

Washington State Vital Statistics

2015 Highlights



Vital Statistics Summary

Event	Number	Rate/Ratio
Pregnancies	106,716	77.2 (per 1,000 women ages 15-44)
Teen pregnancies	1,561	11.9 (per 1,000 women ages 15-17)
Live births	89,000	64.4 (per 1,000 women ages 15-44)
Deaths	54,514	6.9 (age adjusted per 1,000 population)
Fetal Deaths ¹	508	5.7 (per 1,000 live births)
Infant Deaths ²	431	4.8 (per 1,000 live births)
Abortions	17,208	12.5 (per 1,000 women ages 15-44)
Marriages ³	44,622	6.3 (per 1,000 population)
Divorces ³	24,258	3.4 (per 1,000 population)
Life Expectancy at Birth		Male 78.1 Female 82.2

¹Gestation 20 or more weeks not live born

²Live born <1 year old

³Includes WA occurrences to out of state residents

Maternal Characteristics

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Age	Number
White NH ¹	53,205	<18	987
Black NH	3,706	18-19	2,816
Asian NH	8,291	20-24	16,273
NHOPI ² NH	1,097	25-29	26,039
AIAN ³ NH	1,202	30-39	39,938
Multi-Race NH	3,435	40+	2,939
Hispanic	16,035	Education	
¹ Non-Hispanic		Not high school graduate	10,850
² Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		High school graduate	77,249
³ American Indian/Alaska Native		College graduate	37,533

Other Natality Characteristics

Births where mother...	Number	Percent
Smoked	6,395	7.2
Was unmarried	28,375	32.0
Had gestational diabetes	7,253	8.1
Had pregnancy-associated hypertension	5,570	6.3
Had 1 st trimester prenatal care	67,601	80.4
Had late or no prenatal care	4,695	5.6
Had a primary C-section delivery	14,565	16.4
Births that were...		
Low birth weight ¹ (<2,500 g)	4,289	5.0
Plural (twins+)	2,885	3.2
Preterm (<37 weeks)	8,455	9.5

¹Singleton births

Ten Leading Causes of Death

Cause	Number	Percent	Rate ¹
All Causes	54,514	100.0	691.7
Malignant Neoplasms	12,658	23.2	157.0
Heart Disease	10,987	20.2	138.3
Alzheimers Disease	3,489	6.4	44.9
Unintentional Injury	3,188	5.8	42.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	3,151	5.8	39.9
Cerebrovascular Diseases	2,693	4.9	34.4
Diabetes Mellitus	1,805	3.3	22.5
Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	1,136	2.1	15.6
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	1,021	1.9	12.4
Influenza and Pneumonia	851	1.6	10.7
All Other Causes	13,535	24.8	n.a.
Percent Cremated	76%	Percent Buried	20%

¹Age adjusted rate per 100,000 population

n.a. not available

Every Day There Were An Average Of:

Live Births	244	Deaths	149
Births to teens 17 and under	3	Heart disease deaths	30
Births to women 40 and over	8	Cancer deaths	35
Births to unmarried women	78	Accidental injury deaths	9
Low birth weight births ¹	12	Suicides	3
Cesarean section births	67	Marriages	122
Births to maternal smokers	17	Divorces	66

¹Singleton births

Extremes

Most Births - July	8,044	Boys	Girls
Fewest Births - February	6,442	Oliver	Olivia
Most Deaths - January	5,152	Liam	Emma
Fewest Deaths - August	4,283	Noah	Sophia
Age of Oldest Decedent	114	Benjamin	Evelyn
Most Marriages - August ¹	7,634	Henry	Ava
Fewest Marriages - January ¹	2,095	William	Emily
Female Same Sex Marriages ¹	1,284	Alexander	Isabella
Male Same Sex Marriages ¹	909	Logan	Mia
Most Divorces - June ¹	2,371	Samuel	Charlotte
Fewest Divorces - November ¹	1,796	James	Elizabeth

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Births and Deaths by County

County	Births		Deaths		Occurrences
	Residents		Residents		
	Number	Rate ¹	Number	Rate ²	
Adams	350	91.1	137	10.1	109
Asotin	228	65.3	274	7.8	225
Benton	2,668	75.0	1,475	7.3	1,680
Chelan	954	74.7	695	6.6	917
Clallam	672	66.2	957	7.2	851
Clark	5,561	63.9	3,434	7.1	3,444
Columbia	36	67.0	62	8.2	47
Cowlitz	1,233	66.9	1,144	8.2	1,160
Douglas	549	75.2	312	6.6	201
Ferry	56	54.0	77	6.8	44
Franklin	1,669	91.5	368	6.3	236
Garfield	30	102.0	32	6.5	26
Grant	1,501	84.9	685	7.2	548
Grays Harbor	779	66.3	793	7.9	613
Island	952	74.9	762	6.2	529
Jefferson	187	53.4	380	6.1	292
King	25,487	57.9	12,705	6.1	14,021
Kitsap	3,060	72.1	2,147	6.5	2,030
Kittitas	422	43.6	305	6.5	254
Klickitat	189	62.4	152	4.8	107
Lewis	892	69.2	903	8.3	762
Lincoln	97	64.2	98	5.1	66
Mason	627	66.1	683	7.4	496
Okanogan	490	77.4	468	8.1	375
Pacific	193	73.7	329	8.5	257
Pend Oreille	133	72.6	142	6.9	93
Pierce	11,541	69.7	6,442	7.6	6,667
San Juan	85	41.0	150	5.1	108
Skagit	1,442	69.0	1,188	7.2	1,156
Skamania	95	52.2	87	5.4	58
Snohomish	9,766	66.7	5,311	7.1	4,958
Spokane	6,042	63.1	4,591	8.1	5,118
Stevens	431	63.9	486	7.6	345
Thurston	3,072	59.5	2,232	7.0	2,388
Wahkiakum	25	53.4	44	5.9	16
Walla Walla	674	59.7	590	6.9	601
Whatcom	2,373	55.0	1,633	6.5	1,671
Whitman	444	30.3	297	8.6	287
Yakima	3,995	84.5	1,944	7.6	1,884

¹Live births per 1,000 women of childbearing age (15-44)

²Age adjusted rate per 1,000 population