 | Wabash      | 1                   | 15.0              | 0.4   | 83.4  |
| Jersey     | 8                   | 66.4              | 28.7  | 130.9 | Warren      | 15                  | 140.7             | 78.8  | 232.1 |
| JoDaviess  | 6                   | 49.9              | 18.3  | 108.6 | Washington  | 7                   | 83.3              | 33.5  | 171.7 |
| Johnson    | 2                   | 31.3              | 3.8   | 113.2 | Wayne       | 7                   | 70.8              | 28.5  | 145.8 |
| Kane       | 412                 | 110.1             | 99.7  | 121.3 | White       | 6                   | 72.8              | 26.7  | 158.5 |
| Kankakee   | 96                  | 126.1             | 102.1 | 153.9 | Whiteside   | 67                  | 174.2             | 135.0 | 221.2 |
| Kendall    | 35                  | 85.6              | 59.6  | 119.1 | Will        | 410                 | 105.0             | 95.1  | 115.7 |
| Knox       | 36                  | 112.8             | 79.0  | 156.1 | Williamson  | 32                  | 90.7              | 62.0  | 128.0 |
| Lake       | 374                 | 71.2              | 64.2  | 78.8  | Winnebago   | 832                 | 422.6             | 394.4 | 452.3 |
| LaSalle    | 70                  | 99.2              | 77.3  | 125.3 | Woodford    | 41                  | 191.8             | 137.6 | 260.2 |
| Lawrence   | 5                   | 60.3              | 19.6  | 140.8 |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate    <sup>3</sup>The number for Illinois includes six cases for whom county of residence was unknown.  
Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 2. Map of Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> for Newborn Infants with Major Cardiovascular System Defects, By Selected Counties of Residence<sup>2</sup>, 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## RESPIRATORY SYSTEM DEFECTS

Birth defects involving the respiratory system (mainly the lungs, trachea and nose) are life-threatening but less common than those involving other major organs. The major defect is lung agenesis or hypoplasia (failure to develop or underdevelopment of one or both lungs). The prognosis depends on whether the defect affects one or both lungs and the degree of underdevelopment. Choanal atresia is included in this section under some grouping schemes, but is included under alimentary tract defects for APORS reports. Table 6 includes the ICD-9-CM code for this condition.

**Table 6. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Respiratory System Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                   | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                          |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Lung agenesis/hypoplasia | 748.5          | 294   | 3.2               | 2.9                 | 3.6   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System , February 2003

A figure is not included because only Cook County had more than 16 newborn cases.

**Table 7. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Respiratory System Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | Cases | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       | County | Cases       | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|-------|---------------------|-------|--------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            |       | Rate <sup>1</sup>   | Lower |        |             | Upper               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 294   | 3.2                 | 2.9   | 3.6    | Lee         | 1                   | 5.2               | 0.1   | 29.2  |
| Adams      | 4     | 9.5                 | 2.6   | 24.3   | Livingston  | 2                   | 8.2               | 1.0   | 29.6  |
| Alexander  | 1     | 15.2                | 0.4   | 84.5   | Logan       | 3                   | 18.1              | 3.7   | 53.0  |
| Bond       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.3   | McDonough   | 1                   | 6.7               | 0.2   | 37.4  |
| Boone      | 3     | 10.4                | 2.1   | 30.4   | McHenry     | 7                   | 3.5               | 1.4   | 7.3   |
| Brown      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 133.7  | McLean      | 4                   | 4.0               | 1.1   | 10.4  |
| Bureau     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 17.9   | Macon       | 4                   | 5.4               | 1.5   | 13.7  |
| Calhoun    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 153.1  | Macoupin    | 4                   | 14.6              | 4.0   | 37.3  |
| Carroll    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 43.0   | Madison     | 7                   | 4.2               | 1.7   | 8.7   |
| Cass       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.4   | Marion      | 4                   | 14.9              | 4.1   | 38.3  |
| Champaign  | 6     | 5.4                 | 2.0   | 11.8   | Marshall    | 1                   | 14.5              | 0.4   | 80.9  |
| Christian  | 1     | 4.9                 | 0.1   | 27.2   | Mason       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Clark      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 38.4   | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 40.8   | Menard      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 18.4   | Mercer      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  |
| Coles      | 2     | 6.8                 | 0.8   | 24.5   | Monroe      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 22.2  |
| Cook       | 98    | 2.3                 | 1.9   | 2.8    | Montgomery  | 2                   | 11.8              | 1.4   | 42.6  |
| Crawford   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 33.8   | Morgan      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.9  |
| Cumberland | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 57.4   | Moultrie    | 1                   | 10.5              | 0.3   | 58.7  |
| DeKalb     | 3     | 5.4                 | 1.1   | 15.8   | Ogle        | 5                   | 16.6              | 5.4   | 38.8  |
| DeWitt     | 2     | 19.5                | 2.4   | 70.3   | Peoria      | 9                   | 6.8               | 3.1   | 13.0  |
| Douglas    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 25.0   | Perry       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.9  |
| DuPage     | 14    | 2.1                 | 1.1   | 3.5    | Piatt       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 34.2   | Pike        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.7  |
| Edwards    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 94.1   | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 1     | 4.2                 | 0.1   | 23.6   | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 2     | 15.6                | 1.9   | 56.5   | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 41.3   | Randolph    | 2                   | 10.5              | 1.3   | 37.8  |
| Franklin   | 3     | 13.0                | 2.7   | 38.0   | Richland    | 2                   | 19.6              | 2.4   | 70.8  |
| Fulton     | 3     | 14.7                | 3.0   | 43.0   | Rock Island | 2                   | 2.0               | 0.2   | 7.3   |
| Gallatin   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 110.4  | St. Clair   | 5                   | 2.7               | 0.9   | 6.3   |
| Greene     | 1     | 11.3                | 0.3   | 63.2   | Saline      | 1                   | 6.6               | 0.2   | 36.6  |
| Grundy     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 15.4   | Sangamon    | 12                  | 9.5               | 4.9   | 16.5  |
| Hamilton   | 1     | 21.9                | 0.6   | 121.9  | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 33.2   | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 159.7  | Shelby      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 29.7  |
| Henderson  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 92.5   | Stark       | 1                   | 25.8              | 0.7   | 143.6 |
| Henry      | 3     | 10.5                | 2.2   | 30.8   | Stephenson  | 3                   | 9.9               | 2.0   | 29.0  |
| Iroquois   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 20.5   | Tazewell    | 8                   | 10.2              | 4.4   | 20.1  |
| Jackson    | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 11.0   | Union       | 2                   | 19.5              | 2.4   | 70.5  |
| Jasper     | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 66.5   | Vermilion   | 3                   | 5.2               | 1.1   | 15.1  |
| Jefferson  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 15.9   | Wabash      | 1                   | 15.0              | 0.4   | 83.4  |
| Jersey     | 1     | 8.3                 | 0.2   | 46.3   | Warren      | 8                   | 75.0              | 32.4  | 147.9 |
| JoDaviess  | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 30.7   | Washington  | 2                   | 23.8              | 2.9   | 86.0  |
| Johnson    | 1     | 15.7                | 0.4   | 87.3   | Wayne       | 12                  | 121.3             | 62.7  | 211.9 |
| Kane       | 10    | 2.7                 | 1.3   | 4.9    | White       | 1                   | 12.1              | 0.3   | 67.6  |
| Kankakee   | 1     | 1.3                 | 0.0   | 7.3    | Whiteside   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.6   |
| Kendall    | 1     | 2.4                 | 0.1   | 13.6   | Will        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 0.9   |
| Knox       | 2     | 6.3                 | 0.8   | 22.6   | Williamson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 10.5  |
| Lake       | 8     | 1.5                 | 0.7   | 3.0    | Winnebago   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 1.9   |
| LaSalle    | 2     | 2.8                 | 0.3   | 10.2   | Woodford    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.3  |
| Lawrence   | 0     | 0.0                 | 0.0   | 44.5   |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## ALIMENTARY TRACT DEFECTS

Alimentary tract defects are made up of orofacial defects (cleft palate and lip, choanal atresia) and gastrointestinal defects (esophageal atresia, rectal and intestinal atresia and stenosis, and pyloric stenosis). Most of these defects can be repaired surgically. A description of each defect follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 8, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Cleft palate* is a split in the roof of the mouth (the palate) due to a failure of the palatal shelves to fuse fully during embryonic development.

*Cleft lip* is the presence of one or two splits in the upper lip resulting from failure of the normal process of fusion of the lip during embryonic development.

*Choanal atresia* is the narrowing or blockage of the nasal airway by membranous or bony tissue. Bilateral choanal atresia is a surgical emergency.

*Esophageal atresia* is a narrowing or obstruction of the esophagus and is usually a surgical emergency. It is often associated with *tracheoesophageal fistula* a hole between the lower esophagus and the trachea.

*Rectal, anal and large intestinal atresia or stenosis* is the absence, abnormal localization or blockage of the rectum, anus or large intestine. It may be corrected surgically or bypassed.

*Pyloric stenosis* is a narrowing of the outlet between the stomach and small intestine.

*Hirschsprung disease* is the absence of the nerves in the wall of the bowel. This condition is repaired by removing the affected portion of the intestine.

*Biliary atresia* is a congenital absence or closure of the major bile ducts that drain bile from the liver.

**Table 8. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Alimentary Tract Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect  | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|---|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|   |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Cleft palate without cleft lip                  | 749.0x         | 325   | 3.6               | 3.2                 | 4.0   |
| Cleft lip                                       | 749.10-749.25  | 557   | 6.1               | 5.6                 | 6.6   |
| Choanal atresia                                 | 748.0          | 99    | 1.1               | 0.9                 | 1.3   |
| Esophageal atresia/Tracheoesophageal fistula    | 750.3          | 203   | 2.2               | 1.9                 | 2.5   |
| Rectal, anal, large intestinal atresia/stenosis | 751.2          | 258   | 2.8               | 2.5                 | 3.2   |
| Pyloric stenosis                                | 750.5          | 71    | 0.8               | 0.6                 | 1.0   |
| Hirschsprung disease                            | 751.3          | 146   | 1.6               | 1.3                 | 1.9   |
| Biliary atresia                                 | 751.61         | 20    | 0.2               | 0.1                 | 0.3   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

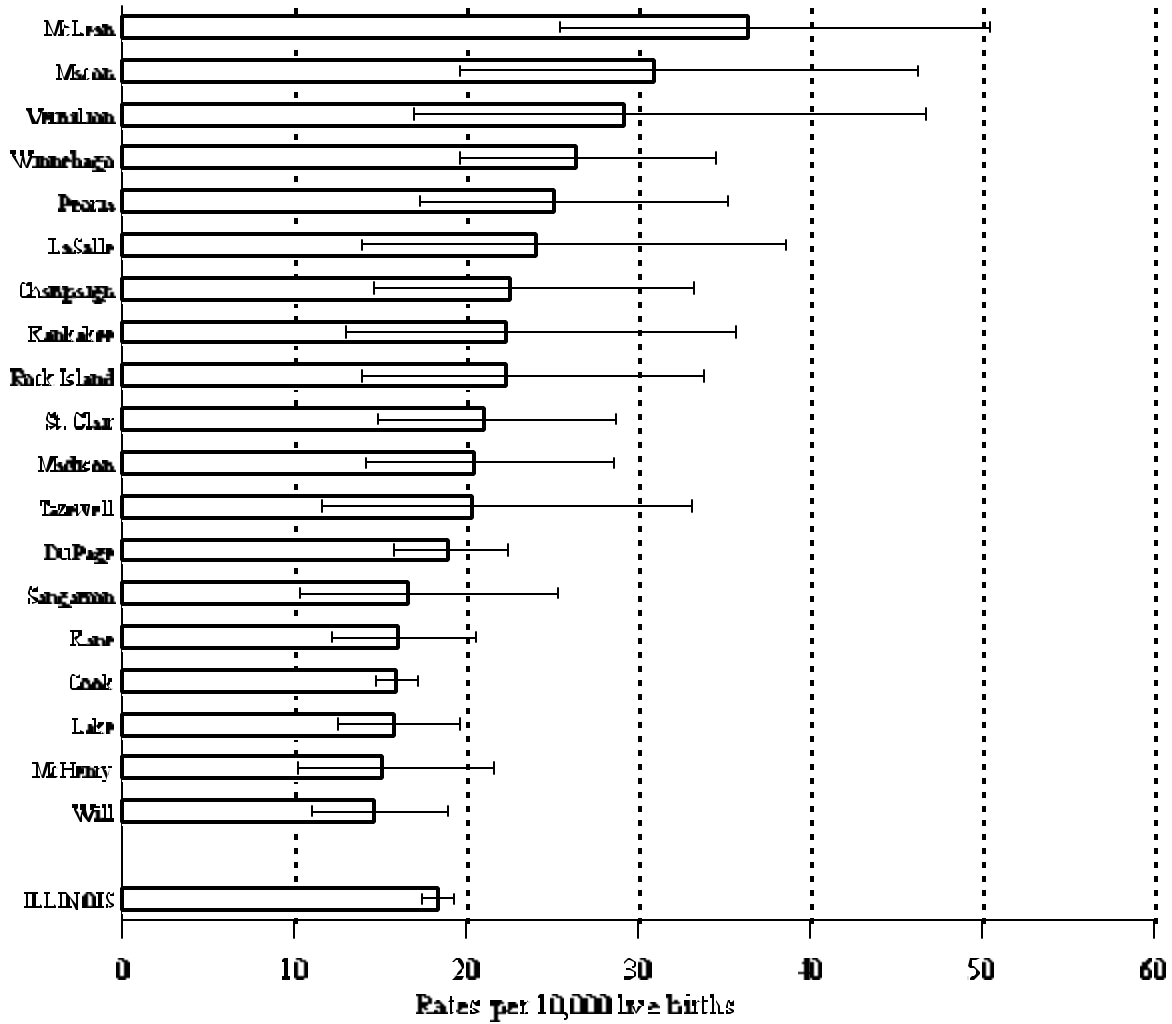
**Table 9. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Alimentary Tract Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 1,679               | 18.4              | 17.5  | 19.3  | Lee         | 4                   | 21.0              | 5.7   | 53.7  |
| Adams      | 9                   | 21.4              | 9.8   | 40.6  | Livingston  | 7                   | 28.7              | 11.5  | 59.1  |
| Alexander  | 1                   | 15.2              | 0.4   | 84.5  | Logan       | 4                   | 24.2              | 6.6   | 61.9  |
| Bond       | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.1  | McDonough   | 2                   | 13.4              | 1.6   | 48.5  |
| Boone      | 6                   | 20.8              | 7.6   | 45.2  | McHenry     | 30                  | 15.1              | 10.2  | 21.6  |
| Brown      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 36                  | 36.4              | 25.5  | 50.5  |
| Bureau     | 6                   | 29.2              | 10.7  | 63.5  | Macon       | 23                  | 30.9              | 19.6  | 46.3  |
| Calhoun    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 5                   | 18.2              | 5.9   | 42.5  |
| Carroll    | 1                   | 11.7              | 0.3   | 64.9  | Madison     | 34                  | 20.5              | 14.2  | 28.6  |
| Cass       | 5                   | 52.1              | 16.9  | 121.5 | Marion      | 8                   | 29.9              | 12.9  | 58.9  |
| Champaign  | 25                  | 22.6              | 14.6  | 33.3  | Marshall    | 2                   | 29.0              | 3.5   | 104.9 |
| Christian  | 3                   | 14.7              | 3.0   | 42.9  | Mason       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.2  |
| Clark      | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.3  | Massac      | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.4  |
| Clay       | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.6  | Menard      | 1                   | 14.4              | 0.4   | 80.4  |
| Clinton    | 6                   | 29.9              | 11.0  | 65.0  | Mercer      | 4                   | 41.6              | 11.3  | 106.6 |
| Coles      | 8                   | 27.1              | 11.7  | 53.4  | Monroe      | 2                   | 12.1              | 1.5   | 43.6  |
| Cook       | 679                 | 15.9              | 14.8  | 17.2  | Montgomery  | 3                   | 17.7              | 3.6   | 51.7  |
| Crawford   | 2                   | 18.3              | 2.2   | 66.2  | Morgan      | 8                   | 38.8              | 16.7  | 76.4  |
| Cumberland | 4                   | 62.2              | 16.9  | 159.3 | Moultrie    | 4                   | 42.1              | 11.5  | 107.9 |
| DeKalb     | 5                   | 9.0               | 2.9   | 21.0  | Ogle        | 7                   | 23.3              | 9.4   | 48.0  |
| DeWitt     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 35.9  | Peoria      | 33                  | 25.1              | 17.3  | 35.3  |
| Douglas    | 3                   | 20.3              | 4.2   | 59.4  | Perry       | 3                   | 25.1              | 5.2   | 73.5  |
| DuPage     | 127                 | 18.9              | 15.8  | 22.5  | Piatt       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.1  |
| Edgar      | 5                   | 46.3              | 15.0  | 108.1 | Pike        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.7  |
| Edwards    | 1                   | 25.5              | 0.6   | 142.1 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 8                   | 33.9              | 14.7  | 66.9  | Pulaski     | 1                   | 19.7              | 0.5   | 109.7 |
| Fayette    | 4                   | 31.3              | 8.5   | 80.1  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 3                   | 33.6              | 6.9   | 98.1  | Randolph    | 2                   | 10.5              | 1.3   | 37.8  |
| Franklin   | 8                   | 34.6              | 15.0  | 68.3  | Richland    | 1                   | 9.8               | 0.2   | 54.6  |
| Fulton     | 9                   | 44.1              | 20.2  | 83.8  | Rock Island | 22                  | 22.3              | 14.0  | 33.8  |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 39                  | 21.0              | 14.9  | 28.7  |
| Greene     | 5                   | 56.7              | 18.4  | 132.3 | Saline      | 4                   | 26.2              | 7.2   | 67.2  |
| Grundy     | 5                   | 20.9              | 6.8   | 48.8  | Sangamon    | 21                  | 16.6              | 10.3  | 25.3  |
| Hamilton   | 3                   | 65.6              | 13.5  | 191.8 | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 2                   | 18.0              | 2.2   | 65.0  | Scott       | 1                   | 30.6              | 0.8   | 170.4 |
| Hardin     | 2                   | 86.6              | 10.5  | 312.8 | Shelby      | 2                   | 16.1              | 2.0   | 58.2  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 1                   | 25.8              | 0.7   | 143.6 |
| Henry      | 7                   | 24.6              | 9.9   | 50.6  | Stephenson  | 10                  | 33.1              | 15.9  | 60.8  |
| Iroquois   | 5                   | 27.8              | 9.0   | 64.9  | Tazewell    | 16                  | 20.4              | 11.6  | 33.1  |
| Jackson    | 5                   | 14.9              | 4.8   | 34.7  | Union       | 1                   | 9.8               | 0.2   | 54.4  |
| Jasper     | 3                   | 54.1              | 11.1  | 158.0 | Vermilion   | 17                  | 29.2              | 17.0  | 46.8  |
| Jefferson  | 11                  | 47.5              | 23.7  | 85.0  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.6  | Warren      | 8                   | 75.0              | 32.4  | 147.9 |
| JoDaviess  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 2                   | 23.8              | 2.9   | 86.0  |
| Johnson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 1                   | 10.1              | 0.3   | 56.3  |
| Kane       | 60                  | 16.0              | 12.2  | 20.6  | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 17                  | 22.3              | 13.0  | 35.7  | Whiteside   | 8                   | 20.8              | 9.0   | 41.0  |
| Kendall    | 7                   | 17.1              | 6.9   | 35.3  | Will        | 57                  | 14.6              | 11.1  | 18.9  |
| Knox       | 8                   | 25.1              | 10.8  | 49.4  | Williamson  | 7                   | 19.8              | 8.0   | 40.9  |
| Lake       | 83                  | 15.8              | 12.6  | 19.6  | Winnebago   | 52                  | 26.4              | 19.7  | 34.6  |
| LaSalle    | 17                  | 24.1              | 14.0  | 38.6  | Woodford    | 5                   | 23.4              | 7.6   | 54.6  |
| Lawrence   | 3                   | 36.2              | 7.5   | 105.8 |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 3. Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> and 95% Confidence Intervals  
for Major Alimentary Tract Defects in Newborn Infants  
By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## GENTOURINARY TRACT DEFECTS

These defects affect the male and female reproductive organs and urinary tracts. Some are relatively minor, fairly common defects that may be readily repaired by surgery. Others are more serious and potentially life-threatening malformations. A description of each defect follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 10, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Renal agenesis/hypoplasia* is the absence or maldevelopment of the kidneys; it may be bilateral or unilateral. Newborns with bilateral renal agenesis often die of respiratory failure within a few hours of birth. Unilateral renal agenesis is often not detected during the perinatal period.

*Bladder exstrophy* occurs when the bladder is turned inside out like a rubber glove. Part of the abdominal wall and bladder wall are missing. This condition is usually repaired surgically.

*Obstructive genitourinary defect* is the obstruction of the ureter, renal pelvis, urethra or bladder neck. Severity of the defect depends largely upon the level of the obstruction. Urine accumulates behind the obstruction and damages the organs. It is corrected surgically, either prenatally or after birth.

*Hypospadias* is a relatively common abnormality that appears as an abnormal penile opening on the under side of the penis rather than at the end. The condition may be surgically corrected if needed for cosmetic, urologic or reproductive reasons.

*Epispadias* is a rare congenital defect in which the urethra opens on the top surface of the penis. Surgical correction is aimed at correcting incontinence and permitting sexual functioning.

**Table 10. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Genitourinary System Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                           | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                  |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Renal agenesis/hypoplasia        | 753.0          | 158   | 1.7               | 1.5                 | 2.0   |
| Bladder exstrophy                | 753.5          | 33    | 0.4               | 0.2                 | 0.5   |
| Obstructive genitourinary defect | 753.2, 753.6   | 894   | 9.8               | 9.1                 | 10.4  |
| Hypospadias and epispadias       | 752.61, 752.62 | 754   | 8.2               | 7.7                 | 8.9   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

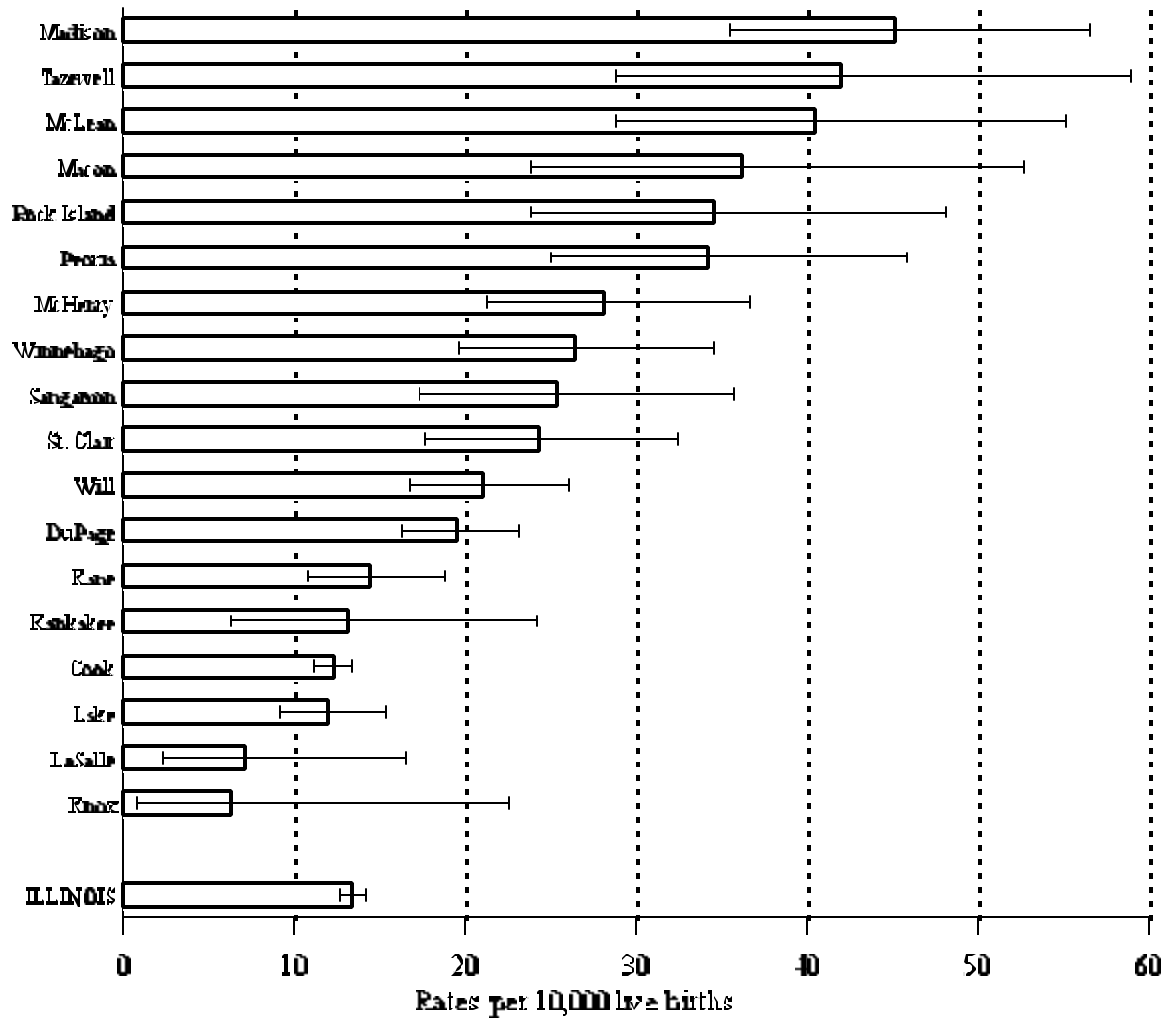
**Table 11. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Genitourinary System Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 1,839               | 13.4              | 12.7  | 14.2  | Lee         | 1                   | 5.2               | 0.1   | 29.2  |
| Adams      | 15                  | 11.9              | 3.9   | 27.7  | Livingston  | 7                   | 28.7              | 11.5  | 59.1  |
| Alexander  | 3                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 5                   | 30.2              | 9.8   | 70.5  |
| Bond       | 5                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 5                   | 33.5              | 10.9  | 78.3  |
| Boone      | 9                   | 20.8              | 7.6   | 45.2  | McHenry     | 56                  | 28.2              | 21.3  | 36.6  |
| Brown      | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 40                  | 40.5              | 28.9  | 55.1  |
| Bureau     | 3                   | 24.3              | 7.9   | 56.8  | Macon       | 27                  | 36.2              | 23.9  | 52.7  |
| Calhoun    | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 8                   | 29.2              | 12.6  | 57.5  |
| Carroll    | 2                   | 11.7              | 0.3   | 64.9  | Madison     | 75                  | 45.2              | 35.5  | 56.6  |
| Cass       | 1                   | 31.3              | 6.4   | 91.3  | Marion      | 7                   | 26.1              | 10.5  | 53.9  |
| Champaign  | 14                  | 11.7              | 6.3   | 20.1  | Marshall    | 2                   | 29.0              | 3.5   | 104.9 |
| Christian  | 7                   | 4.9               | 0.1   | 27.2  | Mason       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.2  |
| Clark      | 2                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.8  | Menard      | 2                   | 28.9              | 3.5   | 104.3 |
| Clinton    | 7                   | 14.9              | 3.1   | 43.7  | Mercer      | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.2  |
| Coles      | 11                  | 3.4               | 0.1   | 18.9  | Monroe      | 8                   | 48.3              | 20.8  | 95.1  |
| Cook       | 626                 | 12.3              | 11.2  | 13.4  | Montgomery  | 4                   | 23.6              | 6.4   | 60.4  |
| Crawford   | 1                   | 27.5              | 5.7   | 80.3  | Morgan      | 2                   | 9.7               | 1.2   | 35.0  |
| Cumberland | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.4  | Moultrie    | 1                   | 10.5              | 0.3   | 58.7  |
| DeKalb     | 11                  | 12.6              | 5.1   | 26.0  | Ogle        | 7                   | 23.3              | 9.4   | 48.0  |
| DeWitt     | 0                   | 29.2              | 6.0   | 85.3  | Peoria      | 45                  | 34.2              | 25.0  | 45.8  |
| Douglas    | 2                   | 27.1              | 7.4   | 69.4  | Perry       | 6                   | 50.3              | 18.5  | 109.5 |
| DuPage     | 147                 | 19.5              | 16.3  | 23.2  | Piatt       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 0                   | 18.5              | 2.2   | 67.0  | Pike        | 1                   | 10.5              | 0.3   | 58.4  |
| Edwards    | 0                   | 25.5              | 0.6   | 142.1 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 11                  | 29.7              | 11.9  | 61.2  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 6                   | 15.6              | 1.9   | 56.5  | Putnam      | 2                   | 63.7              | 7.7   | 230.1 |
| Ford       | 3                   | 11.2              | 0.3   | 62.3  | Randolph    | 3                   | 15.7              | 3.2   | 45.9  |
| Franklin   | 5                   | 8.7               | 1.0   | 31.3  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton     | 11                  | 9.8               | 1.2   | 35.4  | Rock Island | 34                  | 34.5              | 23.9  | 48.2  |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 45                  | 24.3              | 17.7  | 32.5  |
| Greene     | 1                   | 22.7              | 2.7   | 81.9  | Saline      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.2  |
| Grundy     | 5                   | 12.5              | 2.6   | 36.7  | Sangamon    | 32                  | 25.3              | 17.3  | 35.7  |
| Hamilton   | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 1                   | 25.2              | 0.6   | 140.3 |
| Hancock    | 1                   | 9.0               | 0.2   | 50.1  | Scott       | 1                   | 30.6              | 0.8   | 170.4 |
| Hardin     | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 2                   | 16.1              | 2.0   | 58.2  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 15                  | 28.1              | 12.1  | 55.3  | Stephenson  | 12                  | 39.7              | 20.5  | 69.3  |
| Iroquois   | 5                   | 11.1              | 1.3   | 40.2  | Tazewell    | 33                  | 42.0              | 28.9  | 59.0  |
| Jackson    | 2                   | 20.8              | 8.4   | 42.9  | Union       | 2                   | 19.5              | 2.4   | 70.5  |
| Jasper     | 3                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 9                   | 15.5              | 7.1   | 29.4  |
| Jefferson  | 5                   | 21.6              | 7.0   | 50.4  | Wabash      | 2                   | 29.9              | 3.6   | 108.2 |
| Jersey     | 7                   | 16.6              | 2.0   | 60.0  | Warren      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.6  |
| JoDaviess  | 1                   | 16.6              | 2.0   | 60.1  | Washington  | 6                   | 71.4              | 26.2  | 155.5 |
| Johnson    | 1                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 37.3  |
| Kane       | 71                  | 14.4              | 10.8  | 18.8  | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 19                  | 13.1              | 6.3   | 24.2  | Whiteside   | 6                   | 15.6              | 5.7   | 34.0  |
| Kendall    | 7                   | 14.7              | 5.4   | 31.9  | Will        | 82                  | 21.0              | 16.7  | 26.1  |
| Knox       | 18                  | 6.3               | 0.8   | 22.6  | Williamson  | 11                  | 31.2              | 15.6  | 55.8  |
| Lake       | 90                  | 12.0              | 9.2   | 15.3  | Winnebago   | 52                  | 26.4              | 19.7  | 34.6  |
| LaSalle    | 23                  | 7.1               | 2.3   | 16.5  | Woodford    | 5                   | 23.4              | 7.6   | 54.6  |
| Lawrence   | 2                   | 12.1              | 0.3   | 67.2  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 4. Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> and 95% Confidence Intervals for Major Genitourinary Tract Defects in Newborn Infants By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## MUSCULOSKELETAL DEFECTS

These malformations make up a diverse group of defects that includes club foot and congenital dislocation of the hip – relatively common disorders – and several more rare and serious conditions. A description of each defect follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 12, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Reduction deformities* may affect upper or lower limbs. They may result in a shortening or absence of one or both limbs.

*Gastroschisis* is a herniation of the abdominal contents through a defect in the abdominal wall.

*Omphalocele* occurs when part of the intestine protrudes through a physical opening in the abdominal wall into the base of the umbilical cord.

*Club foot* is a congenital structural foot deformity that may involve the lower leg, ankle and foot joints, ligaments and tendons.

**Table 12. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Musculoskeletal Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                           | ICD-9-CM Codes                 | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                  |                                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Reduction deformity, upper limbs | 755.2x                         | 135   | 1.5               | 1.2                 | 1.7   |
| Reduction deformity, lower limbs | 755.3x                         | 67    | 0.7               | 0.6                 | 0.9   |
| Gastroschisis/omphalocele        | 756.79                         | 268   | 2.9               | 2.6                 | 3.3   |
| Congenital hip dislocation       | 754.30, 754.31, 754.35         | 149   | 1.6               | 1.4                 | 1.9   |
| Club foot                        | 754.5x, 754.6x, 754.70, 754.71 | 898   | 9.8               | 9.2                 | 10.5  |
| Diaphragmatic hernia             | 756.6                          | 246   | 2.7               | 2.4                 | 3.0   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

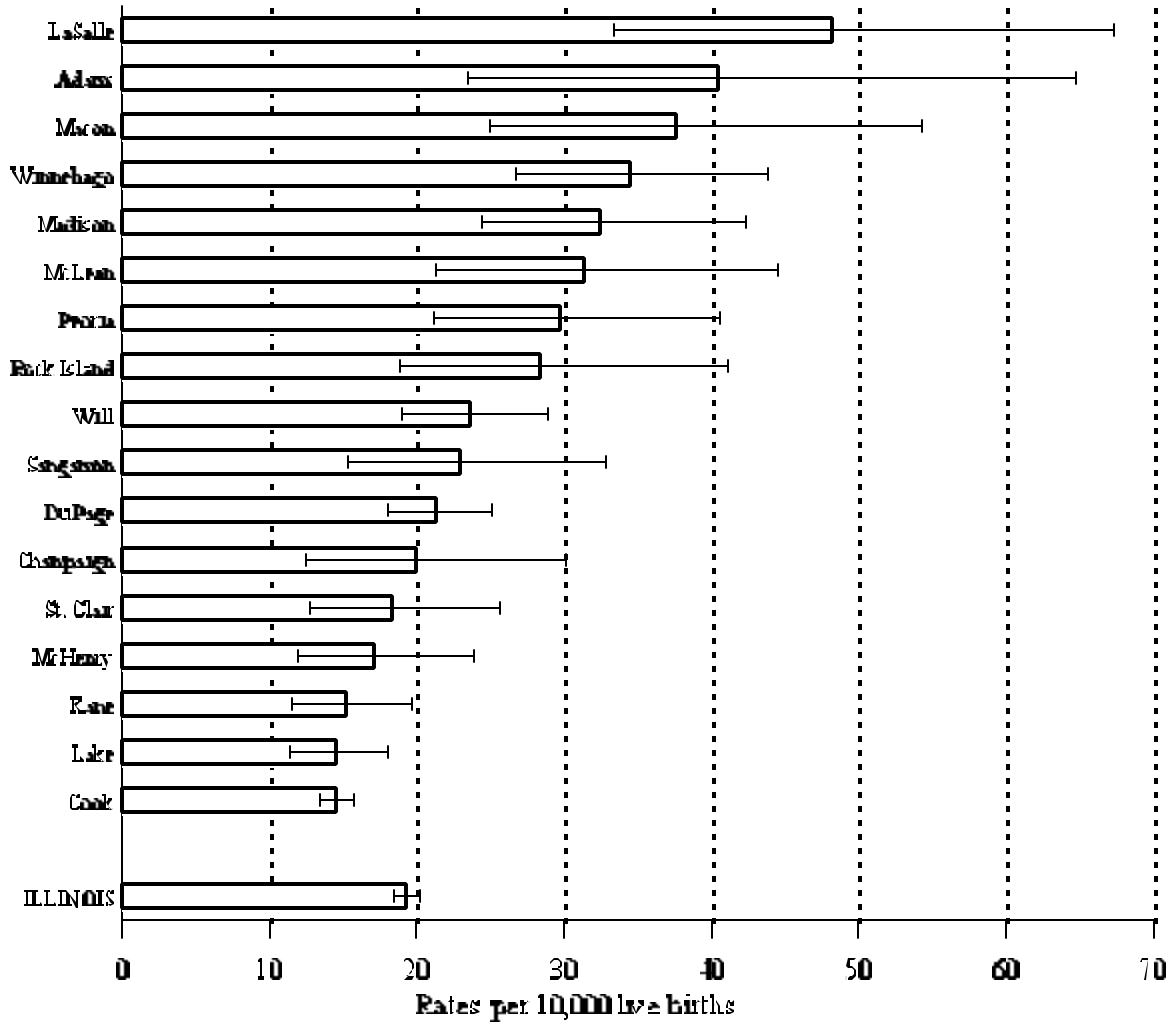
**Table 13. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Musculoskeletal Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County                | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|                       | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS <sup>3</sup> | 1,763               | 19.3              | 18.4  | 20.2  | Lee         | 3                   | 15.7              | 3.2   | 46.0  |
| Adams                 | 17                  | 40.4              | 23.5  | 64.7  | Livingston  | 9                   | 36.9              | 16.9  | 70.0  |
| Alexander             | 1                   | 15.2              | 0.4   | 84.5  | Logan       | 10                  | 60.5              | 29.0  | 111.2 |
| Bond                  | 6                   | 62.4              | 22.9  | 135.8 | McDonough   | 8                   | 53.7              | 23.2  | 105.7 |
| Boone                 | 14                  | 48.5              | 26.5  | 81.4  | McHenry     | 34                  | 17.1              | 11.9  | 23.9  |
| Brown                 | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 31                  | 31.4              | 21.3  | 44.5  |
| Bureau                | 9                   | 43.8              | 20.0  | 83.1  | Macon       | 28                  | 37.6              | 25.0  | 54.3  |
| Calhoun               | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 6                   | 21.9              | 8.0   | 47.6  |
| Carroll               | 1                   | 11.7              | 0.3   | 64.9  | Madison     | 54                  | 32.5              | 24.4  | 42.4  |
| Cass                  | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.3  | Marion      | 15                  | 56.0              | 31.4  | 92.4  |
| Champaign             | 22                  | 19.9              | 12.5  | 30.1  | Marshall    | 3                   | 43.5              | 9.0   | 127.2 |
| Christian             | 4                   | 19.6              | 5.3   | 50.1  | Mason       | 5                   | 54.8              | 17.8  | 127.9 |
| Clark                 | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.4  |
| Clay                  | 2                   | 22.1              | 2.7   | 79.8  | Menard      | 2                   | 28.9              | 3.5   | 104.3 |
| Clinton               | 4                   | 19.9              | 5.4   | 51.0  | Mercer      | 6                   | 62.4              | 22.9  | 135.9 |
| Coles                 | 12                  | 40.6              | 21.0  | 71.0  | Monroe      | 1                   | 6.0               | 0.2   | 33.6  |
| Cook                  | 618                 | 14.5              | 13.4  | 15.7  | Montgomery  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 21.8  |
| Crawford              | 1                   | 9.2               | 0.2   | 51.0  | Morgan      | 12                  | 58.1              | 30.0  | 101.6 |
| Cumberland            | 1                   | 15.6              | 0.4   | 86.7  | Moultrie    | 4                   | 42.1              | 11.5  | 107.9 |
| DeKalb                | 4                   | 7.2               | 2.0   | 18.5  | Ogle        | 12                  | 39.9              | 20.6  | 69.7  |
| DeWitt                | 6                   | 58.4              | 21.4  | 127.0 | Peoria      | 39                  | 29.7              | 21.1  | 40.6  |
| Douglas               | 6                   | 40.7              | 14.9  | 88.5  | Perry       | 1                   | 8.4               | 0.2   | 46.7  |
| DuPage                | 143                 | 21.3              | 18.0  | 25.1  | Piatt       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.1  |
| Edgar                 | 3                   | 27.8              | 5.7   | 81.3  | Pike        | 3                   | 31.4              | 6.5   | 91.9  |
| Edwards               | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham             | 8                   | 33.9              | 14.7  | 66.9  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette               | 6                   | 46.9              | 17.2  | 102.1 | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford                  | 2                   | 22.4              | 2.7   | 80.8  | Randolph    | 5                   | 26.2              | 8.5   | 61.0  |
| Franklin              | 1                   | 4.3               | 0.1   | 24.1  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton                | 6                   | 29.4              | 10.8  | 64.0  | Rock Island | 28                  | 28.4              | 18.9  | 41.1  |
| Gallatin              | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 34                  | 18.3              | 12.7  | 25.6  |
| Greene                | 3                   | 34.0              | 7.0   | 99.4  | Saline      | 3                   | 19.7              | 4.1   | 57.5  |
| Grundy                | 3                   | 12.5              | 2.6   | 36.7  | Sangamon    | 29                  | 22.9              | 15.3  | 32.9  |
| Hamilton              | 1                   | 21.9              | 0.6   | 121.9 | Schuyler    | 2                   | 50.4              | 6.1   | 182.0 |
| Hancock               | 1                   | 9.0               | 0.2   | 50.1  | Scott       | 1                   | 30.6              | 0.8   | 170.4 |
| Hardin                | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 2                   | 16.1              | 2.0   | 58.2  |
| Henderson             | 1                   | 25.1              | 0.6   | 139.6 | Stark       | 3                   | 77.3              | 15.9  | 226.0 |
| Henry                 | 9                   | 31.6              | 14.4  | 60.0  | Stephenson  | 7                   | 23.1              | 9.3   | 47.7  |
| Iroquois              | 6                   | 33.4              | 12.2  | 72.6  | Tazewell    | 13                  | 16.6              | 8.8   | 28.3  |
| Jackson               | 5                   | 14.9              | 4.8   | 34.7  | Union       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.0  |
| Jasper                | 1                   | 18.0              | 0.5   | 100.4 | Vermilion   | 10                  | 17.2              | 8.2   | 31.6  |
| Jefferson             | 9                   | 38.9              | 17.8  | 73.8  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey                | 5                   | 41.5              | 13.5  | 96.9  | Warren      | 4                   | 37.5              | 10.2  | 96.1  |
| JoDaviess             | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 1                   | 11.9              | 0.3   | 66.3  |
| Johnson               | 2                   | 31.3              | 3.8   | 113.2 | Wayne       | 2                   | 20.2              | 2.4   | 73.1  |
| Kane                  | 57                  | 15.2              | 11.5  | 19.7  | White       | 3                   | 36.4              | 7.5   | 106.4 |
| Kankakee              | 10                  | 13.1              | 6.3   | 24.2  | Whiteside   | 11                  | 28.6              | 14.3  | 51.2  |
| Kendall               | 6                   | 14.7              | 5.4   | 31.9  | Will        | 92                  | 23.6              | 19.0  | 28.9  |
| Knox                  | 10                  | 31.3              | 15.0  | 57.6  | Williamson  | 6                   | 17.0              | 6.2   | 37.0  |
| Lake                  | 76                  | 14.5              | 11.4  | 18.1  | Winnebago   | 68                  | 34.5              | 26.8  | 43.8  |
| LaSalle               | 34                  | 48.2              | 33.4  | 67.3  | Woodford    | 8                   | 37.4              | 16.2  | 73.7  |
| Lawrence              | 2                   | 24.1              | 2.9   | 87.1  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate    <sup>3</sup>The number for Illinois includes two cases for whom county of residence was unknown.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 5. Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> and 95% Confidence Intervals  
for Major Musculoskeletal Defects in Newborn Infants  
By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## CHROMOSOMAL DEFECTS

Chromosomal anomalies are disorders that usually arise from abnormal numbers of chromosomes or from breaks or deletions in specific fragments of the chromosomes. The defects collected by APORS are the most important abnormalities in this group. Each is associated with a characteristic pattern of defects that arises as a consequence of the underlying chromosomal abnormality. Congenital heart defects (especially septal defects) are very common among these infants and are a major cause of death. A description of each defect collected by APORS follows, in ICD-9-CM code order, together with Table 14, which gives the five-year incidence rates for each defect for the whole state.

*Patau syndrome* is associated with the presence of a third number 13 chromosome.

Newborns have numerous internal and external abnormalities, including profound retardation. Most die in the first few days of life because of respiratory difficulties, heart defects and sometimes severe defects involving other organ systems.

*Down syndrome* is associated with the presence of a third number 21 chromosome. It results in mental retardation, distinctive malformations of the head and face, and other abnormalities. The severity of these problems varies greatly among affected individuals.

*Edward syndrome* is associated with the presence of a third number 18 chromosome. It causes major physical abnormalities and severe mental retardation. Few children afflicted with this disease survive beyond a year because of abnormalities of the lungs and diaphragm, and heart defects and blood vessel malformations.

**Table 14. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Chromosomal Defects in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                       | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                              |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Patau syndrome (trisomy 13)  | 758.1          | 80    | 0.9               | 0.7                 | 1.1   |
| Down syndrome (trisomy 21)   | 758.0          | 966   | 10.6              | 9.9                 | 11.3  |
| Edward syndrome (trisomy 18) | 758.2          | 182   | 2.0               | 1.7                 | 2.3   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

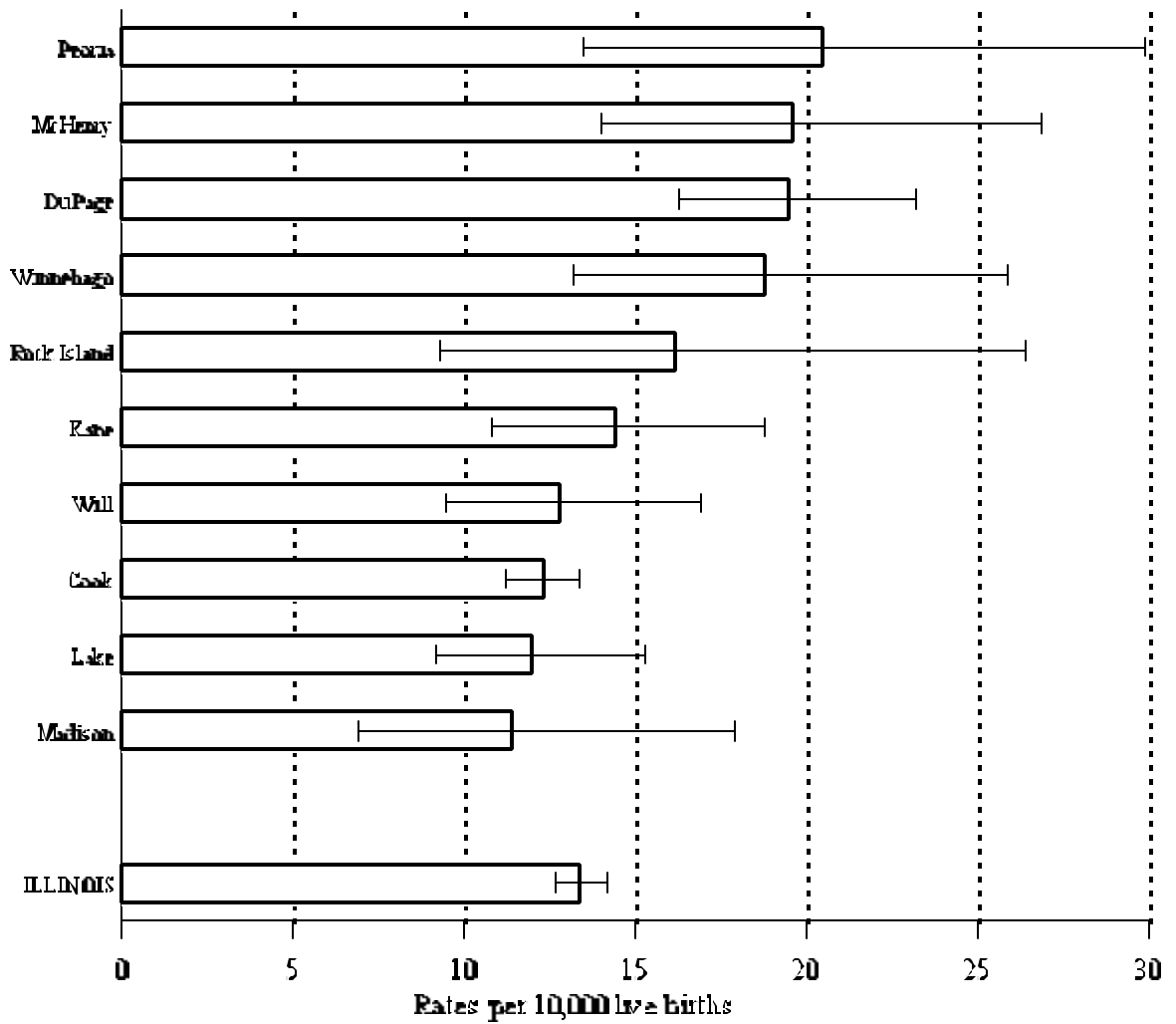
**Table 15. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Major Chromosomal Defects in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 1,228               | 13.4              | 12.7  | 14.2  | Lee         | 4                   | 21.0              | 5.7   | 53.7  |
| Adams      | 5                   | 11.9              | 3.9   | 27.7  | Livingston  | 5                   | 20.5              | 6.7   | 47.8  |
| Alexander  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 2                   | 12.1              | 1.5   | 43.7  |
| Bond       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 1                   | 6.7               | 0.2   | 37.4  |
| Boone      | 6                   | 20.8              | 7.6   | 45.2  | McHenry     | 39                  | 19.6              | 14.0  | 26.9  |
| Brown      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 13                  | 13.2              | 7.0   | 22.5  |
| Bureau     | 5                   | 24.3              | 7.9   | 56.8  | Macon       | 11                  | 14.8              | 7.4   | 26.4  |
| Calhoun    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 1                   | 3.6               | 0.1   | 20.3  |
| Carroll    | 1                   | 11.7              | 0.3   | 64.9  | Madison     | 19                  | 11.4              | 6.9   | 17.9  |
| Cass       | 3                   | 31.3              | 6.4   | 91.3  | Marion      | 5                   | 18.7              | 6.1   | 43.6  |
| Champaign  | 13                  | 11.7              | 6.3   | 20.1  | Marshall    | 2                   | 29.0              | 3.5   | 104.9 |
| Christian  | 1                   | 4.9               | 0.1   | 27.2  | Mason       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.2  |
| Clark      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.4  |
| Clay       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.8  | Menard      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 3                   | 14.9              | 3.1   | 43.7  | Mercer      | 3                   | 31.2              | 6.4   | 91.2  |
| Coles      | 1                   | 3.4               | 0.1   | 18.9  | Monroe      | 3                   | 18.1              | 3.7   | 52.9  |
| Cook       | 522                 | 12.3              | 11.2  | 13.4  | Montgomery  | 1                   | 5.9               | 0.1   | 32.9  |
| Crawford   | 3                   | 27.5              | 5.7   | 80.3  | Morgan      | 3                   | 14.5              | 3.0   | 42.5  |
| Cumberland | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.4  | Moultrie    | 3                   | 31.6              | 6.5   | 92.4  |
| DeKalb     | 7                   | 12.6              | 5.1   | 26.0  | Ogle        | 3                   | 10.0              | 2.1   | 29.2  |
| DeWitt     | 3                   | 29.2              | 6.0   | 85.3  | Peoria      | 27                  | 20.5              | 13.5  | 29.9  |
| Douglas    | 4                   | 27.1              | 7.4   | 69.4  | Perry       | 3                   | 25.1              | 5.2   | 73.5  |
| DuPage     | 131                 | 19.5              | 16.3  | 23.2  | Piatt       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 2                   | 18.5              | 2.2   | 67.0  | Pike        | 2                   | 21.0              | 2.5   | 75.7  |
| Edwards    | 1                   | 25.5              | 0.6   | 142.1 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 7                   | 29.7              | 11.9  | 61.2  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 2                   | 15.6              | 1.9   | 56.5  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 1                   | 11.2              | 0.3   | 62.3  | Randolph    | 4                   | 20.9              | 5.7   | 53.6  |
| Franklin   | 2                   | 8.7               | 1.0   | 31.3  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton     | 2                   | 9.8               | 1.2   | 35.4  | Rock Island | 16                  | 16.2              | 9.3   | 26.4  |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 12                  | 6.5               | 3.3   | 11.3  |
| Greene     | 2                   | 22.7              | 2.7   | 81.9  | Saline      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.2  |
| Grundy     | 3                   | 12.5              | 2.6   | 36.7  | Sangamon    | 13                  | 10.3              | 5.5   | 17.5  |
| Hamilton   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 1                   | 9.0               | 0.2   | 50.1  | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 3                   | 24.2              | 5.0   | 70.6  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 1                   | 25.8              | 0.7   | 143.6 |
| Henry      | 8                   | 28.1              | 12.1  | 55.3  | Stephenson  | 4                   | 13.2              | 3.6   | 33.9  |
| Iroquois   | 2                   | 11.1              | 1.3   | 40.2  | Tazewell    | 14                  | 17.8              | 9.7   | 29.9  |
| Jackson    | 7                   | 20.8              | 8.4   | 42.9  | Union       | 1                   | 9.8               | 0.2   | 54.4  |
| Jasper     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 8                   | 13.8              | 5.9   | 27.1  |
| Jefferson  | 5                   | 21.6              | 7.0   | 50.4  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 2                   | 16.6              | 2.0   | 60.0  | Warren      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.6  |
| JoDaviess  | 2                   | 16.6              | 2.0   | 60.1  | Washington  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 43.9  |
| Johnson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 37.3  |
| Kane       | 54                  | 14.4              | 10.8  | 18.8  | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 10                  | 13.1              | 6.3   | 24.2  | Whiteside   | 6                   | 15.6              | 5.7   | 34.0  |
| Kendall    | 6                   | 14.7              | 5.4   | 31.9  | Will        | 50                  | 12.8              | 9.5   | 16.9  |
| Knox       | 2                   | 6.3               | 0.8   | 22.6  | Williamson  | 5                   | 14.2              | 4.6   | 33.1  |
| Lake       | 63                  | 12.0              | 9.2   | 15.3  | Winnebago   | 37                  | 18.8              | 13.2  | 25.9  |
| LaSalle    | 5                   | 7.1               | 2.3   | 16.5  | Woodford    | 3                   | 14.0              | 2.9   | 41.0  |
| Lawrence   | 1                   | 12.1              | 0.3   | 67.2  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 6. Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> and 95% Confidence Intervals  
for Major Chromosomal Defects in Newborn Infants  
By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## SECTION II

### OTHER ADVERSE PREGNANCY OUTCOMES

#### VERY LOW BIRTH WEIGHT

Children born weighing 1,500 grams (about 3 pounds 5 ounces) or less are considered to have very low birth weights. Medical advances have had particular success in increasing the survival of low birth weight infants. In particular, introduction of surfactants, given to help the baby's lungs expand, and steroid treatment given to the mother for 48 hours beforehand can be crucial in improving post-natal lung function.

Between 1997 and 2001, 1.9 percent of infants born in Illinois had very low birth weights. In 2000, the proportion of infants born in the United States with very low birth weights was 1.4 percent. This rate reflects a slight increase from the 1970s when the rate was 1.2 percent (Martin *et al.* 2001). Among very low birth weight infants, 244.3 per 1,000 births died in their first year (Mathews *et al.* 2002)

Infants who survive have more chronic conditions, more limitations in daily activities and poorer overall health than newborns with normal birth weights in their first few years of life. Also, very low birth weight has been associated with poorer receptive language skills (Singer *et al.*, 2001) and with poor behavioral and educational outcomes (Saigal, 2000).

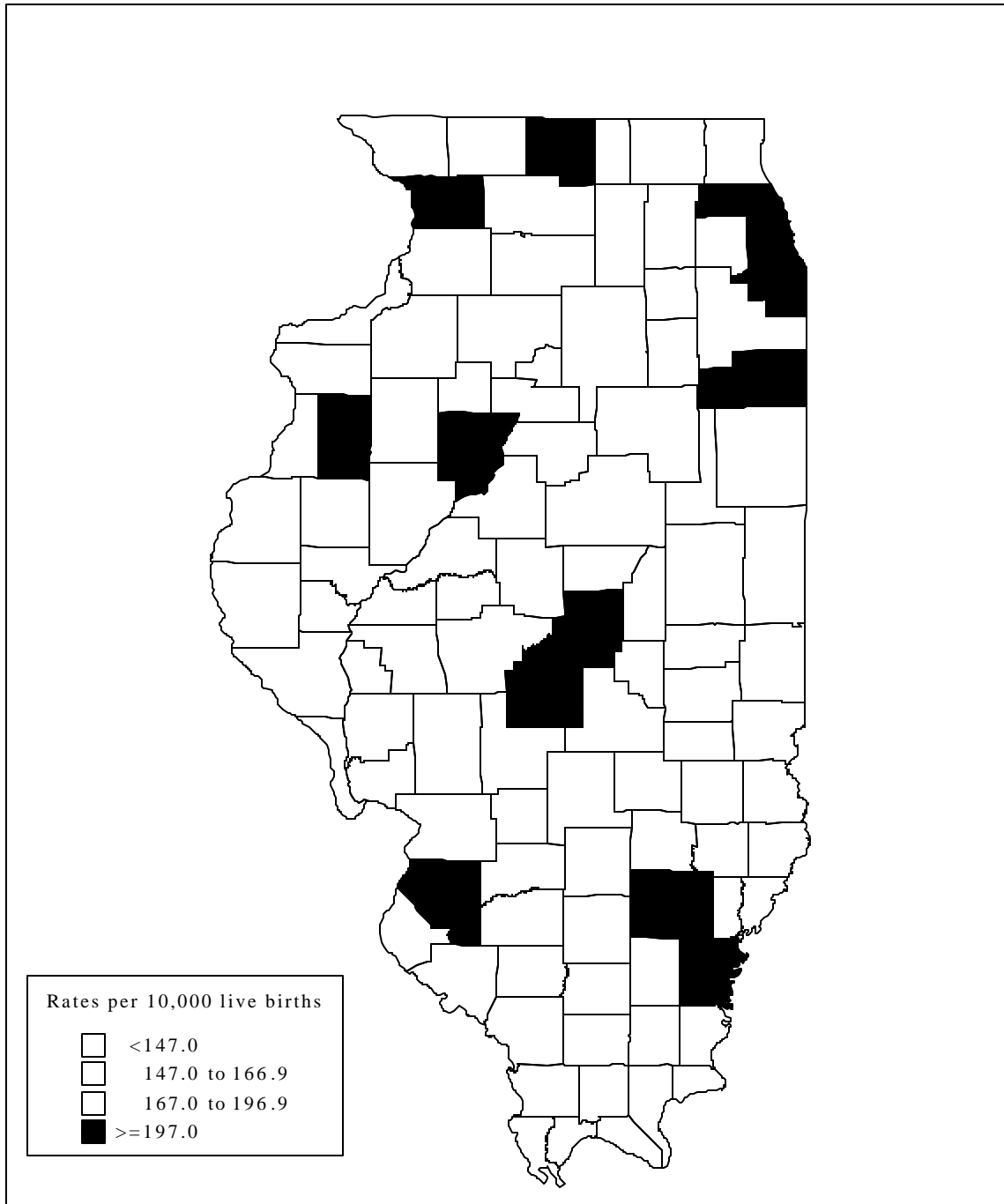
The maternal risk factors for having a baby with very low birth weight include being younger than 17 years of age or older than 34 years of age. African-American women and those who have not had a previous child are more likely to have low birth weight babies. Women who smoke or are of lower socioeconomic status are also more likely to have low birth weight babies. Appropriate prenatal care, especially in the first trimester, is believed to result in improved neonatal birth weight (Kiely JL *et al.*, 1994).

**Table 16. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Infants with Very Low Birth Weights (# 1,500 g), By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County                | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|                       | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS <sup>3</sup> | 17,050              | 186.5             | 183.7 | 189.3 | Lee         | 29                  | 152.0             | 101.8 | 218.3 |
| Adams                 | 72                  | 171.1             | 133.9 | 215.5 | Livingston  | 34                  | 139.3             | 96.5  | 194.6 |
| Alexander             | 14                  | 212.4             | 116.1 | 356.4 | Logan       | 25                  | 151.1             | 97.8  | 223.1 |
| Bond                  | 4                   | 41.6              | 11.3  | 106.5 | McDonough   | 20                  | 134.1             | 81.9  | 207.2 |
| Boone                 | 44                  | 152.4             | 110.7 | 204.6 | McHenry     | 259                 | 130.4             | 115.0 | 147.3 |
| Brown                 | 5                   | 181.2             | 58.8  | 422.8 | McLean      | 121                 | 122.5             | 101.6 | 146.4 |
| Bureau                | 22                  | 107.0             | 67.1  | 162.0 | Macon       | 155                 | 208.0             | 176.5 | 243.4 |
| Calhoun               | 3                   | 124.5             | 25.7  | 363.8 | Macoupin    | 37                  | 134.9             | 95.0  | 185.9 |
| Carroll               | 17                  | 198.1             | 115.4 | 317.2 | Madison     | 245                 | 147.6             | 129.7 | 167.3 |
| Cass                  | 12                  | 125.0             | 64.6  | 218.3 | Marion      | 43                  | 160.6             | 116.2 | 216.4 |
| Champaign             | 185                 | 167.1             | 143.9 | 193.0 | Marshall    | 7                   | 101.6             | 40.8  | 209.3 |
| Christian             | 46                  | 224.8             | 164.6 | 299.9 | Mason       | 16                  | 175.4             | 100.3 | 284.9 |
| Clark                 | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.3  | Massac      | 3                   | 33.1              | 6.8   | 96.7  |
| Clay                  | 8                   | 88.4              | 38.2  | 174.2 | Menard      | 9                   | 129.9             | 59.4  | 246.5 |
| Clinton               | 26                  | 129.5             | 84.6  | 189.7 | Mercer      | 8                   | 83.2              | 35.9  | 164.0 |
| Coles                 | 57                  | 193.0             | 146.1 | 250.0 | Monroe      | 25                  | 150.8             | 97.6  | 222.6 |
| Cook                  | 9,417               | 221.1             | 216.7 | 225.6 | Montgomery  | 22                  | 129.7             | 81.3  | 196.4 |
| Crawford              | 11                  | 100.7             | 50.3  | 180.2 | Morgan      | 39                  | 189.0             | 134.4 | 258.3 |
| Cumberland            | 6                   | 93.3              | 34.2  | 203.1 | Moultrie    | 16                  | 168.6             | 96.4  | 273.8 |
| DeKalb                | 93                  | 167.6             | 135.2 | 205.3 | Ogle        | 40                  | 133.0             | 95.0  | 181.1 |
| DeWitt                | 15                  | 145.9             | 81.7  | 240.7 | Peoria      | 277                 | 210.7             | 186.6 | 237.1 |
| Douglas               | 17                  | 115.2             | 67.1  | 184.4 | Perry       | 14                  | 117.4             | 64.2  | 196.9 |
| DuPage                | 1,038               | 154.8             | 145.6 | 164.5 | Piatt       | 14                  | 153.3             | 83.8  | 257.3 |
| Edgar                 | 7                   | 64.9              | 26.1  | 133.7 | Pike        | 18                  | 188.7             | 111.8 | 298.2 |
| Edwards               | 2                   | 51.0              | 6.2   | 184.3 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham             | 31                  | 131.5             | 89.4  | 186.7 | Pulaski     | 10                  | 196.9             | 94.4  | 362.0 |
| Fayette               | 24                  | 187.6             | 120.2 | 279.2 | Putnam      | 3                   | 95.5              | 19.7  | 279.2 |
| Ford                  | 17                  | 190.2             | 110.8 | 304.5 | Randolph    | 25                  | 130.8             | 84.6  | 193.0 |
| Franklin              | 41                  | 177.6             | 127.4 | 240.9 | Richland    | 12                  | 117.6             | 60.8  | 205.5 |
| Fulton                | 30                  | 147.1             | 99.3  | 210.0 | Rock Island | 172                 | 174.5             | 149.4 | 202.7 |
| Gallatin              | 3                   | 89.8              | 18.5  | 262.5 | St. Clair   | 416                 | 224.2             | 203.2 | 246.9 |
| Greene                | 16                  | 181.4             | 103.7 | 294.6 | Saline      | 19                  | 124.7             | 75.1  | 194.7 |
| Grundy                | 25                  | 104.6             | 67.7  | 154.3 | Sangamon    | 234                 | 184.7             | 161.8 | 210.0 |
| Hamilton              | 10                  | 218.8             | 104.9 | 402.4 | Schuyler    | 5                   | 125.9             | 40.9  | 293.9 |
| Hancock               | 5                   | 45.0              | 14.6  | 104.9 | Scott       | 2                   | 61.2              | 7.4   | 220.9 |
| Hardin                | 3                   | 129.9             | 26.8  | 379.5 | Shelby      | 17                  | 136.9             | 79.7  | 219.2 |
| Henderson             | 3                   | 75.2              | 15.5  | 219.7 | Stark       | 3                   | 77.3              | 15.9  | 226.0 |
| Henry                 | 42                  | 147.4             | 106.2 | 199.3 | Stephenson  | 58                  | 191.7             | 145.6 | 247.9 |
| Iroquois              | 12                  | 66.7              | 34.5  | 116.6 | Tazewell    | 119                 | 151.6             | 125.5 | 181.4 |
| Jackson               | 50                  | 148.9             | 110.5 | 196.2 | Union       | 12                  | 117.1             | 60.5  | 204.5 |
| Jasper                | 8                   | 144.1             | 62.2  | 284.0 | Vermilion   | 104                 | 178.9             | 146.2 | 216.7 |
| Jefferson             | 28                  | 120.9             | 80.3  | 174.7 | Wabash      | 6                   | 89.8              | 33.0  | 195.5 |
| Jersey                | 9                   | 74.8              | 34.2  | 141.9 | Warren      | 22                  | 206.4             | 129.3 | 312.5 |
| JoDaviess             | 6                   | 49.9              | 18.3  | 108.6 | Washington  | 12                  | 142.9             | 73.8  | 249.5 |
| Johnson               | 9                   | 141.1             | 64.5  | 267.8 | Wayne       | 23                  | 232.6             | 147.4 | 349.0 |
| Kane                  | 509                 | 136.0             | 124.5 | 148.4 | White       | 18                  | 218.4             | 129.5 | 345.2 |
| Kankakee              | 160                 | 210.1             | 178.8 | 245.3 | Whiteside   | 42                  | 109.2             | 78.7  | 147.6 |
| Kendall               | 52                  | 127.2             | 95.0  | 166.8 | Will        | 584                 | 149.6             | 137.7 | 162.3 |
| Knox                  | 54                  | 169.2             | 127.1 | 220.7 | Williamson  | 52                  | 147.4             | 110.0 | 193.2 |
| Lake                  | 783                 | 149.1             | 138.8 | 159.9 | Winnebago   | 388                 | 197.1             | 178.0 | 217.7 |
| LaSalle               | 104                 | 147.4             | 120.4 | 178.6 | Woodford    | 25                  | 116.9             | 75.7  | 172.6 |
| Lawrence              | 7                   | 84.4              | 33.9  | 174.0 |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup> Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate    <sup>3</sup> The number for Illinois includes 27 cases for whom county of residence was unknown.  
Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcome Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 7. Map of Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> for Infants with Very Low Birth Weights (# 1,500 g), By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## SERIOUS CONGENITAL INFECTIONS

Congenital infections (listed below in ICD-9-CM code order) may be either viral or bacterial; infants may have been exposed *in utero* (by transfer across the placental barrier) or during delivery.

*Listeriosis* is caused by an infection with the bacterium *Listeria monocytogenes*; half of all infected newborns will die from the illness. Babies infected during the pregnancy are usually born prematurely, have a blood infection (sepsis) and may have a serious, whole body infection called granulomatosis infantisepticum. When a baby is infected during childbirth, symptoms usually appear about two weeks after birth; these babies typically have meningitis.

*Group B streptococcus* (GBS) is a bacterium that may cause urinary tract or placental infections in the mother leading to preterm labor and birth. Newborns who become ill with GBS infection may require care in the newborn intensive care unit depending on the severity of the infection and whether the infection causes serious problems such as meningitis or pneumonia.

*Chlamydia* bacterial infection can lead to dangerous complications during pregnancy and birth. If a pregnant woman is untreated, her baby has a 50 percent chance of developing conjunctivitis (threatening eyesight) and a 20 percent chance of developing pneumonia. Chlamydia can also lead to premature birth or low birth weight.

*Congenital syphilis* is usually contracted *in utero* by transplacental passage of bacteria – *Treponema pallidum* – from an infected mother, but infection may occur from contact with an infectious lesion during delivery. In women with untreated early syphilis, 40 percent of pregnancies result in spontaneous abortion, stillbirths, premature delivery or perinatal deaths; intrauterine growth retardation may also occur. Enlargement of the liver and spleen are present in nearly all infants with congenital syphilis. Other common symptoms are jaundice, rhinitis and skin lesions.

*Gonorrhea* is caused by the gonococcus bacterium. It can be passed from an infected woman to her newborn infant during delivery. Most states require that the eyes of newborns be treated with silver nitrate or other medication immediately after birth to prevent gonococcal infection of the eyes, which can lead to blindness.

*Rubella*, or German measles, is caused by the rubella virus. If a woman contracts this virus during pregnancy, the baby may miscarry or be born with birth defects including deformed limbs, blindness, deafness, abnormally small brain or mental retardation.

*Cytomegalovirus* (CMV) is a member of the herpes group of viruses. Congenital CMV can cause abnormal development of the unborn child's central nervous system when the mother catches the virus for the first time during pregnancy. This can result in mental retardation, cerebral palsy, visual impairment, epilepsy and hearing loss.

*Herpes* in a newborn is usually a result of exposure to the herpes simplex virus II (HSV-2) during vaginal delivery. The infection rate is about 50 percent in primary infection and about 5 percent in a recurrent infection. The most common clinical symptom is the presence of cutaneous vesicles. In 20 percent of cases, there is major systemic involvement, central nervous system involvement, or both. Less than 10 percent of babies with neurologic disease develop normally. The overall mortality rate among infants with untreated infection is 65 percent.

*Congenital tetanus* is caused when an infant is exposed to the bacterium *Clostridium tetani* during delivery. The bacteria produce a neurotoxin that selectively blocks inhibitory nerve transmission from the spinal cord to the muscles, allowing the muscles to go into severe spasm. Without treatment, two out of three newborns with tetanus will die.

*Sepsis* may be a result of any of several infections. It is reportable if the infection is confirmed and is invasive. Once the organism has invaded the bloodstream, the infection may lead to pneumonia, septicemia, arthritis, endocarditis or meningitis.

*Hepatitis B* virus (HBV) can be passed to a baby during delivery. A baby may be asymptomatic, but as he/she grows up, liver damage may be present. About 25 percent of babies who develop lifelong HBV infections die of liver disease or liver cancer. A vaccine has been used since 1982 to prevent hepatitis B.

**Table 17. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Serious Congenital Infections in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                           | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                  |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Listeriosis                      | 027.0, 771.2   | 143   | 1.6               | 1.3                 | 1.8   |
| Group B streptococcus            | 041.02         | 477   | 5.2               | 4.8                 | 5.7   |
| Chlamydial infections            | 079.88, 079.98 | 17    | 0.2               | 0.1                 | 0.3   |
| Syphilis                         | 090.0 - 090.9  | 774   | 8.5               | 7.9                 | 9.1   |
| Gonococcal infections            | 098.0 - 098.89 | 7     | 0.1               | 0.0                 | 0.2   |
| Rubella                          | 771.0          | 1     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.1   |
| Cytomegalovirus                  | 771.1          | 95    | 1.0               | 0.8                 | 1.3   |
| Herpes                           | 771.2          | 143   | 1.6               | 1.3                 | 1.8   |
| Tetanus neonatorum               | 771.3          | 3     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.1   |
| Confirmed septicemia (sepsis)    | 771.8          | 3,652 | 39.9              | 38.7                | 41.3  |
| Hepatitis B                      | 774.4          | 65    | 0.7               | 0.5                 | 0.9   |
| Prenatal exposure to hepatitis B | V01.7B         | 158   | 1.7               | 1.5                 | 2.0   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

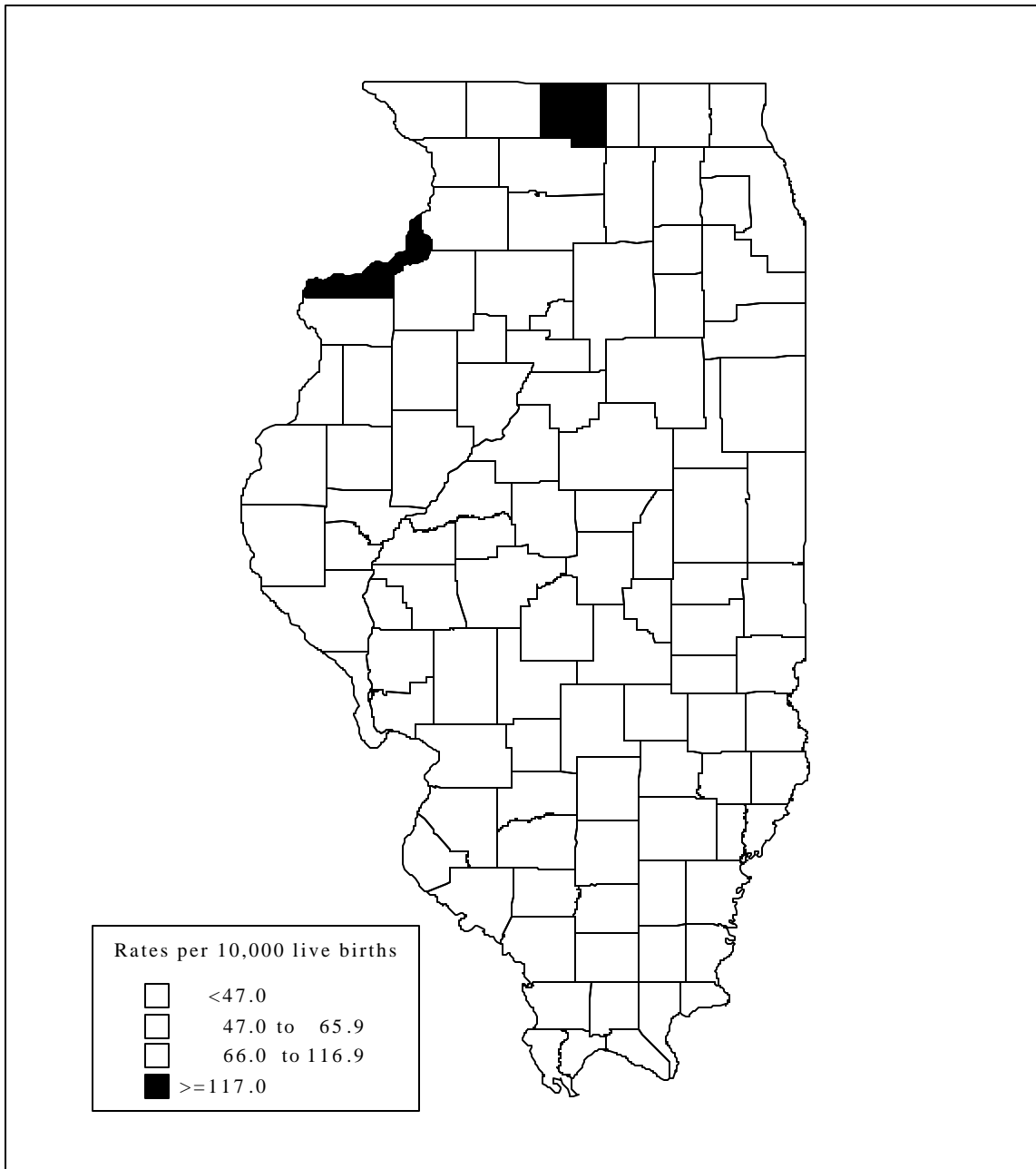
**Table 18. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Serious Congenital Infections in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County                | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|                       | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS <sup>3</sup> | 5,535               | 60.5              | 59.0  | 62.2  | Lee         | 14                  | 73.4              | 40.1  | 123.1 |
| Adams                 | 20                  | 47.5              | 29.0  | 73.4  | Livingston  | 10                  | 41.0              | 19.6  | 75.3  |
| Alexander             | 4                   | 60.7              | 16.5  | 155.4 | Logan       | 8                   | 48.4              | 20.9  | 95.3  |
| Bond                  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 5                   | 33.5              | 10.9  | 78.3  |
| Boone                 | 24                  | 83.1              | 53.3  | 123.7 | McHenry     | 70                  | 35.3              | 27.0  | 44.0  |
| Brown                 | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 55                  | 55.7              | 41.1  | 71.3  |
| Bureau                | 10                  | 48.6              | 23.3  | 89.4  | Macon       | 23                  | 30.9              | 19.6  | 46.3  |
| Calhoun               | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 4                   | 14.6              | 4.0   | 37.3  |
| Carroll               | 5                   | 58.3              | 18.9  | 136.0 | Madison     | 78                  | 47.0              | 34.5  | 55.3  |
| Cass                  | 3                   | 31.3              | 6.4   | 91.3  | Marion      | 14                  | 52.3              | 28.6  | 87.7  |
| Champaign             | 79                  | 71.4              | 55.7  | 87.9  | Marshall    | 3                   | 43.5              | 9.0   | 127.2 |
| Christian             | 9                   | 44.0              | 20.1  | 83.5  | Mason       | 7                   | 76.8              | 30.9  | 158.1 |
| Clark                 | 1                   | 10.4              | 0.3   | 58.0  | Massac      | 2                   | 22.1              | 2.7   | 79.7  |
| Clay                  | 2                   | 22.1              | 2.7   | 79.8  | Menard      | 3                   | 43.3              | 8.9   | 126.5 |
| Clinton               | 7                   | 34.9              | 14.0  | 71.8  | Mercer      | 9                   | 93.7              | 42.8  | 177.8 |
| Coles                 | 9                   | 30.5              | 13.9  | 57.8  | Monroe      | 7                   | 42.2              | 17.0  | 87.0  |
| Cook                  | 3,092               | 72.6              | 70.1  | 75.2  | Montgomery  | 5                   | 29.5              | 9.6   | 68.8  |
| Crawford              | 2                   | 18.3              | 2.2   | 66.2  | Morgan      | 2                   | 9.7               | 1.2   | 35.0  |
| Cumberland            | 5                   | 77.8              | 25.2  | 181.5 | Moultrie    | 5                   | 52.7              | 17.1  | 123.0 |
| DeKalb                | 38                  | 68.5              | 48.5  | 94.0  | Ogle        | 25                  | 83.1              | 51.1  | 118.8 |
| DeWitt                | 6                   | 58.4              | 21.4  | 127.0 | Peoria      | 87                  | 66.2              | 53.0  | 81.6  |
| Douglas               | 6                   | 40.7              | 14.9  | 88.5  | Perry       | 4                   | 33.5              | 9.1   | 85.8  |
| DuPage                | 246                 | 36.7              | 31.0  | 40.2  | Piatt       | 2                   | 21.9              | 2.7   | 79.1  |
| Edgar                 | 5                   | 46.3              | 15.0  | 108.1 | Pike        | 4                   | 41.9              | 11.4  | 107.4 |
| Edwards               | 1                   | 25.5              | 0.6   | 142.1 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham             | 14                  | 59.4              | 32.5  | 99.7  | Pulaski     | 2                   | 39.4              | 4.8   | 142.2 |
| Fayette               | 4                   | 31.3              | 8.5   | 80.1  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford                  | 10                  | 111.9             | 46.0  | 191.1 | Randolph    | 7                   | 36.6              | 14.7  | 75.4  |
| Franklin              | 10                  | 43.3              | 20.8  | 79.6  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton                | 11                  | 53.9              | 26.9  | 96.5  | Rock Island | 130                 | 131.9             | 104.7 | 150.0 |
| Gallatin              | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 126                 | 67.9              | 56.1  | 80.3  |
| Greene                | 1                   | 11.3              | 0.3   | 63.2  | Saline      | 7                   | 45.9              | 18.5  | 94.6  |
| Grundy                | 7                   | 29.3              | 11.8  | 60.3  | Sangamon    | 64                  | 50.5              | 36.1  | 61.0  |
| Hamilton              | 1                   | 21.9              | 0.6   | 121.9 | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock               | 3                   | 27.0              | 5.6   | 78.8  | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin                | 1                   | 43.3              | 1.1   | 241.2 | Shelby      | 8                   | 64.4              | 27.8  | 126.9 |
| Henderson             | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 4                   | 103.1             | 28.1  | 264.0 |
| Henry                 | 18                  | 63.2              | 32.1  | 91.2  | Stephenson  | 26                  | 86.0              | 50.8  | 118.0 |
| Iroquois              | 14                  | 77.9              | 38.5  | 123.6 | Tazewell    | 37                  | 47.1              | 33.2  | 65.0  |
| Jackson               | 19                  | 56.6              | 31.8  | 84.7  | Union       | 4                   | 39.0              | 10.6  | 99.9  |
| Jasper                | 2                   | 36.0              | 4.4   | 130.2 | Vermilion   | 44                  | 75.7              | 53.5  | 99.6  |
| Jefferson             | 7                   | 30.2              | 12.2  | 62.3  | Wabash      | 5                   | 74.9              | 24.3  | 174.7 |
| Jersey                | 1                   | 8.3               | 0.2   | 46.3  | Warren      | 6                   | 56.3              | 20.7  | 122.5 |
| JoDaviess             | 3                   | 25.0              | 5.1   | 72.9  | Washington  | 6                   | 71.4              | 26.2  | 155.5 |
| Johnson               | 5                   | 78.4              | 25.4  | 182.9 | Wayne       | 3                   | 30.3              | 6.3   | 88.6  |
| Kane                  | 215                 | 57.5              | 48.5  | 64.0  | White       | 3                   | 36.4              | 7.5   | 106.4 |
| Kankakee              | 47                  | 61.7              | 43.1  | 79.1  | Whiteside   | 20                  | 52.0              | 31.8  | 80.3  |
| Kendall               | 16                  | 39.1              | 20.5  | 60.5  | Will        | 118                 | 30.2              | 24.6  | 35.6  |
| Knox                  | 23                  | 72.1              | 38.3  | 96.8  | Williamson  | 19                  | 53.8              | 30.2  | 80.6  |
| Lake                  | 159                 | 30.3              | 25.6  | 35.2  | Winnebago   | 232                 | 117.8             | 100.3 | 130.8 |
| LaSalle               | 41                  | 58.1              | 41.7  | 78.8  | Woodford    | 9                   | 42.1              | 19.2  | 79.9  |
| Lawrence              | 2                   | 24.1              | 2.9   | 87.1  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate    <sup>3</sup>The number for Illinois includes one case for whom county of residence was unknown.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 8. Map of Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup>  
for Serious Congenital Infections in Newborn Infants  
By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

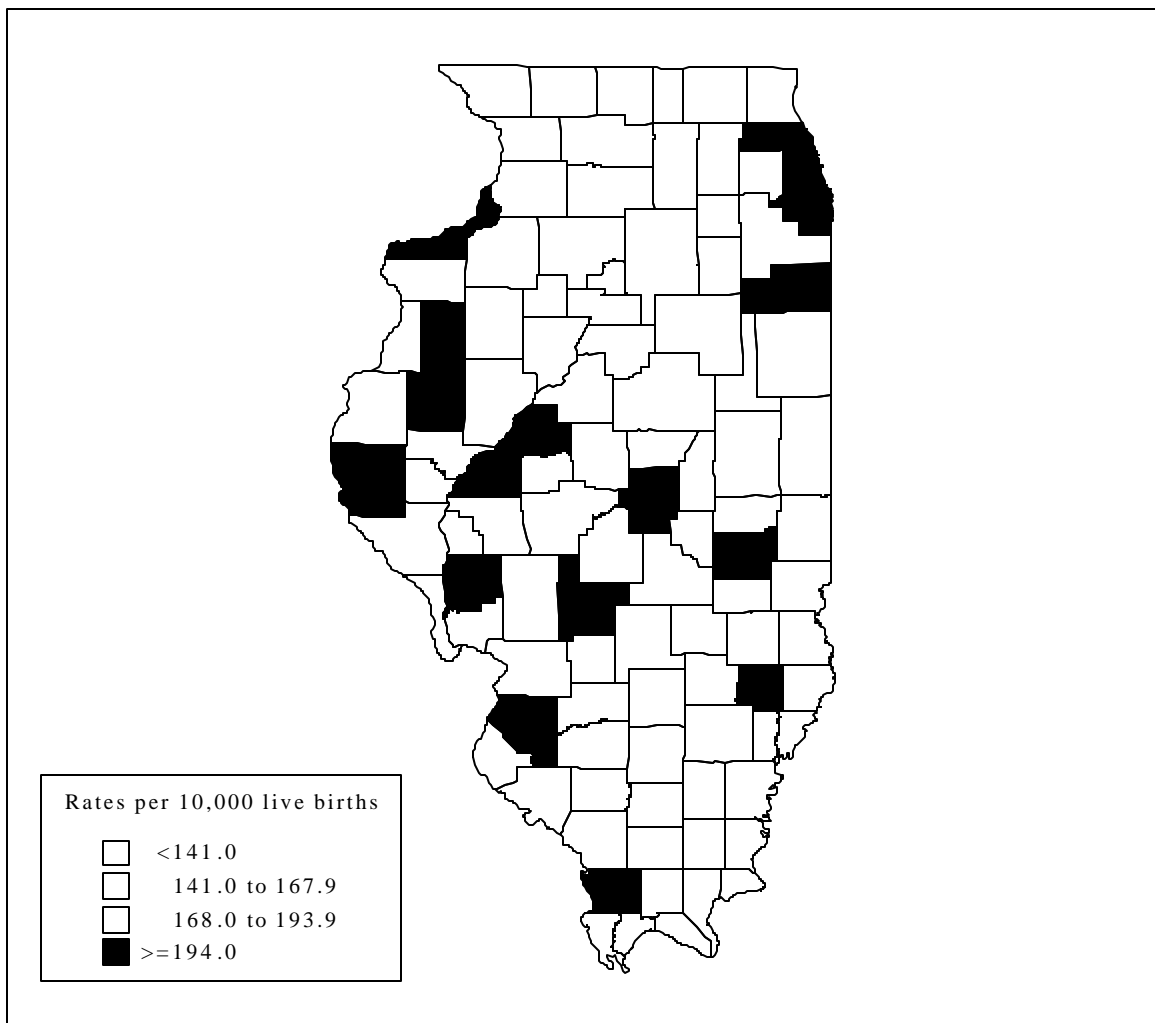
<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## PERINATAL DEATHS

Perinatal deaths refer to a combination of fetal deaths of at least 20 weeks gestation and neonatal deaths (under 28 days old). Because of the passive nature of APORS data collection, only neonatal deaths that occur while the baby is still in hospital for the newborn stay are reported to IDPH. The data are further incomplete because elective abortions are not included. Neonatal deaths are reported by hospitals; APORS obtains information about fetal deaths from IDPH's Division of Vital Records.

**Figure 9. Map of Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> for Perinatal Deaths  
By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Table 19. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Perinatal Deaths  
By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County                | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|                       | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS <sup>3</sup> | 16,829              | 184.1             | 181.3 | 186.9 | Lee         | 26                  | 136.3             | 89.0  | 199.7 |
| Adams                 | 87                  | 206.7             | 165.6 | 255.0 | Livingston  | 35                  | 143.4             | 99.9  | 199.4 |
| Alexander             | 10                  | 151.7             | 72.8  | 279.1 | Logan       | 27                  | 163.2             | 107.6 | 237.5 |
| Bond                  | 5                   | 52.0              | 16.9  | 121.3 | McDonough   | 31                  | 207.9             | 141.3 | 295.1 |
| Boone                 | 52                  | 180.1             | 134.5 | 236.2 | McHenry     | 271                 | 136.5             | 120.7 | 153.7 |
| Brown                 | 4                   | 144.9             | 39.5  | 371.1 | McLean      | 125                 | 126.5             | 105.3 | 150.8 |
| Bureau                | 15                  | 73.0              | 40.8  | 120.3 | Macon       | 151                 | 202.6             | 171.6 | 237.7 |
| Calhoun               | 2                   | 83.0              | 10.1  | 299.8 | Macoupin    | 39                  | 142.2             | 101.1 | 194.4 |
| Carroll               | 16                  | 186.5             | 106.6 | 302.8 | Madison     | 250                 | 150.6             | 132.5 | 170.5 |
| Cass                  | 21                  | 218.8             | 135.4 | 334.4 | Marion      | 40                  | 149.4             | 106.7 | 203.5 |
| Champaign             | 168                 | 151.8             | 129.7 | 176.5 | Marshall    | 11                  | 159.7             | 79.7  | 285.7 |
| Christian             | 37                  | 180.8             | 127.3 | 249.3 | Mason       | 18                  | 197.4             | 117.0 | 311.9 |
| Clark                 | 3                   | 31.3              | 0.0   | 91.3  | Massac      | 10                  | 110.3             | 52.9  | 202.8 |
| Clay                  | 9                   | 99.4              | 45.5  | 188.8 | Menard      | 8                   | 115.4             | 49.8  | 227.5 |
| Clinton               | 34                  | 169.3             | 117.3 | 236.6 | Mercer      | 14                  | 145.7             | 79.6  | 244.4 |
| Coles                 | 60                  | 203.1             | 155.0 | 261.4 | Monroe      | 26                  | 156.8             | 102.4 | 229.8 |
| Cook                  | 9,164               | 215.2             | 210.8 | 219.6 | Montgomery  | 33                  | 194.6             | 133.9 | 273.3 |
| Crawford              | 12                  | 109.9             | 56.8  | 192.0 | Morgan      | 31                  | 150.2             | 102.0 | 213.2 |
| Cumberland            | 10                  | 155.5             | 74.6  | 286.0 | Moultrie    | 17                  | 179.1             | 104.4 | 286.8 |
| DeKalb                | 81                  | 145.9             | 115.9 | 181.4 | Ogle        | 31                  | 103.1             | 70.0  | 146.3 |
| DeWitt                | 9                   | 87.5              | 40.0  | 166.2 | Peoria      | 221                 | 168.1             | 146.7 | 191.8 |
| Douglas               | 19                  | 128.7             | 77.5  | 201.0 | Perry       | 16                  | 134.1             | 76.7  | 217.8 |
| DuPage                | 1,036               | 154.5             | 145.3 | 164.2 | Piatt       | 10                  | 109.5             | 52.5  | 201.4 |
| Edgar                 | 5                   | 46.3              | 15.0  | 108.1 | Pike        | 13                  | 136.3             | 72.6  | 233.0 |
| Edwards               | 2                   | 51.0              | 6.2   | 184.3 | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham             | 36                  | 152.7             | 107.0 | 211.5 | Pulaski     | 6                   | 118.1             | 43.3  | 257.1 |
| Fayette               | 21                  | 164.2             | 101.6 | 251.0 | Putnam      | 9                   | 286.6             | 131.1 | 544.1 |
| Ford                  | 10                  | 111.9             | 53.6  | 205.7 | Randolph    | 36                  | 188.3             | 131.9 | 260.7 |
| Franklin              | 36                  | 155.9             | 109.2 | 215.8 | Richland    | 26                  | 254.9             | 166.5 | 373.5 |
| Fulton                | 22                  | 107.9             | 67.6  | 163.4 | Rock Island | 200                 | 202.9             | 175.8 | 233.1 |
| Gallatin              | 2                   | 59.9              | 0.0   | 216.3 | St. Clair   | 380                 | 204.8             | 184.8 | 226.5 |
| Greene                | 23                  | 260.8             | 165.3 | 391.3 | Saline      | 18                  | 118.1             | 70.0  | 186.7 |
| Grundy                | 24                  | 100.4             | 64.3  | 149.4 | Sangamon    | 215                 | 169.7             | 147.8 | 194.0 |
| Hamilton              | 4                   | 87.5              | 23.8  | 224.1 | Schuyler    | 14                  | 352.6             | 192.8 | 591.7 |
| Hancock               | 11                  | 98.9              | 49.4  | 177.0 | Scott       | 6                   | 183.5             | 67.3  | 399.4 |
| Hardin                | 4                   | 173.2             | 47.2  | 443.4 | Shelby      | 23                  | 185.2             | 117.4 | 277.9 |
| Henderson             | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 6                   | 154.6             | 56.7  | 336.6 |
| Henry                 | 53                  | 186.0             | 139.3 | 243.3 | Stephenson  | 33                  | 109.1             | 75.1  | 153.2 |
| Iroquois              | 21                  | 116.8             | 72.3  | 178.5 | Tazewell    | 138                 | 175.8             | 147.7 | 207.6 |
| Jackson               | 51                  | 151.8             | 113.0 | 199.6 | Union       | 20                  | 195.1             | 119.2 | 301.4 |
| Jasper                | 9                   | 162.2             | 74.2  | 307.8 | Vermilion   | 103                 | 177.2             | 144.6 | 214.9 |
| Jefferson             | 37                  | 159.8             | 112.5 | 220.2 | Wabash      | 3                   | 44.9              | 9.3   | 131.2 |
| Jersey                | 13                  | 108.0             | 57.5  | 184.6 | Warren      | 24                  | 225.1             | 144.3 | 335.0 |
| JoDaviess             | 5                   | 41.6              | 13.5  | 97.1  | Washington  | 13                  | 154.8             | 82.4  | 264.6 |
| Johnson               | 11                  | 172.4             | 86.1  | 308.5 | Wayne       | 16                  | 161.8             | 92.5  | 262.7 |
| Kane                  | 554                 | 148.1             | 136.0 | 160.9 | White       | 5                   | 60.7              | 19.7  | 141.6 |
| Kankakee              | 160                 | 210.1             | 178.8 | 245.3 | Whiteside   | 56                  | 145.6             | 110.0 | 189.1 |
| Kendall               | 58                  | 141.9             | 107.7 | 183.4 | Will        | 610                 | 156.3             | 144.1 | 169.2 |
| Knox                  | 51                  | 159.8             | 119.0 | 210.1 | Williamson  | 64                  | 181.4             | 139.7 | 231.6 |
| Lake                  | 784                 | 149.3             | 139.0 | 160.1 | Winnebago   | 319                 | 162.0             | 144.7 | 180.8 |
| LaSalle               | 108                 | 153.0             | 125.5 | 184.8 | Woodford    | 26                  | 121.6             | 79.4  | 178.2 |
| Lawrence              | 8                   | 96.5              | 41.7  | 190.1 |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate    <sup>3</sup>The number for Illinois includes 29 cases for whom county of residence was unknown.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## ENDOCRINE, METABOLIC OR IMMUNE DISORDERS

*Neonatal hypothyroidism* is characterized by the absence of the baby's thyroid gland at birth.

If untreated, hypothyroidism leads to severe defects including mental retardation, poor vision, muscle weakness and severe lethargy. If diagnosed and treated soon after birth, growth and mental development can proceed relatively normally.

*Adrenogenital syndrome* is a group of disorders that lead to an overproduction of androgens.

Female newborns have ambiguous genitalia; male newborns have no obvious abnormality, but appear to enter puberty as early as 2 to 3 years of age. Some forms are more severe – in the salt-losing form, newborns develop symptoms (vomiting, dehydration, electrolyte changes and cardiac arrhythmias) soon after birth. Untreated, this condition can lead to death within 14 days.

*Inborn errors of metabolism* include hundreds of genetic disorders affecting metabolism.

These errors interfere with the synthesis of proteins, carbohydrates, fats and enzymes. Absence or excesses of normal or abnormal metabolites can lead to disease and death. Many inborn errors of metabolism are untreatable; others require restrictions or extremely high dosages of certain nutrients.

*Cystic fibrosis* (CF) is a genetic disease that causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus, due to the faulty transport of sodium and chloride within cells lining organs such as the lungs and pancreas. The thick mucus also obstructs the pancreas, preventing enzymes from reaching the intestines to help digest food, leading to malnutrition and growth stunting.

*Immune deficiency diseases* occur when one or more parts of the immune system are missing.

There are more than 70 recognized forms of congenital immune deficiencies (HIV infections do not fit in this category). Many children with immune deficiencies have restricted environments to avoid contagious situations. If a child is diagnosed at birth or soon after with a severe combined immune deficiency, he or she can receive a bone marrow transplant with hopes of reconstituting the missing immune system.

**Table 20. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Endocrine, Metabolic or Immune Disorders in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                      | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                             |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Hypothyroidism              | 243            | 74    | 0.8               | 0.6                 | 1.0   |
| Adrenogenital syndrome      | 255.2          | 32    | 0.4               | 0.2                 | 0.5   |
| Inborn errors of metabolism | 270.0 - 273.9  | 100   | 1.1               | 0.9                 | 1.3   |
| Cystic fibrosis             | 277.00, 277.01 | 29    | 0.3               | 0.2                 | 0.5   |
| Immune deficiency disease   | 279.2          | 1     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.1   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

There is no figure illustrating the data since only Cook County had more than 16 cases.

**Table 21. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Endocrine, Metabolic or Immune Disorders In Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 236                 | 2.6               | 2.3   | 2.9   | Lee         | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 19.3  |
| Adams      | 1                   | 2.4               | 0.1   | 13.2  | Livingston  | 1                   | 4.1               | 0.1   | 22.8  |
| Alexander  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 1                   | 6.0               | 0.2   | 33.7  |
| Bond       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 2                   | 13.4              | 1.6   | 48.5  |
| Boone      | 3                   | 10.4              | 2.1   | 30.4  | McHenry     | 10                  | 5.0               | 2.4   | 9.3   |
| Brown      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 1                   | 1.0               | 0.0   | 5.6   |
| Bureau     | 1                   | 4.9               | 0.1   | 27.1  | Macon       | 2                   | 2.7               | 0.3   | 9.7   |
| Calhoun    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 1                   | 3.6               | 0.1   | 20.3  |
| Carroll    | 1                   | 11.7              | 0.3   | 64.9  | Madison     | 11                  | 6.6               | 3.3   | 11.9  |
| Cass       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Marion      | 1                   | 3.7               | 0.1   | 20.8  |
| Champaign  | 6                   | 5.4               | 2.0   | 11.8  | Marshall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.5  |
| Christian  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.0  | Mason       | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.1  |
| Clark      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.6  | Menard      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.4  | Mercer      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  |
| Coles      | 1                   | 3.4               | 0.1   | 18.9  | Monroe      | 1                   | 6.0               | 0.2   | 33.6  |
| Cook       | 88                  | 2.1               | 1.7   | 2.5   | Montgomery  | 1                   | 5.9               | 0.1   | 32.9  |
| Crawford   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.8  | Morgan      | 1                   | 4.8               | 0.1   | 27.0  |
| Cumberland | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.4  | Moultrie    | 1                   | 10.5              | 0.3   | 58.7  |
| DeKalb     | 3                   | 5.4               | 1.1   | 15.8  | Ogle        | 3                   | 10.0              | 2.1   | 29.2  |
| DeWitt     | 2                   | 19.5              | 2.4   | 70.3  | Peoria      | 5                   | 3.8               | 1.2   | 8.9   |
| Douglas    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 25.0  | Perry       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.9  |
| DuPage     | 10                  | 1.5               | 0.7   | 2.7   | Piatt       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.2  | Pike        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.7  |
| Edwards    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 2                   | 8.5               | 1.0   | 30.7  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 28.8  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 41.3  | Randolph    | 1                   | 5.2               | 0.1   | 29.1  |
| Franklin   | 1                   | 4.3               | 0.1   | 24.1  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton     | 1                   | 4.9               | 0.1   | 27.3  | Rock Island | 1                   | 1.0               | 0.0   | 5.7   |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 9                   | 4.9               | 2.2   | 9.2   |
| Greene     | 1                   | 11.3              | 0.3   | 63.2  | Saline      | 1                   | 6.6               | 0.2   | 36.6  |
| Grundy     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.4  | Sangamon    | 2                   | 1.6               | 0.2   | 5.7   |
| Hamilton   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.2  | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 29.7  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.9  | Stephenson  | 2                   | 6.6               | 0.8   | 23.9  |
| Iroquois   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 20.5  | Tazewell    | 2                   | 2.5               | 0.3   | 9.2   |
| Jackson    | 1                   | 3.0               | 0.1   | 16.6  | Union       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.0  |
| Jasper     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 3                   | 5.2               | 1.1   | 15.1  |
| Jefferson  | 2                   | 8.6               | 1.0   | 31.2  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.6  | Warren      | 1                   | 9.4               | 0.2   | 52.3  |
| JoDaviess  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 43.9  |
| Johnson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 37.3  |
| Kane       | 13                  | 3.5               | 1.8   | 5.9   | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 4.8   | Whiteside   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.6   |
| Kendall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.0   | Will        | 4                   | 1.0               | 0.3   | 2.6   |
| Knox       | 2                   | 6.3               | 0.8   | 22.6  | Williamson  | 1                   | 2.8               | 0.1   | 15.8  |
| Lake       | 10                  | 1.9               | 0.9   | 3.5   | Winnebago   | 10                  | 5.1               | 2.4   | 9.3   |
| LaSalle    | 3                   | 4.3               | 0.9   | 12.4  | Woodford    | 2                   | 9.4               | 1.1   | 33.8  |
| Lawrence   | 1                   | 12.1              | 0.3   | 67.2  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births    <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## BLOOD DISORDERS

*Leukemia* is cancer of the blood cells. When it develops, the body produces large numbers of abnormal (usually white) blood cells. Acute lymphocytic leukemia and acute myeloid leukemia are most commonly seen in children. Children with leukemia may have anemia; swollen lymph nodes, liver or spleen; and bone or joint pain. In acute leukemia, the abnormal cells may collect in the central nervous system leading to headaches, confusion, loss of muscle control and seizures. Leukemia also can affect the eyes, skin, testicles, digestive tract, kidneys, lungs or other parts of the body.

*Hereditary hemolytic anemia* is a condition characterized by an inadequate number of circulating red blood cells (anemia) caused by premature destruction of red blood cells. There are several types of hereditary hemolytic anemia including sickle cell anemia, hemoglobin SC disease, sickle thalassemia and spherocytosis. Symptoms include fatigue, shortness of breath, rapid heart rate and jaundice.

*Constitutional aplastic anemia* is a hereditary, often fatal bone marrow failure disease that occurs when the bone marrow is hypoplastic. Bone marrow transplantation replaces the defective bone marrow of a patient with healthy cells from a normal donor and can cure the disease in about 80 percent of cases where a sibling with identical tissue type is the donor. Growth factors are also being used in treatment.

*Coagulation defects* are a group of inheritable blood disorders (hemophilias) characterized by a defect in one or more of the factors that make up the blood clotting system. Each condition may be severe, moderate or mild. In hemophilia, easy bruising and internal bleeding are characteristic. In the severe forms, repeated bleeding into joints is a problem and can lead to long-term joint damage. Treatment comprises the intravenous injection of the missing clotting factor.

**Table 22. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Blood Disorders  
in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                         | ICD-9-CM<br>Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                |                   |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Leukemia                       | 204.00 - 208.91   | 0     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.0   |
| Hereditary hemolytic anemia    | 282.x             | 85    | 0.9               | 0.7                 | 1.1   |
| Constitutional aplastic anemia | 284.x             | 9     | 0.1               | 0.0                 | 0.2   |
| Coagulation defects            | 286.x             | 68    | 0.7               | 0.6                 | 0.9   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

There is no figure illustrating the data since only Cook County had more than 16 cases.

**Table 23. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Blood Disorders  
in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 162                 | 1.8               | 1.5   | 2.1   | Lee         | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 19.3  |
| Adams      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 8.8   | Livingston  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.1  |
| Alexander  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 22.3  |
| Bond       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.7  |
| Boone      | 1                   | 3.5               | 0.1   | 19.3  | McHenry     | 1                   | 0.5               | 0.0   | 2.8   |
| Brown      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 5                   | 5.1               | 1.6   | 11.8  |
| Bureau     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.9  | Macon       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 5.0   |
| Calhoun    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 13.4  |
| Carroll    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 43.0  | Madison     | 3                   | 1.8               | 0.4   | 5.3   |
| Cass       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Marion      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 13.8  |
| Champaign  | 5                   | 4.5               | 1.5   | 10.5  | Marshall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.5  |
| Christian  | 1                   | 4.9               | 0.1   | 27.2  | Mason       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Clark      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.8  | Menard      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 1                   | 5.0               | 0.1   | 27.7  | Mercer      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  |
| Coles      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.5  | Monroe      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 22.2  |
| Cook       | 87                  | 2.0               | 1.6   | 2.5   | Montgomery  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 21.8  |
| Crawford   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.8  | Morgan      | 1                   | 4.8               | 0.1   | 27.0  |
| Cumberland | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.4  | Moultrie    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.9  |
| DeKalb     | 1                   | 1.8               | 0.0   | 10.0  | Ogle        | 1                   | 3.3               | 0.1   | 18.5  |
| DeWitt     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 35.9  | Peoria      | 5                   | 3.8               | 1.2   | 8.9   |
| Douglas    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 25.0  | Perry       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.9  |
| DuPage     | 2                   | 0.3               | 0.0   | 1.1   | Piatt       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Edgar      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.2  | Pike        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.7  |
| Edwards    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.7  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 28.8  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 41.3  | Randolph    | 1                   | 5.2               | 0.1   | 29.1  |
| Franklin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 16.0  | Richland    | 1                   | 9.8               | 0.2   | 54.6  |
| Fulton     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.1  | Rock Island | 5                   | 5.1               | 1.6   | 11.8  |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 3                   | 1.6               | 0.3   | 4.7   |
| Greene     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 41.8  | Saline      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.2  |
| Grundy     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.4  | Sangamon    | 6                   | 4.7               | 1.7   | 10.3  |
| Hamilton   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.2  | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 29.7  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.9  | Stephenson  | 1                   | 3.3               | 0.1   | 18.4  |
| Iroquois   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 20.5  | Tazewell    | 2                   | 2.5               | 0.3   | 9.2   |
| Jackson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 11.0  | Union       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.0  |
| Jasper     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 4                   | 6.9               | 1.9   | 17.6  |
| Jefferson  | 2                   | 8.6               | 1.0   | 31.2  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.6  | Warren      | 2                   | 18.8              | 2.3   | 67.8  |
| JoDaviess  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 43.9  |
| Johnson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 37.3  |
| Kane       | 1                   | 0.3               | 0.0   | 1.5   | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 4.8   | Whiteside   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.6   |
| Kendall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.0   | Will        | 5                   | 1.3               | 0.4   | 3.0   |
| Knox       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 11.6  | Williamson  | 2                   | 5.7               | 0.7   | 20.5  |
| Lake       | 9                   | 1.7               | 0.8   | 3.3   | Winnebago   | 3                   | 1.5               | 0.3   | 4.5   |
| LaSalle    | 1                   | 1.4               | 0.0   | 7.9   | Woodford    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.3  |
| Lawrence   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.5  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births <sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME

Alcohol use or abuse by a pregnant woman subjects her to the same range of risks that alcohol has in the general population. However, it poses extreme and unique risks to the fetus and is associated with fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS). FAS is the leading known cause of mental retardation. Alcohol ingested by a pregnant woman easily passes across the placental barrier to the fetus. Because of this, drinking alcohol can adversely affect the development of the baby. Multiple birth defects associated with "classical" fetal alcohol syndrome more commonly are associated with heavy alcohol use or alcoholism. Fetal alcohol syndrome consists of the following abnormalities: intrauterine growth retardation, delayed development with decreased mental functioning (mild to severe), facial abnormalities (including microcephaly), heart defects, and limb abnormalities of joints, hands, feet, fingers and toes. Table 24 gives the five-year incidence rates for FAS for the whole state.

**Table 24. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Newborn Infants with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                 | ICD-9-CM Codes | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                        |                |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Fetal alcohol syndrome | 760.71         | 163   | 1.8               | 1.5                 | 2.1   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

There is no figure illustrating the data since only Cook County had more than 16 cases.

**Table 25. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Newborn Infants with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 163                 | 1.8               | 1.5   | 2.1   | Lee         | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 19.3  |
| Adams      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 8.8   | Livingston  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.1  |
| Alexander  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 56.0  | Logan       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 22.3  |
| Bond       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.3  | McDonough   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.7  |
| Boone      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.8  | McHenry     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 1.9   |
| Brown      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 133.7 | McLean      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 3.7   |
| Bureau     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.9  | Macon       | 1                   | 1.3               | 0.0   | 7.5   |
| Calhoun    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 153.1 | Macoupin    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 13.4  |
| Carroll    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 43.0  | Madison     | 4                   | 2.4               | 0.7   | 6.2   |
| Cass       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Marion      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 13.8  |
| Champaign  | 9                   | 8.1               | 3.7   | 15.4  | Marshall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.5  |
| Christian  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.0  | Mason       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.4  |
| Clark      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.8  | Menard      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 53.2  |
| Clinton    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.4  | Mercer      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  |
| Coles      | 1                   | 3.4               | 0.1   | 18.9  | Monroe      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 22.2  |
| Cook       | 103                 | 2.4               | 2.0   | 2.9   | Montgomery  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 21.8  |
| Crawford   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.8  | Morgan      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.9  |
| Cumberland | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.4  | Moultrie    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.9  |
| DeKalb     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 6.6   | Ogle        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.3  |
| DeWitt     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 35.9  | Peoria      | 1                   | 0.8               | 0.0   | 4.2   |
| Douglas    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 25.0  | Perry       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.9  |
| DuPage     | 1                   | 0.1               | 0.0   | 0.8   | Piatt       | 1                   | 11.0              | 0.3   | 61.0  |
| Edgar      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.2  | Pike        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.7  |
| Edwards    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.7  | Pulaski     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 72.6  |
| Fayette    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 28.8  | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 1                   | 11.2              | 0.3   | 62.3  | Randolph    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 19.3  |
| Franklin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 16.0  | Richland    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.2  |
| Fulton     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 18.1  | Rock Island | 6                   | 6.1               | 2.2   | 13.3  |
| Gallatin   | 1                   | 29.9              | 0.8   | 166.8 | St. Clair   | 6                   | 3.2               | 1.2   | 7.0   |
| Greene     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 41.8  | Saline      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 24.2  |
| Grundy     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.4  | Sangamon    | 5                   | 3.9               | 1.3   | 9.2   |
| Hamilton   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 80.7  | Schuyler    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.9  |
| Hancock    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 33.2  | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 159.7 | Shelby      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 29.7  |
| Henderson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 92.5  | Stark       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.9  | Stephenson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 12.2  |
| Iroquois   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 20.5  | Tazewell    | 2                   | 2.5               | 0.3   | 9.2   |
| Jackson    | 1                   | 3.0               | 0.1   | 16.6  | Union       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 36.0  |
| Jasper     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 66.5  | Vermilion   | 5                   | 8.6               | 2.8   | 20.1  |
| Jefferson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 15.9  | Wabash      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 55.2  |
| Jersey     | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.6  | Warren      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 34.6  |
| JoDaviess  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 30.7  | Washington  | 1                   | 11.9              | 0.3   | 66.3  |
| Johnson    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 57.8  | Wayne       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 37.3  |
| Kane       | 2                   | 0.5               | 0.1   | 1.9   | White       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.8  |
| Kankakee   | 1                   | 1.3               | 0.0   | 7.3   | Whiteside   | 1                   | 2.6               | 0.1   | 14.5  |
| Kendall    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 9.0   | Will        | 4                   | 1.0               | 0.3   | 2.6   |
| Knox       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 11.6  | Williamson  | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 10.5  |
| Lake       | 2                   | 0.4               | 0.0   | 1.4   | Winnebago   | 4                   | 2.0               | 0.6   | 5.2   |
| LaSalle    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 5.2   | Woodford    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 17.3  |
| Lawrence   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 44.5  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

## OTHER ADVERSE PREGNANCY OUTCOMES

*Neurofibromatosis* (NF) is a genetic disease in which patients develop multiple soft tumors under the skin and throughout the nervous system. NF occurs in about one of every 4,000 births and may cause very high rates of speech impairment, learning disabilities and attention deficit disorder in children or loss of hearing, weakness of facial muscles, headache, poor balance and uncoordinated walking. Cataracts frequently develop at an unusually early age. The chance of brain tumors developing is unusually high.

*Retinopathy of prematurity* (ROP) is an eye disease that occurs in some premature babies. The last 12 weeks of a full-term pregnancy are particularly active for the growth of the fetal eye. In premature infants, the normal growth of the retinal vessels stops and abnormal new vessels begin to grow; the infant may become blind. Most infants with mild ROP usually develop normal central vision. However, some may have late complications, including strabismus, amblyopia, myopia, glaucoma and late onset retinal detachment.

*Chorioretinitis* is an inflammation of the uveal tract, which lines the inside of the eye behind the cornea. It almost always affects the retina, usually following an active microbial invasion of the tissues. Toxoplasmosis and cytomegalovirus are the most common causes. Onset is insidious: vision gradually becomes blurred, pain is minimal, mild photophobia is present and the pupil is often constricted and/or irregular in shape. The disease can last months to years, sometimes with remissions and exacerbations, and may cause permanent damage with marked visual loss.

*Strabismus* is a condition in which the eyes do not point in the same direction. Esotropia (crossed eyes) is the most common type of strabismus in infants. Sometimes the eye turn is always in the same eye; however sometimes the turn alternates from one eye to the other. An eye doctor needs to determine whether the eye turn is true or pseudostrabismus. A baby's eyes should be straight and parallel by three or four months of age. Strabismus can be caused by a defect in muscles or the part of the brain that controls eye movement. It is especially common in children who have disorders that affect the brain.

*Endocardial fibroelastosis* (EFE) is a rare heart disorder that affects infants and children. It is characterized by a thickening within the muscular lining of the heart chambers due to an increase in the amount of supporting connective tissue and elastic fibers. The symptoms of EFE are related to the overgrowth of fibrous tissues causing abnormal enlargement of the heart (cardiac hypertrophy), especially the left ventricle. Impaired heart and lung function eventually lead to congestive heart failure.

*Intrauterine growth retardation (IUGR)* occurs when the unborn baby is at or below the 10th weight percentile for his or her gestational age. There are many IUGR risk factors involving the mother and the baby. A mother is at risk for having an infant with IUGR if she has poor weight gain and nutrition during pregnancy, uses substances (like tobacco, narcotics, alcohol) that can cause abnormal development, or if she has preeclampsia or chronic kidney disease. Additionally, an unborn baby may suffer from IUGR if it is exposed to an infection, or has a birth defect, or placenta or umbilical cord defects. Babies who suffer from IUGR are at an increased risk for death, hypoglycemia, hypothermia and abnormal development of the nervous system.

*Cerebral lipidoses* are inherited genetic defects that result in a deficiency in different enzymes involved with fat storage. The absence of the enzyme prevents the lysosome in the cells of the body from performing its natural recycling function, and various materials are inappropriately stored in the cell. This leads to a variety of progressive mental and physical deteriorations over time. Some patients survive into adulthood, but others with more severe symptoms or conditions die in their teens or earlier.

**Table 26. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Other Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes in Newborn Infants, Illinois, 1997 – 2001**

| Defect                          | ICD-9-CM Codes  | Cases | Rate <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                 |                 |       |                   | Lower               | Upper |
| Neurofibromatosis               | 237.70 - 237.72 | 1     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.1   |
| Retinopathy of prematurity      | 362.21          | 2,198 | 24.0              | 23.0                | 25.1  |
| Chorioretinitis                 | 363.20 - 363.22 | 5     | 0.1               | 0.0                 | 0.1   |
| Strabismus                      | 378.00 - 378.9  | 10    | 0.1               | 0.1                 | 0.2   |
| Endocardial fibroelastosis      | 425.3           | 72    | 0.8               | 0.6                 | 1.0   |
| Occlusion of cerebral arteries  | 434.00 - 434.91 | 67    | 0.7               | 0.6                 | 0.9   |
| Intrauterine growth retardation | 764.90 - 764.99 | 2,552 | 27.9              | 26.8                | 29.0  |
| Cerebral lipidoses              | 330.1           | 0     | 0.0               | 0.0                 | 0.0   |

<sup>1</sup> rate per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> 95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

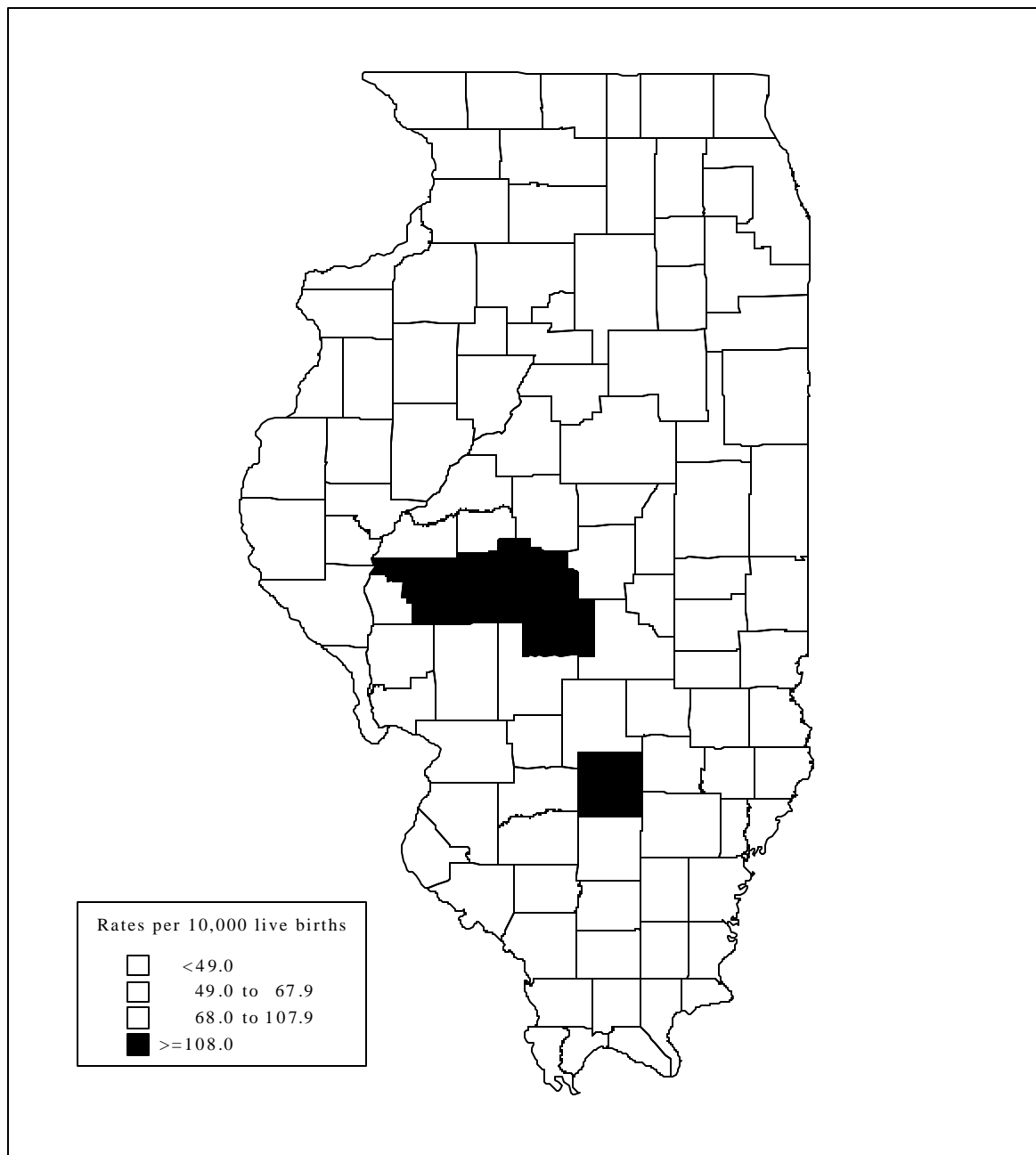
**Table 27. Total Number and Incidence Rates of Other Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes in Newborn Infants, By County of Residence, 1997 – 2001**

| County     | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       | County      | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> |                   |       |       |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
|            | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |             | Cases               | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Lower | Upper |
| ILLINOIS   | 4,905               | 53.7              | 52.2  | 55.2  | Lee         | 11                  | 57.7              | 28.8  | 103.2 |
| Adams      | 36                  | 85.6              | 59.9  | 118.4 | Livingston  | 14                  | 57.4              | 31.4  | 96.2  |
| Alexander  | 6                   | 91.0              | 33.4  | 198.2 | Logan       | 11                  | 66.5              | 33.2  | 119.0 |
| Bond       | 2                   | 20.8              | 2.5   | 75.1  | McDonough   | 4                   | 26.8              | 7.3   | 68.7  |
| Boone      | 13                  | 45.0              | 24.0  | 77.0  | McHenry     | 68                  | 34.2              | 26.6  | 43.4  |
| Brown      | 1                   | 36.2              | 0.9   | 201.9 | McLean      | 35                  | 35.4              | 24.7  | 49.3  |
| Bureau     | 16                  | 77.8              | 44.5  | 126.4 | Macon       | 63                  | 84.5              | 65.0  | 108.2 |
| Calhoun    | 2                   | 83.0              | 10.1  | 299.8 | Macoupin    | 24                  | 87.5              | 56.1  | 130.2 |
| Carroll    | 5                   | 58.3              | 18.9  | 136.0 | Madison     | 114                 | 68.7              | 56.6  | 82.5  |
| Cass       | 5                   | 52.1              | 16.9  | 121.5 | Marion      | 50                  | 186.8             | 138.6 | 246.2 |
| Champaign  | 96                  | 86.7              | 70.3  | 105.9 | Marshall    | 4                   | 58.1              | 15.8  | 148.6 |
| Christian  | 24                  | 117.3             | 75.2  | 174.5 | Mason       | 15                  | 164.5             | 92.1  | 271.3 |
| Clark      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 38.4  | Massac      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 40.7  |
| Clay       | 4                   | 44.2              | 12.0  | 113.2 | Menard      | 4                   | 57.7              | 15.7  | 147.8 |
| Clinton    | 17                  | 84.7              | 49.3  | 135.6 | Mercer      | 4                   | 41.6              | 11.3  | 106.6 |
| Coles      | 22                  | 74.5              | 46.7  | 112.8 | Monroe      | 4                   | 24.1              | 6.6   | 61.8  |
| Cook       | 2,100               | 49.3              | 47.2  | 51.5  | Montgomery  | 8                   | 47.2              | 20.4  | 92.9  |
| Crawford   | 2                   | 18.3              | 2.2   | 66.2  | Morgan      | 24                  | 116.3             | 74.5  | 173.0 |
| Cumberland | 3                   | 46.7              | 9.6   | 136.3 | Moultrie    | 10                  | 105.4             | 50.5  | 193.8 |
| DeKalb     | 38                  | 68.5              | 48.5  | 94.0  | Ogle        | 19                  | 63.2              | 38.0  | 98.7  |
| DeWitt     | 7                   | 68.1              | 27.4  | 140.3 | Peoria      | 113                 | 86.0              | 70.8  | 103.4 |
| Douglas    | 11                  | 74.5              | 37.2  | 133.3 | Perry       | 7                   | 58.7              | 23.6  | 120.9 |
| DuPage     | 331                 | 49.4              | 44.2  | 55.0  | Piatt       | 5                   | 54.8              | 17.8  | 127.8 |
| Edgar      | 3                   | 27.8              | 5.7   | 81.3  | Pike        | 12                  | 125.8             | 65.0  | 219.7 |
| Edwards    | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 94.1  | Pope        | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 212.0 |
| Effingham  | 19                  | 80.6              | 48.5  | 125.9 | Pulaski     | 4                   | 78.7              | 21.5  | 201.6 |
| Fayette    | 12                  | 93.8              | 48.5  | 163.9 | Putnam      | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 117.5 |
| Ford       | 14                  | 156.6             | 85.6  | 262.7 | Randolph    | 8                   | 41.8              | 18.1  | 82.4  |
| Franklin   | 15                  | 65.0              | 36.4  | 107.1 | Richland    | 3                   | 29.4              | 6.1   | 86.0  |
| Fulton     | 10                  | 49.0              | 23.5  | 90.2  | Rock Island | 50                  | 50.7              | 37.7  | 66.9  |
| Gallatin   | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 110.4 | St. Clair   | 178                 | 95.9              | 82.4  | 111.1 |
| Greene     | 2                   | 22.7              | 2.7   | 81.9  | Saline      | 13                  | 85.3              | 45.4  | 145.9 |
| Grundy     | 9                   | 37.6              | 17.2  | 71.5  | Sangamon    | 138                 | 108.9             | 91.5  | 128.7 |
| Hamilton   | 2                   | 43.8              | 5.3   | 158.1 | Schuyler    | 1                   | 25.2              | 0.6   | 140.3 |
| Hancock    | 6                   | 54.0              | 19.8  | 117.4 | Scott       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 112.8 |
| Hardin     | 2                   | 86.6              | 10.5  | 312.8 | Shelby      | 4                   | 32.2              | 8.8   | 82.5  |
| Henderson  | 1                   | 25.1              | 0.6   | 139.6 | Stark       | 0                   | 0.0               | 0.0   | 95.1  |
| Henry      | 22                  | 77.2              | 48.4  | 116.9 | Stephenson  | 28                  | 92.6              | 61.5  | 133.8 |
| Iroquois   | 8                   | 44.5              | 19.2  | 87.7  | Tazewell    | 60                  | 76.4              | 58.3  | 98.4  |
| Jackson    | 19                  | 56.6              | 34.1  | 88.3  | Union       | 7                   | 68.3              | 27.5  | 140.7 |
| Jasper     | 1                   | 18.0              | 0.5   | 100.4 | Vermilion   | 41                  | 70.5              | 50.6  | 95.7  |
| Jefferson  | 11                  | 47.5              | 23.7  | 85.0  | Wabash      | 2                   | 29.9              | 3.6   | 108.2 |
| Jersey     | 7                   | 58.1              | 23.4  | 119.8 | Warren      | 6                   | 56.3              | 20.7  | 122.5 |
| JoDaviess  | 2                   | 16.6              | 2.0   | 60.1  | Washington  | 2                   | 23.8              | 2.9   | 86.0  |
| Johnson    | 1                   | 15.7              | 0.4   | 87.3  | Wayne       | 11                  | 111.2             | 55.5  | 199.0 |
| Kane       | 153                 | 40.9              | 34.7  | 47.9  | White       | 12                  | 145.6             | 75.2  | 254.4 |
| Kankakee   | 45                  | 59.1              | 43.1  | 79.1  | Whiteside   | 14                  | 36.4              | 19.9  | 61.1  |
| Kendall    | 22                  | 53.8              | 33.7  | 81.5  | Will        | 207                 | 53.0              | 46.1  | 60.8  |
| Knox       | 17                  | 53.3              | 31.0  | 85.3  | Williamson  | 21                  | 59.5              | 36.8  | 91.0  |
| Lake       | 156                 | 29.7              | 25.2  | 34.7  | Winnebago   | 142                 | 72.1              | 60.8  | 85.0  |
| LaSalle    | 25                  | 35.4              | 22.9  | 52.3  | Woodford    | 4                   | 18.7              | 5.1   | 47.9  |
| Lawrence   | 1                   | 12.1              | 0.3   | 67.2  |             |                     |                   |       |       |

<sup>1</sup>Per 10,000 births <sup>2</sup>95% confidence interval for rate

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

**Figure 10. Map of Incidence Rates<sup>1</sup> for Newborn Infants with Other Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes, By Selected Counties of Residence,<sup>2</sup> 1997 – 2001**



<sup>1</sup> Rates per 10,000 live births

<sup>2</sup> Only counties with 16 or more cases are presented.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health, Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes Reporting System, February 2003

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