

AG U.S. SPIRIT BAPTISMS, 2017¹
 By District

Districts	Baptisms 2017	----- One Year Ago -----		----- Five Years Ago -----			----- Ten Years Ago -----			
		Baptisms 2016	Change	Pct Chng ²	Baptisms 2012	Change	Pct Chng ²	Baptisms 2007	Change	Pct Chng ²
Alabama	1,303	1,496	-193	-12.9	2,113	-810	-38.3	2,383	-1,080	-45.3
Alaska	235	250	-15	-6.0	372	-137	-36.8	475	-240	-50.5
Appalachian	153	191	-38	-19.9	240	-87	-36.3	338	-185	-54.7
Arizona	8,168	8,079	89	1.1	3,926	4,242	108.0	4,762	3,406	71.5
Arkansas	2,109	1,971	138	7.0	1,961	148	7.5	1,976	133	6.7
Brazilian	233	228	5	2.2	260	-27	-10.4	290	-57	-19.7
Central District/Distrito	382	455	-73	-16.0	513	-131	-25.5	677	-295	-43.6
Florida Multicultural	992	1,094	-102	-9.3	1,801	-809	-44.9	1,740	-748	-43.0
Georgia	1,134	1,340	-206	-15.4	1,302	-168	-12.9	2,138	-1,004	-47.0
German	163	169	-6	-3.6	46	117	254.3	84	79	94.0
Gulf Latin American	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	2,281	-2,281	-100.0
Hawaii	1,530	1,195	335	28.0	794	736	92.7	1,108	422	38.1
Illinois	1,392	1,610	-218	-13.5	2,279	-887	-38.9	2,165	-773	-35.7
Indiana	1,327	1,199	128	10.7	1,306	21	1.6	1,609	-282	-17.5
Iowa	302	341	-39	-11.4	401	-99	-24.7	758	-456	-60.2
Kansas	540	714	-174	-24.4	836	-296	-35.4	782	-242	-30.9
Kentucky	467	513	-46	-9.0	659	-192	-29.1	788	-321	-40.7
Korean	564	636	-72	-11.3	528	36	6.8	1,049	-485	-46.2
Louisiana	2,131	2,136	-5	-0.2	1,759	372	21.1	2,077	54	2.6
Michigan	1,240	1,191	49	4.1	1,418	-178	-12.6	1,963	-723	-36.8
Midwest Latin American	295	267	28	10.5	447	-152	-34.0	593	-298	-50.3
Minnesota	1,230	1,405	-175	-12.5	1,145	85	7.4	1,648	-418	-25.4
Mississippi	795	1,118	-323	-28.9	855	-60	-7.0	883	-88	-10.0
Montana	310	250	60	24.0	273	37	13.6	331	-21	-6.3
National Slavic	389	318	71	22.3	309	80	25.9	0	389	0.0
Nebraska	237	252	-15	-6.0	356	-119	-33.4	446	-209	-46.9
New Jersey	1,525	1,461	64	4.4	1,271	254	20.0	1,319	206	15.6
New Mexico	624	620	4	0.6	480	144	30.0	656	-32	-4.9
New York	1,319	1,307	12	0.9	1,230	89	7.2	1,640	-321	-19.6
North Carolina	1,340	8,103	-6,763	-83.5	1,411	-71	-5.0	1,852	-512	-27.6
North Dakota	501	513	-12	-2.3	781	-280	-35.9	292	209	71.6
North Texas	6,860	4,749	2,111	44.5	4,733	2,127	44.9	4,058	2,802	69.0
Northern California-Nevada	5,439	5,406	33	0.6	4,810	629	13.1	4,582	857	18.7
Northern Missouri	356	316	40	12.7	313	43	13.7	393	-37	-9.4
Northern New England	159	146	13	8.9	237	-78	-32.9	281	-122	-43.4
Northern Pacific Latin Ame	881	1,192	-311	-26.1	1,260	-379	-30.1	1,326	-445	-33.6
Northwest	910	1,213	-303	-25.0	1,526	-616	-40.4	1,665	-755	-45.3
Northwest Hispanic	120	165	-45	-27.3	0	120	0.0	0	120	0.0
Ohio	989	1,101	-112	-10.2	1,236	-247	-20.0	1,493	-504	-33.8
Oklahoma	2,158	2,323	-165	-7.1	2,513	-355	-14.1	2,196	-38	-1.7
Oregon	791	721	70	9.7	705	86	12.2	950	-159	-16.7

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Peninsular Florida	4,937	4,356	581	13.3	6,187	-1,250	-20.2	6,481	-1,544	-23.8
Pennsylvania-Delaware	2,028	2,269	-241	-10.6	2,068	-40	-1.9	2,003	25	1.2
Potomac	1,557	1,724	-167	-9.7	1,678	-121	-7.2	2,111	-554	-26.2
Puerto Rico	739	757	-18	-2.4	764	-25	-3.3	709	30	4.2
Rocky Mountain	692	961	-269	-28.0	1,121	-429	-38.3	1,829	-1,137	-62.2
Samoan	315	309	6	1.9	0	315	0.0	0	315	0.0
Second Korean	91	84	7	8.3	160	-69	-43.1	316	-225	-71.2
South Carolina	430	489	-59	-12.1	408	22	5.4	398	32	8.0
South Central Hispanic	412	468	-56	-12.0	661	-249	-37.7	0	412	0.0
South Dakota	136	125	11	8.8	135	1	0.7	195	-59	-30.3
South Texas	2,840	2,840	0	0.0	2,029	811	40.0	2,581	259	10.0
Southern California	7,338	7,523	-185	-2.5	3,811	3,527	92.5	3,944	3,394	86.1
Southern Idaho	191	269	-78	-29.0	296	-105	-35.5	198	-7	-3.5
Southern Latin	296	359	-63	-17.5	0	296	0.0	0	296	0.0
Southern Missouri	1,848	1,586	262	16.5	2,149	-301	-14.0	1,791	57	3.2
Southern New England	815	845	-30	-3.6	995	-180	-18.1	788	27	3.4
Southern Pacific	2,876	2,592	284	11.0	2,789	87	3.1	3,082	-206	-6.7
Southwest	96	109	-13	-11.9	181	-85	-47.0	0	96	0.0
Spanish Eastern	2,107	1,870	237	12.7	2,313	-206	-8.9	2,405	-298	-12.4
Tennessee	1,595	1,305	290	22.2	1,592	3	0.2	1,771	-176	-9.9
Texas Gulf Hispanic	488	648	-160	-24.7	604	-116	-19.2	0	488	0.0
Texas Louisiana Hispanic	668	664	4	0.6	406	262	64.5	0	668	0.0
West Florida	819	832	-13	-1.6	761	58	7.6	731	88	12.0
West Texas	365	410	-45	-11.0	521	-156	-29.9	367	-2	-0.5
West Texas and Plains	295	256	39	15.2	280	15	5.4	0	295	0.0
Wisconsin-Northern Michiga	848	888	-40	-4.5	949	-101	-10.6	1,004	-156	-15.5
Wyoming	113	133	-20	-15.0	82	31	37.8	75	38	50.7
<u>Regions</u>										
Great Lakes	5,568	5,805	-237	-4.1	7,138	-1,570	-22.0	8,356	-2,788	-33.4
Gulf	8,478	8,116	362	4.5	8,316	162	1.9	8,498	-20	-0.2
Language-East Spanish	4,429	4,347	82	1.9	5,325	-896	-16.8	5,447	-1,018	-18.7
Language-Other	1,755	1,744	11	0.6	1,303	452	34.7	1,739	16	0.9
Language-West Spanish	6,218	6,549	-331	-5.1	6,694	-476	-7.1	7,366	-1,148	-15.6
North Central	3,610	3,840	-230	-6.0	4,080	-470	-11.5	4,736	-1,126	-23.8
Northeast	7,403	7,752	-349	-4.5	7,479	-76	-1.0	8,142	-739	-9.1
Northwest	2,550	2,836	-286	-10.1	3,254	-704	-21.6	3,694	-1,144	-31.0
South Central	13,387	11,656	1,731	14.9	11,112	2,275	20.5	10,640	2,747	25.8
Southeast	9,963	16,616	-6,653	-40.0	12,182	-2,219	-18.2	13,983	-4,020	-28.7
Southwest	23,167	23,164	3	0.0	14,462	8,705	60.2	16,225	6,942	42.8

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National Totals	86,528	92,425	-5,897	-6.4	81,345	5,183	6.4	88,826	-2,298	-2.6
Language District Totals	12,402	12,640	-238	-1.9	13,322	-920	-6.9	14,552	-2,150	-14.8

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Alabama	158	168	-10	-6.0	170	-12	-7.1	206	-48	-23.3
Alaska	34	37	-3	-8.1	47	-13	-27.7	49	-15	-30.6
Appalachian	51	57	-6	-10.5	47	4	8.5	59	-8	-13.6
Arizona	134	133	1	0.8	147	-13	-8.8	141	-7	-5.0
Arkansas	214	213	1	0.5	238	-24	-10.1	246	-32	-13.0
Brazilian	34	32	2	6.3	33	1	3.0	40	-6	-15.0
Central District/Distrito	58	64	-6	-9.4	72	-14	-19.4	80	-22	-27.5
Florida Multicultural	90	95	-5	-5.3	142	-52	-36.6	121	-31	-25.6
Georgia	104	121	-17	-14.0	125	-21	-16.8	134	-30	-22.4
German	12	7	5	71.4	7	5	71.4	5	7	140.0
Gulf Latin American	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	255	-255	-100.0
Hawaii	35	26	9	34.6	43	-8	-18.6	52	-17	-32.7
Illinois	147	147	0	0.0	155	-8	-5.2	184	-37	-20.1
Indiana	138	136	2	1.5	155	-17	-11.0	162	-24	-14.8
Iowa	56	59	-3	-5.1	61	-5	-8.2	74	-18	-24.3
Kansas	82	91	-9	-9.9	75	7	9.3	83	-1	-1.2
Kentucky	68	79	-11	-13.9	89	-21	-23.6	101	-33	-32.7
Korean	53	59	-6	-10.2	50	3	6.0	71	-18	-25.4
Louisiana	118	122	-4	-3.3	133	-15	-11.3	135	-17	-12.6
Michigan	134	121	13	10.7	151	-17	-11.3	170	-36	-21.2
Midwest Latin American	42	39	3	7.7	57	-15	-26.3	61	-19	-31.1
Minnesota	131	131	0	0.0	129	2	1.6	124	7	5.6
Mississippi	77	79	-2	-2.5	97	-20	-20.6	97	-20	-20.6
Montana	43	45	-2	-4.4	45	-2	-4.4	47	-4	-8.5
National Slavic	33	28	5	17.9	19	14	73.7	0	33	0.0
Nebraska	38	45	-7	-15.6	52	-14	-26.9	62	-24	-38.7
New Jersey	126	133	-7	-5.3	140	-14	-10.0	143	-17	-11.9
New Mexico	51	54	-3	-5.6	52	-1	-1.9	64	-13	-20.3
New York	156	138	18	13.0	170	-14	-8.2	174	-18	-10.3
North Carolina	142	141	1	0.7	161	-19	-11.8	156	-14	-9.0
North Dakota	27	31	-4	-12.9	37	-10	-27.0	33	-6	-18.2
North Texas	317	313	4	1.3	324	-7	-2.2	340	-23	-6.8
Northern California-Nevada	217	227	-10	-4.4	237	-20	-8.4	272	-55	-20.2
Northern Missouri	42	42	0	0.0	41	1	2.4	49	-7	-14.3
Northern New England	44	44	0	0.0	55	-11	-20.0	57	-13	-22.8
Northern Pacific Latin Ame	104	117	-13	-11.1	127	-23	-18.1	123	-19	-15.4
Northwest	121	133	-12	-9.0	150	-29	-19.3	178	-57	-32.0
Northwest Hispanic	30	34	-4	-11.8	0	30	0.0	0	30	0.0
Ohio	133	134	-1	-0.7	156	-23	-14.7	169	-36	-21.3
Oklahoma	267	267	0	0.0	288	-21	-7.3	265	2	0.8
Oregon	78	80	-2	-2.5	91	-13	-14.3	106	-28	-26.4

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Peninsular Florida	204	228	-24	-10.5	237	-33	-13.9	251	-47	-18.7
Pennsylvania-Delaware	175	187	-12	-6.4	183	-8	-4.4	185	-10	-5.4
Potomac	156	160	-4	-2.5	173	-17	-9.8	187	-31	-16.6
Puerto Rico	103	111	-8	-7.2	108	-5	-4.6	111	-8	-7.2
Rocky Mountain	75	73	2	2.7	70	5	7.1	84	-9	-10.7
Samoan	35	38	-3	-7.9	0	35	0.0	0	35	0.0
Second Korean	15	16	-1	-6.3	17	-2	-11.8	24	-9	-37.5
South Carolina	45	49	-4	-8.2	56	-11	-19.6	52	-7	-13.5
South Central Hispanic	65	63	2	3.2	78	-13	-16.7	0	65	0.0
South Dakota	28	28	0	0.0	25	3	12.0	22	6	27.3
South Texas	172	172	0	0.0	180	-8	-4.4	183	-11	-6.0
Southern California	222	227	-5	-2.2	267	-45	-16.9	277	-55	-19.9
Southern Idaho	29	36	-7	-19.4	30	-1	-3.3	29	0	0.0
Southern Latin	34	35	-1	-2.9	0	34	0.0	0	34	0.0
Southern Missouri	184	168	16	9.5	199	-15	-7.5	217	-33	-15.2
Southern New England	97	94	3	3.2	102	-5	-4.9	99	-2	-2.0
Southern Pacific	188	173	15	8.7	164	24	14.6	193	-5	-2.6
Southwest	22	25	-3	-12.0	30	-8	-26.7	0	22	0.0
Spanish Eastern	256	262	-6	-2.3	247	9	3.6	218	38	17.4
Tennessee	126	127	-1	-0.8	127	-1	-0.8	141	-15	-10.6
Texas Gulf Hispanic	75	75	0	0.0	68	7	10.3	0	75	0.0
Texas Louisiana Hispanic	74	76	-2	-2.6	63	11	17.5	0	74	0.0
West Florida	87	83	4	4.8	86	1	1.2	83	4	4.8
West Texas	47	50	-3	-6.0	52	-5	-9.6	64	-17	-26.6
West Texas and Plains	40	43	-3	-7.0	48	-8	-16.7	0	40	0.0
Wisconsin-Northern Michiga	104	101	3	3.0	114	-10	-8.8	129	-25	-19.4
Wyoming	22	21	1	4.8	19	3	15.8	19	3	15.8
<u>Regions</u>										
Great Lakes	671	674	-3	-0.4	753	-82	-10.9	845	-174	-20.6
Gulf	719	709	10	1.4	794	-75	-9.4	836	-117	-14.0
Language-East Spanish	525	542	-17	-3.1	554	-29	-5.2	511	14	2.7
Language-Other	182	180	2	1.1	126	56	44.4	140	42	30.0
Language-West Spanish	656	670	-14	-2.1	650	6	0.9	651	5	0.8
North Central	426	437	-11	-2.5	459	-33	-7.2	493	-67	-13.6
Northeast	754	756	-2	-0.3	823	-69	-8.4	845	-91	-10.8
Northwest	327	352	-25	-7.1	382	-55	-14.4	428	-101	-23.6
South Central	936	947	-11	-1.2	971	-35	-3.6	999	-63	-6.3
Southeast	740	790	-50	-6.3	835	-95	-11.4	882	-142	-16.1
Southwest	683	686	-3	-0.4	764	-81	-10.6	826	-143	-17.3

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National Totals	6,619	6,743	-124	-1.8	7,111	-492	-6.9	7,456	-837	-11.2
Language District Totals	1,363	1,392	-29	-2.1	1,330	33	2.5	1,302	61	4.7

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