- Diabetes during pregnancy and perinatal outcomes among First Nations women in Ontario: A population-based cohort study, 2002-2014
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Abstract

Background: Diabetes during pregnancy is a significant risk factor for maternal and perinatal adverse events. In Canada, there are an increasing number of women, especially First Nations women, who are affected by diabetes during pregnancy. Methods: Using administrative healthcare databases, we identified annual cohorts of pregnant women from 2002 to 2014 and identified those with pre-existing diabetes and gestational diabetes (GDM). We used the Indian Register to identify women who were First Nations. We estimated rates of maternal and infant adverse outcomes and measures of health care utilization in each population. Results: First Nations women have a higher prevalence of pre-existing diabetes and GDM than other women in Ontario. We found significantly higher rates of preeclampsia, labour induction, and Caesarean deliveries in First Nations women. First Nations women were not at a higher risk of pre-term birth compared to other women in Ontario and although First Nations babies were larger for gestational age, obstructed labor rates were similar in First Nations women and other women. While almost all First Nations women, regardless of diabetes status, were seen by a primary care provider during pregnancy, they had less utilization of speciality care. Only 15% of all pregnant women with pre-existing diabetes visited an ophthalmologist during pregnancy. Interpretation: Our results confirm disparities in maternal and perinatal outcomes between First Nations women and other women in Ontario. Access to primary care for pregnant women seems adequate; access to specialized care especially for women with pre-existing diabetes needs to

Introduction

Diabetes during pregnancy, either pre-existing diabetes mellitus or gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM), is a major contributor of maternal and perinatal adverse events. In Canada, the number of women affected by diabetes during pregnancy has increased over time, which is associated with an increased risk of adverse maternal and perinatal outcomes. (1, 2) First Nations women have a high prevalence of diabetes, 2 to 5 times greater than other Canadian populations, (3-6) and a higher risk of adverse pregnancy outcomes. (7-10) There are complex social and historical factors that impact the lived experience of First Nations women, including the impacts of multigenerational trauma, residential schools, systemic racism, material deprivation and risks of violence, as described in major national inquiries (11, 12) and the academic literature. (13, 14) These factors must always be considered in any discussion of the health of First Nations women. In Canada, a handful of population-based studies have assessed health outcomes of pregnant First Nations women with diabetes. In Manitoba, data from 1985-2004, reported an increase in GDM prevalence over time with the prevalence in First Nations women 3-times greater than other populations. (15) In Ontario, data from 2002-2010, reported a higher prevalence of diabetes during pregnancy, less pregnancy care, and higher rates of adverse outcomes in First Nations women compared to the other population. (16) In Alberta, a recent study documented a higher prevalence of pre-existing diabetes and GDM among First Nations women, with the resulting higher rate of adverse pregnancy outcomes. (17) In Quebec, a recent study of births from 1996 to 2010 reported a higher prevalence of diabetes during pregnancy in First Nations women, and an increased risk of perinatal death in women with pre-existing diabetes largely in First Nations women. (18)

- The objective of the present study is to examine temporal trends in pregnancy outcomes, including
- both maternal and neonatal outcomes, and health services utilisation in a population-based cohort
- of First Nations women with diabetes during pregnancy compared with other women in Ontario.



Methods

We conducted a population-based cohort study of all hospital deliveries from women 13-50 years old in Ontario from April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2015 using the comprehensive administrative health datasets housed by ICES. The general approach to the creation of the cohorts and description of the major dataset used are described elsewhere. (19) We identified mothers and newborns through the MomBaby2016 dataset, (20) which includes records derived from the Discharge Abstracts Database (DAD) for all mother-newborn pairs delivered in fiscal year 2002/2003 onward. We identified women who were First Nations using the Indian Register, which includes people who are recognized and registered as First Nations people by the Federal Government under the Indian Act. (21)

Exposures: We used the Ontario Diabetes Dataset (ODD) to identify mothers with pre-existing diabetes, defined as diagnosis of diabetes at any point before pregnancy. GDM was defined as the presence of one or more diagnostic codes of diabetes from hospital discharge abstract records or ≥2 OHIP billings with diagnosis of diabetes (OHIP code 250) in the last 120 days of pregnancy, in the absence of pre-existing diabetes, a definition adapted from Booth et al., (22).

Outcomes: We compared the prevalence of pre-exiting diabetes and GDM in First Nations women versus other women in Ontario. To estimate rates of maternal and infant outcomes, we linked data for mothers and their newborns using the DAD. Maternal outcomes included preeclampsia, induction of labor, obstructed labor, and caesarean deliveries. Infant outcomes included preterm birth (PTB, <37 weeks in gestational age), large for gestational age (LGA, defined as birth weight > 90th percentile for gestational age according to Canadian growth curves), (23) and stillbirths. Health services utilization during pregnancy, including visits to internal medicine or endocrinology (for women with GDM or pre-existing diabetes), ophthalmology or optometry (for

women with pre-existing diabetes), obstetrics and gynecology, and primary care was determined by examining physician billing claims in the Ontario Health Insurance Plan database for the period up to 280 days prior to delivery.

Analysis and ethics considerations: Maternal age was captured at time of delivery. Each delivery was counted separately. Estimates of prevalence and maternal and infant outcomes were agestandardized to 2002. The prevalence (per 1000 deliveries) of pre-existing diabetes and GDM in First Nations women and other women in Ontario was estimated yearly from 2002/03 to 2014/15. The frequency of maternal and neonatal outcomes and their 95% CIs in each group were expressed using rates (per 100 deliveries) for three periods (2002-2005, 2006-2009, 2010-2014). Agestandardized rate ratios and 95% CI were used to contrast rates in different years and between First Nations women and other women in Ontario. The Cochran-Armitage Trend Test was used to assess temporal trends.

Privacy considerations required the suppression of cells with small values (≤5). All analyses were carried out using SAS Enterprise Guide version 7.1 (SAS Institute, Cary, NC). The project received approval from the Chiefs of Ontario Data Governance Committee and the Research Ethics Boards of Queen's University and Laurentian University.

Results

Between 2002 and 2014, there were a total 1,671,337 deliveries amongst 1,065,950 women in

Ontario. Of these deliveries, 31,417 were in First Nations women (2%), and 1,639,920 in other

women. Stillbirth rates were higher in First Nations women compared to other women regardless

women (98%). Mean age at delivery was 25.22 years (± 5.95) in First Nations women and 30.12 years (± 5.46) among other women in Ontario. The prevalence of pre-existing diabetes and GDM was higher in First Nations pregnant women than other women in each of the years studied (Table 1, Figure 1). During the study period, the rate of GDM increased among all women while the rate of pre-existing diabetes stayed the same in First Nations women and increased among other women. Maternal outcomes are shown in Table 2. Rates of preeclampsia and labour induction were higher in First Nations women than other women, regardless of diabetes status. The differences were greater among those with diabetes than among women with no diabetes. Rates of obstructed labour were similar between First Nations women and other women with diabetes. Among women with no diabetes, the rates of obstructed labour were lower in First Nations women compared to other women. Rates of Caesarean deliveries were similar among First Nations women and other women with no diabetes. For women with diabetes, First Nations women have a higher rate of cesarean deliveries compared to other women.

compared to other women, regardless of diabetes status. Rates of LGA births were higher in First Nations women than other women; the gap was greater among those with diabetes than in women with no diabetes (half of First Nations women with diabetes had LGA infants). First Nations

women with pre-existing diabetes had a higher rate of congenital anomalies compared to other

Neonatal outcomes are shown in Table 3. First Nations women had similar rates of preterm birth

of diabetes status. Stillbirth rates for both groups were highest among those with pre-existing diabetes.

Table 4 presents health services utilization data. While the majority of women, independent of diabetes status, are seen by a primary care provider at least once during pregnancy, the rate is significantly lower in First Nations women with no diabetes and GDM. Most women with pre-existing diabetes and GDM have seen an obstetrician or gynecologist, but the proportion is significantly lower in First Nations women compared to other women in Ontario, as is the proportion of women with diabetes who are seen by an internal medicine or endocrinology specialist. Among women with pre-existing diabetes, there was no difference in visits to ophthalmology or optometrist between First Nations women and other women; however, only 15% of women with pre-existing diabetes saw an ophthalmologist or optometrist during pregnancy.

Interpretation

In line with previous population-based studies in Canada, (15, 16, 18, 24) our study indicates that the prevalence of pre-existing diabetes and GDM is higher in pregnant First Nations women than in other women in Ontario. As a result, pregnant First Nations women with diabetes are at a higher risk of adverse maternal and perinatal outcomes that, if managed through appropriate health care before and during pregnancy, may improve health inequalities in this population and its future generations. Indeed, offspring to mothers with diabetes during pregnancy are likely to develop diabetes at a younger age and may further propagate this intergenerational risk. (4, 25) This may be one factor that contributes to the increasing incidence in diabetes in First Nations children noted recently by our team. (26)

In relation to maternal outcomes, preeclampsia rates were higher in First Nations women than in other women in Ontario regardless of diabetes status, though the difference is greater among

women with pre-existing diabetes and GDM than in women with no diabetes. Oster et al. (17) reported a lower rate of pregnancy-induced hypertension in First Nations women compared to other women in Alberta, and no difference between both populations in women with diabetes during pregnancy. In our study, labour induction rates were higher in First Nations women than among other women, especially for those with pre-existing diabetes and GDM. Oster et al. (17) did not find higher rates of labour induction if First Nations women, independently of diabetes status, compared to the other populations. Our finding that among women with pre-existing diabetes and GDM, First Nations women had a higher rate of caesarean deliveries compared to other women, also diverges from Oster et al. (17) who reported lower caesarean rates in Fist Nations women independent of diabetes status. Differences in the health of First Nations women from Ontario and Alberta, as well as in access to health care, could explain the differences between our study and Oster et al. (17)

In terms of perinatal outcomes, First Nations women with diabetes had similar rates of preterm birth compared to other women in Ontario. This finding differs from data reported by Liu et al. in Ontario, (16) and Chen et al. in Quebec, (18), who both found a higher rate of preterm birth in First Nations women with diabetes. Contrary to Liu et al. (27) we did not distinguish First Nations women living in or outside of First Nations communities in our study, however, the majority of First Nations women in Ontario live outside of First Nations communities, which could explain the difference between both studies. Differences between First Nations populations in Ontario versus Quebec, as well as in health services access/utilization could explain the divergence between our finding and those of Chen et al. (18) First Nations offspring were more likely to be LGA compared to the other population, as reported by Oster et al. in Alberta, (17) and Chen et al. in Quebec. (18) LGA is associated with worse glycemic control during pregnancy, so this

observation may reflect that First Nations women with pre-existing diabetes or GDM may not be achieving as good glycemic control in pregnancy as other women. Nevertheless, despite of higher rates of LGA babies, we did not find differences in obstructed labor rates between First Nations women and other women, a finding that deserves further studies. First Nations women with pre-existing diabetes, had a higher rate of congenital anomalies compared to the other population, as reported by Oster et al., in Alberta. (17) and Chen et al. in Quebec. (18) In our study, even First Nations women with GDM had an increased risk of congenital anomalies than the other population. It is usually thought that GDM does not increased the risk for anomalies since the glucose intolerance occurs after organogenesis has finished. This finding suggests there may be a burden of undiagnosed type 2 diabetes among those First Nations women labelled as GDM, supporting the need of greater screening for type 2 diabetes in First Nations women of reproductive age. Stillbirth rates were higher in First Nations women compared to other women, as reported by others. (10, 18, 28, 29) The gap was greater in women with pre-existing diabetes, a known risk factor for stillbirths.

With regard to health services access/utilization, almost all First Nations women, independent of diabetes status, were seen by a primary care provider during pregnancy. While almost 100% of non-First Nations women with pre-existing diabetes and GDM consulted an obstetrician or gynecologist during pregnancy, the rate was about 85% in First Nations women, higher than what was previously reported in on-reserve First Nations women in Ontario (64%). (16) First Nations women with pre-existing diabetes had less access to specialized care (internal medicine, or endocrinology) during pregnancy compared to other women, as reported by others, (16) which may contribute to worse glycemic control in First Nations women with diabetes and therefore adverse maternal and offspring outcomes. In women with pre-existing diabetes, there was no

difference in consults to ophthalmology or optometrist between First Nations women and other women in Ontario; however, only about 15% of women visited these specialist during pregnancy, a very low proportion considering that current guidelines recommend evaluation by an ophthalmologist in all pregnant women with pre-existing diabetes. (30) While the reasons for this disparity in access to care are not addressed in our study, others have identified a number of important factors including rurality and geographic isolation, culturally unsafe care and poor health care experiences, a lack of a holistic approach to care, significant power imbalances within the patient-provider relationship, and a lack of understanding from health care providers, among others. (14, 24)

Limitations

Our study has some limitations. First, women with pre-existing diabetes may have been misclassified as having GDM due to incomplete capture of such cases by the Ontario Diabetes Database. In addition, the Ontario Diabetes Database (ODD) algorithm does not distinguish between type 1 or type 2 diabetes. However, First Nations women with pre-existing diabetes likely have a much greater proportion of type 2 diabetes than in the other population, and this may be driving some of the difference in adverse outcomes between First Nations women and the other population with pre-existing diabetes. Second, due to low numbers for some of the outcomes studied, we were not able to analyse our data based on rurality or location of residence being in or outside of a First Nations community. Also, some women, especially in northwestern Ontario, may have receive their pregnancy care in Winnipeg, so their health service utilization will be underestimated.

Conclusion

Our results confirm disparities in maternal and perinatal outcomes between First Nations women and other women in Ontario. While health services access/utilization at the primary care level seems adequate, access to specialized care especially for women with pre-existing diabetes needs to improve. In light of recent national inquiries into the treatment of Indigenous women in Canada (11, 12), it is important that efforts to improve the quality of care and maternal and neonatal outcomes in First Nations women with diabetes acknowledge the agency of First Nations women and be grounded in an understanding of ongoing, intergenerational impacts of colonization.

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Table 1: Temporal trend in diabetes during pregnancy among First Nations women compared to the other population. 2002-2014. Rates are agestandardized per 1000 women

	2002	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	P for
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2000	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	treno
Pre-existing Diabetes														
	13.9	14.9 (14.2 -	16.3 (15.6 -	15.6 (15.0 -	17.9 (17.2 -	18.4 (17.7 -	19.1 (18.4 -	19.4 (18.6 -	19.0 (18.3 -	20.0 (19.2 -	20.4 (19.6 -	20.3 (19.6 -	20.5 (19.8 -	
Other Population	(13.2 - 14.5)	15.6)	17.0)	16.3)	18.7)	19.1)	19.9)	20.1)	19.8)	20.7)	21.2)	21.1)	21.3)	<.0001
-	52.3 (39.6 -	51.9 (39.5 -	45.4 (34.1 -	57.8 (44.7 -	48.3 (36.8 -	47.1 (36.2 -	46.7 (35.8 -	47.9 (36.7 -	44.0 (33.4 -	56.3 (44.6 -	59.5 (47.3 -	49.8 (38.8 -	40.7 (31.1 -	0.6540
First Nations	67.9)	66.9)	59.4)	73.5)	62.2)	60.2)	59.8)	61.6)	56.9)	70.2)	73.8)	62.8)	52.2)	0.6549
Rate Ratio (95% CI)*	3.8 (2.9 - 4.9)	3.5 (2.7 - 4.5)	2.8 (2.1 - 3.7)	3.7 (2.9 - 4.7)	2.7 (2.1 - 3.5)	2.6 (2.0 - 3.3)	2.4 (1.9 - 3.1)	2.5 (1.9 - 3.2)	2.3 (1.8 - 3.0)	2.8 (2.3 - 3.5)	2.9 (2.3 - 3.6)	2.4 (1.9 - 3.1)	2.0 (1.5 - 2.6)	
Gestational Diabetes Mellitus														
	36.6	36.1	42.3	43.5	47.2	46.1	51.1	54.2	52.3	52.3	55.1	55.6	60.7	
Other Population	(35.5 - 37.7)	(35.1 - 37.2)	(41.2 - 43.5)	(42.3 - 44.6)	(46.0 - 48.4)	(45.0 - 47.3)	(49.9 - 52.3)	(53.0 - 55.5)	(51.0 - 53.5)	(51.1 - 53.5)	(53.8 - 56.4)	(54.4 - 56.9)	(59.4 - 62.0)	<.0001
	80.8 (65.3 -	83.8 (67.7 -	83.9 (68.3 -	92.1 (75.9 -	76.2 (61.4 -	87.7 (73.0 -	68.9 (55.8 -	84.7 (70.0 -	85.9 (71.2 -	85.0 (70.5 -	93.2 (78.5 -	85.0 (70.9 -	108.9 (93.3 -	
First Nations	99.0)	102.4)	102.0)	110.8)	93.5)	104.6)	84.2)	101.6)	102.7)	101.6)	109.8)	101.0)	126.2)	0.0034
Rate Ratio (95% CI)*	2.2 (1.8 - 2.7)	2.3 (1.9 - 2.8)	2.0 (1.6 - 2.4)	2.1 (1.8 - 2.6)	1.6 (1.3 - 2.0)	1.9 (1.6 - 2.3)	1.3 (1.1 - 1.7)	1.6 (1.3 - 1.9)	1.6 (1.4 - 2.0)	1.6 (1.4 - 2.0)	1.7 (1.4 - 2.0)	1.5 (1.3 - 1.8)	1.8 (1.5 - 2.1)	
Rate Ratio First N	ations co	mpared to	o other Po	pulation										

^{*} Rate Ratio First Nations compared to other Population

Table 2. Diabetes during pregnancy and Maternal/Labour outcomes in First Nations women and other women in Ontario

Maternal/Labour Outcomes		,	No Diabet	es Mellitus					Pre-existin	g Diabetes		Gestational Diabetes Mellitus								
Outcomes	Ot	ther Wome	en	First	Nations W	omen	Ot	ther Wom	en	First Nations Women			Other Women			First 1	Nations W	omen		
	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014		
Preeclampsia																				
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	1.1 (1.1 - 1.1)	1.0 (1.0 - 1.1)	1.3 (1.2 - 1.3)	1.4 (1.1- 1.8)	1.3 (1.0 - 1.7)	1.7 (1.4 - 2.1)	3.1 (2.6 - 3.7)	2.8 (2.4 - 3.3)	3.7 (3.3 - 4.3)	5.6 (3.2 - 9.1)	4.9 (2.7 - 8.1)	3.2 (1.8 - 5.4)	1.9 (1.7 - 2.1)	1.6 (1.4 - 1.8)	2.1 (1.9 - 2.3)	3.2 (1.8 - 5.2)	4.7 (3.0 - 7.1)	4.4 (3.1 - 6.1)		
RR (95%CI)			<u> </u>	1.32 (1.04 - 1.66)	1.29 (1.01 - 1.65)	1.36 (1.13 - 1.63)		,	,	1.80 (1.07 - 3.03)	1.73 (1.01 - 2.95)	0.86 (0.50 - 1.48)			,	1.66 (1.00 - 2.77)	2.96 (1.93 - 4.55)	2.09 (1.49 - 2.93)		
P for trend 2002-2014	<.0001				1100)	0.2214			0.0002	0.1922					<.0001	0.2548				
Labour induction																				
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	20.6 (20.5 - 20.7)	20.8 (20.6 - 20.9)	24.1 (23.9 - 24.2)	22.5 (21.1 - 23.9)	23.7 (22.4 - 25.0)	26.4 (25.2 - 27.7)	28.6 (27.2 - 30.1)	30.7 (29.4 - 32.0)	35.1 (33.8 - 36.4)	33.4 (27.1- 40.8)	40.1 (33.2 - 48.0)	42.9 (36.7 - 49.9)	30.0 (29.1 - 30.9)	30.7 (29.9 - 31.5)	37.5 (36.7 - 38.3)	38.5(3 3.2 - 44.4)	42.4 (36.9 - 48.6)	46.9 (42.3 - 51.8)		
RR (95%CI)				1.09 (1.03 - 1.16)	1.14 (1.08 - 1.21)	1.10 (1.05 - 1.15)			2011)	1.17 (0.95 - 1.43)	1.31 (1.08 - 1.57)	1.22 (1.05 - 1.43)				1.28 (1.11 - 1.49)	1.38 (1.20 - 1.59)	1.25 (1.13 - 1.38)		
P for trend 2002-2014			<.0001	<.0001					<.0001	0.0481					<.0001	0.0013				
Obstructed Labour			0001	4.0001												0.0015				
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	5.7 (5.6 - 5.7)	6.2 (6.1 - 6.3)	6.2 (6.1 - 6.3)	4.6 (4.0 - 5.3)	5.5 (4.9 - 6.2)	5.3 (4.8 - 5.9)	5.8 (5.2 - 6.4)	6.4 (5.8 - 7.1)	6.3 (5.8 - 6.9)	3.6 (1.8 - 6.4)	6.2 (3.7 - 9.8)	3.7 (2.1 - 6.2)	5.8 (5.4 - 6.2)	6.5 (6.1 - 6.8)	6.6 (6.2 - 6.9)	4.6 (2.9 - 6.9)	5.8 (3.9 - 8.3)	5.5 (4.1 - 7.4)		
RR (95%CI)				0.81 (0.71 - 0.93)	0.89 (0.79 - 1.00)	0.86 (0.78 - 0.95)				0.62 (0.34 - 1.13)	0.97 (0.61 - 1.54)	0.59 (0.35 - 1.00)				0.79 (0.52 - 1.21)	0.90 (0.63 - 1.30)	0.84 (0.63 - 1.13)		
P for trend 2002-2014			<.0001			0.027			0.5034			0.6858			0.0004	0.3899				
Caesarean delivery																				
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	26.5 (26.4 - 26.7)	28.3 (28.2 - 28.5)	27.8 (27.7 - 27.9)	27.4 (25.8 - 29.0)	28.9 (27.4 - 30.4)	28.5 (27.2 - 29.8)	42.6 (41.0 - 44.3)	44.2 (42.7 - 45.8)	43.6 (42.3 - 45.0)	53.7 (45.6 - 62.9)	47.8 (40.2 - 56.5)	53.1 (46.2 - 60.7)	35.4 (34.5 - 36.3)	37.4 (36.6 - 38.2)	36.4 (35.7 - 37.1)	41.8 (36.2 - 48.1)	41.4 (36.0 - 47.4)	43.4 (38.9 - 48.3)		
RR (95%CI)				1.03 (0.98 - 1.10)	1.02 (0.97 - 1.07)	1.02 (0.98 - 1.07)				1.26 (1.07 - 1.48)	1.08 (0.91 - 1.28)	1.22 (1.06 - 1.40)				1.18 (1.03 - 1.36)	1.11 (0.97 - 1.27)	1.19 (1.07 - 1.33)		
P for trend 2002-2014			<.0001			0.0094			0.0163	0.4941					0.1459	0.6206				

Table 3. Diabetes during pregnancy and Neonatal outcomes in First Nations women and other women in Ontario

Neonatal			No Diabet	es Mellitus					Pre-existin	g Diabetes	}	Gestational Diabetes Mellitus							
Outcomes	O	ther Wom	en	First	Nations W	omen	Ot	ther Wom	en	First Nations Women			Other Women			First	Nations W	omen	
	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	
Preterm delivery																			
	7.5	7.8	7.5	7.7	8.5	8.8	17.5	16.9	16.9	20.5	19.8	19.0	12.1	12.1	11.8	11.9	11.8	14.4	
Rates per 100 births	(7.4 - 7.6)	(7.7 -	(7.4 - 7.6)	(6.9 -	(7.7 -	(8.0 -	(16.2 - 18.8)	(15.9 - 17.9)	(16.0 - 17.8)	(15.5 -	(15.0 -	(15.0 -	(11.5 - 12.6)	(11.6 -	(11.4 -	(9.0 -	(8.9 -	(11.8 -	
(95%CI)	/.6)	7.9)	7.6)	8.6) 1.03	9.4) 1.10	9.5)	18.8)	17.9)	17.8)	26.5)	25.8) 1.18	23.7)	12.6)	12.5)	12.3)	15.5) 0.99	15.3) 0.98	17.3)	
				(0.92 -	(0.99 -	(1.07 -				(0.90 -	(0.90 -	(0.89 -				(0.76 -	(0.75 -	(1.00 -	
RR (95% CI)				1.14)	1.21)	1.27)				1.54)	1.54)	1.41)				1.29)	1.27)	1.47)	
P for trend 2002-						,										,			
2014			0.9417			0.0151	0.6404					0.4751			0.6158	0.1198			
Large Gestation Age																			
	11.0	10.2	9.5	24.2	23.7	21.2	25.3	24.4	24.3	50.7	50.9	46.1	16.3	15.0	14.0	49.4	50.1	45.9	
Rates per 100 births (95%CI)	(10.9 - 11.1)	(10.1 - 10.3)	(9.4 - 9.6)	(22.7 - 25.8)	(22.3 - 25.1)	(20.0 - 22.3)	(23.9 - 26.8)	(23.2 - 25.7)	(23.1 - 25.4)	(42.4 - 60.0)	(42.7 - 60.3)	(39.5 - 53.4)	(15.6 - 17.0)	(14.4 - 15.6)	(13.5 - 14.5)	(43.2 - 56.3)	(43.9 - 56.9)	(41.2 - 51.1)	
(93%C1)	11.1)	10.3)	9.0)	23.8)	2.31	2.23	20.8)	23.1)	23.4)	2.00	2.09	1.90	17.0)	13.0)	14.3)	3.03	3.34	31.1)	
				(2.08 -	(2.18 -	(2.11 -				(1.67 -	(1.75 -	(1.63 -				(2.65 -	(2.92 -	(2.93 -	
RR (95% CI)				2.35)	2.45)	2.36)				2.40)	2.49)	2.22)				3.48)	3.82)	3.66)	
P for trend 2002-																			
2014			<.0001			<.0001			0.0064			0.3482			<.0001			0.1264	
Congenital Anomalies																			
D-4 100 hinth-	5.1 (5.0 -	4.8	5.6	5.4 (4.7 -	4.7	5.2 (4.7 -	7.6 (6.9 -	8.2 (7.5 -	8.9 (8.2 -	16.8 (12.3 -	14.2	14.4 (10.8 -	5.7 (5.3 -	5.3 (5.0 -	6.0 (5.7 -	8.0 (5.7 -	5.4 (3.5 -	8.0 (6.2 -	
Rates per 100 births (95%CI)	5.2)	(4.7 - 4.8)	(5.5 - 5.6)	6.1)	(4.1 - 5.4)	5.8)	(6.9 -	9.0)	9.6)	22.4)	(10.1 - 19.3)	18.7)	(5.3 -	5.6)	6.3)	(5.7 -	(3.5 -	10.3)	
(757001)	3.2)	7.0)	3.0)	1.05	0.99	0.94	0.4)	7.0)	7.0)	2.20	1.73	1.62	0.1)	3.0)	0.5)	1.40	1.03	1.34	
				(0.92 -	(0.87 -	(0.85 -				(1.62 -	(1.25 -	(1.23 -				(1.02 -	(0.70 -	(1.04 -	
RR (95% CI)				1.19)	1.13)	1.05)				2.99)	2.39)	2.13)				1.93)	1.53)	1.72)	
P for trend 2002- 2014			<.0001			0.5652	0.0013			0.278					0.0009	0.8487			
Stillbirths																			
	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.4	1.3	1.2	3.1	5.1	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	1.1	1.6	1.0	
Rates per 100 births	(0.6 -	(0.5 -	(0.5 -	(0.6 -	(0.6 -	(0.7 -	(1.1 -	(1.1 -	(1.0 -	(1.4 -	(2.9 -	(0.4 -	(0.4 -	(0.4 -	(0.3 -	(0.4 -	(0.7 -	(0.4 -	
(95%CI)	0.7)	0.6)	0.6)	1.2)	1.2)	1.2)	1.8)	1.7)	1.5)	5.8)	8.4)	2.6)	0.6)	0.7)	0.5)	2.5)	3.2)	2.1)	
				1.34 (0.97 -	1.49 (1.08 -	1.66 (1.28 -				2.19 (1.09 -	3.81 (2.21 -	0.92 (0.38 -				2.13 (0.89 -	3.06 (1.49 -	2.64 (1.20 -	
RR (95% CI)				1.86)	2.05)	2.15)				4.40)	6.56)	2.20)				5.11)	6.25)	5.81)	
P for trend 2002-				2.03))					2.23)	_ =:==0)						2.02)	
2014			<.0001			0.8247			0.4968			0.1669			0.005			0.3483	

Table 4. Diabetes during pregnancy and health services utilization in First Nations women and other women in Ontario

Health Services			No Diabet	es Mellitus]	Pre-existin	g Diabetes	3			Gest	ational Di	abetes Mellitus			
	O	ther Wom	en	First	Nations W	omen	Ot	ther Wom	en	First	Nations W	omen	O	ther Wom	en	First 1	Nations W	omen	
	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 2014	2002- 2005	2006- 2009	2010- 1014	
Primary Care																			
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	95.0 (94.7- 95.2)	95.3 (95.1 - 95.6)	94.0 (93.8 - 94.3)	89.1 (86.4 - 91.9)	87.4 (84.9 - 89.9)	82.7 (80.5 - 84.8)	96.8 (94.3 - 99.5)	97.2 (94.9 - 99.5)	96.5 (94.4 - 98.5)	93.7 (82.8 - 105.6)	91.0 (80.3 - 102.6)	84.0 (75.2 - 93.5)	97.4 (95.8 - 99.0)	97.7 (96.3 - 99.1)	96.2 (95.0 - 97.5)	89.6 (81.3 - 98.4)	84.0 (76.2 - 92.3)	79.2 (73.1 - 85.6)	
RR (95%CI)				0.94 (0.91 - 0.97)	0.92 (0.89 - 0.94)	0.88 (0.86 - 0.90)				0.97 (0.86 - 1.09)	0.94 (0.83 - 1.06)	0.87 (0.78 - 0.97)				0.92 (0.84 - 1.01)	0.86 (0.78 - 0.95)	0.82 (0.76 - 0.89)	
P for trend 2002-2014			<.0001			<.0001			<.0001			<.0001			<.0001	<.0001			
Obstetrics/Gynecolo gy																			
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)	85.6 (85.4 - 85.9)	88.2 (88.0 - 88.5)	87.8 (87.6 - 88.1)	69.1 (66.6 - 71.6)	68.2 (65.9 - 70.5)	67.1 (65.2 - 69.1)	95.2 (92.7 - 97.7)	96.7 (94.5 - 99.0)	97.2 (95.2 - 99.3)	78.3 (68.5 - 89.3)	81.5 (71.4 - 92.6)	81.5 (72.9 - 90.8)	94.7 (93.2 - 96.3)	97.0 (95.6 - 98.3)	97.8 (96.5 - 99.1)	76.4 (68.7 - 84.7)	78.7 (71.2 - 86.9)	81.6 (75.4 - 88.1)	
RR (95%CI)			,	0.81 (0.78 - 0.84)	0.77 (0.75 - 0.80)	0.76 (0.74 - 0.79)		,		0.82 (0.72 - 0.94)	0.84 (0.74 - 0.96)	0.84 (0.75 - 0.94)		,	,	0.81 (0.73 - 0.89)	0.81 (0.74 - 0.90)	0.83 (0.77 - 0.90)	
P for trend 2002-2014			<.0001	0.84)	0.80)	0.79)			<.0001	0.94)	0.90)	0.2605			< 0001	0.89)	0.90)	0.0405	
Internist/Endocrinol ogy			<.0001			0.2478			<.0001			0.2603			<.0001			0.0403	
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)							57.4 (55.5 - 59.5)	59.8 (58.0 - 61.6)	60.1 (58.5 - 61.7)	39.9 (33.0 - 47.9) 0.70	47.3 (39.7 - 56.0) 0.79	49.1 (42.5 - 56.4) 0.82	68.9 (67.7 - 70.2)	72.8 (71.6 - 73.9)	75.2 (74.2 - 76.3)	32.1 (27.2 - 37.7) 0.47	35.0 (29.9 - 40.7) 0.48	38.3 (34.0 - 42.9) 0.51	
RR (95%CI)										(0.58 - 0.84)	(0.67 - 0.94)	(0.71 - 0.94)				(0.40 - 0.55)	(0.41 - 0.56)	(0.45 - 0.57)	
P for trend 2002-2014									<.0001			0.0038			<.0001			0.0237	
Opthalmologist/opto metrist																			
Rate per 100 deliveries (95%CI)							17.5 (16.3 - 18.7)	12.9 (12.1 - 13.8)	10.2 (9.6 - 10.9)	14.2 (10.2 - 19.3)	12.3 (8.6 - 17.1)	13.5 (10.2 - 17.7)							
RR (95%CI)										0.81 (0.59 - 1.11)	0.95 (0.68 - 1.33)	1.32 (1.00 - 1.74)							
P for trend 2002-2014									<.0001			0.8226							

Figure 1. Temporal trends in pre-existing (A) and gestational diabetes (B) during pregnancy among First Nations women and other women in Ontario, 2002-2014

