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Live births decreased in June as 6,618 Missouri babies were born compared with 7,090 in June 2007. Cumulative live births for the 6- and 12-month periods ending with June both show slight decreases.

Deaths decreased slightly in June as 4,036 Missourians died compared with 4,090 one year earlier. However, cumulative deaths for the 6- and 12-month periods ending with June show relatively large increases.

The **Natural increase** in June was 2,582 (6,618 births minus 4,036 deaths). The natural increase declined for all three time periods shown below.

Marriages decreased for three time periods. For the 12 months ending with June, marriages decreased by 1.6 percent from 39,948 to 39,323.

Dissolutions of marriage also decreased for all three time periods shown below. For the 12 months ending with June, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.80 to 1.81.

Infant deaths decreased for all three time periods. For the first half of the year, the infant death rate decreased from 7.7 to 7.0. For the 12 months ending with June, infant deaths decreased by 4.6 percent from 609 to 581.

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	<u>June</u>				JanJun. Cumulative				12 months ending with June				
<u>Item</u>	Number		Rate*		<u>Number</u>		Rate*		<u>Number</u>		Rate*		
	2007	2008	2007	<u>2008</u>	2007	2008	<u>2007</u> 2	2008	<u>2007</u>	2008	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u> <u>2</u>	2008
Live Births	7,090	6,618	14.7	13.6	40,030	39,770	13.7	13.5	81,864	81,627	13.7	14.0	13.8
Deaths	4,090	4,036	8.5	8.3	27,434	29,365	9.4	10.0	54,167	55,865	9.3	9.2	9.5
Natural increase	3,000	2,582	6.7	5.3	12,596	10,405	4.4	3.5	27,697	25,762	4.4	4.7	4.4
Marriages	5,219	4,711	11.6	11.6	18,604	17,522	6.5	6.0	39,948	39,323	7.0	6.8	6.7
Dissolutions	1,907	1,810	4.2	3.7	11,148	10,694	3.9	3.9	22,151	21,769	4.3	3.8	3.7
Infant deaths	43	30	6.1	4.5	309	277	7.7	7.0	609	581	7.5	7.4	7.1
Population base			5,878	5,920			5,878	5,920			5,813	5,857	5,899

^{*} Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1000 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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