The information in this document is a summary of vital statistics in North Dakota for the year 2016. 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 2016

Live births............................................ 11,364
Deaths..................................................... 6,115
Infant deaths.......................................... 69
Neonatal\(^1\) deaths................................. 47
Postnatal\(^2\) deaths................................. 22
Fetal\(^3\) deaths......................................... 75
Induced termination of pregnancy........ 886
Marriages............................................... 4,514
Divorces............................................... 1,963

\(^1\) Neonatal refers to the 28 days after birth.
\(^2\) Postnatal refers to the 29\(^{th}\) through the 364\(^{th}\) days after birth.
\(^3\) Fetal refers to 20 weeks or greater gestation.

Events Per Day 2016

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

Live births............................................ 31
Low-weight births\(^1\)................................. 2
Births to teenagers................................. 1
Births to unmarried women..................... 10
Deaths..................................................... 17
  From heart disease.............................. 4
  From cancer........................................ 3
  From accidents................................... 1
Marriages............................................... 12
Divorces............................................... 5

\(^1\) Low-weight refers to babies weighing less than 5 pounds, 5 ounces at birth.
# Live Births 2016

Total live births ........................................... 11,364  
Low-weight births\(^1\) ........................................ 751  
Births to teenagers ........................................... 476  
Births to unmarried women ................................. 3,594  
Total pregnancies\(^2\) ........................................ 12,325

\(^1\)Low-weight refers to babies weighing less than 5 pounds, 5 ounces at birth.  
\(^2\)Total pregnancies = live births + fetal deaths + induced terminations.

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# Fast Facts for Births 2016

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<td>Oldest father</td>
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<td>Oldest mother</td>
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<td>Youngest father</td>
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<td>Youngest mother</td>
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<td>Largest live birth</td>
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<td>Highest number in birth order</td>
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<td>Day most births occurred</td>
<td>August 24(^{th})</td>
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<td>February 17(^{th})</td>
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<td>(52 births)</td>
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<td>(13 births)</td>
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## Most Popular Baby Names 2016

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<td>Owen</td>
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<td>Wyatt</td>
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<td>Hudson</td>
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Leading Causes of Death 2016

Diseases of the Heart............................... 1,286
All Cancers........................................ 1,218
Alzheimer’s disease.............................. 403
Accidental deaths................................. 358
Chronic lung diseases\(^1\)...................... 315
Strokes (cerebrovascular disease).......... 301
Diabetes............................................. 164
Influenza/pneumonia............................ 148
Suicide............................................. 134
Cirrhosis of the liver............................ 101
High blood pressure (hypertension)....... 95
Diseases of Other Arteries\(^2\)................. 59
Atherosclerosis.................................... 30

\(^1\)Chronic lung diseases include asthma, emphysema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), etc.
\(^2\)Peripheral vascular diseases

Fast Facts for Deaths 2016

Age of oldest male who died................. 104
Age of oldest female who died............... 109
Day most deaths occurred..................... December 11\(^{th}\)
                                         (32 deaths)
Day fewest deaths occurred.................... April 13\(^{th}\)
                                         (7 deaths)
Fast Facts for Marriages 2016

Oldest groom ......................................................... 85
Oldest bride .......................................................... 89
Youngest groom ..................................................... 18
Youngest bride ....................................................... 16
Greatest age difference bride and groom .... 45 years
Day most marriages occurred ......................... June 11\textsuperscript{th} 
                                           (104 marriages)
Total marriages .................................................. 4,514

Fast Facts for Divorces 2016

Longest marriage ending in divorce .......... 58 years
Shortest marriage ending in divorce .......... 20 days
Day most divorces finalize ......................... December 30\textsuperscript{th} 
                                           (24 divorces)
Total divorces .................................................. 1,963

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