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## Provisional Vital Statistics for September 1995

(Regular publication of the Monthly Vital Statistics Report will resume with data for October 1995.)
Provisional Vital Statistics for the United States
[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. Data are subject to monthly variation]

| Item | September |  |  |  | January-September |  |  |  | 12 months ending with September |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Number |  | Rate |  | Number |  | Rate |  | Number |  | Rate |  |  |
|  | 1995 | 1994 | 1995 | 1994 | 1995 | 1994 | 1995 | 1994 | 1995 | 1994 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 |
| Live births | 330,000 | 329,000 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 2,964,000 | 3,013,000 | 15.1 | 15.5 | 3,931,000 | 3,995,000 | 15.0 | 15.4 | 15.8 |
| Fertility rate. |  |  | 67.6 | 67.4 |  |  | 66.7 | 67.9 |  |  | 66.2 | 67.4 | 68.7 |
| Deaths | 178,000 | 178,000 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 1,735,000 | 1,724,000 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 2,297,000 | 2,293,000 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.7 |
| Infant deaths. | 2,300 | 2,500 | 6.9 | 7.8 | 22,100 | 23,800 | 7.5 | 8.0 | 29,700 | 32,000 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 8.3 |
| Natural increase | 152,000 | 151,000 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 1,229,000 | 1,289,000 | 6.3 | 6.6 | 1,634,000 | 1,702,000 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 7.1 |
| Marriages | 217,000 | 224,000 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 1,766,000 | 1,786,000 | 9.1 | 9.2 | 2,342,000 | 2,351,000 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 9.1 |
| Divorces . | 99,000 | 99,000 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 882,000 | 891,000 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 1,182,000 | 1,183,000 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| Population base (in millions) |  |  | 263.2 | 261.2 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  | 262.2 | 260.0 | 257.2 |

. Data not available.
NOTES: Figures include revisions received from the States. Twelve-month figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published.
Table 1. Provisional number of live births, marriages, divorces, deaths, and infant deaths and rates, by month: United States, January 1994-September 1995
[Data are provisional and are subject to monthly reporting variation]

| Period | Live births |  |  |  | Marriages |  | Divorces |  | Deaths |  | Infant deaths |  |
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|  |  | Ra | Rate per 1 aged 15 | ,000 women 44 years |  |  |  | Ra |  | Rate per |  |  |
|  | Number | $1,000$ population | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted ${ }^{1}$ | Number | $1,000$ population | Number | $1,000$ population | Number | $1,000$ population | Number | $1,000$ <br> live births |
| 1994: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January. | 352,000 | 16.0 | 69.9 | 73.4 | 107,000 | 4.9 | 97,000 | 4.4 | 224,000 | 10.2 | 2,500 | 7.3 |
| Febuary | 294,000 | 14.8 | 64.8 | 66.1 | 156,000 | 8.0 | 88,000 | 4.4 | 204,000 | 10.3 | 2,900 | 9.5 |
| March. | 350,000 | 15.9 | 69.6 | 70.6 | 147,000 | 6.8 | 103,000 | 4.7 | 199,000 | 9.0 | 2,700 | 8.0 |
| April. | 302,000 | 14.1 | 62.0 | 63.5 | 175,000 | 8.3 | 100,000 | 4.7 | 182,000 | 8.5 | 2,500 | 7.9 |
| May . | 329,000 | 14.9 | 65.3 | 65.8 | 232,000 | 10.5 | 104,000 | 4.7 | 186,000 | 8.4 | 2,700 | 8.2 |
| June | 319,000 | 14.9 | 65.5 | 64.2 | 262,000 | 12.2 | 103,000 | 4.8 | 176,000 | 8.2 | 2,500 | 7.9 |
| July | 346,000 | 15.6 | 68.6 | 65.8 | 222,000 | 10.0 | 98,000 | 4.4 | 184,000 | 8.3 | 2,600 | 7.5 |
| August | 392,000 | 17.7 | 77.7 | 73.4 | 262,000 | 11.8 | 99,000 | 4.5 | 190,000 | 8.6 | 2,800 | 7.7 |
| September. | 329,000 | 15.3 | 67.4 | 63.4 | 224,000 | 10.4 | 99,000 | 4.6 | 178,000 | 8.3 | 2,500 | 7.8 |
| October. | 340,000 | 15.3 | 67.3 | 67.6 | 232,000 | 10.5 | 99,000 | 4.5 | 190,000 | 8.6 | 2,600 | 7.7 |
| November | 313,000 | 14.5 | 64.1 | 66.1 | 171,000 | 7.9 | 98,000 | 4.5 | 182,000 | 8.5 | 2,500 | 7.8 |
| December | 314,000 | 14.1 | 62.3 | 64.8 | 173,000 | 7.8 | 103,000 | 4.7 | 190,000 | 8.5 | 2,500 | 7.7 |
| 1995: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January. | 353,000 | 15.9 | 70.0 | 73.5 | 113,000 | 5.2 | 96,000 | 4.3 | 220,000 | 9.9 | 2,700 | 7.9 |
| Febuary | 288,000 | 14.4 | 63.3 | 64.6 | 146,000 | 7.5 | 89,000 | 4.4 | 194,000 | 9.7 | 2,400 | 8.0 |
| March. . | 339,000 | 15.2 | 67.1 | 68.1 | 150,000 | 6.9 | 98,000 | 4.4 | 208,000 | 9.4 | 2,700 | 8.0 |
| April. | 313,000 | 14.5 | 64.1 | 65.7 | 164,000 | 7.8 | 98,000 | 4.6 | 200,000 | 9.3 | 2,400 | 7.4 |
| May . | 322,000 | 14.5 | 63.8 | 64.3 | 237,000 | 10.6 | 103,000 | 4.6 | 184,000 | 8.2 | 2,500 | 7.6 |
| June | 319,000 | 14.8 | 65.2 | 63.9 | 263,000 | 12.2 | 104,000 | 4.8 | 180,000 | 8.3 | 2,400 | 7.5 |
| July | 337,000 | 15.1 | 66.7 | 64.0 | 224,000 | 10.0 | 97,000 | 4.4 | 188,000 | 8.4 | 2,400 | 7.2 |
| August | 364,000 | 16.3 | 72.1 | 68.0 | 251,000 | 11.3 | 99,000 | 4.4 | 184,000 | 8.2 | 2,500 | 7.2 |
| September. | 330,000 | 15.3 | 67.6 | 63.6 | 217,000 | 10.0 | 99,000 | 4.6 | 178,000 | 8.2 | 2,300 | 6.9 |

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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). Mortality data exclude fetal deaths. 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. Totals for births, deaths, and infant deaths are based on the State estimates by State of residence and, therefore, in effect, exclude events to nonresidents of the United States. Events to nonresidents of the United States are included in all marriage and divorce figures. The effect of excluding events to nonresidents from the U.S. totals is small. Provisional totals for
births and marriages for the entire United States include adjustments for observed differences between provisional and final monthly figures. Divorce figures include reported annulments. The monthly national divorce estimate is obtained by multiplying the total for the reporting areas by the ratio observed between the most recent final annual divorce total for the United States and the provisional total for the reporting areas combined. The populations used for computing rates are furnished by the U.S. Bureau of the 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. Births used for computing monthly and year-to-date infant mortality rates are adjusted for monthly variation in the number of births. Births used to compute 12 -month rates do not contain this adjustment. Births used for computing infant mortality rates are not corrected for observed differences between provisional and final monthly figures. 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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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The method of seasonal adjustment, developed by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, 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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