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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains a selection of final population and vital statistics, superseding preliminary data published in *Population and Vital Statistics (Preliminary)* (3211.0).

2. Final population estimates from June 1971 to June 1977 were published in the June, and repeated in the September, issue of this bulletin which contained also the revised crude rates (births, deaths, marriages per 1,000 of mean population) for each year from 1971 onwards. Population estimates have not been revised for dates before 1971. However, advice can be given if a continuous series of estimates is required from before 1971.

Population estimates

3. The population statistics for 30 June 1976 are the Census results adjusted for underenumeration. (The methods of estimating the level of underenumeration are outlined in a Census Bulletin, *Population of States and Territories adjusted for Underenumeration* (Ref. No. 2.02.10) issued in March 1977). Estimates for later dates are derived from these by the addition of natural increase and net migration gain (which excludes overseas movement of less than a year). For the States and Territories account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of residence. Thus, both for Australia and for the States and Territories, the population movement from 30 June 1976 measures changes in the resident population.

4. For dates between June 1971 and June 1976 the estimates for Australia and for the States and Territories have been estimated retrospectively from June 1976 Census figures after adjustment for underenumeration. Broadly speaking the estimates for this period reflect changes in the resident population.

5. Although these population figures are designated as final, it is possible that the whole series or any part of it will be revised in the light of future census results.

Temporary population movements

6. As indicated above, holiday, business and other similar short term movements are not taken into account in the quarterly calculations. More specifically, overseas migration refers to international movements for periods of one year or more, and interstate migration refers to changes of place of residence estimated from records of transfers of electoral enrolments and address changes for payment of family allowances, supplemented by data from periodic surveys of internal migration. However, the benchmark figures for 30 June 1976 reflect the results of short term movement, insofar as people who were on holiday or other short term travel at the time of the 1976 Census are counted in the population of the State or Territory where they spent Census night, or if overseas, are excluded from the Census.

Mean population and quarterly rates

7. Mean population estimates are calculated for twelve month periods to provide an average basis for calculation of annual rates requiring allowance for the continuous change in population figures. The mean population 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. Rates for quarters are equivalent annual rates calculated by multiplying the number of, say, registrations for the quarter by four and dividing by the estimated population at the end of the quarter (expressed as a rate per 1,000 of the average population).

Seasonal and other effects on quarterly figures

8. Quarterly figures and rates for marriages, births and deaths reflect seasonal influences and may also be influenced by varying delays in registrations due to administrative and other factors which may affect the month of 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 large numbers. 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, and, from 1975, by the introduction of the new legislation.

Related publications

9. Detailed annual statistics of the topics covered in this bulletin have been published for many years in the annual printed publication *Demography*, the last of which, No. 87 — 1971, was published in 1974. For more recent data, the following annual mimeographed bulletins should be consulted.

Estimated Age Distribution of the Population : States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)
Population : Principal Cities and Towns (3202.0)
Births (3301.0)
Deaths (3302.0)
Marriages (3306.0)
Divorces (3307.0)
Overseas Arrivals and Departures (3404.0)

Other publications on related topics are as follows:

Projections of the Population of Australia (3204.0)
Birth Expectations of Married Women (Preliminary) (3213.0)
Causes of Deaths (3303.0)
Perinatal Deaths (3304.0)
Australian Life Tables (3305.0)
Internal Migration (3408.0)

For details of population census publications and corresponding publications in each State and Territory, see *Catalogue of Publications 1977*, (1101.0) available free of charge from any office of the ABS.

Symbols and other usages

r figure or series revised since previous issue
 p preliminary — figure or series subject to revision

Where figures have been rounded discrepancies may occur between sums of component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. SUMMARY : VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriages registered	Divorces granted	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 December -								
1971	117,637	13,002	276,362	110,650	165,712	103,553	270.4	13,070.0
1972	114,029	15,707	264,969	109,760	155,209	56,320	213.9	13,283.9
1973	112,700	16,266	247,670	110,822	136,848	67,493	206.6	13,490.6
1974	110,673	17,744	245,177	115,833	129,344	87,248	219.0	13,709.5
1975	103,973	24,307	233,012	109,021	123,991	13,513	139.7	13,849.3
1976	109,973	63,267	227,810	112,662	115,148	25,576	141.9	13,991.2
1977	p104,918	p45,175	p226,310	108,797	p117,513	54,778	172.3	14,163.5
Year ended 30 June -								
1971	117,648	12,503	271,295	113,338	157,957	119,083	277.0	(d)12,937.2
1972	116,224	13,874	271,960	110,191	161,769	75,673	239.8	13,177.0
1973	111,992	16,781	255,848	111,336	144,512	56,561	203.4	13,380.4
1974	113,115	15,783	243,658	110,179	133,479	82,926	218.7	13,599.1
1975	107,056	20,353	239,794	114,501	125,293	44,675	172.3	13,771.4
1976	103,919	(e)	231,135	110,610	120,525	21,229	144.1	(d)13,915.5
1977	111,712	(e)	226,954	111,494	115,460	43,103	158.6	14,074.1
Quarter ended -								
1972 -								
March	31,031	3,707	67,443	24,730	42,713	13,384	56.7	13,126.7
June	29,320	3,210	68,456	27,111	41,345	8,363	50.3	13,177.0
September	23,981	4,401	66,364	31,661	34,703	15,585	50.9	13,227.9
December	29,697	4,389	62,706	26,258	36,448	18,988	56.0	13,283.9
1973 -								
March	30,193	4,357	64,126	26,623	37,503	12,454	50.5	13,334.4
June	28,121	3,634	62,652	26,794	35,858	9,534	46.0	13,380.4
September	24,747	3,876	61,421	30,752	30,669	16,984	48.2	13,428.6
December	29,639	4,399	59,471	26,653	32,818	28,521	61.9	13,490.6
1974 -								
March	31,183	4,042	61,392	24,662	36,730	18,067	55.4	13,545.9
June	27,546	3,466	61,374	28,112	33,262	19,354	53.2	13,599.1
September	23,200	4,814	63,005	35,591	27,414	21,993	50.0	13,649.1
December	28,744	5,422	59,406	27,468	31,938	27,834	60.4	13,709.5
1975 -								
March	28,339	6,375	56,419	24,163	32,256	-1,711	31.1	13,740.6
June	26,773	3,742	60,964	27,279	33,685	-3,441	30.8	13,771.4
September	21,289	5,463	58,802	31,098	27,704	6,559	34.8	13,806.3
December	27,572	8,727	56,827	26,481	30,346	12,106	43.0	13,849.3
1976 -								
March	28,491	(e)	58,227	24,972	33,255	2,983	36.8	13,886.1
June	26,567	(e)	57,279	28,059	29,220	-419	29.4	(d)13,915.5
September	23,919	(e)	57,186	33,423	23,763	7,232	31.0	13,946.5
December	30,996	(e)	55,118	26,208	28,910	15,780	44.7	13,991.2
1977 -								
March	29,914	(e)	57,012	25,354	31,658	13,167	44.8	14,036.0
June	26,861	(e)	57,638	26,511	31,129	6,924	38.1	14,074.1
September	20,372	(e)	58,077	31,118	26,959	12,460	39.4	14,113.5
December	p27,771	(e)	p53,583	25,814	p27,769	22,227	50.0	14,163.5

(a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered. (b) Net migration gain is defined as the excess of overseas arrivals over overseas departures classified as permanent and long-term movement. (Long-term comprises visits to, and absences from, Australia lasting one year or longer.) (c) Increase consists of natural increase, net migration gain and an adjustment to balance recorded births from July 1971 to June 1976 corresponding with June 1976 estimates of 0-4 year olds. (d) Census results adjusted to allow for under-enumeration. (e) Because of revisions of the processing system necessitated by the introduction of Family Law legislation in 1976, no figures are available for these periods.

TABLE 2. - POPULATION : ANALYSIS OF INCREASE, AUSTRALIA, YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 1977

	Males	Females	Persons	Males ('000)	Females ('000)	Persons ('000)
Estimated population at 31 December 1976				7,014.3	6,976.9	13,991.2
Year ended December 1977 -						
Live births registered	p116,560	p109,750	p226,310			
Deaths registered	p60,323	p48,474	p108,797			
Natural increase	p56,237	p61,276	p117,513			
Overseas arrivals (Permanent and long term)	82,773	78,039	160,812			
Overseas departures (Permanent and long term)	55,541	50,493	106,034			
Net recorded overseas migration gain	27,232	27,546	54,778			
Total increase (a)				83.5	88.8	172.3
Estimated population at 31 December 1977				7,097.7	7,065.8	14,163.5

(a) Natural increase and net recorded overseas migration gain.

TABLE 3. POPULATION
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	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
As at 31 December –									
1972	2,394.0	1,802.5	987.2	603.8	552.4	198.0	55.8	82.9	6,676.7
1973	2,414.2	1,825.6	1,016.4	612.8	563.6	199.4	57.3	88.4	6,777.7
1974	2,443.0	1,852.3	1,044.5	625.7	581.0	201.7	(b)43.4	93.8	6,885.3
1975	2,447.7	1,862.7	1,058.6	628.0	591.1	203.8	54.7	101.5	6,948.0
1976	2,464.2	1,878.5	1,067.6	633.4	603.2	205.1	57.4	104.8	7,014.3
1977	2,486.2	1,895.1	1,084.1	640.8	616.7	206.3	60.5	108.1	7,097.7
FEMALES									
1972	2,377.9	1,801.6	975.0	605.7	528.5	196.0	42.3	80.2	6,607.2
1973	2,401.8	1,825.8	1,003.0	614.4	539.6	197.8	44.6	85.7	6,712.8
1974	2,435.7	1,853.8	1,029.5	627.9	556.9	200.8	(b)28.7	90.9	6,824.2
1975	2,448.1	1,867.6	1,043.6	629.3	567.9	202.8	43.1	98.9	6,901.3
1976	2,468.8	1,886.3	1,053.9	635.3	580.5	204.2	46.5	101.4	6,976.9
1977	2,493.1	1,904.3	1,071.0	643.0	594.4	205.8	49.5	104.6	7,065.8
MALES									
As at 30 June –									
1972	2,382.7	1,789.5	972.0	600.6	547.7	197.3	55.4	80.3	6,625.3
1973	2,404.2	1,814.9	1,000.0	608.1	557.0	198.8	56.3	85.4	6,724.7
1974	2,425.2	1,838.5	1,030.6	617.3	570.8	200.3	58.4	91.2	6,832.3
1975	2,444.3	1,858.2	1,049.6	625.1	585.0	202.8	51.6	96.8	6,913.3
1976 (a)	2,455.8	1,870.1	1,063.2	629.9	596.8	204.1	56.2	103.2	6,979.4
1977	2,475.9	1,887.4	1,075.1	637.4	609.8	205.6	58.1	105.8	7,055.2
FEMALES									
1972	2,364.2	1,788.0	960.6	601.8	523.2	194.9	41.3	77.7	6,551.7
1973	2,389.2	1,813.5	987.3	609.8	532.8	196.9	43.4	82.7	6,655.7
1974	2,414.2	1,838.3	1,015.5	618.8	546.5	199.0	46.0	88.4	6,766.9
1975	2,440.1	1,861.0	1,034.4	627.0	561.7	201.9	37.8	94.1	6,858.1
1976 (a)	2,458.4	1,875.9	1,048.5	631.7	573.1	203.2	45.2	100.1	6,936.1
1977	2,480.8	1,894.9	1,061.7	639.4	587.3	205.0	47.4	102.4	7,018.9
PERSONS									
1972 –									
March	4,736.1	3,564.8	1,919.7	1,198.8	1,065.7	392.2	95.5	153.9	13,126.7
June	4,746.9	3,577.4	1,932.5	1,202.4	1,070.9	392.2	96.6	158.0	13,177.0
September	4,759.2	3,590.1	1,947.1	1,205.3	1,075.7	392.4	97.4	160.7	13,227.9
December	4,771.9	3,604.1	1,962.2	1,209.5	1,080.9	394.0	98.2	163.1	13,283.9
1973 –									
March	4,783.8	3,616.5	1,975.6	1,214.5	1,084.8	395.5	98.9	164.9	13,334.4
June	4,793.4	3,628.4	1,987.3	1,217.9	1,089.8	395.7	99.7	168.1	13,380.4
September	4,802.4	3,637.4	2,002.1	1,222.3	1,096.1	396.1	100.9	171.3	13,428.6
December	4,816.0	3,651.5	2,019.4	1,227.2	1,103.2	397.2	101.8	174.1	13,490.6
1974 –									
March	4,830.7	3,664.6	2,031.6	1,230.8	1,110.6	398.5	103.4	175.7	13,545.9
June	4,839.4	3,676.8	2,046.1	1,236.2	1,117.4	399.3	104.4	179.6	13,599.1
September	4,852.4	3,688.1	2,055.6	1,239.8	1,124.4	400.7	106.5	181.6	13,649.1
December	4,878.7	3,706.1	2,074.0	1,253.6	1,137.8	402.5	(b)72.1	184.7	13,709.5
1975 –									
March	4,880.0	3,712.5	2,077.3	1,251.2	1,141.4	403.5	88.0	186.8	13,740.6
June	4,884.5	3,719.1	2,084.0	1,252.1	1,146.7	404.7	89.4	190.9	13,771.4
September	4,890.1	3,724.8	2,090.8	1,253.5	1,151.6	405.3	95.7	194.3	13,805.3
December	4,895.8	3,730.3	2,102.2	1,257.3	1,159.0	406.6	97.8	200.4	13,849.3
1976 –									
March	4,906.9	3,741.5	2,104.9	1,259.0	1,164.2	406.9	101.1	201.7	13,886.1
June (a)	4,914.3	3,746.0	2,111.7	1,261.6	1,169.8	407.4	101.4	203.3	13,915.5
September	4,920.5	3,754.3	2,115.5	1,264.3	1,176.1	408.1	102.9	204.7	13,946.5
December	4,933.0	3,764.9	2,121.6	1,268.8	1,183.7	409.3	103.9	206.2	13,991.2
1977 –									
March	4,945.9	3,774.3	2,130.0	1,273.2	1,190.2	410.0	104.9	207.6	14,036.0
June	4,956.7	3,782.3	2,136.8	1,276.8	1,197.1	410.6	105.5	208.2	14,074.1
September	4,967.6	3,789.3	2,143.5	1,280.3	1,203.7	411.1	108.1	210.0	14,113.5
December	4,979.3	3,799.4	2,155.1	1,283.8	1,211.1	412.1	110.0	212.7	14,163.5

(a) Census results adjusted for underenumeration. (b) Decrease due to the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 4. RATES OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, NATURAL INCREASE AND
NET MIGRATION (a) : AUSTRALIA,
(per thousand)

Period	Crude birth rate	Crude death rate	Rate of natural increase (b)	Rate of net migration
Year ended 31 December —				
1972	20.11	8.33	11.78	4.27
1973	18.51	8.28	10.23	5.04
1974	18.03	8.52	9.51	6.42
1975	16.92	7.91	9.00	0.98
1976	16.37	8.10	8.27	1.84
1977	16.08	7.73	8.35	3.89
Year ended 30 June —				
1972	20.82	8.43	12.38	5.79
1973	19.26	8.38	10.88	4.26
1974	18.06	8.17	9.90	6.15
1975	17.51	8.36	9.15	3.26
1976	16.69	7.99	8.70	1.53
1977	16.22	7.97	8.25	3.08

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

NOTE. Rates of natural increase and net migration should be distinguished from growth rates calculated as the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. Figures prepared on that basis are shown in the next table.

TABLE 5. RATES OF POPULATION GROWTH (a) : AUSTRALIA
(Per cent)

Period	Components of growth		
	Natural increase (b)	Net migration gain (c)	Rate of growth (d)
Year ended 31 December —			
1972	1.19	0.43	1.64
1973	1.03	0.51	1.56
1974	0.96	0.65	1.62
1975	0.90	0.10	1.02
1976	0.83	0.18	1.02
1977	0.84	0.39	1.23
Year ended 30 June —			
1972	1.25	0.59	1.85
1973	1.10	0.43	1.54
1974	1.00	0.62	1.64
1975	0.92	0.33	1.27
1976	0.88	0.15	1.05
1977	0.83	0.31	1.14

(a) The rate represents the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period.
(b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures (excluding short term movements). (d) Consists of natural increase, net migration gain and, for the periods to June 1976 an adjustment to balance recorded births from July 1971 to June 1976 with June 1976 estimates of 0-4 year olds.

TABLE 6. RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH (a)
(Per cent)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	1.08	1.54	2.92	1.18	2.00	0.59	4.03	7.51	1.64
1973	0.93	1.31	2.92	1.46	2.07	0.81	3.74	6.75	1.56
1974	1.30	1.50	2.70	2.15	3.14	1.33 (b)-29.16	6.07		1.62
1975	0.35	0.65	1.36	0.30	1.86	1.02	35.56	8.47	1.02
1976	0.76	0.93	0.92	0.91	2.13	0.66	6.23	2.92	1.02
1977	0.94	0.92	1.58	1.19	2.32	0.69	5.86	3.16	1.23
Year ended 30 June —									
1972	1.44	1.62	2.72	1.44	2.66	0.52	5.14	8.53	1.85
1973	0.98	1.43	2.83	1.29	1.77	0.88	3.16	6.43	1.54
1974	0.96	1.33	2.96	1.50	2.53	0.92	4.76	6.79	1.64
1975	0.93	1.15	1.85	1.29	2.62	1.35 (b)-14.38	6.33	1.27	
1976	0.61	0.72	1.33	0.75	2.02	0.66	13.41	6.51	1.05
1977	0.86	0.97	1.19	1.20	2.33	0.79	4.09	2.39	1.14

(a) The rate represents the increase during the period expressed as a proportion (per cent) of the population at the beginning of the period. The increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain, net interstate migration and for years to June 1976 of adjustments to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by the latest census. (b) Decrease due to effects of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 7. NATURAL INCREASE (a)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	53,626	41,951	22,653	12,080	14,736	4,597	2,169	3,397	155,209
1973	46,210	36,427	21,335	10,572	12,665	3,979	2,229	3,431	136,848
1974	42,163	35,326	19,724	9,945	12,429	3,914	2,233	3,610	129,344
1975	40,421	32,398	19,982	10,039	12,366	3,643	1,508	3,634	123,991
1976	36,370	29,914	18,004	8,948	12,930	3,313	2,040	3,629	115,148
1977	37,616	30,040	18,520	9,476	12,752	3,464	p1,789	p3,856	p117,513
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	14,806	12,013	6,498	3,204	3,515	1,288	510	879	42,713
June	14,380	10,875	6,246	3,206	4,069	1,106	526	937	41,345
September	11,994	9,457	4,592	2,758	3,469	1,055	584	794	34,703
December	12,446	9,606	5,317	2,912	3,683	1,148	549	787	36,448
1973 —									
March	12,977	10,310	5,777	2,974	2,924	1,179	501	861	37,503
June	12,032	9,343	5,872	2,652	3,452	983	701	823	35,858
September	10,301	7,517	4,867	2,293	3,264	942	573	912	30,669
December	10,900	9,257	4,819	2,653	3,025	875	454	835	32,818
1974 —									
March	13,152	9,764	5,699	2,592	2,915	1,086	545	977	36,730
June	10,561	9,158	5,337	2,677	3,186	948	546	849	33,262
September	8,479	7,800	3,844	2,103	2,876	894	604	814	27,414
December	9,971	8,604	4,844	2,573	3,452	986	538	970	31,938
1975 —									
March	10,941	8,329	5,501	2,795	2,621	935	246	888	32,256
June	11,260	8,628	5,432	2,430	3,648	972	437	878	33,685
September	8,730	7,476	4,369	2,134	2,866	868	337	924	27,704
December	9,490	7,965	4,680	2,680	3,231	868	488	944	30,346
1976 —									
March	10,859	8,984	5,248	2,543	3,218	907	577	919	33,255
June	10,081	7,026	4,874	2,077	3,254	715	281	912	29,220
September	6,556	6,389	3,427	1,858	3,263	817	530	923	23,763
December	8,874	7,515	4,455	2,470	3,195	874	652	875	28,910
1977 —									
March	10,646	7,907	5,108	2,499	3,061	928	509	1,000	31,658
June	9,899	7,891	4,967	2,598	3,509	884	445	934	31,127
September	8,064	7,064	4,152	2,125	3,275	796	512	971	26,959
December	9,007	7,178	4,293	2,254	2,907	856	p323	p951	p27,769

(a) Excess of live births registered over deaths registered.

TABLE 8. NET MIGRATION GAIN (a)

Year ended 31 December —									
1972	266	14,058	24,061	1,913	5,907	-1,679	2,940	8,854	56,320
1973	918	12,390	26,948	7,012	9,200	-167	2,747	8,445	67,493
1974	23,478	20,717	25,922	16,278	21,691	1,964	(b)-30,623	7,821	87,248
1975	-20,356	-6,739	-692	-6,421	8,320	1,079	25,449	12,873	13,513
1976	2,330	5,399	-3,149	2,477	11,463	-307	4,710	2,653	25,576
1977	8,694	4,527	15,021	5,582	14,653	-653	4,300	2,654	54,778
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	1,037	3,576	4,379	215	2,369	-670	958	1,520	13,384
June	-2,799	2,168	4,368	295	929	-880	917	3,365	8,363
September	1,063	3,563	7,716	174	1,208	-703	471	2,093	15,585
December	965	4,751	7,598	1,229	1,401	574	594	1,876	18,988
1973 —									
March	-327	2,473	5,327	1,960	918	486	510	1,107	12,454
June	-1,675	2,945	3,646	771	1,398	-665	442	2,672	9,534
September	-580	1,853	7,676	2,039	2,928	-286	944	2,410	16,984
December	3,500	5,119	10,299	2,242	3,956	298	851	2,256	28,521
1974 —									
March	2,222	3,755	4,282	986	4,320	367	1,346	789	18,067
June	-1,070	3,364	6,895	2,656	3,469	13	786	3,241	19,354
September	5,302	3,869	3,428	1,478	4,071	613	1,796	1,436	21,993
December	17,024	9,729	11,317	11,158	9,831	971	(b)-34,551	2,355	27,834
1975 —									
March	-8,927	-1,536	-4,450	-5,184	775	239	15,902	1,470	-1,711
June	-6,002	-1,621	-956	-1,531	1,555	380	1,321	3,413	-3,441
September	-2,256	-1,503	247	-784	1,955	-102	6,310	2,692	6,559
December	-3,171	-2,079	4,467	1,078	4,035	562	1,916	5,298	12,106
1976 —									
March	1,009	2,574	-4,813	-899	1,866	-448	3,071	623	2,983
June	-1,930	-2,143	-278	483	2,206	-57	321	979	-419
September	-311	1,912	325	898	2,986	-42	1,019	445	7,232
December	3,562	3,056	1,617	1,995	4,405	240	299	606	15,780
1977 —									
March	2,246	1,568	3,321	1,871	3,454	-146	463	390	13,167
June	983	126	1,844	1,009	3,372	-328	233	-315	6,924
September	2,848	-121	2,504	1,394	3,315	-280	2,016	784	12,460
December	2,617	2,954	7,352	1,308	4,512	101	1,588	1,795	22,227

(a) Estimated net overseas and interstate migration. Net overseas migration gain excludes short-term (less than one year) movement. Net interstate migration gain refers to changes of residence and is based on records of interstate transfers under family allowance and electoral roll procedures, and other information. Minus sign (-) denotes a decrease. (b) Due to the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on Darwin population.

TABLE 9. MEAN POPULATION, CALENDAR YEARS
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Year ended 31 December	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
1972	2,382.7	1,789.3	972.4	600.4	547.6	197.3	55.3	80.0	6,625.1
1973	2,404.0	1,814.2	1,000.8	608.3	557.4	198.8	56.4	85.5	6,725.5
1974 (a)	2,425.9	1,838.1	1,029.3	617.0	571.0	200.4	58.6	90.9	6,831.2
1975	2,444.5	1,857.8	1,049.8	625.4	585.2	202.7	52.1	96.9	6,914.6
1976	2,455.6	1,870.8	1,062.6	630.2	596.7	204.3	56.4	103.1	6,979.6
1977	2,475.7	1,887.0	1,075.2	637.4	609.8	205.6	58.6	106.1	7,055.4
FEMALES									
1972	2,364.7	1,788.0	961.0	601.8	523.1	195.1	41.1	77.4	6,552.1
1973	2,389.3	1,813.2	988.1	610.0	533.2	197.0	43.4	82.7	6,656.8
1974 (a)	2,415.4	1,838.4	1,014.7	618.6	546.8	199.1	46.1	88.0	6,767.0
1975	2,440.8	1,860.8	1,034.9	627.4	561.7	201.8	38.1	94.0	6,859.5
1976	2,458.3	1,876.7	1,048.1	631.7	573.6	203.3	45.3	100.2	6,937.2
1977	2,480.9	1,894.9	1,061.8	639.3	587.3	205.0	47.8	102.7	7,019.7
PERSONS									
1972	4,747.4	3,577.3	1,933.4	1,202.2	1,070.7	392.4	96.4	157.4	13,177.2
1973	4,793.3	3,627.4	1,988.9	1,218.3	1,090.6	395.8	99.8	168.2	13,382.3
1974 (a)	4,841.3	3,676.5	2,044.0	1,235.6	1,117.7	399.6	104.6	178.9	13,598.2
1975	4,885.3	3,718.6	2,084.7	1,252.8	1,146.9	404.5	90.3	191.0	13,774.1
1976	4,913.9	3,747.5	2,110.7	1,261.9	1,170.3	407.5	101.7	203.2	13,916.8
1977	4,956.6	3,782.0	2,137.0	1,276.7	1,197.0	410.6	106.4	208.8	14,075.1

(a) Adjusted to allow for the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on the Northern Territory population.

TABLE 10. MEAN POPULATION, FINANCIAL YEARS
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Year ended 30 June	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MALES									
1972	2,368.5	1,775.2	958.6	596.7	541.6	197.1	54.6	76.9	6,569.1
1973	2,393.9	1,802.3	986.7	604.1	552.3	198.0	55.8	82.8	6,676.0
1974	2,414.6	1,825.9	1,015.4	612.6	563.8	199.5	57.4	88.2	6,777.3
1975 (a)	2,436.6	1,849.4	1,040.7	621.6	578.6	201.6	56.2	93.7	6,878.4
1976	2,449.2	1,864.1	1,056.7	627.6	590.7	203.6	54.8	100.5	6,947.0
1977	2,464.7	1,878.6	1,068.3	633.5	603.1	205.0	57.3	104.7	7,015.2
FEMALES									
1972	2,349.3	1,774.1	947.9	598.0	516.6	194.6	39.8	74.5	6,494.7
1973	2,377.4	1,801.1	974.5	605.7	528.1	196.0	42.3	80.1	6,605.2
1974	2,401.8	1,825.5	1,001.9	614.2	539.6	197.9	44.7	85.4	6,710.9
1975 (a)	2,429.2	1,850.9	1,025.6	623.5	554.5	200.5	42.3	90.7	6,817.3
1976	2,449.0	1,868.5	1,041.9	629.0	567.5	202.6	43.0	97.8	6,899.2
1977	2,468.8	1,885.8	1,054.5	635.3	580.2	204.1	46.5	101.4	6,976.6
PERSONS									
1972	4,717.8	3,549.2	1,906.5	1,194.7	1,058.2	391.6	94.4	151.5	13,063.9
1973	4,771.4	3,603.4	1,961.2	1,210.0	1,080.4	394.0	98.1	162.9	13,281.2
1974	4,816.4	3,651.4	2,017.3	1,226.7	1,103.4	397.3	102.1	173.6	13,488.2
1975 (a)	4,865.9	3,700.3	2,066.4	1,245.1	1,133.1	402.1	98.5	184.4	13,695.7
1976	4,898.2	3,732.6	2,098.6	1,256.5	1,158.2	406.2	97.8	198.3	13,846.2
1977	4,933.5	3,764.4	2,122.8	1,268.8	1,183.3	409.1	103.8	206.1	13,991.8

(a) Adjusted to allow for the effect of cyclone "Tracy" on the Northern Territory population.

TABLE 11. MARRIAGES

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
MARRIAGES REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 December -									
1972	41,520	31,206	16,066	10,829	9,120	3,426	490	1,372	114,029
1973	40,722	30,203	16,490	10,806	9,102	3,395	513	1,469	112,700
1974	39,327	29,708	16,086	10,769	9,295	3,567	566	1,355	110,673
1975	36,958	27,806	15,230	9,843	9,026	3,242	406	1,462	103,973
1976	38,487	28,760	16,703	10,902	9,517	3,477	541	1,586	109,973
1977	36,159	27,558	15,737	10,126	10,063	p3,166	618	1,491	p104,918
Quarter ended -									
1972 -									
March	11,385	8,524	3,972	3,138	2,479	1,043	90	400	31,031
June	10,500	7,948	4,365	2,760	2,392	890	134	331	29,320
September	8,800	6,297	3,669	2,291	1,777	724	147	276	23,981
December	10,835	8,437	4,060	2,640	2,472	769	119	365	29,697
1973 -									
March	11,037	8,076	3,980	3,054	2,470	1,067	126	383	30,193
June	10,132	7,708	4,265	2,536	2,156	876	119	329	28,121
September	9,073	6,194	3,913	2,374	2,055	676	138	324	24,747
December	10,480	8,225	4,332	2,842	2,421	776	130	433	29,639
1974 -									
March	11,207	8,310	4,098	3,169	2,662	1,258	101	378	31,183
June	9,621	7,506	4,148	2,724	2,279	833	138	297	27,546
September	8,436	5,938	3,621	2,136	1,874	731	148	316	23,200
December	10,063	7,954	4,219	2,740	2,480	745	179	364	28,744
1975 -									
March	10,002	7,904	3,634	2,983	2,247	1,144	51	374	28,339
June	9,476	6,993	4,136	2,342	2,581	771	110	364	26,773
September	8,009	5,304	3,520	1,980	1,480	594	100	302	21,289
December	9,471	7,605	3,940	2,538	2,718	733	145	422	27,572
1976 -									
March	9,995	7,579	3,864	2,820	2,702	1,080	90	361	28,491
June	9,274	6,888	4,170	2,687	2,169	820	148	411	26,567
September	8,417	5,928	4,139	2,300	1,934	691	165	345	23,919
December	10,801	8,365	4,530	3,095	2,712	886	138	469	30,996
1977 -									
March	10,127	8,249	r3,920	3,072	2,899	1,100	135	412	r29,914
June	9,266	6,873	r4,294	2,546	2,573	812	162	335	r26,861
September	7,226	5,001	r3,454	1,868	1,825	p565	153	280	p20,372
December	9,540	7,435	4,069	2,640	2,766	p689	168	464	p27,771

CRUDE MARRIAGE RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)

	Year ended 31 December -								
1972	8.75	8.72	8.31	9.01	8.52	8.73	5.08	8.71	8.65
1973	8.50	8.33	8.29	8.87	8.35	8.58	5.14	8.74	8.42
1974	8.12	8.08	7.87	8.72	8.32	8.93	5.41	7.57	8.14
1975	7.57	7.48	7.31	7.86	7.87	8.02	4.50	7.66	7.55
1976	7.83	7.67	7.91	8.64	8.13	8.53	5.32	7.80	7.90
1977	7.30	7.29	7.36	7.93	8.41	7.71	5.81	7.14	7.45
Quarter ended - (a)									
1972 -									
March	9.62	9.56	8.28	10.47	9.30	10.64	3.77	10.40	9.46
June	8.85	8.89	9.03	9.18	8.93	9.08	5.55	8.38	8.90
September	7.40	7.02	7.54	7.60	6.61	7.38	6.04	6.87	7.25
December	9.08	9.36	8.28	8.73	9.15	7.81	4.85	8.89	8.94
1973 -									
March	9.23	8.93	8.06	10.06	9.11	10.79	5.10	9.29	9.06
June	8.45	8.50	8.58	8.33	7.91	8.86	4.77	7.82	8.41
September	7.56	6.81	7.82	7.77	7.50	6.82	5.47	7.57	7.37
December	8.70	9.01	8.58	9.26	8.78	7.81	5.11	9.95	8.79
1974 -									
March	9.28	9.07	8.07	10.30	9.59	12.63	3.91	8.61	9.21
June	7.95	8.17	8.11	8.81	8.16	8.34	5.29	6.61	8.10
September	6.95	6.44	7.05	6.89	6.67	7.30	5.56	6.96	6.80
December	8.25	8.58	8.14	8.74	8.72	7.40	9.93	7.88	8.39
1975 -									
March	8.20	8.52	7.00	9.54	7.87	11.34	2.32	8.01	8.25
June	7.76	7.52	7.94	7.48	9.00	7.62	4.92	7.63	7.78
September	6.55	5.70	6.73	6.32	5.14	5.86	4.18	6.22	6.51
December	7.74	8.15	7.50	8.07	9.38	7.21	5.93	8.42	7.96
1976 -									
March	8.15	8.11	7.34	8.96	9.28	10.62	3.56	7.16	8.21
June	7.55	7.36	7.90	8.52	7.42	8.05	5.84	8.09	7.64
September	6.84	6.32	7.84	7.28	6.56	6.76	6.40	6.76	6.88
December	8.76	8.90	8.56	9.76	9.16	8.68	5.32	9.12	8.88
1977 -									
March	8.20	8.75	7.38	9.67	9.77	10.74	5.17	7.97	8.54
June	7.49	7.28	8.05	7.99	8.62	7.92	6.16	6.45	7.64
September	5.83	5.28	6.46	5.84	6.08	p5.50	5.73	5.36	p5.76
December	7.67	7.84	7.57	8.24	9.16	p6.69	6.16	8.78	p7.86

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

TABLE 12. DIVORCES

<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>
DECREES GRANTED (b)									
1971	5,487	3,079	1,411	1,275	1,068	432	57	193	13,002
1972	7,062	3,664	1,737	1,241	1,244	446	88	225	15,707
1973	7,434	3,313	1,700	1,588	1,428	444	86	273	16,266
1974	7,139	4,465	1,844	1,566	1,761	536	64	369	17,744
1975	10,737	5,683	2,689	1,819	2,241	591	87	460	24,307
1976 (a)	22,157	16,633	9,619	6,148	4,818	1,761	423	1,708	63,267
1977p	15,567	10,859	7,714	4,520	3,964	1,097	176	1,278	45,175
CRUDE DIVORCE RATES (NUMBER (b) PER TEN THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)									
1971	11.73	8.75	7.49	10.75	10.25	11.07	6.18	13.30	10.05
1972	14.88	10.24	8.98	10.32	11.62	11.37	9.13	14.29	11.92
1973	15.51	9.13	8.55	13.03	13.09	11.22	8.61	16.23	12.15
1974	14.74	12.14	9.02	12.67	15.75	13.41	6.28	20.62	13.05
1975	21.98	15.28	12.90	14.52	19.54	14.61	9.64	24.09	17.65
1976 (a)	45.09	44.38	45.57	48.72	41.17	43.20	41.58	84.04	45.46
1977p	31.41	28.71	36.10	35.40	33.11	26.72	16.54	61.21	32.10

(a) The Family Law Act 1975, which replaced the Matrimonial Causes Act 1959, came into operation on 5 January 1976. (b) Decrees of dissolution, nullity and, for cases under the superseded legislation, judicial separation.

TABLE 13. LIVE BIRTHS

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	95,278	71,807	39,251	21,844	22,177	7,824	2,722	4,066	264,969
1973	87,332	67,123	38,067	20,407	20,510	7,326	2,809	4,096	247,670
1974	86,162	66,201	37,852	20,181	20,207	7,398	2,808	4,368	245,177
1975	80,918	61,897	36,403	19,986	20,338	6,982	2,118	4,370	233,012
1976	78,492	60,667	35,243	18,947	20,670	6,702	2,607	4,482	227,810
1977	77,996	59,518	34,935	19,260	20,651	6,735	p2,572	p4,643	p226,310
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	24,439	18,558	10,268	5,323	5,116	2,093	614	1,032	67,443
June	24,822	18,319	10,281	5,561	5,791	1,895	687	1,100	68,456
September	24,091	18,014	9,614	5,498	5,511	1,934	717	985	66,364
December	21,926	16,916	9,088	5,462	5,759	1,902	704	949	62,706
1973 —									
March	23,182	17,504	9,982	5,219	4,623	1,968	625	1,023	64,126
June	22,042	16,769	9,900	5,076	5,223	1,824	835	983	62,652
September	21,641	16,315	9,495	4,950	5,349	1,866	722	1,083	61,421
December	20,467	16,535	8,690	5,162	5,315	1,668	627	1,007	59,471
1974 —									
March	21,728	16,882	9,661	4,825	4,568	1,906	694	1,128	61,392
June	21,197	16,644	9,705	5,193	5,105	1,826	681	1,023	61,374
September	22,945	16,793	9,593	5,036	4,967	1,885	723	1,063	63,005
December	20,292	15,882	8,893	5,127	5,567	1,781	710	1,154	59,406
1975 —									
March	19,534	15,278	9,234	4,783	4,380	1,784	404	1,022	56,419
June	21,335	16,075	9,595	5,066	5,463	1,795	536	1,099	60,964
September	20,876	15,556	9,031	4,856	5,106	1,747	508	1,122	58,802
December	19,173	14,988	8,543	5,281	5,389	1,656	670	1,127	56,827
1976 —									
March	20,198	15,925	9,161	4,537	4,932	1,711	663	1,100	58,227
June	20,156	15,082	8,978	4,834	5,037	1,672	407	1,113	57,279
September	19,747	15,050	8,733	4,634	5,477	1,692	689	1,164	57,186
December	18,391	14,610	8,371	4,942	5,224	1,627	848	1,105	55,118
1977 —									
March	20,200	14,842	8,932	4,613	4,855	1,706	695	1,169	57,012
June	19,617	15,171	9,000	4,996	5,394	1,687	626	1,147	57,638
September	20,065	15,196	8,909	4,958	5,351	1,688	719	1,191	58,077
December	18,114	14,309	8,094	4,693	5,051	1,654	p532	p1,136	p53,583
CRUDE BIRTH RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)									
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	20.07	20.07	20.30	18.17	20.71	19.94	28.23	25.83	20.11
1973	18.22	18.50	19.14	16.75	18.81	18.51	28.13	24.36	18.51
1974	17.80	18.01	18.52	16.33	18.08	18.52	26.84	24.42	18.03
1975	16.56	16.65	17.46	15.95	17.73	17.26	23.46	22.88	16.92
1976	15.97	16.19	16.70	15.02	17.66	16.44	25.63	22.05	16.37
1977	15.74	15.74	16.35	15.09	17.25	16.40	p24.18	p22.24	p16.08
Quarter ended — (a)									
1972 —									
March	20.97	20.93	22.11	17.94	19.45	21.30	27.36	27.09	20.85
June	21.28	20.63	22.03	18.73	21.97	19.30	30.14	28.26	21.12
September	20.63	20.26	20.49	18.50	20.87	19.70	31.10	24.79	20.43
December	18.70	18.94	19.22	18.30	21.68	19.29	30.26	23.45	19.21
1973 —									
March	19.38	19.36	20.21	17.19	17.05	19.90	25.28	24.82	19.24
June	18.39	18.49	19.93	16.67	19.17	18.44	33.50	23.38	18.73
September	18.03	17.94	18.97	16.20	19.52	18.84	28.62	25.29	18.30
December	17.00	18.11	17.21	16.83	19.27	16.80	24.64	23.14	17.63
1974 —									
March	17.99	18.43	19.02	15.68	16.45	19.13	26.85	25.68	18.13
June	17.52	18.11	18.97	16.80	18.27	18.29	26.09	22.78	18.05
September	18.91	18.21	18.67	16.25	17.67	18.82	27.15	23.41	18.46
December	16.64	17.14	17.15	16.36	19.57	17.70	39.39	24.99	17.33
1975 —									
March	16.01	16.46	17.78	15.29	15.35	17.62	18.36	21.66	16.42
June	17.47	17.29	18.42	16.18	19.06	17.74	23.98	23.04	17.71
September	17.08	16.71	17.28	15.50	17.74	17.24	21.23	23.06	17.97
December	15.66	16.07	16.26	16.80	18.60	16.28	27.40	22.50	16.41
1976 —									
March	16.48	17.05	17.40	14.40	16.96	16.84	26.24	21.80	16.76
June	16.40	16.11	17.00	15.32	17.24	16.40	16.04	21.88	16.48
September	16.08	16.05	16.56	14.68	18.72	16.60	26.98	22.88	16.44
December	14.96	15.54	15.84	15.64	17.76	15.80	32.96	21.60	15.80
1977 —									
March	16.36	15.75	16.81	14.52	16.36	16.66	26.64	22.60	16.27
June	15.85	16.06	16.87	15.67	18.08	16.45	23.80	22.07	16.40
September	16.17	16.06	16.65	15.51	17.83	16.43	26.93	22.78	16.48
December	14.57	15.08	15.06	14.64	16.73	16.07	p19.52	p21.50	p15.16

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

TABLE 14. DEATHS

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS REGISTERED									
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	41,652	29,856	16,598	9,764	7,441	3,227	553	669	109,760
1973	41,122	30,696	16,732	9,835	7,845	3,347	580	665	110,822
1974	43,999	30,875	18,128	10,236	7,778	3,484	575	758	115,833
1975	40,497	29,499	16,421	9,947	7,972	3,339	610	736	109,021
1976	42,122	30,753	17,239	9,999	7,740	3,389	567	853	112,662
1977	40,380	29,478	16,415	9,784	7,899	3,271	783	787	108,797
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	9,633	6,545	3,770	2,119	1,601	805	104	153	24,730
June	10,442	7,444	4,035	2,355	1,722	789	161	163	27,111
September	12,097	8,557	5,022	2,740	2,042	879	133	191	31,661
December	9,480	7,310	3,771	2,550	2,076	754	155	162	26,258
1973 —									
March	10,205	7,194	4,205	2,245	1,699	789	124	162	26,623
June	10,010	7,426	4,028	2,424	1,771	841	134	160	26,794
September	11,340	8,798	4,628	2,657	2,085	924	149	171	30,752
December	9,567	7,278	3,871	2,509	2,290	793	173	172	26,653
1974 —									
March	8,576	7,118	3,962	2,233	1,653	820	149	151	24,662
June	10,636	7,486	4,368	2,516	1,919	878	135	174	28,112
September	14,466	8,993	5,749	2,933	2,091	991	119	249	35,591
December	10,321	7,278	4,049	2,554	2,115	795	172	184	27,468
1975 —									
March	8,593	6,949	3,733	1,988	1,759	849	158	134	24,163
June	10,075	7,447	4,163	2,636	1,815	823	99	221	27,279
September	12,146	8,080	4,662	2,722	2,240	879	171	198	31,098
December	9,683	7,023	3,863	2,601	2,158	788	182	183	26,481
1976 —									
March	9,339	6,941	3,913	1,994	1,714	804	86	181	24,972
June	10,075	8,056	4,104	2,757	1,783	957	126	201	28,059
September	13,191	8,661	5,306	2,776	2,214	875	159	241	33,423
December	9,517	7,095	3,916	2,472	2,029	753	196	230	26,208
1977 —									
March	9,554	6,935	3,824	2,114	1,794	778	186	169	25,354
June	9,718	7,280	4,033	2,398	1,885	803	r181	r213	r26,511
September	12,001	8,132	4,757	2,833	2,076	892	207	220	31,118
December	9,107	7,131	3,801	2,439	2,144	798	209	185	25,814

CRUDE DEATH RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND OF MEAN POPULATION)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	8.77	8.35	8.58	8.12	6.95	8.22	5.73	4.25	8.33
1973	8.58	8.46	8.41	8.07	7.19	8.46	5.81	3.95	8.28
1974	9.09	8.40	8.87	8.28	6.96	8.72	5.50	4.24	8.52
1975	8.29	7.93	7.88	7.94	6.95	8.26	6.76	3.85	7.91
1976	8.57	8.21	8.17	7.92	6.61	8.32	5.57	4.20	8.10
1977	8.15	7.79	7.68	7.66	6.60	7.97	7.36	3.77	7.73
Quarter ended — (a)									
1972 —									
March	8.27	7.38	8.12	7.14	6.09	8.19	4.63	4.02	7.65
June	8.95	8.39	8.65	7.93	6.53	8.04	7.06	4.19	8.36
September	10.36	9.63	10.70	9.22	7.73	8.96	5.77	4.81	9.75
December	8.09	8.18	7.98	8.54	7.82	7.65	6.66	4.00	8.04
1973 —									
March	8.53	7.96	8.51	7.39	6.26	7.98	5.02	3.93	7.99
June	8.35	8.19	8.11	7.96	6.50	8.50	5.38	3.80	8.01
September	9.45	9.68	9.25	8.70	7.61	9.33	5.91	3.99	9.16
December	7.95	7.97	7.67	8.18	8.30	7.99	6.80	3.95	7.90
1974 —									
March	7.10	7.77	7.80	7.26	5.95	8.23	5.76	3.44	7.28
June	8.79	8.14	8.57	8.14	6.87	8.80	5.17	3.88	8.27
September	11.92	9.75	11.19	9.46	7.44	9.89	4.47	5.48	10.43
December	8.46	7.86	7.81	8.15	7.44	7.90	9.54	3.98	8.01
1975 —									
March	7.04	7.49	7.19	6.36	6.16	8.42	7.18	2.87	7.03
June	8.25	8.01	7.99	8.42	6.33	8.13	4.43	4.63	7.92
September	9.93	8.68	8.92	8.69	7.78	8.68	7.06	4.01	9.51
December	7.91	7.53	7.35	8.27	7.45	7.76	7.40	3.65	7.65
1976 —									
March	7.60	7.43	7.44	6.32	5.88	7.92	3.40	3.60	7.20
June	8.20	8.61	7.76	8.76	6.08	9.40	4.96	4.00	8.08
September	10.72	9.24	10.04	8.80	7.52	8.56	6.24	4.72	9.60
December	7.72	7.55	7.40	7.64	6.84	7.36	7.72	4.52	7.48
1977 —									
March	7.73	7.36	7.20	6.65	6.05	7.60	7.13	3.27	7.24
June	7.85	7.71	7.57	7.52	6.32	7.83	r6.88	r4.10	r7.55
September	9.67	8.59	8.89	8.86	6.92	8.68	7.75	4.21	8.83
December	7.33	7.52	7.07	7.61	7.10	7.76	7.67	3.50	7.30

(a) Equivalent annual rates.

TABLE 15. DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE REGISTERED (a)									
Year ended 31 December —									
1972	1,663	1,048	697	367	348	127	113	67	4,430
1973	1,491	958	666	276	394	137	100	63	4,085
1974	1,428	989	606	312	327	123	103	70	3,958
1975	1,231	806	547	222	271	128	58	62	3,325
1976	1,152	702	535	276	273	77	59	76	3,150
1977	953	653	417	221	251	124	106	58	2,783
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	424	237	186	99	71	24	26	16	1,083
June	391	232	174	91	83	30	28	29	1,058
September	461	282	192	86	98	39	28	13	1,199
December	387	297	145	91	96	34	31	9	1,090
1973 —									
March	353	219	177	81	83	29	16	17	975
June	366	224	179	68	90	32	21	15	995
September	397	245	153	66	118	45	34	17	1,075
December	375	270	157	61	103	31	29	14	1,040
1974 —									
March	283	225	153	71	56	29	34	13	864
June	398	233	170	71	97	25	26	23	1,043
September	401	256	149	105	88	38	9	18	1,064
December	346	275	134	65	86	31	34	16	987
1975 —									
March	249	197	142	43	58	38	13	11	751
June	316	205	153	69	70	35	10	19	877
September	384	192	125	54	75	32	17	17	896
December	282	212	127	56	68	23	18	15	801
1976 —									
March	299	146	123	64	58	18	8	11	727
June	316	175	124	54	52	21	10	21	773
September	292	198	167	97	71	16	15	20	876
December	245	183	121	61	92	22	26	24	774
1977 —									
March	241	143	77	51	51	r21	30	14	r628
June	249	168	108	62	43	24	19	12	685
September	264	177	126	64	59	r54	r26	15	r785
December	199	165	106	44	98	25	31	17	685

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (NUMBER PER THOUSAND LIVE BIRTHS)

Year ended 31 December —									
1972	17.45	14.59	17.76	16.80	15.69	16.23	41.51	16.48	16.72
1973	17.07	14.27	17.50	13.52	19.21	18.70	35.61	15.38	16.49
1974	16.57	14.94	16.01	15.46	16.18	16.63	36.68	16.03	16.14
1975	15.21	13.02	15.03	11.11	13.32	18.33	27.38	14.19	14.27
1976	14.68	11.57	15.18	14.57	13.21	11.49	22.63	16.96	13.83
1977	12.22	10.97	11.94	11.47	12.15	18.41	41.21	12.49	12.30
Quarter ended —									
1972 —									
March	17.35	12.77	18.12	18.60	13.88	11.47	42.35	(c)	16.06
June	15.75	12.66	16.92	16.36	14.33	15.83	40.76	25.46	15.44
September	19.14	15.65	19.97	15.64	17.78	20.17	39.05	(c)	18.07
December	17.65	17.56	15.96	16.66	16.67	17.88	44.03	(c)	17.38
1973 —									
March	15.23	12.51	17.73	15.52	17.95	14.74	(c)	(c)	15.20
June	16.60	13.36	18.08	13.40	17.23	17.54	25.15	(c)	15.88
September	18.34	15.02	16.11	13.33	22.06	24.12	47.09	(c)	17.50
December	18.32	16.33	18.07	11.82	19.38	18.59	46.25	(c)	17.49
1974 —									
March	13.02	13.33	15.84	14.72	12.26	15.22	48.99	(c)	14.07
June	18.78	14.00	17.52	13.67	19.00	13.69	38.18	22.48	16.99
September	17.48	15.24	15.53	20.85	17.72	20.16	(c)	(c)	16.89
December	17.05	17.32	15.07	12.68	15.45	17.41	47.89	(c)	16.61
1975 —									
March	12.75	12.89	15.38	9.08	13.24	21.30	(c)	(c)	13.31
June	14.81	12.75	15.95	13.62	12.81	19.50	(c)	(c)	14.39
September	18.39	12.34	13.84	11.12	14.69	18.32	(c)	(c)	15.24
December	14.71	14.14	14.87	10.60	12.62	13.89	(c)	(c)	14.10
1976 —									
March	14.80	9.17	13.43	14.11	11.76	(c)	(c)	(c)	12.49
June	15.68	11.60	13.81	11.17	10.32	12.56	(c)	18.87	13.50
September	14.79	13.16	19.12	20.93	12.96	(c)	(c)	17.18	15.32
December	13.32	12.53	14.45	12.34	17.61	13.52	30.66	21.72	14.04
1977 —									
March	11.93	9.63	8.62	11.06	10.50	r12.31	43.17	(c)	r11.02
June	12.69	11.07	12.00	12.41	7.97	14.23	(c)	(c)	11.88
September	13.16	11.65	14.14	12.91	11.03	r31.99	r36.16	(c)	r13.52
December	10.99	11.53	13.10	9.38	19.40	15.11	p58.27	(c)	p12.78

(a) Included in preceding table. (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 reliable.