

Provisional Vital Statistics for July 2024

Live Births decreased slightly in July as 5,898 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,917 born one year earlier. However, for January-July, births increased from 38,542 to 39,026. For the 12 months ending with July, births decreased from 68,138 to 67,549.

Deaths increased in July as 5,316 Missourians died compared with 5,179 in July 2023. Deaths for January-July decreased slightly from 38,718 in 2023 to 38,646. For the 12 months ending with July, deaths decreased by 2.3 percent from 67,983 to 66,400.

The **Natural Increase** in July for Missourians was 582 (5,898 births minus 5,316 deaths). There was a slight natural increase for January-July compared to a slight natural decrease in 2023. For for the 12 months ending with July, there was a natural increase of 1,149 compared to a natural increase of 155 one year earlier.

Marriages decreased for all three time periods shown in the table below. For the 12 months ending with July, marriages decreased by 2.7 percent from 35,646 to 34,690.

Dissolutions of Marriage increased in July but decreased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For the 12 months ending with July, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.15 to 2.20.

Infant Deaths increased in July as 38 Missouri infants died compared with 33 in July of 2023. For January-July, the infant death rate increased from 6.2 to 6.7 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>July</u>				<u>Jan. — 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>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Live Births	5,917	5,898	11.2	11.2	38,542	39,026	10.7	10.8	68,138	67,549	11.1	11.0	10.9
Deaths	5,179	5,316	9.8	10.1	38,718	38,646	10.8	10.7	67,983	66,400	12.2	11.0	10.7
Natural increase	738	582	1.4	1.1	-176	380	0.0	0.1	155	1,149	-1.0	0.0	0.2
Marriages	2,833	2,371	5.4	4.5	17,904	17,198	5.0	4.8	35,646	34,690	5.9	5.8	5.6
Dissolutions	1,139	1,268	2.2	2.4	9,574	9,137	2.7	2.5	16,578	15,783	2.7	2.7	2.5
Infant deaths	33	38	5.6	6.4	240	260	6.2	6.7	418	414	5.9	6.1	6.1
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	6,196	6,210	....	....	6,196	6,210	....	....	6,175	6,189	6,204

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.

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