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Live birth definition: "Child whose breathing AND heartbeat started after complete separation from the mother"

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Live birth definition: "Child whose breathing AND heartbeat started after complete separation from the mother independent of cutting the umbilical cord and delivery of the placenta"

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Live birth definition: "Child whose breathing OR heartbeat started after complete separation from the mother independent of cutting the umbilical cord and delivery of the placenta"

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Information on collection procedures (i.e., Year Reg and/or Area) has not been obtained.

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Information on the accessibility of the data has not been obtained.

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As part of the reunification process of East and West Germany in 1990, both parts of Berlin were unified too. Before reunification, Berlin was divided into West Berlin, consisting of 12 districts, and East Berlin, with 11 districts. In January 2001, a district reform took place and the whole city of Berlin was divided into 12 new unified districts, over-riding the old east-west administrative division. To extend forward consistent time series for East and West Germany in the Human Mortality Database, the data for East and West Berlin, and consequently for the two parts of Germany, had to be reconstructed (see Appendix 2 of the *Background and Documentation* file).

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The inter-censal population estimates for the period 1987–2011 have been revised to account for the results of the 2011 census. We used a special method to redistribute the accumulated statistical error across years and birth cohorts (see Background and Documentation file for more details).

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Since January 2016 West Berlin is included in the territory of East Germany, and excluded from the territory of West Germany.

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A special method was implemented for East and West Germany death counts, for the years 2018-2020, when cells with low counts in the death tabulations were suppressed by the German Statistical Office. For more details see the Background and documentation file for the national population of Germany.