

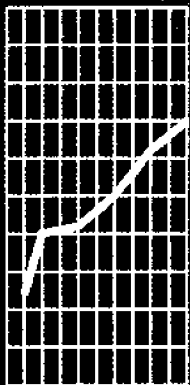


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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) undertook reduced processing of marriage data in 1995. The data items processed were State or Territory of registration, date of marriage, age of parties at marriage, and previous marital status of parties. Full processing was resumed for 1996 marriage data. (See paragraph 21 of the Explanatory Notes for further detail.)

In February 1995 the Family Court of Australia introduced new divorce application forms. With the introduction of these forms some data items that had previously been collected ceased to be available. In addition the ABS undertook reduced processing of divorces granted in 1995. The data items processed were State or Territory of registration; date of birth of parties; age of parties at marriage, separation and divorce; duration of marriage until separation and divorce; and sex of applicant. Full processing was resumed for available 1996 divorce data. (See paragraphs 28 and 29 of the Explanatory Notes for further detail.)

PLEASE NOTE

Because of the complexity and variety of concepts included in this publication, users are advised to consult both the Explanatory Notes and Glossary for clarification.

Final figures for births and deaths may differ slightly from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates because it is necessary to use preliminary births and deaths when finalising population estimates.

Australia details for population, births and deaths include Other Territories (see paragraph 2 of the Explanatory Notes).

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
n.y.a.	not yet available
p	preliminary
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
SD	Statistical division
SSD	Statistical sub-division
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero
—	break in continuity of series where drawn across a column between consecutive figures

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MAIN FEATURES

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	VICTORIA.....			AUSTRALIA.....		
	1985	1995	Change	1985	1995	Change
	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%
Estimated resident population	4 119.7	4 520.8	9.7	15 900.6	18 168.6	14.3
Net overseas migration	23.9	26.4	10.5	89.3	108.0	20.9
Net interstate migration	-10.3	-21.6	-209.7
Births						
Registration basis	61.6	62.6	1.6	247.3	256.2	3.6
Occurrence basis	61.1	62.4	2.1	243.1	251.9	3.6
Deaths						
Registration basis	31.4	32.4	3.4	118.8	125.1	5.3
Occurrence basis	31.0	32.4	4.5	117.8	125.1	6.2
Marriages	29.8	26.6	-10.7	115.5	109.4	-5.3
Divorces	9.7	11.8	22.2	39.8	49.7	24.9

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

- The estimated resident population of Victoria at 31 December 1995 was 4,520,800. This was an increase of 9.2% over the last ten years.
- The median age of people resident in Victoria was 33.9 years, almost the same as that for the resident Australian population, which was 33.7 years.

OVERSEAS MIGRATION

- In 1995, Victoria experienced a net gain of 26,435 people from overseas migration (permanent and long term). All States and Territories experienced a net overseas migration gain in 1995, the total gain for Australia being 108,028.

INTERSTATE MIGRATION

- More people left Victoria for other parts of Australia than settled in Victoria in 1995. The net loss to Victoria from interstate migration was 21,557 persons. The State recording the highest intake of persons from Victoria in 1995 was Queensland (30,615 persons or 39% of all interstate departures from Victoria).

BIRTHS

Registration basis

- In 1995 there were 62,591 births registered in Victoria, a rate of 13.9 births per 1,000 population which was slightly below the Australian rate of 14.2 births per 1,000 population.
- The total fertility rate has, over the last ten years, fluctuated around 1.8 children per woman. In 1995, the total fertility rate in Victoria was 1.8 children per woman which was the same as the rate for Australia.
- The peak age group for mothers giving birth in Victoria was the same as that for Australian mothers, 25–29 years. However, the birth rate for this group was lower than the Australian rate. The birth rate in Victoria was 119 per 1,000 mothers in the age group, compared with 122 for Australia.
- Ex-nuptial births represented 22% of all births registered in Victoria in 1995 (13,629) compared with 12% in 1985 (7,098).

Occurrence basis

- In 1995, a total of 62,361 births occurred in Victoria, compared with 61,102 in 1985, an increase of 2.1%. However the number has decreased each year since 1992.
- The highest number of births in 1995 occurred in the month of March and the lowest in December.
- The birth rates for mothers aged 35-39 years and 40-44 years have both increased markedly since 1985; the increases were 63% and 69% respectively.

DEATHS

Registration basis

- The number of deaths registered in Victoria in 1995 was 32,425, a rate of 7.2 deaths per 1,000 population.
- The standardised death rate in Victoria in 1995 was 6.5 per 1,000 standard population, compared with a standardised rate of 8.0 per 1,000 in 1985.
- The median age at death was 73.9 years for men and 80.9 years for women. By comparison the 1985 medians were 71.6 years and 78.5 years, respectively.
- The infant mortality rate was 4.9 per 1,000 live births compared with 9.8 in 1985.

Occurrence basis

- In 1995, a total of 32,394 deaths occurred in Victoria. This was a 4.5% increase on the number occurring in 1985.
- The highest number of 1995 deaths occurred in the month of September and the lowest in February.
- The number of infant deaths which occurred in 1995 was 315, a decrease of 44% from 1985.

MARRIAGES

- There were 26,607 marriages registered in Victoria in 1995. This was almost 11% less than the number registered in 1985.
- In 1995 the crude marriage rate of 5.9 per 1,000 population continued the downward trend which commenced in 1972.
- The median age at first marriage was 27.4 years for men and 25.7 years for women, compared with 25.5 years and 23.4 years respectively in 1985.

DIVORCES

- In Victoria in 1995 there were 11,838 divorces granted compared with 9,688 in 1985.
- In 1995, the median age at divorce was 39.6 years for men and 37.1 years for women. The comparative medians in 1985 were 37.1 years and 34.4 years respectively.

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SECTION 1

DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

POPULATION

At 31 December 1995, the estimated resident population of Victoria was 4,520,800. This represents a growth of 0.8% for the year. Northern Territory had the highest growth at 2.8% and Tasmania had the lowest at 0.1%. The population of Australia increased by 1.3% to 18,168,600.

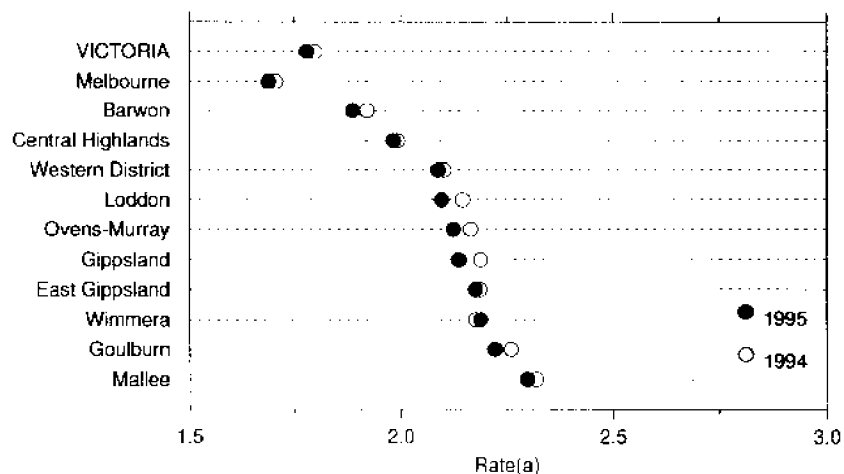
COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE

While the Victorian population was 25% of the Australian population, its total growth of 34,489 in 1995 represents only 15% of the Australian growth. The smaller percentage for total growth was predominantly caused by an interstate migration loss of 21,557 which was mainly to Queensland where there was an interstate migration gain of 43,386. This interstate migration loss increased significantly from 1990 reaching a peak of 32,000 in 1993.

BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS

The Victorian births registration figure of 62,591 for 1995 includes 62,543 births to Victorian mothers and 48 births which occurred in Victoria where the usual residence of the mother was overseas. Residents of Melbourne Statistical Division accounted for 71% (44,663 births) of all Victorian births.

TOTAL FERTILITY RATES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, 1994 AND 1995



(a) Per 1,000 population

The average fertility rate for Victoria was 1.778 in the period from 1993 to 1995. This represents the average number of children each woman would bear if the current birth rates continued during their child-bearing lifetimes. The highest total fertility rate for a statistical division was 2.298 in Mallee (SD), while the lowest fertility rate was 1.688 in Melbourne (SD).

The statistical local area in Melbourne (SD) which recorded the highest number of 1995 births was Knox (C) with 2,013 births followed by Wyndham (C) with 1,648 births. In the remainder of Victoria, the highest numbers were recorded in Corio - Inner (768) and Greater Shepparton (C) - Part A (638).

The statistical local area in Melbourne (SD) with the highest fertility rate was Mornington Peninsula (S) - South (2.394), followed by Cardinia (S) - South (2.353) and Cardinia (S) - Pakenham (2.315). The lowest fertility rate of 0.878 was recorded in Stonnington (C) - Prahran.

DEATHS

The Victorian deaths registration figure of 32,425 for 1995 includes 32,360 deaths of Victorian residents and 65 deaths which occurred in Victoria where the usual residence was overseas. Residents of Melbourne Statistical Division accounted for 68% (21,876) of all Victorian deaths.

The highest standardised death rate for a statistical division was 7.4 (deaths per 1,000 population) in Gippsland (SD), while the lowest rate was 6.4 in Melbourne (SD).

The statistical local area in Melbourne (SD) which recorded the highest number of 1995 deaths was Kingston (C) - North with 744 deaths followed by Glen Eira (C) - Caulfield with 710 deaths.

MARRIAGES

The crude marriage rate in Victoria of 5.9 marriages per 1,000 population is, apart from Northern Territory, one of the lowest in Australia. The median ages at marriage for bridegrooms (29.0 years) and brides (26.9 years) are the highest recorded for Victoria.

DIVORCES

There were 11,838 divorces granted in Victoria in 1995. The crude divorce rate of 2.6 divorces per 1,000 population was one of the lowest in Australia, behind NSW (2.4) and Northern Territory (2.5) and below the national figure of 2.8 divorces per 1,000 population.

1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a), Year Ended 31 December 1995

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
POPULATION									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6 152.0	4 520.8	3 316.1	1 475.5	1 746.4	473.2	176.9	304.9	18 168.6
Components of population change(c)									
Natural increase(d)	41 591	29 611	25 610	7 912	14 569	2 767	3 074	3 320	128 492
Net overseas migration(e)	48 641	26 435	13 896	3 960	13 187	416	685	808	108 028
Net interstate migration	-15 746	-21 557	43 386	-7 569	4 291	-2 831	977	951	..
Total increase	74 486	34 489	82 892	4 303	32 047	352	4 736	3 177	236 520
Growth rate (%)	1.2	0.8	2.6	0.3	1.9	0.1	2.8	1.1	1.3
BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS									
Live births									
Number	87 849	62 591	46 484	19 336	25 139	6 570	3 766	4 415	256 190
Total fertility rate	1.867	1.758	1.820	1.750	1.859	1.909	2.433	1.692	1.824
Crude birth rate	14.4	13.9	14.2	13.1	14.5	13.9	21.7	14.5	14.2
Female net reproduction rate	0.901	0.845	0.871	0.836	0.891	0.916	1.134	0.803	0.876
All confinements									
Number	86 691	61 685	45 898	19 053	24 791	6 480	3 711	4 359	252 708
Median age of mother (years)	29.2	29.7	28.4	29.4	28.8	28.5	26.8	29.4	29.1
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)									
Mother	30.1	30.3	29.7	30.4	30.0	29.7	29.6	30.2	30.1
Father	32.6	32.6	32.1	32.7	32.4	32.0	32.1	32.5	32.5
First Nuptial confinements									
Number	26 199	20 255	12 562	5 717	6 968	1 924	650	1 321	75 606
Median age of mother	28.5	28.9	28.1	29.1	28.5	28.3	28.5	28.6	28.6
DEATHS									
Number	44 773	32 425	20 663	11 218	10 364	3 754	813	1 114	125 133
Standardised death rate	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.3	6.2	7.1	9.9	5.4	6.5
Crude death rate	7.3	7.2	6.3	7.6	6.0	7.9	4.7	3.7	6.9
Median age at death (years)									
Males	73.7	73.9	73.0	74.3	73.3	73.8	54.0	70.5	73.5
Females	80.2	80.9	79.7	80.7	80.3	79.7	60.4	75.9	80.3
Infant deaths									
Number	498	308	293	112	129	38	50	21	1 449
Rate	5.7	4.9	6.3	5.8	5.1	5.8	13.3	4.8	5.7
Perinatal deaths									
Number	693	485	415	162	197	53	53	36	2 094
Rate	7.9	7.7	8.9	8.3	7.8	8.0	14.0	8.1	8.1

For footnotes see end of table.

1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a), Year Ended 31 December 1995 *continued*

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
MARRIAGES									
Number registered	37 828	26 607	20 610	8 547	10 404	2 840	797	1 753	109 386
Crude marriage rate	6.2	5.9	6.3	5.8	6.0	6.0	4.6	5.8	6.1
Median age at marriage (years)									
Bridegroom	29.3	29.0	29.0	29.1	29.6	28.9	31.1	29.2	29.2
Bride	26.7	26.9	26.6	26.7	27.2	26.6	28.1	26.7	26.8
DIVORCES									
Number granted	14 945	11 838	10 192	4 199	5 040	1 279	432	1 787	49 712
Crude divorce rate	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.5	n.p.	2.8
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.1	10.9	11.4	11.5	12.3	11.2	10.7	11.5	11.0
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	6.7	7.6	8.0	8.2	8.8	8.3	6.9	8.1	7.6

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Population, births and deaths include Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. Divorces include Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands, and usual residence overseas and not stated.

(c) Components of population change from previous year.

(d) Final figures for births and deaths may differ slightly from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates because it is necessary to use preliminary births and deaths when finalising population estimates.

(e) Net overseas migration includes an estimate of those persons who changed category from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
MELBOURNE SD					
Inner Melbourne SSD					
Melbourne (C)	34 105	333	1.163	323	6.8
Port Phillip (C)—St Kilda	42 874	521	1.036	486	7.9
Port Phillip (C)—West	24 623	348	1.270	241	8.4
Stonnington (C)—Prahran	41 126	392	0.878	439	6.8
Yarra (C)—North	40 416	529	1.230	270	7.5
Yarra (C)—Richmond	22 262	358	1.376	174	7.8
<i>Total</i>	205 406	2 481	1.118	1 933	7.4
Western Melbourne SSD					
Brimbank (C)—Keilor	71 258	1 018	1.761	317	6.3
Brimbank (C) — Sunshine	77 866	1 066	1.788	483	7.0
Hobsons Bay (C)—Altona	50 806	527	1.649	228	5.7
Hobsons Bay (C)—Williamstown	25 882	389	1.869	248	6.1
Maribyrnong (C)	60 689	995	1.974	568	7.4
Moonee Valley (C)—Essendon	68 103	988	1.518	609	6.5
Moonee Valley (C) — West	41 070	611	1.796	172	5.5
<i>Total</i>	395 674	5 594	1.747	2 625	6.5
Western Fringe Melbourne SSD					
Melton (S)—East	2 039	32	1.914	1	0.3
Melton (S) Balance	37 958	635	2.002	119	6.9
Wyndham (C) —	74 112	1 648	2.167	310	7.6
<i>Total</i>	114 109	2 315	2.108	430	7.3
Moreland City SSD					
Moreland (C)—Brunswick	39 233	633	1.453	324	6.6
Moreland (C)—Coburg	50 012	799	1.870	487	6.5
Moreland (C)—North	46 677	760	1.953	256	6.3
<i>Total</i>	135 922	2 192	1.746	1 067	6.5
Northern Middle Melbourne SSD					
Banyule (C)—Heidelberg	61 752	760	1.656	552	6.4
Banyule (C)—North	56 532	770	1.778	252	6.5
Darebin (C)—Northcote	45 179	753	1.595	424	7.4
Darebin (C)—Preston	80 279	1 160	1.745	698	6.6
<i>Total</i>	243 742	3 443	1.690	1 926	6.7
Hume City SSD					
Hume (C)—Broadmeadows	67 301	1 071	1.918	392	6.7
Hume (C)—Craigieburn	24 140	437	1.960	37	3.5
Hume (C)—Sunbury	27 173	519	2.009	89	6.9
<i>Total</i>	118 614	2 027	1.953	518	6.3
Northern Outer Melbourne SSD					
Nillumbik (S) — South-West	21 298	287	1.759	96	6.2
Nillumbik (S) Balance	33 534	432	1.782	109	5.2
Whittlesea (C)	103 783	1 621	1.800	371	6.2
<i>Total</i>	158 615	2 340	1.793	576	6.0
Boroondara City SSD					
Boroondara (C)—Camberwell North	42 071	425	1.474	362	5.2
Boroondara (C)—Camberwell South	48 629	493	1.474	452	5.5
Boroondara (C)—Hawthorn	30 695	319	1.163	291	6.4
Boroondara (C)—Kew	29 014	304	1.215	301	6.6
<i>Total</i>	150 409	1 541	1.339	1 406	5.8

For footnotes see end of table.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
MELBOURNE SD <i>continued</i>					
Eastern Middle Melbourne SSD					
Manningham (C)	111 838	1 026	1.340	512	5.3
Monash (C) —South-West	37 942	543	1.686	271	6.0
Monash (C)—Waverley East	63 468	543	1.299	386	5.6
Monash (C)—Waverley West	60 089	517	1.304	319	4.9
Whitehorse (C)—Box Hill	46 811	609	1.625	471	5.9
Whitehorse (C)—Nunawading East	48 968	555	1.609	421	6.2
Whitehorse (C)—Nunawading West	45 410	514	1.610	352	5.5
<i>Total</i>	414 526	4 307	1.459	2 732	5.6
Eastern Outer Melbourne SSD					
Knox (C)	136 009	2 013	1.877	647	6.9
Maroondah (C)—Croydon	51 257	807	1.928	267	6.4
Maroondah (C)—Ringwood	42 503	539	1.701	314	6.1
<i>Total</i>	229 769	3 359	1.854	1 228	6.6
Yarra Ranges Shire Part A SSD					
Yarra Ranges (S)—Central	15 109	259	2.188	91	7.0
Yarra Ranges (S)—North	11 432	153	2.243	97	8.7
Yarra Ranges (S)—South-West	109 635	1 633	1.995	501	6.4
<i>Total</i>	136 176	2 045	2.023	689	6.7
Southern Melbourne SSD					
Bayside (C)—Brighton	34 756	339	1.467	404	6.0
Bayside (C)—South	50 786	559	1.650	443	5.7
Glen Eira (C)—Caulfield	71 359	876	1.480	710	6.3
Glen Eira (C)—South	46 264	541	1.613	369	5.5
Kingston (C)—North	90 273	1 114	1.639	744	6.1
Kingston (C)—South	36 697	491	1.857	339	6.8
Stonnington (C)—Malvern	42 843	490	1.422	395	6.3
<i>Total</i>	372 978	4 410	1.581	3 404	6.1
Greater Dandenong City SSD					
Greater Dandenong (C)—Dandenong	56 757	835	1.916	358	6.9
Greater Dandenong (C)—Balance	73 633	1 084	1.924	428	6.8
<i>Total</i>	130 390	1 919	1.920	786	6.8
South Eastern Outer Melbourne SSD					
Cardinia (S)—Pakenham	37 160	642	2.315	151	5.8
Cardinia (S)—South	5 349	122	2.353	3	1.3
Casey (C)—Berwick	89 757	1 635	2.027	317	6.0
Casey (C)—South	56 182	1 242	2.303	233	7.3
<i>Total</i>	188 448	3 641	2.171	704	6.1
Frankston City SSD					
Frankston (C)—East	29 031	640	2.299	109	6.6
Frankston (C)—West	79 338	944	1.756	619	6.8
<i>Total</i>	108 369	1 584	1.921	728	6.8
Mornington Peninsula Shire SSD					
Mornington Peninsula (S)—East	32 652	557	2.275	178	6.7
Mornington Peninsula (S)—South	40 178	437	2.394	571	6.6
Mornington Peninsula (S)—West	41 405	471	1.750	375	7.3
<i>Total</i>	114 235	1 465	2.066	1 124	6.8
Total Melbourne SD	3 217 382	44 663	1.688	21 876	6.4

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1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
BARWON SD					
Greater Geelong City Part A SSD					
Bellarine—Inner	19 905	318	1.885	140	7.7
Corio - -Inner	55 218	768	1.934	420	7.3
Geelong	13 101	191	1.661	161	8.1
Geelong West	13 192	183	1.715	158	6.9
Newtown	9 821	103	1.720	82	6.8
South Barwon—Inner	41 422	449	1.672	274	5.5
<i>Total</i>	152 659	2 012	1.789	1 235	6.9
East Barwon SSD					
Greater Geelong (C)—Part B	28 015	363	2.183	210	5.5
Queenscliffe (B)	3 315	34	1.922	73	7.5
Surf Coast (S)—East	12 469	166	1.892	62	7.9
Surf Coast (S) -West	4 182	73	2.390	37	6.4
<i>Total</i>	47 981	636	2.086	382	6.3
West Barwon SSD					
Colac—Otway (S) Colac	9 397	141	2.279	107	7.4
Colac—Otway (S)—North	8 441	81	1.892	41	5.5
Colac—Otway (S) South	3 403	39	2.161	39	6.5
Golden Plains (S)—North-West	7 373	78	2.012	22	5.6
Golden Plains (S)—South-East	6 932	110	2.254	29	5.3
Greater Geelong (C) Part C	2 531	34	1.748	12	5.4
<i>Total</i>	38 077	483	2.089	250	6.4
Total Barwon SD	238 717	3 131	1.886	1 867	6.7
WESTERN DISTRICT SD					
Hopkins SSD					
Corangamite (S)—North	10 079	159	2.693	134	8.2
Corangamite (S)—South	7 981	117	2.268	63	6.9
Moyne (S)—North-East	2 891	27	1.874	22	6.0
Moyne (S) South-West	4 072	41	1.942	35	6.8
Moyne (S) Balance	9 611	124	2.017	78	8.2
Warrnambool (C)	27 728	404	1.886	210	6.6
<i>Total</i>	62 362	872	2.062	542	7.2
Glenelg SSD					
Glenelg (S)—Heywood	7 100	66	1.598	52	7.0
Glenelg (S)—North	3 696	48	2.389	33	7.9
Glenelg (S)—Portland	10 592	221	2.564	117	7.6
South Grampians (S) Hamilton	9 852	159	2.117	82	7.2
South Grampians (S)—Wannon	2 650	34	2.335	47	9.5
South Grampians (S) Balance	5 276	45	1.849	47	6.7
<i>Total</i>	39 166	573	2.167	378	7.5
Total Western District SD	101 528	1 445	2.089	920	7.3
CENTRAL HIGHLANDS SD					
Ballarat City SSD					
Ballarat (C)—Central	35 160	516	1.939	454	7.7
Ballarat (C) -Inner North	21 869	278	1.708	157	7.3
Ballarat (C) North	1 188	15	2.265	3	4.5
Ballarat (C)—South	18 190	311	2.052	111	7.0
<i>Total</i>	76 407	1 120	1.903	725	7.5

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1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

<i>Statistical division</i>	<i>Estimated</i>		<i>Total fertility</i>		<i>Indirect</i>
<i>Statistical subdivision</i>	<i>mid-year resident</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>standardised</i>
<i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>population(b)</i>				<i>death rate(e)</i>
CENTRAL HIGHLANDS SD <i>continued</i>					
East Central Highlands SSD					
Hepburn (S)—East	7 649	88	2.157	70	6.2
Hepburn (S)—West	6 320	78	2.107	64	9.3
Moorabool (S)—Bacchus Marsh	13 826	240	2.194	67	5.5
Moorabool (S)—Ballan	5 041	73	2.314	34	8.0
Moorabool (S)—West	6 127	45	1.764	19	5.3
<i>Total</i>	38 963	524	2.090	254	6.7
West Central Highlands SSD					
Ararat (RC)	11 591	143	2.170	125	8.2
Pyrenees (S)	6 981	87	2.165	50	7.1
<i>Total</i>	18 572	230	2.162	175	7.8
Total Central Highlands SD	133 942	1 874	1.983	1 154	7.3
WIMMERA SD					
South Wimmera SSD					
Horsham (RC) Central	12 966	234	2.453	110	6.4
Horsham (RC) Balance	4 842	35	1.252	24	5.4
North Grampians (S)—St Arnaud	3 855	57	2.410	45	8.2
North Grampians (S)—Stawell	9 837	124	2.019	85	7.2
West Wimmera (S)	5 380	65	2.181	55	6.4
<i>Total</i>	36 880	515	2.146	319	6.8
North Wimmera SSD					
Hindmarsh (S)	7 114	93	2.159	98	6.8
Yarriambiack (S) North	2 625	39	3.871	23	5.6
Yarriambiack (S)—South	6 527	89	2.083	86	7.6
<i>Total</i>	16 266	221	2.300	207	6.9
Total Wimmera SD	53 146	736	2.188	526	6.8
MALLEE SD					
Mildura SSD					
Mildura (RC)	41 006	725	2.290	322	6.8
West Mallee SSD					
Buloke (S)—North	4 160	45	2.416	46	7.6
Buloke (S)—South	4 538	61	2.185	42	6.0
Mildura (RC) —Part B	5 179	62	2.040	34	7.6
<i>Total</i>	13 877	168	2.171	122	7.0
East Mallee SSD					
Gannawarra (S)	12 723	161	2.328	104	6.1
Swan Hill (RC)—Central	9 848	164	2.342	95	7.0
Swan Hill (RC) Balance	11 460	155	2.492	82	6.8
<i>Total</i>	34 031	480	2.363	281	6.6
Total Mallee SD	88 914	1 373	2.298	725	6.7
LODDON SD					
Greater Bendigo City Part A SSD					
Eaglehawk	9 025	141	2.221	85	5.9
Gr. Bendigo (C)—Central	30 440	473	1.989	365	8.9
Huntly—Inner	2 997	50	2.330	12	6.9
Marong—Inner	13 812	169	1.856	72	4.8
Strathfieldsaye—Inner	16 144	150	1.441	86	4.1
<i>Total</i>	72 418	983	1.879	620	6.8

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1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
LODDON SD <i>continued</i>					
North Loddon SSD					
Central Goldfields (S)—Maryborough	7 685	101	2.500	92	6.7
Central Goldfields (S) Balance	5 546	58	1.917	35	6.5
Greater Bendigo (C)—Part B	11 352	163	2.418	85	7.7
Loddon (S)—North	2 610	24	1.996	26	7.5
Loddon (S) South	7 079	70	2.172	56	6.5
Mount Alexander (S)—C'maine	7 150	81	2.333	112	7.4
Mount Alexander (S) Balance	9 375	117	2.480	60	6.7
<i>Total</i>	50 797	614	2.308	466	7.0
South Loddon SSD					
Macedon Ranges (S)—Kyneton	—	—	—	—	—
Macedon Ranges (S)—Romsey	8 872	150	2.539	32	6.6
Macedon Ranges (S) Balance	16 388	229	2.358	65	7.0
<i>Total</i>	32 834	507	2.408	182	7.2
Total Loddon SD	156 049	2 104	2.096	1 268	6.9
GOULBURN SD					
Greater Shepparton City Part A SSD					
Greater Shepparton (C)—Part A	41 674	638	2.043	281	6.5
North Goulburn SSD					
Campaspe (S) Echuca	10 308	152	2.333	98	7.1
Campaspe (S)—Kyabram	12 395	188	2.382	116	8.2
Campaspe (S) Rochester	8 139	131	2.500	52	5.2
Campaspe (S)—South	3 932	49	2.889	41	7.5
Greater Shepparton (C) Part B East	4 170	85	3.278	12	4.0
Greater Shepparton (C)—Part B West	8 823	115	2.104	67	6.5
Moira (S)	26 240	349	2.278	248	7.2
<i>Total</i>	74 007	1 069	2.368	634	6.9
South Goulburn SSD					
Delatite (S)—Benalla	8 940	128	2.637	103	7.6
Delatite (S)—North	5 124	46	1.677	19	5.0
Delatite (S) South	6 302	64	2.051	45	6.6
Strathbogie (S)	9 402	108	2.173	112	8.4
<i>Total</i>	29 768	346	2.219	279	7.4
South West Goulburn SSD					
Mitchell (S)—North	12 716	209	2.254	65	7.1
Mitchell (S)—South	13 929	220	2.237	57	7.2
Murrindindi (S) East	6 184	83	2.165	51	6.4
Murrindindi (S)—West	6 414	96	2.024	30	6.2
<i>Total</i>	39 243	608	2.180	203	6.8
Total Goulburn SD	184 692	2 661	2.222	1 397	6.9
OVENS-MURRAY SD					
Wodonga SSD					
Indigo (S)—Part A	11 078	140	2.143	91	8.1
Towong (S)—Part A	2 497	37	2.234	20	6.7
Wodonga (RC)	30 085	498	2.120	168	7.2
<i>Total</i>	43 660	675	2.134	279	7.5
West Ovens Murray SSD					
Indigo (S)—Part B	3 555	42	2.302	28	6.7
Milawa (S)—North	4 370	28	1.625	21	4.9
Milawa (S)—South	5 214	50	2.131	27	3.9
Milawa (S) Wangaratta	15 467	246	2.374	173	7.9
<i>Total</i>	28 606	366	2.216	249	6.8

For footnotes see end of table.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
OVENS-MURRAY SD <i>continued</i>					
East Ovens-Murray SSD					
Alpine (S)—East	7 667	104	1.779	65	6.5
Alpine (S)—West	4 608	66	2.419	41	6.4
Towong (S)—Part B	4 137	42	1.799	40	6.1
<i>Total</i>	16 412	212	1.952	146	6.3
Total Ovens-Murray SD	88 678	1 253	2.124	674	6.9
EAST GIPPSLAND SD					
East Gippsland Shire SSD					
East Gippsland (S)—Bairnsdale	24 059	323	2.310	280	7.4
East Gippsland (S)—Orbost	6 877	82	1.877	47	5.8
East Gippsland (S)—South-West	3 540	35	1.477	15	5.7
East Gippsland (S) Balance	5 066	63	1.894	28	5.7
<i>Total</i>	39 542	503	2.103	370	6.9
Wellington Shire SSD					
Wellington (S)—Alberton	—	—	—	—	—
Wellington (S)—Avon	—	—	—	—	—
Wellington (S)—Maffra	—	—	—	—	—
Wellington (S)—Rosedale	—	—	—	—	—
Wellington (S)—Sale	13 798	197	2.090	105	8.6
<i>Total</i>	42 695	587	2.242	320	7.9
Total East Gippsland SD	82 237	1 090	2.175	690	7.3
GIPPSLAND SD					
La Trobe Valley SSD					
Baw Baw (S) Part A	4 712	63	2.112	27	7.8
La Trobe (S)—Moe	19 551	279	2.102	183	7.8
La Trobe (S)—Morwell	24 761	378	2.076	176	8.6
La Trobe (S)—Traralgon	25 879	392	2.028	145	7.3
La Trobe (S) Balance	2 865	24	1.471	3	3.4
Yallourn Works Area	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	77 768	1 136	2.051	534	7.8

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1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a) *continued*

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
GIPPSLAND SD <i>continued</i>					
West Gippsland SSD					
Baw Baw (S)—Part B East	4 326	70	2.275	21	4.0
Baw Baw (S)—Part B West	26 086	388	2.244	218	7.1
Yarra Ranges (S)—Part B	554	14	3.239	6	12.0
<i>Total</i>	30 966	472	2.264	245	6.7
South Gippsland SSD					
Bass Coast (S)—Phillip Island	5 499	64	2.157	71	6.2
Bass Coast (S) Balance	15 327	202	2.115	166	8.0
South Gippsland (S)—Central	12 294	160	2.170	127	7.7
South Gippsland (S)—East	6 151	79	2.417	53	6.9
South Gippsland (S)—West	7 703	100	2.343	67	6.3
French Island	72	—	3.111	—	7.0
Bass Strait Islands	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	47 046	605	2.211	484	7.3
Total Gippsland SD	155 780	2 213	2.136	1 263	7.4
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	—	—	—	—	—
Victoria(f)	4 501 065	62 543	1.778	32 360	6.6

(a) The statistical area boundaries used in the compilation of these statistics are those in existence at 1 July 1995.

(b) As at 30 June 1995.

(c) Data is for calendar year 1995.

(d) The average total fertility rate over the three years 1993–95.

(e) The average indirect standardised death rate over three years 1993–95.

(f) Includes births and deaths where usual residence was overseas, no fixed abode and Victoria undefined.

(C) City (S) Shire (RC) Rural City

SECTION 2

POPULATION

Estimated Resident Population

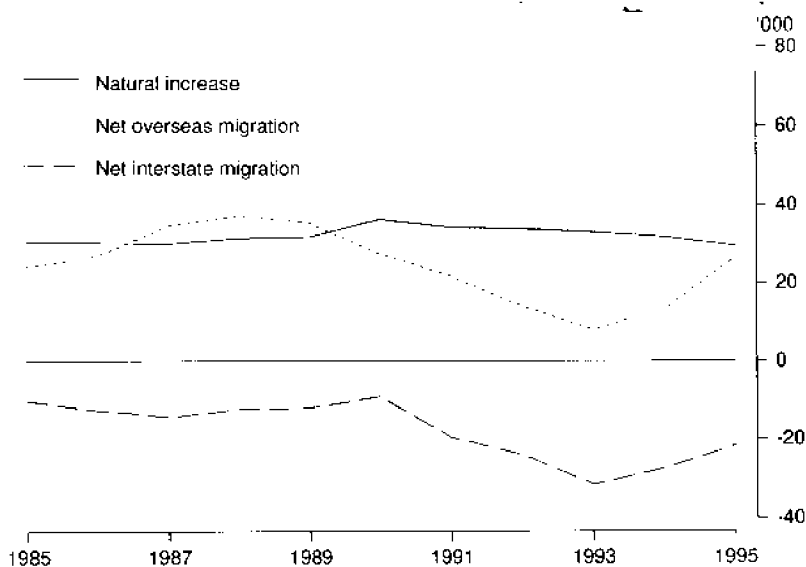
The population of Victoria passed the one million mark in 1887, two million in 1945, three million in 1962 and four million in 1982.

At 31 December 1995, the estimated resident population of Victoria was 4,520,800 comprising 2,237,500 males and 2,283,300 females.

Population change

In 1995 the population of Victoria increased by 34,489 persons (or 0.8%). This was due to gains of 29,611 from natural increase and 26,435 from net overseas migration and a loss of 21,557 from net interstate migration. The following graph shows the contribution of the three components of change in the total population of Victoria since 1985.

COMPONENTS OF POPULATION INCREASE



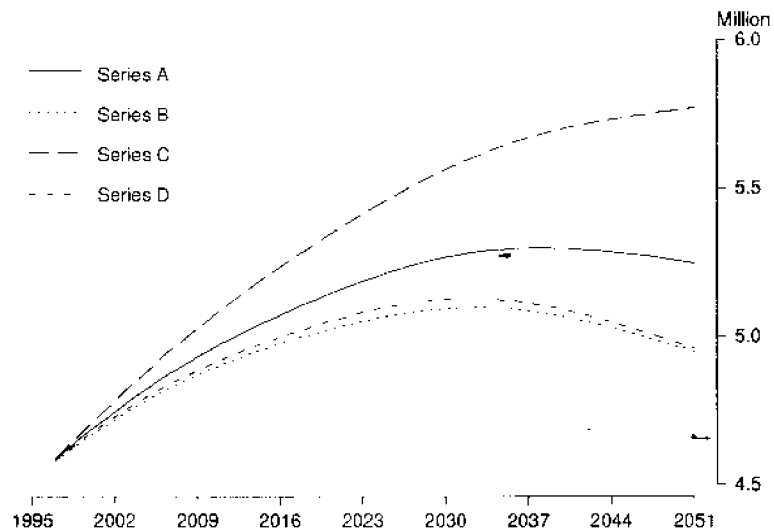
Age distribution

Estimated resident population by age at 30 June 1995 reinforces that the established trend of the ageing of the State's population has continued. In 1995 the proportion of aged persons (those aged 65 years and over) in Victoria was 12.3% compared to 8.8% in 1975. In contrast, the proportion of children (persons aged less than 15 years) in Victoria is decreasing. In 1995 the proportion of children in Victoria was 20.9% while the figure for 1975 was 25.0%.

Population Projections

Projections vary depending on different assumptions about fertility, mortality and migration (both overseas and interstate). Based on the current rates (Series A), it is projected that the Victorian population will rise from 4.58 million in 1997 to 5.30 million in 2038 and then decline to 5.24 million in 2051.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS



Tourism

The impact of tourism to and from Australia is reflected in statistics of short term movement (i.e. overseas arrivals and departures for less than 12 months). In 1995, there were 480,200 short-term visitors to Victoria and 593,200 Victorian residents departing for overseas for less than 12 months. The corresponding figures for 1985 were 198,200 and 375,900 respectively.

2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

Particulars	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Estimated resident population							
at 31 December ('000)							
Males	2 055.4	2 183.0	2 198.9	2 209.8	2 213.2	2 221.4	2 237.5
Females	2 085.0	2 217.7	2 236.8	2 249.7	2 255.6	2 264.9	2 283.3
Persons	4 140.4	4 400.7	4 435.7	4 459.4	4 468.8	4 486.3	4 520.8
Components of population change(b)							
Net natural increase(c)							
Number	30 191	35 984	34 065	33 739	32 948	31 680	29 611
% of total annual growth	68.9	66.5	94.8	142.1	350.1	181.1	85.9
Net overseas migration(d)							
Number	23 938	27 163	21 478	13 988	7 996	13 333	26 435
% of total annual growth	54.6	50.2	59.8	58.9	85.0	76.2	76.6
Net interstate migration							
Number	-10290	-9053	-19622	-23990	-31533	-27519	-21557
% of total annual growth	-23.5	-16.7	-54.6	-101.1	-335.1	157.3	-62.5
Total population growth							
Number	43 839	54 094	35 921	23 737	9 411	17 494	34 489
Annual growth rate (%) ^(e)	1.1	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.8
Overseas arrivals and departures(f)							
Permanent movement							
Arrivals	21 080	32 520	30 240	23 740	15 510	17 810	22 060
Departures	3 830	6 690	6 700	6 170	6 140	5 600	5 680
Former settlers	2 120	3 010	3 460	2 970	2 770	2 520	2 500
Other Australian residents	1 710	3 680	3 240	3 200	3 370	3 090	3 180
Long-term movement							
Arrivals	21 940	26 250	27 700	29 290	29 970	32 580	36 700
Australian residents returning	13 810	13 480	13 950	15 420	16 980	18 380	19 220
Overseas visitors arriving	8 130	12 780	13 740	13 870	12 990	14 210	17 490
Departures	17 920	25 210	27 470	27 280	26 360	25 810	27 220
Australian residents departing	12 460	15 880	16 300	16 540	16 040	15 760	16 800
Overseas visitors departing	5 460	9 320	11 170	10 740	10 320	10 050	10 420
Short-term movement							
Arrivals	561 200	844 300	836 400	876 700	905 200	967 700	1 051 000
Australian residents returning	363 000	507 500	469 800	514 900	507 200	529 000	570 800
Overseas visitors arriving	198 200	336 800	366 600	361 900	398 000	438 700	480 200
Departures	557 100	823 500	824 700	860 100	889 800	935 400	1 044 500
Australian residents departing	375 900	525 300	486 400	534 700	529 600	542 000	593 200
Overseas visitors departing	181 200	298 200	338 300	325 500	360 200	393 300	451 300

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) From previous year.

(c) Final figures for births and deaths may differ from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates, which are compiled at a preliminary stage.

(d) Includes an estimate of those persons who changed category from short term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia.

(e) Includes intercensal discrepancy not accounted for by natural increase and net migration.

(f) Statistics have been rounded to the nearest 100 for short-term movement, and to the nearest 10 for permanent and long-term movement.

2.2 ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, Age and Sex—at 30 June 1995

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	32 515	30 710	63 225	50	26 764	26 354	53 118
1	32 638	30 851	63 489	51	25 591	25 119	50 710
2	32 572	31 168	63 740	52	23 071	22 482	45 553
3	32 743	30 575	63 318	53	23 691	22 778	46 469
4	32 949	31 301	64 250	54	23 099	22 390	45 489
0-4	163 417	154 605	318 022	50-54	122 216	119 123	241 339
5	32 786	30 910	63 696	55	21 681	20 814	42 495
6	32 058	30 455	62 513	56	21 557	20 832	42 389
7	31 970	30 569	62 539	57	20 510	20 396	40 906
8	31 739	29 916	61 655	58	19 620	19 624	39 244
9	31 879	30 173	62 052	59	19 406	19 425	38 831
5-9	160 432	152 023	312 455	55-59	102 774	101 091	203 865
10	31 966	30 796	62 762	60	18 201	18 253	36 454
11	31 775	29 992	61 767	61	18 210	18 166	36 376
12	32 074	30 027	62 101	62	17 374	17 431	34 805
13	31 308	30 062	61 370	63	17 396	17 517	34 913
14	31 934	30 379	62 313	64	18 131	19 224	37 355
10-14	159 057	151 256	310 313	60-64	89 312	90 591	179 903
15	31 067	29 627	60 694	65	17 928	18 105	36 033
16	31 708	30 005	61 713	66	17 574	18 366	35 940
17	32 361	30 203	62 564	67	17 244	18 413	35 657
18	32 586	30 506	63 092	68	16 784	18 216	35 000
19	33 297	31 761	65 058	69	16 465	18 678	35 143
15-19	161 019	152 102	313 121	65-69	85 995	91 778	177 773
20	34 346	33 343	67 689	70	15 052	17 559	32 611
21	35 657	34 645	70 302	71	14 746	17 268	32 014
22	36 598	35 236	71 834	72	13 160	16 212	29 372
23	38 223	37 361	75 584	73	12 845	15 979	28 824
24	38 543	38 448	76 991	74	12 095	16 181	28 276
20-24	183 367	179 033	362 400	70-74	67 898	83 199	151 097
25	36 810	36 472	73 282	75	10 704	14 041	24 745
26	35 732	35 820	71 552	76	8 761	11 966	20 727
27	34 446	34 881	69 327	77	7 954	11 332	19 286
28	33 853	34 443	68 296	78	7 721	11 268	18 989
29	33 883	34 957	68 840	79	7 471	11 319	18 790
25-29	174 724	176 573	351 297	75-79	42 611	59 926	102 537
30	34 161	35 352	69 513	80	6 680	10 830	17 510
31	35 691	36 259	71 950	81	6 040	9 987	16 027
32	36 154	36 364	72 518	82	5 198	8 749	13 947
33	36 409	36 783	73 192	83	4 535	7 778	12 313
34	37 903	38 275	76 178	84	3 843	7 338	11 181
30-34	180 318	183 033	363 351	80-84	26 296	44 682	70 978
35	36 675	36 756	73 431	85	3 297	6 233	9 530
36	35 620	35 643	71 263	86	2 651	5 403	8 054
37	34 734	35 329	70 063	87	2 079	4 804	6 883
38	34 091	34 817	68 908	88	1 698	3 966	5 664
39	34 778	35 034	69 812	89	1 348	3 411	4 759
35-39	175 898	177 579	353 477	85-89	11 073	23 817	34 890
40	32 828	33 841	66 669	90	1 040	2 724	3 764
41	32 376	33 210	65 586	91	819	2 208	3 027
42	32 258	32 796	65 054	92	632	1 802	2 434
43	31 991	32 144	64 135	93	496	1 420	1 916
44	32 525	33 562	66 087	94	302	1 043	1 345
40-44	161 978	165 553	327 531	90-94	3 289	9 197	12 486
45	31 528	31 554	63 082	95 and over	552	2 481	3 033
46	31 753	31 498	63 251				
47	31 819	31 827	63 646	Total	2 228 516	2 272 549	4 501 065
48	32 035	31 664	63 699				
49	29 155	28 364	57 519				
45-49	156 290	154 907	311 197				

2.3 PROJECTED POPULATION

At 30 June	SERIES A (a)			SERIES B (a)			SERIES C (a)			SERIES D (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Female	Persons
1997	2 268.8	2 315.7	4 584.4	2 266.2	2 313.2	4 579.4	2 269.9	2 316.8	4 586.8	2 267.1	2 314.0	4 581.1
1998	2 285.7	2 334.0	4 619.7	2 280.9	2 329.6	4 610.6	2 289.1	2 337.7	4 626.8	2 282.9	2 331.4	4 614.2
1999	2 301.2	2 350.9	4 652.1	2 294.3	2 344.4	4 638.7	2 308.1	2 358.3	4 666.4	2 297.1	2 347.0	4 644.1
2000	2 316.4	2 367.4	4 683.7	2 307.3	2 358.9	4 666.2	2 326.9	2 378.6	4 705.5	2 310.9	2 362.2	4 673.0
2001	2 331.2	2 383.5	4 714.7	2 319.9	2 372.9	4 692.8	2 345.4	2 398.6	4 744.1	2 324.2	2 376.8	4 700.9
2002	2 345.7	2 399.2	4 744.8	2 332.1	2 386.5	4 718.6	2 363.7	2 418.4	4 782.0	2 336.9	2 390.8	4 727.7
2003	2 359.8	2 414.5	4 774.3	2 343.9	2 399.6	4 743.5	2 381.6	2 437.8	4 819.4	2 349.1	2 404.3	4 753.5
2004	2 373.5	2 429.4	4 802.9	2 355.2	2 412.3	4 767.6	2 399.2	2 456.8	4 856.1	2 360.8	2 417.3	4 778.1
2005	2 386.6	2 443.8	4 830.4	2 366.0	2 424.5	4 790.4	2 416.4	2 475.5	4 891.8	2 371.8	2 429.7	4 801.5
2006	2 399.1	2 457.6	4 856.7	2 376.1	2 436.0	4 812.1	2 432.9	2 493.7	4 926.6	2 382.2	2 441.5	4 823.7
2007	2 411.0	2 470.9	4 881.9	2 385.5	2 447.0	4 832.5	2 448.9	2 511.3	4 960.3	2 392.0	2 452.8	4 844.8
2008	2 422.3	2 483.7	4 906.0	2 394.3	2 457.5	4 851.7	2 464.4	2 528.6	4 993.0	2 401.2	2 463.7	4 864.9
2009	2 433.1	2 496.0	4 929.1	2 402.5	2 467.4	4 870.0	2 479.5	2 545.4	5 024.9	2 410.0	2 474.0	4 884.0
2010	2 443.3	2 507.9	4 951.2	2 410.3	2 476.9	4 887.2	2 494.1	2 561.9	5 055.9	2 418.2	2 484.0	4 902.2
2011	2 453.2	2 519.4	4 972.5	2 417.5	2 486.0	4 903.5	2 508.2	2 578.0	5 086.2	2 426.0	2 493.6	4 919.6
2012	2 462.5	2 530.5	4 993.0	2 424.3	2 494.7	4 919.0	2 522.0	2 593.8	5 115.8	2 433.3	2 502.8	4 936.1
2013	2 471.5	2 541.3	5 012.8	2 430.7	2 503.0	4 933.7	2 535.4	2 609.3	5 144.7	2 440.3	2 511.7	4 952.0
2014	2 480.2	2 551.8	5 032.0	2 436.7	2 511.1	4 947.8	2 548.6	2 624.5	5 173.1	2 446.9	2 520.3	4 967.2
2015	2 488.5	2 562.1	5 050.6	2 442.4	2 518.8	4 961.2	2 561.4	2 639.6	5 201.0	2 453.2	2 528.6	4 981.8
2016	2 496.6	2 572.2	5 068.7	2 447.8	2 526.4	4 974.2	2 574.0	2 654.5	5 228.5	2 459.2	2 536.7	4 995.9
2017	2 504.3	2 582.0	5 086.3	2 452.9	2 533.7	4 986.6	2 586.4	2 669.2	5 255.6	2 464.9	2 544.5	5 009.4
2018	2 511.8	2 591.7	5 103.5	2 457.7	2 540.8	4 998.5	2 598.5	2 683.7	5 282.2	2 470.2	2 552.2	5 022.4
2019	2 519.1	2 601.1	5 120.2	2 462.2	2 547.6	5 009.9	2 610.4	2 698.0	5 308.5	2 475.3	2 559.6	5 034.9
2020	2 526.0	2 610.4	5 136.4	2 466.5	2 554.3	5 020.8	2 622.0	2 712.2	5 334.3	2 480.1	2 566.8	5 046.8
2021	2 532.7	2 619.4	5 152.1	2 470.4	2 560.7	5 031.1	2 633.4	2 726.2	5 359.6	2 484.5	2 573.6	5 058.1
2022	2 539.0	2 628.2	5 167.2	2 473.9	2 566.8	5 040.8	2 644.5	2 740.0	5 384.5	2 488.5	2 580.2	5 068.7
2023	2 545.0	2 636.7	5 181.8	2 477.2	2 572.7	5 049.9	2 655.3	2 753.6	5 408.9	2 492.1	2 586.5	5 078.6
2024	2 550.7	2 645.0	5 195.7	2 480.1	2 578.3	5 058.4	2 666.8	2 766.9	5 432.7	2 495.4	2 592.4	5 087.7
2025	2 556.0	2 652.9	5 208.9	2 482.6	2 583.5	5 066.1	2 675.9	2 780.0	5 455.9	2 498.1	2 597.9	5 096.0
2026	2 560.9	2 660.5	5 221.4	2 484.6	2 588.4	5 073.0	2 685.7	2 792.7	5 478.4	2 500.3	2 602.9	5 103.2
2027	2 565.3	2 667.7	5 233.0	2 486.2	2 592.8	5 079.0	2 695.0	2 805.1	5 500.1	2 502.0	2 607.5	5 109.5
2028	2 569.3	2 674.5	5 243.8	2 487.3	2 596.8	5 084.1	2 704.0	2 817.1	5 521.1	2 503.1	2 611.6	5 114.7
2029	2 572.8	2 680.8	5 253.6	2 487.9	2 600.4	5 088.3	2 712.5	2 828.7	5 541.2	2 503.7	2 615.1	5 118.8
2030	2 575.8	2 686.6	5 262.5	2 488.0	2 603.4	5 091.4	2 720.6	2 839.8	5 560.4	2 503.7	2 618.0	5 121.7
2031	2 578.4	2 692.0	5 270.3	2 487.6	2 605.9	5 093.6	2 728.2	2 850.5	5 578.7	2 503.1	2 620.4	5 123.4
2032	2 580.4	2 696.8	5 277.1	2 486.7	2 607.9	5 094.6	2 735.3	2 860.7	5 596.0	2 501.9	2 622.1	5 123.9
2033	2 581.9	2 701.0	5 282.9	2 485.3	2 609.2	5 094.5	2 742.0	2 870.4	5 612.4	2 500.1	2 623.2	5 123.3
2034	2 582.9	2 704.6	5 287.5	2 483.3	2 610.0	5 093.3	2 748.2	2 879.5	5 627.7	2 497.8	2 623.6	5 121.4
2035	2 583.5	2 707.7	5 291.1	2 480.8	2 610.1	5 091.0	2 754.0	2 888.1	5 642.0	2 494.9	2 623.4	5 118.3
2036	2 583.5	2 710.2	5 293.7	2 477.9	2 609.7	5 087.6	2 759.3	2 896.1	5 655.4	2 491.5	2 622.6	5 114.1
2037	2 583.1	2 712.1	5 295.2	2 474.5	2 608.7	5 083.2	2 764.1	2 903.6	5 667.7	2 487.6	2 621.2	5 108.8
2038	2 582.3	2 713.4	5 295.7	2 470.6	2 607.0	5 077.7	2 768.6	2 910.5	5 679.1	2 483.2	2 619.2	5 102.4
2039	2 581.0	2 714.2	5 295.2	2 466.4	2 604.9	5 071.3	2 772.7	2 916.9	5 689.6	2 478.5	2 616.6	5 095.1
2040	2 579.5	2 714.5	5 294.0	2 461.8	2 602.2	5 064.0	2 776.5	2 922.9	5 699.3	2 473.3	2 613.5	5 086.8
2041	2 577.6	2 714.3	5 291.9	2 456.9	2 599.0	5 056.0	2 779.9	2 928.3	5 708.3	2 467.9	2 609.9	5 077.8
2042	2 575.5	2 713.7	5 289.2	2 451.8	2 595.4	5 047.2	2 783.2	2 933.4	5 716.6	2 462.2	2 605.9	5 068.1
2043	2 573.1	2 712.7	5 285.8	2 446.4	2 591.4	5 037.8	2 786.2	2 938.1	5 724.2	2 456.2	2 601.4	5 057.7
2044	2 570.6	2 711.4	5 281.9	2 440.8	2 587.1	5 027.9	2 789.0	2 942.4	5 731.4	2 450.1	2 596.6	5 046.7
2045	2 567.8	2 709.7	5 277.5	2 435.1	2 582.4	5 017.5	2 791.6	2 946.4	5 738.0	2 443.8	2 591.5	5 035.2
2046	2 565.0	2 707.7	5 272.7	2 429.2	2 577.4	5 006.6	2 794.1	2 950.1	5 744.2	2 437.3	2 586.0	5 023.3
2047	2 562.1	2 705.4	5 267.5	2 423.3	2 572.1	4 995.4	2 796.5	2 953.6	5 750.0	2 430.7	2 580.2	5 010.9
2048	2 559.0	2 702.9	5 261.9	2 417.2	2 566.6	4 983.8	2 798.8	2 956.7	5 755.5	2 423.9	2 574.2	4 998.1
2049	2 555.9	2 700.2	5 256.1	2 411.2	2 560.9	4 972.0	2 801.0	2 959.7	5 760.7	2 417.1	2 567.9	4 985.0
2050	2 552.8	2 697.3	5 250.1	2 405.1	2 555.0	4 960.1	2 803.2	2 962.5	5 765.7	2 410.3	2 561.4	4 971.7
2051	2 549.7	2 694.4	5 244.0	2 399.0	2 549.0	4 948.0	2 805.3	2 965.2	5 770.5	2 403.3	2 554.8	4 958.2

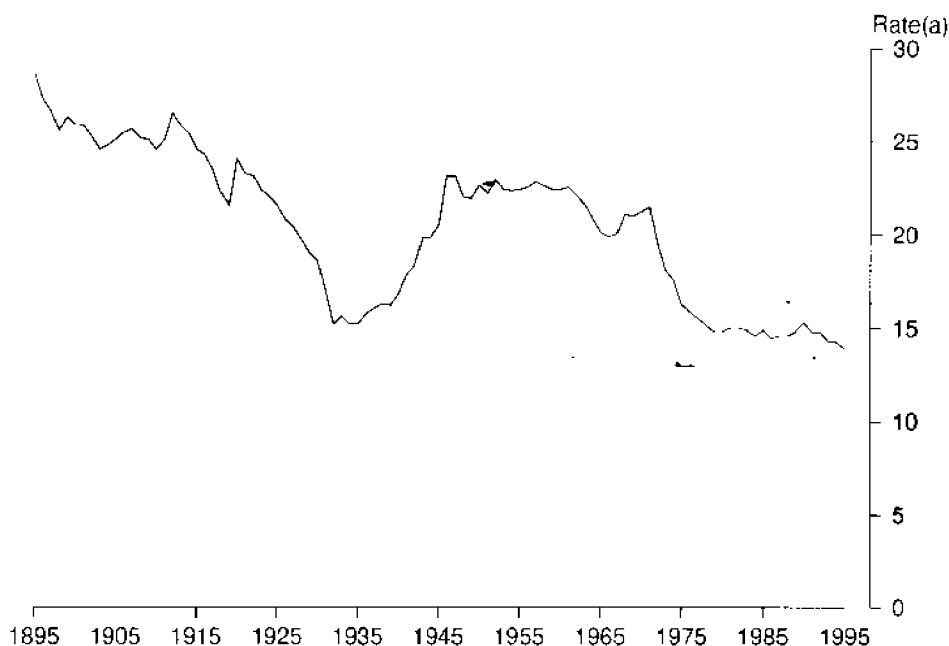
(a) See paragraphs 6 to 8 of the Explanatory Notes.

SECTION **3**

BIRTHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

In 1995, there were 62,543 live births registered (in Australia) to mothers whose usual residence was in Victoria and 48 births registered in Victoria where the usual residence of the mother was overseas. The crude birth rate was 13.9 births per 1,000 of total population. The sex ratio was 105 males born for every 100 females.

CRUDE BIRTH RATE

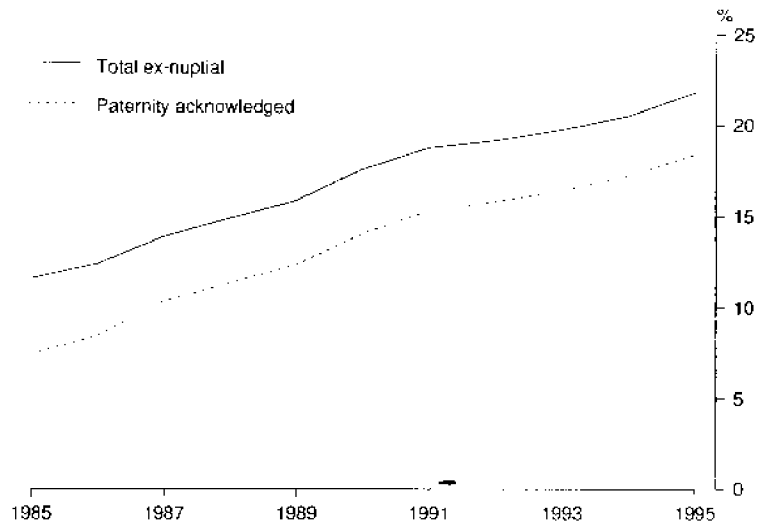


(a) Per 1,000 population.

Ex-nuptial births

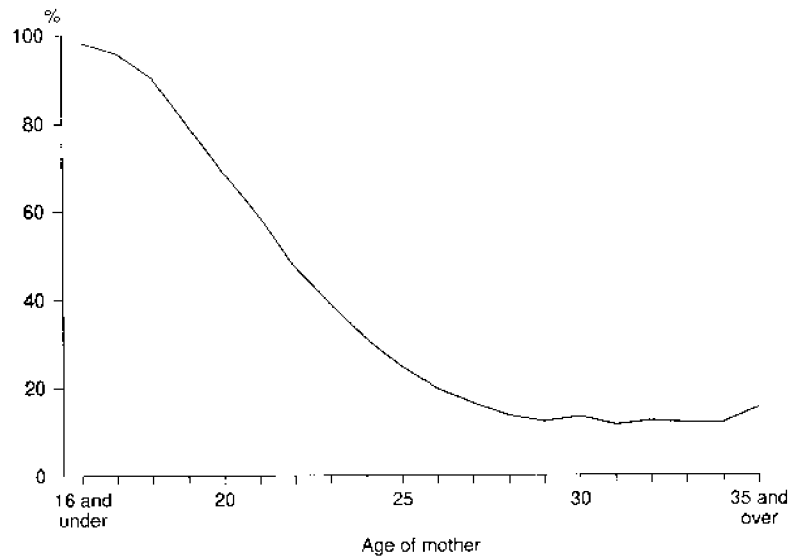
There were 13,629 ex-nuptial births registered in 1995. The proportion of ex-nuptial births to total births increased from 20.5% in 1994 to 21.8% in 1995. This proportion varied considerably between Melbourne Statistical Division (SD) (20%) and the remainder of Victoria (27%). The highest ex-nuptial percentage was found in East Gippsland SD (31%), followed by Gippsland SD (30%).

EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS, Proportion of Total Births



Nearly 88% of teenage mothers and 45% of mothers aged 20–24 years in 1995 were unmarried. The percentage of ex-nuptial births to total births for mothers at each age is shown in the following graph.

EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS, Proportion of Total Births by Age of Mother



Paternity acknowledgement

The proportion of ex-nuptial births where the father is acknowledged has steadily increased from 65% in 1985 to 85% in 1995 (18% of total births).

Multiple births

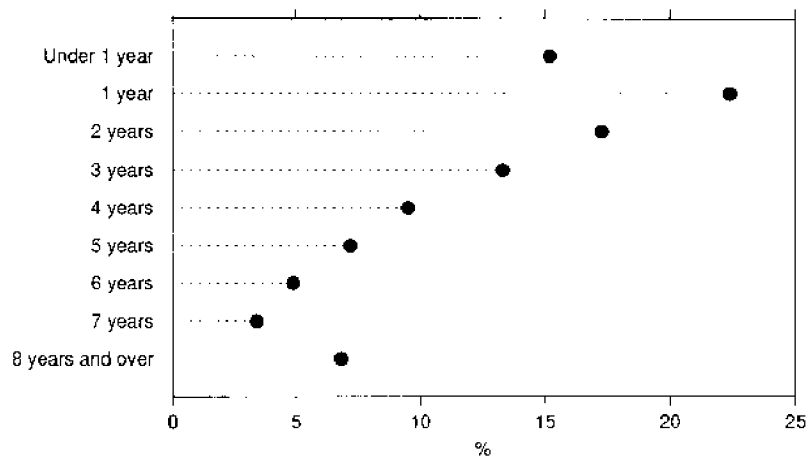
The 62,591 Victorian births resulted from 61,685 confinements of which 902 confinements gave rise to multiple births (1 in every 68 confinements). This included 875 sets of twins, compared with the highest recorded figure of 879 in 1994. The proportion of twin confinements to total confinements was 1.4%, a figure which has increased significantly from a low of 1.0% in 1984.

In 1995, 27 sets of triplets were born. The incidence of triplets has fluctuated over the last ten years, with the previous peaks occurring in 1988 (27) and 1989 (26).

Nuptial first births (to current marriage)

The highest proportion of nuptial first births occurred during the second year of marriage (22%), while 17% occurred in the third year and another 15% within the first year. Almost 7% of mothers had their first child of their current marriage after eight or more years of marriage. The median age of mothers at the birth of the first child of their current marriage continues to increase steadily, and reached 28.9 years in 1995, the highest figure on record. Mothers aged 30 years and over contributed 40% of nuptial first births in 1995, compared with 24% in 1985.

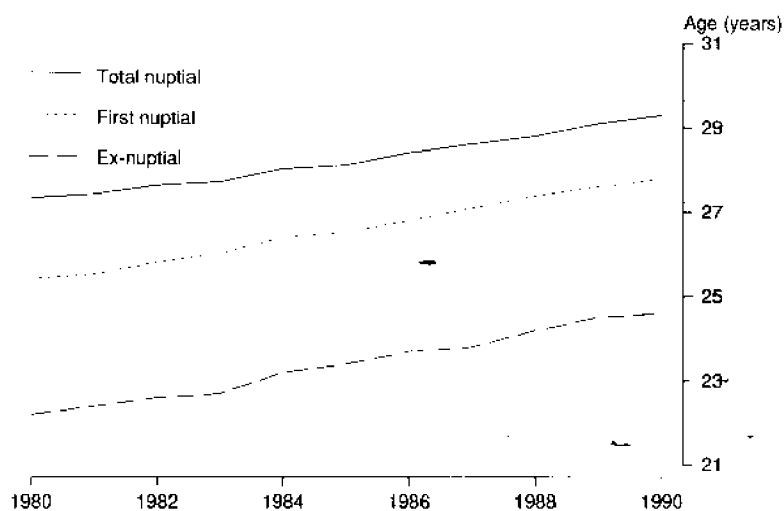
NUPTIAL FIRST CONFINEMENTS, Duration of Marriage



Median ages of parents (nuptial confinements)

The median ages of both parents in nuptial confinements have continued the upward trend which has been evident throughout the past two decades. In 1995, the median age at birth of child was 30.3 years for married mothers and 32.6 years for married fathers. Both figures are the highest recorded in Victoria.

MEDIAN AGE OF MOTHER



Country of birth of parents

Of the nuptial confinements registered in 1995, 62% were to parents who were both born in Australia, 15% to parents who were born in the same overseas country and 19% where one parent was born in Australia and the other parent overseas. The remaining 4% were to parents who were born in different overseas countries.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
BIRTHS							
Total births	61 555	66 970	65 438	65 766	64 049	63 974	62 591
Males	31 497	34 357	33 636	33 691	32 793	32 904	32 108
Females	30 058	32 613	31 802	32 075	31 256	31 070	30 483
Sex ratio	104.8	105.3	105.8	105.0	104.9	105.9	105.3
Nuptial births	54 457	55 220	53 217	53 175	51 420	50 860	48 962
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	7 098	11 750	12 221	12 591	12 629	13 114	13 629
Percentage of total live births	11.5	17.5	18.7	19.1	19.7	20.5	21.8
Paternity acknowledged births							
Number	4 587	9 406	10 043	10 372	10 514	11 034	11 527
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	64.6	80.1	82.2	82.4	83.3	84.1	84.6
Crude birth rate	14.9	15.3	14.8	14.8	14.3	14.3	13.9
Age-specific birth rate							
15-19	15.5	15.9	16.1	14.7	13.8	14.2	13.8
20-24	81.6	67.7	63.7	61.7	57.7	57.1	54.1
25-29	145.7	137.8	131.7	130.2	127.4	123.7	118.8
30-34	91.7	109.0	106.1	109.5	110.0	112.0	112.1
35-39	27.3	37.1	39.2	41.1	41.0	44.3	45.0
40-44	4.5	5.8	5.8	6.5	6.7	7.2	7.5
45-49	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3
Total fertility rate	1.827	1.868	1.814	1.820	1.784	1.793	1.758
Female net reproduction rate	0.877	0.896	0.870	0.878	0.859	0.858	0.859

For footnotes see end of table.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
CONFINEMENTS							
Total confinements	60 909	66 136	64 566	64 898	63 172	63 085	61 685
First nuptial	21 866	22 988	21 985	21 814	20 769	21 013	20 255
All nuptial	53 865	54 505	52 485	52 449	50 655	50 110	48 222
Paternity acknowledged	4 551	9 314	9 930	10 246	10 418	10 912	11 384
All ex-nuptial	7 044	11 631	1 2081	12 449	12 517	12 975	13 463
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	26.5	27.8	28.0	28.3	28.5	28.7	28.9
All nuptial	28.1	29.3	29.5	29.7	29.9	30.1	30.3
Paternity acknowledged	24.0	24.8	24.9	25.2	25.5	25.7	25.9
All ex-nuptial	23.4	24.5	24.6	25.0	25.3	25.4	25.7
Total	27.8	28.8	28.9	29.2	29.3	29.5	29.7
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	30.5	31.5	31.7	32.0	32.1	32.4	32.6
Paternity acknowledged	26.6	27.4	27.5	27.7	27.9	28.2	28.3
All fathers where age is known	30.3	31.1	31.2	31.5	31.7	31.9	32.0
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7
Nuptial	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	21 866	22 988	21 985	21 814	20 769	21 013	20 255
1	19 116	18 223	17 972	18 316	17 955	17 637	17 095
2	8 896	9 116	8 703	8 645	8 282	8 187	7 705
3	2 819	2 919	2 690	2 604	2 553	2 321	2 165
4	719	814	666	671	651	568	587
5 and over	449	444	469	398	445	384	415
Average number of births	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

3.2 CONFINEMENTS, Nuptiality, Plurality, Age of Mother --1995

AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (YEARS).....

Confinements	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	Not stated	Total
NUMBER								
Nuptial								
Single	256	5 222	16 975	17 386	6 586	1 006	53	47 484
Twins	1	54	235	301	111	13	—	715
Triplets or higher order	—	1	6	12	4	—	—	23
Total	257	5 277	17 216	17 699	6 701	1 019	53	48 222
Ex-nuptial								
Single	1 813	4 262	3 397	2 403	1 120	246	58	13 299
Twins	16	42	46	34	19	3	—	160
Triplets or higher order	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	4
Total	1 829	4 304	3 445	2 439	1 139	249	58	13 463
Total confinements	2 086	9 581	20 661	20 138	7 840	1 268	111	61 685
PROPORTION (%)								
Nuptial	12.3	55.1	83.3	87.9	85.5	80.4	47.7	78.2
Ex-nuptial	87.7	44.9	16.7	12.1	14.5	19.6	52.3	21.8

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents—1995

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years)										40 and over stated	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total											
	16 and under	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25					26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35-39	
19 and under	97	108	108	104	54	24	18	16	13	4	2	2	2	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	46	512	558	
20	22	43	62	92	100	59	34	30	15	8	7	6	4	2	1	2	2	3	1	2	1	79	417	496	
21	10	35	58	117	112	107	63	40	30	22	13	13	5	5	2	2	3	3	1	1	—	3	179	463	642
22	9	24	61	102	126	157	164	94	54	44	21	13	12	8	7	5	10	4	3	2	—	3	305	618	923
23	3	14	46	87	135	187	212	225	154	94	51	41	34	19	16	14	14	3	4	8	2	—	609	748	1,357
24	6	11	40	70	114	152	235	275	272	183	111	69	37	31	37	24	12	9	10	13	2	1	994	720	1,714
25	4	8	26	61	89	116	194	280	335	366	197	144	96	69	40	29	16	15	15	24	1	2	1,420	707	2,127
26	3	4	14	31	73	96	159	236	334	383	429	268	161	124	70	61	34	19	13	38	7	2	1,903	656	2,559
27	2	4	10	22	59	83	137	214	319	420	492	484	283	167	130	85	69	31	29	40	10	3	2,430	663	3,093
28	—	3	9	17	41	58	112	180	246	385	503	587	518	321	185	116	82	62	38	63	7	2	2,929	606	3,535
29	1	—	13	13	36	56	80	144	197	298	385	546	649	570	372	178	150	89	67	94	18	2	3,342	616	3,958
30	1	2	4	9	30	37	56	103	164	259	393	461	656	656	598	336	212	107	88	168	14	7	3,795	566	4,361
31	—	2	1	6	25	30	51	82	118	189	256	383	507	640	636	560	351	174	106	182	17	4	3,821	499	4,320
32	1	2	3	6	13	18	38	75	106	131	232	278	417	504	619	717	565	320	179	215	14	2	3,947	508	4,455
33	—	1	1	3	7	19	30	55	86	103	180	233	319	427	512	542	594	444	259	388	26	2	3,773	458	4,231
34	—	2	—	3	5	12	26	47	62	85	104	141	240	310	369	436	528	482	386	474	37	3	3,353	399	3,752
35	—	1	2	1	6	15	13	26	42	70	93	113	154	223	302	333	416	451	432	629	42	3	2,997	370	3,367
36	—	—	1	2	1	9	10	20	31	45	60	91	107	139	200	248	315	359	361	770	57	1	2,536	291	2,827
37	—	—	2	3	1	5	8	25	29	33	51	57	90	114	147	202	178	240	243	756	48	1	1,944	288	2,232
38	—	1	2	1	4	2	7	15	19	28	34	48	51	68	111	113	159	145	217	754	55	1	1,627	208	1,835
39	—	1	—	1	1	2	5	17	15	25	36	25	51	63	77	107	111	135	185	673	79	2	1,412	199	1,611
40-44	—	—	1	—	5	6	12	19	32	42	59	70	97	130	172	203	266	328	351	1,723	440	2	3,409	551	3,960
45-49	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	7	8	10	8	25	16	44	40	49	65	81	78	476	254	—	961	209	1,170
50 and over	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	3	8	9	4	9	9	20	19	15	24	30	21	175	96	2	367	83	450
Not stated	—	—	—	2	2	2	2	—	3	1	3	3	4	1	—	2	1	2	1	5	1	38	44	29	73
Not applicable(a)	82	100	120	140	132	166	134	125	132	86	90	81	81	76	68	64	58	60	51	167	40	26	—	2,079	2,079
Nuptial	4	15	56	182	365	581	950	1,432	1,949	2,506	3,061	3,508	3,979	4,162	4,109	3,939	3,708	3,172	2,771	6,701	1,019	53	48,222	—	48,222
Ex-nuptial	237	351	528	713	807	840	861	921	875	817	753	683	621	571	623	504	516	426	370	1,139	249	58	—	—	—
Total	241	366	584	895	1,172	1,421	1,811	2,353	2,824	3,323	3,814	4,191	4,600	4,733	4,732	4,443	4,224	3,598	3,141	7,840	1,268	111	48,222	13,463	61,685

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents—1995

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	29 702	—	4 188	33 890	29 702	—	5 177	34 879
Fiji	20	93	14	127	25	93	28	146
New Zealand	349	183	107	639	376	183	110	669
Other	64	82	30	176	57	82	26	165
<i>Total</i>	30 135	358	4 339	34 832	30 160	358	5 341	35 859
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	27	4	7	38	13	4	4	21
Former USSR & Baltic States	16	90	9	115	12	90	13	115
Former Yugoslav Republics	314	525	72	911	148	525	70	743
Germany	135	28	48	211	83	28	47	158
Greece	344	124	54	522	156	124	40	320
Hungary	14	12	8	34	6	12	2	20
Ireland	84	43	28	155	65	43	28	136
Italy	469	101	93	663	240	101	58	399
Malta	124	40	26	190	61	40	20	121
Netherlands	114	13	30	157	63	13	16	92
Poland	25	97	19	141	35	97	16	148
United Kingdom	1 742	418	271	2 431	1 477	418	224	2 119
Other	216	169	116	501	147	169	85	401
<i>Total</i>	3 624	1 664	781	6 069	2 506	1 664	623	4 793
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	56	103	25	184	25	103	17	145
Lebanon	126	541	74	741	56	541	51	648
Turkey	82	398	31	511	31	398	28	457
Other	72	176	100	348	40	176	94	310
<i>Total</i>	336	1 218	230	1 784	152	1 218	190	1 560
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	36	149	40	225	22	149	42	213
Malaysia	65	198	87	350	113	198	83	394
Philippines	9	202	2	213	203	202	116	521
Singapore	23	26	26	75	26	26	34	86
Thailand	3	6	2	11	27	6	23	56
Viet Nam	9	1 216	138	1 363	15	1 216	92	1 323
Other	7	210	54	271	7	210	53	270
<i>Total</i>	152	2 007	349	2 508	413	2 007	443	2 863

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents—1995 *continued*

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	9	453	97	559	44	453	165	662
Hong Kong	14	153	55	222	17	153	62	232
Other	4	67	19	90	29	67	41	137
<i>Total</i>	27	673	171	871	90	673	268	1 031
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	81	312	59	452	70	312	58	440
Sri Lanka	64	366	40	470	47	366	24	437
Other	18	114	16	148	9	114	7	130
<i>Total</i>	163	792	115	1 070	126	792	89	1 007
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	61	9	20	90	83	9	18	110
Chile	28	74	19	121	29	74	28	131
United States of America	104	26	29	159	117	26	35	178
Other	54	81	47	182	57	81	52	190
<i>Total</i>	247	190	115	552	286	190	133	609
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	64	46	23	133	62	46	23	131
Other	109	190	78	377	77	190	79	346
<i>Total</i>	173	236	101	510	139	236	102	477
Other and not stated	22	1	3	26	17	1	5	23
Total	34 879	7 139	6 204	48 222	33 889	7 137	7 191	48 222

3.5 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Previous Issue, Average Issue—1995

PREVIOUS ISSUE OF THE CURRENT MARRIAGE.....

Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
16 and under	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	1.0
17	13	2	—	—	—	—	—	15	17	1.1
18	47	8	1	—	—	—	—	56	66	1.2
19	145	36	1	—	—	—	—	182	221	1.2
20	264	92	8	1	—	—	—	365	477	1.3
21	373	175	31	2	—	—	—	581	830	1.4
22	562	313	68	6	1	—	—	950	1 433	1.5
23	856	450	106	18	—	2	—	1 432	2 178	1.5
24	1 152	577	175	34	7	4	—	1 949	3 043	1.6
25	1 463	746	235	52	7	3	—	2 506	3 955	1.6
26	1 678	1 002	305	67	6	3	—	3 061	4 949	1.6
27	1 837	1 177	387	88	15	4	—	3 508	5 845	1.7
28	1 868	1 469	471	123	26	22	—	3 979	7 044	1.8
29	1 838	1 550	594	134	37	9	—	4 162	7 569	1.8
30	1 585	1 610	709	166	25	14	—	4 109	7 869	1.9
31	1 414	1 502	765	209	31	18	—	3 939	7 888	2.0
32	1 262	1 422	749	187	58	30	—	3 708	7 671	2.1
33	952	1 217	710	204	58	31	—	3 172	6 892	2.2
34	753	1 047	699	182	56	34	—	2 771	6 220	2.2
35-39	1 864	2 354	1 521	584	206	172	—	6 701	15 804	2.4
40 and over	307	326	163	105	50	68	—	1 019	2 611	2.6
Not stated	18	20	7	3	4	1	—	53	117	2.2
Total	20 265	17 095	7 705	2 165	587	415	—	48 222	92 703	1.9

3.6 FIRST NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Duration of Current Marriage—1995

AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (YEARS).....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	145	883	1 010	677	308	51	1	3 075
1	52	1 130	1 813	1 138	360	48	4	4 545
2	9	648	1 664	878	262	48	4	3 513
3	2	328	1 450	714	170	25	1	2 690
4	—	128	1 069	575	120	22	1	1 915
5	—	60	797	463	110	21	1	1 452
6	—	20	455	422	89	7	—	993
7	—	5	252	337	81	11	—	686
8 and over	1	5	174	762	364	74	6	1 386
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	209	3 207	8 684	5 966	1 884	307	18	20 255

SECTION 4

BIRTHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY)

There were 62,361 births in Victoria which occurred in 1995 and have been registered up to the present time. This represents a 2.4% decline from the total number of births occurring in 1994 which itself experienced a marginal decline of 0.2% from the previous year. The number of births occurring in Victoria each year has generally been in decline since 1971 and reached a recent peak of 66,538 in 1990.

Birth trends are more meaningful when based on year of occurrence rather than year of registration data because a proportion of births that occur in each calendar year, particularly those occurring towards the end of the year, are not registered until the following year or even later. Based on data for previous years, it is estimated that about 11% of births that occurred in 1995 would not have been registered in 1995. However, only a small percentage would not have registered by the time the tables in this section were produced.

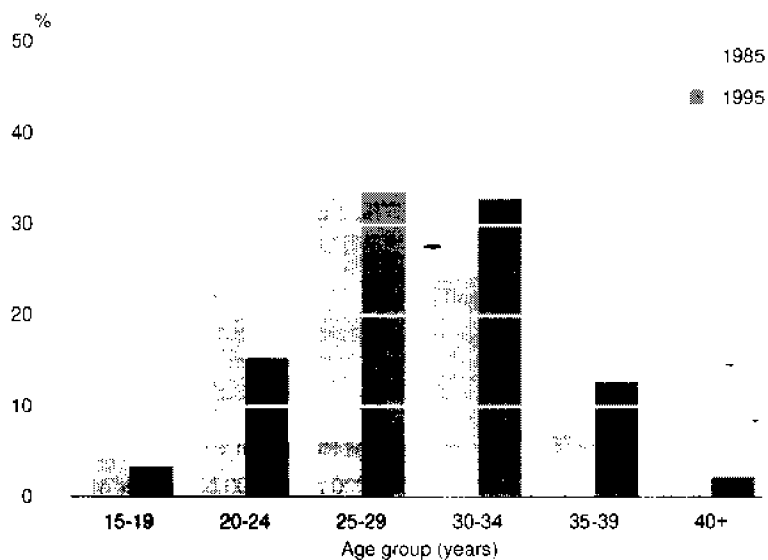
Month of Occurrence

The number of births that occur each year varies considerably from month to month, ranging between 4,900 and 5,500 births per month in 1995. March had the largest proportion of births (8.8%) and December the smallest (7.9%). March and October between them have had the highest proportion of births over the past ten years.

Age of mother

Although women aged 25-29 years again made the highest contribution (34%) to Victorian births in 1995, births to mothers aged 30 years and over comprised 48% of the total compared with only 32% for this age group in 1985. In contrast, the proportion of births to mothers aged less than 25 years has decreased from 27% to 19%.

CONTRIBUTION OF AGE GROUPS TO BIRTHS



4.1 BIRTHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	5 143	5 457	5 503	5 461	5 324	5 446	5 318
February	4 737	5 136	4 975	5 277	5 059	5 018	4 946
March	5 273	5 832	5 686	5 619	5 534	5 684	5 513
April	5 072	5 538	5 375	5 441	5 257	5 239	5 071
May	5 280	5 591	5 507	5 418	5 399	5 378	5 377
June	4 773	5 440	5 295	5 263	5 307	5 147	5 208
July	5 145	5 525	5 454	5 651	5 371	5 213	5 238
August	5 336	5 770	5 425	5 451	5 350	5 481	5 325
September	5 145	5 660	5 380	5 655	5 512	5 409	5 165
October	5 352	5 970	5 666	5 736	5 488	5 589	5 397
November	4 930	5 310	5 024	5 174	5 081	5 171	4 905
December	4 916	5 309	5 332	5 349	5 374	5 123	4 898
<i>Total</i>	61 102	66 538	64 622	65 495	64 056	63 898	62 361
RATE							
Crude birth rate	14.8	15.2	14.6	14.7	14.3	14.3	13.9
PROPORTION (%)							
January	8.4	8.2	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.5
February	7.8	7.7	7.7	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.9
March	8.6	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.9	8.8
April	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.1
May	8.6	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.6
June	7.8	8.2	8.2	8.0	8.3	8.1	8.4
July	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.4
August	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.5
September	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3
October	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.7	8.7
November	8.1	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.1	7.9
December	8.0	8.0	8.3	8.2	8.4	8.0	7.9
<i>Total</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

4.2 BIRTHS, Age Group of Mother

AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (YEARS).....

Selected years	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Total(a)
1985	2 640	14 036	24 627	14 910	4 307	550	24	61 102
1990	2 776	12 032	25 018	19 490	6 261	900	22	66 538
1991	2 574	11 457	23 670	19 277	6 608	963	30	64 522
1992	2 385	11 352	23 271	20 278	7 059	1 043	54	65 495
1993	2 119	10 667	22 440	20 448	7 174	1 109	29	64 056
1994	2 195	10 319	21 580	20 681	7 807	1 180	41	63 898
1995	2 071	9 519	20 925	20 547	7 897	1 264	42	62 361

(a) Includes not stated.

4.3 BIRTHS, Age-specific Birth Rates, Total Fertility Rate

AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (YEARS).....

Selected years	15-19(a)	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49(b)	Total fertility rate
1985	15.4	80.7	144.7	91.1	27.3	4.5	0.2	1.820
1990	15.7	67.1	136.4	108.7	37.3	5.7	0.2	1.860
1991	15.1	62.3	130.3	105.3	38.9	5.9	0.2	1.790
1992	14.6	60.9	129.6	109.4	41.0	6.4	0.4	1.810
1993	13.4	57.6	126.7	110.4	41.3	6.8	0.2	1.780
1994	14.2	56.5	123.0	112.0	44.6	7.2	0.3	1.790
1995	13.6	53.2	118.5	112.3	44.5	7.6	0.3	1.750

(a) Includes births to mothers aged less than 15.

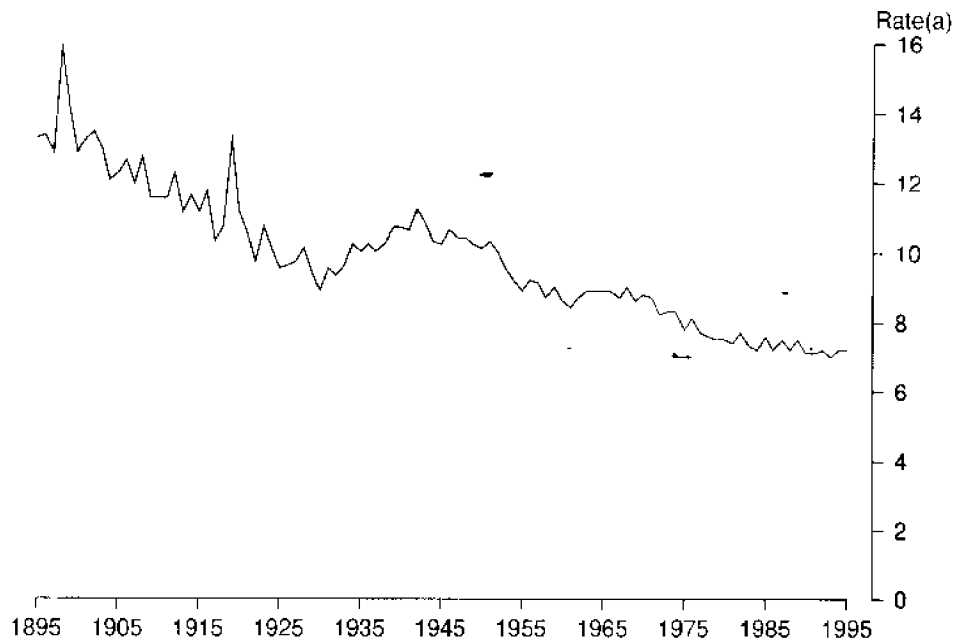
(b) Includes births to mothers aged 50 and over.

SECTION **5**

DEATHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

There were 32,360 deaths of Victorian residents registered (in Australia) in 1995 and 65 deaths registered in Victoria where the usual residence of the deceased was overseas. The crude death rate was 7.2 deaths per 1,000 of total population. The 1995 total comprised 16,960 males and 15,465 females, a sex ratio of 110 males per 100 females.

CRUDE DEATH RATE

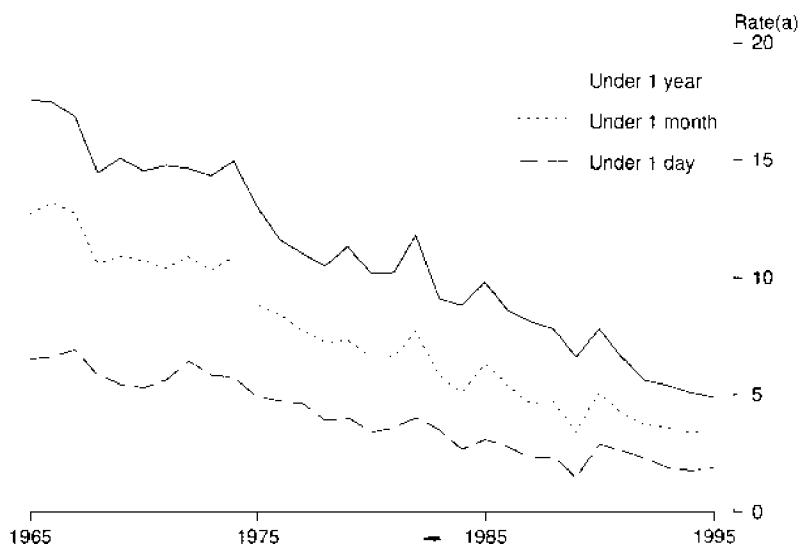


(a) Per 1,000 population.

Infant Deaths

There were 308 infant deaths registered in 1995, a rate of 4.9 deaths per 1,000 live births, a decrease of 50% since 1985. The infant death rate first dropped below 100 (per 1,000 live births) in 1900, then below 50 in 1929, below 20 in 1954 and below 10 in 1981. Nearly two in five (39%) infant deaths occurred during the first day of life and 70% occurred within the first month. The sex ratio of infant deaths was 109.5 males for every 100 females compared with the sex ratio at birth of 105.3 males per 100 females.

INFANT DEATH RATES



(a) Per 1,000 live births.

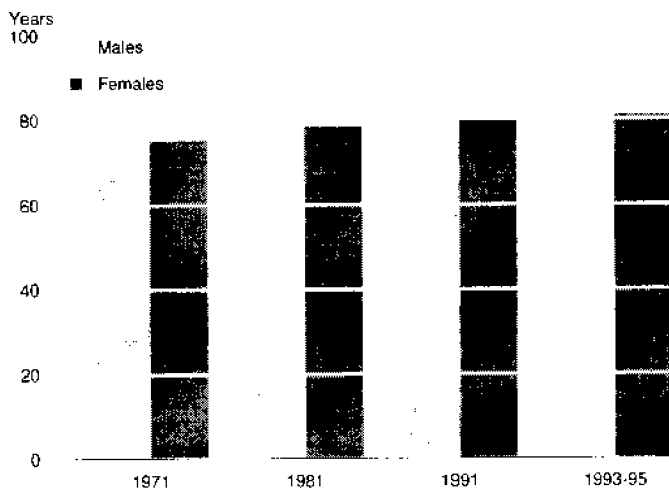
Age at death

Male deaths generally outnumbered female deaths until age 81, as can be seen in table 5.2 on page 47. The highest ratio at death in 1995 was 300 males per 100 females in the 20-24 year age group. The age group 80 years and over accounted for 53% of all female deaths, but only 32% of all male deaths. There were 151 females and 25 males who died at age 100 years or older.

Life expectancy

The life expectancy at birth in Victoria in 1993-5 is 81.0 years for females and 75.4 years for males. The corresponding figures in 1971 were 75.2 years and 68.6 years respectively. The increase in life expectancy since 1971 is mainly due to decreasing mortality rates from degenerative diseases (other than cancer) and the dramatic decline in the infant death rate, particularly during the perinatal period.

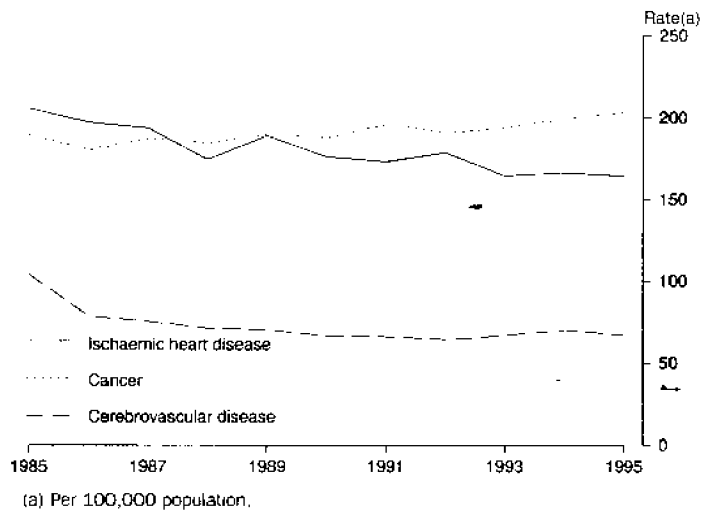
EXPECTATION OF LIFE AT BIRTH



Major causes of death

The leading cause of death in Victoria in 1995 was cancer (*Malignant neoplasms*) which accounted for 28.3% of all deaths. This represents 30.3% of male deaths and 26.1% of female deaths. Heart attack (*Ischaemic heart disease*) accounted for 22.8% of all deaths, representing 23.8% of male deaths and 21.8% of female deaths. Deaths due to *Cerebrovascular disease* (including stroke) resulted in 7.1% of male deaths and 11.8% of female deaths.

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH



Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

There were 154 AIDS deaths of Victorian residents registered in 1995, comprising 117 deaths (105 males and 12 females) directly attributable to AIDS and 37 deaths (34 males and 3 females) which were AIDS-related (i.e. AIDS mentioned on the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death). This represents a decrease of 8.9% from the 1994 total of 169 deaths (161 male deaths and 8 female deaths). Of the 154 AIDS deaths in 1995, 53% (82) were in the age group 30-44 years.

DEATHS DUE TO AIDS(a)



Suicide

There were 566 suicide deaths of Victorian residents registered in 1995, including 439 male deaths and 127 female deaths. This compares with 511 suicide deaths (401 males and 110 females) in 1994 and 421 suicide deaths (338 males and 83 females) in 1985.

The most frequent method of suicide for males was *Hanging, strangulation and suffocation* (136 deaths) followed by *Poisoning by other gases and vapours* (including motor vehicle exhaust gas) (107 deaths). Deaths from *Firearms and explosives* accounted for 72 deaths, a slight increase from the 1994 figure of 69 deaths. The most frequent method of suicide for females was *Poisoning by liquid or solid substances* (35 deaths), closely followed by *Hanging, strangulation and suffocation* (31 deaths).

In 1995, males aged 25–44 years had the highest rate of suicide with 27.6 deaths per 100,000 population, compared with a rate of 22.8 suicide deaths per 100,000 population in 1985. The highest rate of suicide for females, in 1995, was in the 45–64 year age group with 9.0 deaths per 100,000 population, compared with 7.5 suicide deaths per 100,000 population in 1985.

Motor vehicle traffic accidents

Motor vehicle traffic accidents accounted for 436 deaths (302 males and 134 females) of Victorian residents in 1995, compared with 423 deaths (296 males and 127 females) in 1994 and 678 deaths (470 males and 208 females) in 1985. The most common motor vehicle traffic accident deaths involved a *Collision with another vehicle* (179 deaths). There were also 91 deaths involving a *Collision with a pedestrian* and 102 deaths involving *Other collisions on the highway*. The age group 15–29 years accounted for 38% of male deaths (115) and 34% of female deaths (45) from motor vehicle traffic accidents.

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994(b)	1995
DEATHS							
Total deaths	31 353	30 986	31 216	31 951	31 197	32 353	32 425
Males	16 516	16 321	16 508	16 816	16 389	16 765	16 960
Females	14 837	14 665	14 708	15 135	14 808	15 588	15 465
Sex ratio	111.3	111.3	112.2	111.1	110.7	107.6	109.7
Standardised death rate	8.0	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.5
Males	10.4	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.4	8.5	8.3
Females	6.3	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.1
Crude death rate	7.6	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.0	7.2	7.2
Males	8.1	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.6
Females	7.2	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.9	6.8
Median age at death							
Males	71.6	72.4	72.6	73.2	73.5	74.0	73.9
Females	78.5	79.2	79.1	80.1	80.1	80.6	80.9
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
Under 1	10.7	8.9	7.4	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.0
1-9	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
10-19	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
20-29	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1
30-39	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3
40-49	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.2
50-59	8.7	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.1	5.8	6.0
60-69	23.6	20.2	19.6	19.3	18.2	18.4	18.3
70-79	57.8	52.3	50.7	50.3	48.1	47.9	46.3
80 and over	150.7	128.9	130.8	133.9	128.6	133.1	129.7
Females							
Under 1	8.8	6.7	5.6	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.8
1-9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
10-19	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
20-29	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
30-39	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
40-49	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.3
50-59	4.7	3.9	4.0	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.2
60-69	12.4	10.6	10.4	9.8	9.6	9.9	9.5
70-79	33.6	30.0	29.5	29.0	27.7	27.6	26.0
80 and over	116.1	103.9	99.8	106.1	100.2	105.5	102.8
Expectation of life							
Males							
Age 0	72.7	74.3	74.6	74.8	75.4	75.6	75.6
Age 1	72.5	74.0	74.1	74.3	74.9	75.1	75.1
Age 25	49.4	50.8	50.9	51.0	51.6	51.7	51.7
Age 45	30.5	32.0	32.1	32.2	32.7	32.7	32.7
Age 65	14.3	15.3	15.4	15.4	15.8	15.7	15.7
Females							
Age 0	78.9	80.3	80.4	80.7	81.1	81.2	81.2
Age 1	78.6	79.8	79.8	80.1	80.5	80.5	80.5
Age 25	55.0	56.3	56.3	56.5	56.9	57.2	57.2
Age 45	35.6	36.9	36.9	37.1	37.5	37.8	37.8
Age 65	18.1	19.1	19.2	19.2	19.5	19.6	19.6

For footnote see end of table.

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
DEATHS							
Principal causes of death (proportion %)							
Males							
Neoplasms	25.9	28.3	29.1	28.5	29.4	29.6	30.8
Diseases of the circulatory system	45.2	40.3	40.5	39.9	39.4	39.2	38.6
Diseases of the respiratory system	9.0	8.4	8.3	9.0	8.7	9.0	8.1
Diseases of the digestive system	3.0	3.3	3.2	3.3	2.8	2.9	2.9
All other diseases	9.4	11.6	10.8	11.9	12.6	12.9	12.8
External causes	7.5	8.1	8.1	7.4	7.2	6.3	6.8
Females							
Neoplasms	23.8	25.1	26.8	25.0	26.8	26.4	26.6
Diseases of the circulatory system	51.3	47.3	46.1	47.6	45.7	44.9	44.1
Diseases of the respiratory system	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.9	6.6	7.0	7.0
Diseases of the digestive system	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.2
All other diseases	11.5	13.7	13.1	13.5	14.6	15.6	15.8
External causes	3.7	4.2	4.1	3.6	3.1	3.0	3.3
INFANT DEATHS							
Total infant deaths	601	523	428	366	347	327	308
Males	337	305	249	220	200	189	161
Females	264	218	179	146	147	138	147
Sex ratio	127.7	139.9	139.1	150.7	136.1	137.0	109.5
Infant mortality rate	9.8	7.8	6.6	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.9
Males	10.7	8.9	7.4	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.0
Females	8.8	6.7	5.6	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.8
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	105	114	98	93	69	66	68
1 day to under 1 week	68	31	44	30	41	31	19
1 week to under 4 weeks	43	48	20	20	24	29	27
4 weeks to under 1 year	121	112	87	77	66	63	47
Females							
Under 1 day	87	81	72	56	55	46	53
1 day to under 1 week	52	43	27	25	31	27	23
1 week to under 4 weeks	34	28	17	21	12	20	27
4 weeks to under 1 year	91	66	63	44	49	45	44

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) From 1994 onwards life expectation data will be calculated over 3 years surrounding the year in the table heading

5.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex—1995

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	161	147	308	50	123	58	181
1	11	11	22	51	98	54	152
2	16	7	23	52	97	59	156
3	8	6	14	53	112	52	164
4	9	7	16	54	131	83	214
0-4	205	178	383	50-54	561	306	867
5	4	2	6	55	143	67	210
6	8	5	13	56	135	91	226
7	4	7	11	57	165	82	247
8	12	2	14	58	155	84	239
9	4	5	9	59	190	80	270
5-9	32	21	53	55-59	788	404	1 192
10	4	3	7	60	186	107	293
11	4	2	6	61	219	134	353
12	11	6	17	62	249	114	363
13	10	11	21	63	269	155	424
14	9	4	13	64	282	145	427
10-14	38	26	64	60-64	1 205	655	1 860
15	11	6	17	65	360	185	545
16	11	7	18	66	378	208	586
17	18	5	23	67	406	197	603
18	26	13	39	68	413	213	626
19	31	16	47	69	445	281	726
15-19	97	47	144	65-69	2 002	1 084	3 086
20	28	16	44	70	502	285	787
21	44	11	55	71	501	310	811
22	30	14	44	72	532	325	857
23	58	11	69	73	491	354	845
24	50	18	68	74	517	374	891
20-24	210	70	280	70-74	2 543	1 648	4 191
25	40	7	47	75	534	383	917
26	41	15	56	76	510	368	878
27	41	16	57	77	455	406	861
28	28	13	41	78	533	421	954
29	37	18	55	79	545	495	1 040
25-29	187	69	256	75-79	2 577	2 073	4 650
30	38	19	57	80	567	547	1 114
31	47	16	63	81	567	574	1 141
32	49	29	78	82	558	596	1 154
33	48	20	68	83	497	560	1 057
34	57	20	77	84	507	608	1 115
30-34	239	104	343	80-84	2 696	2 885	5 581
35	44	18	62	85	417	572	989
36	53	21	74	86	409	549	958
37	45	21	66	87	344	569	913
38	56	30	86	88	288	566	854
39	41	31	72	89	267	466	733
35-39	239	121	360	85-89	1 725	2 722	4 447
40	61	37	98	90	213	456	669
41	55	29	84	91	185	412	597
42	64	34	98	92	135	346	481
43	55	28	83	93	114	307	421
44	65	31	96	94	86	270	356
40-44	300	159	459	90-94	733	1 791	2 524
45	54	37	91	95-99	167	690	857
46	77	44	121	100 and over	25	151	176
47	88	65	153				
48	98	61	159	Not stated	1	—	1
49	73	54	127				
45-49	390	261	651	Total	16 960	15 465	32 425

5.3 DEATHS, Age at Death, Marital Status—1995

Age at death (years)	MALES.....						FEMALES.....					
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total
Under 1	161	—	—	—	—	161	147	—	—	—	—	147
1-4	44	—	—	—	—	44	31	—	—	—	—	31
5-9	32	—	—	—	—	32	21	—	—	—	—	21
10-14	38	—	—	—	—	38	26	—	—	—	—	26
15-19	97	—	—	—	—	97	47	—	—	—	—	47
20-24	196	12	—	1	1	210	66	3	—	1	—	70
25-29	156	25	1	5	—	187	44	22	—	2	1	69
30-34	138	91	—	8	2	239	40	55	1	7	1	104
35-39	100	110	1	26	2	239	41	66	1	13	—	121
40-44	87	173	1	38	1	300	23	110	3	23	—	159
45-49	55	260	9	63	3	390	27	182	9	43	—	261
50-54	81	388	5	83	4	561	28	206	25	47	—	306
55-59	114	559	28	83	4	788	33	265	52	54	—	404
60-64	128	882	53	129	13	1 205	33	449	116	55	2	655
65-69	233	1 395	169	181	24	2 002	57	551	391	82	3	1 084
70-74	198	1 835	345	144	21	2 543	83	716	753	93	3	1 648
75-79	181	1 768	491	126	11	2 577	148	605	1 232	85	3	2 073
80-84	185	1 621	797	82	11	2 696	200	544	2 064	71	6	2 885
85-89	107	825	742	39	12	1 725	235	304	2 127	50	6	2 722
90-94	45	258	426	4	—	733	165	94	1 510	21	1	1 791
95-99	9	37	119	1	1	167	70	15	598	6	1	690
100 and over	2	1	22	—	—	25	20	—	128	2	1	151
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2 388	10 240	3 209	1 013	110	16 960	1 585	4 187	9 010	655	28	15 465

5.4 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a), Victoria and Australia

Age (years)	VICTORIA.....						AUSTRALIA.....			
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1993-95.....		1993-95.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	68.59	75.21	71.90	78.41	74.50	80.27	75.36	81.00	74.95	80.84
5	64.85	71.44	67.83	74.20	70.14	75.80	70.87	76.47	70.60	76.38
10	60.01	66.55	62.91	69.26	65.20	70.86	65.93	71.52	65.66	71.43
15	55.12	61.63	58.00	64.31	60.29	65.91	60.98	66.56	60.72	66.49
20	50.47	56.80	53.26	59.43	55.53	61.01	56.18	61.66	55.94	61.59
25	45.91	51.98	48.59	54.57	50.86	56.14	51.48	56.77	51.26	56.70
30	41.20	47.12	43.85	49.70	46.15	51.27	46.75	51.88	46.57	51.81
35	36.48	42.29	39.08	44.84	41.41	46.41	42.02	47.00	41.88	46.95
40	31.80	37.52	34.34	40.01	36.67	41.58	37.29	42.16	37.19	42.11
45	27.28	32.88	29.72	35.29	32.00	36.81	32.60	37.36	32.53	37.33
50	23.04	28.43	25.29	30.71	27.46	32.14	28.01	32.65	27.97	32.64
55	19.11	24.10	21.16	26.25	23.07	27.62	23.60	28.06	23.58	28.08
60	15.51	19.91	17.35	21.98	19.01	23.22	19.46	23.63	19.45	23.68
65	12.31	16.04	13.88	17.97	15.34	19.05	15.69	19.41	15.68	19.48
70	9.59	12.49	10.83	14.26	12.04	15.18	12.35	15.48	12.35	15.56
75	7.33	9.44	8.30	10.93	9.14	11.68	9.45	11.90	9.44	11.98
80	5.53	6.98	6.27	8.07	6.76	8.64	7.00	8.78	6.99	8.85
85	4.23	5.23	4.66	5.72	4.96	6.08	5.14	6.27	5.13	6.32
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.49	4.12	3.81	4.37	3.79	4.40
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	2.68	3.00	2.87	3.01	2.84	3.03

(a) Based on Annual Life Tables calculated by the Australian Statistician until 1994. In 1995 the life tables were produced as a joint venture between the Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Australian Government Actuary. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

5.5 DEATHS, Expectation of Life, Victoria and Australia—1993–95

Age (years)	VICTORIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....		Age (years)	VICTORIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females
0	75.36	81.00	74.95	80.84	50	28.01	32.65	27.97	32.64
1	74.77	80.37	74.48	80.28	51	27.11	31.72	27.08	31.72
2	73.81	79.41	73.52	79.33	52	26.22	30.79	26.19	30.80
3	72.84	78.44	72.55	78.35	53	25.34	29.87	25.31	29.89
4	71.86	77.46	71.58	77.37	54	24.46	28.96	24.44	28.98
5	70.87	76.47	70.60	76.38	55	23.60	28.06	23.58	28.08
6	69.89	75.48	69.61	75.39	56	22.75	27.16	22.73	27.19
7	68.90	74.49	68.62	74.40	57	21.91	26.27	21.89	26.30
8	67.91	73.50	67.64	73.41	58	21.08	25.38	21.07	25.42
9	66.92	72.51	66.65	72.42	59	20.26	24.50	20.25	24.55
10	65.93	71.52	65.66	71.43	60	19.46	23.63	19.45	23.68
11	64.94	70.52	64.67	70.44	61	18.67	22.77	18.67	22.82
12	63.95	69.53	63.68	69.45	62	17.90	21.92	17.89	21.97
13	62.96	68.54	62.69	68.46	63	17.15	21.07	17.14	21.13
14	61.97	67.55	61.70	67.47	64	16.41	20.24	16.40	20.30
15	60.98	66.56	60.72	66.49	65	15.69	19.41	15.68	19.48
16	60.01	65.58	59.74	65.50	66	14.99	18.60	14.98	18.67
17	59.04	64.59	58.78	64.52	67	14.30	17.80	14.30	17.88
18	58.08	63.61	57.82	63.54	68	13.63	17.01	13.63	17.09
19	57.13	62.64	56.87	62.57	69	12.98	16.24	12.98	16.32
20	56.18	61.66	55.94	61.59	70	12.35	15.48	12.35	15.56
21	55.24	60.68	55.00	60.61	71	11.74	14.73	11.73	14.81
22	54.30	59.71	54.07	59.64	72	11.14	14.00	11.13	14.08
23	53.36	58.73	53.13	58.66	73	10.56	13.28	10.55	13.36
24	52.42	57.75	52.19	57.68	74	9.99	12.58	9.99	12.66
25	51.48	56.77	51.26	56.70	75	9.45	11.90	9.44	11.98
26	50.53	55.79	50.32	55.72	76	8.91	11.23	8.90	11.31
27	49.59	54.81	49.38	54.75	77	8.40	10.59	8.39	10.66
28	48.64	53.83	48.44	53.77	78	7.91	9.96	7.90	10.03
29	47.70	52.85	47.50	52.79	79	7.45	9.36	7.43	9.43
30	46.75	51.88	46.57	51.81	80	7.00	8.78	6.99	8.85
31	45.80	50.90	45.63	50.84	81	6.58	8.23	6.57	8.29
32	44.86	49.92	44.69	49.86	82	6.19	7.70	6.18	7.76
33	43.91	48.95	43.75	48.89	83	5.82	7.20	5.80	7.25
34	42.96	47.98	42.81	47.92	84	5.47	6.72	5.45	6.77
35	42.02	47.00	41.88	46.95	85	5.14	6.27	5.13	6.32
36	41.07	46.03	40.94	45.98	86	4.84	5.84	4.82	5.89
37	40.12	45.06	40.00	45.01	87	4.55	5.44	4.53	5.48
38	39.18	44.09	39.06	44.04	88	4.29	5.06	4.27	5.10
39	38.23	43.13	38.13	43.08	89	4.04	4.70	4.02	4.74
40	37.29	42.16	37.19	42.11	90	3.81	4.37	3.79	4.40
41	36.35	41.20	36.25	41.15	91	3.59	4.06	3.57	4.09
42	35.40	40.23	35.32	40.19	92	3.39	3.77	3.37	3.80
43	34.47	39.27	34.39	39.24	93	3.20	3.50	3.18	3.52
44	33.53	38.32	33.46	38.28	94	3.03	3.25	3.00	3.27
45	32.60	37.36	32.53	37.33	95	2.87	3.01	2.84	3.03
46	31.67	36.41	31.61	36.39	96	2.71	2.79	2.69	2.80
47	30.75	35.46	30.69	35.44	97	2.57	2.57	2.55	2.58
48	29.83	34.52	29.78	34.50	98	2.43	2.36	2.40	2.37
49	28.92	33.58	28.88	33.57	99	2.26	2.15	2.25	2.17

5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence—1995

DURATION OF RESIDENCE
(YEARS).....

	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA									
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22 630	22 630
Fiji	4	5	-	2	3	1	5	-	20
New Zealand	15	22	25	23	16	111	18	-	230
Other	6	3	6	4	2	4	5	-	30
Total	25	30	31	29	21	116	28	22 630	22 910

EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR

Austria	-	1	-	4	24	62	5	-	96
Former USSR & Baltic States	15	10	28	6	20	303	17	-	399
Former Yugoslav Republics	8	10	31	169	133	122	16	-	489
Germany	1	2	13	21	105	193	16	-	351
Greece	5	6	15	97	202	132	10	-	467
Hungary	1	1	3	10	66	75	7	-	163
Ireland	1	3	4	17	36	81	16	-	158
Italy	6	8	28	145	395	679	27	-	1 288
Malta	-	1	5	16	78	132	4	-	236
Netherlands	1	2	2	12	118	206	7	-	348
Poland	2	4	12	21	71	370	20	-	500
United Kingdom	22	62	172	470	803	1 741	126	-	3 196
Other	3	8	20	42	62	154	18	-	307
Total	65	118	333	1 030	1 913	4 250	289	-	7 998

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Egypt	3	4	3	30	49	44	2	-	135
Lebanon	2	6	16	15	8	13	4	-	64
Turkey	1	3	14	23	10	6	7	-	64
Other	4	9	7	13	10	13	7	-	63
Total	10	22	40	81	77	76	20	-	326

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Indonesia	3	5	13	7	5	10	6	-	49
Malaysia	5	9	7	7	2	3	2	-	35
Philippines	3	13	15	1	-	-	1	-	33
Singapore	1	3	2	2	-	3	3	-	14
Thailand	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	4
Viet Nam	25	29	49	-	-	-	1	-	104
Other	2	7	15	1	-	2	-	-	27
Total	40	66	102	18	8	18	14	-	266

5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence—1995 *continued*

	DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS)								Total
	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	
NORTHEAST ASIA									
China	21	25	47	19	16	23	10	-	161
Hong Kong	1	3	6	-	2	1	1	-	14
Other	-	2	4	3	1	1	5	-	16
<i>Total</i>	22	30	57	22	19	25	16	-	191
SOUTHERN ASIA									
India	4	9	15	55	11	29	8	-	131
Sri Lanka	9	18	13	30	15	13	3	-	101
Other	2	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	10
<i>Total</i>	15	34	29	85	26	42	11	-	242
THE AMERICAS									
Canada	-	1	3	7	3	17	3	-	34
Chile	2	1	9	5	-	-	-	-	17
United States of America	1	4	4	6	8	15	3	-	41
Other	-	9	4	5	-	2	3	-	23
<i>Total</i>	3	15	20	23	11	34	9	-	115
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)									
South Africa	4	6	12	14	10	31	5	-	82
Other	1	4	9	21	4	-	1	-	40
<i>Total</i>	5	10	21	35	14	31	6	-	122
Other and not stated	2	-	1	1	1	5	245	-	255
Total	187	325	634	1 324	2 090	4 597	638	22 630	32 425

5.7 DEATHS, State or Territory of Usual Residence, State or Territory of Registration—1995

STATE OR TERRITORY OF REGISTRATION.....

State or Territory	of usual residence								
NSW	44 036	200	303	41	12	5	10	166	44 773
Vic.	1	32 064	83	47	16	14	9	8	32 425
Qld	219	60	20 351	13	7	1	9	3	20 663
SA	24	36	10	11 122	10	1	11	4	11 218
WA	11	15	12	11	10 298	1	15	1	10 364
Tas.	4	13	13	3	4	3 716	1	-	3 754
NT	2	2	16	31	6	-	756	-	813
ACT	54	8	1	1	2	1	1	1 046	1 114
Other Territories	3	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	9
Aust.	44 537	32 398	20 789	11 269	10 361	3 739	812	1 228	125 133

5.8 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death, Sex—1995

Cause of death(a)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001-139)	129	95	224	0.7	5.0
Neoplasms (140-239)	5 220	4 111	9 331	28.8	207.3
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	5 132	4 034	9 166	28.3	203.6
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240-279)	717	615	1 332	4.1	29.6
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280-289)	47	51	98	0.3	2.2
Mental disorders (290-319)	360	515	875	2.7	19.4
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320-389)	364	442	806	2.5	17.9
Diseases of the circulatory system (390-459)	6 544	6 813	13 357	41.2	296.7
Ischaemic heart diseases (410-414)	4 030	3 367	7 397	22.8	164.3
Cerebrovascular diseases (430-438)	1 198	1 812	3 010	9.3	66.9
Diseases of the respiratory system (460-519)	1 373	1 084	2 457	7.6	54.6
Diseases of the digestive system (520-579)	498	494	992	3.1	22.0
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580-629)	275	320	595	1.8	13.2
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630-676)		4	4	—	0.1
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680-709)	26	40	66	0.2	1.5
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710-739)	54	146	200	0.6	4.4
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	85	93	178	0.5	4.0
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760-779)	75	65	140	0.4	3.1
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780-799)	40	64	104	0.3	2.3
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800-E999)	1 153	513	1 666	5.1	37.0
Motor-vehicle traffic accidents (E810-E819)	302	134	436	1.3	9.7
All causes of death	16 960	15 465	32 425	100.0	720.2

(a) Classified according to the ninth revision of the World Health Organization's *International Classification of Diseases (ICD)*.

(b) Rates are calculated on the number of deaths per 100,000 population.

5.9 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death(a), Summary—1995

Particulars	Heart disease	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Cerebro-vascular disease (incl. stroke)	Respiratory system diseases	Motor vehicle traffic accidents	Suicide	All causes
Numbers							
Males	4 867	5 132	1 198	1 373	302	439	16 960
Females	4 518	4 034	1 812	1 084	134	127	15 465
Persons	9 385	9 166	3 010	2 457	436	566	32 425
Proportions by sex (%)							
Males	51.9	56.0	39.8	55.9	69.3	77.6	52.3
Females	48.1	44.0	60.2	44.1	30.7	22.4	47.7
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportions by cause of death (%)							
Males	28.7	30.3	7.1	8.1	1.8	2.6	100.0
Females	29.2	26.1	11.7	7.0	0.9	0.8	100.0
Persons	28.9	28.3	9.3	7.6	1.3	1.7	100.0
Crude death rate(b)							
Males	218.4	230.3	53.8	61.6	13.6	19.7	761.0
Females	198.8	177.5	79.7	47.7	5.9	5.6	680.5
Persons	208.5	203.6	66.9	54.6	9.7	12.6	720.4
Standardised death rate(c)							
Victoria	184.2	187.8	57.9	48.6	9.7	12.4	648.5
Australia	188.2	177.5	63.5	48.4	11.3	13.0	645.8

(a) Comprising the following: heart disease (ICD codes 393–398, 402, 404, 410–416, 420–429); malignant neoplasms (cancer) (ICD codes 140–208); cerebrovascular diseases (ICD codes 430–438); respiratory system diseases (ICD codes 460–519); motor vehicle traffic accidents (ICD codes E810–E819) and suicide (ICD codes E950–E959).

(b) Number of deaths per 100,000 population.

(c) Deaths per 100,000 population, standardised for age and sex using the 1991 Australian population as the standard population.

5.10 PERINATAL DEATHS, Numbers, Rates

Year	FETAL DEATHS.....			NEONATAL DEATHS.....			PERINATAL DEATHS.....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NUMBER									
1985	173	139	312	215	171	386	388	310	698
1990	219	184	403	172	130	302	391	314	705
1991	186	154	340	139	99	238	325	253	578
1992	172	173	345	120	76	196	292	249	541
1993	159	129	288	114	80	194	273	209	282
1994	210	119	329	107	77	184	317	196	513
1995	183	126	309	92	84	176	275	210	485
RATE									
1985	5.5	4.6	5.1	6.8	5.7	6.3	12.3	10.3	11.3
1990	6.3	5.6	6.0	5.0	4.0	4.5	11.3	9.6	10.5
1991	5.5	4.8	5.2	4.1	3.1	3.6	9.6	7.9	8.8
1992	5.1	5.4	5.2	3.6	2.4	3.0	8.6	7.7	8.2
1993	4.8	4.1	4.5	3.5	2.6	3.0	8.3	6.7	7.5
1994	6.4	3.8	5.1	3.3	2.5	2.9	9.6	6.3	8.0
1995	5.7	4.1	4.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	8.6	6.9	7.7

5.11 PERINATAL DEATHS, Selected Details

Particulars	1995 PERINATAL DEATHS.....					1985..
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
Age at death(a)						
Less than 1 hour	---	24	17	7	24	64
1 hour to under 1 day	---	57	30	27	57	103
1 day to under 1 week	---	41	18	23	41	119
1 week to under 4 weeks	---	54	27	27	54	76
Weight at delivery (grams)(a)						
500-999	72	61	71	62	133	249
1,000-1,999	64	32	62	34	96	181
2,000-2,999	51	32	49	34	83	155
3,000 or more	48	37	48	37	85	125
Period of gestation (weeks)(a)						
Less than 28	95	64	90	69	159	227
28-36	104	49	88	65	153	266
37-41	102	58	90	70	160	228
42 or more	2	1	2	1	3	14
Age group of mother (years)(a)						
Less than 20	16	4	14	6	20	39
20-24	49	34	41	42	83	176
25-29	91	47	80	58	138	263
30-34	93	44	83	54	137	166
35-39	44	28	39	33	72	80
40 or more	7	4	6	5	11	6

(a) Includes not stated.

SECTION 6

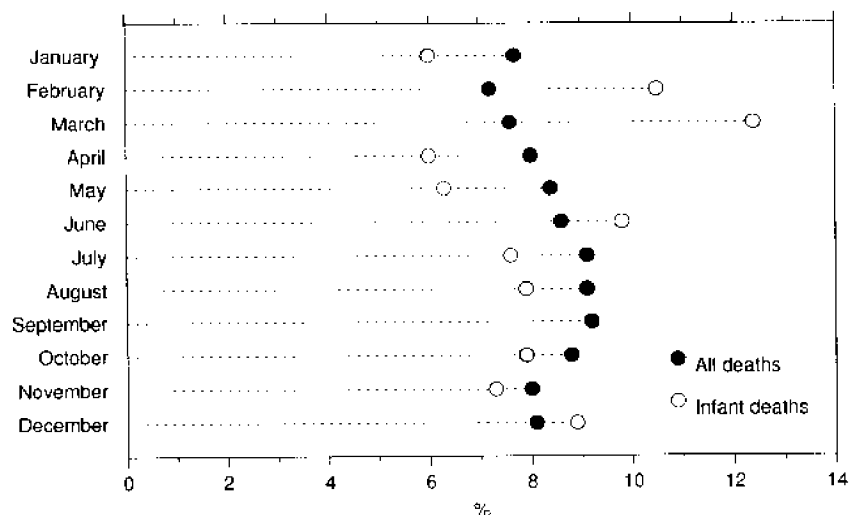
DEATHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE
(PRELIMINARY)

In Victoria, there were 32,394 registered deaths that occurred in 1995. This was a marginal increase on the number of deaths occurring in 1994 (32,335) and is the highest number of deaths recorded so far in Victoria.

Death trends are more meaningful when based on year of occurrence rather than year of registration data because a proportion of deaths that occur in each calendar year, particularly those occurring towards the end of the year, are not registered until the following year or even later. They could also be affected by any abnormal delays or fluctuations in the registration processes. Based on data for previous years, it is estimated that about 5% of deaths that occurred in 1995 would not have been registered in 1995. However, only a small percentage would not have registered by the time the tables in this section were produced.

Month of occurrence

The 32,394 deaths which occurred in 1995 average out over the whole year at 89 deaths per day. The highest monthly total of 2,995 deaths occurred in September which averaged 100 deaths per day, while July was the second highest with 2,957 deaths or 95 deaths per day. The late summer months of February and March had the lowest totals of 2,336 and 2,449 with daily averages of 83 and 79 respectively.



6.1 DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	2 386	2 447	2 501	2 503	2 462	2 562	2 501
February	1 978	2 181	2 149	2 244	2 160	2 188	2 336
March	2 321	2 499	2 572	2 454	2 487	2 587	2 449
April	2 462	2 359	2 531	2 475	2 478	2 587	2 600
May	2 614	2 670	2 725	2 781	2 628	2 840	2 724
June	2 741	2 688	2 594	2 962	2 745	2 701	2 792
July	2 974	2 780	2 781	2 905	2 819	3 111	2 957
August	3 136	2 700	2 861	2 941	2 929	3 269	2 954
September	2 856	2 706	2 696	2 700	2 772	2 821	2 995
October	2 610	2 691	2 571	2 646	2 575	2 658	2 858
November	2 451	2 464	2 424	2 561	2 493	2 459	2 601
December	2 461	2 524	2 552	2 571	2 574	2 552	2 627
<i>Total</i>	<i>30 990</i>	<i>30 709</i>	<i>30 957</i>	<i>31 743</i>	<i>31 122</i>	<i>32 335</i>	<i>32 394</i>
RATE							
Crude death rate	7.5	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.2
PROPORTION (%)							
January	7.7	8.0	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.7
February	6.4	7.1	6.9	7.1	6.9	6.8	7.2
March	7.5	8.1	8.3	7.7	8.0	8.0	7.6
April	7.9	7.7	8.2	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0
May	8.4	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.8	8.4
June	8.8	8.8	8.4	9.3	8.8	8.4	8.6
July	9.6	9.1	9.0	9.2	9.1	9.6	9.1
August	10.1	8.8	9.2	9.3	9.4	10.1	9.1
September	9.2	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.9	8.7	9.2
October	8.4	8.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.8
November	7.9	8.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	7.6	8.0
December	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.3	7.9	8.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>

6.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	310	270	167	257	206	148
1-4	62	56	47	43	33	32
5-9	47	30	29	27	20	20
10-14	42	28	40	17	24	26
15-19	160	147	98	69	62	47
20-24	284	216	205	85	75	66
25-29	211	243	191	90	86	64
30-34	210	222	247	90	103	105
35-39	213	236	247	115	108	125
40-44	238	308	303	128	164	154
45-49	390	348	383	224	211	260
50-54	605	508	551	333	325	311
55-59	1 093	839	768	590	434	398
60-64	1 675	1 478	1 193	931	786	652
65-69	1 935	2 046	1 998	1 198	1 190	1 058
70-74	2 472	2 272	2 532	1 737	1 580	1 664
75-79	2 508	2 657	2 590	2 196	2 264	2 070
80-84	2 089	2 182	2 681	2 446	2 562	2 878
85-89	1 767	2 067	2 660	4 096	4 321	5 384
90 and over	5	2	2	2	—	—
Total	16 316	16 155	16 932	14 674	14 554	15 462

6.3 DEATHS, Age-specific Death Rates, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	9.9	7.9	5.2	8.6	6.4	4.9
1-4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3
5-9	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
10-14	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
15-19	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3
20-24	1.6	1.2	1.1	0.5	0.4	0.4
25-29	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.4
30-34	1.3	1.2	1.4	0.6	0.6	0.6
35-39	1.3	1.4	1.4	0.7	0.6	0.7
40-44	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.0	1.0	0.9
45-49	3.6	2.7	2.5	2.1	1.7	1.7
50-54	6.1	4.7	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.6
55-59	10.6	8.8	7.5	5.9	4.6	3.9
60-64	18.6	15.4	13.4	9.6	8.1	7.2
65-69	29.8	25.5	23.2	15.8	13.1	11.5
70-74	46.0	41.3	37.3	25.2	22.7	20.0
75-79	74.4	66.3	60.8	43.6	38.8	34.5
80-84	120.0	101.2	102.0	75.5	68.2	64.4
85 and over	204.1	184.4	178.4	164.7	147.6	151.7

6.4 INFANT DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	45	36	43	30	30	29	19
February	37	28	30	28	28	20	33
March	70	41	43	25	21	43	39
April	29	31	23	27	38	25	19
May	54	55	30	32	24	21	20
June	50	49	30	28	30	32	31
July	43	50	37	29	24	27	24
August	52	39	33	27	19	31	25
September	50	37	29	36	35	27	29
October	50	42	32	37	22	31	25
November	39	33	32	38	16	18	23
December	48	35	28	29	26	20	28
<i>Total</i>	567	476	390	366	313	324	315
RATE							
Infant mortality rate	9.3	7.2	6.0	5.6	4.9	5.1	5.1
PROPORTION (%)							
January	7.9	7.6	11.0	8.2	9.6	9.0	6.0
February	6.5	5.9	7.7	7.7	8.9	6.2	10.5
March	12.3	8.6	11.0	6.8	6.7	13.3	12.4
April	5.1	6.5	5.9	7.4	12.1	7.7	6.0
May	9.5	11.6	7.7	8.7	7.7	6.5	6.3
June	8.8	10.3	7.7	7.7	9.6	9.9	9.8
July	7.6	10.5	9.5	7.9	7.7	8.3	7.6
August	9.2	8.2	8.5	7.4	6.1	9.6	7.9
September	8.8	7.8	7.4	9.8	11.2	8.3	9.2
October	8.8	8.8	8.2	10.1	7.0	9.6	7.9
November	6.9	6.9	8.2	10.4	5.1	5.6	7.3
December	8.5	7.4	7.2	7.9	8.3	6.2	8.9
<i>Total</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

SECTION 7

MARRIAGES REGISTERED

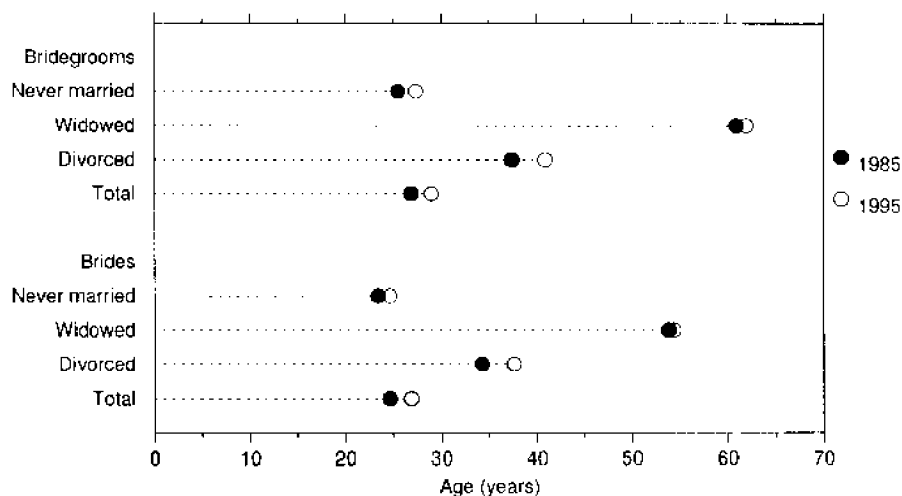
There were 26,607 marriages registered in Victoria in 1995. This was a decrease of 11% on the number registered in 1985 (29,810). The long-term downward trend in the crude marriage rate (the number of marriages per 1,000 population) continued. In 1995 this rate was 5.9 per 1,000 population having fallen from 7.2 in 1985 – a fall of 18%. The national rate was 6.1 per 1,000 population.

MARRIAGE AGE

The median age at marriage (the age at which there are as many marrying above the age as there are marrying below it), continued to increase in 1995 for both men and women marrying in Victoria. The median age at marriage for bridegrooms increased from 26.9 years in 1985 to 29.0 years in 1995 and for brides from 24.6 years in 1985 to 26.9 years in 1995. The median age of all bridegrooms was 2.1 years higher than that of all brides marrying in 1995.

The median age for men and women marrying for the first time in 1995 was 27.4 years for men and 25.7 years for women.

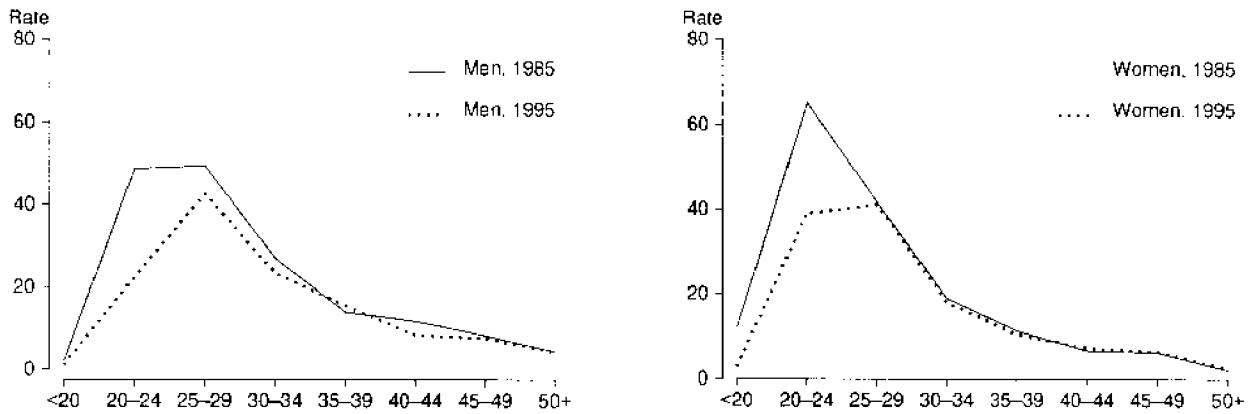
MEDIAN AGE AT MARRIAGE, Selected Marital Status



Age of parties at marriage

Men and women are waiting longer to marry than they were 10 years ago. In 1995 the proportion of men who married aged 30 years or more was 44% compared with 33% in 1985. For women the comparative percentages were 32% and 25% respectively.

MARRIAGE RATES (a)



(a) Per 1,000 men or women in each age group. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.

Between 1985 and 1995, age-specific marriage rates (per 1,000 population) decreased for men and women in most age groups. The peak age group, for both men and women, moved from 20-24 years to 25-29 years. However, the marriage rate for men aged 25-29 years was only marginally below the 1985 rate. The marriage rate for women aged 20-24 years was over 20% below the 1985 rate.

Age-specific marriage rates were all lower than those recorded nationally, except for men aged 25-29 and women aged 25-34.

MARRIAGE RATES (a), 1995

Age group (years)	VICTORIA.....		AUSTRALIA...	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
19 and under	1.0	5.0	1.2	6.1
20-24	28.6	46.8	31.2	50.8
25-29	54.5	49.9	51.7	47.9
30-34	28.2	21.5	28.7	21.4
35-39	14.4	10.5	15.1	11.3
40-44	8.8	6.7	9.4	7.3
45-49	6.5	5.0	7.3	5.8
50 and over	2.9	1.6	3.4	1.8

(a) Per 1,000 men or women in each age group. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.

First Marriages

The number of people in Victoria who married for the first time continued to decline in 1995. In contrast, the proportion marriages which were the first for both partners has averaged around 70% since 1985. First marriage rates (per 1,000 never married population) have declined for most age-sex groups in each census year from 1971 to 1991. The peak age group at first marriage for men remained 25-29 years, although the rate halved over this period from 210 to 106. For women the peak age group, in 1971, was 20-24 years with the rate declining from 300 to 79 over the same period; the peak age group for women since 1986 has been 25-29 years.

Remarriages

The number of people in Victoria who remarried also continued to decline in 1995. Remarriage rates (the number of men and women remarrying per 1,000 widowed and divorced men and women in the population) have generally declined for most age-sex groups in each census year since 1976. The most significant declines were among men under 30 years of age and women under 25 years of age. During the period 1976 to 1991, the peak age group at remarriage for men shifted from 25-29 years to 30-34 years whilst for women the peak age group at remarriage shifted from 20-24 years to 25-29 years.

1994 DATA

Due to budgetary considerations the ABS undertook reduced processing of marriage data for marriages registered in 1995. Data processed in 1994 have therefore been included in Appendix D to assist analysis. Full processing of marriage data was resumed in 1996.

Category of celebrant

Between 1974 and 1994 the percentage of marriages performed in Victoria by ministers of religion declined from 85% to 60%. Most of this decline occurred between 1974 and 1984 when the corresponding figure was 62%. Of these marriages in 1994, 87% of men and 89% of women had never been in a registered marriage. By comparison, of those people married by civil celebrants (40% of all marriages) only 66% of both men and women had never been in a registered marriage.

In 1994, 23% of all marriages performed in Victoria were by Catholic priests while 12% were by Anglican ministers.

Birthplace of parties

Of the marriages registered in Victoria in 1994, the birthplaces of the parties to these marriages were as follows: 65% were between Australia-born couples; 13% were between couples born overseas; 12% were between Australian men and non-Australian women; 9% were between Australian women and non-Australian men. Of those marriages between overseas-born couples, about two-thirds were between couples born in the same country.

7.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL MARRIAGES							
Marrriages registered	29 810	30 120	28 535	28 429	27 418	26 974	26 607
Crude marriage rate	7.2	6.9	6.5	6.4	6.1	6.0	5.9
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	20 544	20 968	19 867	19 882	19 195	19 078	18 752
First marriage one partner	5 189	5 182	4 953	4 926	4 737	4 443	4 458
Remarriage both partners	4 077	3 970	3 715	3 621	3 486	3 453	3 397
Marrriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	18 459	18 063	17 429	17 361	16 613	16 153	n.a.
Proportion (%)	61.9	60.0	61.1	61.1	60.6	59.9	n.a.
Civil celebrants							
Number	11 351	12 057	11 106	11 068	10 805	10 821	n.a.
Proportion (%)	38.1	40.0	38.9	38.9	39.4	40.1	n.a.
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	2.1	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0
20-24	55.7	41.8	37.4	35.1	32.7	30.2	28.6
25-29	55.5	57.2	54.6	55.0	54.6	54.9	54.5
30-34	26.3	28.5	27.6	29.0	27.9	28.9	28.2
35-39	13.9	15.0	14.2	14.6	13.8	13.7	14.4
40-44	8.9	9.1	9.2	8.9	8.7	8.5	8.8
45-49	6.8	7.3	6.9	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.5
50 and over	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.9
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	23 000	23 456	22 167	22 140	21 435	21 062	20 790
Widowed	726	705	644	598	621	616	552
Divorced	6 084	5 959	5 724	5 691	5 362	5 296	5 265
Total	29 810	30 120	28 535	28 429	27 418	26 974	26 607
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	25.5	26.6	26.8	27.0	27.0	27.3	27.4
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	37.4	39.3	39.6	39.5	40.4	40.5	40.9
Total	26.9	28.1	28.3	28.6	28.6	28.8	29.0
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	14.1	8.4	6.8	6.0	5.4	5.1	5.0
20-24	76.9	63.7	58.4	55.7	53.0	49.9	46.8
25-29	41.1	47.7	46.2	47.8	47.3	48.9	49.9
30-34	18.2	20.7	20.2	21.0	20.4	20.8	21.5
35-39	10.3	11.0	10.8	10.9	10.4	10.3	10.5
40-44	7.2	7.3	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7
45-49	5.0	5.9	5.2	5.2	5.0	4.8	5.0
50 and over	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.6
Marital status of bride							
Never married	23 277	23 662	22 520	22 550	21 692	21 537	21 172
Widowed	886	798	751	653	684	675	617
Divorced	5 647	5 660	5 264	5 226	5 042	4 762	4 818
Total	29 810	30 120	28 535	28 429	27 418	26 974	26 607
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	23.4	24.6	24.8	25.0	25.2	25.4	25.7
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	34.3	36.0	36.1	36.5	36.8	37.5	37.6
Total	24.6	25.9	26.1	26.3	26.4	26.6	26.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Not statistically reliable due to the small numbers involved.

7.2 MARRIAGES, Age-specific First Marriage and Remarriage Rates(a)—Census Years

Age at marriage (years)	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991
FIRST MARRIAGES					
Age of bridegroom					
15-19	13.6	8.4	4.5	1.9	1.4
20-24	185.5	130.0	92.2	65.6	44.5
25-29	209.6	152.7	128.8	119.1	105.9
30-34	110.0	92.1	86.3	86.6	81.5
35-39	56.9	51.8	45.9	46.2	48.0
40-44	28.2	28.8	24.3	23.5	24.6
45 and over	7.9	9.1	7.4	7.2	5.8
Age of bride					
15-19	65.0	44.6	25.9	12.7	7.2
20-24	300.2	194.8	143.0	112.1	79.0
25-29	194.5	142.9	125.3	130.2	121.2
30-34	93.4	93.7	70.3	79.4	75.6
35-39	51.9	52.3	41.0	43.0	40.5
40-44	27.6	30.1	20.5	23.9	15.9
45 and over	3.8	5.2	3.3	3.3	3.7
REMARRIAGES					
Age of bridegroom					
15-19	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	131.7	255.8	197.8	102.8	35.7
25-29	351.0	401.7	247.6	195.1	143.6
30-34	298.1	346.4	210.3	179.0	150.2
35-39	206.4	298.6	171.9	144.0	114.0
40-44	145.3	223.2	129.5	112.5	91.2
45-49	96.8	167.7	95.3	97.1	71.6
50-54	68.0	118.2	71.6	80.5	58.5
55-59	56.2	84.9	53.2	57.5	45.2
60 and over	17.4	22.9	16.8	14.0	13.8
Age of bride					
15-19	43.5	111.1	98.4	30.5	9.8
20-24	322.0	338.1	225.8	164.6	92.4
25-29	300.7	312.9	194.8	169.1	140.4
30-34	162.4	219.0	136.3	130.5	109.9
35-39	98.9	138.5	92.3	85.6	75.6
40-44	68.4	104.6	68.2	58.2	48.3
45-49	43.0	67.4	46.2	49.7	38.3
50-54	25.3	34.9	24.8	27.9	25.2
55-59	11.6	18.3	13.5	15.0	12.0
60 and over	2.8	3.3	2.6	2.5	2.3

(a) Per 1,000 of the appropriate population. See Glossary.

7.3 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1995

Previous marital status of bride.....

<i>Previous marital status of bridegroom</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
NUMBER				
Never married	18 752	116	1 922	20 790
Widowed	78	234	240	552
Divorced	2 342	267	2 656	5 265
Total	21 172	617	4 818	26 607
PROPORTION (%)				
Never married	70.5	0.4	7.2	78.1
Widowed	0.3	0.9	0.9	2.1
Divorced	8.8	1.0	10.0	19.8
Total	79.6	2.3	18.1	100.0

7.4 MARRIAGES, Age, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1995

Age at marriage (years)	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM				PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total
17 and under	3	—	—	3	39	—	—	39
18	44	—	—	44	279	—	1	280
19	115	—	—	115	442	—	—	442
20	249	—	1	250	710	—	7	717
21	493	—	1	494	1 187	—	6	1 193
22	938	—	8	946	1 749	—	13	1 762
23	1 595	1	9	1 605	2 235	1	21	2 257
24	1 948	—	12	1 960	2 404	2	47	2 453
25	2 126	1	24	2 151	2 261	1	76	2 338
26	2 092	1	51	2 144	1 994	2	115	2 111
27	1 878	—	61	1 939	1 604	5	133	1 742
28	1 612	2	90	1 704	1 269	4	144	1 417
29	1 478	—	119	1 597	1 027	7	176	1 210
30-34	4 110	20	951	5 081	2 768	35	1 125	3 928
35-39	1 393	22	1 123	2 538	812	54	996	1 862
40-44	416	30	983	1 429	260	65	777	1 102
45-49	160	38	816	1 014	79	80	609	768
50-54	64	56	516	636	21	63	317	401
55-59	31	79	257	367	15	70	152	237
60 and over	45	302	243	590	17	228	103	348
Total	20 790	552	5 265	26 607	21 172	617	4 818	26 607

7.5 MARRIAGES, Age of Parties—1995

Age group of bride (years).....

Age group of bridegroom (years)	17 and under	18	19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Total
17 and under	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
18	2	10	8	21	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	44
19	5	23	30	55	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	115
20-24	25	161	257	3 732	953	101	16	7	3	—	—	—	5 255
25-29	7	65	114	3 559	4 747	843	153	37	8	1	1	—	9 535
30-34	—	15	24	784	2 244	1 532	372	82	21	5	2	—	5 081
35-39	—	5	7	164	604	895	590	190	73	6	4	—	2 538
40-44	—	—	1	44	176	370	383	304	116	27	6	2	1 429
45-49	—	—	—	13	62	133	218	271	222	69	22	4	1 014
50-54	—	—	1	4	22	38	81	128	192	129	34	7	636
55-59	—	—	—	3	5	6	32	55	82	96	56	32	367
60 and over	—	—	—	1	1	10	16	28	51	68	112	303	590
Total	39	280	442	8 382	8 818	3 928	1 862	1 102	768	401	237	348	26 607

SECTION 8

DIVORCES GRANTED

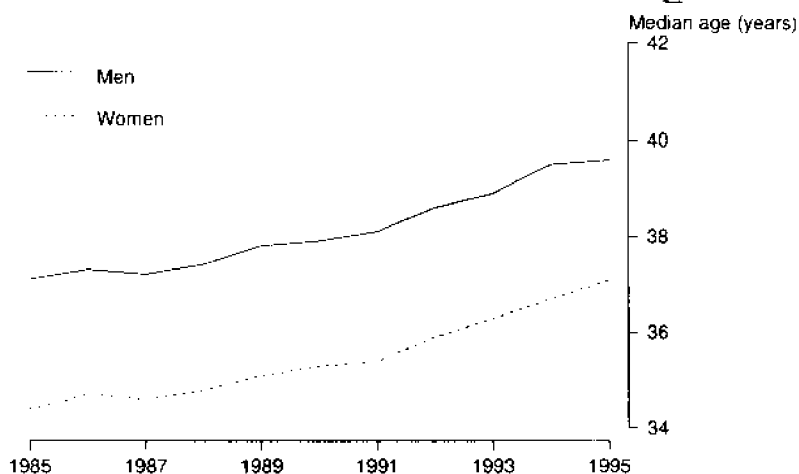
There were 11,838 divorces granted in 1995 an increase of over 4% above the figure for 1994 and more than 20% above the number granted in 1985.

The crude divorce rate in 1995 was 2.6 per 1,000 population, continuing the slight upward trend established in 1987 when the crude divorce rate was 2.3 per 1,000 population.

DIVORCE AGE

The median age at divorce (the age at which there are as many people divorcing above it as there are divorcing below it) for both men and women continued to rise in 1995. The median age at divorce for men was 39.6 years in 1995 compared with 37.1 years in 1985. For women it was 37.1 years in 1995 compared with 34.4 years in 1985. The median age for men divorcing in 1995 was 2.5 years higher than that of women divorcing.

MEDIAN AGE AT DIVORCE



Between 1985 and 1995 age-specific divorce rates increased in all age groups for men and women with the exception of men and women aged under 30 years. During this period the peak age group for men divorcing changed from 35–39 years to 30–34 years. However, the peak age group for women remained the same, 30–34 years. The largest percentage increases in this period (1985–95) were in the older age groups with the greatest increase being recorded in the age group 50–54 years for both men and women (46% and 44% respectively).

SEX OF APPLICANT

In 1995, 17% of divorces were the result of a joint application by both husband and wife, compared with less than 3% in 1985 when data on joint applications became available. The largest proportion of applications (48%) are made by the wife singly, but this proportion has decreased from 56% in 1985.

1994 DATA

In February 1995 the Family Law Court of Australia introduced a new divorce application form. On this form some data items that had previously been available ceased to be collected. Because of this decision, and ABS budgetary considerations, reduced processing of 1995 divorce data was undertaken. Data processed in 1994 has therefore been included in Appendix E to assist analysis. Full processing of available data items was resumed by the ABS in 1996.

Previous marital status

The proportion of divorces where either party was previously divorced continues to increase. In 1994, 16.3% of men and 14.4% of women were previously divorced. This compares to 10.5% for both men and women in 1984. In 1994, 8% of divorces involved parties who had both been divorced previously.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL DIVORCES							
Divorces granted	9 688	10 406	11 134	10 533	11 050	11 320	11 838
Crude divorce rate	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.6	10.1	10.0	10.4	10.6	10.9	10.9
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.8	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.6
Divorces involving children							
Number	5 809	5 712	5 894	5 616	5 905	4 437	n.a.
Percentage of total divorces	60.0	54.9	52.9	53.3	53.4	39.2	n.a.
Average number of children	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	n.a.
Applicant							
Husband	3 942	4 037	4 078	3 927	4 090	4 121	4 148
Wife	5 466	4 971	5 250	4 946	5 246	5 548	5 629
Joint	280	1 398	1 806	1 660	1 714	1 651	2 061

For footnote see end of table.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
HUSBAND							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	1.4	1.0	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
25-29	10.0	8.7	9.3	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.7
30-34	12.0	12.3	12.7	11.7	12.5	12.0	13.0
35-39	12.5	11.5	11.9	11.6	12.1	12.5	12.6
40-44	10.6	10.4	11.0	10.5	11.7	12.0	12.2
45-49	8.5	9.1	9.8	9.0	9.5	10.3	11.1
50-54	5.4	6.7	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.7	7.9
55 and over	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	8 431	8 749	9 380	8 899	9 249	9 366	n.a.
Widowed	152	98	108	98	115	107	n.a.
Divorced	1 105	1 559	1 646	1 536	1 686	1 847	n.a.
Total	9 688	10 406	11 134	10 533	11 050	11 320	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	23.9	24.7	24.8	25.1	25.1	25.3	25.5
At final separation	34.4	35.1	35.3	35.8	35.9	36.5	36.4
At decree made absolute	37.1	37.9	38.1	38.6	38.9	39.5	39.6
WIFE							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	3.1	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.9
25-29	12.4	11.9	12.3	11.5	11.5	11.4	11.4
30-34	12.4	11.9	12.6	11.7	12.3	12.6	13.2
35-39	11.4	11.3	11.5	11.3	12.0	11.9	12.1
40-44	9.5	9.6	10.6	9.5	10.6	11.3	11.6
45-49	6.5	7.2	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.5	9.0
50-54	4.1	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.1	5.5	5.9
55 and over	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.3
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	8 477	8 831	9 450	8 923	9 423	9 520	n.a.
Widowed	171	114	148	135	124	166	n.a.
Divorced	1 040	1 461	1 536	1 475	1 503	1 634	n.a.
Total	9 688	10 406	11 134	10 533	11 050	11 320	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.5	22.2	22.4	22.5	22.6	22.8	23.0
At final separation	31.7	32.5	32.6	33.1	33.3	33.7	33.9
At decree made absolute	34.4	35.3	35.4	35.9	36.3	36.7	37.1

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

8.2 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Marriage, Duration of Marriage—1995

AGE GROUP (YEARS).....

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND										
1	4	25	46	24	19	10	11	21	5	165
2	9	176	203	102	49	26	25	32	6	628
3	11	234	245	128	50	39	25	37	3	772
4	20	239	273	129	57	42	20	22	5	807
5	20	243	234	112	54	29	18	30	9	749
6	11	217	234	101	46	33	18	23	6	689
7	10	198	210	85	50	32	15	24	2	626
8	19	190	169	67	42	25	12	15	5	544
9	7	200	146	60	41	17	17	26	4	518
10-14	61	868	581	282	130	73	36	49	15	2 095
15-19	91	734	412	160	42	27	26	12	5	1 509
20-24	96	793	298	63	18	10	11	4	3	1 296
25-29	69	503	196	41	10	2	2	1	1	825
30 and over	46	378	140	31	12	—	2	—	6	615
Total	474	4 998	3 387	1 385	620	365	238	296	75	11 838

WIFE

1	14	55	32	20	12	12	6	12	2	165
2	47	264	155	66	47	25	6	13	5	628
3	69	319	184	85	39	30	19	24	3	772
4	72	372	173	91	43	27	9	14	6	807
5	73	316	171	73	51	33	15	12	5	749
6	76	297	154	76	35	21	19	8	3	689
7	64	264	148	58	46	24	10	7	5	626
8	72	241	118	50	29	18	8	7	1	544
9	67	231	102	57	21	13	10	10	7	518
10-14	304	973	424	201	89	50	25	17	12	2 095
15-19	375	710	262	92	34	16	11	5	4	1 509
20-24	442	661	142	23	6	10	2	4	6	1 296
25-29	247	467	73	23	3	3	3	—	6	825
30 and over	241	292	64	9	4	1	1	—	3	615
Total	2 163	5 462	2 202	924	459	283	144	133	68	11 838

8.3 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Final Separation, Duration of Marriage to Separation—1995

Duration of marriage (years)	AGE GROUP (YEARS)										Total
	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	
HUSBAND											
Under 1	12	250	276	144	79	48	40	33	42	17	942
1	3	181	354	197	99	51	32	15	20	5	957
2	—	136	393	237	84	69	30	24	31	7	1 011
3	—	63	340	234	97	48	33	17	19	7	858
4	—	24	236	209	93	56	37	15	19	5	694
5	—	11	182	202	99	45	23	9	16	2	589
6	—	4	141	201	82	50	30	19	22	5	554
7	—	—	83	207	104	42	22	14	20	1	493
8	—	—	50	171	95	43	20	10	32	2	423
9	—	—	22	206	123	49	25	16	15	1	457
10-14	—	—	9	453	667	302	119	55	55	4	1 664
15-19	—	—	—	10	455	602	185	56	43	3	1 354
20-24	—	—	—	—	17	416	473	104	36	1	1 047
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	6	178	182	70	—	436
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	84	212	2	303
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56	56
Total	15	669	2 086	2 471	2 094	1 828	1 252	653	652	118	11 838
WIFE											
Under 1	76	368	192	124	68	38	23	15	23	15	942
1	22	350	304	122	72	46	16	12	9	4	957
2	7	302	358	160	72	46	37	11	13	5	1 011
3	3	188	369	140	65	47	23	14	6	3	858
4	—	92	296	163	60	36	22	15	6	4	694
5	—	44	254	143	67	43	22	9	5	2	589
6	—	20	244	140	67	37	21	12	11	2	554
7	—	10	194	156	66	30	13	11	9	4	493
8	—	8	120	155	68	27	15	12	15	3	423
9	—	—	89	209	87	40	15	5	11	1	457
10-14	—	—	74	744	535	191	59	26	33	2	1 664
15-19	—	—	—	106	708	385	104	26	19	6	1 354
20-24	—	—	—	—	103	611	263	47	21	2	1 047
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	48	244	119	23	2	436
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	104	159	1	303
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56	56
Total	108	1 382	2 494	2 362	2 038	1 625	916	438	363	112	11 838

8.4 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Divorce—1995

Age group of wife (years).....

Age group of husband (years)	24 and under	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Not stated	Total
24 and under	121	37	11	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	171
25-29	305	842	154	28	6	3	—	—	1	6	1 345
30-34	100	833	1 096	216	50	11	5	3	—	12	2 326
35-39	22	183	838	895	204	40	12	3	2	7	2 206
40-44	8	52	192	693	815	166	28	10	2	4	1 970
45-49	1	28	58	231	647	630	95	19	4	5	1 718
50-54	—	8	21	45	131	398	293	45	10	7	958
55-59	1	3	9	17	25	88	187	134	29	3	496
60 and over	—	7	7	8	27	52	74	144	250	4	573
Not stated	11	11	9	12	5	3	1	2	1	20	75
Total	569	2 004	2 395	2 145	1 910	1 392	695	360	300	68	11 838

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication brings together a number of closely related series of statistics on demography including births, deaths, marriages and divorces. It also includes information on the estimated resident population and migration. For details of publication of other data related to demography, see Related Publications, at the end of these notes.

2 As a result of an amendment to the *Acts Interpretation Act*, made in 1992, the Indian Ocean Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands have been included as part of geographic Australia, hence another category of the State and Territory classification has been created. This category, known as Other Territories, includes Christmas Island, the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Jervis Bay Territory. Details for population, births and deaths for Australia include Other Territories.

3 Details of persons who were usually resident, or were born or died while being usually resident in Jervis Bay Territory have, where possible, been excluded from this publication from 1990 onwards. These numbers are statistically insignificant. For example the estimated resident population of Jervis Bay Territory at 30 June 1995 was 777 persons; the number of births that occurred to mothers usually resident in Jervis Bay Territory was 17 in 1995 and the number of deaths of persons usually resident in Jervis Bay Territory was 3. Marriages registered and divorces granted in the Australian Capital Territory do not necessarily exclude persons resident in Jervis Bay Territory.

POPULATION

Population estimates

4 This section consists of estimates of the resident population, with information on overseas arrivals and departures and net interstate migration.

5 Estimates of the population of Victoria are made to varying degrees of accuracy throughout the year, and this publication has used the most up-to-date estimates available for each particular table.

Population projections

6 Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections relate to the period 1995-2051.

7 The population projections are not intended as predictions or forecasts; they are illustrations of growth and change in the population which would occur if certain specified assumptions about future demographic trends were realised. While the selection of the assumptions is based on analysis of past demographic trends, both in Australia and overseas, and an assessment of their likely future movement, there is no certainty that any of the assumptions will be realised.

8 Four alternative projections have been provided in recognition of the uncertainty of future movements in demographic trends, and to give users a range of options. The mortality assumptions are the same for all series, while for fertility, a higher rate is assumed for Series A and B. For the migration assumptions, Series A, B, and C have a higher level of overseas migration, while Series B and C have a high level of interstate migration.

MIGRATION

Overseas migration

9 Data on overseas arrivals and departures relate to the number of movements of travellers rather than to the number of travellers. However, the statistics exclude the movements of operational air crew and ships' crew, transit passengers who pass through Australia but are not cleared for entry, and passengers on pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia.

Interstate migration

10 Data on interstate migration has been derived from aggregated statistical information on interstate changes of address advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare. The ABS adjusts the Health Insurance Commission data to make allowance for the number of persons who do not inform the Commission of their change of residence. Further details are available in *Population Estimates: Concepts Sources and Methods* (3228.0).

BIRTHS

11 Birth statistics are presented on the basis of the State or Territory of usual residence of the mother, regardless of where in Australia the birth occurred or was registered.

12 Births to mothers usually resident in Australia which took place overseas are excluded. Births to mothers usually resident overseas which occurred in Australia are included in the State or Territory where the birth occurred.

13 Data presented in section 3 of this publication refer to births registered during the calendar year shown. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a birth, and, as a result of delay in registration, some births occurring in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, most births are registered soon after they occur. More than 99% of births occurring in one year are registered by 30 June of the following year. Data presented in section 4 show the number of births occurring in a particular year.

14 Data on stillbirths (fetal deaths) may be found in summary form in section 5 (Deaths) of the publication.

15 The live birth statistics used to calculate the fetal and neonatal death rates have been adjusted (in accordance with the WHO definition of perinatal death) to exclude cases where the birthweight was known to be less than 500 grams. However, infant death rates are calculated using all live births registered because figures are not available for infants who weighed less than 500 grams at birth and who lived for 28 days, but died before they were one year old.

DEATHS

16 Death statistics are presented on the basis of the State or Territory of usual residence of the deceased, regardless of where in Australia the death occurred or was registered.

17 Data presented in section 5 of this publication refer to deaths registered during the year shown. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death, and as a result some deaths are not registered in the year in which they occur. However, most deaths are registered within six months of occurrence. More than 99% of deaths occurring in one year have been registered by 30 June of the following year. Data presented in section 6 show the number of deaths occurring in a particular year.

18 Life tables are shown in tables 5.4 and 5.5 and summarise expectation of life. From 1995 these life tables will be based on deaths occurring in the reference and previous two years. They will be produced at the Australian and State and Territory level as a joint venture between the ABS and the Australian Government Actuary. These life tables will be known as the Australian Actuary/Australian Bureau of Statistics Life Tables. Before 1995 life tables shown in this publication were prepared by the ABS. The Australian Government Actuary also constructed life tables based on deaths occurring during the three years around and including the census year. The latest life tables prepared by the Australian Government Actuary were based on deaths during 1990-92. These were released in 1995 and copies are available from the Commonwealth Government bookshops or the Mail Order Sales Service.

MARRIAGES

19 Marriage statistics refer to marriages registered by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages of Victoria during the years shown. There is usually an interval between the celebration and the registration of a marriage. As a result of the delay in registration, some marriages celebrated in one year are not registered until the following year. Under the *Australian Marriage Act 1961*, marriages may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month, and within six calendar months, before the marriage. A celebrant must transmit an official certificate of the marriage for registration to a District Registrar in the State in which the marriage took place.

20 In 1973, the minimum age at which a person may marry without parental consent was reduced from 21 to 18 years, although women were legally free to marry from 16 years with parental consent. Further amendment to the Marriage Act in 1991 designated the minimum age at which both sexes are legally free to marry to be 18 years. Persons between the ages of 16 and 18 years may marry with parental or guardian consent and an order from a judge or magistrate. Any two persons under the age of 18 years may not marry each other.

21 The ABS, due to budgetary considerations, processed only limited data on marriages registered in 1995. The data items were State or Territory of registration, date of marriage, age of parties at marriage and previous marital status of parties. To assist in analysis of 1995 data, additional tables of marriage characteristics available from complete 1994 data have been included in Appendix D. ABS resumed full processing for 1996 marriage data.

DIVORCES

22 All divorce data in this publication, with the exception of data in Appendix E3, are for State or Territory of registration, based on the location of the Family Court where the divorce was granted and registered.

23 Divorce statistics shown in Appendix E3 are based on the State or Territory of usual residence at the time of separation. This takes account of some Family Courts having responsibility for hearing divorce cases relating to other States or Territories. The Australian Capital Territory Family Court hears cases from most of south-eastern New South Wales and part of Victoria. State or Territory of usual residence data are only available for 1993 and 1994 due to a decision taken by the Family Court in 1995. See paragraph 28 for more information.

24 Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, the only ground on which a divorce may be granted is that of irretrievable breakdown of the marriage. This ground is established by the husband and wife having lived apart for 12 months or more, and there being no reasonable likelihood of reconciliation. Application for nullity of marriage under Family Law legislation must be on the ground that there was a failure to meet a legal requirement, such as that neither party be already lawfully married to another person. There is no provision for judicial separation under Family Law legislation.

25 Successful applicants for a divorce are initially granted a decree *nisi*. This becomes absolute after one month, unless it is rescinded or appealed against, or the Court is not satisfied that proper arrangements have been made for the welfare of any children involved.

26 The statistics shown in this publication are compiled by the ABS from information supplied by the Family Court in respect of each application which resulted in the granting of a decree absolute.

27 In the interpretation of data, it is important to bear in mind that the availability of judges and the complexity of the cases brought before them can affect the number of decrees granted or made absolute in any one year. A rise in numbers may reflect only the clearing of a backlog of cases from an earlier period.

28 The Family Court of Australia introduced new divorce application forms in February 1995. With the introduction of these forms some data items that had been collected ceased to be available. The data items that are no longer available are:

- Characteristics of the divorce:
 - Postcode and State or Territory of separation;
 - Rite of marriage; and
 - Number of children aged over 18 years.
- Characteristics of the husband and wife:
 - Previous marital status at marriage;
 - Number of previous marriages;
 - Occupation at separation;
 - Date of first arrival in Australia; and
 - Duration of residence.

29 In light of the Family Court decision and ABS budgetary considerations, only limited data on divorces registered in 1995 were processed. The data items were State or Territory of registration; date of birth of parties; age of parties at marriage, separation and divorce; duration of marriage until separation and divorce; and sex of applicant. To assist in analysis of 1995 data, additional tables of divorce characteristics available from complete 1994 data have been included in Appendix E. With the exception of those data items which the Family Court no longer collects, ABS resumed full processing for 1996 divorce data.

GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES

30 The geographic boundaries for small area data are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 5* (1216.0).

31 The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the statistical local area boundaries at 30 June 1995.

32 The classification of countries in this publication is the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS). For more detailed information refer to the ABS publication *Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics* (1269.0).

33 Political developments in Europe, the former USSR and Africa have resulted in a number of changes to the ASCCSS. These changes have affected some of the categories in this publication and are detailed in Revisions 1.01, 1.02 and 1.03 of the ASCCSS.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- 34** Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:
- Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (Cat. no. 3101.0)
 - Australian Demographic Trends*, 1986 (Cat. no. 3102.0)
 - Births, Australia*, 1995 (Cat. no. 3301.0)
 - Causes of Death, Australia, 1995* (Cat. no. 3303.0)
 - Deaths, Australia, 1995* (Cat. no. 3302.0)
 - Demography* (State and Territory specific publications) (Cat. no. 3311.1-8)
 - Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Victoria* (Cat. no. 3207.2)
 - Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age, States and Territories of Australia, 1995 and 1996 Preliminary* (Cat. no. 3201.0)
 - Estimated Resident Population in Statistical Local Areas, Victoria, June 1995 and Preliminary June 1996* (Cat. no. 3203.2)
 - Marriages and Divorces, Australia*, 1995 (Cat. no. 3310.0)
 - Migration, Australia, 1995-96* (Cat. no. 3412.0)
 - Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1995 to 2051* (Cat. no. 3222.0)
 - Regional Population Growth, 1994-95* (Cat. no. 3218.0)

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

- 35** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS office.
- 36** In most cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published. Appendix A lists characteristics processed by the ABS for marriages registered, divorces granted, births and deaths. This information may be made available in one or more of the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, data tape, floppy disk, computer printout, or clerically extracted tabulation.

APPENDIX **A**

CHARACTERISTICS AVAILABLE

Data items relating to vital statistics which are collected in Victoria, but not published in this bulletin.

BIRTHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin of mother, father (if paternity acknowledged) and child
 Date of birth
 Hospital/non-hospital birth
 Month/year of registration
 Place of marriage

DEATHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Origin
 Age at marriage
 Date of death
 Month/year of registration
 Number of issue
 Occupation at time of death (or previous occupation, if retired)

MARRIAGES

Birthplace of parents of bridegroom (n.a. 1995)
 Birthplace of parents of bride (n.a. 1995)
 Date of marriage
 Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas (n.a. 1995)
 Month/year of registration
 Number of children of previous marriages (n.a. 1995)
 Year of birth of youngest child (n.a. 1995)
 Year of celebration of last marriage (n.a. 1995)
 Year of first previous marriage (n.a. 1995)
 Year of termination of last marriage (n.a. 1995)

DIVORCES

Age of youngest child of marriage (n.a. 1995)
 Month of divorce
 Occupation of husband (n.a. after 1994)
 Occupation of wife (n.a. after 1994)

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

Year	Population	Births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Marriages	Divorces	Crude birth rate(a)	Crude death rate(a)	Infant mortality rate(b)	Crude marriage rate(a)	Crude divorce rate(a)
1911	1 339 893	33 026	15 216	2 269	11 088	214	25.0	11.5	68.7	8.4	0.2
1916	1 424 445	34 235	16 489	2 555	11 342	207	24.2	11.7	74.6	8.0	0.2
1921	1 550 727	35 591	16 165	2 582	13 676	389	23.1	10.5	72.6	8.9	0.3
1926	1 684 051	35 362	16 335	1 969	13 405	470	20.8	9.6	55.7	7.9	0.3
1931	1 803 570	30 332	17 033	1 349	10 182	425	16.9	9.5	44.5	5.7	0.2
1936	1 849 607	28 883	18 778	1 222	15 915	690	15.7	10.2	42.3	8.6	0.4
1941	1 946 425	34 406	20 522	1 246	20 898	842	17.8	10.6	36.2	10.8	0.4
1946	2 015 107	46 693	21 534	1 268	21 405	1 651	23.1	10.6	27.2	10.6	0.8
1951	2 299 538	50 553	23 446	1 143	21 117	1 730	22.2	10.3	22.6	9.3	0.8
1956	2 618 112	58 393	23 886	1 128	20 137	1 270	22.5	9.2	19.3	7.8	0.5
1961	2 955 299	65 886	24 500	1 173	21 264	1 257	22.5	8.4	17.8	7.3	0.4
1966(c)	3 249 843	64 008	28 673	1 116	27 089	2 144	19.9	8.9	17.4	8.4	0.7
1971(d)	3 633 843	75 498	30 598	1 107	32 386	3 079	21.5	8.7	14.7	9.2	0.9
1976	3 823 941	60 531	30 884	702	28 760	(e)1 6633	15.9	8.1	11.6	7.6	4.4
1981	3 968 398	59 284	29 088	562	28 648	9 769	15.0	7.4	9.4	7.3	2.5
1986	4 182 200	60 162	30 175	517	29 390	9 670	14.5	7.2	8.6	7.1	2.3
1991	4 435 700	65 438	31 216	428	28 535	11 134	14.8	7.1	6.5	6.5	2.5
1992	4 459 400	65 766	31 951	366	28 429	10 533	14.8	7.2	5.6	6.4	2.4
1993	4 468 800	64 049	31 197	347	27 418	(f)10935	14.3	7.0	5.4	6.1	2.5
1994	4 485 900	63 974	32 353	327	26 974	(f)11228	14.3	7.2	5.1	6.0	2.5
1995	4 520 800	62 591	32 425	308	26 607	11 838	13.9	7.2	4.9	5.9	2.6

(a) Crude rate per 1 000 population.

(b) Infant mortality rate per 1 000 live births.

(c) Vital events of 'full-blood Aborigines', where identified in registrations, were excluded before 1966.

(d) From 1971 births, deaths and infant deaths are on a State of usual residence basis, while data for earlier years are on a State of registration basis.

(e) The Family Law Act (Cwth), repealing State legislation, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.

(f) State of usual residence basis. Data prior to 1993 and from 1995 are on a State of registration basis.

APPENDIX C CENSUS 1991

SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1991

Characteristics of persons counted	Males	Females	Persons	Proportion of total persons
	no.	no.	no.	%
Total persons counted(a)	2 096 641	2 147 641	4 244 282	..
Persons counted in private dwellings	2 038 192	2 086 446	4 124 638	97.2
Persons counted in non-private dwellings	57 763	60 931	118 694	2.8
Usual residence				
Persons counted at home	2 024 478	2 077 736	4 102 214	96.7
Visitors counted from				
Elsewhere in same statistical local area	14 721	15 176	29 897	0.7
Elsewhere within Victoria	40 089	38 197	78 286	1.8
Interstate	12 291	10 164	22 455	0.5
Overseas	5 062	6 368	11 430	0.3
Total visitors	72 163	69 905	142 068	3.3
Usual residence 5 years ago(b)				
Same address	1 090 887	1 124 186	2 215 073	58.4
Different address				
Same statistical local area	181 124	188 292	369 416	9.7
Elsewhere within Victoria	380 515	399 290	779 805	20.6
Interstate	57 710	57 506	115 216	3.0
Overseas	75 574	77 571	153 145	4.0
Not stated(c)	80 128	80 597	160 725	4.2
Age of persons counted (years)				
0-14	479 649	455 465	935 114	22.0
15-54	1 242 331	1 242 227	2 484 558	58.5
55-64	178 144	176 876	355 020	8.4
65 or more	196 532	272 964	469 496	11.1
Marital status of persons counted(d)				
Never married	541 687	449 690	991 377	30.0
Married	928 880	935 456	1 864 336	56.3
Separated but not divorced	39 432	47 299	86 731	2.6
Divorced	67 605	89 379	156 984	4.7
Widowed	39 551	170 166	209 717	6.3
Birthplace of persons counted				
Australia	1 534 964	1 595 150	3 130 114	73.8
Other Oceania and Antarctica	26 679	27 256	53 935	1.3
Europe and the former USSR	337 777	325 605	663 382	15.6
Middle East and North Africa	26 638	24 354	50 992	1.2
Southeast Asia	53 291	57 308	110 599	2.6
Northeast Asia	21 612	21 228	42 840	1.0
Southern Asia	21 101	20 430	41 531	1.0
Northern America	7 359	7 428	14 787	0.3
Southern and Central America	9 098	9 428	18 526	0.4
Africa (excl. North Africa)	12 889	12 782	25 671	0.6
Other(e)	382	336	718	0.0
Not stated	45 273	45 613	90 886	2.1

For footnotes see end of table.

SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1991 *continued*

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>
<i>Australian citizens</i>	1 830 981	1 877 448	3 708 429	87.4
Aged 18 years or more	1 303 873	1 375 496	2 679 369	63.1
Persons identifying themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin	8 239	8 495	16 734	0.4
<i>Labour force status(d)</i>				
<i>Employed persons</i>	1 030 493	779 543	1 810 036	54.7
Full-time(f)	828 794	420 832	1 249 626	37.8
Part-time	148 108	318 025	466 133	14.1
Hours worked not stated	53 591	40 686	94 277	2.8
<i>Unemployed persons</i>	150 040	97 092	247 132	7.5
Looking for full-time work	133 668	67 597	201 265	6.1
Looking for part-time work	16 372	29 495	45 867	1.4
<i>Total in the labour force</i>	1 180 533	876 635	2 057 168	62.2
Total not in the labour force(g)	436 482	815 494	1 251 976	37.8

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Persons aged 5 years or more counted at home on census night.

(c) Comprises persons who stated they lived at a different address 5 years ago but did not state the actual address.

(d) Persons aged 15 years or more.

(e) Comprises inadequately described, at sea and not elsewhere classified.

(f) Defined as having worked 35 hours or more in the main job held in the week before the census.

(g) Includes persons who did not state their labour force status.

APPENDIX **D**

MARRIAGE TABLES, 1994

D1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	17 659	—	2 504	20 163	17 659	—	3 274	20 933
Fiji	14	23	5	42	15	23	4	42
New Zealand	298	55	58	411	223	55	55	333
Other	48	22	20	90	43	22	14	79
Total	18 019	100	2 587	20 706	17 940	100	3 347	21 387
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	18	—	14	32	6	—	6	12
Former USSR & Baltic States	7	66	5	78	20	66	17	103
Former Yugoslav Republics	192	141	47	380	83	141	46	270
Germany	107	24	42	173	79	24	43	146
Greece	140	44	24	208	75	44	20	139
Hungary	13	9	11	33	4	9	14	27
Ireland	58	8	21	87	23	8	9	40
Italy	183	53	44	280	97	53	25	175
Malta	49	16	16	81	34	16	16	66
Netherlands	71	13	29	113	50	13	19	82
Poland	25	47	17	89	30	47	15	92
United Kingdom	1 161	184	188	1 533	885	184	146	1 215
Other	140	74	65	279	99	74	46	219
Total	2 164	679	523	3 366	1 485	679	422	2 586
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	31	16	19	66	18	16	6	40
Lebanon	77	71	26	174	16	71	15	102
Turkey	40	52	15	107	17	52	14	83
Other	38	41	32	111	17	41	32	90
Total	186	180	92	458	68	180	67	315
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	17	28	12	57	14	28	23	65
Malaysia	32	34	52	118	51	34	44	129
Philippines	7	85	6	98	109	85	70	264
Singapore	14	5	9	28	24	5	17	41
Thailand	4	6	1	11	30	6	9	45
Viet Nam	6	631	46	683	23	631	64	718
Other	7	52	15	74	8	52	26	86
Total	87	841	141	1 069	259	841	248	1 348

D1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	13	231	68	312	33	231	75	339
Hong Kong	13	34	33	80	20	34	38	92
Other	5	17	14	36	30	17	28	75
Total	31	282	115	428	83	282	141	506
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	63	56	33	152	49	56	25	130
Sri Lanka	41	76	30	147	22	76	23	121
Other	11	20	8	39	4	20	11	35
Total	115	152	71	338	75	152	59	286
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	40	—	10	50	37	—	10	47
Chile	24	17	13	54	20	17	16	53
United States of America	105	10	19	134	68	10	15	93
Other	47	32	19	98	36	32	37	105
Total	216	59	61	336	161	59	78	298
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	50	13	21	84	45	13	19	77
Other	65	89	35	189	46	89	35	170
Total	115	102	56	273	91	102	54	247
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Total	20 933	2 395	3 646	26 974	20 163	2 395	4 416	26 974

D2 MARRIAGES, Category of Rite, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1994

Category of rite	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM			PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			All marriages	Proportion of all marriages
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced		
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
RELIGIOUS(a)								
Anglican	2 662	57	501	2 819	65	336	3 220	11.9
Baptist	345	16	72	349	12	72	433	1.6
Catholic	5 927	83	209	5 984	95	140	6 219	23.1
Churches of Christ	258	19	100	282	21	74	377	1.4
Lutheran	145	5	31	149	8	24	181	0.7
Orthodox	1 192	10	103	1 225	13	67	1 305	4.8
Presbyterian	216	12	52	228	11	41	280	1.0
Uniting Church	1 944	62	453	2 018	56	385	2 459	9.1
Other denominations	1 285	53	341	1 309	53	317	1 679	6.2
<i>All religious rites</i>	13 974	317	1 862	14 363	334	1 456	16 153	59.9
CIVIL								
Official registrars	1 264	50	536	1 278	54	518	1 850	6.9
Other civil celebrants	5 824	249	2 898	5 896	287	2 788	8 971	33.3
<i>All civil rites</i>	7 088	299	3 434	7 174	341	3 306	10 821	40.1
TOTAL								
Number	21 062	616	5 296	21 537	675	4 762	26 974	100.0
Proportion (%)	78.1	2.3	19.6	79.8	2.5	17.7	100.0	

(a) Recognised denominations under authority of the *Australian Marriage Act 1961*.

D3 REMARRIAGES, Number of Previous Marriages, Number of Children Under 16—1994

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 16.....

<i>Number of previous marriages</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>Four or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
BRIDEGROOM							
One	3 294	949	658	205	54	5	5 165
Two	411	128	96	34	3	5	677
Three or more	40	11	7	7	1	1	67
Not stated	1	-	-	-	-	2	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>3 746</i>	<i>1 088</i>	<i>761</i>	<i>246</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>5 912</i>
BRIDE							
One	2 954	878	674	212	45	7	4 770
Two	386	108	63	21	11	3	592
Three or more	56	8	7	2	1	-	74
Not stated	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>3 396</i>	<i>994</i>	<i>744</i>	<i>235</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>5 437</i>

D4 REMARRIAGES, Interval to Remarriage, Reason for Termination of Last Marriage—1994

<i>Interval between termination of last marriage and remarriage (years)</i>	BRIDEGROOM'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY			BRIDE'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY.....		
	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	14	856	870	9	663	672
1	94	1 137	1 231	46	958	1 004
2	94	678	772	80	619	699
3	84	568	652	67	498	565
4	78	390	468	59	338	397
0-4	364	3 629	3 993	261	3 076	3 337
5	55	320	870	58	293	351
6	34	233	1 231	53	216	269
7	29	188	772	46	227	273
8	17	150	652	34	150	184
9	20	143	468	29	134	163
5-9	155	1 034	1 189	220	1 020	1 240
10-14	52	413	465	94	424	518
15-19	23	166	189	51	199	250
20 and over	20	49	69	48	39	87
Not stated	2	5	7	1	4	5
All remarriages	616	5 296	5 912	675	4 762	5 437

APPENDIX **E** DIVORCE TABLES, 1994

E2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	6 235	—	1 179	7 414	6 235	—	1 541	7 776
Fiji	8	15	16	39	14	15	12	41
New Zealand	84	73	30	187	79	73	41	193
Other	13	9	3	25	6	9	8	23
Total	6 340	97	1 228	7 665	6 334	97	1 602	8 033
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	12	—	5	17	8	—	9	17
Former USSR & Baltic States	3	37	9	49	4	37	11	52
Former Yugoslav Republics	62	123	41	226	22	123	27	172
Germany	72	21	39	132	53	21	32	106
Greece	76	73	22	171	23	73	27	123
Hungary	11	20	15	46	4	20	10	34
Ireland	32	22	15	69	20	22	12	54
Italy	114	90	35	239	39	90	22	151
Malta	36	26	24	86	19	26	11	56
Netherlands	66	18	26	110	43	18	25	86
Poland	12	63	16	91	9	63	11	83
United Kingdom	578	246	116	940	491	246	107	844
Other	57	56	35	148	46	56	28	130
Total	1 131	795	398	2 324	781	795	332	1 908
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	21	16	12	49	6	16	13	35
Lebanon	14	36	9	59	5	36	12	53
Turkey	14	55	12	81	2	55	5	62
Other	30	15	25	70	10	15	15	40
Total	79	122	58	259	23	122	45	190
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	9	7	11	27	7	7	7	21
Malaysia	18	19	11	48	18	19	22	59
Philippines	8	39	6	53	54	39	44	137
Singapore	8	3	5	16	6	3	7	16
Thailand	3	4	3	10	11	4	15	30
Viet Nam	2	192	34	228	—	192	27	219
Other	3	13	11	27	2	13	7	22
Total	51	277	81	409	98	277	129	504

E2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	<i>Total</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	7	102	36	145	19	102	55	176
Hong Kong	1	18	16	35	6	18	20	44
Other	2	2	3	7	5	2	10	17
<i>Total</i>	10	122	55	187	30	122	85	237
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	18	38	23	79	19	38	11	68
Sri Lanka	18	52	11	81	17	52	9	78
Other	8	5	2	15	1	5	2	8
<i>Total</i>	44	95	36	175	37	95	22	154
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	10	2	7	19	14	2	5	21
Chile	3	13	4	20	5	13	4	22
United States of America	33	1	6	40	34	1	10	45
Other	10	23	9	42	11	23	8	42
<i>Total</i>	56	39	26	121	64	39	27	130
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	16	19	3	38	14	19	12	45
Other	30	47	22	99	14	47	18	79
<i>Total</i>	46	66	25	137	28	66	30	124
Other and not stated	19	17	7	43	19	17	4	40
Total	7 776	1 630	1 914	11 320	7 414	1 630	2 276	11 320

E3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994r

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Aust.
ALL DIVORCES										
Divorces granted	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Crude divorce rate	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.2	2.4	3.1		2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.4	11.0	11.1	11.3	11.3	12.0	10.9	10.0	9.1	10.9
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.2	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.8	7.3	7.2	4.5	7.6
Divorces involving children										
Number	7 826	(c)	4 733	1 941	2 498	931	232	524	411	(c)
Percentage of total divorces	50.0	(c)	56.6	47.6	50.3	61.3	56.2	56.3	35.6	(c)
Average issue	1.9	(c)	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.7	(c)
Applicant										
Husband	5 745	4 135	3 155	1 387	1 443	482	143	341	519	17 350
Wife	7 945	5 493	4 315	2 061	1 950	878	171	407	519	23 739
Joint	1 973	1 601	889	633	1 570	159	99	183	116	7 223

For footnotes see end of table.

E3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994r *continued*

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Aust.
HUSBAND										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.6	..	0.8
25-29	7.8	7.7	7.8	8.2	7.8	10.1	6.0	9.0	..	8.0
30-34	12.1	12.0	11.6	13.3	14.0	16.5	8.2	13.9	..	12.7
35-39	12.7	12.2	12.8	13.7	13.1	16.8	12.2	14.2	..	13.2
40-44	11.8	12.0	12.1	14.4	13.1	14.8	10.2	13.3	..	12.6
45-49	10.4	10.1	11.1	10.9	11.9	12.9	7.7	12.3	..	10.9
50-54	8.4	7.7	8.1	7.9	9.8	11.1	9.2	9.0	..	8.5
55 and over	2.5	2.5	2.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	4.1	4.2	..	2.7
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 781	9 331	6 592	3 280	4 018	1 257	325	749	922	39 255
Widowed	175	105	102	42	53	12	2	8	11	510
Divorced	2 707	1 793	1 665	759	892	250	86	174	221	8 547
<i>Total</i>	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	25.7	25.2	25.3	25.0	25.4	24.7	25.8	26.0	27.0	25.4
At final separation	36.5	36.5	36.9	36.6	36.8	36.7	36.5	36.7	34.3	36.6
At decree made absolute	39.6	39.5	40.1	39.6	40.1	39.4	39.5	39.6	38.6	39.7
WIFE										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	2.1	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.8	..	2.0
25-29	11.5	11.4	11.4	12.8	12.4	15.2	7.0	13.2	..	12.0
30-34	13.2	12.6	13.2	14.1	14.5	16.4	11.4	14.9	..	13.8
35-39	12.5	11.8	12.4	14.1	13.8	17.2	11.5	13.7	..	13.0
40-44	11.2	11.1	11.5	12.8	12.5	14.4	10.6	12.0	..	11.8
45-49	9.1	8.5	9.4	8.8	10.1	11.0	10.1	9.7	..	9.3
50-54	6.1	5.5	6.5	6.0	7.4	7.7	5.6	8.1	..	6.3
55 and over	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.1	..	1.3
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 816	9 431	6 549	3 311	4 010	1 259	332	756	975	39 539
Widowed	191	158	122	45	68	21	2	4	14	625
Divorced	2 656	1 640	1 588	725	885	239	79	171	165	8 148
<i>Total</i>	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	23.0	22.8	22.5	22.4	22.7	22.2	23.6	23.3	24.1	22.8
At final separation	33.7	33.7	34.1	33.9	33.9	34.1	33.5	33.7	31.1	33.8
At decree made absolute	36.8	36.7	37.0	36.9	37.2	36.7	37.0	36.9	35.3	36.8

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Includes divorces where usual residence was Christmas Island or Cocos (Keeling) Islands (3), Overseas (1,059) or not stated (91).

(c) Family Court children data for Victoria appears incomplete.

GLOSSARY

- Age-specific birth rates** Age-specific birth rates are the number of live births registered during the calendar year, according to age of mother, per 1,000 of the female estimated resident population of the same age at 30 June. For calculating these rates, births to mothers under 15 are included in the 15–19 age group, and births to mothers aged 50 and over are included in the 45–49 age group. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of births for which age of mother is not given.
- Age-specific death rates** Age-specific death rates are the number of deaths at a specified age per 1,000 of the estimated resident population of that age at 30 June. The infant mortality rate is used for the age-specific rate for children under 1 year of age. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of deaths for which the age of deceased is not given.
- Age-specific divorce rates** Two different populations are used in the calculation of age-specific divorce rates:
- Per 1,000 population at 30 June — this relates the number of divorces, by age at decree made absolute, to the estimated resident population in specific age groups. Males under 18 and females under 16 are excluded from the population.
 - Per 1,000 married population at 30 June — this relates the number of divorces by age at decree made absolute, to the married population in specific age groups. Those classified as permanently separated are included in the married population. Males and females under 15 are excluded from the population.
- Age-specific marriage rates** Two different populations are used in the calculation of age-specific marriage rates:
- Per 1,000 population at 30 June — this relates the number of marriages, by age at marriage, to the estimated resident population in specific age groups. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.
 - Per 1,000 not currently married population at 30 June — this relates the number of marriages, by age at marriage, to the not currently married population in specific age groups. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.
- Birth** The delivery of a child, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, who after being born, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
- Category of movement** Overseas arrivals and departures are classified according to length of stay (in Australia or overseas), recorded in months and days by travellers on passenger cards.
- There are three main categories of movement:
- permanent
 - long-term (one year or more)
 - short-term (less than one year).
- A significant number of travellers (i.e. overseas visitors to Australia on arrival and Australian residents going abroad) state exactly twelve months or one year as their intended period of stay. Many of them stay for less than that period and on

- their departure from, or return to, Australia are therefore classified as short-term. Accordingly in an attempt to maintain consistency between arrivals and departures, movements of travellers who report their actual or intended period of stay as being one year exactly are randomly allocated to long-term or short-term in proportion to the number of movements of travellers who report their actual length of stay as up to one month more, or one month less, than one year.
- Children (divorce collection)** Children in the divorce collection are unmarried children of the marriage who were aged under 18 years at the time of application for divorce. Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, these may include (in certain cases) adopted and ex-nuptial children and children from a former marriage. Children who are married or aged 18 years or more are not subject to custody and guardianship orders and are excluded.
- Children (marriage collection)** Children in the marriage collection refer to persons under 16 years of age born from previous marriages. The term children should not be confused with the term previous births used in births data (see previous births).
- Confinement** A pregnancy which results in at least one live birth.
- Crude birth rate** The crude birth rate is the number of live births registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude birth rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.
- Crude death rate** The crude death rate is the number of deaths registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude death rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.
- Crude divorce rate** The crude divorce rate is the number of decrees absolute granted during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude divorce rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is unmarried or below the minimum age of marriage.
- Crude marriage rate** The crude marriage rate is the number of marriages registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude marriage rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is below the minimum age of marriage or is already married.
- Date of final separation** The date of final separation is that date, given on the application for divorce, from which the period of living apart is calculated for the purpose of establishing grounds for divorce. In determining the date of final separation, a single period of resumed cohabitation of less than three months may be ignored, provided the periods of living apart before and after resumed cohabitation amount to a total of 12 months or more.
- Divorce** Decree absolute of dissolution of marriage.
- Duration of marriage** Duration of marriage is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of divorce.

Duration of marriage until separation	Duration of marriage until separation is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of separation.
Estimated resident population	<p>Estimated resident population data are quarterly estimates of the Australian population obtained by adding to the estimated population at the beginning of each period the components of natural increase (on a usual residence basis) and net overseas migration. For the States and Territories, account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of usual residence. After each census, estimates for the preceding intercensal period are revised by incorporating an additional quarterly adjustment (intercensal discrepancy) to ensure that the total intercensal increase agrees with the difference between the estimated resident populations at the two respective census dates.</p> <p>Estimates of the resident population are based on adjusted (for underenumeration) census counts by place of usual residence, to which are added the number of Australian residents estimated to have been temporarily overseas at the time of the census.</p> <p>The concept of estimated resident population links people to a place of usual residence within Australia. Usual residence is that place where each person has lived or intends to live for six months or more in a reference year.</p> <p>Rates shown in this publication for the years since 1974 are calculated using estimates of resident population. A description of the conceptual basis of the estimated resident population is contained in <i>Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods</i> (Cat. no. 3228.0). Revised population estimates are published in <i>Australian Demographic Statistics</i> (Cat. no. 3101.0) (issued quarterly).</p>
Fetal death	The delivery of a child weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or of at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable) which did not, at any time after delivery, breathe or show any other evidence of life such as heartbeat.
Fetal death rate	The fetal death rate is the number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or of at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable).
First marriage rates	First marriage rates are the number of men and women, in an age group, marrying for the first time per 1,000 (mid-year) population of never married men and women in the same age group.
Indigenous origin	<p>Persons who identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous birth refers to the birth of a live born child where either the mother or the father has identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous death refers to a death where the deceased was identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p>
Infant death	An infant death is the death of a live born child who died when less than one year old.
Infant mortality rate	The number of deaths of children under one year of age in a calendar year per 1,000 live births in the same calendar year.

Life expectancy	Life expectancy refers to the average number of additional years a person of a given age and sex might expect to live if the age-specific death rates of the given period continued throughout his or her lifetime.
Long-term arrivals	Long-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors who intend to stay in Australia for twelve months or more (but not permanently) and Australian residents returning after an absence of twelve months or more overseas.
Long-term departures	Long-term departures comprise Australian residents who intend to stay abroad for twelve months or more (but not permanently) and overseas visitors departing who stayed twelve months or more in Australia.
Marriage	Under the <i>Australian Marriage Act 1961</i> , a marriage may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month but within six calendar months before the marriage. A celebrant must transmit an official certificate of the marriage for registration to a district registrar in the State or Territory in which the marriage took place.
Marital status	Two separate concepts are measured by the ABS. These are registered marital status and social marital status. They are different personal characteristics and are independent variables with separate classifications. Marital status in this publication relates to registered marital status which refers to formally registered marriages or divorces for which the partners hold a certificate.
Median value	The median value (age, duration, interval) is that value which divides the relevant population into two equal parts, half falling below this value, and half exceeding it. Where the value for a particular record has not been stated, that record is excluded from the calculation.
Multiple birth	A multiple birth is a confinement which results in two or more issue, at least one of which is live born.
Neonatal death	A neonatal death is the death within 28 days of birth of any child weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or of at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable) who after delivery, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
Neonatal death rate	The neonatal death rate is the number of neonatal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable).
Nuptial first confinement	A nuptial first confinement is the first confinement in the current marriage and therefore does not necessarily represent the woman's first ever confinement resulting in a live birth.
Nuptiality	Nuptiality relates to the relative marital status of parents. Confinements and births are identified as being nuptial where the father registered was married to the mother at the time of birth, or where the husband died during the pregnancy.
Paternity-acknowledged birth	A paternity-acknowledged birth refers to an ex-nuptial birth where paternity was acknowledged by the child's father.
Perinatal death	A perinatal death is either a fetal or a neonatal death, as elsewhere defined.

Perinatal death rate	The perinatal death rate is the number of perinatal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable) plus fetal deaths combined.
Permanent arrivals (settlers)	Permanent arrivals (settlers) comprise travellers who hold migrant visas (regardless of stated intended period of stay), New Zealand citizens who indicate an intention to settle and those who are otherwise eligible to settle (e.g. overseas-born children of Australian citizens).
Permanent departures	Permanent departures are Australian residents (including former settlers) who on departure state that they do not intend to return to Australia.
Previous births	<p>Previous births refer to children born alive (who may be still living or now dead) to a mother prior to the registration of the current birth. In some States and both Territories, legitimated and legally adopted children are included.</p> <p>Previous births of the current marriage relates to nuptial births to the same parents prior to the current nuptial confinement.</p> <p>All previous births of the mother includes all births prior to the current confinement, regardless of nuptiality and paternity.</p>
Previous issue	See previous births.
Remarriage rates	Remarriage rates are the number of remarrying men and women, of a certain age, per 1,000 (mid-year) population of widowed or divorced men and women of the same age.
Reproduction rate	<p>Two different reproduction rates as shown in this publication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gross reproduction rate — the gross reproduction rate represents the average number of daughters per woman that would be born to a group of women all of whom survive to the end of the reproductive period and who had borne daughters at each age in accordance with the rates prevailing during that year. It is an indication of the extent to which the population would reproduce itself under these conditions, except that it does not allow for females who fail to survive to the end of the child-bearing period. It is the sum of the female 5 year age-specific fertility rates (i.e. the number of female live births according to age of mother per 1,000 females of that age) multiplied by five. ▪ Net reproduction rate — the net reproduction rate makes allowance for all women not surviving until the end of the reproductive period. It represents the average number of daughters born to a group of women who are subject to the fertility rates of that year and to the mortality rates of the life table. It indicates the extent to which the population would reproduce itself. The net reproduction rate is obtained by multiplying the female age-specific birth rates by the proportion of survivors at corresponding ages in a life table and adding the products.
Sex ratio	The sex ratio relates to the number of male events (births and deaths) per 100 female events.
Short-term arrivals	Short-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors whose intended stay in Australia is less than twelve months and Australian residents returning after an absence of less than twelve months overseas.

Short-term departures	Short-term departures comprise Australian residents whose intended period of stay abroad is less than twelve months and overseas visitors departing who stayed less than twelve months in Australia.
Standardised death rates	<p>Standardised death rates enable the comparison of death rates between populations with different age structures by relating them to a standard population, in this case all persons in the 1991 Australian population. They are expressed per 1,000 persons. There are two methods of calculating standardised death rates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The <i>direct method</i> — this is used when the populations under study are large and the age-specific death rates are reliable. It is the overall death rate that would have prevailed in the standard population if it had experienced at each age the death rates of the population under study. The direct method is used for comparing State and Territory and Australia rates. ▪ The <i>indirect method</i> — this is used when the populations under study are small and the age-specific death rates are unreliable or not known. It is an adjustment to the crude death rate of the standard population to account for the variation between the actual number of deaths in the population under study and the number of deaths which would have occurred if the population under study had experienced the age-specific death rates of the standard population. The indirect method is used for comparison of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rates and Statistical Local Area rates.
State or Territory of registration	State or Territory of registration refers to the State or Territory in which the birth, death, or marriage was registered or the State or Territory in which the divorce was granted. For further information about how this affects divorce see paragraphs 21 to 22 of the Explanatory Notes.
State or Territory of usual residence	<p>State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory of usual residence of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the population (estimated resident population); ▪ the mother (birth collection); ▪ the deceased (death collection); and ▪ the parties at separation (divorce collection). For further information about how this affects divorce see paragraphs 22 to 23 of the Explanatory Notes. <p>In the case of overseas movements State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory regarded by the traveller as the one in which he/she lives or has lived. State or Territory of intended residence is derived from the intended address given by settlers, and by Australian residents returning after a journey abroad. Particularly in the case of the former, this information does not necessarily relate to the State or Territory in which the person will eventually establish a permanent residence.</p>
Total fertility rate	The total fertility rate represents the number of children one woman would bear if the age-specific birth rates of the year shown continued during her child-bearing lifetime. It is obtained by summing the five-year age-specific birth rates and multiplying by five.





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