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Empowering Our Community Through Comprehensive Strategies.



## THIS MONTH'S TOPIC: INFANT MORTALITY

**INFANT DEATHS**  
In Siouxland



In 2023, the infant mortality rate in Woodbury County, Iowa, stood at 6 infant deaths per 1,000 live births, according to the Community Health Rankings data. This rate was slightly higher compared to the statewide rate for Iowa, which recorded 5 infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Additionally, Woodbury County's infant mortality rate was on par with Nebraska, which also reported 6 infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Similarly, South Dakota had a matching rate of 6 infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

High infant mortality rates can indicate various factors impacting communities, such as limited access to prenatal care, socioeconomic disparities, inadequate healthcare resources, and systemic inequalities. Addressing these issues requires comprehensive efforts, including improving access to healthcare services, providing education and support for expectant parents, addressing social determinants of health, and investing in community-based initiatives to promote infant health and well-being.



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