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SYSTEMIC FACTS & STATS

1. Black women in the US are **two times** more likely to die during pregnancy or childbirth compared with White women.
2. **87%** of global maternal deaths happen in sub-Saharan Africa and southern Asia.
3. Black and Latina women are **four and two times** more likely to have abortions than White women.
4. **More than four in 10** women aged 18-49 living in US states where abortion is illegal are women of colour.
5. Data from the US, the UK, Canada, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Norway indicates that the risk of pregnancy loss is **43% higher** for Black women compared with White women.
6. Black women in the US undergo fewer in-vitro fertilisation (IVF) cycles and have lower IVF birth rates compared with White women on average, despite being about **twice as likely** to experience infertility.
7. Black infants in the US die at **more than twice** the rate of White infants.
8. About 13% of the US population is Black but as of 2019, Black people make up **40%** of people living with HIV.
9. During the 2009 swine flu pandemic, people of non-White ethnicity had nearly **twice** the risk of dying compared with White people.
10. In April 2020, **30%** of confirmed covid-19 cases where race was known had been found to be among Black or African American people, who comprise just 13% of the US population.
11. In the US, there is evidence that Black people and people from other racial and ethnic minority backgrounds are **more likely** to experience delays in their cancer treatment relative to their White counterparts.
12. In the US, unarmed Black men exhibiting signs of a mental illness are **more likely** to be shot and killed by police compared with White men exhibiting similar behaviours.
13. In the US, Black people die from asthma related causes at nearly **three times** the rate of White people. Black children are about **five times** more likely to be admitted to hospital for asthma compared with White children.
14. In the US, Black people account for 13% of the overall population but just **5%** of active physicians.

