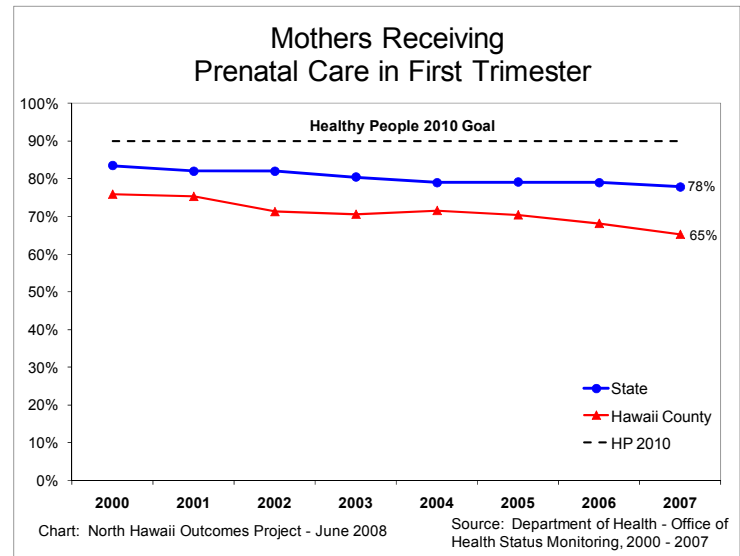


**Vision:** *Newborn, infants and toddlers thrive.*

## Fewer Hawaii County Women Receiving Prenatal Care

Prenatal Care of pregnant women in the first three months of pregnancy is highly correlated with better outcomes and is a reflection of access to care as well as awareness. This graph shows that a smaller percent of Hawaii County women received first trimester care in 2007, 65% for Hawaii County compared to 78% for the state. There is also a declining trend at the Hawaii County level from 2000 to 2007. This may be related to healthcare workforce shortages, as well as increase in uninsured and underinsured.

Figure 35

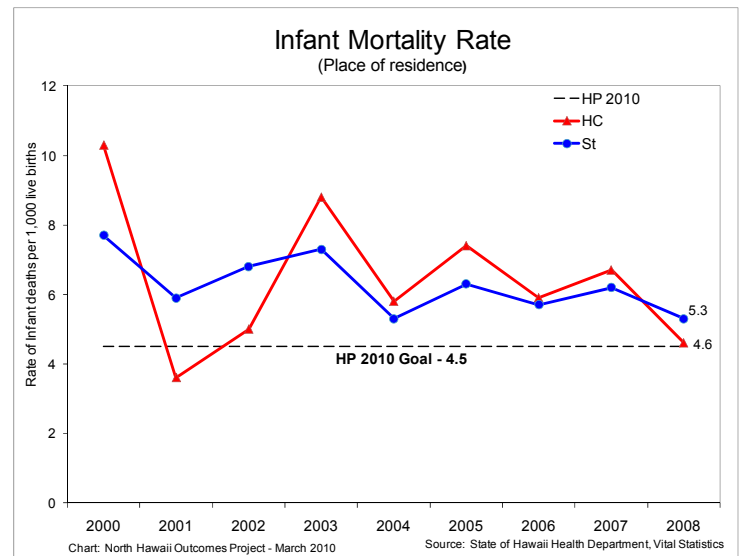


## Higher Infant Mortality in Hawaii County

Infant mortality is defined by an infant's death within the first year after birth. In general, infant mortality is linked with socioeconomic indicators. Because it is a relatively rare occurrence, rates vary more in smaller populations.

Hawaii County infant mortality rate per 1,000 births has been generally higher than the state. Over time there does appear to be improvement. In 2008, the Hawaii County infant mortality rate was 4.8 and actually lower than the state rate of 5.3.

Figure 36



According to the Healthy People 2010, "infant mortality is also an indicator of pregnant women's access to high quality primary care."