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## SUMMARY OF VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS DECEMBER QUARTER 1972

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The estimated population for Australia as a whole takes account of natural increase and net overseas migration since the latest Census.
2. The estimate for each State or Territory represents the population ascertained at the Census plus recorded natural increase and net gain from overseas migration for that State or Territory; gains and corresponding losses that result from movements between States and Territories are also taken into account in so far as they are recorded as transfers of State of residence under child endowment procedures or Commonwealth electoral procedures or are indicated in other ways such as the results of any special count. As records of migration by State or Territory are not complete the estimated State and Territory populations so derived are approximate and are subject to revision when the population of each State is ascertained at the next Census.
3. Holiday, business and other similar short-term movements between States and Territories are not taken into account in the quarterly calculations. However such movements do affect the estimates in so far as people who were on holiday or other short-term interstate travel at the time of the Census are counted in the population of the State or Territory where they spent Census night. On the other hand, changes in the populations of States and Territories due to visitors from overseas and Australians travelling overseas are reflected in all estimates.
4. Quarterly statistics relating to divorces are shown in this bulletin for the first time. Quarterly figures of petitions filed and decrees granted were formerly published in the quarterly bulletin *Divorce* (Reference No. 13.2) which has now been discontinued.
5. Quarterly figures and rates for marriages, births and deaths reflect seasonal influences and may also be influenced by varying delay in registrations. A variation in rates based on small numbers of events may reflect transitory changes which can average out in variations in rates based on larger numbers. Quarterly figures for the Northern Territory are especially affected by variations in the delay of registration. For 1971 and earlier years, quarterly registrations of events can be compared with the occurrence of the events in corresponding quarters. For instance, death rates in the Northern Territory, based on occurrence, were 6.35 in the December quarter 1970 and 6.97 in the December quarter 1971, compared with 9.47 and 6.92 based on registrations. Quarterly divorce figures, particularly the numbers of dissolutions granted, are affected by such administrative factors as the occurrence of law vacations and the availability of Judges.
6. Detailed information for 1972 for the topics covered in this bulletin will appear in the following publications:— *Births 1972* (Reference No. 4.4), *Deaths 1972* (Reference No. 4.8), *Overseas Arrivals and Departures 1972* (Reference No. 4.23), *Marriages 1972* (Reference No. 4.10), *Divorces 1972* (Reference No. 13.1) and *Estimated Age Distribution of the Population : States and Territories, 30 June 1972* (Reference No. 4.15).

NOTE. (i) Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in Tables 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 are due to rounding.

(ii) Birth and death figures in this bulletin (i.e. Tables 1, 2, 11, 12 and 13) do not include stillbirths.

TABLE 1. - SUMMARY : VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1972

Period	Marriages registered	Live births registered	Deaths registered	Natural increase (a)	Net recorded overseas migration gain (b)	Population -		
						increase (c) ('000)	at end of period ('000)	
Year ended								
31 Dec. -								
1968	106,345	240,906	109,547	131,359	113,053	233.3	12,145.6	
1969	112,470	250,176	106,496	143,680	129,046	261.6	12,407.2	
1970	116,066	257,516	113,048	144,468	122,874	256.3	12,663.5	
1971	117,637	276,362	110,650	165,712	84,605	244.8	12,908.2	
1972	114,029	264,969	109,760	155,209	27,847	183.1	13,091.3	
Year ended								
30 June -								
1968	102,509	231,960	104,668	127,292	93,358	209.6	12,008.6	
1969	109,630	247,218	108,179	139,039	126,425	254.4	12,263.0	
1970	115,051	252,305	109,441	142,864	112,564	244.3	12,507.3	
1971	117,648	271,295	113,338	157,957	101,419	248.3	(d)12,755.6	
1972	116,234	271,960	110,191	161,769	41,677	203.4	12,959.1	
Quarter ended -								
31 Dec. 1967								
1967	26,765	56,300	24,676	31,624	32,855	61.7	11,912.3	
31 March 1968								
1968	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	59.1	11,971.4	
30 June 1968								
1968	27,013	59,964	26,180	33,784	6,244	37.3	12,008.6	
30 September 1968								
1968	23,244	61,619	33,329	28,290	40,032	65.6	12,074.2	
31 December 1968								
1968	28,785	61,206	25,785	35,421	38,743	71.4	12,145.6	
31 March 1969								
1969	28,946	61,072	23,406	37,666	36,538	71.4	12,217.0	
30 June 1969								
1969	28,655	63,321	25,659	37,662	11,112	46.0	12,263.0	
30 September 1969								
1969	25,106	63,680	31,125	32,555	42,832	72.6	12,335.6	
31 December 1969								
1969	29,763	62,103	26,306	35,797	38,564	71.6	12,407.2	
31 March 1970								
1970	30,210	61,043	23,631	37,412	38,833	73.5	12,480.7	
30 June 1970								
1970	29,972	65,479	28,379	37,100	-7,665	26.7	12,507.3	
30 September 1970								
1970	25,360	65,345	33,754	31,591	47,348	76.2	12,583.5	
31 December 1970								
1970	30,524	65,649	27,284	38,365	44,358	80.0	12,663.5	
31 March 1971								
1971	31,555	70,976	24,764	46,212	34,583	78.0	12,741.5	
30 June 1971								
1971	30,209	69,325	27,536	41,789	-24,870	14.1	(d)12,755.6	
30 September 1971								
1971	25,244	70,117	31,939	38,178	41,224	79.4	12,835.0	
31 December 1971								
1971	30,629	65,944	26,411	39,533	33,668	73.2	12,908.2	
31 March 1972								
1972	31,031	67,443	24,730	42,713	20,026	62.7	12,971.0	
30 June 1972								
1972	29,330	68,456	27,111	41,345	-53,241	-11.9	12,959.1	
30 September 1972								
1972	23,981	66,364	31,661	34,703	32,529	67.2	13,026.3	
31 December 1972								
1972	29,697	62,706	26,258	36,448	28,533	65.0	13,091.3	

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

TABLE 2. - POPULATION : ANALYSIS OF INCREASE, AUSTRALIA, 1972

	Males ('000)	Females ('000)	Persons ('000)
Estimated population at 31 December 1971	6,484.4	6,423.8	12,908.2
Year ended December 1972 -			
	Males	Females	Persons
Live births registered	136,009	128,960	264,969
Deaths registered	61,114	48,646	109,760
Natural increase (a)	74,895	80,314	155,209
Overseas arrivals	608,730	501,940	1,110,670
Overseas departures	597,765	485,059	1,082,824
Net recorded overseas migration gain (b)	10,965	16,881	27,846
Total increase (c)	85.9	97.2	183.1
Estimated population at 31 December 1972	6,570.3	6,521.0	13,091.3

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

TABLE 3. — RATES OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, NATURAL INCREASE AND NET MIGRATION (a) : AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1972

<i>Period</i>	<i>Crude birth rate</i>	<i>Crude death rate</i>	<i>Rate of natural increase (b)</i>	<i>Rate of net migration</i>
Year ended 31 Dec. —				
1968	20.04	9.11	10.93	9.40
1969	20.38	8.68	11.71	10.51
1970	20.55	9.02	11.53	9.81
1971	21.62	8.66	12.96	6.62
1972	20.39	8.45	11.94	2.14
Year ended 30 June —				
1968	19.48	8.79	10.69	7.84
1969	20.36	8.91	11.45	10.41
1970	20.34	8.82	11.52	9.07
1971	21.43	8.95	12.48	8.01
1972	21.09	8.54	12.54	3.23

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

NOTE. Rates of natural increase and net migration may be calculated alternatively as the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. Figures prepared on this basis are shown in the next table.

TABLE 4. — RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a) : AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1972  
(Per cent)

<i>Period</i>	<i>Components of growth</i>		<i>Rate of growth (d)</i>
	<i>Natural increase (b)</i>	<i>Net overseas migration gain (c)</i>	
Year ended 31 Dec. —			
1968	1.10	0.95	1.96
1969	1.18	1.06	2.15
1970	1.16	0.99	2.07
1971	1.31	0.67	1.93
1972	1.20	0.22	1.42
Year ended 30 June —			
1968	1.08	0.79	1.78
1969	1.16	1.05	2.12
1970	1.16	0.92	1.99
1971	1.26	0.81	1.99
1972	1.27	0.33	1.59

(a) The rate represents the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest Census.

TABLE 5. — RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a) : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972  
(Per cent)

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
Year ended 31 Dec. —									
1968	1.65	1.61	1.86	1.45	4.55	1.38	9.04	8.19	1.96
1969	2.03	1.92	1.83	1.52	4.14	1.03	7.99	8.71	2.15
1970	1.85	1.78	1.86	1.81	3.83	0.84	9.22	8.52	2.07
1971	1.70	1.56	2.18	1.30	3.44	0.66	8.15	9.94	1.93
1972	0.96	1.17	2.48	0.93	1.61	0.69	7.42	9.27	1.42
Year ended 30 June —									
1968	1.49	1.52	1.71	1.08	4.08	1.17	9.22	8.33	1.78
1969	1.88	1.83	1.97	1.56	4.35	1.38	8.03	8.53	2.12
1970	1.83	1.77	1.68	1.64	3.82	0.73	8.02	8.06	1.99
1971	1.74	1.67	1.91	1.36	3.95	0.69	9.62	9.58	1.99
1972	1.31	1.22	2.31	1.09	2.20	0.45	7.59	9.96	1.59

(a) The rates represent the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. The increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest Census.

TABLE 6. - POPULATION : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972  
(<sup>'000</sup>)

<i>At end of</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
MALES									
1971 -									
December	2,330.3	1,765.6	933.9	591.7	537.8	197.4	50.1	77.5	6,484.4
1972 -									
March	2,340.6	1,774.7	939.9	593.2	541.0	197.7	51.1	79.4	6,517.6
June	2,336.7	1,771.1	942.7	592.3	539.6	197.2	51.6	81.5	6,512.7
September	2,345.1	1,778.8	949.8	593.9	542.0	197.4	52.6	83.1	6,542.7
December	2,351.3	1,785.5	956.4	596.1	544.9	198.5	53.2	84.6	6,570.3
FEMALES									
1971 -									
December	2,321.1	1,770.9	918.4	593.8	511.1	195.4	39.4	73.7	6,423.8
1972 -									
March	2,330.2	1,778.6	923.6	595.4	514.3	195.6	40.5	75.3	6,453.4
June	2,324.8	1,773.9	926.6	594.2	513.6	195.0	41.3	76.9	6,446.3
September	2,335.6	1,783.2	934.0	597.0	517.0	195.7	42.3	78.9	6,483.6
December	2,344.8	1,792.3	941.8	600.4	520.8	197.1	43.0	80.7	6,521.0
PERSONS									
1967 -									
December	4,329.9	3,303.6	1,715.8	1,115.9	897.0	377.8	64.4	107.8	11,912.3
1968 -									
March	4,350.1	3,318.8	1,722.8	1,118.7	906.1	378.9	66.0	110.0	11,971.4
June	4,359.3	3,324.2	1,729.0	1,121.8	915.0	379.6	67.5	112.1	12,008.6
September	4,380.1	3,339.4	1,738.6	1,126.6	925.0	380.8	69.2	114.4	12,074.2
December	4,401.2	3,356.8	1,747.7	1,132.1	937.8	383.1	70.2	116.6	12,145.6
1969 -									
March	4,426.6	3,375.2	1,756.6	1,136.2	946.6	384.7	71.8	119.3	12,217.0
June	4,441.2	3,385.0	1,763.1	1,139.3	954.8	384.9	73.0	121.7(a)	12,263.0
September	4,467.7	3,403.0	1,772.6	1,143.8	964.3	385.6	74.6	123.9	12,335.6
December	4,490.8	3,421.2	1,779.7	1,149.4	976.6	387.0	75.8	126.8	12,407.2
1970 -									
March	4,516.1	3,440.7	1,788.5	1,154.5	986.0	387.7	77.8	129.3	12,480.7
June	4,522.3	3,444.9	1,792.7	1,158.0	991.4	387.7	78.8	131.5	12,507.3
September	4,548.0	3,462.6	1,803.1	1,162.4	1,003.3	388.6	81.1	134.4	12,583.5
December	4,573.7	3,482.0	1,812.8	1,170.2	1,014.1	390.3	82.8	137.6	12,663.5
1971 -									
March	4,600.1	3,503.7	1,822.4	1,173.9	1,024.6	390.9	85.2	140.7	12,741.5
June (b)	4,601.2	3,502.4	1,827.1	1,173.7	1,030.5	390.4	86.4	144.1	12,755.6
September	4,628.2	3,520.5	1,839.2	1,179.8	1,039.3	391.8	88.4	147.9	12,835.0
December	4,651.5	3,536.4	1,852.3	1,185.5	1,048.9	392.8	89.6	151.2	12,908.2
1972 -									
March	4,670.8	3,553.3	1,863.5	1,188.5	1,055.3	393.3	91.6	154.7	12,971.0
June	4,661.6	3,545.1	1,869.3	1,186.5	1,053.2	392.2	92.9	158.4	12,959.1
September	4,680.7	3,562.0	1,883.9	1,190.9	1,059.0	393.1	94.8	162.0	13,026.3
December	4,696.0	3,577.8	1,898.2	1,196.5	1,065.8	395.6	96.2	165.3	13,091.3

(a) Based on the results of a population count of Canberra. (b) Population at Census date (final figures).

TABLE 7. - MEAN POPULATION, CALENDAR YEARS : STATES AND TERRITORIES  
1968 TO 1972  
(\*000 persons)

Year ended 31 December	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1968	4,364.2	3,328.5	1,730.6	1,122.8	915.8	379.9	67.6	112.2	12,021.4
1969	4,446.0	3,388.4	1,764.2	1,140.0	955.7	385.1	73.1	121.6	12,274.1
1970	4,530.4	3,450.5	1,795.4	1,158.4	994.2	388.2	79.3	131.9	12,528.5
1971	4,611.7	3,510.0	1,830.5	1,176.5	1,031.6	391.2	86.6	144.3	12,782.4
1972 -									
Males	2,341.5	1,775.6	944.6	593.4	541.2	197.6	51.8	81.3	6,526.8
Females	2,331.6	1,779.8	928.7	596.0	515.4	195.6	41.3	77.1	6,465.4
Persons	4,673.0	3,555.5	1,873.2	1,189.4	1,056.5	393.2	93.1	158.3	12,992.2

TABLE 8. - MEAN POPULATION, FINANCIAL YEARS : STATES AND TERRITORIES  
1967-68 TO 1971-72  
(\*000 persons)

Year ended 30 June	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
1968	4,329.8	3,302.4	1,715.4	1,115.7	896.8	377.6	64.6	107.8	11,910.0
1969	4,402.5	3,356.8	1,747.4	1,131.4	936.0	382.7	70.4	116.8	12,144.0
1970	4,490.0	3,420.6	1,780.0	1,149.1	975.1	386.7	76.1	126.6	12,404.2
1971	4,571.9	3,481.4	1,812.3	1,168.1	1,013.5	389.7	83.0	137.6	12,657.5
1972 -									
Males	2,328.9	1,765.4	933.5	590.9	536.8	197.3	50.3	77.5	6,480.5
Females	2,317.9	1,769.3	917.5	592.9	509.9	195.1	39.6	73.7	6,415.7
Persons	4,646.8	3,534.6	1,851.0	1,183.7	1,046.6	392.4	89.9	151.3	12,896.3

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

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

where a, b, c, d and e, respectively, are the populations at the end of the quarter immediately preceding the year and at the end of each of the four succeeding quarters; e.g., in the case of a calendar year, 31 December of the preceding year, and 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December of the year under consideration.

TABLE 9. - MARRIAGES : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>	
<b>MARRIAGES - NUMBER REGISTERED</b>										
<b>Year -</b>										
1968	39,213	29,724	14,860	9,652	8,086	3,426	419	965	106,345	
1969	41,286	30,860	15,669	10,599	8,993	3,532	413	1,118	112,470	
1970	42,928	31,729	16,082	10,864	9,227	3,535	501	1,200	116,066	
1971	43,038	32,386	16,538	10,833	9,382	3,578	485	1,397	117,637	
1972	41,520	31,206	16,066	10,829	9,120	3,426	490	1,372	114,029	
<b>Quarter -</b>										
December	1970	11,422	8,351	4,197	2,699	2,613	830	132	280	30,524
March	1971	11,473	8,960	3,968	2,985	2,576	1,077	122	394	31,555
June	1971	11,072	8,162	4,395	2,750	2,428	922	106	374	30,209
September	1971	9,468	6,688	3,879	2,270	1,761	761	119	298	25,244
December	1971	11,025	8,576	4,296	2,828	2,617	818	138	331	30,629
March	1972	11,385	8,524	3,972	3,138	2,479	1,043	90	400	31,031
June	1972	10,500	7,948	4,365	2,760	2,392	890	134	331	29,320
September	1972	8,800	6,297	3,669	2,291	1,777	724	147	276	23,981
December	1972	10,835	8,437	4,060	2,640	2,472	769	119	365	29,697
<b>MARRIAGE RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION</b>										
<b>Year -</b>										
1968	8.99	8.93	8.59	8.60	8.83	9.02	6.20	8.60	8.85	
1969	9.29	9.11	8.88	9.30	9.41	9.17	5.65	9.19	9.16	
1970	9.48	9.20	8.96	9.38	9.28	9.11	6.32	9.10	9.26	
1971	9.33	9.23	9.03	9.21	9.09	9.15	5.60	9.68	9.20	
1972	8.89	8.78	8.58	9.10	8.63	8.71	5.26	8.67	8.78	
<b>Quarter -</b>										
December	1970	10.02	9.62	9.29	9.26	10.36	8.53	6.44	8.24	9.67
March	1971	10.01	10.26	8.73	10.19	10.11	11.03	5.81	11.33	9.94
June	1971	9.63	9.32	9.63	9.37	9.45	9.44	4.94	10.51	9.48
September	1971	8.21	7.62	8.46	7.72	6.81	7.78	5.45	8.17	7.89
December	1971	9.50	9.72	9.31	9.57	10.03	8.34	6.20	8.85	9.52
March	1972	9.77	9.62	8.55	10.57	9.43	10.61	3.97	10.46	9.59
June	1972	9.00	8.96	9.36	9.30	9.08	9.06	5.81	8.46	9.05
September	1972	7.54	7.09	7.82	7.71	6.73	7.38	6.26	6.89	7.38
December	1972	9.24	9.45	8.59	8.85	9.31	7.80	4.98	8.92	9.10

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations at the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 5 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 10. - DIVORCES : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>	
PETITIONS FILED FOR DISSOLUTION (a)										
Year -										
1968	5,558	2,771	1,464	1,186	995	405	59	181	12,619	
1969	5,805	3,049	1,634	1,354	1,059	427	60	194	13,582	
1970	6,510	3,661	1,853	1,365	1,204	500	67	219	15,379	
1971	7,623	4,242	1,912	1,648	1,451	482	110	279	17,747	
1972	7,844	4,503	2,053	1,977	1,628	524	130	311	18,970	
Quarter -										
December	1970	1,604	937	504	340	292	108	16	51	3,852
March	1971	1,707	800	408	387	321	97	24	66	3,810
June	1971	1,962	1,033	487	405	370	136	32	69	4,494
September	1971	2,060	1,201	505	447	384	133	25	77	4,832
December	1971	1,894	1,208	512	409	376	116	29	67	4,611
March	1972	1,863	1,013	470	473	346	112	36	71	4,384
June	1972	2,036	1,203	516	553	425	137	21	83	4,974
September	1972	2,072	1,163	554	497	457	125	39	76	4,983
December	1972	1,873	1,124	513	454	400	150	34	81	4,629
DECREES OF DISSOLUTION GRANTED (b)										
Year -										
1968	4,880	2,515	1,135	915	812	302	23	149	10,731	
1969	5,123	2,220	1,236	963	872	331	44	141	10,930	
1970	5,606	2,591	1,507	939	889	422	50	194	12,198	
1971	5,467	3,072	1,404	1,264	1,064	429	55	192	12,947	
1972	7,036	3,584	1,731	1,235	1,243	442	88	225	15,584	
Quarter -										
December	1970	1,367	839	449	305	250	120	8	56	3,394
March	1971	1,551	792	416	301	216	108	11	66	3,461
June	1971	1,138	539	202	274	259	87	3	27	2,529
September	1971	1,400	867	407	331	206	119	27	45	3,402
December	1971	1,378	874	379	358	383	115	14	54	3,555
March	1972	1,616	654	579	318	326	123	25	54	3,695
June	1972	1,641	553	253	334	254	91	23	36	3,185
September	1972	1,858	1,198	444	336	345	105	10	68	4,364
December	1972	1,921	1,179	455	247	318	123	30	67	4,340
DIVORCE RATES - NUMBER PER TEN THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION (c)										
Year -										
1968	11.25	7.59	6.59	8.21	8.87	7.98	3.40	13.64	8.97	
1969	11.56	6.60	7.05	8.51	9.14	8.60	6.02	11.84	8.94	
1970	12.42	7.55	8.42	8.13	8.95	10.97	6.31	14.87	9.78	
1971	11.90	8.77	7.71	10.84	10.35	11.04	6.58	13.38	10.17	
1972	15.11	10.11	9.27	10.43	11.77	11.34	9.45	14.21	12.03	

(a) Petitions for decrees other than dissolution during the December quarter 1972 were : nullity, 12; judicial separation, 8; dissolution or nullity, 4; dissolution or judicial separation, 3. (b) Decrees absolute. There were 10 decrees of nullity granted during the December quarter 1972. (c) Number of decrees of dissolution, nullity and judicial separation granted per ten thousand of mean population.

NOTE. See para. 5 of the explanatory notes. The decline in dissolutions granted in New South Wales in 1971 reflects in part a shortage of Judges, and the substantial rise in the number for 1972 reflects in part the appointment of more Judges.



TABLE 11. - LIVE BIRTHS : STATES AND TERRITORIES 1968 TO 1972

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>	
<b>LIVE BIRTHS - NUMBER REGISTERED</b>										
<b>Year -</b>										
1968	81,696	70,228	35,190	21,207	19,541	8,317	2,084	2,643	240,906	
1969	86,036	71,035	36,576	21,977	20,754	8,445	2,274	3,079	250,176	
1970	88,448	73,019	37,530	22,617	21,618	8,185	2,624	3,475	257,516	
1971	98,466	75,498	39,970	22,996	24,239	8,321	2,832	4,040	276,362	
1972	95,278	71,807	39,251	21,844	22,177	7,824	2,722	4,066	264,969	
<b>Quarter -</b>										
December	1970	22,544	19,182	8,983	5,894	5,470	2,081	627	868	65,649
March	1971	25,555	19,308	10,567	5,697	5,898	2,226	627	1,098	70,976
June	1971	24,734	18,967	10,162	5,718	6,096	1,992	694	962	69,325
September	1971	24,944	19,336	10,097	5,966	5,774	2,148	878	974	70,117
December	1971	23,233	17,887	9,144	5,615	6,471	1,955	633	1,006	65,944
March	1972	24,439	18,558	10,268	5,323	5,116	2,093	614	1,032	67,443
June	1972	24,822	18,319	10,281	5,561	5,791	1,895	687	1,100	68,456
September	1972	24,091	18,014	9,614	5,498	5,511	1,934	717	985	66,364
December	1972	21,926	16,916	9,088	5,462	5,759	1,902	704	949	62,706
<b>BIRTH RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION</b>										
<b>Year -</b>										
1968	18.72	21.10	20.33	18.89	21.34	21.89	30.85	23.56	20.04	
1969	19.35	20.96	20.73	19.28	21.72	21.93	31.09	25.31	20.38	
1970	19.52	21.16	20.90	19.52	21.74	21.09	33.09	26.36	20.55	
1971	21.35	21.51	21.84	19.55	23.50	21.27	32.69	28.00	21.62	
1972	20.39	20.20	20.95	18.37	20.99	19.90	29.23	25.68	20.39	
<b>Quarter -</b>										
December	1970	19.77	22.10	19.87	20.21	21.69	21.37	30.60	25.53	20.80
March	1971	22.29	22.11	23.26	19.44	23.15	22.80	29.85	31.57	22.35
June	1971	21.50	21.66	22.28	19.49	23.73	20.40	32.36	27.02	21.75
September	1971	21.62	22.03	22.03	20.28	22.32	21.97	40.18	26.69	21.92
December	1971	20.03	20.28	19.82	18.99	24.79	19.93	28.45	26.91	20.49
March	1972	20.97	20.94	22.11	17.94	19.45	21.30	27.12	26.99	20.85
June	1972	21.28	20.65	22.03	18.73	21.97	19.30	29.78	28.11	21.12
September	1972	20.63	20.28	20.49	18.50	20.87	19.70	30.55	24.59	20.43
December	1972	18.71	18.95	19.22	18.30	21.68	19.29	29.48	23.20	19.21

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations for the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 5 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 12. - DEATHS : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>	
<b>DEATHS - NUMBER REGISTERED</b>										
<i>Year -</i>										
1968	41,803	29,967	16,078	9,916	7,468	3,284	543	488	109,547	
1969	40,665	28,976	15,786	9,337	7,350	3,309	485	588	106,496	
1970	43,601	30,335	17,055	10,138	7,543	3,174	608	594	113,048	
1971	41,691	30,598	16,339	9,686	7,806	3,295	637	598	110,650	
1972	41,652	29,856	16,598	9,764	7,441	3,227	553	669	109,760	
<i>Quarter -</i>										
December	1970	10,273	7,556	3,888	2,556	1,916	727	194	174	27,284
March	1971	9,413	6,772	3,721	2,018	1,809	792	109	130	24,764
June	1971	10,426	7,718	4,115	2,371	1,802	818	139	147	27,536
September	1971	12,478	8,619	4,642	2,789	2,116	895	235	165	31,939
December	1971	9,374	7,489	3,861	2,508	2,079	790	154	156	26,411
March	1972	9,633	6,545	3,770	2,119	1,601	805	104	153	24,730
June	1972	10,442	7,444	4,035	2,355	1,722	789	161	163	27,111
September	1972	12,097	8,557	5,022	2,740	2,042	879	133	191	31,661
December	1972	9,480	7,310	3,771	2,550	2,076	754	155	162	26,258
<b>DEATH RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION</b>										
<i>Year -</i>										
1968	9.58	9.00	9.29	8.83	8.15	8.64	8.04	4.35	9.11	
1969	9.15	8.55	8.95	8.19	7.69	8.59	6.63	4.83	8.68	
1970	9.62	8.79	9.50	8.75	7.59	8.18	7.67	4.51	9.02	
1971	9.04	8.72	8.93	8.23	7.57	8.42	7.35	4.15	8.66	
1972	8.91	8.40	8.86	8.21	7.04	8.21	5.94	4.23	8.45	
<i>Quarter -</i>										
December	1970	9.01	8.70	8.60	8.77	7.60	7.47	9.47	5.12	8.65
March	1971	8.21	7.76	8.19	6.89	7.10	8.11	5.19	3.74	7.80
June	1971	9.06	8.81	9.02	8.08	7.02	8.38	6.48	4.13	8.64
September	1971	10.82	9.82	10.13	9.48	8.18	9.15	10.75	4.52	9.99
December	1971	8.08	8.49	8.37	8.48	7.97	8.05	6.92	4.17	8.21
March	1972	8.27	7.39	8.12	7.14	6.09	8.19	4.59	4.00	7.65
June	1972	8.95	8.39	8.65	7.93	6.53	8.04	6.98	4.17	8.36
September	1972	10.36	9.63	10.71	9.22	7.73	8.96	5.62	4.77	9.75
December	1972	8.09	8.19	7.98	8.54	7.82	7.65	6.49	3.96	8.04

NOTE. Rates for quarters are calculated by multiplying the number of registrations for the quarter by 4 and dividing by the average of estimated populations for the beginning and end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population). See also para. 5 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 13. - DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1972

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE - NUMBER REGISTERED (a)									
Year -									
1968	1,525	1,010	716	345	397	143	101	45	4,282
1969	1,625	1,066	691	347	453	139	103	58	4,482
1970	1,743	1,060	672	367	459	116	126	61	4,604
1971	1,710	1,107	766	366	464	114	170	80	4,777
1972	1,663	1,048	697	367	348	127	113	67	4,430
Quarter -									
December 1970	442	277	174	123	104	37	42	19	1,218
March 1971	451	258	203	88	107	26	22	19	1,174
June 1971	410	231	182	107	111	27	36	25	1,129
September 1971	484	320	181	82	119	33	71	20	1,310
December 1971	365	298	200	89	127	28	41	16	1,164
March 1972	424	237	186	99	71	24	26	16	1,083
June 1972	391	232	174	91	83	30	28	29	1,058
September 1972	461	282	192	86	98	39	28	13	1,199
December 1972	387	297	145	91	96	34	31	9	1,090
INFANT MORTALITY RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND LIVE BIRTHS									
Year -							(b)		
1968	18.67	14.38	20.35	16.27	20.37	17.19	48.46	17.03	17.78
1969	18.89	15.01	18.89	15.79	21.83	16.46	45.29	18.84	17.92
1970	19.71	14.52	17.91	16.23	21.23	14.17	48.02	17.55	17.88
1971	17.37	14.66	19.16	15.92	19.14	13.70	60.03	19.80	17.29
1972	17.45	14.59	17.76	16.80	15.69	16.23	41.51	16.48	16.72
Quarter -									
December 1970	19.61	14.44	19.37	20.87	19.01	17.78	66.99	(c)	18.55
March 1971	17.65	13.36	19.21	15.45	18.14	11.68	35.09	(c)	16.54
June 1971	16.58	12.18	17.91	18.71	18.21	13.55	51.87	25.99	16.29
September 1971	19.40	16.55	17.93	13.74	20.61	15.36	80.86	20.53	18.68
December 1971	15.71	16.66	21.87	15.85	19.63	14.32	64.77	(c)	17.65
March 1972	17.35	12.77	18.12	18.60	13.88	11.47	42.35	(c)	16.06
June 1972	15.75	12.66	16.92	16.36	14.33	15.83	40.76	25.46	15.44
September 1972	19.14	15.65	19.97	15.64	17.78	20.17	39.05	(c)	18.07
December 1972	17.65	17.56	15.96	16.66	16.67	17.88	44.03	(c)	17.38

(a) Included in total number of deaths registered; i.e. in Table 12. (b) Although comprehensive data are not available, it is known that the rate of Aboriginal infant deaths is substantially above that for other births in the Territory. (c) Less than twenty deaths, rate not calculated.

NOTE. See also para. 5 of the explanatory notes.

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