

Provisional Vital Statistics for September 2014

Live Births decreased in September as 6,468 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,516 born one year earlier. However, cumulative births for the 9-month period ending with September show virtually no change in 2014. For January-September, there were 56,364 births compared with 56,375, or 11 less than that in 2013.

Deaths increased slightly in September as 4,445 Missourians died compared with 4,437 in September, 2013. Deaths also decreased slightly for the 9- and 12-month periods ending with September. For January-September, there were 42,796 Missouri resident deaths compared with 42,970 for the similar time period in 2013 for a decrease of 0.4 percent.

The **Natural Increase** in September for Missourians was 2,023 (6,468 births minus 4,445 deaths). The natural increase rose for both the 9- and 12-month periods ending with September. For the 12 months ending with September, the natural increase rose from 17,691 to 18,151, or 2.6 percent.

Marriages decreased in September, but increased for the cumulative 9- and 12-month periods ending with September. For January-September, marriages increased by 3.7 percent from 29,293 to 30,383.

Dissolutions of Marriage increased in September, but decreased for the 9- and 12-month periods ending with September. For January-September, dissolutions decreased by 5.4 percent from 15,697 to 14,855. For the 12 months ending with September, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.83 to 2.02.

Infant Deaths decreased in September as 32 Missouri infants died compared with 45 in September of 2013. For the 12 months ending with September, the infant death rate decreased from 6.6 to 5.9 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>September</u>				<u>January-September</u>				<u>12 months ending with September</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Live Births	6,516	6,468	13.1	13.0	56,375	56,364	12.5	12.4	75,162	75,233	12.5	12.4	12.4
Deaths	4,437	4,445	8.9	8.9	42,970	42,796	9.6	9.4	57,471	57,082	9.2	9.5	9.4
Natural increase	2,079	2,023	4.2	4.1	13,405	13,568	3.0	3.0	17,691	18,151	3.3	2.9	3.0
Marriages	4,523	4,413	9.1	8.9	29,293	30,383	6.5	6.7	38,916	40,074	6.6	6.4	6.6
Dissolutions	1,607	1,652	3.2	3.3	15,697	14,855	3.5	3.3	21,261	19,842	3.8	3.5	3.3
Infant deaths	45	32	6.9	4.9	368	325	6.5	5.8	497	445	6.3	6.6	5.9
Population base (in thousands)			6,044	6,063			6,044	6,063			6,022	6,038	6,058

* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1,000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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