

# Snapshot of Ohio Pregnancy-Associated Deaths, 2008-2016

From **2008 through 2016** there were **610 pregnancy-associated deaths in Ohio**  
**70% (n=428)** occurred in the postpartum period, up to 1 year after pregnancy  
**31% (n=131)** of those occurred within 6 weeks of pregnancy

**31%** (n=186)  
 were determined to be pregnancy-related.

- The most common cause of death was cardiovascular and coronary conditions **16%**

**60%** (n=368)  
 were determined to be pregnancy-associated, but not pregnancy-related.

- The most common cause of death was unintentional injury **45%**

**Pregnancy-associated death:**  
 The death of a woman while pregnant or anytime within one year of pregnancy regardless of cause.

**Pregnancy-related death:**  
 The death of a woman while pregnant or within one year of pregnancy from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or management, excluding accidental or incidental causes.

**Pregnancy-associated, but not pregnancy-related death:**  
 The death of a woman while pregnant or within one year of pregnancy, due to a cause unrelated to pregnancy.

**Could not determine:**  
 The death of a woman while pregnant or within one year of pregnancy, due to a cause that could not be determined to be pregnancy-related or not pregnancy-related.

**Ohio Maternal Mortality Ratios**

