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QUEENSLAND

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NOTES

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).

This issue contains rates calculated using preliminary estimates of Australia, States and Territories as at 30 June 1997, based on the 1996 Census of Population and Housing.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographic Classification
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
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 subdivision
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero or less than three (see paragraph 33 of the Explanatory Notes)

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MAIN FEATURES

KEY FIGURES

	QUEENSLAND.....			AUSTRALIA.....		
	1987	1997	Change	1987	1997	Change
	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%
Estimated resident population	2 703.5	3 430.4	26.9	16 394.6	18 631.1	13.6
Net overseas migration	15.3	13.7	-10.5	136.1	83.7	-38.5
Net interstate migration	22.9	20.2	-11.8
Births						
Registration basis	39.4	47.0	19.3	244.0	251.8	3.2
Deaths						
Registration basis	18.9	21.9	15.9	117.3	129.4	10.3
Marriages	18.3	20.9	14.2	114.1	106.7	-6.5
Divorces	6.9	11.7	69.6	39.7	51.3	29.2

OVERVIEW

- During 1997, the population of Queensland continued to grow, with the second highest annual growth rate of 1.7%.
- Demography statistics for Queensland for 1997 generally reflected the profile of an ageing population. Whilst the estimated resident population increased, so too did the median age of residents of the State. Both birth rates and death rates decreased in 1997. However, a higher proportion of deaths occurred at an older age particularly for males only.
- The number of ex-nuptial births continued to increase over previous years and the median age of mothers also continued its upward trend for 1997.
- The number of marriages in Queensland decreased slightly since 1996, with a corresponding decrease in the marriage rate. In contrast, both the number of divorces and the divorce rate increased during the year.

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

- Queensland's estimated resident population at 31 December 1997 was 3,430,384. This represented an increase of 26.9% over the last 10 years.
- The median age of people resident in Queensland at 30 June 1997 rose to 33.6 years from 33.3 years at 30 June 1996. However, the median age of the resident Queensland population remained 0.7 years lower than that of the Australian population (34.3 years).

- The trend towards inner city living was shown by the increase in the population of inner Brisbane City in recent years. Starting from a low base, the population of inner Brisbane City rose by 94.9% between 1995 and 1996 and a further 62.8% between 1996 and 1997.

OVERSEAS MIGRATION

- There was a net population increase in Queensland from overseas migration in 1997 of 13,745 persons. More people settled in Queensland from an overseas country than chose to leave Queensland for overseas (either permanently or long term). In Queensland, 23.3% of growth was due to overseas migration, compared with 40.2% nationally.

INTERSTATE MIGRATION

- While the number of interstate migrants settling in Queensland fell between 1996 and 1997, Queensland still experienced a net gain of 20,202 persons in 1997.

BIRTHS

Registration basis

- In 1997 there were 46,965 births registered in Queensland. This was a decrease of 1.7% from the number registered in 1996 (47,769) but an increase of 19.3% over the number registered in 1987 (39,365). The decrease for 1997 was larger than the national figure, which decreased by 0.8% during 1997.
- The total fertility rate in Queensland was 1.8 children per woman, the same as the corresponding figure for Australia. This has remained consistent with the total fertility rate over the last 10 years which has fluctuated between 1.8 and 2.0.
- More mothers in the age group 25 to 29 years gave birth than mothers in any other age group in 1997. This was the same as the peak age group for Australian mothers. However, the birth rate in Queensland of 116 per 1,000 women in this age group was higher than the 114 per 1,000 for Australia.
- Ex-nuptial births registered in Queensland in 1997 increased only marginally over those registered in 1996. By comparison, nuptial births registered for 1997 recorded a decrease of 2.6% from the previous year. Ex-nuptial births represented 33% of all births registered in Queensland in 1997, while they represented only 21% in 1987. In this 10-year period the number of ex-nuptial births increased by 92% in Queensland, compared with a 61% national increase over the same period.

DEATHS

Registration basis

- The number of deaths registered in Queensland in 1997 (21,945) represented a decrease of 1.5% from 1996 and an increase of 16.4% from 1987.
- The standardised death rate in Queensland in 1997 was 6.2 per 1,000 population, the same as that recorded for Australia. This represents a decrease of 18.4% from the 7.6 per 1,000 recorded in 1987 for Queensland.
- In 1997 in Queensland, the median age at death was 73.3 years for males and 80.4 years for females. These are significantly higher than the 1987 medians which were 71.4 years and 77.7 years, respectively. In 1997 the national median age at death was 74.2 years for males and 81.0 for females.
- In 1997 the number of infant deaths registered in Queensland (272) was 25.7% lower than in 1987 (366), and 10.5% lower than in 1996 (304).

- The infant mortality rate steadily decreased from 9.3 in 1987, to 6.2 in 1994. Since 1994, the rate increased in both 1995 (to 6.3) and 1996 (to 6.4), but decreased significantly to 5.8 in 1997.

MARRIAGES

- In Queensland 20,868 marriages were registered in 1997. This was an increase of 14.3% over the 18,265 marriages registered in 1987.
- In 1997 the crude marriage rate of 6.1 per 1,000 population was the highest in Australia. However, it was lower than the crude marriage rate for Queensland in 1996 (6.3 per 1,000) and continued to reflect the downward trend both in Queensland and nationally.
- The median marriage age in Queensland in 1997 was 29.7 years for men and 27.5 years for women. This was 2.4 years higher than the male median marriage age and 2.5 years higher than the female median marriage age recorded in 1987.

DIVORCES

- There were 11,774 divorces granted in Queensland in 1997, an increase of 69.8% since 1987 (6,918).
- In 1997, the median divorce age for men was 41.0 years and the median for women was 38.1 years. This was higher than in 1996 and continues the upward trend for median ages at divorce. The Queensland median ages at divorce in 1987 were 37.7 years for men and 34.7 years for women.

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SECTION 1

DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

POPULATION

Population continued to grow in Queensland during 1997 with the estimated resident population at 31 December 1997 totalling 3,430,400. This figure represents a State population growth rate of 1.7%, compared with the Australian growth rate of 1.1% for the same period.

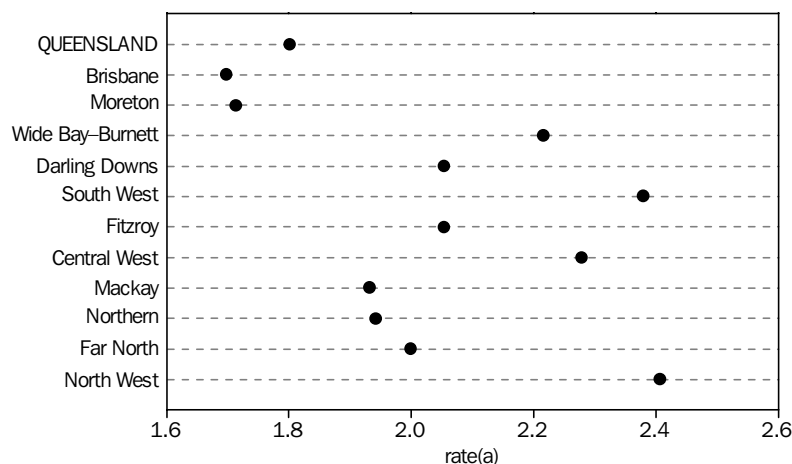
The estimated mid-year resident population (30 June 1997) of the Brisbane Statistical Division was 1,548,346 (45.5% of the Queensland total). The second largest statistical division in terms of population was Moreton with 639,024 (18.8% of the Queensland total). The estimated resident population of Brisbane Statistical Division was mainly in Brisbane City Statistical Sub-division (SSD) with 833,554. Logan City SSD with an estimated resident population of 164,758 had the second highest figure.

BIRTHS

There were 46,965 live births in Queensland in 1997 and 46,279 confinements. The median age of the mother for all confinements was 28.6 years.

Residents of Brisbane Statistical Division accounted for 44.5% of Queensland births. Over the 3 year period 1995 to 1997, Brisbane recorded the lowest fertility rate (1.697) for all statistical divisions. Brisbane City recorded a fertility rate of 1.491 while all other parts of the Brisbane Statistical Division recorded higher fertility rates with Caboolture Shire Part A (2.217), Ipswich City (Part in Brisbane Statistical Division) (2.105) and Gold Coast City Part A (2.092) recording the highest.

TOTAL FERTILITY RATE BY STATISTICAL DIVISION



(a) Average total fertility rate over the 3 years, 1995 to 1997.

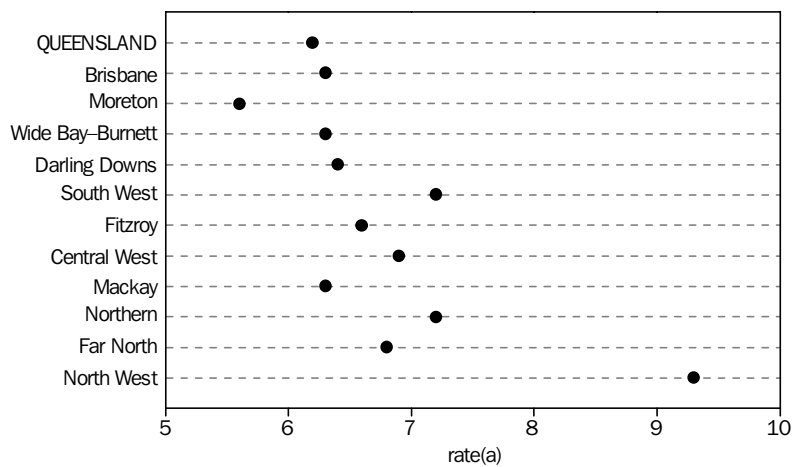
The largest number of births in the rest of the state was recorded for the Moreton Statistical Division (7,593). The highest fertility rate of 2.407 was recorded in the North West Statistical Division.

DEATHS

In 1997, there were 9,575 deaths of usual residents in the Brisbane Statistical Division, which represented 43.6% of all Queensland deaths. The indirect standardised death rate (see Glossary, page 93) over the 3 years 1995 to 1997 was 6.3 for the Brisbane Statistical Division. This was very similar to the Queensland rate of 6.2. The lowest standardised death rates within Brisbane Statistical Division were in Pine Rivers Shire (5.0) and Beaudesert Shire Part A (5.1).

The highest standardised death rate in Queensland outside of Brisbane Statistical Division was 9.3 in North West Statistical Division. The lowest standardised death rate of 5.6 was in Moreton Statistical Division. Moreton Statistical Division also had the highest number of deaths outside Brisbane Statistical Division.

INDIRECT STANDARDISED DEATH RATE BY STATISTICAL DIVISION



(a) Average indirect standardised death rate over the 3 years, 1995 to 1997.

MARRIAGES

The crude marriage rate in Queensland of 6.1 marriages per 1,000 population was the highest of any State or Territory in Australia. The median ages at marriage for bridegrooms (29.7 years) and brides (27.5 years) were the highest ever recorded in Queensland.

DIVORCES

The crude divorce rate in Queensland of 3.5 divorces per 1,000 population was the highest of any State or Territory and exceeded the national figure of 2.8.

1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a)—Year ended 31 December 1997

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
POPULATION									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6 306.3	4 627.3	3 430.4	1 482.9	1 811.1	471.8	189.2	309.0	18 631.1
Components of population change(c)									
Natural increase(d)	41 941	28 978	24 990	6 769	14 041	2 240	2 699	3 034	124 729
Net overseas migration(e)	34 302	19 774	13 745	3 297	12 115	70	532	-122	83 702
Net interstate migration	-10 782	-2 700	20 202	-3 399	3 038	-4 593	670	2 436	..
Total increase	65 461	46 052	58 937	6 667	29 194	-2 283	3 901	5 348	208 431
Growth rate (%)	1.0	1.0	1.7	0.5	1.6	-0.5	2.1	0.2	1.1
BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS									
Live births									
Number	87 156	60 732	46 965	18 362	24 776	6 007	3 588	4 208	251 842
Total fertility rate	1.832	1.688	1.801	1.703	1.787	1.799	2.171	1.601	1.775
Crude birth rate	13.9	13.2	13.8	12.4	13.8	12.7	19.2	13.6	13.6
Female net reproduction rate	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.9
All confinements									
Number	85 967	59 804	46 279	18 095	24 407	5 935	3 552	4 161	248 246
Median age of mother (years)	29.4	30.0	28.6	29.7	29.2	28.2	27.0	29.8	29.4
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)									
Mother	30.3	30.7	29.9	30.8	30.3	29.7	29.8	30.6	30.4
Father	32.9	33.0	32.3	33.0	32.8	32.2	32.5	32.7	32.8
First nuptial confinements									
Number	26 275	19 264	12 313	5 174	6 737	1 733	559	1 285	73 356
Median age of mother	28.9	29.3	28.6	29.4	29.0	28.3	28.6	29.2	29.0
DEATHS									
Number	45 641	33 261	21 945	11 658	10 807	3 809	891	1 334	129 350
Standardised death rate	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.8	9.8	6.0	6.2
Crude death rate	7.3	7.2	6.5	7.9	6.0	8.0	4.8	4.3	7.0
Median age at death (years)									
Males	74.3	74.7	73.3	75.2	73.6	75.2	56.3	72.6	74.2
Females	81.1	81.4	80.4	81.5	80.8	80.2	57.6	78.8	81.0
Infant deaths									
Number	451	300	272	87	131	39	45	16	1 341
Rate	5.2	4.9	5.8	4.7	5.3	6.5	12.5	3.8	5.3
Perinatal deaths									
Number	861	522	430	152	202	70	56	28	2 321
Rate	9.8	8.6	9.1	8.2	8.1	11.6	15.5	6.6	9.2

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

(c) Components of population change from previous year.

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

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

1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a)—Year ended 31 December 1997 *continued*

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.(b)</i>
MARRIAGES									
Number registered	36 679	25 456	20 868	7 945	10 456	2 672	786	1 873	106 735
Crude marriage rate	5.8	5.5	6.1	5.4	5.8	5.6	4.2	6.0	5.8
Median age at marriage (years)									
Bridegroom	29.6	29.6	29.7	29.8	30.4	29.7	31.6	29.6	29.7
Bride	27.3	27.5	27.5	27.4	27.9	27.3	28.8	27.3	27.5
DIVORCES									
Number granted	14 655	12 463	11 744	4 115	5 046	1 321	416	1 528	51 288
Crude divorce rate	2.3	2.7	3.5	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.2	(c)	2.8
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.0	11.0	11.7	11.8	12.0	12.0	11.6	11.4	11.1
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	6.7	7.7	8.1	8.6	8.3	8.7	7.8	8.2	7.7

(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) See paragraph 22 in Explanatory Notes.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)

STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
BRISBANE (SD)					
Brisbane City (SSD)					
Acacia Ridge	6 581	89	2.039	46	8.0
Albion	2 317	26	1.108	10	5.2
Alderley	4 748	61	1.260	23	4.4
Algester	7 423	77	1.782	22	4.7
Annerley	8 696	106	1.290	104	9.9
Anstead	1 054	13	2.180	—	6.3
Archerfield	617	11	2.413	4	4.6
Ascot	4 710	49	1.100	28	4.9
Ashgrove	11 432	148	1.603	57	4.2
Aspley	11 399	107	1.550	65	4.2
Bald Hills	6 023	124	2.122	23	6.2
Balmoral	3 402	44	1.337	16	5.6
Banyo	4 888	63	1.866	36	5.5
Bardon	8 484	113	1.371	43	4.6
Bellbowrie	4 167	54	1.744	10	3.9
Belmon–Mackenzie	3 544	51	1.977	8	4.0
Berrinba–Karawatha	281	5	1.854	—	1.6
Boondall	7 732	103	1.730	31	3.9
Bowen Hills	838	8	1.565	17	14.5
Bracken Ridge	13 449	191	1.880	32	4.6
Bridgeman Downs	4 179	54	1.835	4	4.8
Brighton	8 880	115	2.223	190	11.5
Brookfield (including Mt Coot-tha)	2 973	33	1.753	36	7.5
Bulimba	3 820	64	1.623	37	6.5
Burbank	1 184	9	1.914	3	3.4
Calamvale	7 158	99	1.525	20	3.7
Camp Hill	9 318	139	1.740	57	5.2
Cannon Hill	4 014	48	1.733	26	4.9
Capalaba West	377	4	1.143	—	4.2
Carindale	11 053	126	1.815	51	4.8
Carina	9 113	119	1.547	46	5.8
Carina Heights	5 660	73	1.375	76	9.1
Carseldine	6 050	43	1.488	55	6.6
Chandler	956	4	1.186	3	3.9
Chapel Hill	10 344	80	1.339	22	4.2
Chelmer	2 645	35	1.884	46	9.1
Chermside	6 047	67	1.438	170	9.9
Chermside West	5 863	72	1.460	30	4.5
City—Inner	565	—	1.264	—	1.2
City—Remainder	1 458	9	0.711	3	5.7
Clayfield	9 287	85	1.039	66	6.3
Coopers Plains	4 148	52	1.535	24	7.2
Coorparoo	13 245	152	1.264	108	6.7
Corinda	4 152	45	1.671	93	9.3
Darra–Sumner	3 794	67	2.117	24	6.7
Deagon	3 337	36	1.528	34	6.8
Doolandella–Forest Lake	7 937	199	2.092	16	5.7
Durack	5 859	83	1.818	60	6.0
Dutton Park	1 480	17	1.117	16	7.6
East Brisbane	4 814	47	1.367	35	6.7
Eight Mile Plains	9 845	118	1.660	25	4.7
Ellen Grove	2 671	41	1.735	6	3.6
Enoggera	6 501	85	1.554	46	4.6
Everton Park	7 955	87	1.689	46	5.1

(a) The statistical area boundaries used in the compilation of these statistics are those in existence at 1 July 1997.

(b) As at 30 June 1997.

(c) Data is for calendar year 1997.

(d) The average total fertility rate over the three years 1995 to 1997.

(e) The average indirect standardised death rate over three years 1995 to 1997.

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

STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
BRISBANE (SD) <i>continued</i>					
Brisbane City (SSD) <i>continued</i>					
Fairfield	2 221	26	1.535	23	6.6
Ferry Grove	5 429	67	1.542	11	3.1
Fig Tree Pocket	2 735	17	0.983	10	4.0
Fortitude Valley—Inner	136	—	1.806	—	6.6
Fortitude Valley—Remainder	1 559	17	0.957	45	9.8
Geebung	4 298	53	1.862	30	4.9
Graceville	3 773	61	1.635	31	5.5
Grange	3 464	59	1.788	25	4.9
Greenslopes	7 338	80	1.282	112	9.0
Gumdale	989	10	2.022	5	6.5
Hamilton	4 002	54	1.412	42	6.4
Hawthorne	3 864	47	1.586	21	4.5
Hemmant-Lytton	1 783	33	2.268	9	5.1
Hendra	3 561	44	1.569	25	4.2
Herston	1 681	23	1.208	49	16.4
Highgate Hill	5 360	56	0.877	48	7.8
Holland Park	7 434	107	1.547	57	6.2
Holland Park West	5 478	63	1.400	29	4.3
Inala	13 551	259	2.633	80	7.9
Indooroopilly	10 372	73	1.166	51	5.0
Jamboree Heights	3 397	51	1.591	14	4.7
Jindalee	5 521	57	1.590	19	4.0
Kangaroo Point	4 917	41	0.884	71	9.7
Kedron	11 326	171	1.622	95	6.0
Kelvin Grove	4 056	43	1.099	36	7.5
Kenmore	8 372	70	1.512	39	4.5
Kenmore Hills	2 452	17	1.223	40	9.3
Keperra	7 511	114	1.811	35	4.7
Kuraby	2 047	22	1.807	4	2.6
Lota	2 654	38	1.820	24	5.5
Lutwyche	2 567	37	1.373	14	5.1
McDowall	5 457	65	1.653	18	4.1
MacGregor	5 749	42	1.270	29	4.4
Manly	3 576	41	1.777	29	5.5
Manly West	8 932	109	1.771	37	4.4
Mansfield	8 601	66	1.448	43	4.4
Middle Park	4 523	58	1.810	13	3.3
Milton	1 676	12	0.786	10	5.3
Mitchelton	6 121	95	1.804	39	6.1
Moggill	787	6	1.707	7	6.8
Moorooka	8 639	118	1.693	74	4.8
Moreton Island	175	—	1.299	—	0.0
Morningside	7 142	111	1.478	53	5.7
Mount Gravatt	3 214	45	1.597	39	6.8
Mount Gravatt East	9 431	138	1.656	106	7.3
Mount Ommaney	2 126	10	1.443	37	11.7
Murarie	2 380	40	1.790	22	8.2
Nathan	1 603	14	1.103	—	2.1
New Farm	9 247	71	0.885	208	12.3
Newmarket	3 819	58	1.356	32	5.7
Newstead	1 699	13	1.068	6	6.6
Norman Park	6 264	98	1.656	50	6.7
Northgate	3 718	49	1.994	17	4.9
Nudgee	1 950	26	1.853	10	4.6
Nudgee Beach	333	—	2.169	15	9.5

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STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
BRISBANE (SD) <i>continued</i>					
Brisbane City (SSD) <i>continued</i>					
Nundah	8 039	105	1.482	68	5.4
Oxley	5 761	80	1.997	96	8.4
Paddington	7 236	78	1.057	35	5.3
Pallara–Heathwood–Larapinta	741	7	1.636	—	8.3
Parkinson–Drewvale	2 942	64	2.402	3	1.9
Pinjarra Hills	488	—	1.372	—	8.0
Pinkenba–Eagle Farm	440	6	2.334	5	8.3
Pullenvale	1 764	26	1.945	27	8.7
Ransome	458	10	1.957	3	6.0
Red Hill	5 016	56	1.004	26	5.8
Richlands	874	19	2.905	6	5.4
Riverhills	3 484	43	1.632	10	4.7
Robertson	4 187	30	1.113	22	3.5
Rochedale	1 343	13	1.561	7	4.0
Rocklea	1 475	26	2.149	17	6.8
Runcorn	10 160	137	1.649	19	4.5
St Lucia	10 130	60	0.862	34	3.5
Salisbury	5 379	69	1.650	27	5.5
Sandgate	6 459	66	1.813	174	9.5
Seventeen Mile Rocks	4 724	95	1.773	71	7.3
Sherwood	4 540	43	1.453	18	3.9
South Brisbane	2 326	13	0.946	14	5.5
Spring Hill	2 937	9	0.763	35	11.9
Stafford	5 719	62	1.371	37	5.3
Stafford Heights	7 530	84	1.613	46	5.5
Stretton	2 509	29	1.477	6	2.7
Sunnybank	7 636	67	1.531	43	5.7
Sunnybank Hills	15 164	161	1.422	66	4.7
Taigum–Fitzgibbon	4 146	64	1.633	42	6.2
Taringa	6 473	48	0.843	24	3.3
Tarragindi	9 415	120	1.565	58	4.7
The Gap (including Enoggera Reserve)	15 745	150	1.466	51	4.6
Tingalpa	8 138	151	1.771	20	5.3
Toowong	12 958	118	1.033	79	6.0
Upper Brookfield	525	4	1.411	—	1.5
Upper Kedron	421	8	2.675	—	2.4
Upper Mount Gravatt	7 600	93	1.561	94	7.2
Virginia	1 883	30	1.702	12	6.2
Wacol	5 255	48	1.924	29	10.3
Wakerley	707	6	1.221	—	2.5
Wavell Heights	8 634	105	1.605	70	5.9
West End	5 870	63	1.082	44	5.7
Westlake	3 622	29	1.335	5	3.7
Willawong	249	4	2.650	—	5.9
Wilston	3 360	47	1.705	21	6.6
Windsor	5 929	94	1.428	69	9.1
Wishart	8 966	101	1.429	29	4.1
Woolloongabba	3 870	50	1.506	32	7.5
Woollowin	5 533	68	1.352	66	7.9
Wynnum	11 106	136	1.786	136	6.9
Wynnum West	9 282	111	1.882	123	8.5
Yeerongpilly	2 194	29	1.721	12	5.3
Yeronga	4 871	46	1.248	36	5.3
Zillmere	7 864	108	1.636	80	7.3
Total Brisbane City (SSD)	833 554	10 142	1.491	6 096	6.4

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BRISBANE (SD) <i>continued</i>					
Gold Coast City Part A (SSD)					
Beenleigh	7 761	109	1.969	75	8.4
Bethania–Waterford	4 868	55	1.818	25	5.0
Eagleby	8 622	156	2.524	51	8.0
Edens Landing–Holmview	4 192	105	2.277	15	5.1
Mt Warren Park	5 412	61	1.907	24	4.1
Windaroo–Bannockburn	2 456	19	1.744	8	5.0
Gold Coast (C) Balance in BSD	9 161	130	1.923	39	5.5
<i>Total Gold Coast City Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>42 472</i>	<i>635</i>	<i>2.092</i>	<i>237</i>	<i>6.4</i>
Beaudesert Shire Part A (SSD)					
Greenbank—Part A	582	10	2.074	—	3.4
Beaudesert (S)—Balance in BSD	23 945	347	1.941	59	5.2
<i>Total Beaudesert Shire Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>24 527</i>	<i>357</i>	<i>1.941</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>5.1</i>
Caboolture Shire Part A (SSD)					
Bribie Island	13 260	101	2.248	145	3.7
Burpengary–Narangba	15 144	230	2.057	56	9.7
Caboolture (S)—Central	15 906	271	2.289	147	7.1
Caboolture (S)—East	11 749	150	2.379	59	5.4
Deception Bay	16 597	279	2.304	77	7.8
Morayfield	16 355	284	2.200	49	7.9
Caboolture (S) Balance in BSD	10 596	152	2.190	26	7.0
<i>Total Caboolture Shire Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>99 607</i>	<i>1 467</i>	<i>2.217</i>	<i>559</i>	<i>6.2</i>
Ipswich City (Part in BSD) (SSD)					
Ipswich (C)—Central	68 069	1 163	2.099	569	6.4
Ipswich (C)—East	38 517	739	2.167	132	8.8
Ipswich (C) North	11 982	166	1.841	32	5.0
<i>Total Ipswich City (Part in BSD) (SSD)</i>	<i>118 568</i>	<i>2 068</i>	<i>2.105</i>	<i>733</i>	<i>6.7</i>
Logan City (SSD)					
Browns Plains	25 380	469	2.091	59	5.1
Carbrook–Cornubia	3 058	24	1.232	13	4.4
Daisy Hill–Priestdale	4 452	54	1.630	7	3.1
Greenbank—Part B	8 029	183	2.565	62	10.0
Kingston	13 400	247	2.191	59	7.7
Loganholme	11 775	197	2.030	25	6.4
Loganlea	6 767	137	2.365	19	7.3
Marsden	17 166	348	2.363	33	6.5
Rochedale South	16 050	201	1.643	51	5.6
Shailer Park	10 826	134	1.764	22	4.3
Slacks Creek	11 968	157	1.707	33	5.9
Springwood	6 555	46	1.394	37	6.5
Tanah Merah	929	11	1.304	3	6.4
Underwood	2 750	36	2.048	13	6.1
Waterford West	5 105	101	2.094	21	5.4
Woodridge	18 596	340	2.277	102	7.5
Logan (C)—Balance	1 952	15	1.700	10	6.8
<i>Total Logan City (SSD)</i>	<i>164 758</i>	<i>2 700</i>	<i>2.028</i>	<i>569</i>	<i>6.4</i>

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BRISBANE (SD) <i>continued</i>					
Pine Rivers Shire (SSD)					
Albany Creek	12 763	192	1.870	38	5.4
Arana Hills	6 609	97	1.583	9	3.7
Bray Park	8 574	123	1.962	22	6.8
Everton Hills	5 406	85	1.868	12	3.9
Ferry Hills	8 068	103	1.860	27	7.0
Kallangur	15 092	252	2.026	45	5.2
Lawnton	5 577	91	1.754	25	5.1
Petrie	7 544	116	1.866	21	4.8
Strathpine	10 364	141	1.824	32	5.1
Pine Rivers (S)—Balance	29 081	439	1.905	59	4.1
<i>Total Pine Rivers Shire (SSD)</i>	<i>109 078</i>	<i>1 639</i>	<i>1.881</i>	<i>290</i>	<i>5.0</i>
Redcliffe City (SSD)					
Clontarf	9 124	134	1.966	127	7.7
Margate—Woody Point	10 097	77	1.609	50	5.0
Redcliffe—Scarborough	18 170	161	1.805	223	5.9
Rothwell—Kippa-Ring	12 369	153	1.762	97	8.7
<i>Total Redcliffe City (SSD)</i>	<i>49 760</i>	<i>525</i>	<i>1.779</i>	<i>497</i>	<i>6.5</i>
Redland Shire (SSD)					
Alexandra Hills	17 939	280	1.955	73	6.0
Birkdale	11 761	162	1.915	77	7.0
Capalaba	17 115	226	1.827	63	5.7
Cleveland	11 865	80	1.512	76	5.0
Ormiston	3 842	37	1.739	25	3.9
Redland Bay	5 984	90	2.252	48	6.9
Sheldon—Mt Cotton	3 616	56	1.866	8	3.3
Thorneside	3 502	65	1.985	10	5.6
Thorncroft	7 418	75	1.892	24	4.7
Victoria Point	10 496	126	1.949	67	5.1
Wellington Point	7 019	82	1.720	39	7.4
Redland (S)—Balance	5 465	76	2.692	25	5.8
<i>Total Redland Shire (SSD)</i>	<i>106 022</i>	<i>1 355</i>	<i>1.888</i>	<i>535</i>	<i>5.6</i>
TOTAL BRISBANE (SD)	1 548 346	20 888	1.697	9 575	6.3

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MORETON (SD)					
Gold Coast City Part B (SSD)					
Arundel	4 231	98	2.503	20	5.3
Ashmore	10 586	126	1.567	100	6.4
Benowa	6 115	60	1.385	57	6.9
Biggera Waters	4 719	34	1.065	36	4.9
Bilinga	1 205	—	0.776	12	3.9
Broadbeach	3 403	12	0.585	26	4.8
Broadbeach Waters	7 514	63	1.290	58	4.1
Bundall	4 178	22	1.121	21	4.4
Burleigh Heads	6 955	74	1.444	74	5.2
Burleigh Waters	10 447	125	1.796	60	4.3
Carrara–Merrimac	12 288	192	1.923	57	6.3
Coolangatta	3 834	29	1.264	37	5.2
Coombabah	7 799	82	1.614	48	3.8
Coomera–Cedar Creek	6 627	103	1.999	63	6.7
Currumbin	2 522	29	1.425	18	6.3
Currumbin Waters	9 249	86	1.833	60	6.1
Elanora	9 890	112	1.674	41	3.9
Ernest–Molendinar	3 123	40	1.425	3	3.5
Guanaba–Currumbin Valley	15 816	216	1.761	37	5.4
Helensvale	10 991	141	1.824	39	5.1
Hollywell	2 638	18	1.320	14	3.2
Hope Island	2 795	30	1.637	26	9.1
Kerrydale–Stephens	8 751	117	1.461	24	3.1
Labrador	14 027	177	1.606	181	8.7
Main Beach–Broadwater	3 466	25	0.804	22	4.7
Mermaid Beach	5 252	51	1.228	46	6.7
Mermaid Waters	9 835	74	1.208	70	4.3
Miami	5 404	78	1.520	46	5.7
Mudgeeraba	9 368	136	1.975	44	11.5
Nerang	20 417	306	2.016	140	6.1
Oxenford	7 194	131	2.091	15	4.6
Palm Beach	12 626	141	1.645	126	5.3
Paradise Point	4 193	28	1.579	45	5.3
Parkwood	8 137	116	1.492	18	5.4
Robina–Clear Island Waters	14 221	147	1.619	98	5.5
Runaway Bay	8 482	89	1.683	96	6.6
Southport	22 485	222	1.399	280	7.1
Surfers Paradise	13 548	82	0.883	83	3.9
Tugun	3 874	49	1.933	35	5.3
Worongary–Tallai	8 873	111	1.704	23	3.5
<i>Total Gold Coast City Part B (SSD)</i>	<i>327 078</i>	<i>3 774</i>	<i>1.556</i>	<i>2 299</i>	<i>5.6</i>
Sunshine Coast (SSD)					
Caloundra (C)—Caloundra North	15 624	163	1.691	97	5.0
Caloundra (C)—Caloundra South	12 741	126	2.009	198	5.1
Caloundra (C)—Kawana	17 418	191	1.937	124	6.1
Maroochy (S)—Buderim	26 181	319	2.051	148	4.4
Maroochy (S)—Coastal North	15 184	249	1.963	101	8.3
Maroochy (S)—Maroochydore	15 043	177	1.484	92	5.1
Maroochy (S)—Mooloolaba	9 907	99	1.183	53	6.6
Maroochy (S)—Nambour	11 797	153	2.035	182	5.5
Maroochy (S) Balance in Sunshine Coast SSD	12 672	173	2.064	73	6.0
Noosa (S)—Noosa–Noosaville	7 774	70	1.525	54	5.1
Noosa (S)—Sunshine–Peregian	8 558	96	1.470	28	6.7
Noosa (S)—Tewantin	9 200	109	1.940	117	5.1
<i>Total Sunshine Coast (SSD)</i>	<i>162 099</i>	<i>1 925</i>	<i>1.788</i>	<i>1 267</i>	<i>5.5</i>

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MORETON (SD) <i>continued</i>					
Moreton SD Balance (SSD)					
Beaudesert (S)—Part B	24 431	314	2.027	134	5.9
Boonah (S)	6 979	76	2.136	59	5.4
Caboolture (S)—Part B	4 706	68	1.922	28	6.4
Caloundra (C)—Hinterland	6 686	76	2.735	40	4.5
Caloundra (C)—Rail Corridor	15 370	175	2.027	53	5.4
Esk (S)	14 012	186	2.357	108	7.2
Gatton (S)	15 212	195	1.874	97	5.6
Ipswich (C)—South-West	4 928	70	2.301	22	6.0
Ipswich (C)—West	8 054	82	1.951	30	4.8
Kilcoy (S)	3 218	38	2.105	17	5.8
Laidley (S)	12 623	182	2.062	76	7.3
Maroochy (S) Balance	21 121	280	2.220	84	5.8
Noosa (S) Balance	12 507	152	2.116	68	5.4
<i>Total Moreton SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>149 847</i>	<i>1 894</i>	<i>2.099</i>	<i>816</i>	<i>5.9</i>
TOTAL MORETON SD	639 024	7 593	1.713	4 382	5.6
WIDE BAY–BURNETT (SD)					
Bundaberg (SSD)					
Bundaberg (C)	43 915	701	2.261	430	7.0
Burnett (S)—Part A	10 894	110	1.987	41	4.4
<i>Total Bundaberg (SSD)</i>	<i>54 809</i>	<i>811</i>	<i>2.222</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>6.6</i>
Wide Bay–Burnett SD Balance (SSD)					
Biggenden (S)	1 610	20	2.267	11	5.8
Burnett (S)—Part B	10 770	77	1.824	30	4.6
Cooloola (S) (excluding Gympie)	16 682	225	2.344	75	5.3
Cooloola (S) (Gympie only)	15 921	186	2.004	184	7.4
Eidsvold (S)	951	13	2.611	11	5.8
Gayndah (S)	2 842	57	2.731	26	7.2
Hervey Bay (C)	40 019	509	2.149	322	5.8
Isis (S)	5 883	58	1.927	27	5.7
Kilkivan (S)	3 246	42	2.514	20	4.5
Kingaroy (S)	11 486	146	2.226	108	6.3
Kolan (S)	4 531	64	2.505	29	7.0
Maryborough (C)	24 933	363	2.248	260	6.9
Miriam Vale (S)	4 188	63	2.535	15	5.6
Monto (S)	2 871	40	2.254	25	5.1
Mundubbera (S)	2 443	38	2.115	10	4.6
Murgon (S)	4 600	102	2.773	22	6.7
Nanango (S)	8 183	127	2.605	58	6.2
Perry (S)	370	4	2.852	4	4.9
Tiaro (S)	4 417	56	2.176	20	5.2
Wondai (S)	4 102	46	2.267	33	6.4
Woocoo (S)	2 965	17	1.817	8	2.5
<i>Total Wide Bay–Burnett SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>173 013</i>	<i>2 253</i>	<i>2.216</i>	<i>1 298</i>	<i>6.2</i>
TOTAL WIDE BAY–BURNETT SD	227 822	3 064	2.217	1 769	6.3

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DARLING DOWNS (SD)					
Toowoomba City (SSD)					
Toowoomba (C)—Central	14 693	185	1.661	125	6.1
Toowoomba (C)—North-East	10 755	109	1.733	153	6.4
Toowoomba (C)—North-West	19 394	300	1.954	112	7.9
Toowoomba (C)—South-East	20 202	208	1.525	158	5.7
Toowoomba (C)—West	21 650	304	1.786	128	6.4
<i>Total Toowoomba City (SSD)</i>	<i>86 694</i>	<i>1 106</i>	<i>1.729</i>	<i>676</i>	<i>6.4</i>
Darling Downs SD Balance (SSD)					
Cambooya (S)	4 317	59	1.742	8	4.1
Chinchilla (S)	5 816	90	2.356	40	5.6
Clifton (S)	2 402	39	2.599	26	7.0
Crow's Nest (S)	9 099	135	2.180	48	5.5
Dalby (T)	9 849	206	2.553	85	8.0
Goondiwindi (T)	4 367	91	2.459	30	7.3
Inglewood (S)	2 770	27	2.323	21	5.8
Jondaryan (S)	11 637	213	2.533	68	6.7
Millmerran (S)	2 907	45	2.364	14	5.1
Murilla (S)	2 766	44	2.110	24	5.6
Pittsworth (S)	4 474	67	2.684	33	5.0
Rosalie (S)	8 342	125	2.471	46	5.5
Stanthorpe (S)	10 020	132	2.258	95	6.7
Tara (S)	3 568	69	2.985	34	7.0
Taroom (S)	2 736	55	2.168	19	6.1
Waggamba (S)	2 736	60	2.838	11	6.6
Wambo (S)	5 317	64	2.396	36	5.7
Warwick (S)—Central	11 243	224	2.445	120	7.1
Warwick (S)—East	4 101	45	2.287	28	6.0
Warwick (S)—North	2 362	22	2.217	19	6.5
Warwick (S)—West	2 764	18	1.704	10	3.1
<i>Total Darling Downs SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>113 593</i>	<i>1 830</i>	<i>2.381</i>	<i>815</i>	<i>6.3</i>
TOTAL DARLING DOWNS SD	200 287	2 936	2.053	1 491	6.4
SOUTH WEST (SD)					
South West (SSD)					
Balonne (S)	4 786	101	3.005	28	7.9
Bendemere (S)	1 020	14	2.305	11	7.1
Booringa (S)	1 898	39	2.900	14	8.4
Bulloo (S)	519	—	0.938	—	2.1
Bungil (S)	1 973	26	2.428	11	4.1
Murweh (S)	4 997	75	2.005	43	7.0
Paroo (S)	2 276	28	2.262	15	7.4
Quilpie (S)	1 272	30	2.605	12	9.7
Roma (T)	6 495	123	2.183	55	7.5
Warroo (S)	966	25	3.538	12	5.4
TOTAL SOUTH WEST SD	26 202	463	2.380	203	7.2

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

STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
FITZROY (SD)					
Rockhampton (SSD)					
Fitzroy (S)—Part A	4 756	120	2.720	40	7.9
Rockhampton (C)	59 721	896	1.898	511	6.9
<i>Total Rockhampton (SSD)</i>	<i>64 477</i>	<i>1 016</i>	<i>1.957</i>	<i>551</i>	<i>6.9</i>
Gladstone (SSD)					
Calliope (S)—Part A	11 136	159	2.157	56	6.6
Gladstone (C)	27 005	427	2.055	105	6.6
<i>Total Gladstone (SSD)</i>	<i>38 141</i>	<i>586</i>	<i>2.080</i>	<i>161</i>	<i>6.6</i>
Fitzroy SD Balance (SSD)					
Banana (S)	13 793	231	2.329	77	7.1
Bauhinia (S)	2 221	43	2.669	7	4.6
Calliope (S)—Part B	2 819	36	2.212	8	4.7
Duarlinga (S)	9 137	174	2.391	19	5.7
Emerald (S)	12 862	260	2.316	44	5.6
Fitzroy (S)—Part B	5 178	68	1.923	12	4.0
Jericho (S)	1 033	15	2.266	5	6.4
Livingstone (S)	23 930	271	1.853	141	6.4
Mount Morgan (S)	2 904	42	2.414	40	8.9
Peak Downs (S)	3 072	43	1.892	6	5.0
<i>Total Fitzroy Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>76 949</i>	<i>1 183</i>	<i>2.163</i>	<i>359</i>	<i>6.3</i>
<i>TOTAL FITZROY (SD)</i>	<i>179 567</i>	<i>2 785</i>	<i>2.054</i>	<i>1 071</i>	<i>6.6</i>
CENTRAL WEST (SD)					
Central West (SSD)					
Aramac (S)	849	11	2.398	6	5.2
Barcaldine (S)	1 757	31	2.260	13	9.1
Barcoo (S)	462	5	2.562	—	7.1
Blackall (S)	1 812	34	2.111	11	6.5
Boulia (S)	537	12	2.906	3	4.5
Diamantina (S)	332	—	1.590	—	1.9
Ilfracombe (S)	325	8	3.317	—	6.0
Isisford (S)	289	—	2.981	—	2.6
Longreach (S)	3 832	84	2.312	26	8.7
Tambo (S)	550	4	1.399	4	5.0
Winton (S)	1 642	35	2.455	4	5.4
<i>TOTAL CENTRAL WEST (SD)</i>	<i>12 387</i>	<i>228</i>	<i>2.279</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>6.9</i>
MACKAY (SD)					
Mackay City Part A (SSD)					
Mackay (C)—Part A	62 442	987	1.962	394	6.8
Mackay SD Balance (SSD)					
Belyando (S)	10 818	174	2.262	28	6.5
Broadsound (S)	7 484	100	1.990	13	4.6
Mackay (C)—Part B	10 573	118	1.937	29	4.5
Mirani (S)	5 082	63	2.071	23	6.1
Nebo (S)	2 254	37	2.543	6	3.7
Sarina (S)	9 583	147	2.254	50	6.2
Whitsunday (S)	14 400	181	1.371	58	5.7
<i>Total Mackay SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>60 194</i>	<i>820</i>	<i>1.898</i>	<i>207</i>	<i>5.6</i>
<i>TOTAL MACKAY (SD)</i>	<i>122 636</i>	<i>1 807</i>	<i>1.932</i>	<i>601</i>	<i>6.3</i>

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(e) The average indirect standardised death rate over three years 1995 to 1997.

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

STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
NORTHERN (SD)					
Townsville City Part A (SSD)					
Aitkenvale	5 123	95	1.868	27	5.0
City	2 647	11	1.032	8	11.5
Cranbrook	6 557	88	1.568	26	5.0
Currajong	2 718	35	1.512	21	6.2
Douglas	2 170	11	0.938	—	30.3
Garbutt	2 489	43	2.089	23	7.5
Gulliver	3 063	47	2.268	24	10.7
Heatley	4 652	89	2.205	17	5.3
Hermit Park	3 505	51	1.609	26	6.3
Hyde Park—Mysterton	2 356	31	1.936	21	5.1
Magnetic Island	2 060	27	1.967	12	4.6
Mt Louisa—Mt St John—Bohle	3 848	83	2.071	15	6.2
Mundingburra	4 085	42	1.471	66	5.7
Murray	7 481	77	1.605	61	8.8
North Ward—Castle Hill	5 153	43	1.069	24	5.4
Oonoonba—Idalia—Cluden	1 742	18	1.666	11	8.2
Pallarenda—Shelley Beach	1 040	9	1.567	32	9.8
Pimlico	2 383	45	1.828	17	6.8
Railway Estate	2 781	36	1.620	18	5.5
Rosslea	1 573	30	2.184	7	4.8
Rowes Bay—Belgian Gardens	2 382	21	1.572	22	7.8
South Townsville	1 815	27	1.913	17	7.8
Stuart—Roseneath	820	8	1.638	8	9.1
Vincent	2 955	69	2.361	23	12.9
West End	3 472	58	1.658	27	6.3
Wulguru	4 896	70	2.254	13	6.0
<i>Total Townsville City Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>83 766</i>	<i>1 164</i>	<i>1.696</i>	<i>568</i>	<i>7.0</i>
Thuringowa City Part A (SSD)					
Kelso	7 805	152	2.470	15	4.5
Kirwan	16 296	269	1.891	80	7.4
Thuringowa (C)—Part A Balance	15 708	333	2.309	40	5.7
<i>Total Thuringowa City Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>39 809</i>	<i>754</i>	<i>2.161</i>	<i>135</i>	<i>6.4</i>
Northern SD Balance (SSD)					
Bowen (S)	13 096	173	2.023	116	7.4
Burdekin (S)	19 037	269	2.189	154	7.0
Charters Towers (C)	9 009	187	2.801	130	9.6
Dalrymple (S)	3 438	21	1.861	6	2.9
Hinchinbrook (S)	15 522	222	2.140	144	8.5
Thuringowa (C)—Part B	6 680	111	2.352	23	6.2
Townsville (C)—Part B	3 152	35	1.612	16	6.8
<i>Total Northern SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>69 934</i>	<i>1 018</i>	<i>2.201</i>	<i>589</i>	<i>7.6</i>
TOTAL NORTHERN SD	193 509	2 936	1.942	1 292	7.2

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

STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical subdivision (SSD) and Statistical local area (SLA)	<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>
FAR NORTH (SD)					
Cairns City Part A (SSD)					
Cairns (C)—Barron	16 427	298	1.842	56	8.5
Cairns (C)—Central Suburbs	22 114	355	1.531	195	7.0
Cairns (C)—City	8 299	87	1.090	37	6.4
Cairns (C)—Mt Whitfield	11 774	138	1.748	68	6.4
Cairns (C)—Northern Suburbs	12 892	148	1.863	43	7.2
Cairns (C)—Trinity	26 577	521	2.132	101	6.4
Cairns (C)—Western Suburbs	11 433	122	1.882	30	6.8
<i>Total Cairns City Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>109 516</i>	<i>1 669</i>	<i>1.755</i>	<i>530</i>	<i>6.9</i>
Far North SD Balance (SSD)					
Atherton (S)	10 246	141	2.262	74	5.4
Aurukun (S)	846	16	2.303	9	26.7
Cairns (C)—Part B	6 876	140	2.521	34	10.3
Cardwell (S)	9 447	137	1.984	51	6.0
Cook (S) (excluding Weipa)	5 819	104	2.325	37	8.8
Cook (S)—Weipa only	2 355	47	2.533	—	4.8
Croydon (S)	298	8	3.084	—	5.5
Douglas (S)	10 049	140	1.613	42	6.1
Eacham (S)	6 377	77	2.303	38	5.6
Etheridge (S)	944	20	2.405	6	5.5
Herberton (S)	5 375	66	2.399	41	7.4
Johnstone (S)	20 071	276	2.228	121	6.5
Mareeba (S)	18 394	262	2.342	138	6.9
Torres (S)	8 905	296	3.561	54	9.3
<i>Total Far North SD Balance (SSD)</i>	<i>106 002</i>	<i>1 730</i>	<i>2.330</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>6.8</i>
TOTAL FAR NORTH (SD)	215 518	3 399	1.999	1 178	6.8
NORTH WEST (SD)					
North West (SSD)					
Burke (S)	1 188	36	3.032	9	20.6
Carpentaria (S)	3 597	65	2.154	26	11.7
Cloncurry (S)	3 318	69	2.531	23	10.7
Flinders (S)	2 184	33	2.686	7	5.2
McKinlay (S)	1 177	17	1.801	4	3.7
Mornington (S)	1 172	25	2.102	19	25.9
Mount Isa (C)	22 189	479	2.392	106	8.7
Richmond (S)	1 109	24	2.654	—	4.6
Unincorporated Islands	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL NORTH WEST SD	35 394	748	2.407	196	9.3
OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY	—	—	—	—	—
QUEENSLAND(f)	3 401 232	46 965	1.801	21 945	6.2

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(C) City (S) Shire

(e) The average indirect standardised death rate over three years 1995 to 1997.

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

SECTION 2

POPULATION

At 31 December 1997, the estimated resident population of Queensland was 3,430,400 comprising 1,718,500 males and 1,711,900 females.

POPULATION CHANGE

During 1997, Queensland's population increased by 58,937 (1.7%). Net natural increase was the greatest contributing factor accounting for 24,990 persons or 42.4% of this increase. Net interstate migration was 20,202 or 34.3% of the total, while net overseas migration was responsible for 13,745 persons or 23.3% of the total increase.

POPULATION CHANGE



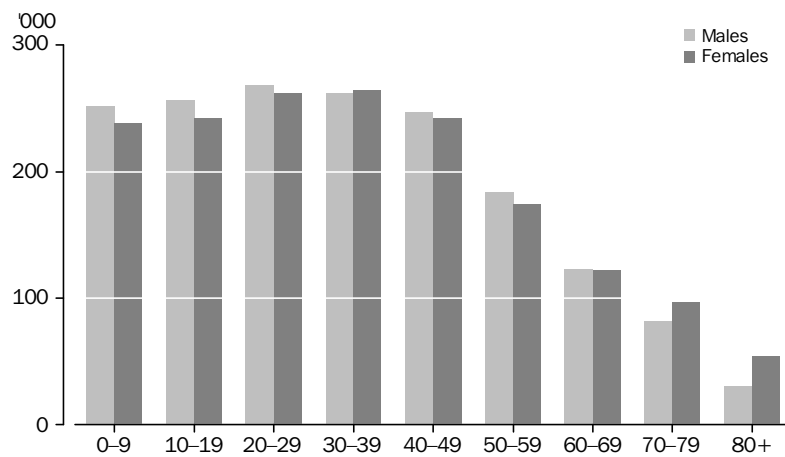
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Population projections vary depending on different assumptions about fertility, mortality and migration (both overseas and interstate). According to the maximum projection (series III), the population of Queensland can be expected to reach four million around the year 2006 and six million around 2040.

AGE OF THE POPULATION

Queensland's population continues to age. At 30 June 1997, 11.2% of the total population was aged 65 years and over, compared with 10.5% in 1987. Children (persons aged less than 15 years) comprised 21.8% of the total population in 1997, compared with 23.7% in 1987.

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION—at 30 June 1997



ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

In 1997, the number of short-term overseas visitor arrivals into Queensland exceeded one million persons for the third consecutive calendar year. The total figure recorded was 1,331,400 persons, an increase of 51,700 persons (4.0%) over 1996.

The number of Queensland residents departing overseas for less than 12 months also continued to increase. During 1997, a record 435,800 Queensland residents departed overseas on a short-term basis. This was an increase of 26,600 (or 6.5%) over the 409,200 departures recorded in 1996.

2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Estimated resident population							
at 31 December ('000)							
Males	1 357.1	1 536.8	1 577.4	1 615.1	1 655.5	1 689.1	1 718.5
Females	1 346.4	1 530.5	1 570.7	1 608.0	1 647.9	1 682.4	1 711.9
Persons	2 703.5	3 067.3	3 148.1	3 223.0	3 303.4	3 371.4	3 430.4
Components of population change(b)							
Net natural increase(c)							
Number	20 504	25 932	26 838	25 360	26 279	24 537	24 990
% of total annual growth	37.5	35.3	33.2	33.8	32.7	36.0	42.4
Net overseas migration(d)							
Number	15 349	6 284	4 166	6 709	13 710	12 866	13 745
% of total annual growth	28.0	8.5	5.2	9.0	17.1	18.9	23.3
Net interstate migration							
Number	22 871	40 424	48 816	41 819	38 472	29 377	20 202
% of total annual growth	41.8	55.0	60.5	55.8	47.9	43.1	34.3
Total population growth(e)							
Number	54 738	73 503	80 752	74 934	80 346	68 095	58 937
Annual growth rate (%) (f)	2.0	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.0	1.7
Overseas arrivals and departures(g)							
Permanent movement							
Arrivals	16 660	13 220	9 670	11 730	14 690	14 570	14 790
Departures	4 020	5 340	5 170	5 210	5 630	5 910	6 220
Former settlers	2 270	2 820	2 580	2 480	2 640	2 820	2 890
Other Australian residents	1 760	2 530	2 590	2 730	3 000	3 090	3 330
Long-term movement							
Arrivals	11 270	17 560	19 090	20 970	23 130	25 090	27 760
Australian residents returning	7 080	10 270	11 470	11 980	12 360	12 710	13 580
Overseas visitors arriving	4 190	7 290	7 620	8 990	10 770	12 380	14 180
Departures	9 950	15 820	16 100	17 200	18 870	20 320	22 660
Australian residents departing	7 280	10 220	10 240	10 680	11 340	12 170	13 140
Overseas visitors departing	2 670	5 600	5 860	6 530	7 520	8 150	9 520
Short-term movement							
Arrivals	509 800	1 011 000	1 171 100	1 293 800	1 471 300	1 687 800	1 763 900
Australian residents returning	182 600	306 200	314 100	323 200	360 800	408 100	432 500
Overseas visitors arriving	327 200	704 800	857 100	970 600	1 110 500	1 279 700	1 331 400
Departures	500 800	999 400	1 164 800	1 264 700	1 417 300	1 606 900	1 683 000
Australian residents departing	185 200	325 400	335 300	340 000	372 900	409 200	435 800
Overseas visitors departing	315 600	674 000	829 500	924 800	1 044 400	1 197 700	1 247 200

(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) Differences between the total growth and the sum of natural increase and net migration arise from retrospective adjustments (which are made after each Census) to compensate for any intercensal discrepancy.

(f) Excludes intercensal discrepancy not accounted for by natural increase and net migration.

(g) 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—at 30 June 1997

Age(years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age(years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	24 150	22 694	46 844	50	24 966	23 585	48 551
1	24 672	23 531	48 203	51	20 953	19 859	40 812
2	25 210	23 601	48 811	52	20 997	20 011	41 008
3	25 276	24 018	49 294	53	19 643	18 517	38 160
4	25 603	23 897	49 500	54	17 574	16 797	34 371
0-4	124 911	117 741	242 652	50-54	104 133	98 769	202 902
5	25 469	24 374	49 843	55	17 391	16 344	33 735
6	25 686	24 581	50 267	56	16 650	15 528	32 178
7	25 710	24 381	50 091	57	15 952	15 008	30 960
8	25 010	23 761	48 771	58	15 069	14 493	29 562
9	24 813	23 562	48 375	59	14 586	13 725	28 311
5-9	126 688	120 659	247 347	55-59	79 648	75 098	154 746
10	25 057	23 609	48 666	60	14 225	13 464	27 689
11	25 735	24 088	49 823	61	13 317	12 515	25 832
12	25 616	24 412	50 028	62	12 437	12 464	24 901
13	26 107	24 733	50 840	63	12 209	11 804	24 013
14	26 769	25 423	52 192	64	11 839	11 981	23 820
10-14	129 284	122 265	251 549	60-64	64 027	62 228	126 255
15	26 343	24 471	50 814	65	12 058	11 619	23 677
16	25 709	24 169	49 878	66	12 211	12 621	24 832
17	24 979	23 809	48 788	67	11 603	11 835	23 438
18	24 973	23 581	48 554	68	11 522	11 703	23 225
19	25 169	24 171	49 340	69	11 105	11 862	22 967
15-19	127 173	120 201	247 374	65-69	58 499	59 640	118 139
20	25 589	24 801	50 390	70	10 684	11 189	21 873
21	25 548	24 803	50 351	71	10 436	11 381	21 817
22	26 442	25 778	52 220	72	9 547	10 875	20 422
23	27 222	26 087	53 309	73	9 132	10 567	19 699
24	28 019	27 083	55 102	74	8 676	10 265	18 941
20-24	132 820	128 552	261 372	70-74	48 475	54 277	102 752
25	28 678	27 874	56 552	75	8 337	10 036	18 373
26	28 887	28 265	57 152	76	7 754	9 784	17 538
27	26 827	26 307	53 134	77	6 876	8 649	15 525
28	26 060	25 929	51 989	78	5 454	7 328	12 782
29	25 173	25 007	50 180	79	5 184	7 206	12 390
25-29	135 625	133 382	269 007	75-79	33 605	43 003	76 608
30	24 839	24 745	49 584	80	4 702	6 818	11 520
31	24 990	24 827	49 817	81	4 171	6 202	10 373
32	25 114	25 560	50 674	82	3 803	5 900	9 703
33	26 270	26 826	53 096	83	3 349	5 724	9 073
34	26 605	27 357	53 962	84	2 899	4 988	7 887
30-34	127 818	129 315	257 133	80-84	18 924	29 632	48 556
35	27 086	27 478	54 564	85	2 340	4 300	6 640
36	27 650	27 863	55 513	86	1 967	3 797	5 764
37	26 750	26 981	53 731	87	1 700	3 379	5 079
38	26 302	26 508	52 810	88	1 255	2 604	3 859
39	26 062	26 213	52 275	89	1 074	2 190	3 264
35-39	133 850	135 043	268 893	85-89	8 336	16 270	24 606
40	25 715	25 507	51 222	90	770	1 878	2 648
41	25 366	25 239	50 605	91	635	1 469	2 104
42	24 873	25 051	49 924	92	471	1 228	1 699
43	24 865	25 295	50 160	93	340	927	1 267
44	24 940	24 530	49 470	94	266	670	936
40-44	125 759	125 622	251 381	90-94	2 482	6 172	8 654
45	24 348	23 499	47 847	95 and over	618	1 920	2 538
46	24 737	23 976	48 713				
47	24 192	23 751	47 943	Total	1 704 081	1 697 151	3 401 232
48	23 847	22 986	46 833				
49	24 282	23 150	47 432				
45-49	121 406	117 362	238 768				

2.3 PROJECTED POPULATION

At 30 June	SERIES I(a).....			SERIES II(a).....			SERIES III(a).....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1999	1 760 279	1 753 440	3 513 719	1 761 430	1 754 273	3 515 703	1 764 182	1 756 863	3 521 045
2000	1 789 268	1 782 463	3 571 731	1 792 715	1 785 217	3 577 932	1 799 686	1 791 802	3 591 488
2001	1 818 159	1 811 365	3 629 524	1 823 921	1 816 076	3 639 997	1 834 971	1 826 534	3 661 505
2002	1 846 914	1 840 150	3 687 064	1 855 025	1 846 837	3 701 862	1 870 014	1 861 032	3 731 046
2003	1 875 542	1 868 780	3 744 322	1 886 028	1 877 468	3 763 496	1 904 804	1 895 263	3 800 067
2004	1 904 023	1 897 259	3 801 282	1 916 909	1 907 973	3 824 882	1 939 313	1 929 221	3 868 534
2005	1 932 363	1 925 575	3 857 938	1 947 669	1 938 340	3 886 009	1 973 524	1 962 898	3 936 422
2006	1 960 576	1 953 710	3 914 286	1 978 319	1 968 549	3 946 868	2 007 449	1 996 260	4 003 709
2007	1 988 572	1 981 696	3 970 268	2 008 770	1 998 632	4 007 402	2 041 104	2 029 435	4 070 539
2008	2 016 382	2 009 586	4 025 968	2 039 060	2 028 635	4 067 695	2 074 632	2 062 577	4 137 209
2009	2 044 033	2 037 365	4 081 398	2 069 191	2 058 561	4 127 752	2 108 049	2 095 666	4 203 715
2010	2 071 526	2 065 047	4 136 573	2 099 178	2 088 409	4 187 587	2 141 345	2 128 718	4 270 063
2011	2 098 862	2 092 651	4 191 513	2 129 039	2 118 179	4 247 218	2 174 524	2 161 739	4 336 263
2012	2 126 067	2 120 173	4 246 240	2 158 775	2 147 892	4 306 667	2 207 605	2 194 723	4 402 328
2013	2 153 136	2 147 635	4 300 771	2 188 388	2 177 561	4 365 949	2 240 586	2 227 680	4 468 266
2014	2 180 081	2 175 037	4 355 118	2 217 895	2 207 180	4 425 075	2 273 460	2 260 619	4 534 079
2015	2 206 896	2 202 386	4 409 282	2 247 278	2 236 764	4 484 042	2 306 227	2 293 528	4 599 755
2016	2 233 582	2 229 676	4 463 258	2 276 542	2 266 301	4 542 843	2 338 867	2 326 407	4 665 274
2017	2 260 137	2 256 890	4 517 027	2 305 676	2 295 781	4 601 457	2 371 380	2 359 224	4 730 604
2018	2 286 523	2 284 032	4 570 555	2 334 648	2 325 194	4 659 842	2 403 718	2 391 971	4 795 689
2019	2 312 726	2 311 069	4 623 795	2 363 447	2 354 504	4 717 951	2 435 868	2 424 603	4 860 471
2020	2 338 728	2 337 964	4 676 692	2 392 038	2 383 687	4 775 725	2 467 775	2 457 096	4 924 871
2021	2 364 484	2 364 701	4 729 185	2 420 383	2 412 714	4 833 097	2 499 404	2 489 400	4 988 804
2022	2 389 967	2 391 245	4 781 212	2 448 446	2 441 554	4 890 000	2 530 700	2 521 482	5 052 182
2023	2 415 148	2 417 563	4 832 711	2 476 203	2 470 162	4 946 365	2 561 618	2 553 294	5 114 912
2024	2 439 991	2 443 624	4 883 615	2 503 610	2 498 513	5 002 123	2 592 107	2 584 789	5 176 896
2025	2 464 478	2 469 385	4 933 863	2 530 644	2 526 560	5 057 204	2 622 135	2 615 909	5 238 044
2026	2 488 565	2 494 825	4 983 390	2 557 267	2 554 271	5 111 538	2 651 645	2 646 613	5 298 258
2027	2 512 233	2 519 905	5 032 138	2 583 448	2 581 615	5 165 063	2 680 608	2 676 844	5 357 452
2028	2 535 478	2 544 581	5 080 059	2 609 183	2 608 539	5 217 722	2 708 993	2 706 553	5 415 546
2029	2 558 270	2 568 839	5 127 109	2 634 447	2 635 024	5 269 471	2 736 765	2 735 705	5 472 470
2030	2 580 623	2 592 636	5 173 259	2 659 224	2 661 048	5 320 272	2 763 911	2 764 260	5 528 171
2031	2 602 513	2 615 978	5 218 491	2 683 520	2 686 585	5 370 105	2 790 419	2 792 192	5 582 611
2032	2 623 945	2 638 854	5 262 799	2 707 337	2 711 619	5 418 956	2 816 294	2 819 476	5 635 770
2033	2 644 952	2 661 238	5 306 190	2 730 688	2 736 147	5 466 835	2 841 534	2 846 109	5 687 643
2034	2 665 544	2 683 138	5 348 682	2 753 585	2 760 169	5 513 754	2 866 162	2 872 083	5 738 245
2035	2 685 737	2 704 562	5 390 299	2 776 062	2 783 674	5 559 736	2 890 209	2 897 400	5 787 609
2036	2 705 558	2 725 517	5 431 075	2 798 125	2 806 694	5 604 819	2 913 702	2 922 072	5 835 774
2037	2 725 031	2 746 014	5 471 045	2 819 814	2 829 226	5 649 040	2 936 667	2 946 128	5 882 795
2038	2 744 196	2 766 057	5 510 253	2 841 163	2 851 278	5 692 441	2 959 149	2 969 579	5 928 728
2039	2 763 075	2 785 666	5 548 741	2 862 198	2 872 869	5 735 067	2 981 197	2 992 440	5 973 637
2040	2 781 683	2 804 875	5 586 558	2 882 937	2 894 031	5 776 968	3 002 827	3 014 758	6 017 585
2041	2 800 053	2 823 695	5 623 748	2 903 409	2 914 782	5 818 191	3 024 084	3 036 558	6 060 642
2042	2 818 194	2 842 165	5 660 359	2 923 631	2 935 156	5 858 787	3 044 991	3 057 884	6 102 875
2043	2 836 135	2 860 303	5 696 438	2 943 625	2 955 183	5 898 808	3 065 573	3 078 771	6 144 344
2044	2 853 896	2 878 136	5 732 032	2 963 420	2 974 880	5 938 300	3 085 869	3 099 239	6 185 108
2045	2 871 490	2 895 692	5 767 182	2 983 028	2 994 281	5 977 309	3 105 887	3 119 330	6 225 217
2046	2 888 933	2 912 995	5 801 928	3 002 466	3 013 410	6 015 876	3 125 649	3 139 066	6 264 715
2047	2 906 248	2 930 058	5 836 306	3 021 765	3 032 275	6 054 040	3 145 170	3 158 470	6 303 640
2048	2 923 439	2 946 897	5 870 336	3 040 925	3 050 896	6 091 821	3 164 463	3 177 544	6 342 007
2049	2 940 518	2 963 532	5 904 050	3 059 948	3 069 307	6 129 255	3 183 543	3 196 300	6 379 843
2050	2 957 491	2 979 978	5 937 469	3 078 853	3 087 509	6 166 362	3 202 399	3 214 764	6 417 163
2051	2 974 355	2 996 251	5 970 606	3 097 635	3 105 522	6 203 157	3 221 022	3 232 947	6 453 969

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

SECTION 3

BIRTHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

OVERVIEW

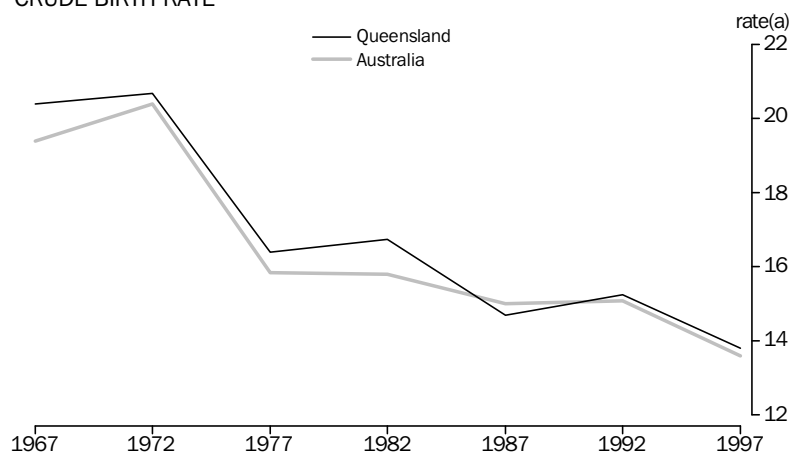
In 1997, Queensland experienced an overall decline in births, in terms of the number of births registered, crude birth rate and fertility rate. A total of 46,965 births were registered to Queensland mothers in 1997, some 804 (1.7%) less than the 1996 record total of 47,769 births. The average number of nuptial births remained fixed at 2.0 children.

CRUDE BIRTH RATES

In 1997, the crude birth rate fell to the lowest rate ever recorded in Queensland. At 13.8 births per 1,000 mean population, the 1997 crude birth rate was 3.5% lower than the 1996 rate of 14.3 per 1,000 population and 32.4% lower than the 1967 crude birth rate of 20.4. The 1997 Queensland rate was marginally higher than the national crude birth rate of 13.6.

The sex ratio for Queensland births in 1997 was 104.7 male babies to every 100 female babies.

CRUDE BIRTH RATE



(a) Per 1,000 population.

FERTILITY AND REPRODUCTION

Total fertility for Queensland women continued to decrease in 1997 to 1.801 children, well below the level required of 2.1 children a woman needs to replace herself and her partner over her reproductive lifetime.

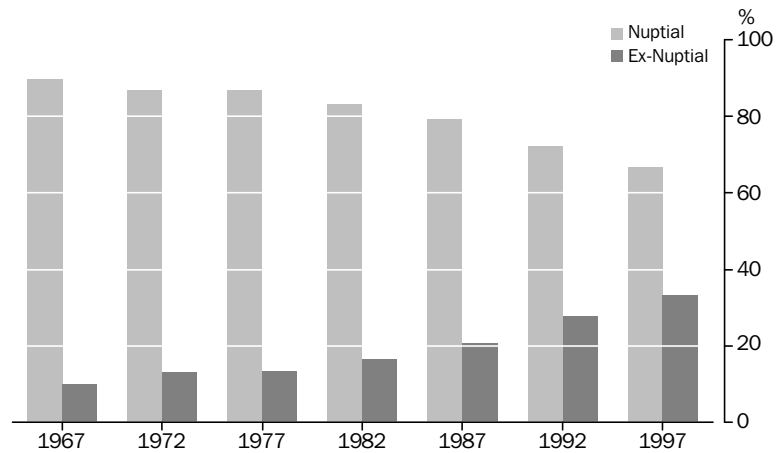
The female net reproduction rate for Queensland women also continued to decline in 1997, falling to 0.868, less than the 1.0 required for a population to reproduce itself over time (see Glossary). Queensland's net reproduction rate fell below the replacement level of 1 in 1978 while Australia has been below this rate since 1976.

NUPTIALITY AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PATERNITY

The majority of births registered in Queensland (66.7%) were nuptial births, that is births which occurred within a registered marriage. The proportion of nuptial births has been decreasing in recent years with the percentage of ex-nuptial births registered in 1997 (33.3%) representing the largest proportion of total births ever recorded in Queensland.

While the number of ex-nuptial births has increased in recent years, so has the number of births where the father of the child is recognised on the birth certificate. In 1997 84.2% of all Queensland ex-nuptial births acknowledged the paternity of the child. When combined with nuptial births, the father of the child was acknowledged in 94.7% of births registered in Queensland in 1997.

NUPTIAL AND EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS



MULTIPLE BIRTHS

Queensland registered 651 sets of twins and 25 sets of triplets or higher order multiple births in 1997, meaning that approximately 1 in every 68 confinements resulted in a multiple birth. This is a higher proportion of multiple births than registered in 1996 when 1 in 74 births were multiple births.

AGES OF PARENTS

The median age of Queensland fathers in 1997 was 31.2 years. This was the same as was recorded for 1996.

The median ages of Queensland mothers registering nuptial and ex-nuptial births in 1997 were similar to the previous year, with a total median age for total births of 28.6 years. The majority (92.5%) of mothers aged 19 and under registered ex-nuptial births, while over three quarters (78.5%) of mothers aged 25 and over registered nuptial births.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
BIRTHS							
Total births	39 365	46 240	46 778	46 578	46 484	47 769	46 965
Males	20 293	23 600	24 055	24 148	23 863	24 533	24 024
Females	19 072	22 640	22 723	22 430	22 621	23 236	22 941
Sex ratio	106.4	104.2	105.9	107.7	105.5	105.6	104.7
Nuptial births	31 236	33 343	33 134	32 727	32 229	32 191	31 345
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	8 129	12 897	13 644	13 851	14 255	15 578	15 620
Percentage of total live births	20.7	27.9	29.2	29.7	30.7	32.6	33.3
Paternity acknowledged births							
Number	5 454	10 353	11 036	11 228	11 769	13 032	13 145
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	67.1	80.3	80.9	81.1	82.6	83.7	84.2
Crude birth rate	14.7	15.3	15.0	14.6	14.2	14.3	13.8
Age-specific birth rate							
Age group (years)							
15–19	24.4	26.5	26.2	25.8	25.3	26.0	25.6
20–24	93.5	84.7	80.2	77.9	74.8	76.4	72.5
25–29	136.2	134.2	132.8	127.4	122.3	119.9	116.0
30–34	83.1	100.2	102.0	99.0	98.8	101.0	99.3
35–39	25.0	34.5	35.2	37.2	37.9	40.0	40.0
40–44	4.0	5.3	5.4	5.8	6.3	6.7	6.5
45–49	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total fertility rate	1.833	1.929	1.910	1.866	1.828	1.851	1.801
Female net reproduction rate	0.925	0.929	0.913	0.880	0.871	0.881	0.868

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
CONFINEMENTS							
Total confinements	38 945	45 618	46 122	45 941	45 898	47 118	46 279
First nuptial	12 714	13 169	12 960	12 976	12 562	12 572	12 313
All nuptial	30 899	32 863	32 636	32 244	31 761	31 700	30 829
Paternity acknowledged	5 400	10 240	10 904	11 098	11 671	12 895	13 005
All ex-nuptial	8 046	12 755	13 486	13 697	14 137	15 418	15 450
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	26.4	27.7	28.0	28.2	28.1	28.4	28.6
All nuptial	27.9	29.2	29.4	29.6	29.7	29.9	29.9
Paternity acknowledged	23.6	24.0	24.2	24.3	24.6	24.7	24.8
All ex-nuptial	23.0	23.7	23.9	24.0	24.2	24.5	24.6
Total	27.2	28.2	28.3	28.4	28.4	28.5	28.6
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	30.4	31.6	31.8	31.9	32.1	32.2	32.3
Paternity acknowledged	26.6	26.8	27.0	27.1	27.1	27.3	27.3
All fathers where age is known	30.0	30.7	30.9	31.0	31.1	31.2	31.2
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5
Nuptial	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	12 714	13 169	12 960	12 976	12 562	12 572	12 313
1	10 748	11 587	11 707	11 474	11 442	11 433	10 993
2	5 106	5 446	5 423	5 373	5 415	5 266	5 062
3	1 610	1 830	1 772	1 709	1 626	1 609	1 672
4	442	534	493	435	441	513	475
5 and over	279	297	281	277	275	307	314
Average number of births	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

3.2 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother

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

<i>Confinements</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>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Nuptial								
Single	228	3 890	11 270	10 164	4 168	605	—	30 326
Twins	3	31	152	188	97	10	—	481
Triplets or higher order	—	—	8	10	—	—	—	22
<i>Total</i>	231	3 923	11 430	10 362	4 266	616	—	30 829
Ex-nuptial								
Single	2 816	5 266	3 786	2 209	998	197	5	15 277
Twins	16	48	48	32	22	4	—	170
Triplets or higher order	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
<i>Total</i>	2 832	5 315	3 834	2 242	1 021	201	5	15 450
Total confinements	3 063	9 238	15 264	12 604	5 287	817	6	46 279
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Nuptial	7.5	42.5	74.9	82.2	80.7	75.4	—	66.6
Ex-nuptial	92.5	57.5	25.1	17.8	19.3	24.6	83.3	33.4

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents

		Age of mother (years).....													
Age of father (years)	16 and under	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
19 and under	143	173	203	170	81	49	26	24	11	9	—	—	—	—	
20	19	59	116	144	126	71	34	38	21	14	11	8	—	—	
21	21	34	86	151	142	167	74	42	34	22	22	12	5	3	
22	13	39	83	125	152	164	175	105	49	50	27	16	23	4	
23	7	28	62	90	150	173	202	203	121	88	65	36	32	23	
24	8	22	36	81	100	180	216	267	248	149	95	69	56	28	
25	7	14	35	50	80	153	206	228	289	316	204	123	77	54	
26	5	10	27	39	86	117	157	217	333	377	325	216	127	104	
27	4	10	24	34	55	76	113	151	237	337	396	366	210	127	
28	3	5	19	23	59	55	102	127	193	304	356	394	341	229	
29	—	6	9	17	31	50	90	121	138	220	302	321	409	362	
30	—	—	5	16	22	36	53	92	119	166	269	307	403	410	
31	—	3	6	14	14	31	42	71	82	164	177	257	294	366	
32	—	—	7	15	13	19	39	51	73	113	157	202	242	311	
33	—	—	4	7	10	19	22	42	65	90	122	139	197	249	
34	—	—	5	8	10	10	23	33	47	64	98	151	136	184	
35	—	—	3	6	8	13	20	23	35	46	68	94	128	156	
36	—	—	—	4	5	10	9	16	29	45	58	51	112	111	
37	—	—	—	4	3	6	12	19	25	25	42	49	78	88	
38	—	—	—	—	3	6	8	10	15	18	37	42	58	69	
39	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	11	8	16	22	22	36	42	
40–44	—	—	4	8	9	11	16	20	33	49	45	67	74	105	
45–49	—	—	—	—	5	5	8	14	10	15	23	23	30	30	
50 and over	—	—	—	—	4	—	4	8	11	9	9	8	19	17	
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	
Not applicable(a)	140	132	179	210	206	168	166	151	133	111	112	85	94	82	
Nuptial	—	12	71	146	285	485	732	1 029	1 392	1 898	2 196	2 300	2 521	2 515	
Ex-nuptial	374	534	850	1 074	1 091	1 108	1 091	1 055	970	919	850	758	662	645	
Total	376	546	921	1 220	1 376	1 593	1 823	2 084	2 362	2 817	3 046	3 058	3 183	3 160	

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents *continued*

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years).....								Total.....		
	30	31	32	33	34	35-39	40 and over	Not stated	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total
19 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	49	847	896
20	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	79	592	671
21	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	154	678	832
22	8	3	4	3	—	9	—	—	293	760	1 053
23	11	9	6	3	4	7	—	—	501	820	1 321
24	24	18	12	4	5	12	—	—	762	869	1 631
25	45	30	20	22	9	16	—	—	1 121	859	1 980
26	62	35	26	16	13	24	6	—	1 500	822	2 322
27	94	67	41	33	28	40	6	—	1 705	744	2 449
28	119	86	70	39	30	85	3	—	1 945	697	2 642
29	219	146	97	52	45	87	3	—	2 096	632	2 728
30	372	192	134	103	64	131	7	—	2 287	616	2 903
31	350	338	192	120	92	133	14	—	2 232	530	2 762
32	353	341	278	175	105	178	15	—	2 197	492	2 689
33	282	329	304	266	165	248	17	—	2 168	411	2 579
34	233	292	293	287	226	318	27	—	2 032	415	2 447
35	169	224	248	260	264	418	35	—	1 880	340	2 220
36	127	145	186	199	218	459	23	—	1 497	314	1 811
37	87	127	142	152	160	506	37	—	1 287	276	1 563
38	72	94	97	121	147	488	39	—	1 094	233	1 327
39	60	76	67	86	100	424	49	—	853	181	1 034
40-44	119	143	177	184	236	1 136	285	—	2 157	565	2 722
45-49	36	31	40	71	60	308	140	—	639	211	850
50 and over	19	15	24	27	26	122	67	—	294	97	391
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	4	11
Not applicable(a)	69	71	53	57	50	132	40	4	—	2 445	2 445
Nuptial	2 398	2 328	2 079	1 888	1 669	4 266	616	—	30 829	—	30 829
Ex-nuptial	543	488	436	393	382	1 021	201	5	—	15 450	15 450
Total	2 941	2 816	2 515	2 281	2 051	5 287	817	6	30 829	15 450	46 279

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN.....				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>
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	21 837	..	2 915	24 752	21 837	..	3 053	24 890
Fiji	25	60	9	94	48	60	19	127
New Zealand	728	362	148	1 238	657	362	160	1 179
Other	210	141	84	435	175	141	54	370
<i>Total</i>	22 800	563	3 156	26 519	22 717	563	3 286	26 566
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	7	—	6	15	3	—	4	9
Former USSR & Baltic States	3	4	—	8	7	4	3	14
Former Yugoslav Republics	48	69	20	137	22	69	7	98
Germany	60	17	46	123	58	17	16	91
Greece	18	3	—	23	8	3	—	13
Hungary	4	5	5	14	—	5	—	9
Ireland	54	12	17	83	32	12	11	55
Italy	49	9	10	68	18	9	6	33
Malta	11	—	—	15	8	—	—	10
Netherlands	48	9	18	75	39	9	8	56
Poland	5	6	—	13	6	6	—	14
United Kingdom	1 115	309	195	1 619	963	309	158	1 430
Other	119	54	55	228	100	54	39	193
<i>Total</i>	1 541	501	379	2 421	1 266	501	258	2 025
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	5	5	4	14	4	5	—	10
Lebanon	17	20	—	38	7	20	5	32
Turkey	4	11	4	19	5	11	3	19
Other	23	40	21	84	6	40	9	55
<i>Total</i>	49	76	30	155	22	76	18	116
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	7	28	8	43	24	28	9	61
Malaysia	50	22	29	101	58	22	33	113
Philippines	20	66	5	91	203	66	87	356
Singapore	3	—	—	3	6	—	—	7
Thailand	—	7	—	10	21	7	9	37
Viet Nam	6	208	27	241	11	208	26	245
Other	6	44	13	63	5	44	10	59
<i>Total</i>	94	375	83	552	328	375	175	878

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents *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	9	98	24	131	12	98	64	174
Hong Kong	3	—	6	11	—	—	6	9
Other	12	137	19	168	67	137	35	239
<i>Total</i>	24	237	49	310	80	237	105	422
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	24	59	16	99	12	59	12	83
Sri Lanka	16	43	5	64	10	43	6	59
Other	5	27	3	35	4	27	—	33
<i>Total</i>	45	129	24	198	26	129	20	175
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	54	7	11	72	49	7	19	75
Chile	5	4	4	13	10	4	6	20
United States of America	96	29	29	154	82	29	35	146
Other	33	33	19	85	31	33	20	84
<i>Total</i>	188	73	63	324	172	73	80	325
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	48	21	20	89	48	21	15	84
Other	67	20	51	138	56	20	35	111
<i>Total</i>	115	41	71	227	104	41	50	195
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	34	50	39	123	37	50	40	127
ALL REGIONS								
Total	24 890	2 045	3 894	30 829	24 752	2 045	4 032	30 829

3.5 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Previous and Average Issue

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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1.0
17	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	13	1.1
18	56	14	—	—	—	—	—	71	89	1.3
19	107	34	5	—	—	—	—	146	191	1.3
20	194	77	13	—	—	—	—	285	391	1.4
21	279	165	35	6	—	—	—	485	738	1.5
22	404	261	56	11	—	—	—	732	1 146	1.6
23	543	338	121	21	5	—	—	1 029	1 712	1.7
24	739	452	163	30	5	3	—	1 392	2 308	1.7
25	996	614	224	49	13	—	—	1 898	3 191	1.7
26	1 132	759	220	65	19	—	—	2 196	3 693	1.7
27	1 026	874	294	79	22	5	—	2 300	4 142	1.8
28	1 137	882	353	111	31	7	—	2 521	4 650	1.8
29	1 015	961	400	107	25	7	—	2 515	4 777	1.9
30	941	898	407	120	22	10	—	2 398	4 666	1.9
31	811	885	432	144	30	26	—	2 328	4 822	2.1
32	647	782	439	145	45	21	—	2 079	4 509	2.2
33	555	700	441	135	40	17	—	1 888	4 168	2.2
34	441	621	373	160	49	25	—	1 669	3 896	2.3
35–39	1 115	1 489	978	422	132	130	—	4 266	10 356	2.4
40 and over	162	186	106	66	37	59	—	616	1 742	2.8
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	3.0
Total	12 313	10 993	5 062	1 672	475	314	—	30 829	61 205	2.0

3.6 FIRST NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS

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	147	693	739	493	225	30	—	2 327
1	24	724	1 166	607	229	30	—	2 780
2	5	431	1 006	473	129	14	—	2 058
3	—	208	859	353	107	20	—	1 547
4	—	78	627	293	74	11	—	1 083
5	—	16	443	256	63	9	—	787
6	—	7	226	236	43	7	—	519
7	—	—	143	191	57	3	—	395
8 and over	—	—	97	493	188	38	—	817
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	176	2 159	5 306	3 395	1 115	162	—	12 313

SECTION 4

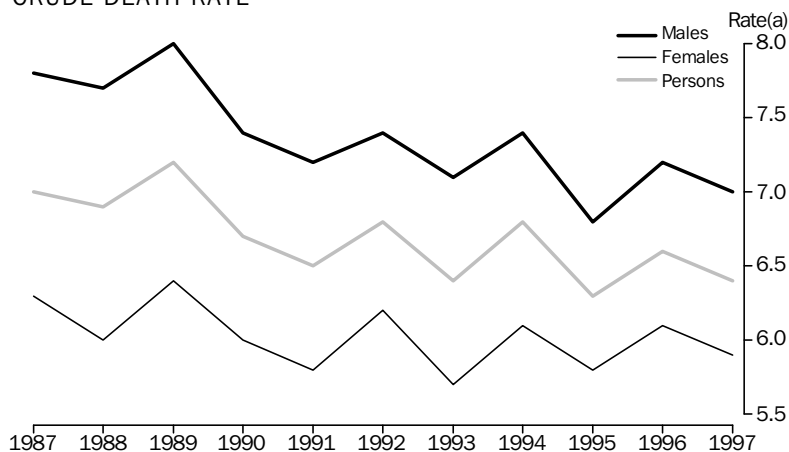
DEATHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

There were 21,945 deaths of persons usually resident in Queensland registered in 1997, a 1.5% decrease from the 1996 registrations. There were 11,915 male deaths compared to 10,030 female deaths, resulting in a sex ratio of 118.8.

CRUDE DEATH RATE

The crude death rate declined slightly from the 1996 rate to 6.4 per 1,000 mid-year resident population in 1997. The male rate of 7.0 was significantly higher than the female rate of 5.9. The difference between male and female crude death rates has remained fairly constant over the last 10 years.

CRUDE DEATH RATE



(a) Per 1,000 population.

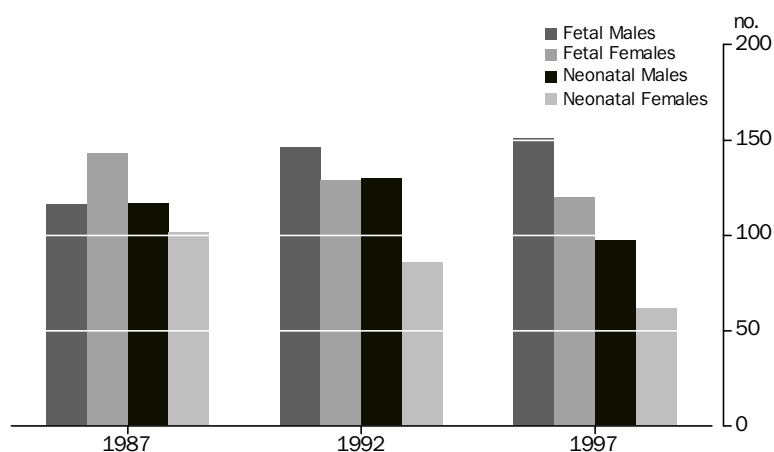
INFANT DEATHS

The number of infant deaths in Queensland fell 10.5% in 1997. There were 272 infant deaths registered in 1997 compared to 304 registered in 1996. Since 1987 the number of infant deaths has decreased by 26% and the infant mortality rate by 38%, however, the trends in male and female infant deaths have varied. The number of infant male deaths decreased by 19% between 1987 and 1997, representing a decrease of 31% in the male infant mortality rate. This compares with a 35% decrease in total female infant deaths and a 46% decrease in the female infant mortality rate over the same period.

PERINATAL DEATHS

Perinatal deaths comprise stillbirths (fetal deaths) and deaths of infants within the first 28 days of life (neonatal deaths). There were 430 perinatal deaths in Queensland in 1997, comprising 271 fetal deaths and 159 neonatal deaths. Both the number and rate of male perinatal deaths are greater than those of female perinatal deaths. In 1997, males accounted for 56% of total fetal deaths and 61% of total neonatal deaths in Queensland.

PERINATAL DEATHS



LIFE EXPECTANCY

Life expectancy in Queensland continues to slowly increase. In the period 1995 to 1997, life expectancy for males was 75.4 years and for females 81.3 years, slight increases on the 1994 to 1996 figures of 75.1 years for males and 80.9 years for females. The Queensland figures for both males and females remain marginally below the national figures.

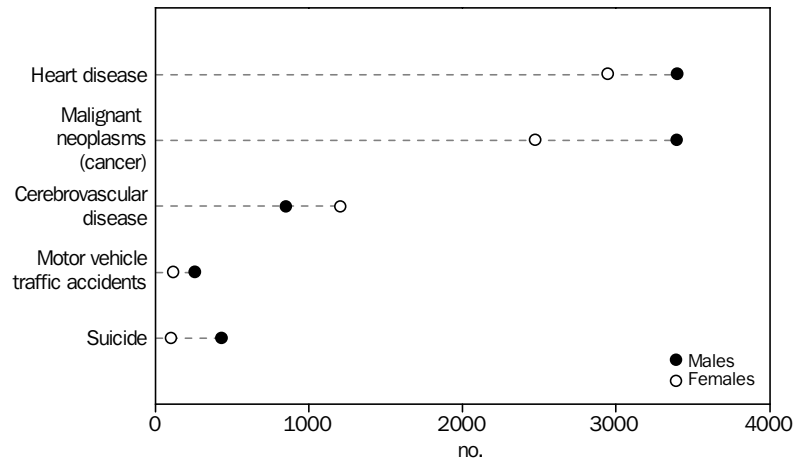
AGE AT DEATH

In 1997, male deaths outnumbered female deaths in each 5 year age group up to and including the 75 to 79 years category. From age 80 to 84 years onwards, female deaths outnumbered male deaths in each 5 year age group. The median age at death for males was 73.3 years while the median age for females was 80.4 years.

CAUSES OF DEATH

Heart diseases and cancer were responsible for more than half the Queensland deaths registered in 1997. Total heart diseases accounted for 6,346 (28.9% of total deaths), while malignant neoplasms (cancers) were responsible for 5,868 deaths (26.7% of the total). Other leading causes of death were cerebrovascular disease with 2,055 deaths (9.4% of total), diseases of the respiratory system, 2,042 deaths (9.3% of total) and external causes, 1,612 deaths (7.3% of total). The leading external cause of death in Queensland in 1997 was suicide with 535 deaths, followed by motor vehicle traffic accidents with 376 deaths. Male deaths from external causes far exceeded female deaths. Deaths by suicide for males (434) were more than four times greater than those for females (101), while male deaths by motor vehicle traffic accidents (258) were more than double those of females (118).

SELECTED CAUSES OF DEATH



4.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995(b)	1996(b)	1997(b)
DEATHS							
Total deaths	18 861	20 496	19 972	21 655	20 663	22 281	21 945
Males	10 522	11 174	11 058	11 896	11 112	12 151	11 915
Females	8 339	9 322	8 914	9 759	9 551	10 130	10 030
Sex ratio	126.2	119.9	124.1	121.9	116.3	120.0	118.8
Standardised death rate	7.6	6.9	6.5	6.8	6.3	6.5	6.2
Males	9.8	8.8	8.5	8.8	7.9	8.3	7.8
Females	5.8	5.4	5.0	5.2	4.9	5.0	4.8
Crude death rate	7.0	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.3	6.6	6.4
Males	7.8	7.4	7.1	7.4	6.8	7.2	7.0
Females	6.3	6.2	5.7	6.1	5.8	6.1	5.9
Median age at death							
Males	71.4	72.1	72.6	73.2	73.0	73.2	73.3
Females	77.7	78.7	79.0	79.7	79.7	80.1	80.4
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
0	10.2	8.9	7.4	7.5	6.9	6.7	7.0
1-4	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
5-14	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
15-24	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1
25-34	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.3
35-44	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8
45-54	5.0	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.9	3.6
45-64	14.3	12.3	11.5	11.2	10.0	10.1	10.3
65-74	34.3	31.7	29.5	31.4	27.7	28.4	27.1
75-84	83.7	77.1	73.8	77.6	67.3	77.6	66.8
85 and over	193.8	174.3	173.7	183.5	165.5	171.7	162.6
Females							
0	8.3	6.8	6.6	4.8	5.7	6.0	4.5
1-4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2
5-14	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
15-24	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5
25-34	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
35-44	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9
45-54	3.0	2.3	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.3
45-64	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.2	5.5	5.8	5.5
65-74	18.4	17.1	15.2	15.8	15.1	14.8	14.3
75-84	51.4	48.6	45.6	48.1	45.7	46.8	43.2
85 and over	151.6	145.8	134.5	148.7	138.5	143.5	138.0
Expectation of life							
Males							
Age 0	73.0	74.4	75.0	74.7	75.1	75.1	75.4
Age 1	72.7	74.1	74.6	74.3	74.6	74.6	74.9
Age 25	49.7	50.9	51.4	51.1	51.5	51.5	51.8
Age 45	31.0	32.1	32.6	32.4	32.8	32.8	33.2
Age 65	14.9	15.5	15.9	15.6	15.9	16.0	16.3
Females							
Age 0	79.4	80.2	81.0	80.8	81.0	80.9	81.3
Age 1	79.1	79.7	80.5	80.1	80.4	80.4	80.7
Age 25	55.6	56.3	56.9	56.7	56.9	56.9	57.2
Age 45	36.4	37.0	37.6	37.3	37.6	37.6	37.9
Age 65	18.9	19.2	19.8	19.5	19.7	19.7	20.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

4.1 DEATHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
DEATHS							
Principal causes of death(b) (SDR per 100,000 population)							
Males							
Neoplasms	237	239	238	244	226	238	222
Diseases of the circulatory system	460	379	358	362	316	330	307
Diseases of the respiratory system	88	81	75	83	65	70	77
Diseases of the digestive system	30	25	25	26	23	24	22
All other diseases	89	93	86	95	84	93	87
External causes	80	67	65	69	71	72	69
Females							
Neoplasms	134	138	136	134	130	139	133
Diseases of the circulatory system	290	250	228	236	219	212	198
Diseases of the respiratory system	32	37	32	39	32	37	42
Diseases of the digestive system	21	17	17	17	14	17	14
All other diseases	71	70	65	71	71	73	66
External causes	31	29	21	25	28	25	25
INFANT DEATHS							
Total infant deaths	366	365	327	289	293	304	272
Males	207	211	178	181	164	164	168
Females	159	154	149	108	129	140	104
Infant mortality rate	9.3	7.9	7.0	6.2	6.3	6.4	5.8
Males	10.2	8.9	7.4	7.5	6.9	6.7	7.0
Females	8.3	6.8	6.6	4.8	5.7	6.0	4.5
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	67	77	75	60	66	69	57
1 day to under 1 week	31	32	25	26	25	24	28
1 week to under 4 weeks	21	27	25	21	19	16	21
4 weeks to under 1 year	88	75	53	74	54	55	62
Females							
Under 1 day	56	55	58	38	51	54	40
1 day to under 1 week	27	23	16	15	20	22	17
1 week to under 4 weeks	20	15	20	8	12	24	13
4 weeks to under 1 year	56	61	55	47	46	40	34

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) ABS has introduced automated cause of death coding in 1997, which has impacted on these statistics. For details see *Causes of Death, Australia 1997* (3303.0).

4.2 DEATHS, Age at Death—Sex

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	68	104	272	50	96	73	169
1	21	6	27	51	95	54	149
2	6	4	10	52	89	65	154
3	9	4	13	53	96	58	154
4	11	3	14	54	95	48	143
0–4	215	121	336	50–54	471	298	769
5	4	—	6	55	99	61	160
6	5	4	9	56	109	62	171
7	3	4	7	57	127	78	205
8	3	—	5	58	132	73	205
9	4	3	7	59	113	65	178
5–9	19	15	34	55–59	580	339	919
10	4	—	6	60	173	86	259
11	4	—	6	61	160	74	234
12	4	6	10	62	172	83	255
13	7	3	10	63	177	82	259
14	6	6	12	64	216	88	304
10–14	25	19	44	60–64	898	413	1 311
15	19	4	23	65	215	93	308
16	15	4	19	66	230	132	362
17	20	12	32	67	262	129	391
18	37	17	54	68	269	147	416
19	36	13	49	69	305	138	443
15–19	127	50	177	65–69	1 281	639	1 920
20	32	14	46	70	282	173	455
21	41	15	56	71	319	157	476
22	34	12	46	72	323	180	503
23	38	15	53	73	341	232	573
24	24	15	39	74	354	245	599
20–24	169	71	240	70–74	1 619	987	2 606
25	42	13	55	75	395	242	637
26	43	15	58	76	385	278	663
27	35	14	49	77	356	260	616
28	31	15	46	78	323	278	601
29	22	11	33	79	369	291	660
25–29	173	68	241	75–79	1 828	1 349	3 177
30	27	12	39	80	346	330	676
31	31	13	44	81	331	301	632
32	39	16	55	82	378	357	735
33	23	11	34	83	308	398	706
34	43	20	63	84	317	406	723
30–34	163	72	235	80–84	1 680	1 792	3 472
35	38	24	62	85	309	359	668
36	44	20	64	86	231	372	603
37	42	18	60	87	242	359	601
38	50	20	70	88	217	310	527
39	47	23	70	89	190	330	520
35–39	221	105	326	85–89	1 189	1 730	2 919
40	56	15	71	90	159	274	433
41	46	25	71	91	121	243	364
42	39	26	65	92	86	236	322
43	69	33	102	93	80	190	270
44	44	33	77	94	70	151	221
40–44	254	132	386	90–94	516	1 094	1 610
45	64	44	108	95–99	138	444	582
46	55	30	85	100 and over	17	95	112
47	66	32	98	Not stated	—	—	—
48	64	39	103				
49	83	52	135				
45–49	332	197	529	Total	11 915	10 030	21 945

4.3 DEATHS, Age at Death—Marital Status

Age at death (years)	MALES.....						FEMALES.....					
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total
Under 1	168	—	—	—	—	168	104	—	—	—	—	104
1–4	47	—	—	—	—	47	17	—	—	—	—	17
5–9	19	—	—	—	—	19	15	—	—	—	—	15
10–14	25	—	—	—	—	25	19	—	—	—	—	19
15–19	121	—	—	—	6	127	47	—	—	—	—	50
20–24	148	6	—	—	15	169	62	8	—	—	—	71
25–29	129	29	—	5	10	173	45	18	—	—	5	68
30–34	94	47	—	13	9	163	33	27	—	9	—	72
35–39	98	84	—	27	12	221	21	65	—	15	4	105
40–44	78	128	—	38	8	254	24	77	—	25	5	132
45–49	80	167	3	63	19	332	19	131	9	34	4	197
50–54	74	289	9	82	17	471	25	205	18	41	9	298
55–59	86	367	20	86	21	580	28	221	40	41	9	339
60–64	110	610	42	119	17	898	27	229	85	64	8	413
65–69	155	847	92	155	32	1 281	36	346	195	51	11	639
70–74	161	1 058	207	142	51	1 619	46	427	444	57	13	987
75–79	134	1 149	382	112	51	1 828	72	464	739	58	16	1 349
80–84	149	981	454	62	34	1 680	113	374	1 226	60	19	1 792
85–89	85	597	454	33	20	1 189	114	189	1 368	39	20	1 730
90–94	40	181	277	11	7	516	72	48	940	25	9	1 094
95–99	13	38	84	—	—	138	30	8	397	5	4	444
100 and over	—	4	12	—	—	17	8	3	84	—	—	95
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2 015	6 582	2 038	949	331	11 915	977	2 841	5 548	524	140	10 030

4.4 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a)

Age (years)	QLD.....						AUST.....			
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1995 TO 1997.....		1995 TO 1997.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	67.05	74.68	71.08	78.29	74.47	80.62	75.40	81.26	75.57	81.27
5	63.74	71.28	67.14	74.23	70.25	76.27	71.05	76.80	71.15	76.77
10	58.89	64.37	62.28	69.33	65.32	71.32	66.11	71.86	66.20	71.81
15	54.06	61.45	57.39	64.41	60.41	66.37	61.19	66.93	61.26	66.87
20	49.54	56.65	52.76	59.55	55.65	61.48	56.45	62.06	56.50	61.97
25	45.03	51.86	48.19	54.69	50.96	56.62	51.81	57.19	51.83	57.08
30	40.37	47.08	43.49	49.81	46.29	51.77	47.16	52.32	47.15	52.20
35	35.86	42.33	38.78	44.74	41.62	46.92	42.49	47.47	42.46	47.33
40	31.94	37.64	34.11	40.13	36.93	42.08	37.82	42.64	37.77	42.50
45	27.64	33.10	29.58	35.41	32.25	37.28	33.18	37.86	33.11	37.72
50	23.42	28.70	25.26	30.85	27.71	32.62	28.63	33.17	28.53	33.01
55	19.55	24.47	21.21	26.43	23.39	28.10	24.24	28.60	24.11	28.44
60	16.03	20.47	17.45	22.20	19.35	23.71	20.11	24.19	19.93	24.03
65	12.91	16.62	14.04	18.20	15.67	19.55	16.32	19.97	16.10	19.81
70	10.08	12.98	11.06	14.44	12.39	15.62	12.94	15.99	12.69	15.84
75	7.68	9.76	8.57	11.01	9.54	12.03	9.97	12.33	9.71	12.20
80	5.80	7.16	6.46	8.00	7.24	8.95	7.45	9.14	7.20	9.02
85	4.42	5.31	4.71	5.70	5.30	6.34	5.52	6.53	5.29	6.44
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.81	4.38	4.24	4.63	4.01	4.55
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	3.14	3.29	3.53	3.42	3.33	3.36

(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.

4.5 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a)—1995 to 1997

Age(years)	QLD.....		AUST.....		Age(years)	QLD.....		AUST.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females
0	75.40	81.26	75.57	81.27	50	28.63	33.17	28.53	33.01
1	74.91	80.70	75.04	80.68	51	27.74	32.24	27.63	32.09
2	73.96	79.74	74.08	79.71	52	26.85	31.32	26.74	31.17
3	73.00	78.76	73.11	78.74	53	25.98	30.41	25.85	30.25
4	72.03	77.78	72.13	77.75	54	25.11	29.50	24.98	29.34
5	71.05	76.80	71.15	76.77	55	24.24	28.60	24.11	28.44
6	70.07	75.81	70.16	75.78	56	23.39	27.70	23.25	27.55
7	69.08	74.82	69.17	74.79	57	22.55	26.81	22.40	26.66
8	68.09	73.84	68.18	73.80	58	21.73	25.93	21.57	25.77
9	67.10	72.85	67.19	72.81	59	20.91	25.06	20.74	24.90
10	66.11	71.86	66.20	71.81	60	20.11	24.19	19.93	24.03
11	65.13	70.87	65.21	70.82	61	19.32	23.33	19.14	23.17
12	64.14	69.89	64.22	69.83	62	18.55	22.48	18.36	22.32
13	63.15	68.90	63.23	68.84	63	17.79	21.63	17.59	21.47
14	62.17	67.92	62.25	67.86	64	17.05	20.80	16.84	20.64
15	61.19	66.93	61.26	66.87	65	16.32	19.97	16.10	19.81
16	60.22	65.95	60.29	65.88	66	15.61	19.15	15.39	18.99
17	59.26	64.98	59.32	64.90	67	14.92	18.34	14.69	18.19
18	58.31	64.00	58.37	63.92	68	14.24	17.55	14.00	17.39
19	57.38	63.03	57.43	62.95	69	13.58	16.76	13.34	16.61
20	56.45	62.06	56.50	61.97	70	12.94	15.99	12.69	15.84
21	55.52	61.09	55.57	61.00	71	12.31	15.23	12.06	15.08
22	54.59	60.11	54.63	60.02	72	11.70	14.48	11.45	14.34
23	53.67	59.14	53.70	59.04	73	11.11	13.75	10.85	13.61
24	52.74	58.17	52.77	58.06	74	10.53	13.03	10.27	12.89
25	51.81	57.19	51.83	57.08	75	9.97	12.33	9.71	12.20
26	50.88	56.22	50.90	56.11	76	9.43	11.65	9.17	11.52
27	49.95	55.24	49.96	55.13	77	8.90	10.99	8.65	10.86
28	49.02	54.27	49.02	54.15	78	8.40	10.35	8.14	10.23
29	48.09	53.29	48.09	53.17	79	7.91	9.73	7.66	9.61
30	47.16	52.32	47.15	52.20	80	7.45	9.14	7.20	9.02
31	46.22	51.35	46.21	51.22	81	7.01	8.57	6.77	8.46
32	45.29	50.38	45.27	50.25	82	6.60	8.02	6.36	7.91
33	44.36	49.41	44.33	49.28	83	6.22	7.50	5.98	7.40
34	43.42	48.44	43.40	48.31	84	5.86	7.00	5.62	6.90
35	42.49	47.47	42.46	47.33	85	5.52	6.53	5.29	6.44
36	41.55	46.50	41.52	46.37	86	5.21	6.09	4.98	6.00
37	40.62	45.54	40.58	45.40	87	4.93	5.68	4.70	5.59
38	39.68	44.57	39.64	44.43	88	4.67	5.30	4.45	5.22
39	38.75	43.61	38.70	43.47	89	4.44	4.95	4.22	4.87
40	37.82	42.64	37.77	42.50	90	4.24	4.63	4.01	4.55
41	36.89	41.68	36.83	41.54	91	4.06	4.34	3.84	4.26
42	35.96	40.72	35.90	40.58	92	3.91	4.07	3.69	4.00
43	35.03	39.77	34.97	39.62	93	3.78	3.83	3.56	3.77
44	34.10	38.81	34.04	38.67	94	3.65	3.62	3.44	3.55
45	33.18	37.86	33.11	37.72	95	3.53	3.42	3.33	3.36
46	32.26	36.92	32.19	36.77	96	3.40	3.24	3.22	3.18
47	31.35	35.97	31.27	35.82	97	3.27	3.07	3.11	3.02
48	30.44	35.03	30.35	34.88	98	3.14	2.90	3.01	2.87
49	29.53	34.10	29.44	33.95	99	2.99	2.74	2.92	2.72

(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 ABS and the Australian Government Actuary. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

4.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence

DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

<i>Birthplace</i>	<i>4 and under</i>	<i>5-9</i>	<i>10-19</i>	<i>20-29</i>	<i>30-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA											
Australia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16 894	9 055	7 839	16 894
Fiji	1	3	2	3	1	7	7	—	15	9	24
New Zealand	31	62	92	55	33	62	117	—	267	185	452
Other	5	5	16	9	6	6	25	—	40	32	72
<i>Total</i>	37	70	110	67	40	75	149	16 894	9 377	8 065	17 442
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR											
Austria	1	—	—	3	7	21	6	—	24	14	38
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	1	—	3	3	91	15	—	55	58	113
Former Yugoslav Republics	5	3	4	31	22	37	12	—	80	34	114
Germany	1	1	11	4	33	89	30	—	87	82	169
Greece	1	1	1	3	5	26	10	—	29	18	47
Hungary	—	1	3	3	4	32	2	—	29	16	45
Ireland	—	1	5	11	13	69	14	—	61	52	113
Italy	1	1	4	15	30	218	29	—	177	121	298
Malta	—	—	—	—	3	23	4	—	18	12	30
Netherlands	2	1	8	9	27	115	13	—	100	75	175
Poland	2	3	5	6	7	76	17	—	79	37	116
United Kingdom	34	70	179	276	404	1 125	314	—	1 305	1 097	2 402
Other	1	6	12	22	36	64	26	—	108	59	167
<i>Total</i>	48	89	232	386	594	1 986	492	—	2 152	1 675	3 827
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA											
Egypt	—	—	—	1	4	12	1	—	11	7	18
Lebanon	—	—	—	3	1	4	—	—	5	3	8
Turkey	1	—	1	3	1	1	—	—	4	3	7
Other	—	—	4	—	3	5	1	—	8	5	13
<i>Total</i>	1	—	5	7	9	22	2	—	28	18	46
SOUTHEAST ASIA											
Indonesia	2	1	2	2	10	19	6	—	20	22	42
Malaysia	—	—	3	1	2	1	3	—	4	6	10
Philippines	2	3	6	3	1	—	5	—	6	14	20
Singapore	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	2	1	3
Thailand	1	2	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	5	6
Viet Nam	2	5	16	3	—	—	4	—	19	11	30
Other	—	—	4	1	—	—	1	—	5	1	6
<i>Total</i>	7	11	33	10	13	21	22	—	57	60	117

4.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence *continued*

DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

Birthplace	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Males	Females	Persons
NORTHEAST ASIA											
China	5	2	8	1	10	18	11	—	28	27	55
Hong Kong	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	1	3
Other	3	6	1	3	—	1	17	—	17	14	31
Total	8	8	9	5	10	21	28	—	47	42	89
SOUTHERN ASIA											
India	4	2	4	16	7	27	11	—	34	37	71
Sri Lanka	—	2	2	4	5	3	—	—	7	9	16
Other	—	—	1	—	—	1	2	—	3	1	4
Total	4	4	7	20	12	31	13	—	44	47	91
THE AMERICAS											
Canada	—	3	6	3	6	20	5	—	27	16	43
Chile	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
United States of America	—	2	7	11	15	19	15	—	48	21	69
Other	—	2	2	2	—	1	6	—	9	4	13
Total	—	7	16	16	21	40	26	—	85	41	126
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)											
South Africa	—	—	11	9	6	4	8	—	19	19	38
Other	1	1	7	3	2	—	4	—	10	8	18
Total	1	1	18	12	8	4	12	—	29	27	56
Other and not stated	—	2	9	2	2	10	126	—	96	55	151
Total	106	192	439	525	709	2 210	870	16 894	11 915	10 030	21 945

4.7 DEATHS, State or Territory of Usual Residence and Registration

State or Territory of registration.....

State or Territory of usual residence	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
NSW	44 842	233	305	38	10	10	7	196	45 641
Vic.	203	32 916	67	36	17	6	11	5	33 261
Qld	202	32	21 682	7	6	5	8	3	21 945
SA	35	39	14	11 539	7	—	21	3	11 658
WA	12	12	8	—	10 759	6	7	—	10 807
Tas.	7	28	12	—	—	3 757	—	—	3 809
NT	4	3	6	29	3	—	846	—	891
ACT	60	6	4	3	—	—	—	1 261	1 334
Other Territories	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	4
Aust.	45 366	33 269	22 098	11 655	10 807	3 784	900	1 471	129 350

4.8 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death(a)—Sex

Cause of death(b)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(c)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001–139)	131	97	228	1.0	6.6
Neoplasms (140–239)	3 440	2 526	5 966	27.2	173.9
Malignant neoplasms (140–208)	3 395	2 473	5 868	26.7	171.1
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240–279)	334	339	673	3.1	19.6
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280–289)	21	36	57	0.3	1.7
Mental disorders (290–319)	191	216	407	1.9	11.9
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320–389)	202	218	420	1.9	12.2
Diseases of the circulatory system (390–459)	4 545	4 461	9 006	41.0	262.5
Ischaemic heart disease (410–414)	2 934	2 357	5 291	24.1	154.2
Cerebrovascular disease (430–438)	852	1 203	2 055	9.4	59.9
Diseases of the respiratory system (460–519)	1 131	911	2 042	9.3	59.5
Diseases of the digestive system (520–579)	334	303	637	2.9	18.6
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580–629)	183	194	377	1.7	11.0
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630–676)	—	—	—	—	0.1
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680–709)	13	17	30	0.1	0.9
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710–739)	36	80	116	0.5	3.4
Congenital anomalies (740–759)	76	69	145	0.7	4.2
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760–779)	78	41	119	0.5	3.5
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780–799)	58	50	108	0.5	3.1
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800–E999)	1 142	470	1 612	7.3	47.0
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810–E819)	258	118	376	1.7	11.0
All causes of death	11 915	10 030	21 945	100.0	639.7

(a) ABS has introduced automated cause of death coding in 1997, which has impacted on these statistics. For details see *Causes of Death, Australia 1997* (3303.0).

(b) Classified according to the ninth revision of the World Health Organisation's International Classification of Diseases (ICD).

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

4.9 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death(a)(b)—Summary

Particulars	Heart disease	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Cerebro-vascular disease (incl. stroke)	Respiratory system diseases	Motor vehicle traffic accidents	Suicide	All causes
Numbers							
Males	3 400	3 395	852	1 131	258	434	11 915
Females	2 946	2 473	1 203	911	118	101	10 030
Persons	6 346	5 868	2 055	2 042	376	535	21 945
Proportions by sex (%)							
Males	53.6	57.9	41.5	55.4	68.6	81.1	54.3
Females	46.4	42.1	58.5	44.6	31.4	18.9	45.7
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportions by cause of death (%)							
Males	28.5	28.5	7.2	9.5	2.2	3.6	100.0
Females	29.4	24.7	12.0	9.1	1.2	1.0	100.0
Persons	28.9	26.7	9.4	9.3	1.7	2.4	100.0
Crude death rate(c)							
Males	199.5	199.2	50.0	66.4	15.1	25.5	699.2
Females	173.6	145.7	70.9	53.7	7.0	6.0	591.0
Persons	186.6	172.5	60.4	60.0	11.1	15.7	645.2
Standardised death rate(d)							
Queensland	164.4	158.7	52.5	53.0	9.9	7.4	617.1
Australia	169.3	167.3	54.7	61.1	5.6	5.1	623.2

(a) ABS has introduced automated cause of death coding in 1997, which has impacted on these statistics. For details see *Cause of Death, Australia 1997* (3303.0).

(b) 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).

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

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

4.10 PERINATAL DEATHS(a)

Year	FETAL DEATHS.....			NEONATAL DEATHS.....			PERINATAL DEATHS.....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NUMBER									
1987	116	143	259	117	102	219	233	245	478
1992	146	129	275	130	86	216	276	215	491
1993	134	102	236	121	87	208	255	189	444
1994	135	124	259	105	55	160	240	179	419
1995	134	144	278	106	75	181	240	219	459
1996	150	137	287	104	89	193	254	226	480
1997	151	120	271	97	62	159	248	182	430
RATE(b)									
1987	5.7	7.4	6.5	5.8	5.3	5.6	11.4	12.8	12.1
1992	6.2	5.7	5.9	5.5	3.8	4.7	11.6	9.4	10.6
1993	5.5	4.5	5.0	5.0	3.8	4.4	10.5	8.3	9.4
1994	5.6	5.5	5.5	4.3	2.5	3.4	9.9	7.9	8.9
1995	5.6	6.3	5.9	4.4	3.3	3.9	10.0	9.6	9.8
1996	6.1	5.9	6.0	4.2	3.8	4.0	10.3	9.7	10.0
1997	6.2	5.2	5.7	4.0	2.7	3.4	10.3	7.9	9.1

(a) From 1997 the definition has been changed to include fetuses weighing at least 400g or having a corresponding gestational age of at least 20 weeks. Please see Explanatory Note 19 for full definition. All statistics in this table are on the basis of the new definition.

(b) Per 1,000 live births.

4.11 PERINATAL DEATHS(a), Selected Details

Particulars	1997 PERINATAL DEATHS.....					1987..
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
AGE AT DEATH						
Less than 1 hour	—	36	24	12	36	48
1 hour to under 1 day	—	47	25	22	47	72
1 day to under 1 week	—	43	27	16	43	58
1 week to under 4 weeks	—	33	21	12	33	41
Total	—	159	97	62	159	219
WEIGHT AT DELIVERY (grams)						
400–999	78	65	80	63	143	146
1 000–1 999	54	25	51	28	79	116
2 000–2 999	56	24	45	35	80	88
3 000 or more	34	29	36	27	63	78
Not stated	3	—	—	—	4	6
Total	225	144	214	155	369	434
PERIOD OF GESTATION (weeks)						
Less than 28	111	74	109	76	185	171
28–36	95	39	84	50	134	171
37–41	62	43	54	51	105	126
42 or more	—	—	—	—	—	5
Not stated	—	—	—	4	4	5
Total	271	159	248	182	430	478
AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (years)						
Less than 20	28	15	23	20	43	51
20–24	55	41	66	30	96	134
25–29	86	46	68	64	132	157
30–34	57	36	50	43	93	93
35–39	37	17	33	21	54	28
40 or more	5	4	6	3	9	13
Not stated	3	—	—	—	3	—
Total	271	159	248	182	430	478

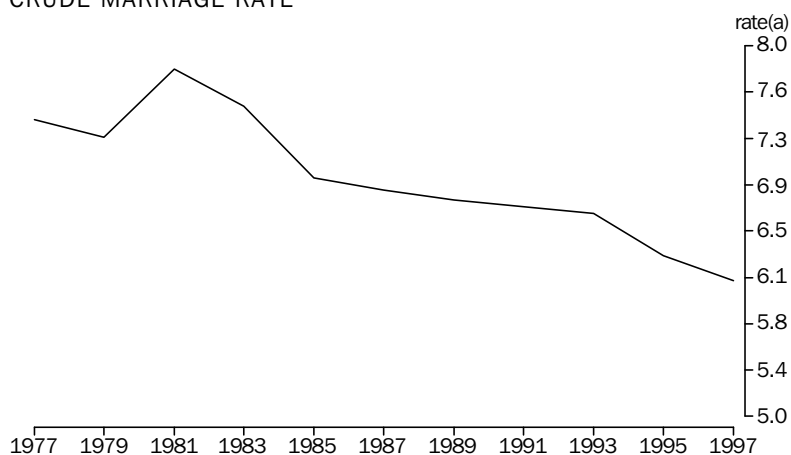
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SECTION **5**

MARRIAGES REGISTERED

The number of marriages in Queensland has remained around 20,000 for the past 5 years. The 20,868 marriages registered in 1997 represents a decrease of 45 (0.2%) from the number registered in 1996. The number of marriages relative to population continues to gradually decline. In 1997 the crude marriage rate reached an all-time low of 6.1 marriages per 1,000 of population.

CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE

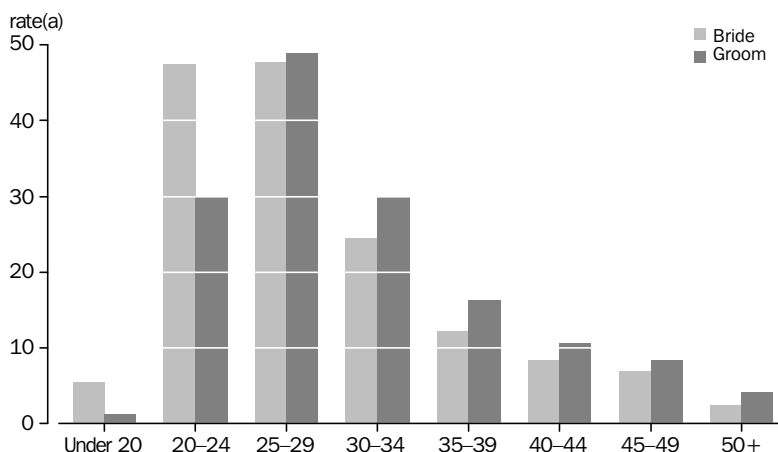


(a) Per 1,000 population.

AGE AT MARRIAGE

In 1997 the median ages of Queensland brides and bridegrooms both experienced slight increases over the median ages recorded in 1996. The rise in median age of 0.4 years for brides and 0.3 years for grooms continues the trend of persons choosing to marry later in life.

AGE-SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES



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

Men and women marrying for the first time in 1997 had similar median ages of 27.5 years and 25.7 years, respectively. The median ages for divorced persons remarrying were 37.9 years for women and 42.3 years for men, while widowed women remarrying had a median age of 54.7 compared with 62.6 years of age for widowed men.

BIRTHPLACE OF PARTIES

In 1997, Australian-born couples made up 68.5% of total registered marriages in Queensland. Where couples consisted of one Australian-born partner and one overseas-born partner, the most common overseas birthplace for both brides and grooms was the United Kingdom, followed by New Zealand and The Americas.

For marriages where both the bride and groom were born in the same overseas country, the United Kingdom accounted for 32% of couples while New Zealand accounted for 20.3% of couples.

MARRIAGE RITES

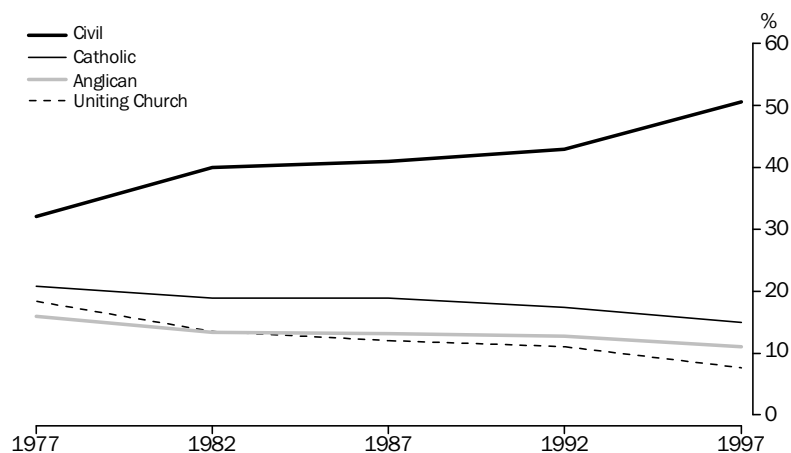
In 1997, civil ceremonies accounted for 50.6% of marriage ceremonies performed in Queensland. This was the first year that civil ceremonies outnumbered religious ceremonies. Between 1987 and 1997, the proportion of marriages involving religious ceremonies decreased by almost 10 percentage points from 59.1% of all marriages in 1987 to 49.4% in 1997.

Marriages involving civil rites in 1997 were performed predominantly by civil celebrants rather than official registrars. Civil celebrants officiated at 88% of these marriages while registrars officiated at the remaining 12% of civil ceremonies.

For marriages performed by ministers of religion in Queensland in 1997, the largest proportion were Catholic (30.1%), followed by Anglican (22.3%) and Uniting Church (15.4%).

Of the total of divorced persons using religious rites in 1997, 41.5% chose Uniting Church and Anglican marriage ceremonies. For widowed persons choosing religious rites, 22% of the total remarried in a Catholic ceremony.

MARRIAGE RITES



PREVIOUS MARRIAGE STATUS

Over a quarter of people marrying in Queensland in 1997 had been previously married. Of those remarrying after divorce, 62.8% did so within 4 years of the termination of their last marriage. In 1997, divorced men remarrying outnumbered divorced women by 5.9%, while the number of widowed women remarrying outnumbered widowed men by 24.8%.

5.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
ALL MARRIAGES							
Marriages registered	18 265	20 316	20 704	20 798	20 610	20 913	20 868
Crude marriage rate	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.1
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	11 920	13 216	13 463	13 579	13 453	13 462	13 316
First marriage one partner	3 538	3 846	3 994	3 901	3 839	4 002	4 047
Remarriage both partners	2 807	3 254	3 247	3 318	3 318	3 449	3 505
Marriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	10 788	11 603	11 599	11 346	n.a.	10 644	10 305
Proportion (%)	59.1	57.1	56.0	54.6	n.a.	50.9	49.4
Civil celebrants							
Number	7 477	8 713	9 105	9 452	n.a.	10 269	10 563
Proportion (%)	40.9	42.9	44.0	45.4	n.a.	49.1	50.6
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2
20–24	51.6	42.4	40.3	36.8	35.5	32.3	29.9
25–29	49.2	52.7	52.5	52.1	50.0	50.0	48.9
30–34	24.0	27.6	28.7	29.1	28.5	29.4	30.0
35–39	14.0	15.3	15.5	16.1	15.0	16.7	16.3
40–44	9.8	10.1	10.3	10.0	10.0	10.4	10.6
45–49	8.2	8.5	8.0	8.4	8.2	8.0	8.4
50 and over	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.1
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	13 628	15 083	15 390	15 538	15 326	15 341	15 252
Widowed	481	484	477	496	495	453	448
Divorced	4 156	4 749	4 837	4 764	4 789	5 119	5 168
Total	18 265	20 316	20 704	20 798	20 610	20 913	20 868
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	25.6	26.4	26.6	26.8	26.9	27.2	27.5
Widowed	61.9	61.9	62.1	60.4	62.3	64.4	62.6
Divorced	38.6	40.6	40.6	41.6	41.5	41.6	42.3
All bridegrooms	27.3	28.4	28.7	28.9	29.0	29.4	29.7
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	14.8	8.9	8.3	7.6	7.3	6.0	5.5
20–24	69.7	63.4	60.7	56.1	53.4	50.8	47.4
25–29	39.0	44.3	45.5	47.3	46.5	47.4	47.7
30–34	18.2	20.7	21.7	21.6	21.1	23.5	24.5
35–39	10.9	11.1	11.5	11.8	12.4	12.5	12.2
40–44	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.6	7.8	7.7	8.4
45–49	5.8	7.0	6.1	6.6	6.5	6.6	7.0
50 and over	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4
Marital status of bride							
Never married	13 750	15 195	15 530	15 521	15 419	15 585	15 427
Widowed	580	614	623	580	557	573	559
Divorced	3 935	4 507	4 551	4 697	4 634	4 755	4 882
Total	18 265	20 316	20 704	20 798	20 610	20 913	20 868
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	23.3	24.2	24.4	24.8	24.9	25.3	25.7
Widowed	53.0	52.9	51.3	54.2	53.5	53.7	54.7
Divorced	35.0	36.8	37.0	37.7	37.7	37.9	37.9
All brides	25.0	25.9	26.2	26.5	26.6	27.1	27.5

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

Age at marriage (years)	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991	1996
FIRST MARRIAGES						
Age of bridegroom						
15–19	19.3	13.1	7.7	3.1	2.2	1.4
20–24	190.8	142.4	99.0	67.9	54.7	37.4
25–29	180.2	144.7	127.2	101.9	97.9	81.9
30–34	84.8	88.7	77.5	73.6	74.3	69.0
35–39	44.0	43.7	46.5	44.0	42.7	43.3
40–44	23.3	28.0	20.6	21.3	19.2	21.7
45 and over	19.4	24.4	20.6	18.1	16.1	6.2
Age of bride						
15–19	78.6	61.8	40.2	17.7	11.1	6.2
20–24	294.9	206.8	154.9	115.3	88.2	64.2
25–29	177.2	141.2	127.6	115.2	113.0	96.6
30–34	88.2	87.7	74.9	72.5	69.3	70.4
35–39	38.1	46.0	47.8	44.0	34.3	36.3
40–44	19.6	21.1	23.5	26.4	15.7	17.3
45 and over	19.5	20.5	14.7	13.8	14.2	4.9
REMARRIAGES						
Age of bridegroom						
15–19	—	—	—	—	—	—
20–24	128.1	284.1	184.5	106.1	28.0	51.9
25–29	351.1	392.5	246.4	185.0	128.4	137.3
30–34	280.7	331.0	210.0	159.1	132.7	126.9
35–39	159.3	256.0	165.0	121.4	110.7	99.7
40–44	117.8	188.2	140.8	110.9	83.9	73.6
45–49	80.3	138.0	105.3	85.0	65.2	57.0
50–54	77.1	97.9	73.4	66.9	51.9	46.8
55–59	43.2	77.9	53.7	48.8	40.8	38.4
60 and over	15.7	21.3	18.6	17.7	15.7	13.7
Age of bride						
15–19	45.4	61.2	78.4	—	1.8	—
20–24	299.1	295.2	239.1	184.1	96.1	102.2
25–29	289.0	318.1	210.6	174.8	154.2	140.2
30–34	173.9	207.3	148.7	122.3	113.3	104.5
35–39	105.4	152.1	111.2	90.0	72.8	71.9
40–44	69.1	102.6	83.4	62.4	55.1	44.5
45–49	43.2	72.1	49.1	50.7	43.6	37.0
50–54	22.5	35.4	31.3	24.4	24.8	25.3
55–59	13.7	17.8	15.5	14.1	14.3	17.2
60 and over	3.1	3.4	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.6

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

5.3 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties

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	13 316	83	1 853	15 252
Widowed	69	175	204	448
Divorced	2 042	301	2 825	5 168
Total	15 427	559	4 882	20 868
PROPORTION (%)				
Never married	63.8	0.4	8.9	73.1
Widowed	0.3	0.8	1.0	2.1
Divorced	9.8	1.4	13.5	24.8
Total	73.9	2.7	23.4	100.0

5.4 MARRIAGES, Age and Previous Marital Status of Parties

Age at marriage (years)	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM.....				PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			
	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
17 and under	—	—	—	—	25	—	—	25
18	38	—	—	38	221	—	—	221
19	112	—	—	112	418	—	—	419
20	264	—	—	264	685	—	—	686
21	497	—	—	498	1 063	—	—	1 064
22	785	—	—	787	1 230	—	14	1 244
23	1 067	—	7	1 074	1 505	—	23	1 528
24	1 334	—	14	1 348	1 530	—	44	1 574
25	1 445	—	18	1 464	1 528	—	60	1 588
26	1 445	—	36	1 482	1 344	3	106	1 453
27	1 312	—	65	1 377	1 119	4	147	1 270
28	1 183	—	93	1 277	942	4	183	1 129
29	929	—	106	1 037	741	5	175	921
30–34	3 020	7	810	3 837	2 056	26	1 087	3 169
35–39	1 172	16	1 000	2 188	656	45	948	1 649
40–44	387	33	914	1 334	215	49	790	1 054
45–49	142	32	842	1 016	88	75	653	816
50–54	59	56	626	741	38	74	385	497
55–59	28	47	321	396	13	58	158	229
60 and over	33	252	313	598	10	216	106	332
Total	15 252	448	5 168	20 868	15 427	559	4 882	20 868

5.5 MARRIAGES, Age of Parties

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	4	16	6	8	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38
19	—	22	37	48	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	112
20-24	12	127	276	2 734	690	99	28	3	—	—	—	—	3 971
25-29	7	39	78	2 485	3 194	656	134	30	8	3	3	—	6 637
30-34	—	9	15	609	1 624	1 179	302	74	20	4	—	—	3 837
35-39	—	4	4	142	561	751	493	159	57	12	3	—	2 188
40-44	—	—	—	38	172	292	363	301	122	40	4	—	1 334
45-49	—	—	—	19	70	125	174	270	244	89	18	5	1 016
50-54	—	—	—	6	23	42	96	142	211	153	50	18	741
55-59	—	—	—	6	12	17	36	54	90	101	59	20	396
60 and over	—	—	—	—	7	8	23	21	62	95	92	287	598
Total	25	221	419	6 096	6 361	3 169	1 649	1 054	816	497	229	332	20 868

5.6 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	14 298	—	2 301	16 599	14 298	—	2 493	16 791
Fiji	14	14	3	31	27	14	6	47
New Zealand	676	207	131	1 014	551	207	105	863
Other	110	37	33	180	127	37	33	197
<i>Total</i>	<i>15 098</i>	<i>258</i>	<i>2 468</i>	<i>17 824</i>	<i>15 003</i>	<i>258</i>	<i>2 637</i>	<i>17 898</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	10	5	5	20	10	5	6	21
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	4	3	9	16	4	8	28
Former Yugoslav Republics	31	22	12	65	13	22	7	42
Germany	65	30	48	143	63	30	31	124
Greece	6	—	4	12	5	—	—	8
Hungary	11	5	5	21	8	5	3	16
Ireland	31	—	14	45	20	—	9	29
Italy	36	4	14	54	12	4	6	22
Malta	8	—	3	11	4	—	6	10
Netherlands	63	11	18	92	42	11	13	66
Poland	10	10	4	24	7	10	7	24
United Kingdom	882	326	201	1 409	681	326	126	1 133
Other	78	45	47	170	91	45	38	174
<i>Total</i>	<i>1 233</i>	<i>464</i>	<i>378</i>	<i>2 075</i>	<i>972</i>	<i>464</i>	<i>261</i>	<i>1 697</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	4	—	3	8	—	—	—	—
Lebanon	5	3	—	10	4	3	—	9
Turkey	6	—	—	10	—	—	—	5
Other	11	5	12	28	9	5	3	17
<i>Total</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>33</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	11	10	6	27	38	10	20	68
Malaysia	27	9	12	48	34	9	19	62
Philippines	21	31	4	56	145	31	81	257
Singapore	26	—	7	35	13	—	11	26
Thailand	—	—	4	5	21	—	21	42
Viet Nam	8	55	13	76	10	55	15	80
Other	3	8	4	15	8	8	8	24
<i>Total</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>269</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>559</i>

5.6 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties *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	5	33	14	52	14	33	16	63
Hong Kong	7	16	16	39	9	16	17	42
Other	16	59	11	86	77	59	51	187
<i>Total</i>	28	108	41	177	100	108	84	292
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	17	—	13	31	7	—	6	14
Sri Lanka	12	9	3	24	7	9	8	24
Other	—	7	—	11	—	7	—	8
<i>Total</i>	31	17	18	66	15	17	14	46
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	58	8	14	80	45	8	13	66
Chile	—	4	3	8	—	4	3	9
United States of America	94	12	26	132	76	12	23	111
Other	30	11	18	59	27	11	16	54
<i>Total</i>	183	35	61	279	150	35	55	240
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	52	6	11	69	27	6	9	42
Other	43	5	12	60	47	5	9	61
<i>Total</i>	95	11	23	129	74	11	18	103
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ALL REGIONS								
Total	16 791	1 019	3 058	20 868	16 599	1 019	3 250	20 868

5.7 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties and Category of Rite

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		
RELIGIOUS(a)								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
Anglican	1 936	38	326	2 017	38	245	2 300	11.0
Baptist	369	15	93	370	12	95	477	2.3
Catholic	2 939	44	118	2 945	46	110	3 101	14.9
Churches of Christ	184	6	75	184	4	77	265	1.3
Lutheran	271	12	49	272	10	50	332	1.6
Orthodox	110	—	27	115	—	22	138	0.7
Presbyterian	210	7	41	218	8	32	258	1.2
Uniting Church	1 214	33	337	1 268	39	277	1 584	7.6
Other denominations	1 363	39	448	1 360	57	433	1 850	8.9
<i>All religious rites</i>	8 596	195	1 514	8 749	215	1 341	10 305	49.4
CIVIL								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
Official registrars	765	43	471	757	55	467	1 279	6.1
Other civil celebrants	5 891	210	3 183	5 921	289	3 074	9 284	44.5
<i>All civil rites</i>	6 656	253	3 654	6 678	344	3 541	10 563	50.6
TOTAL								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
All marriages	15 252	448	5 168	15 427	559	4 882	20 868	100.0
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Proportion	73.1	2.1	24.8	73.9	2.7	23.4	100.0	..

5.8 REMARRIAGES, Number of Previous Marriages and Number of Children Under 16

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	2 890	871	662	176	41	17	4 657
Two	524	158	124	22	12	—	842
Three or more	65	25	9	3	—	—	104
Not stated	10	—	—	—	—	3	13
Total	3 489	1 054	795	201	54	23	5 616
BRIDE							
One	2 713	885	669	180	59	4	4 510
Two	484	138	106	44	17	3	792
Three or more	84	14	12	11	4	—	126
Not stated	12	—	—	—	—	—	13
Total	3 293	1 037	787	235	80	9	5 441

5.9 REMARRIAGES, Interval to Remarriage and Reason for Termination of Last Marriage

<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	16	812	828	9	614	623
1	67	1 018	1 085	43	925	968
2	70	621	691	63	624	687
3	67	497	564	55	459	514
4	51	369	420	58	375	433
0-4	271	3 317	3 588	228	2 997	3 225
5	31	307	338	50	292	342
6	28	244	272	35	240	275
7	16	204	220	35	191	226
8	19	135	154	27	164	191
9	14	138	152	19	141	160
5-9	108	1 028	1 136	166	1 028	1 194
10-14	41	440	481	80	454	534
15-19	12	175	187	42	188	230
20 and over	11	105	116	36	104	140
Not stated	5	103	108	7	111	118
All remarriages	448	5 168	5 616	559	4 882	5 441

SECTION 6

DIVORCES GRANTED

OVERVIEW

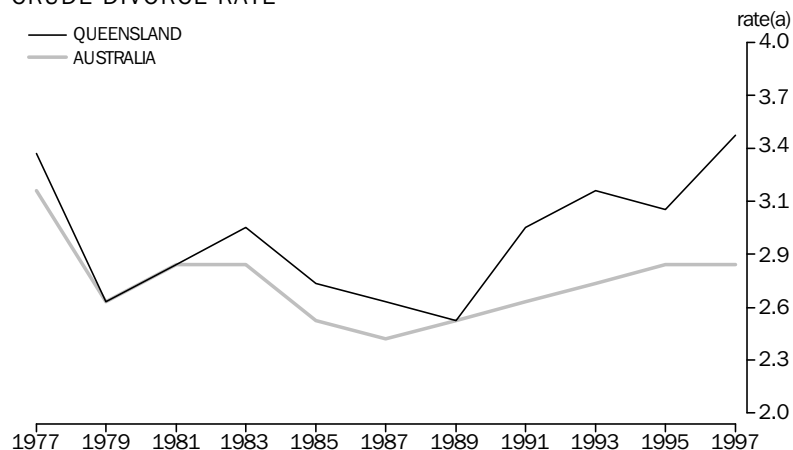
There were 11,744 divorces granted in Queensland in 1997, the largest annual figure on record and 748 more than the Queensland total for 1996. Divorces granted also increased relative to population, with the 1997 crude divorce rate of 3.5 divorces per 1,000 population second only to the peak rate of 4.6 for Queensland, which occurred in 1976 following the introduction of the Family Law Act.

CRUDE DIVORCE RATE

Queensland's crude divorce rate of 3.5 divorces granted per 1,000 estimated resident population was the highest of any State or Territory in Australia for 1997, easily surpassing the national crude divorce rate of 2.8 divorces per 1,000 population.

It is important to recognise, however, that factors such as persons usually residing in other States applying for divorce in Queensland or a backlog of applications from previous years being cleared in 1997 may impact on Queensland divorce data (see Explanatory Notes, paragraph 26).

CRUDE DIVORCE RATE



(a) Per 1,000 population.

AGE AT DIVORCE

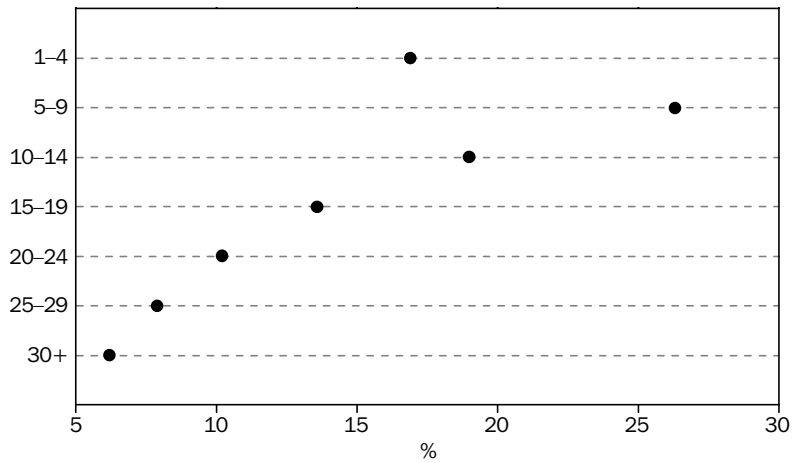
Age-specific divorce rates for Queensland increased most substantially for persons in the 30–39 age group in 1997. The divorce rate for men aged 30–34 was 15.3, a rise of 10.1% on the 1996 rate, while the age-specific rate for women aged 35–39 years increased 7.7% to 16.7 in 1997.

The median age of divorced men was 2.9 years above that of divorced women in 1997, at both the time of final separation and when the decree was declared absolute. This reflects a similar difference in the median age at marriage for men compared with women.

DURATION OF MARRIAGE

Duration of marriage encompasses the time between the date of marriage and the date of final dissolution of a marriage. The graph below shows that most marriages declared absolute in 1997 had a duration of between 5 and 9 years. Around 26.3% of divorces granted involved marriages of 5 to 9 years duration while 16.9% lasted less than 5 years. Couples who had been married for 30 or more years made up the smallest proportion of 1997 divorcees.

DURATION OF MARRIAGE, Percentage of Total Divorces

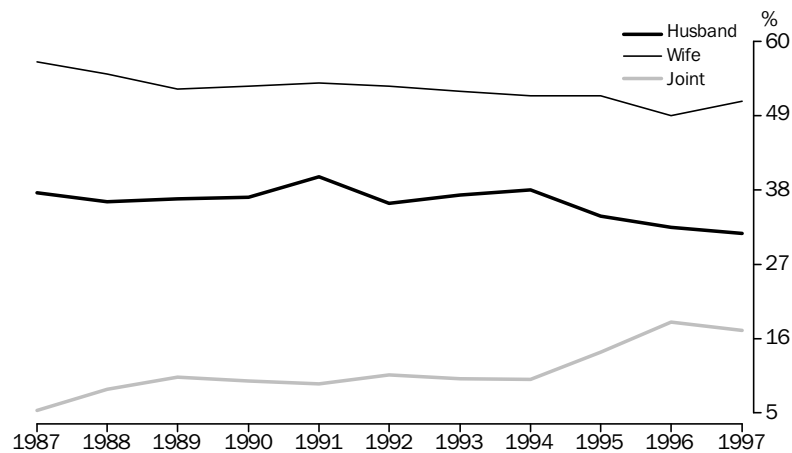


APPLICATION FOR DIVORCE

In 1997, Queensland continued the trend in divorce applicants experienced in recent years. Since 1987, the proportion of husbands applying for divorce has fluctuated between 32% and 38% of the total applicants. While wives accounted for less than half (49%) of total applicants for the first time in 1996, they accounted for 51.2% of total applicants in 1997.

Joint applications for divorce have risen markedly since 1987, however the 1997 figure of 2,022 was similar to the 2,035 joint applications lodged in 1996, suggesting that increases of previous years may have peaked.

DIVORCES BY APPLICANT



DIVORCES INVOLVING CHILDREN

Divorces involving children have decreased in Queensland over the past 10 years, with 55.7% of all divorces in 1997 involving children compared with 60.8% in 1987. Since 1987 the average number of children involved in divorce has remained around two per marriage. Children of marriages of 5 to 14 years duration accounted for around 54% of the total number of children involved in Queensland divorces finalised in 1997.

6.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
ALL DIVORCES							
Divorces granted	6 918	8 984	9 935	9 762	10 192	10 996	11 744
Crude divorce rate	2.6	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.5
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.4	11.0	11.3	11.3	11.4	11.7	11.7
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.5	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1
Divorces involving children							
Number	4 204	5 176	5 544	5 557	n.a.	6 262	6 539
Percentage of total divorces	60.8	57.6	55.8	56.9	n.a.	56.9	55.7
Average number of children	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	n.a.	1.9	1.9
Applicant							
Husband	2 598	3 240	3 705	3 716	3 473	3 574	3 708
Wife	3 944	4 795	5 224	5 065	5 292	5 387	6 014
Joint	376	949	1 006	981	1 427	2 035	2 022

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

6.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
HUSBAND							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	1.4	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
25-29	10.0	9.4	9.1	8.6	8.5	8.9	8.8
30-34	13.6	14.5	15.0	13.5	13.6	13.9	15.3
35-39	12.5	14.7	15.1	14.9	14.9	15.7	16.1
40-44	11.9	14.0	15.5	14.5	13.6	15.3	15.7
45-49	9.5	11.5	13.2	13.1	13.5	13.8	14.5
50-54	6.6	8.4	9.9	9.6	10.6	10.4	11.5
55 and over	2.7	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.8	4.1	4.3
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	5 733	7 264	7 916	7 705	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Widowed	79	82	107	117	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Divorced	1 106	1 638	1 912	1 940	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Total</i>	6 918	8 984	9 935	9 762	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	24.1	24.8	25.0	25.3	25.5	25.5	25.7
At final separation	34.7	36.2	36.7	37.0	37.3	37.3	37.5
At decree made absolute	37.7	39.2	40.0	40.3	40.5	40.9	41.0
WIFE							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	3.4	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0
25-29	13.5	14.4	13.9	12.8	13.0	13.6	13.6
30-34	13.5	15.2	15.9	15.6	15.3	15.9	17.0
35-39	12.2	14.7	16.0	15.1	14.6	15.5	16.7
40-44	10.4	12.5	13.6	13.6	13.4	14.8	15.0
45-49	8.2	9.5	11.7	10.9	11.5	11.2	12.2
50-54	4.8	6.3	7.2	7.6	8.0	8.5	9.3
55 and over	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.1	2.3
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	5 808	7 317	7 938	7 767	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Widowed	94	128	168	142	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Divorced	1 016	1 539	1 829	1 853	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Total</i>	6 918	8 984	9 935	9 762	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.5	22.1	22.4	22.5	22.7	22.8	23.0
At final separation	31.8	33.1	33.8	34.1	34.2	34.4	34.6
At decree made absolute	34.7	36.2	37.0	37.2	37.4	37.8	38.1

6.2 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Marriage and Duration of Marriage

AGE GROUP (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>40-44</i>	<i>45-49</i>	<i>50 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
HUSBAND										
1	—	18	22	15	13	9	4	13	4	98
2	7	147	121	62	37	28	27	55	5	489
3	22	212	198	96	55	43	27	41	6	700
4	14	211	223	85	64	40	27	27	4	695
5	16	197	198	102	65	38	35	34	—	686
6	9	223	193	103	61	34	19	18	3	663
7	14	202	192	86	38	32	21	31	—	618
8	14	176	153	105	60	33	27	23	4	595
9	12	176	174	66	52	22	12	15	—	531
10-14	66	814	597	328	184	95	64	70	8	2 226
15-19	81	713	407	198	94	51	20	30	—	1 595
20-24	110	668	255	83	41	12	13	11	—	1 195
25-29	84	586	181	45	16	8	5	—	—	928
30 and over	80	440	157	28	12	3	—	—	3	725
Total	529	4 783	3 071	1 402	792	448	303	369	47	11 744
WIFE										
1	5	29	18	13	12	7	4	9	—	98
2	38	181	108	51	34	23	21	30	3	489
3	65	308	130	67	44	39	18	23	6	700
4	55	293	158	78	42	26	18	19	6	695
5	62	286	156	74	37	39	18	14	—	686
6	61	286	163	80	31	21	11	9	—	663
7	67	246	160	64	32	21	16	10	—	618
8	67	237	132	76	42	23	10	6	—	595
9	70	215	126	60	28	18	6	5	3	531
10-14	352	918	461	251	110	60	31	30	13	2 226
15-19	363	740	244	127	62	30	11	14	4	1 595
20-24	436	524	142	53	17	11	4	6	—	1 195
25-29	342	463	89	15	6	5	—	—	6	928
30 and over	294	351	56	14	4	—	—	—	3	725
Total	2 277	5 077	2 143	1 023	501	325	169	177	52	11 744

6.3 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Final Separation and Duration of Marriage to Separation

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	10	158	206	108	75	53	39	27	50	12	738
1	—	190	288	157	79	66	43	24	37	9	895
2	—	141	339	188	105	74	49	15	27	7	945
3	—	67	274	208	94	51	43	24	29	3	793
4	—	30	252	186	107	59	33	23	20	—	712
5	—	4	179	195	97	54	28	21	24	—	604
6	—	3	154	203	105	51	36	27	27	—	608
7	—	—	90	193	126	69	31	16	22	—	550
8	—	—	44	172	109	60	37	13	33	—	468
9	—	—	23	180	106	59	28	19	29	—	446
10-14	—	—	9	456	664	308	171	72	84	—	1 766
15-19	—	—	—	16	429	500	215	77	72	—	1 311
20-24	—	—	—	—	18	405	425	96	56	—	1 002
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	6	272	205	62	—	545
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	104	250	—	359
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	12	594	1 858	2 262	2 114	1 815	1 455	763	822	49	11 744
WIFE											
Under 1	52	244	168	85	70	36	33	17	28	5	738
1	26	319	247	114	67	53	31	16	12	10	895
2	12	302	315	135	88	33	28	15	13	4	945
3	—	179	296	143	68	51	22	19	13	—	793
4	—	104	291	160	78	31	24	15	5	4	712
5	—	54	256	147	68	30	26	10	11	—	604
6	—	22	243	182	82	30	18	15	12	4	608
7	—	7	187	192	87	33	22	11	10	—	550
8	—	—	134	155	84	47	23	12	13	—	468
9	—	—	91	165	98	52	15	9	12	4	446
10-14	—	—	94	782	493	195	99	56	43	4	1 766
15-19	—	—	—	104	684	326	112	45	36	4	1 311
20-24	—	—	—	—	126	562	243	46	22	3	1 002
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	66	340	116	19	4	545
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	29	133	196	—	359
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	90	1 231	2 322	2 364	2 093	1 545	1 065	535	445	54	11 744

6.4 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Divorce

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	112	36	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	155
25-29	248	759	140	31	6	—	—	—	—	4	1 189
30-34	63	719	898	207	41	12	3	—	—	7	1 950
35-39	15	191	777	904	198	35	10	4	—	6	2 141
40-44	8	52	235	718	761	140	38	4	3	6	1 965
45-49	4	24	78	242	611	612	136	30	4	7	1 748
50-54	—	11	23	76	180	443	372	61	17	7	1 192
55-59	—	4	8	33	50	116	250	159	34	—	657
60 and over	—	6	11	23	28	62	97	156	309	8	700
Not stated	—	4	11	4	6	6	4	—	5	5	47
Total	454	1 806	2 184	2 242	1 881	1 427	910	415	373	52	11 744

6.5 DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage(a)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN.....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	0	1	2	3	4 or more	All divorces	All children	Average number of children(b)
1	76	13	6	—	—	98	36	1.6
2	321	89	59	17	3	489	270	1.6
3	454	150	71	19	6	700	374	1.5
4	368	197	100	23	7	695	501	1.5
5	322	182	136	34	12	686	608	1.7
6	287	175	136	50	15	663	660	1.8
7	247	149	161	48	13	618	676	1.8
8	223	132	181	50	9	595	683	1.8
9	172	110	181	45	23	531	701	2.0
10–14	608	419	768	334	97	2 226	3 358	2.1
15–19	318	243	614	315	105	1 595	2 861	2.2
20–24	446	342	283	96	28	1 195	1 318	1.8
25–29	670	174	68	14	—	928	360	1.4
30 and over	693	24	7	—	—	725	41	1.3
Total	5 205	2 399	2 771	1 047	322	11 744	12 447	1.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

6.6 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	7 589	—	1 309	8 898	7 589	—	1 435	9 024
Fiji	17	10	8	35	18	10	11	39
New Zealand	230	218	77	525	242	218	94	554
Other	35	10	17	62	48	10	21	79
<i>Total</i>	<i>7 871</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>1 411</i>	<i>9 520</i>	<i>7 897</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>1 561</i>	<i>9 696</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	7	—	7	16	6	—	—	10
Former USSR & Baltic States	7	7	3	17	7	7	—	16
Former Yugoslav Republics	16	24	22	62	15	24	6	45
Germany	63	22	43	128	51	22	28	101
Greece	11	6	3	20	4	6	4	14
Hungary	9	13	4	26	7	13	—	22
Ireland	21	10	16	47	20	10	9	39
Italy	36	13	8	57	12	13	7	32
Malta	14	4	9	27	8	4	—	14
Netherlands	53	11	15	79	27	11	13	51
Poland	—	16	5	23	—	16	6	24
United Kingdom	619	230	150	999	482	230	114	826
Other	48	49	45	142	46	49	26	121
<i>Total</i>	<i>906</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>330</i>	<i>1 643</i>	<i>687</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>221</i>	<i>1 315</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	7	—	4	12	—	—	—	3
Lebanon	4	5	—	11	—	5	—	8
Turkey	4	6	—	10	—	6	—	9
Other	13	8	6	27	3	8	11	22
<i>Total</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>42</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	6	—	5	13	10	—	4	16
Malaysia	10	6	9	25	17	6	9	32
Philippines	8	10	—	19	83	10	57	150
Singapore	11	—	4	15	5	—	5	10
Thailand	—	—	—	4	8	—	7	16
Viet Nam	3	51	5	59	—	51	10	63
Other	3	—	3	7	3	—	4	8
<i>Total</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>128</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>96</i>	<i>295</i>

6.6 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties *continued*

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	4	22	7	33	8	22	7	37
Hong Kong	8	9	6	23	6	9	4	19
Other	6	7	3	16	11	7	15	33
<i>Total</i>	18	38	16	72	25	38	26	89
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	9	7	14	30	8	7	7	22
Sri Lanka	7	3	—	12	11	3	3	17
Other	6	—	3	10	—	—	—	3
<i>Total</i>	22	11	19	52	20	11	11	42
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	20	—	8	30	23	—	9	34
Chile	4	5	—	10	—	5	7	14
United States of America	48	12	19	79	48	12	20	80
Other	11	11	14	36	10	11	14	35
<i>Total</i>	83	30	42	155	83	30	50	163
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	17	9	7	33	19	9	12	40
Other	20	10	12	42	14	10	12	36
<i>Total</i>	37	19	19	75	33	19	24	76
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	17	6	—	25	18	6	—	26
ALL REGIONS								
Total	9 024	840	1 880	11 744	8 898	840	2 006	11 744

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 (ERP) 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 number of births that occurred to mothers usually resident in Jervis Bay Territory was 12 in 1997. Marriages registered and divorces granted in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) may include some persons resident in Jervis Bay Territory.

POPULATION

Population estimates

4 This section consists of ERP, with information on overseas arrivals and departures and net interstate migration.

Population projections

5 This publication has used the latest 1997-based estimates for each particular table.

6 Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections are based on the results of the 1996 Census of Population and Housing and relate to the period 1997 to 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. The projections are based on a combination of assumptions in future levels of births, deaths and migration to arrive at the size, structure and distribution of Australia's population into the next century.

Population projections *continued*

8 Series I assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 90,000, small net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate falls to 1.75 births per woman by 2005–06, and then remains constant. Series II assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 70,000, medium net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate falls to 1.75 births per woman by 2005–06, and then remains constant. Series III assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 70,000, large net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate declines to 1.6 births per woman in 2005–06, and then remains constant. All series assume that the decline in mortality experienced between 1987 to 1991 and 1992 to 1996 would continue to 2005–06. From 2005–06 onwards, the average rates of decline experienced in successive 5-year periods from 1967 to 1971 to 1992 to 1996 would be experienced. By 2051, life expectancy of males is assumed to be 82.0 years and of females 86.1 years.

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 Australian Bureau of Statistics (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 *Information Paper: Demographic Estimates — Concepts, Sources and Methods* (3228.0).

BIRTHS

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

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

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

BIRTHS *continued*

14 Data on stillbirths (fetal deaths) may be found in summary form in section 4 of the publication.

15 The live birth statistics used to calculate the fetal, neonatal and perinatal death rates have been adjusted to exclude cases where the birthweight was known to be less than 400 grams. However, infant death rates are calculated using all live births registered because figures are not available Australia-wide for infants who weighed less than 400 grams at birth and who lived for 28 days, but died before they were 1 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 4 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 6 months of occurrence. More than 99% of deaths occurring in one year have been registered by 30 June of the following year.

18 Life tables are shown in tables 4.4 and 4.5 and summarise expectation of life. From 1995 these life tables are based on deaths occurring in the reference and previous two years. They are produced at the Australian, State and Territory level as a joint venture between the ABS and the Australian Government Actuary. These life tables are 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 1995 to 1997. These were released in 1998 and copies are available from the Commonwealth Government Bookshops or the Mail Order Sales Service.

19 Perinatal deaths comprise stillbirths (fetal deaths) and deaths of infants within the first 28 days of life (neonatal deaths). In previous editions of this publication data relating to perinatal deaths have been based upon the World Health Organisation (WHO) recommended definition for compiling national perinatal statistics. This recommendation states that perinatal statistics should include all fetuses and infants delivered weighing at least 500g (or, when birthweight is unavailable, the corresponding gestational age (22 weeks) or body length (25 cm crown–heel), whether alive or dead. From 1997, ABS has increased the coverage of perinatal deaths by including fetal and neonatal deaths with a birthweight of at least 400g or having a gestational age of at least 20 weeks. This change recognises the availability of reliable 400g/20 weeks data from all State and Territory Registrars of Births, Deaths and Marriages and recommendations from major users that ABS adopt the legal requirement for registration of a perinatal death as the statistical standard. For further information please see *Causes of Death, Australia 1997* (3303.3).

MARRIAGES

20 Marriage statistics refer to marriages registered by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages of Queensland 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.

21 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.

DIVORCES

22 All divorce data in this publication 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 ACT where usual residence was in another State, the rates for the ACT are not representative of the ACT population. The number of divorces shown for the ACT is dependent on the number of cases heard by the Family Court in the ACT. As there is no residential requirement under Family Law, applicants may be resident anywhere in Australia.

23 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.

24 Successful applicants for a divorce are initially granted a decree *nisi*. This becomes absolute after 1 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.

25 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.

26 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.

DIVORCES *continued*

27 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.

GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES

28 The geographic boundaries for small area data are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 6* (1216.0).

29 The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the Statistical Local Area boundaries at 1 July 1997.

30 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 *Standard Australian Classification of Countries* (SACC) (1269.0).

31 Political developments in Europe, the Former USSR and Africa have resulted in a number of changes to the ASCSS. 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 ASCSS.

GENERAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

32 ABS publications draw extensively on information provided freely by individuals, businesses, governments and other organisations. Their continued cooperation is very much appreciated: without it, the wide range of statistics published by the ABS would not be available. Information received by the ABS is treated in strict confidence as required by the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*.

SUPPRESSION OF SMALL CELLS

33 For all data in this publication, cell values less than 3 have been suppressed to assist in the preservation of confidentiality of information.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

34 Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population, Queensland (3224.3)
Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0) (quarterly)
Australian Demographic Trends (3102.0)
Births, Australia (3301.0)
Causes of Death, Australia (3303.0)
Deaths, Australia (3302.0)
Demographic History of Queensland (4104.3)
Demography (State and Territory specific publications) (3311.1 to 3311.8)
Estimated Resident Population and Area, Queensland, Preliminary (3201.3)
Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age, States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)
Marriages and Divorces, Australia (3310.0)
Migration, Australia (3412.0)
Monthly Summary of Statistics, Queensland (1304.3)
Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1995 to 2051 (3222.0)
Regional Population Growth, 1996–97 (3218.0)
Regional Statistics, Queensland (1314.3)

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

35 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (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 1 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 **1** CHARACTERISTICS AVAILABLE

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

BIRTHS

Date of birth
Indigenous status
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)
Year of termination of last marriage (n.a. 1995)

DIVORCES

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

APPENDIX 2 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)	Crude divorce rate(a)
1911	623 123	16 984	6 544	1 110	5 167	27	27.6	10.7	65.4	8.4	—
1916	677 026	18 912	7 514	1 329	5 208	22	27.6	11.0	70.3	7.6	—
1921	765 724	20 329	7 142	1 101	5 963	56	26.7	9.4	54.2	7.8	0.1
1926	862 486	19 764	8 214	1 001	6 428	99	23.1	9.6	50.7	7.5	0.1
1931	929 726	17 833	7 525	654	5 951	107	19.3	8.1	36.7	6.4	0.1
1936	982 978	18 755	8 593	679	8 306	161	19.2	8.8	36.2	8.5	0.2
1941	1 038 471	21 519	9 530	842	9 885	253	20.8	9.2	39.1	9.5	0.2
1946	1 096 831	27 024	10 648	791	11 666	1 154	24.8	9.8	29.3	10.7	1.0
1951	1 238 278	29 652	11 105	761	10 814	701	24.2	9.1	25.7	8.8	0.6
1956	1 392 573	32 409	12 186	737	9 934	703	23.5	8.9	22.7	7.2	0.5
1961(c)	1 540 251	36 637	12 756	733	10 392	779	24.2	8.4	20.0	6.9	0.5
1966	1 687 062	32 903	14 900	587	13 339	1 031	19.7	8.9	17.8	8.0	0.6
1971	1 874 930	39 970	16 339	766	16 538	1 404	21.7	8.9	19.2	9.0	0.8
1976	2 110 431	35 243	17 239	535	16 703	(e) 9 611	16.9	8.2	15.2	8.0	4.6
1981(d)	2 387 943	38 935	17 037	406	18 305	6 470	16.6	7.3	10.4	7.8	2.8
1986	2 649 694	40 371	17 861	351	18 030	7 042	15.4	6.8	8.7	6.9	2.7
1991	2 995 060	44 160	19 175	335	19 844	8 934	14.9	6.5	7.6	6.7	3.0
1992	3 071 837	46 240	20 496	365	20 316	8 984	15.3	6.8	7.9	6.7	3.0
1993	3 155 494	46 778	19 972	327	20 704	9 935	15.0	6.4	7.0	6.7	3.2
1994	3 232 937	46 578	21 655	289	20 798	8 359	14.6	6.8	6.8	6.5	3.1
1995	3 316 459	46 484	20 663	293	20 610	10 192	14.2	6.3	6.3	6.3	3.1
1996	3 354 675	47 769	22 281	304	20 913	10 996	14.3	6.6	6.6	6.3	3.3
1997	3 430 384	46 965	21 945	272	20 868	11 744	13.8	6.4	6.4	6.1	3.5

(a) Crude rate per 1,000 population.

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

(c) 'Full-blood Aborigines', where identified in registrations, were excluded from population data prior to 1961 and from births, deaths, marriages and divorces data prior to 1962.

(d) From 1978 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* (Cwlth), repealing State legislation, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.

APPENDIX 3 CENSUS 1996

SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1996

Characteristics of persons counted	Males	Females	Persons	Proportion of total persons
	No.	No.	No.	%
Total persons counted(a)	1 673 220	1 695 630	3 368 850	100.0
Persons counted in private dwellings	1 588 489	1 623 316	3 211 805	95.3
Persons counted in non-private dwellings	82 650	71 396	154 046	4.6
Usual residence				
Persons counted at home	1 528 074	1 560 316	3 088 390	91.7
Visitors counted from				
Elsewhere in same statistical local area	10 674	9 399	20 073	0.6
Elsewhere within Queensland	63 256	49 120	112 376	3.3
Interstate	48 178	50 169	98 347	2.9
Overseas	23 038	26 626	49 664	1.5
Total visitors	145 146	135 314	280 460	8.3
Usual residence 5 years ago(b)				
Same address	637 937	656 413	1 294 350	38.4
Different address				
Same statistical local area	136 691	140 647	277 338	8.2
Elsewhere within Queensland	400 736	416 723	817 459	24.3
Interstate	125 246	124 900	250 146	7.4
Overseas	45 508	48 992	94 500	2.8
Not stated(c)	6 894	5 962	12 856	0.4
Age of persons counted (years)				
0–14	372 896	354 070	726 966	21.6
15–54	957 969	956 850	1 914 819	56.8
55–64	140 858	138 028	278 886	8.3
65 or more	178 459	220 056	398 515	11.8
Marital status of persons counted(d)				
Never married	442 578	362 159	804 737	23.9
Married	698 305	701 209	1 399 514	41.5
Separated but not divorced	44 059	50 760	94 819	2.8
Divorced	80 799	96 314	177 113	5.3
Widowed	32 021	128 356	160 377	4.8
Birthplace of persons counted				
Australia	1 309 888	1 330 679	2 640 567	78.4
Other Oceania and Antarctica	62 546	63 210	125 756	3.7
Europe and the former USSR	154 847	144 779	299 626	8.9
Middle East and North Africa	3 837	3 033	6 870	0.2
South-East Asia	18 226	26 396	44 622	1.3
North-east Asia	13 767	16 123	29 890	0.9
Southern Asia	5 694	5 194	10 888	0.3
Northern America	7 696	7 310	15 006	0.4
Southern and Central America	3 583	3 907	7 490	0.2
Africa (excluding North Africa)	7 789	7 703	15 492	0.5
Other(e)	561	601	1 162	0.0

(a) Place of enumeration.

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

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

(d) Persons aged 15 years or more.

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

SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1996 *continued*

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	No.	No.	No.	%
<i>Australian citizens</i>	1 490 841	1 513 069	3 003 910	89.2
Aged 18 years or more	1 075 306	1 118 468	2 193 774	65.1
Persons identifying themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin	46 786	48 732	95 518	2.8
Labour force status(a)				
<i>Employed persons</i>	797 308	623 360	1 420 668	42.2
Full-time(b)	638 797	323 214	962 011	28.6
Part-time	141 481	286 312	427 793	12.7
Hours worked not stated	17 030	13 834	30 864	0.9
<i>Unemployed persons</i>	92 039	59 678	151 717	4.5
Looking for full-time work	81 307	39 659	120 966	3.6
Looking for part-time work	10 732	20 019	30 751	0.9
Total in the labour force	889 347	683 038	1 572 385	46.7
Total not in the labour force(c)	352 539	603 004	955 543	28.4

(a) Persons aged 15 years or more.

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

(c) Including persons who did not state their labour force status.

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

Category of movement <i>continued</i>	<p>A significant number of travellers (i.e. overseas visitors to Australia on arrival and Australian residents going abroad) state exactly 12 months or 1 year as their intended period of stay. Many of them stay for less than that period and on their departure from, or return to, Australia are therefore classified as short-term.</p> <p>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 1 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 1 month more, or 1 month less, than 1 year.</p>
Children (divorce collection)	<p>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 <i>Family Law Act 1975</i>, 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.</p>
Children (marriage collection)	<p>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).</p>
Confinement	<p>A pregnancy which results in at least one live birth.</p>
Crude birth rate	<p>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.</p>
Crude death rate	<p>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.</p>
Crude divorce rate	<p>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.</p>
Crude marriage rate	<p>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.</p>
Date of final separation	<p>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 3 months may be ignored, provided the periods of living apart before and after resumed cohabitation amount to a total of 12 months or more.</p>
Divorce	<p>Decree absolute of dissolution of marriage.</p>

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; added to this are 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 6 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>Information Paper: Demographic Estimates — Concepts, Sources and Methods</i> (3228.0). Revised population estimates are published in <i>Australian Demographic Statistics</i> (3101.0) (issued quarterly).</p>
Female reproduction rate	The female 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.
Fetal death	The delivery of a child weighing at least 400 grams at delivery (or of at least 20 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 400 grams at birth (or of at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable), plus fetal deaths combined.
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>

Indigenous origin <i>continued</i>	An Indigenous death refers to a death where the deceased was identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.
Infant death	An infant death is the death of a live-born child who died when less than 1 year old.
Infant mortality rate	The number of deaths of children under 1 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.
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.
Marriage	Under the <i>Australian Marriage Act 1961</i> (Cwlth), 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 1 calendar month but within 6 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.
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 400 grams at delivery (or of at least 20 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 400 grams at birth (or at least 20 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 400 grams at birth (or at least 20 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 intend to settle permanently in another country.
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 all 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.
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 an 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 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:

- The *direct method*—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 States and Territory and Australia rates.
- The *indirect method*—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 22 and 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

State or Territory of usual residence State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory of usual residence of:

- 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 and 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

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.

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 5-year age-specific birth rates and multiplying by five.

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