

Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders in Maryland Population and Health Data

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Asian/Pacific Islander Data Highlights

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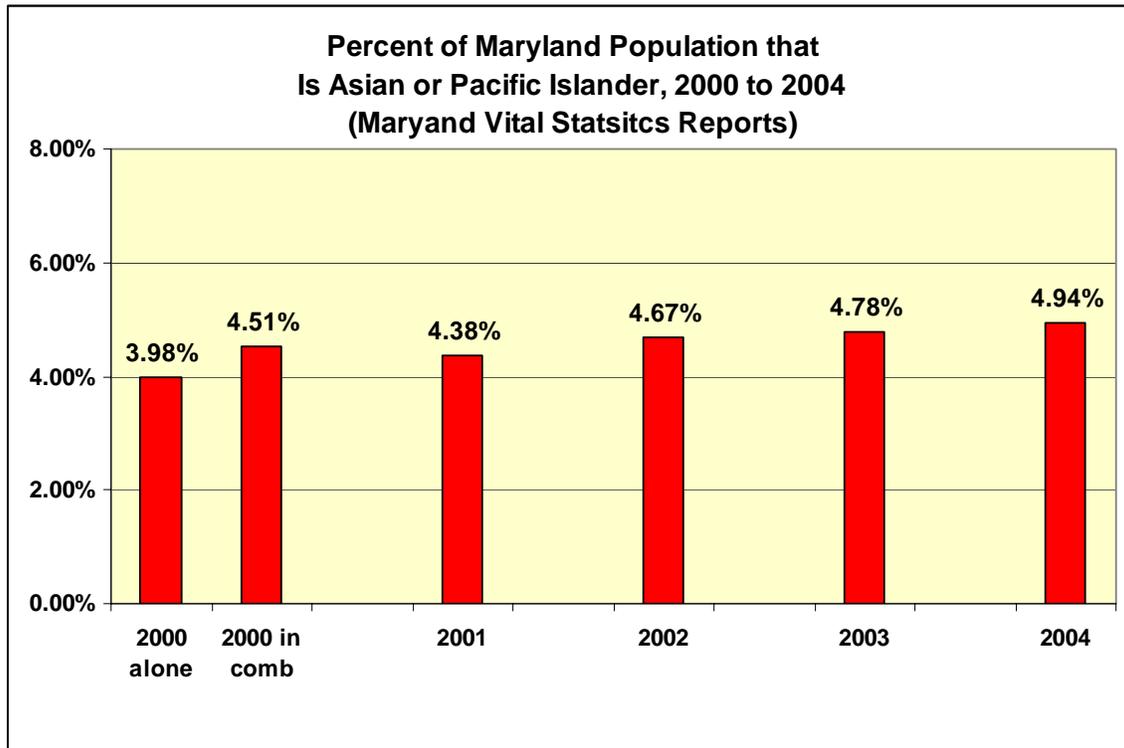
- In 2004 there were 274,298 Asian American and Pacific Islanders (APIs) in Maryland, which is 5% of the state's population. Maryland is tied for 7th among the states in percent of its population that is Asian or Pacific Islander. 93% of Maryland's Asian or Pacific Islander population lives in the Baltimore Metropolitan or National Capital areas. Fifty-nine percent of Maryland APIs live in the National Capital Area, with 46% living in Montgomery County.
- In Maryland, APIs are more likely to be without health insurance than non-Hispanic Whites, and are more likely to be unable to afford care when they need it.
- In Maryland, API mothers are somewhat more likely to receive late or no prenatal care than White mothers. Despite this disparity, API infant mortality rates are equal to or lower than White rates.
- In Maryland, API adults are about 50% more likely than non-Hispanic Whites to have been told by a doctor that they have diabetes. Despite this disparity, rates of new cases of end-stage renal disease are similar between APIs and Whites.
- Nationally, APIs have higher death rates than non-Hispanic Whites for cancers of the stomach, liver and cervix. For the more common cancers of lung, colon/rectum, breast, and prostate, APIs have lower mortality rates than non-Hispanic Whites.
- Nationally, rates of tuberculosis are about three times higher for US-born APIs and 29 times higher for foreign-born APIs compared to non-Hispanic Whites. In the past 10 years, the national TB rate has declined 48% for US-born APIs and 39% for foreign-born APIs.
- Nationally, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have higher prevalence rates for chronic Hepatitis B infection than African Americans, Hispanics and Whites. Within the API population, chronic Hepatitis B infection rates are 90 times higher for foreign-born APIs and 14 times higher for US-born APIs compared to Whites.

Maryland Population, July 1 2004, by Race and Ethnicity

Race	All Ethnicity	Non-hispanic	Hispanic
White	3,617,094 65.1%	3,355,955 60.4%	261,139 4.7%
Non-white	1,940,964 34.9%	1,904,386 34.3%	36,578 0.7%
<i>Black</i>	1,645,781 29.6%		
<i>Asian / Pac Isle</i>	274,298 4.9%		
<i>American Indian</i>	20,885 0.4%		
MD total	5,558,058 100.0%	5,260,341 94.6%	297,717 5.4%

All percents are percentage of the total Maryland population.

Trend in Asian /Pacific Islander percentage of Maryland Population, 2000 to 2004

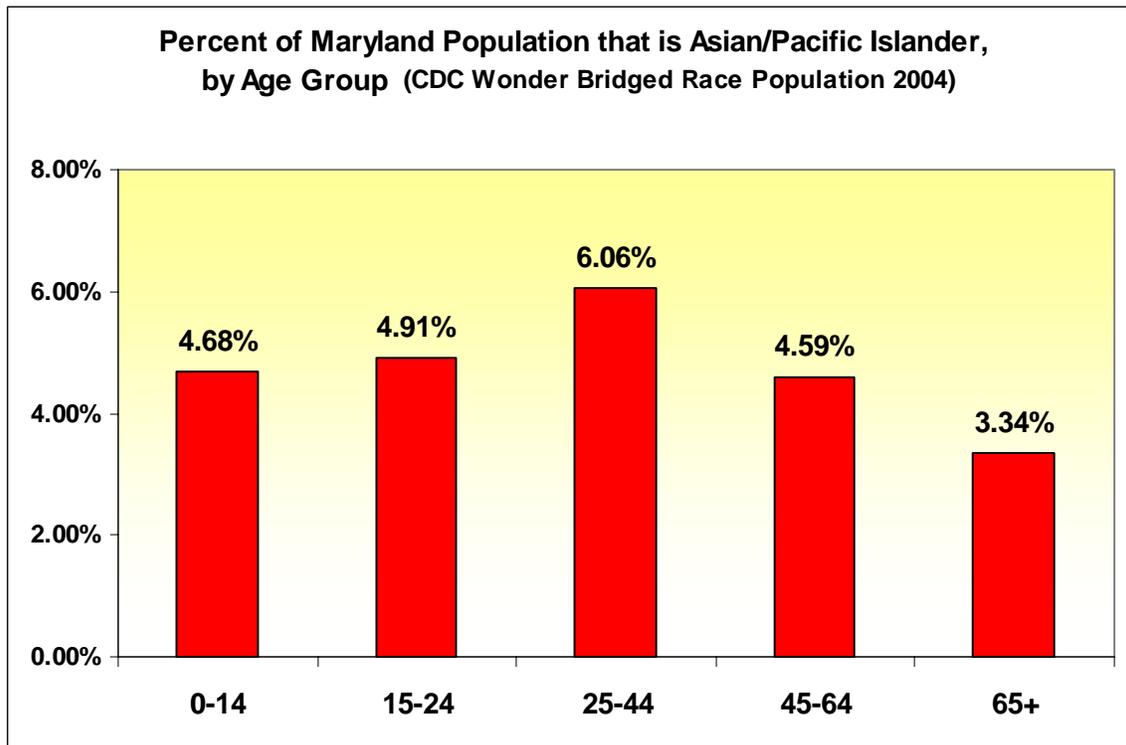
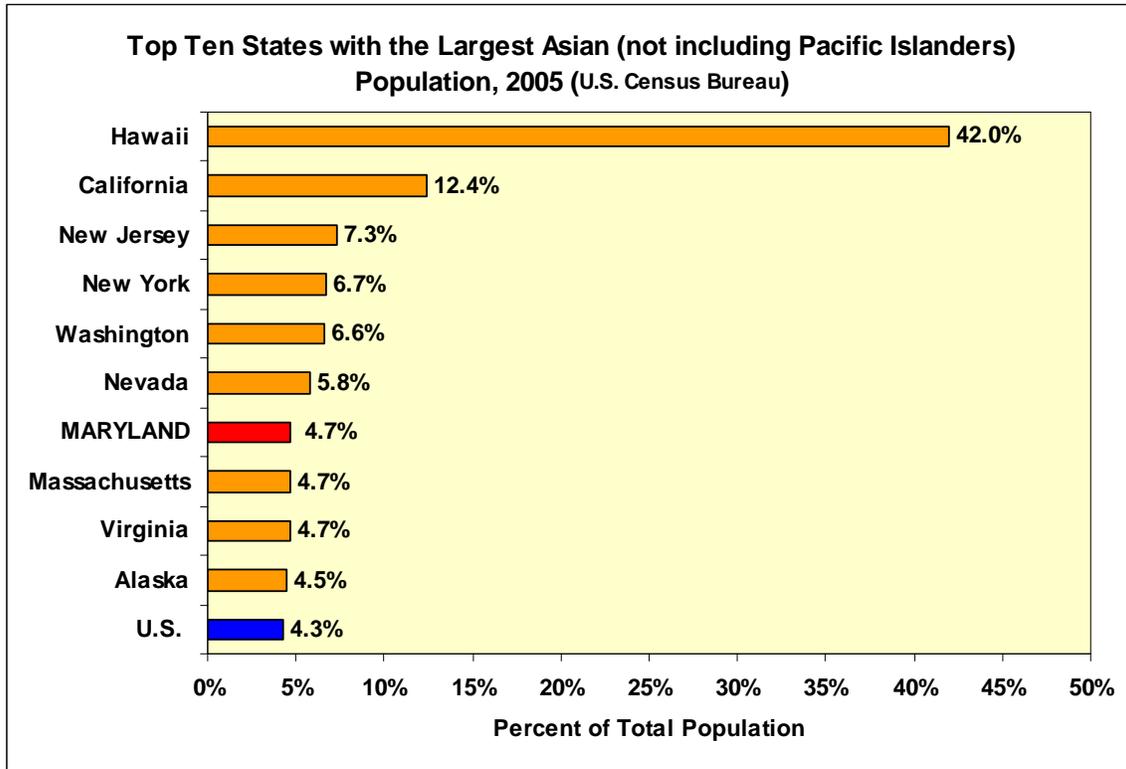


In the three years between 2001 and 2004, the Maryland state population increased by 3.09%, while the Maryland Asian / Pacific Islander population increased by 13.98%

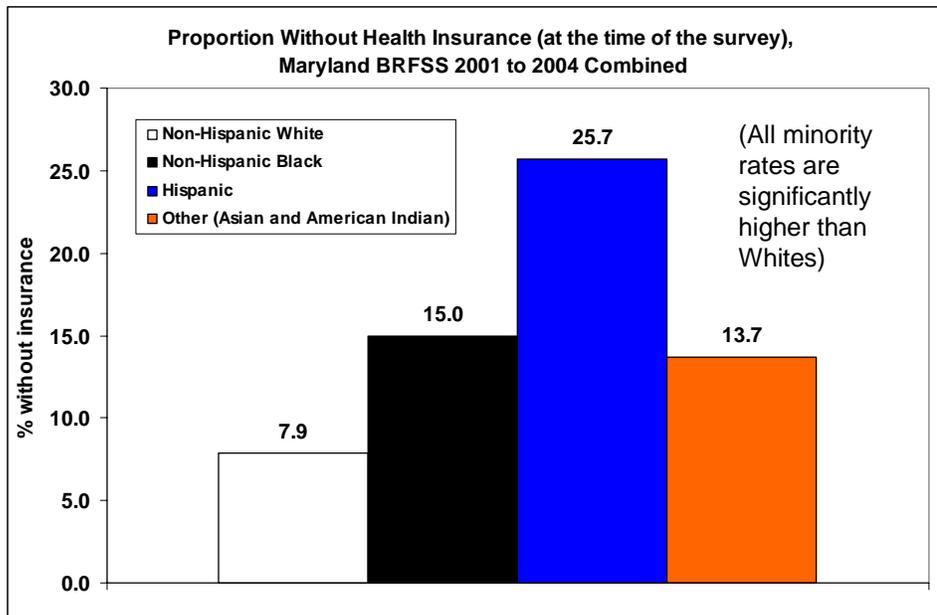
Estimated Maryland Asian and Pacific Islander Population by Region and Political Subdivision, July 1, 2004

	All races	Asian / PI	% of jurisdiction that is Asian/PI	% of Maryland Asian/PI Pop that lives in the Jurisdiction
MARYLAND	5,558,058	274,298	4.94%	100.00%
NORTHWEST AREA	461,272	8,203	1.78%	2.99%
GARRETT	30,124	73	0.24%	0.03%
ALLEGANY	73,871	467	0.63%	0.17%
WASHINGTON	139,624	1,574	1.13%	0.57%
FREDERICK	217,653	6,089	2.80%	2.22%
BALTIMORE METRO AREA	2,594,135	94,209	3.63%	34.35%
BALTIMORE CITY	636,251	12,243	1.92%	4.46%
BALTIMORE COUNTY	780,821	30,880	3.95%	11.26%
ANNE ARUNDEL	508,572	15,390	3.03%	5.61%
CARROLL	166,159	2,182	1.31%	0.80%
HOWARD	266,738	28,650	10.74%	10.44%
HARFORD	235,594	4,864	2.06%	1.77%
NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA	1,764,657	160,965	9.12%	58.68%
MONTGOMERY	921,690	125,585	13.63%	45.78%
PRINCE GEORGE'S	842,967	35,380	4.20%	12.90%
SOUTHERN AREA	317,202	6,505	2.05%	2.37%
CALVERT	86,474	996	1.15%	0.36%
CHARLES	135,807	3,425	2.52%	1.25%
ST MARY'S	94,921	2,084	2.20%	0.76%
EASTERN SHORE AREA	420,792	4,416	1.05%	1.61%
CECIL	95,526	955	1.00%	0.35%
KENT	19,582	153	0.78%	0.06%
QUEEN ANNE'S	45,078	387	0.86%	0.14%
CAROLINE	31,058	188	0.61%	0.07%
TALBOT	35,017	334	0.95%	0.12%
DORCHESTER	30,912	241	0.78%	0.09%
WICOMICO	88,782	1,607	1.81%	0.59%
SOMERSET	25,863	178	0.69%	0.06%
WORCESTER	48,974	373	0.76%	0.14%

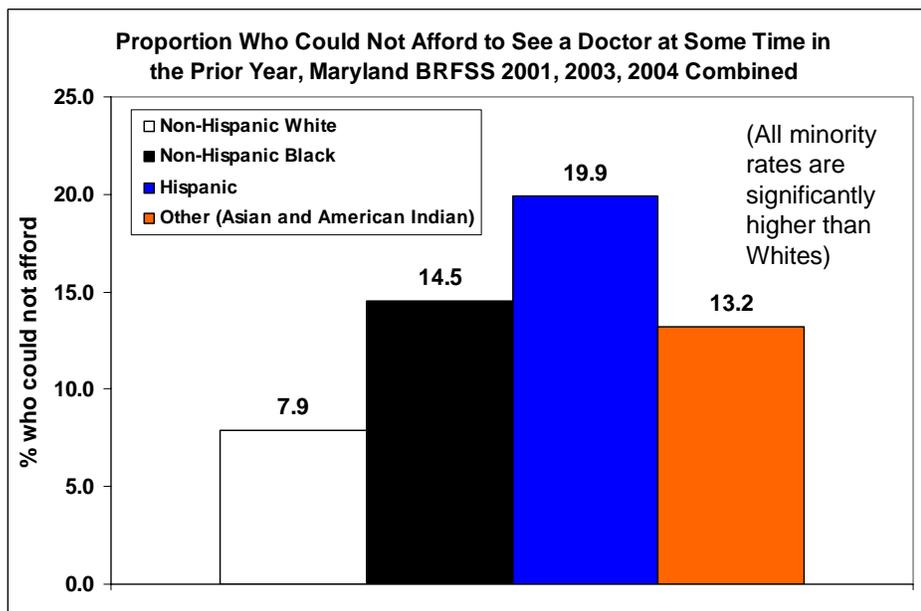
Maryland ranks 7th among the States in Percentage of Population that is Asian.



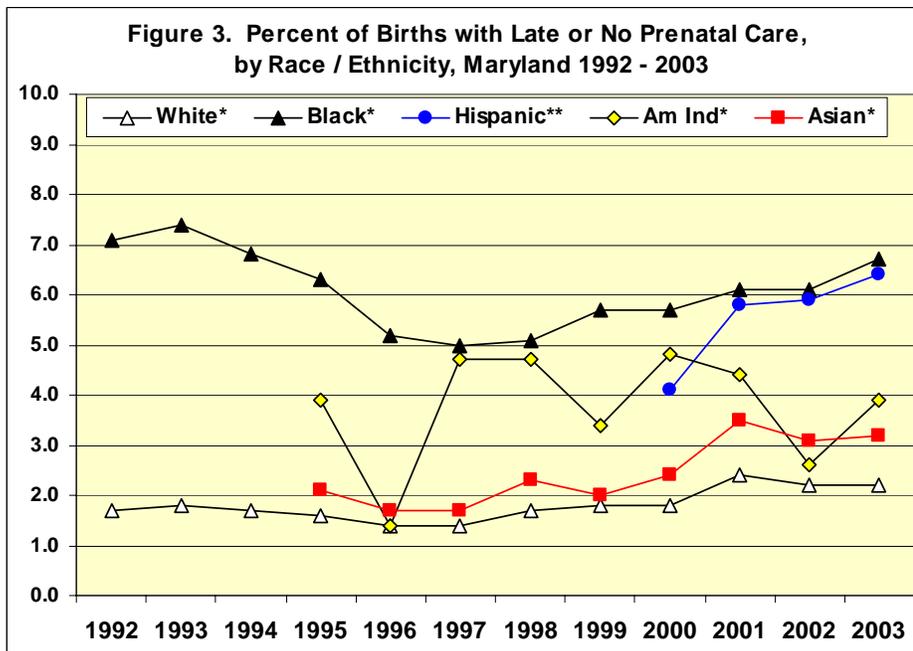
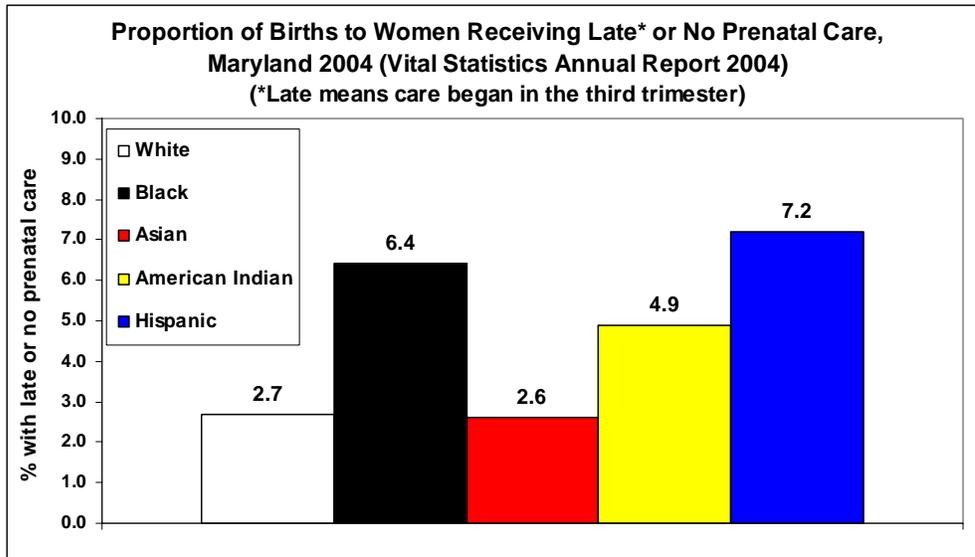
Health Insurance is an Issue for All Minorities



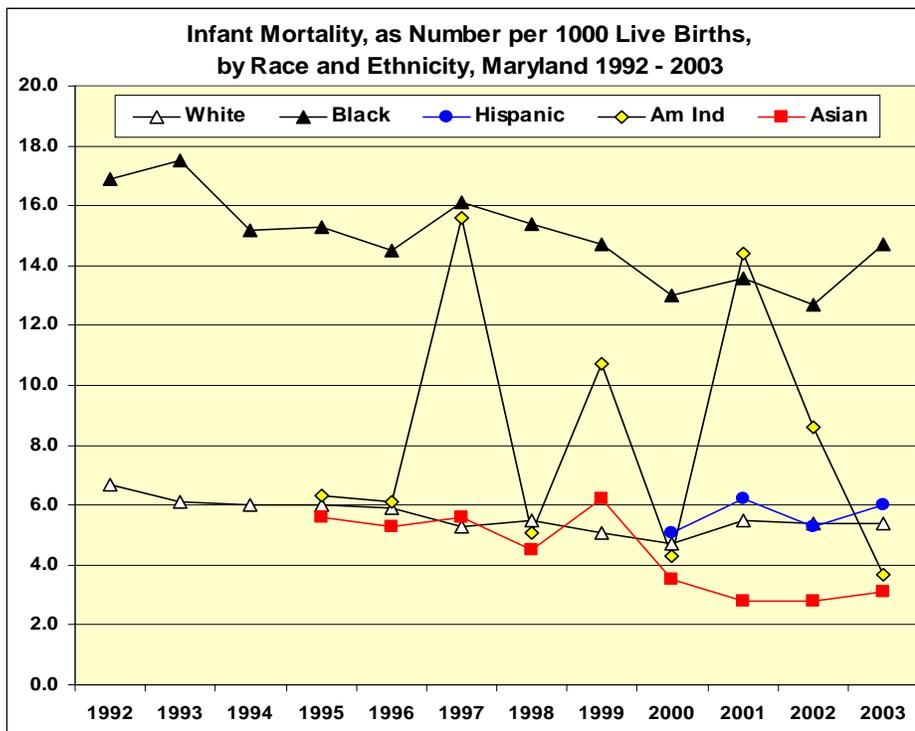
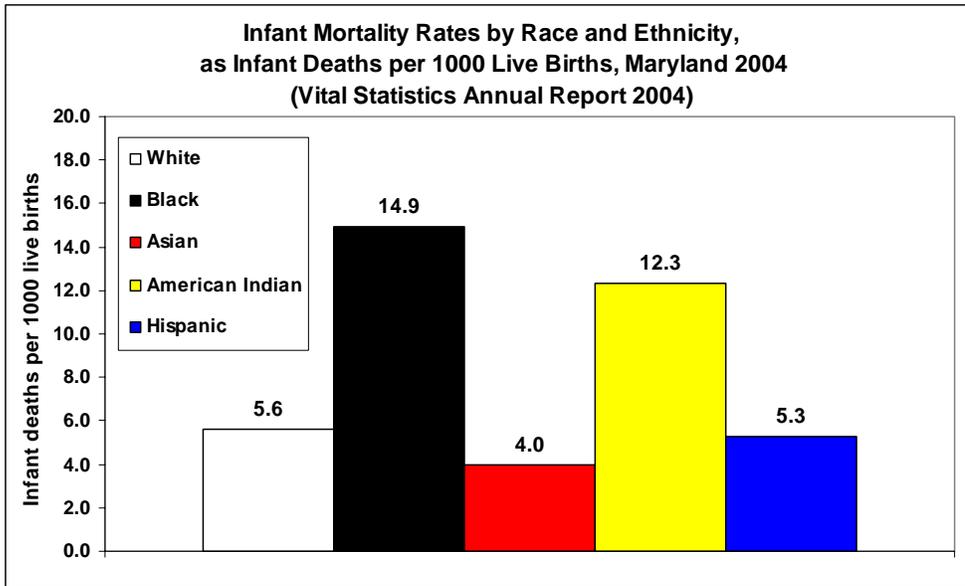
Access to Care is an Issue for All Minorities



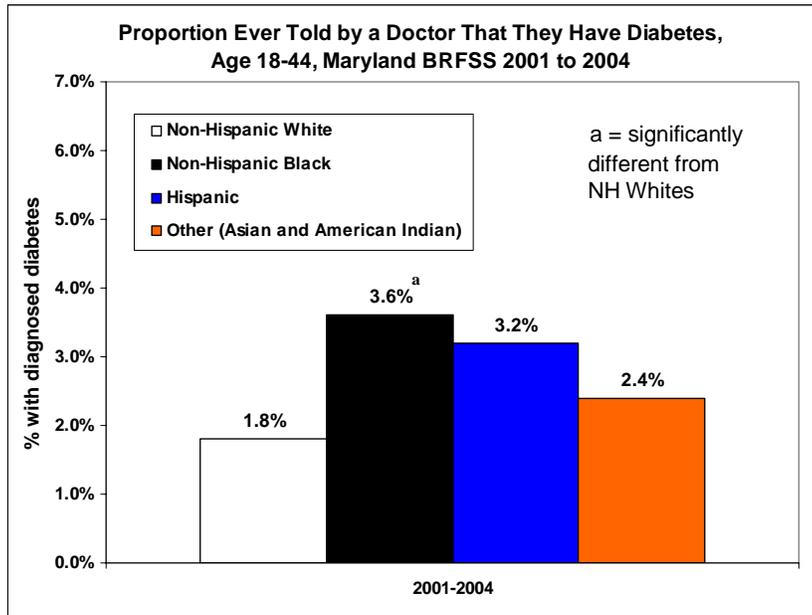
Pre-Natal Care is an Issue for All Minorities



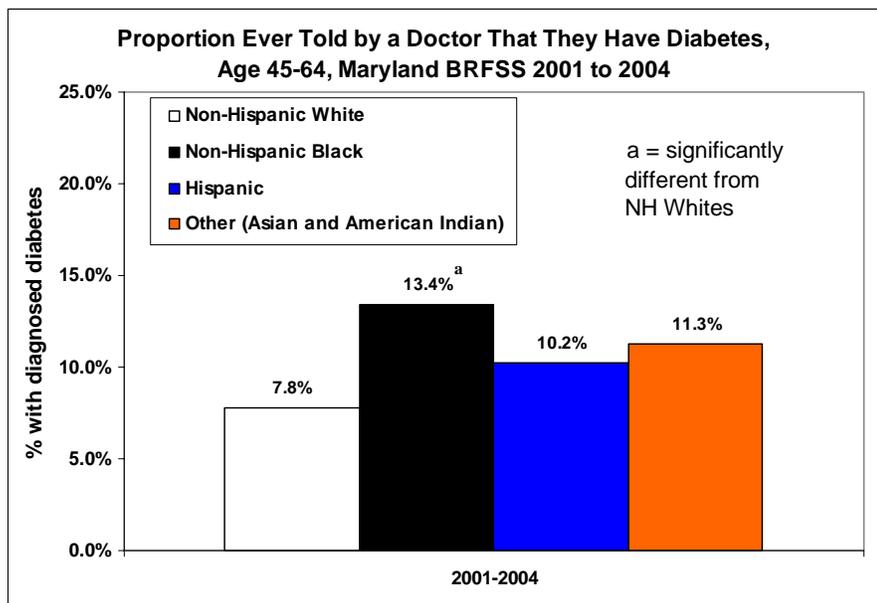
Infant Mortality is an Issue for Native Americans and African Americans



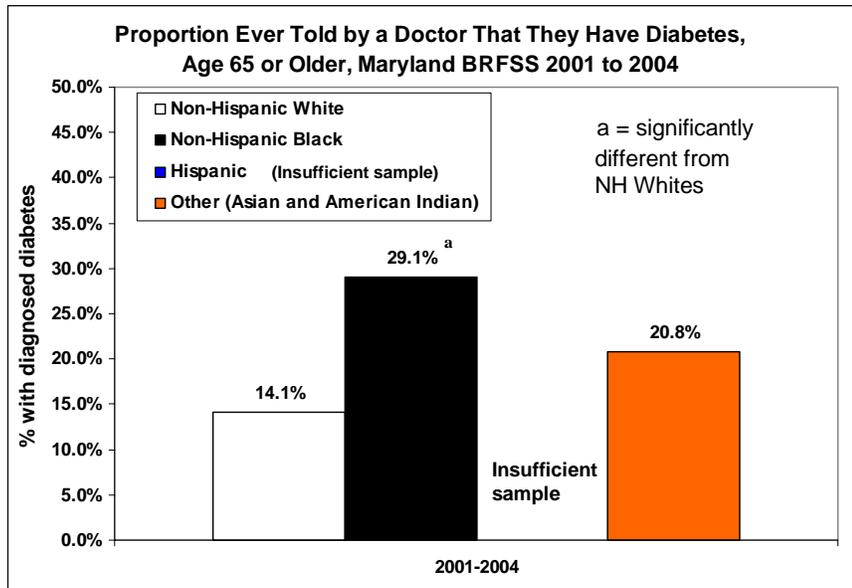
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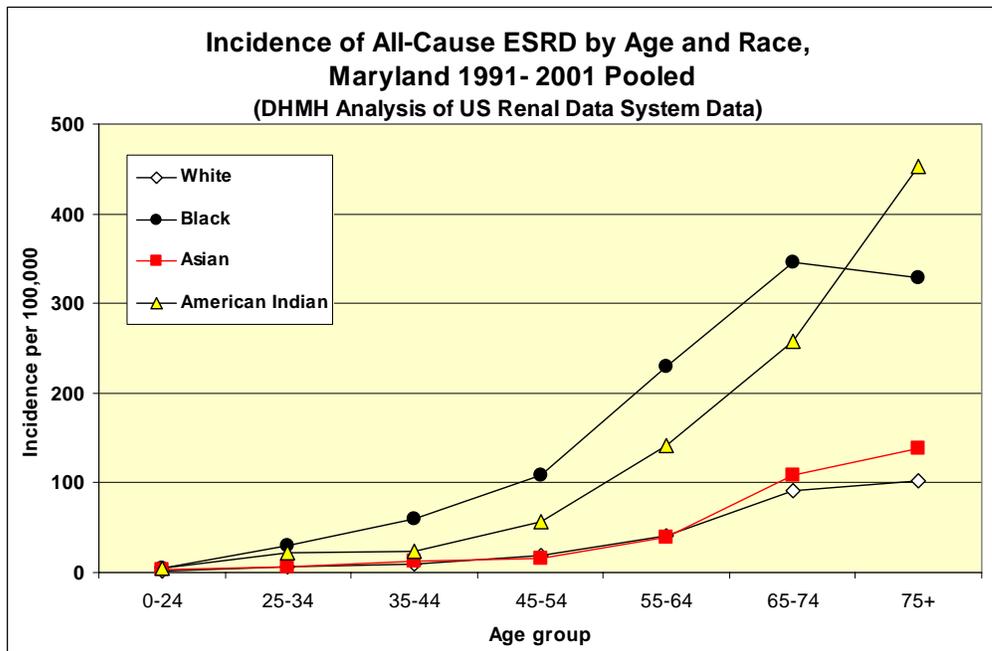
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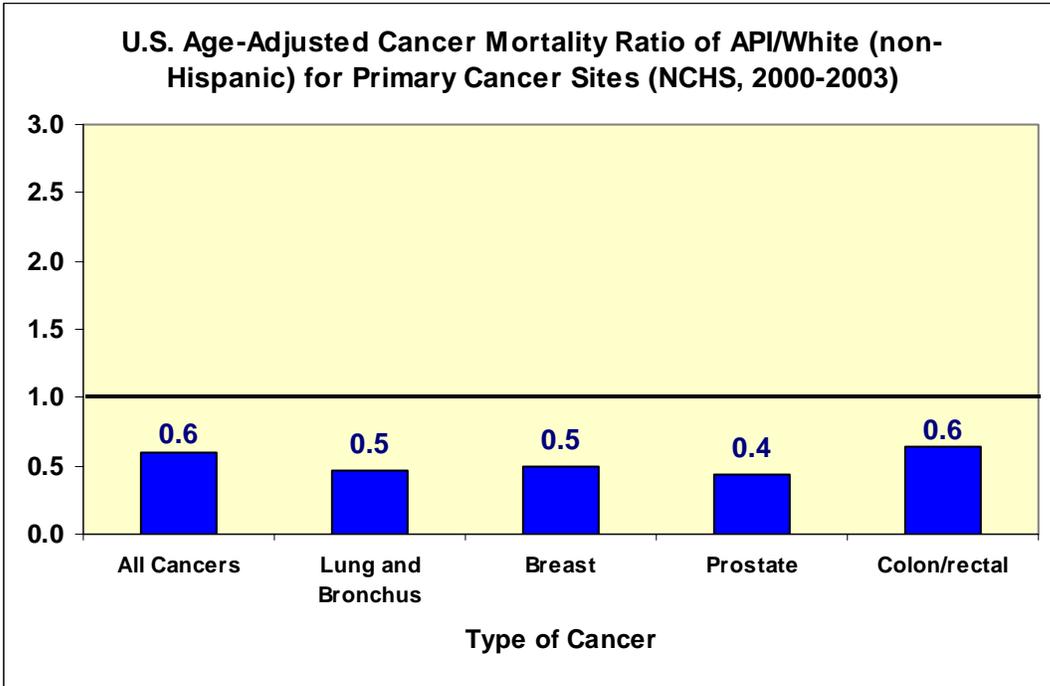
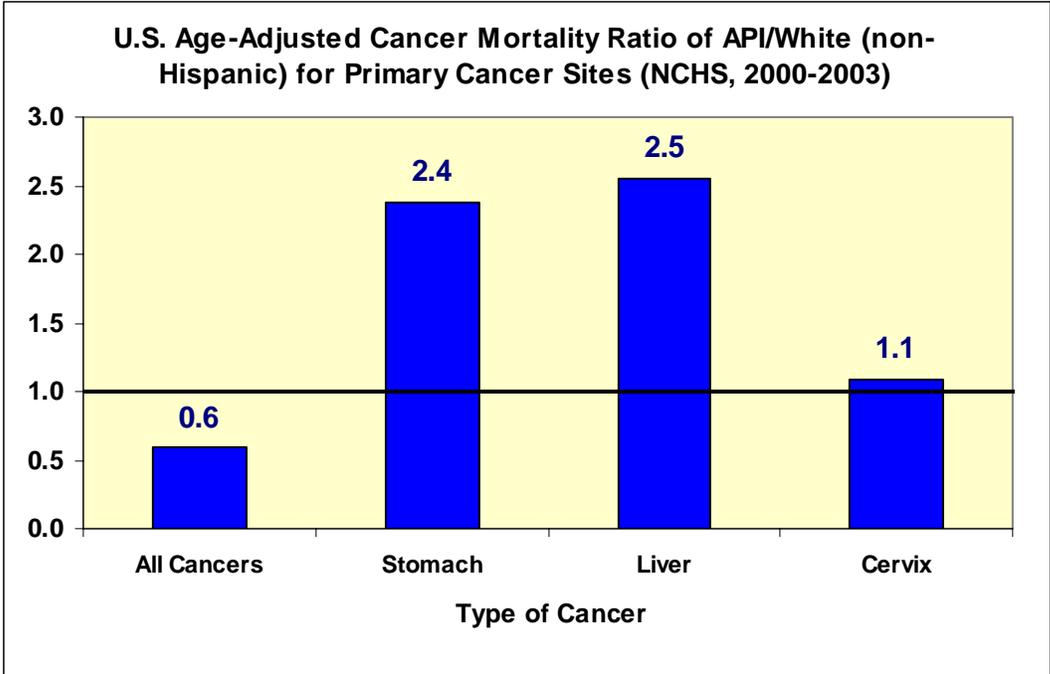


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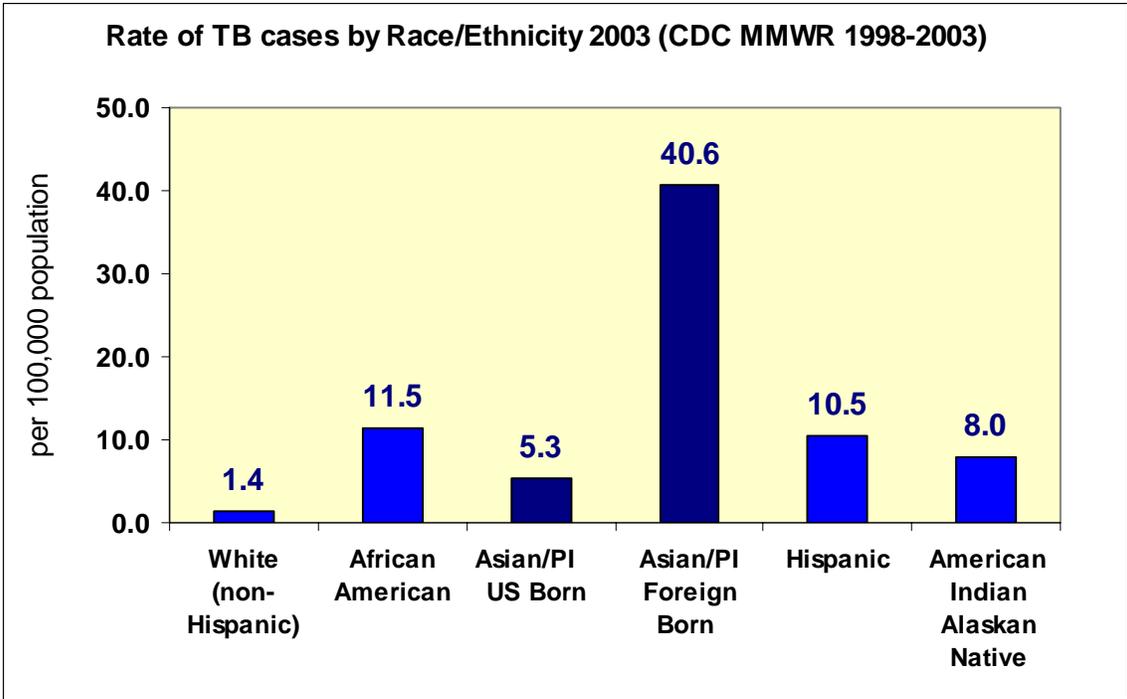
End-Stage Renal Disease in Maryland By Race



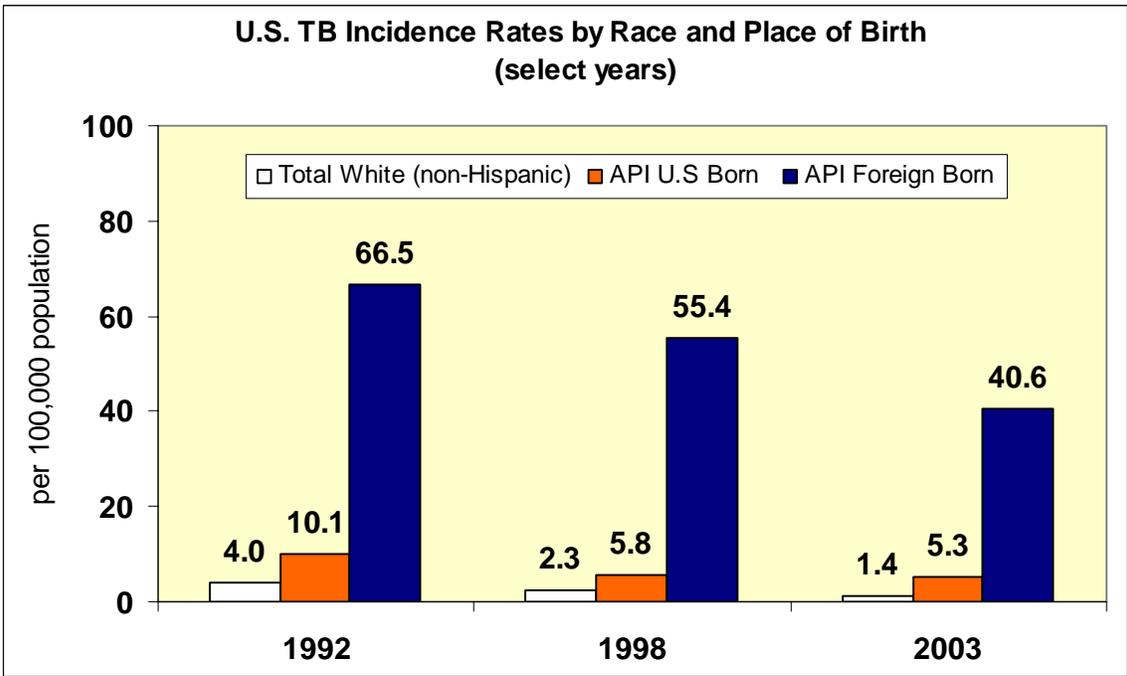


Cancer is the leading cause of death in the U.S. for Asian American/Pacific Islanders.

For certain types of cancer, APIs have higher mortality rates than non-Hispanic Whites. In contrast, APIs are less likely to die from the more common types of cancers.



TB incidence rates are highest for Asian/Pacific Islanders compared to all race/ethnic groups. The highest incidence rate is seen for the Asian/PI population who are foreign-born.



Incidence rates for TB have been declining over time for US-born APIs, Foreign-born APIs and non-Hispanic Whites.

**Percent of Chronic HBV infection rates by Race/Ethnicity
2003 (Stanford Asian Liver Center)**

