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Detailed data on cause of death of NSW residents

The ABS also compiles more detailed information on deaths of NSW residents (including causes of death) in the following publication, which will be released in January 1993—

Deaths, New South Wales, 1991

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- Summary of deaths and rates
- Leading causes of death by sex, numbers, proportions and rates
- Leading causes of death by statistical division of usual residence, numbers, proportions and rates
- Cause of death by sex
- Cause of death by sex and age group
- Leading causes of death by sex and age group, numbers, proportions and rates
- Summary of perinatal deaths and rates
- Perinatal deaths, main cause or condition in fetus/infant and mother
- Perinatal deaths, selected details

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PREFACE

This publication, which covers population movements and vital statistics registrations, is the second in a series of annual bulletins to bring together different sets of demographic indicators in a format uniform across all State Offices of the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

It is presented in six sections, of which the first is a demographic summary for the year, including comparisons with other States and Territories. This is followed by sections on population, births, deaths, marriages and divorces.

Vital statistics are presented on the basis of numbers registered during the particular year shown, with the exception of a set of tables at the end of both the births and the deaths sections, where data are shown according to year of occurrence, rather than according to year of registration. In relation to these occurrence tables, it should be noted that they are progressively subject to revision, as births and deaths may be registered in the following year or even later in some cases.

Each section has a summary of findings which, except for Section 1, introduces the particular section. A set of explanatory notes and a glossary of terms are to be found immediately before the appendixes. The notes and glossary assist in the interpretation of the data, and should be read in conjunction with the tables.

Although this publication covers several areas of demographic statistics, it does not provide a detailed picture of every area. Further data may be obtained through the ABS Information Services, St. Andrew's House, Sydney Square, Sydney (telephone (02) 268 4611), or by contacting Laurie Coleman on (02) 268 4454 (for vital statistics) or David Coxall on (02) 268 4494 (for population and migration statistics).

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TABLE 1. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a): STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1991

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Australia
Population p—									
Estimated resident population ('000)	5,940.8	4,439.4	2,999.9	1,454.0	1,650.6	469.2	167.8	292.7	17,414.3
Components of population change (c)—									
Natural increase	44,919	33,928	25,019	8,473	15,955	3,291	2,800	3,513	137,958
Net overseas migration(d)	46,995	28,412	13,911	5,272	12,949	481	588	899	109,307
Net interstate migration	-14,707*	-18,467	28,419	1,865	944	381	-1,816	3,381	..
Total increase(e)	77,768	43,620	67,703	15,042	27,618	3,610	2,076	7,531	244,968
Growth rate (%)	1.3	1.0	2.3	1.0	1.7	0.8	1.3	2.6	1.4
Births—									
Live births—									
Number	87,367	65,438	44,160	19,640	25,417	6,870	3,599	4,756	257,247
Crude birth rate	14.8	14.8	14.9	13.6	15.5	14.7	21.6	16.4	14.9
Total fertility rate	1,867	1,809	1,867	1,715	1,902	1,896	2,257	1,858	1,847
Female net reproduction rate	0.893	0.867	0.899	0.815	0.919	0.930	1.087	0.893	0.886
All confinements—									
Number	86,247	64,566	43,555	19,367	25,100	6,776	3,559	4,691	253,861
Median age of mother (years)	28.6	28.9	28.0	28.3	28.3	27.7	26.7	28.9	28.5
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)—									
Father	31.8	31.7	31.3	31.3	31.5	31.0	31.8	31.7	31.6
Mother	29.3	29.5	29.0	29.1	29.2	28.8	29.4	29.5	29.3
First confinements—									
Number	27,242	21,985	13,846	6,496	7,423	1,999	680	1,508	81,179
Median age of mother	27.8	28.0	27.5	27.7	27.8	27.3	27.7	28.1	27.8
Deaths—									
Number	42,467	31,216	19,175	11,176	9,528	3,686	802	1,096	119,146
Crude death rate	7.2	7.1	6.5	7.7	5.8	7.9	4.8	3.8	6.9
Median age at death (years)—									
Males	72.0	72.6	71.9	73.5	72.2	73.1	53.4	67.4	72.2
Females	78.8	79.1	78.4	79.5	78.4	78.9	54.2	74.8	78.8
Infant death rate	7.2	6.5	7.6	5.5	7.2	9.0	14.2	7.6	7.1
Marriages—									
Number registered	39,594	28,535	19,844	9,392	10,659	3,069	890	1,886	113,869
First marriage, both parties	27,017	19,867	12,993	6,184	7,035	1,936	528	1,251	76,811
First marriage, one party	7,367	4,953	3,830	1,707	2,077	575	224	365	21,098
Remarriage, both parties	5,210	3,715	3,021	1,501	1,547	558	138	270	15,960
Crude marriage rate	6.7	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.6	5.3	6.5	6.6
Divorces—									
Number granted	(f)13,151	11,134	(g)8,934	4,215	4,446	1,383	397	1,970	45,630
Crude divorce rate	2.2	2.5	3.0	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.4	(h) 2.6	2.6
Median duration of marriage (years)	9.6	10.0	10.9	10.6	10.7	10.9	10.9	11.7	10.3
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	6.6	7.3	8.1	7.7	7.5	8.0	7.2	9.2	7.4

(a) For definitions used see the Glossary of Terms. (b) Includes Jervis Bay Territory. (c) Components of population change from previous year. (d) Net overseas migration includes an estimate of those persons who changed category (e.g. from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia). (e) Differences between total increase and the sum of natural increase and net migration arise from retrospective adjustments made to take account of information provided by preliminary results from the 1991 Census. (f) Excludes 647 divorces which were granted from the Coffin Harbour and Lismore Family Courts in NSW, but were registered in Queensland. (g) Includes 647 divorces which were granted from the Coffin Harbour and Lismore Family Courts in NSW, but were registered in Queensland. (h) Divorce rates from the ACT Family Court are not shown because they are not a statistically accurate reflection of the extent of divorce among ACT residents. See Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Divorces, Australia (3307.D).

SECTION 1: SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Of the 87,367 births registered in 1991 to NSW mothers, 53,698 (61.5 per cent) were to residents of the Sydney Statistical Division.

The highest birth rate for a statistical division was 18.7 (births per 1,000 population) in North Western (SD), while the lowest birth rate was 13.8 in Richmond-Tweed (SD).

The statistical local area in Sydney (SD) which recorded the highest number of 1991 births was Blacktown City with 4,102 births, followed by Fairfield City with 3,176 births and Penrith City with 2,927 births. In the remainder of NSW, most births were recorded in Wollongong City (2,666), Lake Macquarie City (2,278) and Newcastle City (1,789).

The statistical local area in Sydney (SD) with the highest birth rate was Campbelltown City (19.1), followed by Hawkesbury City (18.9) and Blacktown City (18.5).

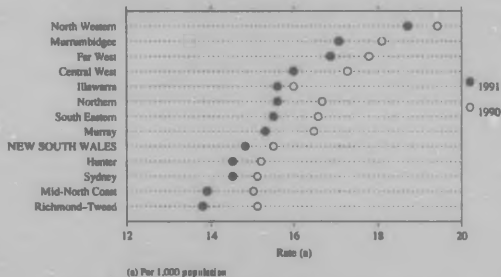
Of the 42,467 deaths of NSW residents which were registered in 1991, 25,324 (59.6 per cent) were residents of the Sydney Statistical Division.

The highest death rate for a statistical division was 9.8 (deaths per 1,000 population) in Far West (SD), while the lowest death rate was 6.8 in Sydney (SD).

The statistical local area in Sydney (SD) which recorded the highest number of 1991 deaths was Warringah Shire with 1,328 deaths, followed by Bankstown City with 1,192 deaths and Sutherland Shire with 1,128 deaths.

Of the 632 infant deaths registered in 1991 to NSW mothers, 396 (62.7 per cent) were to residents of the Sydney Statistical Division. Of the statistical divisions, the highest infant death rate (20.8 per 1,000 live births) was recorded in Far West (SD), and the lowest (5.7) in South Eastern (SD) and Mid-North Coast (SD).

CRUDE BIRTH RATE BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, 1990 AND 1991



INFANT DEATH RATE BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, 1991 AND 1990

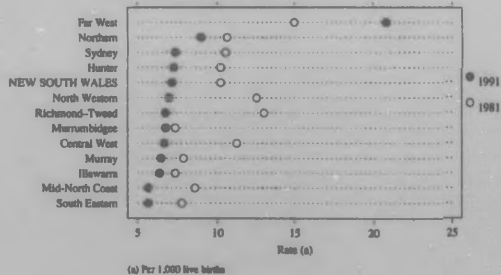


TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, N.S.W. 1991

Statistical area(a)	Estimated mid-year resident population	Births			Deaths		Infant deaths		
		Nuptial (b)	Ex-nuptial (b)	Total	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(d)
Botany (M)	35,150	408	97	505	14.4	263	7.5	3	5.9
Leichhardt (M)	58,300	589	245	834	14.3	553	9.5	6	7.2
Marrickville (M)	83,500	958	277	1,235	14.8	632	7.6	15	12.1
South Sydney (C)	74,050	483	290	773	10.4	773	10.4	11	14.2
Sydney (C)	9,900	71	23	94	9.5	72	7.3	1	10.6
Inner Sydney (SSD)	260,950	2,509	932	3,441	13.2	2,293	8.8	36	10.5
Randwick (C)	119,000	1,047	276	1,323	11.1	975	8.2	8	6.0
Waverley (M)	61,200	593	151	744	12.2	507	8.3	6	8.1
Woolahra (M)	53,400	427	67	494	9.3	423	7.9	1	2.0
Eastern Suburbs (SSD)	233,600	2,067	494	2,561	11.0	1,905	8.2	15	5.9
Hurstville (C)	66,450	790	142	932	14.0	598	9.0	6	6.4
Kogarah (M)	47,900	470	89	559	11.7	426	8.9	2	3.6
Rockdale (M)	88,400	1,061	180	1,241	14.0	807	9.1	6	4.8
Sutherland (S)	193,750	2,369	306	2,675	13.8	1,128	5.8	17	6.4
St George-Sutherland (SSD)	396,500	4,690	717	5,407	13.6	2,959	7.5	31	5.7
Bankstown (C)	159,400	1,955	365	2,320	14.6	1,192	7.5	13	5.6
Canterbury (M)	136,100	1,985	283	2,268	16.7	959	7.0	18	7.9
Canterbury-Bankstown (SSD)	295,500	3,940	648	4,588	15.5	2,151	7.3	31	6.8
Fairfield (C)	182,150	2,576	600	3,176	17.4	861	4.7	17	5.4
Liverpool (C)	103,200	1,284	504	1,788	17.3	515	5.0	27	15.1
Fairfield-Liverpool (SSD)	285,400	3,860	1,104	4,964	17.4	1,376	4.8	44	8.9
Camden (M)	23,250	288	85	373	16.1	134	5.8	1	2.7
Campbelltown (C)	147,200	2,005	811	2,817	19.1	469	3.2	15	5.3
Wollondilly (S)	31,400	466	93	559	17.8	128	4.1	1	1.8
Outer South Western Sydney (SSD)	201,850	2,760	989	3,749	18.6	731	3.6	17	4.5
Ashfield (M)	41,150	467	87	554	13.5	530	12.9	5	9.0
Burwood (M)	29,750	340	43	383	12.9	310	10.4	2	5.2
Concord (M)	23,500	252	37	289	12.3	173	7.4	4	13.8
Drumoyne (M)	32,100	316	57	373	11.6	279	8.7	3	8.0
Strathfield (M)	26,800	266	38	304	11.3	297	11.1	2	6.6
Inner Western Sydney (SSD)	153,300	1,641	262	1,903	12.4	1,589	10.4	16	8.4
Auburn (M)	50,550	796	116	912	18.1	354	7.2	9	9.9
Holroyd (M)	83,950	1,003	245	1,248	14.9	601	7.2	18	14.4
Parramatta (C)	134,250	1,742	376	2,118	15.8	1,037	7.7	17	8.0
Central Western Sydney (SSD)	268,700	3,541	737	4,278	15.9	2,002	7.5	44	10.3
Blue Mountains (C)	73,550	927	226	1,153	15.7	523	7.1	10	8.7
Hawkesbury (C)	54,250	841	184	1,025	18.9	204	3.8	9	8.8
Penrith (C)	159,200	2,304	623	2,927	18.4	534	3.4	22	7.5
Outer Western Sydney (SSD)	287,000	4,072	1,033	5,105	17.8	1,261	4.4	41	8.0
Baulkham Hills (S)	121,790	1,231	124	1,355	11.1	438	3.6	8	5.9
Blacktown (C)	221,550	3,003	1,099	4,102	18.5	974	4.4	27	6.6
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills (SSD)	343,300	4,234	1,223	5,457	15.9	1,412	4.1	35	6.4
Hunters Hill (M)	12,850	104	21	125	9.7	170	13.2	1	8.0
Lane Cove (M)	30,250	307	35	342	11.3	276	9.1	4	11.7
Mosman (M)	27,200	277	37	314	11.5	218	8.0	3	9.6
North Sydney (M)	53,750	470	86	556	10.3	368	6.8	5	9.0
Ryde (M)	95,100	1,151	173	1,324	13.9	687	7.2	5	3.8
Willoughby (C)	53,900	608	61	669	12.4	459	8.5	6	9.0
Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)	273,100	2,917	413	3,330	12.2	2,178	8.0	24	7.2
Hornsby (S)	132,550	1,584	147	1,731	13.1	937	7.1	13	7.5
Ku-ring-gai (M)	105,400	769	33	802	7.6	699	6.6	6	7.5
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai (SSD)	238,000	2,353	180	2,533	10.6	1,636	6.9	19	7.5
Manly (M)	37,300	389	83	472	12.7	332	8.9	3	6.4
Warringah (S)	184,250	1,933	356	2,289	12.4	1,328	7.2	20	8.7
Manly-Warringah (SSD)	221,550	2,322	439	2,761	12.5	1,660	7.5	23	8.3

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, NSW, 1991—continued

Statistical area(a)	Estimated mid-year resident population	Births			Deaths			Infant deaths	
		Infant (b)	Ex-nuptial (b)	Total	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(d)
Gosford (C)	134,400	1,574	430	2,004	14.9	1,113	8.3	12	6.0
Wyong (S)	105,450	1,163	454	1,617	15.3	1,058	10.0	8	4.9
Gosford-Wyong (SSD)	239,800	2,737	884	3,621	15.1	2,171	9.1	20	5.5
SYDNEY (SD)	3,498,960	43,643	10,855	53,698	14.5	25,324	6.8	396	7.4
Cessnock (C)	44,800	508	212	720	16.1	397	8.9	5	6.9
Lake Macquarie (C)	163,750	1,712	566	2,278	13.9	1,261	7.7	20	8.8
Maitland (C)	48,630	595	195	790	16.2	294	6.0	3	3.8
Newcastle (C)	129,940	1,318	471	1,789	13.8	1,239	9.5	15	8.4
Port Stephens (S)	45,520	518	149	667	14.7	292	6.4	4	6.0
Newcastle (SSD)	432,640	4,651	1,593	6,244	14.4	3,483	8.1	47	7.5
Dungog (S)	7,550	79	16	95	12.6	61	8.1	—	—
Gloucester (S)	4,740	49	13	62	13.1	56	11.8	—	—
Great Lakes (S)	25,170	199	88	287	11.4	248	9.9	2	7.0
Merriwa (S)	2,380	28	13	41	17.2	18	7.6	—	—
Murrumbidgee (S)	2,320	28	10	38	16.4	19	8.2	—	—
Murray-Darling (S)	15,620	202	94	296	19.0	78	5.0	—	—
Scone (S)	10,030	114	33	147	14.7	94	9.4	2	13.6
Singleton (S)	18,510	241	84	325	17.6	96	5.2	4	12.3
Hunter SD Balance (SSD)	86,320	940	351	1,291	15.0	670	7.8	8	6.2
HUNTER (SD)	518,950	5,591	1,944	7,535	14.5	4,153	8.0	55	7.3
Kiama (M)	16,230	196	25	221	13.6	153	9.4	2	9.0
Shellharbour (M)	48,640	572	180	752	15.5	220	4.5	5	6.6
Wollongong (C)	175,070	2,105	561	2,666	15.2	1,191	6.8	11	4.1
Wollongong (SSD)	239,940	2,873	766	3,639	15.2	1,564	6.5	18	4.9
Shoalhaven (C)	68,670	829	302	1,131	16.5	656	9.6	11	9.7
Wingecarribee (S)	34,120	436	134	570	16.7	232	6.8	5	8.8
Illawarra SD Balance (SSD)	192,780	1,265	436	1,701	16.5	888	8.6	16	9.4
ILLAWARRA (SD)	342,750	4,138	1,202	5,340	15.6	2,452	7.2	34	6.4
Tweed (S) Pt A	33,390	252	119	371	11.1	279	8.4	3	8.1
Tweed Heads (SSD)	33,390	252	119	371	11.1	279	8.4	3	8.1
Ballina (S)	30,390	194	101	295	9.7	264	8.7	2	6.8
Byron (S)	22,110	244	120	364	16.5	158	7.1	3	8.2
Casino (M)	11,160	122	75	197	17.6	125	11.2	3	15.2
Kyogle (S)	10,090	107	78	185	18.3	73	7.2	1	5.4
Lismore (C)	41,850	436	185	621	14.8	351	8.4	2	3.2
Richmond River (S)	8,320	66	33	99	11.9	52	6.3	—	—
Tweed (S) Pt B	23,230	265	99	364	15.7	153	6.6	3	8.2
Richmond-Tweed SD Balance (SSD)	147,150	1,434	691	2,125	14.4	1,176	8.0	14	6.6
RICHMOND-TWEED (SD)	180,550	1,684	810	2,494	13.8	1,455	8.1	17	6.8
Bellingen (S)	11,420	135	76	211	18.5	85	7.4	2	9.5
Coffs Harbour (C)	51,740	535	202	737	14.2	324	6.3	3	4.1
Copmanhurst (S)	4,940	26	12	38	7.7	29	5.9	—	—
Grafton (C)	15,870	196	67	263	16.6	170	10.7	3	11.4
Maclean (S)	13,230	128	42	170	12.8	134	10.1	1	5.9
Nambucca (S)	17,990	139	94	233	13.0	150	8.3	—	—
Nymboida (S)	3,990	24	15	39	9.8	14	3.5	—	—
Ullmarra (S)	5,700	50	33	83	14.6	42	7.4	2	24.1
Clarence (SSD)	124,880	1,233	541	1,774	14.2	948	7.6	11	6.2
Greener Tasse (C)	40,810	440	160	600	14.7	346	8.5	—	—
Hastings (M)	48,920	427	166	593	12.1	473	9.7	6	10.1
Kempsey (S)	25,870	222	148	370	14.3	221	8.5	2	5.4
Lord Howe Island	320	3	2	5	15.6	1	3.1	—	—
Hastings (SSD)	115,920	1,092	476	1,568	13.2	1,041	9.0	8	5.1
MID-NORTH COAST (SD)	340,880	2,325	1,017	3,342	13.9	1,989	8.3	19	5.7

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, NSW, 1991—continued

Statistical area(c)	Estimated mid-year resident population	Births				Deaths		Infant deaths	
		Nuptial (b)	Ex-nuptial (b)	Total	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(d)
Barraba (S)	2,430	15	9	24	9.9	24	9.9	—	—
Bingara (S)	2,340	17	7	24	10.2	29	12.4	—	—
Gunnedah (S)	13,790	168	73	241	17.5	116	8.4	2	8.3
Inverell (S) Pt A	4,630	29	14	43	9.3	18	3.9	—	—
Manilla (S)	3,610	31	10	41	11.4	39	10.8	—	—
Nundle (S)	1,510	9	3	12	7.9	7	4.6	—	—
Parry (S)	12,300	123	37	160	13.0	59	4.8	1	6.2
Quirindi (S)	5,580	46	20	66	11.8	42	7.5	1	15.2
Tamworth (C)	35,480	422	172	594	16.7	289	8.1	3	5.1
Yallaron (S)	3,720	32	14	46	12.4	21	5.6	1	21.7
Northern Slopes (SSD)	85,390	892	359	1,251	14.7	644	7.5	8	6.4
Armidale (C)	22,430	267	113	380	16.9	155	6.9	4	10.5
Dunsmuir (S)	3,870	11	3	14	3.6	7	1.8	—	—
Glen Innes (M)	6,200	76	40	116	18.7	76	12.3	2	17.2
Goyra (S)	5,090	68	24	92	18.1	58	11.4	—	—
Inverell (S) Pt B	11,320	135	48	183	16.2	111	9.8	—	—
Severn (S)	3,210	29	9	38	11.8	29	9.0	—	—
Tenterfield (S)	6,570	45	19	64	9.7	70	10.6	—	—
Uralla (S)	6,200	62	16	78	12.6	35	5.6	—	—
Walcha (S)	3,370	48	16	64	19.0	21	6.2	2	31.3
Northern Tablelands (SSD)	68,270	741	288	1,029	15.1	562	8.2	9	8.7
Moree Plains (S)	16,710	194	154	348	20.8	114	6.8	7	20.1
Narrabri (S)	15,140	169	88	257	17.0	112	7.4	2	7.8
North Central Plain (SSD)	31,840	363	242	605	19.0	226	7.1	9	14.9
NORTHERN (SD)	185,580	1,996	889	2,885	15.6	1,432	7.7	26	9.0
Coolah (S)	4,390	50	12	62	14.1	32	7.3	—	—
Coonamberran (S)	7,200	63	32	95	13.2	50	6.9	1	10.5
Dubbo (C)	33,750	470	194	664	19.7	219	6.5	6	9.0
Gilgandra (S)	4,970	42	17	59	11.9	48	9.7	—	—
Mungah (S)	16,750	179	84	263	15.7	135	8.1	—	—
Narromine (S)	6,570	81	46	127	19.3	51	7.8	—	—
Wellington (S)	8,960	112	70	182	20.3	89	9.9	1	5.5
Central Macquarie (SSD)	82,580	997	455	1,452	17.6	624	7.6	8	5.5
Bogan (S)	3,370	36	27	63	18.7	32	9.5	—	—
Coonamble (S)	5,320	63	61	124	23.3	43	8.1	1	8.1
Walgett (S)	7,580	76	95	171	22.5	64	8.4	3	17.5
Warren (S)	3,450	48	18	66	19.2	25	7.3	—	—
Macquarie-Barwon (SSD)	19,720	223	201	424	21.5	164	8.3	4	9.4
Bourke (S)	4,260	52	68	120	28.2	32	7.5	3	25.0
Brewarrina (S)	2,110	15	35	50	23.7	14	6.6	—	—
Colar (S)	5,980	69	27	96	16.1	30	5.0	—	—
Upper Darling (SSD)	12,350	136	130	266	21.5	76	6.2	3	11.3
NORTH WESTERN (SD)	114,630	1,356	786	2,142	18.7	864	7.5	15	7.0
Bathurst (C)	27,840	326	119	445	16.0	188	6.8	3	6.7
Blayney (S) Pt A	4,450	55	18	73	16.4	43	9.7	—	—
Cabarne (S) Pt A	1,800	9	1	10	5.6	7	3.9	—	—
Evans (S) Pt A	1,020	7	5	12	11.7	4	3.9	—	—
Orange (C)	33,750	388	152	540	16.0	280	8.3	4	7.4
Bathurst-Orange (SSD)	68,860	785	295	1,080	15.7	522	7.6	7	6.5
Blayney (S) Pt B	1,710	25	3	28	16.4	13	7.6	—	—
Cabarne (S) Pt B	760	9	1	10	13.2	—	—	—	—
Evans (S) Pt B	3,880	36	18	54	13.9	21	5.4	—	—
Greater Lithgow (S)	20,000	225	113	338	16.9	167	8.3	1	3.0
Obscur (S)	4,260	59	17	76	17.8	34	8.0	3	39.5
Rylstone (S)	3,780	50	14	64	16.9	40	10.6	—	—
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst-Orange) (SSD)	34,390	404	166	570	16.6	275	8.0	4	7.0

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TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, NSW, 1991—continued

Statistical area(a)	Estimated mid-year resident population	Births			Deaths		Infant deaths		
		Nuptial (b)	Ex-nuptial (b)	Total	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(d)
Blaird (S)	6,920	88	26	114	16.5	62	9.0	3	26.3
Cabonne (S) Pt C	9,210	112	40	152	16.5	103	11.2	1	6.6
Cowra (S)	11,840	120	50	170	14.4	102	8.6	—	—
Forbes (S)	10,950	100	45	145	13.2	98	9.0	2	13.8
Lachlan (S)	7,810	100	61	161	20.6	75	9.6	—	—
Parkes (S)	14,120	150	85	235	16.6	155	11.0	1	4.3
Weddin (S)	4,020	47	10	57	14.2	33	8.2	—	—
Lachlan (SSD)	64,870	717	317	1,034	15.9	628	9.7	7	6.8
CENTRAL WEST (SD)	168,100	1,906	772	2,684	16.0	1,425	8.5	18	6.7
Queanbeyan (C)	26,780	322	143	465	17.4	150	5.6	3	6.5
Queanbeyan (SSD)	26,780	322	143	465	17.4	150	5.6	3	6.5
Boortwa (S)	2,450	32	11	43	17.6	21	8.6	—	—
Crookwell (S)	4,260	69	14	83	19.5	41	9.6	—	—
Goulburn (C)	21,530	234	92	326	15.1	190	8.8	—	—
Gunning (S)	2,150	35	4	39	18.1	19	8.8	—	—
Harden (S)	3,900	46	11	57	14.6	44	11.3	2	35.1
Mulwren (S)	5,690	62	20	82	14.4	28	4.9	—	—
Tallaganda (S)	2,640	14	12	26	9.8	14	5.3	—	—
Yarrowlumla (S)	8,380	78	21	99	11.8	22	2.6	—	—
Yass (S)	8,930	105	18	123	13.8	67	7.5	1	8.1
Young (S)	11,140	161	38	199	17.9	115	10.3	—	—
<i>Southern Tablelands (excl. Queanbeyan) (SSD)</i>	<i>71,070</i>	<i>836</i>	<i>241</i>	<i>1,077</i>	<i>15.2</i>	<i>561</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2.8</i>
Bega Valley (S)	26,690	297	126	423	15.8	179	6.7	—	—
Eurobodalla (S)	26,520	270	125	395	14.9	216	8.1	6	15.2
Lower South Coast (SSD)	53,210	567	251	818	15.4	395	7.4	6	7.3
Bornbala (S)	2,950	34	14	48	16.3	38	12.9	1	20.8
Cooma-Monaro (S)	9,510	106	38	144	15.0	77	8.0	1	6.9
Snowy River (S)	5,990	69	12	81	13.5	27	4.5	1	12.3
Snowy (SSD)	18,540	209	64	273	14.7	142	7.7	3	11.0
SOUTH EASTERN (SD)	169,600	1,934	699	2,633	15.5	1,248	7.4	15	5.7
Coolamon (S)	3,760	58	14	72	19.1	29	7.7	—	—
Cootamundra (S)	7,720	67	40	107	13.9	89	11.5	—	—
Grandago (S)	3,850	44	19	63	16.4	32	8.3	—	—
Junee (S)	5,150	67	27	94	18.3	48	9.3	2	21.3
Lockhart (S)	3,670	47	15	62	16.9	32	8.7	—	—
Narrandera (S)	7,040	83	37	120	17.1	58	8.2	1	8.3
Temora (S)	6,180	88	17	105	17.0	72	11.7	2	19.0
Turnat (S)	12,130	118	61	179	14.8	126	10.4	3	16.8
Wagga Wagga (C)	53,630	693	199	892	16.6	320	6.0	6	6.7
Central Murrumbidgee (SSD)	103,130	1,265	429	1,694	16.4	806	7.8	14	8.3
Carrathool (S)	3,230	45	16	61	18.9	16	5.0	1	16.4
Griffith (C)	21,790	295	115	411	18.9	137	6.3	—	—
Hay (S)	3,790	48	19	67	17.7	33	8.7	—	—
Leeton (S)	11,110	147	40	187	16.8	85	7.6	2	10.7
Murrumbidgee (S)	2,450	54	13	67	27.4	13	5.3	—	—
Lower Murrumbidgee (SSD)	42,370	590	203	793	18.7	284	6.7	3	3.8
MURRUMBIDGEE (SD)	145,580	1,855	632	2,487	17.1	1,090	7.5	17	6.8
Albury (C)	41,790	487	196	683	16.3	274	6.6	6	8.8
Hume (S)	6,730	70	7	77	11.4	30	4.5	1	13.0
Albury (SSD)	48,520	557	203	760	15.7	304	6.3	7	9.2
Corowa (S)	8,070	97	20	117	14.5	72	8.9	—	—
Calcaim (S)	4,650	46	13	59	12.7	29	6.2	—	—
Holtbrook (S)	2,700	33	13	46	17.0	26	9.6	—	—
Tumbarumba (S)	4,000	39	10	49	12.3	29	7.3	—	—
Urana (S)	1,690	24	4	28	16.6	17	10.1	—	—
Upper Murrumbidgee (excl. Albury) (SSD)	21,110	239	60	299	14.2	173	8.2	—	—

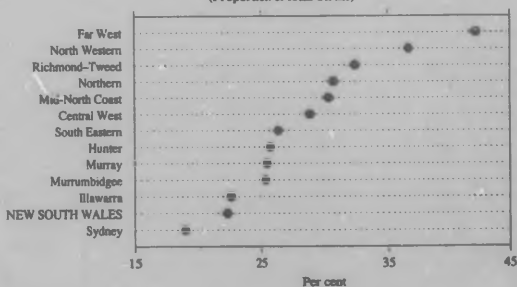
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TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, NSW, 1991—continued

Statistical area (a)	Estimated mid-year resident population	Births			Deaths		Infant deaths		
		Nuptial (b)	Ex-nuptial (b)	Total	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(c)	Number	Rate(d)
Berrigan (S)	7,990	85	26	111	13.9	65	8.1	1	9.0
Conargo (S)	1,860	24	7	31	16.7	4	2.2	—	—
Deraliquin (M)	8,230	108	38	146	17.7	70	8.5	—	—
Jerilderie (S)	1,900	24	3	27	14.2	10	5.3	—	—
Murray (S)	5,120	50	15	65	12.7	35	6.8	1	15.4
Wakool (S)	4,670	68	16	84	18.0	43	9.2	—	—
Windouran (S)	490	3	2	5	10.4	4	8.3	—	—
Central Murray (SSD)	30,240	362	107	469	15.5	231	7.6	2	4.3
Balnald (S)	2,940	36	14	50	17.0	20	6.8	—	—
Wentworth (S)	7,840	64	47	111	14.2	56	7.1	2	18.0
Murray-Darling (SSD)	10,780	100	61	161	14.9	76	7.0	2	12.4
MURRAY (SD)	110,690	1,258	431	1,689	15.3	784	7.1	11	6.5
Broken Hill (C)	21,560	215	139	354	16.4	228	10.6	5	14.1
Central Darling (S)	3,150	28	42	70	22.2	19	6.0	4	57.1
Unincorporated Far West	850	6	2	8	9.4	4	4.7	—	—
FAR WEST (SD)	25,550	249	183	432	16.9	251	9.8	9	28.8
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NEW SOUTH WALES	5,901,100	67,940	19,427	87,367	14.8	42,467	7.2	632	7.2

(a) The boundaries used in the compilation of birth and death statistics are those in existence at 1 January 1991. (b) See paragraph 24 of the Glossary of Terms. (c) Number of births and deaths per 1,000 of population at 30 June. The population estimates in this table are based on 1986 benchmarks. (d) Number of deaths of children under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births.

EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, NSW, 1991
(Proportion of total births)



SECTION 2: POPULATION

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

At 31 December 1991, the estimated resident population of NSW was 5,940,800, comprising 2,956,200 males and 2,984,600 females.

Population change

During 1991, the State's population increased by 77,768 (or 1.33 per cent). This was due to gains of 44,979 from natural increase and 46,995 from net overseas migration, a loss of 14,707 from net interstate migration and an increase of 501 for intercensal discrepancy. The largest net interstate migration losses were to Queensland (15,491), ACT (1,545), SA (1,666) and WA (1,590). The graph opposite shows the contribution of the three components of change in the total population of NSW in the last 20 years.

Population projections

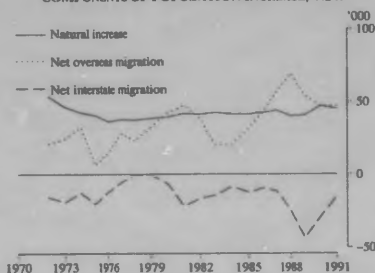
The population of NSW passed the 1 million mark in 1887, 2 million in 1919, 3 million in 1947, 4 million in 1962 and 5 million in 1977. Based on the projections (see Table 5) and current estimates (Table 3), NSW is likely to pass through the 6 million mark by the end of 1992. Projections will obviously vary depending on different levels of fertility, mortality and migration (both overseas and interstate). In the graph opposite, series B indicates the maximum projection, and series D the minimum projection. The population of NSW can be expected to reach 7 million around the year 2008 on series A and 2014 on series D, and 8 million in 2026 on series A. These projections indicate an increase in the time to reach each succeeding million.

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 1991, there were 988,280 short-term overseas visitors to NSW and 881,490 NSW residents departing overseas for less than 12 months. The corresponding figures for 1981 were 431,950 and 506,880 respectively.

In 1991, the major source countries of overseas visitors to NSW were Japan (21.1 per cent), New Zealand (18.9 per cent), United States of America (15.4 per cent) and United Kingdom (10.4 per cent).

COMPONENTS OF POPULATION INCREASE, NSW



POPULATION PROJECTIONS, NSW

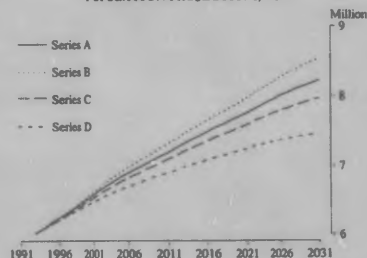
SHORT-TERM OVERSEAS VISITOR ARRIVALS, NSW:
MAJOR SOURCE COUNTRIES

TABLE 3. POPULATION (a): SUMMARY, NSW

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
Estimated resident population ('000) at 31 December (b)—						
Males	2,776.5	2,820.5	2,862.8	2,887.0	2,919.0	2,956.2
Females	2,796.2	2,842.3	2,884.5	2,911.0	2,944.0	2,984.6
Persons	5,572.7	5,662.8	5,747.3	5,798.1	5,863.0	5,940.8
Components of population change (c)—						
Natural increase	42,364	43,903	39,969	40,749	46,806	44,979
Net overseas migration (d)	43,590	57,284	68,813	54,122	47,063	46,995
Net interstate migration	-9,502	-11,612	-24,249	-43,596	-29,211	-14,707
Total population growth (e)—						
Number	76,220	90,095	84,517	50,713	64,956	77,768
Percentage increase (f)	1.39	1.62	1.49	0.88	1.12	1.33
Overseas arrivals and departures—						
Permanent movement—						
Arrivals	40,840	52,140	59,470	50,450	47,120	46,900
Departures	7,340	7,490	7,380	8,290	10,120	10,520
Former settlers	3,650	3,830	3,600	3,750	4,470	5,330
Other Australian residents	3,690	3,650	3,780	4,540	5,660	5,200
Long-term movement—						
Arrivals	36,810	38,000	40,470	43,030	45,550	49,970
Australian residents returning	20,820	20,830	20,510	20,200	21,450	23,730
Overseas visitors arriving	15,990	17,170	19,960	22,820	24,110	26,240
Departures	28,050	29,110	32,610	36,750	41,560	46,540
Australian residents departing	17,480	17,840	19,130	21,060	23,400	25,680
Overseas visitors departing	10,570	11,270	13,480	15,690	18,160	22,860
Short-term movement—						
Arrivals	1,305,850	1,539,470	1,767,460	1,767,460	1,851,030	1,830,550
Australian residents returning	611,230	651,440	682,720	795,670	881,840	842,280
Overseas visitors arriving	694,620	888,030	1,084,740	971,800	969,200	988,280
Departures	1,326,670	1,542,830	1,788,730	1,825,100	1,961,410	1,949,930
Australian residents departing	622,560	667,880	698,500	822,660	909,580	881,490
Overseas visitors departing	704,100	874,950	1,090,230	1,002,440	1,051,830	1,068,450

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. (b) September 1986 to June 1991 figures are based on preliminary 1991 Census results. These estimates will be finalised in 1993 using final Census results. (c) Since previous year. (d) Includes an estimate of those persons who changed category from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia. (e) Includes intersectoral discrepancy not accounted for by natural increase and estimated net migration. (f) Percentage increase over the previous year's estimated resident population.

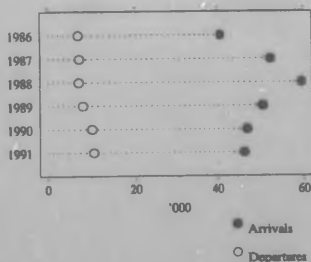
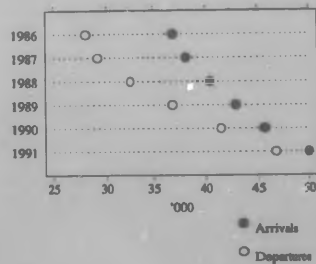
OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, NSW
(Permanent movement)OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, NSW
(Long-term movement)

TABLE 4. ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX, NSW, 1991 (a)

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	45,661	43,391	89,052	50	32,005	31,071	63,076
1	45,161	42,838	87,999	51	30,718	28,572	59,290
2	44,018	42,215	86,233	52	30,092	28,605	58,697
3	43,671	42,007	85,678	53	29,330	28,005	57,335
4	43,234	41,578	84,812	54	28,592	27,550	56,142
0-4	221,745	212,029	433,774	50-54	150,757	143,803	294,560
5	43,772	41,763	85,535	55	27,309	27,032	54,341
6	44,036	41,910	85,946	56	25,589	25,406	50,995
7	43,497	41,741	85,238	57	25,534	24,650	50,184
8	43,682	41,818	85,500	58	25,028	24,458	49,486
9	43,406	41,357	84,763	59	25,390	24,868	50,258
5-9	218,393	208,589	426,982	55-59	128,850	126,414	255,264
10	43,720	41,444	85,164	60	26,606	27,450	54,056
11	42,278	40,093	82,371	61	26,199	26,142	52,341
12	42,102	40,425	82,527	62	26,446	26,718	53,164
13	41,925	40,470	82,395	63	26,091	26,729	52,820
14	42,547	40,584	83,131	64	25,497	26,086	51,583
10-14	212,572	203,016	415,588	60-64	130,839	133,125	263,964
15	43,034	41,326	84,360	65	25,443	27,069	52,512
16	45,115	42,959	88,074	66	23,502	25,595	49,097
17	46,618	44,208	90,826	67	22,994	25,426	48,420
18	47,861	45,778	93,639	68	21,475	24,208	45,683
19	49,863	47,762	97,625	69	20,933	24,077	45,010
15-19	232,491	222,033	454,524	65-69	114,347	126,375	240,722
20	50,490	49,404	99,894	70	20,170	24,388	44,558
21	47,183	46,443	93,626	71	18,097	21,448	39,545
22	45,469	45,131	90,600	72	15,565	19,500	35,065
23	44,843	43,788	88,631	73	14,574	18,800	33,374
24	45,022	44,028	89,050	74	14,041	18,566	32,607
20-24	232,987	228,794	461,781	70-74	82,447	102,702	185,149
25	45,736	44,833	90,569	75	13,354	18,157	31,511
26	46,388	45,731	92,119	76	12,724	17,400	30,124
27	49,135	47,983	97,118	77	11,417	16,440	27,857
28	49,615	48,764	98,379	78	9,940	14,898	24,838
29	50,498	49,289	99,787	79	8,772	13,683	22,455
25-29	241,372	236,600	477,972	75-79	56,207	80,578	136,785
30	51,922	51,385	103,307	80	7,744	12,900	20,644
31	50,209	49,119	99,328	81	6,709	11,437	18,146
32	47,773	47,863	95,636	82	5,609	10,016	15,625
33	48,022	47,872	95,894	83	4,747	9,097	13,844
34	46,892	46,158	93,050	84	4,091	8,023	12,114
30-34	244,818	242,397	487,215	80-84	28,900	51,473	80,373
35	46,936	46,504	93,440	85	3,374	7,060	10,434
36	45,588	45,198	90,786	86	2,737	6,128	8,865
37	44,846	44,778	89,624	87	2,147	5,016	7,163
38	44,315	44,231	88,546	88	1,693	4,158	5,851
39	43,580	42,878	86,458	89	1,379	3,580	4,959
35-39	225,265	223,589	448,854	85-89	11,330	25,942	37,272
40	45,006	44,702	89,708	90	908	2,768	3,676
41	43,889	42,531	86,420	91	664	2,027	2,691
42	43,951	42,492	86,443	92	360	1,423	1,783
43	44,263	42,506	86,769	93	289	1,156	1,445
44	44,136	42,594	86,730	94	223	861	1,084
40-44	221,245	214,825	436,070	90-94	2,444	8,235	10,679
45	40,119	38,720	78,839	95-99	904	1,853	2,357
46	38,410	36,548	74,958	100 and over	505	229	324
47	37,005	35,021	72,026				
48	32,366	30,829	63,195				
49	32,577	30,607	63,184				
45-49	180,477	171,725	352,202	Total	2,938,065	2,964,326	5,902,411

(a) At 30 June.

TABLE 5. PROJECTED POPULATION BY SEX (a), NSW
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30 June	Series A			Series B			Series C			Series D		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1993	3,000.0	3,021.4	6,021.4	3,000.0	3,021.4	6,021.4	2,997.2	3,018.7	6,015.9	2,997.2	3,018.7	6,015.9
1994	3,036.9	3,057.2	6,094.1	3,036.9	3,057.2	6,094.1	3,032.4	3,053.0	6,085.4	3,032.4	3,053.0	6,085.4
1995	3,073.5	3,092.6	6,166.1	3,074.6	3,093.6	6,168.2	3,067.2	3,086.6	6,153.8	3,066.2	3,085.7	6,151.9
1996	3,109.9	3,127.7	6,237.6	3,113.0	3,130.6	6,243.6	3,101.3	3,119.6	6,220.9	3,098.5	3,116.9	6,215.4
1997	3,145.7	3,162.3	6,308.0	3,151.5	3,167.6	6,319.1	3,134.6	3,151.8	6,286.4	3,128.5	3,145.9	6,274.4
1998	3,180.9	3,196.4	6,377.3	3,190.0	3,204.7	6,394.7	3,167.1	3,183.3	6,350.4	3,156.1	3,172.7	6,328.8
1999	3,215.6	3,230.0	6,445.6	3,223.5	3,241.7	6,470.2	3,198.9	3,214.1	6,413.0	3,181.6	3,197.4	6,379.0
2000	3,249.8	3,263.2	6,513.0	3,266.7	3,278.5	6,545.2	3,230.2	3,244.6	6,474.8	3,206.4	3,221.6	6,428.0
2001	3,283.5	3,295.9	6,579.4	3,304.4	3,314.9	6,619.3	3,261.0	3,274.6	6,535.6	3,230.7	3,245.2	6,475.9
2002	3,316.9	3,328.3	6,645.2	3,341.8	3,351.0	6,692.8	3,291.4	3,304.2	6,595.6	3,254.5	3,268.4	6,522.9
2003	3,349.8	3,360.3	6,710.1	3,378.8	3,386.7	6,765.5	3,321.4	3,333.4	6,654.8	3,277.8	3,291.2	6,569.0
2004	3,382.2	3,392.0	6,774.2	3,415.5	3,422.2	6,837.7	3,351.0	3,362.4	6,713.4	3,300.5	3,313.5	6,614.0
2005	3,414.3	3,423.3	6,837.6	3,451.8	3,457.5	6,909.3	3,380.1	3,390.9	6,771.0	3,322.8	3,335.4	6,658.2
2006	3,445.9	3,454.3	6,900.2	3,487.8	3,492.4	6,980.2	3,408.9	3,419.1	6,828.0	3,344.5	3,356.8	6,701.3
2007	3,477.1	3,484.8	6,961.9	3,523.3	3,526.9	7,050.2	3,437.1	3,446.9	6,884.0	3,365.7	3,377.8	6,743.5
2008	3,507.8	3,515.0	7,022.8	3,558.4	3,561.2	7,119.6	3,464.8	3,474.3	6,939.1	3,386.4	3,398.3	6,784.7
2009	3,538.2	3,545.0	7,083.2	3,593.3	3,595.3	7,188.6	3,492.3	3,501.5	6,993.8	3,406.7	3,418.6	6,823.3
2010	3,568.3	3,574.8	7,143.1	3,627.9	3,629.3	7,257.2	3,519.4	3,528.4	7,047.8	3,426.6	3,438.5	6,865.1
2011	3,598.0	3,604.3	7,202.3	3,662.2	3,663.0	7,325.2	3,546.1	3,555.0	7,101.1	3,446.0	3,458.0	6,904.0
2012	3,627.3	3,633.5	7,260.8	3,696.1	3,696.4	7,392.5	3,572.4	3,581.3	7,153.7	3,464.9	3,477.2	6,942.1
2013	3,656.3	3,662.5	7,318.8	3,729.8	3,729.7	7,459.5	3,598.3	3,607.4	7,205.7	3,483.4	3,496.0	6,979.4
2014	3,685.0	3,691.2	7,376.2	3,763.2	3,762.8	7,526.0	3,623.8	3,633.1	7,256.9	3,501.5	3,514.5	7,016.0
2015	3,713.4	3,719.8	7,433.2	3,796.3	3,795.8	7,592.1	3,649.0	3,658.6	7,307.6	3,519.2	3,532.7	7,051.9
2016	3,741.5	3,748.2	7,489.7	3,829.2	3,828.6	7,657.8	3,673.7	3,683.8	7,357.5	3,536.4	3,550.5	7,086.9
2017	3,769.2	3,776.3	7,545.5	3,861.7	3,861.1	7,722.8	3,698.0	3,708.7	7,406.7	3,553.0	3,567.9	7,120.9
2018	3,796.5	3,804.1	7,600.6	3,893.8	3,893.4	7,787.2	3,721.8	3,733.1	7,454.9	3,569.1	3,584.8	7,153.9
2019	3,823.4	3,831.6	7,655.0	3,925.5	3,925.4	7,850.9	3,745.0	3,757.1	7,502.1	3,584.6	3,601.3	7,185.9
2020	3,849.8	3,858.7	7,708.5	3,956.8	3,957.2	7,914.0	3,767.6	3,780.6	7,548.2	3,599.4	3,617.2	7,216.6
2021	3,875.7	3,885.5	7,761.2	3,987.6	3,988.5	7,976.1	3,789.5	3,803.7	7,593.2	3,613.5	3,632.5	7,246.0
2022	3,901.1	3,911.9	7,813.0	4,017.9	4,019.5	8,037.4	3,810.8	3,826.2	7,637.0	3,626.9	3,647.3	7,274.2
2023	3,925.8	3,937.8	7,863.6	4,047.7	4,050.1	8,097.8	3,831.4	3,848.1	7,679.5	3,639.5	3,661.4	7,300.9
2024	3,949.9	3,963.3	7,913.2	4,076.8	4,080.2	8,157.0	3,851.1	3,869.3	7,720.4	3,651.3	3,674.8	7,326.1
2025	3,973.3	3,988.2	7,961.5	4,105.2	4,109.9	8,215.1	3,870.0	3,889.9	7,759.9	3,662.2	3,687.5	7,349.7
2026	3,996.1	4,012.5	8,008.6	4,133.1	4,139.0	8,272.1	3,888.2	3,909.9	7,798.1	3,672.2	3,699.5	7,371.7
2027	4,018.2	4,036.4	8,054.6	4,160.4	4,167.7	8,328.1	3,905.6	3,929.1	7,834.7	3,681.5	3,710.8	7,392.3
2028	4,039.7	4,059.6	8,099.3	4,186.9	4,195.7	8,382.6	3,922.1	3,947.7	7,869.8	3,689.9	3,721.3	7,411.2
2029	4,060.4	4,082.1	8,142.5	4,212.8	4,223.2	8,436.0	3,937.8	3,965.5	7,903.3	3,697.4	3,731.1	7,428.5
2030	4,080.3	4,104.1	8,184.4	4,238.0	4,250.0	8,488.0	3,952.7	3,982.6	7,935.3	3,704.1	3,740.1	7,444.2
2031	4,099.6	4,125.4	8,225.0	4,262.5	4,276.3	8,538.8	3,966.9	3,999.0	7,965.9	3,710.1	3,748.3	7,458.4

(a) See the population section in the Explanatory Notes for further information about population projections.

SECTION 3: BIRTHS

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

In 1991, there were 87,367 live births registered (in Australia) to mothers whose usual residence was in New South Wales. The birth rate was 14.8 births per 1,000 of total population. The sex ratio was 106 males born for every 100 females.

Multiple births

The 87,367 births resulted from 86,247 confinements of which 1,115 were multiple confinements (1 in every 77 confinements). This comprised 1,079 sets of twins and 36 sets of triplets, the highest numbers of twins and triplets ever recorded in NSW. There were no quadruplets or higher order multiple births in 1991. The proportion of twin confinements to total confinements was 1.25 per cent, a figure which has increased significantly from a low of 0.93 per cent in 1981. The incidence of triplets has increased dramatically in the last 5 years as shown in the graph opposite.

The percentage of multiple confinements in 1991 was highest to mothers who resided in the Murrumbidgee Statistical Division (1.5 per cent) and lowest in the Murray Statistical Division (0.8 per cent). The statistical local area which recorded the highest number of twins was the City of Wollongong (42), followed by the City of Blacktown (41) and Sutherland Shire (39).

Ex-nuptial births

There were 19,427 births registered in 1991 to unmarried mothers. The proportion of ex-nuptial births to total births increased from 21 per cent in 1990 to 22 per cent in 1991. This proportion varies considerably between Sydney Statistical Division (18.7 per cent) and the balance of NSW (27.8 per cent). The highest ex-nuptial percentage is found in the Far West Statistical Division (42.4 per cent), followed by the North Western Statistical Division (36.7 per cent). The proportion of ex-nuptial births where the father is acknowledged has continued the steady increase from 56 per cent in 1976 to 81 per cent in 1991 (18 per cent of total births).

Almost 80 per cent of teenage mothers in 1991 were unmarried, compared with about one third of mothers aged 20-24 years and 12 per cent of mothers aged 30-34 years.

In cases where paternity is not acknowledged, the most likely age of mother is 19 years (327 out of 3,685 confinements in 1991 or 9 per cent of the total).

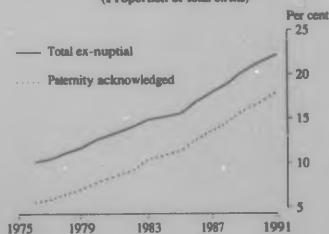
TWIN CONFINEMENTS, NSW
(Proportion of total confinements)



NUMBER OF TRIPLET CONFINEMENTS, NSW



EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS, NSW
(Proportion of total births)



Nuptial first births (to current marriage)

One quarter of all nuptial first births in 1991 occurred during the second year of marriage, while 22 per cent occurred within the first year. Five per cent of mothers had their first child after 8 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 27.8 years in 1991, the highest figure ever recorded. Thirty one per cent of nuptial first births in 1991 occurred to mothers aged 30 and over, compared with 28 per cent in 1990 and only 11 per cent in 1976.

Median ages of parents (nuptial confinements)

In all nuptial confinements, the median ages of both parents have continued the upward trend which has been evident throughout the past two decades. In 1991, the median age was 29.3 years for married mothers and 31.8 years for married fathers. Both figures are the highest ever recorded in NSW.

Teenage mothers and mothers aged 40 and over

Births to teenage mothers in 1991 represented 5.7 per cent of total births to NSW mothers. There has been a slight reversal in recent years of the downward trend which has been evident since the peak of 11.8 per cent in 1966. Births to mothers aged 40 and over represented 1.5 per cent of total births. This percentage has doubled since 1978, after decreasing progressively since a percentage of 5.6 was recorded in 1931.

Country of birth of parents

Of the nuptial confinements registered in 1991, 60 per cent were to parents who were both born in Australia, 16 per cent to parents who were born in the same overseas country, and 19 per cent where one parent was born in Australia and the other parent overseas. The remaining 5 per cent related to parents who were born in different overseas countries.

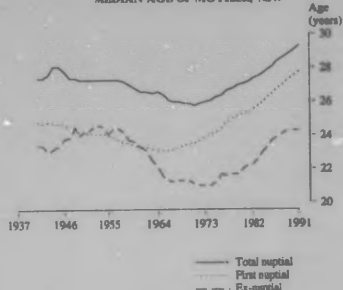
Month of occurrence

The highest numbers of 1991 births occurred in the months of August (7,529) and March (7,499). The lowest totals occurred in November (6,680) and February (6,706). Throughout 1991, approximately 240 births occurred to NSW mothers on an average daily basis, or 10 every hour.

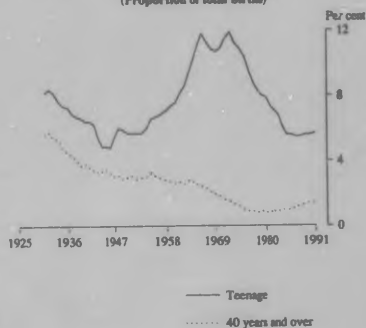
Day of occurrence

More births occurred on Thursdays (16 per cent) in 1991 than other days of the week. There was the usual significant reduction in the number of births which occurred during the weekend (11 per cent each on Saturday and Sunday).

MEDIAN AGE OF MOTHER, NSW



BIRTHS TO TEENAGE MOTHERS AND MOTHERS AGED 40 YEARS AND OVER (Proportion of total births)



BIRTHS BY DAY OF WEEK, NSW, 1991

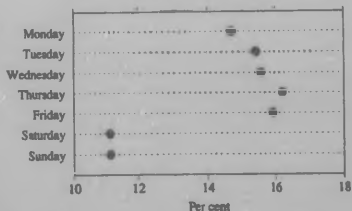


TABLE 6. BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS (a): SUMMARY, NSW

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
BIRTHS—						
Total births	84,531	86,897	84,647	85,790	98,534	87,367
Males	43,458	44,035	43,495	43,948	46,732	44,942
Females	41,073	42,058	41,152	41,842	43,782	42,425
Sex ratio	105.8	104.7	105.7	105.0	106.8	105.9
Nuptial births	70,202	70,590	68,644	68,445	71,280	67,940
Ex-nuptial births—						
Number	14,329	15,503	16,003	17,345	19,254	19,427
Percentage of total live births	17.0	18.0	18.9	20.2	21.3	22.2
Paternity acknowledged births—						
Number	10,723	11,727	12,249	13,596	15,150	15,709
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	74.8	75.6	76.5	78.4	78.7	80.9
Crude birth rate	15.3	15.3	14.8	14.9	15.5	14.8
Age-specific birth rates—						
15-19	21.9	21.1	20.4	20.9	22.1	22.4
20-24	92.4	88.2	83.0	79.7	82.5	75.9
25-29	142.3	142.1	135.8	134.8	139.7	130.7
30-34	91.6	94.9	94.4	96.6	102.8	100.6
35-39	29.5	31.9	32.6	34.7	37.3	37.6
40-44	4.8	5.5	4.9	5.6	6.0	5.9
45-49	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Total fertility rate	1.914	1.920	1.856	1.862	1.954	1.867
Female net reproduction rate	0.913	0.922	0.887	0.894	0.930	0.893
CONFINEMENTS—						
Total confinements	83,647	85,123	83,618	84,687	89,425	86,247
Median age of mother (years)—						
Nuptial first confinements	26.5	26.8	27.0	27.3	27.5	27.8
All nuptial confinements	28.1	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.0	29.3
Ex-nuptial confinements	23.7	23.9	24.1	24.3	24.3	24.3
Paternity acknowledged confinements	24.1	24.4	24.5	24.8	24.7	24.7
All confinements	27.6	27.8	28.0	28.2	28.4	28.6
Median age of father (years)—						
Nuptial confinements	30.8	31.0	31.2	31.4	31.6	31.8
Paternity acknowledged confinements	26.9	27.2	27.1	27.4	27.6	27.5
Median duration of marriage (years)—						
Nuptial first confinements	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2
Nuptial confinements	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4
Nuptial confinements—						
Previous births—						
0	26,985	27,655	26,854	27,276	28,420	27,242
1	24,462	24,240	23,801	23,228	24,123	23,383
2	12,104	11,988	11,650	11,361	11,919	11,035
3	4,061	4,096	3,760	3,976	4,060	3,682
4	1,140	1,105	1,066	1,041	1,179	1,055
5 and over	692	689	645	631	671	604
Average number of births (b)	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. (b) Including the current birth.

TABLE 7. CONFINEMENTS: RELATIVE AGES OF PARENTS, NSW, 1991

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years)																												All confinements		
																													Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total
	Under 17	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35-39	40 and over										
Under 20	144	247	260	246	121	54	35	23	13	13	5	3	2	5	3	3	2	—	—	1	—	155	1,025	1,180							
20	52	90	165	232	191	123	48	39	38	24	10	14	8	2	1	3	5	2	—	4	—	271	780	1,051							
21	27	87	152	219	251	191	137	70	41	38	23	19	16	10	11	5	3	3	3	1	1	461	847	1,308							
22	19	56	152	221	282	314	265	148	84	61	44	31	25	15	16	10	6	4	4	7	1	792	973	1,765							
23	14	32	100	167	277	310	346	351	173	114	76	56	47	26	24	18	10	9	7	11	1	1,236	933	2,169							
24	13	34	92	151	228	320	366	421	433	236	129	111	92	43	42	21	17	10	7	21	5	1,859	933	2,792							
25	8	19	57	112	208	258	377	492	564	464	303	183	120	86	41	55	28	20	10	30	2	2,517	920	3,437							
26	2	24	51	95	153	245	321	427	501	642	564	340	203	120	90	71	60	32	8	47	6	3,101	901	4,002							
27	3	15	43	85	120	170	296	348	510	661	737	691	387	252	136	92	67	54	28	53	8	3,858	898	4,756							
28	4	10	31	67	81	147	228	299	441	598	787	852	816	462	252	152	101	59	59	82	6	4,675	859	5,534							
29	2	12	21	32	70	134	165	258	371	508	750	841	971	811	465	249	162	97	68	102	10	5,250	849	6,099							
30	4	10	11	35	55	75	134	190	255	411	581	739	949	921	783	442	205	173	94	165	21	5,521	732	6,253							
31	1	4	10	30	46	76	96	180	199	276	406	592	686	830	861	662	347	190	103	203	17	5,141	674	5,815							
32	—	4	11	25	34	62	82	92	149	215	293	413	579	622	754	769	554	287	140	272	25	4,763	619	5,382							
33	—	2	6	14	21	31	67	73	93	166	230	353	462	550	627	668	614	491	235	307	36	4,525	521	5,046							
34	—	3	6	10	13	25	40	58	88	128	176	238	309	421	470	570	557	534	358	456	25	4,025	460	4,485							
35	—	2	4	6	13	21	33	63	58	106	114	167	238	296	382	398	438	471	423	637	32	3,507	390	3,897							
36	1	1	5	5	10	17	23	36	45	73	98	129	184	217	293	320	363	389	335	699	39	2,910	372	3,282							
37	—	—	2	7	11	18	19	22	41	25	68	80	138	155	200	259	241	307	324	821	50	2,487	301	2,788							
38	—	1	2	4	10	11	16	18	22	36	57	72	101	122	133	185	193	215	255	776	62	2,019	272	2,291							
39	—	1	6	2	2	12	8	16	27	28	51	41	63	119	131	156	145	173	182	672	69	1,649	255	1,904							
40-44	—	3	5	8	17	20	17	35	58	72	103	148	179	242	294	301	377	401	430	1,941	491	4,485	657	5,142							
45 and over	1	1	3	7	13	10	16	20	30	34	42	61	66	89	120	107	140	159	133	784	344	1,772	388	2,180							
Not stated	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	2	4						
Not applicable (a)	176	226	297	327	292	280	250	266	198	167	165	149	125	125	117	92	80	65	58	182	48	..	3,685	3,685							
All confinements—																															
Nuptial confinements	28	110	292	638	1,069	1,514	2,080	2,736	3,329	4,051	4,815	5,420	5,887	5,726	5,509	4,969	4,128	3,642	2,830	7,145	1,063	67,001							
Ex-nuptial confinements	443	774	1,200	1,469	1,430	1,411	1,305	1,209	1,105	1,045	997	903	879	815	737	639	587	503	414	1,125	236	..	19,246	..							
Total	471	884	1,492	2,107	2,519	2,925	3,385	3,945	4,434	5,096	5,812	6,323	6,766	6,541	6,246	5,688	4,715	4,145	3,264	8,270	1,299	67,001	19,246	86,247							

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

TABLE 8. CONFINEMENTS: NUPTIALITY AND FLURALITY BY AGE GROUP OF MOTHER, NSW, 1991

Confinements	Age group of mother (years)						Total
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	
	—Number—						
Nuptial—							
Single	1,064	10,625	25,505	20,756	7,019	1,042	66,071
Twins	4	99	326	326	119	21	895
Triplets or higher order	—	4	8	16	7	—	35
Nuptial confinements	1,068	10,728	25,899	21,098	7,145	1,063	67,001
Ex-nuptial—							
Single	3,872	6,426	4,596	2,827	1,107	233	19,061
Twins or higher order	14	54	43	53	18	3	185
Ex-nuptial confinements	3,886	6,480	4,639	2,880	1,125	236	19,246
All confinements	4,954	17,208	30,538	23,978	8,270	1,299	86,247
	—Per cent—						
Nuptial confinements	21.6	62.3	84.8	88.0	86.4	81.8	77.7
Ex-nuptial confinements	78.4	37.7	15.2	12.0	13.6	18.2	22.3

TABLE 9. NUPTIAL FIRST CONFINEMENTS (a): AGE GROUP OF MOTHER BY DURATION OF CURRENT MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Age group of mother (years)	Duration of marriage (years)									Total (b)
	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 and over	
Under 17	22	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	27
17-19	540	238	90	8	—	—	—	—	—	836
20-24	2,083	2,175	1,245	619	236	76	13	1	—	6,446
25-29	1,837	2,447	2,167	1,721	1,270	888	584	299	254	11,468
30-34	1,134	1,321	928	659	477	454	378	278	717	6,346
35-39	77	410	228	143	115	95	66	47	300	1,811
40 and over	57	70	56	20	16	18	13	5	53	308
Total	6,000	6,662	4,875	3,171	2,114	1,531	1,054	630	1,324	27,242

(a) See paragraph 8 of the Glossary of Terms. (b) Includes records where duration of marriage is 'not stated'.

NUPTIAL FIRST CONFINEMENTS BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

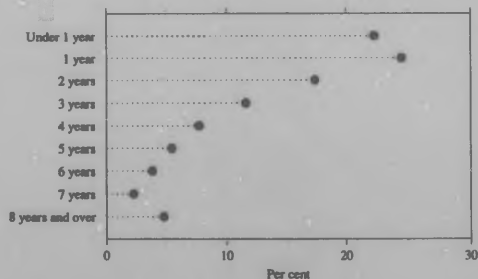
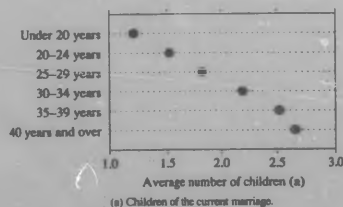


TABLE 10. NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS: AGE OF MOTHER BY PREVIOUS ISSUE AND AVERAGE ISSUE, NSW, 1991

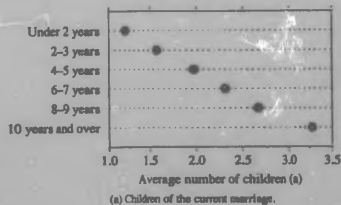
Age of mother (years)	Married mothers with previous issue to the current marriage of—						All married mothers	Total issue	Average issue
	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over			
Under 17	27	1	—	—	—	—	28	29	1.0
17	101	9	—	—	—	—	110	120	1.1
18	249	42	1	—	—	—	292	339	1.2
19	486	138	14	—	—	—	638	804	1.3
20	732	294	39	4	—	—	1,069	1,463	1.4
21	953	478	73	9	1	—	1,514	2,183	1.4
22	1,275	648	141	14	2	—	2,080	3,074	1.5
23	1,617	835	226	53	5	—	2,736	4,222	1.5
24	1,869	1,086	290	68	12	4	3,329	5,312	1.6
25	2,118	1,342	567	99	21	4	4,051	6,763	1.7
26	2,316	1,686	624	141	38	10	4,815	8,447	1.8
27	2,488	1,917	760	191	43	21	5,420	9,785	1.8
28	2,411	2,247	908	238	68	15	5,887	11,103	1.9
29	2,135	2,183	1,008	322	61	17	5,726	11,311	2.0
30	1,868	2,153	1,032	342	76	38	5,509	11,347	2.1
31	1,585	1,879	1,055	325	92	33	4,969	10,560	2.1
32	1,248	1,493	947	302	97	41	4,128	9,106	2.2
33	937	1,328	902	328	91	56	3,642	8,490	2.3
34	708	1,024	703	273	84	58	2,850	6,806	2.4
35	607	783	537	261	84	55	2,327	5,645	2.4
36	482	558	427	210	76	48	1,801	4,448	2.5
37	312	403	308	179	62	55	1,319	3,468	2.6
38	242	315	235	116	41	36	985	2,522	2.6
39	168	219	157	96	36	37	713	1,913	2.7
40 and over	308	322	181	111	65	76	1,063	2,815	2.6
Total	27,242	23,383	11,835	3,682	1,855	684	67,881	132,875	2.8

TABLE 11. NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS: DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY PREVIOUS ISSUE AND AVERAGE ISSUE, NSW, 1991

Duration of current marriage (years)	Married mothers with previous issue to the current marriage of—						All married mothers	Total issue	Average issue
	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over			
Under 1	6,080	661	107	17	2	1	6,868	7,894	1.1
1	6,662	1,277	143	27	10	1	8,120	9,901	1.2
2	4,675	2,871	277	41	12	2	7,878	11,565	1.5
3	3,171	3,788	553	75	6	5	7,598	12,865	1.7
4	2,114	3,560	983	115	24	7	6,803	12,918	1.9
5	1,531	3,050	1,302	198	24	2	6,097	12,518	2.1
6	1,054	2,506	1,405	283	32	4	5,284	11,690	2.2
7	630	1,821	1,329	375	78	17	4,250	10,319	2.4
8	461	1,243	1,264	430	91	25	3,514	9,116	2.6
9	287	864	1,008	416	97	29	2,701	7,419	2.7
10 and over	576	1,742	2,664	1,715	678	511	7,886	21,864	3.3
Total	27,242	23,383	11,835	3,682	1,855	684	67,881	132,875	2.8

NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS: AGE OF MOTHER BY AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN, NSW, 1991


(a) Children of the current marriage.

NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS: DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN, NSW, 1991


(a) Children of the current marriage.

TABLE 12. NUPITAL CONFINEMENTS: RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARENTS, NSW, 1991

Country of birth (a)	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	40,236	—	5,724	45,960	40,236	—	6,892	47,128
Fiji	69	313	40	422	96	313	76	485
New Zealand	603	206	197	1,196	651	396	277	1,324
Other	135	380	104	619	123	380	84	587
Total	41,043	1,089	6,065	48,197	41,106	1,089	7,329	49,524
Europe and the USSR—								
Austria	52	7	18	77	11	7	10	28
Germany	186	36	80	302	121	36	74	231
Greece	238	123	56	417	74	123	29	226
Hungary	24	16	22	62	10	16	9	35
Ireland	84	98	60	242	63	98	28	189
Italy	428	175	95	698	220	175	75	470
Malta	170	59	38	267	74	59	35	166
Netherlands	152	16	45	213	98	16	24	138
Poland	36	105	25	166	21	105	17	143
United Kingdom	2,517	791	507	3,815	2,187	791	377	3,355
USSR and the Baltic States	13	29	11	53	5	29	15	49
Yugoslavia	290	567	80	937	121	567	35	723
Other	284	358	196	838	211	358	171	740
Total	4,474	2,380	1,233	8,087	3,216	2,380	897	6,493
Middle East and North Africa—								
Egypt	95	166	78	339	35	166	35	236
Lebanon	398	1,990	169	2,557	134	1,990	178	2,302
Turkey	34	327	31	392	14	327	16	357
Other	108	356	261	725	43	356	211	610
Total	635	2,839	539	4,013	226	2,839	440	3,505
Southeast Asia—								
Indonesia	53	212	44	309	38	212	56	306
Malaysia	73	192	106	371	92	192	110	394
Philippines	24	457	16	497	378	457	201	1,036
Singapore	36	29	33	98	40	29	53	122
Thailand	10	26	21	57	50	26	60	136
Viet Nam	6	839	168	1,013	11	839	107	957
Other	8	228	73	309	16	228	84	328
Total	210	1,983	461	2,654	625	1,983	671	3,279
Northwest Asia—								
China	34	429	177	640	46	429	237	712
Hong Kong	31	361	152	544	46	361	144	551
Other	21	476	45	542	53	476	94	623
Total	86	1,266	374	1,726	145	1,266	475	1,886
Northern Asia—								
India	72	254	50	376	64	254	63	381
Sri Lanka	25	158	24	207	16	158	12	186
Other	28	140	36	204	9	140	15	164
Total	125	552	110	787	89	552	90	731
The Americas—								
Canada	65	13	28	106	96	13	32	141
Chile	43	149	40	232	34	149	44	227
United States of America	161	60	58	279	173	60	59	292
Other	85	185	111	381	89	185	122	406
Total	354	407	237	998	392	407	267	1,066
Africa (excl. North Africa)—								
South Africa	92	108	38	238	64	108	60	232
Other	105	90	100	295	96	90	97	283
Total	197	198	138	533	160	198	157	515
Other and not stated	4	1	1	6	1	1	—	2
Total	47,128	10,715	9,158	67,001	45,960	10,715	10,326	67,001

(a) Countries of birth in this publication are classified according to the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1209.0).

TABLE 13. BIRTHS: NUMBERS BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, PRELIMINARY

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
1986	83,667	60,609	40,586	19,625	23,692	6,986	3,346	4,112	242,623
1987	84,649	61,155	39,524	19,153	23,966	6,805	3,321	4,120	242,693
1988	86,040	63,230	41,156	19,252	24,787	6,859	3,413	4,266	249,103
1989	86,494	63,699	42,547	19,494	25,125	6,842	3,435	4,295	251,931
1990	88,358	66,477	44,623	19,638	25,447	6,974	3,488	4,515	259,520
1991	86,323	64,559	44,015	19,335	24,331	6,864	3,607	4,602	253,636

TABLE 14. CRUDE BIRTH RATES BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, PRELIMINARY

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
1986	15.1	14.6	15.5	14.2	16.3	15.5	21.7	15.9	15.1
1987	15.1	14.5	14.8	13.8	16.0	15.2	21.0	15.5	14.9
1988	15.1	14.8	15.0	13.7	16.2	15.2	21.4	16.1	15.1
1989	15.0	14.8	15.1	13.7	15.9	15.0	21.3	15.5	15.0
1990	15.2	15.2	15.4	13.7	15.8	15.1	21.3	16.0	15.2
1991	14.6	14.6	14.8	13.4	14.9	14.7	21.6	15.9	14.7

TABLE 15. BIRTHS: AGE GROUP OF MOTHER BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, NSW, PRELIMINARY

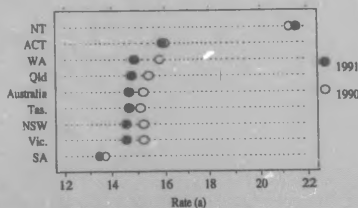
	Age group (years)						Total (a)
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	
1986	4,675	19,983	32,163	19,764	6,232	848	83,667
1987	4,610	19,982	32,620	20,537	6,749	1,046	84,649
1988	4,705	18,183	32,960	21,897	7,243	1,044	86,040
1989	4,865	17,459	32,809	22,551	7,618	1,188	86,494
1990	4,831	17,652	32,623	23,828	8,150	1,273	88,358
1991	4,843	16,906	30,503	24,352	8,399	1,320	86,323

(a) Includes not stated.

TABLE 16. AGE-SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES BY AGE GROUP OF MOTHER AND YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, NSW, PRELIMINARY

	Age group (years)						Total fertility rate	
	15-19 (a)	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44		45-49 (b)
1986	21.7	90.6	141.1	91.3	29.2	4.8	0.2	1,894
1987	20.5	87.0	139.6	92.9	31.8	5.4	0.3	1,888
1988	20.4	82.9	138.2	96.8	33.6	5.1	0.3	1,887
1989	21.1	79.7	136.2	97.7	34.9	5.7	0.2	1,877
1990	21.1	79.7	136.2	101.2	36.9	5.9	0.2	1,906
1991	21.8	73.9	128.9	100.5	37.6	5.9	0.2	1,844

(a) Includes births to mothers aged less than 15. (b) Includes births to mothers aged 50 and over.

CRUDE BIRTH RATE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1990 AND 1991
(Year of occurrence)(a) Per 1,000 population
Source: Table 14

SECTION 4: DEATHS

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

In 1991, there were 42,467 deaths of NSW residents registered in Australia, compared with 43,813 deaths in 1990, a decrease of 3 per cent. The death rate decreased from 7.5 to 7.2 deaths per 1,000 of total population. The 1991 total comprised 22,661 males and 19,806 females, a sex ratio of 114 males per 100 females.

Age at death

In 1991, male deaths outnumbered female deaths at all ages up to and including 80 years. This is particularly evident in the 15-44 age group as shown in the sex ratio graph opposite. The age group 85 years and over comprised 28 per cent of female deaths and 12 per cent of male deaths. In addition, 124 females and 26 males who died in 1991 were aged 100 or more.

Infant deaths (deaths under 1 year)

There were 632 infant deaths registered in 1991 where the usual residence of the mother was in NSW, compared with 733 infant deaths in 1990. The infant death rate decreased from 8.1 in 1990 to 7.2 deaths per 1,000 live births, and has declined from 43.5 in 1936. Thirty two per cent of infant deaths occurred during the first day of life and 62 per cent occurred within the first month.

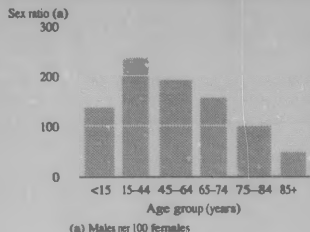
Life expectancy

The life expectancy at birth in NSW increased in 1991 to 80.2 years for females and 74.2 years for males. The corresponding figures in 1971 were 74.4 years and 68.0 years respectively. The six year 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.

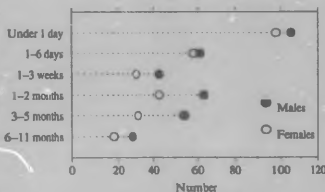
Marital status

Of the males who died in 1991, 57.3 per cent were married at the time of death, 18.8 per cent were widowed, 16.5 per cent were never married, and 6.4 per cent were divorced. The marital status of the remaining 1 per cent was unknown. Of the females who died in 1991, 56.2 per cent were widowed, 28.4 per cent were married, 10.7 per cent were never married, and 4.4 per cent were divorced. The marital status of the remaining 0.3 per cent was unknown.

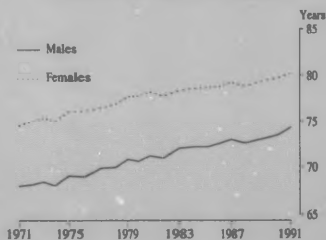
SEX RATIO BY AGE GROUP AT DEATH, NSW, 1991



INFANT DEATHS BY AGE AND SEX, NSW, 1991



EXPECTATION OF LIFE AT BIRTH, NSW



Trends in causes of death

Diseases of the circulatory system (including heart attack and stroke) caused 19,475 deaths, or 45.9 per cent of the total, continuing the decline in mortality from these diseases since the late 1960s. However, *ischaemic heart disease* (heart attack) remained the leading cause of death, accounting for 11,061 deaths, or 26.0 per cent of all deaths. The number of deaths due to *malignant neoplasms* (cancer) continued to increase. In 1991 cancer caused 10,875 deaths, or 25.6 per cent of the total, and became the leading cause of death for males (6,179 deaths), overtaking *ischaemic heart disease* (5,979 deaths). Deaths due to *cerebrovascular disease* (stroke), also continued the downward trend since 1970, accounting for 4,564 deaths, or 10.7 per cent of the total.

Cause of infant death

Deaths due to *sudden infant death syndrome* (cot death) comprised 19.9 per cent of the total infant deaths, with 126 deaths (84 males and 42 females) compared to 185 deaths (112 males and 73 females) in 1990. This is the lowest number of cot deaths since 1980. *Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period* (e.g. prematurity, respiratory conditions of the newborn, congenital infections) accounted for 282 infant deaths (145 male and 137 female deaths), or 44.6 per cent of the total. *Congenital anomalies* were the cause of 157 infant deaths (87 male and 70 female deaths), or 24.8 per cent of the total.

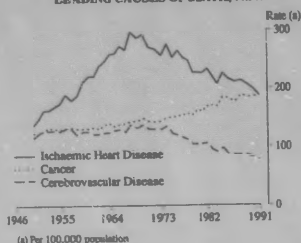
Motor vehicle traffic accidents and suicide

These causes together made up 58.2 per cent of deaths due to external causes (*accidents, poisonings and violence*) in 1991. The dramatic reduction in the number of deaths due to *motor vehicle traffic accidents* continued, with 667 deaths (460 male and 207 female deaths) compared to 821 deaths in 1990. The 1991 result represents the lowest male death rate from this cause in over 40 years and the lowest female death rate since 1950. The number of *motor vehicle traffic accident* deaths fell below the number of deaths due to *suicide* in 1991. *Suicide* was the cause of 767 deaths (593 male and 174 female deaths), an increase from 675 deaths in 1990.

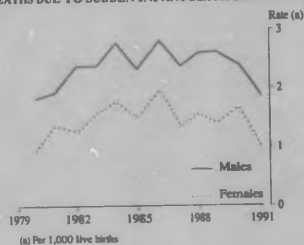
Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

There were 339 AIDS deaths of NSW residents registered in 1991, comprising 207 deaths (199 male and 8 female) directly attributable to AIDS, and 132 deaths (128 male and 4 female) which were AIDS-related (AIDS mentioned on the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death, but not classified as the underlying cause). The total of 339 AIDS deaths is more than double the number recorded in 1988 (152 deaths), but only 7.3 per cent greater than the 316 deaths recorded for 1990 (311 male deaths and 5 female deaths).

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH, NSW



DEATHS DUE TO SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME, NSW



MALE DEATHS DUE TO MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND SUICIDE, NSW

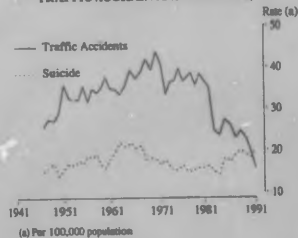


TABLE 17. DEATHS (a): SUMMARY, NSW

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
DEATHS—						
Total deaths	42,167	42,189	44,676	45,860	43,813	42,467
Males	22,571	22,611	23,877	24,170	23,506	22,661
Females	19,596	19,578	20,799	20,890	20,307	19,806
Crude death rates	7.6	7.5	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.2
Males	8.2	8.1	8.4	8.4	8.1	7.7
Females	7.1	6.9	7.3	7.2	6.9	6.7
Standardised death rates	7.4	7.2	7.4	7.3	6.9	6.7
Males	9.6	9.3	9.6	9.5	9.0	8.6
Females	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.2
Median age at death—						
Males	70.8	70.1	71.2	72.2	71.9	72.0
Females	77.5	77.1	78.1	78.9	78.7	78.8
Principal causes of death (proportion)—						
Males—						
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	25.2	25.1	25.5	25.3	26.4	27.3
Ischaemic heart disease	29.2	29.1	28.2	27.1	27.0	26.4
Cerebrovascular disease	8.9	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.0	8.0
Other diseases of the circulatory system	7.8	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.8
Diseases of the respiratory system	7.8	8.2	8.4	9.4	8.2	8.2
Diseases of the digestive system	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3
All other diseases	9.4	9.6	10.0	10.9	11.3	11.5
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	3.2	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.0
All other accidents	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.5
Suicide	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.6
Other external causes	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4
Females—						
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	22.7	21.8	22.7	21.8	23.0	23.7
Ischaemic heart disease	27.3	26.8	26.1	25.7	25.8	25.7
Cerebrovascular disease	14.5	15.3	14.5	14.5	14.5	13.9
Other diseases of the circulatory system	11.0	11.2	11.5	11.5	11.0	10.5
Diseases of the respiratory system	5.3	6.0	5.9	7.5	6.0	6.5
Diseases of the digestive system	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.5	3.5
All other diseases	11.4	11.6	11.7	11.9	12.4	12.5
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.0
All other accidents	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.6	1.5
Suicide	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.9
Other external causes	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Expectation of life—						
Males—						
Age 0	72.5	72.9	72.5	72.9	73.4	74.2
Age 1	72.3	72.6	72.3	72.7	73.1	73.8
Age 25	49.3	49.6	49.3	49.6	50.0	50.6
Age 45	30.6	30.8	30.6	30.9	31.3	31.9
Age 65	14.4	14.6	14.5	14.5	14.9	15.3
Females—						
Age 0	78.8	79.3	78.9	79.4	79.7	80.2
Age 1	78.5	78.9	78.5	79.0	79.3	79.8
Age 25	55.0	55.4	55.0	55.5	55.8	56.2
Age 45	35.7	36.0	35.7	36.1	36.4	36.8
Age 65	18.3	18.5	18.3	18.5	18.7	19.0
INFANT DEATHS—						
Total infant deaths	759	731	775	744	733	632
Males	436	407	439	436	425	354
Females	323	324	336	308	308	278
Infant mortality rates	9.0	8.5	9.2	8.7	8.1	7.2
Males	10.0	9.2	10.1	9.9	9.1	7.9
Females	7.9	7.7	8.2	7.4	7.0	6.6

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

TABLE 18. DEATHS: AGE AT DEATH BY SEX, NSW, 1991

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	354	278	632	50	141	73	214
1	35	25	60	51	129	67	196
2	18	11	29	52	165	88	253
3	15	6	21	53	182	85	267
4	9	6	15	54	193	102	295
0-4	431	326	757	50-54	810	415	1,225
5	11	3	14	55	163	101	264
6	12	9	21	56	197	107	304
7	10	4	14	57	219	118	337
8	8	5	13	58	248	138	386
9	8	6	14	59	302	157	459
5-9	49	27	76	55-59	1,129	621	1,750
10	3	8	11	60	328	155	483
11	9	3	12	61	370	220	590
12	12	8	20	62	409	198	607
13	11	5	16	63	430	248	678
14	13	9	22	64	509	247	756
10-14	48	33	81	60-64	2,046	1,068	3,114
15	21	11	32	65	554	269	823
16	27	10	37	66	547	291	838
17	36	19	55	67	613	365	978
18	60	14	74	68	599	354	953
19	59	20	79	69	668	407	1,075
15-19	203	74	277	65-69	2,981	1,686	4,667
20	37	26	63	70	619	407	1,026
21	50	17	67	71	647	455	1,102
22	49	15	64	72	580	432	1,012
23	61	26	87	73	675	487	1,162
24	56	16	72	74	627	502	1,129
20-24	253	100	353	70-74	3,148	2,283	5,431
25	52	19	71	75	726	535	1,261
26	66	22	88	76	762	610	1,372
27	62	26	88	77	795	617	1,412
28	47	24	71	78	769	691	1,460
29	66	23	89	79	743	734	1,477
25-29	293	114	407	75-79	3,795	3,187	6,982
30	72	23	95	80	664	715	1,379
31	68	29	97	81	639	610	1,249
32	73	20	93	82	612	728	1,340
33	60	25	85	83	541	684	1,225
34	75	23	98	84	549	666	1,215
30-34	348	120	468	80-84	3,005	3,403	6,408
35	74	32	106	85	458	678	1,136
36	83	39	122	86	437	622	1,059
37	84	32	116	87	350	595	945
38	69	36	105	88	286	549	835
39	80	37	117	89	248	508	756
35-39	390	176	566	85-89	1,779	2,932	4,731
40	80	37	117	90	214	477	691
41	96	45	141	91	190	459	649
42	102	39	161	92	115	387	502
43	101	51	152	93	102	329	431
44	110	58	168	94	79	246	325
40-44	489	250	739	90-94	700	1,898	2,598
45	110	58	168	95-99	141	634	775
46	99	59	158	100 and over	26	124	150
47	131	72	203				
48	122	54	176	Not stated	4	1	5
49	131	71	202				
45-49	593	314	907	Total	22,661	19,886	42,467

TABLE 19. AGE-SPECIFIC DEATH RATES (a), NSW

Age group (years)	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
MALES						
Under 1	10.3	9.5	10.0	9.9	9.5	7.8
1-4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
5-9	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
10-14	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
15-19	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9
20-24	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.1
25-29	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.2
30-34	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4
35-39	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.7
40-44	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2
45-49	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.2	3.5	3.3
50-54	6.5	6.2	6.5	5.8	5.8	5.4
55-59	11.1	11.3	10.9	10.0	10.2	8.8
60-64	18.2	17.4	17.7	17.3	16.4	15.6
65-69	29.8	28.5	28.9	27.9	26.3	26.1
70-74	46.3	46.5	47.3	45.6	43.6	38.2
75-79	75.5	72.1	75.5	76.0	70.1	67.5
80-84	111.9	111.5	112.9	118.9	113.4	104.0
85 and over	193.4	190.8	198.0	212.5	193.4	184.1
FEMALES						
Under 1	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.3	7.3	6.4
1-4	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3
5-9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
10-14	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
15-19	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
20-24	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
25-29	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5
30-34	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5
35-39	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8
40-44	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2
45-49	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8
50-54	3.8	3.6	3.8	3.2	3.4	2.9
55-59	6.1	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.1	4.9
60-64	9.4	9.1	9.2	9.1	7.9	8.0
65-69	16.0	13.8	14.7	13.7	13.8	13.3
70-74	25.5	24.2	25.5	24.1	24.2	22.2
75-79	41.7	42.4	44.0	41.0	40.8	39.6
80-84	74.8	72.6	76.7	77.1	69.4	66.1
85 and over	150.4	156.5	161.8	172.8	165.6	154.7

(a) Rates are calculated on the estimated mid-year resident population for each age group by sex. Population estimates since June 1986 are based on preliminary 1991 Census results. These estimates will be finalized in 1993 using final Census results.

TABLE 20. EXPECTATION OF LIFE

Age (years)	New South Wales										Australia	
	1971		1976		1981		1986		1991		1991	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0	68.04	74.41	68.99	76.18	71.14	78.26	72.52	78.84	74.22	90.23	74.35	80.29
5	64.66	70.78	65.36	72.32	67.13	74.10	68.99	74.67	69.53	75.83	70.05	75.89
10	59.79	65.90	60.48	67.41	62.24	69.15	63.47	69.67	65.00	70.89	65.12	70.94
15	54.94	60.98	55.60	62.47	57.33	64.22	58.37	64.72	60.08	65.95	60.20	65.99
20	56.33	56.15	50.97	57.58	52.66	59.35	53.89	59.85	55.31	61.05	55.44	61.10
25	45.77	51.31	46.39	52.72	48.08	54.49	49.32	55.01	50.61	56.18	50.78	56.24
30	41.58	46.46	41.66	47.87	43.39	49.63	44.62	50.13	45.91	51.31	46.09	51.37
35	36.37	41.67	36.94	43.05	38.64	44.78	39.89	45.26	41.22	46.44	41.38	46.51
40	31.73	36.96	32.30	38.30	33.93	39.97	35.18	40.43	36.35	41.60	36.68	41.68
45	27.23	32.38	27.82	33.64	29.32	35.26	30.56	35.68	31.93	36.83	32.03	36.90
50	22.98	27.96	23.58	29.17	24.96	30.69	26.08	31.05	27.41	32.14	27.50	32.22
55	19.05	23.72	19.60	24.85	20.88	26.25	21.85	26.60	23.07	27.57	23.15	27.68
60	15.51	19.70	15.97	20.71	17.12	21.98	17.95	22.33	19.00	23.16	19.07	23.30
65	12.41	15.87	12.75	16.84	13.72	17.95	14.42	18.30	15.34	20.22	15.99	19.14
70	9.74	12.34	9.94	13.25	10.74	14.23	11.31	14.60	12.08	16.16	12.10	15.26
75	7.52	9.38	7.62	10.10	8.26	10.87	8.66	11.23	9.18	11.65	9.20	11.73
80	5.72	6.96	5.79	7.49	6.22	7.97	6.50	8.28	6.84	8.63	6.84	8.68
85	4.37	5.22	4.39	5.44	4.60	5.66	4.76	5.91	4.96	6.08	4.98	6.10

Note: The average number of years of life remaining to persons who reach a specified age and are subject to the mortality conditions of the years shown. The populations used in the calculation of these figures are those based on the concept of 'estimated resident population', as defined in the Glossary. All figures are based on Annual Life Tables calculated by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. These tables are not constructed according to strict actuarial principles, and consequently, it is recommended that they not be used for actuarial purposes. Those wishing to use life tables for actuarial purposes are advised to refer to the official Life Tables prepared by the Australian Government Actuary, published in 1991.

INFANT DEATH RATES, NSW

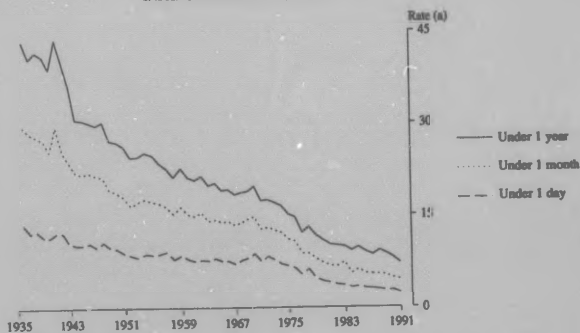


TABLE 21. INFANT DEATHS AND MORTALITY RATES BY AGE AND SEX, NSW, 1991

Age at death	Number			Infant mortality rate (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1 day	105	98	203	2.3	2.3	2.3
1 and under 2 days	23	24	47	0.5	0.6	0.5
2 and under 3 days	10	9	19	0.2	0.2	0.2
3 and under 4 days	8	9	17	0.2	0.2	0.2
4 and under 5 days	3	6	9	0.1	0.1	0.1
5 and under 6 days	7	5	12	0.2	0.1	0.1
6 and under 7 days	10	5	15	0.2	0.1	0.2
Total under 1 week	166	156	322	3.7	3.7	3.7
1 and under 2 weeks	23	12	35	0.5	0.3	0.4
2 and under 3 weeks	12	9	21	0.3	0.2	0.2
3 and under 4 weeks	8	9	17	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total under 4 weeks	209	186	395	4.7	4.4	4.5
1 and under 3 months	63	43	106	1.4	1.0	1.2
3 and under 6 months	54	31	85	1.2	0.7	1.0
6 and under 12 months	28	18	46	0.6	0.4	0.5
All infant deaths	354	278	632	7.9	6.6	7.2

(a) Per 1,000 live births registered.

TABLE 22. DEATHS: CAUSE OF DEATH BY SEX, NSW, 1991

Cause of death (a)	Number			Percentage of all deaths	Rate (b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infecious and parasitic diseases (001-139)	203	143	346	0.8	6
Neoplasms (140-239)	6,224	4,748	10,972	25.8	186
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	6,179	4,696	10,875	25.6	184
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240-279)	667	463	1,130	2.7	19
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280-289)	102	86	188	0.4	3
Mental disorders (290-319)	331	350	681	1.6	12
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320-389)	414	422	836	2.0	14
Diseases of the circulatory system (390-459)	9,561	9,914	19,475	45.9	330
Ischaemic heart disease (410-414)	5,979	5,082	11,061	26.0	187
Cerebrovascular disease (430-438)	1,806	2,758	4,564	10.7	77
Diseases of the respiratory system (460-519)	1,851	1,291	3,142	7.4	53
Diseases of the digestive system (520-579)	739	701	1,440	3.4	24
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580-629)	319	421	740	1.7	13
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630-676)	—	7	7	—	—
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680-709)	17	32	49	0.1	1
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710-739)	73	149	222	0.5	4
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	140	116	256	0.6	4
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760-779)	145	137	282	0.7	5
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780-799)	150	89	239	0.6	4
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800-E999)	1,725	737	2,462	5.8	42
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810-E819)	460	207	667	1.6	11
All causes of death	22,661	19,806	42,467	100.0	719

(a) Classified according to the ninth revision of the World Health Organisation's International Classification of Diseases (ICD). (b) Rates are calculated on the number of deaths per 100,000 estimated mean resident population.

TABLE 23. DEATHS: NUMBERS BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, PRELIMINARY

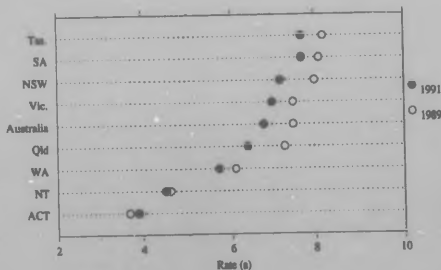
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
1986	41,571	30,348	17,716	10,406	9,149	3,443	694	1,012	114,339
1987	43,452	31,125	18,774	10,524	8,878	3,621	772	999	118,145
1988	43,465	31,031	19,107	10,704	9,401	3,587	671	1,007	118,973
1989	45,907	32,216	20,502	11,475	9,645	3,732	740	1,032	125,249
1990	43,053	30,698	19,269	10,837	9,410	3,733	812	1,076	118,888
1991	42,531	30,866	19,036	11,135	9,379	3,619	746	1,122	118,434

TABLE 24. CRUDE DEATH RATES BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, PRELIMINARY

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
1986	7.5	7.3	6.8	7.5	6.3	7.7	4.5	3.9	7.1
1987	7.7	7.4	7.0	7.6	5.9	8.1	4.9	3.8	7.3
1988	7.6	7.3	7.0	7.6	6.1	7.9	4.2	3.7	7.2
1989	8.0	7.5	7.3	8.1	6.1	8.2	4.6	3.7	7.5
1990	7.4	7.0	6.6	7.6	5.8	8.1	5.0	3.8	7.0
1991	7.2	7.0	6.4	7.7	5.7	7.7	4.5	3.9	6.6

TABLE 25. DEATHS: AGE-SPECIFIC DEATH RATES BY SEX AND YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, NSW, PRELIMINARY

Age group (years)	Males			Females		
	1989	1990	1991	1989	1990	1991
Under 1	10.1	9.0	7.9	7.7	7.0	6.6
1-4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
5-9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
10-14	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
15-19	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.4	0.3
20-24	1.4	1.3	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.5
25-29	1.6	1.5	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.5
30-34	1.4	1.4	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.8
35-39	1.8	1.5	1.7	0.7	0.7	1.2
40-44	2.2	2.3	2.2	1.4	1.1	1.2
45-49	3.3	3.5	3.2	2.3	1.9	1.9
50-54	5.9	5.7	5.3	3.3	3.3	2.9
55-59	10.1	10.0	8.8	5.3	5.0	5.0
60-64	17.6	16.1	15.4	9.3	7.7	8.0
65-69	28.3	25.8	25.9	13.9	13.8	13.3
70-74	46.7	42.6	38.6	24.5	23.9	21.9
75-79	77.2	69.3	68.2	41.8	39.9	40.1
80-84	120.7	111.4	105.1	78.3	68.4	66.2
85 and over	216.5	193.3	182.9	177.9	161.8	156.0

CRUDE DEATH RATE, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1989 AND 1991
(Year of occurrence)(a) Per 1,000 population
Source: Table 24

SECTION 5: MARRIAGES

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

In 1991, there were 39,594 marriages registered in NSW, compared with 41,450 in 1990, a decrease of 4.5 per cent. The marriage rate decreased from 7.1 to 6.7 marriages per 1,000 of total population.

Age at first marriage

The age at first marriage in NSW continues to increase steadily. The median ages at first marriage for brides and bridegrooms in 1991 were 24.6 years and 26.9 years respectively, the highest ever recorded. The lowest median ages at first marriage, 21.1 years and 23.5 years respectively, were recorded in the early seventies.

Rites used in marriage ceremony

Approximately 60 per cent of 1991 marriages were performed by ministers of religion, 30 per cent by civil celebrants and 10 per cent at registry offices. Of the religious ceremonies, 40 per cent of first marriages (both partners) were celebrated in the Catholic Church, while one in three remarriages were celebrated in the Uniting Church.

Previous marital status

In one out of every three marriages, one or both of the partners were married previously. In ten per cent of all marriages, both partners had previously been divorced.

Month of marriage

The most popular month for marriage in 1991 was March with 4,517 marriages celebrated in NSW, followed closely by October (4,465) and November (4,440). The least popular month was July with 1,874 marriages celebrated. (See graph on page 30.)

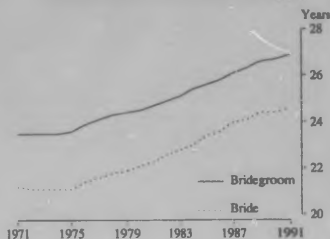
Day of marriage

Saturday is traditionally the most popular day of the week for marriage, and 72 per cent of 1991 marriages were celebrated on a Saturday. Twelve per cent of marriages were celebrated on a Sunday and 7 per cent on a Friday.

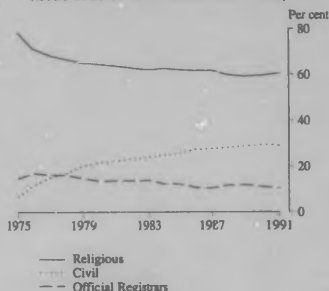
Country of birth of bride and bridegroom

The graphs on page 34 illustrate changes in recent years of marriages of persons born in China to Australian born persons.

MEDIAN AGE AT FIRST MARRIAGE, NSW



RITES USED IN MARRIAGE CEREMONY, NSW



MARRIAGES BY DAY OF WEEK, NSW, 1991

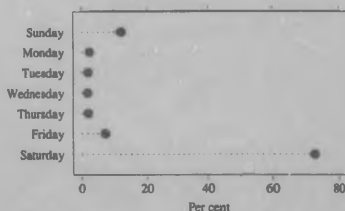


TABLE 26. MARRIAGES (a): SUMMARY, NSW

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
PERSONS—						
Marrriages registered	41,319	40,650	40,812	41,300	41,450	39,594
Crude marriage rate	7.5	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.1	6.7
Previous marital status—						
First marriage both partners	27,568	27,627	27,611	28,101	28,196	27,017
First marriage one partner	7,988	7,514	7,801	7,984	7,858	7,367
Remarriage both partners	5,763	5,509	5,400	5,215	5,396	5,210
Marrriages performed by—						
Ministers of religion—						
Number	25,538	25,126	24,458	24,460	24,685	24,009
Per cent	61.8	61.8	59.9	59.2	59.6	60.6
Civil celebrants—						
Number	15,781	15,524	16,354	16,840	16,765	15,585
Per cent	38.2	38.2	40.1	40.8	40.4	39.4
BRIDEGROOM—						
Marital status of bridegroom—						
Never married	31,269	31,119	31,291	31,918	31,856	30,500
Widowed	1,036	1,040	1,021	952	959	949
Divorced	9,014	8,491	8,500	8,430	8,635	8,145
Total	41,319	40,650	40,812	41,300	41,450	39,594
Median age of bridegroom (years)—						
Never married	25.8	26.1	26.3	26.6	26.7	26.9
Widowed	60.5	60.1	60.4	61.1	61.0	61.2
Divorced	38.3	38.8	38.9	39.4	39.6	39.8
Total	27.6	27.8	27.9	28.2	28.3	28.5
Age of bridegroom (years)—						
Under 20	567	524	561	546	556	468
20-24	12,475	11,467	10,958	10,683	10,382	9,626
25-29	12,992	13,204	13,598	13,703	13,778	13,140
30-34	6,221	6,453	6,596	6,990	7,019	7,007
35-39	3,504	3,271	3,401	3,400	3,584	3,484
40-44	1,904	2,016	2,118	2,189	2,255	2,131
45-49	1,278	1,244	1,234	1,321	1,411	1,333
50 and over	2,378	2,471	2,346	2,468	2,465	2,385
Total	41,319	40,650	40,812	41,300	41,450	39,594
BRIDE—						
Marital status of bride—						
Never married	31,855	31,649	31,732	32,268	32,394	30,901
Widowed	1,239	1,172	1,085	1,137	1,075	1,046
Divorced	8,225	7,829	7,995	7,895	7,981	7,647
Total	41,319	40,650	40,812	41,300	41,450	39,594
Median age of bride (years)—						
Never married	23.6	24.0	24.1	24.4	24.4	24.6
Widowed	51.1	52.3	52.3	52.4	51.8	53.1
Divorced	34.8	35.4	35.2	35.3	35.9	35.9
Total	25.0	25.3	25.6	25.8	25.9	26.1
Age of bride (years)—						
Under 20	3,412	3,157	3,064	2,908	2,810	2,274
20-24	17,242	16,296	15,733	15,444	15,286	14,617
25-29	10,129	10,452	10,988	11,387	11,320	10,971
30-34	4,363	4,497	4,803	5,069	5,281	5,227
35-39	2,485	2,474	2,526	2,477	2,668	2,552
40-44	1,463	1,476	1,465	1,598	1,638	1,584
45-49	869	899	884	974	1,034	974
50 and over	1,356	1,399	1,349	1,443	1,413	1,395
Total	41,319	40,650	40,812	41,300	41,450	39,594

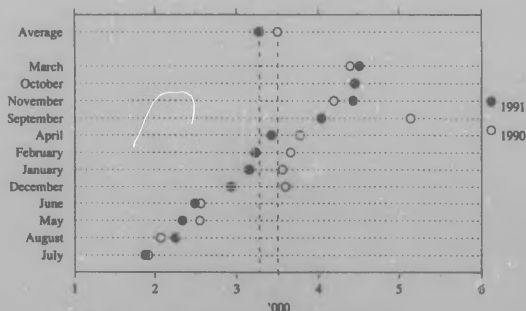
(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

TABLE 27. MARRIAGES: AGE AND MARITAL STATUS SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES (a), NSW

Age at marriage	1954	1961	1966	1971	1976	1981	1986
First marriages—							
Age of bridegroom (years)—							
15-19	9.3	12.0	16.5	17.2	9.4	5.4	2.6
20-24	132.6	134.7	148.6	170.5	125.2	89.5	67.0
25-29	151.3	154.5	188.3	176.9	143.4	127.5	114.7
30-34	90.7	93.8	100.7	100.0	86.8	85.4	86.0
35-39	56.1	53.4	48.5	50.4	50.1	47.8	48.2
40-44	33.5	29.1	30.7	30.4	27.3	26.1	24.6
45-49	23.8	18.9	15.8	18.0	15.7	12.6	13.9
50 and over	7.7	7.4	5.5	6.7	6.5	6.1	4.6
Age of bride (years)—							
15-19	61.2	60.8	64.3	73.9	48.3	31.2	16.4
20-24	258.3	263.3	260.7	283.7	191.6	146.0	122.4
25-29	176.7	183.1	178.3	179.9	145.4	123.7	131.0
30-34	88.0	92.8	92.3	94.9	89.3	77.3	79.5
35-39	49.0	48.7	44.2	47.9	51.3	43.9	41.7
40-44	28.9	28.0	26.2	28.7	27.0	22.1	25.0
45-49	16.9	17.1	15.4	15.3	18.3	18.6	14.5
50 and over	4.3	4.4	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.2	2.3
Remarriages—							
Age of bridegroom (years)—							
15-19	—	—	12.0	—	—	—	—
20-24	235.8	242.0	158.3	160.6	233.4	194.4	111.8
25-29	278.4	301.9	414.0	290.0	341.1	236.9	200.4
30-34	225.6	246.3	323.2	271.9	308.3	207.6	173.9
35-39	166.9	151.7	202.1	188.8	243.7	167.4	136.4
40-44	123.7	109.6	114.2	127.4	186.8	118.7	104.8
45-49	95.3	103.0	97.8	90.8	135.1	98.2	88.2
50-54	69.9	69.9	71.3	66.8	100.3	71.9	57.5
55-59	49.4	50.3	44.3	49.8	66.2	52.6	43.1
60 and over	16.2	14.9	15.5	16.5	21.2	16.1	16.1
Age of bride (years)—							
15-19	156.3	125.0	69.0	64.1	137.1	90.9	42.5
20-24	325.0	325.6	330.4	306.5	286.0	226.1	185.1
25-29	308.2	320.6	309.8	264.6	254.9	193.9	182.1
30-34	185.7	204.4	186.8	157.3	194.9	136.8	123.0
35-39	113.2	105.4	108.5	100.4	136.1	96.1	84.1
40-44	65.6	65.3	63.3	65.1	87.8	71.0	61.8
45-49	40.1	41.5	43.7	42.4	60.2	44.4	41.8
50-54	20.6	22.2	19.8	23.5	29.2	24.2	23.3
55-59	9.6	10.3	12.2	11.6	15.3	12.4	12.1
60 and over	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.4	3.2	2.6	2.3

(a) Per 1,000 of the appropriate population. See paragraph 2 of the Glossary of Terms.

MONTH OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1990 AND 1991



Note: The September 1990 figure is the highest ever recorded in NSW

TABLE 28. MARRIAGES: RELATIVE PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Previous marital status of bride/groom	Previous marital status of bride							
	Never married		Widowed		Divorced		All brides	
	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent
Never married	27,017	58.2	214	0.5	3,269	8.3	30,500	77.0
Widowed	171	0.4	360	0.9	418	1.1	949	2.4
Divorced	3,713	9.4	472	1.2	3,960	10.0	8,145	20.6
All bridegrooms	30,901	78.0	1,046	2.6	7,647	19.3	39,594	100.0

TABLE 29. MARRIAGES: AGE AND PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Age at marriage (years)	Previous marital status							
	Bridegroom				Bride			
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total
Under 18	9	—	—	9	312	—	—	312
18	106	—	—	106	678	—	—	680
19	353	—	—	353	1,273	—	9	1,282
20	754	—	2	756	2,120	—	28	2,903
21	1,435	—	2	1,437	2,875	1	48	3,313
22	2,090	—	15	2,105	3,264	1	77	3,265
23	2,542	1	12	2,554	3,187	3	125	3,001
24	2,744	1	53	2,799	2,873	5	158	2,783
25	2,883	3	83	2,969	2,184	5	226	2,415
26	2,717	1	155	2,766	1,902	9	298	2,309
27	2,609	2	239	2,448	1,567	11	327	1,905
28	2,207	2	236	2,186	1,293	13	353	1,659
29	1,945	5	236	2,186	1,293	13	353	1,659
30-34	5,393	36	1,578	7,007	3,303	77	1,847	5,227
35-39	1,695	37	1,752	3,484	932	108	1,184	1,584
40-44	561	58	1,512	2,131	292	119	735	974
45-49	224	84	1,045	1,353	120	126	362	534
50-54	91	90	635	816	46	126	170	319
55-59	60	123	383	568	29	120	154	342
60 and over	82	505	414	1,001	31	357	154	542
Total	30,500	949	8,145	39,594	30,901	1,046	7,647	39,594

TABLE 30. MARRIAGES: RELATIVE AGES OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Age group of bridegroom (years)	Age group of bride (years)											Total		
	Under 17	17	18	19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54		55-59	60 and over
Under 19	4	16	37	18	33	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	115
19	16	14	77	87	135	17	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	353
20-24	69	102	390	800	6,780	1,221	202	46	13	3	—	—	—	9,626
25-29	23	46	129	298	5,779	5,425	1,104	234	75	23	4	—	—	13,140
30-34	5	7	33	55	1,442	2,915	1,897	497	126	23	6	1	—	7,007
35-39	2	3	6	14	312	917	1,147	756	241	69	15	1	—	3,484
40-44	1	1	3	5	80	306	546	565	422	164	30	7	1	2,131
45-49	—	2	2	3	42	94	210	270	360	259	85	19	7	1,353
50-54	1	—	2	2	10	40	70	107	190	211	134	40	9	816
55-59	—	—	1	—	1	16	23	44	96	126	124	87	50	568
60 and over	—	—	—	—	3	13	24	30	61	96	136	164	474	1,001
Total	121	191	680	1,282	14,617	10,971	5,227	2,552	1,584	974	534	319	542	39,594

TABLE 31. MARRIAGES: RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Country of birth (a)	Bridegroom born in country shown and bride born in—			Bride born in country shown and bridegroom born in—				
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Oceania and Antarctica—								
Australia	23,987	—	4,167	28,154	23,987	—	4,940	28,927
Fiji	70	106	30	206	78	106	60	244
New Zealand	564	146	183	893	499	146	192	837
Other	117	162	42	321	85	162	51	298
Total	24,738	414	4,422	29,574	24,649	414	5,243	30,306
Europe and the USSR—								
Austria	22	6	20	48	27	6	11	44
Germany	135	48	62	245	112	48	53	213
Greece	121	33	32	186	50	33	14	97
Hungary	16	21	20	57	15	21	8	44
Ireland	76	21	41	138	53	21	24	98
Italy	167	44	88	314	77	44	39	160
Malta	56	8	16	80	33	8	14	55
Netherlands	91	16	39	146	66	16	23	105
Poland	18	72	20	110	22	72	21	115
United Kingdom	1,810	370	421	2,601	1,415	370	249	2,034
USSR and the Baltic States	12	53	15	80	14	53	28	95
Yugoslavia	171	159	59	389	100	159	38	297
Other	224	107	157	488	151	107	114	372
Total	2,934	958	990	4,882	2,135	958	636	3,729
Middle East and North Africa—								
Egypt	49	32	35	116	22	32	18	72
Lebanon	223	281	68	572	72	281	57	410
Turkey	33	50	20	103	11	50	15	76
Other	84	85	128	297	24	85	60	169
Total	389	448	251	1,088	129	448	150	727
Southeast Asia—								
Indonesia	27	112	33	172	29	112	61	202
Malaysia	54	67	73	194	77	67	75	219
Philippines	38	247	18	303	314	247	174	735
Singapore	19	14	21	54	21	14	39	74
Thailand	4	18	12	34	72	18	50	140
Viet Nam	3	404	101	508	6	404	79	489
Other	7	95	59	161	9	95	55	160
Total	152	957	317	1,426	528	957	534	2,019
Northeast Asia—								
China	29	637	133	799	118	637	300	1,055
Hong Kong	27	123	127	277	37	123	68	228
Other	18	128	45	191	67	128	99	294
Total	74	888	305	1,267	222	888	467	1,577
Northern Asia—								
India	64	54	36	154	43	54	33	130
Sri Lanka	14	49	8	71	49	49	15	78
Other	34	26	53	113	3	26	9	38
Total	112	129	97	338	60	129	57	246
The Americas—								
Canada	78	14	21	113	71	14	35	120
Chile	39	49	43	131	37	49	42	128
United States of America	163	34	55	252	118	34	52	204
Other	97	66	88	251	83	66	122	271
Total	377	163	207	747	309	163	251	723
Africa (excluding North Africa)—								
South Africa	66	29	15	110	60	29	40	129
Other	84	30	47	161	62	30	45	137
Total	150	59	62	271	122	59	85	266
Other and not stated								
	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	1
Total	28,927	4,016	6,651	39,594	28,154	4,016	7,424	39,594

(a) Countries of birth in this publication are classified according to the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1269.0).

TABLE 32. MARRIAGES: CATEGORY OF RITE BY PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Category of rite	Previous marital status of bridegroom			Previous marital status of bride		
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced
Religious (a)—						
Anglican Church of Australia	5,215	124	650	5,396	118	475
Assemblies of God	211	4	54	211	4	54
Baptist (b)	502	19	118	509	21	109
Catholic Church	8,093	115	264	8,117	125	230
Islam	261	2	55	252	3	63
Orthodox Churches (b)	1,043	4	93	1,056	7	77
Presbyterian (b)	742	23	205	786	21	163
Salvation Army	168	12	86	167	17	82
Uniting Church in Australia	2,662	86	1,008	2,895	99	762
Other denominations	1,683	62	445	1,695	53	442
All religious rites	20,580	451	2,978	21,084	468	2,457
Civil—						
Official registrars	2,806	140	1,211	2,787	188	1,182
Other civil celebrants	7,114	358	3,956	7,030	390	4,008
All civil rites	9,920	498	5,167	9,817	578	5,190
All rites	30,500	949	8,145	30,901	1,046	7,647
Per cent	77.8	2.4	20.6	78.0	2.6	19.3

(a) Recognised denominations under authority of the Australian Marriage Act 1961. (b) Includes churches grouped under this heading as proclaimed under the Australian Marriage Act 1961.

TABLE 33. MARRIAGES: CATEGORY OF RITE BY ORDER OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Category of rite	Order of marriage		All marriages	Percentage of all marriages	NSW Ministers of religion and civil celebrants registered at 1 January 1991
	First(a)	Other			
Religious (b)—					
Anglican Church of Australia	4,962	1,027	5,989	15.1	1,101
Assemblies of God	186	83	269	0.7	196
Baptist (c)	457	182	639	1.6	496
Catholic Church	8,087	585	8,472	21.4	1,679
Islam	220	98	318	0.8	19
Orthodox Churches (c)	992	148	1,140	2.9	83
Presbyterian (c)	662	308	970	2.4	258
Salvation Army	140	126	266	0.7	374
Uniting Church in Australia	2,292	1,464	3,756	9.5	634
Other denominations	1,497	693	2,190	5.5	1,424
All religious rites	19,295	4,714	24,009	60.6	6,264
Civil—					
Official registrars	2,247	1,910	4,157	10.5	..
Other civil celebrants	5,475	5,953	11,428	28.9	266
All civil rites	7,722	7,863	15,585	39.4	..
All rites	27,017	12,577	39,594	100.0	..
Per cent	68.2	31.8	100.0

(a) First marriage for both bridegroom and bride. (b) Recognised denominations under authority of the Australian Marriage Act 1961. (c) Includes churches grouped under this heading as proclaimed under the Australian Marriage Act 1961.

TABLE 34. MARRIAGES: REMARRIAGES BY NUMBER OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER SIXTEEN, NSW, 1991

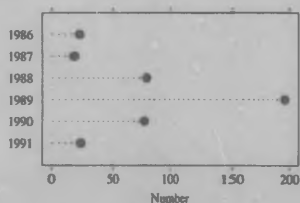
Number of previous marriages	Number of children under 16						All parties remarrying	All children under 16 (a)
	0	1	2	3	4 or more	Not stated		
BRIDEGROOMS								
One	4,918	1,441	1,120	291	67	33	7,870	4,835
Two	683	202	147	51	16	7	1,106	715
Three or more	63	21	16	6	—	1	107	71
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	11	11	—
All bridegrooms remarrying	5,664	1,664	1,283	348	83	52	9,894	5,621
BRIDES								
One	4,603	1,472	1,026	316	74	12	7,503	4,776
Two	654	209	139	56	9	2	1,069	693
Three or more	66	20	9	4	1	—	100	54
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	21	21	—
All brides remarrying	5,323	1,701	1,174	376	84	35	8,693	5,223

(a) Excludes records where the number of children under 16 was 'not stated'.

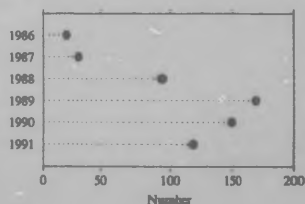
TABLE 35. MARRIAGES: REMARRIAGES BY INTERVAL TO REMARRIAGE AND REASON FOR TERMINATION OF LAST MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Interval between termination of last marriage and remarriage (years)	Reason for termination of last marriage					
	Bridegrooms			Brides		
	Death of spouse	Divorce	Total	Death of spouse	Divorce	Total
Less than 1	23	1,263	1,286	7	1,030	1,037
1	133	1,873	2,006	80	1,630	1,710
2	183	1,063	1,246	122	1,034	1,156
3	144	765	909	133	707	840
4	97	538	635	104	550	654
Total 0-4 years	580	5,502	6,082	446	4,951	5,397
5	76	474	550	89	443	532
6	60	350	410	67	384	451
7	52	307	359	62	287	349
8	23	286	309	41	276	317
9	19	223	242	42	230	272
Total 5-9 years	230	1,640	1,870	301	1,620	1,921
10-14	80	661	741	148	706	854
15-19	31	228	259	88	254	342
20 and over	25	80	105	56	71	127
Not stated	3	34	37	7	45	52
All remarriages	949	8,145	9,094	1,046	7,647	8,693

MARRIAGES, NSW: BRIDEGROOM BORN IN CHINA AND BRIDE BORN IN AUSTRALIA



MARRIAGES, NSW: BRIDE BORN IN CHINA AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN AUSTRALIA



SECTION 6: DIVORCES

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

In 1991, there were 13,151 divorces granted in NSW, compared with 12,414 in 1990. The divorce rate was 2.2 divorces per 1,000 of total population.

Duration of marriage

Over 40 per cent of couples, who divorced in 1991, had separated within 5 years of marriage, and almost 30 per cent separated within 3 years. The most common interval was between 1 and 2 years, as shown in the graph under Table 38. The median interval between marriage and separation was 6.6 years and the median interval between marriage and divorce was 9.6 years.

Age at divorce

The median ages at divorce in 1991 were 35.2 years for wives and 38.0 years for husbands. The median ages at final separation were 32.4 years and 35.1 years respectively. In 15 per cent of 1991 divorces, both husband and wife were under 30 years.

Previous marital status

Seven per cent of 1991 divorces involved parties who had both been divorced previously, compared with only 2.5 per cent in 1976 when the Family Law Act was introduced.

Divorces involving children under eighteen

The proportion of divorces which involved at least one child under the age of eighteen dropped below 50 per cent for the first time in 1991. Altogether 11,848 children were involved, and the predominant age of the youngest child was 4 years.

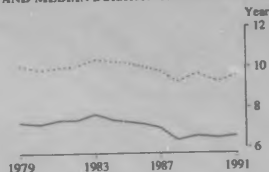
Month of separation

For divorces granted in 1991, the month during which most couples separated was January (10.2 per cent) while the month during which least couples separated was May (7.6 per cent). A very similar pattern was evident in divorces granted during 1990.

Sex of applicant

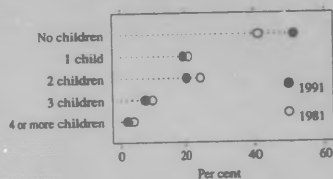
Almost 15 per cent of 1991 divorces were the result of joint applications by both husband and wife, compared with only 6 per cent in 1986. However, the majority of applications (47 per cent) are still made by the wife, but this proportion has decreased from 54 per cent in 1986.

MEDIAN INTERVAL BETWEEN MARRIAGE AND SEPARATION AND MEDIAN DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW



— Interval between marriage and separation
 Duration of marriage

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER EIGHTEEN INVOLVED IN DIVORCES, NSW, 1981 AND 1991



DIVORCES BY SEX OF APPLICANT, NSW, 1986 AND 1991

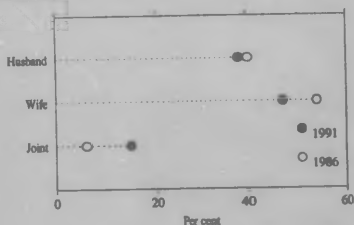


TABLE 36. DIVORCES (a) (b): SUMMARY, NSW

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
PERSONS—						
Divorces granted	11,661	12,044	11,880	12,743	12,414	13,151
Crude divorce rate	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.2
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.0	9.8	9.4	9.7	9.3	9.6
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.2	7.0	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.6
Divorces involving children—						
Number	6,638	6,730	6,352	6,591	6,240	6,428
Percentage of total divorces	56.9	55.9	53.5	51.7	50.3	48.9
Average issue	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8
Applicant—						
Husband	4,702	4,895	4,798	5,233	4,817	5,062
Wife	6,276	6,322	6,155	6,443	6,050	6,158
Joint	683	827	927	1,067	1,547	1,931
HUSBAND—						
Age specific divorce rate—						
Age group (years)—						
Under 25	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.2
25-29	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.6	8.1
30-34	10.8	11.0	11.0	11.1	10.7	11.2
35-39	10.1	10.8	10.0	11.1	10.5	10.8
40-44	9.2	9.4	9.2	9.8	9.2	9.5
45-49	8.1	7.8	7.7	8.1	8.3	8.3
50-54	6.0	6.1	5.5	5.8	5.9	6.2
55 and over	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.0
Marital status at marriage (number)—						
Never married	9,761	10,050	9,924	10,734	10,303	11,056
Widowed	169	151	130	92	95	86
Divorced	1,731	1,843	1,826	1,917	2,016	2,009
Total	11,661	12,044	11,880	12,743	12,414	13,151
Median age (years)—						
at marriage	24.6	24.8	24.8	24.8	25.2	25.2
at final separation	35.0	35.0	34.6	35.0	35.2	35.1
at decree made absolute	37.7	37.7	37.4	37.9	38.0	38.0
WIFE—						
Age specific divorce rate—						
Age group (years)—						
Under 25	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.4
25-29	10.7	10.9	11.1	11.2	11.0	11.2
30-34	10.5	10.9	10.9	11.5	11.0	11.7
35-39	10.0	10.2	9.3	10.1	9.8	10.3
40-44	8.6	8.9	8.3	9.4	8.6	9.1
45-49	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.9	7.0
50-54	4.3	4.1	3.7	4.3	4.3	4.3
55 and over	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
Marital status at marriage (number)—						
Never married	9,824	10,194	9,919	10,839	10,370	11,118
Widowed	203	177	176	120	109	110
Divorced	1,634	1,673	1,785	1,784	1,935	1,923
Total	11,661	12,044	11,880	12,743	12,414	13,151
Median age (years)—						
at marriage	21.8	22.0	22.2	22.3	22.6	22.6
at final separation	32.1	32.2	31.7	32.0	32.2	32.4
at decree made absolute	34.8	34.9	34.5	35.0	35.1	35.2

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. (b) See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 37. DIVORCES: AGE GROUP OF PARTIES AT MARRIAGE BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Duration of marriage (years)	Age group (years)							50 and over	Not stated	Total
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49			
HUSBANDS										
1	5	60	56	24	18	16	11	15	1	206
2	42	332	366	211	108	51	38	63	2	1,213
3	26	340	317	153	89	47	28	59	1	1,060
4	28	293	252	130	62	36	30	38	—	869
5	26	279	233	102	54	28	25	31	—	778
6	30	297	224	120	64	24	18	25	1	803
7	27	271	186	81	57	35	21	19	—	697
8	26	238	173	87	35	23	21	18	—	621
9	28	238	159	83	46	11	18	13	1	597
10-14	111	962	557	281	139	68	37	41	1	2,196
15-19	157	812	356	135	57	27	9	16	1	1,570
20 and over	272	1,471	555	169	41	19	10	4	—	2,541
Total	778	5,593	3,434	1,576	770	385	266	342	7	13,151
WIVES										
1	28	66	43	31	16	11	4	7	—	206
2	166	395	321	151	86	45	26	23	—	1,213
3	142	424	234	103	73	47	13	24	—	1,060
4	117	384	180	78	56	22	18	13	1	869
5	89	370	158	63	44	28	14	10	—	778
6	124	358	157	87	46	19	10	6	—	803
7	105	296	159	56	41	16	10	10	—	697
8	121	282	112	53	20	13	10	10	—	621
9	116	271	113	46	28	11	4	8	—	597
10-14	503	972	382	185	83	29	23	18	1	2,196
15-19	543	675	226	71	26	19	6	4	—	1,570
20 and over	929	1,271	249	61	17	8	4	—	2	2,541
Total	2,983	5,764	2,334	985	536	268	142	135	4	13,151

DIVORCES BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

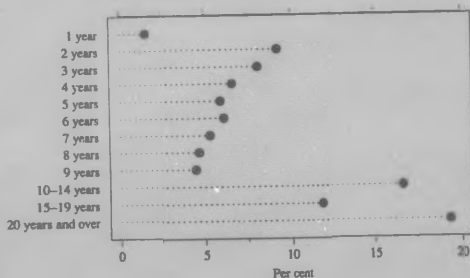


TABLE 38. DIVORCES: AGE GROUP OF PARTIES AT FINAL SEPARATION AND INTERVAL BETWEEN MARRIAGE AND FINAL SEPARATION, NSW, 1991

Interval (years)	Age group (years)									Not stated	Total
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over		
HUSBANDS											
Under 1	40	326	363	207	121	76	46	35	42	6	1,262
1	14	328	499	272	130	82	47	40	47	—	1,459
2	2	186	442	241	101	50	41	23	32	—	1,118
3	—	107	341	192	101	46	28	20	33	—	868
4	—	55	303	198	105	57	23	14	18	—	773
5	—	14	257	221	86	63	30	11	22	—	704
6	—	7	205	198	108	54	31	23	21	—	647
7	—	1	133	213	116	37	28	8	15	—	551
8	—	—	78	215	91	52	20	10	14	—	480
9	—	—	45	187	107	60	30	13	14	—	456
10-14	—	—	29	559	653	280	120	50	61	1	1,753
15-19	—	—	—	23	563	612	161	55	46	—	1,460
20 and over	—	—	—	—	25	361	559	353	322	—	1,620
Total	56	1,024	2,695	2,726	2,307	1,830	1,164	655	687	7	13,151
WIVES											
Under 1	145	422	299	172	89	75	33	11	15	1	1,262
1	78	523	424	184	122	64	26	22	16	—	1,459
2	26	399	368	166	58	59	18	12	12	—	1,118
3	5	244	332	129	60	49	23	14	11	1	868
4	1	160	350	134	66	29	18	5	9	1	773
5	—	86	323	155	70	40	17	4	9	—	704
6	—	49	295	153	74	34	17	14	11	—	647
7	—	10	255	170	57	32	16	5	5	1	551
8	—	3	189	182	60	27	13	3	3	—	480
9	—	—	134	194	67	34	13	5	9	—	456
10-14	—	—	136	864	441	187	64	27	34	—	1,753
15-19	—	—	—	163	814	371	72	23	17	—	1,460
20 and over	—	—	—	—	112	608	478	233	189	—	1,620
Total	255	1,896	3,185	2,666	2,090	1,609	808	578	340	4	13,151

INTERVAL BETWEEN MARRIAGE AND FINAL SEPARATION, NSW, 1991

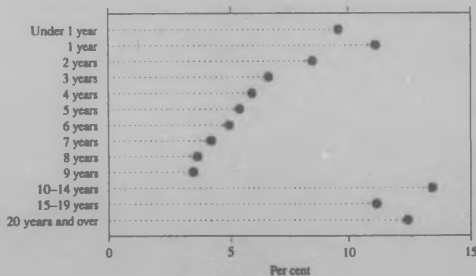


TABLE 39. DIVORCES: RELATIVE AGES OF PARTIES AT DIVORCE, NSW, 1991

Age group of husband (years)	Age group of wife (years)								Not stated	Total
	Under 25	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over		
Under 25	257	86	32	7	1	1	—	1	—	385
25-29	502	1,114	242	58	22	4	3	2	1	1,947
30-34	159	1,030	1,227	234	64	15	3	2	1	2,735
35-39	45	276	928	948	184	45	7	5	—	2,438
40-44	16	88	265	734	822	145	30	8	—	2,108
45-49	6	28	77	186	612	515	60	19	1	1,504
50-54	2	20	32	74	165	336	249	54	1	933
55 and over	4	7	36	50	79	147	265	505	1	1,094
Not stated	1	2	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	7
Total	992	2,651	2,839	2,293	1,949	1,210	617	596	4	13,151

TABLE 40. DIVORCES: NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF THE MARRIAGE (a), AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Duration of marriage (years)	Number of children under 18					All divorces (b)	All children (b)	Average number of children (c)
	0	1	2	3	4 or more			
1	190	7	6	2	1	206	29	1.8
2	1,051	106	32	9	5	1,213	218	1.4
3	808	172	67	9	4	1,060	349	1.4
4	579	184	80	21	5	869	227	1.5
5	466	187	96	24	5	778	471	1.5
6	409	196	146	40	12	803	658	1.7
7	333	164	158	33	9	697	617	1.7
8	275	142	158	39	7	621	603	1.7
9	212	144	178	48	15	597	705	1.8
10-14	596	418	785	311	86	2,196	3,283	2.1
15-19	284	258	641	297	90	1,570	2,810	2.2
20 and over	1,510	552	347	106	26	2,541	1,672	1.6
Total	6,723	2,530	2,694	939	265	13,151	11,808	1.8

(a) See paragraph 7 of the Glossary of Terms. (b) Includes any records where the number and ages of children were 'not stated'. (c) Involved in divorces where there were one or more children under the age of 18.

TABLE 41. DIVORCES: AGE OF YOUNGEST CHILD AND DURATION OF MARRIAGE, NSW, 1991

Duration of marriage (years)	Age of youngest child (years)							All divorces involving children (a)	
	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14		15-17
1	2	3	4	—	3	2	1	1	16
2	7	56	20	11	14	28	13	3	152
3	8	13	89	32	10	35	24	11	252
4	8	38	68	97	32	28	11	8	290
5	9	24	58	69	75	53	16	8	312
6	6	32	49	71	95	105	24	12	394
7	3	21	47	61	77	131	18	6	364
8	2	11	30	51	59	167	19	6	346
9	4	10	35	44	51	217	17	7	385
10-14	12	36	75	99	144	932	265	37	1,600
15-19	—	9	19	26	39	423	608	161	1,286
20 and over	2	3	2	5	8	119	418	473	1,031
Total	63	286	496	566	607	2,240	1,434	733	6,428

(a) Includes any records where the age of the youngest child was 'not stated'.

TABLE 42. DIVORCES: RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARTIES, NSW, 1991

Country of birth (a)	Husband born in country shown and wife born in—			Wife born in country shown and husband born in—				
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
Oceania and Antarctica—								
Australia	6,938	—	1,400	8,338	6,938	—	1,757	8,695
Fiji	78	76	16	170	58	76	39	173
New Zealand	105	114	52	271	85	114	65	264
Other	34	22	23	79	23	22	21	66
Total	7,155	212	1,491	8,858	7,104	212	1,882	9,198
Europe and the USSR—								
Austria	13	4	13	30	16	4	13	33
Germany	86	31	33	150	62	31	30	123
Greece	31	45	18	94	11	45	21	77
Hungary	11	23	20	54	7	23	13	43
Ireland	29	19	15	63	31	19	10	60
Italy	64	54	29	147	26	54	21	101
Malta	31	14	10	55	17	14	8	39
Netherlands	45	16	23	84	31	16	16	63
Poland	9	62	14	85	12	62	21	95
United Kingdom	617	352	156	1,125	527	352	148	1,027
USSR and the Baltic States	10	17	11	38	8	17	10	35
Yugoslavia	48	96	42	186	15	96	16	127
Other	83	80	73	236	51	80	47	178
Total	1,077	813	457	2,347	814	813	374	2,001
Middle East and North Africa—								
Egypt	23	28	22	73	8	28	17	53
Lebanon	40	158	29	227	15	158	28	201
Turkey	9	38	14	61	1	38	3	42
Other	35	45	57	137	6	45	30	81
Total	107	269	122	498	30	269	78	377
Southeast Asia—								
Indonesia	15	26	17	58	14	26	22	62
Malaysia	27	20	16	63	11	20	22	53
Philippines	13	139	12	164	90	139	70	299
Singapore	9	1	8	18	10	1	10	21
Thailand	6	5	11	22	23	5	23	51
Viet Nam	1	79	55	135	1	79	38	118
Other	4	17	18	39	2	17	17	36
Total	75	287	137	499	151	287	202	640
Northeast Asia—								
China	74	159	64	297	53	159	102	314
Hong Kong	9	39	31	79	9	39	25	73
Other	13	25	10	48	16	25	20	61
Total	96	223	105	424	78	223	147	448
Southern Asia—								
India	25	24	16	65	8	24	15	47
Sri Lanka	2	11	5	18	3	11	3	17
Other	5	2	11	18	2	2	3	7
Total	32	37	32	101	13	37	21	71
The Americas—								
Canada	24	4	6	34	29	4	14	47
Chile	3	36	11	50	5	36	12	53
United States of America	54	6	19	79	43	6	11	60
Other	17	53	40	110	22	53	39	114
Total	98	99	76	273	99	99	76	274
Africa (excluding North Africa)—								
South Africa	21	28	12	61	12	28	11	51
Other	18	13	16	47	15	13	10	38
Total	39	41	28	103	27	41	21	89
Other and not stated	16	18	9	43	22	18	13	53
Total	8,695	1,999	2,457	13,151	8,338	1,999	2,814	13,151

(a) Countries of birth in this publication are classified according to the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1269.0).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication has replaced the separate publications of Births, Marriages and Divorces, which were discontinued after the 1989 issues. It also includes deaths data and some information on estimated resident population and migration. For details of publication of other data related to demography, readers should refer to paragraph 33 in the section on related publications, at the end of these notes.

2. A glossary of terms follows the explanatory notes. More detailed definitions are to be found in more specialised publications.

Population

3. This section provides estimates of the resident population and population projections, with information on overseas arrivals and departures and net interstate migration.

4. Estimates of the population of New South Wales are made to varying degrees of detail throughout the year, and this publication has used the most up to date estimates available for each particular table.

5. The figures for natural increase in Tables 1 and 3 are those used in the preliminary estimate of the population at 31 December 1991. The final estimates of population, using final Census and vital statistics data, will be published in *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0) in early 1993.

6. Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections are based on the results of the 1986 Census of Population and Housing, with adjustments for observations of fertility, mortality and migration up to 1989. These projections relate to the period from 1989 to 2031, but figures for 1989 to 1992 are excluded from this publication.

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

8. Four alternative projections have been provided in recognition of the uncertainty of future movements in demographic trends, and to give users a range of options.

9. The mortality assumptions are the same for all series, while for fertility, a higher rate is assumed for Series A and B. For the migration assumptions, Series A, B, and C have a higher level of overseas migration, while Series B and C have a higher level of interstate migration.

10. Full details of the projection assumptions and results are available in *Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1989 to 2031* (3222.0).

Migration

11. 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 aboard ships not engaged on regular voyages. Estimates of transit sea passengers are no longer available.

12. Data on interstate migration have been derived from aggregated statistical information on interstate changes of addresses advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare. The ABS adjusts the Health Insurance Commission data to make allowance for the persons who do not inform the Commission of their changed addresses. For further details, see *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0).

Births

13. 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.

14. 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.

15. Except for Tables 13 to 16 inclusive, the statistics in this publication refer to births registered during the calendar year shown. Tables 13 to 16 refer to births which occurred in the years shown and were registered up to 30 June 1992. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a birth, and, as a result of delays in registration, some births occurring in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, 98 per cent of births are registered within 3-4 months of occurrence.

16. Data on still-births (fetal deaths) may be found in *Deaths, NSW* (3312.1) and *Perinatal Deaths, Australia* (3304.0).

Deaths

17. 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.

18. Except for Tables 23 to 25 inclusive, the death statistics in this publication refer to the deaths registered during the year shown. Tables 23 to 25 refer to deaths which occurred in the years shown, and were registered up to 30 June 1992. There is usually an interval between

the occurrence and registration of a death, and, as a result of delays in registration, some deaths occurring in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, 99 per cent of deaths are registered within 2-3 months of occurrence.

19. The Deaths and Perinatal Deaths statistics are published in more detail in *Deaths, NSW* (3312.1).

Marriages

20. The statistics in this publication refer to marriages registered by the NSW Principal Registrar during the years shown. There is usually an interval between the celebration and registration of a marriage, and, as a result of delays in registration, some marriages celebrated in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, 99 per cent of marriages are registered within 2-3 months of occurrence.

21. Under the Australian *Marriage Act 1961*, marriages may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month but less than six calendar months before the marriage. A celebrant must transmit, within 14 days after the marriage, an official certificate of the marriage for registration, in the State in which the marriage took place.

22. From 20 June 1973, the minimum age, at which a person may marry without the written consent of each person whose consent is required under the Act, is 18 years. A male aged between 16 and 18 years may marry with this consent, combined with a judicial order, but the marriage of a female within the same age range requires the consent of her parents or guardians only. A judge or magistrate may, in exceptional circumstances, make an order authorising a male who has attained 16 years of age, or a female who has attained 14 years, to marry a person of marriageable age.

Divorces

23. Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, the only ground on which a divorce may be granted is that of irremediable 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 provided, by the Family Court registries, 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 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.

27. The number of divorces shown for NSW is dependent on the number of cases heard by Family Law Courts in Sydney, Parramatta and Newcastle. Divorces granted at the Lismore and Coffs Harbour Family Courts are registered by the Brisbane registry and included in Queensland figures. Also the Canberra Family Court serves a large area of south-eastern NSW. As there is no residential requirement under Family Law, applicants may be resident anywhere in Australia. Caution should therefore be exercised in interpreting the rates shown in this bulletin.

Geographic boundaries

28. The geographic boundaries for small area data are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 2.1* (1216.0). The boundaries of statistical local areas used in determining the population are those in existence at 30 June 1991. The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the SLA boundaries at 1 January 1991.

29. *Statistical local areas (SLAs)*. These geographical areas are, in almost all cases, identical with, or have been formed from a division of, whole legal local government areas (LGAs) as defined under the (State) Local Government Act 1919 and comprising cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In other cases they represent areas which are unincorporated under the Act. In aggregate, SLAs cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGAs overlap statistical subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise 2 SLAs (Part A and Part B) or 3 SLAs as in the case of Cabonne (S) (Part A, Part B and Part C).

30. *Statistical subdivisions (SSDs)* consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.

31. *Statistical divisions (SDs)* consist of one or more statistical subdivisions (SSDs). Where SSDs are not shown, statistical local areas are ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.

Related publications

32. The format of this publication of demographic statistics is repeated, with minor variations, across all States and Territories. Each State Demography bulletin has a catalogue number of 3311 and a suffixed number appropriate to the State of publication.

33. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0) Quarterly

Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age: States and Territories of Australia, 1991 (3201.0)

Estimated Resident Population of Statistical Local Areas, NSW, 30 June 1990, Final and 1991 Prelim. (3210.1)

Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, NSW, 1990 (3209.1)

Australian Demographic Trends, 1986 (3102.0)

Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1989 to 2031 (3222.0)

Overseas Arrivals and Departures, 1991 (3404.0)

Births, Australia, 1991 (3301.0)

Deaths, Australia, 1991 (3302.0)

Deaths, New South Wales, 1991 (3312.1)

Causes of Death, Australia, 1991 (3306.0)

Perinatal Deaths, Australia, 1991 (3304.0)

Marriages, Australia, 1991 (3306.0)

Divorces, Australia, 1991 (3307.0)

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34. In most cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published. 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.

35. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS office.

36. Life tables prepared by the Australian Bureau of Statistics are included in Table 20, and summarise mortality expectation relating to the number of deaths registered in the years shown. These tables are not constructed according to strict actuarial principles. Readers wishing to use life tables for actuarial purposes are advised to refer to the Official Australian Life Tables 1985-87, prepared by the Australian Government Actuary. These were released in 1991, and copies are available from the Commonwealth Government Bookshops in each State capital city.

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- p preliminary figure or series subject to revision
- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero

37. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between totals and the sum of the component items.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Age-specific birth rates are the live births registered during the calendar year, according to age of mother, per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year female resident population of the same age. For the purposes of calculating these rates, births to mothers aged under 15 are included in the 15-19 year age group, and births to mothers aged 50 and over are included in the 45-49 year age group.

2. *Age and marital status specific marriage rates* distinguish first marriages and remarriages and use as the denominator the appropriate population estimates by age and marital status. Thus, first marriage rates are the numbers of males and females of a certain age marrying for the first time per 1,000 mid-year population of never married males and females of the same age. Remarriage rates are the number of remarrying males and females per 1,000 widowed or divorced males and females respectively of the same age. These rates for New South Wales are calculated on the population census count, as the estimated resident population by marital status by age and sex is calculated only for Australia.

3. The *age-specific death rate* is the number of deaths at a specified age per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year resident population of the same age.

4. The *age-specific divorce rate* is the number of divorced parties at a specified age per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year resident population in specific age groups. Males under 18 and females under 16 are excluded from the population.

5. A *birth*, unless otherwise stated, is a *live birth*, i.e., the delivery, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, of a child who, after being born, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat. A *multiple birth* is a *confinement* (see below) which results in two or more births, at least one of which is liveborn.

6. *Category of movement* in overseas arrivals and departures is primarily determined by the traveller's own selection of his or her category on the passenger card. This selection is accepted, provided it is consistent with other information on the card.

7. *Children*, in the Divorces collection, are unmarried children of the marriage who were aged under 18 years at the time of application for divorce. Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, these may include (in certain cases) adopted and ex-nuptial children and children from a former marriage. Children who are married or aged 18 years or more are not subject to custody and guardianship orders, and are excluded. *Children*, in the Marriages collection, are children under the age of 16 years, born from previous marriages.

8. A *confinement* is a pregnancy which results in at least one live birth. *Nuptial first confinements* are the first confinements in the current marriage, and do not necessarily represent the woman's first ever confinement resulting in a live birth.

9. The *crude birth rate* is the number of live births per 1,000 of the estimated mean resident population, except for Table 2 in which the crude birth rate is measured as the number of live births per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year population for each statistical area.

10. The *crude death rate* is the number of deaths per 1,000 of the estimated mean resident population, except for Table 2 in which the crude death rate is measured as the number of deaths per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year population for each statistical area.

11. The *crude divorce rate* is the number of decrees absolute granted per 1,000 of the estimated mean resident population. 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.

12. The *crude marriage rate* is the number of marriages per 1,000 of the estimated mean resident population.

13. *Date of final separation* is the date, given on the application for divorce, from which the period of living apart is calculated for the purpose of establishing the grounds for divorce. In determining the date of final separation, a single period of resumed cohabitation of less than 3 months may be ignored, provided the periods of living apart before and after resumed cohabitation amount to a total of 12 months or more.

14. The term *divorce*, as used in this publication, refers to decrees of dissolution of marriage.

15. *Duration of marriage*, in the Births collection, is the interval between the date of marriage and the date of the current birth. In the Divorces collection, duration of marriage is the interval between date of marriage and date of divorce.

16. The *estimated resident population (ERP)* is the official ABS estimate of the Australian population. The ERP is based on results of the latest population census, and updated for subsequent births, deaths, and overseas and interstate migration.

17. The *female net reproduction rate* represents the number of daughters a woman would bear if she were subject to current female age-specific fertility and mortality rates. It is obtained by multiplying the female age-specific birth rates by the proportion of survivors at corresponding ages in a life table, adding the products and dividing by 1,000.

18. An *infant death* is the death of a live-born child who died when less than one year old.

19. The *infant mortality rate* is the number of deaths of children under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births.

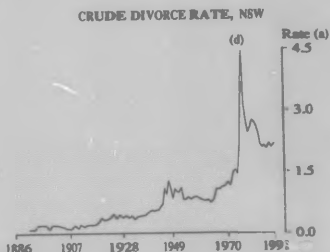
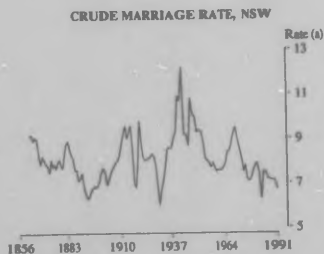
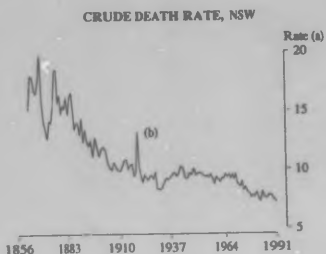
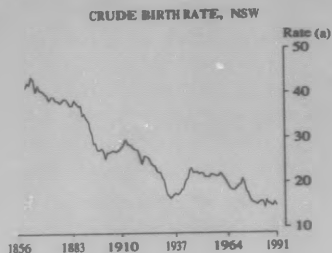
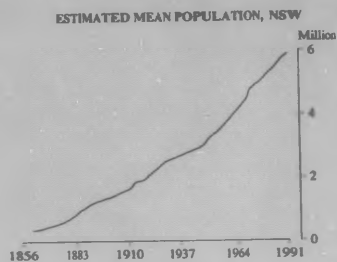
20. Net estimated *interstate migration* is derived from information on interstate changes of address advised to the Health Insurance Commission.
21. *Life expectancy* refers to the average number of additional years a person of a given age and sex might expect to live if the age-specific death rates of the given period continued throughout his or her lifetime.
22. The *median value (age, duration or 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.
23. *Natural increase* is the excess of births over deaths registered in the recording year.
24. *Nuptiality* relates to the relative marital status of parents in the Births collection. Confinements and births are identified as being nuptial where the father registered was married to the mother at the time of the birth, or where the husband died during the pregnancy. Other confinements, and the children resulting from them, are classified as *ex-nuptial* whether or not the parents were living together at the time of the birth, and whether or not the child may subsequently have been legitimised or adopted.
25. *Permanent movement* is comprised of arrivals of settlers, and permanent departures of Australian residents (*i.e.*, those who, on departure, state that they do not intend to return to Australia).
26. The *rate of population growth* expresses population change over a period as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of that period. In this bulletin, population growth rate is measured over the twelve months to 31 December of the recording year.
27. *Previous issue*, in the Births collection, refers to previous live-born children of the current marriage. Children of the same father who were legitimised by the marriage and legally adopted children are included. However fetal deaths and children of former marriages and relationships are excluded.
28. The *sex ratio* is the number of males per 100 females.
29. *Short-term movements* relate to movements of travellers (other than those, who, on arrival, hold migrant visas) whose intended or actual length of stay is less than 12 months.
30. The *standardised death rate* is the overall death rate that would have prevailed in a standard population if it had experienced at each age the death rates of the population being studied. The standard population used in these calculations is the 1986 Australian population.
31. The *total fertility rate* is obtained by summing the age-specific birth rates and multiplying by five. It represents the number of children 1,000 women would bear during their lifetimes if they experienced the rates of the year shown.

APPENDIX A

HISTORICAL SUMMARY: MEAN POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, NSW, 1861 TO 1991

Year	Mean population ('000)	Live births				All deaths				Infant deaths		Marriages		Divorces		
		Males	Females	Total	Rate (a)	Males	Females	Total	Rate (a)	Total	Rate (b)	Total	Rate (a)	Total	Rate (a)	
1861	353.0	7,508	7,173	14,681	41.6	3,302	2,041	5,343	15.1	1,310	89.2	3,222	9.1	—	—	
1866	418.2	8,833	8,117	16,950	40.5	4,396	2,965	7,361	17.6	1,939	114.4	3,462	8.3	—	—	
1871	507.3	10,326	9,817	20,143	39.7	3,882	2,525	6,407	12.6	1,812	90.0	3,953	7.8	(c) —	—	
1876	603.3	11,791	11,507	23,298	38.6	6,508	4,685	11,193	18.6	2,629	112.8	4,630	7.7	20	—	
1881	759.1	14,891	14,102	28,993	38.2	6,753	4,783	11,536	15.2	3,341	115.2	6,284	8.3	15	—	
1886	963.7	18,700	17,584	36,284	37.6	8,501	6,086	14,587	15.1	4,635	118.9	7,811	8.1	36	—	
1891	1,133.2	20,386	19,072	39,458	34.8	9,558	6,728	16,286	14.4	4,691	118.9	8,457	7.5	67	0.1	
1896	1,263.9	18,691	17,815	36,506	28.9	9,256	6,583	15,839	12.5	4,435	121.5	8,495	6.7	242	0.2	
1901	1,363.4	19,149	18,726	37,875	27.8	9,327	6,694	16,021	11.8	3,929	103.7	10,538	7.7	272	0.2	
1906	1,504.7	21,066	19,882	40,948	27.2	8,715	6,260	14,975	10.0	3,052	74.5	11,551	7.7	185	0.1	
1911 (d)	1,663.2	24,508	23,169	47,677	28.7	10,004	7,175	17,179	10.3	3,313	69.5	15,267	9.2	222	0.1	
1916	1,891.8	26,599	25,476	52,075	27.5	(e)11,485	(e)8,538	20,024	9.5	3,436	62.9	18,518	8.8	807	0.4	
1921	2,108.5	27,985	26,649	54,634	25.9	11,496	8,538	20,034	9.5	3,060	57.6	19,219	8.2	846	0.4	
1926	2,346.9	27,221	25,905	53,126	22.6	12,685	9,503	22,188	8.3	2,077	43.5	15,377	6.0	1,087	0.4	
1931	2,555.9	24,545	23,179	47,724	18.7	11,898	9,386	21,284	8.3	2,008	43.5	22,873	8.6	1,172	0.4	
1936	2,668.3	23,669	22,524	46,193	17.3	13,618	10,758	24,376	9.1	2,264	43.8	29,983	10.7	1,577	0.6	
1941	2,800.5	26,396	25,333	51,729	18.5	(f)15,209	(f)12,091	(f)27,300	9.7	2,032	30.2	31,684	10.8	(g)2,798	1.0	
1946	2,945.2	34,690	32,557	67,247	22.8	(f)16,038	(f)12,541	(f)28,579	9.7	1,895	26.3	30,341	9.3	3,303	1.0	
1951	3,279.4	36,999	35,070	72,069	22.0	18,092	13,840	31,932	9.7	1,777	23.5	27,313	7.7	3,125	0.9	
1956	3,556.7	39,209	36,505	75,714	21.3	19,166	14,898	34,064	9.6	1,800	20.8	29,773	7.6	3,136	0.8	
1961	3,914.0	44,224	42,168	86,392	22.1	19,652	15,396	35,048	9.0	1,492	19.2	35,575	8.4	4,515	1.1	
1966 (h)	4,238.8	40,185	37,591	77,776	18.3	22,467	18,097	40,564	9.6	1,172	17.5	43,038	9.1	5,467	1.2	
1971 (i)	4,725.4	50,443	48,293	98,736	20.9	22,693	19,133	41,826	8.9	7.6	799	9.0	41,319	7.5	11,661	2.1
1976	4,960.8	40,253	38,496	78,749	15.9	23,215	18,999	42,214	8.5	7.2	632	7.2	39,594	6.7	13,151	2.2
1981	5,236.9	42,280	39,691	81,971	15.7	22,099	18,015	40,114	7.7	840	10.2	40,677	7.8	14,532	2.8	
1986	5,533.1	43,458	41,073	84,531	15.3	22,571	19,396	42,167	7.6	799	9.0	41,319	7.5	11,661	2.1	
1991	5,902.9	44,942	42,425	87,367	14.8	22,661	19,806	42,467	7.1	632	7.2	39,594	6.7	13,151	2.2	

(a) Rate per 1,000 mean estimated population. (b) Rate per 1,000 live births registered. (c) Divorce proceedings were first permitted in New South Wales under the *Matrimonial Causes Act 1873*. (d) Australian Capital Territory separated from New South Wales on 1 January 1911. (e) Excludes deaths of members of the Defence Forces serving overseas. (f) Excludes deaths of defence personnel. (g) Includes nullities and judicial separations prior to 1947. (h) Vital events of full-blood Aboriginals, where identified in registrations, were excluded before 1966. (i) From 1971 births and deaths are on the State of usual residence basis, while data for earlier years are on the State of registration basis. (j) The *Family Law Act 1975* (Commonwealth), repealing State legislation, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.



(a) Per 1,000 population. (b) Increase in death rate in 1919 mainly due to influenza epidemic. (c) Per 1,000 live births. (d) Introduction of Family Law Act 1975.

APPENDIX B

Data items relating to vital statistics which are collected in New South Wales, but not published in this bulletin—

Births—

- Date of birth
- Hospital (place) of birth
- Place of marriage
- Birthweight

Deaths—

- Date of death
- Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas
- Usual occupation or occupation during working life
- Age at first marriage
- Number of children
- Aboriginality

Marriages—

- Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas
- Birthplace of parents of bridegroom
- Birthplace of parents of bride
- Year of celebration of first previous marriage
- Year of celebration of last previous marriage
- Year of termination of last previous marriage
- Number of children aged 16 and over from previous marriages
- Year of birth of youngest child

Divorces—

- Occupation of husband
- Occupation of wife



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