



# PROVISIONAL VITAL STATISTICS

## April 2025

### Summary<sup>1</sup>

**Live Births** increased in April as 5,637 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,462 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 4- and 12-month periods ending with April also show increases. For the 12 months ending with April, births increased by 0.7 percent from 67,750 to 68,201.

**Deaths** increased slightly in April as 5,332 Missourians died compared with 5,321 in April 2024. Deaths also increased for January-April and for the 12-month period ending with April. For the 12 months ending with April, deaths increased by 2.0 percent from 66,502 to 67,854.

The **Natural Increase** in April for Missourians was 305 (5,637 births minus 5,332 deaths). However, there was a natural decrease for January-April of 1,766. For the 12 months ending with April, births outnumbered deaths as there was a slight natural increase of 347.

**Marriages** decreased in April but increased for the 4- and 12-month periods ending with April. For the 12 months ending with April, marriages increased by 1.4 percent from 35,661 to 36,167.

**Dissolutions of Marriage** decreased for all three time periods shown to the right. For the 12 months ending with April, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.22 to 2.51.

**Infant Deaths** decreased in April as 30 Missouri infants died compared with 41 in April of 2024. For the 12 months ending with April, the infant death rate decreased from 6.1 to 5.7 per 1,000 live births.

### April

	Count 2024	Count 2025	Rate <sup>2</sup> 2024	Rate 2025
Live Births	5,462	5,637	10.7	10.9
Deaths	5,321	5,332	10.4	10.4
Natural Increase	141	305	0.3	0.6
Marriages	2,946	2,592	5.8	5.0
Dissolutions	1,440	1,310	2.8	2.5
Infant Deaths	41	30	7.5	5.3
Population Base (in thousands)	...	...	6,208	6,245

### Jan. – Apr. Cumulative

	Count 2024	Count 2025	Rate 2024	Rate 2025
Live Births	22,019	22,357	10.7	10.9
Deaths	22,839	24,123	11.1	11.7
Natural Increase	-820	-1,766	-0.4	-0.9
Marriages	8,039	8,148	3.9	4.0
Dissolutions	5,247	4,473	2.5	2.2
Infant Deaths	157	115	7.1	5.1
Population Base (in thousands)	...	...	6,208	6,245

### 12 Months Ending with April

	Count 2024	Count 2025	Rate 2023	Rate 2024	Rate 2025
Live Births	67,750	68,201	11.1	10.9	10.9
Deaths	66,502	67,854	11.1	10.7	10.9
Natural Increase	1,248	347	0.0	0.2	0.1
Marriages	35,661	36,167	5.8	5.7	5.8
Dissolutions	16,046	14,417	2.7	2.6	2.3
Infant Deaths	410	388	6.4	6.1	5.7
Population Base (in thousands)	...	...	6,189	6,221	6,252

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<sup>2</sup> 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.