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NOTES

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

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

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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. —

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

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	n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
	n.y.a.	not yet available
	p	preliminary
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	SSD	Statistical sub-division
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MAIN FEATURES

KEY FIGURES

	TASMANIA			AUSTRALIA.....		
	1985	1995	Change	1985	1995	Change
	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%
Estimated resident population	444.6	473.2	6.4	15 900.6	18 168.6	14.3
Overseas arrivals	1.9	2.2	12.2	172.6	253.9	47.2
Overseas departures	1.4	1.8	32.0	93.4	149.4	59.9
Interstate arrivals	9.8	10.5	7.1	282.4	368.5	30.1
Interstate departures	9.6	13.4	40.0	282.4	368.5	30.1
Births						
Registration basis	7.2	6.6	-9.8	247.3	256.2	3.6
Occurrence basis	7.2	6.4	-10.8	243.1	251.9	3.6
Deaths						
Registration basis	3.7	3.8	1.7	118.8	125.1	5.3
Occurrence basis	3.7	3.7	1.9	117.8	125.1	6.2
Marriages	3.5	2.8	-19.3	115.5	109.4	-5.3
Divorces	1.2	1.3	9.4	39.8	49.7	24.7

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

- The estimated resident population of Tasmania at 31 December 1995 was 473,200. This was an increase of 6.4% over the last ten years.
- The median age of people resident in Tasmania at 30 June 1995 was 33.1 years which was 0.6 years lower than the median age of the resident Australian population.
- The fastest growing area in the twelve months to 30 June 1995 was Launceston (C)-Part C which recorded a 4.6% increase from 1994 while Waratah/Wynyard (M)-Part B recorded the largest percentage decrease of 5.3%.

OVERSEAS MIGRATION

- In 1995, Tasmania experienced a net gain of 416 persons from overseas migration, (permanent and long term). The total gain for Australia in 1995 was 108,028, with all States and Territories experiencing a net overseas migration gain.

INTERSTATE MIGRATION

- More people chose to leave for other parts of Australia than chose to settle in Tasmania in 1995. The net interstate migration figure for Tasmania was -2,831 persons. Conversely, Queensland experienced by far the highest net interstate migration gain with a figure of 43,386 persons.

BIRTHS

Registration basis

- In 1995, there were 6,570 births registered in Tasmania. This was a decrease of 9.4% on the number registered in 1985 (7,249). The number of births registered increased for Australia, but by only 3.6%.
- The total fertility rate has, over the last ten years, remained almost static at between 2.0 and 1.9 children per woman. In 1995, the total fertility rate in Tasmania was 1.910 children per woman, slightly higher than the rate for Australia (1.820).
- The peak age group for mothers giving birth in Tasmania was the same as that for Australian mothers, 25–29 years. However, the birth rate for this group was higher than the Australian rate. The birth rate in Tasmania, 132.6 per 1,000 mothers in the age group, compared with 122 for Australia.
- Ex-nuptial births represented 33.3% (2,189) of all births registered in Tasmania in 1995 compared with 16.2% (1,176) in 1985. This was an increase of 86.1%. By comparison, ex-nuptial births for Australia increased by 78% in the same period.

Occurrence basis

- In 1995, 6,398 births occurred in Tasmania. This was a 10.8% decrease on the number occurring in 1985.
- The highest number of births occurred in the month of August (601).
- The total fertility rate for mothers giving birth in 1995 was 1.859 per woman for Tasmania.

DEATHS

Registration basis

- The number of deaths registered in Tasmania in 1995 was 3,754. This was an increase of 1.7% on the number registered in 1985 (3,693).
- The standardised death rate in Tasmania in 1995 was 7.1 per 1,000 standard population. This compares with 8.8 in 1985 and the 1995 Australian rate of 6.5.
- The median age at death was 73.8 years for men usually resident in Tasmania and 79.7 years for women. By comparison the 1985 medians were 70.6 years and 78.4 years, respectively.
- In 1995, the number of infant deaths registered in Tasmania was 38. This was a decrease of 59.1% on 1985 when there were 93 infant deaths registered.
- The infant mortality rate was 5.8 per 1,000 live births compared with 12.8 in 1985.

Occurrence basis

- In 1995, 3,749 deaths occurred in Tasmania. This was a 1.9% increase on the number occurring in 1985.
- The highest number of deaths occurred in the month of July (352).
- The number of infant deaths registered in 1995 on an occurrence basis was 38. This was 59% lower than in 1985.

MARRIAGES

- There were 2,840 marriages registered in Tasmania in 1995. This was about 19% less than the number registered in 1985.
- In 1995, the crude marriage rate was 6.0 per 1,000 population which is the lowest rate recorded for the past one hundred years
- The median marriage age for men and women marrying was 28.9 years for men and 26.6 years for women. This was 2.8 years higher for both men and women than in 1985. When compared with Australia, the Tasmanian median for men was lower than the Australian median by 0.3 of a year, while for women the median was lower than the Australian median by 0.2 of a year.

DIVORCES

- In Tasmania in 1995, there were 1,279 divorces granted compared with 1,169 in 1985.
- Men and women divorcing in 1995 were older than men and women divorcing in 1985. In 1995, the median age at divorce was 39.8 years for men and 36.9 years for women. The comparative medians in 1985 were 37.0 years and 33.9 years respectively. The Australian median ages at divorce in 1995 were 39.9 years for men and 37.1 years for women.

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SECTION 1

DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

Population

Tasmania's estimated resident population as at 31 December 1995 was 473,200. This represents an annual increase of 0.1%. Northern Territory had the highest growth at 2.8% , whilst the population of Australia increased by 1.3% to 18,168,600.

Components of Population Change

Whilst the Tasmanian population was 2.6% of the Australian population, its growth of 352 represents only 0.1% of the Australian growth. This small percentage for total growth was predominantly caused by an interstate migration loss of 2,831, an increase of 13.9% on the previous year's figure. Net overseas migration was 416 in 1995 an increase of 45% on the figure recorded in 1994. Tasmania's proportion of the Australian increase due to this component remains static at 0.4% in both 1994, and 1995.

Births and Confinements

The total number of births registered in Tasmania in 1995 was 6,570, a drop on the 6,844 recorded in 1994. The crude birth rate for Tasmania was 13.9 per thousand of mean population and is the lowest on record, while the fertility rate was 1.910. This figure represents the average number of children each woman would bear if the current birth rate continued during their child-bearing lifetime.

Deaths

There were 3,754 deaths recorded in Tasmania in the year ended 31 December 1995. This figure represents 3.0% of the Australian total. The crude death rate of 7.9 per 1,000 of population recorded in Tasmania in 1995 was again the highest rate recorded in any State or Territory.

Tasmania recorded 38 infant deaths in 1995. The infant death rate of 5.8 per 1,000 live births continues the downward trend of the past 20 years, and is only marginally higher than the infant death rate recorded for Australia.

Marriages

Tasmania's 1995 crude marriage rate of 6.0 per 1,000 population is slightly lower than the Australian rate but above that recorded in Northern Territory, ACT, South Australia and Victoria. Median ages for both bridegrooms and brides continued to increase in 1995 (28.9 years and 26.6 years respectively).

Divorces

There were 1,279 divorces granted in Tasmania in 1995. The crude divorce rate of 2.7 divorces per 1,000 population is marginally lower than the Australian rate of 2.8 per 1,000 population, but higher than the rates recorded for NSW, Victoria, and Northern Territory.

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

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust. (b)
POPULATION									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6 152.0	4 520.8	3 316.1	1 475.5	1 746.4	473.2	176.9	304.9	18 168.6
Components of population change(c)									
Natural increase(d)	41 591	29 611	25 610	7 912	14 569	2 767	3 074	3 320	128 492
Net overseas migration(e)	48 641	26 435	13 896	3 960	13 187	416	685	808	108 028
Net interstate migration	-15 746	-21 557	43 386	-7 569	4 291	-2 831	977	-951	..
Total increase	74 486	34 489	82 892	4 303	32 047	352	4 736	3 177	236 520
Growth rate (%)	1.2	0.8	2.6	0.3	1.9	0.1	2.8	1.1	1.3
BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS									
Live births									
Number	87 849	62 591	46 484	19 336	25 139	6 570	3 766	4 415	256 190
Total fertility rate	1.870	1.760	1.820	1.750	1.860	1.910	2.430	1.690	1.820
Crude birth rate	14.4	13.9	14.2	13.1	14.5	13.9	21.7	14.5	14.2
Female net reproduction rate	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.9
All confinements									
Number	86 691	61 685	45 898	19 053	24 791	6 480	3 711	4 359	252 708
Median age of mother (years)	29.2	29.7	28.4	29.4	28.8	28.5	26.8	29.4	29.1
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)									
Mother	30.1	30.3	29.7	30.4	30.0	29.7	29.6	30.2	30.1
Father	32.6	32.6	32.1	32.7	32.4	32.0	32.1	32.5	32.5
First Nuptial confinements									
Number	26 199	20 255	12 562	5 717	6 968	1 924	650	1 321	75 606
Median age of mother	28.5	28.9	28.1	29.1	28.5	28.3	28.5	28.6	28.6
DEATHS									
Number	44 773	32 425	20 663	11 218	10 364	3 754	813	1 114	125 133
Standardised death rate	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.3	6.2	7.1	9.9	5.4	6.5
Crude death rate	7.3	7.2	6.3	7.6	6.0	7.9	4.7	3.7	6.9
Median age at death (years)									
Males	73.7	73.9	73.0	74.3	73.3	73.8	54.0	70.5	73.5
Females	80.2	80.9	79.7	80.7	80.3	79.7	60.4	75.9	80.3
Infant deaths									
Number	498	308	293	112	129	38	50	21	1 449
Rate	5.7	4.9	6.3	5.8	5.1	5.8	13.3	4.8	5.7
Perinatal deaths									
Number	693	485	415	162	197	53	53	36	2 094
Rate	7.9	7.7	8.9	8.3	7.8	8.0	14.0	8.1	8.1

For footnotes see end of table.

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

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust. (b)
MARRIAGES									
Number registered	37 828	28 807	20 610	8 547	10 404	2 840	797	1 753	109 386
Crude marriage rate	6.2	5.9	6.3	5.8	6.0	6.0	4.6	5.8	6.1
Median age at marriage (years)									
Bridegroom	29.3	29.0	29.0	29.1	29.6	28.9	31.1	29.2	29.2
Bride	26.7	26.9	26.6	26.7	27.2	26.6	28.1	26.7	26.8
DIVORCES									
Number granted	14 945	11 838	10 192	4 199	5 040	1 279	432	1 787	49 712
Crude divorce rate	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.5	(f)	2.8
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.1	10.9	11.4	11.5	12.3	11.2	10.7	11.5	11.0
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	6.7	7.6	8.0	8.2	8.8	8.3	6.9	8.1	7.6

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

(c) Components of population change from previous year.

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

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

(f) See paragraph 22 in Explanatory Notes.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)—1995

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical local area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
GREATER HOBART SD					
Brighton (M)	12 675	257	2.708	45	9.1
Clarence (C)	49 890	565	1.730	315	6.2
Glenorchy (C)	44 060	553	1.815	402	7.4
Hobart (C)—Inner	350	3	2.253	4	22.4
Hobart (C)—Remainder	46 960	534	1.358	449	6.9
Kingborough (M)—Part A	24 920	312	1.930	183	7.4
New Norfolk (M)—Part A	7 290	90	1.251	72	6.3
Sorell (M)—Part A	8 620	169	2.361	33	5.5
Total Greater Hobart SD	194 755	2 483	1.732	1 503	6.9
SOUTHERN SD					
Central Highlands (M)	2 845	38	1.995	23	7.8
Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	4 070	43	2.224	41	7.6
Huon Valley (M)	13 120	230	2.473	87	8.7
Kingborough (M)—Part B	2 400	36	3.100	10	5.1
New Norfolk (M)—Part B	3 000	37	3.704	20	22.1
Sorell (M)—Part B	920	7	3.787	4	6.8
Southern Midlands (M)	5 320	87	2.670	35	7.3
Tasman (M)	2 050	19	2.587	14	7.1
Total Southern SD	33 725	497	2.590	234	8.5
NORTHERN SD					
Greater Launceston SSD					
George Town (M)—Part A	6 075	114	2.240	69	11.7
Launceston (C)—Inner	298	7	4.841	4	7.6
Launceston (C)—Part B	62 390	989	1.944	580	7.6
Meander Valley (M)—Part A	5 130	36	0.799	13	2.3
Northern Midlands (M)—Part A	6 360	144	2.935	57	8.2
West Tamar (M)—Part A	17 610	198	1.843	107	5.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>97 863</i>	<i>1 488</i>	<i>1.935</i>	<i>830</i>	<i>7.3</i>
Central North SSD					
George Town (M)—Part B	990	12	1.987	6	4.2
Launceston (C)—Part C	2 920	49	2.415	25	16.6
Meander Valley (M)—Part B	10 240	187	2.573	61	7.3
Northern Midlands (M)—Part B	4 830	66	2.006	40	6.1
West Tamar (M)—Part B	1 930	19	1.737	5	4.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>20 910</i>	<i>333</i>	<i>2.287</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>7.3</i>
North Eastern SSD					
Break O'Day (M)	5 855	82	2.412	58	8.5
Dorset (M)	7 590	111	2.228	68	7.7
Flinders (M)	910	12	3.274	12	9.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>14 355</i>	<i>205</i>	<i>2.355</i>	<i>138</i>	<i>8.1</i>
Total Northern SD	133 128	2 026	2.012	1 105	7.4

For footnotes see end of table.

1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)—1995 *continued*

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
MERSEY-LYELL SD					
Burnie-Devonport SSD					
Burnie (C)—Part A	18 580	323	2.280	173	9.2
Central Coast (M)—Part A	17 820	241	2.192	196	8.3
Devonport (C)	25 420	329	1.954	211	6.7
Latrobe (M)—Part A	5 920	101	2.744	67	7.9
Waratah/Wynyard (M)—Part A	11 280	147	1.895	101	6.8
Total	79 000	1 141	2.122	748	7.7
North Western Rural SSD					
Burnie (C)—Part B	2 195	21	1.793	7	4.4
Central Coast (M)—Part B	3 350	40	1.670	8	4.2
Circular Head (M)	8 550	132	2.085	43	8.2
Kentish (M)	5 325	53	1.820	34	8.4
King Island (M)	1 890	25	2.405	11	6.4
Latrobe (M)—Part B	1 360	5	0.815	2	2.8
Waratah/Wynyard (M)—Part B	2 850	36	1.522	8	5.4
Total	25 520	312	1.833	113	6.8
Lyell SSD					
West Coast (M)	6 870	109	2.309	46	9.6
Total Mersey-Lyell SD	111 390	1 562	2.085	967	7.6
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	—	—	—	—	—
Tasmania	472 998	6 868	1.933	3 749	7.3

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

(b) As at 30 June 1995.

(c) Data is for calendar year 1995.

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

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

(C) City (M) Municipality

SECTION 2

POPULATION

At 31 December 1995, Tasmania's estimated resident population was 473,200, an increase of an estimated 400 persons, or 0.08%. This compared to an increase of 700 persons (0.13%) for the year ended December 1994. During the 10 years ended 31 December 1995, the population increased by 6.4% from 444,600 in 1985. In this 10 year period Tasmania's population growth peaked at 6.110 (1.33%) for the year ended 31 December 1990.

Natural increase

Natural increase was the largest positive component of population growth in Tasmania in 1995. Births exceeded deaths by 2,816.

Interstate movement

More people left Tasmania for other States/Territories than made their homes in Tasmania in 1995. Interstate movement contributed negative growth of 804.3% to the total annual growth of Tasmanian population in 1995. This compared with the positive growth (36.4% of total growth) recorded only 5 years earlier.

Overseas migration

Overseas migration was a positive component of net population growth in 1995. An estimated 416 more people immigrated to Tasmania than left for overseas. This represented a net gain of 118.2% of the total growth. In 1985 net overseas migration made a positive contribution to migration of 16.0%.

Age structure of the Tasmanian population

As at 31 December 1995, the Tasmanian population comprised 234,700 males and 238,500 females.

As at 30 June 1995, 71,643 or 30.5% of males were under 20 years of age, compared with 68,358 or 28.7% of females. In the 60 years and over age group, the converse occurs with 35,183 or 15.0% of males and 43,258 or 18.1% of females.

Males form a higher proportion of the population in the 0-29 year age group at 51.1%, whilst the proportion of females is 48.9%. In the 30-39 year age group females form the higher proportion at 50.7%, whilst in the 40-59 age group the balance changes again, with males forming 50.4% of this age group. From the 60 and over age group, the longer life expectancy of females is clearly evident as the proportion of females in this age group increases to 55.1%. At age 65, there are 1.4% more females than males, rising to 36.6% at age 75, and 110.7% at age 85, before reaching a peak at age 95 and over, 256.4% more females than males.

Projected Population

Population projections, based on 1991 data, vary according to different fertility and migration assumptions. Using the most optimistic of the projections, Tasmania could have a peak population of 507,600 in 2023. Conversely, using the least optimistic projection Tasmania may have a population of 468,200 in the same year.

2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

Particulars	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Estimated resident population at 31 December ('000)							
Males	220.7	230.4	232.2	233.5	234.2	234.5	234.7
Females	223.9	234.2	236.2	237.3	238.0	238.3	238.5
Persons	444.6	464.5	468.5	470.8	472.2	472.8	473.2
Components of population change(b)							
Net natural increase(c)							
Number	3 555	3 330	3 253	3 219	3 166	2 937	2 767
% of total annual growth	78.3	55.8	83.8	134.7	233.0	443.0	786.1
Net overseas migration(d)							
Number	726	467	286	40	119	212	416
% of total annual growth	16.0	7.8	7.4	1.7	8.8	32.0	118.2
Net interstate migration							
Number	261	2 169	345	-869	-1 926	-2 486	-2 831
% of total annual growth	5.7	36.4	8.9	-36.4	-141.7	-375.0	-804.3
Total population growth							
Number	4 506	6 110	3 932	2 390	1 359	663	352
Annual growth rate (%) ^(e)	1.0	1.3	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1
Overseas arrivals and departures(f)							
Permanent movement							
Arrivals	810	780	670	500	390	520	550
Departures	260	310	360	300	320	330	360
Former settlers	110	120	180	130	140	140	130
Other Australian residents	140	180	180	170	190	190	230
Long-term movement							
Arrivals	1 150	1 220	1 260	1 380	1 520	1 550	1 680
Australian residents returning	750	750	730	840	860	880	880
Overseas visitors arriving	400	470	520	530	660	670	770
Departures	1 090	1 240	1 220	1 340	1 270	1 290	1 420
Australian residents departing	790	940	870	950	860	870	900
Overseas visitors departing	300	310	350	400	410	420	520
Short-term movement							
Arrivals	28 600	40 600	33 100	41 400	44 000	42 300	49 000
Australian residents returning	19 000	24 200	19 700	25 900	25 100	24 300	27 200
Overseas visitors arriving	9 600	16 500	13 500	15 500	18 900	18 000	21 900
Departures	28 900	41 800	38 900	44 300	45 800	43 800	48 000
Australian residents departing	20 300	25 600	24 100	25 900	26 900	23 600	24 400
Overseas visitors departing	8 600	16 300	14 800	18 400	18 900	20 300	23 600

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) From previous year.

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

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

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

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

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

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	3 461	3 263	6 724	50	2 767	2 805	5 572
1	3 531	3 257	6 788	51	2 758	2 618	5 376
2	3 425	3 269	6 694	52	2 440	2 328	4 768
3	3 400	3 335	6 735	53	2 459	2 374	4 833
4	3 588	3 469	7 057	54	2 455	2 355	4 810
0-4	17 405	16 593	33 998	50-54	12 879	12 480	25 359
5	3 612	3 342	6 954	55	2 345	2 267	4 612
6	3 594	3 405	6 999	56	2 316	2 195	4 511
7	3 486	3 453	6 939	57	2 175	2 139	4 314
8	3 671	3 457	7 128	58	2 067	2 089	4 156
9	3 665	3 583	7 248	59	1 946	2 031	3 977
5-9	18 028	17 240	35 268	55-59	10 849	10 721	21 570
10	3 845	3 701	7 546	60	1 869	1 893	3 762
11	3 680	3 613	7 293	61	1 910	1 953	3 863
12	3 768	3 576	7 344	62	1 821	1 906	3 727
13	3 727	3 563	7 290	63	1 810	1 891	3 701
14	3 714	3 599	7 313	64	1 928	1 997	3 925
10-14	18 734	18 052	36 786	60-64	9 338	9 640	18 978
15	3 584	3 351	6 935	65	1 850	1 876	3 726
16	3 598	3 400	6 998	66	1 856	1 931	3 787
17	3 461	3 358	6 819	67	1 856	1 941	3 797
18	3 409	3 195	6 604	68	1 799	1 866	3 665
19	3 424	3 169	6 593	69	1 823	1 971	3 794
15-19	17 476	16 473	33 949	65-69	9 184	9 585	18 769
20	3 366	3 198	6 564	70	1 596	1 794	3 390
21	3 419	3 144	6 563	71	1 619	1 877	3 496
22	3 429	3 289	6 718	72	1 516	1 807	3 323
23	3 631	3 504	7 135	73	1 369	1 745	3 114
24	3 739	3 518	7 257	74	1 328	1 745	3 073
20-24	17 584	16 653	34 237	70-74	7 428	8 968	16 396
25	3 582	3 315	6 897	75	1 138	1 554	2 692
26	3 428	3 268	6 696	76	994	1 334	2 328
27	3 233	3 249	6 482	77	934	1 320	2 254
28	3 054	3 152	6 206	78	919	1 309	2 228
29	3 122	3 233	6 355	79	841	1 281	2 122
25-29	16 419	16 217	32 636	75-79	4 826	6 798	11 624
30	3 331	3 399	6 730	80	725	1 209	1 934
31	3 538	3 642	7 180	81	696	1 050	1 746
32	3 504	3 675	7 179	82	579	913	1 492
33	3 693	3 836	7 529	83	494	834	1 328
34	3 822	4 075	7 897	84	393	740	1 133
30-34	17 888	18 627	36 515	80-84	2 887	4 746	7 633
35	3 814	3 910	7 724	85	328	691	1 019
36	3 704	3 833	7 537	86	278	577	855
37	3 655	3 621	7 276	87	232	437	669
38	3 555	3 652	7 207	88	178	410	588
39	3 659	3 686	7 345	89	138	334	472
35-39	18 387	18 702	37 089	85-89	1 154	2 449	3 603
40	3 453	3 507	6 960	90	116	226	342
41	3 374	3 546	6 920	91	75	246	321
42	3 486	3 425	6 911	92	36	165	201
43	3 473	3 382	6 855	93	57	137	194
44	3 568	3 445	7 013	94	27	102	129
40-44	17 354	17 305	34 659	90-94	311	876	1 187
45	3 373	3 268	6 641	95 and over	55	196	251
46	3 279	3 322	6 601	Total	234 616	238 362	472 998
47	3 412	3 268	6 680				
48	3 449	3 273	6 722				
49	2 917	2 930	5 847				
45-49	16 430	16 061	32 491				

2.3 PROJECTED POPULATION

At 30 June	SERIES A(a)			SERIES B(a)			SERIES C(a)			SERIES D(a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Female	Persons
1997	235.7	239.8	475.5	235.7	239.8	475.5	235.8	239.8	475.6	235.6	239.7	475.3
1998	236.7	240.9	477.6	236.2	240.4	476.6	236.9	241.0	477.8	236.5	240.6	477.1
1999	237.7	241.8	479.5	236.7	240.8	477.5	237.9	242.1	480.0	237.3	241.5	478.8
2000	238.6	242.8	481.3	237.0	241.2	478.3	238.9	243.1	482.0	238.1	242.3	480.4
2001	239.5	243.6	483.1	237.4	241.6	479.0	239.9	244.1	484.0	238.9	243.1	481.9
2002	240.3	244.5	484.8	237.7	241.9	479.6	240.9	245.1	486.0	239.5	243.7	483.3
2003	241.2	245.3	486.5	238.0	242.2	480.1	241.9	246.0	487.9	240.2	244.4	484.6
2004	242.0	246.1	488.1	238.2	242.4	480.6	242.8	246.9	489.7	240.8	245.0	485.8
2005	242.7	246.8	489.5	238.4	242.6	480.9	243.7	247.8	491.5	241.4	245.5	486.9
2006	243.4	247.5	490.9	238.5	242.7	481.1	244.5	248.6	493.1	241.9	246.0	487.9
2007	244.1	248.1	492.2	238.5	242.7	481.2	245.3	249.4	494.7	242.3	246.5	488.8
2008	244.7	248.7	493.4	238.5	242.7	481.2	246.0	250.1	496.1	242.7	246.9	489.6
2009	245.2	249.3	494.5	238.4	242.6	481.0	246.7	250.8	497.5	243.0	247.2	490.3
2010	245.7	249.8	495.5	238.3	242.5	480.8	247.3	251.5	498.8	243.3	247.6	490.9
2011	246.2	250.3	496.5	238.1	242.4	480.5	247.9	252.1	500.0	243.6	247.9	491.5
2012	246.6	250.7	497.3	237.9	242.2	480.0	248.5	252.7	501.1	243.8	248.1	491.9
2013	247.0	251.1	498.1	237.6	241.9	479.5	249.0	253.2	502.2	244.0	248.3	492.3
2014	247.3	251.5	498.8	237.2	241.7	478.9	249.4	253.7	503.2	244.1	248.5	492.6
2015	247.6	251.9	499.4	236.8	241.3	478.2	249.8	254.2	504.1	244.2	248.7	492.9
2016	247.8	252.2	499.9	236.4	240.9	477.3	250.2	254.7	504.9	244.2	248.8	493.0
2017	248.0	252.4	500.4	235.9	240.5	476.4	250.5	255.1	505.6	244.2	248.8	493.0
2018	248.1	252.6	500.7	235.3	240.0	475.4	250.8	255.4	506.2	244.1	248.8	493.0
2019	248.2	252.8	500.9	234.7	239.5	474.2	251.0	255.7	506.7	244.0	248.8	492.8
2020	248.2	252.9	501.0	234.0	238.9	472.9	251.1	256.0	507.1	243.8	248.7	492.5
2021	248.1	252.9	501.0	233.2	238.3	471.5	251.2	256.2	507.4	243.5	248.5	492.0
2022	247.9	252.9	500.9	232.4	237.6	469.9	251.2	256.3	507.5	243.1	248.3	491.4
2023	247.7	252.8	500.6	231.4	236.8	468.2	251.1	256.4	507.6	242.7	248.0	490.7
2024	247.5	252.7	500.2	230.4	235.9	466.3	251.0	256.4	507.5	242.1	247.7	489.8
2025	247.1	252.5	499.7	229.3	235.0	464.3	250.8	256.4	507.2	241.5	247.2	488.8
2026	246.7	252.3	499.0	228.2	234.0	462.2	250.6	256.3	506.9	240.9	246.7	487.6
2027	246.2	251.9	498.1	226.9	232.9	459.9	250.2	256.1	506.4	240.1	246.1	486.2
2028	245.6	251.5	497.2	225.6	231.8	457.4	249.8	255.9	505.7	239.3	245.5	484.7
2029	245.0	251.1	496.1	224.2	230.6	454.8	249.3	255.6	504.9	238.3	244.7	483.1
2030	244.3	250.6	494.9	222.7	229.3	452.0	248.8	255.3	504.0	237.3	243.9	481.3
2031	243.5	250.0	493.5	221.1	227.9	449.0	248.2	254.8	503.0	236.3	243.1	479.3
2032	242.7	249.3	492.0	219.5	226.4	445.9	247.5	254.3	501.8	235.1	242.1	477.2
2033	241.8	248.6	490.3	217.8	224.9	442.7	246.7	253.8	500.5	233.9	241.1	475.0
2034	240.8	247.8	488.6	216.1	223.3	439.4	245.9	253.1	499.1	232.6	240.0	472.6
2035	239.8	246.9	486.7	214.2	221.6	435.9	245.1	252.5	497.6	231.3	238.8	470.1
2036	238.7	246.0	484.7	212.4	219.9	432.2	244.2	251.7	495.9	229.9	237.6	467.5
2037	237.6	245.0	482.6	210.4	218.1	428.5	243.3	250.9	494.2	228.5	236.3	464.7
2038	236.5	243.9	480.4	208.5	216.2	424.7	242.3	250.0	492.3	227.0	234.9	461.9
2039	235.3	242.8	478.1	206.4	214.3	420.7	241.3	249.1	490.4	225.5	233.5	459.0
2040	234.1	241.7	475.8	204.4	212.3	416.7	240.2	248.1	488.3	223.9	232.0	455.9
2041	232.8	240.5	473.3	202.3	210.2	412.5	239.1	247.1	486.2	222.4	230.5	452.8
2042	231.6	239.2	470.8	200.2	208.1	408.3	238.0	246.1	484.1	220.7	228.9	449.7
2043	230.3	237.9	468.2	198.1	206.0	404.0	236.9	244.9	481.8	219.1	227.3	446.4
2044	228.9	236.6	465.6	195.9	203.8	399.7	235.7	243.8	479.5	217.5	225.7	443.1
2045	227.6	235.3	462.9	193.7	201.6	395.3	234.6	242.6	477.2	215.8	224.0	439.8
2046	226.3	233.8	460.1	191.5	199.3	390.8	233.4	241.4	474.8	214.1	222.2	436.4
2047	224.9	232.4	457.3	189.3	197.0	386.3	232.2	240.1	472.3	212.4	220.5	432.9
2048	223.5	230.9	454.4	187.1	194.7	381.8	231.0	238.8	469.8	210.7	218.7	429.4
2049	222.1	229.4	451.6	184.8	192.3	377.1	229.8	237.5	467.3	208.9	216.8	425.8
2050	220.7	227.9	448.6	182.6	189.9	372.5	228.5	236.2	464.7	207.2	215.0	422.2
2051	219.3	226.4	445.7	180.3	187.5	367.8	227.3	234.8	462.1	205.4	213.1	418.5

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

SECTION **3**

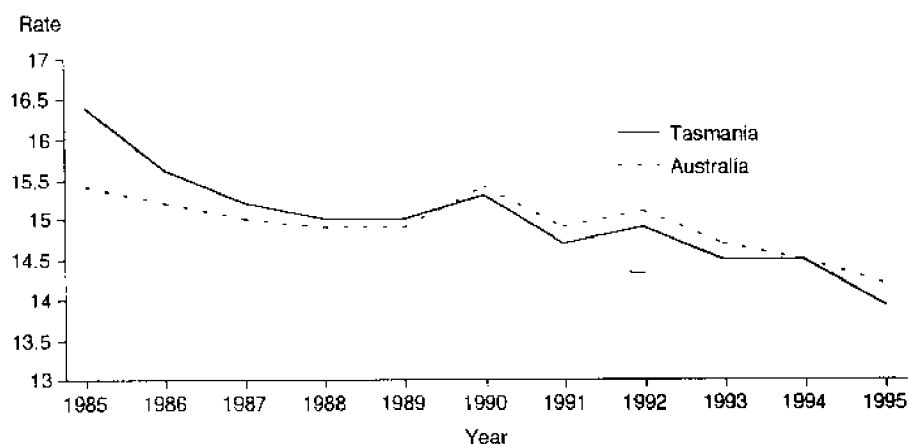
BIRTHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

In 1995, Tasmanian mothers gave birth to 6,570 children from 6,480 confinements. This was a decrease of 274 from the 6,844 births recorded in 1994.

Birth Rates

Tasmania's crude birth rate of 13.9 per thousand of mean population is the lowest on record. The previous lowest figure of 14.5 per thousand was recorded in both 1993 and 1994.

BIRTH RATES, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA, 1985 TO 1995



It continues the long term downward trend and is now lower than the 1995 Australian crude birth rate of 14.1 per thousand. Historically, Tasmanian birth rates have been higher than the overall rate for Australia. Over recent years the results reveal a continuing trend in which the Tasmanian rate has been falling faster than the Australian equivalent. The Tasmanian rate has been lower than the Australian rate since 1990.

Medians

The median age of the mother for all confinements was 28.5 in 1995. The mother's median age for nuptial confinements was 29.7 years, whilst for the father it was 32.0 years. The median age of the mother for ex-nuptial confinements was 24.5 years.

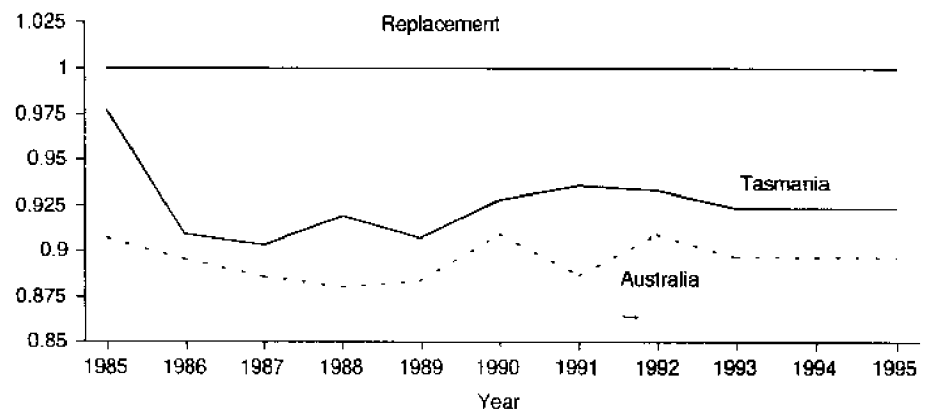
The median duration of marriage for nuptial first confinements was 2.6 years, compared to 2.5 years for 1994. The median age of the mother for nuptial first confinements was 28.3 years.

Fertility

The female net reproductive rate (the extent to which the population can reproduce itself over time) for Tasmania in 1995 was 0.916, lower than the preceding five years as well as the 1985 rate of 0.976. The net reproduction rate fell below the replacement level in 1979 and has remained below that level ever since.

Between 1985 and 1995, age specific birth rates decreased in all age-specified groups up to the age of 30. The birth rate for females in the 30-34 year age group increased by 21.0%, whilst the rate for the 35-39 year age group increased by 58.4%. In 1995, females in the 25-29 year age group continued to be the most fertile with 132.6 births per thousand, a fall on the figure of 138.6 recorded in 1994, and the lowest figure recorded for this age group since 1976 when the rate was 133.9.

**NET REPRODUCTION RATE, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA,
1985 TO 1995**



Confinements

From the 6,480 confinements in 1995, 6,393 or 98.7% were single births. Of the 4,318 nuptial confinements, 1,924, or 44.6% produced the first child of the marriage, whilst only 350 or 8.1% resulted in a fourth or subsequent child.

Ex-nuptial births

The number of ex-nuptial births increased by 70, to 2,189 in 1995, from 2,162 ex-nuptial confinements. Nuptial births fell by 344, to 4,381, from 4,318 nuptial confinements in 1995, a decrease of 7.3%

Ex-nuptial births accounted for 33.3% of all births in 1995, up 2.3% on 1994, and a continuation of the upward trend in evidence since 1961. Of all ex-nuptial confinements, 53.7% were to females aged less than 25 years, a fall from the 57.4% recorded in 1994, whilst 22.9% of confinements were to mothers aged 30 years or over, an increase on the 20.0% recorded in 1994.

In 1985, 66.7% of ex-nuptial births had paternity acknowledged but by 1995 this had increased to 86.6% of births. While the number of ex-nuptial births grew by 86% between 1985 and 1995, the absolute number of cases where paternity was not acknowledged actually fell by almost 100 over the same period.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
BIRTHS							
Total births	7 249	7 043	6 870	6 987	6 835	6 844	6 570
Males	3 661	3 620	3 454	3 595	3 523	3 497	3 390
Females	3 588	3 423	3 416	3 392	3 312	3 347	3 180
Sex ratio	102.0	105.8	101.1	106.0	106.4	104.5	106.6
Nuptial births	6 073	5 282	4 977	5 003	4 680	4 725	4 381
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	1 176	1 761	1 893	1 984	2 155	2 119	2 189
Percentage of total live births	16.2	25.0	27.6	28.4	31.5	31.0	33.3
Paternity acknowledged births							
Number	784	1 413	1 531	1 660	1 854	1 808	1 896
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	66.7	80.2	80.9	83.7	86.0	85.3	86.6
Crude birth rate	16.4	15.3	14.7	14.9	14.5	14.5	13.9
Age-specific birth rate							
15-19	32.3	26.7	29.4	28.9	29.9	27.2	24.9
20-24	112.9	97.7	91.8	92.2	90.6	93.2	83.8
25-29	149.7	141.5	137.0	141.3	140.0	138.6	132.6
30-34	81.3	91.9	89.1	92.8	91.4	96.4	98.4
35-39	22.6	27.5	29.6	30.1	29.5	31.7	35.8
40-44	3.2	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.4	5.0	6.0
45-49	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Total fertility rate	2.011	1.948	1.906	1.951	1.930	1.961	1.909
Female net reproduction rate	0.976	0.928	0.935	0.933	0.923	0.940	0.916

For footnotes see end of table.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
CONFINEMENTS							
Total confinements	7 187	6 978	6 776	6 894	6 773	6 768	6 480
First nuptial	2 372	2 085	1 999	2 015	2 079	2 022	1 924
All nuptial	6 018	5 230	4 905	4 927	4 636	4 661	4 318
Paternity acknowledged	780	1 403	1 513	1 647	1 838	1 797	1 871
All ex-nuptia:	1 169	1 748	1 871	1 967	2 137	2 107	2 162
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	25.6	27.3	27.3	27.6	27.6	28.0	28.3
All nuptial	27.1	28.6	28.8	29.0	29.0	29.3	29.7
Paternity acknowledged	22.4	23.4	23.4	23.5	24.2	24.1	24.8
All ex-nuptia:	21.7	23.2	23.1	23.4	23.9	23.8	24.5
Total	26.5	27.8	27.7	28.0	27.9	28.1	28.5
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	29.5	30.8	31.0	31.2	31.4	31.7	32.0
Paternity acknowledged	25.2	26.4	25.9	26.8	26.6	26.8	27.6
All fathers where age is known	29.1	30.2	30.2	30.4	30.4	30.8	31.1
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.6
Nuptial	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.6
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	2 372	2 085	1 999	2 015	2 079	2 022	1 924
1	2 008	1 713	1 597	1 590	1 455	1 557	1 371
2	1 103	972	872	860	713	712	673
3	363	300	276	321	257	257	215
4	104	98	97	83	68	55	79
5 and over	68	62	64	58	64	58	56
Average number of births	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

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

Confinements	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	Not stated	Total
NUMBER								
Nuptial								
Single	21	599	1 608	1 461	491	78	—	4 258
Twins	—	8	14	24	9	2	—	57
Triplets or higher order	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	3
Total	21	607	1 623	1 487	500	80	—	4 318
Ex-nuptial								
Single	382	768	500	307	155	23	—	2 135
Twins	4	7	6	6	3	1	—	27
Triplets or higher order	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	386	775	506	313	158	24	—	2 162
Total confinements	407	1 382	2 129	1 800	658	104	—	6 480
PROPORTION (%)								
Nuptial	5.2	43.9	76.2	82.6	76.0	76.9	—	66.6
Ex-nuptial	94.8	56.1	23.8	17.4	24.0	23.1	—	33.4

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents—1995

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years)																			Total							
	16 and under	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34		35	39	40 and over	Not stated	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total
19 and under	14	21	25	19	13	7	2	1	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	102	105
20	4	7	12	24	17	12	7	1	3	—	1	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	84	92
21	2	6	13	23	21	18	12	10	3	3	4	2	—	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	95	121
22	1	3	12	18	23	26	19	21	6	7	3	2	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	108	147
23	—	3	9	16	19	30	38	35	25	11	2	6	2	1	3	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	84	120	204
24	1	2	5	12	13	31	31	37	43	22	9	10	6	5	2	3	2	2	2	2	4	—	—	—	118	121	239
25	1	3	4	7	10	21	33	38	45	45	17	14	6	7	5	3	4	2	2	6	3	—	—	—	153	116	271
26	2	3	8	7	10	22	21	25	45	61	46	22	22	11	6	5	9	3	6	3	—	—	—	—	215	122	337
27	—	2	1	5	7	14	16	23	45	56	56	61	32	20	7	9	5	8	6	7	—	—	—	—	269	110	379
28	—	2	4	6	7	4	18	19	32	38	55	42	49	28	21	12	9	8	6	7	1	—	—	—	278	90	368
29	—	—	—	—	4	8	16	14	27	40	37	55	47	48	25	13	13	6	4	8	1	—	—	—	285	81	366
30	—	1	1	3	3	2	10	17	20	31	47	34	65	67	50	28	16	11	6	17	1	—	—	—	332	97	429
31	—	—	1	2	3	4	6	8	18	21	31	43	51	54	47	49	26	25	13	14	—	—	—	—	344	72	416
32	—	—	1	—	3	6	6	8	15	20	24	29	30	59	65	66	45	30	11	25	1	—	—	—	359	85	444
33	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	8	6	14	7	32	28	32	49	66	41	27	15	44	1	—	—	—	314	60	374
34	2	—	1	2	1	2	7	7	9	10	14	21	12	25	29	54	31	40	25	33	3	—	—	—	261	67	328
35	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	6	5	12	12	14	18	28	31	42	38	36	52	3	—	—	—	250	52	302
36	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	2	5	3	9	8	12	19	23	23	18	23	30	55	3	—	—	—	202	35	237
37	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	3	4	7	7	9	11	17	21	26	33	67	3	—	—	—	176	38	214
38	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	2	3	4	5	4	4	11	9	19	11	18	67	2	—	—	—	126	34	160
39	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	4	2	6	6	7	11	16	14	11	43	10	—	—	—	99	36	135
40-44	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	4	6	8	12	8	16	9	13	29	23	36	136	38	—	—	—	259	88	347
45-49	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	1	3	3	4	3	6	7	8	9	12	39	25	—	—	—	85	39	124
50 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	2	5	1	4	—	5	18	8	—	—	—	33	15	48
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	2
Not applicable(a)	15	15	15	38	30	22	22	18	16	11	16	11	12	8	5	6	9	5	—	—	14	3	—	—	—	291	291
Nuptial	—	1	2	18	38	65	108	167	229	292	301	340	329	361	347	358	295	254	233	500	80	—	—	—	4 318	—	—
Ex-nuptial	42	66	110	168	151	168	167	136	153	121	111	94	93	87	69	70	73	56	45	158	24	—	—	—	—	2 162	—
Total	42	67	112	186	189	233	275	303	382	413	412	434	422	448	416	428	368	310	278	658	104	—	—	—	4 318	2 162	6 480

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents—1995

FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN
AND MOTHER BORN IN.....

MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN
AND FATHER BORN IN.....

	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total		Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
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OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA

	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Australia	3 553	—	287	3 840	3 553	—	322	3 875
Fiji	2	2	—	4	2	2	1	5
New Zealand	40	6	6	52	30	6	6	42
Other	7	1	1	9	10	1	2	13
Total	3 602	9	294	3 905	3 595	9	331	3 935

EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR

	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Austria	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	2
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	2
Former Yugoslav Republics	2	4	—	6	5	4	—	9
Germany	7	2	6	15	3	2	2	7
Greece	5	—	—	5	3	—	—	3
Hungary	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
Ireland	4	—	1	5	9	—	1	10
Italy	7	1	1	9	3	1	—	4
Malta	2	—	1	3	1	—	—	1
Netherlands	12	2	5	19	5	2	2	9
Poland	1	2	—	3	1	2	—	3
United Kingdom	170	32	16	218	130	32	11	173
Other	5	1	4	10	15	1	2	18
Total	217	45	35	297	178	45	18	241

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Egypt	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	1
Lebanon	1	1	1	3	—	1	1	2
Turkey	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other	4	9	1	14	—	9	1	10
Total	7	11	2	20	—	11	2	13

SOUTHEAST ASIA

	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Indonesia	4	2	—	6	1	2	1	4
Malaysia	1	5	1	7	4	5	4	13
Philippines	1	1	1	3	18	1	4	23
Singapore	2	—	1	3	4	—	1	5
Thailand	3	—	—	3	2	—	2	4
Viet Nam	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Other	—	6	—	6	—	6	1	7
Total	11	14	3	28	30	14	13	57

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

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	—	4	2	6	1	4	1	6
Hong Kong	2	—	—	2	1	—	2	3
Other	—	1	1	2	2	1	3	6
<i>Total</i>	2	5	3	10	4	5	6	15
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	2	1	—	3	3	1	2	6
Sri Lanka	—	1	1	2	1	1	—	2
Other	4	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	6	2	1	9	4	2	2	8
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	5	1	1	7	8	1	1	10
Chile	—	3	—	3	—	3	—	3
United States of America	11	2	4	17	10	2	4	16
Other	1	1	—	2	3	1	—	4
<i>Total</i>	17	7	5	29	21	7	5	33
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	4	5	1	10	2	5	1	8
Other	4	—	1	5	5	—	1	6
<i>Total</i>	8	5	2	15	7	5	2	14
Other and not stated	5	—	—	5	1	—	1	2
Total	3 875	98	345	4 318	3 840	98	380	4 318

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

PREVIOUS ISSUE OF THE CURRENT MARRIAGE.....

Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
16 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1.0
18	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1.0
19	9	6	3	—	—	—	—	18	30	1.7
20	27	11	—	—	—	—	—	38	49	1.3
21	43	15	6	1	—	—	—	65	96	1.5
22	70	26	10	1	1	—	—	108	162	1.5
23	109	41	15	2	—	—	—	167	245	1.5
24	140	61	21	7	—	—	—	229	358	1.6
25	169	83	29	8	2	1	—	292	473	1.6
26	174	80	31	12	3	1	—	301	500	1.7
27	175	116	31	8	5	5	—	340	590	1.7
28	157	98	51	16	6	1	—	329	610	1.9
29	166	118	57	13	6	1	—	361	665	1.8
30	134	123	64	18	6	2	—	347	699	2.0
31	136	126	68	18	9	1	—	358	721	2.0
32	106	98	67	13	7	4	—	295	618	2.1
33	85	101	44	14	7	3	—	254	536	2.1
34	75	75	50	23	5	5	—	233	528	2.3
35-39	125	170	113	55	16	21	—	500	1 263	2.5
40 and over	21	23	13	6	6	11	—	80	246	3.1
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 924	1 371	673	215	79	56	—	4 318	8 392	1.9

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

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

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	11	104	121	68	17	6	—	327
1	—	151	165	93	26	3	—	438
2	1	74	151	75	11	2	—	314
3	—	34	123	56	11	3	—	227
4	—	15	115	34	15	—	—	179
5	—	9	73	45	7	—	—	134
6	—	2	54	37	2	—	—	95
7	—	—	18	32	4	—	—	54
8 and over	—	—	21	96	32	7	—	156
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	12	389	841	536	125	21	—	1 924

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

ALL PREVIOUS ISSUE OF MOTHER.....										
Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS(a)										
16 and under	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1.0
17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	1.0
18	29	2	—	—	—	—	—	31	34	1.0
19	66	17	—	—	—	—	—	83	105	1.0
20	100	43	4	—	—	—	—	147	207	1.0
21	165	82	10	2	—	—	—	259	390	2.0
22	246	144	36	5	—	—	—	431	693	2.0
23	357	228	57	11	—	—	—	653	1 103	2.0
24	458	257	66	14	1	1	—	797	1 307	2.0
25	522	318	118	20	4	—	—	982	1 711	2.0
26	613	433	141	37	2	3	—	1 229	2 194	2.0
27	657	445	153	40	9	4	—	1 308	2 362	2.0
28	581	519	179	40	11	2	—	1 332	2 497	2.0
29	575	565	224	64	10	4	—	1 442	2 827	2.0
30	525	569	255	60	16	7	—	1 432	2 947	2.0
31	495	528	266	77	25	6	—	1 397	3 009	2.0
32	380	534	298	97	22	7	—	1 338	3 051	2.0
33	311	443	263	70	20	14	—	1 121	2 641	2.0
34	210	336	210	82	21	10	—	869	2 130	2.0
35-39	577	762	540	198	75	61	—	2 213	5 814	3.0
40 and over	92	110	58	24	13	26	—	323	950	3.0
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	6 968	6 335	2 878	841	229	145	—	17 396	35 981	2.0
ALL CONFINEMENTS										
16 and under	211	3	—	—	—	—	—	214	217	1.0
17	269	15	2	—	—	—	—	286	311	1.0
18	381	31	2	—	—	—	—	414	468	1.0
19	485	85	10	—	—	—	—	580	730	1.0
20	515	122	13	—	—	—	—	650	904	1.0
21	582	170	30	3	—	—	—	785	1 126	1.0
22	614	249	60	11	—	1	—	935	1 459	2.0
23	770	322	91	21	2	—	—	1 206	1 984	2.0
24	792	347	106	19	2	2	—	1 268	2 079	2.0
25	799	410	150	32	8	—	—	1 399	2 492	2.0
26	887	515	169	48	7	5	—	1 631	2 943	2.0
27	898	530	181	48	12	8	—	1 677	3 065	2.0
28	781	586	195	47	14	6	—	1 629	3 081	2.0
29	756	636	245	78	11	6	—	1 732	3 420	2.0
30	714	633	282	68	17	8	—	1 722	3 536	2.0
31	629	598	285	85	27	7	—	1 631	3 526	2.0
32	529	587	315	99	24	8	—	1 562	3 522	2.0
33	446	478	279	73	21	15	—	1 312	3 043	2.0
34	322	368	217	84	23	10	—	1 024	2 454	2.0
35-39	912	876	579	211	78	66	—	2 722	6 988	3.0
40 and over	158	129	62	24	13	26	—	412	1 171	3.0
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	12 450	7 690	3 273	951	259	168	—	24 791	48 519	2.0

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

SECTION **4**

**BIRTHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE
(PRELIMINARY)**

Up to the present time, 6,398 children have been registered as being born in 1995 to mothers resident in Tasmania. This was a 6.3% decrease on the number of births which occurred in 1994. Although the figure for 1994 was marginally higher than in 1993, the overall trend is toward a declining number of births.

Trends in the number of births are more meaningful when based on the year of occurrence, rather than the year of registration data, because a proportion of births that occur in each calendar year are not registered until the following year. This occurs particularly with births toward the end of the calendar year.

Month of Occurrence

The highest number of births occurred in August, (601), March, (570), and April, (561), whilst the lowest numbers occurred in December, (449), November, (460), and February (508). The highest monthly number of births since 1990 occurred in October 1993, whilst the lowest monthly number occurred was the 449 recorded in December 1995.

Age Group of Mothers

Since the 1980's mothers in the 25-29 year age group have given birth to more children than any other age group, although the 2,110 births recorded in 1995, is a fall of 140, or 6.2% from the 1994 figure.

4.1 BIRTHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	615	584	598	596	536	516	532
February	553	519	584	553	513	532	508
March	583	607	543	567	579	624	570
April	621	559	577	585	566	511	561
May	619	576	577	575	553	554	530
June	551	559	582	584	528	577	543
July	612	586	592	586	571	567	559
August	611	623	591	580	606	547	601
September	614	621	559	592	577	627	555
October	610	650	583	615	633	611	530
November	617	551	534	552	598	565	460
December	570	565	593	601	538	594	449
Total	7 176	7 000	6 913	6 986	6 800	6 825	6 398
RATE							
Crude birth rate	16.2	15.2	14.8	14.9	14.4	14.4	13.5
PROPORTION (%)							
January	8.6	8.3	8.7	8.5	7.9	7.6	8.3
February	7.7	7.4	8.4	7.9	7.5	7.8	7.9
March	8.1	8.7	7.9	8.1	8.5	9.1	8.9
April	8.7	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.3	7.5	8.8
May	8.6	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.3
June	7.7	8.0	8.4	8.4	7.8	8.5	8.5
July	8.5	8.4	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.7
August	8.5	8.9	8.5	8.3	8.9	8.0	9.4
September	8.6	8.9	8.1	8.5	8.5	9.2	8.7
October	8.5	9.3	8.4	8.8	9.3	9.0	8.3
November	8.6	7.9	7.7	7.9	8.8	8.3	7.2
December	7.9	8.1	8.6	8.6	7.9	8.7	7.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

4.2 BIRTHS, Age Group of Mother

Selected years	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Total
1985	592	2 086	2 726	1 371	359	39	3	7 176
1990	492	1 640	2 583	1 735	482	66	2	7 000
1991	518	1 616	2 441	1 732	529	74	3	6 913
1992	501	1 617	2 457	1 801	534	72	4	6 986
1993	488	1 561	2 339	1 793	539	77	3	6 800
1994	473	1 590	2 250	1 841	587	80	2	6 825
1995	381	1 350	2 110	1 801	652	98	6	6 398

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

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

Selected years	15-19(a)	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49(b)	Total fertility rate
1985	32.1	111.0	148.4	81.1	22.2	3.1	0.3	2.000
1990	26.5	96.4	140.0	92.2	27.8	4.1	0.2	1.936
1991	29.1	93.3	137.0	89.7	29.9	4.4	0.2	1.918
1992	29.1	91.7	142.8	92.4	29.7	4.3	0.3	1.951
1993	29.0	89.1	139.2	92.0	29.7	4.5	0.2	1.919
1994	28.3	92.9	137.3	95.8	31.9	4.7	0.1	1.955
1995	23.1	81.1	130.1	96.7	34.9	5.7	0.4	1.859

SECTION 5

DEATHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION

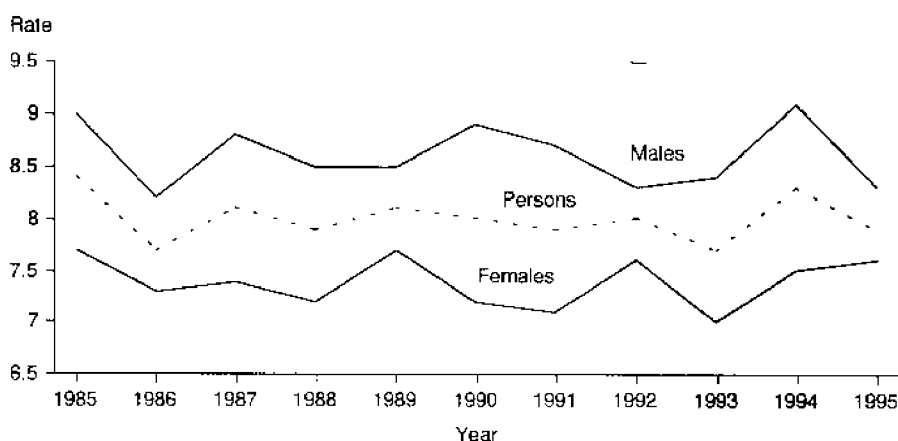
In 1995, 3,754 deaths were recorded in Tasmania, 157 less than in 1994. Male deaths accounted for 1,952 of the total whilst female deaths numbered 1,802, a ratio of 108.3 male deaths to every 100 female deaths.

There were 184 fewer male deaths in 1995, representing a decrease of 8.6%, whilst there were 27 more female deaths or a 1.5% increase over the same period.

Death Rates

The crude death rate for 1995 was 7.9 per thousand of mean population, lower than the 1994 figure but still the highest crude death rate of any State or Territory in Australia. The next nearest State was South Australia at 7.6, whilst the Australian crude death rate for 1995 was 6.9 deaths per thousand of mean population.

DEATH RATES, TASMANIA, 1985 TO 1995



The crude death rate for males dropped from 9.1 per thousand of mean population in 1994 to 8.3 per thousand in 1995, whilst the female crude death rate rose slightly from 7.5 per thousand of mean population in 1994 to 7.6 in 1995.

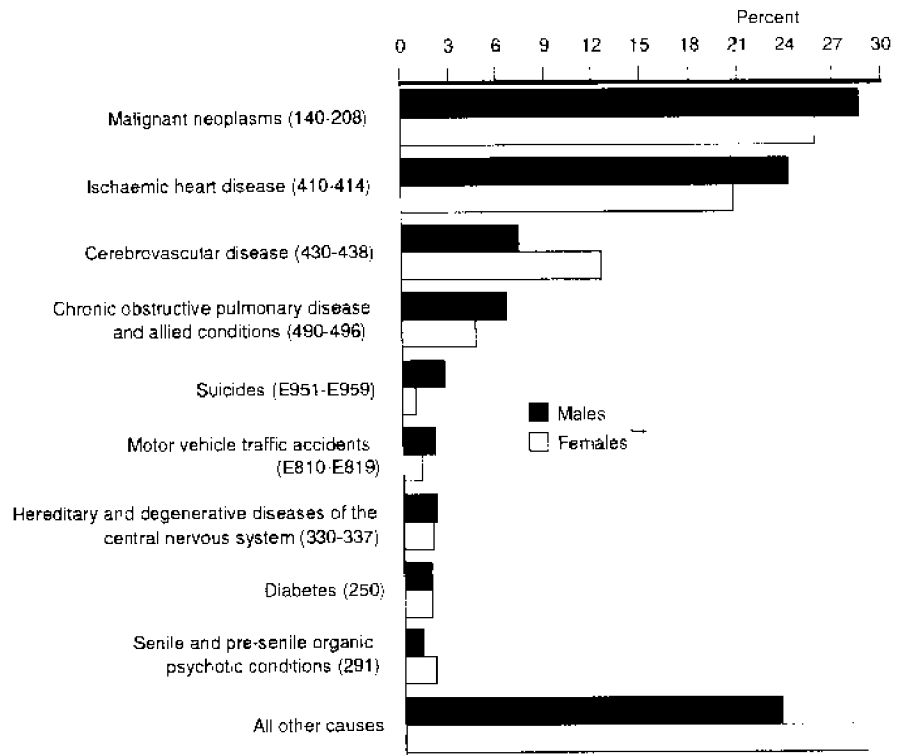
Medians

The median age at death for Tasmanian males in 1995 was 73.8 years, only slightly higher than the Australian median of 73.5 years. The median age at death for Tasmanian females was 79.7, slightly less than the Australian median of 80.3 years and significantly higher than that of their male counterparts.

Causes of Death

Ischaemic heart disease and malignant neoplasms, (cancers), were the major causes of death for Tasmanians in 1995, accounting for 847 and 1,026 deaths respectively. Malignant neoplasms were responsible for 28.6% of male deaths and 25.9% of female deaths. Ischaemic heart disease brought about a further 24.2% of male deaths and 20.8% of female deaths.

MAJOR CAUSES OF DEATH, TASMANIA, 1995

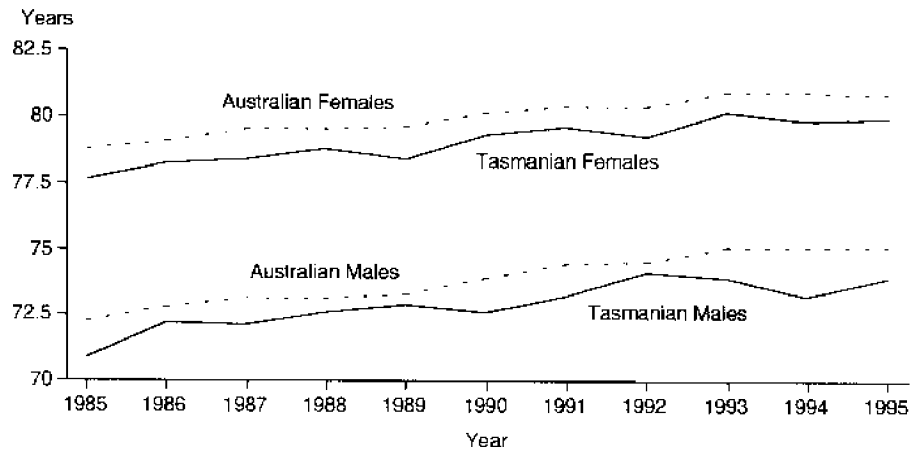


Diseases of the circulatory system brought about the deaths of 1,617 Tasmanians in 1995, accounting for 43.1% of recorded deaths during that year. Some 40.6% of male deaths (793) and 45.7% of female deaths (824) were attributable to these diseases.

Diseases of the respiratory system accounted for 294 deaths (7.8% of all deaths), 166 or (8.5%) male deaths, and 128 (7.1%) female deaths. Deaths from cerebrovascular diseases, or stroke, were more common for females than males, resulting in 226 (12.5%) female deaths compared to the much lower figure of 144, (7.4%) male deaths in 1995. In contrast, for deaths due to accidents, poisoning and violence, male deaths, 142 (7.3%), were more prevalent than female deaths, 68 (3.8%).

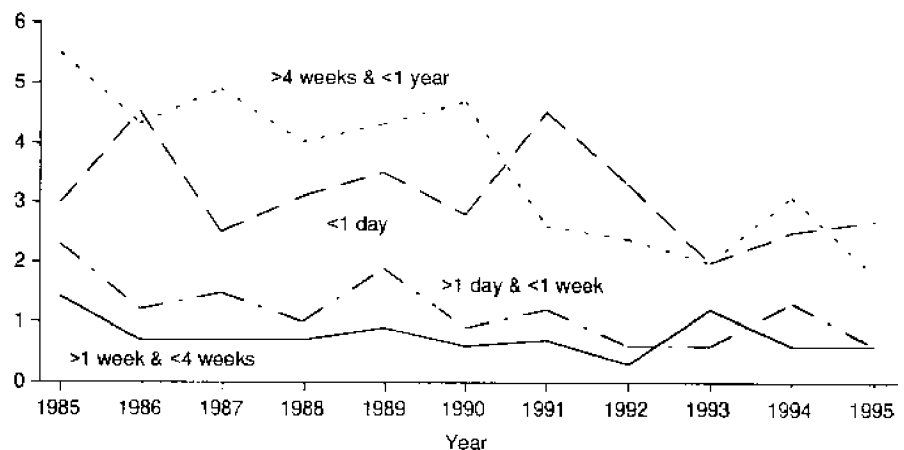
Life expectancy

Based on the mortality conditions prevailing in Tasmania in 1995, the life expectancy at birth was 73.9 years for males and 79.9 years for females. Australian life expectancy at birth for 1995 was 75.0 years for males and 80.8 years for females.

LIFE EXPECTANCY, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA, 1985 TO 1995

Infant Mortality

In 1995, there were 38 infant deaths (27 males and 11 females), a decrease of 13, or 25.5% from the 1994 total. The male infant mortality rate was 8.0 per 1,000 live births, whilst for females it was 3.5 per 1,000 live births, both down on the 1994 rates when they were 8.6, and 6.3 per 1,000 live births respectively. There has been a noticeable downward trend in Tasmanian infant mortality rates over the past 20 years.

INFANT DEATH RATES, TASMANIA, 1985 TO 1995

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994(b)	1995
DEATHS							
Total deaths	3 693	3 713	3 686	3 739	3 637	3 911	3 754
Males	1 974	2 046	2 024	1 939	1 965	2 136	1 952
Females	1 719	1 667	1 662	1 800	1 672	1 775	1 802
Sex ratio	114.8	122.7	121.8	107.7	117.5	120.3	108.3
Standardised death rate	8.8	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.1
Males	11.2	10.3	10.1	9.4	9.4	10.0	9.0
Females	6.9	6.1	5.9	6.2	5.6	5.7	5.7
Crude death rate	8.3	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.7	8.3	7.9
Males	9.0	8.9	8.7	8.3	8.4	9.1	8.3
Females	7.7	7.2	7.1	7.6	7.0	7.5	7.6
Median age at death							
Males	70.6	72.4	73.1	74.1	73.1	74.0	73.8
Females	78.4	78.7	78.9	79.4	79.0	79.3	79.7
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
Under 1	15.6	9.7	10.4	7.0	7.1	8.6	8.0
1-9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2
10-19	1.2	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6
20-29	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.7	1.3	1.6	1.5
30-39	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.9	1.5	1.2
40-49	3.3	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.4
50-59	10.5	8.4	6.9	6.4	7.2	7.5	5.7
60-69	25.3	23.2	21.1	20.6	21.1	21.5	20.6
70-79	58.2	60.0	57.2	53.0	48.9	55.1	48.0
80 and over	158.5	142.4	153.5	145.6	140.6	147.1	140.0
Females							
Under 1	10.0	8.2	7.6	6.2	4.5	6.3	3.5
1-9	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	—
10-19	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
20-29	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
30-39	1.0	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.6
40-49	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.9	2.0
50-59	5.7	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.2	3.8	4.6
60-69	11.2	11.5	12.1	12.0	10.8	11.5	11.6
70-79	36.0	31.9	30.5	32.1	29.5	31.6	29.9
80 and over	134.4	111.4	108.7	117.6	103.6	107.2	106.6
Expectation of life							
Males							
Age 0	71.0	72.6	73.2	74.1	73.9	73.2	73.2
Age 1	71.1	72.3	72.9	73.6	73.4	72.9	72.9
Age 25	48.5	49.2	50.0	50.6	50.4	50.0	50.0
Age 45	29.8	30.7	31.3	31.8	31.8	31.2	31.2
Age 65	14.2	14.4	14.6	15.1	15.3	14.8	14.8
Females							
Age 0	77.6	79.3	79.6	79.2	80.1	79.8	79.8
Age 1	77.4	78.9	79.3	78.7	79.5	79.3	79.3
Age 25	53.9	55.6	55.6	55.2	56.0	56.2	56.2
Age 45	34.8	36.2	36.2	35.8	36.7	36.8	36.8
Age 65	17.4	18.8	18.7	18.3	19.1	18.9	18.9

For footnote see end of table.

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
DEATHS							
Principal causes of death (proportion %)							
Males							
Neoplasms	21.8	27.0	25.1	26.2	27.8	28.4	29.0
Diseases of the circulatory system	46.8	42.2	42.3	41.7	40.4	40.0	40.6
Diseases of the respiratory system	9.2	9.6	10.4	11.3	9.8	10.2	8.5
Diseases of the digestive system	3.2	2.5	3.1	1.8	2.6	2.3	2.9
All other diseases	10.3	9.7	10.2	9.9	11.1	11.3	11.7
External causes	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.1	8.2	7.8	7.3
Females							
Neoplasms	20.8	23.3	24.5	23.9	23.4	23.5	26.5
Diseases of the circulatory system	52.8	47.9	45.4	45.9	49.5	45.1	45.7
Diseases of the respiratory system	5.5	9.8	8.6	9.1	8.1	7.5	7.1
Diseases of the digestive system	3.9	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.6	4.2	3.6
All other diseases	12.6	11.9	13.2	13.1	11.6	16.3	13.4
External causes	4.3	3.8	4.9	4.7	3.8	3.4	3.8
INFANT DEATHS							
Total infant deaths	93	63	62	46	40	51	38
Males	57	35	36	25	25	30	27
Females	36	28	26	21	15	21	11
Sex ratio	158.3	125.0	138.5	119.0	166.7	142.9	245.5
Infant mortality rate	12.8	8.9	9.0	6.6	5.9	7.5	5.8
Males	15.6	9.7	10.4	7.0	7.1	8.6	8.0
Females	10.0	8.2	7.6	6.2	4.5	6.3	3.5
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	14	14	20	13	9	12	12
1 day to under 1 week	11	4	3	3	2	4	4
1 week to under 4 weeks	6	1	3	1	5	1	2
4 weeks to under 1 year	26	16	10	8	9	13	9
Females							
Under 1 day	8	6	11	10	5	5	6
1 day to under 1 week	6	2	5	1	2	5	—
1 week to under 4 weeks	6	3	2	1	3	3	2
4 weeks to under 1 year	16	17	8	9	5	8	3

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

5.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex—1995

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	27	11	38	50	10	10	20
1	3	—	3	51	12	7	19
2	1	—	1	52	11	5	16
3	—	—	—	53	9	8	17
4	—	—	—	54	12	13	25
0-4	31	11	42	50-54	54	43	97
5	3	—	3	55	13	15	28
6	—	—	—	56	19	16	35
7	—	1	1	57	9	12	21
8	—	—	—	58	21	12	33
9	—	—	—	59	20	9	29
5-9	3	1	4	55-59	82	64	146
10	1	1	2	60	21	6	27
11	1	—	1	61	24	13	37
12	1	—	1	62	31	20	51
13	1	—	1	63	30	24	54
14	2	—	2	64	27	16	43
10-14	6	1	7	60-64	133	79	212
15	—	—	—	65	44	24	68
16	2	—	2	66	44	23	67
17	2	—	2	67	48	24	72
18	5	1	6	68	53	41	94
19	6	2	8	69	59	32	91
15-19	15	3	18	65-69	248	144	392
20	4	4	8	70	53	29	82
21	5	1	6	71	61	30	91
22	5	2	7	72	57	48	105
23	7	—	7	73	69	54	123
24	1	4	5	74	53	38	91
20-24	22	11	33	70-74	293	199	492
25	10	—	10	75	67	50	117
26	5	1	6	76	52	59	111
27	3	1	4	77	56	52	108
28	3	—	3	78	63	50	113
29	7	—	7	79	57	62	119
25-29	28	2	30	75-79	295	273	568
30	3	4	7	80	61	57	118
31	2	2	4	81	70	69	139
32	6	3	9	82	62	70	132
33	5	—	5	83	51	69	120
34	5	1	6	84	56	63	119
30-34	21	10	31	80-84	300	328	628
35	4	5	9	85	67	82	149
36	3	—	3	86	39	76	115
37	2	2	4	87	40	63	103
38	7	6	13	88	36	55	91
39	6	1	7	89	31	47	78
35-39	22	14	36	85-89	213	323	536
40	10	3	13	90	23	36	59
41	5	7	12	91	20	43	63
42	3	7	10	92	15	42	57
43	6	6	12	93	20	26	46
44	4	7	11	94	7	23	30
40-44	28	30	58	90-94	85	170	255
45	11	6	17	95-99	17	52	69
46	9	4	13	100 and over	2	8	10
47	12	11	23				
48	8	5	13	Not stated	—	—	—
49	14	10	24				
45-49	54	36	90	Total	1 952	1 802	3 754

5.3 DEATHS, Age at Death, Marital Status—1995

Age at death (years)	MALES.....						FEMALES.....					
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total
Under 1	27	—	—	—	—	27	11	—	—	—	—	11
1-4	4	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
5-9	3	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	1
10-14	6	—	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	1
15-19	15	—	—	—	—	15	3	—	—	—	—	3
20-24	22	—	—	—	—	22	9	2	—	—	—	11
25-29	21	6	—	—	1	28	1	1	—	—	—	2
30-34	10	9	—	2	—	21	4	4	—	2	—	10
35-39	8	9	—	5	—	22	5	7	—	2	—	14
40-44	7	14	—	7	—	28	8	17	2	3	—	30
45-49	6	37	1	10	—	54	7	21	1	7	—	36
50-54	8	35	—	11	—	54	3	31	4	5	—	43
55-59	12	55	7	8	—	82	8	42	4	10	—	64
60-64	24	92	8	9	—	133	1	49	22	7	—	79
65-69	23	178	22	22	3	248	5	73	52	14	—	144
70-74	18	220	35	20	—	293	15	89	88	7	—	199
75-79	24	205	55	11	—	295	17	89	160	7	—	273
80-84	25	177	87	11	—	300	23	65	229	10	1	328
85-89	14	110	89	—	—	213	24	41	255	3	—	323
90-94	6	31	46	2	—	85	22	10	138	2	—	170
95-99	2	4	11	—	—	17	8	—	43	1	—	52
100 and over	1	—	1	—	—	2	1	—	7	—	—	8
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	286	1 182	362	118	4	1 952	177	541	1 003	80	1	1 802

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

Age (years)	TASMANIA.....						AUSTRALIA.....			
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1993-95.....		1993-95.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	68.09	76.11	69.83	77.65	73.16	79.64	73.93	79.90	74.95	80.84
5	64.56	70.96	66.10	73.67	68.98	75.34	69.61	75.36	70.60	76.38
10	59.77	66.10	61.23	68.71	64.05	70.39	64.67	70.39	65.66	71.43
15	54.93	61.21	56.35	63.76	59.11	65.43	59.75	65.43	60.72	66.49
20	50.56	56.44	51.83	58.97	54.41	60.53	55.00	60.52	55.94	61.59
25	46.23	51.66	47.41	54.14	49.95	55.62	50.34	55.62	51.26	56.70
30	41.67	46.82	42.78	49.40	45.38	50.75	45.68	50.72	46.57	51.81
35	36.90	42.02	38.02	44.58	40.69	45.84	41.00	45.87	41.88	46.95
40	32.31	37.24	33.30	39.80	35.98	40.95	36.31	41.06	37.19	42.11
45	27.85	32.49	28.81	35.09	31.31	36.18	31.66	36.32	32.53	37.33
50	23.61	28.03	24.46	30.50	26.77	31.54	27.12	31.70	27.97	32.64
55	19.73	23.73	20.49	26.15	22.44	27.01	22.75	27.22	23.58	28.08
60	16.15	19.60	16.82	22.02	18.35	22.68	18.68	22.93	19.45	23.68
65	12.92	16.70	13.42	18.01	14.58	18.71	14.99	18.85	15.68	19.48
70	10.17	12.17	10.55	14.32	11.38	14.94	11.75	15.05	12.35	15.56
75	8.08	9.12	8.25	10.92	8.83	11.46	8.95	11.60	9.44	11.98
80	6.36	6.66	6.43	8.12	6.52	8.48	6.62	8.59	6.99	8.85
85	4.77	5.01	4.78	5.78	4.88	6.18	4.86	6.15	5.13	6.32
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.81	4.38	3.59	4.31	3.79	4.40
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	3.14	3.29	2.71	2.98	2.84	3.03

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

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

Age at death (years)	TASMANIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....		Age at death (years)	TASMANIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females
0	73.93	79.90	74.95	80.84	50	27.12	31.70	27.97	32.64
1	73.48	79.28	74.48	80.28	51	26.23	30.79	27.08	31.72
2	72.54	78.32	73.52	79.33	52	25.34	29.89	26.19	30.80
3	71.57	77.34	72.55	78.35	53	24.47	28.99	25.31	29.89
4	70.59	76.35	71.58	77.37	54	23.61	28.10	24.44	28.98
5	69.61	75.36	70.60	76.38	55	22.75	27.22	23.58	28.08
6	68.62	74.37	69.61	75.39	56	21.91	26.35	22.73	27.19
7	67.63	73.37	68.62	74.40	57	21.08	25.48	21.89	26.30
8	66.65	72.38	67.64	73.41	58	20.27	24.62	21.07	25.42
9	65.66	71.39	66.65	72.42	59	19.46	23.77	20.25	24.55
10	64.67	70.39	65.66	71.43	60	18.68	22.93	19.45	23.68
11	63.69	69.40	64.67	70.44	61	17.90	22.09	18.67	22.82
12	62.70	68.40	63.68	69.45	62	17.15	21.27	17.89	21.97
13	61.71	67.41	62.69	68.46	63	16.41	20.45	17.14	21.13
14	60.73	66.42	61.70	67.47	64	15.69	19.65	16.40	20.30
15	59.75	65.43	60.72	66.49	65	14.99	18.85	15.68	19.48
16	58.78	64.44	59.74	65.50	66	14.30	18.07	14.98	18.67
17	57.82	63.45	58.78	64.52	67	13.64	17.29	14.30	17.88
18	56.87	62.47	57.82	63.54	68	12.99	16.53	13.63	17.09
19	55.93	61.49	56.87	62.57	69	12.36	15.79	12.98	16.32
20	55.00	60.52	55.94	61.59	70	11.75	15.05	12.35	15.56
21	54.07	59.54	55.00	60.61	71	11.16	14.33	11.73	14.81
22	53.14	58.56	54.07	59.64	72	10.58	13.63	11.13	14.08
23	52.21	57.58	53.13	58.66	73	10.02	12.94	10.55	13.36
24	51.28	56.60	52.19	57.68	74	9.48	12.26	9.99	12.66
25	50.34	55.62	51.26	56.70	75	8.95	11.60	9.44	11.98
26	49.41	54.64	50.32	55.72	76	8.45	10.96	8.90	11.31
27	48.48	53.66	49.38	54.75	77	7.96	10.33	8.39	10.66
28	47.54	52.68	48.44	53.77	78	7.49	9.73	7.90	10.03
29	46.61	51.70	47.50	52.79	79	7.04	9.15	7.43	9.43
30	45.68	50.72	46.57	51.81	80	6.62	8.59	6.99	8.85
31	44.74	49.75	45.63	50.84	81	6.22	8.05	6.57	8.29
32	43.81	48.78	44.69	49.86	82	5.85	7.54	6.18	7.76
33	42.87	47.80	43.75	48.89	83	5.50	7.05	5.80	7.25
34	41.93	46.83	42.81	47.92	84	5.17	6.59	5.45	6.77
35	41.00	45.87	41.88	46.95	85	4.86	6.15	5.13	6.32
36	40.06	44.90	40.94	45.98	86	4.57	5.73	4.82	5.89
37	39.12	43.94	40.00	45.01	87	4.30	5.34	4.53	5.48
38	38.19	42.98	39.06	44.04	88	4.05	4.97	4.27	5.10
39	37.25	42.02	38.13	43.08	89	3.81	4.63	4.02	4.74
40	36.31	41.06	37.19	42.11	90	3.59	4.31	3.79	4.40
41	35.38	40.11	36.25	41.15	91	3.39	4.00	3.57	4.09
42	34.45	39.15	35.32	40.19	92	3.20	3.72	3.37	3.80
43	33.52	38.21	34.39	39.24	93	3.02	3.46	3.18	3.52
44	32.59	37.26	33.46	38.28	94	2.86	3.21	3.00	3.27
45	31.66	36.32	32.53	37.33	95	2.71	2.98	2.84	3.03
46	30.74	36.39	31.61	36.39	96	2.56	2.76	2.69	2.80
47	29.83	34.46	30.69	35.44	97	2.43	2.55	2.55	2.58
48	28.92	33.53	29.78	34.50	98	2.29	2.34	2.40	2.37
49	28.01	32.61	28.88	33.57	99	2.14	2.14	2.25	2.17

5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence—1995

DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA									
Australia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 176	3 176
Fiji	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	1	—	1	2	—	8	8	—	20
Other	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>3 176</i>	<i>3 197</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR									
Austria	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	3
Former USSR & Baltic States	1	—	—	—	—	16	6	—	23
Former Yugoslav Republics	—	—	1	—	1	5	1	—	8
Germany	1	—	1	1	7	10	2	—	22
Greece	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2
Hungary	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Ireland	1	1	1	—	2	2	2	—	9
Italy	—	1	—	1	8	5	2	—	17
Malta	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	2
Netherlands	—	—	—	—	6	21	8	—	35
Poland	—	—	—	2	3	14	1	—	20
United Kingdom	2	6	17	39	51	109	86	—	310
Other	—	1	1	5	3	2	4	—	16
<i>Total</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>189</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>469</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA									
Egypt	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Lebanon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkey	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>2</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA									
Indonesia	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	3
Malaysia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Philippines	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Singapore	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Thailand	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Viet Nam	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>5</i>

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

DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA									
China	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	3
Hong Kong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
<i>Total</i>		—	—	—	—	2	2	—	4
SOUTHERN ASIA									
India	—	1	—	—	1	2	3	—	7
Sri Lanka	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	—	1	—	—	1	2	3	—	7
THE AMERICAS									
Canada	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
Chile	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
United States of America	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	3
Other	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
<i>Total</i>		2	—	1	1	1	3	—	8
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)									
South Africa	—	—	2	1	—	2	2	—	7
Other	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	—	4
<i>Total</i>	—	—	2	3	—	3	3	—	11
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	51	—	51
Total	6	12	24	58	84	209	187	3 176	3 754

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

STATE OR TERRITORY OF REGISTRATION.....

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

5.8 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death, Sex—1995

Cause of death(a)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001-139)	15	20	35	0.9	7.4
Neoplasms (140-239)	566	477	1 043	27.8	220.5
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	559	467	1 026	27.3	216.9
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240-279)	48	41	89	2.4	18.8
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280-289)	7	8	15	0.4	3.2
Mental disorders (290-319)	28	40	68	1.8	14.4
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320-389)	47	41	88	2.3	18.6
Diseases of the circulatory system (390-459)	793	824	1 617	43.1	341.9
Ischaemic heart diseases (410-414)	472	375	847	22.6	179.1
Cerebrovascular diseases (430-438)	144	226	370	9.9	78.2
Diseases of the respiratory system (460-519)	166	128	294	7.8	62.2
Diseases of the digestive system (520-579)	56	64	120	3.2	25.4
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580-629)	31	44	75	2.0	15.9
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630-676)	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680-709)	4	4	8	0.2	1.7
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710-739)	6	19	25	0.7	5.3
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	10	8	18	0.5	3.8
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760-779)	12	4	16	0.4	3.4
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780-799)	21	12	33	0.9	7.0
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800-E999)	142	68	210	5.6	44.4
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810-E819)	41	19	60	1.6	12.7
All causes of death	1 952	1 802	3 754	100.0	793.7

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

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

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

Particulars	Heart disease	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Cerebro-vascular disease (incl. stroke)	Respiratory system diseases	Motor vehicle traffic accidents	Suicide	All causes
Numbers							
Males	582	559	144	166	41	51	1 952
Females	528	467	226	128	19	15	1 802
Persons	1 110	1 026	370	294	60	66	3 754
Proportions by sex (%)							
Males	52.4	54.5	38.9	56.5	68.3	77.3	52.0
Females	47.6	45.5	61.1	43.5	31.7	22.7	48.0
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Proportions by cause of death (%)							
Males	29.8	28.6	7.4	8.5	2.1	2.6	100.0
Females	29.3	25.9	12.5	7.1	1.1	0.8	100.0
Persons	29.6	27.3	9.9	7.8	1.6	1.8	100.0
Crude death rate(b)							
Males	248.1	238.3	61.4	70.8	17.5	21.7	832.0
Females	221.5	195.9	94.8	53.7	8.0	6.3	755.9
Persons	234.7	216.9	78.2	62.2	12.7	14.0	793.7
Standardised death rate(c)							
Tasmania	207.6	197.5	68.2	55.3	12.8	14.2	713.4
Australia	188.2	177.5	63.5	48.4	11.3	13.0	645.8

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

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

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

5.10 PERINATAL DEATHS, Numbers, Rates

Year	FETAL DEATHS.....			NEONATAL DEATHS.....			PERINATAL DEATHS.....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NUMBER									
1985	26	26	52	29	17	46	55	43	98
1990	27	18	45	16	10	26	43	28	71
1991	12	26	38	26	18	44	38	44	82
1992	23	12	35	17	12	29	40	24	64
1993	21	20	41	14	10	24	35	30	65
1994	16	10	26	16	12	28	32	22	54
1995	20	11	31	15	7	22	35	18	53
RATE									
1985	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.9	4.7	6.3	15.0	12.0	13.5
1990	7.4	5.2	6.3	4.4	2.9	3.7	11.8	8.1	10.0
1991	3.5	7.6	5.5	7.5	5.3	6.4	11.0	12.8	11.9
1992	6.4	3.5	5.0	4.7	3.5	4.2	11.1	7.1	9.1
1993	5.9	6.0	6.0	4.0	3.0	3.5	9.9	9.0	9.5
1994	4.6	3.0	3.8	4.6	3.6	4.1	9.1	6.6	7.9
1995	5.9	3.5	4.7	4.4	2.2	3.3	10.3	5.7	8.1

5.11 PERINATAL DEATHS, Selected Details

Particulars	1995 PERINATAL DEATHS.....					1985..
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
Age at death(a)	—	22	15	7	22	50
Less than 1 hour	—	4	2	2	4	8
1 hour to under 1 day	—	10	7	3	10	13
1 day to under 1 week	—	4	4	—	4	17
1 week to under 4 weeks	—	4	2	2	4	12
Weight at delivery (grams)(a)	31	22	35	18	53	101
500-999	11	10	13	8	21	27
1,000-1,999	5	3	6	2	8	22
2,000-2,999	4	3	2	5	7	27
3,000 or more	6	4	9	1	10	21
Period of gestation (weeks)(a)	31	22	35	18	53	101
Less than 28	11	13	18	6	24	21
28-36	10	3	7	6	13	34
37-41	9	6	9	6	15	39
42 or more	1	—	1	—	1	4
Age group of mother (years)(a)	31	22	35	18	53	101
Less than 20	2	4	4	2	6	12
20-24	7	3	6	4	10	29
25-29	9	7	12	4	16	30
30-34	4	4	7	1	8	18
35-39	3	2	3	2	5	7
40 or more	1	—	—	1	1	—

(a) Includes not stated.

SECTION 6

DEATHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY)

There were 3,749 registered deaths of Tasmanian residents which occurred in 1995. This represents a decline of 4.1% from the 1994 figure of 3,909.

Death trends are more significant when based on year of occurrence rather than year of registration data because a proportion of deaths that occur in each calendar year are not registered until the following year or later. This is particularly apparent with deaths that occur toward the end of each calendar year.

Month of Occurrence

In 1995, most deaths occurred in the months of July, (352, or an average of 11.4 per day), followed by September, (344), and November, (338). These higher monthly totals continue the trend of more deaths occurring in the second half of the year compared to the first half. In 1995, 1,752 deaths occurred in the first six months, compared to 1,997 in the second six months. The lowest number of deaths recorded in 1995 was 243 which occurred in February. February has had the lowest total number of deaths since 1992.

6.1 DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	276	314	323	283	271	290	274
February	247	241	246	240	248	270	243
March	277	278	304	265	282	303	311
April	279	277	243	279	292	301	295
May	337	299	299	340	290	336	332
June	305	314	293	362	320	325	297
July	337	361	363	326	348	424	352
August	357	345	353	372	313	381	336
September	324	351	289	340	339	333	344
October	319	355	314	347	313	345	315
November	317	285	283	293	295	278	338
December	303	313	323	295	321	323	312
Total	3 678	3 733	3 633	3 742	3 632	3 909	3 749
RATE							
Crude death rate	8.3	8.1	7.8	8.0	7.7	8.3	7.9
PROPORTION (%)							
January	7.5	8.4	8.9	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.3
February	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.9	6.5
March	7.5	7.4	8.4	7.1	7.8	7.8	8.3
April	7.6	7.4	6.7	7.5	8.0	7.7	7.9
May	9.2	8.0	8.2	9.1	8.0	8.6	8.9
June	8.3	8.4	8.1	9.7	8.8	8.3	7.9
July	9.2	9.7	10.0	8.7	9.6	10.8	9.4
August	9.7	9.2	9.7	9.9	8.6	9.7	9.0
September	8.8	9.4	8.0	9.1	9.3	8.5	9.2
October	8.7	9.5	8.6	9.3	8.6	8.8	8.4
November	8.6	7.6	7.8	7.8	8.1	7.1	9.0
December	8.2	8.4	8.9	7.9	8.8	8.3	8.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

6.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	57	35	28	36	28	10
1-4	7	4	4	5	10	—
5-9	7	4	3	2	4	1
10-14	11	4	4	5	4	1
15-19	28	25	13	6	11	2
20-24	27	28	21	8	8	9
25-29	29	27	29	10	9	3
30-34	23	34	21	11	9	10
35-39	23	29	21	23	13	13
40-44	36	31	30	19	21	30
45-49	42	41	51	31	28	40
50-54	84	73	54	41	31	45
55-59	134	98	81	74	63	62
60-64	191	185	140	85	97	85
65-69	237	256	247	133	136	144
70-74	303	313	295	214	176	193
75-79	268	342	293	253	284	269
80-84	228	286	300	311	284	321
85-89	221	245	318	455	457	558
90 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 956	2 060	1 953	1 722	1 673	1 796

6.3 DEATHS, Age-specific Death Rates, Sex

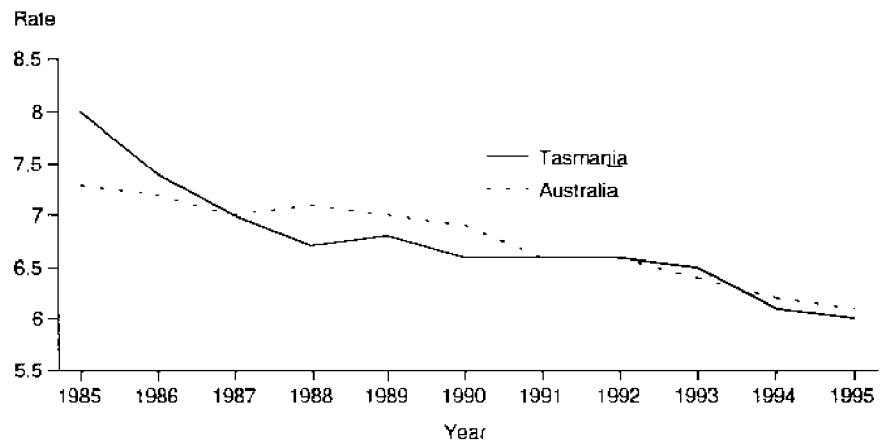
Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	15.8	9.8	8.5	10.1	8.2	3.2
1-4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.7	—
5-9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
10-14	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
15-19	1.5	1.3	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.1
20-24	1.4	1.6	1.2	0.4	0.5	0.5
25-29	1.6	1.5	1.8	0.5	0.5	0.2
30-34	1.3	1.8	1.2	0.7	0.5	0.5
35-39	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.4	0.7	0.7
40-44	2.7	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.7
45-49	3.7	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.2	2.5
50-54	8.3	6.5	4.2	4.2	2.8	3.6
55-59	12.7	9.9	7.5	7.3	6.4	5.8
60-64	19.8	18.3	15.0	8.3	9.6	8.8
65-69	31.8	29.4	26.9	15.5	13.8	15.0
70-74	50.0	49.8	39.7	28.3	22.4	21.5
75-79	71.9	75.3	60.7	47.8	44.8	39.6
80-84	122.8	118.3	103.9	95.8	71.2	67.6
85 and over	223.2	199.7	209.2	179.4	167.2	158.5

SECTION **7**

MARRIAGES REGISTERED

There were 2,840 marriages registered in Tasmania in 1995. This was a decrease of 19.3% on the number registered in 1985 (3,520). The crude marriage rate, the number of marriages per 1,000 population, fell again in 1995 when compared with 1994, the long-term downward trend continuing. In 1995, this rate was 6.0 per one thousand population and is the lowest rate recorded since 1896. It represents a slight decrease from the 6.1 per one thousand recorded in 1994, but is significantly less than the 8.0 per one thousand population recorded in 1985. The national rate was 6.1 per 1,000 population.

MARRIAGE RATES, TASMANIA, 1985 TO 1995



Marriage age

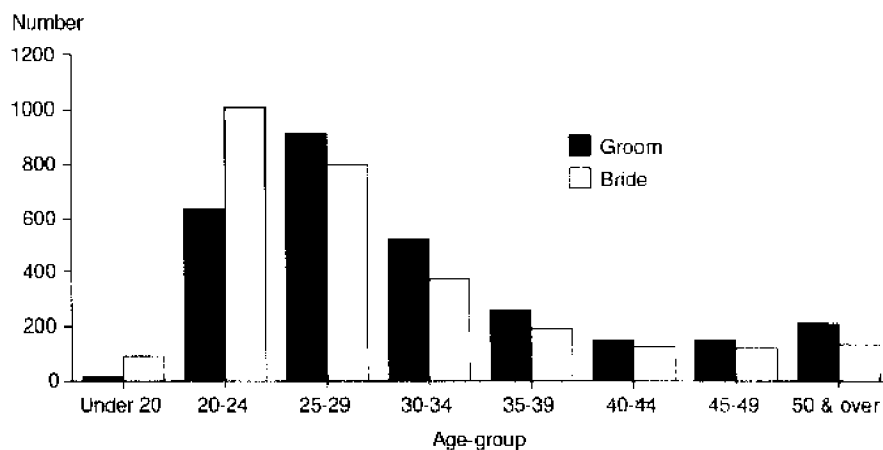
The median age at marriage (the age at which there are as many marrying above the age as there are marrying below it) for both men and women marrying in Tasmania continued to increase in 1995. The median age at marriage for bridegrooms increased from 26.1 years in 1985 to 28.9 years in 1995 and for brides from 23.8 years in 1985 to 26.6 years in 1995. The median age of all bridegrooms was 2.3 years higher than that of all brides marrying in 1995.

The median age for men and women marrying for the first time in 1995 was 26.8 years for men and 24.8 years for women.

Ages of brides
and grooms

Men and women are waiting longer to marry than they were 10 years ago. In 1995, the proportion of men who married aged 30 years or more was 45.1% compared with 31.1% in 1985. For women the comparative percentages were 33.3% and 21.4% respectively.

AGE GROUP OF BRIDES AND GROOMS, TASMANIA, 1995



Between 1985 and 1995, age-specific marriage rates (per 1,000 population) decreased for men and women in most age groups. The peak age group for men changed from the 20-24 year age group in 1985 to the 25-29 year age group in 1995, whilst for women the peak age group has remained the 20-24 year age group, although the rate has dropped by 30.6% from 1985 to 1995.

Age-specific marriage rates for men aged between 35 and 44 years, and women aged between 30 and 39 years, were lower in Tasmania than the rates recorded nationally. The rates in Tasmania were higher for men aged between 20 and 34, and women aged between 20 and 29. Below age 20 the rate is lower in Tasmania for both men and women. Over age 44 the rate is higher in Tasmania for both men and women.

1994 DATA

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

Category of celebrant

Between 1984 and 1994 the percentage of marriages performed in Tasmania by ministers of religion dropped from 58.6% to 52.2%. Of these marriages in 1994, 84.1% of men and 87.2% of women had never been in a registered marriage. By comparison, of those people married by civil celebrants (47.8% of all marriages) 60.2% of men and 59.9% of women had never been in a registered marriage.

In 1994, 18.8% of all marriages performed in Tasmania were by Anglican ministers while 12.0% were by Catholic priests.

Birthplace of parties

Men and women married in Tasmania in 1994 were most likely to have been born in Australia, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, the United States of America, or Germany. Australian-born men were involved in 87.8% of all marriages registered and Australian-born women 90.6%. Men and women born in the other four countries accounted for 8.0% and 5.5% of marriages respectively. Of the marriages registered in Tasmania in 1994, 81.5% were marriages between couples both born in Australia.

7.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL MARRIAGES							
Marriages registered	3 520	3 026	3 069	3 081	3 055	2 887	2 840
Crude marriage rate	8.0	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.1	6.0
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	2 331	1 940	1 936	1 907	1 957	1 839	1 792
First marriage one partner	666	590	575	600	567	560	555
Remarriage both partners	523	496	558	574	531	488	493
Marriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	2 070	1 730	1 759	1 690	1 615	1 506	n.a.
Proportion (%)	58.8	57.2	57.3	54.9	52.9	52.2	n.a.
Civil celebrants							
Number	1 450	1 296	1 310	1 391	1 440	1 381	n.a.
Proportion (%)	41.2	42.8	42.7	45.1	47.1	47.8	n.a.
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	4.2	1.7	2.2	1.8	1.5	1.2	0.9
20-24	72.8	52.3	47.3	43.3	42.7	39.9	35.9
25-29	52.3	52.1	54.8	55.0	55.3	53.7	55.5
30-34	26.2	25.0	23.5	28.1	27.7	27.8	29.1
35-39	14.6	13.4	15.3	16.6	15.2	13.9	14.1
40-44	9.7	9.6	9.9	10.3	12.1	9.8	8.5
45-49	8.0	8.4	8.1	9.4	7.7	6.8	8.9
50 and over	3.7	3.5	4.4	3.4	3.7	3.9	3.5
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	2 668	2 219	2 204	2 211	2 218	2 098	2 064
Widowed	92	87	109	78	74	78	72
Divorced	760	720	756	792	763	711	704
Total	3 520	3 026	3 069	3 081	3 055	2 887	2 840
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	24.7	25.8	26.2	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.8
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	36.8	38.5	39.5	39.6	40.6	40.4	41.5
Total	26.1	27.9	28.3	28.8	28.6	28.8	28.9
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	23.7	9.8	9.8	8.7	8.0	6.3	5.6
20-24	86.9	74.4	68.4	66.2	66.8	63.7	60.3
25-29	37.9	40.3	43.8	44.5	45.5	46.8	49.2
30-34	17.4	17.9	17.9	21.5	19.6	19.0	19.9
35-39	10.7	9.2	12.3	12.5	12.9	9.5	10.2
40-44	8.6	8.7	8.2	7.8	8.8	7.9	7.5
45-49	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.8	5.7	6.3	7.5
50 and over	1.9	1.9	2.4	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.0
Marital status of bride							
Never married	2 660	2 251	2 243	2 203	2 263	2 140	2 075
Widowed	118	104	112	92	97	104	84
Divorced	742	671	714	786	695	643	681
Total	3 520	3 026	3 069	3 081	3 055	2 887	2 840
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	22.6	23.6	23.9	24.2	24.3	24.5	24.8
Widowed	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Divorced	33.8	34.8	36.8	36.5	37.0	37.8	37.9
Total	23.8	25.3	25.9	26.2	26.0	26.2	26.6

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

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

Age at marriage (years)	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991
FIRST MARRIAGES					
Age of bridegroom					
15-19	20.4	15.9	7.9	3.4	2.4
20-24	217.7	169.0	120.9	87.7	57.9
25-29	202.5	168.5	151.0	124.1	113.5
30-34	111.9	103.0	83.7	79.3	70.4
35-39	54.1	46.2	53.3	42.5	40.6
40-44	25.5	30.6	20.9	24.9	21.9
45-49	16.0	11.8	13.3	15.2	14.0
50 and over	4.2	7.9	5.1	7.7	5.8
Age of bride					
15-19	86.1	62.7	38.5	20.7	10.5
20-24	334.5	245.5	180.6	138.1	98.0
25-29	202.5	164.3	143.6	134.9	130.4
30-34	60.2	81.8	62.1	82.1	71.5
35-39	37.9	51.8	37.8	35.5	34.9
40-44	19.1	22.5	24.4	21.4	9.6
45-49	21.6	16.6	8.5	22.0	13.6
50 and over	2.6	3.9	2.7	1.9	3.4
REMARRIAGES					
Age of bridegroom					
15-19	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	380.0	402.6	260.4	138.3	19.8
25-29	491.5	417.2	290.6	201.6	145.8
30-34	324.5	338.2	275.8	174.5	145.1
35-39	208.3	242.0	166.7	159.2	135.7
40-44	157.2	182.3	120.6	98.4	88.9
45-49	86.0	194.2	89.7	95.0	75.0
50-54	70.2	134.5	52.8	59.9	76.2
55-59	54.2	51.8	56.3	52.6	47.0
60 and over	16.6	17.7	19.5	21.9	19.3
Age of bride					
15-19	-	125.0	-	-	-
20-24	275.9	378.5	270.3	186.4	112.9
25-29	322.0	300.4	207.0	171.9	139.4
30-34	181.8	230.9	161.1	117.2	97.7
35-39	100.3	130.4	97.3	90.1	88.3
40-44	82.0	83.7	58.6	67.7	61.6
45-49	50.9	65.6	43.2	43.9	41.2
50-54	21.7	39.6	23.4	30.5	28.3
55-59	15.3	15.4	14.4	24.4	13.2
60 and over	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.7	3.9

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

7.3 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1995

PREVIOUS MARITAL
STATUS OF BRIDE

<i>Previous marital status of bridegroom</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
NUMBER				
Never married	1 792	23	249	2 064
Widowed	11	27	34	72
Divorced	272	34	398	704
Total	2 075	84	681	2 840
PROPORTION (%)				
Never married	63.1	0.8	8.8	72.7
Widowed	0.4	1.0	1.2	2.5
Divorced	9.6	1.2	14.0	24.8
Total	73.1	3.0	24.0	100.0

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

Age at marriage (years)	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM				PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total
17 and under	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	3
18	6	—	—	6	31	—	—	31
19	10	—	—	10	58	—	—	58
20	46	—	—	46	105	—	—	105
21	80	—	—	80	160	—	—	160
22	122	—	—	122	244	1	5	250
23	183	—	1	184	229	1	3	233
24	194	—	5	199	251	1	4	256
25	221	—	4	225	207	1	5	213
26	209	—	9	218	175	—	12	187
27	181	—	10	191	125	—	18	143
28	142	—	16	158	87	1	32	120
29	105	—	14	119	102	—	33	135
30-34	389	2	130	521	209	4	158	371
35-39	116	6	137	259	58	6	127	191
40-44	33	2	112	147	16	9	105	130
45-49	17	9	121	147	9	9	102	120
50-54	4	3	66	73	3	15	43	61
55-59	4	8	46	58	1	12	16	29
60 and over	2	42	33	77	2	24	18	44
Total	2 084	72	704	2 840	2 075	84	681	2 840

7.5 MARRIAGES, Age of Parties—1995

AGE GROUP OF BRIDE
(YEARS).....

Age group of bridegroom (years)	AGE GROUP OF BRIDE (YEARS)											Total	
	17 and under	18	19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59		60 and over
17 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	1	1	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
19	—	1	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
20-24	1	22	42	454	96	12	4	—	—	—	—	—	631
25-29	1	6	10	415	380	79	14	3	1	2	—	—	911
30-34	—	1	3	98	224	140	39	10	6	—	—	—	521
35-39	—	—	—	21	67	84	57	21	9	—	—	—	259
40-44	—	—	—	4	21	29	39	32	17	3	2	—	147
45-49	—	—	—	3	3	21	23	40	44	10	2	1	147
50-54	—	—	—	—	2	2	10	14	23	17	3	2	73
55-59	—	—	—	1	3	1	2	7	15	15	7	7	58
60 and over	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	3	5	14	15	34	77
Total	3	31	58	1 004	798	371	191	130	120	61	29	44	2 840

SECTION 8

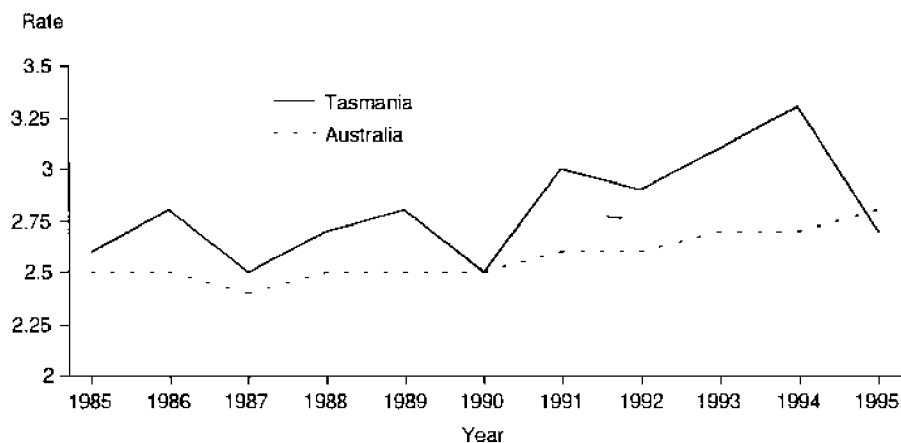
DIVORCES GRANTED

There were 1,279 divorces registered in Tasmania in 1995. This is the lowest figure recorded since 1990 and represents a drop of 17.2% from the 1994 figure.

Divorce Rates

The crude divorce rate of 2.7 divorces registered for every one thousand of population is the lowest figure for the last five years, and only slightly above that recorded in 1985 when it stood at 2.6 divorces registered for every one thousand of population.

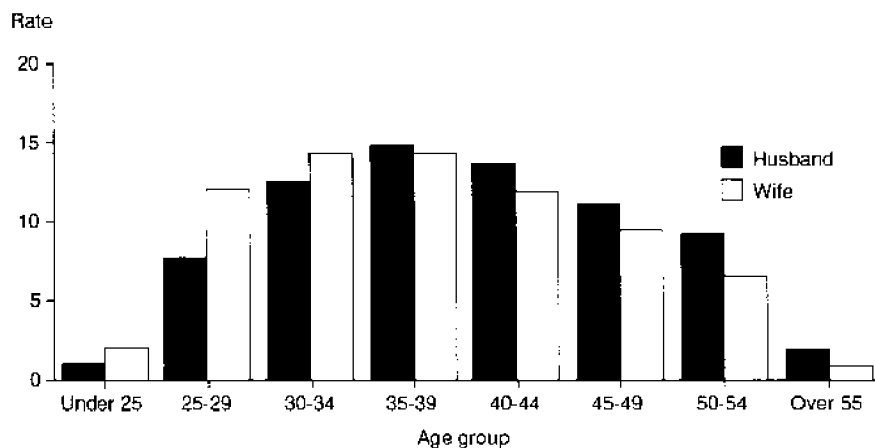
CRUDE DIVORCE RATES, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA, 1985 TO 1995



Age Distribution

The highest age-specific divorce rates recorded in Tasmania in 1995 were in the 35 to 39 year age group for males, and in both the 30 to 34, and 35 to 39 year age group for females. The male rate was 14.9 per one thousand of population, whilst the female rate was 14.3.

AGE SPECIFIC DIVORCE RATES, TASMANIA, 1995



Joint Applications

Joint applications for divorce have steadily increased since 1990 to 11.6% in 1995, compared to 10.4% in 1994. The figure in 1985 was only 2.1%.

1994 DATA

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

Divorces Involving Children

The number of divorces registered in 1994 in which children were involved stood at 939, or 60.8%, a slight drop from the 1993 figure of 62.0%, although the figure has fluctuated over the past five years.

Previous Marital Status

Previously divorced husbands accounted for 16.5% of divorcees in 1994, compared to the 18.2% recorded in 1993. Previously divorced wives made up 15.7% of divorcees in 1994, a decrease on the 17.8% in 1993. In 1994, 82.8% of husbands and 82.9% of wives divorced from their first marriage. Both figures represent an increase on the 1993 rates when they were 80.7% and 80.6% respectively.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL DIVORCES							
Divorces granted	1 189	1 170	1 383	1 365	1 465	1 544	1 279
Crude divorce rate	2.6	2.5	3.0	2.9	3.1	3.3	2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.7	10.2	10.9	10.7	11.0	12.1	11.2
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.9	7.6	8.0	7.9	8.2	8.8	8.3
Divorces involving children							
Number	783	721	781	827	909	939	n.a.
Percentage of total divorces	67.0	61.6	56.5	60.6	62.0	60.8	n.a.
Average number of children	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	n.a.
Applicant							
Husband	450	448	493	528	501	486	410
Wife	695	654	810	740	819	898	721
Joint	24	68	80	97	145	160	148

For footnotes see end of table.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
HUSBAND							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	2.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4	0.9	1.0
25-29	11.1	11.0	10.7	10.8	11.0	9.6	7.7
30-34	13.6	13.2	14.8	15.4	15.5	17.1	12.6
35-39	14.6	12.6	16.4	13.5	16.5	17.1	14.9
40-44	12.3	11.6	13.7	14.2	15.4	15.0	13.7
45-49	9.3	8.5	12.7	11.2	12.0	13.0	11.2
50-54	6.8	7.1	7.0	9.6	8.3	11.6	9.2
55 and over	2.5	1.8	2.6	2.2	2.5	2.8	1.9
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	1 002	975	1 115	1 111	1 182	1 272	n.a.
Widowed	27	12	15	13	17	13	n.a.
Divorced	140	183	253	241	266	259	n.a.
Total	1 169	1 170	1 383	1 365	1 465	1 544	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	23.6	24.0	24.3	24.3	24.5	24.8	25.0
At final separation	34.5	34.6	35.5	35.7	35.8	36.7	36.6
At decree made absolute	37.0	37.2	38.4	38.6	39.0	39.5	39.8
WIFE							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	3.8	2.7	2.6	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.0
25-29	14.3	14.7	16.2	14.6	16.4	15.6	12.0
30-34	14.8	12.3	14.9	17.0	15.5	16.6	14.3
35-39	12.5	11.8	14.7	13.4	16.9	17.5	14.3
40-44	11.4	10.9	11.8	11.8	13.8	14.6	11.9
45-49	7.1	6.9	9.7	10.0	9.3	11.3	9.5
50-54	3.8	5.1	4.9	6.8	6.0	7.7	6.6
55 and over	1.3	0.7	1.6	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.9
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	990	968	1 138	1 105	1 181	1 277	n.a.
Widowed	31	20	22	21	23	21	n.a.
Divorced	148	182	223	239	261	246	n.a.
Total	1 169	1 170	1 383	1 365	1 465	1 544	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.1	21.6	21.8	22.0	22.1	22.2	22.7
At final separation	31.3	32.0	32.8	32.9	33.2	34.1	33.9
At decree made absolute	33.9	34.6	35.5	35.5	36.4	36.8	36.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used

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

AGE GROUP (YEARS).....

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND										
1	1	3	4	3	—	2	—	1	—	14
2	1	13	16	8	4	8	1	1	2	54
3	5	26	15	7	4	2	1	3	4	67
4	4	26	19	12	11	6	5	1	—	84
5	—	25	23	13	3	2	2	3	—	71
6	4	14	17	9	5	6	3	3	1	62
7	1	16	16	10	10	2	—	—	—	55
8	5	20	18	11	5	1	4	5	—	69
9	6	32	20	11	2	2	2	2	—	77
10-14	4	105	83	34	22	5	5	1	—	259
15-19	10	91	41	22	3	—	1	2	2	172
20-24	12	87	25	9	2	1	1	—	1	138
25-29	13	58	18	1	—	3	—	1	—	94
30 and over	9	42	7	3	1	—	—	—	1	63
Total	75	558	322	153	72	40	25	23	11	1 279

WIFE

1	—	6	4	2	1	—	—	1	—	14
2	2	25	10	7	5	2	1	2	—	54
3	8	37	7	7	1	2	2	2	1	67
4	8	32	17	10	11	4	—	1	1	84
5	7	31	17	6	3	3	1	3	—	71
6	10	23	11	8	2	2	3	2	1	62
7	7	16	20	10	1	1	—	—	—	55
8	10	29	14	4	4	4	2	1	1	69
9	15	32	16	8	3	—	—	3	—	77
10-14	39	121	61	22	9	6	—	1	—	259
15-19	58	70	26	12	5	—	1	—	—	172
20-24	59	60	15	2	1	—	1	—	—	138
25-29	46	36	9	1	1	—	—	—	1	94
30 and over	36	21	3	1	—	—	—	—	2	63
Total	305	539	230	100	47	24	11	16	7	1 279

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

AGE GROUP (YEARS).....

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND											
Under 1	4	13	23	9	6	8	3	1	2	2	71
1	1	24	30	20	9	9	2	2	1	4	102
2	—	13	35	19	12	8	2	—	3	1	93
3	—	9	22	16	14	10	3	2	4	—	80
4	—	6	25	17	10	4	5	1	1	—	69
5	—	1	14	30	10	7	4	1	2	—	69
6	—	1	22	21	19	3	1	2	3	—	72
7	—	—	20	18	12	7	5	1	1	—	64
8	—	—	10	38	13	5	5	2	4	1	78
9	—	—	4	17	19	5	2	1	—	—	48
10-14	—	—	3	51	100	23	15	7	2	1	202
15-19	—	—	—	2	56	62	17	4	3	1	145
20-24	—	—	—	—	2	44	50	14	6	—	116
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	2	24	11	4	1	42
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	14	—	28
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	5	67	208	258	282	197	138	63	50	11	1 279

WIFE

Under 1	4	26	17	11	4	5	—	3	—	1	71
1	1	39	31	9	11	4	3	2	1	1	102
2	1	27	34	14	7	4	2	—	3	1	93
3	—	21	25	14	11	4	2	—	3	—	80
4	—	14	25	19	6	2	1	1	1	—	69
5	—	6	29	23	4	3	—	1	3	—	69
6	—	4	28	25	6	4	2	2	—	1	72
7	—	3	27	19	7	4	3	—	1	—	64
8	—	—	27	23	14	9	4	—	1	—	78
9	—	—	9	25	9	1	2	1	—	1	48
10-14	—	—	14	97	59	18	8	6	—	—	202
15-19	—	—	—	12	80	37	11	2	2	1	145
20-24	—	—	—	—	17	77	15	5	2	—	116
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	6	31	4	—	1	42
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	8	10	—	28
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	6	140	266	291	235	178	94	35	27	7	1 279

8.4 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Divorce—1995

AGE GROUP OF WIFE (YEARS)

Age group of husband (years)	24 and under	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Not stated	Total
24 and under	17	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25
25-29	22	87	13	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	125
30-34	16	74	115	15	3	—	—	—	—	1	224
35-39	3	15	102	117	25	6	2	1	—	—	271
40-44	—	4	25	98	79	26	3	—	—	1	236
45-49	—	1	6	24	71	68	8	4	—	1	183
50-54	—	2	1	8	19	42	41	2	1	1	117
55-59	—	—	1	—	5	7	21	6	4	1	45
60 and over	—	—	1	—	2	2	6	8	23	—	42
Not stated	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	1	11
Total	60	193	265	266	205	152	82	21	28	7	1 279

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

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

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

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

POPULATION

Population estimates

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

Population projections

5 This publication has used the most up-to-date estimates available for each particular table.

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

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

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

MIGRATION

Overseas migration

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

Interstate migration

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

BIRTHS

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

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

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

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

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

DEATHS

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

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

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

MARRIAGES

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

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

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

DIVORCES

22 All divorce data in this publication, with the exception of data in Appendix B3, are for State or Territory of registration, based on the location of the Family Court where the divorce was granted and registered. Due to the large number of divorces granted in the Australian Capital Territory where usual residence was in another State, the rates for the Australian Capital Territory are not representative of the Australian Capital Territory population. The number of divorces shown for the Australian Capital Territory is dependent on the number of cases heard by the Family Court in the Australian Capital Territory. As there is no residential requirement under Family Law, applicants may be resident anywhere in Australia.

23 Divorce statistics shown in Appendix B3 are based on the State or Territory of usual residence at the time of separation. This takes account of some Family Courts having responsibility for hearing divorce cases relating to other States or Territories. The Australian Capital Territory Family Court hears cases from most of south-eastern New South Wales and part of Victoria. State or Territory of usual residence data are only available for 1993 and 1994 due to a decision taken by the Family Court in 1995. See paragraph 28 for more information.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES

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

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

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

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

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

34 Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Tasmania at a Glance (1305.6)

Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly (3101.0)

Australian Demographic Trends (3102.0)

Births, Australia (3301.0)

Causes of Death, Australia (3303.0)

Deaths, Australia (3302.0)

Demography (State and Territory specific publications) (3311.1-8)

Population Statistics Tasmania (3204.6)

Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age.

States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)

Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods (3228.0)

Marriages and Divorces, Australia (3310.0)

Migration, Australia (3412.0)

Projections of the Populations of Australia,

States and Territories, 1995 to 2051 (3222.0)

Regional Population Growth, 1994-95 (3218.0)

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

35 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (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 A lists characteristics processed by the ABS for marriages registered, divorces granted, births and deaths. This information may be made available in one or more of the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, data tape, floppy disk, computer printout, or clerically extracted tabulation.

APPENDIX **A**

MARRIAGE TABLES, 1994

A1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same	Different	Total	Australia	Same	Different	Total
		overseas	overseas			overseas	overseas	
	country	country		country	country	country		
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	2 353	—	181	2 534	2 353	—	263	2 616
Fiji	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	32	4	2	38	16	4	3	23
Other	3	—	1	4	3	—	1	4
Total	2 389	4	184	2 577	2 372	4	267	2 643
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
Former USSR & Baltic States	3	—	—	3	2	—	—	2
Former Yugoslav Republics	2	—	3	5	1	—	—	1
Germany	7	3	4	14	6	3	4	13
Greece	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Hungary	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Ireland	4	1	1	6	4	1	1	6
Italy	4	—	2	6	4	—	—	4
Malta	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Netherlands	12	—	2	14	6	—	1	7
Poland	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2
United Kingdom	129	17	15	161	80	17	12	109
Other	7	2	2	11	7	2	4	13
Total	176	23	29	228	112	23	22	157
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Lebanon	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Turkey	2	—	—	2	1	—	—	1
Other	4	1	2	7	—	1	2	3
Total	8	1	3	12	1	1	2	4
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	2	—	—	2	—	—	1	1
Malaysia	2	1	2	5	5	1	—	6
Philippines	1	—	—	1	14	—	3	17
Singapore	2	1	—	3	2	1	1	4
Thailand	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	2
Viet Nam	2	1	1	4	1	1	—	2
Other	—	2	1	3	1	2	—	3
Total	10	5	4	19	25	5	5	35

A1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	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>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	—	1	—	1	—	1	2	3
Hong Kong	2	—	—	2	4	—	1	5
Other	1	1	1	3	—	1	2	3
Total	3	2	1	6	4	2	5	11
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	1	1	1	3	2	1	—	3
Sri Lanka	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	2
Other	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Total	2	2	1	5	3	2	—	5
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	4	—	1	5	4	—	1	5
Chile	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	1
United States of America	14	4	1	19	6	4	5	15
Other	2	1	1	4	2	1	—	3
Total	20	6	4	30	12	6	6	24
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	5	—	2	7	5	—	1	6
Other	3	—	—	3	—	—	2	2
Total	8	—	2	10	5	—	3	8
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2 616	43	228	2 887	2 534	43	310	2 887

A2 MARRIAGES, Category of Rite, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1994

Category of rite	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM			PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			All marriages	Proportion of all marriages %
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced		
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
RELIGIOUS(a)								
Anglican	474	10	58	497	12	33	542	18.8
Baptist	76	3	21	77	3	20	100	3.5
Catholic	325	10	12	328	7	12	347	12.0
Churches of Christ	21	1	5	20	1	6	27	0.9
Lutheran	4	—	—	4	—	—	4	0.1
Orthodox	7	—	1	8	—	—	8	0.3
Presbyterian	27	1	6	29	1	4	34	1.2
Uniting Church	172	4	58	189	6	39	234	8.1
Other denominations	160	11	39	161	7	42	210	7.3
<i>All religious rites</i>	1 266	40	200	1 313	37	156	1 506	52.2
CIVIL								
Official registrars	101	7	70	103	11	64	178	6.2
Other civil celebrants	731	31	441	724	56	423	1 203	41.7
<i>All civil rites</i>	832	38	511	827	67	487	1 381	47.8
TOTAL								
Number	2 098	78	711	2 140	104	643	2 887	100.0
Proportion (%)	72.7	2.7	24.6	74.1	3.6	22.3	100.0	—

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

A3 REMARRIAGES, Number of Previous Marriages, Number of Children Under 16—1994

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 16.....

<i>Number of previous marriages</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>Four or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
BRIDEGROOM							
One	416	106	93	30	10	14	669
Two	59	16	20	4	3	4	106
Three or more	7	1	—	—	—	—	8
Not stated	2	2	1	—	1	—	6
Total	484	125	114	34	14	18	789
BRIDE							
One	353	121	104	25	11	12	626
Two	60	15	17	9	3	—	105
Three or more	8	2	1	—	1	1	13
Not stated	3	—	—	—	—	—	3
Total	424	139	122	34	15	13	747

A4 REMARRIAGES, Interval to Remarriage, Reason for Termination of Last Marriage—1994

<i>Interval between termination of last marriage and remarriage (years)</i>	BRIDEGROOM'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY			BRIDE'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY.....		
	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	2	100	102	1	89	90
1	15	162	177	13	139	152
2	17	86	103	9	76	85
3	12	74	86	11	82	93
4	3	56	59	14	55	69
0-4	49	478	527	48	441	489
5	7	44	51	7	36	43
6	4	39	43	7	32	39
7	8	29	37	6	21	27
8	—	17	17	8	17	25
9	1	27	28	3	17	20
5-9	20	156	176	31	123	154
10-14	2	43	45	10	51	61
15-19	6	18	24	9	19	28
20 and over	1	10	11	6	6	11
Not stated	—	6	6	—	4	4
All remarriages	78	711	789	104	643	747

APPENDIX **B** DIVORCE TABLES, 1994

B1 DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage(a), Duration of Marriage—1994

NUMBER OF CHILDREN.....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	0	1	2	3	<i>4 or more</i>	<i>All divorces</i>	<i>All children</i>	<i>Average number of children(b)</i>
1	10	1	3	—	—	14	7	1.8
2	42	14	10	6	2	74	61	1.9
3	53	17	10	3	2	85	54	1.7
4	45	21	12	4	—	82	57	1.5
5	29	15	17	4	1	66	66	1.8
6	33	16	20	6	1	76	78	1.8
7	31	23	23	5	5	87	105	1.9
8	20	13	39	9	2	83	128	2.0
9	12	19	26	8	2	67	103	1.9
10-14	65	51	111	65	19	311	545	2.2
15-19	36	31	91	50	12	220	413	2.2
20-24	54	57	50	16	2	179	218	1.7
25-29	97	21	3	—	—	121	27	1.1
30 and over	78	1	—	—	—	79	1	1.0
Total	605	300	415	176	48	1 544	1 863	2.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

B2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	1 178	—	118	1 296	1 178	—	148	1 326
Fiji	2	—	—	2	1	—	1	2
New Zealand	12	5	3	20	10	5	2	17
Other	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Total	1 194	5	121	1 320	1 189	5	151	1 345
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Former Yugoslav Republics	2	1	1	4	—	1	—	1
Germany	5	6	1	12	8	6	7	21
Greece	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	1
Hungary	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
Ireland	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
Italy	4	—	1	5	3	—	—	3
Malta	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Netherlands	7	3	1	11	3	3	1	7
Poland	1	—	1	2	1	—	1	2
United Kingdom	80	36	11	127	54	36	11	101
Other	7	1	5	13	1	1	1	3
Total	111	49	22	182	70	49	22	141
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Lebanon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkey	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other	2	—	2	4	1	—	1	2
Total	4	—	2	6	1	—	2	3
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	1
Malaysia	1	1	—	2	—	1	1	2
Philippines	—	1	—	1	8	1	—	9
Singapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Thailand	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Viet Nam	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	1
Other	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Total	3	3	1	7	8	3	3	14

B2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hong Kong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	1	—	1	2	1	—	3
Total	—	1	—	1	2	1	—	3
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	—	—	2	2	2	—	1	3
Sri Lanka	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	2
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	1	2	3	3	1	1	5
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	3	1	—	4	5	1	1	7
Chile	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
United States of America	7	2	3	12	5	2	2	9
Other	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
Total	10	4	3	17	11	4	4	19
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	1	—	2	3	3	—	—	3
Other	—	1	1	2	4	1	—	5
Total	1	1	3	5	7	1	—	8
Other and not stated	3	—	—	3	5	—	1	6
Total	1 326	64	154	1 544	1 296	64	184	1 544

B3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994r

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

For footnotes see end of table.

B3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994r *continued*

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Aust.
HUSBAND										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.6	..	0.8
25-29	7.8	7.7	7.8	8.2	7.8	10.1	6.0	9.0	..	8.0
30-34	12.1	12.0	11.6	13.3	14.0	16.5	8.2	13.9	..	12.7
35-39	12.7	12.2	12.8	13.7	13.1	16.8	12.2	14.2	..	13.2
40-44	11.8	12.0	12.1	14.4	13.1	14.8	10.2	13.3	..	12.6
45-49	10.4	10.1	11.1	10.9	11.9	12.9	7.7	12.3	..	10.9
50-54	8.4	7.7	8.1	7.9	9.8	11.1	9.2	9.0	..	8.5
55 and over	2.5	2.5	2.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	4.1	4.2	..	2.7
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 781	9 331	6 592	3 280	4 018	1 257	325	749	922	39 255
Widowed	175	105	102	42	53	12	2	8	11	510
Divorced	2 707	1 793	1 665	759	892	250	86	174	221	8 547
Total	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	25.7	25.2	25.3	25.0	25.4	24.7	25.8	26.0	27.0	25.4
At final separation	36.5	36.5	36.9	36.6	36.8	36.7	36.5	36.7	34.3	36.6
At decree made absolute	39.6	39.5	40.1	39.6	40.1	39.4	39.5	39.6	38.6	39.7
WIFE										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	2.1	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.8	..	2.0
25-29	11.5	11.4	11.4	12.8	12.4	15.2	7.0	13.2	..	12.0
30-34	13.2	12.6	13.2	14.1	14.5	16.4	11.4	14.9	..	13.8
35-39	12.5	11.8	12.4	14.1	13.8	17.2	11.5	13.7	..	13.0
40-44	11.2	11.1	11.5	12.8	12.5	14.4	10.6	12.0	..	11.8
45-49	9.1	8.5	9.4	8.8	10.1	11.0	10.1	9.7	..	9.3
50-54	6.1	5.5	6.5	6.0	7.4	7.7	5.6	8.1	..	6.3
55 and over	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.1	..	1.3
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 816	9 431	6 649	3 311	4 010	1 259	332	756	975	39 539
Widowed	191	158	122	45	68	21	2	4	14	625
Divorced	2 656	1 640	1 588	725	885	239	79	171	165	8 148
Total	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	23.0	22.8	22.5	22.4	22.7	22.2	23.6	23.3	24.1	22.8
At final separation	33.7	33.7	34.1	33.9	33.9	34.1	33.5	33.7	31.1	33.8
At decree made absolute	36.8	36.7	37.0	36.9	37.2	36.7	37.0	36.9	35.3	36.8

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

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

GLOSSARY

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

their departure from, or return to, Australia are therefore classified as short-term. Accordingly in an attempt to maintain consistency between arrivals and departures, movements of travellers who report their actual or intended period of stay as being one year exactly are randomly allocated to long-term or short-term in proportion to the number of movements of travellers who report their actual length of stay as up to one month more, or one month less, than one year.

Children (divorce collection) Children in the divorce collection are unmarried children of the marriage who were aged under 18 years at the time of application for divorce. Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, these may include (in certain cases) adopted and ex-nuptial children and children from a former marriage. Children who are married or aged 18 years or more are not subject to custody and guardianship orders and are excluded.

Children (marriage collection) Children in the marriage collection refer to persons under 16 years of age born from previous marriages. The term children should not be confused with the term previous births used in births data (see previous births).

Confinement A pregnancy which results in at least one live birth.

Crude birth rate The crude birth rate is the number of live births registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude birth rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.

Crude death rate The crude death rate is the number of deaths registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude death rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.

Crude divorce rate The crude divorce rate is the number of decrees absolute granted during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude divorce rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is unmarried or below the minimum age of marriage.

Crude marriage rate The crude marriage rate is the number of marriages registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude marriage rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is below the minimum age of marriage or is already married.

Date of final separation The date of final separation is that date, given on the application for divorce, from which the period of living apart is calculated for the purpose of establishing grounds for divorce. In determining the date of final separation, a single period of resumed cohabitation of less than three months may be ignored, provided the periods of living apart before and after resumed cohabitation amount to a total of 12 months or more.

Divorce Decree absolute of dissolution of marriage.

Duration of marriage Duration of marriage is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of divorce.

Duration of marriage until separation	Duration of marriage until separation is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of separation.
Estimated resident population	<p>Estimated resident population data are quarterly estimates of the Australian population obtained by adding to the estimated population at the beginning of each period the components of natural increase (on a usual residence basis) and net overseas migration. For the States and Territories, account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of usual residence. After each census, estimates for the preceding intercensal period are revised by incorporating an additional quarterly adjustment (intercensal discrepancy) to ensure that the total intercensal increase agrees with the difference between the estimated resident populations at the two respective census dates.</p> <p>Estimates of the resident population are based on adjusted (for underenumeration) census counts by place of usual residence, to which are added the number of Australian residents estimated to have been temporarily overseas at the time of the census.</p> <p>The concept of estimated resident population links people to a place of usual residence within Australia. Usual residence is that place where each person has lived or intends to live for six months or more in a reference year.</p> <p>Rates shown in this publication for the years since 1974 are calculated using estimates of resident population. A description of the conceptual basis of the estimated resident population is contained in <i>Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods</i> (3228.0). Revised population estimates are published in <i>Australian Demographic Statistics</i> (3101.0) (issued quarterly).</p>
Fetal death	The delivery of a child weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or of at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable) which did not, at any time after delivery, breathe or show any other evidence of life such as heartbeat.
Fetal death rate	The fetal death rate is the number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or of at least 22 weeks gestation, if birthweight was unavailable).
First marriage rates	First marriage rates are the number of men and women, in an age group, marrying for the first time per 1,000 (mid-year) population of never married men and women in the same age group.
Indigenous origin	<p>Persons who identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous birth refers to the birth of a live born child where either the mother or the father has identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous death refers to a death where the deceased was identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p>
Infant death	An infant death is the death of a live born child who died when less than one year old.
Infant mortality rate	The number of deaths of children under one year of age in a calendar year per 1,000 live births in the same calendar year.

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

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

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

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