Provisional Vital Statistics for November 2014

Live Births decreased in November as 5,815 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,929 born one year earlier. Cumulative births decreased slightly from 68,834 to 68,605 for January-November. For the 12 months ending with November, there were 75,015 births compared with 74,979, or 36 more than that for one year earlier.

Deaths increased in November as 4,886 Missourians died compared with 4,604 in November, 2013. Deaths also increased slightly for the 10- and 12-month periods ending with November. For January-November, there were 52,449 Missouri resident deaths compared with 52,254 for the similar time period in 2013 for a increase of 0.4 percent.

The **Natural Increase** in November for Missourians was 929 (5,815 births minus 4,886 deaths). The natural increase fell for both the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For the 12 months ending with November, the natural increase declined from 17,632 to 17,564.

Marriages increased for all three periods shown in the table below. For January-November, marriages increased by 4.3 percent from 36,551 to 38,134.

Dissolutions of Marriage decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-November, dissolutions decreased by 5.2 percent from 19,051 to 18,051. For the 12 months ending with November, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.88 to 2.06.

Infant Deaths decreased slightly in November as 31 Missouri infants died compared with 32 in November of 2013. For the 12 months ending with November, the infant death rate decreased from 6.5 to 6.0 per 1,000 live births.

	November				January-November Cumulative				12 months ending with November				
Item	Number		Rate*		<u>Number</u>		Rate*		<u>Number</u>		Rate*		
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Live Births	5,929	5,815	11.9	11.7	68,834	68,605	12.4	12.4	74,979	75,015	12.5	12.4	12.4
Deaths	4,604	4,886	9.3	9.8	52,254	52,449	9.5	9.5	57,347	57,451	9.2	9.5	9.5
Natural increase	1,325	929	2.7	1.9	16,580	16,156	3.0	2.9	17,632	17,564	3.3	2.9	2.9
Marriages	2,672	2,790	5.4	5.6	36,551	38,134	6.6	6.9	39,343	40,567	6.5	6.5	6.7
Dissolutions	1,548	1,408	3.1	2.8	19,051	18,051	3.4	3.3	20,880	19,684	3.8	3.5	3.2
Infant deaths	32	31	5.4	5.3	441	402	6.4	5.9	485	449	6.5	6.5	6.0
Population base			6,044	6,063			6,044	6,063			6,024	6,042	6,061
(in thousands)													

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* 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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