



North Dakota Fast Facts 2017

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Division of Vital Records

The information in this document is a summary of vital statistics in North Dakota for the year 2017. Included in this document are statistics for resident births, deaths, marriages and divorces. For more information, please contact the North Dakota Department of Health, Division of Vital Records, at 701.328.2360.

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Vital Events Summary 2017

Live births.....	10,738
Deaths	6,311
Infant deaths	44
Neonatal ¹ deaths	34
Postnatal ² deaths	10
Fetal ³ deaths	57
Induced termination of pregnancy	839
Marriages	4,352
Divorces.....	1,878

¹Neonatal refers to the 28 days after birth.

*²Postnatal refers to the 29th through the 364th days
after birth.*

³Fetal refers to 20 weeks or greater gestation.

Events Per Day 2017

Every day in North Dakota, there were an average of:

Live births	29
Low-weight births ¹	2
Births to teenagers	1
Births to unmarried women	9
Deaths.....	17
From heart disease	4
From cancer	3
From accidents	1
Marriages	12
Divorces	5

*¹Low-weight refers to babies weighing less than
5 pounds, 5 ounces at birth.*

Live Births 2017

Total live births	10,738
Low-weight births ¹	734
Births to teenagers	364
Births to unmarried women	3,373
Total pregnancies ²	11,634

*¹Low-weight refers to babies weighing less than
5 pounds, 5 ounces at birth.*

*²Total pregnancies = live births + fetal deaths + induced
terminations.*

Fast Facts for Births 2017

Oldest father	68
Oldest mother	51
Youngest father	14
Youngest mother	14
Largest live birth	12 lbs.,2oz.
Highest number in birth order	11 th
Day most births occurred.....	August 22 nd (48 births)
Day fewest births occurred	February 26 th (8 births)



Most Popular Baby Names 2017

BOYS		GIRLS	
Name	Number	Name	Number
Oliver	63	Emma.....	64
Henry	57	Harper	55
Liam	52	Olivia	47
Easton.....	43	Amelia	45
Noah	43	Ava.....	42
Logan	41	Abigail	34
Asher.....	40	Quinn	29
Jack.....	39	Addison.....	28
Owen.....	38	Ella.....	28
Ryker	38	Evelyn.....	28

Leading Causes of Death 2017

Diseases of the Heart.....	1,315
All Cancers.....	1,280
Alzheimer's disease.....	416
Chronic lung diseases ¹	356
Accidental deaths.....	330
Strokes (cerebrovascular disease)	330
Diabetes.....	190
Influenza/pneumonia	175
Suicide	148
High blood pressure (hypertension)	117
Cirrhosis of the liver.....	87
Atherosclerosis.....	52
Diseases of Other Arteries ²	33

¹Chronic lung diseases include asthma, emphysema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), etc.

²Peripheral vascular diseases

Fast Facts for Deaths 2017

Age of oldest male who died.....	103
Age of oldest female who died.....	108
Day most deaths occurred.....	December 18 th (30 deaths)
Day fewest deaths occurred	May 11 th (6 deaths)

Fast Facts for Marriages 2017

Oldest groom	84
Oldest bride.....	84
Youngest groom	16
Youngest bride.....	16
Greatest age difference bride and groom.....	42 years
Day most marriages occurred	June 10 th (103 marriages)
Total marriages	4,352

Fast Facts for Divorces 2017

Longest marriage ending in divorce.....	58 years
Shortest marriage ending in divorce.....	27 days
Day most divorces finalize	April 11 th (19 divorces)
Total divorces	1,878
