

Investigating the impact of structural racism on Black birthing people - associations between racialized economic segregation, incarceration inequality, and severe maternal morbidity.

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[Structural racism](#) contributes to high rates of severe maternal morbidity (SMM) experienced by [Black](#) patients. This study investigated specific measures of [structural](#) racism (incarceration inequality and racialized economic segregation) on Black SMM. In this sample of births from 2008-2011, racialized economic segregation was associated with SMM for black patients; however, incarceration inequality was not.