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EXPLANATORY NOTES

- 1. The estimated population for Australia as a whole takes account of natural increase and net overseas migration since the latest Census.
- 2. The estimate for each State or Territory represents the population ascertained at the census plus recorded natural increase and net gain from overseas migration for that State or Territory; gains and corresponding losses that result from movements between States and Territories are also taken into account in so far as they are recorded as transfers of State of residence under child endowment procedures or Commonwealth electoral procedures or are indicated in other ways such as the results of any special count. As records of migration by State or Territory are not complete the estimated State and Territory populations so derived are approximate and are subject to revision when the population of each State is ascertained at the next census.
- 3. Holiday, business and other similar short-term movements between States and Territories are not taken into account in the quarterly calculations. However such movements do affect the estimates in so far as people who were on holiday or other short-term interstate travel at the time of the census are counted in the population of the State or Territory where they spent census night. On the other hand, changes in the populations of States and Territories due to visitors from overseas and Australians travelling overseas are reflected in all estimates.
- Quarterly figures and rates for marriages, births and deaths reflect seasonal influences and may also be influenced by varying delay in registrations. A variation in rates based on small numbers of events may reflect transitory changes which can average out in variations in rates based on larger numbers. Quarterly figures for the Northern Territory are especially affected by variations in the delay of registration. For 1972 and earlier years, quarterly registrations of events can be compared with the occurrence of the events in corresponding quarters. For instance, death rates in the Northern Territory, based on occurrence, were 8.21 in the June quarter 1971 and 5.88 in the June quarter 1972, compared with 6.48 and 7.06 based on registrations. Quarterly divorce figures, particularly the numbers of dissolutions granted, are affected by such administrative factors as the occurrence of law vacations and the availability of judges.
- 5. Detailed information for 1973 for the topics covered in this bulletin will appear in the following publications:— Births 1973 (Reference No. 4.4), Deaths 1973 (Reference No. 4.8), Overseas Arrivals and Departures 1973 (Reference No. 4.23), Marriages 1973 (Reference No. 4.10), and Divorces 1973 (Reference No. 13.1).
- NOTE. (i) Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in Tables 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 are due to rounding.
 - (ii) Birth and death figures in this bulletin (i.e. Tables 1, 2, 11, 12 and 13) do not include stillbirths.

TABLE 1. - SUMMARY: VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1973

					Net	Popul	ation –
Period	Marriages registered	Live births registered	Deaths registered	Natural increase (a)	recorded overseas migration gain (b)	increase (c) ('000)	at end of period ('000)
Year ended 31 Dec							
1969	112,470	250,176	106,496	143,680	129,046	261.6	12,407.2
1970	116,066	257,516	113,048	144,468	122,874	256.3	12,663.5
1971	117,637	276,362	110,650	165,712	84,605	244.8	12,908.2
1972	114,029	264,969	109,760	155,209	27,847	183.1	13,091.3
1973	112,700	247,669	110,823	136,846	40,418	177.3	13,268.6
Year ended 30 June -							
1969	109,630	247,218	108,179	139,039	126,425	254.4	12,263.0
1970	115,051	252,305	109,441	142,864	112,564	244.3	12,507.3
1971	117,648	271,295	113,338	157,957	101,419	248.3	(d)12,755.6
1972	116,224	271,960	110,191	161,769	41,677	203.4	12,959.1
1973	111,992	255,848	111,337	144,511	28,003	172.5	13,131.6
Quarter ended -							
31 December 1968	28,785	61,206	25,785	34,421	28,743	71.4	12,145.6
31 March 1969	28,946	61,072	23,406	37.666	36,538	71.4	12,217.0
30 June 1969	28,655	63,321	25,659	37,662	11,112	46.0	12,263.0
30 September 1969	25,106	63,680	31,125	32,555	42,832	72.6	12,335.6
31 December 1969	29,763	62,103	26,306	35,797	38,564	71.6	12,407.2
31 March 1970	30,210	61,043	23,631	37,412	38,833	73.5	12,480.7
30 June 1970	29,972	65,479	28,379	37,100	7,665	26.7	12,507.3
30 September 1970	25,360	65,345	33,754	31,591	47,348	76.2	12,583.5
31 December 1970	30,524	65,649	27,284	38,365	44,358	80.0	12,663.5
31 March 1971	31,555	70,976	24,764	46,212	34,583	78.0	12,741.5
30 June 1971	30,209	69,325	27,536	41,789	-24,870	14.1	(d)12,755.6
30 September 1971	25,244	70,117	31,939	38,178	41,224	79.4	12,835.0
31 December 1971	30,629	65,944	26,411	39,533	33,668	73.2	12,908.2
31 March 1972	31,031	67,443	24,730	42,713	20,026	62.7	12,971.0
30 June 1972	29,320	68,456	27,111	41,345	53,241	- 11.9	12,959.1
30 September 1972	23,981	66,364	31,661	34,703	32,528	67.2	13,026.3
31 December 1972	29,697	62,706	26,258	36,448	28,533	65.0	13,091.3
31 March 1973	30,193	64,126	26,624	37,502	25,859	63.4	13,154.7
30 June 1973	28,121	62,651	26,794	35,857	-58,917	-23.1	13,131.6
30 September 1973	24.747	61,421	30,752	30,669	32,671	63.3	12,194.9
31 December 1973	29,639	59,471	26,653	32,818	40,805	73.6	13,268.6

⁽a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered. (b) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals. (c) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by successive censuses. The adjustment reflects the combined net error in the census and in the recording of births, deaths and migration during the five year period. Minus sign (—) denotes a net decrease. (d) Population at census date.

TABLE 2. - POPULATION: ANALYSIS OF INCREASE, AUSTRALIA, 1973

				Males ('000)	Females ('000)	Persons ('000)
Estimated population at 31 Dece Year ended December 1973 –	mber 1972			6,570.3	6,521.0	13.091.3
	Males	Females	Persons			
Live births registered Deaths registered	126,968 61,588	120,701 49,235	247,669 110,823			
Natural increase (a)	65,380	71,466	136,846			
Overseas arrivals Overseas departures	696,212 676,190	594,148 573,752	1,290,360 1,249,942			
Net recorded overseas migration gain (b)	20,022	20,396	40,418			
Total increase (c)				85.4	91.9	177.3
Estimated population at 31 Dece	ember 1973			6,655.7	6,612.9	13,268.6

⁽a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered. (b) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (c) Natural increase and net recorded overseas migration gain.

TABLE 3. – RATES OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, NATURAL INCREASE AND NET MIGRATION (a): AUSTRALIA, 1969 TO 1973 (per thousand)

Period	Crude birth rate	Crude death rate	Rate of natural increase (b)	Rate of net migration
Year ended 31 Dec. –				
1969	20.38	8.68	11.71	10.51
1970	20.55	9.02	11.53	9.81
1971	21.62	8.66	12.96	6.62
1972	20.39	8.45	11.94	2.14
1973	18.81	8.42	10.39	3.07
Year ended 30 June –				
1969	20.36	8.91	11.45	10.41
1970	20.34	8.82	11.52	9.07
1971	21.43	8.95	12.48	8.01
1972	21.09	8.54	12.54	3.23
1973	19.56	8.51	11.05	2.14

⁽a) Births, deaths, net migration (excess of overseas arrivals over overseas departures) 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 may be calculated alternatively as the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. Figures prepared on this basis are shown in the next table.

TABLE 4. - RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a): AUSTRALIA, 1969 TO 1973 (Per cent)

	Component	s of growth	
Period	Natural increase (b)	Net overseas migration gain (c)	Rate of growth (d)
Year ended 31 Dec			
1969	1.18	1.06	2.15
1970	1.16	0.99	2.07
1971	1.31	0.67	1.93
1972	1.20	0.22	1.42
1973	1.05	0.31	1.35
Year ended 30 June -			
1969	1.16	1.05	2.12
1970	1.16	0.92	1.99
1971	1.26	0.81	1.99
1972	1.27	0.33	1.59
1973	1.12	0.22	1.33

⁽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. (d) Consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest census.

TABLE 5. - RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a): STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973 (Per cent)

				(1 cr cent)					
Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 Dec	_								
1969	2.03	1.92	1.83	1.52	4.14	1.03	7.99	8.71	2.15
1970	1.85	1.78	1.86	1.81	3.83	0.84	9.22	8.52	2.07
1971	1.70	1.59	2.18	1.30	3.44	0.66	7.33	9.61	1.93
1972	0.98	1.23	2.50	0.93	1.61	0.69	5.02	6.23	1.42
1973	0.87	0.97	2.52	1.22	1.75	0.90	5.06	7.47	1.35
Year ended 30 June -	_								
1969	1.88	1.83	1.97	1.56	4.35	1.38	8.03	8.53	2.12
1970	1.83	1.77	1.68	1.64	3.82	0.73	8.02	8.06	1.99
1971	1.74	1.67	1.91	1.36	3.95	0.69	9.62	9.58	1.99
1972	1.31	1.29	2.31	1.09	2.20	0.45	6.11	9.23	1.59
1973	0.88	1.10	2.44	1.07	1.45	0.98	4.32	7.04	1 .33

⁽a) The rates represent 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 an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest census.

TABLE 6. – POPULATION: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973
('000)

				('000)					
At end of	N. S. W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A.C.T.	Australia
				MALES					
1972 –									
December	2,351.7	1,787.9	956.5	596.1	544.9	198.5	51.0	83.6	6,570.3
1973–									
March	2,361.8	1,796.9	962.8	598.7	547.6	199.2	51.7	85.0	6,603.6
June	2,355.4	1,792.2	965.4	597.6	547.0	198.8	51.9	86.2	6,594.5
September	2,362.2	1,797.4	972.1	600.4	550.7	199.1	52.6	88.1	6,622.6
· December	2,370.6	1,804.3	980.4	603.2	554.3	199.8	53.2	89.7	6,655.7
				FEMALES	3				
1972 –		· -					***************************************		
December	2,345.5	1,793.1	942.2	600.4	520.8	197.1	42.3	79.6	6,521.0
1973 –									
March	2,354.7	1,801.4	947.5	602.7	522.8	197.8	43.3	81.0	6,551.
June	2,347.1	1,794.4	949.5	601.6	521.4	197.2	43.7	82.2	6,537.
September	2,356.7	1,802.1	957.2	604.6	525.2	198.0	44.4	84.1	6,572.
December	2,367.5	1,811.5	966.1	608.0	530.1	199.2	44.9	85.7	6,612.9
				PERSONS	<u> </u>				
1968 –	<u> </u>								
December	4,401.2	3,356.8	1,747.7	1,132.1	937.8	383.1	70.2	116.6	12,145.6
1969									
March	4,426.6	3,375.2	1,756.6	1,136.2	946.6	384.7	71.8	119.3	12,217.0
June	4,441.2	3,385.0	1,763.1	1,139.3	954.8	384.9	73.0	121.7	12,263.0
September	4,467.7	3,403.0	1,772.6	1,143.8	964.3	385.6	74.6	123.9	12,335.0
December	4,490.8	3,421.2	1,779.7	1,149.4	976.6	387.0	75.8	126.8	12,407.2
1970 –									
March	4,516.1	3,440.7	1,788.5	1,154.5	986.0	387.7	77.8	129.3	13.400
June	4,522.3	3,444.9	1,788.3	1,154.5	991.4	387.7	77.8 78.8		12,480.7
September	4,548.0	3,462.6	1,792.7	1,158.0	1,003.3	388.6		131.5	12,507.3
December	4,573.7	3,482.0	1,812.8	1,170.2	1,003.3	390.3	81.1 82.8	134.4 137.6	12,583.5 12,663.5
1971 –									ŕ
March	4,600.1	3,503.7	1,822.4	1,173.9	1,024.6	390.9	96.3	140.7	12 741
June (a)	4,600.1	3,503.7 3,502.4	1,822.4	1,173.9			85.2	140.7	12,741.5
September	4,601.2	•	- • -	•	1,030.5	390.4	86.4	144.1	12,755.6
December	4,628.2	3,521.3 3,537.5	1,839.2 1,852.3	1,179.8 1,185.5	1,039.3 1,048.9	391.8 392.8	88.0 88.9	147.6 150.8	12,835.0
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1972 –	4 (30 0	2 5 5 4 0	1 9/3 5	1 100 6	1.055.3	202.2	00.5	4540	
March	4,670.8	3,554.9	1,863.5	1,188.5	1,055.3	393.3	90.7	154.0	12,971.0
June	4,661.6	3,547.4	1,869.3	1,186.5	1,053.2	392.2	91.7	157.4	12,959.1
September December	4,681.3 4,697.2	3,564.8 3,581.0	1,884.1 1,898.6	1,190.9 1,196.5	1,059.0 1,065.8	393.1 395.6	92.8 93.4	160.5 163.2	13,026.3 13,091.3
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1973 – March	A 714 5	2 500 4	1 010 2	1 201 4	1 070 7	206.0	0.5.0	1660	12 124
March June	4,716.5	3,598.4	1,910.2	1,201.4	1,070.3	396.9	95.0	165.9	13,154.7
September	4,702.5	3,586.6 3,599.5	1,914.9	1,199.1	1,068.5	396.0	95.6	168.4	13,131.6
December December	4,719.0	•	1,929.3	1,204.9	1,075.9	397.1	97.0	172.2	13,194.9
December	4,738.1	3,615.8	1,946.5	1,211.1	1,084.4	399.1	98.1	175.4	13,268.6

⁽a) Population at census date.

TABLE 7. – MEAN POPULATION, CALENDAR YEARS : STATES AND TERRITORIES 1969 TO 1973 ('000 persons)

Year ended 31 December	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W. A.	Tas.	N. T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1969	4,446.0	3,388.4	1,764.2	1,140.0	955.7	385.1	73.1	121.6	12,274.1
1970	4,530.4	3,450.5	1,795.4	1,158.4	994.2	388.2	79.3	131.9	12,528.5
1971	4,611.7	3,510.4	1,830.5	1,176.5	1,031.6	391.2	86.4	144.1	12,782.4
1972	4,673.3	3,557.7	1,873.3	1,189.4	1,056.5	393.2	91.6	157.2	12,992.2
1973 –									
Males	2,360.8	1,796.2	967.2	599.2	548.9	199.1	52.1	86.5	6,610.0
Females	2,354.4	1,800.6	952.2	603.4	523.8	197.8	43.8	82.5	6,558.5
Persons	4,715.2	3,596.8	1,919.4	1,202.6	1,072.7	396.9	95.9	169.0	13,168.5

TABLE 8. – MEAN POPULATION, FINANCIAL YEARS: STATES AND TERRITORIES
1968-69 TO 1972-73
('000 persons)

Year ended 30 June	N.S. W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	<i>N.T</i> .	A.C.T.	Australia
1969	4,402.5	3,356.8	1,747.4	1,131.4	936.0	382.7	70.4	116.8	12,144.0
1970	4,490.0	3,420.6	1,780.0	1,149.1	975.1	386.7	76.1	126.6	12,404.2
1971	4,571.9	3,481.4	1,812.3	1,168.1	1,013.5	389.7	83.0	137.6	12,657.5
1972	4.646.8	3,535.8	1.851.0	1,183.7	1,046.6	392.4	89.2	150.8	12,896.3
1973 –									
Males	2,352.0	1,787.8	956.0	596.0	544.6	198.3	51.2	83.5	6,569.4
Females	2,343.8	1,791.3	940.6	599.6	519.6	196.7	42.5	79.6	6,513.7
Persons	4.695.6	3,579.1	1,896.6	1,195.6	1,064.2	394.9	93.7	163.2	13,083.1

NOTE. Mean populations are calculated for twelve-month periods to provide a satisfactory average basis for calculations requiring allowance for the continuous change in population figures during such periods. The mean population for any year has been calculated by the formula:

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.

TABLE 9. - MARRIAGES: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973

Perio	od	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A.C.T.	Australi
	·			MARRIAGE	S – NUMBER	REGISTER	ED			
Year -										
1969		41,286	30,860	15,669	10,599	8,993	3,532	413	1,118	112,470
1970		42,928	31,729	16,082	10,864	9,227	3,535	501	1,200	116,066
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
Quarter –										
December	1971	11,025	8,576	4,296	2,828	2,617	818	138	331	30,629
March	1972	11,385	8,524	3,972	3,138	2,479	1,043	90	400	31,031
June	1972	10,500	7,948	4,365	2,760	2,392	890	134	331	29,320
September	1972	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
March	1973	11,037	8,076	3,980	3,054	2,470	1,067	126	383	30,193
June	1973	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
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Year -										
1969		9.29	9.11	8.88	9.30	9.41	9.17	5.65	9.19	9.16
1970		9.48	9.20	8.96	9.38	9.28	9.11	6.32	9.10	9.26
1971		9.33	9.23	9.03	9.21	9.09	9.15	5.61	9.69	9.20
1972		8.88	8.77	8.58	9.10	8.63	8.71	5.35	8.73	8.78
1973		8.64	8.40	8.59	8.99	8.49	8.55	5.35	8.69	8.56
Quarter -										
December	1971	9.50	9.72	9.31	9.57	10.03	8.34	6.24	8.88	9.52
March	1972	9.77	9.61	8.55	10.57	9.43	10.61	4.01	10.50	9.59
June	1972	9.00	8.95	9.36	9.30	9.08	9.06	5.88	8.51	9.05
September		7.54	7.08	7.82	7.71	6.73	7.38	6.38	6.95	7.38
December	1972	9.24	9.45	8.59	8.85	9.31	7.80	5.12	9.02	9.10
March	1973	9.38	9.00	8.36	10.19	9.25	10.77	5.35	9.31	9.20
June	1973	8.61	8.58	8.92	8.45	8.06	8.84	5.00	7.87	8.56
Camaamakaa	1973	7.70	6.90	8.14	7.90	7.67	6.82	5.73	7.61	7.52
September										

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations at the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 4 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 10. - DIVORCES: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973

Perio	d	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas	N. T.	A.C.T.	Australi
			Pl	ETITIONS FI	LED FOR D	SSOLUTION	V (a)			
Year ~									•	
1969		5,805	3,049	1,634	1,354	1,059	427	60	194	13,582
1970		6,510	3,661	1,853	1,365	1,204	500	67	219	15,379
1971		7,623	4,242	1,912	1,648	1,451	482	110	279	17,747
1972		7,844	4,503	2,053	1,977	1,628	524	130	311	18,970
1973		8,407	5,158	2,436	2,135	1,875	633	120	435	21,199
Quarter –										
December	1971	1,894	1,208	512	409	376	116	29	67	4,611
March	1972	1,863	1,013	470	473	346	112	36	71	4,384
June	1972	2,036	1,203	516	553	425	137	21	83	4,974
September	1972	2,072	1,163	554	497	457	125	39	76	4,983
December	1972	1,873	1,124	513	454	400	150	34	81	4,629
March	1973	1,964	845	524	552	495	141	20	90	4,631
June	1973	1,788	1,023	472	462	388	136	22	96	4,387
September		2,494	1,612	709	601	481	188	39	129	6,253
December	1973	2,161	1,678	731	520	511	168	39	120	5,928
•			Dł	ECREES OF I	DISSOLUTIO	N GRANTEI	D (b)			
Year -							<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
1969		5,123	2,220	1,236	963	872	331	44	141	10,930
1970		5,606	2,591	1,507	939	889	422	50	194	12,198
1971		5,467	3,072	1,404	1,264	1,064	429	55	192	12,947
1972		7,036	3,584	1,731	1,235	1,243	442	88	225	15,584
1973		7,396	3,200	1,694	1.582	1,424	443	86	270	16,095
Quarter -										
December	1971	1,378	874	379	358	383	115	14	54	3,555
March	1972	1,616	654	579	318	326	123	25	54	3,695
June	1972	1,641	553	253	334	254	91	23	36	3,185
September		1,858	1,198	444	336	345	105	10	68	4,364
December		1,921	1,179	455	247	318	123	30	67	4,340
March	1973	1,677	920	476	488	478	138	15	96	4,288
June	1973	1,859	638	394	340	223	79	38	46	3,617
September		1,767	739	426	360	361	114	14	61	3,842
December		2,093	903	398	394	362	112	19	67	4,348
		CRUDE DIV	ORCE RATE	S – NUMBER	PER TEN T	HOUSAND (OF MEAN PO	PULATION	(c)	
 Year –										
1969		11.56	6.60	7.05	8.51	9.14	8.60	6.02	11.84	8.94
1970		12.42	7.55	8.42	8.13	8.95	10.97	6.31	14.87	9.78
1971		11.90	8.77	7.71	10.84	10.35	11.04	6.60	13.39	10.17
1972		15.11	10.10	9.27	10.43	11.77	11.34	9.61	14.31	12.03
		15.69	8.90	8.83	13.15	13.28		8.97	14.71	14.03

⁽a) Petitions for decrees other than dissolution during the December quarter 1973 were: nullity, 19; judicial separation, 14; dissolution or nullity, 2. (b) Decrees absolute. There were 24 decrees of nullity and 5 judicial separation granted during the December quarter 1973. (c) Number of decrees of dissolution, nullity and judicial separation granted per ten thousand of mean population.

NOTE. See para. 4 of the explanatory notes. The decline in dissolutions granted in Victoria in 1973 is believed to be due to one less judge hearing divorce cases.

TABLE 11. - LIVE BIRTHS: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973

Perio	d	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas	N. T.	A.C.T.	Australia
				LIVE BIRTH	S – NUMBEI	R REGISTER	ED			
Year -										
1969		86,036	71,035	36,576	21,977	20,754	8,445	2,274	3,079	250,176
1970		88,448	73,019	37,530	22,617	21,618	8,185	2,624	3,475	257,516
1971		98,466	75,498	39,97 0	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	2,808	4,096	247,669
Quarter -										
December	1971	23,233	17,887	9,144	5,615	6,471	1,955	633	1,006	65,944
March	1972	24,439	18,558	10,268	5,323	5,116	2,093	614	1,032	67,443
June	1972	24,822	18,319	10,281	5,561	5,791	1,895	687	1,100	68,456
September	1972	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
March	1973	23,182	17,504	9,982	5,219	4,623	1,968	625	1,023	64,126
June	1973	22,042	16,769	9,900	5,076	5,223	1.824	834	983	62,651
September	1973	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
		CRUD	E BIRTH RA	TES – NUMI	BER PER TH	OUSAND OF	MEAN POP	JLATION		
Year -			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	····						
1969		19.35	20.96	20.73	19.28	21.72	21.93	31.09	25.31	20.38
1970		19.52	21.16	20.90	19.52	21.74	21.09	33.09	26.36	20.55
1971		21.35	21.51	21.84	19.55	23.50	21.27	32.77	28.03	21.62
1972		20.39	20.18	20.95	18.37	20.99	19.90	29.71	25.86	20.39
1973		18.52	18.66	19.83	16.97	19.12	18.46	29.29	24.24	18.81
Quarter -										
December	1971	20.03	20.27	19.82	18.99	24.79	19.93	28.64	26.98	20.49
March	1972	20.97	20.93	22.11	17.94	19.45	21.30	27.36	27.09	20.85
June	1972	21.28	20.63	22.03	18.73	21.97	19.30	30.14	28.26	21.12
September	1972	20.63	20.26	20.49	18.50	20.87	19.70	31.10	24.79	20.43
December	1972	18.70	18.94	19.22	18.30	21.68	19.29	30.26	23.45	19.21
March	1973	19.70	19.50	20.97	17.41	17.31	19.87	26.55	24.84	19.55
June	1973	18.72	18.67	20.71	16.92	19.54	18.40	35.01	23.52	19.07
September		18.38	18.16	19.76	16.47	19.96	18.82	29.98	25.43	18.66
	1973	17.31	18.33	17.94	17.09	19.68	16.75	25.71	23.18	17.98

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations for the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 4 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 12. - DEATHS: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973

Period		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A. C. T.	Australia
DEATHS – NUMBER REGISTERED										
Year –								.0.5	500	106 406
1969		40,665	28,976	15,786	9,337	7,350	3,309	485	588	106,496
1970		43,601	30,335	17,055	10,138	7,543	3,174	608	594	113,048
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	3,348	580	665	110,823
Quarter										
December	1971	9,374	7,489	3,861	2,508	2,079	790	154	156	26,411
March	1972	9,633	6,545	3,770	2,119	1,601	805	104	153	24,730
	1972	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
March	1973	10,205	7,194	4,205	2,245	1,699	790	1 24	162	26,624
June	1973	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
		CRUDI	E DEATH RA	TES – NUM	BER PER TH	OUSAND OF	MEAN POP	ULATION		
Year -										
1969		9.15	8.55	8.95	8.19	7.69	8.59	6.63	4.83	8.68
1970		9.62	8.79	9.50	8.75	7.59	8.18	7.67	4.51	9.02
1971		9.04	8.72	8.93	8.23	7.57	8.42	7.37	4.15	8.66
1972		8.91	8.39	8.86	8.21	7.04	8.21	6.04	4.26	8.45
1973		8.72	8.53	8.72	8.18	7.31	8.44	6.05	3.93	8.42
Quarter -										
December	1971	8.08	8.49	8.37	8.48	7.97	8.05	6.97	4.18	8.21
March	1972	8.27	7.38	8.12	7.14	6.09	8.19	4.63	4.02	7.65
June	1972	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
March	1072	8.67	8.02	8.83	7.49	6.36	7.98	5.27	3.94	8.12
March	1973 1973	8.67 8.50	8.02 8.27	8.42	8.08	6.62	8.49	5.62	3.83	8.13
June September		9.63	9.79	9.63	8.84	7.78	9.32	6.19	4.02	9.34
December		8.09	8.07	7.99	8.31	8.48	7.97	7.09	3.96	8.06
December	1713	0.07			0.51					

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations for the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 4 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 13. - DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE: STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1969 TO 1973

Period		N. S. W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A. C. T.	Australia
		D	EATHS UND	ER ONE YE	AR OF AGE	- NUMBER	REGISTERE	D (a)		
Year –										
1969		1,625	1,066	691	347	453	139	103	58	4,482
1970		1,743	1,060	672	367	459	116	126	61	4,604
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
Quarter -										
December	1971	365	298	200	89	127	28	41	16	1,164
March	1972	424	237	186	99	71	24	26	16	1,083
June	1972	391	232	174	91	83	30	28	29	1,058
September	1972	461	282	192	86	98	39	28	13	1,199
December	1972	387	297	145	91	96	34	31	9	1,090
March	1973	353	219	177	81	83	29	16	17	975
June	1973	366	224	i 79	68	90	32	21	15	995
September	1973	397	245	153	66	118	45	34	17	1,075
December		375	270	157	61	103	31	29	14	1,040
		INFA	NT MORTA	LITY RATES	S – NUMBER	PER THOUS	SAND LIVE	BIRTHS	.,	
Year -								(b)		···
1969		18.89	15.01	18.89	15.79	21.83	16.46	45.29	18.84	17.92
1970		19.71	14.52	17.91	16.23	21.23	14.17	48.02	17.55	17.88
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
Quarter –										
December	1971	15.71	16.66	21.87	15.85	19.63	14.32	64.77	(c)	17.65
	1972	17.35	12.77	18.12	18.60	13.88	11.47	42.35	(c)	16.06
	1972	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	1972	17.65	17.56	15.96	16.66	16.67	17.88	44.03	(c)	17.38
	1973	15.23	12.51	17.73	15.52	14.76	14.74	(c)	(c)	15.20
	1973	16.60	13.36	18.08	13.39	17.23	17.54	25.18	(c)	15.88
September		18.34	15.02	16.11	13.33	22.06	24.12	47.09	(c)	17.50
December	1073	18.32	16.33	18.07	11.82	19.38	18.60	46.25	(c)	17.49

(a) Included in total number of deaths registered; i.e. in Table 12. (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.

NOTE. See also para. 4 of the explanatory notes.

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