In 2017-19, **191 women died** during or up to six weeks after the end of pregnancy, from causes associated with their pregnancy, among 2,173,810 women giving birth in the UK. **8.8 women** per 100,000 died during pregnancy or up to six weeks after childbirth or the end of pregnancy. There is no statistically significant difference in maternal mortality compared to 2010-12.

**Key messages from the report 2021**

- **Train undergraduates**
- **Train postgraduates**
- **Advocate**
- **Counsel post-pregnancy**
- **Remember the benefits of treatment**
- **Work as a multidisciplinary team**
- **Recognise the abnormal**
- **Provide postnatal care**
- **Avoid gaps in care or treatment**
- **Offer specialist mental and physical health services**
- **Remember self examination**
- **Stop gate keeping**
- **Understand and tackle inequity**
- **Prevent obesity**
- **Advise pre-pregnancy including on contraception**
- **Individualise pathways of care**
- **Reassess risk**
- **Give safety net advice**
- **Remember risk is dynamic**

**Preventing maternal deaths**
- **- we are all part of the solution**