

2016

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FAST FACTS



BIRTHS IN
AUSTRALIA 2014¹

299,697

MONEY INVESTED IN
RESEARCH TO DATE

\$16.5 million

RESEARCH CURRENTLY
BEING FUNDED

- Whole genome sequencing for the investigation of fetal abnormality and stillbirth

- Underlying Mechanisms of SIDS - investigation in to the effects of intra-uterine growth restriction on the heart and circulation

- Sudden Unexpected Early Neonatal Death or Collapse in Previously Healthy Term Infants in the First 7 Days of Life

- Reducing risk for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander babies : trial of a safe sleep enabler to reduce the risk of sudden unexpected deaths in infancy in high risk environments.

PERINATAL DEATHS
IN 2013²

2,998

10 PER 1,000 BIRTHS

SUDI DEATHS
IN 2014³

113

0.4 PER 1,000 BIRTHS

Incidence by state 2014⁴



NEONATAL
DEATHS 2013

807

3 PER 1,000 BIRTHS

STILLBIRTHS
2013

2,191

7 PER 1,000 BIRTHS

INJURY &
POISONING DEATHS ⁷
PER ANNUM ON AVERAGE 2011-13

98

AUSTRALIA, CHILDREN,
0-4 YEARS OF AGE
7 PER 100,000

SUDI DEATHS
1989-2014⁵

4,808

DECREASE IN
THE RATE OF SUDI
DEATHS 1989-2014⁵

80%

LIVES SAVED SINCE
RISK REDUCTION
CAMPAIGNS BEGAN⁵⁻⁶

8,959

DEFINITIONS

SUDI Sudden Unexpected Deaths in Infancy including SIDS.
Perinatal All fetal and neonatal deaths of at least 400 grams birthweight or at least 20 weeks gestation.
Neonatal Deaths within 28 days of birth.
Stillbirth Fetal deaths (if the birthweight is at least 400 grams or the gestational age is 20 weeks or more).

- 1 Australian Bureau of Statistics (2015). 3301.0 - Births, Australia, 2014. ABS, Canberra.
- 2 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2015. Australia's mothers and babies 2013—in brief. Perinatal statistics series no. 31. Cat no. PER 72. Canberra: AIHW.
- 3 Australian Bureau of Statistics (2016). 3303.0 - Causes of Death, Australia, 2014. ABS, Canberra
- 4 Explanatory note from the ABS: "Data with small values have been randomly assigned to protect the confidentiality of individuals. As a result, some totals will not equal the sum of their components"
- 5 Australian Bureau of Statistics (2003). SIDS in Australia 1981-2000: A statistical overview. ABS, Canberra & Australian Bureau of Statistics (2001-). 3303.0 - Causes of Death, Australia, 2001-. ABS, Canberra
- 6 Includes calculations prepared by SIDS and Kids and confirmed by the ABS
- 7 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (2015). GRIM (General Record of Incidence of Mortality) Books 2013: All external causes of morbidity and mortality. Canberra: AIHW. Note: Data for all external causes of mortality are from the ICD-10 (V01-Y98).