

## Provisional Vital Statistics for January 2020

**Live Births** decreased in January as 5,825 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,893 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for 12-month period ending with January show a decrease from 73,107 in 2019 to 72,035 in 2020. The provisional count for 2019 of 72,103 births represents the lowest number of Missouri resident births since 1976.

**Deaths** increased in January as 5,681 Missourians died compared with 5,549 in January, 2019. Cumulative deaths for the 12 months ending with January show a slight increase from 61,984 to 62,269. The 2019 provisional count of 62,137 Missouri resident deaths represents a 1.5 percent decrease from the count in 2018.

The **Natural Increase** in January was 144 (5,825 births minus 5,681 deaths). For the 12 months ending with January, the natural increase declined from 11,123 to 9,766. The provisional 2019 natural increase of 9,966 is the lowest since 1936.

**Marriages** decreased in January as well as for the 12 months ending with January. The 2019 marriage count of 36,636 is the lowest since 1962.

**Dissolutions of Marriage** increased in January as 1,368 couples divorced compared with 1,305 one year earlier. For the 12 months ending with January, dissolutions decreased by 3.8 percent from 18,512 to 17,803. For the 12 months ending with January, the marriage to divorce ratio decreased from 2.14 to 2.06.

**Infant Deaths** increased slightly in January as 31 Missouri infants died compared with 25 one year earlier. The 2019 provisional infant death rate of 6.0 per 1,000 live births is the lowest on record.

### PROVISIONAL RESIDENT VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE STATE OF MISSOURI

<u>Item</u>	<u>January</u>				<u>12 months ending with January</u>								<u>Provisional</u>	
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>			<u>Rate*</u>					2019	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
<b>Live Births</b> .....	5,893	5,825	11.3	11.2	73,247	73,107	72,035	12.2	12.0	11.9	11.7	72,103	11.7	
<b>Deaths</b> .....	5,549	5,681	10.6	10.9	62,479	61,984	62,269	9.9	10.2	10.1	10.1	62,137	10.1	
<b>Natural increase</b> .....	344	144	0.7	0.3	10,768	11,123	9,766	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.6	9,966	1.6	
<b>Marriages</b> .....	1,526	1,481	2.9	2.8	40,213	39,708	36,591	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.0	36,636	6.0	
<b>Dissolutions</b> .....	1,305	1,368	2.5	2.6	19,106	18,512	17,803	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.9	17,740	2.9	
<b>Infant deaths</b> .....	25	31	4.2	5.3	464	438	438	6.5	6.3	6.0	6.1	432	6.0	
<b>Population base</b> ..... (in thousands)			6,137	6,152				6,089	6,108	6,122	6,138		6,137	

\* 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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