

# United States Ranks Poorly

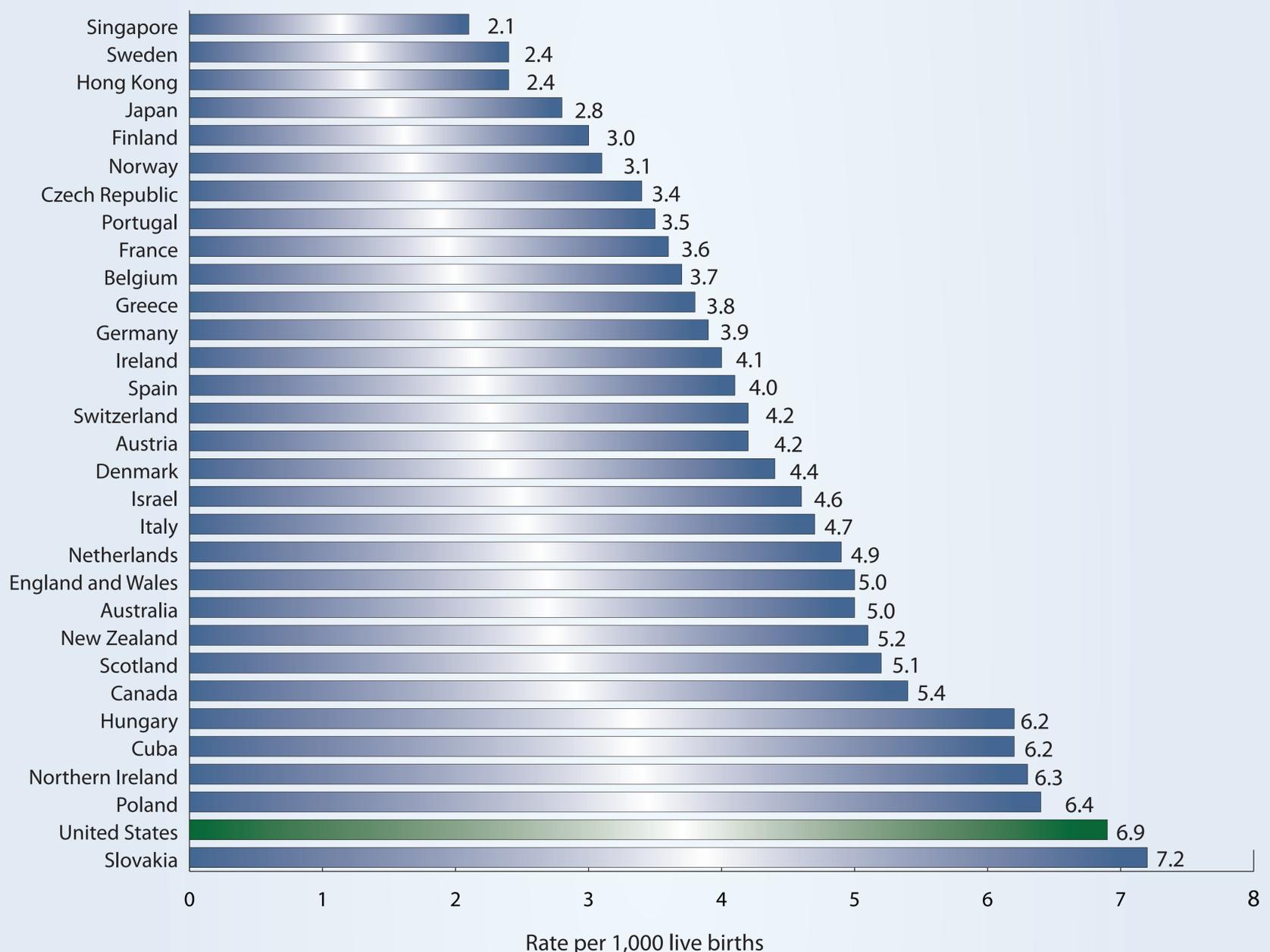


Figure 1. Infant mortality rates, selected countries, 2005

Source: Health United States 2008

In 2005, the latest year for which the international ranking is available, the United States ranked 30th in the world in infant mortality, behind most European countries, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Japan, Cuba and Israel.

The United States international ranking in infant mortality fell from 12th in the world in 1960 to 23rd in 1990 to 29th in 2004 and 30th in 2005.

