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## PREFACE

This report contains population and vital statistics data and brings together different sets of demographic indicators in the one publication. These statistics are presented in a format comparable with those published by the other State Offices of the ABS.

Data are presented in seven sections. The first of these shows a summary of vital events in the year, including comparisons with other States and Territories. This is followed by sections on population; births; deaths; marriages; divorces; and the indigenous population in South Australia.

Vital statistics are presented on the basis of numbers registered in the recording years, with the exception of tables at the end of both the Births and Deaths Sections, where data are shown according to when the event occurred rather than when it was registered. In relation to occurrence tables, it should be noted that they are progressively subject to revision, as earlier events are registered in later registration periods. Other tables compiled on the same basis are available upon request.

Details of divorces granted in 1993 are, for the first time, presented on both a State of usual residence at separation (Part A) and a State of registration basis (Part B).

Each section is preceded by a summary of findings for that area of data. A set of Explanatory Notes, and a Glossary of Terms, are to be found immediately before the Appendixes. The Notes and Glossary are aids to the interpretation of data, and should be read in conjunction with the tables.

Although this bulletin covers several areas of demographic and population statistics, it does not provide all available data. More specialised information may be found in the bulletins listed in the Explanatory Notes under 'Related publications'. A full list of the data items collected in the Vital Statistics collections is shown in Appendix A. Further data may be obtained through the ABS Information Services, 55 Currie Street, Adelaide, telephone (08) 237 7100, or by contacting Brian Moody (08) 237 7315.

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SECTION 1 : DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY
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**Population**

In 1993, the lowest State population growth rates were recorded by Victoria (0.2 per cent), Tasmania (0.3 per cent) and South Australia (0.4 per cent). Queensland was the fastest growing State, with 2.7 per cent. The growth rate for Australia was 1.0 per cent.

**Births**

The crude birth rate for South Australia (13.7) was the lowest of all States. The total fertility rate (1.784) was lower than that for Australia (1.865), while the median ages of parents in South Australia were higher than the Australian figures.

**Deaths**

South Australia had the highest crude death rate in Australia, with 7.9 deaths per 1,000 of population. The lowest death rates were in the Australian Capital Territory (3.7) and the Northern Territory (4.5). The ACT also had the lowest infant death rate (4.3 per 1,000 live births) and South Australia had the second lowest, at 5.2. The Northern Territory had the highest rate at 15.3 infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

The median age at death for males in South Australia (73.7 years) was the highest of the States and Territories, and compared with the Australian figure of 72.9. Victoria had the highest median age at death for females at 80.1 years, while the South Australian figure was 79.9, and the Australian median age at death for females was 79.5 years. The Northern Territory had the lowest median age at death for both males and females (53.7 and 56.8 respectively).

**Marriages and Divorces**

South Australia recorded crude rates of 6.2 marriages and 2.7 divorces per 1,000 estimated resident population. The marriage rate was just below the national figure of 6.4, while the divorce rate for South Australia was the same as that for Australia.

There was a slightly lower proportion of parties being married for the first time in South Australia when compared with Australia as a whole (65.8 per cent of all marriages, compared with 67.1 per cent). Despite this, the median age of bridegrooms for all marriages was the same as the Australian median age (28.8), while the median age of brides was only 0.1 of a year lower than the Australian figure, at 26.3.

The median duration of marriages which ended in divorce was 11.3 years in South Australia, compared with 10.7 years for the whole of Australia.

**Small area demographic summary**

The Statistical Local Area with the highest birth rate, for the second year in a row, was Roxby Downs, with 23.8 live births for every 1,000 persons usually resident in the municipality. Roxby Downs, which had an estimated resident population of 2,479, also had the same low death rate as 1992 (0.8 deaths per 1,000 persons).

In the Adelaide Statistical Division (ASD), Munno Para had the highest birth rate (19.9) and the third lowest death rate (3.6). Elizabeth, which had a birth rate of 18.8, had the highest ex-nuptial rate in the ASD at 54.0 per cent.

The areas with the lowest death rates in the ASD were Happy Valley (2.5) and East Torrens (3.5). Tea Tree Gully, which in 1992 shared the second lowest death rate with East Torrens, was fourth lowest in 1993, with a rate of 3.7 deaths per 1,000 persons.

TABLE 1. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY (a): STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1993

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia(b)
<b>Population p</b> —									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6,023.5	4,468.3	3,155.4	<b>1,466.5</b>	1,687.3	472.1	170.5	299.3	17,745.8
Components of population change(c) —									
Natural increase(d)	46,106	32,915	26,735	<b>8,527</b>	14,816	3,168	2,845	3,194	138,486
Net overseas migration(e)	14,889	7,599	3,916	<b>1,745</b>	5,355	106	516	-626	33,485
Net interstate migration	-16,148	-31,533	53,037	<b>-4,138</b>	599	-1,926	-1,461	1,570	..
<i>Total increase</i>	<i>44,847</i>	<i>8,981</i>	<i>83,688</i>	<i>6,134</i>	<i>20,770</i>	<i>1,348</i>	<i>1,900</i>	<i>4,178</i>	<i>171,971</i>
Growth rate (%)	0.8	0.2	2.7	<b>0.4</b>	1.2	0.3	1.1	1.4	1.0
<b>Births and confinements</b> —									
Live births—									
Number	89,354	64,049	46,778	<b>20,078</b>	25,081	6,835	3,603	4,414	260,229
Crude birth rate	14.9	14.3	15.0	<b>13.7</b>	15.0	14.5	21.2	14.8	14.7
Total fertility rate	1.912	1.784	1.907	<b>1.784</b>	1.881	1.930	2.306	1.693	1.865
Female net reproduction rate	0.918	0.859	0.913	<b>0.862</b>	0.902	0.923	1.063	0.829	0.896
All confinements —									
Number	88,163	63,172	46,122	<b>19,802</b>	24,725	6,773	3,560	4,349	256,703
Median age of mother (years)	28.9	29.3	28.3	<b>29.1</b>	28.7	27.9	26.7	29.1	28.9
Nuptial confinements —									
Median age (years) —									
Father	32.2	32.1	31.7	<b>32.2</b>	32.0	31.4	32.1	32.1	32.0
Mother	29.7	29.9	29.4	<b>30.0</b>	29.7	29.0	29.5	29.8	29.7
First nuptial confinements —									
Number	26,805	20,769	12,960	<b>6,220</b>	6,868	2,079	644	1,357	77,718
Median age of mother	28.2	28.5	28.0	<b>28.6</b>	28.3	27.6	28.4	28.3	28.3
<b>Deaths</b> —									
Number	43,069	31,197	19,972	<b>11,528</b>	10,316	3,637	765	1,110	121,599
Crude death rate	7.2	7.0	6.4	<b>7.9</b>	6.2	7.7	4.5	3.7	6.9
Median age at death (years) —									
Males	72.8	73.5	72.6	<b>73.7</b>	72.6	73.1	53.7	69.8	72.9
Females	79.5	80.1	79.0	<b>79.9</b>	79.8	79.0	56.8	77.4	79.5
Infant death rate	6.2	5.4	7.0	<b>5.2</b>	5.9	5.9	15.3	4.3	6.1
<b>Marriages</b> —									
Number registered	39,993	27,418	20,704	<b>9,114</b>	10,382	3,055	806	1,783	113,255
Crude marriage rate	6.7	6.1	6.6	<b>6.2</b>	6.2	6.5	4.8	6.0	6.4
First marriage, both partners	26,976	19,195	13,463	<b>5,998</b>	6,677	1,957	502	1,200	75,968
First marriage, one partner	7,689	4,737	3,994	<b>1,590</b>	2,023	567	201	322	21,123
Remarriage, both partners	5,328	3,486	3,247	<b>1,526</b>	1,682	531	103	261	16,164
Median age at marriage (years) —									
Bridegroom	28.9	28.6	28.7	<b>28.8</b>	29.3	28.6	30.7	29.0	28.8
Bride	26.4	26.4	26.2	<b>26.3</b>	26.5	26.0	27.7	26.6	26.4
<b>Divorces(f)</b> —									
Number granted	16,358	10,935	8,501	<b>3,939</b>	4,620	1,425	390	887	48,324
Crude divorce rate	2.7	2.4	2.7	<b>2.7</b>	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.0	2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.3	10.6	11.0	<b>11.3</b>	11.5	11.1	10.6	11.1	10.7
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.1	7.7	7.9	<b>8.2</b>	8.1	8.3	6.9	8.2	7.6

(a) For definitions used see the Glossary of Terms. For the latest releases of population data, users should refer to *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0). (b) Includes Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands for population, births and deaths. Divorces include Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, and usual residence overseas and not stated. (c) Components of population change from previous year. (d) Final figures for births and deaths may differ slightly from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates because it is necessary to use preliminary births and deaths when finalising population estimates. (e) Net overseas migration includes an estimate of those persons who changed category (e.g. from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia). (f) This data is not directly comparable with that from previous years. From 1993 divorces are shown by State of usual residence at time of separation of the parties, whereas in previous years, the numbers were based on where in Australia the Family Court registered the decree absolute.

TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

STATISTICAL DIVISION Subdivision and Statistical local area	Estimated resident population(a)	Births				Deaths	
		Ex-nuptial	Nuptial	Total	Rate(b)	Number	Rate(b)
<b>ADELAIDE —</b>	1,071,066	3,436	10,637	14,073	13.1	8,464	7.9
<i>Northern</i>	329,277	1,481	3,731	5,212	15.8	1,758	5.3
Elizabeth (C)	28,600	290	247	537	18.8	216	7.6
Enfield (C) Pt A	45,506	216	356	572	12.6	438	9.6
Gawler (M)	16,667	63	190	253	15.2	144	8.6
Munno Para (C)	35,356	219	486	705	19.9	127	3.6
Salisbury (C)	110,753	535	1,411	1,946	17.6	487	4.4
Tea Tree Gully (C)	92,395	158	1,041	1,199	13.0	346	3.7
<i>Western</i>	210,758	745	1,881	2,626	12.5	2,101	10.0
Enfield (C) Pt B	16,681	119	157	276	16.6	181	10.9
Henley & Grange (C)	14,543	37	127	164	11.3	160	11.0
Hindmarsh (M)	8,553	43	90	133	15.6	131	15.3
Port Adelaide (C)(c)	39,173	159	378	537	13.7	383	9.8
Thebarton (M)	7,756	25	65	90	11.6	68	8.8
West Torrens (C)	43,820	120	379	499	11.4	495	11.3
Woodville (C)	80,232	242	685	927	11.6	683	8.5
<i>Eastern</i>	216,392	398	1,898	2,296	10.6	2,339	10.8
Adelaide (C)	11,434	17	65	82	7.2	164	14.3
Burnside (C)	39,343	45	263	308	7.8	425	10.8
Campbelltown (C)	45,478	116	406	522	11.5	381	8.4
East Torrens (DC)	6,922	14	72	86	12.4	24	3.5
Kensington & Norwood (C)	9,051	16	68	84	9.3	150	16.6
Payneham (C)	16,012	30	156	186	11.6	203	12.7
Prospect (C)	19,211	44	196	240	12.5	190	9.9
St Peters (M)	8,231	14	86	100	12.2	108	13.1
Stirling (DC)	17,195	29	196	225	13.1	76	4.4
Unley (C)	36,585	65	346	411	11.2	535	14.6
Walkerville (M)	6,930	8	44	52	7.5	83	12.0
<i>Southern</i>	314,639	812	3,127	3,939	12.5	2,266	7.2
Brighton (C)	19,252	32	114	146	7.6	279	14.5
Glenelg (C)	12,817	37	85	122	9.5	208	16.2
Happy Valley (C)	37,881	53	467	520	13.7	95	2.5
Manion (C)	77,565	209	757	966	12.5	656	8.5
Mitcham (C)	62,888	89	522	611	9.7	566	9.0
Noarlunga (C)	90,223	352	1,032	1,384	15.3	386	4.3
Willunga (DC)	14,013	40	150	190	13.6	76	5.4
<b>OUTER ADELAIDE —</b>	99,608	272	1,054	1,326	13.3	680	6.8
<i>Barossa</i>	40,474	124	433	557	13.8	250	6.2
Angaston (DC)	7,067	18	68	86	12.2	57	8.1
Barossa (DC)	5,029	18	63	81	16.1	22	4.4
Gumeracha (DC)	6,282	17	69	86	13.7	27	4.3
Kapunda (DC)	3,358	15	26	41	12.2	22	6.6
Light (DC)	5,709	7	58	65	11.4	25	4.4
Mallala (DC)	6,615	30	81	111	16.8	31	4.7
Mount Pleasant (DC)	2,385	11	21	32	13.4	11	4.6
Tanunda (DC)	4,029	8	47	55	13.7	55	13.7
<i>Kangaroo Island</i>	4,118	11	36	47	11.4	26	6.3
Dudley (DC)	715	—	6	6	8.4	5	7.0
Kingscote (DC)	3,403	11	30	41	12.1	21	6.2
<i>Onkaparinga</i>	28,386	69	371	440	15.5	154	5.4
Mount Barker (DC)	20,259	53	277	330	16.3	111	5.5
Onkaparinga (DC)	8,127	16	94	110	13.5	43	5.3
<i>Fleurieu</i>	26,630	68	214	282	10.6	250	9.4
Port Elliot & Goolwa (DC)	7,744	21	62	83	10.7	76	9.8
Strathalbyn (DC)	6,737	16	74	90	13.4	57	8.5
Victor Harbor (DC)	8,604	19	50	69	8.0	95	11.0
Yankalilla (DC)	3,545	12	28	40	11.3	22	6.2

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993—continued

STATISTICAL DIVISION Subdivision and Statistical local area	Estimated resident population(a)	Births				Deaths	
		Ex-nuptial	Nuptial	Total	Rate(b)	Number	Rate(b)
<b>YORKE AND LOWER NORTH —</b>	44,629	123	456	579	13.0	484	10.8
<i>Yorke</i>	24,734	63	220	283	11.4	306	12.4
Bute (DC)	1,075	1	4	5	4.7	4	3.7
Central Yorke Peninsula (DC)(d)	5,275	12	59	71	13.5	49	9.3
Minlaton (DC)	2,470	3	22	25	10.1	34	13.8
Northern Yorke Peninsula(DC)	8,005	27	71	98	12.2	99	12.4
Port Broughton (DC)	1,415	2	13	15	10.6	23	16.3
Wailaroo (M)	2,314	10	14	24	10.4	46	19.9
Warooka (DC)	1,102	4	13	17	15.4	11	10.0
Yorke town (DC)	3,078	4	24	28	9.1	40	13.0
<i>Lower North</i>	19,895	60	236	296	14.9	178	9.0
Blyth-Snowtown (DC)	2,153	6	25	31	14.4	17	7.9
Burra Burra (DC)	2,135	5	24	29	13.6	28	13.1
Clare (DC)	4,146	23	49	72	17.4	31	7.5
Eudunda (DC)	1,402	2	21	23	16.4	12	8.6
Riverton (DC)	1,621	4	18	22	13.6	20	12.3
Robertstown (DC)	828	2	6	8	9.7	3	3.6
Saddleworth & Auburn (DC)	2,241	5	24	29	12.9	13	5.8
Spalding (DC)	519	—	10	10	19.3	7	13.5
Wakefield Plains (DC)	4,850	13	59	72	14.8	47	9.7
<b>MURRAY LANDS —</b>	66,965	335	756	1,091	16.3	504	7.5
<i>Riverland</i>	34,205	157	381	538	15.7	250	7.3
Barmera (DC)	4,501	20	55	75	16.7	38	8.4
Berri (DC)	6,917	30	81	111	16.1	48	6.9
Browns Well (DC)	264	—	5	5	18.9	1	3.8
Loxton (DC)	7,160	26	79	105	14.7	58	8.1
Morgan (DC)	1,215	4	9	13	10.7	13	10.7
Paringa (DC)	1,557	7	21	28	18.0	6	3.9
Renmark (M)	7,671	47	78	125	16.3	50	6.5
Waikerie (DC)	4,739	23	53	76	16.0	36	7.6
Unincorp. Riverland	181	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Murray Mallee</i>	32,760	178	375	553	16.9	254	7.8
Coonahpyn Downs (DC)	1,535	1	24	25	16.3	8	5.2
Karoonda - East Murray (DC)	1,407	2	16	18	12.8	6	4.3
Lameroo (DC)	1,310	3	18	21	16.0	14	10.7
Mannum (DC)	3,079	6	25	31	10.1	38	12.3
Meningie (DC)	4,032	32	48	80	19.8	28	6.9
Murray Bridge (DC)	16,483	118	175	293	17.8	129	7.8
Peake (DC)	904	—	15	15	16.6	3	3.3
Pinnaroo (DC)	1,111	4	18	22	19.8	8	7.2
Ridley - Truro (DC)	2,899	12	36	48	16.6	20	6.9
<b>SOUTH EAST —</b>	61,972	237	802	1,039	16.8	469	7.6
<i>Upper South East</i>	18,793	62	268	330	17.6	151	8.0
Lacepede (DC)	2,425	12	41	53	21.9	16	6.6
Lucindale (DC)	1,450	3	15	18	12.4	7	4.8
Naracoorte (M)	4,753	20	75	95	20.0	55	11.6
Naracoorte (DC)	1,872	2	17	19	10.1	7	3.7
Robe (DC)	1,277	4	11	15	11.8	13	10.2
Tatiara (DC)	7,016	21	109	130	18.5	53	7.6
<i>Lower South East</i>	43,179	175	534	709	16.4	318	7.4
Beachport (DC)	1,698	—	10	10	5.9	2	1.2
Millicent (DC)	7,948	44	106	150	18.9	66	8.3
Mount Gambier (C)	22,456	109	298	407	18.1	183	8.2
Mount Gambier (DC)	5,074	4	50	54	10.6	23	4.5
Penola (DC)	3,474	10	40	50	14.4	29	8.4
Port MacDonnell (DC)	2,529	8	30	38	15.0	15	5.9

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993—continued

STATISTICAL DIVISION Subdivision and Statistical local area	Estimated resident population(a)	Births				Deaths	
		Ex-nuptial	Nuptial	Total	Rate(b)	Number	Rate(b)
EYRE—	32,942	149	378	527	16.0	268	8.1
<i>Lincoln</i>	26,788	105	315	420	15.7	219	8.2
Cleve (DC)	2,039	1	36	37	18.1	15	7.4
Elliston (DC)	1,278	3	17	20	15.7	10	7.8
Franklin Harbor (DC)	1,247	2	13	15	12.0	10	8.0
Kimba (DC)	1,326	3	22	25	18.9	13	9.8
Le Hunte (DC)	1,726	2	25	27	15.6	6	3.5
Lower Eyre Peninsula (DC)(e)	3,909	15	43	58	14.8	15	3.8
Port Lincoln (C)	12,542	73	137	210	16.7	125	10.0
Tumby Bay (DC)	2,721	6	22	28	10.3	25	9.2
<i>West Coast</i>	6,154	44	63	107	17.4	49	8.0
Murat Bay (DC)	3,546	33	34	67	18.9	30	8.5
Streaky Bay (DC)	1,910	10	21	31	16.2	12	6.3
Unincorp. West Coast	698	1	8	9	12.9	7	10.0
NORTHERN—	85,670	542	884	1,426	16.7	632	7.4
<i>Whyalla</i>	25,435	196	271	467	18.4	160	6.3
Whyalla (C)	25,016	191	270	461	18.4	158	6.3
Unincorp. Whyalla	419	5	1	6	14.3	2	4.8
<i>Pirie</i>	27,666	119	301	420	15.2	260	9.4
Crystal Brook-Redhill (DC)	2,190	9	36	45	20.6	27	12.3
Hallett (DC)	619	1	5	6	9.7	3	4.9
Jamestown (DC)	2,282	4	25	29	12.7	12	5.3
Orroroo (DC)	993	2	13	15	15.1	15	15.1
Peterborough (M)	2,125	23	20	43	20.2	25	11.8
Peterborough (DC)	339	2	3	5	14.8	2	5.9
Pirie (DC)	1,441	4	9	13	9.0	5	3.5
Port Pirie (C)	14,829	68	151	219	14.8	148	10.0
Rocky River(DC)	2,447	5	35	40	16.4	21	8.6
Unincorp. Pirie	401	1	4	5	12.5	2	5.0
<i>Flinders Ranges</i>	22,208	140	194	334	15.0	170	7.7
Carrieton (DC)	188	—	2	2	10.6	3	16.0
Hawker (DC)	523	1	6	7	13.4	6	11.5
Kanyaka - Quorn (DC)	1,389	6	9	15	10.8	14	10.1
Mount Remarkable (DC)	13,137	9	33	42	13.4	17	5.4
Port Augusta (C)	14,758	106	122	228	15.5	124	8.4
Unincorp. Flinders Ranges	2,213	18	22	40	18.1	6	2.7
<i>Far North</i>	10,361	87	118	205	19.8	42	4.1
Coober Pedy (DC)	2,264	12	27	39	17.2	14	6.2
Roxby Downs (M)	2,479	11	48	59	23.8	2	0.8
Unincorp. Far North	5,618	64	43	107	19.1	26	4.6
OTHER(f)	..	2	15	17	..	27	..
<b>Total South Australia</b>	<b>1,462,852</b>	<b>5,096</b>	<b>14,982</b>	<b>20,078</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>11,528</b>	<b>7.9</b>

(a) Population data is published in *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, South Australia* (3204.4). (b) Per 1,000 mid-year population of the relevant statistical local area. (c) Includes Unincorporated Western. (d) Includes Unincorporated Yorke. (e) Includes Unincorporated Lincoln. (f) Includes usual residence not stated, overseas, and of no fixed abode.

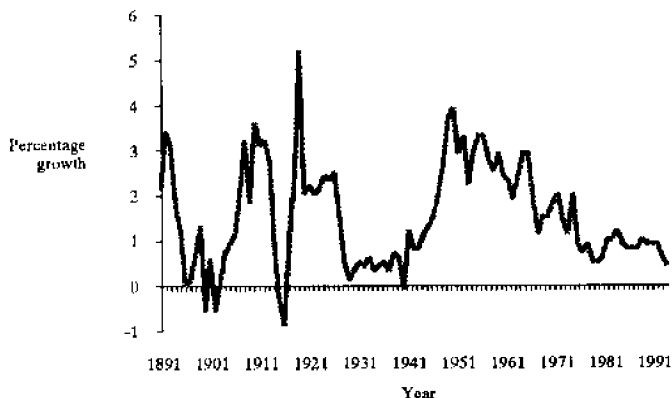
## SECTION 2 : POPULATION

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### Overview

South Australia's estimated resident population at 31 December 1993 was 1,466,500 persons, comprising 728,100 males and 738,500 females.

**PERCENTAGE POPULATION GROWTH RATE  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1891 TO 1993**



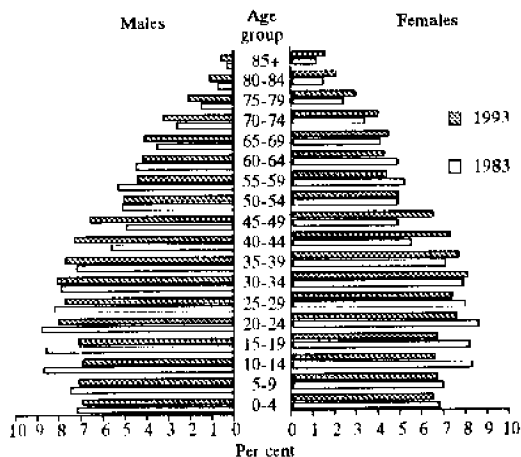
#### Growth in 1993

South Australia experienced positive population growth in 1993, with a natural increase of 8,500 persons and net overseas migration of 1,700 persons. However, the net loss in interstate migration was 4,100 persons, nearly twice the net loss in 1992 (2,600 persons).

Permanent arrivals to South Australia were 24.3 per cent fewer in 1993 (3,180) than in 1992 (4,200). Permanent departures increased by 0.7 per cent to 1,490 in 1993.

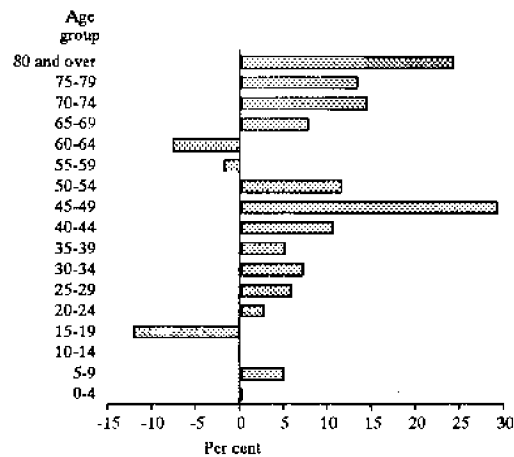
#### Age structure of the population

**PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION IN AGE GROUPS,  
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, JUNE 1983 AND 1993,  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA**



At 30 June 1993, 14.3 per cent of males (103,619) and 13.3 per cent of females (97,700) were under ten years of age. Since 1973, the proportion of the population aged less than 15 years has fallen from 28.9 per cent to 20.6 per cent, while the proportion of the population aged 65 years or more has risen from 8.8 per cent to 13.4.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN PERSONS BY AGE GROUP  
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, JUNE 1988 AND 1993  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA



### Population projections

The South Australian population is expected to grow from 1.47 million in 1993 to between 1.62 and 1.74 million in the year 2041, entering a period of stable or even declining population towards the middle of the next century. The projections shown in the graph below are based on various assumptions made about future rates of the components of population change – births, deaths and migration. Further details are available in the publication *Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1993 to 2041* (3222.0).

PROJECTED POPULATION, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1993 to 2041

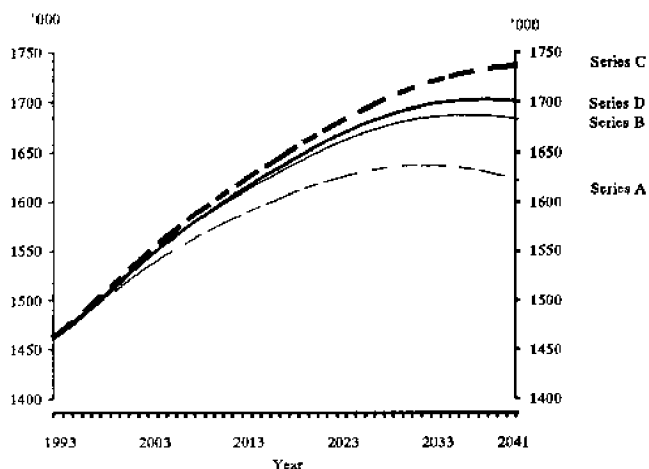


TABLE 3. POPULATION(a): SUMMARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Particulars	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992r	1993p
<b>Estimated resident population</b>						
<b>at 31 December('000):</b>						
Males	701.2	707.4	713.9	720.5	725.0	728.1
Females	711.2	718.0	725.0	731.4	735.4	738.5
Persons	1,412.3	1,425.53	1,438.9	1,451.9	1,460.4	1,466.5
<b>Components of population change ('000)(b)</b>						
Net natural increase(c)	8.6	8.0	8.8	8.2	8.4	8.5
Net overseas migration(d)	7.2	5.8	4.7	4.0	1.8	1.7
Net interstate migration	-1.2	-0.1	0.5	0.6	-2.6	-4.1
<b>Total population growth(e):</b>						
Number	13.4	13.1	13.4	12.7	7.4	6.1
Percentage increase(f)	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.4
<b>Overseas arrivals and departures(g)</b>						
<b>Permanent movement:</b>						
Arrivals	6,770	4,260	6,080	5,430	4,200	3,180
Departures;	1,220	1,360	1,550	1,580	1,480	1,490
Former settlers	670	760	740	890	810	760
Other Australian residents	520	550	600	810	690	660
<b>Long-term movement:</b>						
Arrivals;	5,340	5,190	5,590	6,623	5,840	9,810
Australian residents returning	3,280	3,090	3,280	3,420	3,530	4,050
Overseas visitors arriving	2,060	2,100	2,310	2,400	2,310	2,580
Departures;	4,870	4,800	5,450	5,230	5,350	6,940
Australian residents departing	3,240	3,330	3,820	3,580	3,610	3,540
Overseas visitors departing	1,630	1,470	1,630	1,650	1,740	1,910
<b>Short-term movement:</b>						
Arrivals;	142,500	148,500	168,500	178,944	169,200	188,751
Australian residents returning	90,200	95,300	101,500	103,600	112,300	111,880
Overseas visitors arriving	52,200	53,200	61,100	59,100	56,900	67,070
Departures;	151,100	150,600	170,100	175,900	180,300	185,660
Australian residents departing	91,800	97,300	108,500	110,500	121,300	114,120
Overseas visitors departing	59,300	53,400	61,600	65,400	59,000	64,610

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. For the latest releases of population data, users should refer to *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0). (b) From previous year. (c) Final figures for births and deaths may differ slightly from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates, which are compiled at a preliminary stage. Figures for births and deaths are on a year of occurrence basis, and differ from those found in Sections 3 and 4 of this publication (Births and Deaths) which are on a year of registration basis. (d) Includes an estimate of those persons who changed category from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia. (e) For data up to 1991, differences between the total increase shown, and the sum its components arise from retrospective adjustments made to eliminate intercensal discrepancy. (f) Percentage increase over the previous year's estimated resident population. (g) Statistics have been rounded to the nearest 100 for short-term movement, and to the nearest 10 for permanent and long-term movement.



TABLE 4. ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION(a) BY AGE AND SEX, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	10,159	9,482	19,641	50	7,882	7,567	15,449
1	10,021	9,574	19,595	51	7,631	7,451	15,082
2	10,341	9,656	19,997	52	7,467	7,330	14,797
3	10,392	9,796	20,188	53	7,053	6,838	13,891
4	10,362	9,594	19,956	54	7,167	7,151	14,318
0-4	51,275	48,102	99,377	50-54	37,200	36,337	73,537
5	10,222	9,550	19,772	55	6,824	6,806	13,630
6	10,189	9,791	19,980	56	6,657	6,669	13,326
7	10,591	9,996	20,587	57	6,446	6,470	12,916
8	10,567	10,068	20,635	58	6,158	6,150	12,308
9	10,775	10,193	20,968	59	6,267	6,279	12,546
5-9	52,344	49,598	101,942	55-59	32,352	32,374	64,726
10	10,500	9,917	20,417	60	6,073	6,021	12,094
11	10,275	9,921	20,196	61	5,985	6,115	12,100
12	10,242	9,868	20,110	62	6,367	6,729	13,096
13	9,945	9,332	19,277	63	6,585	6,364	12,949
14	10,033	9,323	19,356	64	6,499	6,640	13,139
10-14	50,995	48,361	99,356	60-64	31,509	31,869	63,378
15	9,897	9,472	19,369	65	6,426	6,655	13,081
16	10,226	9,643	19,869	66	6,375	6,786	13,161
17	10,405	9,884	20,289	67	6,292	6,939	13,231
18	10,690	10,162	20,852	68	5,877	6,468	12,345
19	10,803	10,248	21,051	69	5,825	6,379	12,204
15-19	52,021	49,409	101,430	65-69	30,795	33,227	64,022
20	11,373	10,849	22,222	70	5,377	6,407	11,784
21	11,994	11,409	23,403	71	5,154	6,209	11,363
22	12,301	11,680	23,981	72	5,070	6,253	11,323
23	11,822	11,318	23,140	73	4,523	5,430	9,953
24	11,462	11,049	22,511	74	3,677	4,796	8,473
20-24	58,952	56,305	115,257	70-74	23,801	29,095	52,896
25	11,325	10,769	22,094	75	3,512	4,786	8,298
26	10,978	10,463	21,441	76	3,296	4,482	7,778
27	11,211	10,828	22,039	77	3,202	4,434	7,636
28	11,312	11,165	22,477	78	3,059	4,315	7,374
29	11,799	11,311	23,110	79	2,773	4,164	6,937
25-29	56,625	54,536	111,161	75-79	15,842	22,181	38,023
30	11,770	11,696	23,466	80	2,314	3,764	6,078
31	11,912	11,819	23,731	81	2,014	3,384	5,398
32	12,472	12,367	24,839	82	1,762	3,058	4,820
33	12,032	12,021	24,053	83	1,439	2,701	4,140
34	11,565	11,736	23,301	84	1,321	2,410	3,731
30-34	59,751	59,639	119,390	80-84	8,850	15,317	24,167
35	11,600	11,500	23,100	85	1,012	2,137	3,149
36	11,396	11,495	22,891	86	878	1,870	2,748
37	11,479	11,472	22,951	87	752	1,535	2,287
38	11,161	10,939	22,100	88	517	1,310	1,827
39	10,968	11,094	22,062	89	417	1,047	1,464
35-39	56,604	56,500	113,104	85-89	3,576	7,899	11,475
40	10,905	10,915	21,820	90	295	884	1,179
41	10,581	10,651	21,232	91	255	741	996
42	10,971	11,189	22,160	92	196	521	717
43	10,825	10,488	21,313	93	118	461	579
44	10,764	10,663	21,427	94	90	332	422
40-44	54,046	53,906	107,952	90-94	954	2,939	3,893
45	10,607	10,519	21,126	95 and over	193	892	1,085
46	11,008	10,731	21,739				
47	9,411	9,552	18,963	All ages	726,239	736,613	1,462,852
48	8,990	8,999	17,989				
49	8,538	8,326	16,864				
45-49	48,554	48,127	96,681				

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

TABLE 5. PROJECTED POPULATION, SOUTH AUSTRALIA ('000)

At 30 June	Series A			Series B			Series C			Series D		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1993(a)	725.6	736.1	1461.7	725.6	736.1	1461.7	725.6	736.1	1461.7	725.6	736.1	1461.7
1994	728.7	739.4	1468.0	729.7	740.3	1470.0	728.9	739.6	1468.5	728.7	739.4	1468.0
1995	732.2	743.0	1475.2	733.8	744.4	1478.3	732.8	743.5	1476.3	732.3	743.1	1475.5
1996	736.2	747.1	1483.3	738.1	748.8	1486.9	737.2	748.0	1485.2	736.6	747.4	1484.0
1997	740.2	751.1	1491.3	742.4	753.0	1495.5	741.7	752.5	1494.2	740.9	751.8	1492.7
1998	744.2	755.0	1499.2	746.7	757.3	1503.9	746.3	757.0	1503.3	745.4	756.2	1501.6
1999	748.1	758.9	1507.0	751.1	761.7	1512.8	750.9	761.6	1512.6	749.9	760.7	1510.6
2000	751.9	762.7	1514.7	755.6	766.0	1521.6	755.6	766.2	1521.8	754.4	765.3	1519.6
2001	755.6	766.4	1522.0	759.9	770.2	1530.1	760.2	770.7	1530.9	758.8	769.7	1528.4
2002	759.2	769.9	1529.1	764.0	774.3	1538.2	764.8	775.2	1540.0	763.0	774.0	1537.0
2003	762.6	773.3	1535.8	768.0	778.2	1546.2	769.2	779.6	1548.8	767.2	778.1	1545.3
2004	765.8	776.5	1542.3	771.8	782.0	1553.8	773.4	783.8	1557.2	771.2	782.1	1553.3
2005	768.9	779.6	1548.5	775.5	785.7	1561.2	777.5	787.9	1565.4	775.0	786.0	1561.0
2006	771.8	782.6	1554.4	779.0	789.2	1568.2	781.5	791.8	1573.3	778.7	789.8	1568.5
2007	774.6	785.4	1560.0	782.4	792.6	1575.0	785.3	795.6	1580.9	782.3	793.5	1575.7
2008	777.2	788.1	1565.4	785.7	795.9	1581.6	789.0	799.3	1588.2	785.7	797.0	1582.7
2009	779.8	790.7	1570.5	788.9	799.1	1588.0	792.5	802.8	1595.4	789.1	800.5	1589.5
2010	782.2	793.3	1575.5	792.0	802.2	1594.3	796.0	806.4	1602.4	792.4	803.8	1596.2
2011	784.6	795.7	1580.3	795.0	805.3	1600.3	799.4	809.8	1609.2	795.5	807.1	1602.7
2012	786.9	798.1	1585.0	798.0	808.3	1606.2	802.7	813.1	1615.9	798.6	810.4	1609.0
2013	789.1	800.4	1589.5	800.8	811.2	1612.0	805.9	816.4	1622.4	801.7	813.6	1615.2
2014	791.2	802.7	1593.9	803.6	814.1	1617.7	809.1	819.7	1628.8	804.6	816.7	1621.3
2015	793.2	804.9	1598.1	806.3	816.9	1623.2	812.2	822.9	1635.1	807.5	819.8	1627.3
2016	795.2	807.0	1602.2	808.9	819.7	1628.6	815.2	826.0	1641.3	810.4	822.8	1633.1
2017	797.1	809.1	1606.2	811.5	822.4	1633.9	818.2	829.1	1647.3	813.1	825.8	1638.9
2018	798.9	811.1	1610.0	813.9	825.0	1639.0	821.1	832.2	1653.3	815.7	828.7	1644.4
2019	800.5	813.0	1613.6	816.3	827.6	1643.9	823.9	835.2	1659.1	818.3	831.5	1649.8
2020	802.1	814.9	1617.0	818.6	830.1	1648.7	826.6	838.2	1664.8	820.8	834.3	1655.1
2021	803.6	816.7	1620.3	820.7	832.6	1653.3	829.3	841.1	1670.4	823.1	837.0	1660.2
2022	804.9	818.4	1623.3	822.7	834.9	1657.7	831.8	844.0	1675.9	825.3	839.7	1665.0
2023	806.0	820.0	1626.0	824.6	837.2	1661.8	834.3	846.9	1681.2	827.4	842.2	1669.6
2024	807.1	821.5	1628.6	826.3	839.4	1665.7	836.7	849.6	1686.3	829.4	844.7	1674.0
2025	807.9	822.9	1630.8	827.9	841.4	1669.3	838.9	852.3	1691.3	831.1	847.0	1678.2
2026	808.6	824.1	1632.7	829.3	843.3	1672.6	841.1	855.0	1696.0	832.8	849.2	1682.0
2027	809.1	825.2	1634.4	830.5	845.1	1675.7	843.1	857.5	1700.5	834.2	851.3	1685.5
2028	809.5	826.2	1635.7	831.6	846.8	1678.4	844.9	859.9	1704.9	835.5	853.3	1688.8
2029	809.7	827.0	1636.7	832.5	848.3	1680.8	846.7	862.3	1709.0	836.6	855.1	1691.7
2030	809.6	827.7	1637.3	833.2	849.6	1682.8	848.3	864.5	1712.8	837.6	856.7	1694.3
2031	809.4	828.1	1637.6	833.7	850.8	1684.5	849.8	866.5	1716.3	838.4	858.2	1696.5
2032	809.1	828.4	1637.5	834.1	851.8	1685.9	851.1	868.5	1719.6	838.9	859.5	1698.4
2033	808.5	828.5	1637.0	834.3	852.6	1686.9	852.3	870.2	1722.6	839.4	860.6	1700.0
2034	807.8	828.5	1636.3	834.3	853.3	1687.6	853.4	871.8	1725.2	839.7	861.5	1701.2
2035	807.0	828.2	1635.2	834.2	853.7	1687.9	854.3	873.3	1727.6	839.8	862.3	1702.1
2036	806.0	827.8	1633.7	833.9	854.0	1687.9	855.1	874.6	1729.7	839.8	862.9	1702.7
2037	804.8	827.1	1632.0	833.5	854.1	1687.6	855.8	875.7	1731.5	839.6	863.3	1702.9
2038	803.6	826.4	1629.9	833.0	854.1	1687.1	856.4	876.7	1733.1	839.4	863.6	1702.9
2039	802.2	825.4	1627.6	832.4	853.8	1686.2	856.9	877.5	1734.4	839.0	863.6	1702.6
2040	800.7	824.3	1625.1	831.6	853.5	1685.1	857.3	878.2	1735.5	838.5	863.6	1702.1
2041	799.2	823.1	1622.3	830.8	853.0	1683.8	857.6	878.7	1736.4	838.0	863.4	1701.3

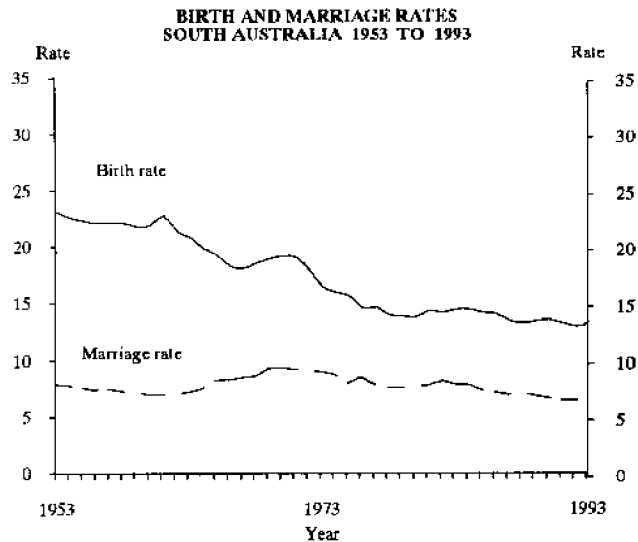
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## SECTION 3 : BIRTHS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### Overview

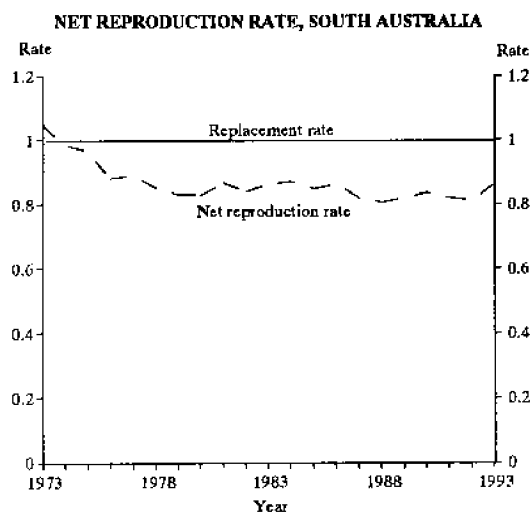
In 1993, there were 20,078 births registered to mothers usually resident in South Australia, an increase of 767 (4.0 per cent) from the 19,311 births registered in 1992. There were 19,802 confinements, with 279 (1.4 per cent) resulting in multiple births. The crude birth rate was 13.7 per thousand mean resident population, compared with the Australian rate of 14.7.



#### Child-bearing patterns

The total fertility rate (the number of children a woman would expect to bear in her lifetime) declined by nearly one-third between 1971 and 1983 to 1.812. However, from 1983, the decline has been much more gradual, falling to 1.784 in 1993.

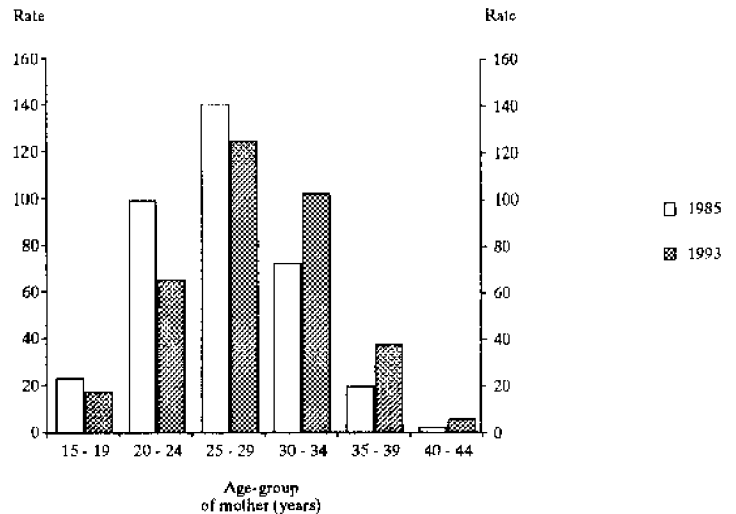
The female net reproduction rate increased slightly from 0.813 in 1992 to 0.862 in 1993. However, this rate has been below the replacement level since 1974.



In 1993, there were 14,982 nuptial live births registered from 14,756 confinements. Of these, 6,220 (42.2 per cent) produced the first child of the marriage and only 952 (6.4 per cent) produced a fourth or subsequent child.

Over the period 1985 to 1993, age-specific birth rates for age groups less than 30 years have declined markedly, while those for age groups 30 to 44 have risen. This indicates a tendency for some women to defer child bearing until later in life.

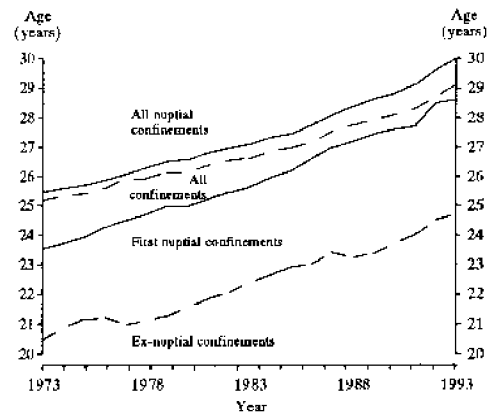
AGE-SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1985 AND 1993



### Age at confinement

The overall median age of mother at confinement was 29.1 years in 1993. The median age for nuptial confinements was 30.0 years, while for ex-nuptial confinements it was 24.7. From the graph below, it can be seen that the overall median age of mother has increased noticeably in the last 20 years.

CONFINEMENTS: MEDIAN AGE OF MOTHER  
BY NUPTIALITY  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1973 TO 1993



The median age of father also has risen over this period, and in 1993 was 32.2 years for nuptial confinements, and 27.7 for ex-nuptial confinements where paternity was acknowledged.

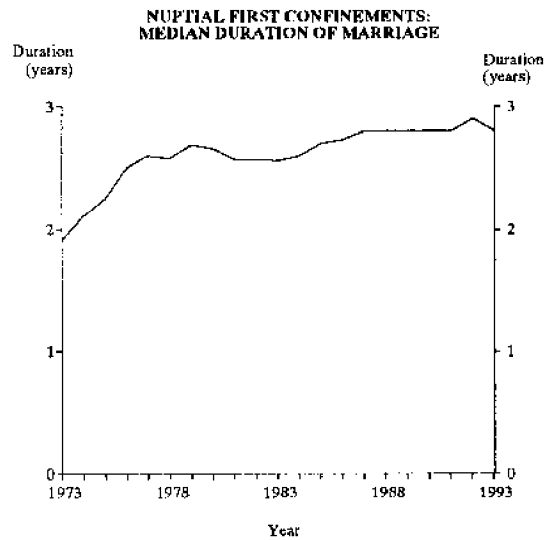
The proportion of all confinements to women under 20 years fell from 11.5 per cent in 1973 to 4.4 per cent in 1993. Nuptial confinements of women under 20 years of age fell from 1,502 (7.4 per cent of all confinements) in 1973, to 94 (0.5 per cent) in 1993. In 1973 there were 827 ex-nuptial confinements of women under 20 (35.5 per cent of all confinements for that age group), whereas in 1993 there were 781 (89.3 per cent of all confinements for that age group).

Overall, there were 207 fathers and 875 mothers aged 19 years or less.

### Duration of marriage

The trend towards a longer period between marriage and birth of the first child has been apparent for almost 30 years. In particular, there has been a decrease in the percentage of nuptial first live births to women who have been married for less than two years, from 68.4 per cent in 1964, to 52.3 per cent in 1973 and 37.6 per cent in 1993.

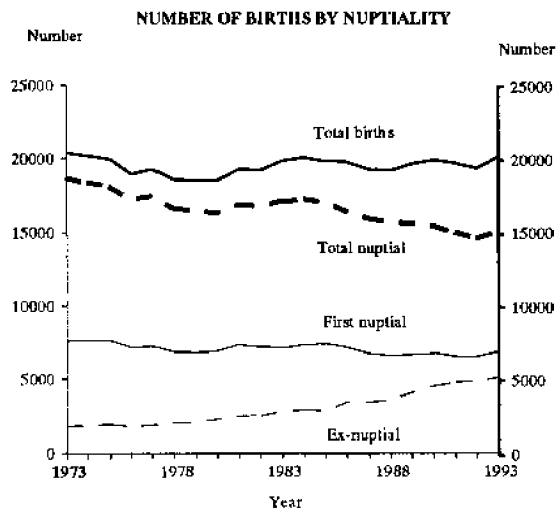
However, the median duration of marriage for nuptial first confinements, which had increased by 0.7 years to 2.6 years between 1973 and 1983, has remained relatively steady since then (2.8 in 1993).



### Ex-nuptiality

The proportion of ex-nuptial births has exhibited an upward trend over the past 20 years. However, since 1985 this increase has been more rapid, rising from 14.6 per cent in 1985 to 25.4 per cent in 1993.

The proportion of ex-nuptial births for which fathers acknowledged paternity increased from 67.7 per cent in 1983 to 82.9 in 1993. There were 916 births for which paternity had not been acknowledged in 1983, and 869 in 1993.



### Country of birth of parents

In 35.3 per cent of nuptial confinements in 1993, at least one parent was born overseas. Over one-fifth (22.3 per cent) of mothers and nearly one-quarter (24.5 per cent) of fathers were born overseas.

TABLE 6. BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS (a) SUMMARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
<b>BIRTHS</b>						
<b>All births</b>	<b>19,155</b>	<b>19,610</b>	<b>19,863</b>	<b>19,640</b>	<b>19,311</b>	<b>20,078</b>
Males	9,917	10,152	10,170	10,175	9,957	10,232
Females	9,238	9,458	9,693	9,465	9,354	9,846
Sex ratio (males to 100 females)	107.4	107.3	104.9	107.5	106.4	103.9
Nuptial births	15,553	15,495	15,326	14,877	14,477	14,982
<i>Ex-nuptial births</i>						
Number	3,602	4,115	4,537	4,763	4,834	5,096
Percentage of total live births	18.8	21.0	22.8	24.3	25.0	25.4
<i>Paternity acknowledged births</i>						
Number	2,697	3,172	3,591	3,845	3,980	4,227
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	74.9	77.1	79.1	80.7	82.3	82.9
Crude birth rate	13.6	13.8	13.9	13.6	13.3	13.7
<i>Age-specific birth rates</i>						
15-19	20.2	21.4	21.7	21.4	18.7	17.8
20-24	77.8	77.5	75.4	72.1	66.7	65.6
25-29	130.4	130.1	130.8	127.5	120.3	125.4
30-34	83.2	86.4	89.9	90.9	94.9	102.9
35-39	25.3	27.5	27.4	29.4	34.2	38.4
40-44	3.1	3.6	4.3	4.0	5.4	6.3
45-49	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2
Total fertility rate	1.701	1.733	1.748	1.728	1.703	1.784
Female net reproduction rate	0.809	0.822	0.840	0.821	0.813	0.862
<b>CONFINEMENTS</b>						
<b>All confinements</b>	<b>18,898</b>	<b>19,346</b>	<b>19,581</b>	<b>19,367</b>	<b>19,061</b>	<b>19,802</b>
<i>Median age of mother (years)</i>						
Nuptial first confinements	27.2	27.4	27.6	27.7	28.5	28.6
All nuptial confinements	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.1	29.6	30.0
Ex-nuptial confinements	23.2	23.4	23.7	24.0	24.5	24.7
Paternity acknowledged confinements	23.6	23.8	24.0	24.3	24.8	24.8
All confinements	27.7	27.9	28.1	28.3	28.7	29.1
<i>Median age of father (years)</i>						
Nuptial confinements	30.6	30.9	31.1	31.3	31.8	32.2
Paternity acknowledged confinements	26.4	26.8	26.8	27.2	27.4	27.7
<i>Median duration of marriage (years)</i>						
Nuptial first confinements	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.8
Nuptial confinements	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7
<i>Nuptial confinements</i>						
Previous births						
0	6,575	6,609	6,737	6,496	6,497	6,220
1	5,389	5,298	5,006	4,997	4,870	5,317
2	2,383	2,349	2,329	2,182	2,077	2,266
3	703	721	752	677	597	673
4	194	195	171	194	162	185
5 and over	88	98	92	107	77	94
Average number of births	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

TABLE 7. CONFINEMENTS : RELATIVE AGES OF PARENTS, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years)																			All confinements(a)					
	16 and under	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35-39	40 and over	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total	
19 and under	10	39	56	40	28	11	7	6	3	—	2	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	15	192	207	
20	8	24	32	29	41	24	18	11	5	3	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	24	177	201	
21	4	17	34	46	56	44	23	21	6	10	2	5	3	2	—	4	1	—	—	1	—	62	217	279	
22	1	10	29	33	55	57	56	33	21	16	7	7	9	2	5	2	3	2	2	4	—	101	253	354	
23	3	7	27	45	69	84	76	59	53	22	25	17	11	4	6	3	1	3	1	3	—	229	290	519	
24	2	3	10	32	52	46	78	111	97	41	30	16	18	8	12	5	1	2	6	4	1	309	266	575	
25	2	1	7	18	32	50	97	106	104	129	78	38	16	16	20	9	12	7	3	2	—	473	274	747	
26	—	4	6	12	19	48	59	100	142	152	150	81	43	34	22	16	17	2	3	14	—	669	255	924	
27	1	2	7	12	23	23	58	71	123	153	171	152	81	50	37	28	22	7	2	12	2	805	232	1,037	
28	—	3	9	8	15	36	38	63	95	148	171	181	176	94	60	35	24	22	12	21	2	973	240	1,213	
29	2	—	3	6	13	23	34	40	69	112	148	157	217	194	114	50	40	24	13	30	—	1,055	234	1,289	
30	—	—	1	4	11	20	29	46	51	76	144	167	202	223	191	109	64	42	25	37	7	1,227	222	1,449	
31	—	—	4	4	10	11	16	34	35	57	88	125	167	199	218	153	98	68	33	72	2	1,211	183	1,394	
32	—	2	—	3	10	11	15	22	34	37	69	93	121	172	213	192	155	82	41	72	3	1,184	163	1,347	
33	—	—	1	1	2	11	12	21	23	32	43	64	100	137	170	177	175	135	65	102	9	1,131	149	1,280	
34	1	—	—	3	4	6	8	11	14	25	35	51	57	91	108	146	156	151	100	118	12	964	133	1,097	
35-39	—	—	3	5	3	13	22	31	51	60	70	107	132	184	247	278	375	383	401	983	81	2,988	442	3,430	
40-44	—	—	—	—	5	5	3	10	12	19	26	19	38	50	52	71	54	80	105	445	123	940	177	1,117	
45 and over	—	—	—	3	2	—	2	3	6	4	11	9	18	15	18	25	25	28	36	161	96	383	79	462	
Not applicable (b)	28	41	55	71	66	74	68	38	42	56	37	35	43	30	35	25	27	15	14	48	12	..	863	863	
All confinements(a):																									
Nuptial confinements	1	3	18	72	125	202	325	498	666	852	1,024	1,102	1,216	1,297	1,324	1,148	1,100	927	745	1,822	282	14,756	..	..	
Ex-nuptial confinements	61	150	267	303	391	396	394	340	321	300	285	223	240	210	207	180	151	127	118	309	69	..	5,046	..	
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>1,309</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>1,531</b>	<b>1,328</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>2,131</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>14,756</b>	<b>5,046</b>	<b>19,802</b>	

(a) Includes confinements where age was not stated. (b) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

TABLE 8. CONFINEMENTS : NUPTIALITY AND PLURALITY BY AGE GROUP OF MOTHER  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Confinements	Age group of mother (years)						All ages (a)
	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	
<b>NUMBER—</b>							
Nuptial :							
Single	94	1,797	5,419	5,146	1,788	279	14,530
Twins	—	19	69	96	34	3	221
Triplets or higher order	—	—	3	2	—	—	5
<i>Nuptial confinements</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>1,816</i>	<i>5,491</i>	<i>5,244</i>	<i>1,822</i>	<i>282</i>	<i>14,756</i>
Ex-nuptial :							
Single	777	1,824	1,243	771	305	69	4,993
Twins or higher order	4	18	15	12	4	—	53
<i>Ex-nuptial confinements</i>	<i>781</i>	<i>1,842</i>	<i>1,258</i>	<i>783</i>	<i>309</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>5,046</i>
<b>All confinements</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>3,658</b>	<b>6,749</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>2,131</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>19,802</b>
<b>PER CENT—</b>							
Nuptial confinements	10.7	49.6	81.4	87.0	85.5	80.3	74.5
Ex-nuptial confinements	89.3	50.4	18.6	13.0	14.5	19.7	25.5

(a) Includes records where age of mother is not stated.

TABLE 9. NUPTIAL FIRST CONFINEMENTS (a) : AGE OF MOTHER BY DURATION OF CURRENT MARRIAGE  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age group of mother (years)	Duration of marriage (years)									Total (b)
	Under	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 and over	
16 and under	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
17-19	58	16	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	80
20-24	360	362	211	102	55	13	1	—	—	1,109
25-29	316	470	443	469	379	256	167	105	63	2,672
30-34	232	292	242	181	148	140	131	132	281	1,786
35-39	91	102	61	48	31	22	27	21	83	488
40 and over	15	22	8	7	3	3	2	2	18	80
<b>All ages(c)</b>	<b>1,074</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>6,220</b>

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. (b) Includes records where duration of marriage is not stated. (c) Includes records where age of mother is not stated.



**TABLE 10. NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS : AGE OF MOTHER BY PREVIOUS ISSUE AND AVERAGE ISSUE  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Age of mother (years)	Married mothers with previous issue to the current marriage of:						All married mothers(a)	Total issue (b)	Average issue (b)
	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over			
16 and under	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1.00
17	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1.00
18	16	2	—	—	—	—	18	20	1.11
19	61	11	—	—	—	—	72	83	1.15
20	88	31	6	—	—	—	125	169	1.35
21	127	65	7	3	—	—	202	292	1.45
22	214	93	15	3	—	—	325	459	1.41
23	298	148	42	10	—	—	498	762	1.53
24	382	229	45	9	1	—	666	1,027	1.54
25	475	271	84	18	3	1	852	1,374	1.61
26	547	349	110	17	—	1	1,024	1,661	1.62
27	560	396	113	27	5	—	1,102	1,840	1.67
28	564	436	173	31	11	1	1,216	2,153	1.77
29	526	529	181	55	6	—	1,297	2,398	1.85
30	533	516	204	55	14	2	1,324	2,499	1.89
31	415	442	216	63	9	3	1,148	2,287	1.99
32	362	425	216	64	27	6	1,100	2,311	2.10
33	278	353	202	69	21	4	927	2,018	2.18
34	198	298	179	48	14	8	745	1,658	2.23
35-39	488	631	418	181	58	46	1,822	4,343	2.38
40 and over	80	90	54	20	16	22	282	728	2.58
<b>All ages(c)</b>	<b>6,220</b>	<b>5,317</b>	<b>2,266</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>14,756</b>	<b>28,097</b>	<b>1.90</b>

(a) Includes confinements where previous issue is not stated. (b) Excludes not stated previous issue. (c) Includes records where age of mother is not stated.

**TABLE 11. NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS : DURATION OF CURRENT MARRIAGE BY PREVIOUS ISSUE AND AVERAGE ISSUE  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Duration of current marriage (years)	Married mothers with previous issue to the current marriage of:						All married mothers(a)	Total issue (b)	Average issue (b)
	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over			
Under 1	1,074	153	35	7	—	1	1,270	1,533	1.21
1	1,264	279	40	6	1	—	1,590	1,981	1.25
2	969	584	55	9	1	—	1,618	2,365	1.46
3	807	745	107	10	3	1	1,673	2,702	1.62
4	616	802	179	29	1	1	1,628	2,912	1.79
5	434	705	222	41	3	—	1,405	2,714	1.93
6	328	575	250	47	10	1	1,211	2,487	2.05
7	260	420	289	79	10	1	1,059	2,362	2.23
8	158	305	249	76	23	—	811	1,949	2.40
9	92	247	224	73	19	5	660	1,689	2.56
10 and over	195	484	605	290	109	82	1,765	5,248	2.97
<b>All marriages(c)</b>	<b>6,220</b>	<b>5,317</b>	<b>2,266</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>14,756</b>	<b>28,097</b>	<b>1.90</b>

(a) Includes confinements where previous issue is not stated. (b) Excludes not stated previous issue. (c) Includes records where duration of current marriage is not stated.

TABLE 12. NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS: RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARENTS, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Country of birth	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
<b>OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA—</b>								
Australia	9,552	—	1,589	11,141	9,552	—	1,920	11,472
Fiji	7	7	3	17	9	7	6	22
New Zealand	80	40	23	143	81	40	16	137
Other	18	4	5	27	14	4	7	25
<i>Total</i>	<i>9,657</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>1,620</i>	<i>11,328</i>	<i>9,656</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>1,949</i>	<i>11,656</i>
<b>EUROPE AND FORMER USSR—</b>								
Austria	7	3	6	16	5	3	1	9
Former USSR & Baltic States	4	6	2	12	4	6	5	15
Former Yugoslav Republics	37	35	12	84	19	35	8	62
Germany	54	7	38	99	38	7	19	64
Greece	87	26	9	122	29	26	4	59
Hungary	3	4	5	12	1	4	—	5
Ireland	19	4	8	31	10	4	7	21
Italy	140	35	27	202	57	35	14	106
Malta	14	2	4	20	2	2	1	5
Netherlands	43	1	13	57	24	1	13	38
Poland	13	54	6	73	10	54	5	69
United Kingdom	1,101	465	102	1,668	1,011	465	114	1,590
Other	69	49	12	130	48	49	16	113
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,591</i>	<i>691</i>	<i>244</i>	<i>2,526</i>	<i>1,258</i>	<i>691</i>	<i>207</i>	<i>2,156</i>
<b>MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA—</b>								
Egypt	5	4	1	10	—	4	1	5
Lebanon	23	36	5	64	4	36	6	46
Turkey	6	16	2	24	5	16	1	22
Other	13	25	8	46	2	25	6	33
<i>Total</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>144</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>106</i>
<b>SOUTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
Indonesia	6	7	5	18	8	7	4	19
Malaysia	13	24	17	54	21	24	13	58
Philippines	3	25	—	28	61	25	32	118
Singapore	3	2	6	11	3	2	6	11
Thailand	1	1	1	3	12	1	1	14
Viet Nam	4	202	21	227	4	202	10	216
Other	2	50	2	54	2	50	10	62
<i>Total</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>52</i>	<i>395</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>76</i>	<i>498</i>
<b>NORTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
China	7	32	14	53	6	32	25	63
Hong Kong	2	10	5	17	1	10	5	16
Other	2	12	1	15	4	12	5	21
<i>Total</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>100</i>
<b>SOUTHERN ASIA—</b>								
India	14	22	5	41	12	22	4	38
Sri Lanka	3	9	2	14	2	9	2	13
Other	1	7	1	9	1	7	1	9
<i>Total</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>60</i>
<b>THE AMERICAS—</b>								
Canada	22	6	1	29	23	6	2	31
Chile	1	7	4	12	4	7	2	13
United States of America	31	17	8	56	21	17	4	42
Other	9	14	3	26	7	14	10	31
<i>Total</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>123</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>117</i>
<b>AFRICA (Excluding North Africa)—</b>								
South Africa	21	4	10	35	10	4	6	20
Other	23	10	9	42	12	10	16	38
<i>Total</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>58</i>
Other and not stated	9	3	2	14	2	3	—	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,472</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>1,997</b>	<b>14,756</b>	<b>11,141</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>2,328</b>	<b>14,756</b>

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

Year	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA(a)	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Other	Australia
									Territories	
1988p	86,454	63,242	41,245	19,275	24,835	6,868	3,415	4,369	..	249,703
1989p	87,027	63,725	42,655	19,511	25,222	6,853	3,436	4,296	..	252,725
1990p	88,930	66,506	44,732	19,669	25,564	6,991	3,492	4,517	..	260,401
1991p	87,414	64,594	44,316	19,409	24,646	6,900	3,627	4,610	..	255,517
1992p	89,273	65,466	46,036	19,702	24,924	6,967	3,714	4,429	..	260,512
1993p	86,752	63,996	46,347	19,529	24,727	6,765	3,631	4,388	38	256,173

(a) Excludes Christmas and Cocos (Keeling) Islands from 1993. (b) Excludes Jervis Bay Territory from 1993.

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

Year	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA(a)	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Other	Australia
									Territories	
1988p	15.1	14.8	15.0	13.7	16.2	15.2	21.4	16.1	..	15.1
1989p	15.1	14.7	15.1	13.7	16.0	15.0	21.3	15.5	..	15.0
1990p	15.2	15.2	15.4	13.7	15.9	15.1	21.4	16.0	..	15.3
1991p	14.8	14.6	15.0	13.4	15.1	14.8	21.9	16.0	..	14.8
1992p	15.0	14.7	15.2	13.5	15.0	14.8	22.2	15.1	..	14.9
1993p	14.5	14.3	14.9	13.3	14.7	14.3	21.4	14.7	n.y.a.	14.5

(a) Excludes Christmas and Cocos (Keeling) Islands from 1993. (b) Excludes Jervis Bay Territory from 1993.

TABLE 15. BIRTHS: AGE GROUP OF MOTHER BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Year	Age group (years)						Total(a)
	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	
1988p	1,143	4,287	7,695	4,633	1,356	161	19,275
1989p	1,193	4,181	7,583	4,879	1,491	182	19,511
1990p	1,126	4,069	7,536	5,211	1,506	220	19,669
1991p	1,121	3,944	7,198	5,317	1,612	217	19,409
1992p	929	3,837	6,827	5,818	1,968	317	19,702
1993p	831	3,570	6,658	6,000	2,123	345	19,529

(a) Includes Not Stated.

TABLE 16. BIRTHS: AGE SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES BY AGE GROUP OF MOTHER AND YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Year	Age group (years)							Total fertility rate
	15-19(a)	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49(b)	
1988p	20.3	78.2	131.7	83.6	25.2	3.2	0.2	1.711
1989p	21.5	76.4	129.4	86.5	27.3	3.5	0.1	1.724
1990p	20.7	74.0	129.6	90.2	27.4	4.1	0.1	1.731
1991p	21.3	70.4	126.4	90.1	29.2	3.9	0.2	1.707
1992p	18.2	67.5	122.5	97.7	35.1	5.6	0.4	1.735
1993p	16.8	63.4	122.1	100.6	37.6	6.2	0.2	1.735

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

## SECTION 4 : DEATHS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

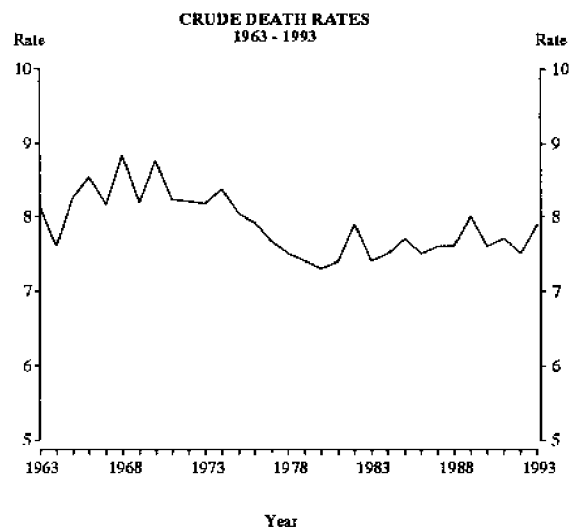
#### **Numbers**

There were 11,528 deaths of South Australian residents registered in 1993. This was an increase of 603 (5.5 per cent) over the 1992 total. The 1993 sex ratio was 109.1 male deaths for every 100 female deaths, a decrease from the previous year's 113.7.

The proportion of male deaths was 55.9 per cent in 1973 (when males comprised 49.8 per cent of the population) and 52.2 per cent in 1993 (when males comprised 49.5 per cent of the population).

#### **Rates**

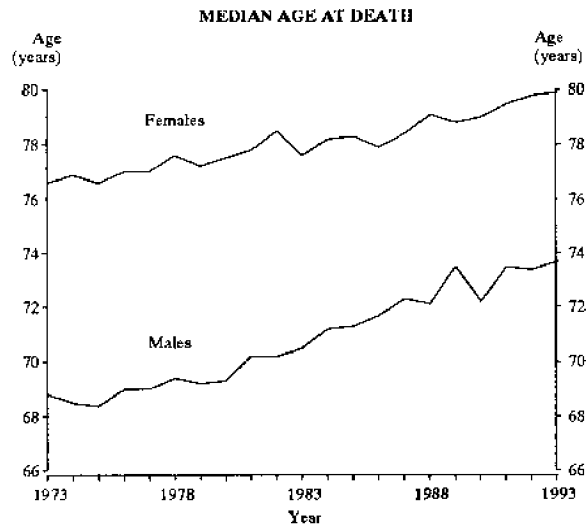
The crude death rate in 1993 was 7.9 per 1,000 mean resident population. The above graph indicates that crude death rates have fluctuated during the period 1963 to 1993. The lowest figure (7.3) was recorded in 1980, and the highest (8.8) in 1968. Age-specific death rates were generally higher for males than for females.



In 1993, the death rate standardised for age (*i.e.*, a rate which would apply if the age structure of the population were the same as that of the 1991 total Australian population) was 6.8 per 1,000 persons in the selected population. The relatively high crude rate (7.9) is a reflection of the South Australian population in 1993 being very much older than the 1991 Australian population.

**Age at death**

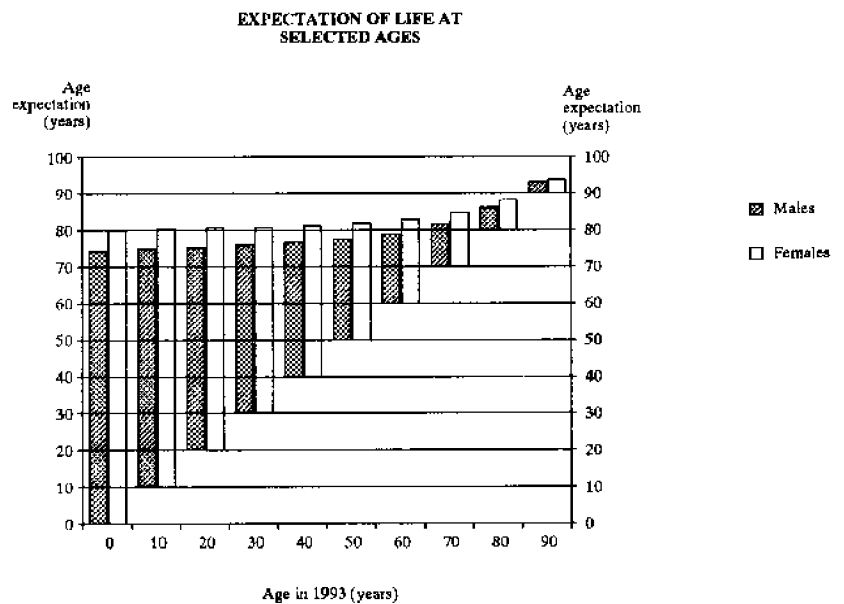
The median age at death for both sexes has continued to rise in the long term reflecting an ageing population and greater longevity. In 1993, the male and female median ages (73.7 and 79.9 respectively) recorded their highest levels ever.



Over the past 50 years, age-specific death rates (the number of deaths at an age per 1,000 of the population at that age) have declined in all age groups. Consequently life expectancy at all ages has risen during this period.

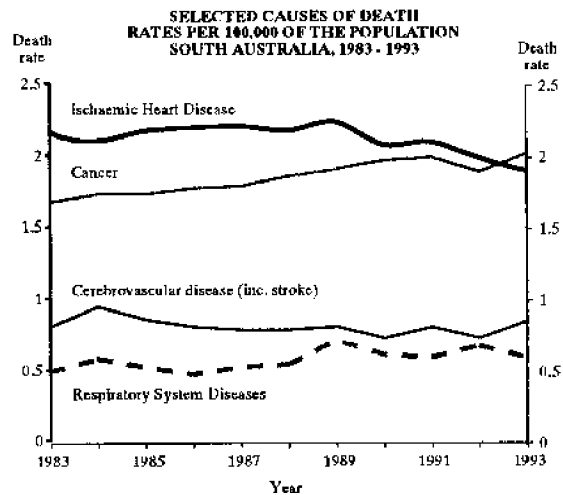
**Life expectancy**

Based on the mortality conditions prevailing in South Australia in 1993, the life expectancy at birth for males was 75.0 years. This compares with 69.4 in 1971. Life expectancy for females at birth was 80.5 years, slightly less than the 1992 figure of 80.9 years, but considerably higher than the figure of 75.6 years in 1971.



### Causes of death

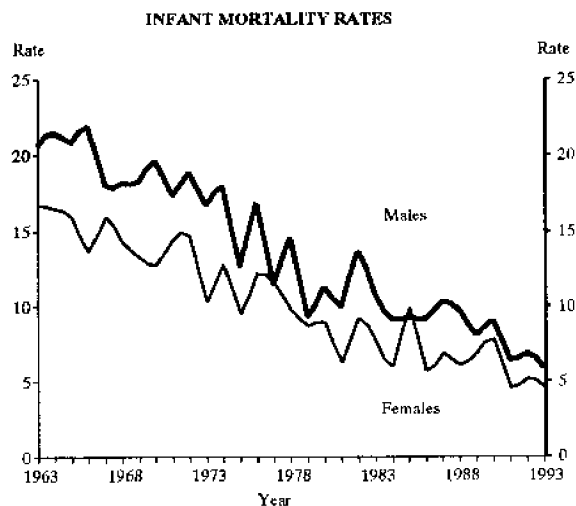
For the first time, malignant neoplasm (cancer) was the leading cause of death, accounting for 27.2 per cent of male and 24.1 per cent of female deaths in 1993. Ischaemic heart disease was still the leading cause of death for females, (resulting in 24.5 per cent of female deaths), and was the second most prevalent cause for males, accounting for 26.1 per cent of male deaths. Deaths from stroke (cerebrovascular disease) were more common for females (13.6 per cent) than for males (8.4 per cent). The converse applied for diseases of the respiratory system (8.4 per cent for males and 6.7 per cent for females). Male deaths caused by accidents, poisonings and violence (448, 7.4 per cent) were well in excess of the female total (207, 3.8 per cent).



### Infant deaths

In 1993, there were 104 infant deaths (59 males and 45 females), a decrease of 13 (11.1 per cent) from the 1992 total. The male infant mortality rate was 5.8 per 1,000 live births, while for females it was 4.6. Although these rates have fluctuated from year to year, there has been a steep downward trend from the levels observed thirty years ago.

The 1993 infant mortality rate of 5.2 represents the lowest ever recorded in this State.



### Year of occurrence

The preceding commentary relates to deaths data based on year of registration which appear in Tables 17 to 22. Tables 23 to 25 in this section show numbers and rates for deaths which occurred in 1993, and which were registered by the end of May 1994. Rates for year of occurrence are similar to those for year of registration data.

TABLE 17. DEATHS (a): SUMMARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
DEATHS						
<b>All deaths</b>	<b>10,690</b>	<b>11,348</b>	<b>10,938</b>	<b>11,176</b>	<b>10,925</b>	<b>11,528</b>
Males	5,793	6,094	5,833	5,924	5,812	6,015
Females	4,897	5,254	5,105	5,252	5,113	5,513
<i>Crude death rates</i>	7.6	8.0	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.9
Males	8.3	8.7	8.2	8.3	8.0	8.3
Females	6.9	7.4	7.1	7.2	7.0	7.5
<i>Standardised death rates</i>	6.7	7.0	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.8
Males	8.9	9.2	8.5	8.5	8.0	8.7
Females	5.1	5.3	5.1	5.0	4.8	5.3
<i>Median age at death—</i>						
Males	72.1	73.5	72.2	73.5	73.4	73.7
Females	79.1	78.8	79.0	79.5	79.8	79.9
<i>Principal causes of death (proportion)—</i>						
Males—						
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	25.2	25.1	27.0	26.8	26.9	27.2
Ischaemic heart disease	29.9	29.7	28.3	28.3	26.8	26.1
Cerebrovascular disease	8.2	8.1	7.7	8.2	7.3	8.4
Other diseases of the circulatory system	8.3	8.0	7.9	8.1	8.8	8.4
Diseases of the respiratory system	8.4	9.7	8.9	8.5	10.0	8.4
Diseases of the digestive system	3.3	3.6	2.9	3.6	3.2	3.1
All other diseases	8.8	8.6	9.0	8.8	9.1	10.9
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	3.2	2.6	2.9	2.6	1.8	2.4
All other accidents	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.9	2.5
Suicide	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.2
Other external causes	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Females—						
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	23.9	23.0	25.0	25.0	23.4	24.1
Ischaemic heart disease	27.2	26.4	26.4	26.0	26.1	24.5
Cerebrovascular disease	13.5	12.8	12.0	13.3	12.8	13.6
Other diseases of the circulatory system	11.3	11.4	11.0	10.4	11.5	10.9
Diseases of the respiratory system	5.9	8.3	7.2	6.9	7.8	6.7
Diseases of the digestive system	3.3	3.1	3.5	3.5	3.2	2.8
All other diseases	11.1	10.9	11.5	11.0	11.5	13.6
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.1
All other accidents	1.4	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.8
Suicide	0.8	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.6
Other external causes	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
<i>Expectation of life—</i>						
Males—						
Age 0	73.6	73.8	74.1	74.7	75.0	75.0
Age 1	73.3	73.4	73.8	74.2	74.6	74.4
Age 25	50.4	50.3	50.7	51.0	51.3	51.3
Age 45	31.5	31.4	32.1	32.2	32.4	32.6
Age 65	15.1	14.8	15.4	15.4	15.6	15.6
Females—						
Age 0	80.4	79.8	80.3	80.5	80.9	80.5
Age 1	79.8	79.4	79.9	79.9	80.3	79.9
Age 25	56.3	55.9	56.4	56.4	56.8	56.4
Age 45	36.9	36.6	37.0	37.1	37.5	37.1
Age 65	19.1	19.0	19.2	19.2	19.7	19.3
INFANT DEATHS						
<b>All infant deaths</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>104</b>
Males	96	81	92	65	68	59
Females	56	65	76	44	49	45
<i>Infant mortality rates</i>	7.9	7.4	8.5	5.5	6.1	5.2
Males	9.7	8.0	9.0	6.4	6.8	5.8
Females	6.1	6.9	7.8	4.6	5.2	4.6

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

TABLE 18. DEATHS : AGE AT DEATH BY SEX, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	59	45	104	50	31	23	54
1	10	5	15	51	36	20	56
2	5	1	6	52	28	22	50
3	5	1	6	53	40	26	66
4	3	3	6	54	30	21	51
0-4	82	55	137	50-54	165	112	277
5	3	—	3	55	52	30	82
6	6	1	7	56	46	28	74
7	4	3	7	57	55	31	86
8	—	1	1	58	65	29	94
9	2	—	2	59	61	38	99
5-9	15	5	20	55-59	279	156	435
10	3	2	5	60	58	38	96
11	—	1	1	61	79	43	122
12	2	1	3	62	86	45	131
13	2	2	4	63	96	54	150
14	3	3	6	64	102	70	172
10-14	10	9	19	60-64	421	250	671
15	2	4	6	65	129	60	189
16	10	5	15	66	135	82	217
17	6	8	14	67	152	87	239
18	13	3	16	68	146	110	256
19	13	9	22	69	187	97	284
15-19	44	29	73	65-69	749	436	1,185
20	14	6	20	70	174	106	280
21	15	3	18	71	185	128	313
22	10	5	15	72	208	120	328
23	16	4	20	73	205	124	329
24	16	8	24	74	167	133	300
20-24	71	26	97	70-74	939	611	1,550
25	12	4	16	75	185	150	335
26	27	7	34	76	193	147	340
27	12	3	15	77	217	150	367
28	13	6	19	78	192	181	373
29	11	7	18	79	217	224	441
25-29	75	27	102	75-79	1,004	852	1,856
30	22	7	29	80	189	215	404
31	16	7	23	81	174	187	361
32	18	9	27	82	196	195	391
33	15	5	20	83	189	221	410
34	24	6	30	84	166	207	373
30-34	95	34	129	80-84	914	1,025	1,939
35	20	18	38	85	140	202	342
36	19	8	27	86	138	161	299
37	18	11	29	87	99	185	284
38	16	11	27	88	96	175	271
39	11	14	25	89	100	155	255
35-39	84	62	146	85-89	573	878	1,451
40	12	5	17	90	59	116	175
41	23	11	34	91	51	135	186
42	13	14	27	92	46	120	166
43	19	9	28	93	41	101	142
44	19	11	30	94	28	87	115
40-44	86	50	136	90-94	225	559	784
45	21	16	37	95 and over	67	264	331
46	28	13	41				
47	27	11	38	All ages(a)	6,015	5,513	11,528
48	23	18	41				
49	18	15	33				
45-49	117	73	190				

(a) Includes records where age is not stated.



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

Age group (years)	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992r	1993
MALES						
Under 1	9.7	8.0	9.1	6.3	6.8	5.8
1 - 4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.6
5 - 9	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3
10 - 14	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2
15 - 19	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8
20 - 24	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2
25 - 29	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.2	1.3	1.3
30 - 34	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.6
35 - 39	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.9	1.5	1.5
40 - 44	2.0	1.6	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.6
45 - 49	3.3	3.2	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.4
50 - 54	5.6	5.2	5.5	5.0	4.9	4.4
55 - 59	9.3	9.7	8.6	8.0	8.3	8.6
60 - 64	17.8	15.8	15.9	14.4	14.5	13.4
65 - 69	26.6	25.3	26.1	24.4	24.2	24.3
70 - 74	42.7	45.5	40.6	40.2	37.8	39.5
75 - 79	70.5	74.0	63.6	64.5	64.5	63.4
80 - 84	105.1	117.2	101.1	114.1	102.2	103.3
85 and over	180.4	205.5	183.7	189.9	170.5	183.1
FEMALES						
Under 1	6.0	7.0	7.9	4.6	5.1	4.7
1 - 4	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
5 - 9	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
10 - 14	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
15 - 19	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6
20 - 24	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5
25 - 29	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5
30 - 34	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6
35 - 39	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	1.1
40 - 44	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.3	1.1	0.9
45 - 49	1.8	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.5
50 - 54	2.4	3.3	2.7	3.2	3.2	3.1
55 - 59	5.5	5.4	4.8	4.5	4.7	4.8
60 - 64	8.7	8.9	8.3	7.6	7.3	7.8
65 - 69	12.7	13.5	13.1	13.3	11.7	13.1
70 - 74	22.5	23.2	22.9	21.3	20.1	21.0
75 - 79	37.3	40.0	38.3	36.8	34.6	38.4
80 - 84	67.2	65.8	64.0	67.7	63.2	66.9
85 and over	149.2	156.4	147.0	150.4	141.4	145.0

(a) Rates are calculated on the estimated mid-year resident population for each age group by sex.

TABLE 20. EXPECTATION OF LIFE(a)

Age (years)	South Australia								Australia 1993	
	1971		1981		1991		1993		Males	Females
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females		
0	69.42	75.58	72.18	79.48	74.65	80.40	74.99	80.53	74.99	80.86
5	65.89	71.82	66.01	75.06	70.17	75.85	70.59	75.99	70.64	76.39
10	61.00	66.96	63.09	70.10	65.20	70.91	65.69	71.03	65.70	71.44
15	56.13	62.04	58.19	65.16	60.26	65.96	60.76	66.10	60.76	66.49
20	51.52	57.21	53.51	60.30	55.56	61.20	55.99	61.26	55.98	61.60
25	46.90	52.36	48.84	55.41	50.96	56.36	51.33	56.41	51.29	56.72
30	42.17	47.50	44.12	50.48	46.26	51.51	46.67	51.54	46.60	51.82
35	37.45	42.79	39.37	45.57	41.54	46.67	42.00	47.71	41.90	46.95
40	32.82	37.95	34.67	40.73	36.86	41.85	37.30	41.91	37.20	42.13
45	28.26	33.28	30.06	35.97	32.19	37.08	32.58	37.11	32.53	37.53
50	23.88	28.73	25.66	31.36	27.64	32.38	27.96	32.39	27.97	32.65
55	19.76	24.34	21.50	26.84	23.27	27.83	23.53	28.84	23.59	28.08
60	16.10	20.17	17.70	22.49	19.10	23.42	19.41	23.45	19.49	23.68
65	12.75	16.26	14.17	18.32	15.35	19.23	15.60	19.26	15.73	19.49
70	9.91	12.73	11.09	14.53	12.03	15.35	12.25	15.39	12.38	15.55
75	7.68	9.62	8.56	11.16	9.09	11.79	9.40	11.83	9.46	11.98
80	5.75	7.01	6.44	8.24	6.75	8.70	6.97	8.77	7.03	8.86
85	4.64	5.01	4.71	5.82	5.07	6.23	5.11	6.28	5.14	6.29
90	3.47	3.55	3.47	4.03	3.81	4.38	3.81	4.38	3.81	4.38
95	2.97	2.63	2.97	3.14	3.14	3.29	3.14	3.29	3.14	3.29

(a) 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 of Terms. 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.

TABLE 21. INFANT DEATHS AND MORTALITY RATES BY AGE AND SEX, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age at death	Number			Infant mortality rate (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1 day	16	14	30	1.6	1.4	1.5
1 and under 2 days	4	3	7	0.4	0.3	0.3
2 and under 3 days	3	2	5	0.3	0.2	0.2
3 and under 4 days	3	1	4	0.3	0.1	0.2
4 and under 5 days	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 and under 6 days	—	—	—	—	—	—
6 and under 7 days	—	1	1	—	0.1	—
<i>Total under 1 week</i>	26	21	47	2.5	2.1	2.3
1 and under 2 weeks	2	2	4	0.2	0.2	0.2
2 and under 3 weeks	2	—	2	0.2	—	0.1
3 and under 4 weeks	7	2	9	0.7	0.2	0.4
<i>Total under 4 weeks</i>	37	25	62	3.6	2.5	3.1
4 weeks and under 3 months	6	8	14	0.6	0.8	0.7
3 and under 6 months	6	6	12	0.6	0.6	0.6
6 and under 12 months	10	6	16	1.0	0.6	0.8
<b>All infant deaths</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>5.2</b>

(a) Per 1,000 live births registered.

TABLE 22. DEATHS : CAUSE OF DEATH BY SEX, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Cause of death(a)	Number			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001-139)	36	45	81	0.7	5.5
Neoplasms (140-239)	1,659	1,354	3,013	26.1	206.0
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	1,638	1,329	2,967	25.7	202.8
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240-279)	181	158	339	2.9	23.2
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280-289)	17	13	30	0.3	2.1
Mental disorders (290-319)	118	138	256	2.2	17.5
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320-389)	107	152	259	2.2	17.7
Diseases of the circulatory system (390-459)	2,581	2,702	5,283	45.8	361.1
Ischaemic heart disease (410-414)	1,569	1,349	2,918	25.3	199.5
Cerebrovascular disease (430-438)	507	751	1,258	10.9	86.0
Diseases of the respiratory system (460-519)	508	372	880	7.6	60.2
Diseases of the digestive system (520-579)	184	153	337	2.9	23.0
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580-629)	72	105	177	1.5	12.1
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630-676)	—	1	1	(c)	0.1
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680-709)	6	6	12	0.1	0.8
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710-739)	15	39	54	0.5	3.7
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	29	23	52	0.5	3.6
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760-779)	24	17	41	0.4	2.8
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780-799)	30	28	58	0.5	4.0
Accidents, poisonings and violence (E800-E999)	448	207	655	5.7	44.8
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810-E819)	147	62	209	1.8	14.3
<b>All causes of death</b>	<b>6,015</b>	<b>5,513</b>	<b>11,528</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>788.0</b>

(a) Classified according to the Ninth edition of the World Health Organization's International Classification of Diseases (ICD). (b) Rates are calculated on the number of deaths per 100,000 estimated mean resident population. (c) Less than 0.1 per cent of all deaths.

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

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA(a)	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Other Territories	Australia
1988p	43,466	31,033	19,109	10,704	9,401	3,587	672	1,007	..	118,979
1989p	45,912	32,216	20,507	11,475	9,646	3,732	740	1,032	..	125,260
1990p	43,065	30,705	19,288	10,838	9,419	3,733	812	1,076	..	118,936
1991p	42,548	30,952	19,074	11,139	9,301	3,631	771	1,122	..	118,538
1992p	43,988	31,723	20,430	11,239	9,981	3,742	758	1,047	..	122,908
1993p	42,492	31,066	20,034	11,323	10,274	3,625	738	1,128	7	120,687

(a) Includes Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands prior to 1993. (b) Includes Jervis Bay Territory prior to 1993.

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

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA(a)	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Other Territories	Australia
1988p	7.6	7.3	7.0	7.6	6.1	7.9	4.2	3.7	..	7.2
1989p	7.9	7.5	7.3	8.1	6.1	8.2	4.6	3.7	..	7.4
1990p	7.4	7.0	6.7	7.6	5.8	8.1	5.0	3.8	..	7.0
1991p	7.2	7.0	6.4	7.7	5.7	7.8	4.6	3.9	..	6.9
1992p	7.4	7.1	6.7	7.7	6.0	8.0	4.5	3.6	..	7.0
1993p	7.1	7.0	6.4	7.7	6.1	7.7	4.4	3.8	n.y.a.	6.8

(a) Includes Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands prior to 1993. (b) Includes Jervis Bay Territory prior to 1993.

TABLE 25. DEATHS(a): AGE-SPECIFIC DEATH RATES BY SEX AND YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Age group (years)	Males			Females		
	1991p	1992p	1993p	1991p	1992p	1993p
Under 1	6.2	6.9	5.8	4.3	5.2	4.9
1-4	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3
5-9	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1
10-14	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
15-19	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.6
20-24	1.5	1.1	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
25-29	1.2	1.2	1.3	0.6	0.5	0.5
30-34	1.3	1.0	1.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
35-39	1.9	1.5	1.4	0.7	0.7	1.1
40-44	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.1	0.9
45-49	3.0	3.0	2.5	1.5	1.9	1.5
50-54	5.2	4.8	4.2	3.2	3.4	3.0
55-59	7.8	8.7	8.3	4.6	4.9	4.8
60-64	14.1	14.9	12.9	7.5	7.6	7.6
65-69	24.3	24.7	24.1	13.3	12.2	12.7
70-74	40.0	39.0	38.3	21.0	20.9	20.5
75-79	64.6	66.9	62.2	36.6	36.1	37.6
80-84	114.1	105.3	102.7	68.0	66.0	66.7
85 and over	190.4	175.5	180.8	152.0	147.9	141.7

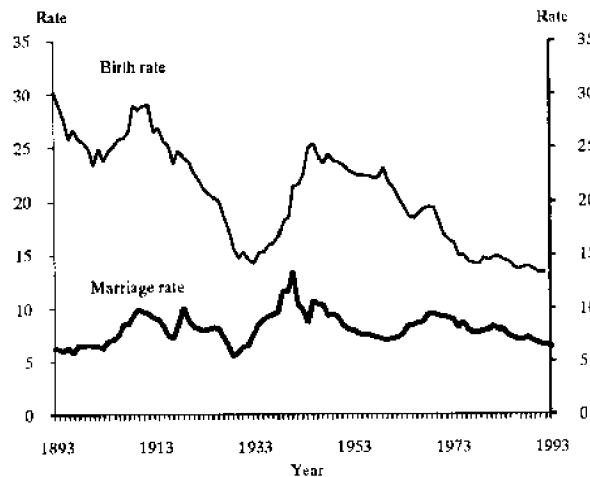
## SECTION 5 : MARRIAGES

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### **Marriages registered**

In 1993 there were 9,114 marriages registered in South Australia. This was 309 fewer than in 1992, and is the lowest number since 1966 when 9,051 marriages were registered.

**MARRIAGE AND BIRTH RATES  
1893 - 1993**



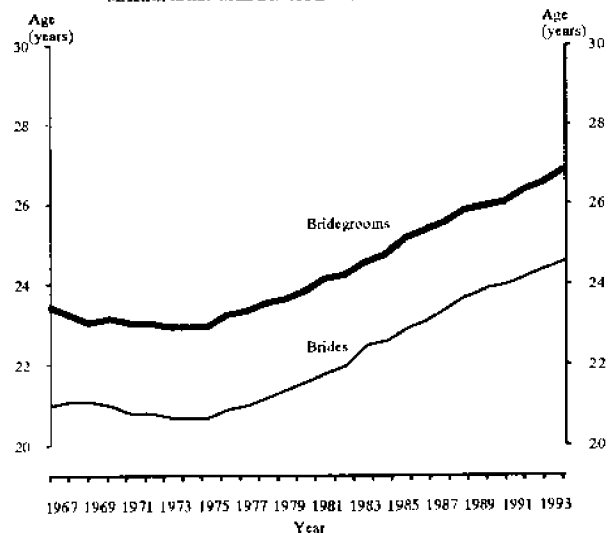
The rate per 1,000 estimated resident population was 6.2 in 1993, the lowest since 1931 (during the Great Depression) when it fell to a record low of 5.3.

#### **Age at marriage**

Age-specific rates for first marriages suggest that people are marrying later in life. Rates for persons under 30 years of age have declined greatly since 1971, while the rates for older age groups have fallen only slightly.

Of all brides, the proportion of those aged 30 years and over has grown more than three-fold over the past twenty years. In 1973, this group comprised only 9.8 per cent of all females marrying; in 1983 the figure had risen to 22.0, and in 1993 it was 32.5. Some of this increase can be attributed to the increased number of divorced females remarrying, but females who are marrying for the first time now form a larger proportion of the aged 30 years and over group. Since 1973, that proportion has risen from 26.3 per cent to 35.4 per cent.

**MARRIAGES: MEDIAN AGES AT FIRST MARRIAGE**

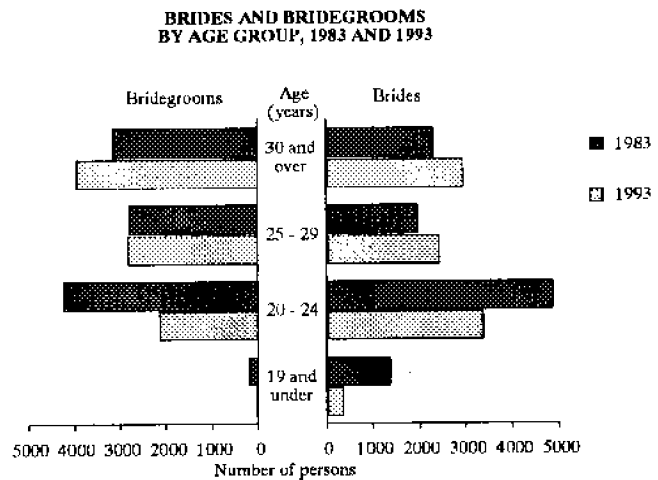


Over the last twenty years, the median age at marriage has increased by about 4 years for both males and females, for all categories of previous marital status. In 1993 it was 26.8 years for bridegrooms at first marriage, 24.6 for first time brides, 63.4 for widowers and 55.9 for widows.

The median age at marriage of persons previously divorced rose to 40.3 for males and 37.1 for females in 1993.

The median age of all females marrying was 26.3 years in 1993, 2.5 years below the median age of males, and 5.2 years higher than the median age of brides in 1973 (21.1).

Only 24.8 per cent of bridegrooms and 40.9 per cent of brides were under 25 years of age in 1993. This compares with 42.7 per cent, and 61.4 per cent respectively in 1983. However, 33.5 per cent of bridegrooms and 53.9 per cent of brides marrying for the first time in 1993 were aged less than 25 years.

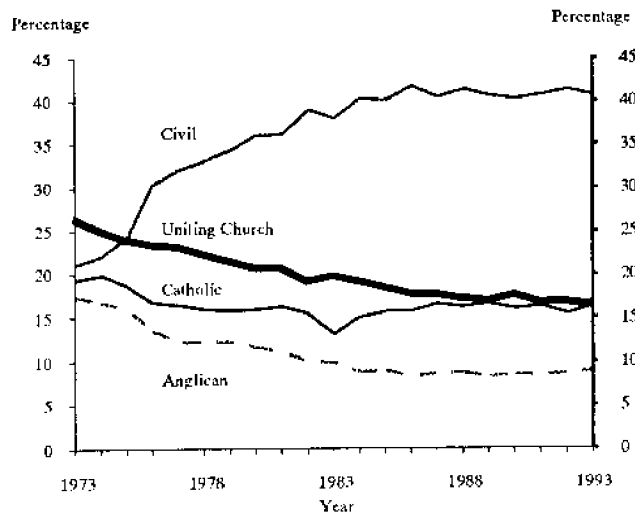


### Marriage rites

The number of marriages performed by civil celebrants in South Australia accounted for 10.9 per cent of all marriages in the decade 1960-69. In 1993, this proportion had risen to 40.7 per cent, the bulk (74.2 per cent) having been performed by civil celebrants other than official registrars.

Couples marrying for the first time are still more likely to be married by a minister of religion, with 71.2 per cent being married by religious rites in 1993. The overall proportion of marriage ceremonies performed by ministers rose marginally from 58.7 to 59.3 per cent between 1992 and 1993.

**MARRIAGES: TYPE OF RITE AS A PERCENTAGE  
OF ALL WEDDINGS**



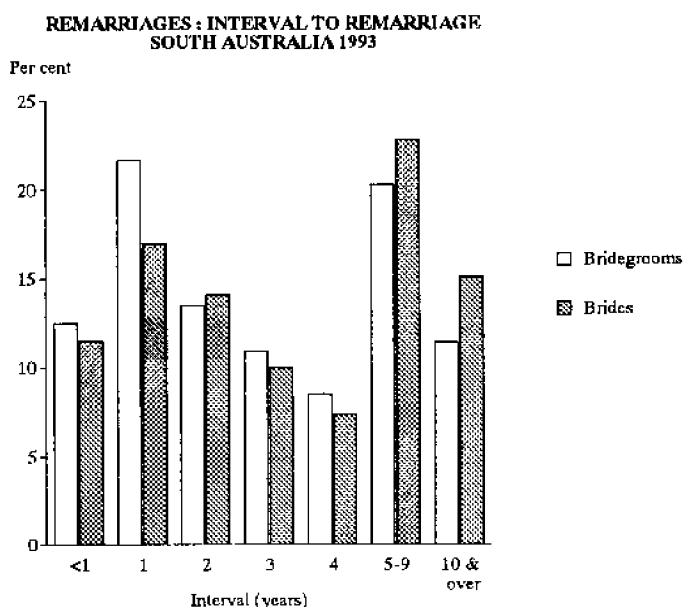
In 1933, religious ceremonies made up 89.5 per cent of all marriages, with the denominations constituting the Uniting Church accounting for 42.4 per cent of all religious marriages. In 1993, this proportion had fallen to 27.2 per cent. During the same period, Anglican rites fell from 25.7 per cent of all religious rites to 15.1, while the proportion of Catholic weddings rose from 12.4 to 27.4 per cent.

### Remarriages

Changes to matrimonial and family services legislation have contributed to a growing proportion of remarriages. In 1933, 81.1 per cent of marriages were between persons marrying for the first time, whereas in 1993, first marriages for both partners accounted for less than two-thirds of all marriages (65.8 per cent). Marriages where both partners were previously divorced accounted for 12.8 per cent. These proportions have been similar for the last ten years.

The tendency for males to remarry earlier than females is apparent, irrespective of the reasons for termination of the previous marriage. The interval between termination of the last marriage and the 1993 marriage was less than 5 years for 67.5 per cent of bridegrooms, and 61.0 for brides remarrying. This figure is lower than that of 1987 (when these data were first collected) when 72.6 per cent of males and 64.4 per cent of females remarried within 5 years of the termination of their previous marriages.

Over one-third (34.3 per cent) of bridegrooms, and 29.2 per cent of brides married less than 2 years after the termination of their previous marriages.



### Children

In 1993, only 37.0 per cent of men, and 38.3 per cent of women who remarried, had dependent children. The proportion of marriages where partners had more than two children has remained fairly steady since 1987, moving from 5.5 to 5.4 per cent of the total for females, and from 4.3 to 3.8 per cent for males.

### Country of birth

In 67.1 per cent of marriages, both partners were born in Australia. In 8.5 per cent of marriages, both partners were born overseas. Over the past ten years, there has been a growing proportion of marriages where both partners were born in Australia (up from 61.0 per cent in 1983).

A total of 1,786 brides (22.2 per cent) and 1,985 bridegrooms (21.8 per cent) were born overseas. Approximately one-half of these persons (1,029 bridegrooms and 884 brides) were from the United Kingdom, while other birthplaces of note were New Zealand (117 bridegrooms and 62 brides); Vietnam (97 and 109); Germany (86 and 68); Italy (73 and 50), and the Philippines (22 and 70).

TABLE 26. MARRIAGES (a): SUMMARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
NUMBER						
<b>Marriages registered</b>	<b>10,128</b>	<b>9,776</b>	<b>9,609</b>	<b>9,392</b>	<b>9,423</b>	<b>9,114</b>
Crude marriage rate	7.2	6.9	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.2
<i>Previous marital status</i>						
First marriage both partners	6,530	6,391	6,333	6,184	6,131	5,998
First marriage one partner	1,934	1,813	1,682	1,707	1,771	1,590
Remarriage both partners	1,664	1,572	1,594	1,501	1,521	1,526
<i>Marriages performed by</i>						
<i>Ministers of religion</i>						
Number	5,945	5,808	5,750	5,574	5,527	5,405
Per cent	58.7	59.4	59.8	59.3	58.7	59.3
<i>Civil celebrants</i>						
Number	4,183	3,968	3,859	3,818	3,896	3,709
Per cent	41.3	40.6	40.2	40.7	41.3	40.7
BRIDEGROOMS						
<i>Marital status of bridegroom</i>						
Never married	7,444	7,267	7,107	6,955	6,976	6,738
Widowed	260	252	243	248	263	281
Divorced	2,424	2,257	2,259	2,189	2,184	2,095
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,128</i>	<i>9,776</i>	<i>9,609</i>	<i>9,392</i>	<i>9,423</i>	<i>9,114</i>
<i>Median age of bridegroom (years)</i>						
Never married	25.8	25.9	26.0	26.3	26.5	26.8
Widowed	61.3	61.4	62.5	62.6	62.2	63.4
Divorced	38.6	39.1	39.4	39.5	39.9	40.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>27.7</i>	<i>27.8</i>	<i>27.9</i>	<i>28.3</i>	<i>28.5</i>	<i>28.8</i>
<i>Age of bridegroom (years)</i>						
19 and under	130	123	89	96	81	72
20-24	2,968	2,821	2,653	2,476	2,409	2,190
25-29	3,173	3,161	3,167	2,979	2,961	2,862
30-34	1,536	1,458	1,445	1,564	1,641	1,648
35-39	853	777	799	824	823	820
40-44	547	551	535	512	530	516
45-49	304	284	304	338	353	378
50 and over	617	601	617	603	625	628
<i>Total (b)</i>	<i>10,128</i>	<i>9,776</i>	<i>9,609</i>	<i>9,392</i>	<i>9,423</i>	<i>9,114</i>
BRIDES						
<i>Marital status of bride</i>						
Never married	7,550	7,328	7,241	7,120	7,057	6,848
Widowed	326	297	276	289	276	298
Divorced	2,252	2,151	2,092	1,983	2,090	1,968
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,128</i>	<i>9,776</i>	<i>9,609</i>	<i>9,392</i>	<i>9,423</i>	<i>9,114</i>
<i>Median age of bride (years)</i>						
Never married	23.7	23.9	24.0	24.2	24.4	24.6
Widowed	54.5	54.8	52.5	56.0	56.3	55.9
Divorced	35.2	35.6	36.3	36.3	36.5	37.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>25.4</i>	<i>25.5</i>	<i>25.6</i>	<i>25.8</i>	<i>26.1</i>	<i>26.3</i>
<i>Age of bride (years)</i>						
19 and under	745	635	566	492	366	353
20-24	4,086	3,922	3,873	3,708	3,625	3,375
25-29	2,494	2,439	2,387	2,398	2,475	2,423
30-34	1,164	1,118	1,139	1,139	1,220	1,232
35-39	589	626	612	621	643	630
40-44	400	412	387	394	421	398
45-49	256	233	259	238	265	279
50 and over	394	391	386	402	408	424
<i>Total (b)</i>	<i>10,128</i>	<i>9,776</i>	<i>9,609</i>	<i>9,392</i>	<i>9,423</i>	<i>9,114</i>

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used. (b) Includes Not Stated.

TABLE 27. MARRIAGES: AGE AND MARITAL STATUS SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES(a)  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA, CENSUS YEARS

Age at marriage	1966	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991
<b>First marriages:</b>						
<b>Age of bridegroom (years);</b>						
15 - 19	14.6	15.8	12.0	5.6	2.7	1.6
20 - 24	174.9	216.6	153.7	105.1	70.4	49.7
25 - 29	222.7	211.6	169.0	137.0	113.2	98.5
30 - 34	101.6	109.8	97.8	80.4	78.1	78.1
35 - 39	45.9	48.7	52.4	51.4	39.5	42.7
40 - 44	30.3	26.6	21.5	28.1	20.3	25.9
45 - 49	17.3	15.5	19.7	16.4	14.4	12.3
50 and over	4.4	5.5	7.6	5.5	5.1	3.4
<b>Age of bride (years);</b>						
15 - 19	60.7	71.3	55.4	33.8	15.7	7.4
20 - 24	301.7	321.6	231.1	154.4	121.7	90.5
25 - 29	215.3	195.6	156.8	116.5	118.9	114.4
30 - 34	99.0	84.1	87.0	73.2	68.1	72.6
35 - 39	56.0	43.4	51.0	38.2	34.2	39.2
40 - 44	23.8	16.7	33.4	25.4	18.8	18.9
45 - 49	16.7	9.2	6.3	14.2	15.7	13.1
50 and over	3.1	3.0	4.5	2.3	1.1	1.5
<b>Remarriages:</b>						
<b>Age of bridegroom (years);</b>						
15 - 19	—	—	—	—	—	—
20 - 24	265.6	156.5	313.5	200.8	91.3	28.1
25 - 29	431.5	386.2	447.2	269.3	179.8	122.5
30 - 34	358.0	256.3	348.0	199.8	177.6	133.8
35 - 39	190.6	171.8	301.3	182.3	133.6	110.1
40 - 44	120.7	119.2	230.4	146.9	111.7	81.3
45 - 49	97.1	89.9	163.5	113.5	92.4	77.4
50 - 54	76.8	71.3	117.1	80.0	67.6	59.3
55 - 59	54.0	43.3	76.2	58.5	47.3	47.9
60 and over	16.7	17.6	24.2	19.9	18.7	16.2
<b>Age of bride (years);</b>						
15 - 19	87.0	222.2	173.9	34.5	—	—
20 - 24	389.3	307.4	376.2	239.6	148.4	76.8
25 - 29	309.5	281.7	320.5	194.5	173.0	134.6
30 - 34	195.3	160.9	244.2	138.1	116.4	105.8
35 - 39	133.2	116.1	142.6	106.7	88.3	72.8
40 - 44	70.1	69.7	113.2	79.8	63.3	52.5
45 - 49	49.3	38.9	73.7	49.0	45.2	42.2
50 - 54	23.5	25.8	37.1	31.5	24.7	28.1
55 - 59	15.9	15.0	17.3	14.0	17.1	17.1
60 and over	2.9	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.1	2.7

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



**TABLE 28. MARRIAGES : RELATIVE PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Previous marital status of bridegroom	Previous marital status of bride						All brides	
	Never married		Widowed		Divorced			
	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent
Never married	5,998	65.8	57	0.6	683	7.5	6,738	73.9
Widowed	35	0.4	126	1.4	120	1.3	281	3.1
Divorced	815	8.9	115	1.3	1,165	12.8	2,095	23.0
<b>All bridegrooms</b>	<b>6,848</b>	<b>75.1</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>1,968</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>9,114</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**TABLE 29. MARRIAGES : AGE AND PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Age at marriage (years)	Previous marital status							
	Bridegrooms				Brides			
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Total
17 and under	1	—	—	1	19	—	—	19
18	21	—	—	21	110	—	—	110
19	50	—	—	50	223	—	1	224
20	117	—	—	117	434	—	—	434
21	308	—	—	308	664	—	3	667
22	500	—	—	500	765	—	4	769
23	620	—	2	622	783	—	4	787
24	637	—	6	643	696	—	22	718
25	674	1	7	682	608	3	34	645
26	585	1	20	606	504	4	43	551
27	558	—	19	577	385	3	66	454
28	475	—	39	514	343	1	62	406
29	432	—	51	483	265	2	100	367
30-34	1,205	8	435	1,648	752	24	456	1,232
35-39	364	11	445	820	211	19	400	630
40-44	108	13	395	516	46	27	325	398
45-49	46	20	312	378	19	30	230	279
50-54	12	27	162	201	10	30	118	158
55-59	7	36	99	142	6	34	46	86
60 and over	18	164	103	285	5	121	54	180
<b>All ages</b>	<b>6,738</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>9,114</b>	<b>6,848</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>1,968</b>	<b>9,114</b>

**TABLE 30. MARRIAGES : RELATIVE AGES OF PARTIES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Age group of bridegroom (years)	Age group of bride (years)												All ages	
	16 and under	17	18	19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59		60 and over
18 and under	—	2	9	4	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
19	1	—	20	9	17	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	50
20-24	3	8	54	144	1,651	284	35	10	1	—	—	—	—	2,190
25-29	4	1	25	57	1,273	1,199	240	48	11	3	1	—	—	2,862
30-34	—	—	2	5	313	676	479	130	33	9	1	—	—	1,648
35-39	—	—	—	2	83	187	266	183	77	16	6	—	—	820
40-44	—	—	—	3	17	45	138	145	119	36	11	2	—	516
45-49	—	—	—	—	9	21	54	85	89	90	21	6	3	378
50-54	—	—	—	—	3	5	13	17	38	61	48	11	5	201
55-59	—	—	—	—	2	3	5	8	21	41	38	15	9	142
60 and over	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	9	23	32	52	163	285
<b>All ages</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>3,375</b>	<b>2,423</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>9,114</b>

TABLE 31. MARRIAGES : RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARTIES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Country of birth	<i>Bridegroom born in country shown and bride born in</i>				<i>Bride born in country shown and bridegroom born in</i>			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
<b>OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA—</b>								
Australia	6,118	—	1,011	7,129	6,118	—	1,210	7,328
Fiji	2	1	1	4	5	1	—	6
New Zealand	89	6	22	117	44	6	12	62
Other	16	2	3	21	20	2	4	26
<i>Total</i>	6,225	9	1,037	7,271	6,187	9	1,226	7,422
<b>EUROPE AND FORMER USSR—</b>								
Austria	8	—	6	14	2	—	3	5
Former USSR & Baltic States	5	5	4	14	4	5	5	14
Former Yugoslav Republics	20	12	11	43	14	12	4	30
Germany	53	11	22	86	31	11	26	68
Greece	30	5	5	40	11	5	3	19
Hungary	3	2	2	7	4	2	2	8
Ireland	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Italy	50	8	15	73	34	8	8	50
Malta	2	—	2	4	5	—	5	10
Netherlands	35	4	9	48	23	4	11	38
Poland	5	22	2	29	12	22	7	41
United Kingdom	712	240	77	1,029	583	240	61	884
Other	40	13	13	66	38	13	12	63
<i>Total</i>	963	322	168	1,453	762	322	147	1,231
<b>MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA—</b>								
Egypt	2	1	2	5	2	1	—	3
Lebanon	6	—	—	6	2	—	2	4
Turkey	3	—	—	3	1	—	—	1
Other	10	8	3	21	1	8	4	13
<i>Total</i>	21	9	5	35	6	9	6	21
<b>SOUTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
Indonesia	3	—	2	5	4	—	3	7
Malaysia	6	10	3	19	18	10	8	36
Philippines	3	19	—	22	36	19	15	70
Singapore	4	—	1	5	11	—	7	18
Thailand	2	2	—	4	6	2	—	8
Viet Nam	4	86	7	97	9	86	14	109
Other	1	13	11	25	1	13	3	17
<i>Total</i>	23	130	24	177	85	130	50	265
<b>NORTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
China	4	10	9	23	5	10	9	24
Hong Kong	4	3	1	8	1	3	2	6
Other	—	4	3	7	12	4	3	19
<i>Total</i>	8	17	13	38	18	17	14	49
<b>SOUTHERN ASIA—</b>								
India	13	7	5	25	2	7	2	11
Sri Lanka	7	2	—	9	5	2	2	9
Other	1	—	1	2	1	—	2	3
<i>Total</i>	21	9	6	36	8	9	6	23
<b>THE AMERICAS—</b>								
Canada	14	2	4	20	14	2	5	21
Chile	2	3	5	10	1	3	1	5
United States of America	25	2	3	30	20	2	7	29
Other	2	3	7	12	8	3	9	20
<i>Total</i>	43	10	19	72	43	10	22	75
<b>AFRICA (Excluding North Africa)—</b>								
South Africa	11	1	3	15	5	1	—	6
Other	13	2	2	17	14	2	5	21
<i>Total</i>	24	3	5	32	19	3	5	27
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,328</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>9,114</b>	<b>7,129</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>1,476</b>	<b>9,114</b>

TABLE 32. MARRIAGES : CATEGORY OF RITE BY PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF PARTIES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Category of rite	Previous marital status of bridegroom			Previous marital status of bride		
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced
Religious (a):						
Anglican	725	25	65	745	19	51
Assemblies of God	82	1	26	81	—	28
Baptist	149	12	50	160	14	37
Catholic	1,425	20	37	1,432	18	32
Churches of Christ	112	5	37	112	8	34
Lutheran	324	13	62	325	16	58
Orthodox	272	1	28	277	—	24
Salvation Army	42	7	28	47	3	27
Uniting Church	1,123	46	303	1,203	42	227
Other	293	11	81	286	16	83
<i>All religious rites</i>	<i>4,547</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>717</i>	<i>4,668</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>601</i>
Civil:						
Official registrars	558	52	347	542	61	354
Other civil celebrants	1,633	88	1,031	1,638	101	1,013
<i>All civil rites</i>	<i>2,191</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>1,378</i>	<i>2,180</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>1,367</i>
<b>All rites</b>	<b>6,738</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>6,848</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>1,968</b>
<b>Per cent</b>	<b>73.9</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>75.1</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>21.6</b>

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

TABLE 33. MARRIAGES : CATEGORY OF RITE BY ORDER OF MARRIAGE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Category of rite	Order of marriage		All marriages	Percentage of all marriages	SA. Ministers of religion and civil celebrants registered at 1 January 1992
	First(a)	Other			
Religious (b):					
Anglican	702	113	815	8.9	237
Assemblies of God	72	37	109	1.2	77
Baptist	137	74	211	2.3	121
Catholic	1,398	84	1,482	16.3	236
Churches of Christ	94	60	154	1.7	82
Lutheran	291	108	399	4.4	203
Orthodox	257	44	301	3.3	31
Salvation Army	36	41	77	0.8	71
Uniting Church	1,029	443	1,472	16.2	338
Other	251	129	380	4.2	323
<i>All religious rites</i>	<i>4,271</i>	<i>1,134</i>	<i>5,405</i>	<i>59.3</i>	<i>1,719</i>
Civil:					
Official registrars	429	528	957	10.5	24
Other civil celebrants	1,298	1,454	2,752	30.2	69
<i>All civil rites</i>	<i>1,727</i>	<i>1,982</i>	<i>3,709</i>	<i>40.7</i>	<i>93</i>
<b>All rites</b>	<b>5,998</b>	<b>3,116</b>	<b>9,114</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,812</b>
<b>Per cent</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>

(a) First marriage for both bridegroom and bride. (b) Recognised denominations under authority of the Australian Marriage Act 1961 (Cwlth).

TABLE 34. REMARRIAGES BY NUMBER OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN 15 AND UNDER, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Number of previous marriages	Number of children 15 and under					All parties(a)	All children(b)
	0	1	2	3	4 or more		
<b>BRIDEGROOMS</b>							
One	1,262	350	334	68	8	2,026	1,254
Two	204	52	42	12	1	311	176
Three or more	26	10	2	—	1	39	18
<b>All bridegrooms remarrying(a)</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,376</b>	<b>1,448</b>
<b>BRIDES</b>							
One	1,163	313	316	84	19	1,897	1,277
Two	193	70	35	17	1	316	195
Three or more	38	7	6	—	1	52	24
<b>All brides remarrying(a)</b>	<b>1,394</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2,266</b>	<b>1,496</b>

(a) Includes records with values of 'not stated'. (b) Excludes records with values of 'not stated'.

TABLE 35. REMARRIAGES BY INTERVAL TO REMARRIAGE AND REASON FOR TERMINATION OF LAST MARRIAGE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

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	9	290	299	4	258	262
1	50	467	517	28	372	400
2	49	275	324	48	274	322
3	39	221	260	32	196	228
4	45	159	204	24	146	170
<b>Total 0-4 years</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>1,246</b>	<b>1,382</b>
5	17	125	142	21	122	143
6	13	93	106	20	100	120
7	10	66	76	16	77	93
8	13	77	90	16	77	93
9	6	64	70	6	65	71
<b>Total 5-9 years</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>520</b>
10-14	16	164	180	44	174	218
15-19	6	66	72	16	70	86
20 and over	6	16	22	18	23	41
Not stated	2	12	14	5	14	19
<b>All remarriages</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>2,376</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>1,968</b>	<b>2,266</b>

## SECTION 6 : DIVORCES

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### *Presentation of data*

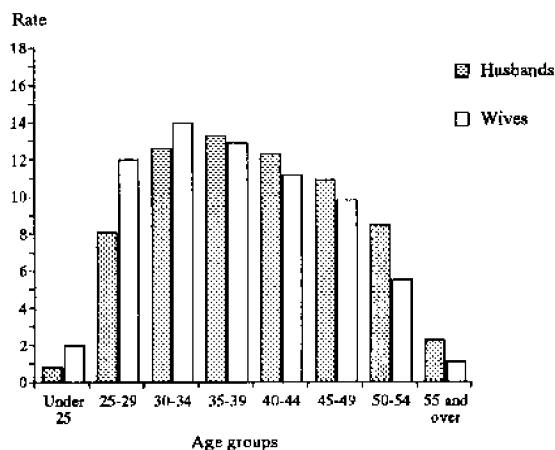
Details of divorces granted in 1993 are, for the first time, presented on both a State or Territory of residence at separation basis (Part A) and a State or Territory of registration basis (Part B). Time series data are not yet available for Part A.

#### **A. DIVORCES OF PERSONS USUALLY RESIDENT IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

##### *Overview*

In 1993 there were 3,939 divorces of couples who were usually resident in South Australia at the time of final separation. This is 124 (3.1 per cent) less than the total number registered at the Adelaide Registry of the Family Court. The crude divorce rate was 2.7 per 1,000 population. The age-specific divorce rates (number of divorces per 1,000 population in a specific age group) showed that males are most likely to get divorced between the ages of 35 and 39 years (with a rate of 13.4) and females between the ages of 30 and 34 (with a rate of 14.1). The median age at separation was 36.4 years for males, and 33.9 for females; and the median age at divorce was 39.4 for males and 36.7 for females.

**AGE-SPECIFIC DIVORCE RATES  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1993**



#### *Duration of marriage*

The median duration between marriage and final separation was 8.2 years in 1993. There was a further three years before divorce, when the median duration of marriage was 11.3 years. Only Western Australia has a longer median duration of marriage (11.5 years), and only Tasmania has a longer median duration between marriage and final separation (8.3 years).

#### *Children*

Just under one-half (49.4 per cent) of divorces in South Australia involved dependent children, with an average issue of 1.9 children.

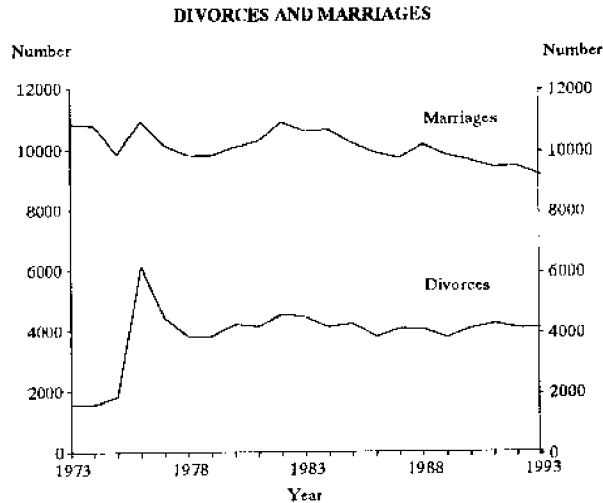
#### *Applications*

Slightly more than half (52.4 per cent) of South Australian applications were made by wives, compared with 48.9 per cent for the whole of Australia. The proportion of joint applications at 13.9 per cent, was lower in South Australia than for Australia where 15.8 per cent of the applications were made jointly.

## B. DIVORCES REGISTERED IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

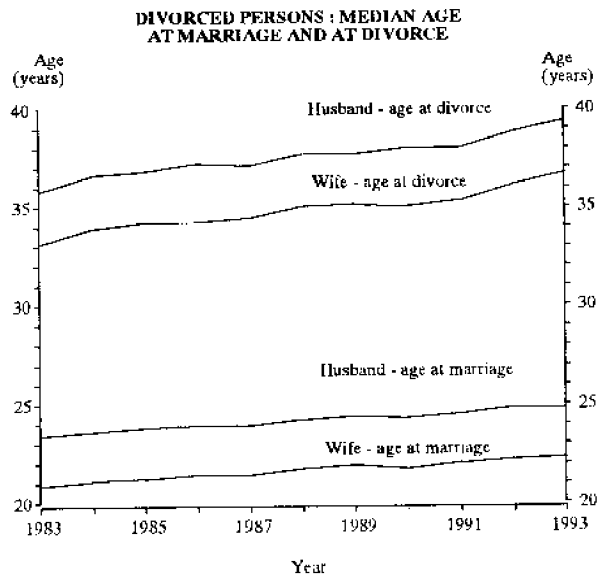
### Overview

The 4,063 divorces granted in 1993 by the Family Court of Australia in Adelaide represented a 0.3 per cent decrease over the 1992 total of 4,074. Following the introduction of the Family Law Act in 1976 the number of divorces increased from 1,812 in 1975 to 6,142 in 1976. Since 1977 the number of divorces granted in South Australia has fluctuated between 3,700 and 4,600.



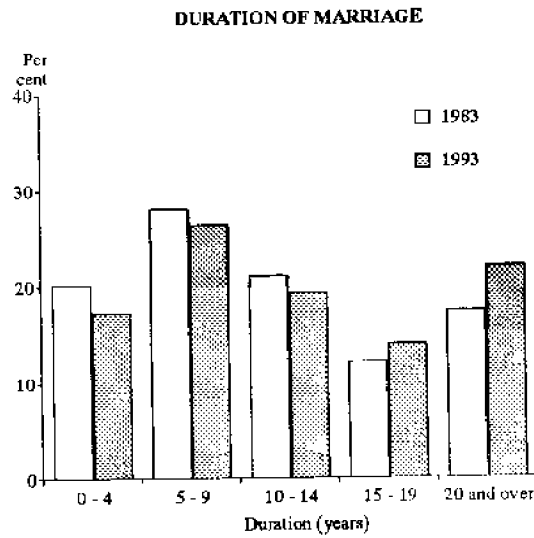
### Ages of persons being divorced

As the following graph shows, median ages at time of marriage, separation, and divorce have been rising steadily since 1976. Of those who divorced in 1993, 69.1 per cent of wives, and 51.2 per cent of husbands, were married before the age of 25 years.



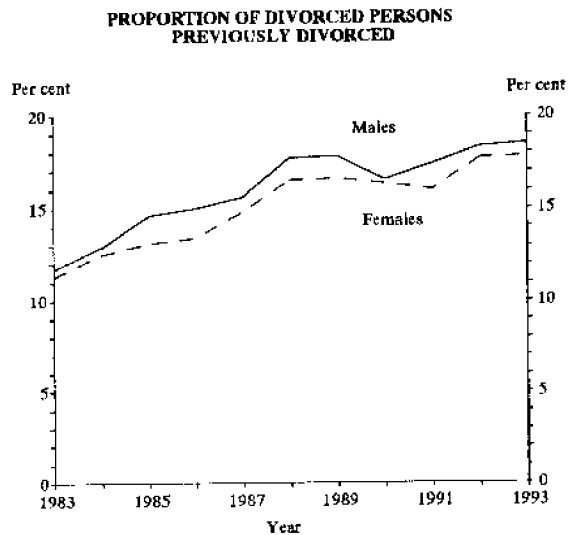
### *Duration of marriage*

The proportion of divorces where marriages had lasted for more than 15 years has increased over the last ten years, from 30.1 per cent in 1983 to 36.4 per cent in 1993. Divorces where the duration of marriage was less than 5 years fell from 20.4 per cent in 1983 to 17.1 per cent in 1993.



### *Previous marital status*

As can be seen from the following graph, between 1983 and 1993 the percentage of divorces granted to men and women who had previously been divorced has continued to rise. Of divorces granted in 1993, the proportion of persons previously divorced was 18.5 per cent for males, and 18.0 per cent for females.



### *Effects on people born overseas*

Of the divorces granted in South Australia in 1993, 42.4 per cent involved at least one partner who was born overseas. Just over one-half of the overseas born husbands, and 52.1 per cent of overseas born wives were from the United Kingdom.

## PART A: DIVORCES — STATES AND TERRITORIES OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT SEPARATION

TABLE 36. DIVORCES : SUMMARY(a), STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1993

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Australia
PERSONS										
<b>Divorces granted</b>	<b>16,358</b>	<b>10,935</b>	<b>8,501</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>4,620</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>1,269</b>	<b>48,324</b>
Crude divorce rate (per 1,000 population)	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.0	..	2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.3	10.6	11.0	11.3	11.5	11.1	10.6	11.1	10.1	10.7
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.1	7.7	7.9	8.2	8.1	8.3	6.9	8.2	5.2	7.6
<i>Divorces involving children —</i>										
Number	8,281	5,871	4,724	1,946	2,475	879	228	504	526	25,434
Percentage of total divorces	50.6	53.7	55.6	49.4	53.6	61.7	58.5	56.8	41.4	52.6
Average issue	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.9
<i>Applicant —</i>										
Husband	5,851	4,085	3,151	1,328	1,264	478	113	276	533	17,079
Wife	8,092	5,151	4,439	2,063	1,869	804	192	402	605	23,617
Joint	2,415	1,699	911	548	1,487	143	85	209	131	7,628
HUSBAND										
<i>Age specific divorce rate (c) —</i>										
<i>Age group (years) —</i>										
24 and under	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.6	1.4	0.6	0.7	..	1.0
25-29	8.7	7.9	8.3	8.2	7.4	10.2	4.7	8.4	..	8.5
30-34	13.0	12.5	12.7	12.7	12.5	14.8	9.0	13.6	..	13.1
35-39	13.2	11.6	12.9	13.4	12.9	16.3	10.9	13.1	..	13.2
40-44	12.5	11.7	12.9	12.4	12.5	15.3	12.0	13.0	..	12.8
45-49	10.7	9.4	11.3	11.0	11.3	11.9	8.1	10.7	..	10.8
50-54	8.2	7.2	8.6	8.6	9.3	8.2	6.6	8.8	..	8.3
55 and over	2.6	2.2	2.9	2.4	3.1	2.3	3.0	4.9	..	2.7
<i>Marital status at marriage (number) —</i>										
Never married	13,464	9,135	6,766	3,163	3,739	1,153	314	735	1,085	39,554
Widowed	170	117	94	33	40	18	2	4	5	483
Divorced	2,724	1,683	1,641	743	841	254	74	148	179	8,287
Total	16,358	10,935	8,501	3,939	4,620	1,425	390	887	1,269	48,324
<i>Median age (years) —</i>										
at marriage	25.5	25.1	24.9	24.8	25.3	24.5	25.9	25.5	26.1	25.2
at final separation	36.0	36.0	36.7	36.4	36.8	36.0	36.5	36.5	33.7	36.2
at decree made absolute	39.1	38.9	39.8	39.4	40.1	39.1	39.4	39.5	38.4	39.3
WIFE										
<i>Age specific divorce rate (c) —</i>										
<i>Age group (years) —</i>										
24 and under	2.6	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.2	1.8	1.8	..	2.3
25-29	12.8	11.5	12.2	12.1	11.3	15.8	7.9	12.9	..	12.5
30-34	14.0	12.2	13.6	14.1	14.3	15.2	10.9	14.2	..	13.9
35-39	13.0	11.8	13.2	13.0	13.2	16.5	10.4	12.4	..	13.2
40-44	11.5	10.5	11.5	11.3	11.5	13.3	11.1	12.1	..	11.5
45-49	9.0	8.3	10.2	9.9	9.5	9.3	7.3	9.6	..	9.3
50-54	5.8	5.0	6.2	5.6	6.6	5.8	5.5	7.0	..	5.9
55 and over	1.2	1.0	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.2	1.7	2.2	..	1.3
<i>Marital status at marriage (number) —</i>										
Never married	13,538	9,305	6,747	3,174	3,784	1,156	322	734	1,140	39,900
Widowed	221	128	139	55	63	25	5	16	6	658
Divorced	2,599	1,502	1,615	710	773	244	63	137	123	7,766
Total	16,358	10,935	8,501	3,939	4,620	1,425	390	887	1,269	48,324
<i>Median age (years) —</i>										
at marriage	22.8	22.6	22.4	22.3	22.5	22.0	22.8	22.7	23.5	22.6
at final separation	33.1	33.3	33.8	33.9	33.7	33.2	32.7	33.8	31.1	33.3
at decree made absolute	36.2	36.3	36.8	36.7	37.0	36.3	35.9	36.6	35.5	36.4

(a) See Explanatory Notes for definitions of the terms used. (b) Includes divorces where usual residence was Christmas Island or the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (4), Overseas (1,188) or not stated (77). (c) Per 1,000 population.



TABLE 37. DIVORCES : AGE AT MARRIAGE BY  
DURATION OF MARRIAGE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Duration of marriage (years)	Age group (years)								All ages (a)
	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50 and over	
HUSBANDS									
1	2	11	9	4	2	4	3	3	38
2	3	53	44	19	20	17	6	8	171
3	10	63	80	23	13	13	5	10	217
4	9	86	69	37	19	14	6	9	249
5	13	92	71	30	23	9	11	1	251
6	9	72	64	25	14	14	6	11	215
7	5	69	63	25	12	9	7	12	202
8	4	78	46	28	14	8	7	6	192
9	10	75	55	25	17	9	5	7	203
10-14	35	340	190	95	49	29	10	17	767
15-19	47	300	117	47	19	8	13	8	560
20 and over	86	546	171	46	12	5	4	4	874
<b>All divorces</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>3,939</b>
WIVES									
1	2	15	7	6	3	1	2	2	38
2	17	68	32	21	13	8	5	6	171
3	30	97	39	17	17	7	5	5	217
4	33	106	47	22	19	14	4	3	249
5	40	115	45	21	16	8	5	1	251
6	22	83	50	17	20	12	6	5	215
7	29	87	37	17	14	7	7	4	202
8	26	86	40	18	13	7	—	1	192
9	38	81	33	29	10	7	3	2	203
10-14	167	360	105	74	35	15	6	4	767
15-19	197	242	78	23	7	7	2	3	560
20 and over	316	465	53	22	9	6	1	2	874
<b>All divorces</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>1,805</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3,939</b>

(a) Includes records where age was not stated.

TABLE 38. DIVORCES : AGE AT FINAL SEPARATION AND INTERVAL BETWEEN MARRIAGE AND FINAL SEPARATION, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Interval (years)	Age group (years)										All ages
	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	
<b>HUSBANDS</b>											
Under 1	7	66	61	37	20	22	12	4	9	1	239
1	3	67	107	44	23	27	11	5	9	1	297
2	2	53	109	56	33	23	10	4	8	2	300
3	—	24	107	60	19	16	8	9	5	1	249
4	—	11	82	65	29	17	7	5	8	—	224
5	—	3	83	68	37	12	5	6	9	—	223
6	—	1	55	59	26	13	14	8	14	—	190
7	—	1	57	69	33	27	14	5	5	—	211
8	—	—	25	61	39	13	6	8	5	—	157
9	—	—	11	70	34	15	10	8	3	—	151
10-14	—	—	4	190	219	91	36	19	30	—	589
15-19	—	—	—	11	203	218	57	18	16	1	524
20 and over	—	—	—	—	5	141	204	125	106	—	581
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3,939</b>
<b>WIVES</b>											
Under 1	18	89	54	30	20	10	8	1	7	2	239
1	13	119	79	32	20	10	13	5	6	—	297
2	4	102	106	31	21	24	7	3	1	1	300
3	1	69	90	40	20	16	7	6	—	—	249
4	—	41	93	43	21	12	7	2	5	—	224
5	—	29	85	59	20	11	8	8	2	1	223
6	—	5	92	46	19	13	9	1	5	—	190
7	—	2	93	51	33	19	9	4	—	—	211
8	—	—	64	47	19	16	7	2	2	—	157
9	—	—	37	63	30	14	2	4	1	—	151
10-14	—	—	35	330	118	56	25	12	12	1	589
15-19	—	—	—	54	322	118	15	3	12	—	524
20 and over	—	—	—	—	29	224	173	79	76	—	581
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3,939</b>

TABLE 39. DIVORCES : RELATIVE AGE AT DIVORCE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age group of husband (years)	Age group of wife (years)									Total
	24 and under	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	
24 and under	54	15	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	73
25-29	109	289	56	8	2	1	1	—	—	466
30-34	30	267	377	59	16	6	—	—	1	756
35-39	7	59	297	318	57	17	5	—	—	760
40-44	2	18	66	257	262	48	9	4	2	668
45-49	2	6	28	53	201	210	25	4	2	531
50-54	—	4	7	25	37	137	91	18	—	319
55 and over	—	1	3	12	31	55	73	185	—	360
Not stated	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3,939</b>

**TABLE 40. DIVORCES : NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF THE MARRIAGE(a), AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND DURATION OF MARRIAGE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Duration of marriage (years)	Number of children					All divorces (b)	All children (c)	Average number of children (c)(d)
	0	1	2	3	4 or more			
Under 2	27	8	1	1	1	38	17	1.5
2	121	32	17	—	1	171	70	1.4
3	148	43	19	6	1	217	103	1.5
4	162	51	26	8	2	249	136	1.6
5	132	58	48	8	5	251	199	1.7
6	124	44	33	9	5	215	157	1.7
7	113	35	41	12	1	202	157	1.8
8	84	30	53	22	3	192	214	2.0
9	85	42	59	12	5	203	218	1.8
10-14	245	133	261	106	22	767	1,063	2.0
15-19	159	87	209	76	29	560	853	2.1
20 and over	593	169	86	22	4	874	424	1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,993</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>3,611</b>	<b>1.9</b>

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used in this table. (b) Total includes any records where the number and ages of children were not stated. (c) Excludes those records where the numbers and ages of children were not stated. (d) 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 SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993**

Duration of marriage (years)	Age of youngest child								All divorces involving children (a)
	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-17	
Under 2	2	2	1	2	—	4	—	—	11
2	5	12	8	7	1	6	8	3	50
3	1	9	20	15	8	11	2	3	69
4	3	7	16	29	10	8	8	6	87
5	1	11	21	23	28	25	5	5	119
6	4	9	12	15	16	25	7	3	91
7	1	3	6	15	21	34	4	5	89
8	—	4	7	20	23	47	5	2	108
9	—	4	9	15	21	56	10	3	118
10-14	5	5	19	31	49	315	90	8	522
15-19	—	1	3	10	10	138	196	43	401
20 and over	1	—	1	2	5	28	115	129	281
<b>Total(b)</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>1,946</b>

(a) Total includes any records where the age of the youngest child was not stated. (b) Includes any records where the duration of marriage is not stated.

TABLE 42. DIVORCES : RELATIVE BIRTHPLACES OF PARTIES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Country of birth	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
<b>OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA—</b>								
Australia	2,268	—	471	2,739	2,268	—	566	2,834
Fiji	1	2	2	5	2	2	4	8
New Zealand	19	13	8	40	15	13	13	41
Other	1	—	2	3	5	—	4	9
Total	2,289	15	483	2,787	2,290	15	587	2,892
<b>EUROPE AND FORMER USSR—</b>								
Austria	4	1	1	6	2	1	9	12
Former USSR & Baltic States	7	3	2	12	1	3	2	6
Former Yugoslav Republics	11	14	6	31	5	14	2	21
Germany	27	11	15	53	25	11	24	60
Greece	16	15	3	34	6	15	4	25
Hungary	2	3	6	11	2	3	3	8
Ireland	8	4	10	22	5	4	4	13
Italy	32	15	15	62	8	15	5	28
Malta	6	3	4	13	2	3	2	7
Netherlands	29	7	14	50	22	7	10	39
Poland	3	16	6	25	2	16	5	23
United Kingdom	315	239	66	620	284	239	53	576
Other	16	6	15	37	15	6	11	32
Total	476	337	163	976	379	337	134	850
<b>MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA—</b>								
Egypt	3	1	2	6	2	1	2	5
Lebanon	1	2	1	4	—	2	2	4
Turkey	5	1	—	6	—	1	—	1
Other	7	4	6	17	—	4	—	4
Total	16	8	9	33	2	8	4	14
<b>SOUTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
Indonesia	4	—	2	6	1	—	3	4
Malaysia	6	2	4	12	4	2	4	10
Philippines	4	3	—	7	14	3	12	29
Singapore	3	1	—	4	3	1	5	9
Thailand	1	1	—	2	5	1	1	7
Viet Nam	1	22	5	28	—	22	2	24
Other	—	2	1	3	—	2	2	4
Total	19	31	12	62	27	31	29	87
<b>NORTHEAST ASIA—</b>								
China	—	7	5	12	1	7	9	17
Hong Kong	—	2	1	3	1	2	1	4
Other	3	—	1	4	1	—	—	1
Total	3	9	7	19	3	9	10	22
<b>SOUTHERN ASIA—</b>								
India	3	3	2	8	5	3	2	10
Sri Lanka	1	2	—	3	—	2	—	2
Other	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Total	4	5	3	12	5	5	2	12
<b>THE AMERICAS—</b>								
Canada	4	1	3	8	5	1	—	6
Chile	2	3	2	7	2	3	1	6
United States of America	8	—	1	9	11	—	4	15
Other	2	4	1	7	2	4	6	12
Total	16	8	7	31	20	8	11	39
<b>AFRICA (Excluding North Africa)—</b>								
South Africa	1	—	2	3	2	—	4	6
Other	3	1	2	6	6	1	2	9
Total	4	1	4	9	8	1	6	15
Other and not stated	7	1	2	10	5	1	2	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,834</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>2,739</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>3,939</b>

**PART B : DIVORCES — STATE OF REGISTRATION**  
**TABLE 43. DIVORCES (a): SUMMARY, REGISTERED IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
<b>PERSONS</b>						
<b>Divorces granted</b>	<b>4,031</b>	<b>3,740</b>	<b>4,066</b>	<b>4,215</b>	<b>4,074</b>	<b>4,063</b>
Crude divorce rate (b)	2.9	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.8
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.3	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.9	11.3
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.6	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.9	8.3
<i>Divorces involving children</i>						
Number	2,413	2,090	2,345	2,323	2,114	1,999
Percentage of total divorces	59.9	55.9	57.7	55.1	51.9	49.2
Average issue	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
<i>Applicant</i>						
Husband	1,504	1,379	1,401	1,443	1,455	1,369
Wife	2,269	2,088	2,238	2,179	2,070	2,144
Joint	258	273	427	593	549	550
<b>HUSBANDS</b>						
<i>Age-specific divorce rate</i>						
Age group (years)						
24 and under	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.0
25-29	11.1	10.4	10.2	9.9	8.4	8.5
30-34	14.7	13.8	14.3	15.6	14.2	13.4
35-39	14.6	12.6	14.8	15.4	14.3	13.5
40-44	13.4	12.2	14.1	12.9	12.7	13.0
45-49	9.8	8.6	10.6	10.8	11.3	11.2
50-54	7.9	7.1	7.0	8.2	7.9	8.6
55 and over	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6
<i>Marital status at marriage (number)</i>						
Never married	3,284	3,037	3,351	3,438	3,286	3,276
Widowed	33	36	43	44	44	37
Divorced	714	667	672	733	744	750
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,031</i>	<i>3,740</i>	<i>4,066</i>	<i>4,215</i>	<i>4,074</i>	<i>4,063</i>
<i>Median age (years) at</i>						
Marriage	24.2	24.4	24.3	24.5	24.8	24.8
Final separation	35.1	35.0	35.3	35.4	36.0	36.4
Decree made absolute	37.7	37.7	38.0	38.0	38.8	39.4
<b>WIVES</b>						
<i>Age-specific divorce rate</i>						
Age group (years)						
24 and under	3.2	2.5	2.8	2.6	2.1	2.3
25-29	15.1	14.2	15.1	14.7	13.5	12.6
30-34	14.6	13.7	15.0	16.3	14.5	14.6
35-39	14.1	12.8	13.2	13.7	14.6	13.4
40-44	11.6	10.0	12.5	11.3	11.5	11.7
45-49	8.2	7.9	8.2	9.2	9.0	10.0
50-54	5.4	5.0	4.5	5.4	5.5	5.6
55 and over	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.3
<i>Marital status at marriage (number)</i>						
Never married	3,329	3,072	3,351	3,474	3,291	3,277
Widowed	36	46	51	66	62	61
Divorced	666	622	664	675	721	725
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,031</i>	<i>3,740</i>	<i>4,066</i>	<i>4,215</i>	<i>4,074</i>	<i>4,063</i>
<i>Median age (years) at</i>						
Marriage	21.7	21.9	21.7	22.0	22.2	22.3
Final separation	32.4	32.5	32.5	32.8	33.5	33.7
Decree made absolute	35.0	35.1	35.1	35.3	36.1	36.6

(a) See Glossary of Terms for definitions used.

## SECTION 7 : THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER POPULATION

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### **Introduction**

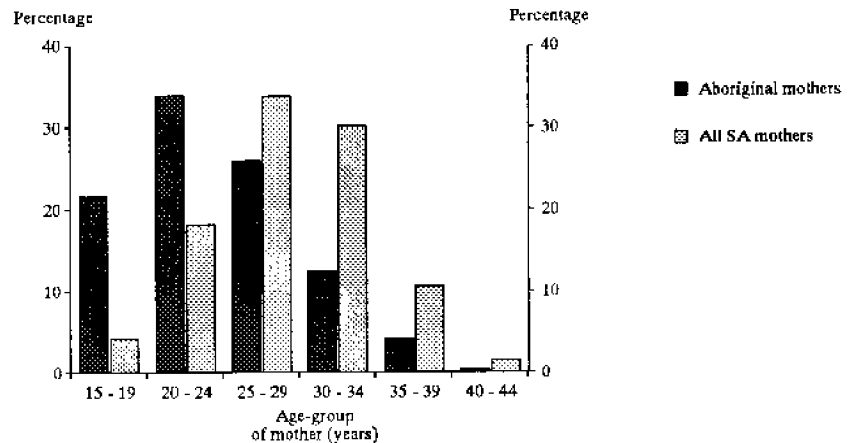
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander births and deaths are obtained through self-identification in the registration process. It is possible that some indigenous people whose usual residence was in South Australia, but whose birth or death was registered in another State, may not have been noted as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin. No data on the indigenous population are available for marriages and divorces. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander vital events, unless separately identified, are described as Aboriginal for the rest of this section.

#### **Aboriginal Births**

The number of Aboriginal births registered to mothers usually resident in South Australia fell by 7.5 per cent from 561 in 1992 to 519 in 1993. Since 1990, the number of Aboriginal births has fallen by 11.7 per cent from 588, while over the same period, total South Australian births have risen by 1.1 per cent. Births to Aboriginal mothers fell by 16.7 per cent from 498 in 1990 to 415 in 1993.

The median age of parents of Aboriginal infants has been rising. The median age for mothers rose from 23.6 years in 1990 to 24.5 in 1993, while the median age of fathers (for all confinements where paternity was acknowledged) rose from 26.6 years to 27.6 over the same period. The median age of Aboriginal mothers rose from 23.3 to 24.0 years.

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In 1993 the total fertility rate for Aboriginal mothers was 2.462 compared with 1.784 for all South Australian mothers.

#### **Aboriginal Deaths**

There were 111 deaths of indigenous persons usually resident in South Australia in 1993. Of these, 61 were male and 50 were female. This represents a sex ratio of 122 male deaths for every 100 female deaths.

The median age at death for Aboriginal males was 38.5 years, while the median age for females was 55.0. These ages are significantly lower than the overall State medians of 73.7 and 79.9 respectively. Because of the small number of observations, it is likely that these figures will fluctuate from year to year.

There were 9 Aboriginal infant deaths recorded in 1993, representing an infant mortality rate of 17.3 (deaths per 1,000 live births). This rate is lower than that of previous years, but still compares unfavourably with the overall South Australian rate of 6.1.

An indication of Aboriginal mortality can be obtained by indirect standardisation, *i.e.* by applying the age-specific death rates of the total State population to the age distribution of the Aboriginal population to calculate the number of Aboriginal deaths by cause that could be expected (if the Aboriginal people were subject to the same mortality conditions as the total population), and then comparing these expected numbers with the actual number of occurrences.

The following graph gives an indication of the higher death rates from the major causes experienced by the Aboriginal population when compared with the total State population. Details of male and female rates are given in Table 52.

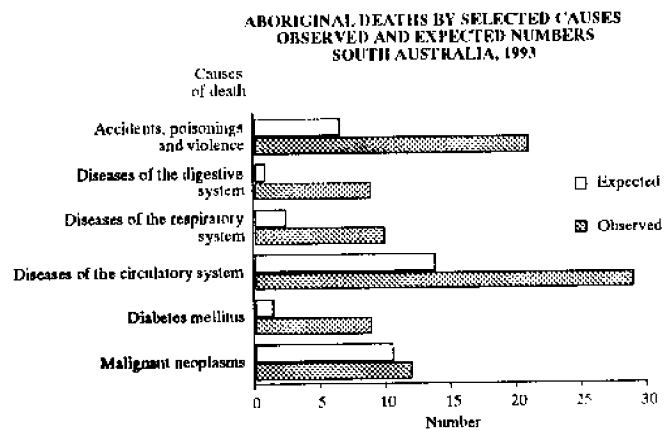


TABLE 44. ABORIGINAL BIRTHS AND DEATHS BY AREA OF USUAL RESIDENCE  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

<i>Usual residence</i>	<i>Births</i>			<i>Deaths</i>		
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
ADELAIDE	113	119	232	13	19	32
Northern	55	61	116	7	7	14
Western	29	26	55	5	7	12
Eastern	10	9	19	—	4	4
Southern	19	23	42	1	1	2
OUTER ADELAIDE	3	7	10	—	—	—
YORKE AND LOWER NORTH	9	7	16	1	—	1
MURRAY LANDS	13	32	45	3	7	10
SOUTH EAST	6	9	15	2	—	2
EYRE	29	18	47	11	6	17
Lincoln	12	8	20	3	—	3
West Coast	17	10	27	8	6	14
NORTHERN	84	70	154	31	18	49
Whyalla	5	9	14	1	2	3
Pirie	5	6	11	5	1	6
Flinders Ranges	39	28	67	11	8	19
Far North	35	27	62	14	7	21
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>111</b>

TABLE 45. ABORIGINAL BIRTHS AND DEATHS BY AREA OF USUAL RESIDENCE, AVERAGE PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1991 TO 1993

<i>Usual residence</i>	<i>Average percentage of births</i>		<i>Average percentage of deaths</i>	
	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>All SA births</i>	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>All SA deaths</i>
ADELAIDE	44.5	70.6	28.7	73.5
OUTER ADELAIDE	2.5	6.6	0.9	5.9
YORKE AND LOWER NORTH	2.2	2.9	1.8	4.2
MURRAY LANDS	8.2	5.2	6.8	4.5
SOUTH EAST	3.2	4.8	2.2	4.0
EYRE	8.0	2.5	17.6	2.2
NORTHERN	28.8	7.4	41.3	5.5



TABLE 46. ABORIGINAL BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS: SUMMARY  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Aboriginal births and confinements				Aboriginal mothers 1993	All SA births 1993
	1990	1991	1992	1993		
<b>Births to mothers usually resident in SA</b>						
Males	279	306	291	257	207	10,232
Females	309	287	270	262	208	9,846
<i>All births</i>	588	593	561	519	415	20,078
Sex ratio (male to female)	90.3	106.6	107.8	98.1	99.5	103.9
<b>Confinements</b>						
Median age of mother(years)(a)	23.6	24.0	24.1	24.5	24.0	28.7
Median age of father(years)(a)(b)	26.6	27.7	26.9	27.6	24.7	27.7
Paternity not acknowledged (per cent)	19.9	19.2	19.1	13.9	17.4	4.4

(a) Excludes 5 cases where age was not stated in 1993. (b) Where paternity was acknowledged.

TABLE 47. ABORIGINAL BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS: AGE GROUP(a) BY ABORIGINALITY OF MOTHER  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age of mother (years)	Number(b)			Per cent(b)			Age specific birth rates	
	Aboriginal mothers	All Aboriginal confinements	All SA confinements	Aboriginal mothers	All Aboriginal confinements	All SA confinements	Aboriginal mothers	All SA births
19 and under(c)	89	104	875	21.8	20.3	4.4	100.9	17.8
20 - 24	140	169	3,658	34.2	33.0	18.4	155.7	65.6
25 - 29	107	136	6,749	26.2	26.6	34.1	125.0	125.4
30 - 34	52	75	6,027	12.7	14.6	30.4	67.5	102.9
35 - 39	18	25	2,131	4.4	4.9	10.8	29.6	38.4
40 - 44	3	3	351	0.7	0.6	1.8	6.6	6.3
<b>All ages (d)</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>19,802</b>	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total fertility rate</b>	..	..	..	..	..	..	<b>2.462</b>	<b>1.784</b>

(a) The Aboriginal population used in the compilation of this table was estimated on the basis of results from the 1991 Census. (b) Of confinements. (c) Includes one confinement of an Aboriginal, and one of a non-Aboriginal mother who was aged less than fifteen years. (d) Includes 5 confinements of mothers (all Aboriginal) where age was not stated.

TABLE 48. ABORIGINAL CONFINEMENTS: ABORIGINALITY OF MOTHER BY ABORIGINALITY OF FATHER  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Aboriginality of father	Mother		All Aboriginal confinements
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	
Aboriginal	179	103	282
Non-Aboriginal	163	..	163
Paternity not acknowledged	72	—	72
<b>All fathers</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>517</b>

TABLE 49. DEATHS BY ABORIGINALITY : SUMMARY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Aboriginal deaths				All deaths 1993
	1990	1991	1992	1993	
<b>All deaths</b>					
Males	74	79	61	61	6,015
Females	44	56	46	50	5,513
Persons	118	135	107	111	11,528
Sex ratio (male to female)	168.2	141.1	122.0	122.0	109.1
Median age at death (years):					
Males	42.0	45.1	37.5	38.5	73.7
Females	57.0	49.8	54.0	55.0	79.9
<b>Infant deaths</b>					
Number	11	12	13	9	117
Rate(a)	18.7	20.2	23.2	17.3	6.1
<b>Neonatal deaths(b)</b>					
Number	6	6	3	5	46
Rate(a)	13.1	12.9	6.6	9.6	2.4
<b>Fetal deaths (stillbirths)(b)(c)</b>					
Number	8	7	6	5	104
Rate(d)	15.8	14.9	13.0	9.5	5.2

(a) Per 1,000 live births. (b) See Explanatory Notes for definitions of 'neonatal' and 'fetal'. (c) Excludes records where the mother has not been identified as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. (d) Per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths.

TABLE 50. CAUSES OF DEATH BY ABORIGINALITY AND AGE GROUP, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Cause of death	Aboriginal population				Total	Per cent	Total population	
	24 and under	25-44 years	45-64 years	65 years and over			Number	Per cent
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	—	1	8	3	12	10.8	2,967	25.7
Diabetes mellitus	—	—	5	4	9	8.1	238	2.1
<i>Diseases of the circulatory system:</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>26.1</i>	<i>5,283</i>	<i>45.8</i>
Ischaemic heart disease	—	2	7	7	16	14.4	2,918	25.3
Cerebrovascular disease (stroke)	—	1	1	3	5	4.5	1,258	10.9
Other diseases of the circulatory system	1	4	2	1	8	7.2	1,107	9.6
Diseases of the respiratory system	—	3	2	5	10	9.0	880	7.6
Diseases of the digestive system	1	4	4	—	9	8.1	337	2.9
<i>Accidents, poisoning and violence:</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>18.9</i>	<i>655</i>	<i>5.7</i>
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	.	7	—	—	10	9.1	209	1.8
Suicide	1	1	—	—	2	1.8	166	1.4
Other causes	10	6	6	4	21	18.9	1,168	10.1
<b>All causes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11,528</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TABLE 51. DEATHS : ABORIGINALITY BY AGE AND SEX, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Age group (years)	Aboriginal deaths				All South Australian deaths			
	Males	Females	Persons	Per cent	Males	Females	Persons	Per cent
14 and under	10	5	15	13.5	107	69	176	1.5
15 - 24	5	1	6	5.4	115	55	170	1.5
25 - 34	11	7	18	16.2	170	61	231	2.0
35 - 44	9	6	15	13.5	170	112	282	2.5
45 - 54	8	4	12	10.8	282	185	467	4.1
55 - 64	7	11	18	16.2	700	406	1,106	9.6
65 and over	11	16	27	24.3	4,471	4,625	9,096	78.9
<i>All deaths</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>6,015</i>	<i>5,513</i>	<i>11,528</i>	<i>100.0</i>

TABLE 52. ABORIGINAL DEATHS: OBSERVED AND EXPECTED NUMBERS(a) IN SELECTED CAUSES SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1993

Cause of death	Male deaths			Female deaths		
	Observed	Expected	Ratio	Observed	Expected	Ratio
Malignant neoplasms	2	5.6	0.4	10	5.0	2.0
<i>Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders</i>	4	0.9	4.4	6	0.6	10.0
Diabetes mellitus	3	0.4	7.5	6	0.3	20.0
Mental disorders	5	0.6	8.3	—	0.6	—
<i>Diseases of the circulatory system</i>	14	7.2	1.9	15	6.7	2.2
Ischaemic heart disease	9	4.6	2.0	7	3.3	2.1
Diseases of the respiratory system	7	1.4	5.0	3	1.1	2.7
Diseases of the digestive system	5	0.6	8.3	4	0.5	8.0
<i>External cause of accident, poisoning or violence</i>	15	4.8	3.1	6	1.8	3.3
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	7	1.8	3.9	3	0.7	4.3
<b>All causes</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>

(a) Where the age-specific death rates for the whole of South Australia are applied to the indigenous population.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### **Introduction**

This publication contains Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces data, and also includes some cause of death and population data. For details of other published information relating to demography, readers should refer to the section on Related Publications in these Notes.

A Glossary of Terms follows the Explanatory Notes. More detailed definitions are to be found in specialised publications, which are listed in the section on Related Publications.

### **Population**

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

Estimates of the South Australian population are made to varying degrees of detail throughout the year and this publication includes the most up-to-date estimates available for each particular table.

The figures for natural increase in Tables 1 and 3 are those used in the preliminary estimation of the population at 31 December 1993 and have been rounded to the nearest thousand.

Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections are based on the results on the 1991 Census of Population and Housing, and relate to the period from 1993 to 2041.

The population projections are not intended as predictions or forecasts, but as illustrations of that 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.

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. Further details are shown in the publication *Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1993 to 2041* (3222.0)

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 and ships' crews; 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.

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. Further details are shown in the Explanatory Notes to *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0).

### **Births**

Births 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.

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.

Except for Tables 13 through to 16, the statistics in this section refer to live births registered during the calendar year shown. Tables 13 to 16 refer to births occurring in the years shown, and the data are drawn from registrations completed up to 30

June 1994. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a birth, and, as a result of delay in registration, some births occurring in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, more than 99 per cent of births are registered by 30 June of the following year.

The birth statistics used to calculate the fetal and neonatal death rates in Table 49 have been adjusted (in accordance with the WHO definition of perinatal death) to exclude cases where the birthweight was known to be less than 500 grams. However, infant death rates shown in this publication are calculated using all live births registered, because figures are not available for infants who weigh less than 500 grams at birth, and who live for 28 days, but die before they are one year old.

## Deaths

In this publication 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 and was registered.

Except for Tables 23 to 25 inclusive, the death statistics in this section refer to deaths registered during the year shown. Tables 23 to 25 refer to deaths occurring in the years shown, with data drawn from registrations up to 30 June 1994. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death, but most deaths are registered within 6 months of occurrence.

## Marriages

The statistics in this section refer to marriages registered by the South Australian Registrar during the years shown. There is usually an interval of at least some days between the celebration and the registration of a marriage. As a result of the delay in registration, some marriages celebrated in one year are not registered until the following year. Under the *Australian Marriage Act 1961*, marriages may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant; by a district registrar, or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month, but within 6 calendar months, before the marriage.

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

## Divorces

Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, the only ground on which a divorce may be granted is that of irretrievable breakdown of the marriage. This ground is established by the husband and wife having lived apart for 12 months or more, with 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.

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.

The statistics shown in this publication are compiled by the Australian Bureau of Statistics from Statistical Reports completed by the Family Court in respect of each application which resulted in the granting of a decree absolute. These reports are forwarded to the ABS on finalisation of proceedings.

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. The number of divorces shown for South Australia is dependent on the number of cases heard by Family Law Courts.

**The Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander Population in  
South Australia**

Tables in this section refer to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population usually resident in South Australia.

**Geographic boundaries**

The geographic boundaries for statistical local areas (SLAs) are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification (1216.0)*. They equate directly with local government areas, except for Enfield, which is split into two statistical local areas.

The boundaries of statistical local areas used in determining the population are those in existence at 30 June 1993. The boundaries used for Births and Deaths statistics are the SLA boundaries at 1 January 1993.

The country of birth tables use the Australian Standard Classification of Countries (ASCCSS) which was developed for Australian users. In this classification, neighbouring countries are grouped into progressively broader geographic areas on the basis of social, cultural, political and economic similarities. The base units of ASCSS are broadly compatible with those of the United Nations birthplace classification. ASCSS has been applied to Demographic statistics since January 1990.

For more detailed information on the classification of countries, refer to the ABS publication *Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1269.0)*.

**Related publications**

The format of this publication of demographic statistics is repeated, with minor differences, across all States and Territories. Each State Demography bulletin has a Catalogue Number of 3311 and a suffix number appropriate to the State of publication.

Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

- Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)*
- Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age; States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)*
- Estimated Resident Population in Statistical Local Areas, South Australia, Preliminary (3201.4)*
- Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, South Australia (3204.4)*
- Australian Demographic Trends, 1986 (3102.0)*
- Australia Social Trends 1994 (4102.0)*
- Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1993 to 2041 (3222.0)*
- Overseas Arrivals and Departures (3404.0)*
- Births, Australia (3301.0)*
- Deaths, Australia (3302.0)*
- Deaths, South Australia (3312.4)*
- Causes of Death, Australia (3306.0)*
- Marriages, Australia (3306.0)*
- Divorces, Australia (3307.0)*
- Aboriginal Births and Deaths, South Australia, 1988 (4104.4)*
- Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders (2153.0)*
- Aboriginal People in South Australia (2841.4)*
- Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, June 1986 and June 1991 (3230.0)*
- Census of Population and Housing, Counts of Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders, Australia, States and Territories, 30 June 1971, 1976, 1981 (2164.0)*
- Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0)*
- South Australian Year Book (1301.4)*

**Additional statistics and services available**

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.

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.

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 1993. 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 AGPS Bookshop in each State capital city.

**Symbols and other usages**

n.a	not available
n.p.	not available for publication, but included in totals where applicable
p	preliminary - figures or series subject to revision
r	figures or series revised since last issue
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

- Aboriginal persons** Those identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin. *Aboriginal births* are those where at least one parent was identified as being Aboriginal.
- Age-specific birth rates** Live births registered during the calendar year, according to age of mother, per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year female resident population. For the purposes of calculating these rates, births to mothers 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.
- Age and marital status specific marriage rates** 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 South Australia are calculated on the population census count, as the estimated resident population by marital status by age and sex is calculated only for Australia.
- Age-specific death rate** The number of deaths at a specified age per 1,000 of the population of that age.
- Age-specific divorce rate** The number of divorced parties by age multiplied by 1,000, and divided by the estimated mid-year resident population in specific age groups. Males under 18 and females under 16 are excluded from the population.
- Birth** 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.
- Category of movement** 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.
- Children: Divorces collection** 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: Marriages collection** In the Marriages collection, the term children refers to persons under 16 years of age born from previous marriages. The term 'children' must not be confused with the term *previous issue*, used in the Births collection (*see below*).
- Confinement** 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.



<b><i>Crude birth rate</i></b>	The number of registered 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 registered live births per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year population for each statistical local area.
<b><i>Crude death rate</i></b>	The number of registered deaths per 1,000 of the estimated mean resident population, except for Table 2 in which it is measured as the number of registered deaths per 1,000 of the estimated mid-year population for each statistical local area.
<b><i>Crude divorce rate</i></b>	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.)
<b><i>Crude marriage rate</i></b>	The number of marriages per 1,000 estimated mean resident population.
<b><i>Date of final separation</i></b>	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.
<b><i>Divorce</i></b>	Decrees absolute of dissolution of marriage.
<b><i>Duration of marriage</i></b>	The interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date the marriage ended by decree made absolute or death of the spouse.
<b><i>Estimated resident population (ERP)</i></b>	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.
<b><i>Female net reproduction rate</i></b>	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.
<b><i>Fetal death</i></b>	This term relates to the delivery of a child, weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or, when birthweight is unavailable, of at least 22 weeks gestation) who did not, at any time after delivery, breathe or show any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
<b><i>Fetal death rate</i></b>	The number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births of babies who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or, when birthweight was unavailable, were of at least 22 weeks gestation) plus fetal deaths.
<b><i>Infant mortality rate</i></b>	The number of deaths of children under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births.

<b><i>Net estimated interstate migration</i></b>	The balance of emigration from and immigration to a State, of persons travelling within Australia. The data are derived from unidentified information on interstate changes of address advised to the Health Insurance Commission.
<b><i>Life expectancy</i></b>	The average number of additional years a person of a given age and sex might expect to live if the age-specific death rates of the given period continued throughout his or her lifetime.
<b><i>Median</i></b>	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.
<b><i>Natural increase</i></b>	The excess of births over deaths registered in the recording year.
<b><i>Neonatal deaths</i></b>	Deaths of babies who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or, when birthweight is unavailable, of at least 22 weeks gestation) and who died within 28 days of birth.
<b><i>Neonatal death rate</i></b>	The number of neonatal deaths per 1,000 live births of babies who weighed at least 500 grams at birth, (or, when birthweight is unavailable, of at least 22 weeks' gestation).
<b><i>Nuptiality</i></b>	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 have been subsequently legitimised or adopted.
<b><i>Permanent movement</i></b>	Arrivals of settlers, and permanent departures of Australian residents, ( <i>i.e.</i> , those who, on departure, state that they do not intend to return to Australia).
<b><i>Rate of population growth</i></b>	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.
<b><i>Previous issue</i></b>	Previous liveborn issue of a mother to the current marriage only, excluding foster, step, or adopted children.
<b><i>Sex ratio</i></b>	The number of males per 100 females.
<b><i>Standardised death rate</i></b>	The overall death rate, expressed per 1,000 persons, 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 1991 Australian population.
<b><i>Total fertility rate</i></b>	The sum of the age-specific birth rates multiplied by five and divided by 1,000. It represents the number of children one woman would expect to bear if the age-specific rates of the year shown continued during her child-bearing lifetime.

## APPENDIX A

Data items relating to Vital Statistics which are collected in South Australia, but not published in this bulletin, are shown below.

### Births:

Month of registration  
 Hospital of birth/place of occurrence  
 Place of marriage  
 Occupation of father (if paternity acknowledged)  
 Aboriginality of mother, father (if paternity acknowledged) and child.

### Deaths:

Month of registration  
 Date of birth  
 Date of death  
 Cause of death (ICD9)  
 Place of occurrence  
 Duration of residence in Australia  
 Occupation at time of death (or previous occupation, if retired)  
 Age at marriage  
 Number of issue  
 Duration of marriage  
 Aboriginality

### Marriages:

Birthplace of parents of bridegroom  
 Birthplace of parents of bride  
 Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas  
 Year of celebration of last marriage  
 Year of termination of last marriage  
 Year of first previous marriage  
 Year of birth of youngest child

### Divorces:

Occupation of husband  
 Occupation of wife

**APPENDIX B**  
**HISTORICAL SUMMARY : MEAN POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1891 TO 1993**

Years	Mean population ('000)		Live births				All deaths				Infant deaths		Marriages		Divorces(a)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Total	Rate(b)	Males	Females	Total	Rate(b)	Total	Rate(c)	Total	Rate(b)	Total	Rate(b)
1891	316.5	5,481	5,256	10,737	33.9	13.3	1,959	4,211	976	90.9	2,315	7.3	5	0.0		
1896	351.3	5,085	4,927	10,012	29.4	11.7	1,917	4,038	1,015	101.0	2,183	6.3	6	0.0		
1901	357.3	4,665	4,414	9,079	25.4	11.1	1,206	3,974	909	100.1	2,304	6.4	6	0.0		
1906	363.1	4,605	4,316	8,921	24.6	10.7	2,053	3,872	675	75.7	2,679	7.4	3	0.0		
1911	411.2	5,615	5,442	11,057	28.9	9.8	1,859	4,038	670	60.6	4,036	9.8	20	0.0		
1916	441.7	6,200	5,657	11,857	26.9	11.5	2,721	5,077	868	73.2	3,602	8.2	14	0.0		
1921	497.0	6,122	5,852	11,974	24.1	10.0	2,655	4,982	784	65.5	4,383	8.8	88	0.2		
1926	553.8	5,906	5,577	11,483	20.7	8.8	2,676	4,877	509	44.3	4,503	8.1	71	0.1		
1931	575.7	4,616	4,463	9,079	15.8	8.5	2,638	4,888	330	36.4	3,069	5.3	138	0.2		
1936	587.9	4,509	4,402	8,911	15.2	9.3	2,961	5,464	277	31.1	5,182	8.8	213	0.4		
1941	601.2	5,733	5,232	10,965	18.2	10.5	3,399	6,288	356	32.5	6,855	11.4	273	0.5		
1946	635.1	8,106	7,707	15,813	24.9	10.2	3,483	2976	428	27.1	6,700	10.6	695	1.1		
1951	732.5	8,963	8,500	17,463	23.8	9.8	3,968	7,184	428	24.5	6,646	9.1	637	0.9		
1956	848.6	9,708	9,256	18,964	22.4	9.0	4,243	7,593	377	19.9	6,277	7.4	567	0.7		
1961	970.1	11,402	10,997	22,399	23.1	8.1	4,362	3450	448	20.0	6,804	7.0	718	0.7		
1966(d)	1,094.4	10,556	9,806	20,362	18.6	8.5	5,231	4,114	364	17.9	9,051	8.3	1,069	1.0		
1971	1,176.5	11,797	11,199	22,996	19.4	8.2	5,310	4,376	366	15.9	10,833	9.2	1,264	1.1		
1976	1,274.6	9,838	9,109	18,947	14.9	7.8	5,462	4,537	276	14.6	10,902	8.6	(e)6,142	4.8		
1981	1,318.4	9,816	9,535	19,351	14.7	7.4	5,372	4,334	157	8.1	10,252	7.8	4,132	3.1		
1986	1,382.4	9,930	9,811	19,741	14.4	7.5	5,556	4,772	146	7.4	9,878	7.1	3,776	2.7		
1991	1,446.2	10,175	9,465	19,640	13.6	7.7	5,924	5,252	109	5.5	9,392	6.5	4,215	2.9		
1992	1,457.2	9,957	9,354	19,311	13.3	7.5	5,812	5,113	114	6.1	9,423	6.5	4,074	2.8		
1993	1,463.2	10,232	9,846	20,078	13.7	7.9	6,015	5,513	104	5.2	9,114	6.2	3,939	2.7		

(a) Until 1945, divorces included only nullities and judicial separations. From (including) the 1993 reference year, divorces were published on the basis of usual residence of applicants at time of separation. Before that time, they were published by State in accordance with the State of the Family Court which granted the decree absolute. (b) Rate per 1,000 mean population. (c) Rate per 1,000 live births registered. (d) Vital events of full-blood Aborigines, where identified in registrations, were excluded before 1966. (e) The Family Law Act (Cw/1b), repealing State legislations, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.





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