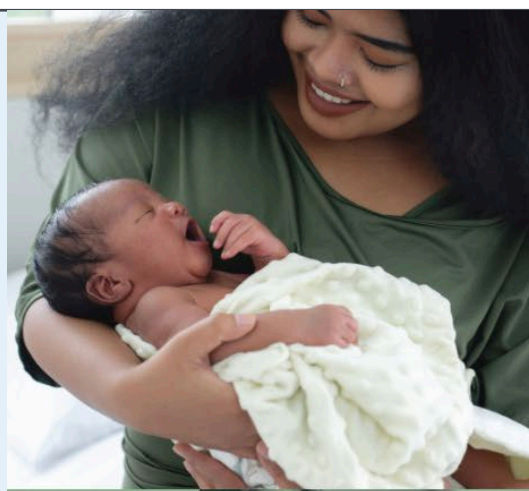


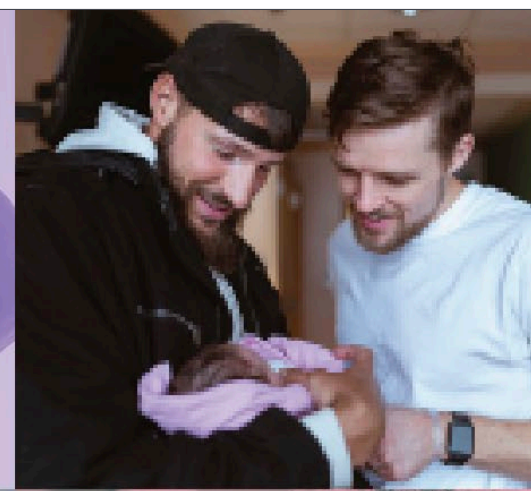
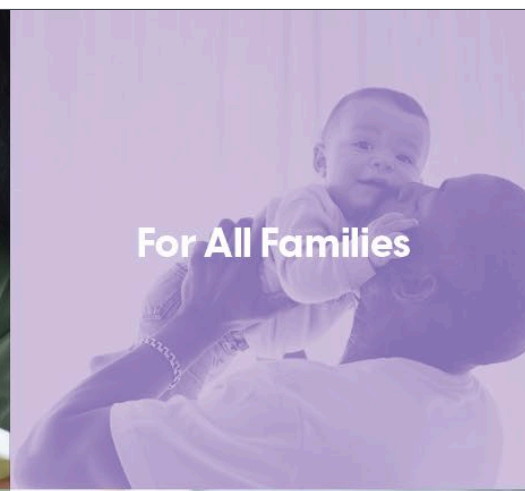


Family Connects Chicago:

Developing a System
of Care to Address
Health Inequities



For All Families



Para todas las familias



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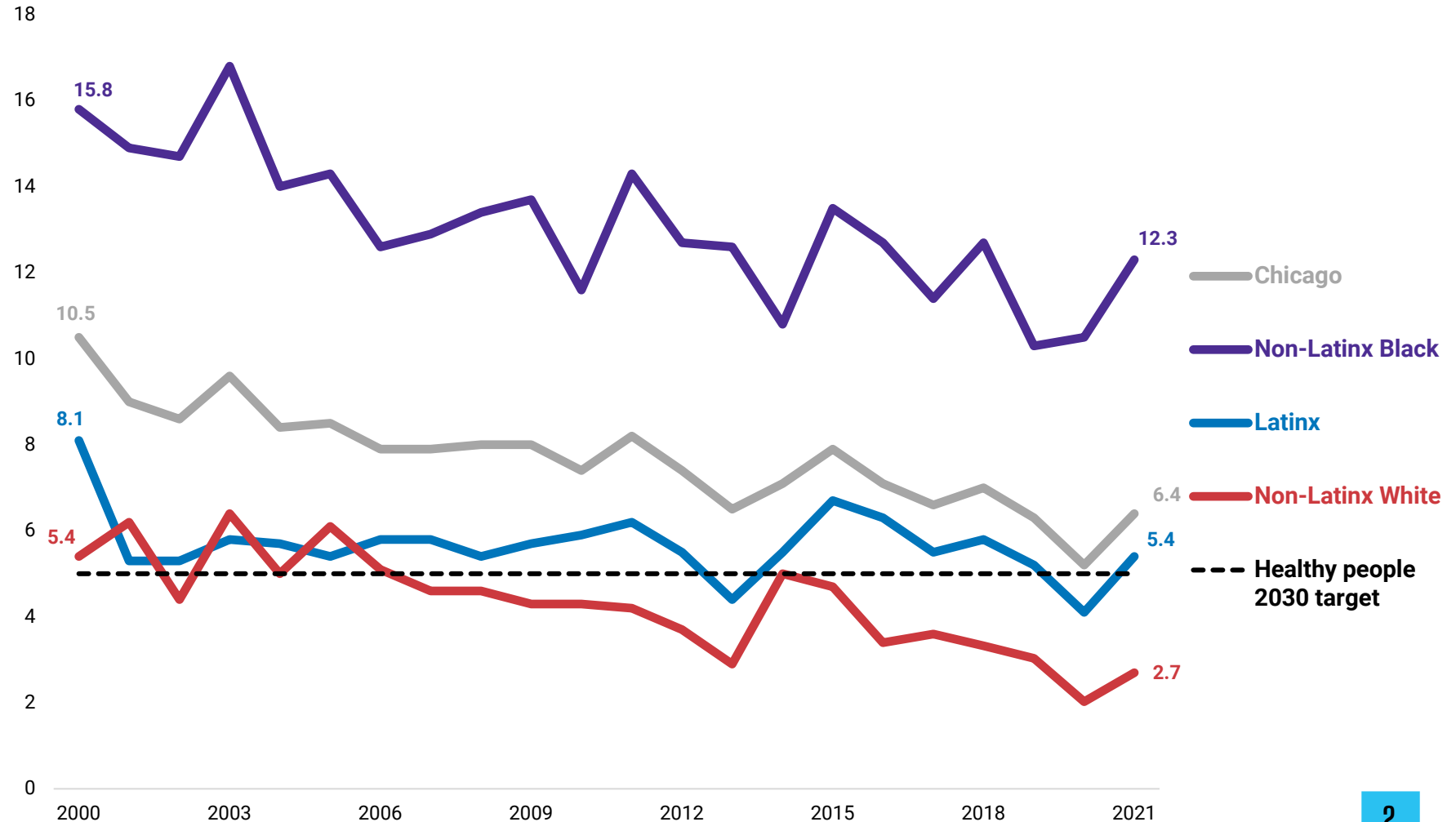


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★ Infant mortality has declined, but inequities persist

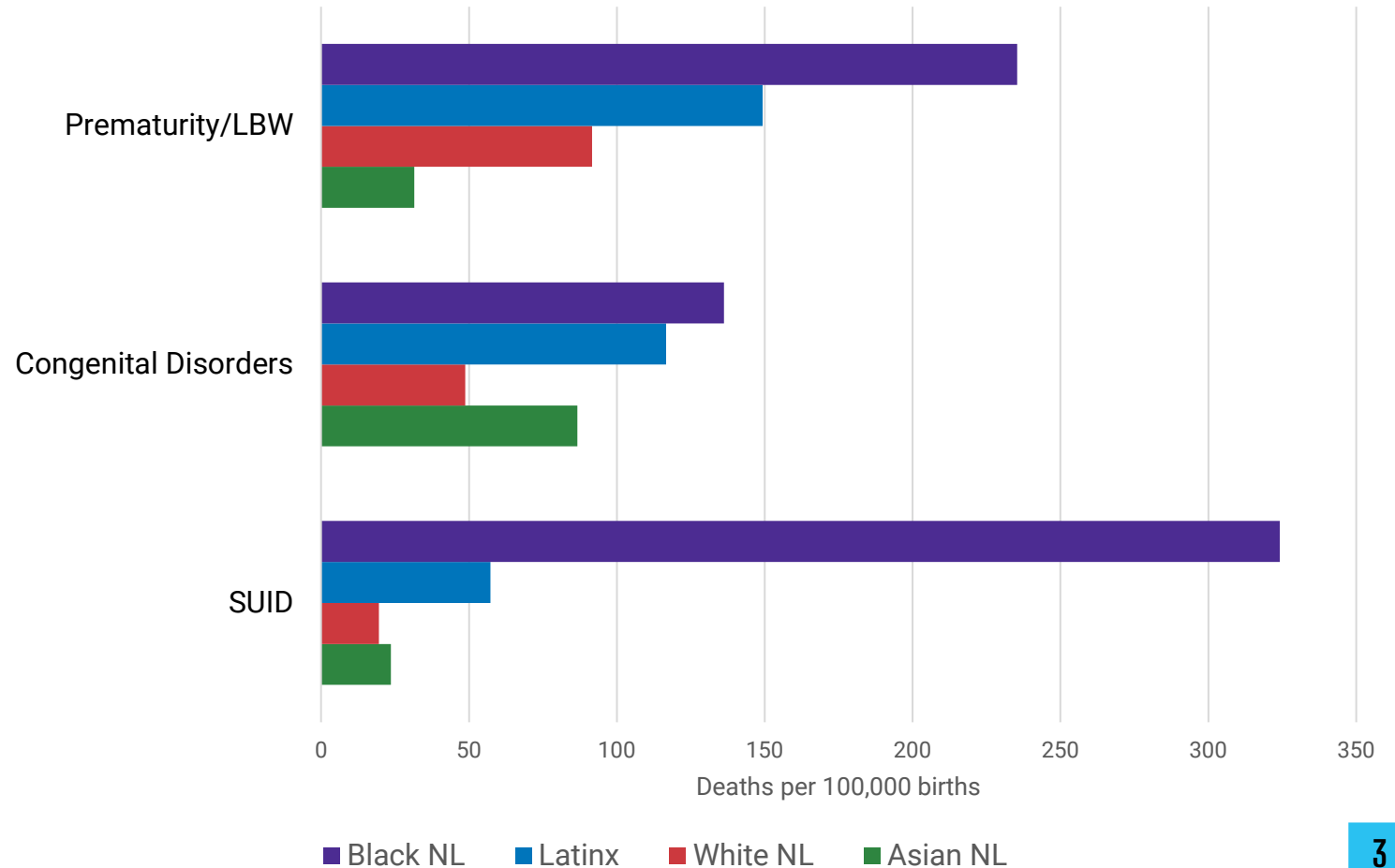
- **Citywide**, infant mortality decreased **39%** from 2000-2021
- **Black infant mortality** only decreased **22%**
- **Latinx** infant mortality decreased by **33.3%** in the same period, **but after 2001 remained flat**
- **White** infant mortality decreased by **50%** from 2000-2021
- Inequity between Black and White infants grew from **3x to 5x**



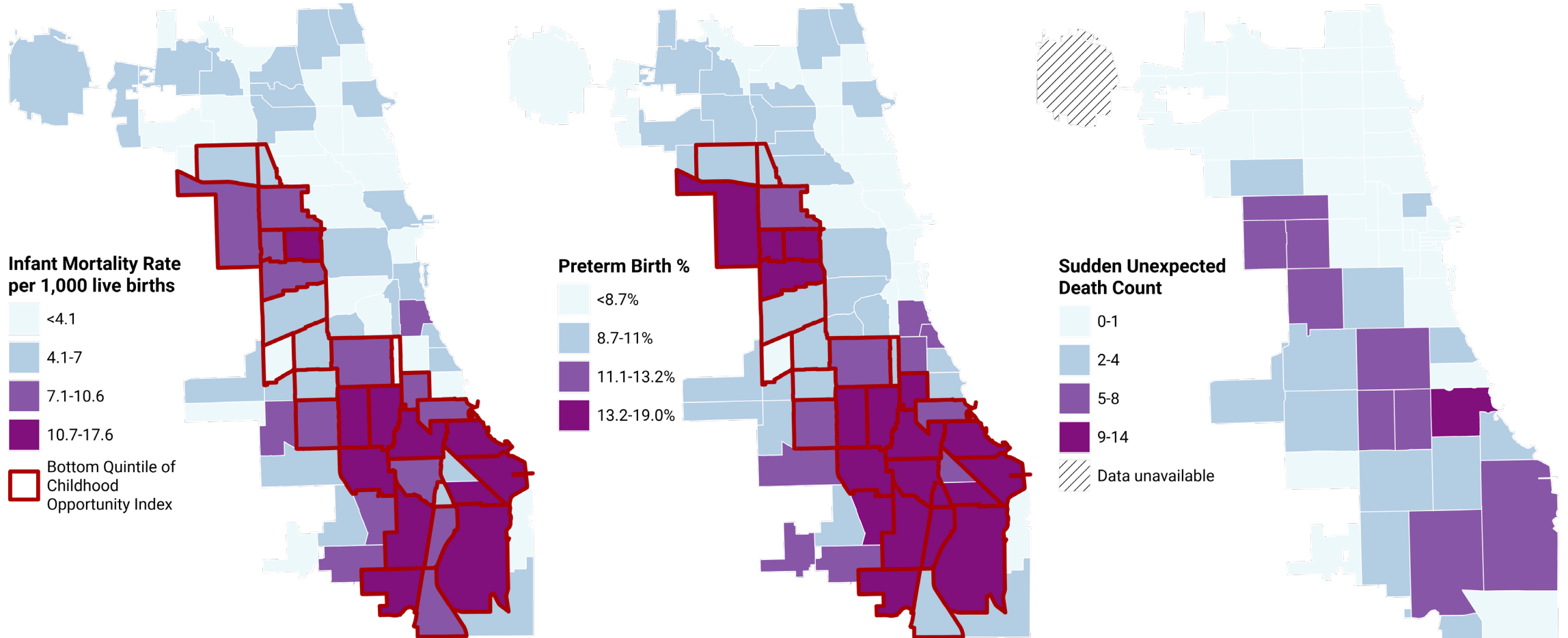
★ Infant Mortality Causes

Infant Mortality Causes of Death by Race and Ethnicity, 2017-2021

- Non-Latinx Black infants experience the highest rates of infant deaths across the top 3 causes
- Between 2017-2021, sudden unexpected infant death (SUID) was the top cause of death for non-Latinx Black infants



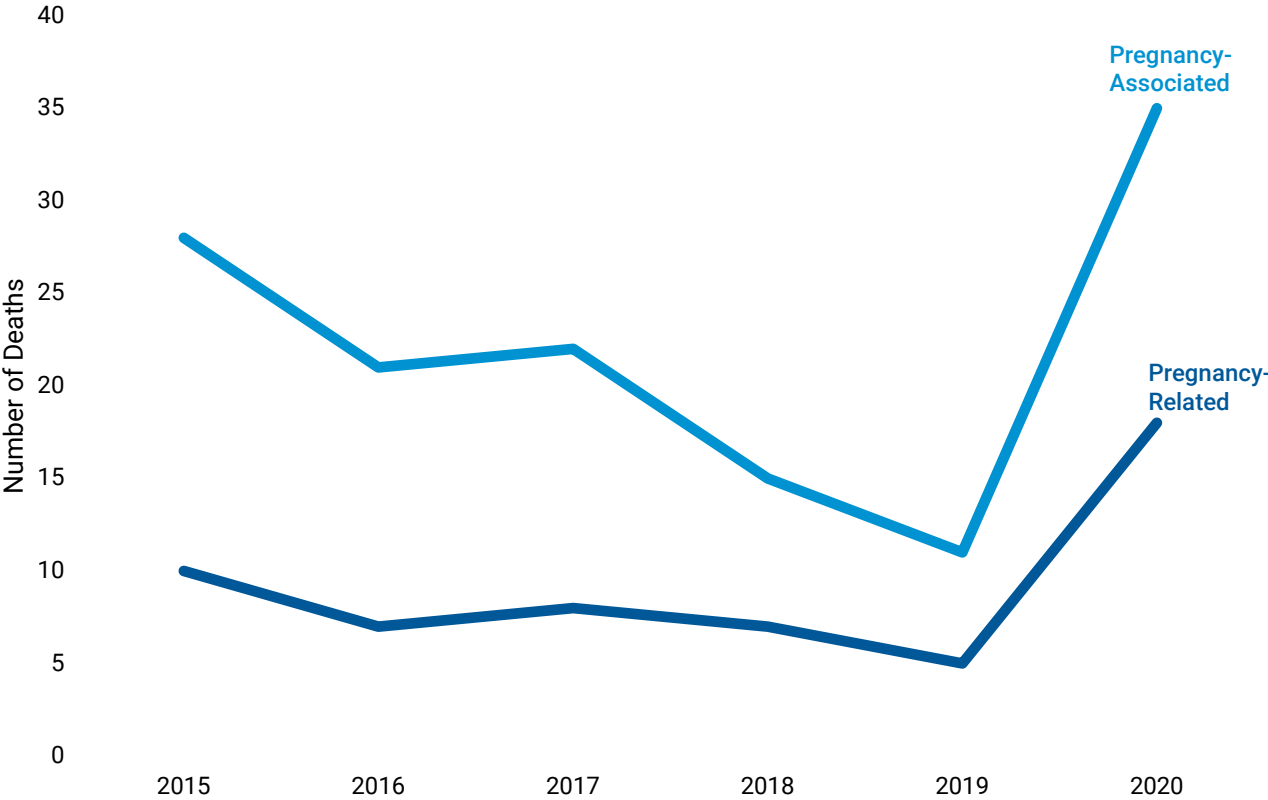
Infant Mortality disproportionately high on South and West sides



Maternal Mortality is increasing and disproportionately affects Black women

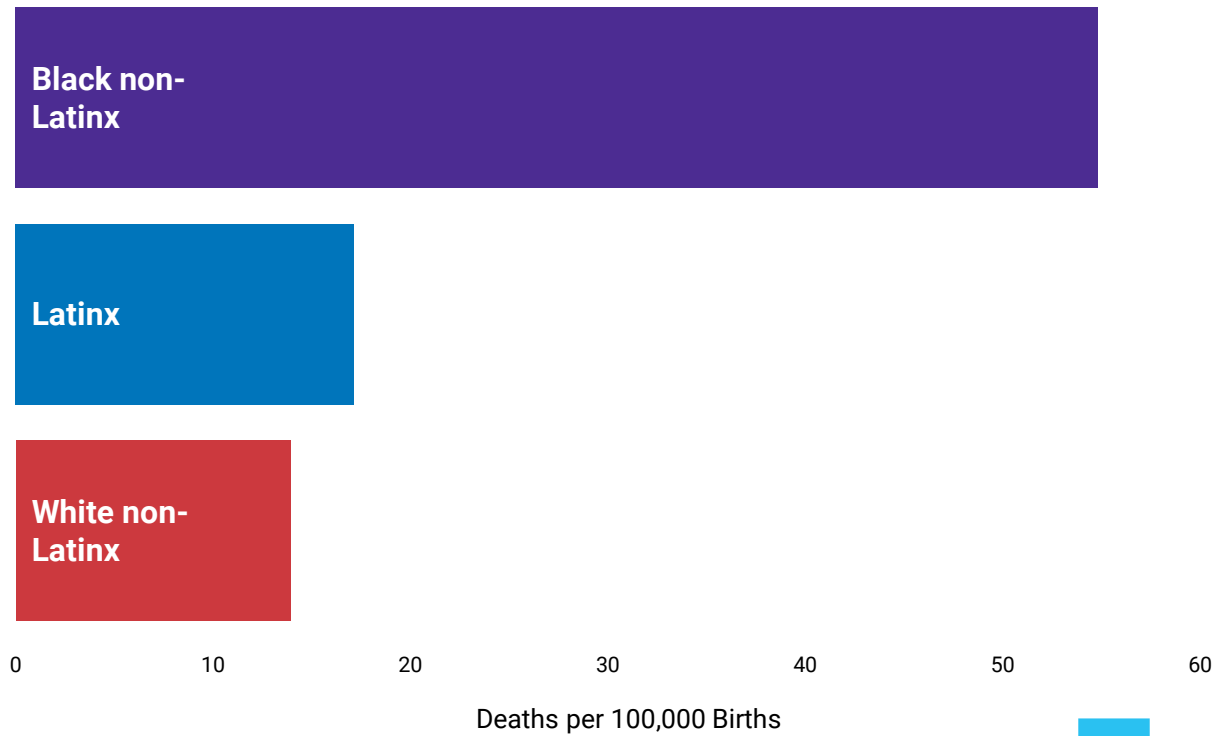


Chicago saw a dramatic increase in maternal mortality in 2020 after a 5-year decline



Non-Latinx Black pregnant people are four times more likely to die from pregnancy-related causes than non-Black pregnant people

Pregnancy-Related Mortality Ratio, 2015-2020

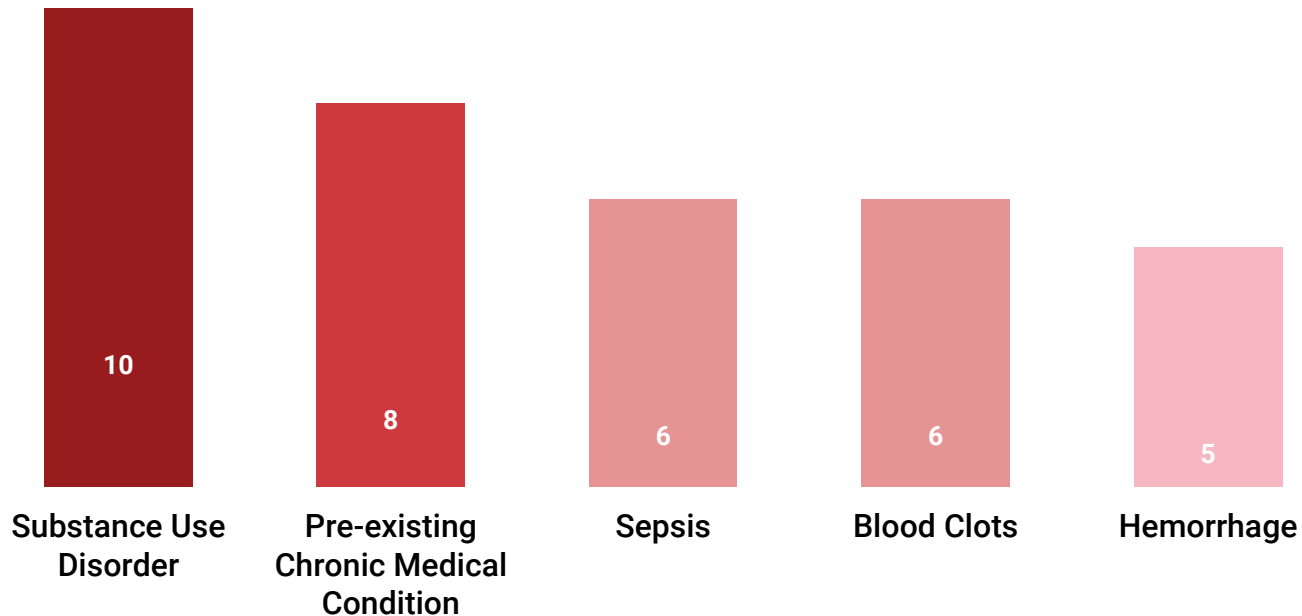


Source: Illinois Maternal Mortality Review Committee, IDPH Vital Statistics, 2015-2020

★ Maternal Mortality Causes

Substance Use Disorder is the Top Cause of Pregnancy-Related Death

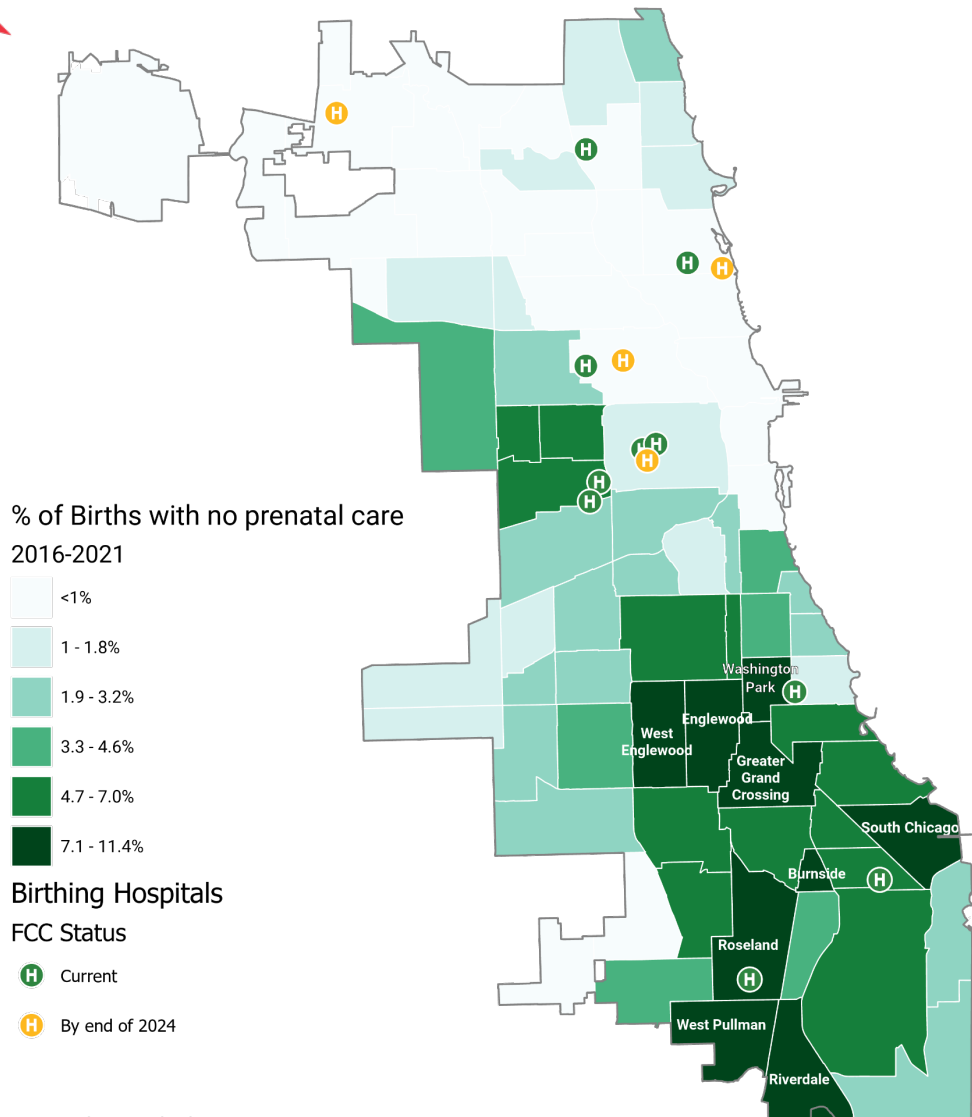
Count of Pregnancy-Related Deaths in Chicago, 2015-2020



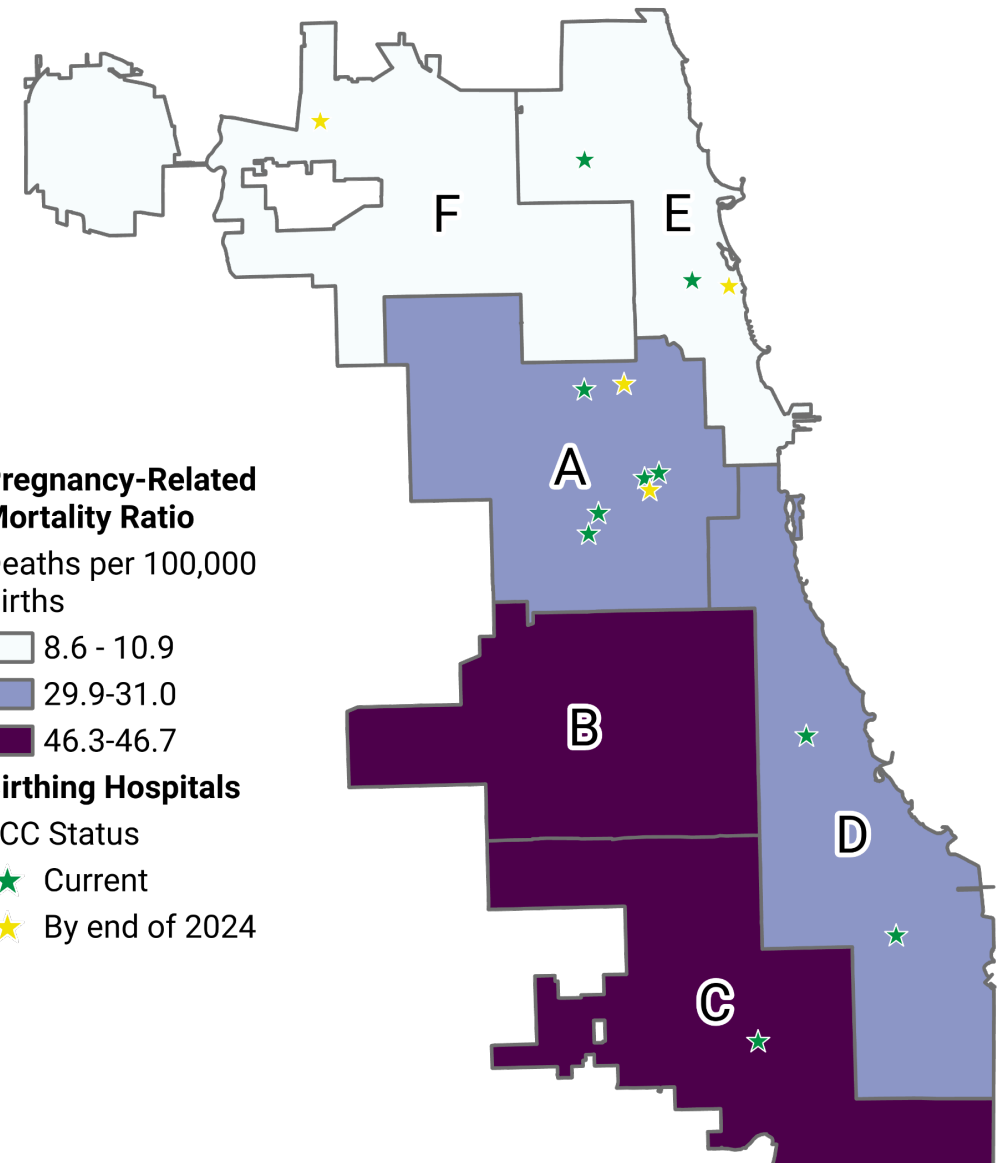
For **Black mothers**:

- sepsis, pre-existing chronic medical conditions, and embolism were the top causes
- 57% of pregnancy-related deaths occur at **least one week postpartum**
- **89% were preventable**

Both lack of prenatal care and Maternal Mortality disproportionately affect South and West side birthing people



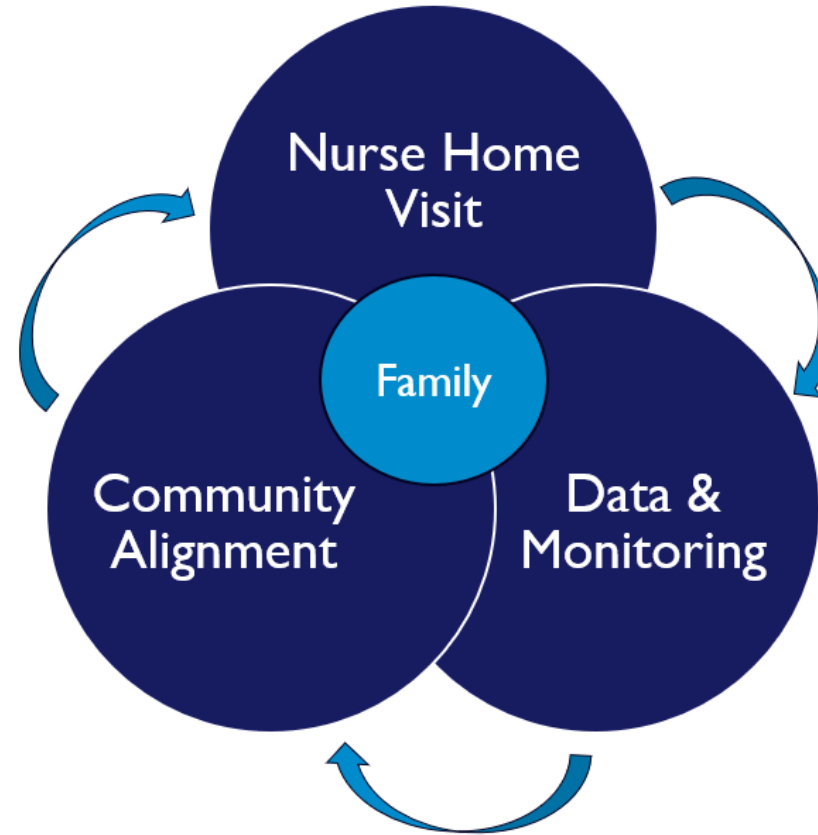
Source: Illinois Vital Records data



Source: Illinois Maternal Mortality Review Committee, Illinois Vital Records



Family Connects Chicago: A Systems Solution





The Home Visit: Opportunities to Prevent and Intervene

Nurse visit ~ 3 weeks post-partum to assess health and other needs, including:

- Safe Sleep education and connection to cribs and other materials
- Physical Assessment for the birthing person and infant
- Substance Use Screening and referrals
- Postpartum Depression Screen and referrals
- Confirmation of access to ongoing health care and follow up visits



Building a System of Community Support

Region A and B Sinai

- Humboldt Park Health
- St. Mary
- Rush
- Stroger
- Mt. Sinai
- UI Health
- St. Anthony

Region C: Everthrive

- Roseland

Region D: Everthrive

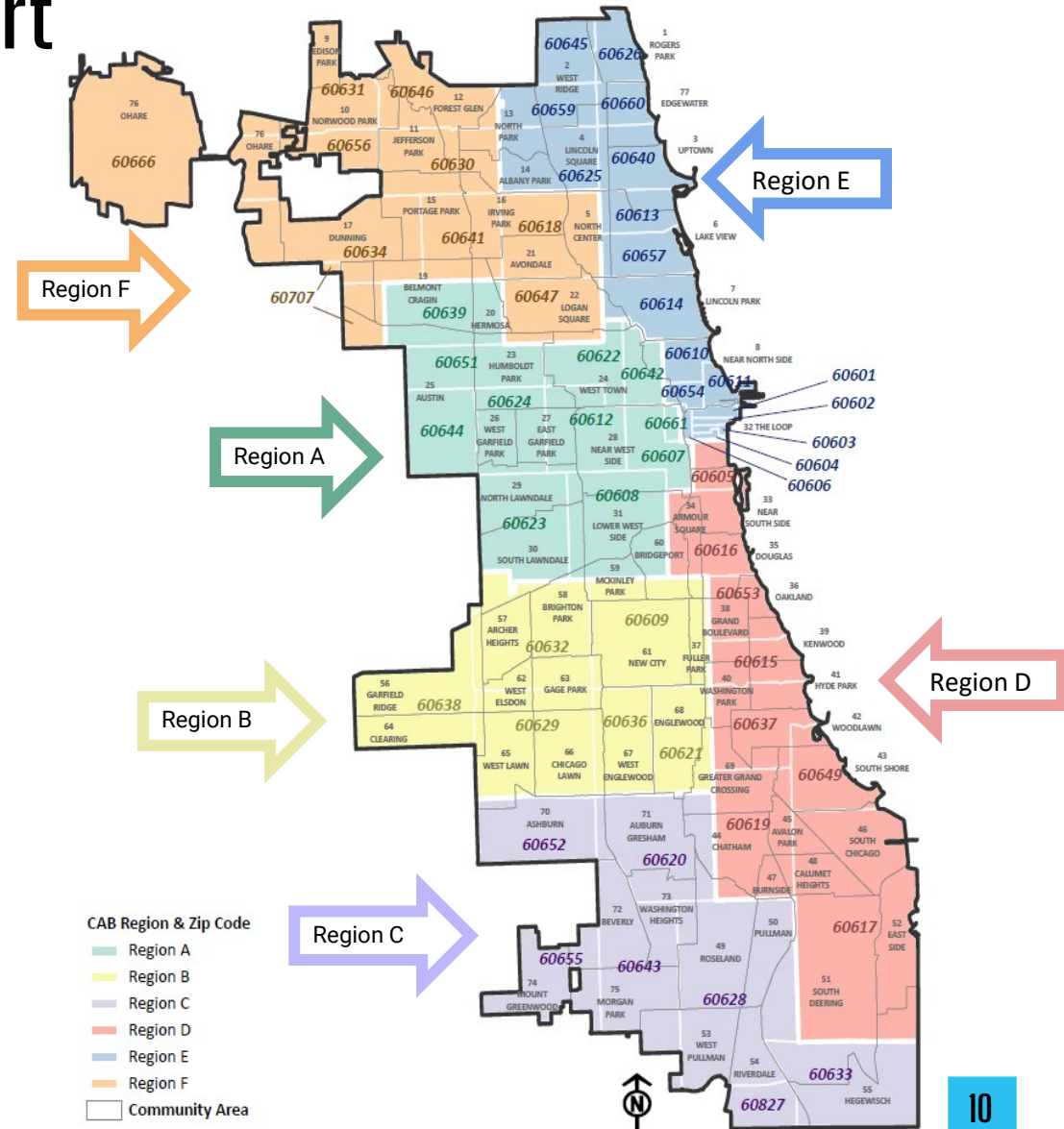
- UChicago
- Trinity

Region E: Everthrive

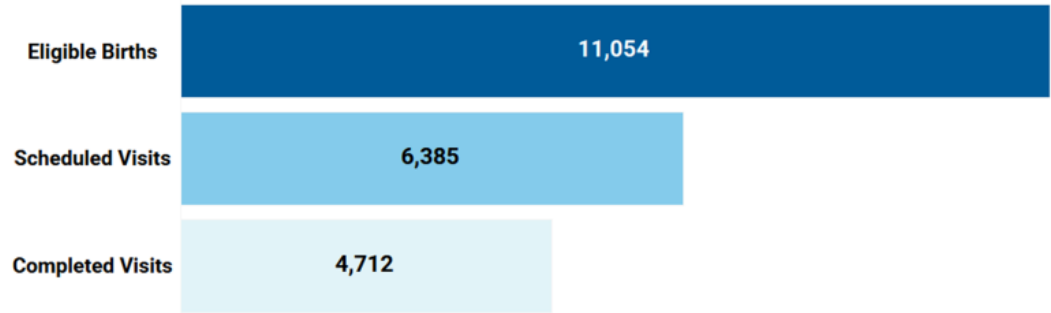
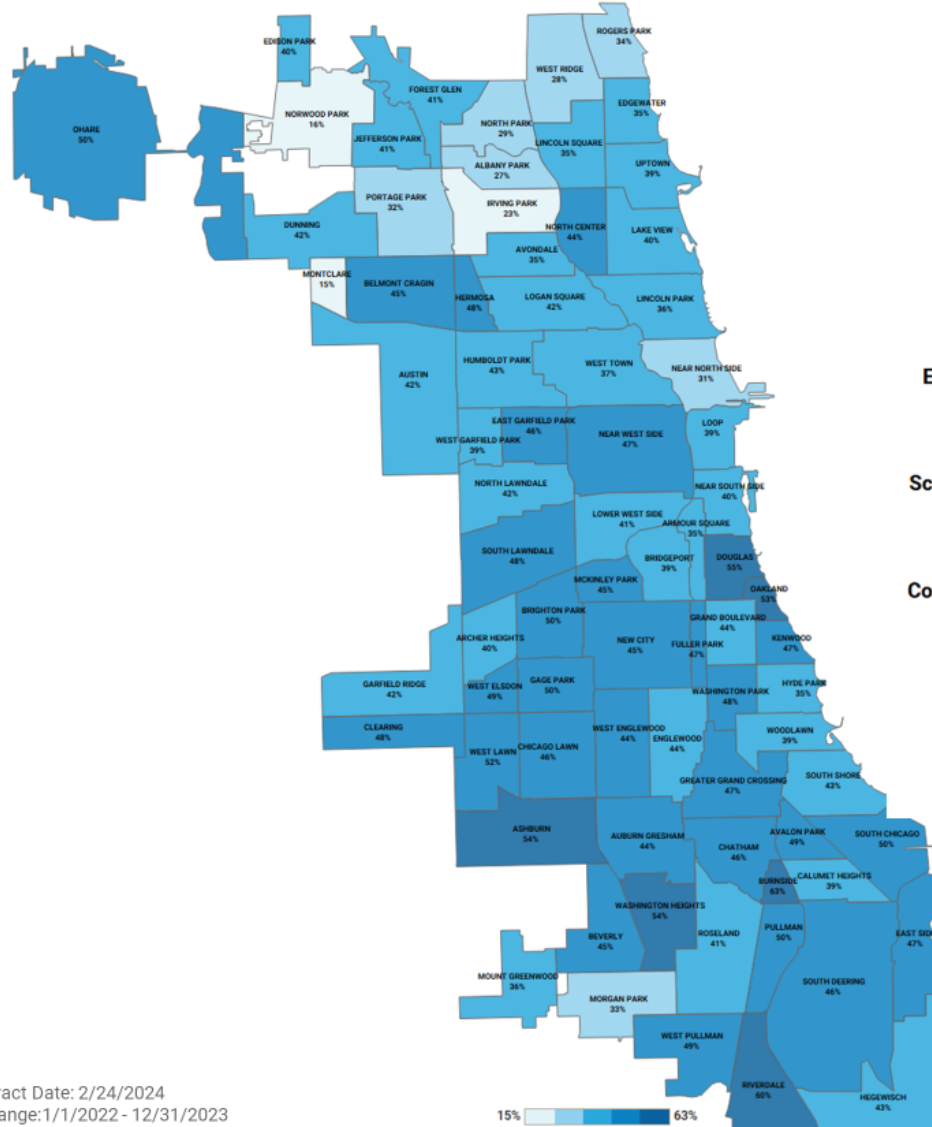
- IL Masonic
- St. Joseph
- Swedish
- Northwestern

Region F: MFS

- Resurrection



Family Connects Chicago Program Reach by Community Area, 2022-2023

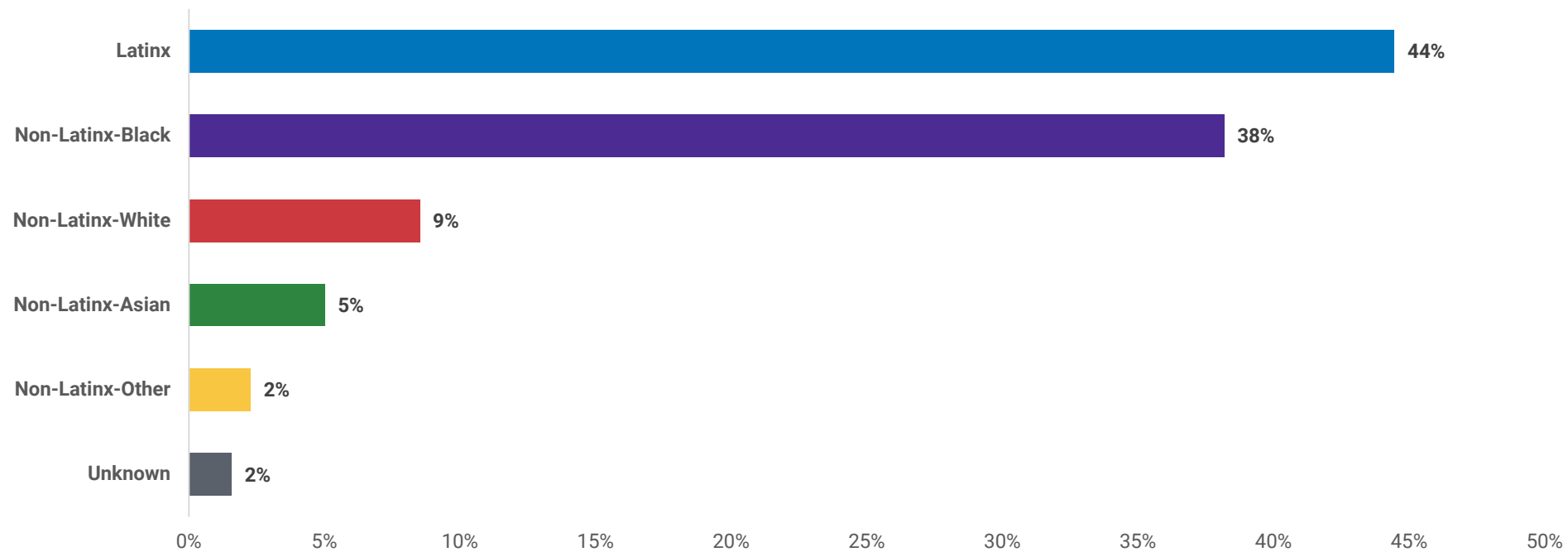


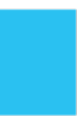
Acceptance Rate: **58%** Completion Rate: **74%** Population Reach: **43%**

Data Extract Date: 2/24/2024
Report Range: 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023

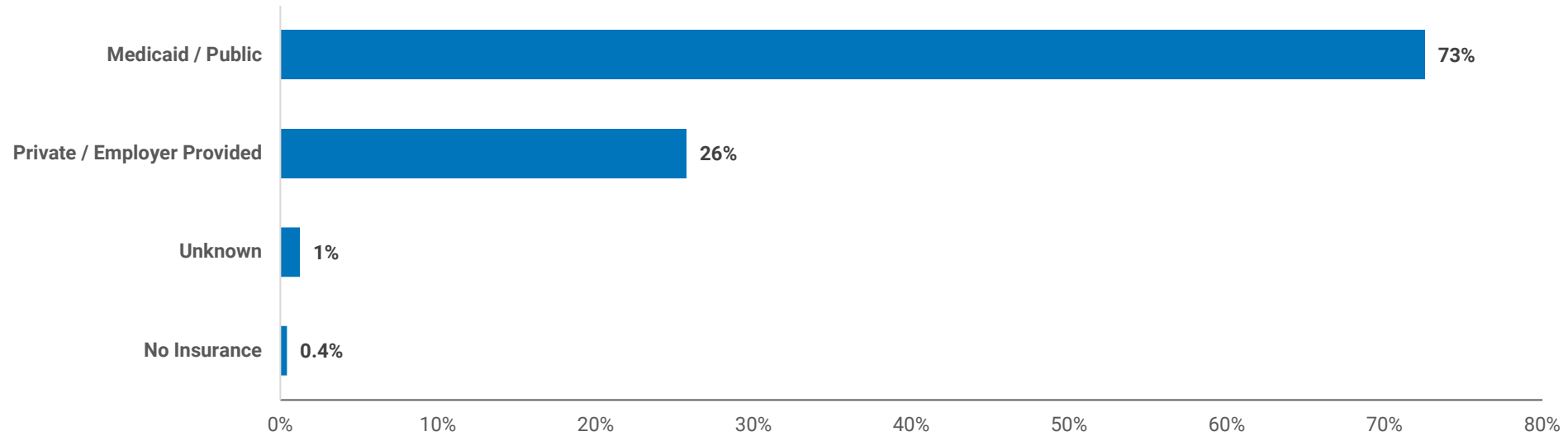


82% of families that completed a Family Connects Chicago visit identified as Latinx or Non-Latinx-Black, 2022-2023





73% of families that completed a Family Connects Chicago Visit had Medicaid/Public Insurance, 2022-2023



Caregiver's Primary Insurance Type	Completed Visits
Medicaid / Public	3,419
Private / Employer Provided	1,214
Unknown	59
No Insurance	20
Total	4,712

★ Expanding our Reach

1. How do we reach more families (e.g., normalize this support as the standard of care for all Chicagoans)?
2. How can we leverage Family Connects Chicago to build a system of support that addresses maternal and infant health inequities that begins in the prenatal period journey?



Questions?



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