

Provisional Vital Statistics for November, 2016

Live births decreased in November as 5,978 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,003 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 11- and 12- month periods ending with November decreased slightly. For January-November, births decreased from 68,580 to 68,549.

Deaths decreased slightly in November as 4,850 Missourians died compared with 4,868 in November, 2015. Deaths also decreased for the cumulative 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For January-November, there were 53,908 Missouri resident deaths or 1.5 percent less than the 54,743 for the similar time period in 2015.

The **Natural increase** in November for Missourians was 1,128 (5,978 births minus 4,850 deaths). The natural increase rose for both the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For the 12 months ending with November, the natural increase went up 8.9 percent from 14,725 to 16,036.

Marriages increased in November and January-November, but decreased slightly for the 12 months ending with November. For January to November, marriages increased slightly from 38,878 to 39,003.

Dissolutions of marriage increased for all three time periods shown in the table below. For January-November, dissolutions increased by 3.9 percent from 17,599 in 2015 to 18,286. For the 12 months ending with November, the marriage to divorce ratio decreased from 2.14 to 2.07.

Infant deaths increased in November as 36 Missouri infants died compared with 34 in November of 2015. For the 12 months ending with November, the infant death rate remained at 6.6 per 1,000 live births, the same rate as the previous year.

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<u>Item</u>	<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>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>
Live Births	6,033	5,978	12.0	12.0	68,580	68,549	12.3	12.3	75,070	75,011	12.4	12.3	12.3
Deaths	4,868	4,850	9.7	9.7	54,743	53,908	9.8	9.7	60,345	58,975	9.5	9.9	9.7
Natural increase	1,135	1,128	2.3	2.3	13,837	14,641	2.5	2.6	14,725	16,036	2.9	2.4	2.6
Marriages	2,513	2,670	5.0	5.3	38,878	39,003	7.0	7.0	41,520	41,502	6.7	6.8	6.8
Dissolutions	1,420	1,650	2.8	3.3	17,599	18,286	3.2	3.3	19,442	20,017	3.2	3.2	3.3
Infant deaths	34	36	5.7	6.0	447	453	6.5	6.6	493	495	6.1	6.6	6.6
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	6,084	6,103	....	....	6,084	6,103	....	....	6,061	6,082	6,101

* 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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