



Kessner Index							
Inadequate		Intermediate		Adequate		Unknown	
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
30	3.15	95	9.99	661	69.51	165	17.35

Note: Total fetal deaths in 1998 = 951

Fetal deaths are those occurring during 20 weeks or more gestational period.

The Kessner Index takes into account three factors: month in which prenatal care began, number of prenatal visits, and length of gestation.

Source: 1998 fetal death records from the California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics