

Provisional Vital Statistics for November 2015

Live births increased in November as 6,003 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,816 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November were virtually the same as in the previous year. For January-November, there were 68,580 births compared with 68,614 in 2014.

Deaths decreased in November as 4,833 Missourians died compared with 4,910 in November, 2014. However, deaths increased for the cumulative 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For January-November, there were 54,658 Missouri resident deaths or 4.0 percent more than the 52,539 for the similar time period in 2014.

The **Natural increase** in November for Missourians was 1,170 (6,003 births minus 4,833 deaths). The natural increase declined for both the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For the 12 months ending with November, the

natural increase declined by more than 15 percent from 17,483 to 14,810.

Marriages decreased in November, but increased for the cumulative 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For January-November, marriages increased by 1.9 percent from 38,137 to 38,872.

Dissolutions of marriage decreased for all three periods shown below. For January-November, dissolutions decreased from 18,034 to 17,526. For the 12 months ending with November, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.06 to 2.14.

Infant deaths decreased in November as 30 Missouri infants died compared with 33 in November of 2014. For the 12 months ending with November, the infant death rate increased from 6.1 per 1,000 live births in 2014 to 6.4 in 2015.

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Item	<u>November</u>				<u>Jan.—Nov. Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with November</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Live Births	5,816	6,003	11.7	12.0	68,614	68,580	12.4	12.3	75,024	75,070	12.4	12.4	12.3
Deaths	4,910	4,833	9.9	9.7	52,539	54,658	9.5	9.8	57,541	60,260	9.5	9.5	9.9
Natural increase	906	1,170	1.8	2.3	16,075	13,922	2.9	2.5	17,483	14,810	2.9	2.9	2.4
Marriages	2,793	2,508	5.6	5.0	38,137	38,872	6.9	7.0	40,570	41,514	6.5	6.7	6.8
Dissolutions	1,405	1,392	2.8	2.8	18,034	17,526	3.3	3.1	19,667	19,369	3.5	3.2	3.2
Infant deaths	33	30	5.7	5.0	410	432	6.0	6.3	457	478	6.5	6.1	6.4
Population base (in thousands)			6,064	6,084			6,064	6,084			6,042	6,061	6,082

* 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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