

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS : JUNE QUARTER 1977

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains a selection of final population and vital statistics, superseding preliminary data published in *Population and Vital Statistics (Preliminary)* (3211.0). The quarterly issue of this bulletin was interrupted, no issue being published since August 1976 when the bulletin covering September and December quarters 1975 appeared. It is now intended to resume publication on a quarterly basis. Annual publications containing corresponding statistics in greater detail are listed below under the heading related publications.

2. The interruption in the quarterly issue of this bulletin was due to the need to revise population estimates in the light of results of the Census of Population and Housing of 30 June 1976. It was necessary to examine the implication of the census results on continuity of demographic statistics in general, to review the methods used for making quarterly estimates, and to make substantial changes to population estimates back to 1971.

3. Final population estimates from June 1971 to June 1977 were published for the first time in the preliminary bulletin (3211.0) issued on 11 November 1977, and are repeated here. Crude rates (births, deaths, etc. per 1,000 of mean population) for each year from 1971 onwards have been recalculated and the revised rates are shown in this bulletin for the first time. Population estimates have not been revised for dates before 1971. However, advice can be given if a continuous series of estimates is required from before 1971.

Population estimates

4. The population statistics for 30 June 1976 are the Census results adjusted for underenumeration. (The methods of estimating the level of underenumeration are outlined in a Census Bulletin, *Population of States and Territories adjusted for Underenumeration* (Ref. No. 2.02.10, issued in March 1977). Estimates for later dates are derived from these by the addition of natural increase and net migration gain (which now excludes overseas movement for less than a year). For the States and Territories account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of residence. Thus, both for Australia and for the States and Territories, the population movement from 30 June 1976 measures changes in the resident population.

5. For dates before 30 June 1976 the estimates for Australia are made retrospectively from the figures for 30 June 1976 by deduction of natural increase and net migration gain (on the new definition which excludes movement for less than a year) with a further small deduction to allow for the number aged 0-4 years in the adjusted 1976 Census results in excess of the number accountable for by natural increase and net migration. (The results for 30 June 1971 are slightly higher than the 1971 Census figures adjusted for underenumeration as measured by the 1971 post enumeration survey). The quarter to quarter and year to year movement between 1971 and 1976 refers therefore to changes of Australian population identified as resident.

6. For the States and Territories the estimates for dates before 30 June 1976 are made in the same way as for Australia, with the further deduction of net interstate migration, and adjustments needed to make the estimate for each State and Territory balance with the corresponding estimate for 30 June 1971. This estimate for 30 June 1971 for each State and Territory is made from the 1971 Census results, with an augmented adjustment for underenumeration to make the total balance with the estimate for Australia made retrospectively from the 1976 Census. In effect, the year to year and quarter to quarter movements in the estimates between 1971 and 1976 reflect changes in the resident population of the States and Territories or for Australia as a whole, but they also reflect differences in the distribution of interstate visitors in 1971 and 1976.

7. Although these population figures are designated as final, it is possible that the whole series or any part of it will be revised in the light of future census results.

Temporary population movements

8. As indicated above, holiday, business and other similar short term movements are not taken into account in the quarterly calculations. More specifically, overseas migration refers to permanent and long term movement, and interstate migration refers to changes of place of residence estimated from records of transfers of electoral enrolments and address changes for payment of family allowances, supplemented by data from periodic surveys of internal migration. However, as pointed out above, the benchmark figures for 30 June 1976 reflect the results of short term movement, insofar as people who were on holiday or other short term travel at the time of the 1976 Census are counted in the population of the State or Territory where they spent Census night, or if overseas, are excluded from the Census.

Mean population and quarterly rates

9. Mean population estimates are calculated for twelve month period to provide an average basis for calculation of annual rates requiring allowance for the continuous change in population figures. The mean population has been calculated by the formula:

$$\text{mean population} = \frac{a+4b+2c+4d+e}{12}$$

where a, b, c, d and e, respectively, are the populations at the end of the quarter immediately preceding the year and at the end of each of the four succeeding quarters; e.g. in the case of a calendar year 31 December of the preceding year, and 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December of the year under consideration. Rates for quarters are equivalent annual rates calculated by multiplying the number of, say, registrations for the quarter by four and dividing by the estimated population at the end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population).

Seasonal and other effects on quarterly figures

10. Quarterly figures and rates for marriages, births and deaths reflect seasonal influences and may also be influenced by varying delays in registrations due to administrative and other factors which may affect the month of registration. A variation in rates based on small numbers of events may reflect transitory changes which can average out in variations in rates based on large numbers. Divorce figures, particularly the numbers dissolutions granted, are affected by such administrative factors as the occurrence of law vacations and the availability of judges, and, from 1975, by the introduction of the new legislation.

Related publications

11. Detailed annual statistics of the topics covered in this bulletin have been published for many years in

the annual printed publication *Demography*, the last of which, No. 87 – 1971, was published in 1974. For more recent data, the following annual mimeographed bulletins should be consulted.

Estimated Age Distribution of the Population :
States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)
Population : Principal Cities and Towns (3202.0)
Births (3301.0)
Deaths (3302.0)
Marriages (3306.0)
Divorces (3307.0)
Overseas Arrivals and Departures (3404.0)

Another annual bulletin, *Population* to complete the series, is planned. Other publications on related topics are as follows:

Projections of the Population of Australia (3204.0)
Birth Expectations of Married Women (Preliminary)
(3213.0)
Causes of Deaths (3303.0)
Perinatal Deaths (3304.0)
Australian Life Tables (3305.0)
Internal Migration (3408.0)

For details of population census publications and corresponding publication in each State and Territory, see *Catalogue of Publications 1977*, (1101.0) available free of charge from any office of the ABS.

Symbols and other usages

r revised
 p preliminary
 n.a. not available

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

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TABLE 1. SUMMARY : VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriages registered	Divorces granted	Live births registered	Deaths registered	Natural increase (a)	Net recorded overseas migration gain (b)	Population -	
							Increase (c) ('000)	At end of period ('000)
Year ended 31 Dec. -								
1971	117,637	13,002	276,362	110,650	165,712	103,553	270.4	13,070.0
1972	114,029	15,707	264,969	109,760	155,209	56,320	213.9	13,283.9
1973	112,700	16,266	247,670	110,822	136,848	67,493	206.6	13,490.6
1974	110,673	17,744	245,177	115,833	129,344	87,248	219.0	13,709.5
1975	103,973	24,307	233,012	109,021	123,991	13,513	139.7	13,849.3
1976	109,973	60,775	227,810	112,662	115,148	25,576	141.9	13,991.2
Year ended 30 June -								
1971	117,648	12,503	271,295	113,338	157,957	119,013	277.0	(d)12,937.2
1972	116,224	13,837	271,960	110,191	161,769	75,673	239.8	13,177.0
1973	111,992	16,635	255,848	111,336	144,512	56,562	203.4	13,380.4
1974	113,115	15,592	243,658	110,179	133,479	82,926	218.7	13,599.1
1975	107,056	20,310	239,794	114,501	125,293	44,675	172.3	13,771.4
1976	103,919	(c)	231,135	110,610	120,525	21,229	144.1	(d)13,915.5
1977	111,710	(e)	226,956	111,494	115,462	43,103	158.6	14,074.1
Quarter ended -								
June	30,209	2,529	69,325	27,536	41,789	19,199	61.0	12,937.2
September	25,244	3,402	70,117	31,939	38,178	25,314	64.1	13,001.3
December	30,629	3,555	65,944	26,411	39,533	28,611	68.7	13,070.0
1972 -								
March	31,031	3,707	67,443	24,730	42,713	13,384	56.7	13,126.7
June	29,320	3,210	68,456	27,111	41,345	8,363	50.3	13,177.0
September	23,981	4,401	66,364	31,661	34,703	15,585	50.9	13,227.9
December	29,697	4,389	62,706	26,258	36,448	18,988	56.0	13,283.9
1973 -								
March	30,193	4,357	64,126	26,623	37,503	12,454	50.5	13,334.4
June	28,121	3,634	62,652	26,794	35,858	9,534	46.0	13,380.4
September	24,747	3,876	61,421	30,752	30,669	16,984	48.2	13,428.6
December	29,639	4,399	59,471	26,653	32,818	28,521	61.9	13,490.6
1974 -								
March	31,183	4,042	61,392	24,662	36,730	18,067	55.4	13,545.9
June	27,546	3,466	61,374	28,112	33,262	19,354	53.2	13,599.1
September	23,200	4,814	63,005	35,591	27,414	21,993	50.0	13,649.1
December	28,744	5,422	59,406	27,468	31,938	27,834	60.4	13,709.5
1975 -								
March	28,339	6,377	56,419	24,163	32,256	-1,711	31.1	13,740.6
June	26,773	3,770	60,964	27,279	33,685	-3,441	30.8	13,771.4
September	21,289	5,491	58,802	31,098	27,704	6,559	34.8	13,806.3
December	27,572	8,669	56,827	26,481	30,346	12,106	43.0	13,849.3
1976 -								
March	28,491	(e)	58,227	24,972	33,255	2,983	36.8	13,886.1
June	26,567	(e)	57,279	28,059	29,220	-419	29.4	(d)13,915.5
September	23,919	(e)	57,186	33,423	23,763	7,232	31.0	13,946.5
December	30,996	(e)	55,118	26,208	28,910	15,780	44.7	13,991.2
1977 -								
March	29,914	(e)	57,012	25,354	31,658	13,167	44.8	14,036.0
June	26,861	(e)	57,640	26,509	31,131	6,924	38.1	14,074.1

(a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered. (b) Net migration gain is defined as the excess of overseas arrivals over overseas departures classified as permanent and long-term movement. (Long-term includes visits to, and absences from, Australia lasting one year or longer.) (c) Increase consists of natural increase, net migration gain and an adjustment to balance recorded births from July 1971 to June 1976 corresponding with June 1976 estimates of 0-4 year olds. (d) Census results adjusted to allow for under-enumeration. See Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 4 and 5. (e) Because of revisions of the processing system necessitated by the introduction of Family Law legislation in 1976, no figures are available for these periods.

TABLE 2. POPULATION
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	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
As at 31 December -									
1971	2,360.0	1,767.3	951.7	597.1	542.3	197.1	54.6	77.1	6,572.0
1972	2,394.0	1,802.5	987.2	603.8	552.4	198.0	55.8	82.9	6,676.7
1973	2,414.2	1,825.6	1,016.4	612.8	563.6	199.4	57.3	88.4	6,777.7
1974	2,443.0	1,852.3	1,044.5	625.7	581.0	201.7	(b)43.4	93.8	6,885.3
1975	2,447.7	1,862.7	1,058.6	628.0	591.1	203.8	54.7	101.5	6,948.0
1976	2,464.2	1,878.5	1,067.6	633.4	603.2	205.1	57.4	104.8	7,014.3
FEMALES									
1971	2,351.1	1,774.3	948.0	598.3	517.4	194.6	39.7	74.6	6,498.1
1972	2,377.9	1,801.6	975.0	605.7	528.5	196.0	42.3	80.2	6,607.2
1973	2,401.8	1,825.8	1,003.0	614.4	539.6	197.8	44.6	85.7	6,712.8
1974	2,435.7	1,853.8	1,029.5	627.9	556.9	200.8	(b)28.7	90.9	6,824.2
1975	2,448.1	1,867.6	1,043.6	629.3	567.9	202.8	43.1	98.9	6,901.3
1976	2,468.8	1,886.3	1,053.9	635.3	580.5	204.2	46.5	101.4	6,976.9
MALES									
As at 30 June -									
1971 (a)	2,349.6	1,760.7	945.7	592.0	534.1	196.4	53.8	73.9	6,506.2
1972	2,382.7	1,789.5	972.0	600.6	547.7	197.3	55.4	80.3	6,625.3
1973	2,404.2	1,814.9	1,000.0	608.1	557.0	198.8	56.3	85.4	6,724.7
1974	2,425.2	1,838.5	1,030.6	617.3	570.8	200.3	58.4	91.2	6,832.3
1975	2,444.3	1,858.2	1,049.6	625.1	585.0	202.8	51.6	96.8	6,913.3
1976 (a)	2,455.8	1,870.1	1,063.2	629.9	596.8	204.1	56.2	103.2	6,979.4
1977	2,475.9	1,887.4	1,075.1	637.4	609.8	205.6	58.1	105.8	7,055.2
FEMALES									
1971 (a)	2,329.8	1,759.7	935.7	593.3	509.0	193.8	38.1	71.6	6,431.0
1972	2,364.2	1,788.0	960.6	601.8	523.2	194.9	41.3	77.7	6,551.7
1973	2,389.2	1,813.5	987.3	609.8	532.8	196.9	43.4	82.7	6,655.7
1974	2,414.2	1,838.3	1,015.5	618.8	546.5	199.0	46.0	88.4	6,766.9
1975	2,440.1	1,861.0	1,034.4	627.0	561.7	201.9	37.8	94.1	6,858.1
1976 (a)	2,458.4	1,875.9	1,048.5	631.7	573.1	203.2	45.2	100.1	6,936.1
1977	2,480.8	1,894.9	1,061.7	639.4	587.3	205.0	47.4	102.4	7,018.9
PERSONS									
At end of -									
1971 -									
June (a)	4,679.4	3,520.4	1,881.4	1,185.3	1,043.1	390.2	91.9	145.6	12,937.2
September	4,700.2	3,533.7	1,893.0	1,190.7	1,050.4	391.3	93.4	148.7	13,001.3
December	4,721.0	3,549.5	1,906.6	1,195.4	1,059.7	391.7	94.4	151.7	13,070.0
1972 -									
March	4,736.1	3,564.8	1,919.7	1,198.8	1,065.7	392.2	95.5	153.9	13,126.7
June	4,746.9	3,577.4	1,932.5	1,202.4	1,070.9	392.2	96.6	158.0	13,177.0
September	4,759.2	3,590.1	1,947.1	1,205.3	1,075.7	392.4	97.4	160.7	13,227.9
December	4,771.9	3,604.1	1,962.2	1,209.5	1,080.9	394.0	98.2	163.1	13,283.9
1973 -									
March	4,783.8	3,616.5	1,975.6	1,214.5	1,084.8	395.5	98.9	164.9	13,334.4
June	4,793.4	3,628.4	1,987.3	1,217.9	1,089.8	395.7	99.7	168.1	13,380.4
September	4,802.4	3,637.4	2,002.1	1,222.3	1,096.1	396.1	100.9	171.3	13,428.6
December	4,816.0	3,651.5	2,019.4	1,227.2	1,103.2	397.2	101.8	174.1	13,490.6
1974 -									
March	4,830.7	3,664.6	2,031.6	1,230.8	1,110.6	398.5	103.4	175.7	13,545.9
June	4,839.4	3,676.8	2,046.1	1,236.2	1,117.4	399.3	104.4	179.6	13,599.1
September	4,852.4	3,688.1	2,055.6	1,239.8	1,124.4	400.7	106.5	181.6	13,649.1
December	4,878.7	3,706.1	2,074.0	1,253.6	1,137.8	402.5	(b)72.1	184.7	13,709.5
1975 -									
March	4,880.0	3,712.5	2,077.3	1,251.2	1,141.4	403.5	88.0	186.8	13,740.6
June	4,884.5	3,719.1	2,084.0	1,252.1	1,146.7	404.7	89.4	190.9	13,771.4
September	4,890.1	3,724.8	2,090.8	1,253.5	1,151.6	405.3	95.7	194.3	13,806.3
December	4,895.8	3,730.3	2,102.2	1,257.3	1,159.0	406.6	97.8	200.4	13,849.3
1976 -									
March	4,906.9	3,741.5	2,104.9	1,259.0	1,164.2	406.9	101.1	201.7	13,886.1
June (a)	4,914.3	3,746.0	2,111.7	1,261.6	1,169.8	407.4	101.4	203.3	13,915.5
September	4,920.5	3,754.3	2,115.5	1,264.3	1,176.1	408.1	102.9	204.7	13,946.5
December	4,933.0	3,764.9	2,121.6	1,268.8	1,183.7	409.3	103.9	206.2	13,991.2
1977 -									
March	4,945.9	3,774.3	2,130.0	1,273.2	1,190.2	410.0	104.9	207.6	14,036.0
June	4,956.7	3,782.3	2,136.8	1,276.8	1,197.1	410.6	105.5	208.2	14,074.1

(a) Census results adjusted for under-enumeration. (b) Decrease due to the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 3. POPULATION - ANALYSIS OF INTERCENSAL INCREASE
30 JUNE 1971 TO 30 JUNE 1976
(000)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
Population 30 June 1971 (a)	2,349.6	1,760.7	945.7	592.0	534.1	196.4	53.8	73.9	6,506.2
Change: 1 July 1971 to 30 June 1976									
Live births registered	225.0	172.1	96.9	53.2	54.1	18.8	6.8	10.9	637.8
Deaths registered	114.9	82.6	48.6	27.7	22.6	9.3	1.9	2.1	309.7
Natural Increase (b)	110.1	89.5	48.3	25.6	31.5	9.5	4.9	8.8	328.2
Adjustment (c)	2.1	1.6	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	6.0
Net Overseas Migration (d)	54.8	40.0	12.9	9.9	19.0	0.4	0.0	2.0	139.0
Net Interstate Migration	-47.3	-16.1	29.5	0.4	10.6	-0.6	2.3	21.2	..
Total Migration	7.5	23.9	42.4	10.3	29.6	-0.2	2.3	23.2	139.0
Adjustment (e)	-13.5	-5.5	26.0	1.5	1.1	-1.8	-4.8	-2.9	..
Population 30 June 1976 (f)	2,455.8	1,870.1	1,063.2	629.9	596.8	204.1	56.2	103.2	6,979.4
FEMALES									
Population 30 June 1971 (a)	2,329.8	1,759.7	935.7	593.3	509.0	193.8	38.1	71.6	6,431.0
Change: 1 July 1971 to 30 June 1976									
Live births registered	213.3	163.2	92.0	50.1	51.3	18.2	6.3	10.2	604.5
Deaths registered	93.7	69.5	35.8	22.1	16.1	7.5	1.0	1.5	247.1
Natural Increase (b)	119.6	93.7	56.2	28.0	35.2	10.7	5.3	8.7	357.4
Adjustment (c)	2.0	1.5	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	5.6
Net Overseas Migration (d)	55.6	40.8	12.9	11.4	17.7	1.2	0.5	2.0	142.1
Net Interstate Migration	-42.9	-15.0	25.9	0.3	10.2	-0.9	3.1	19.2	..
Total Migration	12.7	25.8	38.8	11.8	27.9	0.3	3.6	21.3	142.1
Adjustment (e)	-5.6	-4.9	16.9	-1.8	0.5	-1.6	-1.8	-1.6	..
Population 30 June 1976 (f)	2,458.4	1,875.9	1,048.5	631.7	573.1	203.2	45.2	100.1	6,936.1
PERSONS									
Population 30 June 1971 (a)	4,679.4	3,520.4	1,881.4	1,185.3	1,043.1	390.2	91.9	145.6	12,937.2
Change: 1 July 1971 to 30 June 1976									
Live births registered	438.2	335.3	189.0	103.4	105.4	37.0	13.0	21.1	1,242.4
Deaths registered	208.5	152.0	84.4	49.8	38.7	16.9	2.9	3.5	556.8
Natural Increase (b)	229.7	183.2	104.6	53.5	66.7	20.2	10.1	17.6	685.6
Adjustment (c)	4.1	3.1	1.8	0.9	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	11.6
Net Overseas Migration (d)	110.4	80.7	25.7	21.4	36.7	1.6	0.5	4.1	281.1
Net Interstate Migration	-90.2	-31.1	55.4	0.8	20.8	-1.5	5.4	40.4	..
Total Migration	20.2	49.6	81.1	22.1	57.5	-0.1	5.9	44.5	281.1
Adjustment (e)	-19.1	-10.4	42.9	-0.3	1.5	-3.4	-6.1	-4.5	..
Population 30 June 1976 (f)	4,914.3	3,746.0	2,111.8	1,261.6	1,169.8	407.4	101.4	203.3	13,915.5

(a) Calculated by taking the estimated population at June 1976 and adjusting back by allowing for recorded natural increase and net migration and the two adjustments indicated in footnotes (c) and (e). (b) Excess of recorded births over recorded deaths. (c) To balance the number of 0-4 year olds in June 1976 against the number accounted for by natural increase and net migration in the preceding five years. (d) Excluding short term (less than one year) movement. (e) See NOTE. (f) Census figures adjusted for underenumeration.

NOTE: The population statistics for June 1976 embodied, for the first time, an addition to the recorded Census figures for under enumeration. This made it necessary to amend the previously published 1971 Census results, and the amended figure was estimated, for Australia, by the steps indicated in the last column. To appreciate the nature of this amendment, both for Australia and the States and Territories, the table should therefore be read from bottom to top. For the States and Territories there was an additional step, apart from the deduction of net interstate migration. This is shown by the line called "adjustment (e)". It was made necessary by the fact that while the Australian amended total for June 1971 as estimated retrospectively from June 1976 incorporated only changes in the resident population (because short term visitor movement was excluded from the deduction for overseas migration), the amended 1971 total for each State and Territory reflected the intercensal changes in the distribution of interstate visitors as well.

TABLE 4. RATES OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, NATURAL INCREASE AND NET MIGRATION (a) : AUSTRALIA, (per thousand)

Period	Crude birth rate	Crude death rate	Rate of natural increase (b)	Rate of net migration
Year ended 31 Dec. -				
1971	21.36	8.55	12.81	8.00
1972	20.11	8.33	11.78	4.27
1973	18.51	8.28	10.23	5.04
1974	18.03	8.52	9.51	6.42
1975	16.92	7.91	9.01	0.98
1976	16.37	8.10	8.27	1.84
Year ended 30 June -				
1972	20.82	8.43	12.39	5.79
1973	19.26	8.38	10.88	4.26
1974	18.06	8.17	9.89	6.15
1975	17.51	8.36	9.15	3.26
1976	16.69	7.99	8.70	1.53
1977	16.22	7.97	8.25	3.08

(a) Births, deaths, net migration (excess of overseas arrivals over overseas departures, excluding short term movements) during each period per thousand of mean population for the period. (b) The rate of natural increase is the difference between the crude birth and crude death rates.

NOTE. Rates of natural increase and net migration should be distinguished from growth rates calculated as the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. Figures prepared on that basis are shown in the next table.

TABLE 5. RATES OF POPULATION GROWTH (a) : AUSTRALIA (Per cent)

Period	Components of growth			Rate of growth (d)
	Natural increase (b)	Net migration gain (c)		
Year ended 31 Dec. -				
1971	1.29	0.81		2.11
1972	1.19	0.43		1.64
1973	1.03	0.51		1.56
1974	0.96	0.65		1.62
1975	0.90	0.10		1.02
1976	0.83	-0.18		1.02
Year ended 30 June -				
1972	1.25	0.59		1.85
1973	1.10	0.43		1.54
1974	1.00	0.62		1.64
1975	0.92	0.33		1.27
1976	0.88	0.15		1.05
1977	0.83	0.31		1.14

(a) The rate represents the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures (excluding short term movements). (d) Consists of natural increase, net migration gain and, for the periods to June 1976 an adjustment to balance recorded births from July 1971 to June 1976 with June 1976 estimates of 0-4 year olds.

TABLE 6. RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a) (Per cent)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 Dec. -									
1971	1.89	1.79	2.34	1.63	3.50	0.92	5.12	9.73	2.11
1972	1.08	1.54	2.92	1.18	2.00	0.59	4.03	7.51	1.64
1973	0.93	1.31	2.92	1.46	2.07	0.81	3.74	6.75	1.56
1974	1.30	1.50	2.70	2.15	3.14	1.33	(b)-29.16	6.07	1.62
1975	0.35	0.65	1.36	0.30	1.86	1.02	35.56	8.47	1.01
1976	0.76	0.93	0.92	0.91	2.13	0.66	6.23	2.92	1.03
Year ended 30 June -									
1972	1.44	1.62	2.72	1.44	2.66	0.52	5.14	8.53	1.85
1973	0.98	1.43	2.83	1.29	1.77	0.88	3.16	6.43	1.54
1974	0.96	1.33	2.96	1.50	2.53	0.92	4.76	6.79	1.64
1975	0.93	1.15	1.85	1.29	2.62	1.35	(b)-14.38	6.33	1.27
1976	0.61	0.72	1.33	0.75	2.02	0.66	13.41	6.51	1.05
1977	0.86	0.97	1.19	1.20	2.33	0.79	4.09	2.39	1.14

(a) The rate represents the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. The increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, net interstate migration and for years to June 1976 of adjustments to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest census. (b) Decrease due to effects of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 7. NATURAL INCREASE (a)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 Dec. -									
1971	56,775	44,900	23,631	13,310	16,433	5,026	2,195	3,442	165,712
1972	53,626	41,951	22,653	12,080	14,736	4,597	2,169	3,397	155,209
1973	46,210	36,427	21,335	10,572	12,665	3,979	2,229	3,431	136,848
1974	42,163	35,326	19,724	9,945	12,429	3,914	2,233	3,610	129,344
1975	40,421	32,398	19,982	10,039	12,366	3,643	1,508	3,634	123,991
1976	36,370	29,914	18,004	8,948	12,930	3,313	2,040	3,629	115,148
Quarter ended -									
1971 -									
September	12,466	10,717	5,455	3,177	3,658	1,253	643	809	38,178
December	13,859	10,398	5,283	3,107	4,392	1,165	479	850	39,533
1972 -									
March	14,806	12,013	6,498	3,204	3,515	1,288	510	879	42,713
June	14,380	10,875	6,246	3,206	4,069	1,106	526	937	41,345
September	11,994	9,457	4,592	2,758	3,469	1,055	584	794	34,703
December	12,446	9,606	5,317	2,912	3,683	1,148	549	787	36,448
1973 -									
March	12,977	10,310	5,777	2,974	2,924	1,179	501	861	37,503
June	12,032	9,343	5,872	2,652	3,452	983	701	823	35,858
September	10,301	7,517	4,867	2,293	3,264	942	573	912	30,669
December	10,900	9,257	4,819	2,653	3,025	875	454	835	32,818
1974 -									
March	13,152	9,764	5,699	2,592	2,915	1,086	545	977	36,730
June	10,561	9,158	5,337	2,677	3,186	948	546	849	33,262
September	8,479	7,800	3,844	2,103	2,876	894	604	814	27,414
December	9,971	8,604	4,844	2,573	3,452	986	538	970	31,938
1975 -									
March	10,941	8,329	5,501	2,795	2,621	935	246	888	32,256
June	11,260	8,628	5,432	2,430	3,648	972	437	878	33,685
September	8,730	7,476	4,369	2,134	2,866	868	337	924	27,704
December	9,490	7,965	4,680	2,680	3,231	868	488	944	30,346
1976 -									
March	10,859	8,984	5,248	2,543	3,218	907	577	919	33,255
June	10,081	7,026	4,874	2,077	3,254	715	281	912	29,220
September	6,556	6,389	3,427	1,858	3,263	817	530	923	23,763
December	8,874	7,515	4,455	2,470	3,195	874	652	875	28,910
1977 -									
March	10,646	7,907	5,108	2,499	3,061	928	509	1,000	31,658
June	9,899	7,891	4,967	2,600	3,509	884	446	935	31,131

(a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered.

TABLE 8. NET MIGRATION GAIN (a)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 Dec. -									
1971	32,355	18,383	15,574	5,761	19,132	-1,152	3,054	10,446	103,553
1972	266	14,058	24,061	1,913	5,907	-1,679	2,940	8,854	56,320
1973	918	12,390	26,948	7,012	9,200	-167	2,747	8,445	67,493
1974	23,478	20,717	25,922	16,278	21,691	1,964	(b)-30,623	7,821	87,248
1975	-20,356	-6,739	-692	-6,421	8,320	1,079	25,449	12,873	13,513
1976	2,330	5,399	-3,149	2,477	11,463	-307	4,710	2,653	25,576
Quarter ended -									
1971 -									
September	9,129	3,007	3,903	2,126	3,528	-61	1,144	2,538	25,314
December	7,680	5,770	6,083	1,624	4,790	-570	848	2,386	28,611
1972 -									
March	1,037	3,576	4,379	215	2,369	-670	958	1,520	13,384
June	-2,799	2,168	4,368	295	929	-880	917	3,365	8,363
September	1,063	3,563	7,716	174	1,208	-703	471	2,093	15,585
December	965	4,751	7,598	1,229	1,401	574	594	1,876	18,988
1973 -									
March	-327	2,473	5,327	1,960	918	486	510	1,107	12,454
June	-1,675	2,945	3,646	771	1,398	-665	442	2,672	9,534
September	-580	1,853	7,676	2,039	2,928	-286	944	2,410	16,984
December	3,500	5,119	10,299	2,242	3,956	298	851	2,256	28,521
1974 -									
March	2,222	3,755	4,282	986	4,320	367	1,346	789	18,067
June	-1,070	3,364	6,895	2,656	3,469	13	786	3,241	19,354
September	5,302	3,869	3,428	1,478	4,071	613	1,796	1,436	21,993
December	17,024	9,729	11,317	11,158	9,831	971	(b)-34,551	2,355	27,834
1975 -									
March	-8,927	-1,536	-4,450	-5,184	775	239	15,902	1,470	-1,711
June	-6,002	-1,621	-956	-1,531	1,555	380	1,321	3,413	-3,441
September	-2,256	-1,503	247	-784	1,955	-102	6,310	2,692	6,559
December	-3,171	-2,079	4,467	1,078	4,035	562	1,916	5,298	12,106
1976 -									
March	1,009	2,574	-4,813	-899	1,866	-448	3,071	623	2,983
June	-1,930	-2,143	-278	483	2,206	-57	321	979	-419
September	-311	1,912	325	898	2,986	-42	1,019	445	7,232
December	3,562	3,056	1,617	1,995	4,405	240	299	606	15,780
1977 -									
March	2,246	1,568	3,321	1,871	3,454	-146	463	390	13,167
June	983	126	1,844	1,009	3,372	-328	233	-315	6,924

(a) Estimated net overseas and interstate migration. Net overseas migration gain excludes short-term (less than one year) movement. Net interstate migration gain refers to changes of residence and is based on records of interstate transfers under family allowance and electoral roll procedures, and other information. Minus sign (-) denotes a decrease. (b) Due to the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 9. MEAN POPULATION (a), CALENDAR YEARS ('000)

<i>Year ended 31 December</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
MALES									
1971	2,349.3	1,760.4	946.6	592.2	533.6	196.4	53.8	73.7	6,506.0
1972	2,382.7	1,789.3	972.4	600.4	547.6	197.3	55.3	80.0	6,625.1
1973	2,404.0	1,814.2	1,000.8	608.3	557.4	198.8	56.4	85.5	6,725.5
1974 (b)	2,425.9	1,838.1	1,029.3	617.0	571.0	200.4	58.6	90.9	6,831.2
1975	2,444.5	1,857.8	1,049.8	625.4	585.2	202.7	52.1	96.9	6,914.6
1976	2,455.6	1,870.8	1,062.6	630.2	596.7	204.3	56.4	103.1	6,979.6
FEMALES									
1971	2,330.1	1,759.5	936.4	593.5	508.7	193.8	38.3	71.4	6,431.8
1972	2,364.7	1,788.0	961.0	601.8	523.1	195.1	41.1	77.4	6,552.1
1973	2,389.3	1,813.2	988.1	610.0	533.2	197.0	43.4	82.7	6,656.8
1974 (b)	2,415.4	1,838.4	1,014.7	618.6	546.8	199.1	46.1	88.0	6,767.0
1975	2,440.8	1,860.8	1,034.9	627.4	561.7	201.8	38.1	94.0	6,859.5
1976	2,458.3	1,876.7	1,048.1	631.7	573.6	203.3	45.3	100.2	6,937.2
PERSONS									
1971	4,679.4	3,519.9	1,883.0	1,185.8	1,042.3	390.2	92.2	145.1	12,937.9
1972	4,747.4	3,577.3	1,933.4	1,202.2	1,070.7	392.4	96.4	157.4	13,177.2
1973	4,793.3	3,627.4	1,988.9	1,218.3	1,090.6	395.8	99.8	168.2	13,382.3
1974 (b)	4,841.3	3,676.5	2,044.0	1,235.6	1,117.7	399.6	104.6	178.9	13,598.2
1975	4,885.3	3,718.6	2,084.7	1,252.8	1,146.9	404.5	90.3	191.0	13,774.1
1976	4,913.9	3,747.5	2,110.7	1,261.9	1,170.3	407.5	101.7	203.2	13,916.8

(a) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 9. (b) Adjusted to allow for the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on the Northern Territory population.

TABLE 10. MEAN POPULATION (a), FINANCIAL YEARS ('000)

<i>Year ended 30 June</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
MALES									
1972	2,368.5	1,775.2	958.6	596.7	541.6	197.1	54.6	76.9	6,569.1
1973	2,393.9	1,802.3	986.7	604.1	552.3	198.0	55.8	82.8	6,676.0
1974	2,414.6	1,825.9	1,015.4	612.6	563.8	199.5	57.4	88.2	6,777.3
1975 (b)	2,436.6	1,849.4	1,040.7	621.6	578.6	201.6	56.2	93.7	6,878.4
1976	2,449.2	1,864.1	1,056.7	627.6	590.7	203.6	54.8	100.5	6,947.0
1977	2,464.7	1,878.6	1,068.3	633.5	603.1	205.0	57.3	104.7	7,015.2
FEMALES									
1972	2,349.3	1,774.1	947.9	598.0	516.6	194.6	39.8	74.5	6,494.7
1973	2,377.4	1,801.1	974.5	605.7	528.1	196.0	42.3	80.1	6,605.2
1974	2,401.8	1,825.5	1,001.9	614.2	539.6	197.9	44.7	85.4	6,710.9
1975 (b)	2,429.2	1,850.9	1,025.6	623.5	554.5	200.5	42.3	90.7	6,817.3
1976	2,449.0	1,868.5	1,041.9	629.0	567.5	202.6	43.0	97.8	6,899.2
1977	2,468.8	1,885.8	1,054.5	635.3	580.2	204.1	46.5	101.4	6,976.6
PERSONS									
1972	4,717.8	3,549.2	1,906.5	1,194.7	1,058.2	391.6	94.4	151.5	13,063.9
1973	4,771.4	3,603.4	1,961.2	1,210.0	1,080.4	394.0	98.1	162.9	13,281.2
1974	4,816.4	3,651.4	2,017.3	1,226.7	1,103.4	397.3	102.1	173.6	13,488.2
1975 (b)	4,865.9	3,700.3	2,066.4	1,245.1	1,133.1	402.1	98.5	184.4	13,695.7
1976	4,898.2	3,732.6	2,098.6	1,256.5	1,158.2	406.2	97.8	198.3	13,846.2
1977	4,933.5	3,764.4	2,122.8	1,268.8	1,183.3	409.1	103.8	206.1	13,991.8

(a) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 9. (b) Adjusted to allow for the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on the Northern Territory population.

TABLE 11. MARRIAGES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MARRIAGES REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	43,038	32,386	16,538	10,833	9,382	3,578	485	1,397	117,637
1972	41,520	31,206	16,066	10,829	9,120	3,426	490	1,372	114,029
1973	40,722	30,203	16,490	10,806	9,102	3,395	513	1,469	112,700
1974	39,327	29,708	16,086	10,769	9,295	3,567	566	1,355	110,673
1975	36,958	27,806	15,230	9,843	9,026	3,242	406	1,462	103,973
1976	38,487	28,760	16,703	10,902	9,517	3,477	541	1,586	109,973
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	11,072	8,162	4,395	2,750	2,428	922	106	374	30,209
September	9,468	6,688	3,879	2,270	1,761	761	119	298	25,244
December	11,025	8,576	4,296	2,828	2,617	818	138	331	30,629
1972 —									
March	11,385	8,524	3,972	3,138	2,479	1,043	90	400	31,031
June	10,500	7,948	4,365	2,760	2,392	890	134	331	29,320
September	8,800	6,297	3,669	2,291	1,777	724	147	276	23,981
December	10,835	8,437	4,060	2,640	2,472	769	119	365	29,697
1973 —									
March	11,037	8,076	3,980	3,054	2,470	1,067	126	383	30,193
June	10,132	7,708	4,265	2,536	2,156	876	119	329	28,121
September	9,073	6,194	3,913	2,374	2,055	676	138	324	24,747
December	10,480	8,225	4,332	2,842	2,421	776	130	433	29,639
1974 —									
March	11,207	8,310	4,098	3,169	2,662	1,258	101	378	31,183
June	9,621	7,506	4,148	2,724	2,279	833	138	297	27,546
September	8,436	5,938	3,621	2,136	1,874	731	148	316	23,200
December	10,063	7,954	4,219	2,740	2,480	745	179	364	28,744
1975 —									
March	10,002	7,904	3,634	2,983	2,247	1,144	51	374	28,339
June	9,476	6,993	4,136	2,342	2,581	771	110	364	26,773
September	8,009	5,304	3,520	1,980	1,480	594	100	302	21,289
December	9,471	7,605	3,940	2,538	2,718	733	145	422	27,572
1976 —									
March	9,995	7,579	3,864	2,820	2,702	1,080	90	361	28,491
June	9,274	6,888	4,170	2,687	2,169	820	148	411	26,567
September	8,417	5,928	4,139	2,300	1,934	691	165	345	23,919
December	10,801	8,365	4,530	3,095	2,712	886	138	469	30,996
1977 —									
March	10,127	8,249	3,920	3,072	2,899	1,100	135	412	29,914
June	9,266	6,873	4,294	2,546	2,573	812	162	335	26,861
CRUDE MARRIAGE RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	9.20	9.20	8.78	9.14	9.00	9.17	5.26	9.63	9.09
1972	8.75	8.72	8.31	9.01	8.52	8.73	5.08	8.71	8.65
1973	8.50	8.33	8.29	8.87	8.35	8.58	5.14	8.74	8.42
1974	8.12	8.08	7.87	8.72	8.32	8.93	5.41	7.57	8.14
1975	7.57	7.48	7.31	7.86	7.87	8.02	4.50	7.66	7.55
1976	7.83	7.67	7.91	8.64	8.13	8.53	5.32	7.80	7.90
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	9.46	9.27	9.34	9.28	9.31	9.45	4.61	10.27	9.34
September	8.06	7.57	8.20	7.63	6.71	7.78	5.10	8.02	7.77
December	9.34	9.66	9.01	9.46	9.88	8.35	5.85	8.73	9.37
1972 —									
March	9.62	9.56	8.28	10.47	9.30	10.64	3.77	10.40	9.46
June	8.85	8.89	9.03	9.18	8.93	9.08	5.55	8.38	8.90
September	7.40	7.02	7.54	7.60	6.61	7.38	6.04	6.87	7.25
December	9.08	9.36	8.28	8.73	9.15	7.81	4.85	8.89	8.94
1973 —									
March	9.23	8.93	8.06	10.06	9.11	10.79	5.10	9.29	9.06
June	8.45	8.50	8.58	8.33	7.91	8.86	4.77	7.82	8.41
September	7.56	6.81	7.82	7.77	7.50	6.82	5.47	7.57	7.37
December	8.70	9.01	8.58	9.26	8.78	7.81	5.11	9.95	8.79
1974 —									
March	9.28	9.07	8.07	10.30	9.59	12.63	3.91	8.61	9.21
June	7.95	8.17	8.11	8.81	8.16	8.34	5.29	6.61	8.10
September	6.95	6.44	7.05	6.89	6.67	7.30	5.56	6.96	6.80
December	8.25	8.58	8.14	8.74	8.72	7.40	9.93	7.88	8.39
1975 —									
March	8.20	8.52	7.00	9.54	7.87	11.34	2.32	8.01	8.25
June	7.76	7.52	7.94	7.48	9.00	7.62	4.92	7.63	7.78
September	6.55	5.70	6.73	6.32	5.14	5.86	4.18	6.22	6.51
December	7.74	8.15	7.50	8.07	9.38	7.21	5.93	8.42	7.96
1976 —									
March	8.15	8.10	7.34	8.96	9.28	10.62	3.56	7.16	8.21
June	7.55	7.36	7.90	8.52	7.42	8.05	5.84	8.09	7.64
September	6.84	6.32	7.84	7.28	6.56	6.76	6.40	6.76	6.88
December	8.76	8.88	8.56	9.76	9.16	8.68	5.32	9.12	8.88
1977 —									
March	8.20	8.75	7.38	9.67	9.77	10.74	5.17	7.97	8.54
June	7.49	7.28	8.06	7.99	8.62	7.96	6.16	6.45	7.65

TABLE 12. DIVORCES

<i>Year ended 31 Dec.</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
DECREES GRANTED (b)									
1971	5,487	3,079	1,411	1,275	1,068	432	57	193	13,002
1972	7,062	r3,664	1,737	1,241	1,244	446	88	225	15,707
1973	7,434	r3,313	1,700	1,588	1,428	444	86	273	16,266
1974	7,139	r4,465	1,844	1,566	1,761	536	64	369	17,744
1975	10,737	5,683	2,689	1,819	2,241	591	87	460	24,307
1976 (a)	22,228	13,759	9,649	6,260	4,816	1,782	706	1,575	60,775
CRUDE DIVORCE RATES (NUMBER (b) PER TEN THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)									
1971	11.73	8.75	7.49	10.75	10.25	11.07	6.18	13.30	10.05
1972	14.88	10.24	8.98	10.32	11.62	11.37	9.13	14.29	11.92
1973	15.51	9.13	8.55	13.03	13.09	11.22	8.61	16.23	12.15
1974	14.74	12.14	9.02	12.67	15.75	13.41	6.28	20.62	13.05
1975	21.98	15.28	12.90	14.52	19.54	14.61	9.64	24.09	17.65
1976 (a)	45.23	36.72	45.71	49.61	41.15	43.72	69.40	77.50	43.67

(a) The introduction of the Family Law Act 1975, which came into operation on 5 January 1976, necessitated revisions to the processing system. The figures shown are subject to revision. (b) Decrees of dissolution, nullity and judicial separation.

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TABLE 13. LIVE BIRTHS

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	98,466	75,498	39,970	22,996	24,239	8,321	2,832	4,040	276,362
1972	95,278	71,807	39,251	21,844	22,177	7,824	2,722	4,066	264,969
1973	87,332	67,123	38,067	20,407	20,510	7,326	2,809	4,096	247,670
1974	86,162	66,201	37,852	20,181	20,207	7,398	2,808	4,368	245,177
1975	80,918	61,897	36,403	19,986	20,338	6,982	2,118	4,370	233,012
1976	78,492	60,667	35,243	18,947	20,670	6,702	2,607	4,482	227,810
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	24,734	18,967	10,162	5,718	6,096	1,992	694	962	69,325
September	24,944	19,336	10,097	5,966	5,774	2,148	878	974	70,117
December	23,233	17,887	9,144	5,615	6,471	1,955	633	1,006	65,944
1972 —									
March	24,439	18,558	10,268	5,323	5,116	2,093	614	1,032	67,443
June	24,822	18,319	10,281	5,561	5,791	1,895	687	1,100	68,456
September	24,091	18,014	9,614	5,498	5,511	1,934	717	985	66,364
December	21,926	16,916	9,088	5,462	5,759	1,902	704	949	62,706
Quarter ended —									
1973 —									
March	23,182	17,504	9,982	5,219	4,623	1,968	625	1,023	64,126
June	22,042	16,769	9,900	5,076	5,223	1,824	835	983	62,652
September	21,641	16,315	9,495	4,950	5,349	1,866	722	1,083	61,421
December	20,467	16,535	8,690	5,162	5,315	1,668	627	1,007	59,471
1974 —									
March	21,728	16,882	9,661	4,825	4,568	1,906	694	1,128	61,392
June	21,197	16,644	9,705	5,193	5,105	1,826	681	1,023	61,374
September	22,945	16,793	9,593	5,036	4,967	1,885	723	1,063	63,005
December	20,292	15,882	8,893	5,127	5,567	1,781	710	1,154	59,406
1975 —									
March	19,534	15,278	9,234	4,783	4,380	1,784	404	1,022	56,419
June	21,335	16,075	9,595	5,066	5,463	1,795	536	1,099	60,964
September	20,876	15,556	9,031	4,856	5,106	1,747	508	1,122	58,802
December	19,173	14,988	8,543	5,281	5,389	1,656	670	1,127	56,827
1976 —									
March	20,198	15,925	9,161	4,537	4,932	1,711	663	1,100	58,227
June	20,156	15,082	8,978	4,834	5,037	1,672	407	1,113	57,279
September	19,747	15,050	8,733	4,634	5,477	1,692	689	1,164	57,186
December	18,391	14,610	8,371	4,942	5,224	1,627	848	1,105	55,118
1977 —									
March	20,200	14,842	8,932	4,613	4,855	1,706	695	1,169	57,012
June	19,617	15,171	9,000	4,998	5,394	1,687	626	1,147	57,640

CRUDE BIRTH RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	21.04	21.45	21.23	19.39	23.26	21.32	30.72	27.85	21.36
1972	20.07	20.07	20.30	18.17	20.71	19.94	28.23	25.83	20.11
1973	18.22	18.50	19.14	16.75	18.81	18.51	28.13	24.36	18.51
1974	17.80	18.01	18.52	16.33	18.08	18.52	26.84	24.42	18.03
1975	16.56	16.65	17.46	15.95	17.73	17.26	23.46	22.88	16.92
1976	15.97	16.19	16.70	15.02	17.66	16.44	25.63	22.05	16.37
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	21.50	21.66	22.28	19.49	23.73	20.40	32.36	27.02	21.75
September	21.62	22.02	22.03	20.28	22.32	21.97	40.29	26.72	21.92
December	20.03	20.27	19.82	18.99	24.79	19.93	28.64	26.98	20.49
1972 —									
March	20.97	20.93	22.11	17.94	19.45	21.30	27.36	27.09	20.85
June	21.28	20.63	22.03	18.73	21.97	19.30	30.14	28.26	21.12
September	20.63	20.26	20.49	18.50	20.87	19.70	31.10	24.79	20.43
December	18.70	18.94	19.22	18.30	21.68	19.29	30.26	23.45	19.21
1973 —									
March	19.38	19.36	20.21	17.19	17.05	19.90	25.28	24.82	19.24
June	18.39	18.49	19.93	16.67	19.17	18.44	33.50	23.38	18.73
September	18.03	17.94	18.97	16.20	19.52	18.84	28.62	25.29	18.30
December	17.00	18.11	17.21	16.83	19.27	16.80	24.64	23.14	17.63
1974 —									
March	17.99	18.43	19.02	15.68	16.45	19.13	26.85	25.68	18.13
June	17.52	18.11	18.97	16.80	18.27	18.29	26.09	22.78	18.05
September	18.91	18.21	18.67	16.25	17.67	18.82	27.15	23.41	18.46
December	16.64	17.14	17.15	16.36	19.57	17.70	39.39	24.99	17.33
1975 —									
March	16.01	16.46	17.78	15.29	15.35	17.69	18.36	21.88	16.42
June	17.47	17.29	18.42	16.18	19.06	17.74	23.98	23.04	17.71
September	17.08	16.71	17.28	15.50	17.74	17.24	21.23	23.06	17.97
December	15.66	16.07	16.26	16.80	18.60	16.28	27.40	22.50	16.41
1976 —									
March	16.48	17.04	17.40	14.40	16.96	16.84	26.24	21.80	16.76
June	16.40	16.12	17.00	15.32	17.24	16.40	16.04	21.88	16.48
September	16.08	16.08	16.56	14.68	18.72	16.60	27.20	22.88	16.44
December	14.96	15.56	15.84	15.64	17.76	15.80	32.96	21.60	15.80
1977 —									
March	16.36	15.75	16.81	14.51	16.36	16.65	26.62	22.60	16.27
June	15.85	16.06	18.76	15.68	18.07	16.44	23.80	22.07	16.40

TABLE 14. DEATHS

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	41,691	30,598	16,339	9,686	7,806	3,295	637	598	110,650
1972	41,652	29,856	16,598	9,764	7,441	3,227	553	669	109,760
1973	41,122	30,696	16,732	9,835	7,845	3,347	580	665	110,822
1974	43,999	30,875	18,128	10,236	7,778	3,484	575	758	115,833
1975	40,497	29,499	16,421	9,947	7,972	3,339	610	736	109,021
1976	42,122	30,753	17,239	9,999	7,740	3,389	567	853	112,662
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	10,426	7,718	4,115	2,371	1,802	818	139	147	27,536
September	12,478	8,619	4,642	2,789	2,116	895	235	165	31,939
December	9,374	7,489	3,861	2,508	2,079	790	154	156	26,411
1972 —									
March	9,633	6,545	3,770	2,119	1,601	805	104	153	24,730
June	10,442	7,444	4,035	2,355	1,722	789	161	163	27,111
September	12,097	8,557	5,022	2,740	2,042	879	133	191	31,661
December	9,480	7,310	3,771	2,550	2,076	754	155	162	26,258
1973 —									
March	10,205	7,194	4,205	2,245	1,699	789	124	162	26,623
June	10,010	7,426	4,028	2,424	1,771	841	134	160	26,794
September	11,340	8,798	4,628	2,657	2,085	924	149	171	30,752
December	9,567	7,278	3,871	2,509	2,290	793	173	172	26,653
1974 —									
March	8,576	7,118	3,962	2,233	1,653	820	149	151	24,662
June	10,636	7,486	4,368	2,516	1,919	878	135	174	28,112
September	14,466	8,993	5,749	2,933	2,091	991	119	249	35,591
December	10,321	7,278	4,049	2,554	2,115	795	172	184	27,468
1975 —									
March	8,593	6,949	3,733	1,988	1,759	849	158	134	24,163
June	10,075	7,447	4,163	2,636	1,815	823	99	221	27,279
September	12,146	8,080	4,662	2,722	2,240	879	171	198	31,098
December	9,683	7,023	3,863	2,601	2,158	788	182	183	26,481
1976 —									
March	9,339	6,941	3,913	1,994	1,714	804	86	181	24,972
June	10,075	8,056	4,104	2,757	1,783	957	126	201	28,059
September	13,191	8,661	5,306	2,776	2,214	875	159	241	33,423
December	9,517	7,095	3,916	2,472	2,029	753	196	230	26,208
1977 —									
March	9,554	6,935	3,824	2,114	1,794	778	186	169	25,354
June	9,718	7,280	4,033	2,398	1,885	803	180	212	26,509
CRUDE DEATH RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	8.91	8.69	8.68	8.17	7.49	8.44	6.91	4.12	8.55
1972	8.77	8.35	8.58	8.12	6.95	8.22	5.73	4.25	8.33
1973	8.58	8.46	8.41	8.07	7.19	8.46	5.81	3.95	8.28
1974	9.09	8.40	8.87	8.28	6.96	8.72	5.50	4.24	8.52
1975	8.29	7.93	7.88	7.94	6.95	8.26	6.76	3.85	7.91
1976	8.57	8.21	8.17	7.92	6.61	8.32	5.57	4.20	8.10
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	9.06	8.81	9.02	8.08	7.02	8.38	6.48	4.13	8.64
September	10.82	9.82	10.13	9.48	8.18	9.15	10.78	4.53	9.99
December	8.08	8.49	8.37	8.48	7.97	8.05	6.97	4.18	8.21
1972 —									
March	8.27	7.38	8.12	7.14	6.09	8.19	4.63	4.02	7.65
June	8.95	8.39	8.65	7.93	6.53	8.04	7.06	4.19	8.36
September	10.36	9.63	10.70	9.22	7.73	8.96	5.77	4.81	9.75
December	8.09	8.18	7.98	8.54	7.82	7.65	6.66	4.00	8.04
1973 —									
March	8.53	7.96	8.51	7.39	6.26	7.98	5.02	3.93	7.99
June	8.35	8.19	8.11	7.96	6.50	8.50	5.38	3.80	8.01
September	9.45	9.68	9.25	8.70	7.61	9.33	5.91	3.99	9.16
December	7.95	7.97	7.67	8.18	8.30	7.99	6.80	3.95	7.90
1974 —									
March	7.10	7.77	7.80	7.26	5.95	8.23	5.76	3.44	7.28
June	8.79	8.14	8.57	8.14	6.87	8.80	5.17	3.88	8.27
September	11.92	9.75	11.19	9.45	7.44	9.89	4.47	5.48	10.43
December	8.46	7.86	7.81	8.15	7.44	7.90	9.54	3.98	8.01
1975 —									
March	7.04	7.49	7.19	6.36	6.16	8.42	7.18	2.87	7.03
June	8.25	8.01	7.99	8.42	6.33	8.13	4.43	4.63	7.92
September	9.93	8.68	8.92	8.69	7.78	8.68	7.06	4.01	9.51
December	7.91	7.53	7.35	8.27	7.45	7.76	7.40	3.65	7.65
1976 —									
March	7.60	7.56	7.44	6.32	5.88	7.92	3.40	3.60	7.20
June	8.20	8.60	7.76	8.76	6.08	9.40	4.96	4.00	8.08
September	10.72	9.24	10.04	8.80	7.52	8.56	6.24	4.72	9.60
December	7.72	7.56	7.40	7.64	6.84	7.36	7.72	4.52	7.48
1977 —									
March	7.73	7.36	7.20	6.65	6.05	7.60	7.13	3.27	7.24
June	7.85	7.71	7.57	7.52	6.32	7.83	6.84	4.08	7.54

TABLE 15. DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE REGISTERED (a)									
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1971	1,710	1,107	766	366	464	114	170	80	4,777
1972	1,663	1,048	697	367	348	127	113	67	4,430
1973	1,491	958	666	276	394	137	100	63	4,085
1974	1,428	989	606	312	327	123	103	70	3,958
1975	1,231	806	547	222	271	128	58	62	3,325
1976	1,152	702	535	276	273	77	59	76	3,150
Quarter ended —									
1971									
June	410	231	182	107	111	27	36	25	1,129
September	484	320	181	82	119	33	71	20	1,310
December	365	298	200	89	127	28	41	16	1,164
1972									
March	424	237	186	99	71	24	26	16	1,083
June	391	232	174	91	83	30	28	29	1,058
September	461	282	192	86	98	39	28	13	1,199
December	387	297	145	91	96	34	31	9	1,090
1973 —									
March	353	219	177	81	83	29	16	17	975
June	366	224	179	68	90	32	21	15	995
September	397	245	153	66	118	45	34	17	1,075
December	375	270	157	61	103	31	29	14	1,040
1974 —									
March	283	225	153	71	56	29	34	13	864
June	398	233	170	71	97	25	26	23	1,043
September	401	256	149	105	88	38	9	18	1,064
December	346	275	134	65	86	31	34	16	987
1975 —									
March	249	197	142	43	58	38	13	11	751
June	316	205	153	69	70	35	10	19	877
September	384	192	125	54	75	32	17	17	896
December	282	212	127	56	68	23	18	15	801
1976 —									
March	299	146	123	64	58	18	8	11	727
June	316	175	124	54	52	21	10	21	773
September	292	198	167	97	71	16	15	20	876
December	245	183	121	61	92	22	26	24	774
1977 —									
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
INFANT MORTALITY RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND LIVE BIRTHS)									
Year ended 31 Dec. —							(b)		
1971	17.37	14.66	19.16	15.92	19.14	13.70	60.03	19.80	17.29
1972	17.45	14.59	17.76	16.80	15.69	16.23	41.51	16.48	16.72
1973	17.07	14.27	17.50	13.52	19.21	18.70	35.61	15.38	16.49
1974	16.57	14.94	16.01	15.46	16.18	16.63	36.68	16.03	16.14
1975	15.21	13.02	15.03	11.11	13.32	18.33	27.38	14.19	14.27
1976	14.66	11.57	15.18	14.57	13.21	11.49	22.63	16.96	13.82
Quarter ended —									
1971 —									
June	16.58	12.18	17.91	18.71	18.21	13.55	51.87	25.99	16.29
September	19.40	16.55	17.93	13.74	20.61	15.36	80.86	20.53	18.68
December	15.71	16.66	21.87	15.85	19.63	14.32	64.77	(c)	17.65
1972 —									
March	17.35	12.77	18.12	18.60	13.88	11.47	42.35	(c)	16.06
June	15.75	12.66	16.92	16.36	14.33	15.83	40.76	25.46	15.44
September	19.14	15.65	19.97	15.64	17.78	20.17	39.05	(c)	18.07
December	17.65	17.56	15.96	16.66	16.67	17.88	44.03	(c)	17.38
1973 —									
March	15.23	12.51	17.73	15.52	17.95	14.74	(c)	(c)	15.20
June	16.60	13.36	18.08	13.40	17.23	17.54	25.15	(c)	15.88
September	18.34	15.02	16.11	13.33	22.06	24.12	47.09	(c)	17.50
December	18.32	16.33	18.07	11.82	19.38	18.59	46.25	(c)	17.49
1974 —									
March	13.02	13.33	15.84	14.72	12.26	15.22	48.99	(c)	14.07
June	18.78	14.00	17.52	13.67	19.00	13.69	38.18	22.48	16.99
September	17.48	15.24	15.53	20.85	17.72	20.16	(c)	(c)	16.89
December	17.05	17.32	15.07	12.68	15.45	17.41	47.89	(c)	16.61
1975 —									
March	12.75	12.89	15.38	9.08	13.24	21.30	(c)	(c)	13.31
June	14.81	12.75	15.95	13.62	12.81	19.50	(c)	(c)	14.39
September	18.39	12.34	13.84	11.12	14.69	18.32	(c)	(c)	15.24
December	14.71	14.14	14.87	10.60	12.62	13.89	(c)	(c)	14.10
1976 —									
March	14.80	9.17	13.43	14.11	11.76	(c)	(c)	(c)	12.49
June	15.68	11.60	13.81	11.17	10.32	12.56	(c)	18.87	13.50
September	14.74	13.16	19.12	20.93	12.96	(c)	(c)	17.18	15.30
December	13.32	12.53	14.46	12.34	17.61	13.52	30.66	21.72	14.04
1977 —									
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

(a) Included in preceding table. (b) Although comprehensive data are not available, it is known that the rate of Aboriginal infant deaths is substantially above that for other births in the Territory. (c) Less than twenty deaths, rate not reliable.

