Zika infection during pregnancy can cause serious birth defects in babies.

Congenital Zika syndrome is a pattern of birth defects in babies infected with Zika during pregnancy.

- Small head size (microcephaly)
- Damage to the brain
- Problems with vision and hearing
- Seizures
- Problems with feeding (difficulty swallowing)
- Problems moving limbs and body

Reported cases of pregnant women with any lab evidence of possible Zika increased in 2016.

![Graph showing the increase in reported cases of pregnant women with possible Zika infection from January to December 2016.](source)

**Total number of pregnancies reported from 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia**


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