

## Provisional Vital Statistics for July 2016

**Live births** decreased in July as 6,624 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,765 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 7- and 12-month periods ending with July also decreased. For January-July, births decreased by 1 percent from 43,338 to 42,893.

**Deaths** decreased in July by one death as 4,783 Missourians died compared with 4,784 in July, 2015. Deaths also decreased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For January-July, there were 34,717 Missouri resident deaths or 2.5 percent less than the 35,609 for the similar time period in 2015.

The **Natural increase** in July for Missourians was 1,841 (6,624 births minus 4,783 deaths). The natural increase rose for both the 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For the 12 months ending with July, the natural increase went up from 15,080 to 15,679.

**Marriages** increased for all three time periods shown below. For the 12 months ending with July, marriages increased by 2.1 percent from 40,816 to 41,659.

**Dissolutions of marriage** decreased in July, but increased for the 7-month period ending with July. For January-July, dissolutions increased from 11,456 in 2015 to 11,527. For the 12 months ending with July, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.07 to 2.15.

**Infant deaths** decreased in July as 34 Missouri infants died compared with 42 in July of 2015. For the 12 months ending with July, the infant death rate increased from 6.3 to 6.7 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>July</u>				<u>January—July Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with July</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Live Births</b> .....	6,765	6,624	13.1	12.8	43,338	42,893	12.3	12.1	75,117	74,597	12.5	12.4	12.2
<b>Deaths</b> .....	4,784	4,783	9.3	9.3	35,609	34,717	10.1	9.8	60,037	58,918	9.4	9.9	9.7
<b>Natural increase</b> .....	1,981	1,841	3.8	3.6	7,729	8,176	2.2	2.3	15,080	15,679	3.1	2.5	2.6
<b>Marriages</b> .....	3,735	3,975	7.2	7.7	22,291	22,573	6.3	6.4	40,816	41,659	6.6	6.7	6.8
<b>Dissolutions</b> .....	1,772	1,432	3.4	2.8	11,456	11,527	3.2	3.2	19,709	19,401	3.3	3.2	3.2
<b>Infant deaths</b> .....	42	34	6.2	5.1	282	295	6.5	6.9	471	502	6.2	6.3	6.7
<b>Population base</b> ..... (in thousands)	...	...	6,084	6,103	...	...	6,084	6,103	...	...	6,055	6,075	6,095

\* 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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