

Births, Marriages, Divorces, and Deaths: Provisional Data for July 2005

Table A. Provisional vital statistics for the United States, July 2005

[Rates for infant deaths are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births; fertility rates are live births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years; all other rates are per 1,000 total population. National data are based on events occurring in the United States, regardless of place of residence. Data are subject to monthly reporting variation; see “Technical Notes”]

Item	July				January–July				12 months ending with July				
	Number		Rate		Number		Rate		Number		Rate		
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2003
Live births	356,000	360,000	14.2	14.5	2,375,000	2,376,000	13.8	13.9	4,120,000	4,115,000	13.9	14.1	14.0
Fertility rate . . . . .	...	...	67.5	68.5	...	...	65.8	65.8	...	...	66.4	66.4	65.3
Deaths	188,000	191,000	7.5	7.7	1,443,000	1,421,000	8.4	8.3	2,415,000	2,431,000	8.2	8.3	8.3
Infant deaths	2,200	2,500	6.3	6.9	16,000	16,200	6.7	6.8	27,100	27,600	6.6	6.7	6.7
Natural increase	168,000	169,000	6.7	6.8	932,000	955,000	5.4	5.6	1,705,000	1,684,000	5.7	5.8	5.7
Marriages ¹	222,000	246,000	8.8	9.9	1,227,000	1,320,000	7.1	7.7	2,186,000	2,273,000	7.4	7.8	7.8
Divorces ²	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.6	3.8	3.9
Population base (in millions)	296.5	293.6	295.4	292.5	290.1

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--- Data not available.

¹Marriage rates, in 2003, may be underestimated because of incomplete reporting in Oklahoma; see “Technical Notes.”

²Divorce rates exclude data for California, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Louisiana, and Minnesota in 2005; California, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, and Louisiana, in 2004; and California, Hawaii, Indiana, Louisiana, and Oklahoma in 2003. Populations for these rates also exclude these States.

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Technical Notes

Data shown here are provisional and include only events occurring within the United States (50 States and the District of Columbia). The provisional information in this report is based on a combination of counts of events (some of which may not have occurred in the specified month of this report) and registered vital events. Although monthly provisional data may be updated during the course of a data year, once the provisional data year has ended, updates cease. Thus, provisional data for a given year may not accurately reflect the final number of events registered.

Tables A and B provide monthly, year-to-date, and 12-month ending counts and rates by place of occurrence for births, deaths (excluding fetal deaths), and marriages and 12-month ending rates for divorces. These counts include events occurring in the United States to nonresidents of the United States. These data differ from the data

in preliminary and final reports that are based on place of residence. Birth, death, and infant death figures (death and infant death figures exclude fetal deaths) in Tables 1 and 2 for each State are estimates by State of residence. These estimates are derived by applying adjustment ratios to the number of events recorded as occurring in the State during a 1-month period. The adjustment ratios for each data year represent the observed relationship between final State occurrence figures and final State residence figures for the 3 most recent years for which final data were available and are expressed as a single ratio for each State for births, deaths, and infant deaths, respectively. Monthly State marriage and divorce figures shown in Table 3 represent the actual count of all events occurring in the State (State of occurrence) that were received in the registration offices during the 1-month period. Divorce figures include reported annulments. There is considerable variability among the States in the procedures that are used

Table B. Provisional number of live births, marriages, deaths, and infant deaths and rates, by month: United States, January 2004–July 2005

[National data are based on events occurring in the United States, regardless of place of residence. Data are provisional and are subject to monthly reporting variation; see "Technical Notes"]

Period	Live births				Marriages		Deaths		Infant deaths	
	Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Rate per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years		Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Number	Rate per 1,000 live births
			Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted ¹						
2004										
January	334,000	13.5	63.5	66.4	123,000	5.0	236,000	9.5	2,400	7.1
February	317,000	13.7	64.4	65.6	151,000	6.5	203,000	8.8	2,300	7.2
March	347,000	14.0	66.1	67.6	159,000	6.4	212,000	8.5	2,300	6.7
April	334,000	13.9	65.7	66.5	174,000	7.2	197,000	8.2	2,200	6.5
May	339,000	13.6	64.4	64.8	224,000	9.0	195,000	7.9	2,300	6.7
June	346,000	14.4	68.0	67.2	243,000	10.1	187,000	7.8	2,200	6.5
July	360,000	14.5	68.5	65.6	246,000	9.9	191,000	7.7	2,500	6.9
August	357,000	14.3	67.9	65.5	226,000	9.1	189,000	7.6	2,200	6.3
September	357,000	14.8	70.2	66.4	214,000	8.9	185,000	7.7	2,300	6.5
October	350,000	14.0	66.6	67.1	212,000	8.5	195,000	7.8	2,300	6.5
November	337,000	13.9	66.1	68.6	153,000	6.3	192,000	7.9	2,200	6.5
December	345,000	13.8	65.6	66.2	154,000	6.2	211,000	8.4	2,200	6.4
2005										
January	332,000	13.2	62.9	65.8	137,000	5.5	229,000	9.1	2,300	6.9
February	311,000	13.7	65.2	66.3	135,000	6.0	210,000	9.3	2,100	6.7
March	349,000	13.9	66.1	67.7	156,000	6.2	228,000	9.1	2,400	7.0
April	333,000	13.7	65.2	66.0	163,000	6.7	202,000	8.3	2,300	6.9
May	346,000	13.8	65.6	66.0	185,000	7.4	200,000	7.9	2,300	6.7
June	349,000	14.3	68.4	67.5	227,000	9.3	186,000	7.6	2,300	6.5
July	356,000	14.2	67.5	64.6	222,000	8.8	188,000	7.5	2,200	6.3

¹The method of seasonal adjustment, developed by the U.S. Census Bureau, is described in *The X-11 Variant of the Census Method II Seasonal Adjustment Program*, Technical Paper No. 15 (1967 revision).

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to submit the counts of marriages and divorces to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) and in the extent to which the States update their counts of marriages and divorces as new information is received. Therefore, counts vary in their completeness. Readers seeking further information on this should contact NCHS at births@cdc.gov.

Delay in the receipt of certificates in a registration office may result in a low figure for a given month followed by a high figure for the month(s) in which the delayed records were received. Data for previous months include revisions States might have provided to correct for delayed reporting; therefore, figures may differ from those previously published.

Until 1998 provisional totals for births, marriages, and divorces for the entire United States included corrections for observed differences between provisional and final figures. These corrections compensated for delays in reporting. Beginning with data for January 1998, these monthly corrections for births, marriages, and divorces have been dropped. Further information on these changes has been provided in the *National Vital Statistics Reports* presenting provisional data for January, February, and March 1999 (vol. 48, nos. 1, 2, and 4, respectively) available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>.

Moreover, NCHS ceased publishing divorce counts and rates based on provisional data from the combined 50 States because it is no longer statistically feasible to calculate estimates of monthly divorce counts for nonreporting States (in 2005, California, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Louisiana, and Minnesota; in 2004, California, Georgia,

Hawaii, Indiana, and Louisiana; and in 2003, California, Hawaii, Indiana, Louisiana, and Oklahoma). Instead, NCHS publishes only the 12-month divorce rates shown in [Table A](#), based solely on the combined counts and populations for reporting States and the District of Columbia. Aggregate 1-month, cumulative counts and rates, and 12-month counts for divorces have been dropped because of their very limited usefulness when based on less than the full complement of States. Monthly marriage and divorce counts as reported by each State will continue to be shown in [Table 3](#).

Because of incomplete reporting, 2003 marriage and divorce counts for Oklahoma are not included in [Table 3](#) showing provisional data by State. Divorce rates for 2003 shown in [Table A](#) exclude Oklahoma, which was treated as a nonreporting State in that year because of incomplete reporting (see earlier discussion). Because all other States reported marriages in 2003, marriage rates shown in [Table A](#) include Oklahoma data. The impact of the missing marriages on the 2003 national rate is negligible (estimated at less than 1 percent). Previous reports also excluded Oklahoma divorce data for 2004; however, complete marriage and divorce data are now available for 2004 and are included in this report.

Population estimates used for computing rates originate from the U.S. Census Bureau and are based on the 2000 census. Monthly rates are based on populations estimated for the specific month. Year-to-date rates are averages of monthly rates that have been weighted by the number of days in the corresponding months. Rates for 12-month periods are the sum of events for the period per population estimated

at the midpoint of the period. Populations have been estimated by NCHS for the 12-month divorce rates based on the 44 reporting States and the District of Columbia. Because monthly infant mortality rates are based on relatively few events, they are highly variable, and comparisons of monthly infant mortality rates should be interpreted cautiously.

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Table 1. Provisional number of live births and deaths: Each State and Puerto Rico, July 2004 and 2005, and cumulative figures, 2003–05

[Data are estimates by State of residence]

Area	Live births					Deaths				
	July		January–July			July		January–July		
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2003	2005	2004	2005	2004	2003
Alabama	5,098	5,098	34,161	33,518	33,609	3,777	3,640	27,799	27,228	27,025
Alaska	861	868	6,029	6,055	5,857	209	280	1,747	1,729	1,882
Arizona	8,344	8,032	54,195	52,422	51,233	3,469	3,433	26,714	25,658	25,402
Arkansas	3,355	3,332	22,372	21,972	21,697	2,230	2,266	16,893	16,488	16,015
California	47,855	47,256	312,474	309,646	311,100	17,876	19,009	137,796	139,312	130,057
Colorado	5,953	6,108	40,295	39,939	40,765	2,357	2,297	17,573	16,617	17,032
Connecticut	3,588	3,698	24,242	24,712	25,167	1,786	2,299	15,660	17,187	17,008
Delaware	989	1,016	6,612	6,642	6,707	568	531	4,333	4,163	4,190
District of Columbia	606	661	4,191	4,338	4,271	556	454	3,419	3,164	3,255
Florida	18,960	18,584	126,669	122,979	119,259	13,898	13,198	103,648	101,015	99,865
Georgia	12,310	12,153	80,931	79,435	77,601	5,156	5,161	38,848	39,139	38,787
Hawaii	1,469	1,487	10,238	10,530	10,246	714	722	5,423	5,375	5,201
Idaho	1,997	1,949	13,447	13,099	12,692	868	822	6,279	5,858	5,991
Illinois	15,777	16,165	102,659	106,059	105,511	8,094	8,102	60,773	60,022	61,491
Indiana	7,232	7,818	49,756	51,209	49,833	4,104	4,257	33,096	31,951	32,208
Iowa	3,387	3,281	22,589	22,232	22,163	2,192	2,103	16,580	15,779	16,298
Kansas	3,392	3,483	23,065	23,305	23,542	1,868	1,897	14,774	14,185	14,265
Kentucky	4,800	4,954	32,107	32,142	31,357	3,100	3,027	24,245	23,261	23,294
Louisiana	5,306	5,621	36,720	36,833	36,415	2,297	3,468	23,809	24,881	24,737
Maine	1,296	1,196	8,325	8,153	7,999	940	994	7,517	7,407	7,323
Maryland	6,505	6,478	43,888	43,450	43,305	3,492	3,550	26,330	25,709	25,985
Massachusetts	6,653	7,092	44,588	46,010	47,094	4,783	4,088	33,435	31,897	32,327
Michigan	11,080	11,322	74,744	76,610	76,687	6,710	6,786	51,833	50,100	50,345
Minnesota	6,185	6,152	41,750	41,476	40,891	2,889	2,903	22,172	21,750	21,835
Mississippi	3,538	3,667	23,888	23,997	23,731	2,301	2,331	17,113	16,534	16,431
Missouri	6,816	6,839	45,208	44,741	43,925	4,232	4,228	32,379	31,773	32,030
Montana	1,067	1,077	6,808	6,782	6,707	730	657	5,155	4,740	4,817
Nebraska	2,195	2,367	15,050	15,277	14,918	1,051	1,105	8,727	8,604	8,853
Nevada	3,188	2,997	20,103	19,958	19,186	1,281	1,436	11,030	10,497	10,247
New Hampshire	1,280	1,305	8,822	8,887	8,494	808	812	5,860	5,899	5,565
New Jersey	9,911	10,246	66,075	67,350	67,792	5,387	5,972	42,509	44,070	43,086
New Mexico	2,472	2,442	16,601	16,104	15,974	1,135	1,103	8,651	8,357	8,485
New York	21,833	22,645	146,004	150,836	151,432	13,026	12,141	91,923	90,669	91,611
North Carolina	10,668	10,502	70,242	68,429	67,547	5,863	5,767	44,665	42,587	42,317
North Dakota	749	729	4,811	4,782	4,604	476	434	3,464	3,271	3,530
Ohio	13,279	13,290	85,094	87,495	86,583	7,824	8,236	65,038	63,152	62,886
Oklahoma	4,387	4,445	29,651	29,265	29,315	2,836	2,860	21,448	20,450	20,591
Oregon	3,951	4,199	26,683	26,683	27,000	2,423	2,499	18,399	17,908	17,983
Pennsylvania	11,620	12,786	83,520	83,666	81,187	9,774	10,046	77,460	75,853	75,606
Rhode Island	1,162	1,049	7,467	7,583	7,585	759	797	6,152	5,892	5,873
South Carolina	4,962	4,838	32,825	32,387	31,896	2,661	2,954	20,979	21,901	22,171
South Dakota	970	1,025	6,771	6,642	6,510	562	583	4,154	3,993	4,089
Tennessee	7,043	6,868	46,595	45,497	45,039	4,478	4,508	33,793	32,676	32,756
Texas	32,601	33,125	217,070	216,825	214,573	11,414	12,466	90,138	90,314	89,814
Utah	4,503	4,369	30,190	30,206	29,595	1,086	1,068	7,756	7,876	7,695
Vermont	390	550	3,616	3,865	3,887	386	362	3,020	2,892	2,927
Virginia	9,094	9,225	60,159	60,627	58,058	4,490	4,561	34,334	33,375	33,525
Washington	7,128	7,268	48,037	48,368	47,158	3,661	3,699	25,941	26,354	26,384
West Virginia	1,808	1,822	11,797	11,974	11,877	1,564	1,657	12,401	12,194	11,965
Wisconsin	6,117	6,055	41,456	41,301	40,839	3,603	3,581	27,688	27,144	26,971
Wyoming	612	586	4,258	3,899	3,860	313	323	2,427	2,305	2,348
Puerto Rico	4,012	4,027	25,950	27,841	28,181	2,259	2,269	17,470	16,981	16,276

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Table 2. Provisional number of deaths under 1 year and infant mortality rates: Each State and Puerto Rico, 12 months ending with July 2004 and 2005

[Data are estimates by State of residence. Infant mortality rates are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births in specified area]

Area	12 months ending with July			
	2005		2004	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Alabama	507	8.5	525	8.9
Alaska	57	5.5	64	6.2
Arizona	652	6.8	605	6.6
Arkansas	307	7.9	336	8.8
California	2,716	5.0	2,762	5.1
Colorado	453	6.6	452	6.6
Connecticut	231	5.6	237	5.5
Delaware	79	6.9	81	7.1
District of Columbia	83	11.3	69	9.2
Florida	1,529	6.9	1,524	7.1
Georgia	1,093	7.8	1,182	8.6
Hawaii	85	4.7	119	6.5
Idaho	152	6.6	169	7.6
Illinois	1,301	7.4	1,243	6.8
Indiana	734	8.5	709	8.0
Iowa	201	5.2	202	5.3
Kansas	261	6.5	281	7.0
Kentucky	379	6.8	331	5.9
Louisiana	573	8.8	629	9.6
Maine	83	5.9	63	4.5
Maryland	612	8.1	650	8.6
Massachusetts	356	4.6	417	5.3
Michigan	961	7.5	1,094	8.4
Minnesota	359	5.1	330	4.7
Mississippi	413	9.7	427	10.1
Missouri	592	7.6	531	6.9
Montana	69	6.0	60	5.2
Nebraska	143	5.5	169	6.5
Nevada	203	5.8	214	6.2
New Hampshire	78	5.3	79	5.3
New Jersey	544	4.8	575	4.9
New Mexico	174	6.1	177	6.4
New York	1,469	5.8	1,619	6.2
North Carolina	1,014	8.3	1,005	8.5
North Dakota	44	5.4	48	5.9
Ohio	1,179	8.0	1,176	7.8
Oklahoma	425	8.2	410	8.0
Oregon	252	5.5	268	5.9
Pennsylvania	987	6.8	997	6.9
Rhode Island	72	5.7	63	4.8
South Carolina	487	8.5	456	8.1
South Dakota	83	7.1	86	7.6
Tennessee	727	9.0	689	8.7
Texas	2,291	6.0	2,375	6.3
Utah	238	4.7	259	5.1
Vermont	25	4.0	32	4.9
Virginia	759	7.3	777	7.5
Washington	439	5.4	436	5.4
West Virginia	149	7.3	137	6.6
Wisconsin	453	6.4	429	6.1
Wyoming	62	8.7	48	7.2
Puerto Rico	435	8.9	423	8.3

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Table 3. Provisional number of marriages and divorces: Each State and Puerto Rico, July 2004 and 2005, and cumulative figures, 2003–05

[By State of occurrence. Divorces include reported annulments]

Area	Marriages					Divorces				
	July		January–July			July		January–July		
	2005 ¹	2004	2005 ¹	2004	2003	2005 ¹	2004	2005 ¹	2004	2003
Alabama	4,429	4,346	22,481	25,746	26,074	2,236	1,818	12,617	13,382	14,046
Alaska	780	849	3,090	3,292	3,039	188	256	2,262	1,670	1,676
Arizona ²	2,669	3,103	23,362	23,576	21,929	1,946	2,185	14,242	13,768	14,243
Arkansas	3,865	3,787	20,803	22,447	21,480	1,270	1,299	9,681	9,950	9,501
California	15,703	24,945	130,540	136,561	126,665	---	---	---	---	---
Colorado	3,181	4,234	15,761	19,437	20,524	1,707	1,749	11,853	11,780	11,153
Connecticut	2,394	2,497	9,739	10,928	9,943	834	869	5,640	6,397	6,489
Delaware	363	509	2,112	2,835	2,647	235	262	1,842	1,833	1,778
District of Columbia	294	339	1,685	1,333	1,733	89	89	665	524	601
Florida	14,530	15,000	94,643	96,287	92,160	7,034	9,000	49,154	50,085	50,124
Georgia	7,026	6,845	33,764	40,892	32,043	---	---	---	---	16,313
Hawaii	2,707	2,779	15,118	16,907	15,987	---	---	---	---	---
Idaho	1,665	1,886	7,940	8,749	8,513	520	591	4,144	4,114	4,197
Illinois	8,426	8,204	37,496	43,165	44,658	2,763	2,418	19,760	18,819	20,317
Indiana	4,199	4,240	27,308	29,757	26,063	---	---	---	---	---
Iowa	2,439	2,423	10,685	11,373	11,245	613	684	4,609	4,876	4,794
Kansas	2,583	2,338	10,382	10,355	9,043	782	586	5,014	4,996	4,416
Kentucky	4,553	4,141	20,954	21,445	21,859	1,526	1,667	10,959	12,057	12,062
Louisiana	3,601	3,601	22,508	22,221	22,608	---	---	---	---	---
Maine	2,047	1,640	5,113	5,736	5,543	324	505	2,158	3,269	3,377
Maryland	3,891	3,881	19,774	21,250	21,223	1,304	1,543	9,700	10,247	10,048
Massachusetts	5,426	5,027	20,136	22,642	18,672	---	1,225	---	8,284	9,490
Michigan	7,072	8,286	31,867	33,850	33,758	2,358	2,830	20,240	20,606	21,973
Minnesota	3,599	3,236	15,854	15,541	16,762	---	1,026	---	8,487	8,809
Mississippi	2,056	1,907	10,602	10,902	10,834	1,262	1,049	8,065	7,838	8,043
Missouri	3,850	4,277	27,654	23,415	23,966	1,871	1,804	12,659	12,552	13,001
Montana	1,074	1,181	3,696	4,029	3,764	298	302	2,078	2,127	2,049
Nebraska	1,401	1,528	7,561	7,255	7,012	491	523	3,496	3,459	3,564
Nevada	10,690	12,965	87,056	84,448	86,141	1,486	1,486	8,309	8,078	9,677
New Hampshire	1,111	1,295	4,061	5,316	5,279	678	418	2,716	3,070	3,159
New Jersey	7,414	5,330	21,328	27,247	26,934	1,872	1,720	15,137	15,788	16,824
New Mexico ^{3,4}	1,191	1,493	6,935	8,498	7,813	678	793	4,846	5,551	5,571
New York ²	13,222	15,604	70,608	72,686	73,637	4,200	5,000	30,900	35,030	36,877
North Carolina	4,193	6,258	24,951	36,477	36,075	2,167	3,146	16,849	21,722	21,275
North Dakota	690	633	2,206	2,517	2,562	106	169	896	1,160	1,095
Ohio	7,428	9,358	42,753	42,412	42,674	3,959	3,429	27,278	24,423	25,691
Oklahoma	2,654	1,719	16,241	13,590	(⁵)	1,462	1,273	10,918	10,082	(⁵)
Oregon	2,636	5,922	12,788	15,810	13,742	1,163	1,267	9,100	8,472	9,012
Pennsylvania	6,938	8,084	32,297	41,719	41,770	2,416	3,122	16,635	21,435	22,129
Rhode Island	952	1,018	3,904	4,392	4,396	292	230	1,863	1,938	2,083
South Carolina	4,691	2,479	19,447	17,609	22,560	1,266	658	6,999	7,221	8,137
South Dakota	786	824	3,576	3,626	3,524	191	227	1,401	1,433	1,472
Tennessee	5,491	7,021	32,830	40,245	41,504	2,700	2,507	16,115	17,253	17,223
Texas	16,449	17,470	96,382	108,658	108,742	5,711	6,741	43,313	48,588	49,742
Utah	2,462	2,285	13,175	13,384	13,738	799	679	5,697	5,656	5,596
Vermont	702	865	2,319	3,002	3,034	171	217	1,402	1,416	1,433
Virginia	6,185	6,471	35,308	35,545	35,267	2,386	2,470	16,498	17,057	17,060
Washington	4,429	5,407	20,027	21,938	21,135	2,259	2,194	14,563	15,377	15,842
West Virginia	1,784	1,660	6,780	7,820	7,960	717	693	5,423	5,260	5,457
Wisconsin	3,730	4,086	16,787	17,913	17,897	1,396	1,278	9,715	9,859	10,248
Wyoming	712	730	2,727	2,794	2,650	210	234	1,515	1,534	1,604
Puerto Rico	2,163	2,434	12,831	13,659	14,604	1,017	1,025	10,800	9,180	8,130

--- Data not available.

¹Figures based on monthly counts and may be underreported.²Figures for marriages are licenses issued for some counties.³Figures for marriages are marriage licenses issued.⁴Figures for divorces include estimates for some counties.⁵Data incomplete.

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