

Provisional Vital Statistics for April 2019

Live Births increased in April as 5,869 Missouri babies were born compared with 5,734 born one year earlier. However, cumulative births for the 4-month and 12-month periods decreased. For January-April, births decreased 1.9 percent from 23,294 to 22,848.

Deaths decreased in April as 4,985 Missourians died compared with 5,191 in April 2018. Deaths also decreased for the 4- and 12-month periods ending with April. For January-April, there were 21,244 Missouri resident deaths or 6.9 percent less than the 22,813 for the similar time period in 2018.

The **Natural Increase** in April for Missourians was 884 (5,869 births minus 4,985 deaths). The natural increase rose for both the 4- and 12-month periods ending with April. For the 12 months ending with April, the natural increase rose from 10,437 to 11,294.

Marriages decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-April, marriages decreased from 8,853 to 8,116.

Dissolutions of Marriage also decreased for all three time periods. For January-April, dissolutions decreased from 6,020 to 5,433. For the 12 months ending with April, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.10 to 2.16.

Infant Deaths decreased slightly in April as 34 Missouri infants died compared with 35 in April of 2018. For the 12 months ending with April, the infant death rate decreased from 6.3 to 6.1 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>April</u>				<u>Jan. — April Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with April 2019</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Live Births	5,734	5,869	11.4	11.6	23,294	22,848	11.6	11.3	73,350	72,835	12.1	12.0	11.9
Deaths	5,191	4,985	10.3	9.9	22,813	21,244	11.3	10.5	62,913	61,541	10.0	10.3	10.0
Natural increase	543	884	1.1	1.8	481	1,604	0.2	0.8	10,437	11,294	2.1	1.7	1.8
Marriages	3,098	2,718	6.2	5.4	8,853	8,116	4.4	4.0	39,848	38,955	6.8	6.5	6.4
Dissolutions	1,634	1,542	3.2	3.1	6,020	5,433	3.0	2.7	18,969	18,043	3.3	3.1	2.9
Infant deaths	35	34	6.1	5.8	147	134	6.3	5.9	465	446	6.1	6.3	6.1
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	6,126	6,140	....	....	6,126	6,140	....	....	6,095	6,115	6,130

* 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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