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# NOTES

## ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication brings together population, births, deaths, marriages and divorces statistics for Victoria.



## ABOUT THIS ISSUE

This issue contains rates calculated using preliminary estimates of Australia, State and Territory populations as at 30 June 1997.

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



## SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ASCCSS	Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics
B	Borough
C	City
ERP	Estimated Resident Population
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
n.a.	not available
n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
RC	Rural City
S	Shire
SD	Statistical Division
SDR	Standardised Death Rate
SSD	Statistical Subdivision
..	not applicable
—	nil, rounded to zero or less than three (see paragraph 33 of the Explanatory Notes)

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# SECTION 1

## DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY .....

### POPULATION

At 31 December 1997, the estimated resident population of Victoria was 4,627,300. This represents a growth of 1.0% for the year. Northern Territory had the highest population growth at 2.1% while Tasmania's population contracted by 0.5%. The population of Australia increased by 1.1% to 18,631,100.

### COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE

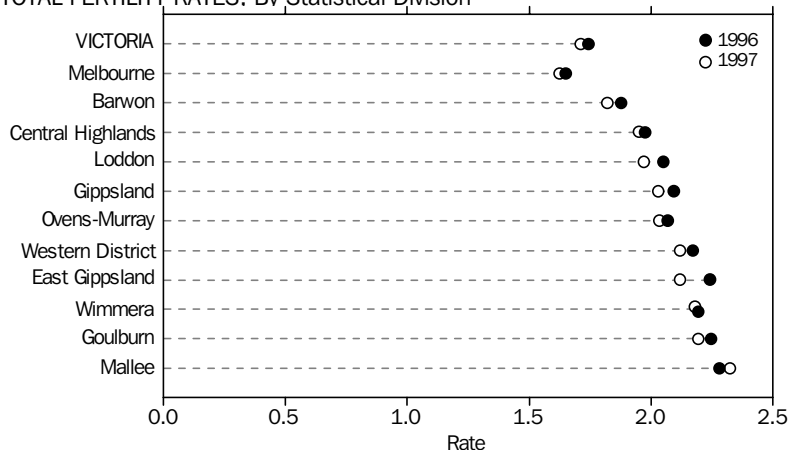
While the Victorian population was 25.0% of the Australian population, its total growth of 46,052 in 1997 represented 22.0% of the Australian growth. This was a larger proportion than the corresponding figure for 1996, due mainly to an 80.0% reduction in net interstate migration. The loss of population caused by interstate migration reached a peak of 28,718 persons in 1993 and dropped to 2,700 persons in 1997.

The State recording the highest intake of persons from Victoria in 1997 was Queensland (23,397 persons or 38.0% of all interstate departures from Victoria).

### BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS

The Victorian births registration figure of 60,732 for 1997 included 60,704 births to Victorian mothers and 28 births which occurred in Victoria where the usual residence of the mother was overseas or unknown. Residents of Melbourne Statistical Division accounted for 73.0% (44,053 births) of all Victorian births.

TOTAL FERTILITY RATES, By Statistical Division



The average fertility rate for Victoria was 1.712 in the period from 1995 to 1997. This represents the average number of children each woman would bear if the current birth rates continued during her child-bearing lifetime. The highest total fertility rate for a statistical division was 2.323 in Mallee (SD), while the lowest fertility rate was 1.626 in Melbourne (SD).

In 1997, the local government area in Melbourne (SD) which recorded the highest number of births was Casey (C) with 2,791 births followed by Brimbank (C) with 2,241 births. In the remainder of Victoria, the highest numbers were recorded in Greater Geelong (C) (2,297) and Greater Bendigo (C) (1,121).

## DEATHS

The Victorian deaths registration figure of 33,261 for 1997 included 33,190 deaths of Victorian residents and 71 deaths which occurred in Victoria where the usual residence of the deceased was overseas or otherwise unknown. Residents of Melbourne Statistical Division accounted for 67.0% (22,394) of all Victorian deaths.

The highest standardised death rate for a Statistical Division was 7.1 (deaths per 1,000 population ) in Central Highlands (SD), while the lowest rate was 6.2 in Melbourne (SD).

The local government area in Melbourne (SD) which recorded the highest number of deaths in 1997 was Boroondara (C) with 1,453 deaths followed by Moreland (C) with 1,163 deaths. In the remainder of Victoria, the highest numbers were recorded in Greater Geelong (C) (1,515) and Ballarat (C) (731).

## MARRIAGES

The crude marriage rate in Victoria of 5.5 marriages per 1,000 population, was lower than that for Australia, which was 5.8 marriages per 1,000 population. The median age at marriage was 29.6 years for bridegrooms and 27.5 years for brides.

## DIVORCES

There were 12,463 divorces granted in Victoria in 1997. The crude divorce rate of 2.7 divorces per 1,000 population was just below the national figure of 2.8 divorces per 1,000 population. The crude divorce rate ranged from a low of 2.2 (Northern Territory) and 2.3 (New South Wales) to a high of 3.5 (Queensland).

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

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
POPULATION									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6 306.3	<b>4 627.3</b>	3 430.4	1 482.9	1 811.1	471.8	189.2	309.0	18 631.1
Components of population change(c)									
Natural increase(d)	41 941	<b>28 978</b>	24 990	6 769	14 041	2 240	2 699	3 034	124 729
Net overseas migration(e)	34 302	<b>19 774</b>	13 745	3 297	12 115	70	532	-122	83 702
Net interstate migration	-10 782	<b>-2 700</b>	20 202	-3 399	3 038	-4 593	670	-2 436	..
Total increase	65 461	<b>46 052</b>	58 937	6 667	29 194	-2 283	3 901	476	208 431
Growth rate (%)	1.0	<b>1.0</b>	1.7	0.5	1.6	-0.5	2.1	0.2	1.1
BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS									
Live births									
Number	87 156	<b>60 732</b>	46 965	18 362	24 776	6 007	3 588	4 208	251 842
Total fertility rate	1.832	<b>1.688</b>	1.801	1.703	1.787	1.799	2.171	1.601	1.775
Crude birth rate	13.9	<b>13.2</b>	13.8	12.4	13.8	12.7	19.2	13.6	13.6
Female net reproduction rate	0.9	<b>0.8</b>	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.9
All confinements									
Number	85 967	<b>59 804</b>	46 279	18 095	24 407	5 935	3 552	4 161	248 246
Median age of mother (years)	29.4	<b>30.0</b>	28.6	29.7	29.2	28.2	27.0	29.8	29.4
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)									
Mother	30.3	<b>30.7</b>	29.9	30.8	30.3	29.7	29.8	30.6	30.4
Father	32.9	<b>33.0</b>	32.3	33.0	32.8	32.2	32.5	32.7	32.8
First nuptial confinements									
Number	26 275	<b>19 264</b>	12 313	5 174	6 737	1 733	559	1 285	73 356
Median age of mother (years)	28.9	<b>29.3</b>	28.6	29.4	29.0	28.3	28.6	29.2	29.0
DEATHS									
Number	45 641	<b>33 261</b>	21 945	11 658	10 807	3 809	891	1 334	129 350
Standardised death rate	6.3	<b>6.2</b>	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.8	9.8	6.0	6.2
Crude death rate	7.3	<b>7.3</b>	6.4	7.9	6.0	8.1	4.9	4.3	7.0
Median age at death (years)									
Males	74.3	<b>74.7</b>	73.3	75.2	73.6	75.2	56.3	72.6	74.2
Females	81.1	<b>81.4</b>	80.4	81.5	80.8	80.2	57.6	78.8	81.0
Infant deaths									
Number	451	<b>300</b>	272	87	131	39	45	16	1 341
Rate	5.2	<b>4.9</b>	5.8	4.7	5.3	6.5	12.5	3.8	5.3
Perinatal deaths									
Number	861	<b>522</b>	430	152	202	70	56	28	2 321
Rate	9.8	<b>8.6</b>	9.1	8.2	8.1	11.6	15.5	6.6	9.2

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

(c) Components of population change from previous year.

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

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

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

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

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(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; usual residence overseas; and not stated.

(c) See paragraph 22 of the Explanatory Notes.



## 1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)

<b>STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD) and Statistical Local Area (SLA)</b>	<i>Estimated mid-year resident population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect standardised death rate(e)</i>
<b>MELBOURNE (SD)</b>					
<b>Inner Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Melbourne (C) - Inner	2 274	27	1.072	11	4.9
Melbourne (C) - Remainder	39 850	300	0.931	210	6.3
Port Phillip (C) - St Kilda	49 343	483	0.898	477	7.6
Port Phillip (C) - West	27 750	283	1.125	255	7.3
Stonnington (C) - Prahran	44 854	348	0.854	380	6.8
Yarra (C) - North	43 957	554	1.187	295	7.3
Yarra (C) - Richmond	24 198	306	1.201	149	7.0
<i>Total Inner Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>232 226</i>	<i>2 301</i>	<i>1.004</i>	<i>1 777</i>	<i>7.0</i>
<b>Western Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Brimbank (C) - Keilor	77 265	1 249	1.844	284	6.6
Brimbank (C) - Sunshine	79 345	992	1.647	432	6.7
Hobsons Bay (C) - Altona	51 285	729	1.752	284	6.3
Hobsons Bay (C) - Williamstown	27 847	406	1.768	280	7.3
Maribyrnong (C)	61 377	929	1.769	563	7.0
Moonee Valley (C) - Essendon	68 003	1 036	1.561	631	6.4
Moonee Valley (C) - West	42 763	452	1.598	214	5.3
<i>Total Western Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>407 885</i>	<i>5 793</i>	<i>1.702</i>	<i>2 688</i>	<i>6.5</i>
<b>Melton-Wyndham (SSD)</b>					
Melton (S) - East	7 258	119	1.848	13	4.6
Melton (S) Balance	36 067	522	2.034	130	6.8
Wyndham (C) - North-West	722	83	n.p.	11	n.p.
Wyndham (C) - Werribee	71 858	1 141	2.000	281	6.5
Wyndham (C) Balance	5 425	74	1.679	16	5.5
<i>Total Melton-Wyndham (SSD)</i>	<i>121 330</i>	<i>1 939</i>	<i>2.001</i>	<i>451</i>	<i>6.5</i>
<b>Moreland City (SSD)</b>					
Moreland (C) - Brunswick	41 215	577	1.404	296	6.9
Moreland (C) - Coburg	49 939	738	1.816	440	6.3
Moreland (C) - North	45 901	630	1.879	427	6.0
<i>Total Moreland City (SSD)</i>	<i>137 055</i>	<i>1 945</i>	<i>1.678</i>	<i>1 163</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>Northern Middle Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Banyule (C) - Heidelberg	62 777	777	1.664	595	6.2
Banyule (C) - North	55 914	676	1.649	285	5.5
Darebin (C) - Northcote	46 644	723	1.436	376	6.8
Darebin (C) - Preston	81 853	1 163	1.743	722	6.5
<i>Total Northern Middle Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>247 188</i>	<i>3 339</i>	<i>1.627</i>	<i>1 978</i>	<i>6.3</i>
<b>Hume City (SSD)</b>					
Hume (C) - Broadmeadows	68 506	1 083	1.867	272	7.0
Hume (C) - Craigieburn	28 646	558	1.978	63	5.4
Hume (C) - Sunbury	26 207	453	2.170	94	5.5
<i>Total Hume City (SSD)</i>	<i>123 359</i>	<i>2 094</i>	<i>1.957</i>	<i>429</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>Northern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Nillumbik (S) - South	27 979	411	1.914	109	5.7
Nillumbik (S) - South-West	20 671	301	1.751	60	6.7
Nillumbik (S) Balance	9 166	110	1.894	34	6.5
Whittlesea (C) - North	9 980	132	1.759	68	5.0
Whittlesea (C) - South	97 881	1 590	1.768	322	5.8
<i>Total Northern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>165 677</i>	<i>2 544</i>	<i>1.798</i>	<i>593</i>	<i>5.8</i>

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

(b) As at 30 June 1997.

(c) Data are for calendar year 1997.

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

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

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

<b>STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD) and Statistical Local Area (SLA)</b>	<i>Estimated mid-year resident population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect standardised death rate(e)</i>
<b>MELBOURNE (SD) <i>continued</i></b>					
<b>Boroondara City (SSD)</b>					
Boroondara (C) - Camberwell North	42 976	345	1.448	374	5.3
Boroondara (C) - Camberwell South	49 591	557	1.534	455	5.8
Boroondara (C) - Hawthorn	32 775	333	1.166	283	6.5
Boroondara (C) - Kew	30 231	294	1.225	341	6.5
<i>Total Boroondara City (SSD)</i>	<i>155 573</i>	<i>1 529</i>	<i>1.344</i>	<i>1 453</i>	<i>5.9</i>
<b>Eastern Middle Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Manningham (C) - East	14 233	135	1.691	41	6.3
Manningham (C) - West	96 753	961	1.400	488	4.8
Monash (C) - South-West	41 085	557	1.544	317	5.7
Monash (C) - Waverley East	60 596	401	1.179	238	4.7
Monash (C) - Waverley West	59 232	630	1.449	519	5.6
Whitehorse (C) - Box Hill	48 725	610	1.553	488	6.0
Whitehorse (C) - Nunawading East	45 191	487	1.499	261	6.0
Whitehorse (C) - Nunawading West	50 073	574	1.577	388	5.4
<i>Total Eastern Middle Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>415 888</i>	<i>4 355</i>	<i>1.453</i>	<i>2 740</i>	<i>5.4</i>
<b>Eastern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Knox (C) - North	109 773	1 360	1.816	633	5.8
Knox (C) - South	28 535	588	1.895	61	9.0
Maroondah (C) - Croydon	53 920	766	1.753	319	6.7
Maroondah (C) - Ringwood	42 474	552	1.729	331	6.1
<i>Total Eastern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>234 702</i>	<i>3 266</i>	<i>1.785</i>	<i>1 344</i>	<i>6.2</i>
<b>Yarra Ranges Shire Part A (SSD)</b>					
Yarra Ranges (S) - Central	15 040	229	2.316	86	5.8
Yarra Ranges (S) - North	11 764	142	1.875	90	7.1
Yarra Ranges (S) - South-West	110 576	1 581	1.972	497	5.7
<i>Total Yarra Ranges Shire Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>137 380</i>	<i>1 952</i>	<i>1.995</i>	<i>673</i>	<i>5.9</i>
<b>Southern Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Bayside (C) - Brighton	35 413	319	1.356	409	6.1
Bayside (C) - South	52 020	579	1.524	506	5.9
Glen Eira (C) - Caulfield	75 154	886	1.389	746	6.1
Glen Eira (C) - South	46 306	628	1.597	413	5.5
Kingston (C) - North	90 173	1 072	1.653	721	6.2
Kingston (C) - South	40 877	586	1.739	365	6.8
Stonnington (C) - Malvern	45 076	482	1.314	363	5.9
<i>Total Southern Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>385 019</i>	<i>4 552</i>	<i>1.514</i>	<i>3 523</i>	<i>6.0</i>
<b>Greater Dandenong City (SSD)</b>					
Greater Dandenong (C) - Dandenong	57 935	815	1.832	440	6.8
Greater Dandenong (C) Balance	74 205	1 196	1.993	534	6.7
<i>Total Greater Dandenong City (SSD)</i>	<i>132 140</i>	<i>2 011</i>	<i>1.922</i>	<i>974</i>	<i>6.8</i>
<b>Southern Eastern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</b>					
Cardinia (S) - North	22 418	311	2.360	109	6.5
Cardinia (S) - Pakenham	15 881	305	2.031	103	5.6
Cardinia (S) - South	4 933	57	2.492	33	5.6
Casey (C) - Berwick	48 523	1 061	2.050	189	5.1
Casey (C) - Cranbourne	47 075	1 067	2.297	165	6.7
Casey (C) - Hallam	47 616	552	1.844	108	5.1
Casey (C) - South	10 405	111	1.760	35	5.5
<i>Total Southern Eastern Outer Melbourne (SSD)</i>	<i>196 851</i>	<i>3 464</i>	<i>2.081</i>	<i>742</i>	<i>5.7</i>

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<b>MELBOURNE SD</b> <i>continued</i>					
<b>Frankston City (SSD)</b>					
Frankston (C) - East	32 013	633	2.198	130	6.8
Frankston (C) - West	78 159	930	1.691	626	6.2
<i>Total Frankston City (SSD)</i>	<i>110 172</i>	<i>1 563</i>	<i>1.867</i>	<i>756</i>	<i>6.3</i>
<b>Mornington Peninsula Shire (SSD)</b>					
Mornington P'sula (S) - East	34 011	516	2.067	215	7.0
Mornington P'sula (S) - South	42 064	430	1.908	529	6.4
Mornington P'sula (S) - West	43 146	468	1.817	366	6.2
<i>Total Mornington Peninsula Shire (SSD)</i>	<i>119 221</i>	<i>1 414</i>	<i>1.923</i>	<i>1 110</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>TOTAL MELBOURNE (SD)</b>	<b>3 321 666</b>	<b>44 061</b>	<b>1.626</b>	<b>22 394</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>BARWON (SD)</b>					
<b>Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)</b>					
Bellarine - Inner	20 657	302	1.904	160	6.8
Corio - Inner	54 778	746	1.867	429	7.3
Geelong	11 993	164	1.760	141	7.4
Geelong West	14 185	169	1.588	186	7.0
Newtown	9 874	109	1.583	84	5.7
South Barwon - Inner	41 585	468	1.642	282	5.5
<i>Total Greater Geelong City Part (A) (SSD)</i>	<i>153 072</i>	<i>1 958</i>	<i>1.749</i>	<i>1 282</i>	<i>6.6</i>
<b>East Barwon (SSD)</b>					
Greater Geelong (C) - Part B	29 356	316	1.986	225	5.0
Queenscliffe (B)	3 419	34	1.941	61	7.5
Surf Coast (S) - East	10 028	123	1.682	60	5.7
Surf Coast (S) - West	8 057	112	2.369	64	5.2
<i>Total East Barwon (SSD)</i>	<i>50 860</i>	<i>585</i>	<i>1.969</i>	<i>410</i>	<i>5.4</i>
<b>West Barwon (SSD)</b>					
Colac-Otway (S) - Colac	10 306	135	2.038	128	6.9
Colac-Otway (S) - North	6 963	70	1.779	32	6.1
Colac-Otway (S) - South	3 363	48	2.451	24	5.7
Golden Plains (S) - North-West	6 704	76	1.938	23	5.8
Golden Plains (S) - South-East	7 117	77	1.909	29	4.8
Greater Geelong (C) - Part C	2 521	23	1.711	8	5.3
<i>Total West Barwon (SSD)</i>	<i>36 974</i>	<i>429</i>	<i>1.963</i>	<i>244</i>	<i>6.2</i>
<b>TOTAL BARWON (SD)</b>	<b>240 906</b>	<b>2 972</b>	<b>1.820</b>	<b>1 936</b>	<b>6.3</b>

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<b>STATISTICAL DIVISION (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD) and Statistical Local Area (SLA)</b>	<i>Estimated mid-year resident population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect standardised death rate(e)</i>
<b>WESTERN DISTRICT (SD)</b>					
<b>Hopkins (SSD)</b>					
Corangamite (S) - North	9 892	141	2.665	121	7.9
Corangamite (S) - South	7 820	124	2.378	65	7.4
Moyne (S) - North-East	2 870	18	1.703	21	5.5
Moyne (S) - North-West	3 090	30	2.010	22	6.5
Moyne (S) - South	10 491	137	2.119	88	6.3
Warrnambool (C)	27 791	418	1.971	239	6.7
Lady Julia Percy Island	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total Hopkins (SSD)</i>	<i>61 954</i>	<i>868</i>	<i>2.104</i>	<i>556</i>	<i>6.9</i>
<b>Glenelg (SSD)</b>					
Glenelg (S) - Heywood	6 197	58	1.780	45	5.9
Glenelg (S) - North	3 800	42	2.185	49	6.8
Glenelg (S) - Portland	10 724	173	2.329	101	8.3
South Grampians (S) - Hamilton	9 385	109	2.021	91	6.2
South Grampians (S) - Wannon	2 624	34	2.398	33	7.9
South Grampians (S) Balance	5 441	63	2.302	32	6.4
<i>Total Glenelg (SSD)</i>	<i>38 171</i>	<i>479</i>	<i>2.157</i>	<i>351</i>	<i>6.9</i>
<i>TOTAL WESTERN DISTRICT (SD)</i>	<i>100 125</i>	<i>1 347</i>	<i>2.118</i>	<i>907</i>	<i>6.9</i>
<b>CENTRAL HIGHLANDS (SD)</b>					
<b>Ballarat City (SSD)</b>					
Ballarat (C) - Central	34 941	486	1.831	465	8.2
Ballarat (C) - Inner North	23 294	285	1.835	121	6.0
Ballarat (C) - North	1 114	21	n.p.	8	n.p.
Ballarat (C) - South	20 281	283	1.874	137	6.7
<i>Total Ballarat City (SSD)</i>	<i>79 630</i>	<i>1 075</i>	<i>1.840</i>	<i>731</i>	<i>7.4</i>
<b>East Central Highlands (SSD)</b>					
Hepburn (S) - East	7 339	87	2.063	73	7.0
Hepburn (S) - West	6 721	57	1.987	74	7.1
Moorabool (S) - Bacchus Marsh	14 321	212	2.207	104	6.9
Moorabool (S) - Ballan	5 342	78	2.277	36	6.7
Moorabool (S) - West	3 603	43	2.184	19	6.8
<i>Total East Central Highlands (SSD)</i>	<i>37 326</i>	<i>477</i>	<i>2.137</i>	<i>306</i>	<i>7.0</i>
<b>West Central Highlands (SSD)</b>					
Ararat (RC)	11 560	143	2.236	114	6.8
Pyrenees (S) - North	3 564	28	2.205	35	6.2
Pyrenees (S) - South	3 363	45	2.450	24	5.4
<i>Total West Central Highlands (SSD)</i>	<i>18 487</i>	<i>216</i>	<i>2.265</i>	<i>173</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<i>TOTAL CENTRAL HIGHLANDS (SD)</i>	<i>135 443</i>	<i>1 768</i>	<i>1.952</i>	<i>1 210</i>	<i>7.1</i>

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<b>WIMMERA SD</b>					
<b>South Wimmera (SSD)</b>					
Horsham (RC) - Central	13 143	200	2.084	130	6.2
Horsham (RC) Balance	4 792	57	2.332	19	4.7
N. Grampians (S) - St Arnaud	3 995	52	2.845	46	7.4
N. Grampians (S) - Stawell	9 394	110	1.861	88	6.7
West Wimmera (S)	5 117	56	2.121	46	6.9
<i>Total South Wimmera (SSD)</i>	<i>36 441</i>	<i>475</i>	<i>2.115</i>	<i>329</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>North Wimmera (SSD)</b>					
Hindmarsh (S) -	6 832	88	2.450	90	6.6
Yarriambiack (S) - North	2 584	43	2.807	34	6.8
Yarriambiack (S) - South	6 170	64	2.104	83	6.5
<i>Total North Wimmera (SSD)</i>	<i>15 586</i>	<i>195</i>	<i>2.366</i>	<i>207</i>	<i>6.6</i>
<b>TOTAL WIMMERA (SD)</b>	<b>52 027</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>2.179</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>6.5</b>
<b>MALLEE (SD)</b>					
<b>Mildura Rural City Part A (SSD)</b>					
Mildura (RC) - Part A	41 834	695	2.354	357	7.1
<b>West Mallee (SSD)</b>					
Buloke (S) - North	3 963	37	1.993	38	6.5
Buloke (S) - South	3 885	32	2.105	36	6.8
Mildura (RC) - Part B	4 625	68	2.400	36	6.5
<i>Total West Mallee (SSD)</i>	<i>12 473</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>2.199</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>6.6</i>
<b>East Mallee (SSD)</b>					
Gannawarra (S)	12 430	154	2.294	127	6.2
Swan Hill (RC) - Central	9 467	168	2.313	114	8.2
Swan Hill (RC) - Robinvale	3 988	57	2.217	26	6.6
Swan Hill (RC) Balance	7 398	84	2.522	67	7.0
<i>Total East Mallee (SSD)</i>	<i>33 283</i>	<i>463</i>	<i>2.324</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>7.0</i>
<b>TOTAL MALLEE (SD)</b>	<b>87 590</b>	<b>1 295</b>	<b>2.323</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>7.0</b>
<b>LODDON (SD)</b>					
<b>Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)</b>					
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Central	19 199	299	1.950	288	8.5
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Eaglehawk	8 668	150	2.221	72	6.1
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Inner East	21 117	198	1.508	156	5.5
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Inner North	7 854	87	1.993	37	8.0
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Inner West	13 364	199	2.022	85	5.5
Gr. Bendigo (C) - Strathfieldsaye	4 626	80	2.274	15	6.2
<i>Total Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)</i>	<i>74 828</i>	<i>1 013</i>	<i>1.867</i>	<i>653</i>	<i>6.7</i>

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<b>LODDON (SD) <i>continued</i></b>					
<b>North Loddon (SSD)</b>					
Central Goldfields (S) - Maryborough	7 730	93	2.107	109	7.0
Central Goldfields (S) Balance	5 149	51	2.086	39	6.3
Greater Bendigo (C) - Part B	10 408	108	2.042	62	5.8
Loddon (S) - North	3 897	51	2.250	31	5.3
Loddon (S) - South	5 184	43	2.067	59	6.3
Mount Alexander (S) - C'maine	7 145	69	1.885	115	7.3
Mount Alexander (S) Balance	9 649	111	2.102	70	5.5
<i>Total North Loddon (SSD)</i>	<i>49 162</i>	<i>526</i>	<i>2.071</i>	<i>485</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>South Loddon (SSD)</b>					
Macedon Ranges (S) - Kyneton	7 811	110	2.221	67	7.5
Macedon Ranges (S) - Romsey	9 322	111	2.120	35	5.8
Macedon Ranges (S) Balance	17 533	216	2.085	83	5.5
<i>Total South Loddon (SSD)</i>	<i>34 666</i>	<i>437</i>	<i>2.134</i>	<i>185</i>	<i>6.2</i>
<b>TOTAL LODDON SD</b>	<b>158 656</b>	<b>1 976</b>	<b>1.969</b>	<b>1 323</b>	<b>6.5</b>
<b>GOULBURN (SD)</b>					
<b>Greater Shepparton City Part A (SSD)</b>					
Greater Shepparton (C) - Part A	41 387	582	1.961	295	6.1
<b>North Goulburn (SSD)</b>					
Campaspe (S) - Echuca	10 450	140	2.213	138	7.1
Campaspe (S) - Kyabram	12 420	183	2.366	105	6.9
Campaspe (S) - Rochester	8 368	127	2.576	48	5.5
Campaspe (S) - South	3 872	46	2.401	39	7.0
Greater Shepparton (C) - Part B East	4 265	93	n.p.	27	6.4
Greater Shepparton (C) - Part B West	8 951	130	2.210	60	6.7
Moira (S) - East	7 673	84	2.119	55	4.8
Moira (S) - West	18 236	253	2.438	169	7.2
<i>Total North Goulburn (SSD)</i>	<i>74 235</i>	<i>1 056</i>	<i>2.396</i>	<i>641</i>	<i>6.6</i>
<b>South Goulburn (SSD)</b>					
Delatite (S) - Benalla	9 084	113	2.182	102	6.9
Delatite (S) - North	4 806	30	1.574	21	4.2
Delatite (S) - South	6 418	64	1.757	58	6.0
Strathbogie (S)	9 373	97	2.268	109	6.7
<i>Total South Goulburn (SSD)</i>	<i>29 681</i>	<i>304</i>	<i>2.030</i>	<i>290</i>	<i>6.4</i>
<b>South West Goulburn (SSD)</b>					
Mitchell (S) - North	11 176	186	2.342	74	6.3
Mitchell (S) - South	14 713	215	2.253	68	6.5
Murrindindi (S) - East	6 110	59	2.125	52	5.7
Murrindindi (S) - West	6 839	97	2.009	50	6.3
<i>Total South West Goulburn (SSD)</i>	<i>38 838</i>	<i>557</i>	<i>2.227</i>	<i>244</i>	<i>6.2</i>
<b>TOTAL GOULBURN SD</b>	<b>184 141</b>	<b>2 499</b>	<b>2.192</b>	<b>1 470</b>	<b>6.4</b>

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<b>OVENS-MURRAY (SD)</b>					
<i>Wodonga (SSD)</i>					
Indigo (S) - Part A	10 763	115	2.094	91	6.8
Towong (S) - Part A	2 489	38	2.450	33	7.9
Wodonga (RC)	30 562	500	2.033	175	6.9
<i>Total Wodonga (SSD)</i>	<i>43 814</i>	<i>653</i>	<i>2.056</i>	<i>299</i>	<i>7.0</i>
<b>West Ovens-Murray (SSD)</b>					
Indigo (S) - Part B	3 573	48	2.307	42	7.2
Wangaratta (RC) - Central	16 138	238	1.979	187	7.7
Wangaratta (RC) - North	3 919	25	1.659	17	n.p.
Wangaratta (RC) - South	5 892	62	2.027	37	5.6
<i>Total West Ovens-Murray (SSD)</i>	<i>29 522</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>1.992</i>	<i>283</i>	<i>6.7</i>
<b>East Ovens-Murray (SSD)</b>					
Alpine (S) - East	7 566	69	1.771	63	6.8
Alpine (S) - West	4 788	64	2.313	39	7.7
Towong (S) - Part B	4 008	44	2.386	35	5.9
<i>Total East Ovens-Murray (SSD)</i>	<i>16 362</i>	<i>177</i>	<i>2.041</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>6.8</i>
<b>TOTAL OVENS-MURRAY SD</b>	<b>89 698</b>	<b>1 203</b>	<b>2.034</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>6.8</b>
<b>EAST GIPPSLAND (SD)</b>					
<b>East Gippsland Shire (SSD)</b>					
East Gippsland (S) - Bairnsdale	24 472	274	2.237	277	7.1
East Gippsland (S) - Orbost	8 571	96	2.197	55	5.5
East Gippsland (S) - South-West	3 478	29	1.654	12	5.9
East Gippsland (S) Balance	2 811	27	2.210	15	5.6
<i>Total East Gippsland Shire (SSD)</i>	<i>39 332</i>	<i>426</i>	<i>2.177</i>	<i>359</i>	<i>6.6</i>
<b>Wellington Shire (SSD)</b>					
Wellington (S) - Alberton	5 930	51	1.905	57	7.2
Wellington (S) - Avon	4 249	45	1.923	27	8.0
Wellington (S) - Maffra	10 419	130	2.297	99	7.4
Wellington (S) - Rosedale	7 366	81	2.286	40	8.8
Wellington (S) - Sale	13 706	190	1.950	91	5.5
<i>Total Wellington Shire (SSD)</i>	<i>41 670</i>	<i>497</i>	<i>2.071</i>	<i>314</i>	<i>7.0</i>
<b>TOTAL EAST GIPPSLAND (SD)</b>	<b>81 002</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>2.120</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>6.8</b>
<b>GIPPSLAND (SD)</b>					
<b>La Trobe Valley (SSD)</b>					
Baw Baw (S) - Part A	4 338	56	2.369	25	6.6
La Trobe (S) - Moe	18 923	264	2.056	184	8.0
La Trobe (S) - Morwell	23 718	319	1.845	167	7.7
La Trobe (S) - Traralgon	25 715	395	1.941	152	6.7
La Trobe (S) Balance	2 690	20	1.689	3	n.p.
Yallourn Works Area	12	—	—	—	—
<i>Total La Trobe Valley (SSD)</i>	<i>75 396</i>	<i>1 055</i>	<i>1.951</i>	<i>531</i>	<i>7.3</i>

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<b>GIPPSLAND (SD) <i>continued</i></b>					
<b>West Gippsland (SSD)</b>					
Baw Baw (S) - Part B East	4 198	58	2.232	19	4.5
Baw Baw (S) - Part B West	26 057	334	2.094	192	6.6
Yarra Ranges (S) - Part B	735	9	n.p.	—	n.p.
<i>Total West Gippsland (SSD)</i>	30 990	401	2.120	213	6.4
<b>South Gippsland (SSD)</b>					
Bass Coast (S) - Phillip Island	6 191	58	1.979	54	5.5
Bass Coast (S) Balance	15 698	166	2.123	197	7.4
South Gippsland (S) - Central	12 258	148	2.134	104	6.7
South Gippsland (S) - East	5 857	70	2.250	57	7.0
South Gippsland (S) - West	7 432	101	2.173	65	6.8
French Island	71	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
Bass Strait Islands	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total South Gippsland (SSD)</i>	47 508	544	2.131	477	6.8
<b>TOTAL GIPPSLAND (SD)</b>	153 894	2 000	2.027	1 221	6.9
<b>VICTORIA(f)</b>	<b>4 605 148</b>	<b>60 714</b>	<b>1.712</b>	<b>33 190</b>	<b>6.3</b>

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



## SECTION 2

## POPULATION .....

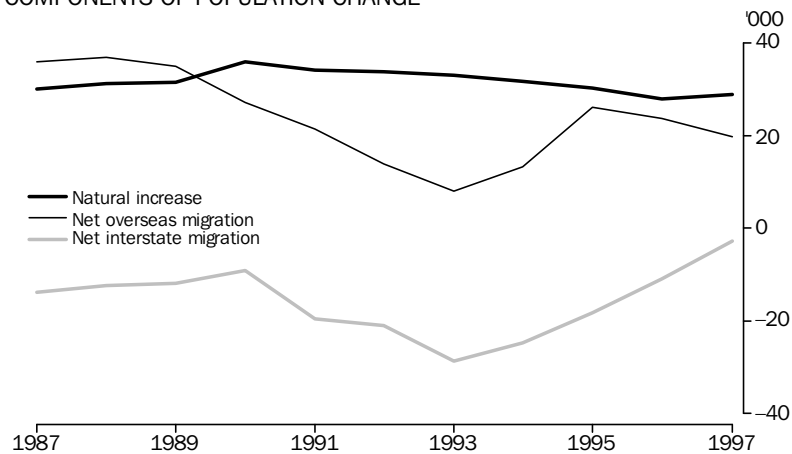
### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

The estimated resident population of Victoria at 31 December 1997 was 4,627,300, an increase of 9.3% over the 1987 figure. The population comprised 2,284,900 males and 2,342,400 females.

### POPULATION CHANGE

In 1997 the population of Victoria increased by 46,052 persons (or 1.0%). This was due to gains of 28,978 from natural increase, 19,774 from net overseas migration (permanent and long-term) and a loss of 2,700 from net interstate migration. The following graph shows the contribution of the three components of change in the total population of Victoria since 1987.

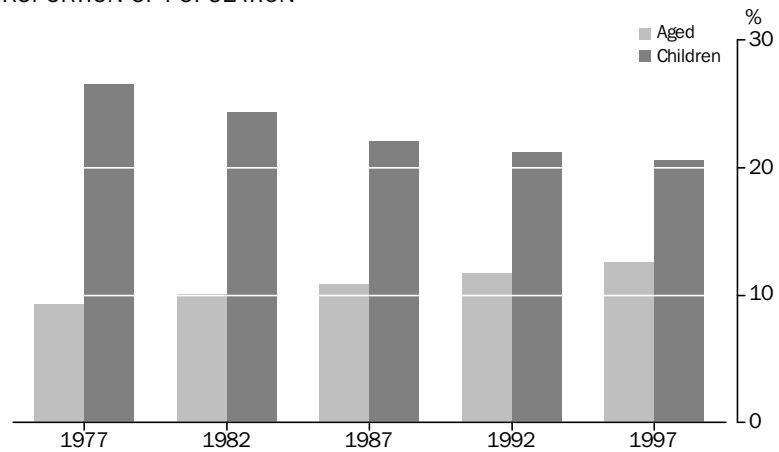
COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE



### AGE DISTRIBUTION

Estimated resident population by age at 30 June 1997 shows the continuance of the trend toward an ageing of the State's population. In 1997 the proportion of aged persons (those aged 65 years and over) in Victoria was 12.6% compared to 9.0% in 1977. In contrast, the proportion of children (persons aged less than 15 years) in Victoria is decreasing. In 1997 the proportion of children in Victoria was 20.6% while the figure for 1977 was 26.7%.

PROPORTION OF POPULATION



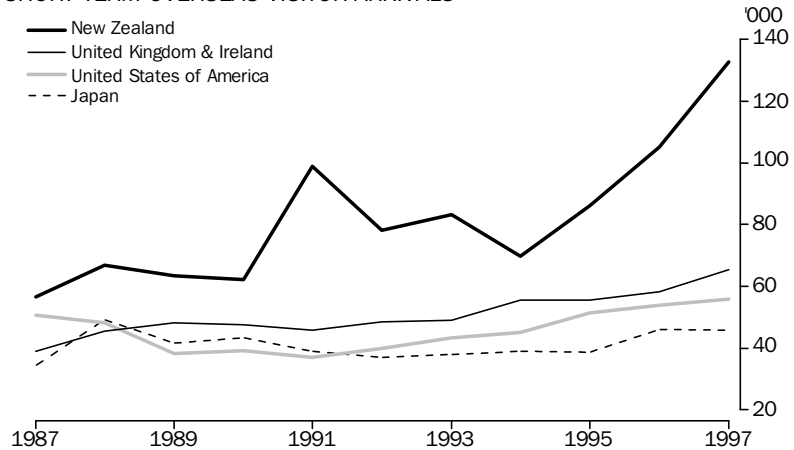
TOURISM

The impact of tourism to and from Australia is reflected in statistics of short-term movement (i.e. overseas arrivals and departures for less than 12 months). In 1997, there were 606,900 short-term visitors to Victoria and 699,700 Victorian residents departing for overseas for a period of less than 12 months. The corresponding figures for 1987 were 298,400 and 401,000 respectively.

In 1997, the major source countries of overseas visitors to Victoria were New Zealand (21.9%), United Kingdom (including Ireland) (10.8%), United States of America (9.2%) and Japan (7.6%).

Almost half the increase in overseas visitors from New Zealand between 1996 and 1997 occurred in July. Some of this increase could be attributed to attendance at the Bledisloe Cup match played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

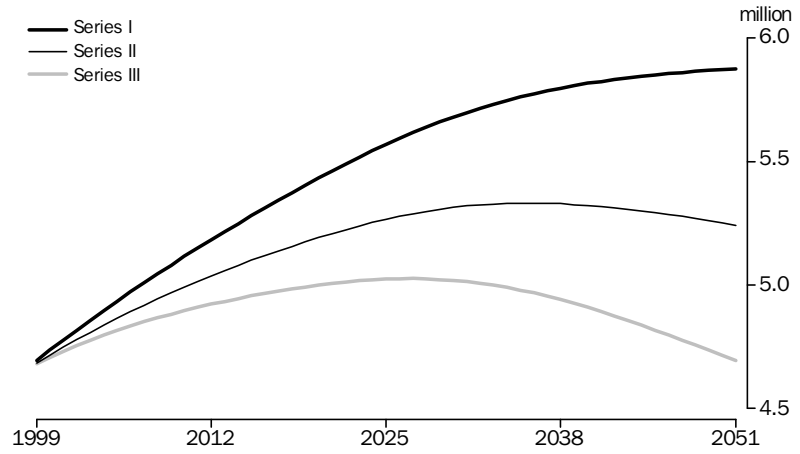
SHORT-TERM OVERSEAS VISITOR ARRIVALS



POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Projections vary depending on different assumptions about fertility, mortality and migration (both overseas and interstate). Based on the current rates (Series II), it is projected that the Victorian population will rise from 4.69 million in 1999 to 5.33 million in 2036 and then decline to 5.24 million in 2051.

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS



## 2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

Particulars	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>Estimated resident population at 31 December ('000)</b>							
Males	2 102.8	2 211.5	2 216.2	2 225.6	2 243.3	2 262.5	2 284.9
Females	2 132.2	2 253.9	2 262.6	2 274.7	2 296.5	2 318.8	2 342.4
Persons	4 234.9	4 465.4	4 478.8	4 500.4	4 539.8	4 581.3	4 627.3
<b>Components of population change(b)</b>							
<b>Net natural increase(c)</b>							
Number	29 958	33 817	33 015	31 784	30 191	27 850	28 978
% of total annual growth	58.6	121.1	246.0	147.7	76.5	67.2	62.9
<b>Net overseas migration(d)</b>							
Number	36 004	13 988	7 997	13 333	26 176	23 720	19 774
% of total annual growth	70.5	50.1	59.6	62.0	66.4	57.2	42.9
<b>Net interstate migration</b>							
Number	-13 865	-21 011	-28 718	-24 750	-18 205	-10 809	-2 700
% of total annual growth	-27.1	-75.2	-214	-115	-46.2	-26.1	-5.9
<b>Total population growth</b>							
Number	51 103	27 936	13 420	21 519	39 442	41 455	46 052
Annual growth rate (%) <sup>(e)</sup>	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.9	1.0
<b>Overseas arrivals and departures(f)</b>							
<b>Permanent movement</b>							
Arrivals	32 980	23 740	15 510	17 810	22 060	20 250	16 330
Departures	4 130	6 170	6 140	5 600	5 680	5 580	6 110
Former settlers	2 200	2 970	2 770	2 520	2 500	2 440	2 700
Other Australian residents	1 930	3 200	3 370	3 090	3 180	3 140	3 400
<b>Long-term movement</b>							
Arrivals	22 390	29 290	29 970	32 580	36 700	40 070	43 040
Australian residents returning	13 420	15 420	16 980	18 380	19 220	19 220	19 400
Overseas visitors arriving	8 970	13 870	12 980	14 210	17 490	20 850	23 640
Departures	18 200	27 280	26 360	25 810	27 220	29 760	33 430
Australian residents departing	12 010	16 540	16 040	15 760	16 800	17 150	18 450
Overseas visitors departing	6 180	10 740	10 320	10 050	10 420	12 610	14 990
<b>Short-term movement</b>							
Arrivals	694 900	876 700	905 200	967 700	1 051 000	1 168 300	1 292 500
Australian residents returning	396 500	514 900	507 200	529 000	570 800	625 200	685 600
Overseas visitors arriving	298 400	361 900	398 000	438 700	480 200	543 100	606 900
Departures	648 900	860 100	889 800	935 400	1 044 500	1 162 800	1 284 300
Australian residents departing	401 000	534 700	529 600	542 000	593 200	641 600	699 700
Overseas visitors departing	248 000	325 500	360 200	393 300	451 300	521 200	584 600

(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—At 30 June 1997

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	31 276	29 664	60 940	50	32 828	32 353	65 181
1	31 333	29 992	61 325	51	27 673	26 990	54 663
2	32 699	31 066	63 765	52	26 493	26 160	52 653
3	32 827	31 087	63 914	53	25 523	25 321	50 844
4	32 666	31 195	63 861	54	23 505	23 023	46 528
0–4	160 801	153 004	313 805	50–54	136 022	133 847	269 869
5	32 825	30 808	63 633	55	23 123	22 522	45 645
6	33 225	31 679	64 904	56	22 321	21 669	43 990
7	33 156	31 812	64 968	57	21 580	21 186	42 766
8	32 380	30 794	63 174	58	20 723	20 513	41 236
9	32 162	30 817	62 979	59	20 026	20 379	40 405
5–9	163 748	155 910	319 658	55–59	107 773	106 269	214 042
10	32 007	30 459	62 466	60	19 501	19 478	38 979
11	32 203	30 790	62 993	61	18 650	19 142	37 792
12	32 022	30 951	62 973	62	17 650	18 371	36 021
13	32 117	30 761	62 878	63	17 982	18 494	36 476
14	32 393	30 660	63 053	64	17 319	18 218	35 537
10–14	160 742	153 621	314 363	60–64	91 102	93 703	184 805
15	32 011	30 786	62 797	65	17 251	17 608	34 859
16	32 226	30 972	63 198	66	17 968	18 882	36 850
17	32 202	30 573	62 775	67	17 168	18 244	35 412
18	32 699	30 909	63 608	68	16 837	17 881	34 718
19	33 405	31 437	64 842	69	16 345	17 890	34 235
15–19	162 543	154 677	317 220	65–69	85 569	90 505	176 074
20	33 391	32 140	65 531	70	15 804	17 732	33 536
21	33 793	32 762	66 555	71	15 383	18 062	33 445
22	34 800	34 104	68 904	72	13 967	16 730	30 697
23	35 193	34 547	69 740	73	13 748	16 974	30 722
24	35 882	35 334	71 216	74	12 565	16 281	28 846
20–24	173 059	168 887	341 946	70–74	71 467	85 779	157 246
25	37 164	37 443	74 607	75	11 983	15 554	27 537
26	37 850	38 758	76 608	76	11 366	15 163	26 529
27	36 331	36 720	73 051	77	9 896	13 657	23 553
28	36 344	36 925	73 269	78	7 481	10 854	18 335
29	35 289	35 901	71 190	79	6 988	10 495	17 483
25–29	182 978	185 747	368 725	75–79	47 714	65 723	113 437
30	34 284	35 000	69 284	80	6 720	10 141	16 861
31	34 429	35 588	70 017	81	6 164	9 917	16 081
32	35 214	35 945	71 159	82	5 483	9 331	14 814
33	36 442	36 907	73 349	83	5 193	9 130	14 323
34	36 649	37 218	73 867	84	4 417	7 954	12 371
30–34	177 018	180 658	357 676	80–84	27 977	46 473	74 450
35	36 799	37 303	74 102	85	3 673	7 127	10 800
36	37 478	37 620	75 098	86	3 009	6 176	9 185
37	36 177	37 243	73 420	87	2 546	5 424	7 970
38	35 912	35 950	71 862	88	1 932	4 220	6 152
39	35 347	35 869	71 216	89	1 564	3 676	5 240
35–39	181 713	183 985	365 698	85–89	12 724	26 623	39 347
40	34 554	35 192	69 746	90	1 181	3 072	4 253
41	34 692	34 848	69 540	91	873	2 494	3 367
42	33 392	34 390	67 782	92	671	1 956	2 627
43	33 517	34 207	67 724	93	505	1 553	2 058
44	33 086	33 809	66 895	94	402	1 246	1 648
40–44	169 241	172 446	341 687	90–94	3 632	10 321	13 953
45	31 697	32 021	63 718	95 and over	905	3 177	4 082
46	31 951	32 791	64 742				
47	31 629	32 017	63 646	<b>Total</b>	<b>2 274 291</b>	<b>2 330 857</b>	<b>4 605 148</b>
48	30 669	30 773	61 442				
49	31 617	31 900	63 517				
45–49	157 563	159 502	317 065				

## 2.3 PROJECTED POPULATION

At 30 June	SERIES I(a).....			SERIES II(a).....			SERIES III(a).....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1999	2 318 075	2 376 219	4 694 294	2 313 821	2 371 849	4 685 670	2 311 246	2 369 445	4 680 691
2000	2 338 331	2 397 386	4 735 717	2 329 296	2 388 189	4 717 485	2 323 691	2 382 962	4 706 653
2001	2 358 348	2 418 276	4 776 624	2 344 440	2 404 157	4 748 597	2 335 511	2 395 828	4 731 339
2002	2 378 104	2 438 866	4 816 970	2 359 231	2 419 731	4 778 962	2 346 682	2 408 034	4 754 716
2003	2 397 578	2 459 149	4 856 727	2 373 655	2 434 899	4 808 554	2 357 213	2 419 550	4 776 763
2004	2 416 777	2 479 092	4 895 869	2 387 705	2 449 649	4 837 354	2 367 091	2 430 380	4 797 471
2005	2 435 667	2 498 716	4 934 383	2 401 364	2 463 987	4 865 351	2 376 306	2 440 531	4 816 837
2006	2 454 241	2 518 013	4 972 254	2 414 630	2 477 913	4 892 543	2 384 846	2 450 018	4 834 864
2007	2 472 376	2 536 952	5 009 328	2 427 375	2 491 404	4 918 779	2 392 728	2 458 936	4 851 664
2008	2 490 079	2 555 559	5 045 638	2 439 612	2 504 488	4 944 100	2 400 116	2 467 412	4 867 528
2009	2 507 366	2 573 837	5 081 203	2 451 369	2 517 168	4 968 537	2 406 996	2 475 488	4 882 484
2010	2 524 259	2 591 801	5 116 060	2 462 663	2 529 474	4 992 137	2 413 406	2 483 176	4 896 582
2011	2 540 784	2 609 474	5 150 258	2 473 525	2 541 431	5 014 956	2 419 380	2 490 496	4 909 876
2012	2 556 952	2 626 894	5 183 846	2 483 987	2 553 072	5 037 059	2 424 933	2 497 493	4 922 426
2013	2 572 801	2 644 069	5 216 870	2 494 088	2 564 412	5 058 500	2 430 115	2 504 168	4 934 283
2014	2 588 343	2 661 020	5 249 363	2 503 837	2 575 482	5 079 319	2 434 937	2 510 555	4 945 492
2015	2 603 601	2 677 751	5 281 352	2 513 260	2 586 289	5 099 549	2 439 424	2 516 656	4 956 080
2016	2 618 581	2 694 269	5 312 850	2 522 379	2 596 831	5 119 210	2 443 578	2 522 486	4 966 064
2017	2 633 264	2 710 586	5 343 850	2 531 165	2 607 136	5 138 301	2 447 386	2 528 056	4 975 442
2018	2 647 659	2 726 675	5 374 334	2 539 626	2 617 182	5 156 808	2 450 848	2 533 346	4 984 194
2019	2 661 736	2 742 529	5 404 265	2 547 739	2 626 959	5 174 698	2 453 944	2 538 343	4 992 287
2020	2 675 465	2 758 130	5 433 595	2 555 475	2 636 451	5 191 926	2 456 648	2 543 023	4 999 671
2021	2 688 821	2 773 441	5 462 262	2 562 807	2 645 626	5 208 433	2 458 931	2 547 351	5 006 282
2022	2 701 773	2 788 430	5 490 203	2 569 716	2 654 440	5 224 156	2 460 756	2 551 296	5 012 052
2023	2 714 286	2 803 067	5 517 353	2 576 158	2 662 873	5 239 031	2 462 085	2 554 821	5 016 906
2024	2 726 336	2 817 307	5 543 643	2 582 106	2 670 885	5 252 991	2 462 882	2 557 884	5 020 766
2025	2 737 875	2 831 128	5 569 003	2 587 528	2 678 441	5 265 969	2 463 119	2 560 430	5 023 549
2026	2 748 887	2 844 478	5 593 365	2 592 398	2 685 502	5 277 900	2 462 746	2 562 429	5 025 175
2027	2 759 341	2 857 325	5 616 666	2 596 689	2 692 032	5 288 721	2 461 725	2 563 847	5 025 572
2028	2 769 213	2 869 642	5 638 855	2 600 371	2 698 014	5 298 385	2 460 045	2 564 629	5 024 674
2029	2 778 501	2 881 389	5 659 890	2 603 455	2 703 393	5 306 848	2 457 685	2 564 744	5 022 429
2030	2 787 186	2 892 556	5 679 742	2 605 923	2 708 163	5 314 086	2 454 627	2 564 172	5 018 799
2031	2 795 287	2 903 110	5 698 397	2 607 786	2 712 300	5 320 086	2 450 881	2 562 880	5 013 761
2032	2 802 820	2 913 031	5 715 851	2 609 056	2 715 790	5 324 846	2 446 460	2 560 848	5 007 308
2033	2 809 802	2 922 318	5 732 120	2 609 756	2 718 626	5 328 382	2 441 377	2 558 081	4 999 458
2034	2 816 255	2 930 969	5 747 224	2 609 923	2 720 797	5 330 720	2 435 668	2 554 569	4 990 237
2035	2 822 208	2 938 990	5 761 198	2 609 584	2 722 315	5 331 899	2 429 372	2 550 325	4 979 697
2036	2 827 695	2 946 394	5 774 089	2 608 752	2 723 214	5 331 966	2 422 519	2 545 379	4 967 898
2037	2 832 736	2 953 203	5 785 939	2 607 472	2 723 502	5 330 974	2 415 158	2 539 751	4 954 909
2038	2 837 364	2 959 438	5 796 802	2 605 778	2 723 203	5 328 981	2 407 325	2 533 481	4 940 806
2039	2 841 621	2 965 118	5 806 739	2 603 711	2 722 340	5 326 051	2 399 067	2 526 607	4 925 674
2040	2 845 535	2 970 273	5 815 808	2 601 297	2 720 954	5 322 251	2 390 435	2 519 164	4 909 599
2041	2 849 144	2 974 928	5 824 072	2 598 581	2 719 064	5 317 645	2 381 469	2 511 201	4 892 670
2042	2 852 478	2 979 118	5 831 596	2 595 587	2 716 719	5 312 306	2 372 203	2 502 771	4 874 974
2043	2 855 551	2 982 895	5 838 446	2 592 354	2 713 949	5 306 303	2 362 702	2 493 895	4 856 597
2044	2 858 408	2 986 278	5 844 686	2 588 908	2 710 803	5 299 711	2 352 979	2 484 643	4 837 622
2045	2 861 069	2 989 306	5 850 375	2 585 286	2 707 309	5 292 595	2 343 085	2 475 038	4 818 123
2046	2 863 559	2 992 016	5 855 575	2 581 502	2 703 516	5 285 018	2 333 044	2 465 127	4 798 171
2047	2 865 894	2 994 448	5 860 342	2 577 584	2 699 456	5 277 040	2 322 869	2 454 956	4 777 825
2048	2 868 095	2 996 613	5 864 708	2 573 553	2 695 147	5 268 700	2 312 591	2 444 538	4 757 129
2049	2 870 174	2 998 552	5 868 726	2 569 426	2 690 627	5 260 053	2 302 217	2 433 918	4 736 135
2050	2 872 138	3 000 292	5 872 430	2 565 205	2 685 937	5 251 142	2 291 765	2 423 114	4 714 879
2051	2 874 008	3 001 839	5 875 847	2 560 914	2 681 081	5 241 995	2 281 236	2 412 152	4 693 388

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

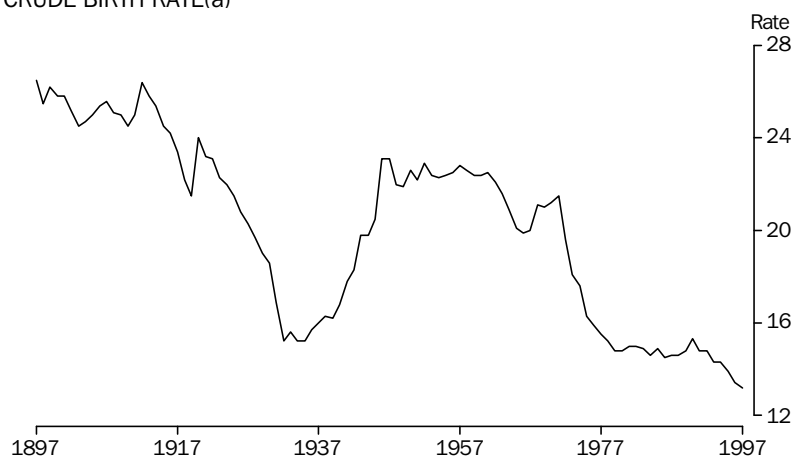
## SECTION 3

## BIRTHS REGISTERED .....

### SUMMARY

In 1997 there were 60,704 live births registered (in Australia) to mothers whose usual residence was in Victoria and 28 births registered in Victoria where the usual residence of the mother was overseas or unknown. The crude birth rate was 13.2 births per 1,000 of the total population. The sex ratio was 106 males born for every 100 females. The *total fertility rate*, expressed as the number of children one woman would expect to bear during her child-bearing lifetime, was 1.7 the same as in 1996. This is lower than the Australian total fertility rate of just under 1.8 children per woman and is the second lowest in the country.

### CRUDE BIRTH RATE(a)



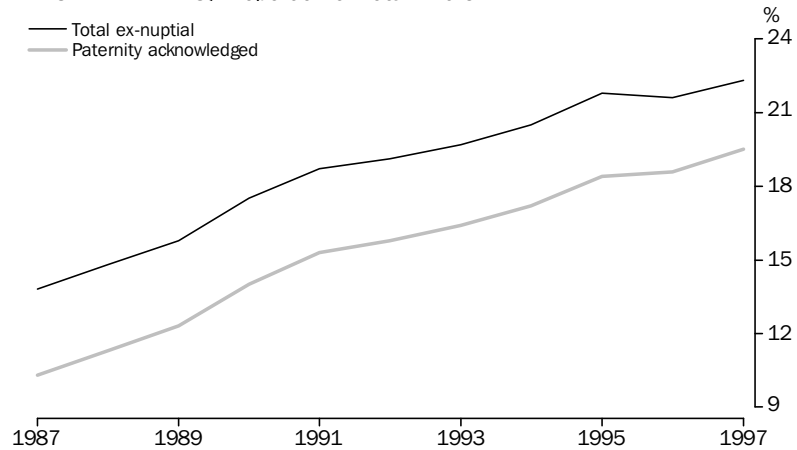
(a) Per 1,000 population.

### EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS

There were 13,541 ex-nuptial births registered in 1997. The proportion of ex-nuptial births to total births increased slightly from 21.6% in 1996 to 22.3% in 1997. This proportion varied considerably across the Statistical Divisions in Victoria — ranging from 19.3% in Wimmera to 32.9% in East Gippsland; the comparative figures for Melbourne Statistical Division and the remainder of Victoria were 20.0% and 28.3% respectively.

Within the Melbourne Statistical Division which accounted for 65.0% of all ex-nuptial births in Victoria, the proportion amongst local government areas ranged from about 11.0% each in Manningham City and Boroondara City to about 30.0% each in Frankston City and Mornington Peninsula Shire.

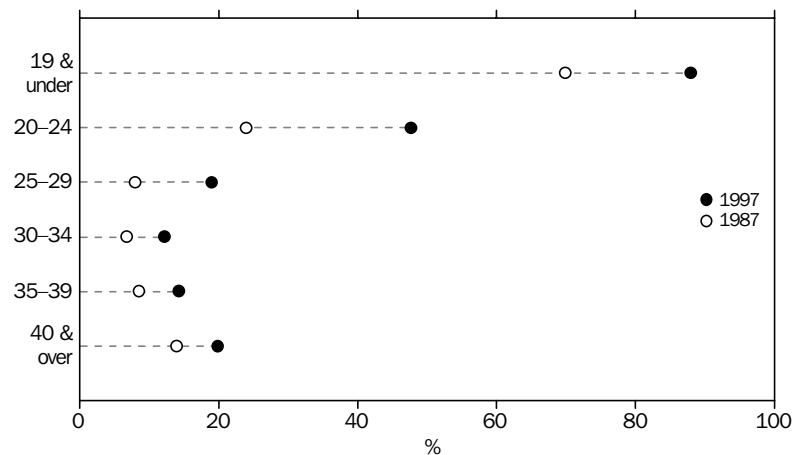
EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS. Proportion of Total Births



TEENAGE MOTHERS

The highest proportion of ex-nuptial confinements occur to younger women. In 1997, 88.0% of the 1,902 confinements occurring to teenage mothers were ex-nuptial. This proportion decreased to 48.0% for women in the 20–24 year age group and to 12.0% for women in the 30–34 year age group. The proportion of ex-nuptial births to total births for mothers at each age is shown in the following chart.

EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS, Proportion of Total Births—By Age of Mother



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The proportion of ex-nuptial births where the father is acknowledged has steadily increased from 75.0% in 1987 to 88.0% in 1997 (20.0% of total births).

MULTIPLE BIRTHS

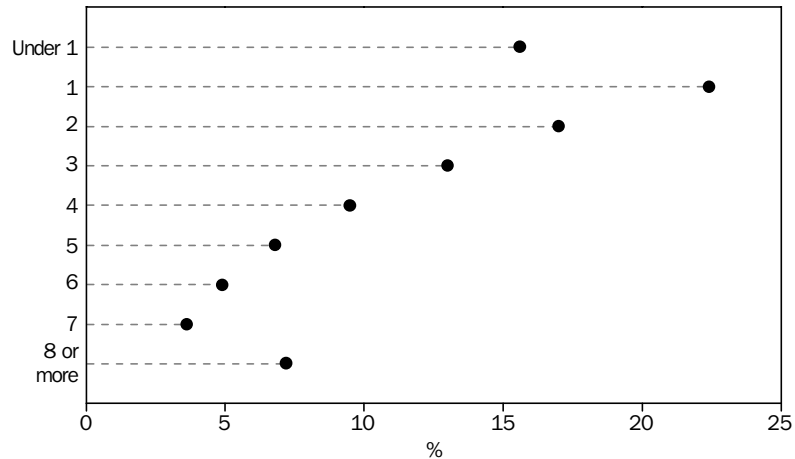
The 60,732 Victorian births resulted from 59,804 confinements of which 916 confinements gave rise to multiple births (1 in every 65 confinements). This included 890 sets of twins, which was a slightly higher proportion (1.5%) of total confinements than was the case in 1996. In 1997, 26 sets of triplets were born.



### NUPTIAL FIRST BIRTHS (TO CURRENT MARRIAGE)

The highest proportion of nuptial first births occurred during the second year of marriage (22.0%), while 17.0% occurred in the third year and another 16.0% within the first year. More than 7.0% of mothers had their first child of their current marriage after eight or more years of marriage. The median age of mothers at the birth of the first child of their current marriage continues to increase steadily, and reached 29.3 years in 1997. Mothers aged 30 years and over contributed 44.0% of nuptial first births in 1997, compared with 25.0% in 1987.

NUPTIAL FIRST CONFINEMENTS, Duration of Marriage Years



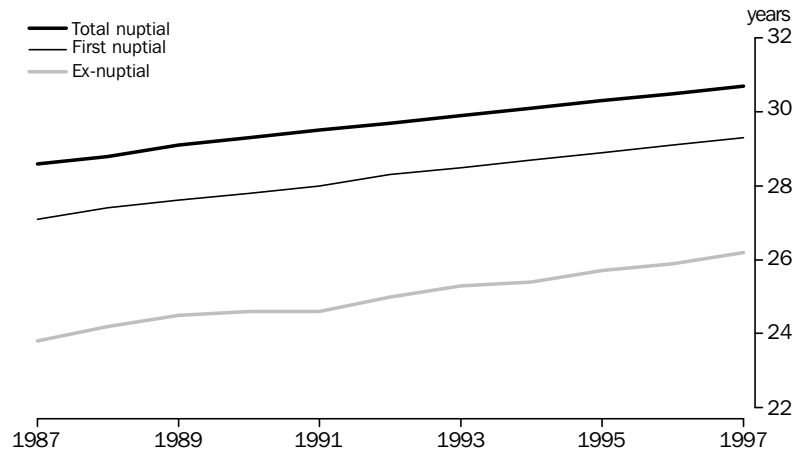
### PREVIOUS CHILDREN

In 1997, 41.0% of married mothers had no previous children, while 36.0% of married mothers had one previous child. The average number of children per mother (including the current birth) was 1.9 which has varied only marginally since 1987.

### MEDIAN AGES OF PARENTS (NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS)

The median ages of both parents in nuptial confinements have continued to increase and maintains the trend that has been in evidence in the past two decades. In 1997, the median age of parents at the birth of a child was 30.7 years for married mothers and 33.0 years for married fathers.

#### MEDIAN AGE OF MOTHER



COUNTRY OF BIRTH OF PARENTS

Of all nuptial confinements registered in 1997, 62.0% were to parents who were both born in Australia, 15.0% were to parents born in the same overseas country and 19.0% were where one parent was born in Australia and the other parent was born overseas. The remaining 4.0% were to parents who were born in different overseas countries.

### 3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
BIRTHS							
<b>Total births</b>	<b>61 507</b>	<b>65 766</b>	<b>64 049</b>	<b>63 974</b>	<b>62 591</b>	<b>61 143</b>	<b>60 732</b>
Males	31 605	33 691	32 793	32 904	32 108	31 587	31 248
Females	29 902	32 075	31 256	31 070	30 483	29 556	29 484
Sex ratio	105.7	105.0	104.9	105.9	105.3	106.9	106.0
Nuptial births	53 027	53 175	51 420	50 860	48 962	47 933	47 191
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	8 480	12 591	12 629	13 114	13 629	13 210	13 541
Percentage of total live births	13.8	19.1	19.7	20.5	21.8	21.6	22.3
Paternity-acknowledged births							
Number	6 316	10 372	10 514	11 034	11 527	11 367	11 853
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	74.5	82.4	83.3	84.1	84.6	86.0	87.5
Crude birth rate	14.6	14.8	14.3	14.3	13.9	13.4	13.2
Age-specific birth rate							
Age group (years)							
15–19	14.7	14.7	13.8	14.2	13.8	12.8	12.4
20–24	73.0	61.7	57.9	57.6	54.6	51.0	49.6
25–29	139.4	130.0	126.9	123.1	118.4	112.0	108.0
30–34	95.1	109.3	109.6	111.4	111.5	111.8	111.7
35–39	30.7	41.0	40.8	44.1	44.8	45.8	47.9
40–44	4.9	6.5	6.7	7.2	7.4	7.7	8.0
45–49	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total fertility rate	1.791	1.818	1.780	1.789	1.754	1.707	1.688
Female net reproduction rate	0.896	0.878	0.859	0.858	0.845	0.817	0.809

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
CONFINEMENTS							
<b>Total confinements</b>	<b>60 831</b>	<b>64 898</b>	<b>63 172</b>	<b>63 085</b>	<b>61 685</b>	<b>60 294</b>	<b>59 804</b>
First nuptial	21 668	21 814	20 769	21 013	20 255	19 561	19 264
All nuptial	52 406	52 449	50 655	50 110	48 222	47 247	46 438
Paternity acknowledged	6 274	10 246	10 418	10 912	11 384	11 225	11 698
All ex-nuptial	8 425	12 449	12 517	12 975	13 463	13 047	13 366
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	27.1	28.3	28.5	28.7	28.9	29.1	29.3
All nuptial	28.6	29.7	29.9	30.1	30.3	30.5	30.7
Paternity acknowledged	24.2	25.2	25.5	25.7	25.9	26.1	26.3
All ex-nuptial	23.8	25.0	25.3	25.4	25.7	25.9	26.2
All mothers	28.2	29.2	29.3	29.5	29.7	29.9	30.0
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	30.9	32.0	32.1	32.4	32.6	32.8	33.0
Paternity acknowledged	26.8	27.7	27.9	28.2	28.3	28.4	28.7
All fathers where age is known	30.6	31.5	31.7	31.9	32.0	32.3	32.4
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Nuptial	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	21 668	21 814	20 769	21 013	20 255	19 561	19 264
1	17 902	18 316	17 955	17 637	17 095	16 905	16 686
2	8 913	8 645	8 282	8 187	7 705	7 544	7 421
3	2 754	2 604	2 553	2 321	2 165	2 238	2 148
4	758	671	651	568	587	612	523
5 and over	411	398	445	384	415	387	396
Average number of births	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

### 3.2 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother

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

<i>Confinements</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Nuptial								
Single	230	4 265	15 792	17 047	7 252	1 090	19	45 695
Twins	—	50	206	302	138	22	—	719
Triplets or higher order	—	—	8	9	5	—	—	24
<i>Total</i>	231	4 317	16 006	17 358	7 395	1 112	19	46 438
Ex-nuptial								
Single	1 663	3 912	3 710	2 385	1 223	276	24	13 193
Twins	8	41	50	49	20	3	—	171
Triplets or higher order	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total</i>	1 671	3 953	3 761	2 435	1 243	279	24	13 366
<b>Total confinements</b>	<b>1 902</b>	<b>8 270</b>	<b>19 767</b>	<b>19 793</b>	<b>8 638</b>	<b>1 391</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>59 804</b>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Nuptial	12.1	52.2	81.0	87.7	85.6	79.9	44.2	77.7
Ex-nuptial	87.9	47.8	19.0	12.3	14.4	20.1	55.8	22.3

## 3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents

		Age of mother (years).....													
		16 and under	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Age of father (years)															
19 and under		101	99	129	104	72	33	13	13	4	6	4	—	5	—
20		15	38	80	104	60	55	33	14	11	7	6	5	—	—
21		12	33	66	93	119	97	40	31	28	21	18	5	—	6
22		4	22	58	74	109	137	146	73	61	19	22	18	6	9
23		5	18	36	83	107	151	165	183	116	74	49	34	21	18
24		7	9	26	64	101	132	189	214	257	168	95	62	42	33
25		—	9	16	36	82	128	165	227	334	337	217	129	85	55
26		—	8	19	48	62	87	128	209	295	423	394	247	161	115
27		—	8	8	30	51	61	112	180	233	370	507	480	342	188
28		—	—	7	18	33	46	104	160	219	314	490	570	541	334
29		—	3	4	15	28	46	67	134	184	266	406	502	597	572
30		—	—	3	11	21	47	62	91	136	223	317	476	554	650
31		—	—	—	8	15	24	55	74	122	172	246	335	449	552
32		—	—	—	6	10	22	34	65	80	131	195	282	372	486
33		—	—	3	3	6	15	28	46	62	93	153	205	259	371
34		—	—	—	6	8	17	27	46	65	78	106	168	235	277
35		—	—	—	—	—	10	12	31	49	57	100	123	151	225
36		—	—	—	3	4	9	16	21	34	40	92	89	122	147
37		—	—	—	3	4	—	9	14	20	33	56	66	81	121
38		—	—	—	—	3	—	10	14	22	29	40	34	78	70
39		—	—	—	—	3	3	3	8	15	13	18	38	58	68
40–44		—	—	—	—	8	10	14	20	34	57	73	78	124	133
45–49		—	—	—	—	3	—	3	10	12	9	9	19	30	29
50 and over		—	—	—	—	—	—	3	4	4	5	9	13	11	19
Not stated		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—
Not applicable(a)		63	57	68	126	118	96	95	103	92	96	85	77	78	71
Nuptial		—	7	56	167	284	463	744	1 170	1 656	2 156	2 877	3 351	3 707	3 915
Ex-nuptial		214	306	478	673	746	770	789	815	833	887	834	706	699	635
<b>Total</b>		<b>215</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>1 030</b>	<b>1 233</b>	<b>1 533</b>	<b>1 985</b>	<b>2 489</b>	<b>3 043</b>	<b>3 711</b>	<b>4 057</b>	<b>4 406</b>	<b>4 550</b>

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

### 3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents *continued*

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years).....								Total.....		
	30	31	32	33	34	35-39	40 and over	Not stated	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total
19 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	559	587
20	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	66	369	435
21	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	118	460	578
22	—	5	6	—	5	—	—	—	247	535	782
23	8	7	9	3	5	7	—	—	478	623	1 101
24	18	12	14	4	7	13	5	3	767	708	1 475
25	35	34	19	13	7	15	7	—	1 229	725	1 954
26	63	36	38	26	15	23	6	—	1 704	703	2 407
27	122	74	41	39	34	52	5	—	2 238	701	2 939
28	192	124	89	68	45	79	—	—	2 757	679	3 436
29	314	182	125	75	53	97	10	—	3 051	631	3 682
30	604	312	199	124	87	126	12	—	3 482	575	4 057
31	637	562	299	191	107	162	13	3	3 532	496	4 028
32	589	599	519	283	190	285	30	—	3 649	532	4 181
33	474	553	581	513	274	388	23	—	3 591	461	4 052
34	356	454	492	530	428	512	33	—	3 385	456	3 841
35	284	355	375	399	404	765	29	—	2 983	393	3 376
36	208	276	313	362	387	906	51	—	2 762	322	3 084
37	158	190	232	249	287	870	48	—	2 167	279	2 446
38	102	123	155	188	223	841	71	—	1 763	247	2 010
39	80	100	117	142	185	758	87	—	1 480	217	1 697
40-44	162	205	267	287	361	1 929	568	—	3 656	678	4 334
45-49	41	44	65	77	65	472	256	—	918	229	1 147
50 and over	16	17	23	29	35	186	96	—	364	108	472
Not stated	3	4	—	3	—	5	—	9	23	12	35
Not applicable(a)	64	61	43	46	43	141	37	8	—	1 668	1 668
Nuptial	4 009	3 797	3 541	3 178	2 833	7 395	1 112	19	46 438	..	46 438
Ex-nuptial	526	534	486	475	414	1 243	279	24	..	13 366	13 366
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 535</b>	<b>4 331</b>	<b>4 027</b>	<b>3 653</b>	<b>3 247</b>	<b>8 638</b>	<b>1 391</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>46 438</b>	<b>13 366</b>	<b>59 804</b>

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

## 3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents

Birthplace	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	28 630	—	3 953	32 583	28 630	—	4 881	33 511
Fiji	28	110	12	150	25	110	23	158
New Zealand	349	156	88	593	359	156	87	602
Other	75	110	35	220	75	110	26	211
<i>Total</i>	<i>29 082</i>	<i>376</i>	<i>4 088</i>	<i>33 546</i>	<i>29 089</i>	<i>376</i>	<i>5 017</i>	<i>34 482</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	21	3	5	29	17	3	6	26
Former USSR & Baltic States	6	88	4	98	18	88	16	122
Former Yugoslav Republics	357	479	71	907	164	479	56	699
Germany	107	18	39	164	71	18	33	122
Greece	320	93	51	464	147	93	31	271
Hungary	9	9	4	22	9	9	—	20
Ireland	62	36	18	116	53	36	26	115
Italy	358	64	57	479	203	64	49	316
Malta	103	18	26	147	66	18	18	102
Netherlands	106	13	20	139	71	13	15	99
Poland	43	81	17	141	26	81	5	112
United Kingdom	1 549	348	230	2 127	1 322	348	192	1 862
Other	216	184	105	505	172	184	90	446
<i>Total</i>	<i>3 257</i>	<i>1 434</i>	<i>647</i>	<i>5 338</i>	<i>2 339</i>	<i>1 434</i>	<i>539</i>	<i>4 312</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	47	99	22	168	15	99	10	124
Lebanon	198	507	71	776	58	507	62	627
Turkey	114	395	23	532	36	395	22	453
Other	75	271	118	464	27	271	96	394
<i>Total</i>	<i>434</i>	<i>1 272</i>	<i>234</i>	<i>1 940</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>1 272</i>	<i>190</i>	<i>1 598</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	24	137	28	189	21	137	25	183
Malaysia	58	154	79	291	84	154	107	345
Philippines	7	194	9	210	182	194	92	468
Singapore	27	29	27	83	34	29	35	98
Thailand	5	13	7	25	26	13	20	59
Viet Nam	7	1 205	102	1 314	22	1 205	94	1 321
Other	8	218	56	282	13	218	63	294
<i>Total</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>1 950</i>	<i>308</i>	<i>2 394</i>	<i>382</i>	<i>1 950</i>	<i>436</i>	<i>2 768</i>



3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents *continued*

Birthplace	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	7	632	74	713	51	632	122	805
Hong Kong	12	121	76	209	24	121	42	187
Other	5	80	11	96	31	80	41	152
<i>Total</i>	24	833	161	1 018	106	833	205	1 144
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	80	324	43	447	60	324	46	430
Sri Lanka	63	400	52	515	52	400	25	477
Other	11	152	25	188	—	152	10	163
<i>Total</i>	154	876	120	1 150	113	876	81	1 070
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	61	3	17	81	68	3	25	96
Chile	33	62	14	109	30	62	12	104
United States of America	103	33	33	169	106	33	41	180
Other	57	63	46	166	64	63	44	171
<i>Total</i>	254	161	110	525	268	161	122	551
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	68	42	23	133	65	42	34	141
Other	99	214	73	386	69	214	66	349
<i>Total</i>	167	256	96	519	134	256	100	490
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	3	—	4	8	16	—	6	23
ALL REGIONS								
<b>Total</b>	<b>33 511</b>	<b>7 159</b>	<b>5 768</b>	<b>46 438</b>	<b>32 583</b>	<b>7 159</b>	<b>6 696</b>	<b>46 438</b>

## 3.5 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Previous and Average Issue

## PREVIOUS ISSUE OF THE CURRENT

Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
16 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1.0
17	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	7	1.0
18	48	8	—	—	—	—	—	56	64	1.1
19	140	24	3	—	—	—	—	167	198	1.2
20	217	56	10	—	—	—	—	284	367	1.3
21	318	129	15	—	—	—	—	463	628	1.4
22	447	239	53	4	—	—	—	744	1 112	1.5
23	729	323	96	19	3	—	—	1 170	1 767	1.5
24	968	494	151	36	6	—	—	1 656	2 616	1.6
25	1 194	711	199	39	9	4	—	2 156	3 468	1.6
26	1 514	950	323	76	12	—	—	2 877	4 797	1.7
27	1 761	1 124	354	91	15	6	—	3 351	5 591	1.7
28	1 783	1 347	438	118	15	6	—	3 707	6 424	1.7
29	1 712	1 492	540	135	24	12	—	3 915	7 115	1.8
30	1 663	1 524	633	144	30	15	—	4 009	7 504	1.9
31	1 384	1 495	669	179	43	27	—	3 797	7 542	2.0
32	1 187	1 445	661	184	42	22	—	3 541	7 221	2.0
33	973	1 281	672	193	42	17	—	3 178	6 721	2.1
34	830	1 070	656	197	49	31	—	2 833	6 234	2.2
35–39	2 046	2 631	1 725	630	187	176	—	7 395	17 301	2.3
40 and over	333	341	217	99	45	77	—	1 112	2 881	2.6
Not stated	9	—	6	—	—	—	—	19	39	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>19 264</b>	<b>16 686</b>	<b>7 421</b>	<b>2 148</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>46 438</b>	<b>89 598</b>	<b>1.9</b>

### 3.6 FIRST NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS

#### AGE GROUP OF MOTHER

<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	132	770	1 036	688	312	66	—	3 006
1	62	964	1 712	1 083	433	59	4	4 317
2	—	528	1 582	892	231	38	—	3 272
3	—	269	1 324	682	187	35	—	2 498
4	—	84	971	595	152	25	—	1 827
5	—	45	595	523	126	12	—	1 302
6	—	13	373	451	101	11	—	950
7	—	4	214	373	95	16	—	703
8 and over	—	—	157	750	409	71	—	1 389
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>2 679</b>	<b>7 964</b>	<b>6 037</b>	<b>2 046</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19 264</b>

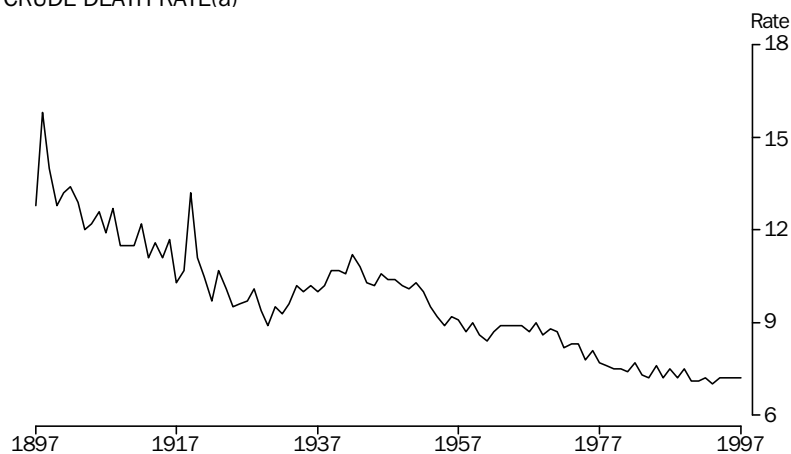
## SECTION 4

## DEATHS REGISTERED .....

### SUMMARY

There were 33,190 deaths of Victorian residents registered (in Australia) in 1997 and 71 deaths registered in Victoria where the usual residence of the deceased was overseas or otherwise unknown. The crude death rate was 7.3 deaths per 1,000 of total population. The 1997 total comprised 17,122 males and 16,139 females, a sex ratio of 106 males per 100 females.

#### CRUDE DEATH RATE(a)

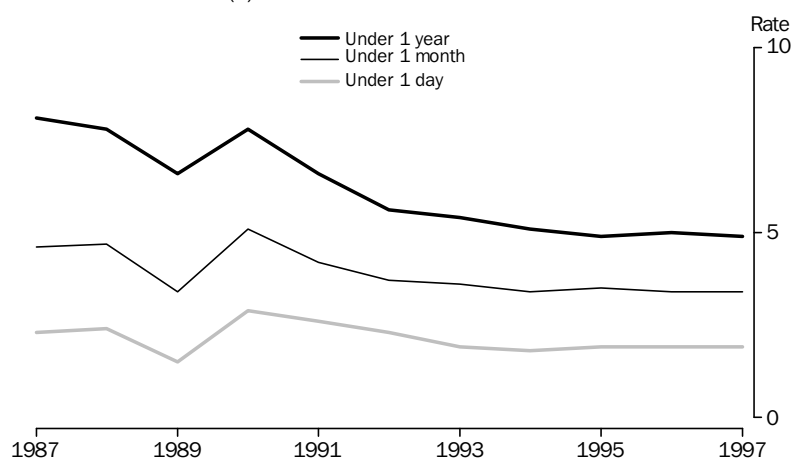


(a) Per 1,000 population.

### INFANT DEATHS

There were 300 infant deaths registered in 1997, a rate of 4.9 deaths per 1,000 live births, a 40.0% decrease since 1987. Almost 40.0% of infant deaths occurred during the first day of life and nearly 70.0% occurred within the first month. The sex ratio of infant deaths was 111.3 males for every 100 females compared with the sex ratio at birth of 106.0 males for every 100 females.

#### INFANT DEATH RATES(a)

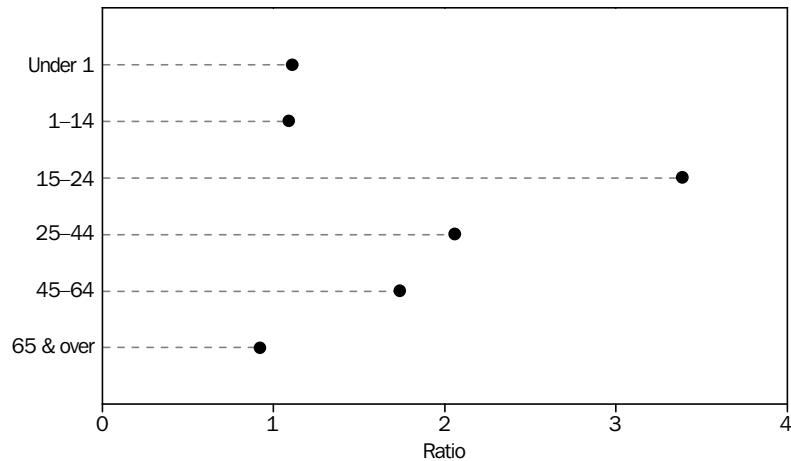


(a) Per 1,000 live births.

## AGE AT DEATH

Male deaths generally outnumbered female deaths until age 80. The highest ratio at death in 1997 was 361 males per 100 females in the 20–24 year age group. The age group 80 years and over accounted for 55.0% of all female deaths, but only 33.0% of all male deaths. There were 158 females and 26 males who died at age 100 years or older.

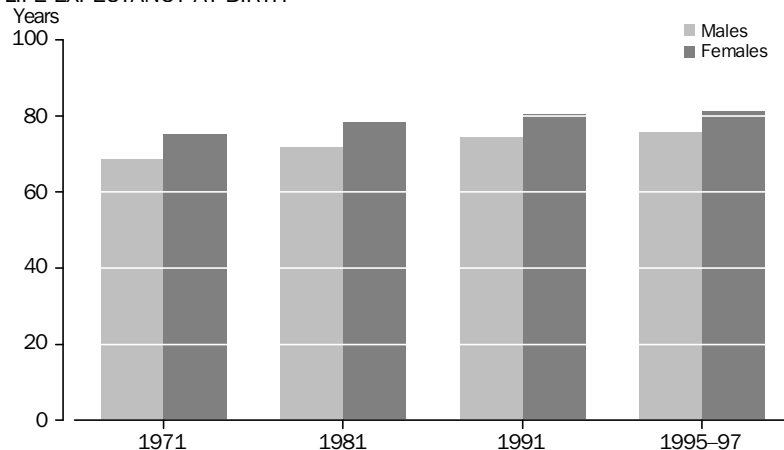
## RATIO OF MALE TO FEMALE DEATHS



## LIFE EXPECTANCY

The life expectancy at birth in Victoria in 1995–97 was 81.4 years for females and 75.8 years for males. The corresponding figures in 1971 were 75.2 years and 68.6 years respectively. The increase in life expectancy since 1971 is mainly due to decreasing mortality rates from degenerative diseases (other than cancer) and the dramatic decline in the infant death rate, particularly during the perinatal period.

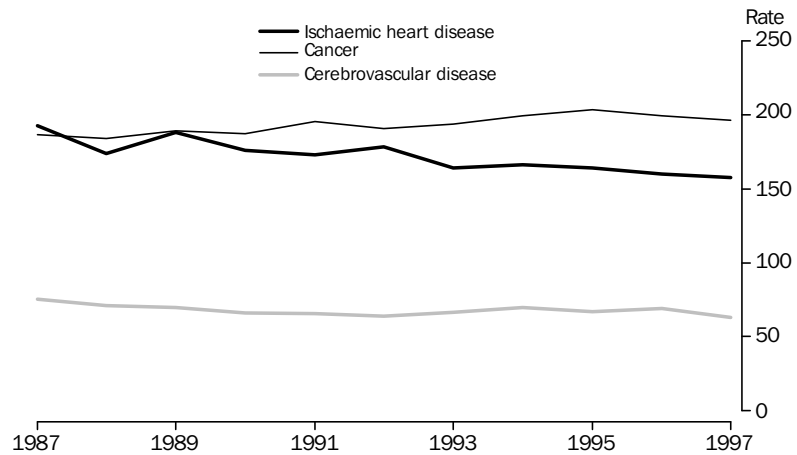
## LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



## MAJOR CAUSES OF DEATH

The leading cause of death in Victoria in 1997 was cancer (Malignant neoplasms) which accounted for 27.2% of all deaths. This represented 29.2% of male deaths and 25.1% of female deaths. Heart attack (Ischaemic heart disease) accounted for 21.8% of all deaths, representing 22.2% of male deaths and 21.4% of female deaths. Deaths due to Cerebrovascular disease (including stroke) resulted in 6.9% of male deaths and 10.8% of female deaths.

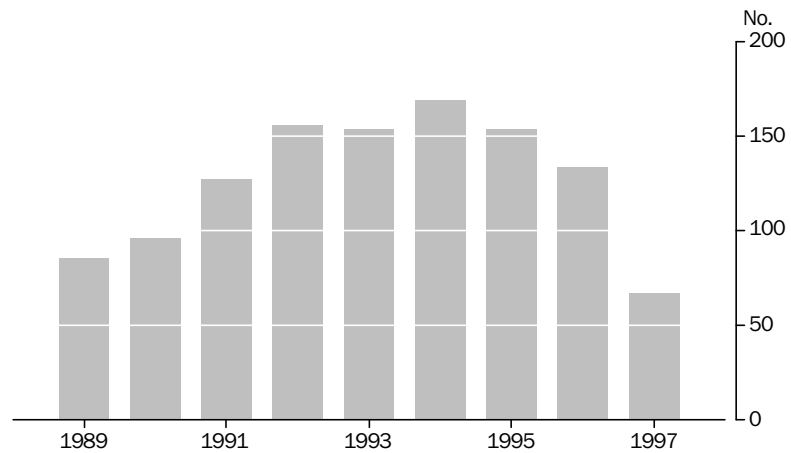
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH



ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

AIDS-related deaths refer to those cases where AIDS was mentioned on the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death. There were 74 AIDS-related deaths (67 males and 7 female s) of Victorian residents registered in 1997. This represented a decrease of 45% from the 1996 total of 134 deaths (128 males and 6 females). Of the 74 AIDS-related deaths in 1997, 57% (42) were in the age group 30–44 years.

AIDS-RELATED DEATHS



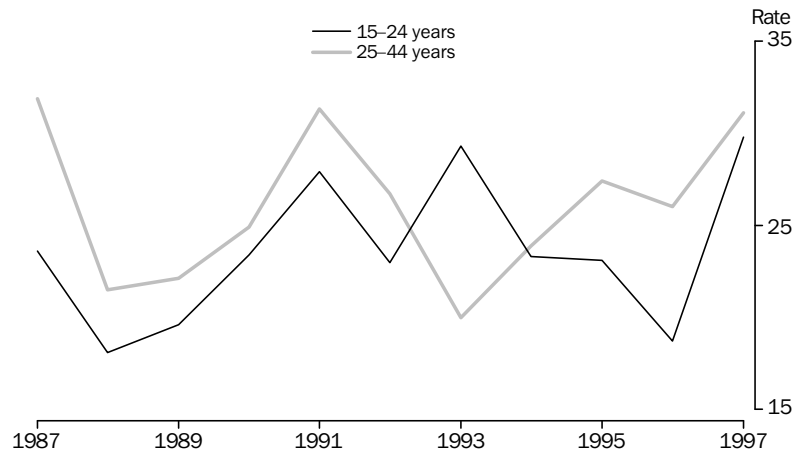
SUICIDE

There were 670 suicide deaths of Victorian residents registered in 1997, comprising 529 male deaths and 141 female deaths. This compares with 500 suicide deaths (388 males and 112 females) in 1996 and 654 suicide deaths (505 males and 149 females) in 1987.

The most frequent method of suicide for males was Hanging, strangulation and suffocation (175 deaths) followed by Poisoning by other gases and vapours (including motor vehicle exhaust gas) (141 deaths). Deaths from Firearms and explosives accounted for 74 deaths, a slight decrease from the 1996 figure of 77 deaths. The most frequent method of suicide for females was Poisoning by liquid or solid substances (44 deaths), followed by Hanging, strangulation and suffocation with 36 deaths.

In 1997, males aged 25–44 years had the highest rate of suicide with 31.1 deaths per 100,000 population, which was slightly lower than the corresponding rate for 1987 of 31.9 suicide deaths per 100,000 population. The highest rate of suicide for females, in 1997, was in the age group 45–64 years with 9.1 deaths per 100,000 population, with the corresponding rate for 1987 being 11.2 suicide deaths per 100,000 population.

#### SUICIDE RATE(a), Males

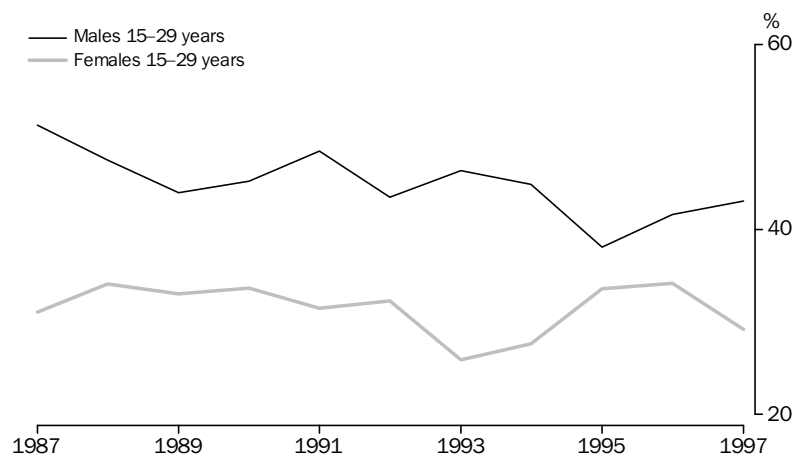


(a) Per 1,000 population.

#### MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Motor vehicle traffic accidents accounted for 448 deaths (311 males and 137 females) of Victorian residents in 1997, compared with 410 deaths (296 males and 114 females) in 1996 and 786 deaths (558 males and 228 females) in 1987. The most common motor vehicle traffic accident deaths involved a Collision with another vehicle (188 deaths). There were also 84 deaths involving a Collision with a pedestrian and 114 deaths involving Other collisions on the highway. The age group 15–29 years accounted for 43.0% of male deaths (134) and 29.0% of female deaths (40) from motor vehicle traffic accidents.

#### TOTAL DEATHS DUE TO MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



## 4.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994(b)	1995(b)	1996(b)	1997(b)
DEATHS							
<b>Total deaths</b>	<b>31 549</b>	<b>31 951</b>	<b>31 197</b>	<b>32 353</b>	<b>32 425</b>	<b>32 726</b>	<b>33 261</b>
Males	16 714	16 816	16 389	16 765	16 960	17 009	17 122
Females	14 835	15 135	14 808	15 588	15 465	15 717	16 139
Sex ratio	112.7	111.1	110.7	107.6	109.7	108.2	106.1
Standardised death rate	7.6	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.2
Males	9.9	8.8	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.1	7.9
Females	5.9	5.3	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.9	4.9
Crude death rate	7.5	7.2	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3
Males	8.0	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5
Females	7.0	6.7	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.9	7.0
Median age at death							
Males	71.9	73.2	73.5	74.0	73.9	74.7	74.7
Females	79.0	80.1	80.1	80.6	80.9	81.3	81.4
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
0	9.7	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.0	5.7	5.1
1-4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
5-14	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
15-24	1.3	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0
25-34	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.3
35-44	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6
45-54	4.6	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.0	3.3
55-64	13.8	11.5	10.9	10.2	10.4	9.7	9.7
65-74	35.5	30.7	29.2	30.4	29.5	28.2	27.3
75-84	87.0	79.9	76.3	77.2	76.5	74.9	73.0
85 and over	194.2	187.2	184.2	190.7	177.7	185.8	171.1
Females							
0	6.4	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.8	4.4	4.8
1-4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
5-14	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
15-24	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
25-34	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5
35-44	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9
45-54	2.5	2.2	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1
55-64	6.8	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.5
65-74	18.5	16.4	16.1	16.2	15.6	15.0	15.2
75-84	55.7	51.1	47.8	50.1	47.4	47.0	46.5
85 and over	157.4	151.2	144.8	153.4	150.8	150.2	149.0
Expectation of life (years)							
Males							
Age 0	73.1	74.8	75.4	75.6	75.4	75.6	75.8
Age 1	72.8	74.3	74.9	75.1	74.8	75.0	75.2
Age 25	49.8	51.0	51.6	51.7	51.5	51.7	51.9
Age 45	31.0	32.2	32.7	32.8	32.6	32.8	33.1
Age 65	14.7	15.4	15.8	15.7	15.7	15.8	16.0
Females							
Age 0	79.5	80.8	81.1	81.1	81.0	81.2	81.4
Age 1	79.0	80.1	80.5	80.4	80.4	80.6	80.8
Age 25	55.5	56.5	56.9	56.8	56.8	57.0	57.1
Age 45	36.2	37.1	37.5	37.4	37.4	37.5	37.7
Age 65	18.6	19.2	19.5	19.4	19.4	19.6	19.7

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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



4.1 DEATHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
DEATHS							
Principal causes of death (SDR per 100,000 population)							
Males							
Neoplasms	248	243	240	241	247	237	228
Diseases of the circulatory system	440	365	341	339	325	314	297
Diseases of the respiratory system	89	84	76	79	70	71	80
Diseases of the digestive system	32	29	23	24	24	23	23
All other diseases	104	105	107	109	107	111	102
External causes	77	58	54	49	53	53	56
Females							
Neoplasms	152	146	149	152	148	144	142
Diseases of the circulatory system	282	239	217	216	203	201	191
Diseases of the respiratory system	36	37	34	36	35	36	46
Diseases of the digestive system	21	17	16	16	16	15	16
All other diseases	73	72	74	80	79	76	76
External causes	30	22	18	18	20	18	20
INFANT DEATHS							
<b>Total infant deaths</b>	498	366	347	327	308	308	300
Males	306	220	200	189	161	179	158
Females	192	146	147	138	147	129	142
Infant mortality rate	8.1	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.9	5.0	4.9
Males	9.7	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.0	5.7	5.1
Females	6.4	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.8	4.4	4.8
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	87	93	69	66	68	64	53
1 day to under 1 week	50	30	41	31	19	32	29
1 week to under 4 weeks	42	20	24	29	27	24	22
4 weeks to under 1 year	127	77	66	63	47	59	54
Females							
Under 1 day	55	56	55	46	53	55	62
1 day to under 1 week	30	25	31	27	23	23	20
1 week to under 4 weeks	20	21	12	20	27	10	21
4 weeks to under 1 year	87	44	49	45	44	41	39

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

## 4.2 DEATHS, Age at Death—Sex

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	158	142	300	50	116	69	185
1	13	13	26	51	111	46	157
2	5	11	16	52	112	75	187
3	12	—	14	53	127	79	206
4	11	5	16	54	122	71	193
0–4	199	173	372	50–54	588	340	928
5	6	5	11	55	149	76	225
6	—	3	5	56	120	84	204
7	4	9	13	57	169	86	255
8	3	8	11	58	161	101	262
9	—	3	5	59	183	92	275
5–9	17	28	45	55–59	782	439	1 221
10	—	—	—	60	191	109	300
11	6	4	10	61	217	121	338
12	5	—	6	62	244	126	370
13	10	9	19	63	233	137	370
14	9	6	15	64	250	126	376
10–14	30	22	52	60–64	1 135	619	1 754
15	13	7	20	65	289	155	444
16	13	7	20	66	315	191	506
17	29	10	39	67	375	230	605
18	30	8	38	68	413	221	634
19	41	9	50	69	383	218	601
15–19	126	41	167	65–69	1 775	1 015	2 790
20	40	15	55	70	443	289	732
21	39	10	49	71	470	303	773
22	41	12	53	72	499	320	819
23	46	13	59	73	535	355	890
24	47	9	56	74	526	370	896
20–24	213	59	272	70–74	2 473	1 637	4 110
25	42	9	51	75	515	383	898
26	54	20	74	76	578	458	1 036
27	53	18	71	77	594	467	1 061
28	42	11	53	78	490	439	929
29	44	11	55	79	517	469	986
25–29	235	69	304	75–79	2 694	2 216	4 910
30	55	13	68	80	531	509	1 040
31	44	13	57	81	582	542	1 124
32	32	21	53	82	570	643	1 213
33	37	17	54	83	544	632	1 176
34	51	32	83	84	534	652	1 186
30–34	219	96	315	80–84	2 761	2 978	5 739
35	51	25	76	85	467	604	1 071
36	52	22	74	86	408	624	1 032
37	38	26	64	87	392	637	1 029
38	49	26	75	88	338	533	871
39	47	27	74	89	260	557	817
35–39	237	126	363	85–89	1 865	2 955	4 820
40	60	34	94	90	264	500	764
41	63	36	99	91	185	454	639
42	60	44	104	92	173	402	575
43	63	49	112	93	133	336	469
44	62	30	92	94	95	298	393
40–44	308	193	501	90–94	850	1 990	2 840
45	67	44	111	95–99	190	720	910
46	77	47	124	100 and over	26	158	184
47	80	60	140	Not stated	3	—	3
48	75	50	125				
49	97	64	161				
45–49	396	265	661	<b>Total</b>	<b>17 122</b>	<b>16 139</b>	<b>33 261</b>

## 4.3 DEATHS, Age at Death—Marital Status

Age at death (years)	MALES.....						FEMALES.....					
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total
Under 1	158	—	—	—	—	158	142	—	—	—	—	142
1–4	41	—	—	—	—	41	31	—	—	—	—	31
5–9	17	—	—	—	—	17	28	—	—	—	—	28
10–14	30	—	—	—	—	30	22	—	—	—	—	22
15–19	123	—	—	—	—	126	41	—	—	—	—	41
20–24	206	7	—	—	—	213	53	6	—	—	—	59
25–29	197	33	—	4	—	235	48	19	—	—	—	69
30–34	131	73	—	14	—	219	44	41	—	10	—	96
35–39	117	95	—	21	3	237	47	67	—	11	—	126
40–44	98	149	5	54	—	308	40	121	—	32	—	193
45–49	84	232	6	70	4	396	25	192	11	37	—	265
50–54	104	382	7	86	9	588	32	234	12	62	—	340
55–59	112	529	19	114	8	782	34	281	60	63	—	439
60–64	172	775	50	135	3	1 135	34	378	138	65	4	619
65–69	198	1 246	150	165	16	1 775	56	529	318	106	6	1 015
70–74	245	1 733	337	147	11	2 473	77	717	730	111	—	1 637
75–79	222	1 821	518	126	7	2 694	133	711	1 274	96	—	2 216
80–84	183	1 671	807	89	11	2 761	198	553	2 139	85	3	2 978
85–89	132	919	778	29	7	1 865	233	329	2 331	58	4	2 955
90–94	60	314	470	5	—	850	213	91	1 667	18	—	1 990
95–99	16	43	128	3	—	190	77	15	621	6	—	720
100 and over	—	4	21	—	—	26	13	—	142	—	—	158
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 648</b>	<b>10 027</b>	<b>3 298</b>	<b>1 062</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>17 122</b>	<b>1 621</b>	<b>4 285</b>	<b>9 445</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16 139</b>

## 4.4 EXPECTATION OF LIFE(a)

Age (years)	VICTORIA.....						AUSTRALIA.....			
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1995-97.....		1995-97.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	68.59	75.21	71.90	78.41	74.50	80.27	75.79	81.37	75.57	81.27
5	64.85	71.44	67.83	74.20	70.14	75.80	71.28	76.83	71.15	76.77
10	60.01	66.55	62.91	69.26	65.20	70.86	66.34	71.88	66.20	71.81
15	55.12	61.63	58.00	64.31	60.29	65.91	61.40	66.93	61.26	66.87
20	50.47	56.80	53.26	59.43	55.53	61.01	56.62	62.03	56.50	61.97
25	45.91	51.98	48.59	54.57	50.86	56.14	51.94	57.13	51.83	57.08
30	41.20	47.12	43.85	49.70	46.15	51.27	47.23	52.23	47.15	52.20
35	36.48	42.29	39.08	44.84	41.41	46.41	42.51	47.36	42.46	47.33
40	31.80	37.52	34.34	40.01	36.67	41.58	37.78	42.52	37.77	42.50
45	27.28	32.88	29.72	35.29	32.00	36.81	33.09	37.72	33.11	37.72
50	23.04	28.43	25.29	30.71	27.46	32.14	28.48	33.01	28.53	33.01
55	19.11	24.10	21.16	26.25	23.07	27.62	24.03	28.42	24.11	28.44
60	15.51	19.91	17.35	21.98	19.01	23.22	19.85	23.98	19.93	24.03
65	12.31	16.04	13.88	17.97	15.34	19.05	16.02	19.74	16.10	19.81
70	9.59	12.49	10.83	14.26	12.04	15.18	12.61	15.74	12.69	15.84
75	7.33	9.44	8.30	10.93	9.14	11.68	9.65	12.09	9.71	12.20
80	5.53	6.98	6.27	8.07	6.76	8.64	7.15	8.92	7.20	9.02
85	4.23	5.23	4.66	5.72	4.96	6.08	5.25	6.35	5.29	6.44
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.49	4.12	4.00	4.48	4.01	4.55
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	2.68	3.00	3.32	3.31	3.33	3.36

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

## 4.5 EXPECTATION OF LIFE(a)—1995–1997

Age (years)	VICTORIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....		Age (years)	VICTORIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females
0	75.8	81.4	75.6	81.3	50	28.5	33.0	28.5	33.0
1	75.2	80.8	75.0	80.7	51	27.6	32.1	27.6	32.1
2	74.2	79.8	74.1	79.7	52	26.7	31.2	26.7	31.2
3	73.3	78.8	73.1	78.7	53	25.8	30.2	25.9	30.3
4	72.3	77.8	72.1	77.8	54	24.9	29.3	25.0	29.3
5	71.3	76.8	71.2	76.8	55	24.0	28.4	24.1	28.4
6	70.3	75.8	70.2	75.8	56	23.2	27.5	23.3	27.6
7	69.3	74.9	69.2	74.8	57	22.3	26.6	22.4	26.7
8	68.3	73.9	68.2	73.8	58	21.5	25.7	21.6	25.8
9	67.3	72.9	67.2	72.8	59	20.7	24.9	20.7	24.9
10	66.3	71.9	66.2	71.8	60	19.9	24.0	19.9	24.0
11	65.4	70.9	65.2	70.8	61	19.1	23.1	19.1	23.2
12	64.4	69.9	64.2	69.8	62	18.3	22.3	18.4	22.3
13	63.4	68.9	63.2	68.8	63	17.5	21.4	17.6	21.5
14	62.4	67.9	62.3	67.9	64	16.8	20.6	16.8	20.6
15	61.4	66.9	61.3	66.9	65	16.0	19.7	16.1	19.8
16	60.4	65.9	60.3	65.9	66	15.3	18.9	15.4	19.0
17	59.5	65.0	59.3	64.9	67	14.6	18.1	14.7	18.2
18	58.5	64.0	58.4	63.9	68	13.9	17.3	14.0	17.4
19	57.6	63.0	57.4	63.0	69	13.3	16.5	13.3	16.6
20	56.6	62.0	56.5	62.0	70	12.6	15.7	12.7	15.8
21	55.7	61.1	55.6	61.0	71	12.0	15.0	12.1	15.1
22	54.8	60.1	54.6	60.0	72	11.4	14.2	11.5	14.3
23	53.8	59.1	53.7	59.0	73	10.8	13.5	10.9	13.6
24	52.9	58.1	52.8	58.1	74	10.2	12.8	10.3	12.9
25	51.9	57.1	51.8	57.1	75	9.7	12.1	9.7	12.2
26	51.0	56.2	50.9	56.1	76	9.1	11.4	9.2	11.5
27	50.1	55.2	50.0	55.1	77	8.6	10.8	8.7	10.9
28	49.1	54.2	49.0	54.2	78	8.1	10.1	8.1	10.2
29	48.2	53.2	48.1	53.2	79	7.6	9.5	7.7	9.6
30	47.2	52.2	47.2	52.2	80	7.2	8.9	7.2	9.0
31	46.3	51.3	46.2	51.2	81	6.7	8.4	6.8	8.5
32	45.3	50.3	45.3	50.3	82	6.3	7.8	6.4	7.9
33	44.4	49.3	44.3	49.3	83	5.9	7.3	6.0	7.4
34	43.5	48.3	43.4	48.3	84	5.6	6.8	5.6	6.9
35	42.5	47.4	42.5	47.3	85	5.3	6.4	5.3	6.4
36	41.6	46.4	41.5	46.4	86	5.0	5.9	5.0	6.0
37	40.6	45.4	40.6	45.4	87	4.7	5.5	4.7	5.6
38	39.7	44.5	39.6	44.4	88	4.4	5.1	4.5	5.2
39	38.7	43.5	38.7	43.5	89	4.2	4.8	4.2	4.9
40	37.8	42.5	37.8	42.5	90	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.6
41	36.8	41.6	36.8	41.5	91	3.8	4.2	3.8	4.3
42	35.9	40.6	35.9	40.6	92	3.7	3.9	3.7	4.0
43	35.0	39.6	35.0	39.6	93	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.8
44	34.0	38.7	34.0	38.7	94	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.6
45	33.1	37.7	33.1	37.7	95	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4
46	32.2	36.8	32.2	36.8	96	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2
47	31.2	35.8	31.3	35.8	97	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.0
48	30.3	34.9	30.4	34.9	98	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.9
49	29.4	33.9	29.4	34.0	99	2.9	2.7	2.9	2.7

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

## 4.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence

## DURATION OF RESIDENCE

<i>Birthplace</i>	<i>4 and under</i>	<i>5-9</i>	<i>10-19</i>	<i>20-29</i>	<i>30-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA											
Australia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23 170	11 474	11 696	23 170
Fiji	5	4	10	—	—	5	6	—	13	20	33
New Zealand	10	15	40	32	18	107	20	—	125	117	242
Other	5	6	3	—	—	—	10	—	13	14	27
<i>Total</i>	20	25	53	35	19	114	36	23 170	11 625	11 847	23 472
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR											
Austria	—	—	—	5	21	73	5	—	54	51	105
Former USSR & Baltic States	18	30	26	16	27	293	8	—	216	202	418
Former Yugoslav Republics	9	7	22	157	138	134	11	—	328	150	478
Germany	3	—	13	18	67	235	11	—	167	180	347
Greece	4	6	20	81	188	184	7	—	289	201	490
Hungary	—	—	6	14	34	104	8	—	104	64	168
Ireland	—	—	11	12	31	97	12	—	94	70	164
Italy	7	8	26	82	351	808	19	—	762	539	1 301
Malta	—	—	3	13	65	131	—	—	136	79	215
Netherlands	—	—	5	13	68	262	15	—	229	135	364
Poland	—	7	26	15	49	410	20	—	306	221	527
United Kingdom	22	51	175	377	669	1 834	119	—	1 661	1 586	3 247
Other	7	5	23	48	64	161	15	—	215	108	323
<i>Total</i>	72	118	356	851	1 772	4 726	252	—	4 561	3 586	8 147
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA											
Egypt	4	3	9	24	44	60	3	—	64	83	147
Lebanon	—	4	3	29	9	9	—	—	38	20	58
Turkey	3	8	8	41	11	18	—	—	54	37	91
Other	4	—	9	11	14	29	—	—	41	29	70
<i>Total</i>	13	17	29	105	78	116	8	—	197	169	366
SOUTHEAST ASIA											
Indonesia	4	—	20	—	3	13	4	—	30	18	48
Malaysia	6	9	9	9	—	3	—	—	24	15	39
Philippines	4	7	20	4	—	—	—	—	19	17	36
Singapore	—	4	4	—	4	—	—	—	9	5	14
Thailand	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	6	3	9
Viet Nam	13	39	48	6	—	—	—	—	65	41	106
Other	5	6	18	3	—	—	—	—	24	11	35
<i>Total</i>	33	67	121	26	9	18	13	—	177	110	287

#### 4.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence *continued*

##### DURATION OF RESIDENCE

<i>Birthplace</i>	<i>4 and under</i>	<i>5-9</i>	<i>10-19</i>	<i>20-29</i>	<i>30-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA											
China	11	38	68	8	15	21	4	—	84	81	165
Hong Kong	—	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	9	8	17
Other	—	5	6	—	—	4	—	—	6	12	18
<i>Total</i>	13	47	83	9	16	27	5	—	99	101	200
SOUTHERN ASIA											
India	10	12	26	50	19	31	7	—	87	68	155
Sri Lanka	11	16	28	44	16	11	4	—	64	66	130
Other	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	8
<i>Total</i>	24	28	55	95	37	43	11	—	157	136	293
THE AMERICAS											
Canada	—	—	5	—	6	10	3	—	15	11	26
Chile	—	3	9	5	—	—	—	—	13	7	20
United States of America	—	—	7	9	4	19	7	—	33	14	47
Other	—	—	10	8	—	6	—	—	18	13	31
<i>Total</i>	4	5	31	24	12	36	12	—	79	45	124
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)											
South Africa	—	3	11	8	8	27	6	—	28	37	65
Other	3	7	11	37	10	5	4	—	47	30	77
<i>Total</i>	5	10	22	45	18	32	10	—	75	67	142
OTHER AND NOT STATED											
<i>Total</i>	—	—	—	3	—	5	219	—	152	78	230
ALL REGIONS											
<b>Total</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>1 193</b>	<b>1 962</b>	<b>5 117</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>23 170</b>	<b>17 122</b>	<b>16 139</b>	<b>33 261</b>

## 4.7 DEATHS, State or Territory of Usual Residence—State and Territory of Registration

State or Territory of registration.....

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



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

Cause of death(b)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(c)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001–139)	197	142	339	1.0	7.4
Neoplasms (140–239)	5 080	4 101	9 181	27.6	199.4
Malignant neoplasms (140–208)	5 000	4 043	9 043	27.2	196.4
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240–279)	635	663	1 298	3.9	27.8
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280–289)	49	58	107	0.3	2.3
Mental disorders (290–319)	417	495	912	2.7	19.9
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320–389)	350	386	736	2.2	16.0
Diseases of the circulatory system (390–459)	6 372	6 869	13 241	39.8	287.8
Ischaemic heart disease (410–414)	3 810	3 449	7 259	21.8	157.6
Cerebrovascular disease (430–438)	1 176	1 741	2 917	8.8	63.3
Diseases of the respiratory system (460–519)	1 695	1 637	3 332	10.0	72.3
Diseases of the digestive system (520–579)	511	514	1 025	3.1	22.2
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580–629)	278	369	647	1.9	14.0
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630–676)	—	2	2	—	0.0
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680–709)	21	28	49	0.1	1.1
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710–739)	57	127	184	0.6	4.0
Congenital anomalies (740–759)	100	92	192	0.6	4.2
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760–779)	70	63	133	0.4	2.9
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780–799)	38	54	92	0.3	2.0
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800–E999)	1 252	539	1 791	5.4	39.0
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810–E819)	311	137	448	1.3	9.7
Suicide (E950–E959)	529	141	670	2.0	14.5
<b>All causes of death</b>	<b>17 122</b>	<b>16 139</b>	<b>33 261</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>722.3</b>

(a) ABS has introduced automated cause of death coding in 1997, which has impacted on these statistics. For details see *Causes of Death, Australia, 1997* (Cat. no. 3303.0).

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

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

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

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Heart disease</i>	<i>Malignant neoplasms (cancer)</i>	<i>Cerebro-vascular disease (incl. stroke)</i>	<i>Respiratory system diseases</i>	<i>Motor vehicle traffic accidents</i>	<i>Suicide</i>	<i>All causes</i>
<b>Numbers</b>							
Males	4 725	5 000	1 176	1 695	311	529	17 122
Females	4 615	4 043	1 741	1 637	137	141	16 139
Persons	9 340	9 043	2 917	3 332	448	670	33 261
<b>Proportions by sex (%)</b>							
Males	50.6	55.3	40.3	50.9	69.4	79.0	51.5
Females	49.4	44.7	59.7	49.1	30.6	21.0	48.5
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Proportions by cause of death (%)</b>							
Males	27.6	29.2	6.9	9.9	1.8	3.1	100.0
Females	28.6	25.1	10.8	10.1	0.8	0.9	100.0
Persons	28.1	27.2	8.8	10.0	1.3	2.0	100.0
<b>Crude death rate(c)</b>							
Males	207.8	219.8	51.7	74.5	13.7	23.3	752.9
Females	198.0	173.5	74.7	70.2	5.9	6.0	692.4
Persons	202.8	196.4	63.3	72.4	9.7	14.5	722.3
<b>Standardised death rate(d)</b>							
Victoria	177.7	181.4	58.2	49.9	9.0	10.8	633.7
Australia	173.0	170.7	55.8	62.1	9.9	14.6	623.1

(a) ABS has introduced automated cause of death coding in 1997, which has impacted on these statistics. For details see *Causes of Death, Australia, 1997* (Cat. no. 3303.0).

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

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

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

## 4.10 PERINATAL DEATHS(a)

Year	FETAL DEATHS.....			NEONATAL DEATHS.....			PERINATAL DEATHS.....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NUMBER									
1987	213	179	392	177	103	280	390	282	672
1992	201	198	399	136	90	226	337	288	625
1993	181	154	335	126	88	214	307	242	549
1994	242	157	399	119	83	202	361	240	601
1995	224	157	381	107	94	201	331	251	582
1996	204	160	364	108	70	178	312	230	542
1997	188	145	333	99	90	189	287	235	522
RATE									
1987	6.7	6.0	6.3	5.6	3.4	4.6	12.3	9.4	10.9
1992	5.9	6.1	6.0	4.0	2.8	3.4	9.9	8.9	9.4
1993	5.5	4.9	5.2	3.8	2.8	3.3	9.3	7.7	8.5
1994	7.3	5.0	6.2	3.6	2.7	3.2	10.9	7.7	9.3
1995	6.9	5.1	6.1	3.3	3.1	3.2	10.2	8.2	9.2
1996	6.4	5.4	5.9	3.4	2.4	2.9	9.8	7.7	8.8
1997	6.0	4.9	5.5	3.2	3.1	3.1	9.1	7.9	8.6

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

## 4.11 PERINATAL DEATHS(a), Selected Details

Particulars	1997 PERINATAL					1987.
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
AGE AT DEATH						
Less than 1 hour	—	38	14	24	38	51
1 hour to under 1 day	—	59	34	25	59	87
1 day to under 1 week	—	50	29	21	50	80
1 week to under 4 weeks	—	42	22	20	42	62
<b>Total</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>280</b>
WEIGHT AT DELIVERY						
500–999 grams	80	55	81	54	135	193
1 000–1 999 grams	57	30	45	42	87	125
2 000–2 999 grams	60	34	46	48	94	139
3 000 or more grams	67	36	59	44	103	128
Not stated	20	4	15	9	24	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>630</b>
PERIOD OF GESTATION						
Less than 28 weeks	127	80	120	87	207	236
28–36 weeks	104	52	80	76	156	204
37–41 weeks	98	55	85	68	153	206
42 or more weeks	3	—	—	4	5	17
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>672</b>
AGE GROUP OF MOTHER						
Less than 20 years	9	14	9	14	23	27
20–24 years	51	26	49	28	77	143
25–29 years	94	41	67	68	135	227
30–34 years	99	58	88	69	157	164
35–39 years	57	30	51	36	87	77
40 or more years	17	7	11	13	24	9
Not stated	6	13	12	7	19	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>672</b>

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

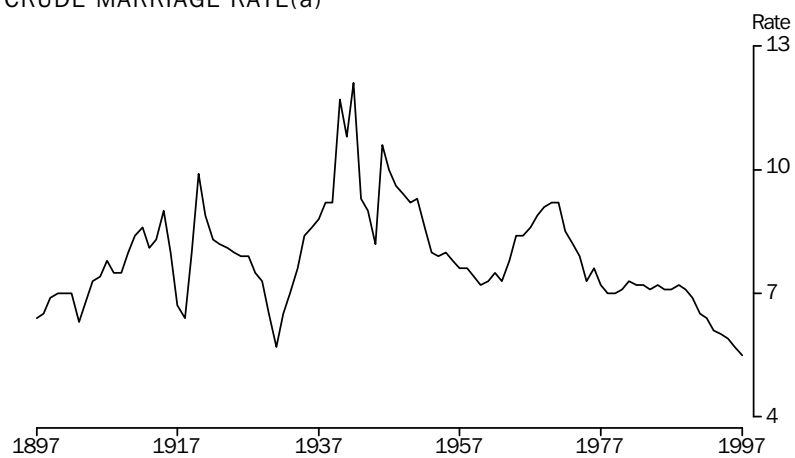
## SECTION 5

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED .....

### SUMMARY

In 1997 there were 25,456 marriages registered in Victoria, compared with 26,074 in 1996 and 29,682 in 1987. The number of marriages registered has declined each year since 1988, the 1997 figure being the lowest since 1964. The long-term downward trend in the crude marriage rate (the number of marriages per 1,000 population) has continued. In 1997 this rate was 5.5 per 1,000 population which is the lowest rate recorded this century, the highest rate being 12.1 per 1,000 population in 1942 during World War II. In 1997 the national rate was 5.8 per 1,000 population.

### CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE(a)

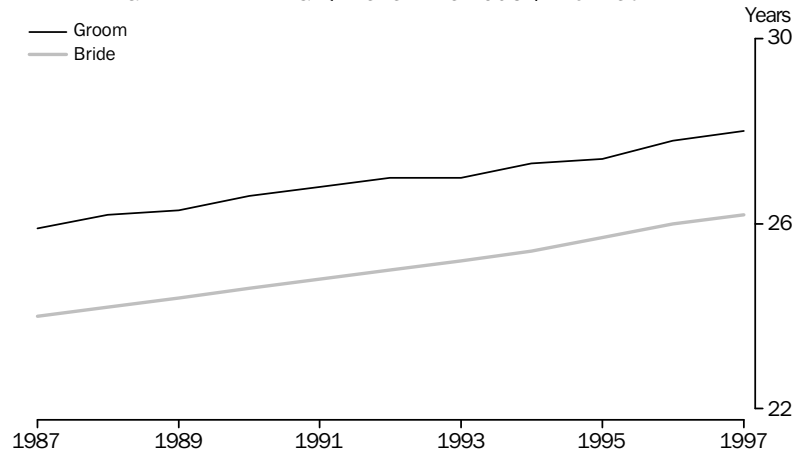


(a) Per 1,000 population.

### AGE AT FIRST MARRIAGE

The age at first marriage in Victoria continues to increase steadily. The median ages for men and women marrying for the first time in 1997 were 28.0 years for men and 26.2 years for women. The median age is the age at which there are as many marrying above the age as there are marrying below it. In first marriages in 1997, 34% of bridegrooms and 21% of brides were aged 30 years or more compared with 20.0% and 12.0% respectively in 1987.

MEDIAN AGE AT MARRIAGE. Never Previously Married



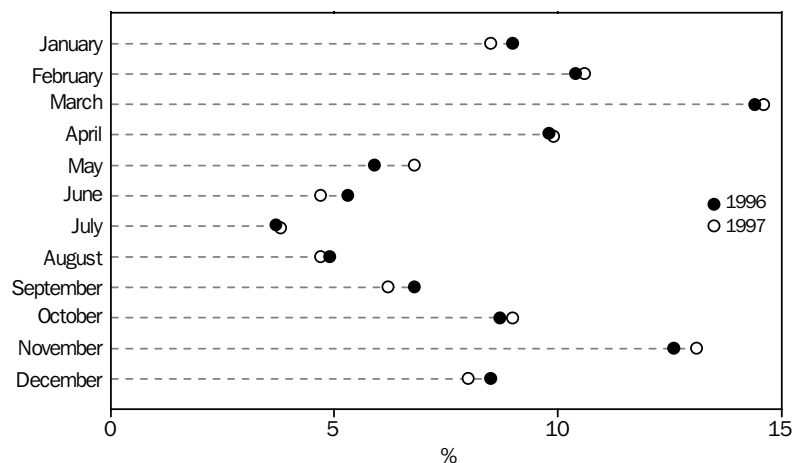
AGE-SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES

Between 1987 and 1997 age-specific marriage rates (per 1,000 population) decreased for men and women in most age groups. While the peak age group for men remained 25–29 years, the rate declined slightly over this period. The 20–24 year age group for men recorded the largest decline in the marriage rate, decreasing by 54.0% from 1987 to 1997. Over the same period, the peak age group for women increased from 20–24 years to 25–29 years. Since 1987 the largest decline in age-specific marriage rates for women occurred in the 20–24 year age group which decreased by 44.0%.

DAY AND MONTH OF MARRIAGE

Saturday is traditionally the most popular day of the week for marriage, and 66.0% of marriages registered in 1997 were celebrated on a Saturday, 20.0% were celebrated on a Sunday and 7.0% on a Friday. The most popular month for marriage in 1997 was March with 3,723 marriages celebrated followed by November with 3,262. The least popular month in 1997 was July with 965 marriages celebrated.

MARRIAGES, By Month



PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS

Of all marriages registered in Victoria in 1997, 69.0% were the first marriage for both partners. In 11.0% of all marriages, both partners were previously divorced.

## CATEGORY OF CELEBRANT

Between 1977 and 1997 the percentage of marriages performed in Victoria by ministers of religion declined from 73.0% to 55.0%. More than half of this decline occurred between 1977 and 1987 when the corresponding figure was 62.0%. Of these marriages in 1997, 86.0% of men and 88.0% of women had never been in a registered marriage. By comparison, of those people married by civil celebrants (45.0% of all marriages) 65.0% of men and 67.0% of women had never been in a registered marriage.

In 1997, 22.0% of all marriages performed in Victoria were by Catholic priests while 11.0% were by Anglican ministers.

## BIRTHPLACE OF PARTIES

Of the marriages registered in Victoria in 1997, the birthplaces of the parties to these marriages were as follows: 65.0% were between Australian-born couples; 14.0% were between couples born overseas; 9.0% were between Australian men and non-Australian women; 12.0% were between Australian women and non-Australian men. Of those marriages between overseas-born couples, two-thirds were between couples born in the same country.

## 5.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
ALL MARRIAGES							
<b>Marriages registered</b>	<b>29 682</b>	<b>28 429</b>	<b>27 418</b>	<b>26 974</b>	<b>26 607</b>	<b>26 074</b>	<b>25 456</b>
Crude marriage rate	7.0	6.4	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.7	5.5
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	20 622	19 882	19 195	19 078	18 752	18 026	17 666
First marriage one partner	5 110	4 926	4 737	4 443	4 458	4 546	4 485
Remarriage both partners	3 950	3 621	3 486	3 453	3 397	3 502	3 305
Marriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	18 434	17 361	16 613	16 153	n.a.	14 415	14 004
Proportion (%)	62.1	61.1	60.6	59.9	n.a.	55.3	55.0
Civil celebrants							
Number	11 248	11 068	10 805	10 821	n.a.	11 659	11 452
Proportion (%)	37.9	38.9	39.4	40.1	n.a.	44.7	45.0
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	1.7	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8
20–24	50.3	35.3	33.0	30.7	29.2	25.9	23.3
25–29	55.9	54.8	54.2	54.4	54.4	51.4	50.5
30–34	27.1	29.0	27.9	28.8	27.9	29.4	29.3
35–39	13.9	14.6	13.7	13.6	14.4	14.6	15.2
40–44	9.6	9.0	8.7	8.4	8.7	9.1	8.3
45–49	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.4
50 and over	3.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.9
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	22 940	22 140	21 435	21 062	20 790	20 089	19 813
Widowed	748	598	621	616	552	550	506
Divorced	5 994	5 691	5 362	5 296	5 265	5 435	5 137
Total	29 682	28 429	27 418	26 974	26 607	26 074	25 456
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	25.9	27.0	27.0	27.3	27.4	27.8	28.0
Widowed	61.1	62.0	61.4	62.3	61.9	62.7	61.8
Divorced	38.5	39.5	40.4	40.5	40.9	41.3	41.5
All bridegrooms	27.4	28.6	28.6	28.8	29.0	29.4	29.6
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	10.9	6.1	5.4	5.1	5.0	4.5	3.7
20–24	72.5	55.7	53.2	50.3	47.2	42.9	40.5
25–29	43.1	47.7	47.1	48.7	49.7	49.1	48.8
30–34	19.4	20.9	20.3	20.7	21.3	22.2	22.4
35–39	11.1	10.8	10.3	10.2	10.4	10.9	10.6
40–44	7.1	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.2
45–49	5.6	5.2	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.1
50 and over	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6
Marital status of bride							
Never married	23 414	22 550	21 692	21 537	21 172	20 509	20 004
Widowed	905	653	684	675	617	637	545
Divorced	5 363	5 226	5 042	4 762	4 818	4 928	4 907
Total	29 682	28 429	27 418	26 974	26 607	26 074	25 456
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	24.0	25.0	25.2	25.4	25.7	26.0	26.2
Widowed	52.4	53.7	54.2	54.5	54.3	54.6	54.4
Divorced	35.1	36.5	36.8	37.5	37.6	37.9	38.1
All brides	25.2	26.3	26.4	26.6	26.9	27.3	27.5

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.



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

Age at marriage (years)	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991	1996
FIRST MARRIAGES						
Age of bridegroom						
15–19	13.6	8.4	4.5	1.9	1.4	0.9
20–24	185.5	130.0	92.2	65.6	44.5	29.4
25–29	209.6	152.7	128.8	119.1	105.9	84.3
30–34	110.0	92.1	86.3	86.6	81.5	75.8
35–39	56.9	51.8	45.9	46.2	48.0	44.6
40–44	28.2	28.8	24.3	23.5	24.6	23.9
45 and over	7.9	9.1	7.4	7.2	5.8	5.8
Age of bride						
15–19	65.0	44.6	25.9	12.7	7.2	4.7
20–24	300.2	194.8	143.0	112.1	79.0	52.8
25–29	194.5	142.9	125.3	130.2	121.2	101.6
30–34	93.4	93.7	70.3	79.4	75.6	72.7
35–39	51.9	52.3	41.0	43.0	40.5	39.5
40–44	27.6	30.1	20.5	23.9	15.9	18.0
45 and over	3.8	5.2	3.3	3.3	3.7	4.2
REMARRIAGES						
Age of bridegroom						
15–19	—	—	—	—	—	—
20–24	131.7	255.8	197.8	102.8	35.7	27.5
25–29	351.0	401.7	247.6	195.1	143.6	57.1
30–34	289.1	346.4	210.3	179.0	150.2	71.1
35–39	206.4	298.6	171.9	144.0	114.0	57.5
40–44	145.3	223.2	129.5	112.5	91.2	46.7
45–49	96.8	167.7	95.3	97.1	71.6	38.4
50–54	68.0	118.2	71.6	80.5	58.5	34.3
55–59	56.2	84.9	53.2	57.5	45.2	28.0
60 and over	17.4	22.9	16.8	14.0	13.8	10.6
Age of bride						
15–19	43.5	111.1	98.4	30.5	9.8	4.6
20–24	322.0	338.1	225.8	164.6	92.4	35.4
25–29	300.7	312.9	194.8	169.1	140.4	58.5
30–34	162.4	219.0	136.3	130.5	109.9	54.6
35–39	98.9	138.5	92.3	85.6	75.6	37.7
40–44	68.4	104.6	68.2	58.2	48.3	28.8
45–49	43.0	67.4	46.2	49.7	38.3	23.6
50–54	25.3	34.9	24.8	27.9	25.2	16.8
55–59	11.6	18.3	13.5	15.0	12.0	11.1
60 and over	2.8	3.3	2.6	2.5	2.3	1.7

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

## 5.3 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties

*Previous marital status of bride.....*

<i>Previous marital status of bridegroom</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
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## NUMBER

Never married	17 666	102	2 045	19 813
Widowed	84	193	229	506
Divorced	2 254	250	2 633	5 137
Total	20 004	545	4 907	25 456

## PROPORTION (%)

Never married	69.4	0.4	8.0	77.8
Widowed	0.3	0.8	0.9	2.0
Divorced	8.9	1.0	10.3	20.2
Total	78.6	2.1	19.3	100.0

## 5.4 MARRIAGES, Age and Previous Marital Status of Parties

Age at marriage (years)	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM.....				PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			
	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
17 and under	—	—	—	—	20	—	—	20
18	33	—	—	33	236	—	—	236
19	89	—	—	89	315	—	—	316
20	208	—	—	208	597	—	—	598
21	380	—	—	382	883	—	4	887
22	754	—	—	756	1 390	—	11	1 402
23	1 144	—	7	1 151	1 787	—	19	1 807
24	1 529	—	8	1 537	2 101	—	47	2 149
25	1 996	—	16	2 013	2 194	—	62	2 258
26	1 962	—	34	1 996	2 005	5	102	2 112
27	1 827	—	66	1 894	1 680	—	122	1 803
28	1 757	—	78	1 837	1 384	—	155	1 541
29	1 393	—	103	1 498	1 160	6	189	1 355
30–34	4 301	14	877	5 192	2 896	44	1 105	4 045
35–39	1 622	26	1 110	2 758	935	37	978	1 950
40–44	516	29	860	1 405	259	43	773	1 075
45–49	180	38	792	1 010	103	71	636	810
50–54	77	50	586	713	37	66	412	515
55–59	15	60	303	378	10	83	161	254
60 and over	28	283	293	604	12	182	129	323
<b>Total</b>	<b>19 813</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>5 137</b>	<b>25 456</b>	<b>20 004</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>4 907</b>	<b>25 456</b>

## 5.5 MARRIAGES, Age of Parties

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	—	9	13	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33
19	3	22	19	36	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	89
20-24	13	118	172	2 821	780	105	18	6	—	—	—	—	—	4 034
25-29	3	66	74	3 143	4 940	833	141	28	7	3	—	—	—	9 238
30-34	—	13	29	633	2 372	1 630	394	95	19	7	—	—	—	5 192
35-39	—	5	5	155	681	958	660	222	58	12	—	—	—	2 758
40-44	—	—	—	35	181	335	403	262	137	44	—	3	—	1 405
45-49	—	—	—	7	72	108	207	262	221	100	25	6	—	1 010
50-54	—	—	—	5	28	48	86	132	208	151	40	14	—	713
55-59	—	—	—	—	5	17	25	44	92	102	66	26	—	378
60 and over	—	—	—	—	4	8	14	23	66	96	119	274	—	604
Total	20	236	316	6 843	9 069	4 045	1 950	1 075	810	515	254	323	—	25 456

## 5.6 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties

Birthplace	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	16 896	—	2 467	19 363	16 896	—	2 904	19 800
Fiji	15	23	13	51	13	23	18	54
New Zealand	269	34	63	366	205	34	57	296
Other	33	37	19	89	43	37	16	96
<i>Total</i>	<i>17 213</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>2 562</i>	<i>19 869</i>	<i>17 157</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>2 995</i>	<i>20 246</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	11	—	13	25	16	—	7	24
Former USSR & Baltic States	10	77	11	98	39	77	34	150
Former Yugoslav Republics	152	131	48	331	103	131	31	265
Germany	94	23	37	154	61	23	35	119
Greece	94	31	24	149	56	31	18	105
Hungary	9	8	11	28	8	8	10	26
Ireland	40	3	11	54	21	3	7	31
Italy	129	45	55	229	59	45	24	128
Malta	44	9	26	79	27	9	11	47
Netherlands	67	8	27	102	50	8	16	74
Poland	25	41	20	86	31	41	17	89
United Kingdom	1 000	196	153	1 349	758	196	119	1 073
Other	151	67	64	282	93	67	56	216
<i>Total</i>	<i>1 826</i>	<i>640</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>2 966</i>	<i>1 322</i>	<i>640</i>	<i>385</i>	<i>2 347</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	26	12	15	53	6	12	6	24
Lebanon	68	42	14	124	22	42	22	86
Turkey	62	49	16	127	17	49	6	72
Other	49	61	53	163	30	61	29	120
<i>Total</i>	<i>205</i>	<i>164</i>	<i>98</i>	<i>467</i>	<i>75</i>	<i>164</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>302</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	28	60	13	101	22	60	22	104
Malaysia	31	46	54	131	57	46	49	152
Philippines	16	85	8	109	114	85	71	270
Singapore	12	—	9	23	27	—	28	57
Thailand	3	12	3	18	46	12	21	79
Viet Nam	9	364	38	411	34	364	58	456
Other	7	83	29	119	12	83	34	129
<i>Total</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>652</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>912</i>	<i>312</i>	<i>652</i>	<i>283</i>	<i>1 247</i>

5.6 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties *continued*

Birthplace	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	11	151	52	214	54	151	59	264
Hong Kong	9	37	33	79	18	37	36	91
Other	8	25	10	43	48	25	36	109
<i>Total</i>	28	213	95	336	120	213	131	464
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	52	61	21	134	34	61	27	122
Sri Lanka	45	61	30	136	47	61	17	125
Other	12	24	5	41	—	24	3	29
<i>Total</i>	109	146	56	311	83	146	47	276
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	43	—	13	58	45	—	7	54
Chile	22	17	15	54	15	17	19	51
United States of America	94	8	29	131	84	8	31	123
Other	42	25	40	107	55	25	35	115
<i>Total</i>	201	52	97	350	199	52	92	343
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	52	9	14	75	45	9	18	72
Other	60	72	38	170	49	72	37	158
<i>Total</i>	112	81	52	245	94	81	55	230
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ALL REGIONS								
<b>Total</b>	<b>19 800</b>	<b>2 042</b>	<b>3 614</b>	<b>25 456</b>	<b>19 363</b>	<b>2 042</b>	<b>4 051</b>	<b>25 456</b>

## 5.7 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties—Category of Rite

Category of rite	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM.			PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			All marriages	Proportion of all marriages
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced		
RELIGIOUS								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
Anglican	2 155	53	439	2 260	50	337	2 647	10.4
Baptist	295	9	69	303	14	56	373	1.5
Catholic	5 149	73	183	5 195	75	135	5 405	21.2
Churches of Christ	222	10	62	214	9	71	294	1.2
Lutheran	125	3	30	120	5	33	158	0.6
Orthodox	1 165	8	132	1 193	5	107	1 305	5.1
Presbyterian	206	8	34	208	6	34	248	1.0
Uniting Church	1 498	42	343	1 571	35	277	1 883	7.4
Other denominations	1 323	40	328	1 287	48	356	1 691	6.6
<i>All religious rites</i>	12 138	246	1 620	12 351	247	1 406	14 004	55.0
CIVIL								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
Official registrars	1 370	53	627	1 338	43	669	2 050	8.1
Other civil celebrants	6 305	207	2 890	6 315	255	2 832	9 402	36.9
<i>All civil rites</i>	7 675	260	3 517	7 653	298	3 501	11 452	45.0
TOTAL								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
<b>Number</b>	<b>19 813</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>5 137</b>	<b>20 004</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>4 907</b>	<b>25 456</b>	<b>100.0</b>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	..
Proportion	77.8	2.0	20.2	78.6	2.1	19.3	100.0	..

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

Number of children under 16.....

<i>Number of previous marriages</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>Four or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
BRIDEGROOM						
One	3 069	933	203	42	6	4 908
Two	389	126	31	13	—	636
Three or more	53	13	5	—	—	82
Not stated	17	—	—	—	—	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 528</b>	<b>1 072</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5 643</b>
BRIDE						
One	2 895	888	183	51	—	4 673
Two	443	136	29	8	—	694
Three or more	53	9	5	—	—	75
Not stated	10	—	—	—	—	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 401</b>	<b>1 033</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5 452</b>



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

<i>Interval between termination of last marriage and remarriage (years)</i>	BRIDEGROOM'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED			BRIDE'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED		
	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Death of spouse</i>	<i>Divorce</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	16	743	759	12	581	593
1	72	1 076	1 148	49	862	911
2	81	716	797	51	676	727
3	86	481	567	52	527	579
4	51	416	467	52	385	437
0-4	306	3 432	3 738	216	3 031	3 247
5	48	298	346	43	299	342
6	32	241	273	30	285	315
7	15	193	208	26	225	251
8	16	142	158	45	154	199
9	17	124	141	23	132	155
5-9	128	998	1 126	167	1 095	1 262
10-14	36	366	402	86	417	503
15-19	20	191	211	45	225	270
20 and over	12	82	94	27	82	109
Not stated	4	68	72	4	57	61
<b>All remarriages</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>5 137</b>	<b>5 643</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>4 907</b>	<b>5 452</b>

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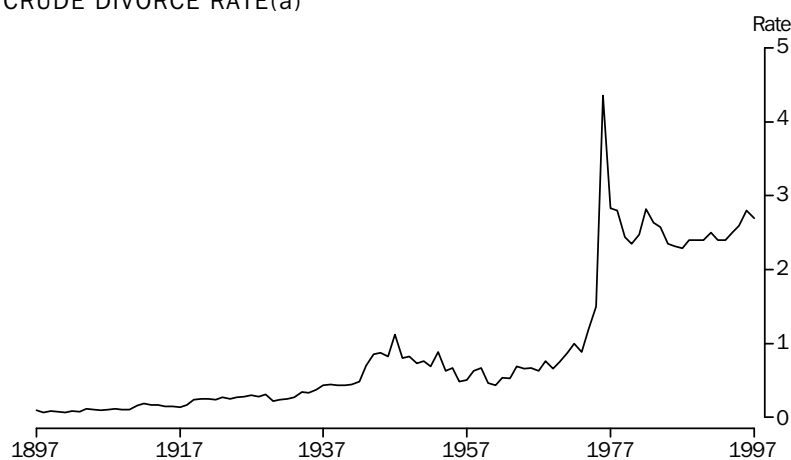
## DIVORCES GRANTED .....

### SUMMARY

There were 12,463 divorces granted in 1997, compared with 12,491 in 1996 and 9,626 in 1987. The decrease in divorces granted from 1996 to 1997 may relate directly to the workload of the Family Court of Australia or may indicate that, in the short-term, a plateau has been reached in these statistics.

The crude divorce rate in 1997 was 2.7 per 1,000 population — a slight decline from the rate in 1996 (2.8%).

### CRUDE DIVORCE RATE(a)



Per 1,000 population.

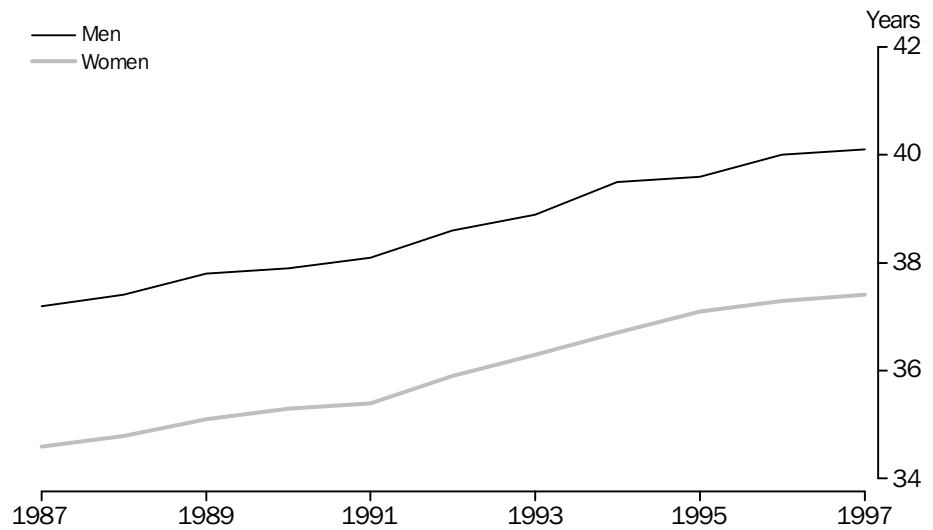
### DURATION OF MARRIAGES

Of couples who divorced in 1997, 51.0% had separated within seven years of marriage, and 24.0% separated within three years. The most common interval was between two and three years. The median interval between marriage and separation was 7.7 years and the median interval between marriage and divorce was 11.0 years. The same median intervals for Australia were 7.7 years and 11.1 years respectively.

### AGE AT DIVORCE AND FINAL SEPARATION

The median age at divorce (the age at which there are as many divorcing above it as there are divorcing below it) for both men and women continued to rise in 1997. The median age at divorce for men was 40.1 years in 1997 compared with 37.2 years in 1987. For women, the median age at divorce was 37.4 years in 1997 compared with 34.6 years in 1987. The median age at final separation for men divorcing in 1997 was 36.9 years compared with 34.4 years in 1987. For women, the median age at final separation was 34.1 years in 1997 compared with 31.8 years in 1987.

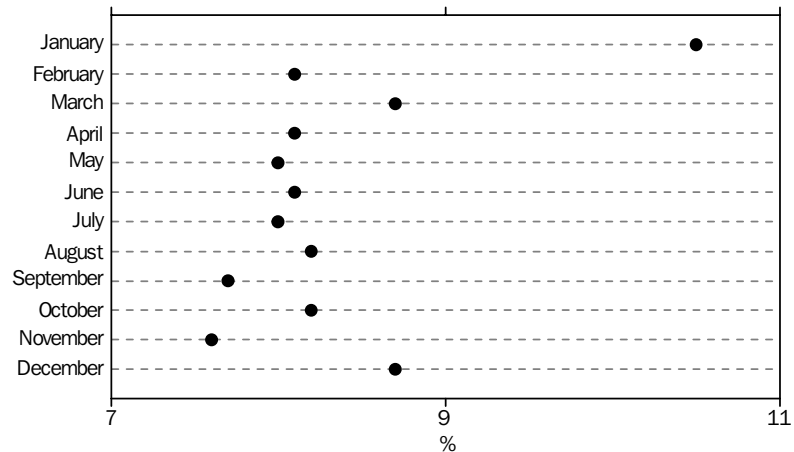
## MEDIAN AGE AT DIVORCE



## MONTH OF SEPARATION

For divorces granted in 1997 the month during which most couples separated was January (10.5%). January has consistently been the most common month of separation for people who became divorced. The corresponding percentages for the three previous years were 10.1% (1994), 10.2% (1995) and 10.5% (1996).

## MONTH OF SEPARATION



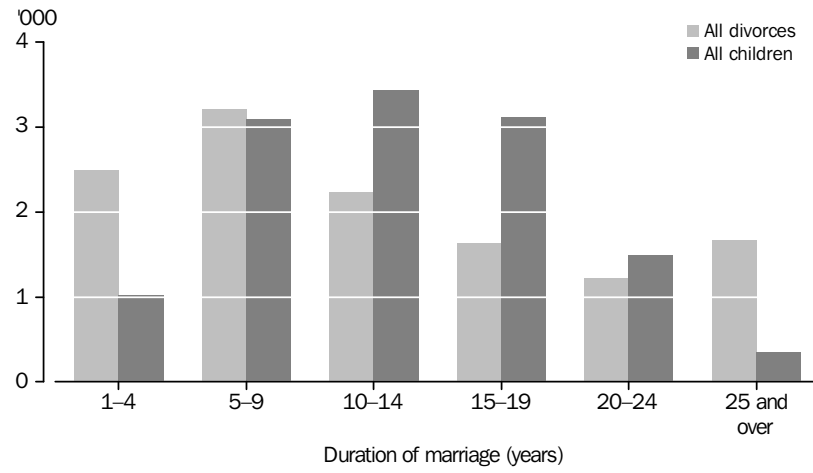
## SEX OF APPLICANT

In 1997, 20.0% of divorces were the result of joint applications by both husband and wife compared with 10.0% in 1987. Husbands lodged 32.0% and wives lodged 48.0% of all divorces granted in 1997. Comparative percentages for 1987 were 39.0% and 52.0% respectively.

## DIVORCES INVOLVING CHILDREN UNDER 18

In 1997, at the time of application for divorce, 53.0% of divorces granted in Victoria involved at least one child under the age of 18 years (57.0% in 1987). The 12,463 divorces granted in 1997 involved 12,518 children compared to 10,401 children involved in 9,626 divorces in 1987.

DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage and Duration of Marriage



## 6.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
ALL DIVORCES							
<b>Divorces granted</b>	<b>9 626</b>	<b>10 533</b>	<b>11 050</b>	<b>11 320</b>	<b>11 838</b>	<b>12 491</b>	<b>12 463</b>
Crude divorce rate	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.1	10.4	10.6	10.9	10.9	10.8	11.0
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.7
Divorces involving children							
Number	5 509	5 616	5 905	4 437	n.a.	6 482	6 661
Percentage of total divorces	57.2	53.3	53.4	39.2	n.a.	51.9	53.4
Average number of children	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	n.a.	1.9	1.9
Applicant							
Husband	3 732	3 927	4 090	4 121	4 148	4 216	3 980
Wife	4 958	4 946	5 246	5 548	5 629	5 708	6 001
Joint	936	1 660	1 714	1 651	2 061	2 567	2 482

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

6.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a) *continued*

	1987	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
HUSBAND							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7
25-29	9.2	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.3
30-34	12.3	11.7	12.5	12.0	13.0	13.3	13.1
35-39	11.3	11.6	12.1	12.5	12.6	13.1	13.0
40-44	9.9	10.5	11.7	12.0	12.2	12.6	12.7
45-49	9.0	9.0	9.5	10.3	11.1	11.2	10.7
50-54	5.8	7.3	7.3	7.7	7.9	8.8	8.5
55 and over	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.9	2.9
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	8 199	8 899	9 249	9 366	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Widowed	117	98	115	107	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Divorced	1 310	1 536	1 686	1 847	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Total</i>	9 626	10 533	11 050	11 320	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	24.3	25.1	25.1	25.3	25.5	25.7	25.7
At final separation	34.4	35.8	35.9	36.5	36.4	36.7	36.9
At decree made absolute	37.2	38.6	38.9	39.5	39.6	40.0	40.1
WIFE							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	2.8	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8
25-29	11.8	11.5	11.5	11.4	11.4	11.5	10.8
30-34	11.9	11.7	12.3	12.6	13.2	14.0	14.1
35-39	10.8	11.3	12.0	11.9	12.1	12.6	13.0
40-44	8.8	9.5	10.6	11.3	11.6	11.8	11.4
45-49	7.2	8.2	8.3	8.5	9.0	9.6	8.9
50-54	4.2	4.9	5.1	5.5	5.9	6.7	6.5
55 and over	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	8 241	8 923	9 423	9 520	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Widowed	152	135	124	166	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Divorced	1 233	1 475	1 503	1 634	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Total</i>	9 626	10 533	11 050	11 320	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.8	22.5	22.6	22.8	23.0	23.3	23.3
At final separation	31.8	33.1	33.3	33.7	33.9	34.0	34.1
At decree made absolute	34.6	35.9	36.3	36.7	37.1	37.3	37.4

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

### AGE GROUP (YEARS).....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40-44</i>	<i>45-49</i>	<i>50 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
.....										
HUSBAND										
1	—	32	42	34	26	12	9	18	8	182
2	10	182	192	126	58	27	21	40	13	669
3	14	227	258	129	74	35	33	47	10	827
4	9	251	279	116	77	32	21	23	7	815
5	16	233	243	118	60	31	19	25	6	751
6	8	217	226	100	51	21	10	29	3	665
7	15	197	208	90	56	38	10	19	—	635
8	17	186	180	88	45	41	12	18	—	588
9	15	190	175	77	49	22	18	23	4	573
10-14	62	803	683	301	168	96	53	46	13	2 225
15-19	67	780	470	162	78	32	18	19	9	1 635
20-24	82	711	279	79	34	13	17	7	6	1 228
25-29	65	593	198	46	12	6	4	—	—	926
30 and over	57	435	184	51	15	—	—	—	—	744
<b>Total</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>5 037</b>	<b>3 617</b>	<b>1 517</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>12 463</b>
.....										
WIFE										
1	13	53	55	23	20	8	5	4	—	182
2	44	246	165	90	40	33	22	20	9	669
3	58	316	224	94	51	33	15	29	7	827
4	56	371	199	83	49	19	16	13	9	815
5	70	321	205	61	44	19	12	11	8	751
6	60	290	178	61	39	15	9	10	3	665
7	62	272	143	76	42	18	9	7	6	635
8	56	247	147	50	47	21	9	9	—	588
9	61	247	126	63	34	14	16	7	5	573
10-14	258	1 053	501	207	104	50	17	20	15	2 225
15-19	371	801	276	103	41	17	10	4	12	1 635
20-24	402	579	164	40	21	5	7	—	8	1 228
25-29	309	497	91	16	6	3	—	—	3	926
30 and over	253	399	66	16	4	3	—	—	—	744
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 073</b>	<b>5 692</b>	<b>2 540</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>12 463</b>
.....										

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

## AGE GROUPS (YEARS).....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40-44</i>	<i>45-49</i>	<i>50-54</i>	<i>55 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
HUSBAND											
Under 1	11	203	278	179	109	44	41	34	43	25	967
1	6	169	347	164	106	40	36	20	26	13	927
2	—	131	383	256	127	67	49	13	35	8	1 069
3	—	62	327	243	116	61	33	18	19	6	885
4	—	27	278	225	118	51	30	10	29	3	771
5	—	8	196	215	102	49	36	16	20	6	648
6	—	3	138	220	102	58	36	10	15	—	584
7	—	—	71	232	109	63	41	14	22	—	554
8	—	—	44	197	96	45	23	13	20	—	439
9	—	—	22	165	147	49	29	17	21	—	450
10-14	—	—	3	419	785	382	140	58	77	8	1 872
15-19	—	—	—	13	446	569	190	60	61	5	1 344
20-24	—	—	—	—	15	384	497	111	55	—	1 063
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	6	230	196	88	—	521
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	87	261	—	349
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>2 087</b>	<b>2 528</b>	<b>2 378</b>	<b>1 868</b>	<b>1 412</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>12 463</b>
WIFE											
Under 1	68	323	258	119	70	50	37	15	13	14	967
1	19	309	284	139	75	39	24	8	16	14	927
2	6	308	364	182	96	51	26	8	17	11	1 069
3	—	180	375	174	58	48	21	7	12	8	885
4	—	96	334	177	73	41	25	11	9	5	771
5	—	42	281	188	64	36	15	5	11	6	648
6	—	17	237	172	82	38	20	13	5	—	584
7	—	8	174	204	83	42	21	11	10	—	554
8	—	—	129	177	62	31	18	7	10	3	439
9	—	—	73	221	92	31	16	8	7	—	450
10-14	—	—	69	789	637	219	88	30	27	13	1 872
15-19	—	—	—	94	746	320	114	35	30	5	1 344
20-24	—	—	—	—	88	618	271	62	22	—	1 063
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	49	311	128	32	—	521
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	147	175	—	349
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1 286</b>	<b>2 578</b>	<b>2 636</b>	<b>2 226</b>	<b>1 613</b>	<b>1 033</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>12 463</b>



## 6.4 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Divorce

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

Age group of husband (years)	24 and under	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Not stated	Total
24 and under	100	55	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	165
25-29	251	833	198	31	5	3	—	—	—	7	1 329
30-34	114	785	1 103	210	60	10	3	3	—	12	2 300
35-39	20	215	864	982	198	41	14	—	—	5	2 340
40-44	14	49	241	817	827	140	28	4	—	14	2 135
45-49	5	17	72	208	620	609	120	18	—	10	1 681
50-54	—	9	20	71	164	450	364	43	10	13	1 144
55-59	—	—	9	18	39	103	241	180	24	7	623
60 and over	—	4	9	17	36	48	87	158	298	3	662
Not stated	8	20	9	11	9	—	5	—	—	19	84
Total	514	1 989	2 534	2 366	1 958	1 406	862	409	335	90	12 463

## 6.5 DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage and Duration of Marriage(a)

### NUMBER OF CHILDREN.....

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	0	1	2	3	4 or more	All divorces	All children	Average number of children(b)
1	155	18	7	—	—	182	38	1.4
2	530	90	40	6	3	669	200	1.4
3	589	160	56	17	5	827	345	1.4
4	532	176	74	21	12	815	439	1.6
5	400	195	125	28	3	751	541	1.5
6	320	179	125	35	6	665	559	1.6
7	262	159	152	48	14	635	666	1.8
8	242	137	155	45	9	588	620	1.8
9	185	151	166	58	13	573	709	1.8
10–14	559	422	833	316	95	2 225	3 439	2.1
15–19	241	279	661	332	122	1 635	3 119	2.2
20–24	389	388	299	112	40	1 228	1 495	1.8
25–29	685	182	47	11	—	926	313	1.3
30 and over	713	27	4	—	—	744	35	1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>5 802</b>	<b>2 563</b>	<b>2 744</b>	<b>1 031</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>12 463</b>	<b>12 518</b>	<b>1.9</b>

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

## 6.6 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties

Birthplace	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	6 987	—	1 175	8 162	6 987	—	1 594	8 581
Fiji	21	18	5	44	16	18	16	50
New Zealand	120	43	33	196	87	43	40	170
Other	18	9	8	35	7	9	9	25
<i>Total</i>	<i>7 146</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>1 221</i>	<i>8 437</i>	<i>7 097</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>1 659</i>	<i>8 826</i>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	14	—	—	17	—	—	4	7
Former USSR & Baltic States	8	59	11	78	14	59	15	88
Former Yugoslav Republics	73	148	41	262	22	148	27	197
Germany	83	17	32	132	53	17	36	106
Greece	57	73	21	151	20	73	18	111
Hungary	16	7	11	34	8	7	10	25
Ireland	24	12	15	51	15	12	11	38
Italy	108	72	38	218	35	72	17	124
Malta	34	27	8	69	30	27	10	67
Netherlands	69	14	12	95	38	14	14	66
Poland	16	58	11	85	9	58	17	84
United Kingdom	535	273	113	921	460	273	86	819
Other	64	70	41	175	39	70	37	146
<i>Total</i>	<i>1 101</i>	<i>831</i>	<i>356</i>	<i>2 288</i>	<i>745</i>	<i>831</i>	<i>302</i>	<i>1 878</i>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	13	12	13	38	4	12	15	31
Lebanon	27	48	19	94	5	48	7	60
Turkey	20	66	9	95	6	66	4	76
Other	31	20	33	84	11	20	16	47
<i>Total</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>214</i>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	15	11	8	34	4	11	8	23
Malaysia	15	24	18	57	15	24	22	61
Philippines	7	34	4	45	73	34	41	148
Singapore	3	4	4	11	9	4	3	16
Thailand	—	3	—	6	13	3	13	29
Viet Nam	3	310	32	345	4	310	25	339
Other	—	56	14	71	4	56	10	70
<i>Total</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>569</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>686</i>

6.6 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties *continued*

Birthplace	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	8	193	35	236	26	193	44	263
Hong Kong	5	11	6	22	5	11	12	28
Other	5	6	4	15	8	6	—	15
<i>Total</i>	18	210	45	273	39	210	57	306
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	24	34	17	75	13	34	17	64
Sri Lanka	18	53	9	80	7	53	10	70
Other	7	6	9	22	—	6	4	10
<i>Total</i>	49	93	35	177	20	93	31	144
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	9	—	3	14	18	—	5	25
Chile	5	18	5	28	6	18	7	31
United States of America	39	7	12	58	27	7	13	47
Other	12	29	15	56	12	29	21	62
<i>Total</i>	65	56	35	156	63	56	46	165
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	20	13	13	46	15	13	11	39
Other	24	92	18	134	13	92	26	131
<i>Total</i>	44	105	31	180	28	105	37	170
OTHER AND NOT STATED								
<i>Total</i>	22	36	14	72	22	36	16	74
ALL REGIONS								
<b>Total</b>	<b>8 581</b>	<b>1 989</b>	<b>1 893</b>	<b>12 463</b>	<b>8 162</b>	<b>1 989</b>	<b>2 312</b>	<b>12 463</b>

## EXPLANATORY NOTES .....

### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication brings together a number of closely related series of statistics on demography including births, deaths, marriages and divorces. It also includes information on the estimated resident population (ERP) and migration. For details of publication of other data related to demography, see paragraph 34.

**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. Details for population, births and deaths for Australia include Other Territories.

**3** Details of persons who were usually resident, or were born or died while being usually resident, in Jervis Bay Territory have been, where possible, excluded from this publication from 1990 onwards. These numbers are statistically insignificant. Marriages registered and divorces granted in the Australian Capital Territory may include some persons resident in Jervis Bay Territory.

### POPULATION

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

#### Population estimates

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

#### Population projections

**6** Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections are based on the results of the 1996 Census of Population and Housing and relate to the period 1997–2051.

**7** The population projections are not intended as predictions or forecasts; they are illustrations of growth and change in the population which would occur if certain specified assumptions about future demographic trends were realised. The projections are based on a combination of assumptions in future levels of births, deaths and migration to arrive at the size, structure and distribution of Australia's population into the next century.

Population projections (*continued*)

**8** Series I assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 90,000, small net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate falls to 1.75 births per woman by 2005–06, and then remains constant. Series II assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 70,000, medium net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate falls to 1.75 births per woman by 2005–06, and then remains constant. Series III assumes an annual net overseas migration gain of 70,000, large net internal migration gains and losses for States and Territories, and that the total fertility rate declines to 1.6 births per woman in 2005–06, and then remains constant. All series assume that the decline in mortality experienced between 1987–91 and 1992–96 would continue to 2005–06. From 2005–06 onwards, the average rates of decline experienced in successive 5-year periods from 1967–71 to 1992–96 would be experienced. By 2051, life expectancy of males is assumed to be 82.0 years and of females 86.1 years.

## MIGRATION

## Overseas migration

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

## Interstate migration

**10** Data on interstate migration has been derived from aggregated statistical information on interstate changes of address advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) adjusts the Health Insurance Commission data to make allowance for the number of persons who do not inform the Commission of their change of residence. Further details are available in *Information Paper: Demographic Estimates — Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1995* (Cat. no. 3228.0).

## BIRTHS

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

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

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

BIRTHS *continued*

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

**15** The live birth statistics used to calculate the fetal, neonatal and perinatal death rates have been adjusted to exclude cases where the birthweight was known to be less than 400 grams. However, infant death rates are calculated using all live births registered because figures are not available Australia wide for infants who weighed less than 400 grams at birth and who lived for 28 days, but died before they were 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 4 of this publication refer to deaths registered during the year shown. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death, and as a result some deaths are not registered in the year in which they occur. However, most deaths are registered within six months of occurrence. More than 99% of deaths occurring in one year have been registered by 30 June of the following year.

**18** Life tables are shown in tables 4.4 and 4.5 and summarise expectation of life. From 1995 these life tables are based on deaths occurring in the reference and previous two years. They are produced at the Australian, State and Territory level as a joint venture between the ABS and the Australian Government Actuary. These life tables are known as the Australian Actuary/Australian Bureau of Statistics Life Tables. Before 1995 life tables shown in this publication were prepared by the ABS. The Australian Government Actuary also constructed life tables based on deaths occurring during the three years around and including the census year. The latest life tables prepared by the Australian Government Actuary were based on deaths during 1995 to 1997. These were released in 1998 and copies are available from the Commonwealth Government Bookshops or the Mail Order Sales Service.

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

## MARRIAGES

**20** Marriage statistics refer to marriages registered by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages of Victoria during the years shown. There is usually an interval between the celebration and the registration of a marriage. As a result of the delay in registration, some marriages celebrated in one year are not registered until the following year. Under the Australian Marriage Act 1961 (Cwlth), 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 or Territory in which the marriage took place.

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

## DIVORCES

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

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

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

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

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



DIVORCES *continued*

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

- Characteristics of the divorce:
  - postcode and State or Territory of separation;
  - rite of marriage; and
  - number of children aged over 18 years.
- Characteristics of the husband and wife:
  - previous marital status at marriage;
  - number of previous marriages;
  - occupation at separation;
  - date of first arrival in Australia; and
  - duration of residence.

## GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES

**28** The geographic boundaries for small area data are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 6* (Cat. no. 1216.0).

**29** The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the Statistical Local Area boundaries at 1 July 1996.

**30** The classification of countries in this publication is the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS). For more detailed information refer to the ABS publication *Standard Australian Classification of Countries* (SACC), 1998 (Cat. no. 1269.0).

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

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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

## SUPPRESSION OF SMALL CELLS

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

## RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**34** Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

*Australian Demographic Statistics* (Cat. no. 3101.0)  
*Australian Demographic Trends* (Cat. no. 3102.0)  
*Births, Australia* (Cat. no. 3301.0)  
*Causes of Death, Australia* (Cat. no. 3303.0)  
*Deaths, Australia* (Cat. no. 3302.0)  
*Demography* (Cat. nos. 3311.1–8) (State and Territory specific publications)  
*Marriages and Divorces, Australia* (Cat. no. 3310.0)  
*Migration, Australia* (Cat. no. 3412.0)  
*Population by Age and Sex, Australian States and Territories* (Cat. no. 3201.0)  
*Population by Age and Sex, Victoria* (Cat. no. 3235.2)                      *Population, Victoria*, (Cat. no. 3234.2)  
*Population Projections* (Cat. no. 3222.0)  
*Regional Population Growth, Australia* (Cat. no. 3218.0)  
*Regional Statistics, Victoria* (Cat. no. 1314.2)  
*Victoria at a Glance* (Cat. no. 1305.2)

## ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

**35** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS office.

**36** In most cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published. Appendix 1 lists characteristics processed by the ABS for marriages registered, divorces granted, births and deaths. This information may be made available in one or more of the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, data tape, floppy disk, computer printout, or clerically extracted tabulation.

APPENDIX **1** CHARACTERISTICS AVAILABLE .....

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

BIRTHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin of mother, father (if paternity acknowledged)

Date of birth

Month/year of registration

State of registration

DEATHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin

Age at marriage

Date of death

Month/year of registration

Number of issue

Occupation at time of death (or previous occupation, if retired)

MARRIAGES REGISTERED

Birthplace of parents of bridegroom (n.a. 1995)

Birthplace of parents of bride (n.a. 1995)

Date of marriage

Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas (n.a. 1995)

Month/year of registration

Number of children of previous marriages (n.a. 1995)

Year of birth of youngest child (n.a. 1995)

Year of celebration of last marriage (n.a. 1995)

Year of first previous marriage (n.a. 1995)

Year of termination of last marriage (n.a. 1995)

DIVORCES GRANTED

Age of youngest child of marriage (n.a. 1995)

Month of divorce

Occupation of husband (n.a. after 1994)

Occupation of wife (n.a. after 1994)

## APPENDIX 2 HISTORICAL SUMMARY .....

### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS .....

Year	Population	Births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Marriages	Divorces	Crude birth rate(a)	Crude death rate(a)	Infant mortality rate(b)	Crude marriage rate(a)	Crude divorce rate(a)
1911	1 339 893	33 026	15 216	2 269	11 088	214	25.0	11.5	68.7	8.4	0.2
1916	1 424 445	34 235	16 489	2 555	11 342	207	24.2	11.7	74.6	8.0	0.2
1921	1 550 727	35 591	16 165	2 582	13 676	389	23.1	10.5	72.6	8.9	0.3
1926	1 684 051	35 362	16 335	1 969	13 405	470	20.8	9.6	55.7	7.9	0.3
1931	1 803 570	30 332	17 033	1 349	10 182	425	16.9	9.5	44.5	5.7	0.2
1936	1 849 607	28 883	18 778	1 222	15 915	690	15.7	10.2	42.3	8.6	0.4
1941	1 946 425	34 406	20 522	1 246	20 898	842	17.8	10.6	36.2	10.8	0.4
1946	2 015 107	46 693	21 534	1 268	21 405	1 651	23.1	10.6	27.2	10.6	0.8
1951	2 299 538	50 553	23 446	1 143	21 117	1 730	22.2	10.3	22.6	9.3	0.8
1956	2 618 112	58 393	23 886	1 128	20 137	1 270	22.5	9.2	19.3	7.8	0.5
1961	2 955 299	65 886	24 500	1 173	21 264	1 257	19.9	8.4	17.8	7.3	0.4
1966(c)	3 249 843	64 008	28 673	1 116	27 089	2 144	21.5	8.9	17.4	8.4	0.7
1971(d)	3 633 843	75 498	30 598	1 107	32 386	3 079	15.9	8.7	14.7	9.2	0.9
1976	3 823 941	60 531	30 884	702	28 760	(e)16 663	15.0	8.1	11.6	7.6	4.4
1981	3 968 398	59 284	29 088	562	28 648	9 769	14.5	7.4	9.4	7.3	2.5
1986	4 182 200	60 162	30 175	517	29 390	9 670	14.8	7.2	8.6	7.1	2.3
1991	4 437 600	65 438	31 216	428	28 535	11 134	14.8	7.1	6.5	6.5	2.5
1992	4 465 400	65 766	31 951	366	28 429	10 533	14.8	7.2	5.6	6.4	2.4
1993	4 478 800	64 049	31 197	347	27 418	(f)10 935	14.3	7.0	5.4	6.1	2.5
1994	4 500 400	63 974	32 353	327	26 974	(f)11 228	14.3	7.2	5.1	6.0	2.5
1995	4 539 800	62 591	32 425	308	26 607	11 838	13.9	7.2	4.9	5.9	2.6
1996	4 581 300	61 143	32 726	308	26 074	12 491	13.5	7.2	5.0	5.7	2.8
1997	4 627 300	60 732	33 261	300	25 456	12 463	13.2	7.3	4.9	5.5	2.7

(a) Crude rate per 1,000 population.

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

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

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

(e) The *Family Law Act 1975* (Cwlth), repealing State legislation, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.

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

## SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1996

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	no.	no.	no.	%
<b>Total persons counted(a)</b>	<b>2 150 301</b>	<b>2 223 219</b>	<b>4 373 520</b>	<b>..</b>
Persons counted in private dwellings	2 091 169	2 163 397	4 254 566	97.3
Persons counted in non-private dwellings	58 443	59 704	118 147	2.7
Usual residence				
Persons counted at home	2 064 198	2 144 512	4 208 710	96.2
Visitors counted from				
Elsewhere in same Statistical Local Area	12 532	12 467	24 999	0.6
Elsewhere within Victoria	49 782	44 536	94 318	2.2
Interstate	14 683	11 417	26 100	0.6
Overseas	9 106	10 288	19 394	0.4
Total visitors	86 103	78 708	164 811	3.8
Usual residence 5 years ago(b)				
Same address	1 118 063	1 168 024	2 286 087	58.5
Different address				
Same Statistical Local Area	214 297	223 168	437 465	11.2
Different Statistical Local Area				
Victoria	390 911	411 069	801 980	20.5
Interstate	49 866	51 034	100 900	2.6
Not stated(c)	4 979	4 701	9 680	0.2
Overseas	65 576	70 742	136 318	3.5
Not stated(d)	67 074	70 202	137 276	3.5
Age of persons counted (years)				
0–14	473 894	451 457	925 351	21.2
15–54	1 262 348	1 278 199	2 540 547	58.1
55–64	181 655	181 160	362 815	8.3
65 or more	223 298	302 115	525 413	12.0
Marital status of persons counted(e)				
Never married	578 538	488 855	1 067 393	24.4
Married	920 500	923 341	1 843 841	42.2
Separated but not divorced	49 211	59 731	108 942	2.5
Divorced	85 475	114 864	200 339	4.6
Widowed	41 676	183 900	225 576	5.2

(a) Place of enumeration.

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

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

(d) Comprises persons who did not state whether they lived at a different address five years ago.

(e) Persons aged 15 years or more.

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

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	no.	no.	no.	%
<b>Birthplace of persons counted</b>				
Australia	1 553 575	1 615 273	3 168 848	72.5
Other Oceania and Antarctica	26 931	27 962	54 893	1.3
Europe and the Former USSR	315 993	310 306	626 299	14.3
Middle East and North Africa	28 808	26 653	55 461	1.3
Southeast Asia	62 116	71 099	133 215	3.0
Northeast Asia	25 886	28 364	54 250	1.2
Southern Asia	26 650	25 857	52 507	1.2
Northern America	7 449	7 637	15 086	0.3
Southern and Central America	8 991	9 476	18 467	0.4
Africa (excl. North Africa)	14 169	14 327	28 496	0.7
Other(a)	710	701	1 411	—
Not stated	69 917	75 275	145 192	3.3
Overseas visitor	9 106	10 288	19 394	0.4
<b>Australian citizens</b>	<b>1 913 089</b>	<b>1 978 861</b>	<b>3 891 950</b>	<b>89.0</b>
Aged 18 years or more	1 386 164	1 476 817	2 862 981	65.5
<b>Persons identifying themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin</b>	<b>10 636</b>	<b>10 838</b>	<b>21 474</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>Labour force status(b)</b>				
Employed persons	1 051 675	833 205	1 884 880	43.1
Full-time(c)	847 677	437 376	1 285 053	29.4
Part-time	180 260	376 162	556 422	12.7
Hours worked not stated	23 738	19 667	43 405	1.0
Unemployed persons	115 682	80 507	196 189	4.5
Looking for full-time work	101 600	53 421	155 021	3.5
Looking for part-time work	14 082	27 086	41 168	0.9
<i>Total in the labour force</i>	<i>1 167 357</i>	<i>913 712</i>	<i>2 081 069</i>	<i>47.6</i>
Total not in the labour force(d)	458 927	810 421	1 269 348	29.0

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

(b) Persons aged 15 years or more.

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

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

## GLOSSARY .....

- Age-specific birth rates** Age-specific birth rates are the number of live births registered during the calendar year, according to age of mother, per 1,000 of the female estimated resident population of the same age as estimated at 30 June. For calculating these rates, births to mothers under 15 are included in the 15–19 age group, and births to mothers aged 50 and over are included in the 45–49 age group. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of births for which age of mother is not given.
- Age-specific death rates** Age-specific death rates are the number of deaths at a specified age per 1,000 of the estimated resident population of that age at 30 June. The infant mortality rate is used for the age-specific rate for children under one year of age. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of deaths for which the age of deceased is not given.
- Age-specific divorce rates** Two different populations are used in the calculation of age-specific divorce rates:
- 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.

<b>Category of movement</b>	<p>Overseas arrivals and departures are classified according to length of stay (in Australia or overseas), recorded in months and days by travellers on passenger cards.</p> <p>There are three main categories of movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ permanent movements;</li> <li>▪ long-term movements (one year or more); and</li> <li>▪ short-term movements (less than one year).</li> </ul> <p>A significant number of travellers (i.e. overseas visitors to Australia on arrival and Australian residents going abroad) state exactly 12 months or one year as their intended period of stay. Many of them stay for less than that period and on their departure from, or return to, Australia are therefore classified as short-term.</p> <p>Accordingly, in an attempt to maintain consistency between arrivals and departures, movements of travellers who report their actual or intended period of stay as being 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.</p>
<b>Children (divorce collection)</b>	<p>Children in the divorce collection are unmarried children of the marriage who were aged under 18 years at the time of application for divorce. Under the Family Law Act 1975 (Cwlth), these may include (in certain cases) adopted and ex-nuptial children and children from a former marriage. Children who are married or aged 18 years or more are not subject to custody and guardianship orders and are excluded.</p>
<b>Children (marriage collection)</b>	<p>Children in the marriage collection refer to persons under 16 years of age born from previous marriages. The term children should not be confused with the term previous births used in births data (see Previous births).</p>
<b>Confinement</b>	<p>A pregnancy which results in at least one live birth.</p>
<b>Crude birth rate</b>	<p>The crude birth rate is the number of live births registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude birth rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.</p>
<b>Crude death rate</b>	<p>The crude death rate is the number of deaths registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude death rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.</p>
<b>Crude divorce rate</b>	<p>The crude divorce rate is the number of decrees absolute granted during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude divorce rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is unmarried or below the minimum age of marriage.</p>
<b>Crude marriage rate</b>	<p>The crude marriage rate is the number of marriages registered during the calendar year, per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For</p>



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.

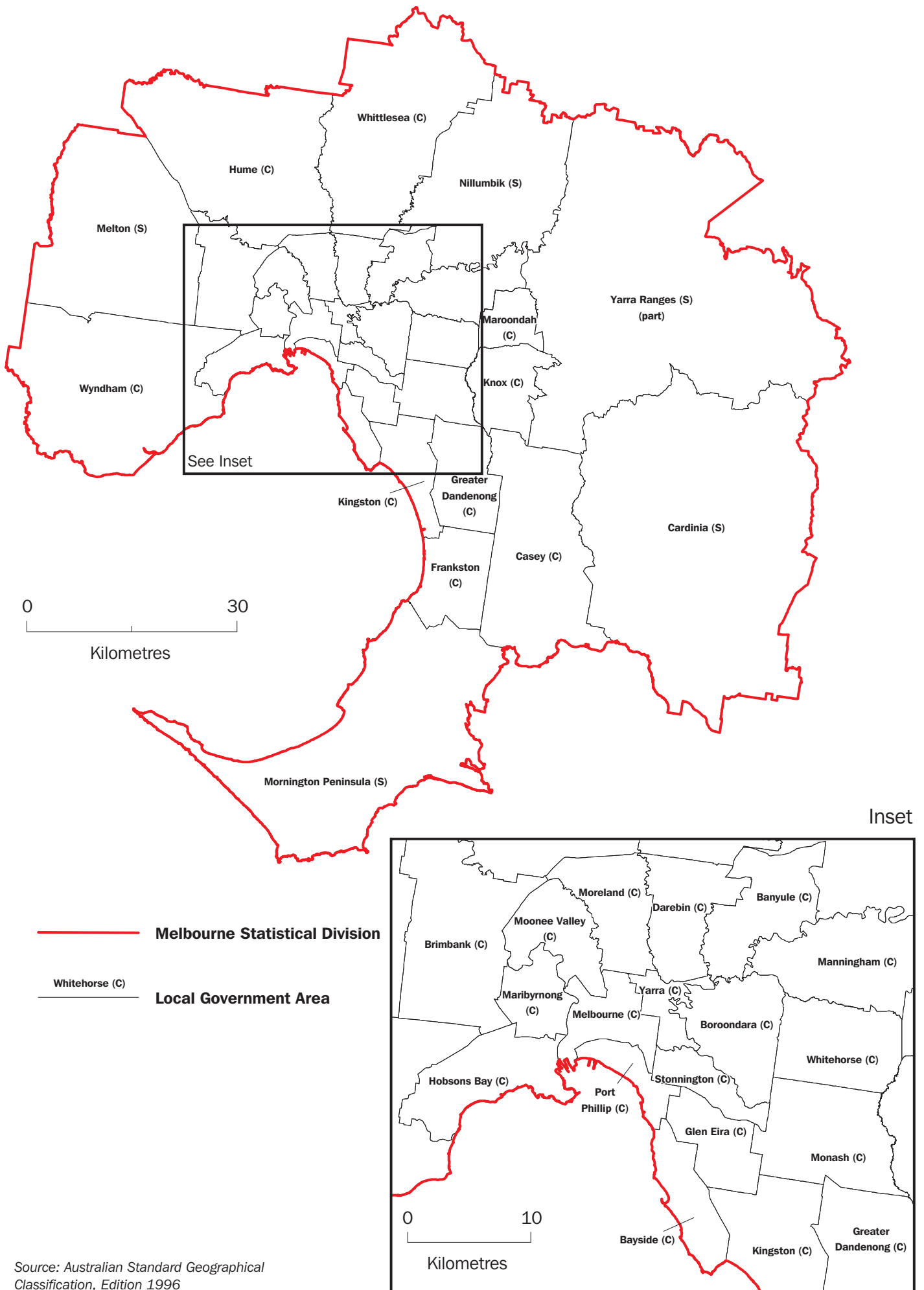
<b>Date of final separation</b>	The date of final separation is that date, given on the application for divorce, from which the period of living apart is calculated for the purpose of establishing grounds for divorce. In determining the date of final separation, a single period of resumed cohabitation 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.
<b>Divorce</b>	Decree absolute of dissolution of marriage.
<b>Duration of marriage</b>	Duration of marriage is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of divorce.
<b>Duration of marriage until separation</b>	Duration of marriage until separation is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of separation.
<b>Estimated resident population</b>	<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 under enumeration) census counts by place of usual residence; added to this are the number of Australian residents estimated to have been temporarily overseas at the time of the Census.</p> <p>The concept of estimated resident population links people to a place of usual residence within Australia. Usual residence is that place where each person has lived or intends to live for 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>Information Paper: Demographic Estimates — Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1995</i> (Cat. no. 3228.0). Revised population estimates are published in <i>Australian Demographic Statistics</i> (Cat. no. 3101.0) (issued quarterly).</p>
<b>Female net reproduction rate</b>	The female net reproduction rate makes allowance for all women not surviving until the end of the reproductive period. It represents the average number of daughters born to a group of women who are subject to the fertility rates of that year and to the mortality rates of the life table. It indicates the extent to which the population would reproduce itself. The net reproduction rate is obtained by multiplying the female age-specific birth rates by the proportion of survivors at corresponding ages in a life table and adding the products.
<b>Fetal death</b>	The delivery of a child weighing at least 400 grams (or of at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable) who did not, at any time after delivery, breathe or show any other evidence of life such as heartbeat.

<b>Fetal death rate</b>	The fetal death rate is the number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births where birthweight is at least 400 grams (or of at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable), plus fetal deaths combined.
<b>First marriage rates</b>	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.
<b>Infant death</b>	An infant death is the death of a live-born child who died when less than one year old.
<b>Infant mortality rate</b>	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.
<b>Life expectancy</b>	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.
<b>Long-term arrivals</b>	Long-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors who intend to stay in Australia for 12 months or more (but not permanently) and Australian residents returning after an absence of 12 months or more overseas.
<b>Long-term departures</b>	Long-term departures comprise Australian residents who intend to stay abroad for 12 months or more (but not permanently) and overseas visitors departing who stayed 12 months or more in Australia.
<b>Marital status</b>	Two separate concepts are measured by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. 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.
<b>Marriage</b>	Under the Australian Marriage Act 1961 (Cwlth), a marriage may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least 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.
<b>Median value</b>	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.
<b>Multiple birth</b>	A multiple birth is a confinement which results in two or more issue, at least one of which is live-born.

<b>Neonatal death</b>	A neonatal death is the death within 28 days of birth of any child weighing at least 400 grams at delivery (or of at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable) who after delivery, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
<b>Neonatal death rate</b>	The neonatal death rate is the number of neonatal deaths per 1,000 live births where birthweight is at least 400 grams at birth (or at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable).
<b>Nuptial first confinement</b>	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.
<b>Nuptiality</b>	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.
<b>Paternity-acknowledged birth</b>	A paternity-acknowledged birth refers to an ex-nuptial birth where paternity was acknowledged by the child's father.
<b>Perinatal death</b>	A perinatal death is either a fetal or a neonatal death, as elsewhere defined.
<b>Perinatal death rate</b>	The perinatal death rate is the number of perinatal deaths per 1,000 live births where birthweight is at least 400 grams at birth (or at least 20 weeks gestation, if birthweight is unavailable) plus fetal deaths combined.
<b>Permanent arrivals (settlers)</b>	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).
<b>Permanent departures</b>	Permanent departures are Australian residents (including former settlers) who on departure state that they intend to settle permanently in another country.
<b>Previous births</b>	<p>Previous births refer to children born alive (who may be still living or now dead) to a mother prior to the registration of the current birth. In some States and both Territories, legitimated and legally adopted children are included.</p> <p>Previous births of the current marriage relates to all births to the same parents prior to the current nuptial confinement.</p> <p>All previous births of the mother includes all births prior to the current confinement, regardless of nuptiality and paternity.</p>
<b>Previous issue</b>	See Previous births.
<b>Remarriage rates</b>	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.
<b>Sex ratio</b>	The sex ratio relates to the number of male events (births and deaths) per 100 female events.
<b>Short-term arrivals</b>	Short-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors whose intended stay in Australia is less than 12 months and Australian residents returning after an absence of less than 12 months overseas.

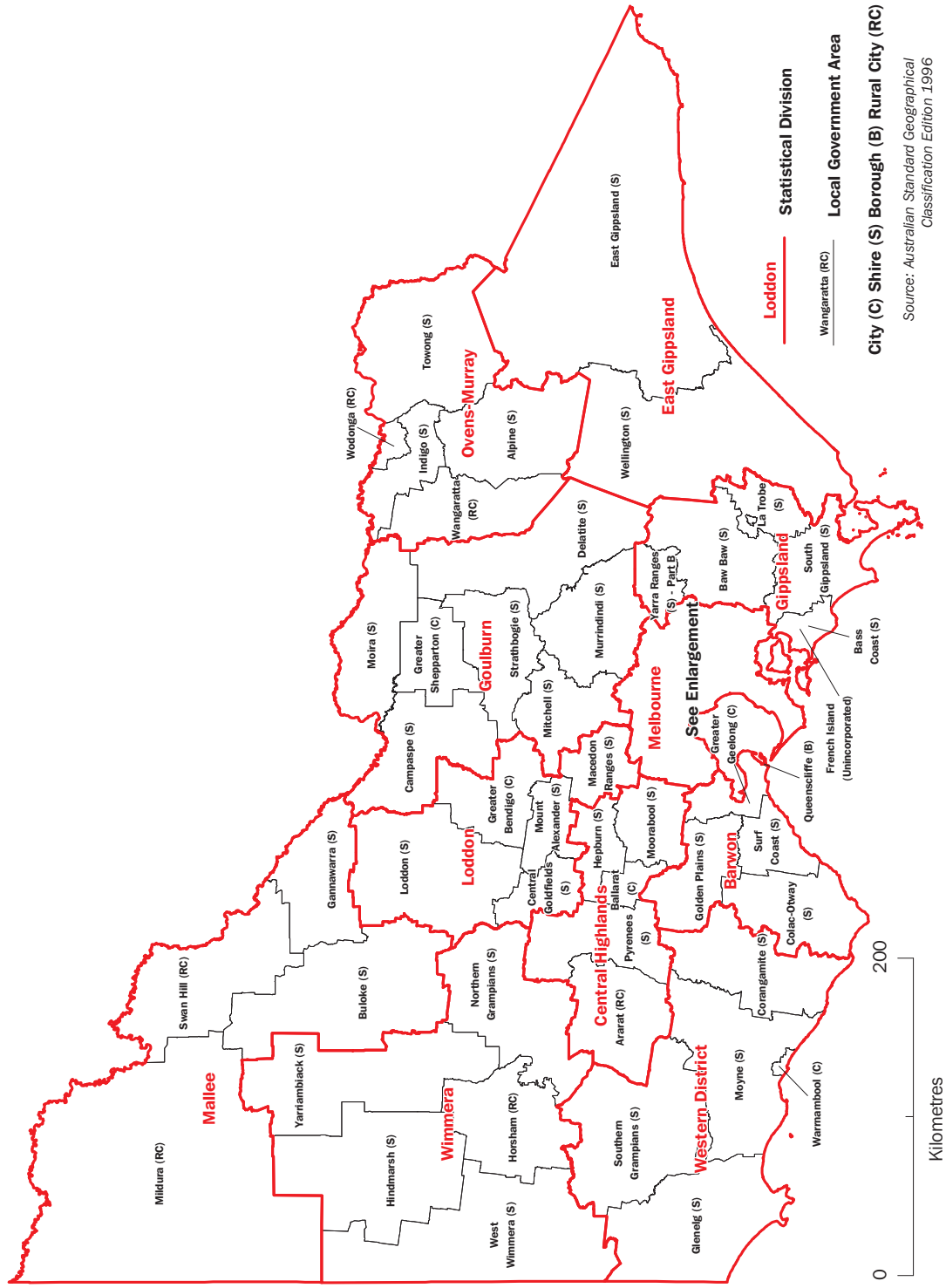
<b>Short-term departures</b>	Short-term departures comprise Australian residents whose intended period of stay abroad is less than 12 months and overseas visitors departing who stayed less than 12 months in Australia.
<b>Standardised death rates</b>	<p>Standardised death rates enable the comparison of 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"> <li>▪ 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 States and Territory and Australia rates.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> </ul>
<b>State or Territory of registration</b>	State or Territory of registration refers to the State or Territory in which the birth, death, or marriage was registered or the State or Territory in which the divorce was granted. For further information about how this affects divorce see paragraphs 22 and 23 of the Explanatory Notes.
<b>State or Territory of usual residence</b>	<p>State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory of usual residence of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ the population (estimated resident population);</li> <li>▪ the mother (birth collection);</li> <li>▪ the deceased (death collection); and</li> <li>▪ the parties at separation (divorce collection). For further information about how this affects divorce see paragraphs 22 and 23 of the Explanatory Notes.</li> </ul> <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>
<b>Total fertility rate</b>	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, multiplying by five and dividing by 1,000.

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