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## SUMMARY OF VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS MARCH QUARTER 1973

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**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

1. The estimated population for Australia as a whole takes account of natural increase and net overseas migration since the latest Census.

2. The estimate for each State or Territory represents the population ascertained at the Census plus recorded natural increase and net gain from overseas migration for that State or Territory; gains and corresponding losses that result from movements between States and Territories are also taken into account in so far as they are recorded as transfers of State of residence under child endowment procedures or Commonwealth electoral procedures or are indicated in other ways such as the results of any special count. As records of migration by State or Territory are not complete the estimated State and Territory populations so derived are approximate and are subject to revision when the population of each State is ascertained at the next Census.

3. Holiday, business and other similar short-term movements between States and Territories are not taken into account in the quarterly calculations. However such movements do affect the estimates in so far as people who were on holiday or other short-term interstate travel at the time of the Census are counted in the population of the State or Territory where they spent Census night. On the other hand, changes in the populations of States and Territories due to visitors from overseas and Australians travelling overseas are reflected in all estimates.

4. Population estimates for Victoria, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory for dates subsequent to 30 June 1971 and estimates for New South Wales and Queensland for dates subsequent to 30 June 1972 have been revised. Estimates of mean population, population growth rates and birth, death and marriage rates have been re-calculated on the basis of the revised population figures.

5. Quarterly figures and rates for marriages, births and deaths reflect seasonal influences and may also be influenced by varying delay in registration. A variation in rates based on small numbers of events may reflect transitory changes which can average out in variations in rates based on larger numbers. Quarterly figures for the Northern Territory are especially affected by variations in the delay of registration. For quarters up to March Quarter 1972, registrations of events can be compared with the occurrence of the events. For instance, death rates in the Northern Territory, based on occurrence, were 6.81 in the March quarter 1971 and 5.57 in the March quarter 1972, compared with 5.19 and 4.63 based on registrations. Quarterly divorce figures, particularly the numbers of dissolutions granted, are affected by such administrative factors as the occurrence of law vacations and the availability of Judges.

NOTE. (i) Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

(ii) Birth and death figures in this bulletin (i.e. Tables 1, 7, 8 and 9) do not include stillbirths, which are shown in Table 10.

TABLE I. - SUMMARY : VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA, 1968 TO 1973

Period	Marriages registered	Live births registered	Deaths registered	Natural increase (a)	Net recorded overseas migration gain (b)	Population -		
						increase (c) ('000)	at end of period ('000)	
Year ended								
31 Dec. -								
1968	106,345	240,906	109,547	131,359	113,053	233.3	12,145.6	
1969	112,470	250,176	106,496	143,680	129,046	261.6	12,407.2	
1970	116,066	257,516	113,048	144,468	122,874	256.3	12,663.5	
1971	117,637	276,362	110,650	165,712	84,605	244.8	12,908.2	
1972	114,029	264,969	109,760	155,209	27,847	183.1	13,091.3	
Year ended								
30 June -								
1968	102,509	231,960	104,668	127,292	93,358	209.6	12,008.6	
1969	109,630	247,218	108,179	139,039	126,425	254.4	12,263.0	
1970	115,051	252,305	109,441	142,864	112,564	244.3	12,507.3	
1971	117,648	271,295	113,338	157,957	101,419	248.3	(d)12,755.6	
1972	116,234	271,960	110,191	161,769	41,677	203.4	12,959.1	
Quarter ended -								
31 March 1968								
1968	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	59.1	11,971.4	
30 June 1968								
1968	27,013	59,964	26,180	33,784	6,244	37.3	12,008.6	
30 September 1968								
1968	23,244	61,619	33,329	28,290	40,032	65.6	12,074.2	
31 December 1968								
1968	28,785	61,206	25,785	35,421	38,743	71.4	12,145.6	
31 March 1969								
1969	28,946	61,072	23,406	37,666	36,538	71.4	12,217.0	
30 June 1969								
1969	28,655	63,321	25,659	37,662	11,112	46.0	12,263.0	
30 September 1969								
1969	25,106	63,680	31,125	32,555	42,832	72.6	12,335.6	
31 December 1969								
1969	29,763	62,103	26,306	35,797	38,564	71.6	12,407.2	
31 March 1970								
1970	30,210	61,043	23,631	37,412	38,833	73.5	12,480.7	
30 June 1970								
1970	29,972	65,479	28,379	37,100	-7,665	26.7	12,507.3	
30 September 1970								
1970	25,360	65,345	33,754	31,591	47,348	76.2	12,583.5	
31 December 1970								
1970	30,524	65,649	27,284	38,365	44,358	80.0	12,663.5	
31 March 1971								
1971	31,555	70,976	24,764	46,212	34,583	78.0	12,741.5	
30 June 1971								
1971	30,209	69,325	27,536	41,789	-24,870	14.1	(d)12,755.6	
30 September 1971								
1971	25,244	70,117	31,939	38,178	41,224	79.4	12,835.0	
31 December 1971								
1971	30,629	65,944	26,411	39,533	33,668	73.2	12,908.2	
31 March 1972								
1972	31,031	67,443	24,730	42,713	20,026	62.7	12,971.0	
30 June 1972								
1972	29,330	68,456	27,111	41,345	-53,241	-11.9	12,959.1	
30 September 1972								
1972	23,981	66,364	31,661	34,703	32,529	67.2	13,026.3	
31 December 1972								
1972	29,697	62,706	26,258	36,448	28,533	65.0	13,091.3	
31 March 1973								
1973	30,193	64,126	26,624	37,502	25,859	63.4	13,154.7	

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

TABLE 2. - POPULATION : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973  
(<sup>'000</sup>)

<i>At end of</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
<b>MALES</b>									
1971 -									
September	2,319.9	r1,759.0	927.5	589.0	533.3	197.1	r49.3	r75.4	6,450.4
December	2,330.3	r1,766.6	933.9	591.7	537.8	197.4	r49.5	r77.1	6,484.4
1972 -									
March	2,340.6	r1,776.2	939.9	593.2	541.0	197.7	r50.3	r78.8	6,517.6
June	2,336.7	r1,773.2	942.7	592.3	539.6	197.2	r50.5	r80.6	6,512.7
September	r2,345.3	r1,781.1	r949.9	593.9	542.0	197.4	r50.9	r82.1	6,542.7
December	r2,351.7	r1,787.9	r956.6	596.1	544.9	198.5	r51.0	r83.6	6,570.3
1973 -									
March	2,361.8	1,796.9	962.9	598.7	547.6	199.2	51.7	85.0	6,603.7
<b>FEMALES</b>									
1971 -									
September	2,308.3	r1,762.3	911.7	590.8	506.0	194.7	r38.7	72.2	6,384.6
December	2,321.1	r1,771.0	918.4	593.8	511.1	195.4	39.4	73.7	6,423.8
1972 -									
March	2,330.2	r1,778.7	923.6	595.4	514.3	195.6	r40.4	r75.2	6,453.4
June	2,324.8	r1,774.2	926.6	594.2	513.6	195.0	r41.2	r76.8	6,446.3
September	r2,335.9	r1,783.7	r934.2	597.0	517.0	195.7	r41.8	r78.4	6,483.6
December	r2,345.5	r1,793.1	r942.1	600.4	520.8	197.1	r42.3	r79.6	6,521.0
1973 -									
March	2,354.7	1,801.4	947.4	602.7	522.8	197.8	43.3	81.0	6,551.0
<b>PERSONS</b>									
1968 -									
March	4,350.1	3,318.8	1,722.8	1,118.7	906.1	378.9	66.0	110.0	11,971.4
June	4,359.3	3,324.2	1,729.0	1,121.8	915.0	379.6	67.5	112.1	12,008.6
September	4,380.1	3,339.4	1,738.6	1,126.6	925.0	380.8	69.2	114.4	12,074.2
December	4,401.2	3,356.8	1,747.7	1,132.1	937.8	383.1	70.2	116.6	12,145.6
1969 -									
March	4,426.6	3,375.2	1,756.6	1,136.2	946.6	384.7	71.8	119.3	12,217.0
June	4,441.2	3,385.0	1,763.1	1,139.3	954.8	384.9	73.0	121.7(a)	12,263.0
September	4,467.7	3,403.0	1,772.6	1,143.8	964.3	385.6	74.6	123.9	12,335.6
December	4,490.8	3,421.2	1,779.7	1,149.4	976.6	387.0	75.8	126.8	12,407.2
1970 -									
March	4,516.1	3,440.7	1,788.5	1,154.5	986.0	387.7	77.8	129.3	12,480.7
June	4,522.3	3,444.9	1,792.7	1,158.0	991.4	387.7	78.8	131.5	12,507.3
September	4,548.0	3,462.6	1,803.1	1,162.4	1,003.3	388.6	81.1	134.4	12,583.5
December	4,573.7	3,482.0	1,812.8	1,170.2	1,014.1	390.3	82.8	137.6	12,663.5
1971 -									
March	4,600.1	3,503.7	1,822.4	1,173.9	1,024.6	390.9	85.2	140.7	12,741.5
June (b)	4,601.2	3,502.4	1,827.1	1,173.7	1,030.5	390.4	86.4	144.1	12,755.6
September	4,628.2	r3,521.3	1,839.2	1,179.8	1,039.3	391.8	r88.0	r147.6	12,835.0
December	4,651.5	r3,537.5	1,852.3	1,185.5	1,048.9	392.8	r88.9	r150.8	12,908.2
1972 -									
March	4,670.8	r3,554.9	1,863.5	1,188.5	1,055.3	393.3	r90.7	r154.0	12,971.0
June	4,661.6	r3,547.4	1,869.3	1,186.5	1,053.2	392.2	r91.7	r157.4	12,959.1
September	r4,681.3	r3,564.8	r1,884.1	1,190.9	1,059.0	393.1	r92.8	r160.5	13,026.3
December	r4,697.2	r3,581.0	r1,898.6	1,196.5	1,065.8	395.6	r93.4	r163.2	13,091.3
1973 -									
March	4,716.5	3,598.4	1,910.2	1,201.4	1,070.3	396.9	95.0	165.9	13,154.7

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

TABLE 3. - MEAN POPULATION, CALENDAR YEARS : STATES AND TERRITORIES  
1968 TO 1972  
( '000 persons)

<i>Year ended 31 December</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
1968	4,364.2	3,328.5	1,730.6	1,122.8	915.8	379.9	67.6	112.2	12,021.4
1969	4,446.0	3,388.4	1,764.2	1,140.0	955.7	385.1	73.1	121.6	12,274.1
1970	4,530.4	3,450.5	1,795.4	1,158.4	994.2	388.2	79.3	131.9	12,528.5
1971	4,611.7	r3,510.4	1,830.5	1,176.5	1,031.6	391.2	r86.4	r144.1	12,782.4
1972 -									
Males	r2,341.6	r1,777.5	944.6	593.4	541.2	197.6	r50.5	r80.5	6,526.8
Females	r2,331.7	r1,780.2	928.7	596.0	515.4	195.6	r41.1	r76.8	6,465.4
Persons	r4,673.3	r3,557.7	r1,873.3	1,189.4	1,056.5	393.2	r91.6	r157.2	12,992.2

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TABLE 4. - MEAN POPULATION, FINANCIAL YEARS : STATES AND TERRITORIES  
1967-68 TO 1971-72  
( '000 persons)

<i>Year ended 30 June</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
1968	4,329.8	3,302.4	1,715.4	1,115.7	896.8	377.6	64.6	107.8	11,910.0
1969	4,402.5	3,356.8	1,747.4	1,131.4	936.0	382.7	70.4	116.8	12,144.0
1970	4,490.0	3,420.6	1,780.0	1,149.1	975.1	386.7	76.1	126.6	12,404.2
1971	4,571.9	3,481.4	1,812.3	1,168.1	1,013.5	389.7	83.0	137.6	12,657.5
1972 -									
Males	2,328.9	r1,766.4	933.5	590.9	536.8	197.3	r49.7	r77.1	6,480.5
Females	2,317.9	r1,769.4	917.5	592.9	509.9	195.1	r39.5	r73.7	6,415.7
Persons	4,646.8	r3,535.8	1,851.0	1,183.7	1,046.6	392.4	r89.2	r150.8	12,896.3

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

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

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

r - Revised

TABLE 5. - MARRIAGES : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
<b>MARRIAGES - NUMBER REGISTERED</b>									
Year -									
1968	39,213	29,724	14,860	9,652	8,086	3,426	419	965	106,345
1969	41,286	30,860	15,669	10,599	8,993	3,532	413	1,118	112,470
1970	42,928	31,729	16,082	10,864	9,227	3,535	501	1,200	116,066
1971	43,038	32,386	16,538	10,833	9,382	3,578	485	1,397	117,637
1972	41,520	31,206	16,066	10,829	9,120	3,426	490	1,372	114,029
Quarter -									
March 1971	11,473	8,960	3,968	2,985	2,576	1,077	122	394	31,555
June 1971	11,072	8,162	4,395	2,750	2,428	922	106	374	30,209
September 1971	9,468	6,688	3,879	2,270	1,761	761	119	298	25,244
December 1971	11,025	8,576	4,296	2,828	2,617	818	138	331	30,629
March 1972	11,385	8,524	3,972	3,138	2,479	1,043	90	400	31,031
June 1972	10,500	7,948	4,365	2,760	2,392	890	134	331	29,320
September 1972	8,800	6,297	3,669	2,291	1,777	724	147	276	23,981
December 1972	10,835	8,437	4,060	2,640	2,472	769	119	365	29,697
March 1973	11,037	8,076	3,980	3,054	2,470	1,067	126	383	30,193
<b>MARRIAGE RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION</b>									
Year -									
1968	8.99	8.93	8.59	8.60	8.83	9.02	6.20	8.60	8.85
1969	9.29	9.11	8.88	9.30	9.41	9.17	5.65	9.19	9.16
1970	9.48	9.20	8.96	9.38	9.28	9.11	6.32	9.10	9.26
1971	9.33	9.23	9.03	9.21	9.09	9.15	r5.61	r9.69	9.20
1972	r8.88	r8.77	8.58	9.10	8.63	8.71	r5.35	r8.73	8.78
Quarter -									
March 1971	10.01	10.26	8.73	10.19	10.11	11.03	5.81	11.33	9.94
June 1971	9.63	9.32	9.63	9.37	9.45	9.44	4.94	10.51	9.48
September 1971	8.21	7.62	8.46	7.72	6.81	7.78	r5.46	r8.18	7.89
December 1971	9.50	9.72	9.31	9.57	10.03	8.34	r6.24	r8.88	9.52
March 1972	9.77	9.62	8.55	10.57	9.43	10.61	r4.01	r10.50	9.59
June 1972	9.00	8.96	9.36	9.30	9.08	9.06	r5.88	r8.51	9.05
September 1972	7.54	r7.08	7.82	7.71	6.73	7.38	r6.38	r6.95	7.38
December 1972	9.24	9.45	8.59	8.85	9.31	7.80	r5.12	r9.02	9.10
March 1973	9.38	9.00	8.36	10.19	9.25	10.77	5.35	9.37	9.20

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

r. - Revised.

TABLE 6. - DIVORCES : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
PETITIONS FILED FOR DISSOLUTION (a)									
Year -									
1968	5,558	2,771	1,464	1,186	995	405	59	181	12,619
1969	5,805	3,049	1,634	1,354	1,059	427	60	194	13,582
1970	6,510	3,661	1,853	1,365	1,204	500	67	219	15,379
1971	7,623	4,242	1,912	1,648	1,451	482	110	279	17,747
1972	7,844	4,503	2,053	1,977	1,628	524	130	311	18,970
Quarter -									
March 1971	1,707	800	408	387	321	97	24	66	3,810
June 1971	1,962	1,033	487	405	370	136	32	69	4,494
September 1971	2,060	1,201	505	447	384	133	25	77	4,832
December 1971	1,894	1,208	512	409	376	116	29	67	4,611
March 1972	1,863	1,013	470	473	346	112	36	71	4,384
June 1972	2,036	1,203	516	553	425	137	21	83	4,974
September 1972	2,072	1,163	554	497	457	125	39	76	4,983
December 1972	1,873	1,124	513	454	400	150	34	81	4,629
March 1973	1,964	845	524	552	495	141	20	90	4,631
DECREES OF DISSOLUTION GRANTED (b)									
Year -									
1968	4,880	2,515	1,135	915	812	302	23	149	10,731
1969	5,123	2,220	1,236	963	872	331	44	141	10,930
1970	5,606	2,591	1,507	939	889	422	50	194	12,198
1971	5,467	3,072	1,404	1,264	1,064	429	55	192	12,947
1972	7,036	3,584	1,731	1,235	1,243	442	88	225	15,584
Quarter -									
March 1971	1,551	792	416	301	216	108	11	66	3,461
June 1971	1,138	539	202	274	259	87	3	27	2,529
September 1971	1,400	867	407	331	206	119	27	45	3,402
December 1971	1,378	874	379	358	383	115	14	54	3,555
March 1972	1,616	654	579	318	326	123	25	54	3,695
June 1972	1,641	553	253	334	254	91	23	36	3,185
September 1972	1,858	1,198	444	336	345	105	10	68	4,364
December 1972	1,921	1,179	455	247	318	123	30	67	4,340
March 1973	1,677	920	476	488	478	138	15	96	4,288
DIVORCE RATES - NUMBER PER TEN THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION (c)									
Year -									
1968	11.25	7.59	6.59	8.21	8.87	7.98	3.40	13.64	8.97
1969	11.56	6.60	7.05	8.51	9.14	8.60	6.02	11.84	8.94
1970	12.42	7.55	8.42	8.13	8.95	10.97	6.31	14.87	9.78
1971	11.90	8.77	7.71	10.84	10.35	11.04	r6.60	r13.39	10.17
1972	15.11	r10.10	9.27	10.43	11.77	11.34	r9.61	r14.31	12.03

(a) Petitions for decrees other than dissolution during the March quarter 1973 were : nullity, 10; judicial separation 9; dissolution or nullity, 4. (b) Decrees absolute. There were 13 decrees of nullity granted during the March quarter 1973. (c) Number of decrees of dissolution, nullity and judicial separation granted per ten thousand of mean population.

r. - Revised

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

TABLE 7. - LIVE BIRTHS : STATES AND TERRITORIES 1968 TO 1973

<i>Period</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>N.T.</i>	<i>A.C.T.</i>	<i>Australia</i>
<b>LIVE BIRTHS - NUMBER REGISTERED</b>									
<b>Year -</b>									
1968	81,696	70,228	35,190	21,207	19,541	8,317	2,084	2,643	240,906
1969	86,036	71,035	36,576	21,977	20,754	8,445	2,274	3,079	250,176
1970	88,448	73,019	37,530	22,617	21,618	8,185	2,624	3,475	257,516
1971	98,466	75,498	39,970	22,996	24,239	8,321	2,832	4,040	276,362
1972	95,278	71,807	39,251	21,844	22,177	7,824	2,722	4,066	264,969
<b>Quarter -</b>									
March 1971	25,555	19,308	10,567	5,697	5,898	2,226	627	1,098	70,976
June 1971	24,734	18,967	10,162	5,718	6,096	1,992	694	962	69,325
September 1971	24,944	19,336	10,097	5,966	5,774	2,148	878	974	70,117
December 1971	23,233	17,887	9,144	5,615	6,471	1,955	633	1,006	65,944
March 1972	24,439	18,558	10,268	5,323	5,116	2,093	614	1,032	67,443
June 1972	24,822	18,319	10,281	5,561	5,791	1,895	687	1,100	68,456
September 1972	24,091	18,014	9,614	5,498	5,511	1,934	717	985	66,364
December 1972	21,926	16,916	9,088	5,462	5,759	1,902	704	949	62,706
March 1973	23,182	17,504	9,982	5,219	4,623	1,968	625	1,023	64,126
<b>BIRTH RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION</b>									
<b>Year -</b>									
1968	18.72	21.10	20.33	18.89	21.34	21.89	30.85	23.56	20.04
1969	19.35	20.96	20.73	19.28	21.72	21.93	31.09	25.31	20.38
1970	19.52	21.16	20.90	19.52	21.74	21.09	33.09	26.36	20.55
1971	21.35	21.51	21.84	19.55	23.50	21.27	r32.77	r28.03	21.62
1972	20.39	r20.18	20.95	18.37	20.99	19.90	r29.71	r25.86	20.39
<b>Quarter -</b>									
March 1971	22.29	22.11	23.26	19.44	23.15	22.80	29.85	31.57	22.35
June 1971	21.50	21.66	22.28	19.49	23.73	20.40	32.36	27.02	21.75
September 1971	21.62	r22.02	22.03	20.28	22.32	21.97	r40.29	r26.72	21.92
December 1971	20.03	r20.27	19.82	18.99	24.79	19.93	r28.64	r26.98	20.49
March 1972	20.97	r20.93	22.11	17.94	19.45	21.30	r27.36	r27.09	20.85
June 1972	21.28	r20.63	22.03	18.73	21.97	19.30	r30.14	r28.26	21.12
September 1972	20.63	r20.26	20.49	18.50	20.87	19.70	r31.10	r24.79	20.43
December 1972	r18.70	r18.94	19.22	18.30	21.68	19.29	r30.26	r23.45	19.21
March 1973	19.70	19.50	20.97	17.41	17.31	19.87	26.55	24.84	19.55

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

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TABLE 8. - DEATHS : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS - NUMBER REGISTERED									
Year -									
1968	41,803	29,967	16,078	9,916	7,468	3,284	543	488	109,547
1969	40,665	28,976	15,786	9,337	7,350	3,309	485	588	106,496
1970	43,601	30,335	17,055	10,138	7,543	3,174	608	594	113,048
1971	41,691	30,598	16,339	9,686	7,806	3,295	637	598	110,650
1972	41,652	29,856	16,598	9,764	7,441	3,227	553	669	109,760
Quarter -									
March 1971	9,413	6,772	3,721	2,018	1,809	792	109	130	24,764
June 1971	10,426	7,718	4,115	2,371	1,802	818	139	147	27,536
September 1971	12,478	8,619	4,642	2,789	2,116	895	235	165	31,939
December 1971	9,374	7,489	3,861	2,508	2,079	790	154	156	26,411
March 1972	9,633	6,545	3,770	2,119	1,601	805	104	153	24,730
June 1972	10,442	7,444	4,035	2,355	1,722	789	161	163	27,111
September 1972	12,097	8,557	5,022	2,740	2,042	879	133	191	31,661
December 1972	9,480	7,310	3,771	2,550	2,076	754	155	162	26,258
March 1973	10,205	7,194	4,205	2,245	1,699	790	124	162	26,624
DEATH RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION									
Year -									
1968	9.58	9.00	9.29	8.83	8.15	8.64	8.04	4.35	9.11
1969	9.15	8.55	8.95	8.19	7.69	8.59	6.63	4.83	8.68
1970	9.62	8.79	9.50	8.75	7.59	8.18	7.67	4.51	9.02
1971	9.04	8.72	8.93	8.23	7.57	8.42	r7.37	4.15	8.66
1972	8.91	r8.39	8.86	8.21	7.04	8.21	r6.04	r4.26	8.45
Quarter -									
March 1971	8.21	7.76	8.19	6.89	7.10	8.11	5.19	3.74	7.80
June 1971	9.06	8.81	9.02	8.08	7.02	8.38	6.48	4.13	8.64
September 1971	10.82	9.82	10.13	9.48	8.18	9.15	r10.78	r4.53	9.99
December 1971	8.08	8.49	8.37	8.48	7.97	8.05	r 6.97	r4.18	8.21
March 1972	8.27	r7.38	8.12	7.14	6.09	8.19	r4.63	r4.02	7.65
June 1972	8.95	8.39	8.65	7.93	6.53	8.04	r7.06	r4.19	8.36
September 1972	10.36	9.63	r10.70	9.22	7.73	8.96	r5.77	r4.81	9.75
December 1972	8.09	r8.18	7.98	8.54	7.82	7.65	r6.66	r4.00	8.04
March 1973	8.67	8.02	8.83	7.49	6.36	7.98	5.27	3.94	8.12

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

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TABLE 9. - DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 TO 1973

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE - NUMBER REGISTERED (a)									
Year -									
1968	1,525	1,010	716	345	397	143	101	45	4,282
1969	1,625	1,066	691	347	453	139	103	58	4,482
1970	1,743	1,060	672	367	459	116	126	61	4,604
1971	1,710	1,107	766	366	464	114	170	80	4,777
1972	1,663	1,048	697	367	348	127	113	67	4,430
Quarter									
March 1971	451	258	203	88	107	26	22	19	1,174
June 1971	410	231	182	107	111	27	36	25	1,129
September 1971	484	320	181	82	119	33	71	20	1,310
December 1971	365	298	200	89	127	28	41	16	1,164
March 1972	424	237	186	99	71	24	26	16	1,083
June 1972	391	232	174	91	83	30	28	29	1,058
September 1972	461	282	192	86	98	39	28	13	1,199
December 1972	387	297	145	91	96	34	31	9	1,090
March 1973	353	219	177	81	83	29	16	17	975
INFANT MORTALITY RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND LIVE BIRTHS									
Year -							(b)		
1968	18.67	14.38	20.35	16.27	20.37	17.19	48.46	17.03	17.78
1969	18.89	15.01	18.89	15.79	21.83	16.46	45.29	18.84	17.92
1970	19.71	14.52	17.91	16.23	21.23	14.17	48.02	17.55	17.88
1971	17.37	14.66	19.16	15.92	19.14	13.70	60.03	19.80	17.29
1972	17.45	14.59	17.76	16.80	15.69	16.23	41.51	16.48	16.72
Quarter									
March 1971	17.65	13.36	19.21	15.45	18.14	11.68	35.09	(c)	16.54
June 1971	16.58	12.18	17.91	18.71	18.21	13.55	51.87	25.99	16.29
September 1971	19.40	16.55	17.93	13.74	20.61	15.36	80.86	20.53	18.68
December 1971	15.71	16.66	21.87	15.85	19.63	14.32	64.77	(c)	17.65
March 1972	17.35	12.77	18.12	18.60	13.88	11.47	42.35	(c)	16.06
June 1972	15.75	12.66	16.92	16.36	14.33	15.83	40.76	25.46	15.44
September 1972	19.14	15.65	19.97	15.64	17.78	20.17	39.05	(c)	18.07
December 1972	17.65	17.56	15.96	16.66	16.67	17.88	44.03	(c)	17.38
March 1973	15.23	12.51	17.73	15.52	14.76	14.74	(c)	(c)	15.20

(a) Included in total number of deaths registered; i.e. in Table 8. (b) Although comprehensive data are not available, it is known that the rate of Aboriginal infant deaths is substantially above that for other births in the Territory. (c) Less than twenty deaths, rate not calculated.

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

TABLE 10. - STILLBIRTHS : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1968 to 1972

Year	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
STILLBIRTHS - NUMBER REGISTERED (a)									
1968	806	734	318	217	183	79	(b)39	26	2,402
1969	857	761	295	208	203	79	(b)35	26	2,464
1970	888	782	312	200	211	80	(b)30	29	2,532
1971	893	760	329	199	206	67	(b)24	41	2,519
1972	(b)1,151	(b)842	418	229	258	88	(b)44	48	3,078
STILLBIRTH RATES - NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF ALL BIRTHS									
1968	9.8	10.3	9.0	10.1	9.3	9.4	18.4	9.7	9.9
1969	9.9	10.6	8.0	9.4	9.7	9.3	15.2	8.4	9.8
1970	9.9	10.6	8.2	8.8	9.7	9.7	11.3	8.3	9.7
1971	9.0	10.0	8.2	8.6	8.4	7.9	8.4	9.8	9.0
1972	11.9	11.6	10.5	10.4	11.5	11.1	15.9	11.7	11.5

(a) From 1968 to 1971 stillbirths were based on a period of gestation of twenty eight weeks or more. In 1972 the number of stillbirths recorded on this basis were New South Wales, 854; Victoria, 601; Queensland, 332; South Australia, 173; Western Australia, 184; Tasmania, 65; Northern Territory, 31; Australian Capital Territory, 28; Australia, 2,268. For 1972 stillbirths are based on a period of gestation of twenty weeks or more. (b) Figures include the following foetal deaths where the period of gestation was not known: New South Wales, 1972, 24; Victoria, 1972, 20; Northern Territory, 1968, 13; 1969, 13; 1970, 14; 1971, 3; 1972, 11.

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