

infant mortality rate in US



Ask Mish

- **IMR in US** is **7/1000**; different among ethnic groups:whites &hispanics - 6/1000, black- 13/1000
- Major causes:
- **1.genetic**
- **2.low birth weight <1500 g**
- **3.SIDS** - never let infants sleep on the belly
- Low birth weight =1st cause in blacks, **SIDS**=1st cause in native Americans