

Provisional Vital Statistics for October 2011

Live births decreased slightly in October as 6,268 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,311 in October 2010. Cumulative births for the 10—and 12—month periods ending with October show very little change from the 2010 figures. For January—October, there were 64,005 births compared with 64,062 one year earlier.

Deaths decreased slightly in October, but increased for the cumulative 10—and 12—month periods ending with October. For January-October, deaths increased by 1.9 percent from 45,463 to 46,327.

The **Natural increase** in October was 1,608 (6,268 births minus 4,660 deaths). Cumulative natural increases for the 10—and 12—month periods ending with October both declined.

Marriages and Dissolutions of Marriage are not yet available for January— October.

Infant deaths decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January—October, the infant death rate decreased from 6.7 to 6.4 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>October</u>				<u>January-October</u>				<u>12 months ending with October</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Live Births	6,311	6,268	12.4	12.2	64,062	64,005	12.8	12.8	76,645	76,661	13.3	12.8	12.7
Deaths	4,717	4,660	9.3	9.1	45,463	46,327	9.1	9.2	54,630	56,004	9.1	9.1	9.3
Natural increase	1,594	1,608	3.1	3.1	18,599	17,678	3.7	3.5	22,015	20,657	4.2	3.7	3.4
Marriages	4,755	NA	9.3	NA	34,261	NA	6.9	NA	38,854	NA	6.6	6.5	NA
Dissolutions	1,798	NA	3.5	NA	19,262	NA	3.9	NA	22,985	NA	3.7	3.8	NA
Infant deaths	41	27	6.5	4.3	430	407	6.7	6.4	526	473	7.1	6.9	6.2
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	5,989	6,025	....	....	5,989	6,025	....	....	5,953	5,988	6,019

* 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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