

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS INFORMATION

Alaska's Population

Total Population.....	626,932 ¹
White.....	455,284 ²
Native.....	111,091 ²
African American.....	25,547 ²
Asian/Pacific Islander.....	35,010 ²
Male.....	324,112
Female.....	302,820
Natural Increase.....	7,057 ³
Natural Increase Rate.....	11.3 ⁴

Deaths

Total Resident Deaths.....	2,922
Crude Death Rate.....	466.1 ⁵
Age-Adjusted Death Rate.....	871.8 ⁶
Male Age-Adjusted Death Rate.....	1,032.2
Female Age-Adjusted Death Rate.....	734.0
Age-Adjusted Cancer Death Rate.....	209.0
Age-Adjusted Heart Disease Death Rate.....	213.1
Age-Adjusted Accidental Death Rate.....	63.5
Age-Adjusted Suicide Death Rate.....	21.1
Infant Mortality Rate.....	6.1 ⁷
White Infant Mortality Rate.....	5.0 ⁷
Native Infant Mortality Rate.....	9.6 ⁷

Births

Total Births.....	9,979
Crude Birth Rate.....	15.9 ⁴
White Crude Birth Rate.....	13.8
Native Crude Birth Rate.....	22.1
African American Crude Birth Rate.....	18.1
Asian/Pacific Islander Crude Birth Rate.....	18.1
Teen Birth Rate.....	49.4 ⁸
Fertility Rate.....	70.7 ⁹
White Fertility Rate.....	61.9
Native Fertility Rate.....	98.7
African American Fertility Rate.....	77.4
Asian/Pacific Islander Fertility Rate.....	74.3
Low Birth Weight Percentage.....	5.6 ¹⁰
White Low Birth Weight Percentage.....	4.8
Native Low Birth Weight Percentage.....	5.8
African Amer. Low Birth Weight Percentage.....	11.5
Asian/PI Low Birth Weight Percentage.....	7.8

Other Vital Statistics

Fetal Deaths.....	45
Fetal Death Rate.....	4.5 ⁷
Adoptions.....	780
Crude Adoption Rate.....	1.4 ⁴
Marriages.....	5,268
Crude Marriage Rate.....	8.4 ⁴
Divorces.....	2,492
Crude Divorce Rate.....	4.0 ⁴

1. Alaska population data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

2. Population estimates by race are from the Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section, Demographics Unit.

3. Natural Increase is the difference between live births and deaths. Natural Increase does not include migration.

4. Natural Increase, Birth, Marriage, Divorce, and Adoption Rates are events per 1,000 population.

5. Crude Death Rates are deaths per 100,000 population.

6. Age-Adjusted Death Rates are adjusted to the U.S. 2000 standard population. (See Appendix B)

7. Infant Mortality and Fetal Death Rates are 3-year averages (1998–2000) of infant deaths (death cohort) and fetal deaths per 1,000 live births.

8. Teen Birth Rate is the number of births to teens per 1,000 females 15–19 years of age.

9. Fertility Rates are births per 1,000 females 15–44 years of age.

10. Low Birth Weight Percentages are infants born weighing less than 2,500 grams per 100 live births.