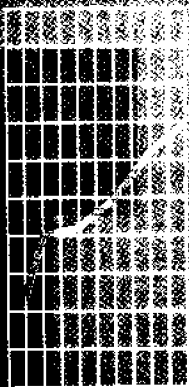


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NOTES

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 data 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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SECTION 1

DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

KEY FIGURES

	AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY...			AUSTRALIA.....		
	1985	1995	Change	1985	1995	Change
	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%
Estimated resident population	255.9	304.9	19.1	15 900.6	18 168.6	14.3
Net overseas migration	1.2	0.8	-30.3	89.3	108.0	20.9
Net interstate migration	3.2	-1.0	-129.8
Births						
Registration basis	4.1	4.4	7.5	247.3	256.2	3.6
Occurrence basis	4.1	4.4	8.3	243.1	251.9	3.6
Deaths						
Registration basis	0.9	1.1	24.3	118.8	125.1	5.3
Occurrence basis	0.9	1.1	26.1	117.8	125.1	6.2
Marriages	1.8	1.8	-4.4	115.5	109.4	-5.3
Divorces	1.7	1.8	3.3	39.8	49.7	24.7

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

The estimated resident population of the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) at 31 December 1995 was 304,900. This was an increase of 19.1% over the last 10 years.

The median age of people resident in the ACT at 30 June 1995 was 30.7 years which was 3.0 years lower than the median age of the resident Australian population.

The largest growth area when compared with 1994, with a 49% increase, was Outer Canberra which includes Gungahlin, while Weston Creek recorded the largest decrease of 3%.

OVERSEAS MIGRATION

In 1995 more people settled in the ACT from an overseas country than chose to leave the ACT for overseas, either permanently or long term. The net overseas migration figure for the ACT was 800 persons. In the ACT, 25% of growth was due to overseas migration compared with 46% nationally.

INTERSTATE MIGRATION

More people chose to leave for other parts of Australia than chose to settle in the ACT in 1995. The net interstate migration figure for the ACT was -950 persons. The State recording the highest intake of persons from the ACT was Queensland (4,390 persons or 22% of all interstate departures from the ACT).

BIRTHS

Registration basis

In 1995 there were 4,420 births registered in the ACT. This was an increase of 7.5% on the number registered in 1985 (4,110). The number of births registered also increased for Australia but by only 3.6%.

The total fertility rate has, over the last 10 years, fluctuated between 1.7 and 1.9 children per woman. In 1995, the total fertility rate in the ACT was 1.7 children per woman compared with 1.8 children for Australia.

The peak age group for mothers giving birth in the ACT 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 the ACT was 115 per 1,000 mothers in the age group compared with 122 for Australia.

Ex-nuptial births represented 26% of all births registered in the ACT in 1995 (1,140) compared with 12% in 1985 (480). This was an increase of 135%. By comparison, ex-nuptial births for Australia increased by 78% in the same period.

Occurrence basis

In 1995, 4,410 births occurred in the ACT. This was an 8% increase on the number occurring in 1985.

The highest number of births occurred in the month of March (389).

DEATHS

Registration basis

The number of deaths registered in the ACT in 1995 was 1,110. This was an increase of 24% on the number registered in 1985 (900).

The standardised death rate in the ACT in 1995 was 5.4 per 1,000 standard population. This compares with 6.7 in 1985 and the 1995 Australian rate of 6.5.

The median age at death was 70.5 years for men usually resident in the ACT and 75.9 years for women. By comparison the 1985 medians were 65.2 years and 72.5 years, respectively. In 1995 the national median age at death for men was 73.5 years and for women 80.3 years.

In 1995 the number of infant deaths registered in the ACT was 21. This was a decrease of 34% on 1985 (32).

The infant mortality rate was 4.8 per 1,000 live births compared with 7.8 in 1985. The infant mortality rate for Australia was 5.7 in 1995.

Occurrence basis

In 1995, 1,150 deaths occurred in the ACT. This was a 26% increase on the number occurring in 1985.

The highest number of deaths occurred in the month of May (10.1%).

The number of infant deaths registered in 1995 on an occurrence basis was 24. This was 17.2% lower than in 1985.

MARRIAGES

There were 1,750 marriages registered in the ACT in 1995. This was about 4% less than the number registered in 1985.

In 1995 the crude marriage rate of 5.8 per 1,000 population continued the downward trend which commenced in 1972. The trend in the ACT reflects the national trend.

The median marriage age for men and women marrying was 29.2 years for men and 26.7 years for women. This was 1.4 and 1.3 years, respectively, higher than in 1985. When compared with Australia, the ACT median for men was the same as the Australian median, while for women the median was lower than the Australian median but by only 0.1 of a year.

DIVORCES

In the ACT in 1995 there were 1,790 divorces granted compared with 1,730 in 1985.

Men and women divorcing in 1995 were older than men and women divorcing in 1985. In 1995, the median age at divorce was 39.9 years for men and 37.3 years for women. The comparative medians in 1985 were 36.4 years and 33.9 years respectively. The Australian median ages at divorce in 1995 were 39.9 years for men and 37.1 years for women.

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	(f)	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.

(f) See paragraph 22 in Explanatory Notes.

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>
CANBERRA SD					
Central Canberra SSD					
Action	1 750	2	0.901	1	3.9
Ainslie	4 627	55	1.391	38	7.6
Barton	645	4	1.281	3	7.5
Braddon	1 921	25	2.352	17	6.3
Campbell	3 054	24	1.613	18	4.4
City	365	1	n.p.	1	7.9
Deakin	2 659	21	1.283	11	4.9
Dickson	1 894	17	1.327	16	7.0
Downer	3 360	42	1.672	13	4.7
Duntroon	1 950	14	2.657	1	4.8
Forrest	1 204	7	1.292	5	3.2
Fyshwick	75	7	n.p.	2	n.p.
Griffith	3 292	31	1.273	25	4.1
Hackett	2 994	30	1.543	16	4.7
Kingston	1 621	24	1.945	7	9.3
Lyneham	4 189	40	1.169	51	13.8
Narrabundah	5 361	65	1.516	71	9.6
O'Connor	4 765	60	1.294	20	5.4
Parkes	27	—	—	—	—
Red Hill	3 150	28	1.703	53	11.7
Reid	1 663	24	1.464	10	6.0
Russell	5	—	—	—	—
Turner	2 013	24	1.253	15	5.3
Watson	3 514	38	1.662	19	5.2
Yarralumla	2 845	29	1.722	19	5.1
<i>Total</i>	58 943	612	1.424	432	6.8
Belconnen SSD					
Aranda	2 658	21	1.493	37	17.2
Belconnen Town Centre	2 706	28	0.950	2	2.2
Bruce	2 214	5	0.992	10	6.1
Charnwood	3 548	48	1.771	9	7.1
Cook	3 104	31	1.250	14	4.4
Evatt	307	6	1.001	14	4.4
Dunlop	6 460	99	1.916	11	3.8
Florey	5 737	88	1.577	12	5.3
Flynn	3 956	47	1.703	11	4.1
Fraser	2 590	23	2.305	8	6.7
Giralang	4 071	48	1.505	7	3.6
Hawker	3 124	26	1.452	15	4.4
Higgins	3 571	48	1.712	12	5.3
Holt	4 591	65	1.853	21	5.4
Kaleen	8 740	102	1.547	19	5.9
Latham	4 299	68	1.827	9	3.2
McKellar	3 127	37	1.578	2	2.6
Macgregor	4 179	54	1.854	9	3.1
Macquarie	2 601	32	1.451	8	4.9
Meiba	3 703	47	1.607	11	5.4
Page	2 733	47	1.660	15	5.1
Scullin	2 960	48	2.065	11	3.6
Spence	2 968	34	2.151	6	5.5
Weetangera	2 970	13	1.242	11	4.2
Belconnen—SSD Balance	73	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	86 990	1 065	1.571	270	5.3

For footnotes see end of table.

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

<i>Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated mid-year resident population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect standardised death rate(e)</i>
<i>CANBERRA SD continued</i>					
Woden Valley SSD					
Chifley	2 336	28	1.533	9	4.6
Curtin	5 303	47	1.508	39	7.0
Farrer	3 763	43	1.599	9	3.8
Garran	2 914	39	1.938	11	4.0
Hughes	2 929	31	1.468	22	5.9
Issacs	2 933	31	1.420	8	3.6
Lyons	2 697	35	1.773	11	4.4
Mawson	2 781	31	1.430	13	4.6
O'Malley	825	10	1.240	2	2.6
Pearce	2 496	24	1.351	12	4.4
Phillip	1 785	20	0.650	2	5.3
Torrens	2 358	27	2.072	7	3.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>33 120</i>	<i>366</i>	<i>1.494</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>4.8</i>
Weston Creek SSD					
Chapman	3 134	30	1.717	14	5.0
Duffy	3 441	47	1.699	7	4.0
Fisher	3 374	34	1.233	16	5.8
Holder	2 999	30	1.708	11	4.5
Rivett	3 543	43	1.772	12	5.4
Stirling	2 300	19	1.309	8	5.0
Waramanga	2 700	35	1.669	16	4.5
Weston	3 525	33	1.685	27	10.7
Weston Creek—SSD Balance	36	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>25 052</i>	<i>271</i>	<i>1.572</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>6.0</i>
Tuggeranong SSD					
Banks	3 169	134	3.101	5	9.3
Bonython	3 356	87	2.488	3	2.4
Calwell	5 952	169	2.552	5	3.1
Chisholm	6 296	100	1.784	6	6.0
Conder	2 537	100	3.151	4	5.8
Fadden	3 777	36	1.575	5	3.5
Gilmore	3 348	61	2.324	3	4.2
Gordon	5 755	188	2.417	6	7.6
Gowrie	3 745	48	1.911	4	3.5
Greenway	932	16	1.609	2	6.4
Isabella Plains	4 794	95	2.082	7	5.9
Kambah	18 100	235	1.790	32	4.3
Macarthur	1 730	28	2.320	2	3.8
Monash	5 803	101	1.856	5	5.8
Oxley	2 161	32	1.726	3	4.1
Richardson	3 645	60	2.242	9	4.3
Theodore	4 028	143	2.947	4	5.9
Wanniassa	9 406	107	1.648	26	5.4
Tuggeranong—SSD Balance	123	1	n.p.	—	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>88 657</i>	<i>1 741</i>	<i>2.065</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>4.8</i>

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>
CANBERRA SD <i>continued</i>					
Outer Canberra SSD					
Amaroo	307	8	2.491	18	3.1
Hall	377	9	2.775	2	2.4
Harman	232	9	3.513	—	—
Hume	13	—	—	—	—
Jerrabomberra	38	—	—	—	—
Kowen	47	—	—	—	—
Majura	349	5	n.p.	1	3.5
Mitchell	5	1	—	—	—
Ngunnawal	2 942	85	2.508	—	—
Nicholls	883	21	1.833	—	—
Oaks Estate	340	6	1.949	1	6.0
Palmerston	4 626	119	2.208	8	4.0
Piallago	128	—	1.905	1	2.0
Stromlo	105	1	n.p.	—	—
Symonston	458	3	0.468	1	1.9
Gungahlin Balance	61	—	—	—	—
Total	10 911	267	2.016	18	3.1
Total Canberra SD	303 673	4 322	1.689	1 107	5.7
Remainder of ACT	391	6	1.871	—	3.7
ACT(f)	304 064	4 328	1.689	1 107	5.7

(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 Australian Capital Territory undefined.

SECTION 2

POPULATION

The estimated resident population of the ACT at 31 December 1995 was 304,900 persons (153,700 males and 151,200 females). Over the last 10 years the population has increased by 19% from 255,900 persons in 1985. The annual population growth rate in the ACT in 1995 was 1.1%, up from 0.8% in 1994. However, the ACT growth rate was lower than that recorded nationally (1.3%) and well below the Northern Territory's rate of 2.8%, the highest increase of all States and Territories.

Natural increase

Natural increase (the excess of births over deaths registered during the year) contributed the most of any component to population growth in the ACT in 1995. Births exceeded deaths by around 3,300 persons.

Interstate movement

During 1995 more people left the ACT for other States and Territories than made their homes in the ACT, the net loss being about 950 persons. This is the highest interstate migration loss recorded for a calendar year in the ACT. In contrast, the ACT recorded a net migration gain of about 3,190 or 36% of total population growth in 1985.

Overseas migration

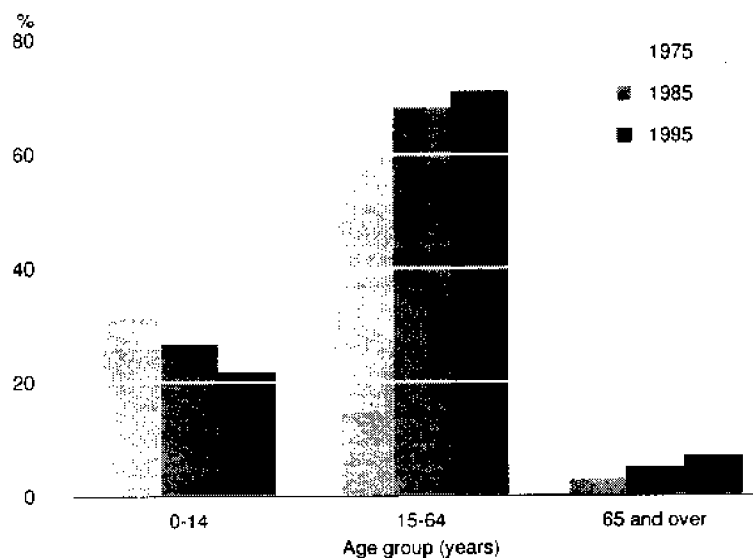
In 1995, overseas migration contributed 25% of total population growth in the ACT with a net overseas migration gain of about 800 persons. This represents a turn around from the previous three years which recorded net overseas migration losses.

Age structure of the ACT population

In June 1995, the median age (where half the population is older and half is younger) of the ACT population was 30.7 years, compared to 33.7 years for Australia. The Northern Territory was the only State or Territory with a younger median age (28.5). As with the national trend the median age of residents of the ACT is increasing quite rapidly. In 1985 the median age of the ACT population was 28.1 years, while in 1975 it was 24.8 years.

The population of the ACT is continuing to age, following the national trend. Over the 10 year period from 1985 to 1995, the proportion of the population aged 0–14 years declined from 27% to 22%. In contrast the proportion of the population aged 65 years and over increased from 5% in 1985 to 7% in 1995.

PROPORTION OF THE POPULATION IN SELECTED AGE GROUPS



2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

Particulars	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Estimated resident population at 31 December ('000)							
Males	128.0	142.4	145.7	148.4	150.4	151.8	153.7
Females	127.9	142.6	145.5	147.5	149.0	149.9	151.2
Persons	255.9	285.0	291.3	295.9	299.4	301.7	304.9
Components of population change(b)							
Net natural increase(c)							
Number	3 212	3 355	3 682	3 381	3 291	3 257	3 320
% of total annual growth	36.4	57.9	58.7	73.8	93.5	140.1	104.5
Net overseas migration(d)							
Number	1 159	542	337	-237	-592	-472	808
% of total annual growth	13.1	9.4	5.4	-5.2	-16.8	-20.3	25.4
Net interstate migration							
Number	3 187	1 782	2 047	1 440	1 570	-460	-951
% of total annual growth	36.1	30.8	32.7	31.4	44.6	-19.8	-29.9
Total population growth							
Number	8 824	5 793	6 269	4 584	4 269	2 325	3 177
Annual growth rate (e)	3.6	2.1	2.2	1.6	1.2	0.8	1.1
Overseas arrivals and departures(f)							
Permanent movement							
Arrivals	1 240	1 470	1 360	1 090	800	830	1 110
Departures	370	480	550	490	510	370	420
Former settlers	160	180	200	160	210	140	150
Other Australian residents	210	300	350	320	310	240	270
Long-term movement							
Arrivals	4 580	4 340	4 470	4 510	4 480	4 700	5 370
Australian residents returning	2 540	2 010	2 110	2 140	2 080	2 160	2 220
Overseas visitors arriving	2 030	2 330	2 370	2 360	2 400	2 550	3 150
Departures	4 640	4 830	4 730	4 760	4 840	5 040	5 280
Australian residents departing	2 890	3 040	2 970	2 990	3 000	2 940	3 070
Overseas visitors departing	1 750	1 790	1 760	1 760	1 840	2 100	2 210
Short-term movement							
Arrivals	54 900	67 200	67 700	68 100	66 400	68 100	78 100
Australian residents returning	36 800	44 700	41 800	47 900	42 800	43 100	49 600
Overseas visitors arriving	18 000	22 400	25 900	20 100	23 600	25 000	28 500
Departures	50 300	69 500	68 100	68 700	70 200	69 600	79 000
Australian residents departing	34 200	46 000	44 400	48 800	47 200	44 900	49 000
Overseas visitors departing	16 200	23 500	23 600	19 900	23 000	24 700	29 900

(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, Sex—at 30 June 1995

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	2 304	2 175	4 479	50	1 906	1 784	3 690
1	2 198	2 231	4 429	51	1 720	1 688	3 408
2	2 315	2 158	4 473	52	1 502	1 476	2 978
3	2 295	2 201	4 496	53	1 527	1 452	2 979
4	2 390	2 281	4 671	54	1 444	1 384	2 828
0-4	11 502	11 046	22 548	50-54	8 099	7 784	15 883
5	2 362	2 162	4 524	55	1 330	1 188	2 518
6	2 263	2 172	4 435	56	1 287	1 214	2 501
7	2 249	2 131	4 380	57	1 160	1 081	2 241
8	2 224	2 089	4 313	58	1 012	1 040	2 052
9	2 246	2 055	4 301	59	1 049	977	2 026
5-9	11 344	10 609	21 953	55-59	5 838	5 500	11 338
10	2 267	2 165	4 432	60	1 004	865	1 869
11	2 297	2 123	4 420	61	873	866	1 739
12	2 282	2 125	4 407	62	848	797	1 645
13	2 184	2 122	4 306	63	807	808	1 615
14	2 201	2 155	4 356	64	883	799	1 682
10-14	11 231	10 690	21 921	60-64	4 415	4 135	8 550
15	2 210	2 164	4 374	65	749	742	1 491
16	2 265	2 202	4 467	66	741	762	1 503
17	2 342	2 239	4 581	67	740	771	1 511
18	2 543	2 548	5 091	68	650	734	1 384
19	2 930	2 791	5 721	69	686	782	1 468
15-19	12 290	11 944	24 234	65-69	3 566	3 791	7 357
20	3 164	2 965	6 129	70	636	738	1 374
21	3 399	3 120	6 519	71	630	740	1 370
22	3 420	3 303	6 723	72	557	715	1 272
23	3 538	3 209	6 747	73	540	664	1 204
24	3 207	2 989	6 196	74	485	664	1 149
20-24	16 728	15 586	32 314	70-74	2 848	3 521	6 369
25	2 920	2 670	5 590	75	419	562	981
26	2 642	2 600	5 242	76	306	465	771
27	2 565	2 426	4 991	77	301	431	732
28	2 477	2 391	4 868	78	266	427	693
29	2 588	2 497	5 085	79	272	442	714
25-29	13 192	12 584	25 776	75-79	1 564	2 327	3 891
30	2 538	2 498	5 036	80	217	378	595
31	2 590	2 608	5 198	81	198	318	516
32	2 691	2 547	5 238	82	164	264	428
33	2 704	2 557	5 261	83	131	252	383
34	2 727	2 580	5 307	84	118	208	326
30-34	13 250	12 790	26 040	80-84	828	1 420	2 248
35	2 602	2 565	5 167	85	88	204	292
36	2 465	2 535	5 000	86	82	153	235
37	2 458	2 487	4 945	87	69	136	205
38	2 465	2 445	4 910	88	52	123	175
39	2 368	2 376	4 744	89	58	91	149
35-39	12 358	12 408	24 766	85-89	349	707	1 056
40	2 252	2 359	4 611	90	27	90	117
41	2 371	2 418	4 789	91	19	72	91
42	2 320	2 415	4 735	92	13	53	66
43	2 357	2 404	4 761	93	13	40	53
44	2 513	2 493	5 006	94	—	21	21
40-44	11 813	12 089	23 902	90-94	72	276	348
45	2 461	2 411	4 872	95 and over	16	87	103
46	2 448	2 361	4 809				
47	2 413	2 417	4 830	Total	153 198	150 866	304 064
48	2 455	2 418	4 873				
49	2 118	1 965	4 083				
45-49	11 895	11 572	23 467				

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	156.5	154.5	311.0	157.3	155.2	312.5	156.7	154.6	311.3	156.5	154.4	310.8
1998	158.6	156.6	315.3	159.7	157.6	317.3	159.0	156.9	315.9	158.5	156.5	315.0
1999	160.7	158.7	319.4	162.3	160.3	322.5	161.3	159.3	320.6	160.5	158.5	319.0
2000	162.8	160.9	323.6	164.9	162.9	327.8	163.6	161.7	325.3	162.4	160.6	323.0
2001	164.8	163.0	327.9	167.5	165.6	333.1	165.9	164.1	330.1	164.4	162.6	327.1
2002	166.9	165.2	332.1	170.1	168.3	338.5	168.3	166.6	334.8	166.4	164.7	331.1
2003	169.0	167.4	336.4	172.8	171.1	343.9	170.6	169.0	339.7	168.4	166.7	335.1
2004	171.1	169.5	340.7	175.5	173.8	349.3	173.0	171.5	344.5	170.3	168.8	339.1
2005	173.3	171.7	345.0	178.2	176.6	354.8	175.4	174.0	349.4	172.3	170.8	343.1
2006	175.4	173.9	349.3	180.9	179.4	360.3	177.8	176.4	354.2	174.2	172.8	347.1
2007	177.4	176.1	353.5	183.6	182.2	365.8	180.2	178.9	359.0	176.1	174.8	351.0
2008	179.5	178.2	357.7	186.3	184.9	371.2	182.5	181.3	363.8	178.0	176.8	354.9
2009	181.5	180.3	361.9	189.0	187.6	376.7	184.8	183.7	368.5	179.9	178.8	358.7
2010	183.5	182.4	365.9	191.7	190.4	382.0	187.1	186.1	373.2	181.7	180.7	362.5
2011	185.5	184.5	370.0	194.3	193.1	387.4	189.4	188.5	377.8	183.5	182.6	366.2
2012	187.4	186.5	373.9	196.9	195.8	392.6	191.6	190.8	382.4	185.3	184.5	369.8
2013	189.3	188.5	377.8	199.5	198.4	397.9	193.8	193.1	386.9	187.0	186.3	373.4
2014	191.2	190.4	381.6	202.0	201.0	403.0	195.9	195.4	391.3	188.7	188.1	376.8
2015	193.0	192.3	385.3	204.5	203.6	408.1	198.1	197.6	395.6	190.4	189.9	380.2
2016	194.7	194.2	389.0	207.0	206.2	413.2	200.1	199.8	399.9	192.0	191.6	383.6
2017	196.5	196.1	392.5	209.4	208.7	418.1	202.2	201.9	404.1	193.6	193.3	386.8
2018	198.2	197.9	396.1	211.8	211.2	423.1	204.2	204.1	408.3	195.1	195.0	390.0
2019	199.8	199.7	399.5	214.2	213.7	427.9	206.2	206.2	412.4	196.6	196.6	393.2
2020	201.5	201.4	402.9	216.6	216.2	432.8	208.1	208.3	416.4	198.1	198.2	396.2
2021	203.1	203.2	406.3	218.9	218.7	437.6	210.0	210.3	420.4	199.5	199.8	399.2
2022	204.7	204.9	409.5	221.2	221.1	442.3	211.9	212.4	424.3	200.9	201.3	402.2
2023	206.2	206.6	412.8	223.5	223.5	447.0	213.8	214.4	428.2	202.2	202.8	405.0
2024	207.7	208.2	416.0	225.7	225.9	451.6	215.6	216.4	432.0	203.6	204.3	407.8
2025	209.2	209.9	419.1	228.0	228.3	456.2	217.4	218.3	435.8	204.9	205.7	410.6
2026	210.7	211.5	422.2	230.2	230.6	460.8	219.2	220.3	439.5	206.1	207.2	413.3
2027	212.1	213.1	425.2	232.4	233.0	465.4	220.9	222.2	443.2	207.4	208.5	415.9
2028	213.5	214.6	428.2	234.6	235.3	469.9	222.7	224.1	446.8	208.6	209.9	418.5
2029	214.9	216.2	431.1	236.7	237.6	474.3	224.4	226.0	450.4	209.7	211.2	421.0
2030	216.3	217.7	434.0	238.9	239.9	478.8	226.1	227.9	454.0	210.9	212.5	423.4
2031	217.7	219.2	436.9	241.0	242.2	483.2	227.8	229.7	457.5	212.0	213.8	425.8
2032	219.0	220.7	439.7	243.2	244.4	487.6	229.5	231.5	461.0	213.1	215.1	428.2
2033	220.4	222.2	442.5	245.3	246.7	492.0	231.1	233.3	464.5	214.2	216.3	430.4
2034	221.7	223.6	445.3	247.4	248.9	496.3	232.8	235.1	467.9	215.2	217.4	432.7
2035	223.0	225.0	447.9	249.5	251.1	500.6	234.4	236.8	471.2	216.2	218.6	434.8
2036	224.2	226.3	450.6	251.6	253.3	504.8	236.0	238.6	474.6	217.2	219.7	436.9
2037	225.5	227.7	453.2	253.7	255.4	509.1	237.6	240.2	477.8	218.2	220.7	439.0
2038	226.8	229.0	455.8	255.7	257.5	513.2	239.2	241.9	481.1	219.2	221.8	441.0
2039	228.0	230.3	458.3	257.7	259.6	517.4	240.7	243.5	484.3	220.1	222.8	442.9
2040	229.2	231.5	460.7	259.8	261.7	521.5	242.3	245.1	487.4	221.0	223.8	444.8
2041	230.4	232.8	463.1	261.8	263.8	525.5	243.8	246.7	490.5	221.9	224.7	446.6
2042	231.5	233.9	465.5	263.8	265.8	529.5	245.3	248.2	493.5	222.8	225.6	448.4
2043	232.7	235.1	467.8	265.7	267.8	533.5	246.8	249.7	496.5	223.6	226.5	450.1
2044	233.8	236.3	470.1	267.7	269.8	537.4	248.2	251.2	499.4	224.5	227.3	451.8
2045	234.9	237.4	472.3	269.6	271.7	541.3	249.6	252.7	502.3	225.3	228.2	453.4
2046	236.0	238.5	474.5	271.5	273.8	545.1	251.0	254.1	505.2	226.1	229.0	455.0
2047	237.1	239.5	476.6	273.4	275.5	548.9	252.4	255.5	508.0	226.8	229.7	456.6
2048	238.1	240.6	478.7	275.2	277.4	552.7	253.8	256.9	510.7	227.5	230.5	458.0
2049	239.1	241.6	480.7	277.1	279.3	556.4	255.1	258.3	513.4	228.2	231.2	459.5
2050	240.1	242.6	482.7	278.9	281.1	560.0	256.4	259.6	516.1	228.9	231.9	460.9
2051	241.1	243.6	484.7	280.6	283.0	563.6	257.7	261.0	518.7	229.6	232.6	462.2

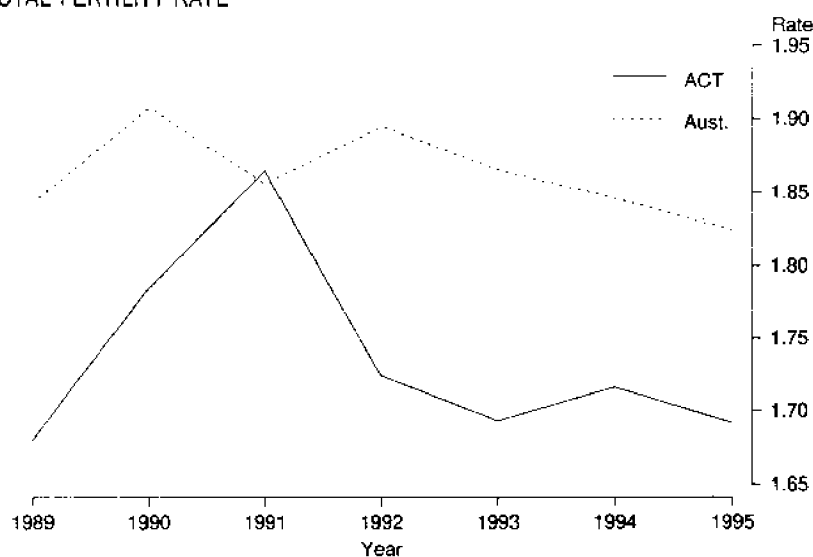
(a) See paragraphs 6 to 8 of the Explanatory Notes.

SECTION 3

BIRTHS — YEAR OF REGISTRATION

In 1995 there were 4,415 births registered to mothers usually resident in the ACT. This was an increase of 7% compared to 1985. The sex ratio was 108 males born to every 100 females. The *total fertility rate*, expressed as the number of children one woman would expect to bear during her child-bearing lifetime, remained stable at 1.7 in 1995. This is lower than the Australian total fertility rate of 1.8 children per woman and is the lowest in the country.

TOTAL FERTILITY RATE



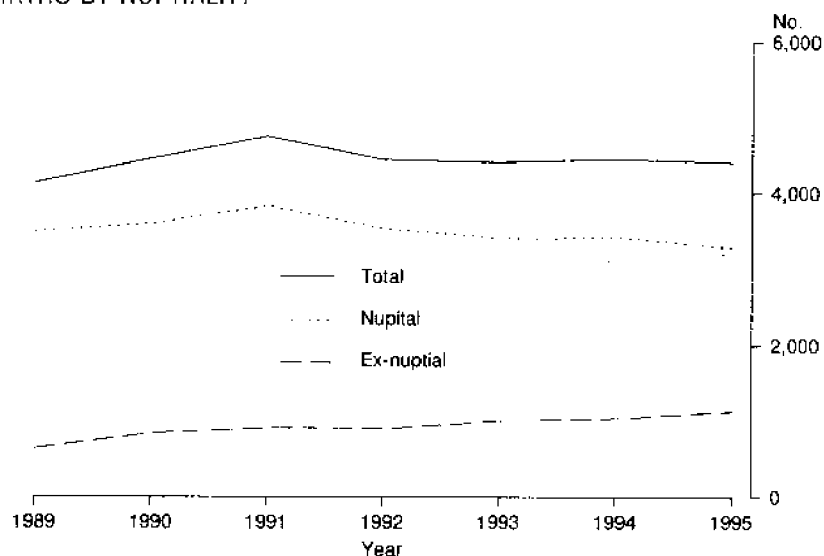
Net reproduction rate

The *net reproduction rate*, which measures the average number of daughters a woman would bear during her reproductive lifetime if she was subject to current female age-specific fertility rates and to pre-determined mortality rates, was 0.8 in the ACT in 1995. This is lower than the national net reproduction rate of 0.9 and is below the replacement level of one.

Ex-nuptial births

The proportion of births outside marriage continued to increase, from 23% in 1994 to 26% in 1995. This proportion has more than doubled since 1985 (12%). While the proportion of ex-nuptial births is increasing, the percentage of these births where paternity has been acknowledged has also increased from 72% in 1985 to 82% in 1995. Despite the increase in the proportion of ex-nuptial births, only New South Wales (25%) and Victoria (22%) have lower proportions of ex-nuptial births than the ACT in 1995.

BIRTHS BY NUPTIALITY



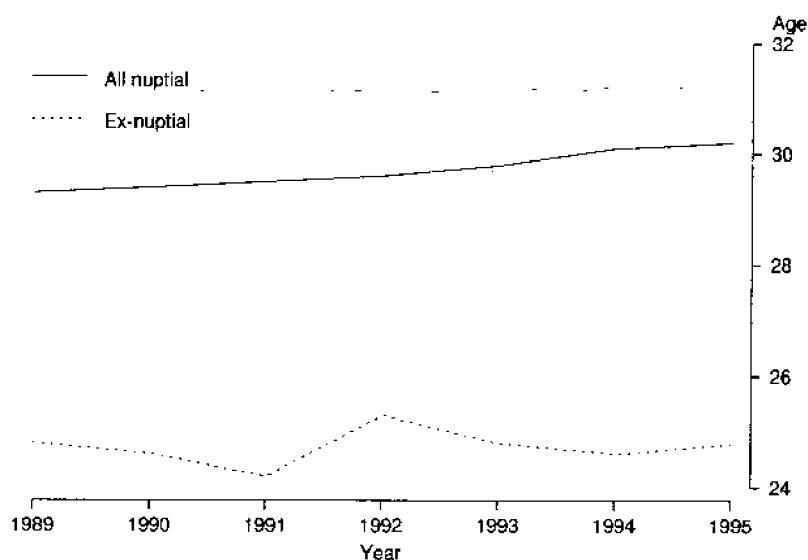
Teenage mothers

The ACT has one of the lowest instances of teenage mothers. There were 171 births to teenage mothers in 1995, a rate of 14.6 births per 1,000 population (females aged 15–19 years). This rate is well below the national rate of 20.5 per 1,000 and is the second lowest in the country with Victoria having the lowest at a rate of 13.8 per 1,000 population.

Median age of parents

The median age of parents has been on a slow but steady increase. In 1985 the median age of mothers was 28.4, and fathers was 30.8. In 1995 the median ages had increased to 29.4 for mothers and 31.8 for fathers. These rates are consistent with the national median ages, being 29.1 for mothers and 31.7 for fathers.

MEDIAN AGE OF MOTHER



Country of birth of parents

Of all nuptial confinements registered in the ACT in 1995, 62% were to parents who were both born in Australia, while 10% of confinements were to parents of the same overseas country. The major contributing countries where both parents were born in the same country were Viet Nam, the United Kingdom and the Former Yugoslav Republic.

Median duration of marriage

In 1995 the median duration of marriage in the ACT for all nuptial confinements remained steady at 4.6 years. The median for nuptial first confinements also remained steady at 2.5 years. The median duration of marriage prior to birth is the point where there were as many births to couples who had a duration of marriage above the mid point as there were to those who had a duration of marriage below the mid point.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
BIRTHS							
Total births	4 107	4 457	4 756	4 447	4 414	4 461	4 415
Males	2 144	2 333	2 436	2 256	2 234	2 232	2 291
Females	1 963	2 124	2 320	2 191	2 180	2 229	2 124
Sex ratio	109.2	109.8	105.0	103.0	102.5	100.1	107.9
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander births	n.a.	n.a.	58	n.p.	43	59	52
Males	n.a.	n.a.	30	n.p.	27	31	33
Females	n.a.	n.a.	28	n.p.	16	28	19
Sex ratio	n.a.	n.a.	107.1	n.p.	168.8	110.7	173.7
Nuptial births	3 623	3 606	3 834	3 538	3 404	3 419	3 280
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	484	851	922	909	1 010	1 042	1 135
Percentage of total live births	11.8	19.1	19.4	20.4	22.9	23.4	25.7
Paternity acknowledged births							
Number	350	640	684	777	886	855	925
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	72.3	75.2	74.2	85.5	87.7	82.1	81.5
Crude birth rate	16.3	15.8	16.5	15.1	14.8	14.8	14.5
Age-specific birth rate							
15-19	12.4	13.6	14.2	14.0	14.5	14.0	14.6
20-24	76.9	65.7	66.8	54.4	52.5	51.5	50.1
25-29	139.4	132.8	132.7	127.1	121.4	117.4	115.0
30-34	95.2	103.6	111.4	106.9	104.7	111.1	106.8
35-39	30.9	35.7	41.9	36.2	39.0	43.0	44.9
40-44	4.0	5.2	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.8
45-49	0.3	0.1	—	0.3	0.4	—	0.2
Total fertility rate	1.796	1.784	1.864	1.724	1.693	1.716	1.692
Female net reproduction rate	0.837	0.818	0.893	0.839	0.829	0.846	0.803

For footnotes see end of table.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
CONFINEMENTS							
Total confinements	4 067	4 422	4 691	4 385	4 349	4 416	4 359
First nuptial	1 440	1 501	1 508	1 387	1 357	1 348	1 321
All nuptial	3 586	3 573	3 778	3 491	3 353	3 383	3 237
Paternity acknowledged	348	639	676	764	874	848	918
All ex-nuptial	481	849	913	894	996	1 033	1 122
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	27.3	27.8	28.1	28.2	28.3	28.7	28.6
All nuptial	28.7	29.4	29.5	29.6	29.8	30.1	30.2
Paternity acknowledged	24.6	25.2	24.6	25.6	25.0	24.7	25.0
All ex-nuptial	24.1	24.6	24.2	25.3	24.8	24.6	24.8
Total	28.4	28.8	28.9	28.9	29.1	29.4	29.4
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	31.1	31.7	31.7	31.9	32.1	32.3	32.5
Paternity acknowledged	26.5	27.6	27.5	28.0	27.4	27.7	27.7
All fathers where age is known	30.8	31.2	31.2	31.5	31.4	31.7	31.8
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.5	2.5
Nuptial	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.6
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	1 440	1 501	1 508	1 387	1 357	1 348	1 321
1	1 264	1 275	1 378	1 288	1 259	1 269	1 200
2	616	568	649	568	514	534	503
3	189	160	181	183	161	167	146
4	45	46	43	41	39	44	46
5 and over	32	23	19	24	23	21	21
Average number of births	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	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	13	379	1 155	1 140	437	67	—	3 191
Twins	—	4	18	14	9	1	—	46
Triplets or higher order	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	13	383	1 173	1 154	446	68	—	3 237
Ex-nuptial								
Single	154	377	228	171	90	14	74	1 108
Twins	2	2	4	2	2	—	2	14
Triplets or higher order	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	156	379	232	173	92	14	76	1 122
Total confinements	169	762	1 405	1 327	538	82	76	4 359
PROPORTION (%)								
Nuptial	7.7	50.3	83.5	87.0	82.9	82.9	—	74.3
Ex-nuptial	92.3	49.7	16.5	13.0	17.1	17.1	100.0	25.7

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents—1995

Age of father (years)		Age of mother (years)																40 and over stated	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	3	7	10	12	7	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	42	44	
20	2	4	6	9	8	6	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	34	39		
21	—	2	7	10	11	13	6	4	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	42	57		
22	1	2	2	9	13	22	15	10	6	4	2	3	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	32	61	93		
23	—	4	2	8	13	16	20	30	13	4	5	4	2	2	1	—	1	—	—	1	52	74	126		
24	1	1	3	7	10	10	14	30	37	6	9	8	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	85	61	146		
25	—	—	1	7	9	6	15	22	27	31	13	11	5	2	1	2	2	—	—	2	98	58	156		
26	—	—	—	2	4	12	13	20	25	34	34	18	14	12	2	3	4	1	3	1	148	54	202		
27	—	—	1	3	1	3	11	17	20	24	35	35	27	10	6	3	4	5	1	5	164	47	211		
28	—	1	2	—	4	4	11	7	15	24	42	32	28	18	16	4	3	3	5	7	185	41	226		
29	—	—	—	2	2	4	8	11	11	19	34	30	38	34	26	20	7	5	3	5	220	40	260		
30	—	—	2	3	1	1	3	3	13	19	26	37	38	52	47	19	9	10	9	8	261	42	303		
31	—	—	—	1	1	2	5	3	5	12	16	26	31	38	38	45	19	11	6	12	234	39	273		
32	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	6	6	13	6	25	16	36	34	44	36	15	13	22	242	36	278		
33	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	2	5	9	13	17	19	29	34	31	33	29	11	37	233	41	274		
34	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	5	6	8	18	15	26	25	28	32	33	27	39	236	30	266		
35	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	2	4	4	5	7	9	13	25	23	22	24	30	36	186	21	207		
36	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1	7	5	5	9	11	8	22	21	10	17	20	46	167	22	189		
37	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	3	—	5	9	10	15	9	20	16	20	58	152	23	175		
38	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	2	1	5	5	5	11	16	20	19	57	134	21	155		
39	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	3	3	8	6	12	11	39	79	14	93		
40-44	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	3	2	9	9	6	13	20	26	27	22	106	228	54	282		
45-49	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	3	1	2	2	5	6	4	31	55	16	71		
50 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	2	2	—	1	12	23	4	27		
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2		
Not applicable(a)	2	6	9	10	15	5	10	9	10	8	3	6	1	6	3	4	2	3	3	11	2	204	204		
Nuptial	—	—	2	11	27	44	64	105	143	177	225	249	251	271	286	254	227	200	187	446	68	3 237	—	3 237	
Ex-nuptial	10	29	43	74	75	72	80	78	74	56	39	56	35	46	34	46	33	38	22	92	14	76	—	—	
Total	10	29	45	85	102	116	144	183	217	233	264	305	286	317	320	300	260	238	209	538	82	76	3 237	1 122	4 359

(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	1 997	—	411	2 408	1 997	—	358	2 355
Fiji	4	6	—	10	4	6	1	11
New Zealand	33	9	13	55	34	9	13	56
Other	10	7	8	25	7	7	4	18
<i>Total</i>	2 044	22	432	2 498	2 042	22	376	2 440
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	4	1	1	6	4	1	3	8
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	1	—	1	3	1	—	4
Former Yugoslav Republics	22	27	4	53	12	27	2	41
Germany	10	3	2	15	3	3	2	8
Greece	5	3	2	10	6	3	3	12
Hungary	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	1
Ireland	4	2	2	8	7	2	2	11
Italy	19	5	4	28	6	5	—	11
Malta	—	—	2	2	2	—	—	2
Netherlands	5	—	1	6	1	—	2	3
Poland	1	5	1	7	3	5	1	9
United Kingdom	120	33	28	181	135	33	23	191
Other	22	10	9	41	24	10	6	40
<i>Total</i>	213	90	56	359	207	90	44	341
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	3	6	—	9	—	6	—	6
Lebanon	3	12	1	16	—	12	1	13
Turkey	—	3	—	3	1	3	—	4
Other	7	7	4	18	2	7	2	11
<i>Total</i>	13	28	5	46	3	28	3	34
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	3	7	—	10	2	7	1	10
Malaysia	9	6	5	20	20	6	5	31
Philippines	—	7	—	7	16	7	9	32
Singapore	4	1	1	6	6	1	4	11
Thailand	—	—	—	—	4	—	3	7
Viet Nam	—	50	4	54	7	50	5	62
Other	4	11	7	22	3	11	2	16
<i>Total</i>	20	82	17	119	58	82	29	169

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.....			
	<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	2	21	3	26	9	21	9	39
Hong Kong	2	10	6	18	2	10	2	14
Other	2	11	1	14	11	11	5	27
<i>Total</i>	6	42	10	58	22	42	16	80
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	4	19	4	27	4	19	5	28
Sri Lanka	3	17	1	21	8	17	2	27
Other	—	13	3	16	2	13	3	18
<i>Total</i>	7	49	8	64	14	49	10	73
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	5	—	2	7	10	—	—	10
Chile	3	4	1	8	3	4	—	7
United States of America	16	3	8	27	20	3	1	24
Other	8	6	2	16	5	6	9	20
<i>Total</i>	32	13	13	58	38	13	10	61
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	6	1	2	9	6	1	1	8
Other	13	5	7	25	18	5	7	30
<i>Total</i>	19	6	9	34	24	6	8	38
Other and not stated	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	1
Total	2 355	332	550	3 237	2 408	332	497	3 237

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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1.0
19	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	11	12	1.1
20	20	6	1	—	—	—	—	27	35	1.3
21	27	13	4	—	—	—	—	44	66	1.5
22	41	21	2	—	—	—	—	64	90	1.4
23	73	26	6	—	—	—	—	105	145	1.4
24	83	49	8	3	—	—	—	143	217	1.5
25	93	58	22	2	2	—	—	177	296	1.7
26	114	81	23	4	1	2	—	225	381	1.7
27	126	85	30	8	—	—	—	249	423	1.7
28	124	94	29	2	1	1	—	251	419	1.7
29	101	109	49	8	3	1	—	271	523	1.9
30	120	108	44	9	4	1	—	286	535	1.9
31	89	100	48	14	2	1	—	254	509	2.0
32	61	111	40	11	4	—	—	227	470	2.1
33	60	80	42	14	3	1	—	200	424	2.1
34	56	66	50	11	4	—	—	187	404	2.2
35-39	106	170	93	49	18	10	—	446	1 081	2.4
40 and over	15	22	12	11	4	4	—	68	193	2.8
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 321	1 200	503	146	46	21	—	3 237	6 225	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	11	69	73	46	21	2	—	222
1	1	93	122	68	24	3	—	311
2	—	62	117	52	18	1	—	250
3	—	14	91	41	7	3	—	156
4	—	6	60	39	3	1	—	109
5	—	—	49	40	7	1	—	97
6	—	—	25	24	8	—	—	57
7	—	—	13	24	7	1	—	45
8 and over	—	—	8	52	11	3	—	74
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	12	244	558	386	106	15	—	1 321

3.7 NUPTIAL AND TOTAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Previous Issue—1995

ALL PREVIOUS ISSUE OF MOTHER.....

Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS(a)										
16 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1.0
19	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	11	12	1.1
20	20	6	1	—	—	—	—	27	35	1.3
21	26	14	4	—	—	—	—	44	67	1.5
22	40	21	3	—	—	—	—	64	92	1.4
23	68	30	6	1	—	—	—	105	152	1.4
24	80	52	7	4	—	—	—	143	221	1.5
25	91	58	23	3	2	—	—	177	301	1.7
26	110	83	23	6	1	2	—	225	389	1.7
27	121	89	31	8	—	—	—	249	429	1.7
28	119	96	31	2	1	2	—	251	430	1.7
29	99	104	53	7	5	3	—	271	542	2.0
30	114	109	49	8	3	3	—	286	550	1.9
31	86	99	51	14	2	2	—	254	519	2.0
32	54	113	42	13	4	1	—	227	487	2.1
33	54	81	43	15	5	2	—	200	443	2.2
34	48	63	55	16	5	—	—	187	430	2.3
35-39	89	167	101	57	21	11	—	446	1 136	2.5
40 and over	10	23	14	11	5	5	—	68	207	3.0
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 241	1 209	537	165	54	31	—	3 237	6 444	2.0

TOTAL CONFINEMENTS										
16 and under	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	10	1.0
17	25	4	—	—	—	—	—	29	33	1.1
18	39	5	1	—	—	—	—	45	52	1.2
19	69	16	—	—	—	—	—	85	103	1.2
20	78	21	3	—	—	—	—	102	129	1.3
21	79	31	6	—	—	—	—	116	161	1.4
22	94	37	12	1	—	—	—	144	210	1.5
23	125	48	9	1	—	—	—	183	254	1.4
24	119	76	14	8	—	—	—	217	345	1.6
25	129	69	26	6	3	—	—	233	388	1.7
26	127	99	26	8	1	3	—	264	462	1.8
27	155	103	35	11	1	—	—	305	521	1.7
28	143	104	33	2	2	2	—	286	481	1.7
29	121	117	61	9	5	4	—	317	629	2.0
30	128	123	55	8	3	3	—	320	610	1.9
31	107	112	55	18	5	3	—	300	616	2.1
32	69	120	52	14	4	1	—	260	550	2.1
33	69	93	49	18	6	3	—	238	525	2.2
34	59	66	57	20	6	1	—	209	480	2.3
35-39	130	196	112	64	23	13	—	538	1 321	2.5
40 and over	18	28	15	11	5	5	—	82	228	2.8
Not stated	76	—	—	—	—	—	—	76	78	1.0
Total	1 969	1 468	621	199	64	38	—	4 359	8 186	1.9

(a) Women who had a nuptial confinement in reference year.

SECTION 4

BIRTHS — YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY)

In 1995, 4,412 births occurred in the ACT. This represents a slight decrease of about 1% from 1994 but an increase of 8% over the number of births occurring in 1985. The number of births occurring each year in the ACT has been declining slowly since reaching a peak of 4,612 in 1991.

A certain proportion of births that occur in each calendar year, particularly those occurring towards the end of the year, are not registered till the following year. Small numbers of births occurring in each calendar year are also not registered for several years. About 91% of births that were registered in 1995 also occurred in 1995. Caution should therefore be exercised in interpreting birth rates based on occurrence data.

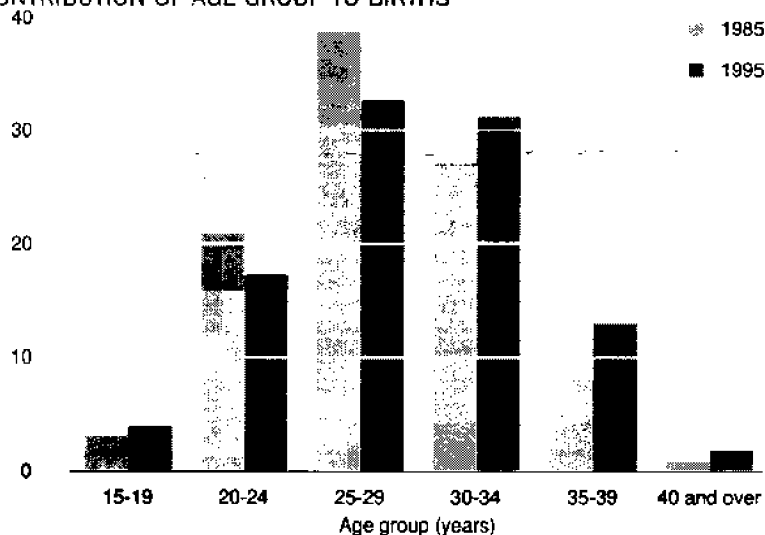
Month of occurrence

On average, ACT mothers had about 12 babies each day in 1995. June had the highest rate with 12.9, while December had the lowest with 11.2. However, December births are more likely to be affected by late registration of births.

Age group of mother

In 1995, 81% of all births in the ACT occurred to women in the age band from 20 years to 34 years. In contrast to the national trend, women aged under 20 years contributed more to the total number of births in 1995 (4%) than in 1985 (3%). Reflecting the national trend, however, was the increase in the proportion of births occurring to women aged 35 years and over, from 10% of all births in 1985 to 15% of total births in 1995.

CONTRIBUTION OF AGE GROUP TO BIRTHS



Fertility

The total fertility rate based on births that occurred in 1995 was 1.7, a marginal decline from the total fertility rate of 1.8 in 1985. The largest contribution to the total fertility rate was made by women aged 25–29 years (33%), followed closely by women aged 30–34 years (32%) and then by women aged 20–24 years (15%).

The distribution of age specific fertility rates in 1995 shows a continuation of the shift in fertility from younger to older women. The contribution to the total fertility rate of women aged less than 25 years declined from 25% in 1985 to 19% in 1995, while that of women aged 30 years and over increased from 36% in 1985 to 48% in 1995.

4.1 BIRTHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
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NUMBER

January	356	373	402	396	381	378	377
February	287	336	341	345	328	356	332
March	348	376	385	351	392	402	389
April	322	352	390	345	370	370	364
May	336	358	389	355	400	386	379
June	313	378	347	362	345	349	388
July	351	390	356	383	360	351	364
August	341	364	356	394	325	386	362
September	370	410	396	388	388	410	353
October	375	437	480	368	367	374	382
November	351	379	389	378	342	366	365
December	324	365	381	365	413	347	348
Total	4 074	4 518	4 612	4 430	4 411	4 475	4 412

RATE

Crude birth rate	16.2	16.0	16.0	15.1	14.8	14.9	14.5
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PROPORTION (%)

January	8.7	8.3	8.7	8.9	8.6	8.4	8.5
February	7.0	7.4	7.4	7.8	7.4	8.0	7.5
March	8.5	8.3	8.3	7.9	8.9	9.0	8.8
April	7.9	7.8	8.5	7.8	8.4	8.3	8.3
May	8.2	7.9	8.4	8.0	9.1	8.6	8.6
June	7.7	8.4	7.5	8.2	7.8	7.8	8.8
July	8.6	8.6	7.7	8.6	8.2	7.8	8.3
August	8.4	8.1	7.7	8.9	7.4	8.6	8.2
September	9.1	9.1	8.6	8.8	8.8	9.2	8.0
October	9.2	9.7	10.4	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.7
November	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.5	7.8	8.2	8.3
December	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.2	9.4	7.8	7.9
Total	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	128	853	1 575	1 104	361	35	2	4 074
1990	178	835	1 641	1 310	448	68	1	4 518
1991	188	858	1 626	1 338	505	68	—	4 612
1992	179	773	1 591	1 351	447	73	4	4 430
1993	182	785	1 519	1 340	481	74	3	4 411
1994	160	796	1 448	1 422	527	77	1	4 475
1995	174	763	1 444	1 375	572	83	1	4 412

(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	11.6	76.1	139.5	92.9	30.5	4.1	0.3	1.775
1990	13.3	65.2	132.5	106.0	36.0	5.6	0.1	1.794
1991	14.0	63.8	129.2	106.0	40.9	5.4	—	1.796
1992	13.7	53.9	126.4	106.2	36.1	5.9	0.4	1.713
1993	14.4	51.7	120.4	104.5	39.0	6.0	0.3	1.681
1994	13.2	51.5	116.0	111.1	42.8	6.3	0.1	1.705
1995	14.8	49.8	112.8	108.1	45.9	6.9	0.1	1.692

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

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

SECTION 5

DEATHS — YEAR OF REGISTRATION

In 1995 there were 1,114 registered deaths of persons usually resident in the ACT compared with 896 in 1985. The 1995 total comprised of 593 male deaths and 521 female deaths, a sex ratio of 114 males per 100 females. The ACT recorded a *standardised death rate* of 5.4, the lowest rate for any State or Territory in Australia and 17% below the national rate. The standardised death rate is the overall death rate that would have prevailed in a standard population (in this case the 1991 Australian population) if it had experienced at each age the death rates of the population studied.

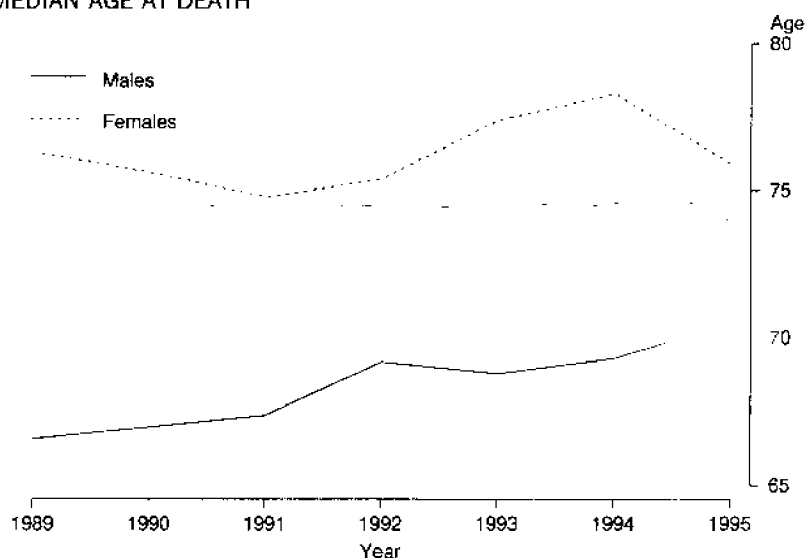
Life expectancy

As a result of the decline in the standardised death rates (from 6.7 in 1985 to 5.4 in 1995), the *life expectancy* for all ages has improved. Life expectancy refers to the expected number of years remaining to a person of a given age if the prevailing pattern of mortality does not change during that person's lifetime. In 1995 persons whose usual place of residence was in the ACT recorded the highest expectation of life at birth of all States and Territories, 76.2 years for males and 81.6 for females. For Australia, life expectancy was 75.0 years for men and 80.8 years for females.

Age at death

In 1995 the median age at death (the age at which half of the deaths are below and half are above) for males in the ACT was 70.5 years compared with the 1985 median age of 65.2. This was well below the national median age of 73.5 and was the second lowest median age of all States and Territories, with only the Northern Territory having a lower median age (54.0).

MEDIAN AGE AT DEATH



The median age of death for females was 75.9 compared with the 1985 median of 72.5 but was lower than the 1994 median age of 78.3. As with males, the female median age was below the national median age of 80.3 and only the Northern Territory had a lower median age (60.4).

In the ACT for both men and women *age specific death rates* have declined or remained constant when comparing 1995 with 1985. Age specific death rates are the number of deaths to a specific age group per 1,000 population in those ages. Male death rates exceed female death rates at all ages except the under one year age group, where the female rate is more than double the male rate and the age group one to nine years where the rates are the same. The decline in mortality rates over the 10 year period occurred for both sexes and all age groups, except for small rises for males in the 30–39, 40–49 and 80 and over years age groups and for females aged under one year.

Infant deaths

In 1995 there were 21 infant deaths in the ACT compared to 32 in 1994. The *infant mortality rate*, which is expressed as the number of deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births in a given year, decreased from 8.0 per 1,000 in 1985 to 5.0 per 1,000 in 1995. While the male rate has fallen from 9.8 per 1,000 in 1985 to 2.5 per 1,000 in 1995, the female rate has increased from 5.6 per 1,000 in 1985 to 7.1 per 1,000 in 1995. These rates, however, are based on small numbers and therefore caution should be used when interpreting these rates.

Cause of death

The two major causes of death for men and women in the ACT in 1995 were cancer and ischaemic heart disease. About 31% of male and 34% of female deaths were due to cancer, while 27% of male and 25% of female deaths were due to ischaemic heart disease.

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994(b)	1995(b)
DEATHS							
Total deaths	896	1 102	1 096	1 074	1 110	1 222	1 114
Males	488	594	605	578	632	644	593
Females	408	508	491	496	478	578	521
Sex ratio	119.6	116.9	123.2	116.5	132.2	111.4	113.8
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander deaths	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	10	9
Males	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6	6
Females	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4	3
Sex ratio	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	150.0	200.0
Standardised death rate	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.0	5.9	6.3	5.4
Males	8.8	8.3	8.4	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.0
Females	5.4	5.5	5.0	4.9	4.4	5.1	4.4
Crude death rate	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.7	4.1	3.7
Males	3.9	4.2	4.2	3.9	4.2	4.3	3.9
Females	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.9	3.5
Median age at death							
Males	65.2	67.0	67.4	69.2	69.8	69.3	70.5
Females	72.5	75.6	74.8	75.4	77.4	78.3	75.9
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
Under 1	9.8	11.6	9.9	7.1	6.7	6.3	2.6
1-9	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
10-19	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
20-29	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.8
30-39	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.1	1.3
40-49	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.0	1.7	2.5	1.6
50-59	7.3	6.0	4.7	4.2	4.8	5.7	5.2
60-69	17.7	20.3	19.1	15.3	16.9	15.5	13.3
70-79	51.1	44.8	43.9	39.9	42.1	41.4	33.3
80 and over	119.0	117.2	124.6	129.6	137.5	115.9	122.5
Females							
Under 1	5.6	7.1	5.2	5.5	1.8	3.1	7.1
1-9	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	—	0.3
10-19	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
20-29	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2
30-39	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.5
40-49	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1
50-59	4.1	3.3	4.0	2.9	3.0	3.4	3.5
60-69	11.0	11.3	10.0	10.8	8.0	9.5	8.7
70-79	30.9	29.9	25.8	25.6	25.6	24.8	21.9
80 and over	90.0	98.9	92.5	93.1	84.7	110.3	84.7
Expectation of life							
Males							
Age 0	74.9	75.0	75.6	76.6	76.1	76.2	n.y.a.
Age 1	74.7	74.9	75.4	76.1	75.6	75.6	n.y.a.
Age 25	51.7	51.7	52.1	52.7	52.2	52.4	n.y.a.
Age 45	32.6	32.6	33.1	33.8	33.2	33.5	n.y.a.
Age 65	15.8	15.7	16.1	16.2	15.9	16.3	n.y.a.
Females							
Age 0	79.9	80.1	81.1	81.3	82.3	81.6	n.y.a.
Age 1	79.3	79.7	80.5	80.8	81.5	81.0	n.y.a.
Age 25	55.9	56.1	57.0	57.2	57.8	57.3	n.y.a.
Age 45	36.5	36.7	37.5	37.5	38.3	37.7	n.y.a.
Age 65	18.7	19.0	19.8	19.5	20.1	19.7	n.y.a.

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	24.0	31.0	29.0	29.0	33.0	33.0	32.0
Diseases of the circulatory system	38.1	33.8	36.5	36.9	36.2	35.4	35.6
Diseases of the respiratory system	8.6	7.6	7.1	7.4	8.2	6.5	5.4
Diseases of the digestive system	3.1	3.4	3.1	2.9	2.2	3.1	3.7
All other diseases	12.5	14.0	12.1	11.2	12.5	11.0	12.3
External causes	13.5	10.8	12.2	12.3	7.8	11.2	11.1
Females							
Neoplasms	28.7	31.5	33.2	26.6	29.7	25.6	35.1
Diseases of the circulatory system	43.6	37.2	39.9	45.2	44.1	44.5	38.4
Diseases of the respiratory system	4.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.5	7.1	6.0
Diseases of the digestive system	3.4	4.3	3.1	2.8	1.5	3.6	3.3
All other diseases	12.3	12.8	10.8	13.5	13.2	14.9	13.4
External causes	7.1	7.3	6.1	4.0	4.0	4.3	3.8
INFANT DEATHS							
Total infant deaths	32	42	36	28	19	21	21
Males	21	27	24	16	15	14	6
Females	11	15	12	12	4	7	15
Sex ratio	190.9	180.0	200.0	133.3	375.0	200.0	40.0
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander infants	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Males	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Females	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—	—
Sex ratio	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—	—
Infant mortality rate	8.0	9.0	8.0	6.0	4.0	5.0	5.0
Males	9.8	11.6	9.9	7.1	6.7	6.3	2.6
Females	5.6	7.1	5.2	5.5	1.8	3.1	7.1
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	7	10	12	8	5	6	2
1 day to under 1 week	3	3	4	3	1	1	1
1 week to under 4 weeks	3	2	2	1	3	2	2
4 weeks to under 1 year	8	12	6	4	6	5	1
Females							
Under 1 day	4	6	3	8	—	5	5
1 day to under 1 week	3	2	2	1	1	1	1
1 week to under 4 weeks	1	1	—	1	1	—	4
4 weeks to under 1 year	3	6	7	2	2	1	5

(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	6	15	21	50	9	3	12
1	1	3	4	51	7	2	9
2	1	2	3	52	1	6	7
3	2	—	2	53	6	5	11
4	—	—	—	54	3	6	9
0-4	10	20	30	50-54	26	22	48
5	—	—	—	55	14	9	23
6	—	—	—	56	10	2	12
7	1	—	1	57	9	3	12
8	1	—	1	58	9	6	15
9	—	—	—	59	4	5	9
5-9	2	—	2	55-59	46	25	71
10	1	—	1	60	5	3	8
11	—	—	—	61	8	7	15
12	—	—	—	62	12	8	20
13	1	—	1	63	12	5	17
14	—	—	—	64	5	8	13
10-14	2	—	2	60-64	42	31	73
15	1	—	1	65	17	7	24
16	—	1	1	66	9	7	16
17	—	—	—	67	10	10	20
18	1	—	1	68	10	6	16
19	1	1	2	69	18	8	26
15-19	3	2	5	65-69	64	38	102
20	—	1	1	70	12	11	23
21	5	—	5	71	14	10	24
22	4	—	4	72	15	13	28
23	4	—	4	73	16	12	28
24	1	1	2	74	26	15	41
20-24	14	2	16	70-74	83	61	144
25	1	—	1	75	19	19	38
26	2	1	3	76	9	10	19
27	1	—	1	77	14	10	24
28	5	1	6	78	12	13	25
29	2	2	4	79	10	15	25
25-29	11	4	15	75-79	64	67	131
30	3	2	5	80	24	19	43
31	5	2	7	81	14	20	34
32	3	—	3	82	11	15	26
33	—	2	2	83	18	16	34
34	4	2	6	84	9	14	23
30-34	15	8	23	80-84	76	84	160
35	2	1	3	85	8	24	32
36	5	2	7	86	9	12	21
37	3	1	4	87	15	12	27
38	5	—	5	88	13	9	22
39	3	—	3	89	9	14	23
35-39	18	4	22	85-89	54	71	125
40	5	—	5	90	4	11	15
41	4	4	8	91	2	5	7
42	4	1	5	92	3	5	8
43	2	1	3	93	6	12	18
44	3	4	7	94	3	3	6
40-44	18	10	28	90-94	18	36	54
45	7	2	9	95-99	7	17	24
46	5	6	11	100 and over	—	3	3
47	4	3	7				
48	3	2	5	Not stated	—	—	—
49	1	3	4				
45-49	20	16	36	Total	593	521	1 114

5.3 DEATHS, Age at Death, Marital Status—1995

MALES.....							FEMALES.....						
Age at death (years)	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	
Under 1	6	—	—	—	—	6	15	—	—	—	—	15	
1-4	4	—	—	—	—	4	5	—	—	—	—	5	
5-9	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10-14	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15-19	2	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	2	2	
20-24	6	1	—	—	7	14	—	—	—	—	2	2	
25-29	5	3	—	—	3	11	—	2	—	—	2	4	
30-34	5	2	—	3	5	15	1	5	—	1	1	8	
35-39	6	5	1	4	2	18	—	3	—	—	1	4	
40-44	1	10	—	4	3	18	—	8	—	1	1	10	
45-49	2	14	—	2	2	20	—	11	1	2	2	16	
50-54	—	21	1	3	1	26	—	20	1	—	1	22	
55-59	2	39	—	3	2	46	—	16	4	3	2	25	
60-64	2	35	3	1	1	42	1	20	3	2	5	31	
65-69	5	43	7	7	2	64	1	22	10	5	—	38	
70-74	3	63	8	8	1	83	1	25	27	7	1	61	
75-79	2	45	10	6	1	64	1	28	35	1	2	67	
80-84	—	47	25	1	3	76	—	18	58	5	3	84	
85-89	1	25	26	1	1	54	—	3	64	2	2	71	
90-94	—	4	14	—	—	18	1	4	30	1	—	36	
95-99	—	1	6	—	—	7	1	—	15	—	1	17	
100 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	3	
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total	56	358	101	43	35	593	28	185	250	30	28	521	

5.4 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a), Australian Capital Territory and Australia

Age (years)	AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.....								AUSTRALIA.....	
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1993-95.....		1993-95.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	68.94	76.01	71.44	79.43	75.60	81.18	76.23	81.64	74.95	80.84
5	66.21	72.12	67.30	75.08	71.43	76.58	71.76	77.05	70.60	76.38
10	61.29	67.17	62.36	70.17	66.49	71.88	66.81	72.07	65.66	71.43
15	56.45	62.22	57.40	65.24	61.57	66.73	61.87	67.10	60.72	66.49
20	51.88	57.37	52.62	60.35	56.84	61.87	57.08	62.17	55.94	61.59
25	47.31	52.44	47.88	55.45	52.11	57.01	52.40	57.25	51.26	56.70
30	42.54	47.53	43.11	50.57	47.32	52.11	47.69	52.33	46.57	51.81
35	37.74	42.76	38.22	45.70	42.49	47.20	42.98	47.43	41.88	46.95
40	33.05	38.16	33.42	40.82	37.73	42.32	38.25	42.56	37.19	42.11
45	28.37	33.60	28.72	36.03	33.12	37.51	33.53	37.74	32.53	37.33
50	23.97	29.08	24.25	31.31	28.47	32.80	28.89	33.00	27.97	32.64
55	19.80	24.47	19.97	26.70	23.89	28.23	24.39	28.39	23.58	28.08
60	16.11	20.11	15.98	22.19	19.71	23.87	20.14	23.93	19.45	23.68
65	12.24	16.05	12.59	17.97	16.13	19.81	16.25	19.68	15.68	19.48
70	9.04	12.07	9.34	14.14	12.63	15.88	12.79	15.71	12.35	15.56
75	7.76	9.40	6.94	10.70	9.66	12.23	9.77	12.08	9.44	11.98
80	6.69	6.83	5.34	7.94	7.31	9.05	7.23	8.92	6.99	8.85
85	4.82	4.50	4.07	5.71	5.25	6.40	5.30	6.36	5.13	6.32
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.81	4.38	3.91	4.44	3.79	4.40
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	3.14	3.29	2.94	3.05	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(a), Australian Capital Territory and Australia—1993–95

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY					AUSTRALIA.....				
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY					AUSTRALIA.....				
Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Males	Females	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	76.23	81.64	74.95	80.84	50	28.89	33.00	27.97	32.64
1	75.64	80.97	74.48	80.28	51	27.97	32.06	27.08	31.72
2	74.68	80.01	73.52	79.33	52	27.07	31.14	26.19	30.80
3	73.71	79.03	72.55	78.35	53	26.17	30.21	25.31	29.89
4	72.74	78.04	71.58	77.37	54	25.28	29.30	24.44	28.98
5	71.76	77.05	70.60	76.38	55	24.39	28.39	23.58	28.08
6	70.77	76.05	69.61	75.39	56	23.52	27.48	22.73	27.19
7	69.78	75.06	68.62	74.40	57	22.66	26.58	21.89	26.30
8	68.79	74.06	67.64	73.41	58	21.81	25.69	21.07	25.42
9	67.80	73.06	66.65	72.42	59	20.97	24.81	20.25	24.55
10	66.81	72.07	65.66	71.43	60	20.14	23.93	19.45	23.68
11	65.82	71.07	64.67	70.44	61	19.33	23.07	18.67	22.82
12	64.83	70.08	63.68	69.45	62	18.54	22.21	17.89	21.97
13	63.84	69.08	62.69	68.46	63	17.76	21.36	17.14	21.13
14	62.85	68.09	61.70	67.47	64	17.00	20.51	16.40	20.30
15	61.87	67.10	60.72	66.49	65	16.25	19.68	15.68	19.48
16	60.89	66.10	59.74	65.50	66	15.52	18.86	14.98	18.67
17	59.92	65.12	58.78	64.52	67	14.81	18.06	14.30	17.88
18	58.97	64.13	57.82	63.54	68	14.12	17.26	13.63	17.09
19	58.02	63.15	56.87	62.57	69	13.45	16.48	12.98	16.32
20	57.08	62.17	55.94	61.59	70	12.79	15.71	12.35	15.56
21	56.14	61.19	55.00	60.61	71	12.16	14.95	11.73	14.81
22	55.21	60.21	54.07	59.64	72	11.53	14.21	11.13	14.08
23	54.27	59.22	53.13	58.66	73	10.93	13.49	10.55	13.36
24	53.33	58.24	52.19	57.68	74	10.34	12.78	9.99	12.66
25	52.40	57.25	51.26	56.70	75	9.77	12.08	9.44	11.98
26	51.46	56.27	50.32	55.72	76	9.22	11.41	8.90	11.31
27	50.51	55.28	49.38	54.75	77	8.68	10.75	8.39	10.66
28	49.57	54.30	48.44	53.77	78	8.18	10.12	7.90	10.03
29	48.63	53.32	47.50	52.79	79	7.69	9.51	7.43	9.43
30	47.69	52.33	46.57	51.81	80	7.23	8.92	6.99	8.85
31	46.75	51.35	45.63	50.84	81	6.79	8.36	6.57	8.29
32	45.81	50.37	44.69	49.86	82	6.38	7.82	6.18	7.76
33	44.86	49.39	43.75	48.89	83	6.00	7.31	5.80	7.25
34	43.92	48.41	42.81	47.92	84	5.64	6.82	5.45	6.77
35	42.98	47.43	41.88	46.95	85	5.30	6.36	5.13	6.32
36	42.03	46.45	40.94	45.98	86	4.98	5.93	4.82	5.89
37	41.09	45.48	40.00	45.01	87	4.68	5.52	4.53	5.48
38	40.14	44.50	39.06	44.04	88	4.41	5.14	4.27	5.10
39	39.19	43.53	38.13	43.08	89	4.15	4.78	4.02	4.74
40	38.25	42.56	37.19	42.11	90	3.91	4.44	3.79	4.40
41	37.30	41.59	36.25	41.15	91	3.69	4.12	3.57	4.09
42	36.35	40.62	35.32	40.19	92	3.48	3.83	3.37	3.80
43	35.41	39.66	34.39	39.24	93	3.29	3.55	3.18	3.52
44	34.47	38.70	33.46	38.28	94	3.11	3.29	3.00	3.27
45	33.53	37.74	32.53	37.33	95	2.94	3.05	2.84	3.03
46	32.59	36.78	31.61	36.39	96	2.78	2.82	2.69	2.80
47	31.66	35.83	30.69	35.44	97	2.63	2.61	2.55	2.58
48	30.73	34.88	29.78	34.50	98	2.48	2.39	2.40	2.37
49	29.80	33.94	28.88	33.57	99	2.31	2.18	2.25	2.17

(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.

5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace, 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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	688	688
New Zealand	3	1	—	3	1	2	1	—	11
Other	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	2
Total	3	1	—	3	3	3	1	688	702
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR									
Austria	—	—	—	1	2	5	—	—	8
Former USSR & Baltic States	5	—	1	—	—	16	1	—	23
Former Yugoslav Republics	5	—	—	8	8	4	1	—	26
Germany	2	—	1	1	8	13	—	—	25
Greece	2	—	1	1	5	3	—	—	12
Hungary	2	—	—	—	4	4	—	—	10
Ireland	1	—	—	2	1	3	—	—	7
Italy	—	—	—	1	10	9	1	—	21
Malta	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
Netherlands	—	—	1	—	3	3	—	—	7
Poland	2	1	2	—	—	14	1	—	20
United Kingdom	16	8	15	26	36	51	7	—	159
Other	1	2	—	6	10	7	—	—	26
Total	37	11	21	46	88	132	11	—	346
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA									
Total	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	5
SOUTHEAST ASIA									
Total	1	1	3	2	1	—	—	—	8
NORTHEAST ASIA									
Total	4	4	3	1	—	1	—	—	13
SOUTHERN ASIA									
Total	—	3	2	5	1	4	2	—	17
THE AMERICAS									
Chile	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	6
United States of America	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	3
Other	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3
Total	2	—	5	3	—	—	2	—	12
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)									
Total	1	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	5
Other and not stated	4	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	6
Total	53	21	38	61	95	140	18	688	1 114

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	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
NSW	44 036	200	303	41	12	5	10	166	44 773
Vic.	184	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

NUMBER.....

Cause of death(a)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001–139)	1	1	2	0.2	0.7
Neoplasms (140–239)	189	183	372	33.4	121.0
Malignant neoplasms (140–208)	186	179	365	32.8	118.7
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240–279)	20	15	35	3.1	11.4
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280–289)	—	—	—	—	—
Mental disorders (290–319)	13	16	29	2.6	9.4
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320–389)	20	13	33	3.0	10.7
Diseases of the circulatory system (390–459)	211	200	411	36.9	133.7
Ischaemic heart diseases (410–414)	127	92	219	19.7	71.2
Cerebrovascular diseases (430–438)	36	52	88	7.9	28.6
Diseases of the respiratory system (460–519)	32	31	63	5.7	20.5
Diseases of the digestive system (520–579)	22	17	39	3.5	12.7
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580–629)	6	5	11	1.0	3.6
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630–676)	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680–709)	1	—	1	0.1	0.3
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710–739)	—	4	4	0.4	1.3
Congenital anomalies (740–759)	5	4	9	0.8	2.9
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760–779)	3	7	10	0.9	3.3
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780–799)	4	5	9	0.8	2.9
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800–E999)	66	20	86	7.7	28.0
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810–E819)	12	8	20	1.8	6.5
All causes of death	593	521	1 114	100.0	362.3

(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	158	186	36	32	12	31	593
Females	130	179	52	31	8	3	521
Persons	288	365	88	63	20	34	1 114
Proportions by sex (%)							
Males	54.9	51.0	40.9	50.8	60.0	91.2	53.2
Females	45.1	49.0	59.1	49.2	40.0	8.8	46.8
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportions by cause of death (%)							
Males	26.6	31.4	6.1	5.4	2.0	5.2	100.0
Females	25.0	34.4	10.0	6.0	1.5	0.6	100.0
Persons	25.9	32.8	7.9	5.7	1.8	3.1	100.0
Crude death rate(b)							
Males	103.1	121.4	23.5	20.9	7.8	20.2	387.1
Females	86.2	118.6	34.5	20.5	5.3	2.0	345.3
Persons	94.7	120.0	28.9	20.7	6.6	11.2	366.4
Standardised death rate(c)							
Australian Capital Territory	152.8	168.1	48.9	33.0	7.0	11.7	542.8
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	16	8	24	13	8	21	29	16	45
1990	16	17	33	15	6	21	31	23	54
1991	16	13	29	16	5	21	32	18	50
1992	12	7	19	11	10	21	23	17	40
1993	9	12	21	9	2	11	18	14	32
1994	6	9	15	7	5	12	13	14	27
1995	13	9	22	5	9	14	18	18	36
RATE									
1985	7.4	4.1	5.8	6.0	4.1	5.1	13.4	8.1	10.9
1990	6.8	8.0	7.4	6.4	2.8	4.7	13.2	10.8	12.0
1991	6.5	5.6	6.1	6.6	2.2	4.4	13.1	7.7	10.5
1992	5.3	3.2	4.3	4.9	4.6	4.7	10.1	7.7	9.0
1993	4.0	5.5	4.7	4.0	0.9	2.5	8.0	6.4	7.2
1994	2.6	4.0	3.4	3.1	2.2	2.7	5.8	6.3	6.0
1995	5.6	4.2	5.0	2.2	4.2	3.2	7.8	8.4	8.1

5.11 PERINATAL DEATHS, Selected Details

Particulars	1995 PERINATAL DEATHS.....					1985..
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
Age at death	—	14	5	9	14	21
Less than 1 hour	—	2	1	1	2	3
1 hour to under 1 day	—	4	1	3	4	8
1 day to under 1 week	—	2	1	1	2	6
1 week to under 4 weeks	—	6	2	4	6	4
Weight at delivery (grams)	22	14	18	18	36	45
500-999	4	8	4	8	12	12
1,000-1,999	5	3	6	2	8	13
2,000-2,999	6	3	3	6	9	9
3,000 or more	4	—	3	1	4	7
Period of gestation (weeks)	22	14	18	18	36	45
Less than 28	5	7	7	5	12	11
28-36	8	2	5	5	10	20
37-41	9	3	6	6	12	13
42 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—
Age group of mother (years)	22	14	18	18	36	45
Less than 20	1	1	2	—	2	—
20-24	4	1	3	2	5	8
25-29	5	2	3	4	7	14
30-34	6	1	4	3	7	18
35-39	2	2	2	2	4	2
40 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—

SECTION 6

DEATHS — YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY)

In 1995, 1,146 deaths occurred in the ACT. While this represents a decrease of about 6% from 1994, the number of deaths occurring each year has remained relatively stable over the past few years. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death and, as a result of delays in registration, some deaths occurring in one year are not registered until the following year or even later. For the ACT it is estimated that about 96% of deaths that were registered in 1995 would have occurred in 1995.

Month of occurrence

In the ACT, fewer deaths occurred in February and June than in any other month in 1995. February regularly has the least number of deaths but this is partly due to there being fewer days in February. In 1995 the highest number of deaths occurred in May and June.

Age at death

As with year of registration data, the ageing of the ACT's population is evident in year of occurrence data. In 1995, 42% of female deaths occurred at age 80 years or more compared to 31% in 1985. For males, 27% of deaths occurred at age 80 years or more in 1995 compared to 15% in 1985.

In 1995 male age-specific death rates exceeded female age-specific death rates at all ages, with two exceptions. These were for the under one age group where the female death rate was nearly double the male death rate and age group one to four years where the death rates were the same. Caution should be used interpreting these rates as they are based on very small numbers of deaths.

6.1 DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	63	88	97	88	83	105	96
February	51	85	77	74	71	84	65
March	65	68	109	79	100	96	93
April	60	87	84	88	78	81	97
May	72	81	105	74	94	113	116
June	79	92	104	120	111	95	108
July	113	99	108	97	95	117	82
August	73	82	91	82	91	114	101
September	83	96	91	100	99	96	92
October	79	106	71	78	86	132	96
November	83	91	82	81	113	98	101
December	88	101	103	85	92	91	99
Total	909	1 076	1 122	1 046	1 113	1 222	1 146
RATE							
Crude death rate	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.6	3.7	4.1	3.8
PROPORTION (%)							
January	6.9	8.2	8.6	8.4	7.5	8.6	8.4
February	5.6	7.9	6.9	7.1	6.4	6.9	5.7
March	7.2	6.3	9.7	7.6	9.0	7.9	8.1
April	6.6	8.1	7.5	8.4	7.0	6.6	8.5
May	7.9	7.5	9.4	7.1	8.4	9.2	10.1
June	8.7	8.6	9.3	11.5	10.0	7.8	9.4
July	12.4	9.2	9.6	9.3	8.5	9.6	7.2
August	8.0	7.6	8.1	7.8	8.2	9.3	8.8
September	9.1	8.9	8.1	9.6	8.9	7.9	8.0
October	8.7	9.9	6.3	7.5	7.7	10.8	8.4
November	9.1	8.5	7.3	7.7	10.2	8.0	8.8
December	9.7	9.4	9.2	8.1	8.3	7.4	8.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

6.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex

	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
Age group (years)	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	20	26	9	9	15	15
1-4	2	3	4	4	3	4
5-9	3	2	2	2	2	—
10-14	4	3	3	4	1	—
15-19	10	10	3	4	6	2
20-24	16	16	15	3	6	2
25-29	14	8	11	3	6	4
30-34	7	11	15	2	3	8
35-39	17	9	20	12	9	5
40-44	14	27	19	11	9	10
45-49	12	20	21	10	22	16
50-54	29	32	24	15	17	21
55-59	41	35	47	21	18	25
60-64	53	63	41	33	40	31
65-69	52	82	65	37	48	36
70-74	68	69	84	51	39	63
75-79	59	71	67	59	80	66
80-84	27	47	81	51	67	94
85 and over	49	50	82	78	101	131
Not stated	2	—	—	1	—	—
Total	499	584	613	410	492	533

6.3 DEATHS, Age-specific Death Rates, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	9.4	11.1	4.3	4.6	6.9	7.8
1-4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5
5-9	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	—
10-14	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	—
15-19	0.9	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.2
20-24	1.4	1.3	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.1
25-29	1.3	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.3
30-34	0.6	0.9	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.6
35-39	1.4	0.8	1.6	1.0	0.7	0.4
40-44	1.6	2.2	1.6	1.3	0.7	0.8
45-49	1.8	2.3	1.8	1.6	2.6	1.4
50-54	5.5	4.9	3.0	3.2	2.8	2.7
55-59	8.9	7.1	8.1	4.8	4.0	4.5
60-64	14.1	15.4	9.3	8.3	9.8	7.5
65-69	23.9	25.1	18.2	14.4	13.1	9.5
70-74	43.8	36.4	29.5	24.4	18.0	17.9
75-79	70.6	59.8	42.8	45.3	44.4	28.4
80-84	65.2	83.8	97.8	67.1	64.5	66.2
85 and over	281.1	176.1	187.6	128.6	134.5	122.4

6.4 INFANT DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	2	5	5	3	—	3	1
February	—	2	—	1	5	1	1
March	2	8	3	4	3	1	3
April	3	2	6	—	3	1	1
May	1	3	3	4	—	2	1
June	2	4	5	2	1	—	4
July	3	1	2	2	1	3	1
August	4	4	2	3	1	1	2
September	5	7	3	4	1	3	—
October	3	1	2	2	—	1	3
November	2	3	4	2	1	—	4
December	2	1	2	2	4	1	3
Total	29	41	37	29	20	17	24

RATE							
Infant mortality rate	7.1	9.1	8.0	6.5	4.5	3.8	6.0

PROPORTION (%)							
January	6.9	12.2	13.5	10.3	—	17.6	4.2
February	—	4.9	—	3.4	25.0	5.9	4.2
March	6.9	19.5	8.1	13.8	15.0	5.9	12.5
April	10.3	4.9	16.2	—	15.0	5.9	4.2
May	3.4	7.3	8.1	13.8	—	11.8	4.2
June	6.9	9.8	13.5	6.9	5.0	—	16.7
July	10.3	2.4	5.4	6.9	5.0	17.6	4.2
August	13.8	9.8	5.4	10.3	5.0	5.9	8.3
September	17.2	17.1	8.1	13.8	5.0	17.6	—
October	10.3	2.4	5.4	6.9	—	5.9	12.5
November	6.9	7.3	10.8	6.9	5.0	—	16.7
December	6.9	2.4	5.4	6.9	20.0	5.9	12.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

SECTION 7

MARRIAGES REGISTERED

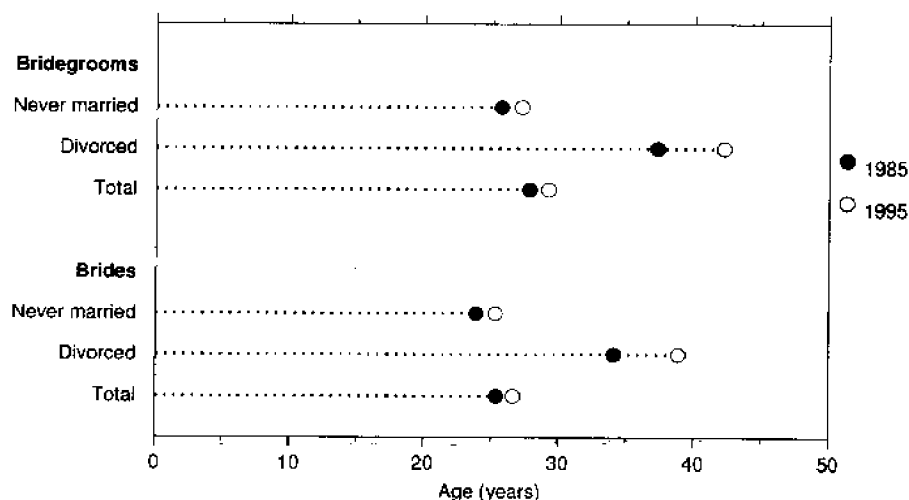
There were 1,750 marriages registered in the ACT in 1995. This was a decrease of 4% on the number registered in 1985 (1,830). Although the crude marriage rate, the number of marriages per 1,000 population, rose in 1995 when compared with 1994, the long-term downward trend continued. In 1995 this rate was 5.8 per 1,000 population having fallen from 7.3 in 1985 (21%). 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) for both men and women marrying in the ACT continued to increase in 1995. The median age at marriage for bridegrooms increased from 27.8 years in 1985 to 29.2 years in 1995 and for brides from 25.4 years in 1985 to 26.7 years in 1995. The median age of all bridegrooms was 2.5 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 27.2 years for men and 25.3 years for women.

MEDIAN AGE AT MARRIAGE, Selected Marital Status(a)

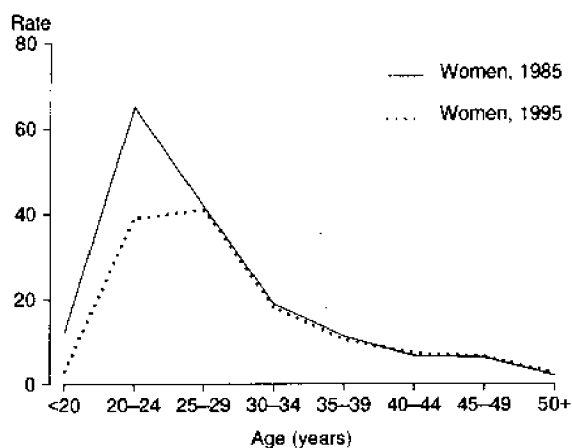
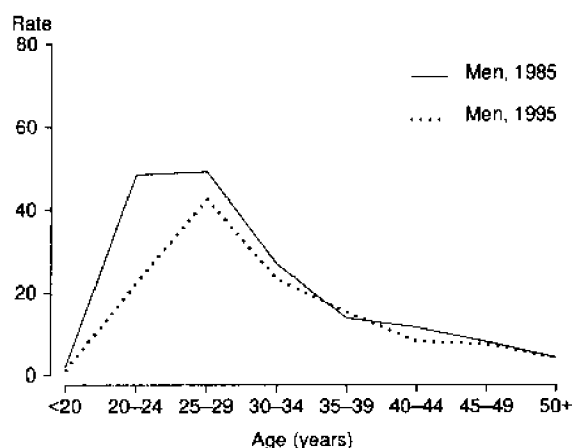


(a) Details for widowed males and females are not provided as, due to the small numbers involved, they are not statistically reliable.

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 46% compared with 39% in 1985. For women the comparative percentages were 34% and 27% 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. While the peak age group for men remained 25–29 years, the rate declined by 14%. For women the peak age group moved from 20–24 years to 25–29 years. However, the marriage rate for this group was still marginally below the 1985 rate.

Age-specific marriage rates, below age 35 for men and age 45 for women, were all lower than those recorded nationally. Above these ages the ACT recorded higher rates than Australia in all age groups with the exception of men aged 40–44 years.

MARRIAGE RATES(a)—1995

Age groups (years)	AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY...		AUSTRALIA...	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
19 and under	1.1	2.8	1.2	6.1
20–24	22.5	39.1	31.2	50.8
25–29	42.6	41.1	51.7	47.9
30–34	23.2	18.0	28.7	21.4
35–39	15.4	10.4	15.1	11.3
40–44	8.3	7.2	9.4	7.3
45–49	7.6	6.3	7.3	5.8
50 and over	4.1	2.4	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.

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 1984 and 1994 the percentage of marriages performed in the ACT by ministers of religion remained around 56%. Of these marriages in 1994, 87% of men and 91% of women had never been in a registered marriage. By comparison, of those people married by civil celebrants (44% of all marriages) 63% of men and 64% of women had never been in a registered marriage.

In 1994, 23% of all marriages performed in the ACT were by Catholic priests while 14% were by Anglican ministers.

Birthplace of parties

Men and women married in the ACT in 1994 were most likely to have been born in Australia, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Vietnam or the United States of America. Australian-born men were involved in 74% of all marriages registered and Australian-born women 77%. Men and women born in the other four countries accounted for 14% and 9% of marriages respectively. Of the marriages registered in the ACT in 1994, 62% were marriages between couples both born in Australia.

7.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL MARRIAGES							
Marriages registered	1 833	1 730	1 886	1 791	1 783	1 661	1 753
Crude marriage rate	7.3	6.1	6.5	6.1	6.0	5.5	5.8
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	1 160	1 165	1 251	1 199	1 200	1 139	1 164
First marriage one partner	372	302	365	319	322	302	330
Remarriage both partners	301	263	270	273	261	220	259
Marriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	1 046	980	1 049	978	998	927	n.a.
Proportion (%)	57.1	56.6	55.6	54.6	56.0	55.8	n.a.
Civil celebrants							
Number	787	750	837	813	785	734	n.a.
Proportion (%)	42.9	43.4	44.4	45.4	44.0	44.2	n.a.
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	2.0	1.7	1.6	1.0	0.7	0.9	1.1
20-24	48.6	34.4	31.3	28.4	26.2	22.7	22.5
25-29	49.3	43.6	49.8	48.6	44.3	41.1	42.6
30-34	27.0	25.3	29.8	23.0	27.8	27.5	23.2
35-39	13.9	12.6	13.1	13.7	12.7	12.0	15.4
40-44	11.7	8.6	10.1	9.4	10.0	8.2	8.3
45-49	8.2	7.4	7.2	8.7	6.0	5.2	7.6
50 and over	4.4	3.7	4.2	3.6	3.7	3.3	4.1
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	1 328	1 314	1 428	1 341	1 347	1 269	1 322
Widowed	38	35	38	34	31	29	30
Divorced	467	381	420	416	405	363	401
Total	1 833	1 730	1 886	1 791	1 783	1 661	1 753
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	25.7	26.7	27.0	26.7	27.1	27.2	27.2
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	37.3	40.6	40.2	41.1	40.7	40.2	42.2
Total	27.8	28.5	28.8	28.6	29.0	28.9	29.2
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	12.2	6.6	6.1	4.5	4.4	3.4	2.8
20-24	65.1	49.3	50.7	46.0	41.6	38.4	39.1
25-29	41.7	40.1	43.2	43.2	40.4	39.0	41.1
30-34	19.0	18.5	19.2	15.4	20.4	20.3	18.0
35-39	11.3	10.1	11.9	10.6	11.3	9.5	10.4
40-44	6.6	6.0	7.0	7.5	6.2	5.4	7.2
45-49	6.2	5.0	5.8	5.8	4.4	3.5	6.3
50 and over	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.3	2.0	2.4
Marital status of bride							
Never married	1 364	1 318	1 439	1 376	1 375	1 311	1 336
Widowed	42	43	29	30	34	24	39
Divorced	427	369	418	385	374	326	378
Total	1 833	1 730	1 886	1 791	1 783	1 661	1 753
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	23.9	24.7	24.8	24.9	25.1	25.2	25.3
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	34.1	35.8	36.2	37.2	36.7	37.6	38.9
Total	25.4	26.2	26.2	26.3	26.6	26.6	26.7

(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	15.8	7.9	5.1	2.5	1.7
20-24	133.7	103.1	81.1	56.7	36.6
25-29	173.9	138.8	117.1	95.7	89.7
30-34	137.5	107.0	85.6	85.7	82.5
35-39	76.7	72.2	44.7	46.1	44.2
40-44	40.5	43.6	34.3	31.3	33.9
45 and over	18.4	12.8	11.0	13.1	9.2
Age of bride					
15-19	64.8	38.7	21.8	14.2	6.3
20-24	219.0	150.2	128.6	92.4	65.5
25-29	156.5	149.6	115.1	112.9	102.8
30-34	137.6	83.3	85.0	79.0	67.8
35-39	67.3	41.6	28.6	46.6	41.6
40-44	56.2	30.2	21.9	22.6	21.4
45 and over	15.8	5.8	9.4	7.7	5.3

REMARRIAGES					
Age of bridegroom					
15-19	—	—	—	—	—
20-24	263.2	230.8	155.6	151.5	14.9
25-29	434.0	287.4	262.1	192.6	163.4
30-34	379.7	353.7	238.1	151.4	153.7
35-39	284.1	261.1	171.9	143.4	102.5
40-44	226.2	196.4	132.1	120.5	89.9
45-49	116.8	181.8	121.6	89.4	76.0
50-54	105.7	131.2	61.1	74.6	59.7
55-59	156.0	129.3	97.5	58.5	56.9
60 and over	39.2	33.7	24.4	21.2	19.3
Age of bride					
15-19	n.p.	n.p.	—	—	—
20-24	348.8	309.1	241.6	196.7	87.7
25-29	284.2	327.6	169.3	191.0	162.1
30-34	216.7	201.7	136.7	127.7	98.7
35-39	153.8	157.9	76.4	58.6	80.6
40-44	44.8	107.1	59.4	55.2	44.4
45-49	54.5	49.2	45.5	45.6	35.9
50-54	41.1	36.5	30.8	19.7	25.0
55-59	15.3	18.6	16.6	14.1	7.9
60 and over	4.2	5.3	1.7	2.6	2.1

(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	1 164	7	151	1 322
Widowed	5	14	11	30
Divorced	167	18	216	401
Total	1 336	39	378	1 753
.....				
PROPORTION (%)				
Never married	66.4	0.4	8.6	75.4
Widowed	0.3	0.8	0.6	1.7
Divorced	9.5	1.0	12.3	22.9
Total	76.2	2.2	21.6	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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	3	—	—	3	10	—	—	10
19	11	—	—	11	24	—	—	24
20	19	—	—	19	64	—	—	64
21	45	—	—	45	90	—	—	90
22	77	—	—	77	121	—	5	126
23	118	—	—	118	148	—	3	151
24	117	—	1	118	174	—	5	179
25	124	—	2	126	137	—	7	144
26	126	—	2	128	119	1	4	124
27	114	—	2	116	86	—	11	97
28	97	—	5	102	86	1	11	98
29	81	—	9	90	44	—	11	55
30-34	236	—	72	308	161	2	68	231
35-39	110	—	81	191	48	1	80	129
40-44	27	2	69	98	15	5	67	87
45-49	14	2	74	90	6	4	63	73
50-54	1	1	49	51	2	6	27	35
55-59	1	3	18	22	1	4	11	16
60 and over	1	22	17	40	—	15	5	20
Total	1 322	30	401	1 753	1 336	39	378	1 753

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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
19	—	—	6	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	11
20-24	—	7	12	296	58	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	377
25-29	—	3	5	222	268	49	12	1	2	—	—	—	562
30-34	—	—	1	64	125	85	25	5	2	—	1	—	308
35-39	—	—	—	16	47	63	39	15	10	1	—	—	191
40-44	—	—	—	4	13	17	21	30	10	3	—	—	98
45-49	—	—	—	2	5	9	21	24	19	9	1	—	90
50-54	—	—	—	—	1	3	6	8	16	12	3	2	51
55-59	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	8	5	3	1	22
60 and over	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	6	5	8	17	40
Total	—	10	24	610	518	231	129	87	73	35	16	20	1 753

SECTION 8

DIVORCES GRANTED

In 1995 there were 1,790 divorces granted in the ACT. While this was 3% above the number granted in 1985 (1,730) it was the lowest number granted for the past six years.

AGE AT DIVORCE

The median age at divorce (the age at which there are as many divorcing above it as there are divorcing below it) for both men and women continued to rise in 1995. Between 1985 and 1995 the median rose by about 3.5 years. The median age at divorce in 1995 was 39.9 years for husbands and 37.3 years for wives. The increase is, in part, a result of people waiting longer to marry.

Similarly, the median age at separation also continued to rise. Over the 10 year period 1985-95 the median age at separation of husbands and wives increased by around 2.5 years.

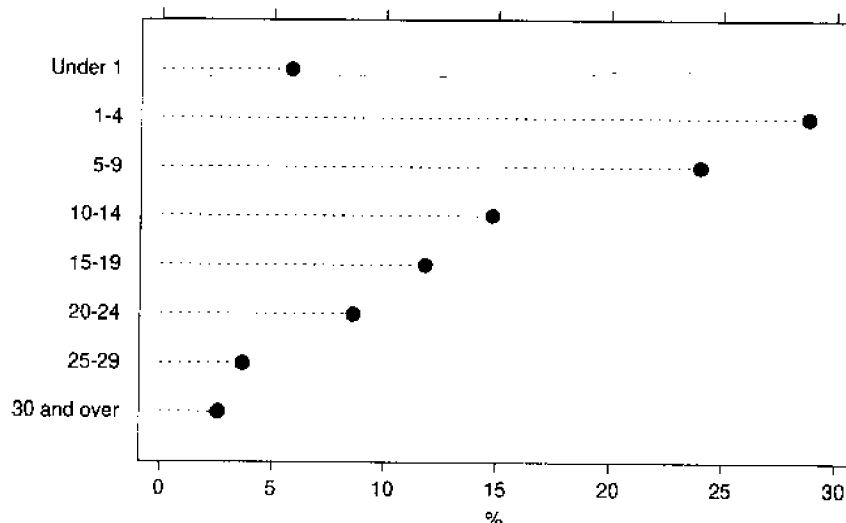
DURATION OF MARRIAGE

Duration of marriage is the interval between the date of marriage and the date the divorce was made absolute. In 1995 the median duration of marriage in the ACT was 11.5 years. Over the last 10 years this figure, although fluctuating, has not fallen below 10.6 years (1988) or risen above 11.7 years (1991).

The median duration of marriage to the time parties separate also fluctuated between 1985 and 1995. The median has consistently been above seven years and below 10 years, with a low of 7.8 years (1994) and a high of 9.2 years (1991). In 1995 the median duration of marriage to separation was 8.1 years.

Around 35% of couples who obtained a divorce in the ACT in 1995 had separated within the first five years of marriage, 6% of these separated in the first year.

DURATION OF MARRIAGE TO SEPARATION (YEARS)—1995



MONTH OF SEPARATION

Between 1985 and 1995, January, with few exceptions, was the common month for separations to occur in the ACT with 10.8% of couples separating in this month in 1995. This was the same nationally where for the period 1985-95, January was consistently the month in which most couples separated.

MONTH OF SEPARATION

	ACT.....		AUSTRALIA.....	
	1995	1985-95	1995	1985-95
	%	%	%	%
January	10.8	10.2	10.4	10.3
February	8.7	8.5	8.6	8.7
March	7.8	8.5	8.4	8.5
April	7.7	7.9	8.0	8.0
May	7.6	7.8	7.9	7.8
June	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.5
July	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.6
August	8.9	8.1	7.7	7.9
September	8.6	8.4	8.0	8.1
October	7.6	8.3	8.5	8.4
November	8.1	8.1	7.9	8.0
December	7.9	8.0	8.6	8.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

APPLICANT FOR DIVORCE

In 1995, 19% of divorces were the result of joint applications by both husband and wife compared with 5% in 1985. Husbands lodged 34% and wives lodged 47% of all divorces granted in 1995. Comparative percentages for 1985 were 40% and 56% respectively.

1994 DATA

Due to budgetary considerations the ABS undertook reduced processing for divorce data for divorces granted in 1995. Data processed in 1994 have therefore been included in Appendix E to assist analysis. Full processing of divorce data was resumed in 1996.

Divorces involving children under 18

In 1994 there were less children involved in divorce than there were in 1985. At the time of application for divorce nearly 60% of divorces granted in the ACT in 1994 involved at least one child under the age of 18 years (66% in 1985). Around 2,420 children were involved in 1,240 divorces where there were children compared with 2,350 children involved in 1,140 divorces in 1985.

Of the divorces where children were involved 35% involved one child while an additional 41% involved two children, compared with 31% and 42% respectively, in 1985..

Birthplace of parties

In 1994, 67% of all divorces granted in the ACT were to parties who were both born in Australia. Divorces where both parties were born in the same overseas country represented 6% of all divorces granted.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL DIVORCES							
Divorces granted	1 730	1 904	1 970	1 875	2 061	2 071	1 787
Median duration of marriage (years)	11.0	10.8	11.7	11.5	11.4	11.1	11.5
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	8.3	8.1	9.2	8.4	8.3	7.8	8.1
Divorces involving children							
Number	1 142	1 121	1 246	1 115	1 244	1 238	n.a.
Percentage of total divorces	66.0	62.1	63.2	59.5	60.4	59.8	n.a.
Average number of children	2.1	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	n.a.
Applicant							
Husband	688	634	672	630	691	752	612
Wife	965	859	952	917	1 024	1 023	842
HUSBAND							
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	1 506	1 526	1 655	1 595	1 716	1 722	n.a.
Widowed	28	13	20	15	17	14	n.a.
Divorced	196	265	295	265	328	335	n.a.
Total	1 730	1 804	1 970	1 875	2 061	2 071	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	23.8	24.3	24.5	24.5	25.1	25.3	25.3
At final separation	34.1	35.6	36.4	35.9	36.3	36.0	36.6
At decree made absolute	36.4	38.3	39.1	38.8	39.4	39.3	39.9
WIFE							
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	1 485	1 512	1 683	1 609	1 752	1 732	n.a.
Widowed	25	25	23	21	29	15	n.a.
Divorced	220	267	264	245	280	324	n.a.
Total	1 730	1 804	1 970	1 875	2 061	2 071	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.4	21.8	21.9	22.0	22.2	22.6	22.8
At final separation	31.6	32.7	33.4	33.3	33.3	33.3	34.0
At decree made absolute	33.9	35.5	36.0	36.1	36.5	36.5	37.3

(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	—	3	5	1	—	—	2	2	—	13
2	1	25	17	15	9	4	6	3	—	80
3	1	28	27	15	7	3	9	2	—	92
4	3	33	24	13	8	4	4	7	—	96
5	5	41	34	20	7	6	3	3	—	119
6	3	32	25	29	7	3	4	3	1	107
7	2	29	40	9	7	10	2	3	—	102
8	3	37	32	12	6	1	2	—	—	93
9	3	34	20	9	6	6	—	2	—	80
10-14	9	144	103	54	20	10	3	7	—	350
15-19	17	124	58	27	9	3	2	3	1	244
20-24	12	115	46	9	4	1	2	—	—	189
25-29	8	77	28	8	4	1	—	—	—	126
30 and over	6	65	20	5	—	—	—	—	—	96
Total	73	787	479	226	94	52	39	35	2	1 787

WIFE										
1	—	5	1	1	3	1	1	1	—	13
2	6	32	18	10	5	4	1	4	—	80
3	5	42	17	7	10	7	3	1	—	92
4	13	39	18	10	5	4	1	6	—	96
5	18	52	30	9	5	—	2	3	—	119
6	9	37	37	12	8	2	2	—	—	107
7	11	35	33	8	11	2	—	2	—	102
8	11	42	21	13	3	2	1	—	—	93
9	8	40	18	8	4	2	—	—	—	80
10-14	65	149	80	28	16	7	5	—	—	350
15-19	71	112	41	10	6	1	2	1	—	244
20-24	62	96	21	8	1	1	—	—	—	189
25-29	41	70	10	3	—	1	1	—	—	126
30 and over	33	55	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	96
Total	353	806	352	127	78	34	19	18	—	1 787

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

AGE GROUP (YEARS).....

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND											
Under 1	2	25	28	22	11	6	4	2	3	1	104
1	1	33	41	20	12	5	9	3	5	—	129
2	—	26	45	31	15	14	7	5	4	—	147
3	—	15	46	33	17	4	5	2	4	—	126
4	—	6	40	30	18	8	4	2	4	—	112
5	—	4	33	38	19	5	5	1	2	—	107
6	—	1	23	29	16	8	6	1	4	1	89
7	—	—	13	31	15	4	5	—	1	—	69
8	—	—	11	36	28	10	3	4	2	—	94
9	—	—	4	34	25	4	1	1	1	—	70
10-14	—	—	3	75	95	52	23	6	10	—	264
15-19	—	—	—	3	78	77	37	8	7	—	210
20-24	—	—	—	—	2	61	67	18	6	—	154
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	30	9	—	66
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	30	—	46
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	3	110	287	382	351	258	203	99	92	2	1 787

WIFE											
Under 1	8	39	24	14	8	6	2	1	2	—	104
1	6	44	39	17	6	7	5	3	2	—	129
2	5	43	37	24	18	7	8	2	3	—	147
3	—	40	48	21	7	6	1	—	3	—	126
4	—	21	41	27	12	8	1	2	—	—	112
5	—	12	39	38	7	7	2	—	2	—	107
6	—	1	35	33	8	7	2	3	—	—	89
7	—	—	30	25	11	2	1	—	—	—	69
8	—	1	28	35	20	3	5	2	—	—	94
9	—	—	16	34	16	—	2	1	1	—	70
10-14	—	—	20	114	76	34	14	2	4	—	264
15-19	—	—	—	19	111	57	14	7	2	—	210
20-24	—	—	—	—	19	94	31	8	2	—	154
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	3	48	14	1	—	66
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	20	20	—	46
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	19	201	357	401	319	241	142	65	42	—	1 787

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	20	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
25-29	45	126	21	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	198
30-34	11	109	158	39	11	—	—	—	—	—	328
35-39	3	25	140	149	27	6	1	—	—	—	351
40-44	1	2	39	119	145	13	3	—	—	—	322
45-49	—	—	14	31	91	93	14	4	—	—	247
50-54	1	1	2	3	27	62	43	6	1	—	146
55-59	—	—	1	3	5	20	33	25	1	—	88
60 and over	—	—	—	—	1	7	8	27	36	—	79
Not stated	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
Total	81	266	379	348	309	202	102	62	38	—	1 787

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, made in 1992, to the Acts Interpretation Act 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. Australia details for population, births and deaths 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 been, where possible, 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 three. 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.

Population projections

5 Estimates of the population of Australian Capital Territory 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.

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* (Cat. no. 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 of the publication.

15 The live birth statistics used to calculate the fetal and neonatal death rates have been adjusted (in accordance with the World Health Organisation 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 Australian Capital Territory 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. Due to the large number of divorces granted in the Australian Capital Territory where usual residence was in another State, the rates for the Australian Capital Territory are not representative of the Australian Capital Territory population. The number of divorces shown for the Australian Capital Territory is dependent on the number of cases heard by the Family Court in the Australian Capital Territory. As there is no residential requirement under Family Law, applicants may be resident anywhere in Australia.

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* (Cat. no. 1216.0).

31 The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the statistical local area boundaries at 1 July 1994.

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* (Cat. no. 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 Capital Territory at a Glance* (Cat. no. 1314.8)
- Australian Capital Territory Business Indicators* (monthly) (Cat. no. 1303.8)
- Australian Capital Territory in Focus* (Cat. no. 1307.8)
- Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (Cat. no. 3101.0)
- Australian Demographic Trends* (Cat. no. 3102.0)
- Births, Australia* (Cat. no. 3301.0)
- Causes of Death, Australia* (Cat. no. 3303.0)
- Deaths, Australia* (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, Australian Capital Territory* (Cat. no. 3207.8)
- Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age, States and Territories of Australia* (Cat. no. 3201.0)
- Estimated Resident Population in Statistical Local Areas, Australian Capital Territory, 30 June, Preliminary* (Cat. no. 3205.8)
- Marriages and Divorces, Australia* (Cat. no. 3310.0)
- Migration, Australia* (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)
- Regional Statistics, Australian Capital Territory* (Cat. no. 1313.8)

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

35 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (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 the Australian Capital Territory, but not published in this bulletin.

BIRTHS

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

DEATHS

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)

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)

APPENDIX B HISTORICAL SUMMARY

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)
1911	1 781	30	10	1	5	—	16.8	5.6	33.3	2.8
1916	2 613	63	8	1	4	—	24.1	3.1	15.9	1.5
1921	2 487	27	4	2	2	—	10.9	1.6	74.1	0.8
1926	6 215	75	41	4	17	—	12.1	6.6	53.3	2.7
1931	8 801	161	36	6	36	—	18.3	4.1	37.3	4.1
1936	10 294	158	44	4	77	2	15.3	4.3	25.3	7.5
1941	14 629	366	70	6	121	2	25.0	4.8	16.4	8.3
1946	15 883	518	82	10	157	13	32.6	5.2	19.3	9.9
1951	24 658	1 003	149	12	240	25	40.7	6.0	12.0	9.7
1956	35 352	1 077	167	11	278	20	30.5	4.7	10.2	7.9
1961	58 852	1 734	196	27	419	36	29.5	3.3	15.6	7.1
1966(c)	96 488	2 318	441	46	747	101	24.0	4.6	19.8	7.7
1971(d)	144 132	3 953	580	77	1 397	192	27.4	4.0	19.5	9.7
1976	207 398	4 272	763	68	1 586	(e) 1 706	20.6	3.7	15.9	7.6
1981	227 756	4 142	852	37	1 676	1 516	18.2	3.7	8.9	7.4
1986	258 937	4 102	1 028	35	1 856	1 641	15.8	4.0	8.5	7.2
1991	288 808	4 748	1 096	36	1 886	1 970	16.4	3.8	7.6	6.5
1992	294 241	4 438	1 073	28	1 791	1 875	15.1	3.6	6.3	6.1
1993	298 907	4 414	1 110	19	1 783	(f) 887	14.8	3.7	4.3	6.0
1994	300 867	4 461	1 222	21	1 661	(f) 931	14.8	4.1	4.7	5.5
1995	304 125	4 415	1 114	21	1 753	1 787	14.5	3.7	4.8	5.8

(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 1975* (Cwlth), 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

	Males	Females	Persons	Proportion of total persons
Characteristics of persons counted	no.	no.	no.	%
.....				
Total persons counted(a)	139 169	140 963	280 132	..
Persons counted in private dwellings	132 625	136 059	268 684	95.9
Persons counted in non-private dwellings	6 530	4 889	11 419	4.1
Usual residence				
Persons counted at home	132 566	134 926	267 492	95.5
Visitors counted from				
Elsewhere in same statistical local area	747	720	1 467	0.5
Elsewhere within ACT	1 629	1 634	3 263	1.2
Interstate	3 568	2 960	6 528	2.3
Overseas	659	723	1 382	0.5
Total visitors	6 603	6 037	12 640	4.5
Usual residence 5 years ago(b)				
Same address	60 330	61 431	121 761	49.5
Different address				
Same statistical local area	2 772	2 891	5 663	2.3
Elsewhere within ACT	24 652	25 159	49 811	20.2
Interstate	22 979	23 731	46 710	19.0
Overseas	6 156	6 642	12 798	5.2
Not stated(c)	4 026	3 864	7 890	3.2
Age of persons counted (years)				
0-14	34 645	32 911	67 556	24.1
15-54	88 818	89 766	178 584	63.8
55-64	8 536	8 292	16 828	6.0
65 or more	7 206	9 984	17 190	6.1
Marital status of persons counted(d)				
Never married	38 940	33 311	72 251	34.0
Married	56 720	57 348	114 068	53.7
Separated but not divorced	2 713	3 591	6 304	3.0
Divorced	4 630	7 147	11 777	5.5
Widowed	1 493	6 677	8 170	3.8
Birthplace of persons counted				
Australia	103 606	105 351	208 957	74.6
Other Oceania and Antarctica	2 595	2 608	5 203	1.9
Europe and the former USSR	20 341	19 643	39 984	14.3
Middle East and North Africa	693	584	1 277	0.5
Southeast Asia	3 378	3 916	7 294	2.6
Northeast Asia	1 675	1 930	3 605	1.3
Southern Asia	1 288	1 279	2 567	0.9
Northern America	1 263	1 302	2 565	0.9
Southern and Central America	737	917	1 654	0.6
Africa (excl. North Africa)	758	793	1 551	0.6
Other(e)	42	46	88	—

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>	125 483	126 422	251 905	89.9
Aged 18 years or more	86 774	89 282	176 056	62.8
Persons identifying themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin	925	870	1 795	0.6
<i>Labour force status(d)</i>				
<i>Employed persons</i>	76 063	63 938	140 001	65.8
Full-time(f)	61 717	36 461	98 178	46.2
Part-time	11 116	24 763	35 879	16.9
Hours worked not stated	3 230	2 714	5 944	2.8
<i>Unemployed persons</i>	6 290	4 886	11 176	5.3
Looking for full-time work	4 813	2 692	7 505	3.5
Looking for part-time work	1 477	2 194	3 671	1.7
<i>Total in the labour force</i>	82 353	68 824	151 177	71.1
<i>Total not in the labour force(g)</i>	20 553	37 155	57 708	27.1

- (a) Place of enumeration.
- (b) Persons aged five years or more counted at home on census night.
- (c) Comprises persons who stated they lived at a different address five 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	1 035	—	191	1 226	1 035	—	249	1 284
Fiji	—	1	—	1	1	1	1	3
New Zealand	27	1	3	31	16	1	4	21
Other	11	2	6	19	10	2	2	14
<i>Total</i>	<i>1 073</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>1 277</i>	<i>1 062</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>1 322</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	1	—	—	1	2	—	1	3
Former USSR & Baltic States	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	2
Former Yugoslav Republics	13	8	—	21	4	8	1	13
Germany	11	1	3	15	6	1	2	9
Greece	2	1	2	5	1	1	1	3
Hungary	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
Ireland	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	2
Italy	4	—	—	4	1	—	4	5
Malta	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Netherlands	7	2	2	11	1	2	1	4
Poland	—	2	—	2	3	2	1	6
United Kingdom	96	24	26	146	56	24	9	89
Other	15	2	2	19	19	2	9	30
<i>Total</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>226</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>169</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	1
Lebanon	1	1	2	4	—	1	1	2
Turkey	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Other	1	—	2	3	1	—	—	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	—	1	—	1	1	1	3	5
Malaysia	6	1	3	10	9	1	4	14
Philippines	1	6	1	8	5	6	2	13
Singapore	3	—	2	5	2	—	1	3
Thailand	2	—	—	2	4	—	2	6
Viet Nam	—	24	1	25	1	24	7	32
Other	—	2	4	6	3	2	—	5
<i>Total</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>78</i>

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	1	5	3	9	4	5	2	11
Hong Kong	3	7	3	13	4	7	3	14
Other	1	1	2	4	6	1	4	11
Total	5	13	8	26	14	13	9	36
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	2	1	—	3	1	1	3	5
Sri Lanka	1	—	1	2	1	—	—	1
Other	3	1	—	4	—	1	—	1
Total	6	2	1	9	2	2	3	7
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	4	—	—	4	6	—	4	10
Chile	2	3	1	6	1	3	1	5
United States of America	11	2	11	24	9	2	1	12
Other	3	—	—	3	3	—	3	6
Total	20	5	12	37	19	5	9	33
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	8	—	1	9	4	—	—	4
Other	6	2	2	10	2	2	4	8
Total	14	2	3	19	6	2	4	12
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 284	102	275	1 661	1 226	102	333	1 661

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	196	—	36	205	2	25	232	14.0
Baptist	29	2	4	32	—	3	35	2.1
Catholic	357	5	14	362	6	8	376	22.6
Churches of Christ	8	—	3	8	—	3	11	0.7
Lutheran	15	1	3	16	1	2	19	1.1
Orthodox	42	1	2	41	—	4	46	2.7
Presbyterian	40	—	9	46	—	3	49	3.0
Uniting Church	48	1	22	54	2	15	71	4.3
Other denominations	72	3	14	76	—	13	89	5.4
<i>All religious rites</i>	<i>807</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>107</i>	<i>840</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>76</i>	<i>927</i>	<i>55.8</i>
CIVIL								
Official registrars	170	7	107	178	8	98	284	17.1
Other civil celebrants	292	9	149	293	5	152	450	27.1
<i>All civil rites</i>	<i>462</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>250</i>	<i>734</i>	<i>44.2</i>
TOTAL								
Number	1 269	29	363	1 311	24	326	1 661	100.0
Proportion (%)	76.4	1.7	21.9	78.9	1.4	19.6	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	206	58	52	20	4	2	342
Two	19	12	7	3	—	1	42
Three or more	5	—	2	—	—	—	7
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Total	230	70	61	23	4	4	392
.....							
BRIDE							
One	168	67	46	14	4	3	302
Two	31	7	6	—	—	—	44
Three or more	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	203	74	52	14	4	3	350
.....							

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	1	60	61	—	47	47
1	3	97	100	4	81	85
2	7	38	45	5	39	44
3	3	42	45	3	34	37
4	3	23	26	4	20	24
0-4	17	260	277	16	221	237
5	2	16	18	1	18	19
6	1	11	12	2	10	12
7	2	11	13	2	13	15
8	3	14	17	1	12	13
9	2	4	6	1	10	11
5-9	10	56	66	7	63	70
10-14	1	30	31	1	21	22
15-19	1	9	10	—	12	12
20 and over	—	4	4	—	5	5
Not stated	—	4	4	—	4	4
All remarriages	29	363	392	24	326	350

APPENDIX **E** DIVORCE TABLES, 1994

E1 DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage(a), Duration of Marriage—1994

NUMBER OF CHILDREN.....

Duration of marriage (years)	0	1	2	3	4 or more	All divorces	All children	Average number of children(b)
1	17	—	—	1	—	18	3	3.0
2	68	24	9	2	2	105	56	1.5
3	82	27	15	2	1	127	69	1.5
4	80	34	19	13	—	146	111	1.7
5	54	38	24	9	1	126	117	1.6
6	49	28	25	2	1	105	88	1.6
7	42	28	32	6	4	112	126	1.8
8	38	21	33	6	5	103	126	1.9
9	30	21	37	12	8	108	163	2.1
10-14	72	61	160	67	22	382	671	2.2
15-19	35	42	98	74	20	269	544	2.3
20-24	74	77	54	26	9	240	300	1.8
25-29	108	28	7	2	—	145	48	1.3
30 and over	84	1	—	—	—	85	1	1.0
Total	833	430	513	222	73	2 071	2 423	2.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Included in divorces where there were one or more children under the age of 18.

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	1 394	—	215	1 609	1 394	—	234	1 628
Fiji	3	1	—	4	1	1	3	5
New Zealand	12	8	9	29	22	8	9	39
Other	4	—	2	6	6	—	—	6
Total	1 413	9	226	1 648	1 423	9	246	1 678
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	2	1	—	3	—	1	—	1
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	—	3	3	1	—	1	2
Former Yugoslav Republics	7	16	2	25	1	16	4	21
Germany	19	2	9	30	7	2	5	14
Greece	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	3
Hungary	—	—	4	4	2	—	2	4
Ireland	3	1	—	4	2	1	2	5
Italy	6	1	3	10	3	1	5	9
Malta	3	—	2	5	2	—	1	3
Netherlands	9	1	6	16	3	1	4	8
Poland	2	4	4	10	—	4	1	5
United Kingdom	104	47	20	171	101	47	20	168
Other	11	8	8	27	9	8	6	23
Total	168	82	62	312	132	82	52	266
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	—	1	1	2	1	1	—	2
Lebanon	—	2	—	2	—	2	—	2
Turkey	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other	2	—	2	4	1	—	2	3
Total	3	3	3	9	2	3	2	7
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	1	—	—	1	2	—	2	4
Malaysia	4	1	—	5	3	1	1	5
Philippines	1	2	—	3	12	2	1	15
Singapore	1	—	1	2	3	—	—	3
Thailand	1	—	1	2	4	—	2	6
Viet Nam	—	4	2	6	—	4	1	5
Other	—	2	1	3	2	2	3	7
Total	8	9	5	22	26	9	10	45

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.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	3	5	2	10	6	5	—	11
Hong Kong	1	4	—	5	—	4	1	5
Other	—	2	—	2	2	2	1	5
Total	4	11	2	17	8	11	2	21
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	2	2	4	8	1	2	1	4
Sri Lanka	2	1	—	3	—	1	1	2
Other	1	—	1	2	—	—	2	2
Total	5	3	5	13	1	3	4	8
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	7	—	1	8	2	—	3	5
Chile	2	6	—	8	2	6	1	9
United States of America	7	4	3	14	5	4	4	13
Other	1	2	—	3	2	2	2	6
Total	17	12	4	33	11	12	10	33
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	—	3	2	5	—	3	2	5
Other	5	—	—	5	2	—	1	3
Total	5	3	2	10	2	3	3	8
Other and not stated	5	—	2	7	4	—	1	5
Total	1 628	132	311	2 071	1 609	132	330	2 071

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
Total	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	6 649	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
Total	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 one 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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. <p>There are three main categories of movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ permanent ▪ long-term (one year or more) ▪ short-term (less than one year). <p>A significant number of travellers (i.e. overseas visitors to Australia on arrival and Australian residents going abroad) state exactly 12 months or one year as their intended period of stay. Many of them stay for less than that period and on their</p>

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 12 months or more (but not permanently) and Australian residents returning after an absence of 12 months or more overseas.
Long-term departures	Long-term departures comprise Australian residents who intend to stay abroad for 12 months or more (but not permanently) and overseas visitors departing who stayed 12 months or more in Australia.
Marriage	Under the <i>Australian Marriage Act 1961</i> (C'with), 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 five 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 12 months and Australian residents returning after and absence of less than 12 months overseas.

Short-term departures	Short-term departures comprise Australian residents whose intended period of stay abroad is less than 12 months and overseas visitors departing who stayed less than 12 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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