



VITAL STATISTICS AT A GLANCE ALABAMA 2003

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VITAL STATISTICS SUMMARY

EVENTS	NUMBER	RATE
Live Births	59,356	13.2 ¹
Deaths	46,598	10.4 ¹
Infant Deaths	519	8.7 ²
Neonatal Deaths	312	5.3 ²
Postneonatal Deaths	207	3.5 ²
Fetal Deaths	534	9.0 ²
Maternal Deaths	8	1.3 ³
Induced Pregnancy Terminations	10,130	10.6 ¹
Marriages	43,139	9.6 ¹
Divorces	23,205	5.2 ¹

¹Per 1,000 population. ²Per 1,000 live births. ³Per 10,000 live births.
¹Per 1,000 females 15-44. ²Per 1,000 females 15-44.

DURING EACH DAY IN ALABAMA THERE WERE AN AVERAGE OF:

162.6	Live Births
22.6	Births to Teenagers
16.3	Low Weight Births
57.0	Births to Unmarried Women
27.8	Induced Terminations of Pregnancy
127.7	Deaths
36.0	Heart Disease Deaths
26.8	Cancer Deaths
6.0	Accidental Deaths
3.0	Motor Vehicle Fatalities
1.2	Homicide Deaths
1.4	Suicide Deaths
1.4	Infant Deaths
1.5	Fetal Deaths
118.2	Marriages
63.6	Divorces

LIVE BIRTH SUMMARY

EVENTS	NUMBER	RATE/PERCENT
Total Live Births	59,356	13.2 ¹
White Births	40,667	12.7 ¹
Black and Other Births	18,689	14.5 ¹
Low Weight Births	5,932	10.0 ²
Births to Unmarried Women	20,788	35.0 ²
Estimated Pregnancies (Live Births, Estimated Fetal Losses, and Induced Terminations)	82,382	86.5 ³

¹Per 1,000 population. ²Percent of live births. ³Per 1,000 females 15-44.

TEENAGE (Age 10-19) PREGNANCY STATISTICS

EVENTS	NUMBER	RATE/PERCENT
Total Live Births	8,248	26.5 ¹
Births to Unmarried Women	6,142	74.5 ²
Low Weight Births	1,006	12.2 ²
Infant Deaths	101	12.2 ³
Neonatal Deaths	54	6.5 ³
Postneonatal Deaths	47	5.7 ³
Fetal Deaths	109	13.2 ³
Estimated Pregnancies (Live Births, Estimated Fetal Losses, and Induced Terminations)	11,957	38.4 ¹

¹Per 1,000 female teenage population. ²Percent of live births to teenagers.
³Per 1,000 live births to teenagers.

FAST FACTS FOR BIRTHS

Oldest Father:	81	Youngest Father:	14
Oldest Mother:	53	Youngest Mother:	12
Largest Live Birth:	14 Lbs. 2 Oz.		
Highest Live Birth Order:	13 (12 Liveborn Brothers and Sisters)		
Day Most Births Occurred on:	December 29 & December 30 (248 Births)		
Day Fewest Births Occurred on:	August 31 (64 Births)		

MOST POPULAR NAMES FOR BABIES

BOYS' NAMES	NUMBER	GIRLS' NAMES	NUMBER
William	630	Madison	420
Jacob	464	Emma	409
Joshua	444	Emily	351
James	417	Hannah	336
John	395	Anna	306
Christopher	377	Alexis	237
Michael	366	Olivia	230
Matthew	330	Sarah	230
Austin	291	Abigail	220
Caleb	290	Mary	209
Joseph	285	Elizabeth	205
Andrew	281	Taylor	196
Tyler	271	Morgan	184
Ethan	269	Alyssa	178
Jackson	261	Haley	173

2003 ALABAMA ESTIMATED POPULATION BY AGE, RACE AND SEX

AGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	WHITE		BLACK AND OTHER	
		MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
TOTAL	4,500,752	1,575,347	1,635,411	603,817	686,177
0 - 4	297,364	99,274	94,500	52,497	51,093
5 - 9	299,145	100,633	94,850	52,337	51,325
10-14	321,662	107,292	100,525	57,880	55,965
15-44	1,893,557	662,922	642,724	278,548	309,363
45-64	1,096,843	408,696	424,136	119,402	144,609
65-84	520,697	180,753	238,760	38,867	62,317
85+	71,484	15,777	39,916	4,286	11,505

Population estimates are provided by the U. S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233

FIFTEEN LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH

CAUSE	NUMBER	RATE ¹	POTENTIAL LIFE LOST (IN YEARS) ²
Diseases of the Heart	13,149	292.2	36,208
Malignant Neoplasms	9,790	217.5	34,567
Cerebrovascular Diseases	3,020	67.1	5,874
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	2,426	53.9	3,762
Accidents	2,183	48.5	44,922
Diabetes Mellitus	1,411	31.4	4,634
Alzheimer's Disease	1,266	28.1	59
Influenza & Pneumonia	1,153	25.6	3,537
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome & Nephrosis	1,063	23.6	2,764
Septicemia	857	19.0	3,125
Suicide	525	11.7	10,610
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	440	9.8	3,808
Homicide	436	9.7	12,960
Essential Hypertension	399	8.9	1,214
Pneumonitis Due to Solids & Liquids	308	6.8	401
All Other Causes	8,172	--	72,132

¹Per 100,000 population. ²Uses 65 years as potential life.

FAST FACTS FOR DEATHS

Oldest Male Decedent:	116	Oldest Female Decedent:	116
Day Most Deaths Occurred on:	December 12 (179 Deaths)		
Day Fewest Deaths Occurred on:	July 14 (89 Deaths)		

FAST FACTS FOR MARRIAGES

Oldest Groom:	91	Oldest Bride:	89
Youngest Groom:	15	Youngest Bride:	14
Day Most Marriages Occurred on:	February 14 (1,042 Marriages)		
Day Fewest Marriages Occurred on:	January 20 (2 Marriages)		
Marriage with Greatest Age Difference Between Bride and Groom:	49 Years		

FAST FACTS FOR DIVORCES

Oldest Male Divorcee:	94	Oldest Female Divorcee:	94
Youngest Male Divorcee:	17	Youngest Female Divorcee:	15
Day Most Divorces Finalized on:	August 4 (179 Divorces)		
Greatest Number of Previous Marriages for Male Divorcees:	9		
Greatest Number of Previous Marriages for Female Divorcees:	10		
Marriage of Longest Duration Ending in Divorce:	58 Years		
Marriage of Shortest Duration Ending in Divorce:	11 Days		

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