



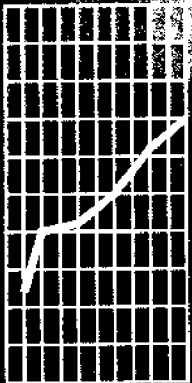
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## NOTES

### CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) undertook reduced processing of marriage data in 1995. The data items processed were State or Territory of registration, date of marriage, age of parties at marriage, and previous marital status of parties. Full processing has been resumed for 1996 marriage data. (See paragraph 21 of the Explanatory Notes for further detail.)

In February 1995 the Family Court of Australia introduced new divorce application forms. With the introduction of these forms some data items that had previously been collected ceased to be available. In addition the ABS undertook reduced processing of divorces granted in 1995. The data items processed were State or Territory of registration; date of birth of parties; age of parties at marriage, separation and divorce; duration of marriage until separation and divorce; and sex of applicant. Full processing has been resumed for available 1996 divorce data. (See paragraphs 28 and 29 of the Explanatory Notes for further detail.)

### PLEASE NOTE

Because of the complexity and variety of concepts included in this publication, users are advised to consult both the Explanatory Notes and Glossary for clarification.

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.

Details of population, births and deaths for Australia include Other Territories (see paragraph 2 of the Explanatory Notes).

### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

- n.a. not available
- n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
- n.y.a. not yet available
- p preliminary
- r figure or series revised since previous issue
- SD Statistical Division
- SSD Statistical Sub-Division
- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
- break in continuity of series where drawn across a column between consecutive figures
- I.C.D. International Classification of Diseases (produced by the World Health Organisation), 2 volumes, 1975.

### INQUIRIES

For information about other ABS statistics and services, please refer to the back of this publication. For further information about these statistics, please phone Peter Ruthven on (08) 9360 5367 or fax (08) 9360 5958.

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## MAIN FEATURES .....

.....			
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.....			
	1985	1995	Change
	'000	'000	%
.....			
Estimated resident population	1 436.9	1 746.4	21.5
Net overseas migration	10.6	13.2	24.5
Net interstate migration	5.7	4.3	-24.6
Births			
Registration basis	23.1	25.1	8.8
Occurrence basis	23.2	24.6	6.1
Deaths			
Registration basis	8.8	10.4	17.3
Occurrence basis	9.0	10.4	16.2
Marriages	10.4	10.4	0.06
Divorces	4.0	5.0	24.8
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### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

- The estimated resident population of Western Australia at 31 December 1995 was 1,746,400 persons, consisting of 876,900 males and 869,500 females. The Western Australian population figure constituted 9.6% of Australia's population.
- The estimated resident population of Western Australia at 30 June 1995 was 1,731,160 persons with 869,514 males and 861,646 females.

### BIRTHS

#### Registration basis

- In 1995, there were 25,139 births registered in Western Australia. This was an increase of 8.8% on the number registered in 1985 (23,109).
- In 1995, the total fertility rate in Western Australia was 1.859 children per woman compared with 1.824 children for Australia.
- The peak age group for females giving birth in Western Australia was the same as that for Australia, 25-29 years. However, the birth rate for this group was higher than the Australian rate. The birth rate in Western Australia was 124.8 per 1,000 mothers in this age group compared with 121.6 for Australia.
- Ex-nuptial births represented 29.7% of all births registered in Western Australia in 1995 (7,475) compared with 16.8% in 1985 (3,886). This was an increase of 92.4%.

## Occurrence basis

- In 1995, 24,582 births occurred in Western Australia, a 6.1% increase on the number occurring in 1985.
- The highest number of births occurred in the month of March (2,274 or 9.2%).
- The total fertility rate for females giving birth in 1995 was 1.817 per female for Western Australia compared with 1.792 per female for Australia.

## DEATHS

## Registration basis

- The number of deaths registered in Western Australia in 1995 was 10,364. This was an increase of 17.3% on the number registered in 1985 (8,836).
- The standardised death rate in Western Australia in 1995 was 6.2 per 1,000 standard population, compared with the national rate of 6.5. This is a fall from 1985 when the rate was 7.7 in Western Australia.
- In 1995, the median age at death was 73.3 years for men usually resident in Western Australia and 80.3 years for women. By comparison the 1985 medians were 71.4 years and 77.5 years, respectively. In 1995, the national median age at death for men was 73.5 years and for women 80.3 years.
- In 1995, the number of infant deaths registered in Western Australia was 129. This was a decrease of 38.3% on 1985 (209).
- The infant mortality rate has fallen sharply since 1985. In 1995, the infant mortality rate for Western Australia was 5.1 per 1,000 live births compared with 9.0 in 1985. The infant mortality rate for Australia was 5.7 in 1995.

## Occurrence basis

- In 1995, 10,403 deaths occurred in Western Australia. This was a 16.2% increase on the number occurring in 1985.
- The highest number of deaths occurred in the month of July (989 deaths or 9.5%).
- The number of infant deaths registered in 1995 on an occurrence basis was 133. This was 38.7% lower than in 1985.

## MARRIAGES

- There were 10,404 marriages registered in Western Australia in 1995. This was only 6 more marriages or 0.06% more than the number registered in 1985.
- In 1995, the crude marriage rate was 6.0 per 1,000 population. This figure has remained relatively steady over the last four years, but is well down from the 1985 figure of 7.3.
- The median marriage age in 1995 was 29.6 years for men and 27.2 years for women. This was 2.7 years higher for both sexes than in 1985. When compared with Australia, the Western Australian median ages for men and women were 0.4 of a year higher.

## DIVORCES

- In Western Australia in 1995 there were 5,040 divorces granted compared with 4,039 in 1985, an increase of 1,001 divorces or 24.8% on 1985.
- Men and women divorcing in 1995 were older than men and women divorcing in 1985. In 1995, the median age at divorce was 40.9 years for men and 38.0 years for women. The comparative medians in 1985 were 37.5 years and 34.8 years respectively. The Australian median ages at divorce in 1995 were 39.9 years for men and 37.1 years for women.



## 1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a), Year Ended 31 December 1995

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
POPULATION									
Estimated resident population ('000)	6 152.0	4 520.8	3 316.1	1 475.5	<b>1 746.4</b>	473.2	176.9	304.9	18 168.6
Components of population change(c)									
Natural increase(d)	41 591	29 611	25 610	7 912	<b>14 569</b>	2 767	3 074	3 320	..
Net overseas migration(e)	48 641	26 435	13 896	3 960	<b>13 187</b>	416	685	808	108 028
Net interstate migration	-15 746	-21 557	43 386	-7 569	<b>4 291</b>	-2 831	977	-951	—
Total increase	74 486	34 489	82 892	4 303	<b>32 047</b>	352	4 736	3 177	38
Growth rate (%)	1.2	0.8	2.6	0.3	<b>1.8</b>	0.1	2.8	1.1	1.4
BIRTHS AND CONFINEMENTS									
Live births									
Number	87 849	62 591	46 484	19 336	<b>25 139</b>	6 570	3 766	4 415	256 190
Total fertility rate	1.867	1.758	1.820	1.750	<b>1.859</b>	1.909	2.433	1.692	1.824
Crude birth rate	14.4	13.9	14.2	13.1	<b>14.5</b>	13.9	21.7	14.5	14.2
Female net reproduction rate	0.901	0.845	0.871	0.836	<b>0.891</b>	0.916	1.134	0.803	0.876
All confinements									
Number	86 691	61 685	45 898	19 053	<b>24 791</b>	6 480	3 711	4 359	252 708
Median age of mother (years)	29.2	29.7	28.4	29.4	<b>28.8</b>	28.5	26.8	29.4	29.1
Nuptial confinements									
Median age (years)									
Mother	30.1	30.3	29.7	30.4	<b>30.0</b>	29.7	29.6	30.2	30.1
Father	32.6	32.6	32.1	32.7	<b>32.4</b>	32.0	32.1	32.5	32.5
First Nuptial confinements									
Number	26 199	20 255	12 562	5 717	<b>6 968</b>	1 924	650	1 321	75 606
Median age of mother	28.5	28.9	28.1	29.1	<b>28.5</b>	28.3	28.5	28.6	28.6
DEATHS									
Number	44 773	32 425	20 663	11 218	<b>10 364</b>	3 754	813	1 114	125 133
Standardised death rate	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.3	<b>6.2</b>	7.1	9.9	5.4	6.5
Crude death rate	7.3	7.2	6.3	7.6	<b>6.0</b>	7.9	4.7	3.7	6.9
Median age at death (years)									
Males	73.7	73.9	73.0	74.3	<b>73.3</b>	73.8	54.0	70.5	73.5
Females	80.2	80.9	79.7	80.7	<b>80.3</b>	79.7	60.4	75.9	80.3
Infant deaths									
Number	498	308	293	112	<b>129</b>	38	50	21	1 449
Rate	5.7	4.9	6.3	5.8	<b>5.1</b>	5.8	13.3	4.8	5.7
Perinatal deaths									
Number	693	485	415	162	<b>197</b>	53	53	36	2 094
Rate	7.9	7.7	8.9	8.3	<b>7.8</b>	8.0	14.0	8.1	8.1

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1.1 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY(a), Year Ended 31 December 1995 *continued*

Particulars	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(b)
MARRIAGES									
Number registered	37 828	26 607	20 610	8 547	10 404	2 840	797	1 753	109 386
Crude marriage rate	6.2	5.9	6.3	5.8	6.0	6.0	4.6	5.8	6.1
Median age at marriage (years)									
Bridegroom	29.3	29.0	29.0	29.1	29.6	28.9	31.1	29.2	29.2
Bride	26.7	26.9	26.6	26.7	27.2	26.6	28.1	26.7	26.8
DIVORCES									
Number granted	14 945	11 838	10 192	4 199	5 040	1 279	432	1 787	49 712
Crude divorce rate	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.5	5.9	2.8
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.1	10.9	11.4	11.5	12.3	11.2	10.7	11.5	11.0
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	6.7	7.6	8.0	8.2	8.8	8.3	6.9	8.1	7.6

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Population, births and deaths include Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. Divorces include Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands, 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 from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia.

## 1.2 DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY, Statistical Areas(a)

<i>Statistical division</i> <i>Statistical subdivision</i> <i>Statistical focal area</i>	<i>Estimated</i> <i>mid-year resident</i> <i>population(b)</i>	<i>Births(c)</i>	<i>Total fertility</i> <i>rate(d)</i>	<i>Deaths(c)</i>	<i>Indirect</i> <i>standardised</i> <i>death rate(e)</i>
PERTH SD					
Central Metropolitan SSD					
Cambridge (T)	23 963	268	1.531	200	5.8
Claremont (T)	9 444	62	1.077	98	5.4
Cottesloe (T)	7 466	49	1.179	55	4.9
Mosman Park (T)	7 730	80	1.356	85	8.5
Nedlands (C)	20 817	179	1.498	193	6.2
Peppermint Grove (S)	1 545	6	1.138	7	2.9
Perth (C)—Inner	750	4	0.322	5	1.8
Perth (C)—Remainder	4 457	30	0.954	55	8.6
Subiaco (C)	15 016	181	1.237	172	9.4
Victoria Park (T)	25 436	357	1.523	364	6.9
Vincent (T)	25 235	347	1.365	250	8.0
Total	141 859	1 563	1.357	1 484	6.8
East Metropolitan SSD					
Bassendean (T)	13 992	214	2.008	103	7.4
Bayswater (C)	46 132	618	1.797	285	5.8
Kalamunda (S)	48 251	611	1.872	207	5.2
Mundaring (S)	32 576	417	2.170	153	5.7
Swan (S)	67 310	1 340	2.223	300	7.2
Total	208 261	3 200	1.999	1 048	6.1
North Metropolitan SSD					
Stirling (C)—Central	103 809	1 402	1.662	681	5.3
Stirling (C)—West	55 105	601	1.471	314	4.8
Stirling (C)—South-Eastern	20 731	267	1.483	308	10.8
Wanneroo (C)	205 314	3 020	1.946	661	5.0
Total	384 959	5 290	1.747	1 964	5.6
South West Metropolitan SSD					
Cockburn (C)	57 352	910	2.017	261	8.6
East Fremantle (T)	6 403	85	1.617	65	7.0
Fremantle (C)—Inner	1 209	7	0.603	13	n.p.
Fremantle (C)—Remainder	23 255	269	1.282	212	4.6
Kwinana (T)	19 926	379	2.460	105	6.4
Melville (C)	92 163	951	1.614	570	5.2
Rockingham (C)	57 536	995	2.176	321	5.9
Total	257 844	3 596	1.846	1 547	6.0
South East Metropolitan SSD					
Armadale (C)	51 731	841	2.195	232	6.7
Belmont (C)	27 024	382	1.732	255	7.3
Canning (C)	71 022	966	1.759	376	6.9
Gosnells (C)	74 404	1 210	2.108	279	5.4
Serpentine—Jarrahdale (S)	9 668	127	2.284	25	3.8
South Perth (C)	35 382	330	1.163	399	7.7
Total	269 231	3 856	1.827	1 566	6.7
<b>Total Perth SD</b>	<b>1 262 154</b>	<b>17 505</b>	<b>1.766</b>	<b>7 609</b>	<b>6.2</b>
SOUTH WEST SD					
Dale SSD					
Boddington (S)	1 454	36	2.726	9	9.1
Mandurah (C)	37 635	533	2.183	339	6.4
Murray (S)	9 702	115	1.896	53	5.1
Waroona (S)	3 303	51	2.409	19	5.1
Total	52 094	735	2.161	420	6.1

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

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
SOUTH WEST SD <i>continued</i>					
Preston SSD					
Bunbury (C)	28 232	356	1.774	217	6.9
Capel (S)	6 185	71	1.633	21	6.3
Collie (S)	9 166	139	2.192	63	7.8
Dardanup (S)	6 466	92	1.648	14	4.3
Donnybrook-Balingup (S)	4 367	56	2.147	20	6.6
Harvey (S)	15 035	242	2.173	66	4.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>69 451</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>1.907</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Vasse SSD					
Augusta-Margaret River (S)	7 352	126	2.218	46	6.2
Busselton (S)	17 448	225	2.026	115	5.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 800</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>2.082</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>5.7</b>
Blackwood SSD					
Boyup Brook (S)	1 723	27	2.352	9	6.0
Bridgetown-Greenbushes (S)	4 204	71	2.381	31	5.3
Manjimup (S)	10 241	182	2.229	44	5.9
Nannup (S)	1 199	9	1.929	7	11.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 367</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>2.242</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>6.1</b>
<b>Total South West SD</b>	<b>163 712</b>	<b>2 331</b>	<b>2.045</b>	<b>1 073</b>	<b>6.1</b>
LOWER GREAT SOUTHERN SD					
Pallinup SSD					
Broomehill (S)	537	7	2.065	1	5.0
Gnowangerup (S)	1 778	38	2.908	3	4.4
Jerramungup (S)	1 362	20	2.050	3	2.9
Katanning (S)	4 685	109	2.624	33	8.1
Kent (S)	820	16	2.242	1	2.0
Kojonup (S)	2 288	54	2.927	13	5.7
Tambellup (S)	710	8	2.969	3	3.5
Woodanilling (S)	406	5	1.769	3	5.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 566</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>2.572</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5.9</b>
King SSD					
Albany (T)	15 937	236	2.047	144	7.3
Albany (S)	12 470	160	2.295	47	5.3
Cranbrook (S)	1 159	20	2.484	2	4.6
Denmark (S)	3 897	43	1.988	29	6.8
Plantagenet (S)	4 487	65	2.134	26	6.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>37 950</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>2.106</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>6.7</b>
<b>Total Lower Great Southern SD</b>	<b>50 516</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>2.295</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>6.5</b>
UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN SD					
Hotham SSD					
Brookton (S)	979	17	2.280	9	8.2
Cuballing (S)	838	6	1.697	4	6.1
Dumbleyung (S)	843	13	3.423	8	7.5
Narrogin (T)	4 768	87	2.456	43	7.8
Narrogin (S)	864	1	0.477	1	1.7
Pingelly (S)	1 193	17	2.708	11	7.9
Wagin (S)	1 942	28	2.373	14	5.8
Wandering (S)	386	4	1.404	1	5.2
West Arthur (S)	976	13	1.822	4	4.9
Wickepin (S)	869	12	2.462	4	5.1
Williams (S)	992	17	3.048	4	8.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>14 650</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>2.253</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>7.0</b>

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

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN SD <i>continued</i>					
Lakes SSD					
Corrigin (S)	1 337	19	2.880	10	6.8
Kondinin (S)	1 091	19	2.839	1	1.6
Kulin (S)	1 049	14	2.779	4	4.2
Lake Grace (S)	1 748	32	2.537	9	5.6
<i>Total</i>	5 225	84	2.621	24	5.2
<b>Total Upper Great Southern SD</b>	<b>19 875</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>2.353</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>6.6</b>
MIDLANDS SD					
Moore SSD					
Chittering (S)	2 484	27	1.804	9	3.6
Dandaragan (S)	2 373	48	2.532	14	7.4
Gingin (S)	3 397	46	2.392	20	3.9
Moora (S)	2 755	49	2.559	17	7.7
Victoria Plains (S)	1 029	21	2.959	9	6.2
<i>Total</i>	12 038	191	2.377	69	5.4
Avon SSD					
Beverley (S)	1 473	19	2.467	11	6.3
Cunderdin (S)	1 448	26	2.959	9	6.8
Dalwallinu (S)	1 718	32	3.075	11	9.6
Dowerin (S)	861	8	2.313	7	6.9
Goomalling (S)	1 085	14	2.392	7	8.0
Koorda (S)	580	9	2.710	1	4.6
Northam (T)	6 608	110	2.544	58	7.1
Northam (S)	3 337	32	1.535	13	5.1
Quairading (S)	1 155	12	2.549	10	6.0
Tammin (S)	458	6	3.408	3	10.1
Toodyay (S)	3 164	40	1.634	12	5.2
Wongan-Ballidu (S)	1 648	32	2.591	5	4.9
Wyalkatchem (S)	630	16	2.604	6	12.9
York (S)	2 889	44	2.260	18	4.7
<i>Total</i>	27 054	400	2.327	171	6.5
Campion SSD					
Bruce Rock (S)	1 269	22	2.830	7	5.9
Kellerberrin (S)	1 277	15	2.144	8	6.4
Merredin (S)	3 728	59	2.179	23	7.3
Mount Marshall (S)	702	14	2.183	2	7.4
Mukinbudin (S)	657	11	2.901	2	3.4
Narembeen (S)	999	13	1.961	7	6.1
Nungarin (S)	295	4	1.754	2	9.0
Trayning (S)	497	4	2.377	2	5.3
Westonia (S)	282	4	2.743	—	1.3
Yilgarn (S)	2 250	48	2.647	13	8.5
<i>Total</i>	11 956	194	2.340	66	6.6
<b>Total Midlands SD</b>	<b>51 048</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>2.344</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>6.3</b>
SOUTH EASTERN SD					
Lefroy SSD					
Coolgardie (S)	5 639	113	2.492	14	7.7
Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C)	29 110	625	2.333	162	9.8
Laverton (S)	1 514	11	1.551	8	9.6
Leonora (S)	2 684	63	2.336	8	9.1
Menzies (S)	242	4	3.055	3	12.6
<i>Total</i>	39 189	816	2.279	195	9.6

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

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
SOUTH EASTERN SD <i>continued</i>					
Johnston SSD					
Dundas (S)	1 609	44	3.382	8	8.5
Esperance (S)	11 928	208	2.337	73	6.0
Ravensthorpe (S)	1 414	19	2.325	8	6.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>14 951</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>2.456</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>6.3</b>
<b>Total South Eastern SD</b>	<b>54 140</b>	<b>1 087</b>	<b>2.318</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>8.4</b>
CENTRAL SD					
Gascoyne SSD					
Camarvon (S)	6 604	122	2.414	44	8.8
Exmouth (S)	2 449	33	1.641	4	4.1
Shark Bay (S)	888	8	1.413	5	3.7
Upper Gascoyne (S)	269	2	1.043	1	4.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 210</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>2.062</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>7.2</b>
Carnegie SSD					
*Cue (S)	635	7	4.395	2	7.6
Meekatharra (S)	1 907	32	2.261	3	7.5
Mount Magnet (S)	1 173	22	2.161	3	11.7
Murchison (S)	133	2	2.962	—	—
Ngaanyatjarraku (S)	1 271	4	1.077	7	12.9
Sandstone (S)	256	1	0.450	—	4.4
Wiluna (S)	417	10	2.980	4	12.1
Yalgoo (S)	415	3	1.609	—	6.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 207</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>1.888</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9.1</b>
Greenough River SSD					
Carnamah (S)	1 003	15	2.338	2	2.1
Chapman Valley (S)	857	7	1.401	2	1.4
Coorow (S)	1 478	27	2.082	6	3.8
Geraldton (C)	21 467	344	2.339	167	8.5
Greenough (S)	10 555	153	1.991	29	6.1
Irwin (S)	2 503	36	1.996	6	5.0
Mingenew (S)	630	12	2.647	2	3.4
Morawa (S)	991	23	2.976	4	5.2
Mullewa (S)	1 341	23	3.927	6	10.6
Northampton (S)	3 004	43	2.080	10	5.5
Perenjori (S)	728	7	1.339	3	5.1
Three Springs (S)	835	17	2.946	5	6.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>45 392</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>2.237</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>7.1</b>
<b>Total Central SD</b>	<b>61 809</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>2.138</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>7.3</b>

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

Statistical division Statistical subdivision Statistical local area	Estimated mid-year resident population(b)	Births(c)	Total fertility rate(d)	Deaths(c)	Indirect standardised death rate(e)
PILBARA SD					
De Grey SSD					
East Pilbara (S)	9 089	134	1.840	40	10.0
Port Hedland (T)	11 744	252	2.655	48	10.7
Total	20 833	386	2.312	88	10.4
Fortescue SSD					
Ashburton (S)	7 395	167	2.308	9	8.4
Roebourne (S)	14 718	274	2.294	24	7.6
Total	22 113	441	2.298	33	7.8
<b>Total Pilbara SD</b>	<b>42 946</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>2.309</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>9.2</b>
KIMBERLEY SD					
Ord SSD					
Halls Creek (S)	2 847	48	2.689	26	25.8
Wyndham-East Kimberley (S)	6 273	147	2.796	28	16.5
Total	9 120	195	2.800	54	20.0
Fitzroy SSD					
Broome (S)	8 776	212	2.589	46	12.4
Derby-West Kimberley (S)	7 064	159	2.650	66	17.7
Total	15 840	371	2.633	112	15.0
<b>Total Kimberley SD</b>	<b>24 960</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>2.695</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>16.6</b>
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Western Australia(f)</b>	<b>1 731 160</b>	<b>25 139</b>	<b>1.872</b>	<b>10 364</b>	<b>8.4</b>

(a) The statistical area boundaries used in the compilation of these statistics are those in existence at 30 June 1995.

(b) As at 30 June 1995.

(c) Data is for calendar year 1995.

(d) The average total fertility rate over the three years 1993-95.

(e) The average indirect standardised death rate over three years 1993-95.

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

(C) City (S) Shire (T) Town

## SECTION 2

## POPULATION .....

### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

The estimated resident population of Western Australia at 31 December 1995 was 1,746,400 persons, consisting of 876,900 males and 869,500 females.

The estimated resident population at 30 June 1995 was 1,731,160 persons with 869,514 males and 861,646 females. The mid year population figure was used to calculate rates for this publication.

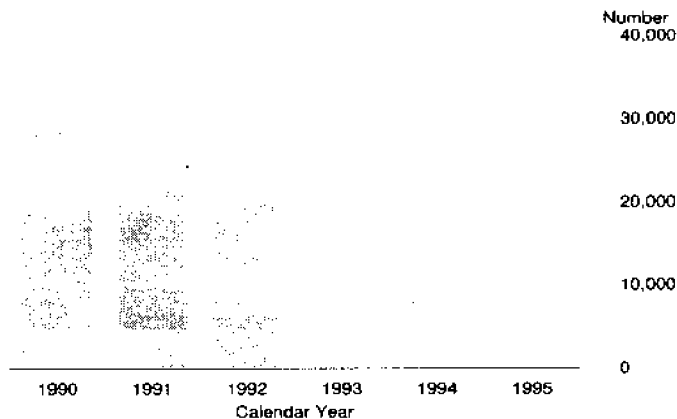
Western Australia maintains jurisdiction, such as registering births and deaths, for Christmas and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands. The latest estimated resident population figures at September 1995 were 1,844 persons for Christmas Island (1,007 males and 837 females) and 605 persons for the Cocos (Keeling) Island (286 males and 319 females). For further information on these two islands the reader should refer to the publication *Spending and Income, Christmas and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (6552.9)*.

The median age of people resident in Western Australia was 32.9 years which was 0.7 years lower than the median age of 33.6 years for the resident Australian population.

### POPULATION GROWTH

Western Australia's population increased by 32,047 persons in 1995, a growth rate of 1.9%, up by 0.3% on 1994. The growth in population comprised a net natural increase (excess of births over deaths) of 14,569 persons (45.5% of the total increase), net overseas migration (excess of permanent arrivals over departures) of 13,187 persons (41.1%) and net interstate migration (excess of arrivals from other states over people leaving Western Australia) of 4,291 persons (13.4%).

### POPULATION GROWTH OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA





## OVERSEAS MIGRATION

In 1995 permanent and long-term arrivals had a net gain of 12,840 persons. There were 29,360 permanent and long term arrivals (11,300 permanent settler arrivals) as against 16,530 permanent and long term departures (3,730 permanent departures) in calendar year 1995.

## INTERSTATE MIGRATION

Western Australia has recorded positive growth from interstate migration over the last three years. In 1992, Western Australia's net interstate migration was a negative 4.5% of total annual growth whereas in 1993, 1994 and 1995 the percentages of total annual growth were 2.9%, 16.6% and 13.4% respectively.

## AGE OF POPULATION

The population of Western Australia has continued to age. In 1995, 10.4% of the estimated resident population were aged 65 years or older compared with 9.0% in 1985 and 7.8% in 1975.

The number of young people under 25 years of age as a percentage of the total population has continued to fall. In 1995, young people constituted 37.7% of the total population, falling from 41.8% in 1985 and 46.8% in 1975.

The 30–34 year age group was the largest of all five year age groups in 1995 comprising 140,498 persons and represented 8.1% of the total population.

Females outnumbered males in the 30–34 year age group and in all age groups over 65 years and made up 64.7% of the population aged 80 years and over.

## 2.1 POPULATION, Summary(a)

Particulars	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
<b>Estimated resident population at 31 December ('000)</b>							
Males	725.0	817.5	827.9	837.7	847.9	861.1	876.9
Females	711.9	806.9	818.9	829.1	839.5	853.2	869.5
Persons	1 436.9	1 624.4	1 646.9	1 666.7	1 687.4	1 714.3	1 746.4
<b>Components of population change(b)</b>							
<b>Net natural increase(c)</b>							
Number	14 272	15 949	15 832	14 846	14 502	14 499	14 569
% of total annual growth	46.7	54.3	66.7	74.7	70.2	53.8	45.5
<b>Net overseas migration(d)</b>							
Number	10 574	12 806	9 828	5 925	5 562	7 961	13 187
% of total annual growth	34.6	43.6	41.4	29.8	26.9	29.5	41.1
<b>Net interstate migration</b>							
Number	5 730	598	-1 918	-889	599	4 483	4 291
% of total annual growth	18.7	2.0	-8.1	-4.5	2.9	16.6	13.4
<b>Total population growth</b>							
Number	30 576	29 353	23 742	19 882	20 663	26 943	32 047
Annual growth rate (%) (e)	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.9
<b>Overseas arrivals and departures(f)</b>							
<b>Permanent movement</b>							
Arrivals	10 270	16 780	13 930	9 820	7 030	9 130	11 300
Departures	2 240	4 410	4 300	3 650	3 500	3 450	3 730
Former settlers	1 380	2 470	2 660	2 060	1 900	1 820	1 900
Other Australian residents	860	1 940	1 630	1 590	1 600	1 630	1 830
<b>Long-term movement</b>							
Arrivals	9 110	12 690	13 100	13 670	15 320	17 050	18 060
Australian residents returning	5 930	6 270	7 150	7 810	8 750	9 100	8 760
Overseas visitors arriving	3 190	6 420	5 950	5 860	6 570	7 950	9 310
Departures	7 770	12 530	11 900	11 450	10 790	11 840	12 800
Australian residents departing	5 520	8 160	7 880	7 660	7 020	7 430	7 590
Overseas visitors departing	2 250	4 370	4 010	3 790	3 760	4 410	5 210
<b>Short-term movement</b>							
Arrivals	263 200	434 400	424 000	462 000	524 500	615 200	639 200
Australian residents returning	168 900	240 000	230 700	250 000	260 900	286 100	294 700
Overseas visitors arriving	94 300	194 400	193 300	212 000	263 600	329 200	344 500
Departures	264 700	439 600	441 100	479 900	520 700	616 000	642 600
Australian residents departing	172 800	250 300	242 300	268 200	267 100	287 300	295 200
Overseas visitors departing	91 900	189 300	198 800	211 800	253 500	328 700	347 400

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) From previous year.

(c) Final figures for births and deaths may differ from those used to compile natural increase for population estimates, which are compiled at a preliminary stage.

(d) Includes an estimate of those persons who changed category from short-term visitor to long-term visitor or resident of Australia.

(e) Includes intercensal discrepancy not accounted for by natural increase and net migration.

(f) Statistics have been rounded to the nearest 100 for short-term movement, and to the nearest 10 for permanent and long-term movement.

## 2.2 ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, Age and Sex—at 30 June 1995

Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	12 784	12 159	24 943	50	10 521	9 814	20 335
1	12 838	12 041	24 879	51	10 122	9 345	19 467
2	12 651	12 078	24 729	52	9 097	8 243	17 340
3	12 688	12 076	24 764	53	9 122	8 456	17 578
4	13 150	12 495	25 645	54	8 748	8 242	16 990
0-4	64 111	60 849	124 960	50-54	47 610	44 100	91 710
5	13 446	12 733	26 179	55	8 069	7 586	15 655
6	13 321	12 635	25 956	56	8 071	7 659	15 730
7	13 395	12 591	25 986	57	7 811	7 451	15 262
8	13 610	12 681	26 291	58	7 348	6 997	14 345
9	13 679	12 903	26 582	59	6 971	6 907	13 878
5-9	67 451	63 543	130 994	55-59	38 270	36 600	74 870
10	13 508	13 056	26 564	60	6 607	6 421	13 028
11	13 556	12 627	26 183	61	6 364	6 132	12 496
12	13 682	12 703	26 385	62	6 150	6 020	12 170
13	13 375	12 518	25 893	63	6 195	6 083	12 278
14	13 286	12 452	25 738	64	6 401	6 434	12 835
10-14	67 407	63 356	130 763	60-64	31 717	31 090	62 807
15	12 800	12 139	24 939	65	6 134	6 052	12 186
16	12 957	12 336	25 293	66	5 968	5 917	11 885
17	13 171	12 259	25 430	67	5 744	6 071	11 815
18	12 866	12 289	25 155	68	5 653	5 898	11 551
19	13 232	12 673	25 905	69	5 479	5 921	11 400
15-19	65 026	61 696	126 722	65-69	28 978	29 859	58 837
20	13 179	12 925	26 104	70	5 042	5 397	10 439
21	13 358	13 074	26 432	71	4 847	5 364	10 211
22	13 917	13 312	27 229	72	4 443	5 059	9 502
23	15 004	14 347	29 351	73	4 196	5 088	9 284
24	15 243	14 418	29 661	74	3 976	4 960	8 936
20-24	70 701	68 076	138 777	70-74	22 504	25 868	48 372
25	14 087	13 468	27 555	75	3 610	4 610	8 220
26	13 721	13 099	26 820	76	2 765	3 656	6 421
27	13 186	12 980	26 166	77	2 521	3 450	5 971
28	13 012	12 848	25 860	78	2 509	3 437	5 946
29	13 080	13 045	26 125	79	2 387	3 676	6 063
25-29	67 086	65 440	132 526	75-79	13 792	18 829	32 621
30	13 160	13 399	26 559	80	2 262	3 503	5 765
31	13 922	13 867	27 789	81	2 006	3 236	5 242
32	14 149	14 196	28 345	82	1 751	2 758	4 509
33	14 076	14 203	28 279	83	1 443	2 573	4 016
34	14 844	14 682	29 526	84	1 277	2 272	3 549
30-34	70 151	70 347	140 498	80-84	8 739	14 342	23 081
35	14 350	14 280	28 630	85	1 048	2 036	3 084
36	13 848	13 981	27 829	86	892	1 782	2 674
37	13 884	13 921	27 805	87	769	1 557	2 326
38	13 958	13 648	27 606	88	614	1 272	1 886
39	14 168	14 204	28 372	89	478	1 060	1 538
35-39	70 208	70 034	140 242	85-89	3 801	7 707	11 508
40	13 381	13 799	27 180	90	371	877	1 248
41	13 400	13 470	26 870	91	317	711	1 028
42	13 203	13 300	26 503	92	210	545	755
43	13 291	13 026	26 317	93	181	428	609
44	13 774	13 135	26 909	94	111	273	384
40-44	67 049	66 730	133 779	90-94	1 190	2 834	4 024
45	12 840	12 474	25 314	95 and over	217	726	943
46	13 144	12 656	25 800				
47	13 175	12 070	25 245	<b>Total</b>	<b>869 514</b>	<b>861 646</b>	<b>1 731 160</b>
48	13 138	12 126	25 264				
49	11 209	10 294	21 503				
45-49	63 506	59 620	123 126				

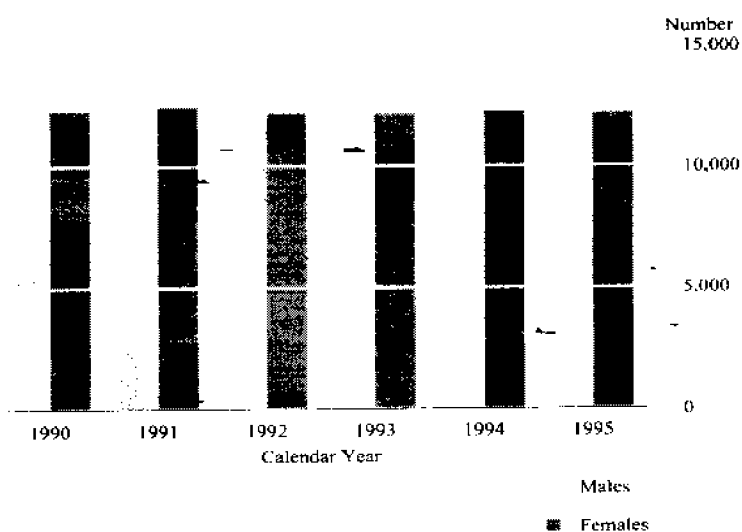


## SECTION 3

## BIRTHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION .....

There were 25,139 births registered in Western Australia in 1995, an increase of only one birth on 1994. The total of 25,139 births excludes 18 births that occurred on Christmas Island and 4 births on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands which were registered in Western Australia.

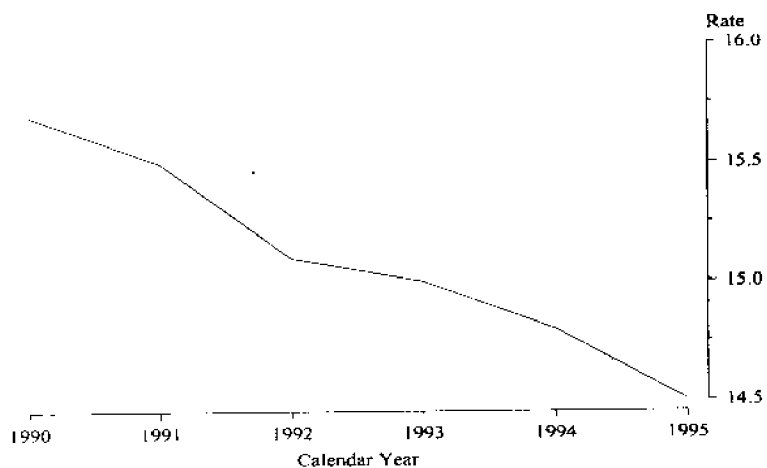
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### CRUDE BIRTH RATE

The crude birth rate continued to fall in 1995, falling from 16.3 in 1985, to 14.8 in 1994 and 14.5 in 1995. The crude birth rate of 14.5 for Western Australia in 1995 was 0.3 higher than the national rate.

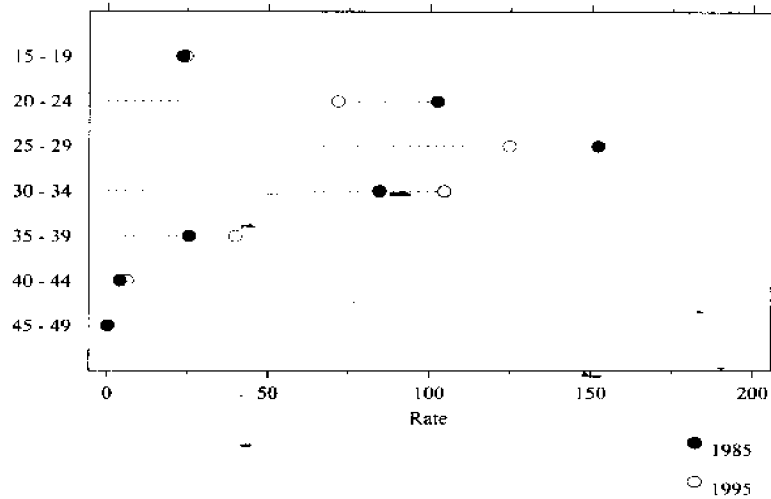
### CRUDE BIRTH RATE



AGE SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES

There have been significant changes in the number of births per 1,000 estimated population for some age groups in 1995 compared with 1985. The most noticeable changes have been the drop in the rates for 20 to 24 year and 25 to 29 year age groups and the rise in the rates for the 30 to 34 year and 35 to 39 year age groups. This confirms the pattern of women postponing childbirth until an older age.

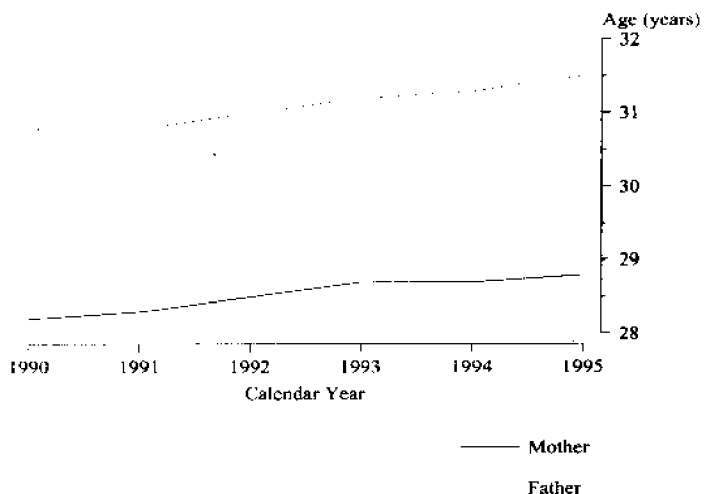
AGE SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES



MEDIAN AGES OF PARENTS

The median ages of the mother and father for confinements have continued to increase. For fathers, the median age has increased from 30.0 years in 1985, to 31.3 in 1994 and 31.5 in 1995. For mothers, the median age has increased from 27.2 years in 1985, to 28.7 in 1994 and 28.8 in 1995.

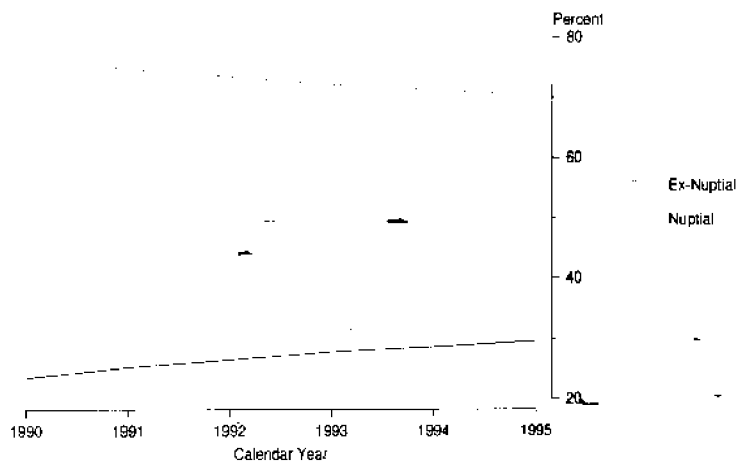
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EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS

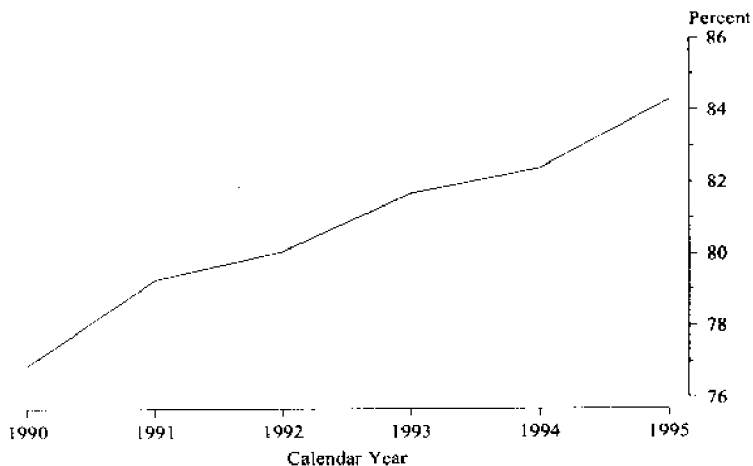
The trend for an increasing number of ex-nuptial births and a declining number of nuptial births with the total number of births remaining relatively static continued in 1995. As a percentage of all live births, ex-nuptial births have increased from 16.8% in 1985, to 28.7% in 1994 and 29.7% in 1995.

EX-NUPTIAL AND NUPTIAL BIRTHS AS A PERCENTAGE OF ALL BIRTHS



There has been a growing tendency for fathers to acknowledge their paternity in ex-nuptial births. This has risen from 63.8% in 1985, to 82.4% in 1994 and 84.3% in 1995.

PATERNITY ACKNOWLEDGED BIRTHS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS



#### YOUNG MOTHERS

In 1995 there were 57 mothers aged under 16 years; these represented 0.2% of all live births in Western Australia and 12.8% of the total of 442 mothers aged under 16 years in Australia. Mothers aged 19 years and under constituted 6.0% of all births for Western Australia in 1995. For mothers aged 19 years and under 91.8% of confinements were ex-nuptial.

#### PLURAL BIRTHS

In Western Australia in 1995 there were 24,791 confinements, consisting of 24,447 single births and 333 cases of twins. There were 11 cases of triplets.



## 3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
BIRTHS							
<b>Total births</b>	<b>23 109</b>	<b>25 356</b>	<b>25 417</b>	<b>25 073</b>	<b>25 081</b>	<b>25 138</b>	<b>25 139</b>
Males	11 775	13 082	12 959	12 879	12 925	12 867	12 942
Females	11 334	12 274	12 458	12 194	12 156	12 271	12 197
Sex ratio	103.9	106.6	104.0	105.6	106.3	104.9	106.1
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander births	n.a.	30	33	1 215	1 535	1 578	1 492
Males	n.a.	15	19	633	764	858	744
Females	n.a.	15	14	582	771	720	748
Sex ratio	n.a.	100.0	135.7	108.8	99.1	119.2	99.5
Nuptial births	19 223	19 379	18 995	18 400	18 090	17 918	17 664
Ex-nuptial births							
Number	3 886	5 977	6 422	6 673	6 991	7 220	7 475
Percentage of total live births	16.8	23.6	25.3	26.6	27.9	28.7	29.7
Paternity acknowledged births							
Number	2 478	4 598	5 094	5 348	5 713	5 951	6 304
Percentage of total ex-nuptial births	63.8	76.9	79.3	80.1	81.7	82.4	84.3
Crude birth rate	16.3	15.7	15.5	15.1	15.0	14.8	14.5
Age-specific birth rate							
15–19	23.4	24.4	24.4	25.0	23.7	24.9	24.4
20–24	101.8	82.5	82.5	77.3	74.8	73.6	71.7
25–29	149.3	137.1	137.4	132.7	132.0	130.3	124.8
30–34	84.5	99.9	98.6	100.8	104.3	102.6	104.7
35–39	25.4	32.4	33.3	33.7	35.9	37.5	39.8
40–44	4.0	5.2	5.3	5.8	5.4	6.1	6.1
45–49	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.3
Total fertility rate	1.961	1.909	1.909	1.878	1.881	1.877	1.859
Female net reproduction rate	0.935	0.909	0.922	0.899	0.902	0.900	0.891

For footnotes see end of table.

3.1 BIRTHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
CONFINEMENTS							
<b>Total confinements</b>	<b>22 839</b>	<b>25 045</b>	<b>25 100</b>	<b>24 734</b>	<b>24 725</b>	<b>24 794</b>	<b>24 791</b>
First nuptial	7 505	7 554	7 423	6 985	6 868	6 961	6 968
All nuptial	18 994	19 120	18 755	18 134	17 812	17 639	17 396
Paternity acknowledged	2 451	4 556	5 033	5 288	5 649	5 902	6 230
All ex-nuptial	3 845	5 925	6 345	6 600	6 913	7 155	7 395
Median age of mother (years)							
First nuptial	26.3	27.5	27.8	27.8	28.3	28.3	28.5
All nuptial	27.7	29.0	29.2	29.4	29.7	29.8	30.0
Paternity acknowledged	23.7	24.4	24.3	24.4	24.6	24.6	24.9
All ex-nuptial	23.2	23.9	23.9	24.1	24.3	24.3	24.5
Total	27.2	28.2	28.3	28.5	28.7	28.7	28.8
Median age of father (years)							
Nuptial	30.3	31.4	31.5	31.7	32.0	32.1	32.4
Paternity acknowledged	26.7	27.1	27.3	27.3	27.5	27.3	27.5
All fathers where age is known	30.0	30.8	30.8	31.0	31.2	31.3	31.5
Median duration of marriage (years)							
First nuptial	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.5
Nuptial	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5
Nuptial confinements							
Previous births							
0	7 505	7 554	7 423	6 985	6 868	6 961	6 968
1	6 930	6 652	6 595	6 601	6 464	6 401	6 335
2	3 305	3 429	3 302	3 141	3 072	2 928	2 878
3	935	1 048	1 039	1 013	1 026	935	841
4	185	298	279	236	242	268	229
5 and over	134	139	116	156	140	146	145
Average number of births	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

## 3.2 CONFINEMENTS, Nuptiality, Plurality, Age of Mother—1995

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

Confinements	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	Not stated	Total
NUMBER								
Nuptial								
Single	122	2 269	6 205	6 066	2 155	313	—	17 130
Twins	1	17	86	85	58	10	—	257
Triplets or higher order	—	1	2	6	—	—	—	9
Total	123	2 287	6 293	6 157	2 213	323	—	17 396
Ex-nuptial								
Single	1 362	2 533	1 761	1 074	499	88	—	7 317
Twins	9	24	13	19	10	1	—	76
Triplets or higher order	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	2
Total	1 371	2 557	1 775	1 094	509	89	—	7 395
<b>Total confinements</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>4 844</b>	<b>8 068</b>	<b>7 251</b>	<b>2 722</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>24 791</b>
PROPORTION (%)								
Nuptial	8.2	47.2	78.0	84.9	81.3	78.4	—	70.2
Ex-nuptial	91.8	52.8	22.0	15.1	18.7	21.6	—	29.8

3.3 CONFINEMENTS, Age of Parents—1995

Age of father (years)	Age of mother (years)																			Total								
	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	Not stated	Nuptial	Ex-nuptial	Total		
19 and under	86	92	82	56	38	22	8	4	5	4	3	—	2	—	1	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	20	387	407	
20	17	42	50	57	51	36	20	9	8	4	3	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	255	300	
21	8	13	49	66	76	63	40	18	19	13	7	4	2	3	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	82	304	386	
22	7	15	36	72	80	76	93	47	30	19	11	13	5	6	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	162	354	516	
23	2	15	13	55	70	96	112	125	51	35	29	11	13	14	4	4	5	2	—	6	1	—	—	—	268	395	663	
24	5	15	20	48	62	80	116	153	120	59	58	31	16	14	12	13	8	4	2	7	—	—	—	—	412	431	843	
25	3	8	13	31	43	54	120	148	136	141	106	53	38	26	16	14	8	3	1	16	1	—	—	—	562	417	979	
26	—	5	15	29	31	59	67	141	152	164	154	92	55	43	28	28	15	10	8	11	6	—	—	—	719	364	1 113	
27	1	2	9	20	28	43	63	89	134	169	217	175	93	53	46	23	18	15	14	24	—	—	—	—	898	398	1 296	
28	1	3	6	13	18	38	50	73	120	142	197	221	179	105	78	45	36	19	14	23	3	—	—	—	1 078	306	1 384	
29	—	4	7	8	13	25	36	66	114	146	155	208	209	187	133	57	51	35	13	45	3	—	—	—	1 191	327	1 518	
30	—	2	3	5	17	18	27	63	79	107	157	175	216	229	200	116	72	54	23	55	5	—	—	—	1 314	309	1 623	
31	—	1	4	5	5	16	32	54	61	104	115	139	176	211	235	189	115	65	48	73	5	—	—	—	1 366	287	1 653	
32	—	—	4	1	7	12	26	31	52	55	95	120	155	193	264	234	181	112	61	107	12	—	—	—	1 474	248	1 722	
33	—	1	2	3	8	7	10	19	31	43	74	105	110	157	166	185	219	150	86	118	9	—	—	—	1 277	224	1 501	
34	—	—	1	—	1	10	5	7	20	19	29	45	76	92	144	153	177	198	173	136	162	8	—	—	—	1 255	201	1 456
35	—	—	—	1	1	10	14	12	21	18	40	61	55	92	74	122	156	152	134	211	13	—	—	—	1 034	157	1 191	
36	1	—	1	1	3	4	8	8	10	14	26	34	48	50	68	123	100	111	98	242	18	—	—	—	819	149	968	
37	—	—	1	1	1	—	3	5	13	15	25	32	41	37	39	60	94	91	83	269	17	—	—	—	713	119	832	
38	—	—	—	3	1	3	3	7	5	12	18	15	23	33	36	42	60	62	62	257	25	—	—	—	571	96	667	
39	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	5	6	13	15	8	10	35	28	54	46	60	53	224	28	—	—	—	489	101	590	
40-44	—	—	—	3	2	4	6	10	12	21	22	40	44	52	84	73	96	113	111	567	144	—	—	—	—	1 116	288	1 404
45-49	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	9	11	9	10	9	15	18	33	32	40	36	177	75	—	—	—	—	375	105	480
50 and over	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	4	5	8	3	5	5	3	6	10	21	9	14	89	28	—	—	—	156	37	193	
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Not applicable(a)	83	55	98	100	83	105	69	91	56	50	47	49	32	26	27	29	29	31	23	58	11	—	—	—	—	1 165	—	1 165
Nuptial	3	6	31	83	147	259	431	653	797	982	1 229	1 308	1 332	1 442	1 432	1 397	1 338	1 121	869	2 213	323	—	—	—	17 396	—	17 396	
Ex-nuptial	211	280	383	497	503	526	504	553	471	417	402	369	297	290	290	234	224	191	155	509	89	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	214	286	414	580	650	785	935	1 206	1 268	1 399	1 631	1 677	1 629	1 732	1 722	1 631	1 562	1 312	1 024	2 722	412	—	—	—	17 396	7 395	24 791	

(a) Confinements where paternity was not acknowledged.

## 3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents—1995

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	9 146	—	2 387	11 533	9 146	—	2 513	11 659
Fiji	4	4	—	8	2	4	6	12
New Zealand	310	182	135	627	243	182	122	547
Other	24	2	7	33	25	2	6	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 484</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>2 529</b>	<b>12 201</b>	<b>9 416</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>2 647</b>	<b>12 251</b>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	3	2	6	11	1	2	—	3
Former USSR & Baltic States	1	3	1	5	4	3	3	10
Former Yugoslav Republics	38	80	18	136	30	80	14	124
Germany	44	7	26	77	33	7	17	57
Greece	14	4	8	26	10	4	1	15
Hungary	1	2	1	4	—	2	2	4
Ireland	36	43	31	110	24	43	20	87
Italy	125	27	27	179	49	27	13	89
Malta	5	1	6	12	4	1	4	9
Netherlands	47	5	24	76	30	5	11	46
Poland	5	33	8	46	9	33	4	46
United Kingdom	1 317	838	295	2 450	1 260	838	283	2 381
Other	84	66	54	204	74	66	50	190
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 720</b>	<b>1 111</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>3 336</b>	<b>1 528</b>	<b>1 111</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>3 061</b>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	9	11	4	24	1	11	3	15
Lebanon	7	16	7	30	2	16	4	22
Turkey	1	21	1	23	1	21	1	23
Other	20	41	31	92	14	41	23	78
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>138</b>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	13	38	14	65	26	38	20	84
Malaysia	47	101	51	199	70	101	63	234
Philippines	6	28	6	40	79	28	47	154
Singapore	33	40	27	100	39	40	38	117
Thailand	—	12	—	12	26	12	21	59
Viet Nam	6	241	22	269	6	241	22	269
Other	16	51	29	96	23	51	38	112
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>1 029</b>

3.4 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Birthplace of Parents—1995 *continued*

	FATHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND MOTHER BORN IN.....				MOTHER BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND FATHER BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	2	68	17	87	17	68	30	115
Hong Kong	7	20	19	46	3	20	21	44
Other	2	29	7	38	18	29	17	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>223</b>
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	46	62	36	144	42	62	28	132
Sri Lanka	5	22	9	36	4	22	6	32
Other	5	22	8	35	3	22	7	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>196</b>
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	29	8	20	57	34	8	16	58
Chile	3	10	3	16	2	10	3	15
United States of America	72	10	30	112	53	10	24	87
Other	19	21	12	52	18	21	16	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>215</b>
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	30	43	30	103	44	43	33	120
Other	77	45	61	183	63	45	54	162
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>282</b>
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 659</b>	<b>2 259</b>	<b>3 478</b>	<b>17 396</b>	<b>11 533</b>	<b>2 259</b>	<b>3 604</b>	<b>17 396</b>

## 3.5 NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Previous Issue, Average Issue—1995

## PREVIOUS ISSUE OF THE CURRENT MARRIAGE.....

Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
16 and under	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1.0
17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	1.0
18	29	2	—	—	—	—	—	31	33	1.1
19	66	17	—	—	—	—	—	83	101	1.2
20	100	43	4	—	—	—	—	147	198	1.3
21	165	82	10	2	—	—	—	259	369	1.4
22	246	144	36	5	—	—	—	431	664	1.5
23	357	228	57	11	—	—	—	653	1 035	1.6
24	458	257	66	14	1	1	—	797	1 244	1.6
25	522	318	118	20	4	—	—	982	1 629	1.7
26	613	433	141	37	2	3	—	1 229	2 098	1.7
27	657	445	153	40	9	4	—	1 308	2 253	1.7
28	581	519	179	40	11	—	—	1 332	2 400	1.8
29	575	565	224	64	10	4	—	1 442	2 724	1.9
30	525	569	255	60	16	7	—	1 432	2 814	2.0
31	495	528	266	77	25	6	—	1 397	2 848	2.0
32	380	534	298	97	22	7	—	1 338	2 905	2.2
33	311	443	263	70	20	14	—	1 121	2 470	2.2
34	210	336	210	82	21	10	—	869	2 023	2.3
35-39	577	762	540	198	75	61	—	2 213	5 358	2.4
40 and over	92	110	58	24	13	26	—	323	839	2.6
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 968</b>	<b>6 335</b>	<b>2 878</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17 396</b>	<b>34 014</b>	<b>2.0</b>

## 3.6 FIRST NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Duration of Current Marriage—1995

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

<i>Duration of marriage (years)</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	89	476	425	245	120	28	—	1 383
1	14	442	615	378	116	13	—	1 578
2	—	213	541	288	71	9	—	1 122
3	—	126	448	226	53	12	—	865
4	—	54	330	190	44	6	—	624
5	1	14	273	158	30	4	—	480
6	—	1	163	125	23	5	—	317
7	—	—	92	100	25	3	—	220
8 and over	—	—	61	211	95	12	—	379
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>2 948</b>	<b>1 921</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>6 968</b>



## 3.7 NUPTIAL AND TOTAL CONFINEMENTS, Age of Mother, Previous Issue—1995

ALL PREVIOUS ISSUE OF MOTHER.....										
Age of mother (years)	0	1	2	3	4	5 and over	Not stated	All mothers	Total issue	Average issue
NUPTIAL CONFINEMENTS(a)										
16 and under	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1.0
17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	1.0
18	29	2	—	—	—	—	—	31	34	1.1
19	66	17	—	—	—	—	—	83	105	1.3
20	100	43	4	—	—	—	—	147	207	1.4
21	165	82	10	2	—	—	—	259	390	1.5
22	246	144	36	5	—	—	—	431	693	1.6
23	357	228	57	11	—	—	—	653	1 103	1.7
24	458	257	66	14	1	1	—	797	1 307	1.6
25	522	318	118	20	4	—	—	982	1 711	1.7
26	613	433	141	37	2	3	—	1 229	2 194	1.8
27	657	445	153	40	9	4	—	1 308	2 362	1.8
28	581	519	179	40	11	2	—	1 332	2 497	1.9
29	575	565	224	64	10	4	—	1 442	2 827	2.0
30	525	569	255	60	16	7	—	1 432	2 947	2.1
31	495	528	266	77	25	6	—	1 397	3 009	2.2
32	380	534	298	97	22	7	—	1 338	3 051	2.3
33	311	443	263	70	20	14	—	1 121	2 641	2.4
34	210	336	210	82	21	10	—	869	2 130	2.5
35-39	577	762	540	198	75	61	—	2 213	5 814	2.6
40 and over	92	110	58	24	13	26	—	323	950	2.9
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 968</b>	<b>6 335</b>	<b>2 878</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17 396</b>	<b>35 981</b>	<b>2.1</b>
ALL CONFINEMENTS										
16 and under	211	3	—	—	—	—	—	214	217	1.0
17	269	15	2	—	—	—	—	286	311	1.1
18	381	31	2	—	—	—	—	414	468	1.1
19	485	85	10	—	—	—	—	580	730	1.3
20	515	122	13	—	—	—	—	650	904	1.4
21	582	170	30	3	—	—	—	785	1 126	1.4
22	614	249	60	11	—	1	—	935	1 459	1.6
23	770	322	91	21	2	—	—	1 206	1 984	1.6
24	792	347	106	19	2	2	—	1 268	2 079	1.6
25	799	410	150	32	8	—	—	1 399	2 492	1.8
26	887	515	169	48	7	5	—	1 631	2 943	1.8
27	898	530	181	48	12	8	—	1 677	3 065	1.8
28	781	586	195	47	14	6	—	1 629	3 081	1.9
29	756	636	245	78	11	6	—	1 732	3 420	2.0
30	714	633	282	68	17	8	—	1 722	3 536	2.1
31	629	598	285	85	27	7	—	1 631	3 526	2.2
32	529	587	315	99	24	8	—	1 562	3 522	2.3
33	446	478	279	73	21	15	—	1 312	3 043	2.3
34	322	368	217	84	23	10	—	1 024	2 454	2.4
35-39	912	876	579	211	78	66	—	2 722	6 988	2.6
40 and over	158	129	62	24	13	26	—	412	1 171	2.8
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 450</b>	<b>7 690</b>	<b>3 273</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>24 791</b>	<b>48 519</b>	<b>2.0</b>

(a) Women who had a nuptial confinement in reference year.

## SECTION 4

### BIRTHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY) .....

In Western Australia, 24,582 births occurred in 1995. This represents a slight decrease of 0.3% from 1994 but an increase of 6.1% over the number of births occurring in 1985. The number of births occurring each year in Western Australia has slowly declined each year since 1992.

A proportion of births that occur in each calendar year, particularly those occurring towards the end of the year, are not registered till the following year. A small number of births occurring in each calendar year are also not registered for several years. About 90.2% of births that were registered in 1995 also occurred in 1995.

#### MONTH OF OCCURRENCE

An average of 67 births occurred each day in Western Australia in 1995. Births by occurrence were spread fairly evenly throughout the year in 1995, with March having the highest number of births with 2,274 and December the lowest with 1,756 births.

#### AGE GROUP OF MOTHER

In 1995, 32.5% of all births in Western Australia occurred to females aged from 25 years to 29 years. Females aged under 20 years contributed more to the total number of births in 1985 (6.1%) than in 1995 (5.7%). There was a large rise in the proportion of births occurring to females aged 35 years and over, up from 6.8% in 1985 to 13.0% in 1995.

#### FERTILITY

The total fertility rate based on births that occurred in 1995 was 1.817, a decline from the total fertility rate of 1.948 in 1985. The largest contribution to the fertility rate in 1995 was made by females aged 25–29 years (33.6%), followed by females aged 30–34 years (28.6%) and then by females aged 20–24 years (19.0%).

The distribution of age specific fertility rates in 1995 shows a continuation of the shift in fertility from younger to older females. The contribution to the total fertility rate of females aged less than 25 years declined from 32.1% in 1985 to 25.2% in 1995, while that of females aged 30 years and over increased from 29.6% in 1985 to 41.2% in 1995.

## 4.1 BIRTHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	1 955	2 029	2 148	2 006	2 069	2 071	2 059
February	1 738	2 054	1 994	2 059	1 906	1 897	1 997
March	2 010	2 253	2 112	2 217	2 126	2 219	2 274
April	1 946	2 200	2 175	2 103	2 120	2 019	2 037
May	2 102	2 214	2 162	2 210	2 043	2 178	2 152
June	1 879	2 137	1 977	2 123	2 145	2 010	2 074
July	1 976	2 227	2 066	2 099	2 116	2 104	2 093
August	1 993	2 205	2 099	2 082	1 991	2 067	2 087
September	1 936	2 127	2 059	2 210	2 273	2 198	2 135
October	1 982	2 223	2 050	2 146	2 106	1 978	2 026
November	1 798	2 056	1 907	1 839	1 940	1 885	1 892
December	1 852	1 913	1 950	1 905	2 010	2 020	1 756
<b>Total</b>	<b>23 167</b>	<b>25 638</b>	<b>24 699</b>	<b>24 999</b>	<b>24 845</b>	<b>24 646</b>	<b>24 582</b>
RATE							
Crude birth rate	16.3	15.9	15.1	15.1	14.8	14.5	14.2
PROPORTION (%)							
January	8.4	7.9	8.7	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.4
February	7.5	8.0	8.1	8.2	7.7	7.7	8.1
March	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.9	8.6	9.0	9.3
April	8.4	8.6	8.8	8.4	8.5	8.2	8.3
May	9.1	8.6	8.8	8.8	8.2	8.8	8.8
June	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.5	8.6	8.2	8.4
July	8.5	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.5
August	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.0	8.4	8.5
September	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.8	9.1	8.9	8.7
October	8.6	8.7	8.3	8.6	8.5	8.0	8.2
November	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.4	7.8	7.6	7.7
December	8.0	7.5	7.9	7.6	8.1	8.2	7.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 4.2 BIRTHS, Age Group of Mother

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

<i>Selected years</i>	<i>19 and under</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40-44</i>	<i>45 and over</i>	<i>Total(a)</i>
1985	1 409	6 093	9 034	5 044	1 396	181	6	23 167
1990	1 579	5 363	9 363	6 849	2 155	312	13	25 638
1991	1 530	5 152	8 897	6 644	2 141	323	6	24 699
1992	1 517	5 148	8 653	7 026	2 282	358	12	24 999
1993	1 393	4 929	8 440	7 255	2 471	348	7	24 845
1994	1 462	4 774	8 259	7 179	2 554	399	17	24 646
1995	1 389	4 696	7 990	7 318	2 777	397	15	24 582

(a) Includes not stated.

## 4.3 BIRTHS, Age-specific Birth Rates, Total Fertility Rate

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

Selected years	15-19(a)	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49(b)	Total fertility rate
1985	23.9	101.1	149.4	85.4	25.3	4.3	0.2	1.948
1990	24.4	84.3	138.1	100.7	33.0	5.3	0.3	1.930
1991	24.2	79.2	133.7	96.3	32.1	5.2	0.1	1.854
1992	24.6	77.3	132.0	100.7	33.9	5.7	0.2	1.872
1993	22.7	73.6	131.0	103.5	36.3	5.4	0.1	1.863
1994	23.8	70.7	128.1	101.9	37.1	6.1	0.3	1.840
1995	22.5	69.0	122.1	104.0	39.7	5.9	0.3	1.817

(a) Includes births to mothers aged less than 15.

(b) Includes births to mothers aged 50 and over.

## SECTION 5

## DEATHS—YEAR OF REGISTRATION .....

There were 10,364 registered deaths of persons usually resident in Western Australia in 1995, with 5,617 male deaths and 4,747 female deaths. This total represents an increase of 71 persons or 0.7% on 1994 and excludes 6 deaths on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

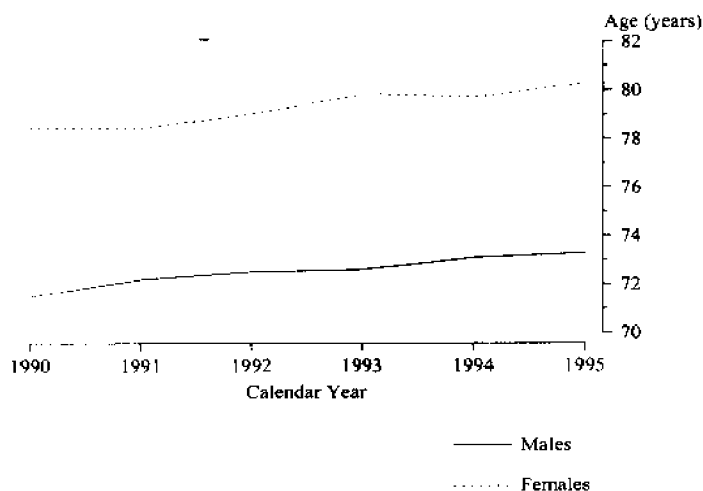
### STANDARDISED DEATH RATE

The standardised death rate in 1995 was 6.2 deaths per 1,000 population. The rate has fallen from 7.7 in 1985. For males, the rate has declined from 9.9 in 1985 to 7.9 in 1995 and for females the rate has fallen from 6.0 in 1985 to 4.8 in 1995.

### MEDIAN AGE AT DEATH

The increase in median ages at death reflects the fact that people are living longer. The median age at death for males in Western Australia has increased from 71.4 years in 1985 to 73.3 years in 1995. For females it has increased from 77.5 years to 80.3 years.

### MEDIAN AGES AT DEATH



### AGE AT DEATH

There were more male deaths than female deaths in all age groups up to 80–84 years. Male deaths accounted for 73.4% of all deaths in the 10–29 year age groups. Deaths of persons aged 70 years and over represented 66.1% of all deaths. There were 39 centenarians in Western Australia in 1995.

## EXPECTATION OF LIFE

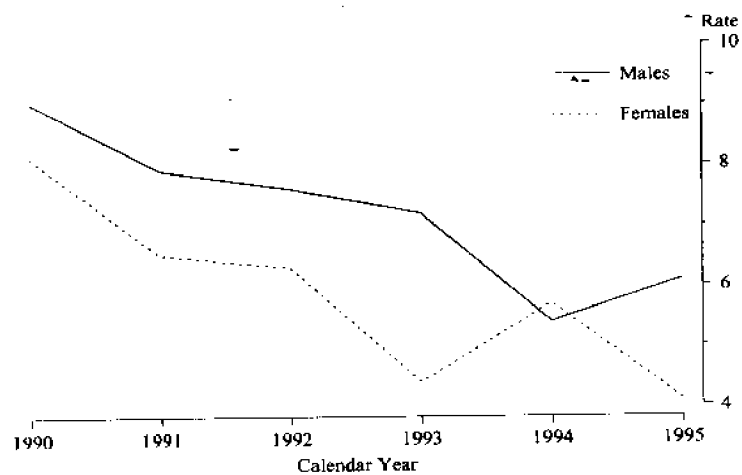
In Western Australia in 1995 females could expect to live 6.0 years longer than males. This compares with 5.9 years nationally. Expectation of life for males has increased from 68.4 years in 1971 to 75.2 years in 1995, and for females it has increased from 75.3 years to 81.2 years.

## INFANT DEATHS

There were 129 deaths of infants (excluding still births) under 1 year of age in Western Australia in 1995, 79 being male and 50 female.

The infant mortality rate was 5.1 deaths per 1,000 live births with the rate for males being 6.1 and females 4.1. The age at death for 38.8% of infants was under 1 day, a further 22.5% were 1 day old but less than four weeks old and 38.8% were between four weeks of age and under 12 months.

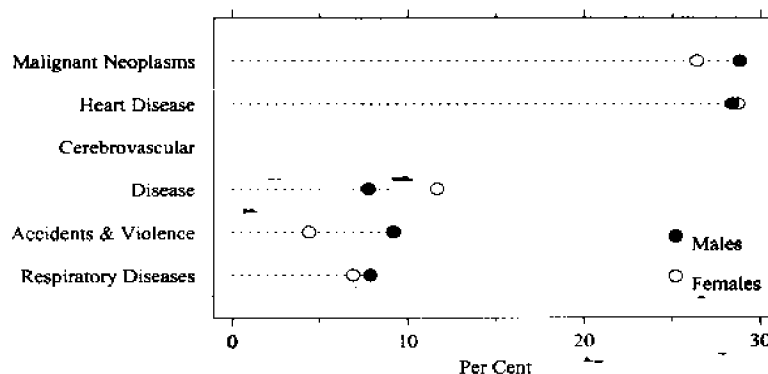
## INFANT MORTALITY RATES



## CAUSES OF DEATH

Four causes of death accounted for 73.4% of all deaths in Western Australia in 1995. Some 28.6% were due to Heart disease and 27.7% from Malignant Neoplasms (cancer). A further 9.6% were due to Cerebrovascular disease (including strokes) and 7.5% from Respiratory diseases. External causes of death, consisting of deaths from Accidents, Poisonings and Violence, accounted for 7.0% of all deaths.

## PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH



## HEART DISEASE

Heart disease of all types continued to be the leading cause of death in Western Australia in 1995. There were 2,961 deaths (1,597 male and 1,364 female) due to heart disease in 1995, an increase of 2.0% on 1994. This total represented 8.0% of the national total of 37,006 deaths from heart disease.

In 1995, the total of 2,420 deaths from Ischaemic Heart disease in Western Australia accounted for 57.0% of all deaths (4,240) ascribed to Circulatory diseases. About 57.6% of deaths from Ischaemic Heart disease (2,420) were due to heart attacks (myocardial infarctions).

## MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS

## (CANCER)

There were 2,871 deaths due to malignant neoplasms (cancer) in Western Australia in 1995, an increase of 20 deaths on 1994. Male deaths constituted 56.4% and female deaths 43.6%. Malignant neoplasms accounted for 27.7% of all deaths in 1995.

## MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

There were 209 deaths from motor vehicle accidents in Western Australia in 1995, a fall of 17 deaths from 1994. This total represented 10.3% of the national total of 2,029 deaths. Deaths from motor vehicle accidents were predominantly male with 153 male deaths (73.2%) and 56 female deaths (26.8%).



## 5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994(b)	1995(b)
DEATHS							
<b>Total deaths</b>	<b>8 836</b>	<b>9 407</b>	<b>9 528</b>	<b>9 898</b>	<b>10 316</b>	<b>10 293</b>	<b>10 364</b>
Males	4 921	5 152	5 226	5 352	5 632	5 598	5 617
Females	3 915	4 255	4 302	4 546	4 684	4 695	4 747
Sex ratio	125.7	121.1	121.5	117.7	120.2	119.2	118.3
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander deaths	n.a.	322	401	346	386	377	384
Males	n.a.	181	227	195	229	212	219
Females	n.a.	141	174	151	157	165	165
Sex ratio	n.a.	128.4	130.5	129.1	145.9	128.5	132.7
Standardised death rate	7.7	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.4	6.2
Males	9.9	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.2	7.9
Females	6.0	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.1	4.9	4.8
Crude death rate	6.2	5.8	5.8	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.0
Males	6.9	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.5
Females	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5
Median age at death							
Males	71.4	71.5	72.2	72.5	72.6	73.1	73.3
Females	77.5	78.4	78.4	79.0	79.8	79.7	80.3
Age-specific death rate							
Age group (years)							
Males							
Under 1	9.9	9.0	7.9	7.6	7.2	5.4	6.1
1-9	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
10-19	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.4
20-29	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4
30-39	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.5
40-49	2.9	2.3	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1
50-59	7.6	6.3	6.7	6.0	6.2	6.0	5.2
60-69	20.4	19.8	18.0	17.7	17.8	17.6	16.9
70-79	54.7	47.9	47.2	47.6	48.0	44.3	44.1
80 and over	140.0	119.9	124.6	126.4	128.8	127.0	122.2
Females							
Under 1	8.1	8.1	6.5	6.3	4.4	5.7	4.1
1-9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
10-19	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
20-29	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
30-39	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
40-49	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4
50-59	4.6	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.4	3.3
60-69	10.2	10.0	9.7	9.5	9.4	9.6	8.4
70-79	30.2	27.0	27.4	26.8	27.3	25.2	25.3
80 and over	104.9	94.4	93.0	96.4	99.4	94.7	94.5
Expectation of life							
Males							
Age 0	73.2	74.8	75.1	75.2	75.1	75.2	n.y.a.
Age 1	73.0	74.5	74.7	74.8	74.6	74.7	n.y.a.
Age 25	50.1	51.4	51.5	51.7	51.5	51.5	n.y.a.
Age 45	31.3	32.6	32.6	32.8	32.7	32.8	n.y.a.
Age 65	14.8	15.8	15.9	15.8	15.8	15.8	n.y.a.
Females							
Age 0	79.4	80.6	81.0	80.9	81.1	81.2	n.y.a.
Age 1	79.1	80.3	80.5	80.4	80.5	80.6	n.y.a.
Age 25	55.7	56.7	56.9	56.9	56.9	57.0	n.y.a.
Age 45	36.4	37.4	37.5	37.7	37.5	37.6	n.y.a.
Age 65	18.7	19.6	19.7	19.8	19.6	19.7	n.y.a.

For footnotes see end of table.

5.1 DEATHS, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
DEATHS							
Principal causes of death (proportion %)							
Males							
Neoplasms	25.4	27.0	27.3	27.8	28.0	29.6	29.2
Diseases of the circulatory system	43.1	41.0	40.1	39.4	39.9	38.2	38.8
Diseases of the respiratory system	8.0	8.2	8.6	8.6	8.8	8.2	7.9
Diseases of the digestive system	3.5	3.0	3.1	3.2	2.8	2.9	3.2
All other diseases	10.2	10.8	11.3	12.1	11.2	11.4	11.7
External causes	9.7	9.9	9.6	9.0	9.3	9.6	9.2
Females							
Neoplasms	23.4	25.3	26.3	26.0	27.0	26.2	26.9
Diseases of the circulatory system	49.0	46.4	46.6	44.6	45.1	44.6	43.4
Diseases of the respiratory system	5.6	6.4	5.9	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.9
Diseases of the digestive system	4.3	3.9	3.6	4.0	3.3	3.7	3.4
All other diseases	12.7	13.0	13.0	14.3	14.0	14.7	15.0
External causes	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.2	4.3	4.4
INFANT DEATHS							
<b>Total infant deaths</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>129</b>
Males	117	118	102	98	93	70	79
Females	92	99	81	77	54	70	50
Sex ratio	127.2	119.2	125.9	127.3	172.2	100.0	158.0
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander infants	n.a.	33	40	37	25	31	27
Males	n.a.	18	21	21	17	15	11
Females	n.a.	15	19	16	8	16	16
Sex ratio	n.a.	120.0	110.5	131.3	212.5	93.8	68.8
Infant mortality rate	9.0	8.6	7.2	7.0	5.9	5.6	5.1
Males	9.9	9.0	7.9	7.6	7.2	5.4	6.1
Females	8.1	8.1	6.5	6.3	4.4	5.7	4.1
Age at death							
Males							
Under 1 day	37	35	27	33	29	28	27
1 day to under 1 week	21	23	17	13	8	10	11
1 week to under 4 weeks	16	8	9	16	10	10	12
4 weeks to under 1 year	43	52	49	36	46	22	29
Females							
Under 1 day	25	28	23	26	21	19	23
1 day to under 1 week	15	13	12	13	8	12	—
1 week to under 4 weeks	15	11	12	12	5	7	6
4 weeks to under 1 year	37	47	34	26	20	32	21

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) From 1994 onwards life expectation data will be calculated over 3 years surrounding the year in the table heading

## 5.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex—1995

Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons	Age at death (years)	Males	Females	Persons
Under 1	79	50	129	50	37	17	54
1	8	9	17	51	38	20	58
2	4	2	6	52	40	25	65
3	4	4	8	53	38	29	67
4	4	3	7	54	43	26	69
0-4	99	68	167	50-54	196	117	313
5	1	1	2	55	35	36	71
6	5	1	6	56	56	31	87
7	5	1	6	57	49	27	76
8	3	1	4	58	55	29	84
9	2	2	4	59	55	29	84
5-9	16	6	22	55-59	250	152	402
10	1	2	3	60	55	28	83
11	5	2	7	61	60	33	93
12	1	5	6	62	63	44	107
13	2	—	2	63	84	47	131
14	4	—	4	64	96	43	139
10-14	13	9	22	60-64	358	195	553
15	7	2	9	65	107	52	159
16	4	5	9	66	129	48	177
17	7	5	12	67	126	60	186
18	11	10	21	68	144	83	227
19	15	1	16	69	164	73	237
15-19	44	23	67	65-69	670	316	986
20	11	4	15	70	159	84	243
21	21	7	28	71	139	78	217
22	21	5	26	72	151	110	261
23	26	4	30	73	183	110	293
24	21	9	30	74	181	128	309
20-24	100	29	129	70-74	813	510	1 323
25	16	10	26	75	164	120	284
26	18	4	22	76	150	101	251
27	16	7	23	77	152	130	282
28	15	3	18	78	147	130	277
29	27	5	32	79	173	141	314
25-29	92	29	121	75-79	786	622	1 408
30	19	5	24	80	175	172	347
31	21	6	27	81	181	172	353
32	11	6	17	82	151	162	313
33	24	17	41	83	159	169	328
34	23	8	31	84	153	169	322
30-34	98	42	140	80-84	819	844	1 663
35	23	9	32	85	141	173	314
36	26	7	33	86	129	177	306
37	17	8	25	87	121	156	277
38	20	8	28	88	107	155	262
39	23	3	26	89	80	153	233
35-39	109	35	144	85-89	578	814	1 392
40	19	21	40	90	77	134	211
41	28	16	44	91	65	122	187
42	17	13	30	92	44	127	171
43	33	14	47	93	35	97	132
44	20	19	39	94	30	76	106
40-44	117	83	200	90-94	251	556	807
45	23	14	37	95-99	50	173	223
46	30	13	43	100 and over	6	33	39
47	31	20	51	Not stated	1	—	1
48	32	23	55				
49	35	21	56				
45-49	151	91	242	<b>Total</b>	<b>5 617</b>	<b>4 747</b>	<b>10 364</b>

## 5.3 DEATHS, Age at Death, Marital Status—1995

Age at death (years)	MALES.....						FEMALES.....					
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Not stated	Total
Under 1	79	—	—	—	—	79	50	—	—	—	—	50
1-4	20	—	—	—	—	20	18	—	—	—	—	18
5-9	16	—	—	—	—	16	6	—	—	—	—	6
10-14	13	—	—	—	—	13	9	—	—	—	—	9
15-19	44	—	—	—	—	44	22	—	—	—	1	23
20-24	95	5	—	—	—	100	25	2	—	—	2	29
25-29	67	22	—	3	—	92	23	5	—	1	—	29
30-34	54	33	—	8	3	98	14	24	—	4	—	42
35-39	49	44	—	15	1	109	14	17	—	4	—	35
40-44	42	53	2	15	5	117	13	54	1	12	3	83
45-49	37	78	2	30	4	151	10	62	1	17	1	91
50-54	28	118	5	40	5	196	9	76	6	23	3	117
55-59	40	159	7	38	6	250	12	104	17	17	2	152
60-64	39	257	13	46	3	358	10	128	32	22	3	195
65-69	68	458	60	64	20	670	21	151	110	32	2	316
70-74	52	563	107	70	21	813	25	227	227	28	3	510
75-79	57	516	155	48	10	786	27	197	357	37	4	622
80-84	53	494	227	41	4	819	39	171	596	33	5	844
85-89	27	317	219	11	4	578	65	82	647	20	—	814
90-94	14	83	149	5	—	251	34	20	487	14	1	556
95-99	3	9	37	—	1	50	13	5	151	3	1	173
100 and over	—	—	6	—	—	6	4	—	28	1	—	33
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	-1	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>3 209</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>5 617</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>1 325</b>	<b>2 660</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4 747</b>

## 5.4 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a), Western Australia and Australia

Age (years)	WESTERN AUSTRALIA.....						AUSTRALIA.....			
	1971.....		1981.....		1991.....		1993-95.....		1993-95.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0	68.40	75.30	72.07	79.26	75.07	80.98	75.19	81.15	74.95	80.84
5	65.25	71.97	67.95	74.99	70.77	76.63	70.80	76.66	70.60	76.38
10	60.43	67.11	63.08	70.06	65.81	71.67	65.85	71.71	65.66	71.43
15	55.56	62.19	58.16	65.15	60.85	66.72	60.93	66.76	60.72	66.49
20	50.90	57.40	53.44	60.26	56.10	61.82	56.16	61.87	55.94	61.59
25	46.34	52.58	48.84	55.37	51.51	56.94	51.51	56.98	51.26	56.70
30	41.71	47.69	44.13	50.48	46.82	52.06	46.85	52.10	46.57	51.81
35	37.07	42.87	39.35	45.61	42.07	47.17	42.17	47.24	41.88	46.95
40	32.46	38.13	34.66	40.75	37.34	42.32	37.48	42.40	37.19	42.11
45	27.93	33.45	30.12	35.97	32.64	37.51	32.81	37.62	32.53	37.33
50	23.58	28.98	25.72	31.32	28.09	32.82	28.21	32.91	27.97	32.64
55	19.45	24.65	21.59	26.80	23.75	28.21	23.78	28.33	23.58	28.08
60	15.71	20.49	17.73	22.50	19.64	23.85	19.59	23.90	19.45	23.68
65	12.47	16.52	14.18	18.51	15.87	19.68	15.78	19.67	15.68	19.48
70	9.60	12.98	11.11	14.65	12.46	15.78	12.40	15.71	12.35	15.56
75	7.25	9.94	8.49	11.19	9.48	12.27	9.46	12.09	9.44	11.98
80	5.43	7.47	6.43	8.31	7.04	9.11	7.00	8.93	6.99	8.85
85	4.27	5.52	4.85	5.87	5.15	6.38	5.13	6.37	5.13	6.32
90	3.47	4.03	3.47	4.03	3.81	4.38	3.79	4.44	3.79	4.40
95	2.97	3.14	2.97	3.14	3.14	3.29	2.85	3.06	2.84	3.03

(a) See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

## 5.5 DEATHS, Expectation of Life(a), Western Australia and Australia—1993–95

Age at death (years)	WESTERN AUSTRALIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....		Age at death (years)	WESTERN AUSTRALIA.....		AUSTRALIA.....	
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females
0	75.19	81.15	74.95	80.84	50	28.21	32.91	27.97	32.64
1	74.69	80.57	74.48	80.28	51	27.31	31.98	27.08	31.72
2	73.73	79.61	73.52	79.33	52	26.41	31.06	26.19	30.80
3	72.76	78.63	72.55	78.35	53	25.53	30.15	25.31	29.89
4	71.78	77.65	71.58	77.37	54	24.65	29.23	24.44	28.98
5	70.80	76.66	70.60	76.38	55	23.78	28.33	23.58	28.08
6	69.81	75.67	69.61	75.39	56	22.92	27.43	22.73	27.19
7	68.82	74.68	68.62	74.40	57	22.07	26.54	21.89	26.30
8	67.83	73.69	67.64	73.41	58	21.23	25.65	21.07	25.42
9	66.84	72.70	66.65	72.42	59	20.40	24.77	20.25	24.55
10	65.85	71.71	65.66	71.43	60	19.59	23.90	19.45	23.68
11	64.86	70.72	64.67	70.44	61	18.80	23.04	18.67	22.82
12	63.88	69.73	63.68	69.45	62	18.02	22.18	17.89	21.97
13	62.89	68.74	62.69	68.46	63	17.25	21.33	17.14	21.13
14	61.91	67.75	61.70	67.47	64	16.51	20.50	16.40	20.30
15	60.93	66.76	60.72	66.49	65	15.78	19.67	15.68	19.48
16	59.95	65.78	59.74	65.50	66	15.07	18.85	14.98	18.67
17	58.99	64.80	58.78	64.52	67	14.37	18.05	14.30	17.88
18	58.04	63.82	57.82	63.54	68	13.70	17.25	13.63	17.09
19	57.10	62.84	56.87	62.57	69	13.04	16.47	12.98	16.32
20	56.16	61.87	55.94	61.59	70	12.40	15.71	12.35	15.56
21	55.23	60.89	55.00	60.61	71	11.78	14.95	11.73	14.81
22	54.30	59.92	54.07	59.64	72	11.17	14.21	11.13	14.08
23	53.38	58.94	53.13	58.66	73	10.59	13.49	10.55	13.36
24	52.44	57.96	52.19	57.68	74	10.02	12.78	9.99	12.66
25	51.51	56.98	51.26	56.70	75	9.46	12.09	9.44	11.98
26	50.58	56.01	50.32	55.72	76	8.92	11.41	8.90	11.31
27	49.65	55.03	49.38	54.75	77	8.41	10.76	8.39	10.66
28	48.71	54.05	48.44	53.77	78	7.91	10.12	7.90	10.03
29	47.78	53.07	47.50	52.79	79	7.44	9.51	7.43	9.43
30	46.85	52.10	46.57	51.81	80	7.00	8.93	6.99	8.85
31	45.91	51.12	45.63	50.84	81	6.58	8.36	6.57	8.29
32	44.98	50.15	44.69	49.86	82	6.18	7.83	6.18	7.76
33	44.04	49.18	43.75	48.89	83	5.80	7.32	5.80	7.25
34	43.11	48.21	42.81	47.92	84	5.45	6.83	5.45	6.77
35	42.17	47.24	41.88	46.95	85	5.13	6.37	5.13	6.32
36	41.23	46.27	40.94	45.98	86	4.82	5.94	4.82	5.89
37	40.30	45.30	40.00	45.01	87	4.53	5.53	4.53	5.48
38	39.36	44.33	39.06	44.04	88	4.27	5.14	4.27	5.10
39	38.42	43.37	38.13	43.08	89	4.02	4.78	4.02	4.74
40	37.48	42.40	37.19	42.11	90	3.79	4.44	3.79	4.40
41	36.54	41.44	36.25	41.15	91	3.57	4.13	3.57	4.09
42	35.61	40.48	35.32	40.19	92	3.37	3.83	3.37	3.80
43	34.67	39.52	34.39	39.24	93	3.18	3.56	3.18	3.52
44	33.74	38.57	33.46	38.28	94	3.01	3.30	3.00	3.27
45	32.81	37.62	32.53	37.33	95	2.85	3.06	2.84	3.03
46	31.88	36.67	31.61	36.39	96	2.69	2.83	2.69	2.80
47	30.96	35.72	30.69	35.44	97	2.55	2.61	2.55	2.58
48	30.04	34.78	29.78	34.50	98	2.41	2.40	2.40	2.37
49	29.12	33.84	28.88	33.57	99	2.24	2.18	2.25	2.17

(a) See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

## 5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence—1995

## DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA									
Australia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6 232	6 232
Fiji	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	2
New Zealand	19	18	25	14	8	18	10	—	112
Other	—	1	1	—	1	7	1	—	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6 232</b>	<b>6 357</b>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR									
Austria	1	1	1	1	2	9	1	—	16
Former USSR & Baltic States	1	3	—	3	5	79	5	—	96
Former Yugoslav Republics	4	5	7	17	26	77	6	—	142
Germany	1	—	8	12	12	46	10	—	89
Greece	—	—	1	2	10	30	2	—	45
Hungary	—	—	1	1	1	13	3	—	19
Ireland	1	7	5	19	6	38	3	—	79
Italy	2	1	3	16	76	257	7	—	362
Malta	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	3
Netherlands	1	1	4	6	26	84	1	—	123
Poland	3	1	10	1	8	86	7	—	116
United Kingdom	62	101	257	498	285	989	92	—	2 284
Other	3	2	12	24	12	29	10	—	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>1 739</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3 466</b>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA									
Egypt	—	1	—	3	10	8	—	—	22
Lebanon	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	4
Turkey	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	3
Other	1	1	2	2	2	4	—	—	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>41</b>
SOUTHEAST ASIA									
Indonesia	7	1	5	2	3	3	4	—	25
Malaysia	6	8	10	8	3	4	5	—	44
Philippines	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Singapore	6	4	5	6	3	4	1	—	29
Thailand	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	4
Viet Nam	5	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	17
Other	2	1	7	26	4	10	2	—	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>172</b>

5.6 DEATHS, Birthplace and Duration of Residence—1995 *continued*

## DURATION OF RESIDENCE (YEARS).....

	4 and under	5-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40 and over	Not stated	Not applicable	Total
NORTHEAST ASIA									
China	5	8	13	3	1	1	—	—	31
Hong Kong	1	3	1	2	—	2	—	—	9
Other	2	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>46</b>
SOUTHERN ASIA									
India	4	6	12	48	7	26	1	—	104
Sri Lanka	2	—	2	1	4	3	2	—	14
Other	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>121</b>
THE AMERICAS									
Canada	1	—	3	4	3	7	—	—	18
Chile	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
United States of America	4	1	9	7	2	8	2	—	33
Other	—	3	3	3	—	3	—	—	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>64</b>
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)									
South Africa	6	4	8	5	8	8	1	—	40
Other	2	2	4	13	4	—	—	—	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>65</b>
Other and not stated	—	—	—	2	—	4	26	—	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>1 865</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>6 232</b>	<b>10 364</b>



## 5.7 DEATHS, State or Territory of Usual Residence, State or Territory of Registration—1995

## STATE OR TERRITORY OF REGISTRATION.....

<i>State or Territory of usual residence</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
NSW	44 036	200	303	41	12	5	10	166	44 773
Vic.	184	32 064	83	47	16	14	9	8	32 425
Qld	219	60	20 351	13	7	1	9	3	20 663
SA	24	36	10	11 122	10	1	11	4	11 218
WA	11	15	12	11	10 298	1	15	1	10 364
Tas.	4	13	13	3	4	3 716	1	—	3 754
NT	2	2	16	31	6	—	756	—	813
ACT	54	8	1	1	2	1	1	1 046	1 114
Other Territories	3	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	9
<b>Aust.</b>	<b>44 537</b>	<b>32 398</b>	<b>20 789</b>	<b>11 269</b>	<b>10 361</b>	<b>3 739</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>1 228</b>	<b>125 133</b>

## 5.8 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death, Sex—1995

NUMBER.....

Cause of death(a)	NUMBER.....			Percentage of all deaths	Rate(b)
	Males	Females	Persons		
Infectious and parasitic diseases (001-139)	40	52	92	0.9	5.3
Neoplasms (140-239)	1 839	1 276	2 915	28.1	168.4
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	1 620	1 251	2 871	27.7	165.8
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases and immunity disorders (240-279)	189	153	342	3.3	19.8
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (280-289)	6	16	22	0.2	1.3
Mental disorders (290-319)	142	151	293	2.8	16.9
Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs (320-389)	114	142	256	2.5	14.8
Diseases of the circulatory system (390-459)	2 181	2 059	4 240	40.9	244.9
Ischaemic heart diseases (410-414)	1 385	1 035	2 420	23.4	139.8
Cerebrovascular diseases (430-438)	440	557	997	9.6	57.6
Diseases of the respiratory system (460-519)	444	329	773	7.5	44.7
Diseases of the digestive system (520-579)	181	160	341	3.3	19.7
Diseases of the genito-urinary system (580-629)	56	72	128	1.2	7.4
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (630-676)	—	3	3	—	0.2
Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue (680-709)	8	18	26	0.3	1.4
Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue (710-739)	18	46	64	0.6	3.7
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	31	23	54	0.5	3.1
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (760-779)	30	20	50	0.5	2.9
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (780-799)	21	17	38	0.4	2.2
Accidents, poisonings and Violence (E800-E999)	517	210	727	7.0	42.0
Motor vehicle traffic accidents (E810-E819)	153	56	209	2.0	12.1
<b>All causes of death</b>	<b>5 617</b>	<b>4 747</b>	<b>10 364</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>598.7</b>

(a) Classified according to the ninth revision of the World Health Organization's International Classification of Diseases (ICD).

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

## 5.9 DEATHS, Selected Causes of Death(a), Summary—1995

Particulars	Heart disease	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Cerebro-vascular disease (incl. stroke)	Respiratory system diseases	Motor vehicle traffic accidents	Suicide	All causes
<b>Numbers</b>							
Males	1 597	1 620	440	444	153	179	5 617
Females	1 364	1 251	557	329	56	39	4 747
Persons	2 961	2 871	997	773	209	218	10 364
<b>Proportions by sex (%)</b>							
Males	53.9	56.4	44.1	57.4	73.2	82.1	54.2
Females	46.1	43.6	55.9	42.6	26.8	17.9	45.8
Persons	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Proportions by cause of death (%)</b>							
Males	28.4	28.8	7.8	7.9	2.7	3.2	100.0
Females	28.7	26.4	11.7	6.9	1.2	0.8	100.0
Persons	28.6	27.7	9.6	7.5	2.0	2.1	100.0
<b>Crude death rate(b)</b>							
Males	183.7	186.3	50.6	51.1	17.6	20.6	646.0
Females	158.3	145.2	64.6	38.2	6.5	4.5	550.9
Persons	171.0	165.8	57.6	44.7	12.1	12.6	598.7
<b>Standardised death rate(c)</b>							
Western Australia	176.5	174.6	58.6	46.5	12.3	12.6	619.2
Australia	188.2	177.5	63.5	48.4	11.3	13.0	645.8

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

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

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

## 5.10 PERINATAL DEATHS(a), Numbers, Rates

Year	FETAL DEATHS.....			NEONATAL DEATHS.....			PERINATAL DEATHS.....		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NUMBER									
1985	84	57	141	65	45	110	149	102	251
1990	108	79	187	66	51	117	174	130	304
1991	101	106	207	52	46	98	153	152	305
1992	82	83	165	62	49	111	144	132	276
1993	96	66	162	47	33	80	143	99	242
1994	93	83	176	45	37	82	138	120	258
1995	102	103	205	50	29	79	152	132	284
RATE									
1985	7.1	5.0	6.1	5.5	4.0	4.8	12.6	9.0	10.8
1990	8.2	6.4	7.3	5.0	4.2	4.6	13.2	10.5	11.9
1991	7.7	8.4	8.1	4.0	3.7	3.9	11.7	12.1	11.9
1992	6.3	6.8	6.5	4.8	4.0	4.4	11.1	10.8	10.9
1993	7.4	5.4	6.4	3.6	2.7	3.2	10.9	8.1	9.6
1994	7.2	6.7	6.9	3.5	3.0	3.3	10.6	9.7	10.2
1995	7.8	8.4	8.1	3.9	2.4	3.1	11.7	10.7	11.2

(a) Figures are based on the Western Australian definition of a perinatal death which is the death of a child weighing at least 400 grams or, if birthweight was unavailable, of at least 20 weeks gestation.

## 5.11 PERINATAL DEATHS(a), Selected Details

Particulars	1995 PERINATAL DEATHS.....					1985..
	Fetal deaths	Neonatal deaths	Males	Females	Persons	Perinatal deaths
Age at death(b)	—	58	41	17	58	106
Less than 1 hour	—	9	7	2	9	9
1 hour to under 1 day	—	21	12	9	21	34
1 day to under 1 week	—	11	11	—	11	32
1 week to under 4 weeks	—	17	11	6	17	31
Weight at delivery (grams)(b)	139	58	115	82	197	251
500-999	38	20	37	21	58	91
1,000-1,999	31	10	21	20	41	57
2,000-2,999	32	14	29	17	46	61
3,000 or more	38	12	26	24	50	37
Period of gestation (weeks)(b)	139	58	115	82	197	251
Less than 28	37	22	36	23	59	83
28-36	47	16	35	28	63	83
37-41	54	16	41	29	70	66
42 or more	1	—	1	—	1	2
Age group of mother (years)(b)	139	58	115	82	197	251
Less than 20	20	17	28	9	37	24
20-24	25	6	17	14	31	59
25-29	40	20	32	28	60	79
30-34	34	11	23	22	45	63
35-39	16	3	12	7	19	18
40 or more	4	1	3	2	5	4

(a) Figures are based on the Australian definition of a perinatal death which is the death of a child weighing at least 500 grams or, if birthweight was unavailable, of at least 22 weeks gestation.

(b) Includes not stated.

## SECTION 6

### DEATHS—YEAR OF OCCURRENCE (PRELIMINARY) .....

In 1995, 10,403 deaths occurred in Western Australia, an average of 28 deaths a day. The 1995 total represents an increase of 1.2% of deaths occurring in 1994 and an increase of 16.2% of deaths occurring in 1985. The 1995 number of deaths is the highest recorded in the last six years.

There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death and, as a result of delays in registration, some deaths occurring in one year are not registered until the following year or even later. For Western Australia it is estimated that about 96.2% of deaths that were registered in 1995 occurred in 1995.

#### MONTH OF OCCURRENCE

In Western Australia in 1995, the month with the lowest number of deaths was February, which was partly due to there being fewer days in that month. The month with the highest number of deaths occurring was July followed by June. Winter months generally claimed more deaths than the other months.

#### AGE AT DEATH

As with year of registration data, the ageing of Western Australia's population is evident in year of occurrence data. In 1995, 51.2% of female deaths occurred at age 80 years or more compared with 41.4% in 1985. For males, 30.1% of deaths occurred at age 80 years or more in 1995 compared with 23.2% in 1985.

#### AGE-SPECIFIC DEATH RATES

In 1995 male age-specific death rates exceeded female age-specific death rates in all ages except in the 10–14 years where they were equal. The same situation occurred in 1985 except where they were equal in the 5–9 years. In 1995 the greatest difference between male and female age-specific death rates occurred in the 80–84 year age group where the rate for males was 33.9 higher than for females.

#### INFANT DEATHS

There were 133 infant deaths in Western Australia in 1995, the lowest number in six years since 1990. The 1995 infant mortality rate of 5.4 was also the lowest since 1990 and represents a significant fall from the rate of 9.4 occurring in 1985.

## 6.1 DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

<i>Month of occurrence</i>	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	659	701	756	735	763	759	757
February	642	652	637	731	687	775	728
March	677	728	749	775	767	789	752
April	648	768	768	775	748	803	817
May	782	750	770	814	876	905	918
June	829	800	775	930	870	882	971
July	915	923	818	1 003	1 028	973	989
August	874	838	889	838	1 002	1 043	960
September	799	889	851	920	935	869	927
October	717	830	838	893	953	874	884
November	687	778	773	788	810	819	835
December	727	762	681	784	850	789	865
<b>Total</b>	<b>8 956</b>	<b>9 419</b>	<b>9 305</b>	<b>9 986</b>	<b>10 289</b>	<b>10 280</b>	<b>10 403</b>
RATE							
Crude death rate	6.3	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.0
PROPORTION (%)							
January	7.4	7.4	8.1	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3
February	7.2	6.9	6.8	7.3	6.7	7.5	7.0
March	7.6	7.7	8.0	7.8	7.5	7.7	7.2
April	7.2	8.2	8.3	7.8	7.3	7.8	7.9
May	8.7	8.0	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.8	8.8
June	9.3	8.5	8.3	9.3	8.5	8.6	9.3
July	10.2	9.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.5
August	9.8	8.9	9.6	8.4	9.7	10.1	9.2
September	8.9	9.4	9.1	9.2	9.1	8.5	8.9
October	8.0	8.8	9.0	8.9	9.3	8.5	8.5
November	7.7	8.3	8.3	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0
December	8.1	8.1	7.3	7.9	8.3	7.7	8.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 6.2 DEATHS, Age at Death, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	117	109	85	100	93	48
1-4	33	21	19	24	16	15
5-9	12	10	15	11	6	6
10-14	20	12	14	14	7	10
15-19	67	57	46	21	30	23
20-24	102	100	101	26	26	28
25-29	81	92	92	27	34	29
30-34	83	92	98	30	37	43
35-39	68	90	109	45	44	34
40-44	106	128	123	55	66	83
45-49	132	128	154	91	73	93
50-54	183	182	198	103	112	117
55-59	334	263	248	170	140	153
60-64	462	457	366	213	248	190
65-69	522	669	662	310	332	314
70-74	739	623	824	499	397	513
75-79	773	825	799	583	674	620
80-84	672	656	808	686	741	840
85-89	484	656	893	957	1 171	1 589
90 and over	1	1	1	—	2	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 991</b>	<b>5 170</b>	<b>5 655</b>	<b>3 965</b>	<b>4 249</b>	<b>4 748</b>



## 6.3 DEATHS, Age-specific Death Rates, Sex

Age group (years)	MALES.....			FEMALES.....		
	1985	1990	1995	1985	1990	1995
Under 1	9.9	8.3	6.7	8.8	7.5	4.0
1-4	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3
5-9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
10-14	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
15-19	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4
20-24	1.6	1.5	1.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
25-29	1.3	1.3	1.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
30-34	1.4	1.3	1.4	0.5	0.5	0.6
35-39	1.2	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.7	0.5
40-44	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.3	1.1	1.2
45-49	3.4	2.7	2.4	2.6	1.7	1.6
50-54	5.6	4.7	4.2	3.4	3.1	2.7
55-59	10.5	8.0	6.5	5.7	4.5	4.2
60-64	16.9	14.7	11.5	7.6	8.1	6.1
65-69	27.0	25.9	22.8	14.0	12.0	10.5
70-74	44.6	36.2	36.6	24.3	18.7	19.8
75-79	71.7	63.8	67.9	39.5	37.4	32.9
80-84	119.1	93.1	92.5	74.5	64.1	58.6
85 and over	185.5	171.3	171.5	152.8	135.7	141.0

## 6.4 INFANT DEATHS, Month of Occurrence, Number, Proportion

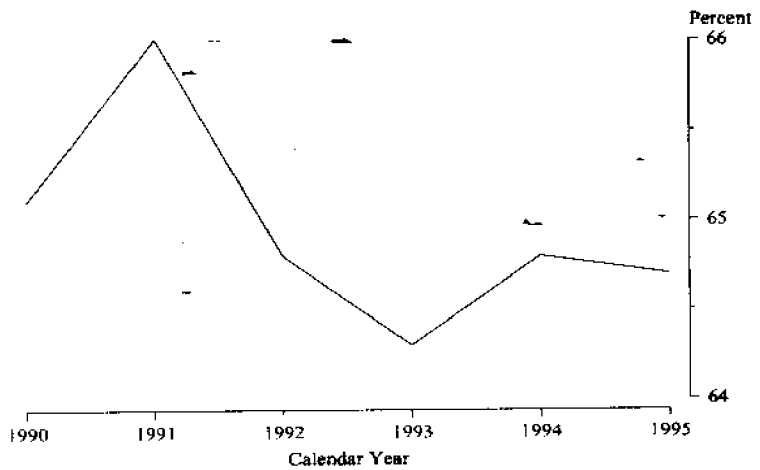
Month of occurrence	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
NUMBER							
January	16	15	20	25	8	16	8
February	17	7	15	13	14	7	7
March	13	16	10	11	14	10	8
April	16	21	15	19	10	17	16
May	25	16	13	7	7	8	12
June	25	18	13	10	12	16	9
July	22	23	13	15	15	9	11
August	19	18	11	18	11	15	14
September	19	14	15	18	11	11	10
October	15	23	15	12	21	13	14
November	13	12	10	15	12	10	10
December	17	19	16	10	10	19	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>133</b>
RATE							
Infant mortality rate	9.4	7.9	6.7	6.9	5.8	6.1	5.4
PROPORTION (%)							
January	7.4	7.4	12.0	14.5	5.5	10.6	6.0
February	7.8	3.5	9.0	7.5	9.7	4.6	5.3
March	6.0	7.9	6.0	6.4	9.7	6.6	6.0
April	7.4	10.4	9.0	11.0	6.9	11.3	12.0
May	11.5	7.9	7.8	4.0	4.8	5.3	9.0
June	11.5	8.9	7.8	5.8	8.3	10.6	6.8
July	10.1	11.4	7.8	8.7	10.3	6.0	8.3
August	8.8	8.9	6.6	10.4	7.6	9.9	10.5
September	8.8	6.9	9.0	10.4	7.6	7.3	7.5
October	6.9	11.4	9.0	6.9	14.5	8.6	10.5
November	6.0	5.9	6.0	8.7	8.3	6.6	7.5
December	7.8	9.4	9.6	5.8	6.9	12.6	10.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

SECTION **7**

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED** .....

There were 10,404 marriages registered in Western Australia in 1995. This was a slight increase of 0.4% on 1994 and 0.06% on the number registered in 1985 (10,398). For the last six years the number of marriages has remained steady. The lowest number of marriages was 10,118 in 1992 and the highest was 10,659 in 1991. Of all marriages registered in 1995, 6,729 (64.7%) couples were married for the first time, 2,019 (19.4%) marriages occurred in which one party had been married before and 1,656 (15.9%) in which both parties had previously been married.

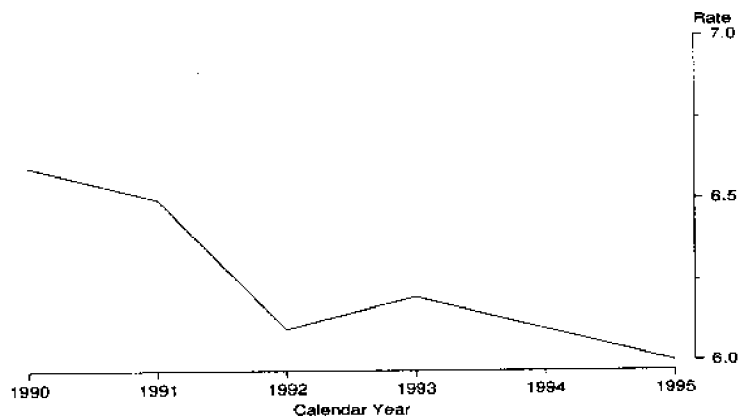
**FIRST MARRIAGE FOR BOTH PARTNERS**



**CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE**

The crude marriage rate, the number of marriages per 1,000 population, fell to 6.0 in 1995, dropping from 6.1 in 1994 and 7.3 in 1985. The national rate was 6.1 per 1,000 population. The highest crude marriage rate ever recorded for Western Australia was 11.4 in 1942 and the lowest rate was 5.2 in 1918.

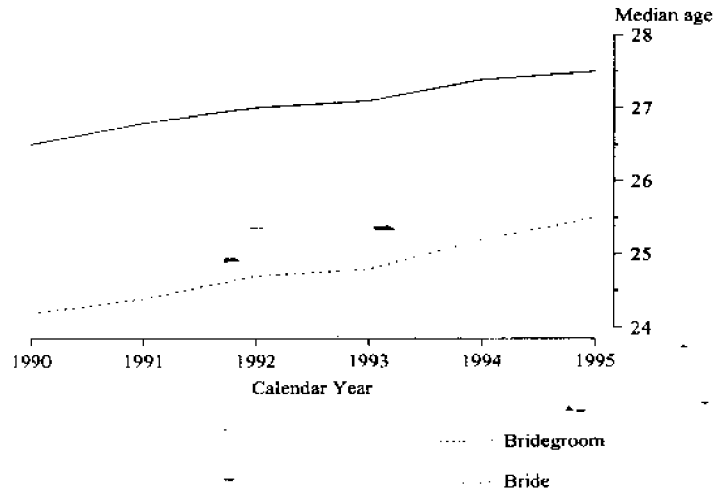
**CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE**



MEDIAN AGES

Among people marrying for the first time in 1995, the median age for bridegrooms was 27.5 years and for brides it was 25.5 years. This compares with 25.2 years and 23.0 years respectively in 1985. This has been a slow but continuing rise highlighting the tendency to marry later in life. The median age of all bridegrooms in 1995 was 29.6 years and for all brides 27.2 years.

MEDIAN AGE OF BRIDE AND GROOM AT FIRST MARRIAGE



MARRIAGE RATES

MARRIAGE RATES(a), 1995

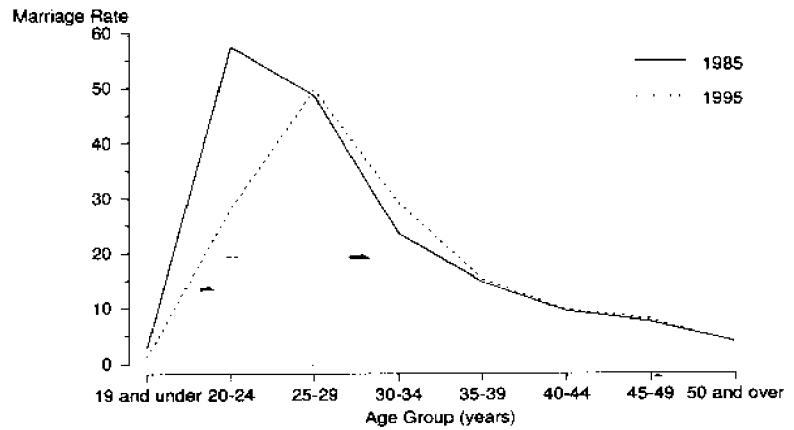
Age groups (years)	WESTERN AUSTRALIA..		AUSTRALIA...	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
19 and under	1.2	5.5	1.2	6.1
20-24	28.0	47.1	31.2	50.8
25-29	49.8	48.3	51.7	47.9
30-34	29.3	21.6	28.7	21.4
35-39	15.1	12.0	15.1	11.3
40-44	9.6	7.4	9.4	7.3
45-49	7.9	6.4	7.3	5.8
50 and over	3.8	2.1	3.4	1.8

(a) Per 1,000 men or women in each age group. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.

## AGE SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES

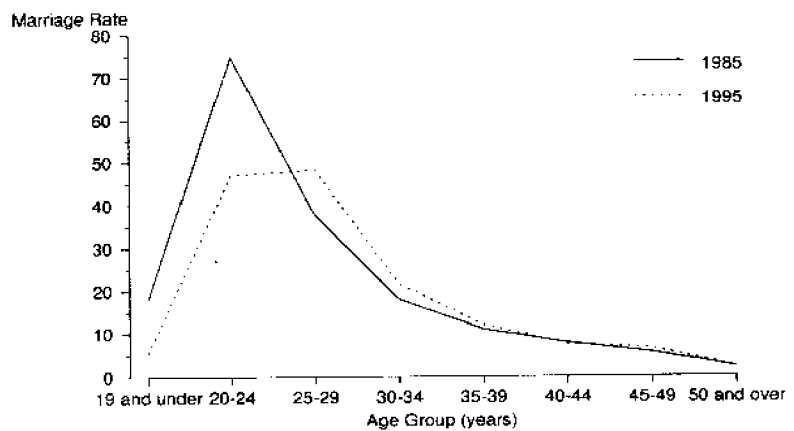
Between 1985 and 1995 age-specific marriage rates (per 1,000 population) changed markedly in different age groups. In 1995 the peak age group for grooms was 25–29 years (49.8) compared with 20–24 years (57.5) in 1985. The rate for grooms in the age group 20–24 years has halved since 1985.

## AGE SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES FOR GROOMS



For brides the peak age group was 25–29 years (48.3) in 1995 compared with 20–24 years (74.8) in 1985. Like grooms, the rate for brides has dropped sharply in the 20–24 year age group, from 74.8 to 47.1.

## AGE SPECIFIC MARRIAGE RATES FOR BRIDES



## 7.1 MARRIAGES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL MARRIAGES							
<b>Marriages registered</b>	<b>10 398</b>	<b>10 613</b>	<b>10 659</b>	<b>10 118</b>	<b>10 382</b>	<b>10 366</b>	<b>10 404</b>
Crude marriage rate	7.3	6.6	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.0
Previous marital status							
First marriage both partners	6 827	6 913	7 035	6 555	6 677	6 714	6 729
First marriage one partner	2 000	2 044	2 077	1 919	2 023	2 015	2 019
Remarriage both partners	1 571	1 656	1 547	1 644	1 682	1 637	1 656
Marriages performed by							
Ministers of religion							
Number	5 274	5 055	5 259	4 967	4 959	4 835	n.a.
Proportion (%)	50.7	47.6	49.3	49.1	47.8	46.6	n.a.
Civil celebrants							
Number	5 124	5 558	5 400	5 151	5 423	5 531	n.a.
Proportion (%)	49.3	52.4	50.7	50.9	52.2	53.4	n.a.
BRIDEGROOM							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.2
20-24	57.5	40.9	39.3	33.3	32.4	29.9	28.0
25-29	48.7	49.1	50.1	47.4	49.7	49.7	49.8
30-34	23.7	25.8	27.2	27.7	28.4	28.6	29.3
35-39	14.7	14.2	14.9	13.5	14.9	14.9	15.1
40-44	9.4	9.2	8.6	9.6	9.5	10.2	9.6
45-49	7.5	7.6	7.6	8.3	7.9	7.7	7.9
50 and over	3.9	4.0	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.8
Marital status of bridegroom							
Never married	7 774	7 879	8 047	7 455	7 614	7 652	7 681
Widowed	231	215	236	212	233	250	203
Divorced	2 393	2 519	2 376	2 451	2 535	2 464	2 520
Total	10 398	10 613	10 659	10 118	10 382	10 366	10 404
Median age of bridegroom (years)							
Never married	25.2	26.5	26.8	27.0	27.1	27.4	27.5
Widowed	60.6	61.3	62.8	59.4	59.8	62.3	62.7
Divorced	37.4	39.7	39.5	40.7	40.3	41.6	41.5
Total	26.9	28.3	28.6	29.1	29.3	29.5	29.6
BRIDE							
Age-specific marriage rate							
Age group (years)							
19 and under	18.3	10.4	10.2	7.2	6.9	6.0	5.5
20-24	74.8	63.0	60.9	54.4	54.7	51.1	47.1
25-29	37.7	41.2	43.7	42.2	44.3	45.4	48.3
30-34	18.1	19.6	19.2	19.8	20.3	21.4	21.6
35-39	10.9	10.2	10.3	10.6	10.9	11.5	12.0
40-44	7.8	7.3	7.4	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.4
45-49	5.5	6.7	6.4	6.8	6.4	6.2	6.4
50 and over	2.1	2.2	2.0	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1
Marital status of bride							
Never married	7 880	7 991	8 100	7 574	7 763	7 791	7 796
Widowed	294	267	249	240	277	277	236
Divorced	2 224	2 355	2 310	2 304	2 342	2 298	2 372
Total	10 398	10 613	10 659	10 118	10 382	10 366	10 404
Median age of bride (years)							
Never married	23.0	24.2	24.4	24.7	24.8	25.2	25.5
Widowed	52.6	53.8	52.0	52.6	52.0	53.7	52.2
Divorced	34.1	36.1	36.3	37.0	37.4	37.8	38.0
Total	24.5	25.9	26.1	26.5	26.5	26.9	27.2

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

Age at marriage (years)	1971	1976	1981	1986	1991
FIRST MARRIAGES					
<b>Age of bridegroom</b>					
15-19	16.0	10.9	6.1	2.3	2.3
20-24	164.0	124.8	93.8	66.0	47.3
25-29	161.1	137.2	118.3	108.8	94.6
30-34	92.6	87.2	77.8	77.4	77.7
35-39	48.1	49.4	44.0	41.8	48.0
40-44	25.7	27.1	26.6	24.6	24.8
45 and over	n.a.	n.a.	7.6	5.3	6.7
<b>Age of bride</b>					
15-19	78.0	55.1	35.1	16.2	10.9
20-24	296.5	196.6	149.9	117.0	84.2
25-29	191.3	150.1	129.8	124.9	114.0
30-34	102.9	87.5	72.7	83.2	72.3
35-39	46.5	55.5	35.0	41.3	37.6
40-44	30.6	27.7	24.4	21.0	17.9
45 and over	n.a.	n.a.	4.5	4.0	4.2
REMARRIAGES					
<b>Age of bridegroom</b>					
15-19	—	—	—	—	—
20-24	111.1	325.2	217.6	106.3	33.0
25-29	332.6	338.0	239.5	188.3	136.1
30-34	247.8	204.8	197.7	161.7	137.9
35-39	162.9	229.0	160.1	125.6	112.8
40-44	131.8	187.8	142.0	109.1	73.9
45-49	85.1	148.3	98.1	93.9	73.4
50-54	80.0	94.8	76.9	62.9	53.0
55-59	40.5	70.3	51.5	45.5	45.7
60 and over	15.6	24.0	17.9	7.8	16.3
<b>Age of bride</b>					
15-19	95.2	111.1	148.1	—	—
20-24	313.9	334.0	249.7	222.8	104.8
25-29	276.9	313.4	203.4	182.1	163.9
30-34	195.1	185.5	146.5	121.5	112.0
35-39	120.8	153.6	102.8	90.8	76.3
40-44	86.4	105.8	73.6	65.9	54.9
45-49	52.2	66.7	50.1	41.3	44.1
50-54	29.2	34.9	31.2	25.9	28.1
55-59	14.4	19.8	15.1	14.0	11.3
60 and over	2.8	4.0	2.8	2.7	2.6

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

## 7.3 MARRIAGES, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1995

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

<i>Previous marital status of bridegroom</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
.....				
NUMBER				
Never married	6 729	46	906	7 681
Widowed	32	69	102	203
Divorced	1 035	121	1 364	2 520
Total	7 796	236	2 372	10 404
.....				
PROPORTION (%)				
Never married	64.7	0.4	8.7	73.8
Widowed	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.0
Divorced	9.9	1.2	13.1	24.2
Total	74.9	2.3	22.8	100.0
.....				



## 7.4 MARRIAGES, Age, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1995

Age at marriage (years)	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM				PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			
	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Never married</i>	<i>Widowed</i>	<i>Divorced</i>	<i>Total</i>
17 and under	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	15
18	26	—	—	26	111	—	—	111
19	53	—	—	53	215	—	—	215
20	118	—	—	118	351	—	—	351
21	204	—	—	204	539	—	—	539
22	392	—	—	392	663	1	6	670
23	541	—	1	542	785	—	12	797
24	721	—	5	726	836	1	19	856
25	735	1	7	743	803	—	42	845
26	714	—	17	731	629	1	57	687
27	682	1	23	706	559	1	79	639
28	561	—	40	601	467	2	76	545
29	519	—	46	565	361	2	87	450
30-34	1 603	5	449	2 057	987	12	523	1 522
35-39	529	6	525	1 060	335	21	484	840
40-44	177	11	453	641	89	29	374	492
45-49	52	24	425	501	30	36	313	379
50-54	23	17	246	286	11	25	153	189
55-59	18	25	148	191	4	27	82	113
60 and over	13	113	135	261	6	78	65	149
<b>Total</b>	<b>7 681</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>2 520</b>	<b>10 404</b>	<b>7 796</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>2 372</b>	<b>10 404</b>

## 7.5 MARRIAGES, Age of Parties—1995

Age group of bride (years).....

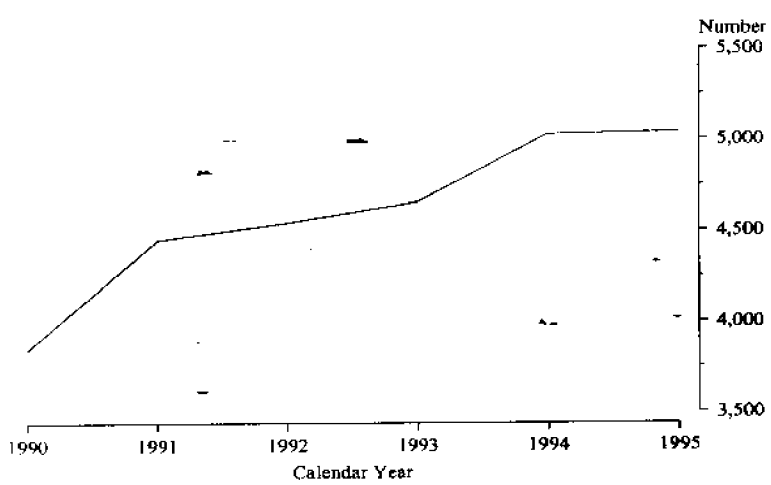
Age group of bridegroom (years)	17 and under	18	19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Total
17 and under	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	1	12	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
19	2	8	12	24	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	53
20-24	8	62	135	1 411	310	45	8	—	2	1	—	—	1 982
25-29	4	23	51	1 338	1 539	310	66	7	5	2	1	—	3 346
30-34	—	3	8	316	922	590	160	46	9	3	—	—	2 057
35-39	—	1	3	76	261	375	227	83	28	5	1	—	1 060
40-44	—	—	1	18	77	122	197	148	61	14	3	—	641
45-49	—	1	—	14	30	49	122	118	126	28	11	2	501
50-54	—	—	—	5	12	17	42	51	80	53	16	10	286
55-59	—	—	—	2	7	9	11	25	49	44	34	10	191
60 and over	—	1	—	1	2	4	7	14	19	39	47	127	261
Total	15	111	215	3 213	3 166	1 522	840	492	379	189	113	149	10 404

SECTION **8**

**DIVORCES GRANTED** .....

There were 5,040 divorces granted in Western Australia in 1995, an increase of 16 or 0.3% compared with 1994. This is the highest number of divorces recorded in Western Australia.

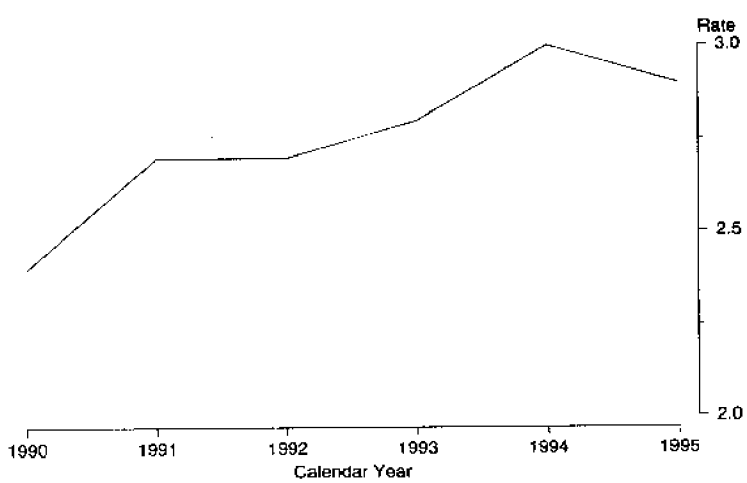
DIVORCES GRANTED



CRUDE DIVORCE RATE

The crude divorce rate fell from 3.0 in 1994 to 2.9 in 1995 per 1,000 of population. The highest crude divorce rate ever recorded in Western Australia was 4.1 in 1976, the year after the introduction of the *Family Law Act* of 1975 in Australia.

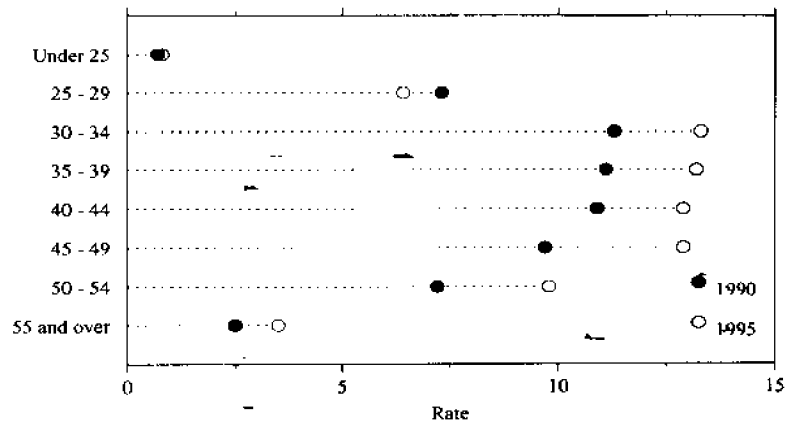
CRUDE DIVORCE RATE



AGE SPECIFIC DIVORCE RATES

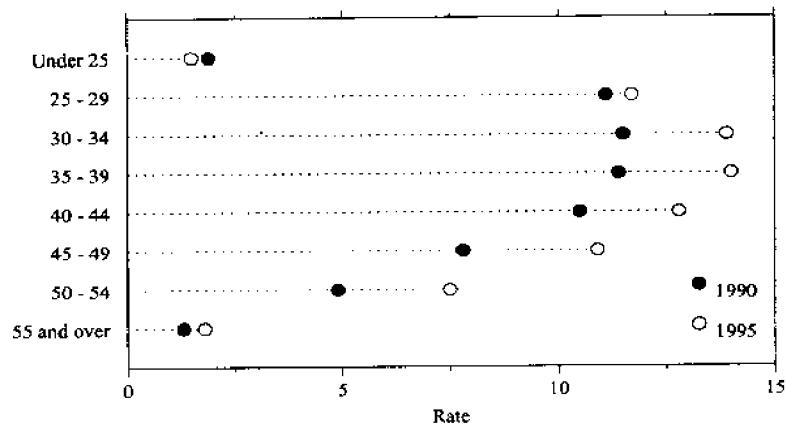
In 1995 the highest age specific divorce rate of 13.3 divorces per 1,000 of population for husbands was in the age group 30 to 34 years and was closely followed by a rate of 13.2 in the 35 to 39 years age group. The lowest rate of 0.8 was in the 24 years and under age group.

AGE SPECIFIC DIVORCE RATES FOR HUSBANDS



For wives the rates in the thirties age groups were reversed. The highest rate of 14.0 for wives was in the 35 to 39 years age group and was closely followed by a rate of 13.9 in the 30 to 34 years age group. The lowest rate of 1.5 was in the 24 years and under age group as it was for husbands.

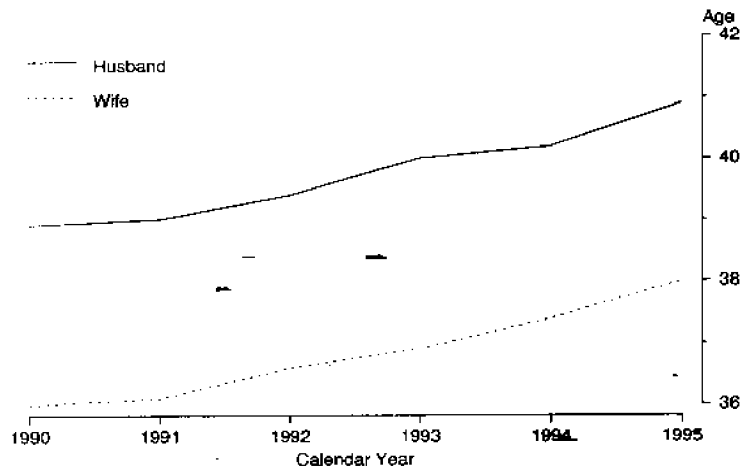
AGE SPECIFIC DIVORCE RATES FOR WIVES



## MEDIAN AGES

The median age at marriage, final separation and decree made absolute continues to increase for both husbands and wives. The median age for husbands at decree made absolute increased from 37.5 in 1985 to 40.9 in 1995. Similarly the median age for wives has increased from 34.8 in 1985 to 38.0 in 1995.

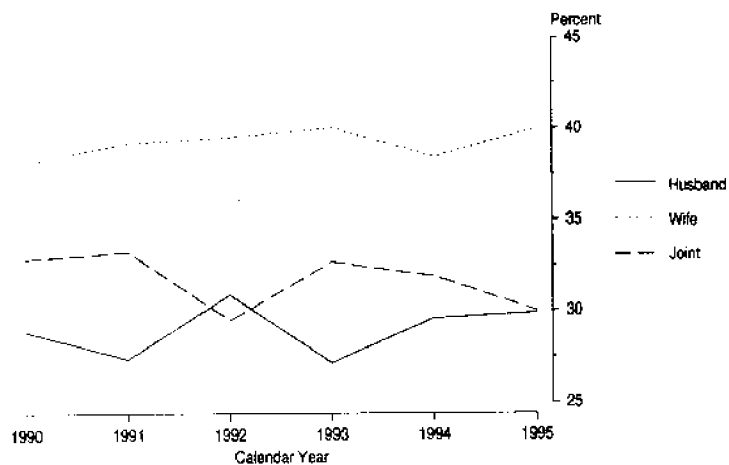
## MEDIAN AGES OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AT DIVORCE



## APPLICANT FOR DIVORCE

In divorces granted in 1995, the wife was the applicant in 40.1% of all divorces, the husband in 29.9% and there were 30.0% joint applications for divorce. Since 1987, when data on gender of the applicant was first published in Western Australia, the wife has always been the major applicant for divorce.

## GENDER OF APPLICANT FOR DIVORCE



## 8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a)

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
ALL DIVORCES							
<b>Divorces granted</b>	<b>4 039</b>	<b>3 845</b>	<b>4 446</b>	<b>4 540</b>	<b>4 654</b>	<b>5 024</b>	<b>5 040</b>
Crude divorce rate	2.8	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.0	2.9
Median duration of marriage (years)	11.1	11.2	10.7	11.0	11.5	11.4	12.3
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	8.1	7.9	7.5	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.8
Divorces involving children							
Number	2 508	2 271	2 506	2 549	2 466	2 548	n.a.
Percentage of total divorces	62.1	59.1	56.4	56.1	53.0	50.7	n.a.
Average number of children	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	n.a.
Applicant							
Husband	1 307	1 111	1 217	1 401	1 264	1 486	1 508
Wife	1 933	1 470	1 747	1 798	1 868	1 935	2 021
Joint	799	1 264	1 482	1 341	1 522	1 603	1 511

For footnotes see end of table.

8.1 DIVORCES, Summary(a) *continued*

	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
HUSBAND							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	1.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
25-29	10.4	7.3	8.6	8.2	7.5	8.0	6.4
30-34	14.3	11.3	12.9	12.3	12.7	13.9	13.3
35-39	13.1	11.1	12.7	13.5	13.1	13.2	13.2
40-44	12.7	10.9	12.5	12.2	12.5	13.5	12.9
45-49	11.3	9.7	11.3	11.5	11.3	12.0	12.9
50-54	8.1	7.2	8.1	8.3	9.3	9.9	9.8
55 and over	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.3	3.5
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	3 424	3 154	3 610	3 702	3 780	4 086	n.a.
Widowed	32	42	31	34	42	54	n.a.
Divorced	583	649	805	804	832	884	n.a.
Total	4 039	3 845	4 446	4 540	4 654	5 024	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	23.9	24.7	24.8	25.1	25.3	25.3	25.3
At final separation	34.5	35.5	35.7	36.2	36.6	36.8	37.3
At decree made absolute	37.5	38.9	39.0	39.4	40.0	40.2	40.9
WIFE							
Age-specific divorce rate							
Age group (years)							
24 and under	3.6	1.9	2.0	2.2	1.9	2.0	1.5
25-29	13.6	11.1	13.2	12.4	11.6	12.5	11.7
30-34	14.4	11.5	13.3	13.0	14.4	14.4	13.9
35-39	13.1	11.3	12.9	12.9	13.3	14.1	14.0
40-44	12.9	10.5	11.5	11.3	11.4	12.6	12.8
45-49	9.6	7.7	9.2	10.2	9.4	10.3	10.9
50-54	5.4	4.9	6.0	6.8	6.8	7.7	7.6
55 and over	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.6	1.8
Marital status at marriage (number)							
Never married	3 413	3 171	3 641	3 673	3 814	4 059	n.a.
Widowed	49	53	48	53	66	66	n.a.
Divorced	577	621	757	814	774	899	n.a.
Total	4 039	3 845	4 446	4 540	4 654	5 024	n.a.
Median age (years)							
At marriage	21.3	22.1	22.1	22.4	22.5	22.8	22.7
At final separation	31.9	32.8	32.7	33.5	33.6	34.0	34.4
At decree made absolute	34.8	36.0	36.1	36.6	36.9	37.4	38.0

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

## 8.2 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Marriage, Duration of Marriage—1995

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

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND										
1	—	9	8	5	2	2	3	7	—	36
2	7	52	48	31	18	13	9	9	—	187
3	4	70	65	39	22	16	12	12	—	240
4	12	85	101	36	20	16	16	18	—	304
5	7	81	99	30	20	18	11	9	—	275
6	8	89	81	49	28	17	9	6	—	287
7	8	77	63	27	20	16	5	4	—	220
8	10	97	65	34	16	14	3	11	—	250
9	5	89	61	34	22	5	7	2	—	225
10-14	43	401	285	135	58	36	21	22	—	1 001
15-19	49	317	189	85	35	14	7	8	—	704
20-24	48	354	144	37	12	5	8	4	—	612
25-29	39	236	83	15	11	2	3	1	—	390
30 and over	27	184	72	20	5	—	—	1	—	309
<b>Total</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>2 141</b>	<b>1 364</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5 040</b>

## WIFE

1	2	8	11	7	2	1	1	4	—	36
2	12	70	58	20	10	8	5	4	—	187
3	18	100	56	17	21	14	6	8	—	240
4	26	140	58	28	15	21	9	7	—	304
5	26	124	58	33	13	10	5	6	—	275
6	35	118	65	31	18	12	7	1	—	287
7	24	97	38	30	17	9	4	1	—	220
8	38	109	56	24	15	2	4	2	—	250
9	30	107	46	23	15	3	—	1	—	225
10-14	157	463	218	80	35	19	15	14	—	1 001
15-19	195	323	110	48	17	7	1	3	—	704
20-24	216	286	81	14	7	4	3	1	—	612
25-29	136	211	31	6	3	1	1	1	—	390
30 and over	112	163	25	6	2	1	—	—	—	309
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 027</b>	<b>2 319</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5 040</b>



## 8.3 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Final Separation, Duration of Marriage to Separation—1995

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

Duration of marriage (years)	19 and under	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55 and over	Not stated	Total
HUSBAND											
Under 1	7	85	90	56	21	21	15	7	12	—	314
1	2	71	111	60	33	22	15	5	10	—	329
2	—	64	151	82	44	25	23	14	13	—	416
3	—	28	124	70	39	25	13	5	10	—	314
4	—	13	97	91	37	22	18	8	7	—	293
5	—	5	79	83	46	18	15	8	7	—	261
6	—	1	71	69	36	25	15	6	3	—	226
7	—	—	52	76	31	27	9	5	12	—	212
8	—	—	23	87	47	21	9	8	9	—	204
9	—	—	15	89	73	29	9	9	8	—	232
10-14	—	—	7	209	331	139	67	25	25	—	803
15-19	—	—	—	8	205	246	99	23	25	—	606
20-24	—	—	—	—	9	177	207	47	26	—	466
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	6	95	80	30	—	211
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	33	117	—	153
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5 040</b>

## WIFE

Under 1	20	112	90	40	24	11	7	1	9	—	314
1	5	119	101	42	25	18	11	4	4	—	329
2	4	152	128	48	32	25	18	4	5	—	416
3	—	80	122	56	26	15	7	1	7	—	314
4	—	47	125	56	28	20	8	6	3	—	293
5	—	25	118	58	29	18	6	6	1	—	261
6	—	16	88	74	26	13	6	3	—	—	226
7	—	2	88	66	27	15	4	4	6	—	212
8	—	1	57	87	26	12	10	7	4	—	204
9	—	—	51	101	47	20	7	1	5	—	232
10-14	—	—	52	368	242	84	29	14	14	—	803
15-19	—	—	—	45	325	159	50	18	9	—	606
20-24	—	—	—	—	60	272	102	22	10	—	466
25-29	—	—	—	—	—	31	127	44	9	—	211
30 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	56	83	—	153
Total stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>1 020</b>	<b>1 041</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5 040</b>

## 8.4 DIVORCES, Age of Parties at Divorce—1995

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

<i>Age group of husband (years)</i>	<i>24 and under</i>	<i>25-29</i>	<i>30-34</i>	<i>35-39</i>	<i>40-44</i>	<i>45-49</i>	<i>50-54</i>	<i>55-59</i>	<i>60 and over</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
24 and under	51	18	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	76
25-29	80	284	54	9	5	—	—	—	—	—	432
30-34	36	355	421	96	19	7	1	—	—	—	935
35-39	2	74	348	400	75	23	1	2	—	—	925
40-44	3	24	109	302	359	53	6	5	2	—	863
45-49	2	9	29	111	305	300	55	10	—	—	821
50-54	—	2	9	37	65	185	148	15	7	—	468
55-59	1	1	1	9	17	53	92	74	10	—	258
60 and over	—	1	3	11	9	26	30	61	121	—	262
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	175	768	979	977	854	647	333	167	140	—	5 040

## SECTION 9

## THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION .....

### BIRTHS

In 1995, there were 1,492 Indigenous people born in Western Australia, 744 males and 748 females. The highest proportion of births occurred in the Perth Statistical Division (38%), followed by the Kimberley Statistical Division (20%).

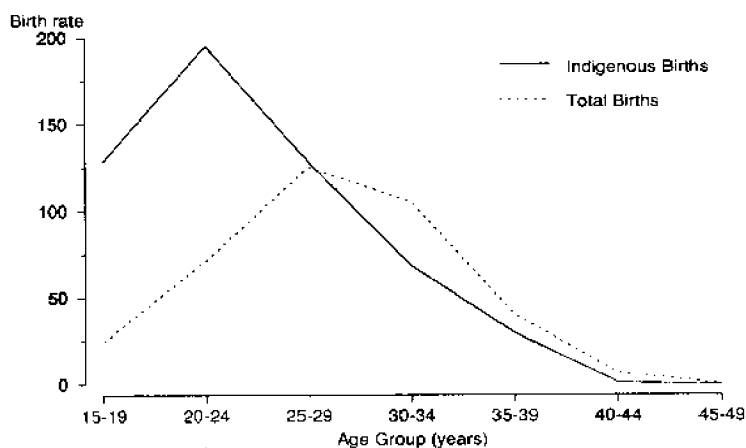
### AGE SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES

In 1995, the age specific birth rates for younger women were higher for the Indigenous population than for the total population. The highest Indigenous birth rate was 195.2 per 1,000 females in the 20-24 year age group compared with 71.8 for the same age group in the total population

The highest birth rate for the total population, 124.9 for the 25-29 year age group, was still lower than the Indigenous rate of 127.9 for the same age group. For the 15-19 year age group for Indigenous people, the age specific birth rate was 128.7 per 1,000 females, five times higher than the age specific birth rate for the same age group in the total population.

The fertility rate for Indigenous females based on the age specific birth rates was 2.751 compared with 1.860 for total births.

### AGE SPECIFIC BIRTH RATES, INDIGENOUS AND TOTAL POPULATIONS



### DEATHS

There were 384 deaths of Indigenous people in Western Australia in 1995, 219 males and 165 females. Kimberley Statistical Division had the highest number of deaths with 134 or 35%, followed by Perth Statistical Division with 72 deaths or 19%.

## AGE AT DEATH

The Indigenous median age at death in 1995 was 49.5 years for males and 59.4 years for females. This compared with 73.3 years for males and 80.3 years for females for deaths for the total population.

The ages at death varied greatly between Indigenous people and the total population. Some 7.0% of Indigenous deaths occurred under 1 year of age compared with 1.2% for the total population. In 1995, 65.4% of total Indigenous deaths occurred below the age of 65 years, compared with only 24.3% for the total population.

## INFANT MORTALITY RATE

The Indigenous infant mortality rate was 18.1 per 1,000 live births in 1995, nearly four times higher than the total Western Australian infant mortality rate of 5.1 per 1,000 live births.

## STANDARDISED DEATH RATES

In 1995 the indirect standardised death rate was 21.7 per 1,000 persons for the Indigenous population compared with 6.2 per 1,000 persons for the total Western Australian population.

## CAUSES OF DEATH

There were some differences in causes of death between Indigenous people and the total population in 1995. Heart-disease was the leading cause of death for Indigenous people, as it was for the total population. However, 83 deaths out of 384 or 22% was lower than the total population with 29%. A sharper distinction occurred with deaths from cancer with some 11% of Indigenous people dying from the disease compared with 28% of the total population. There was also a lower percentage of Indigenous people dying from cerebrovascular disease with some 5% compared with 10% for the total population. However, a greater proportion of Indigenous people died from accidents, poisonings and violence (17% compared with 7%) and from diabetes (7% compared with 2%).

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS

The Indigenous population counted in the Censuses in Western Australia was 37,789 persons in the 1986 Census and 41,841 persons in the 1991 Census. It is estimated that the experimental projection of the Indigenous population at 30 June 1995, based on a projected high population series, was 49,121 persons. It is estimated the Indigenous population of Western Australia will be 57,365 persons (high series), 56,898 persons (medium series) or 55,973 persons (low series) by the year 2001.

## LIFE EXPECTANCY

The estimated expectations of life for the Indigenous population between 1986 and 1991 were 55.7 years for males and 63.1 years for females. By comparison, in 1991 the life expectancy for males in the total population in Western Australia was 75.1 years and 81.0 years for females.

## 9.1 THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION, BIRTHS, Selected Details Of Indigenous Children(a)

Particulars	Births of indigenous children.....						Total All births .....	
	Total.....		To indigenous mothers.....				1994	1995
	1994	1995	Number.....		Per cent.....			
	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995
<b>BIRTHS</b>								
<b>Total births</b>	<b>1 578</b>	<b>1 492</b>	<b>1 316</b>	<b>1 225</b>	<b>83.4</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>25 138</b>	<b>25 139</b>
Males	858	744	716	618	83.4	83.1	12 867	12 942
Females	720	748	600	607	83.3	81.1	12 271	12 197
Sex ratio	119.2	99.5	119.3	101.8	..	..	104.9	106.1
Nuptial births	249	219	159	137	63.9	62.6	17 918	17 664
<i>Ex-nuptial births</i>								
Number	1 329	1 273	1 157	1 088	87.1	85.5	7 220	7 475
Percentage of live births	84.2	85.3	87.9	88.8	..	..	28.7	29.7
<i>Paternity acknowledged births</i>								
Number	1 009	955	837	771	83.0	80.7	5 951	6 304
Percentage of ex-nuptial births	75.9	75.0	72.3	70.9	..	..	82.4	84.3
<i>Age group of mother (years)</i>								
14 and under	13	10	13	10	100.0	100.0	22	12
15-19	388	357	340	308	87.6	86.3	1 511	1 492
20-24	572	537	494	439	86.4	81.8	4 974	4 886
25-29	375	353	299	293	79.7	83.0	8 405	8 172
30-34	173	172	125	130	72.3	75.6	7 230	7 365
35-39	45	61	38	44	84.4	72.1	2 582	2 790
40-44	11	2	6	1	54.5	50.0	395	407
45 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	15
Not stated	1	—	1	—	100.0	—	4	—
<i>Age specific birth rates(a)</i>								
15-19(b)	..	..	148.4	128.7	..	..	24.9	24.4
20-24	..	..	217.7	195.2	..	..	73.6	71.8
25-29	..	..	134.8	127.9	..	..	130.3	124.9
30-34	..	..	69.5	68.3	..	..	102.6	104.7
35-39	..	..	26.7	29.3	..	..	37.5	39.8
40-44	..	..	5.2	0.8	..	..	6.1	6.1
45-49(c)	..	..	—	—	..	..	0.3	0.3
Total fertility rate(a)	..	..	3.012	2.751	..	..	1.877	1.860
<b>CONFINEMENTS</b>								
<b>Total confinements</b>	<b>1 564</b>	<b>1 478</b>	<b>1 304</b>	<b>1 217</b>	<b>83.4</b>	<b>82.3</b>	<b>24 794</b>	<b>24 791</b>
Median age of mother	24.2	23.4	23.8	23.2	..	..	29.2	28.8
Median age of father(d)	27.4	26.3	26.6	26.0	..	..	31.7	32.1
<i>Previous births(d)</i>								
0	627	579	501	442	79.9	76.3	11 016	11 285
1	304	293	222	220	73.0	75.1	7 722	7 858
2	161	164	131	131	81.4	79.9	3 290	3 386
3	91	77	77	61	84.6	79.2	1 048	992
4 and over	66	61	58	54	87.9	83.6	465	447
Average number of births	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	..	..	1.8	1.8

(a) See Explanatory Notes for definitions used.

(b) Includes births to mothers under 15 years of age.

(c) Includes births to mothers aged 50 years and over.

(d) Includes both nuptial confinements and ex-nuptial confinements where paternity was acknowledged.

## 9.2 THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION, Births and Deaths By Statistical Division—1995

STATISTICAL DIVISION.....

	Perth	South West	Lower Great Southern	Upper Great Southern	Midlands	South Eastern	Central	Pilbara	Kimberley	Total
<i>Births</i>										
Males	297	46	24	7	25	56	71	83	135	744
%	19.9	3.1	1.6	0.5	1.7	3.8	4.8	5.6	9.0	49.9
Females	271	48	36	10	24	40	90	72	157	748
%	18.2	3.2	2.4	0.7	1.6	2.7	6.0	4.8	10.5	50.1
Total	568	94	60	17	49	96	161	155	292	1 492
%	38.1	6.3	4.0	1.1	3.3	6.4	10.8	10.4	19.6	100.0
<i>Deaths</i>										
Males	35	6	3	4	4	27	22	36	81	219 (a)
%	9.1	1.6	0.8	1.0	1.0	7.0	5.7	9.4	21.1	57.0
Females	37	3	5	1	—	10	24	32	53	165
%	9.6	0.8	1.3	0.3	—	2.6	6.2	8.3	13.8	43.0
Total	72	9	8	5	4	37	46	68	134	384 (a)
%	18.8	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.0	9.6	12.0	17.7	34.9	100.0

(a) Male and Total deaths includes one death where the address of usual residence was no fixed abode.

## 9.3 THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION, Summary of Indigenous and Total data—Selected years

## INDIGENOUS BIRTHS BY SEX AND AGE OF MOTHER—1995

Age group of mother (years)	Males	%	Females	%	Persons	%
Under 16	14	0.9	16	1.1	30	2.0
16-19	168	11.3	189	11.3	337	22.6
20-24	286	19.2	251	16.8	537	36.0
25-29	156	10.5	197	13.2	353	23.7
30-34	86	5.8	86	5.8	172	11.5
35-39	34	2.3	27	1.8	61	4.1
40-44	—	—	2	0.1	2	0.1
45-49	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>1 492</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## INDIGENOUS AND TOTAL DEATHS SUMMARY—1987—1995

Year	Indigenous deaths	Indigenous standardised death rate (a)	Indigenous infant deaths	Indigenous infant mortality rate (b)	Total standardised death rate (a)	Total infant mortality rate (b)
1987	309	19.1	16	n.a.	6.6	8.4
1988	322	19.8	33	n.a.	6.8	8.5
1989	329	20.2	30	n.a.	7.0	7.8
1990	322	19.7	33	n.a.	6.6	8.6
1991	401	24.4	40	n.a.	6.5	7.2
1992	346	21.0	37	n.a.	6.5	7.0
1993	386	23.3	25	16.3	6.6	5.9
1994	377	22.6	31	19.6	6.4	5.8
1995	384	21.7	27	18.1	6.2	5.1

(a) Per 1,000 population. (b) Per 1,000 livebirths.

## INDIGENOUS AND TOTAL AGES AT DEATH—1995

Age at death (years)	Indigenous Deaths.....				Total Deaths .....	
	Males	Females	Persons	%	Persons	%
Under 1	11	16	27	7.0	129	1.2
1-14	11	6	17	4.4	82	0.8
15-24	14	5	19	4.9	196	1.9
25-34	27	9	36	9.4	261	2.5
35-44	32	18	50	13.0	344	3.3
45-54	28	18	46	12.0	555	5.4
55-64	27	28	55	14.3	955	9.2
65 and over	68	65	133	34.6	7 841	75.7
Not Stated	1	—	1	0.3	1	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>10364</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 9.4 THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION, Indigenous and Total Causes Of Death—1995 (a)

AGE GROUP (YEARS)

Cause of death (b)	0-4	5-19	20-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+	Total
<b>Heart Disease</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	1	—	12	13	12	16	22	7	83
%	1.2	—	14.4	15.7	14.4	19.3	26.5	8.4	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	1	2	34	71	190	382	838	1 443	2 961
%	—	0.1	1.1	2.4	6.4	12.9	28.3	48.7	100.0
<b>Malignant Neoplasms</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	—	—	6	6	10	11	6	5	44
%	—	—	13.6	13.6	22.7	25.0	13.6	11.4	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	4	14	72	161	321	675	905	719	2 871
%	0.1	0.5	2.5	5.6	11.2	23.5	31.5	25.0	100.0
<b>Diabetes Mellitus</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	—	—	1	3	6	7	4	5	26
%	—	—	3.8	11.5	23.1	26.9	15.4	19.2	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	—	—	2	6	13	44	89	88	242
%	—	—	0.8	2.5	5.4	18.2	36.8	36.4	100.0
<b>Cerebrovascular Disease</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	—	—	1	1	1	6	4	7	20
%	—	—	5.0	5.0	5.0	30.0	20.0	35.0	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	—	—	6	17	29	86	247	612	997
%	—	—	0.6	1.7	2.9	8.6	24.8	61.4	100.0
<b>Respiratory System Diseases</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	10	1	6	4	4	6	6	6	44 (b)
%	22.7	2.3	13.6	9.1	9.1	13.6	13.6	13.6	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	17	2	9	10	27	132	234	341	773 (b)
%	2.2	0.3	1.2	1.3	3.5	17.1	30.3	44.1	100.0
<b>Accidents, Poisonings and Violence</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	5	12	33	9	5	2	—	1	67
%	7.5	17.9	49.3	13.4	7.5	3.0	—	1.5	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	24	74	306	98	54	39	44	88	727
%	3.3	10.2	42.1	13.5	7.4	5.4	6.1	12.1	100.0
<b>Other Causes</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	19	2	10	17	11	14	13	14	100
%	19.0	2.0	10.0	17.0	11.0	14.0	13.0	14.0	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	121	19	105	79	81	181	374	833	1 793
%	6.7	1.0	5.9	4.4	4.5	10.1	20.8	46.5	100.0
<b>Total</b>									
Indigenous Deaths									
Number	35	15	69	53	49	62	55	45	384 (b)
%	9.1	3.9	18.0	13.8	12.8	16.1	14.3	11.7	100.0
Total Deaths									
Number	167	111	534	442	716	1 539	2 731	4 124	10 364 (b)
%	1.6	1.1	5.2	4.3	6.9	14.8	26.4	39.8	100.0

(a) Comprising the following: heart disease (ICD codes 393-398,402,404,410-416,420-429);

Malignant neoplasms (cancer) (ICD codes 140-208); diabetes mellitus (ICD code 250);

cerebrovascular disease (ICD codes 430-438); respiratory system diseases (ICD codes 460-519);

accidents, poisonings and violence (ICD codes 800-999).

(b) Includes one death where the age at death was not stated. Caution should be used

when comparing Indigenous and Total causes of death as rates based on 100,000 population,

only available in Census years, are a more reliable indicator of causes of death.



SECTION **10**

**SPECIAL FEATURE: CAUSES OF DEATH** .....

CAUSE OF DEATH

AIDS

In 1995, males accounted for 96.6% of all AIDS-related deaths for Western Australia and 94.4% for Australia. Some 72.4% of all AIDS-related deaths were males in the 30-49 years age group in Western Australia and 62.9% (461) for Australia.

Since 1988 Western Australia has had 224 AIDS-related deaths, with the lowest number being 8 reported deaths in 1988 and the highest number being 39 deaths in 1994. Some 190 deaths or 84.8% have been directly attributed to the AIDS disease itself and the remaining 34 deaths from other conditions stated on the medical certificate. Out of the 224 AIDS-related deaths over the last 8 years 211 or 94.2% were males.

FIREARMS

In 1995, 30 persons died from firearms in Western Australia. Since 1975, there have been 808 deaths from firearms (of all types including suicides, homicides etc). Of those 808 deaths, some 643 deaths or 79.6% were suicides. For Australia, 10,219 deaths out of 13,223 firearm deaths or 77.3% were suicides since 1975.

The rates of firearm deaths for Western Australia and Australia in 1995 were the lowest since 1975.

HOMICIDES

Western Australia recorded its highest incidence of homicide in 21 years in 1995 with 44 reported deaths. The year with the lowest number of homicides over the last 21 years was 1980 with 11 reported homicides. From 1975 to 1995 there have been 570 homicides in Western Australia and 6,451 for Australia.

The homicide rate for Western Australia has been greater than the homicide rate for Australia for the past four years. In 1995 the homicide rate for Western Australia was 2.5 per 100,000 population compared with only 1.8 for Australia.

SUICIDES

For the last six years in Western Australia there have been between 200 and 220 suicides per annum. In 1995 the total of 218 suicides in Western Australia comprised 9.2% of the national total of 2,367 suicides.

HEROIN OVERDOSES

There has been a rise in the number of heroin deaths from overdose and heroin addiction in Western Australia and Australia in 1994 and 1995. Western Australia recorded its highest number of 56 deaths in 1995, as did Australia with 458 deaths. In 1995, the most common age group for heroin deaths was the 20-39 year age group. For Western Australia there were 39 male deaths and 8 female deaths in this age group and for Australia there were 288 male deaths and 67 female deaths.

**10.1 DEATHS: Aids Related, Western Australia and Australia, 1988—1995**

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

		Year.....							
Sex		1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Directly attributed to AIDS	Males	7	17	25	30	30	24	26	21
	Females	—	2	1	1	1	1	3	1
	Persons	7	19	26	31	31	25	29	22
Condition mentioned on medical certificate	Males	1	1	—	3	3	7	9	7
	Females	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—
	Persons	1	1	—	3	4	8	10	7
Total	Males	8	18	25	33	33	31	35	28
	Females	—	2	1	1	2	2	4	1
	Persons	8	20	26	34	35	33	39	29

## AUSTRALIA

		Year.....							
Sex		1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Directly attributed to AIDS	Males	134	251	349	380	450	451	481	467
	Females	2	5	7	15	14	18	26	27
	Persons	136	256	356	395	464	469	507	494
Condition mentioned on medical certificate	Males	92	132	160	178	171	238	240	162
	Females	3	4	3	9	8	11	17	10
	Persons	95	136	163	187	179	249	257	172
Total	Males	226	383	509	558	621	689	721	629
	Females	5	9	10	24	22	29	43	37
	Persons	231	392	519	582	643	718	764	666

## 10.2 DEATHS: Firearm Deaths in Western Australia and Australia(a), 1975—1995

Year	Suicide	Homicide	Accident	Police	Undetermined	Total	Rate(b)
WESTERN AUSTRALIA							
1975	13	3	2	—	2	20	1.7
1976	24	5	4	—	4	37	3.1
1977	20	1	4	—	1	26	2.2
1978	26	2	3	—	—	31	2.5
1979	31	7	1	—	—	39	3.1
1980	30	1	5	—	—	36	2.8
1981	31	8	4	—	2	45	3.5
1982	38	2	5	1	1	47	3.5
1983	30	3	2	—	—	35	2.6
1984	32	7	4	—	—	43	3.1
1985	28	6	3	—	—	37	2.6
1986	33	3	2	—	—	38	2.6
1987	39	8	3	1	—	51	3.4
1988	37	2	3	—	1	43	2.8
1989	33	3	—	1	1	38	2.4
1990	31	6	—	—	2	39	2.4
1991	34	5	3	1	—	43	2.6
1992	33	5	1	—	—	39	2.4
1993	38	4	3	—	—	45	2.7
1994	36	7	3	—	—	46	2.7
1995	26	3	1	—	—	30	1.7
AUSTRALIA							
1975	398	88	55	2	27	570	4.1
1976	429	85	9	2	19	544	3.9
1977	420	100	62	2	8	592	4.2
1978	467	69	54	4	11	605	4.2
1979	527	97	65	3	20	712	4.9
1980	517	112	62	2	11	704	4.8
1981	497	89	36	3	11	636	4.3
1982	543	100	48	4	8	703	4.6
1983	520	93	40	4	6	663	4.3
1984	524	121	32	5	7	689	4.4
1985	552	99	35	4	24	714	4.5
1986	549	101	28	4	15	697	4.4
1987	572	97	27	7	10	713	4.4
1988	521	124	30	4	17	696	4.2
1989	451	80	19	7	15	572	3.4
1990	488	79	30	4	16	617	3.6
1991	510	84	29	6	5	634	3.7
1992	490	96	24	7	7	624	3.6
1993	435	64	18	3	6	526	3.0
1994	420	79	20	7	6	532	3.0
1995	389	67	15	6	3	480	2.7

(a) Consisting of ICD categories; Suicides (955), Homicides (965)

Accidents (922), Police Intervention (970) and Undetermined (985).

(b) Rate is per 100,000 mean population at 31 December from 1975

to 1993. From 1994 on the rate is per 100,000 population at 30 June.

## 10.3 DEATHS: Homicides in Western Australia and Australia, 1975–1995(a)

## METHOD OF HOMICIDE (ICD 960 – 969).....

	<i>Fight Brawl (960)</i>	<i>Poisoning (962)</i>	<i>Strang- ulation (963)</i>	<i>Drownings (964)</i>	<i>Fire Arms (965)</i>	<i>Stabbings (966)</i>	<i>Child Battering (967)</i>	<i>Other Assault (968) (b)</i>	<i>Late Affects (969)</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Rate(c)</i>
WESTERN AUSTRALIA											
1975	7	—	1	—	3	3	—	8	—	22	1.9
1976	5	—	1	—	5	6	—	8	—	25	2.1
1977	5	—	1	—	1	6	—	8	—	21	1.7
1978	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	15	—	19	1.5
1979	3	2	1	—	7	8	—	7	2	30	2.4
1980	—	2	—	1	1	3	—	4	—	11	0.9
1981	2	—	1	—	8	6	—	7	—	24	1.8
1982	3	—	1	—	2	7	1	7	—	21	1.6
1983(d)	1	—	1	2	3	5	—	10	—	22	1.6
1984	—	2	—	—	7	13	1	3	—	26	1.9
1985	4	3	1	1	6	6	—	12	—	33	2.3
1986	5	—	3	—	3	10	—	4	—	25	1.7
1987	5	1	1	—	8	6	1	5	—	27	1.8
1988	1	—	2	—	2	7	3	9	—	24	1.6
1989	1	—	2	—	3	14	—	6	—	26	1.6
1990	3	1	2	1	6	6	—	14	—	33	2.0
1991	4	—	2	—	5	9	—	7	—	27	1.6
1992	3	3	1	—	5	17	2	5	1	37	2.2
1993	5	—	2	—	4	16	—	7	1	35	2.1
1994	4	1	1	1	7	15	1	8	—	38	2.2
1995	5	—	8	1	3	16	2	9	—	44	2.5
AUSTRALIA											
1975	26	—	11	6	88	35	—	55	3	224	1.6
1976	43	3	11	3	85	59	—	79	—	283	2.0
1977	26	—	15	3	100	53	2	70	1	270	1.9
1978	24	2	18	6	69	64	—	71	—	254	1.8
1979	30	5	16	—	97	57	4	52	4	265	1.8
1980	21	3	17	4	112	63	7	52	1	280	1.9
1981	25	7	16	3	89	71	4	64	3	282	1.9
1982	27	3	17	3	100	72	6	61	—	289	1.9
1983(d)	26	—	23	8	93	56	2	84	2	294	1.9
1984	17	4	17	3	121	71	11	54	1	299	1.9
1985	27	8	17	3	99	73	4	81	2	314	2.0
1986	32	6	24	10	101	85	2	54	1	315	2.0
1987	29	7	21	6	97	88	12	58	1	319	2.0
1988	29	8	22	5	124	116	11	78	2	395	2.4
1989	39	2	24	4	80	82	9	79	—	319	1.9
1990	38	7	23	8	79	126	9	94	1	385	2.3
1991	40	4	25	6	84	117	7	70	1	354	2.0
1992	29	4	13	3	96	110	5	56	3	319	1.8
1993	27	2	21	11	64	116	15	67	3	326	1.8
1994	29	6	21	2	79	121	6	68	—	332	1.9
1995	27	—	31	5	67	110	9	84	—	333	1.8

(a) Excludes deaths from ICD category 980-989 where the injury that the death was undetermined to be accidentally or purposely inflicted.

(b) Other assault includes by fire, burns, pushing, neglect and striking by a blunt instrument.

(c) Rate is per 100,000 mean population at 31 December up to 1993. From 1994 on the rate is per 100,000 population at 30 June.

(d) Figures up to 1982 are by State of Registration. Figures from 1983 on are by State of Usual Residence.

## 10.4 DEATHS, Suicides in Western Australia and Australia—1975–1995(a)

Year	WESTERN AUSTRALIA					AUSTRALIA				
	Age Group (years).....			Total Suicides	Total Rate(b)	Age Group (years).....			Total Suicides	Total Rate(b)
	10-14	15-19	20-24			10-14	15-19	20-24		
1975										
Males	—	—	9	66	11.2	9	56	110	1050	15.1
Females	—	—	1	19	3.4	1	15	31	478	6.9
Total	—	—	10	85	7.4	10	71	141	1528	11.0
1976										
Males	—	2	14	98	16.3	3	65	119	1098	15.6
Females	—	1	3	28	4.8	3	16	32	408	5.8
Total	—	3	17	126	10.7	6	81	151	1504	10.7
1977										
Males	—	5	10	101	16.5	6	72	122	1128	15.9
Females	—	2	6	33	5.6	1	20	32	438	6.2
Total	—	7	16	134	11.1	7	92	154	1566	11.0
1978										
Males	—	8	18	91	14.6	6	69	153	1126	15.7
Females	—	3	4	34	5.6	—	24	38	469	6.5
Total	—	11	22	125	10.2	6	93	191	1595	11.1
1979										
Males	—	3	11	83	13.1	2	85	149	1198	16.5
Females	—	3	3	35	5.7	1	23	48	479	6.6
Total	—	6	14	118	9.5	3	108	197	1677	11.6
1980										
Males	—	5	13	101	15.7	4	66	163	1199	16.3
Females	—	1	1	24	3.8	2	15	41	408	5.5
Total	—	6	14	125	9.8	6	81	204	1607	10.9
1981										
Males	1	5	14	109	16.6	4	72	166	1259	16.9
Females	—	1	3	28	4.4	1	15	41	413	5.5
Total	1	6	17	137	10.5	5	87	207	1672	11.2
1982										
Males	2	10	19	132	19.5	12	69	189	1318	17.4
Females	—	—	1	37	5.6	—	11	31	459	6.0
Total	2	10	20	169	12.6	12	80	220	1777	11.7
1983(c)										
Males	—	6	15	113	16.3	7	61	187	1308	17.0
Females	—	2	2	32	4.7	2	12	32	418	5.4
Total	—	8	17	145	10.6	9	73	219	1726	11.2
1984										
Males	1	8	24	139	19.8	9	68	185	1309	16.8
Females	—	3	6	37	5.4	—	15	42	403	5.2
Total	1	11	30	176	12.6	9	83	227	1712	11.0
1985										
Males	—	8	25	132	18.4	4	111	214	1428	18.1
Females	—	—	3	40	5.7	3	23	41	399	5.0
Total	—	8	28	172	12.1	7	134	255	1827	11.6

For footnotes see end of table.

10.4 DEATHS, Suicides in Western Australia and Australia—1975–1995(a) *continued*

Year	WESTERN AUSTRALIA					AUSTRALIA				
	Age Group (years).....			Total Suicides	Total Rate(b)	Age Group (years).....			Total Suicides	Total Rate(b)
	10-14	15-19	20-24			10-14	15-19	20-24		
1986										
Males	—	7	18	134	18.2	12	91	199	1531	19.1
Females	—	1	4	30	4.2	2	20	51	451	5.6
Total	—	8	22	164	11.2	14	111	250	1982	12.4
1987										
Males	—	10	13	162	21.5	12	122	215	1773	21.8
Females	—	6	1	42	5.7	1	42	38	487	5.7
Total	—	16	14	204	13.6	13	164	253	2240	13.8
1988										
Males	—	18	26	167	21.6	6	151	237	1730	21.0
Females	1	3	2	40	5.3	1	26	34	467	5.6
Total	1	21	28	207	13.5	7	177	271	2197	13.3
1989										
Males	—	17	21	160	20.1	8	133	201	1658	19.8
Females	—	2	—	25	3.2	1	13	33	438	5.2
Total	—	19	21	185	11.7	9	146	234	2096	12.5
1990										
Males	—	10	31	171	21.1	6	128	251	1735	20.4
Females	—	2	1	44	5.5	—	34	26	426	5.0
Total	—	12	32	215	13.3	6	162	277	2161	12.7
1991										
Males	—	12	26	170	20.7	6	133	243	1847	21.4
Females	—	2	8	42	5.2	2	21	65	513	5.9
Total	—	14	34	212	13.0	8	154	308	2360	13.7
1992										
Males	—	17	30	172	20.6	5	125	253	1820	20.9
Females	—	3	2	42	5.1	2	31	46	474	5.4
Total	—	20	32	214	12.9	7	156	299	2294	13.1
1993										
Males	2	19	18	173	20.5	4	111	234	1687	19.2
Females	—	—	6	43	5.2	1	19	36	394	4.4
Total	2	19	24	216	12.9	5	130	270	2081	11.8
1994										
Males	—	17	27	188	22.0	3	122	252	1830	20.6
Females	1	—	1	29	3.4	3	17	40	428	4.8
Total	1	17	28	217	12.8	6	139	292	2258	12.7
1995										
Males	—	13	30	179	20.6	5	98	252	1872	20.8
Females	—	—	10	39	4.5	—	29	55	495	5.5
Total	—	13	40	218	12.6	5	127	307	2367	13.1

(a) These are suicides confirmed by coronial inquiry coded to 9500 to 9599 in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD), and exclude possible suicides in the ICD category 9800 to 9899 where the injury was unable to be determined to be accidentally or purposely inflicted.

(b) Rate is per 100,000 mean estimated resident population at 31 December for each year to 1993. From 1994 on the rate is per 100,000 estimated resident population at 30 June.

(c) Figures up to 1982 are by State of Registration. Figures from 1983 are by usual residence.

## 10.5 DEATHS, Heroin Overdoses in Western Australia and Australia—1985–1995(a)

Year	Age Group (years)								Other Ages	Total All Ages
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA										
1985										
Males	—	4	5	3	3	—	1	—	—	16
Females	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
1986										
Males	—	3	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	12
Females	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	4
1987										
Males	3	—	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	10
Females	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
1988										
Males	—	4	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	14
Females	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
1989										
Males	—	1	3	9	2	—	—	—	—	15
Females	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
1990										
Males	—	2	1	6	1	3	—	—	—	13
Females	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
1991										
Males	—	1	3	2	3	2	—	1	—	12
Females	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
1992										
Males	1	—	3	8	2	—	—	—	—	14
Females	—	1	4	2	—	—	1	—	—	8
1993										
Males	—	2	7	7	1	1	1	—	—	19
Females	—	—	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	5
1994										
Males	1	9	7	6	6	5	—	—	—	34
Females	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
1995										
Males	—	9	9	10	11	6	—	—	1	46
Females	—	3	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	10

For footnotes see end of table.

## 10.5 DEATHS, Heroin Overdoses in Western Australia and Australia—1985–1995(a)

Year	Age Group (years)								Other Ages	Total All Ages
	15–19	20–24	25–29	30–34	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54		
AUSTRALIA										
1985										
Males	8	52	50	41	13	—	3	—	—	167
Females	5	23	26	9	2	2	—	—	—	67
1986										
Males	7	37	54	33	9	1	1	—	1	143
Females	7	21	11	9	2	1	1	1	1	54
1987										
Males	8	48	51	36	16	3	—	—	1	163
Females	6	18	18	4	1	—	—	—	1	48
1988										
Males	17	53	85	55	34	9	1	1	4	259
Females	11	23	18	9	1	1	—	1	—	64
1989										
Males	9	36	70	52	39	5	1	2	—	214
Females	10	17	12	12	4	1	—	—	1	57
1990										
Males	11	40	68	66	33	7	5	—	—	230
Females	11	17	13	16	2	1	—	—	4	64
1991										
Males	3	36	47	38	25	12	2	2	—	165
Females	3	4	12	11	5	1	—	1	1	38
1992										
Males	6	44	60	72	28	16	3	1	2	232
Females	4	13	20	17	5	—	4	—	—	63
1993										
Males	5	41	67	71	51	16	12	3	2	268
Females	7	12	11	17	11	6	—	1	5	70
1994										
Males	15	57	66	61	53	24	12	2	2	292
Females	9	9	19	13	7	6	2	1	2	68
1995										
Males	17	54	77	95	62	41	14	4	6	370
Females	7	20	19	19	9	6	4	—	4	88

(a) Includes deaths where persons are dependent on heroin as a drug, taking it continuously or on a periodic basis in order to experience its psychic effects, and sometimes to avoid the discomfort of its absence (ICD code 304.0) and accidental overdoses (ICD code 850.0). The table excludes deaths where heroin was used to commit suicide (ICD code 950.0), where the death was undetermined to be accidentally or purposely inflicted (ICD code 980.0) and where heroin caused an adverse effect when administered in therapeutic use (ICD code 936.0).



## EXPLANATORY NOTES .....

### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication brings together a number of closely related series of statistics on demography including births, deaths, marriages and divorces. It also includes information on the estimated resident population and migration. For details of publication of other data related to demography, see Related Publications, at the end of these notes.

**2** As a result of an amendment, made in 1992, to the Acts Interpretation Act the Indian Ocean Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands have been included as part of geographic Australia. Hence another category of the State and Territory classification has been created. This category, known as Other Territories, includes Christmas Island, the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Jervis Bay Territory. Details of population, births and deaths for Australia include Other Territories.

**3** Details of persons who were usually resident, or gave birth or died while being usually resident, in Christmas Island or the Cocos (Keeling) Islands are excluded from the details for Western Australia. However, for administrative purposes these births, deaths and marriages are recorded by the Registrar General for Western Australia and divorces by the Family Law Court of Western Australia.

### POPULATION

#### Population estimates

**4** This section consists of estimates of the resident population, with information on overseas arrivals and departures and net interstate migration.

**5** Estimates of the population of Western Australia are made to varying degrees of accuracy throughout the year, and this publication has used the most up-to-date estimates available for each particular table.

#### Population projections

**6** Population projections are published twice in each intercensal period. The latest projections relate to the period 1995-2051.

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

**8** Four alternative projections have been provided in recognition of the uncertainty of future movements in demographic trends and to give users a range of options. The mortality assumptions are the same for all series while for fertility, a high rate is assumed for Series A, B and C. For the migration assumptions, Series C has a high level of overseas migration, while Series B has a high level of interstate migration.

## MIGRATION

## Overseas migration

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

## Interstate migration

**10** Data on interstate migration has been derived from aggregated statistical information on interstate changes of address advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare. The ABS adjusts the Health Insurance Commission data to make allowance for the number of persons who do not inform the Commission of their change of residence. Further details are available in *Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (3228.0).

## BIRTHS

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

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

**13** Data presented in section 3 of this publication refer to births registered during the calendar year shown. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a birth; as a result of delay in registration, some births occurring in one year are not registered until the following year, or even later. However, most births are registered soon after they occur. More than 99% of births occurring in one year are registered by 30 June of the following year. Data presented in section 4 show the number of births occurring in a particular year.

**14** Data on stillbirths (fetal deaths) may be found in summary form in section 5 (Deaths) of the publication.

**15** The live birth statistics used to calculate the fetal and neonatal death rates 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 are calculated using all live births registered because figures are not available for infants who weighed less than 500 grams at birth and who lived for 28 days, but died before they were one year old.

## DEATHS

**16** Death statistics are presented on the basis of the State or Territory of usual residence of the deceased, regardless of where in Australia the death occurred or was registered.

**17** Data presented in section 5 of this publication refer to deaths registered during the year shown. There is usually an interval between the occurrence and registration of a death, and as a result some deaths are not registered in the year in which they occur. However, most deaths are registered within six months of occurrence. More than 99% of deaths occurring in one year have been registered by 30 June of the following year. Data presented in section 6 show the number of deaths occurring in a particular year.

**18** Life tables are shown in tables 5.4 and 5.5 and summarise expectation of life. From 1995, these life tables will be based on deaths occurring in the reference and previous two years. They will be produced at the Australian and State and Territory level as a joint venture between the ABS and the Australian Government Actuary. These life tables will be known as the Australian Actuary/Australian Bureau of Statistics Life Tables. Before 1995 life tables shown in this publication were prepared by the ABS. The Australian Government Actuary also constructed life tables based on deaths occurring during the three years around and including the census year. The latest life tables prepared by the Australian Government Actuary were based on deaths during 1990–92. These were released in 1995 and copies are available from the Commonwealth Government bookshops or the Mail Order Sales Service.

## MARRIAGES

**19** Marriage statistics refer to marriages registered by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages of Western Australia during the years shown. There is usually an interval between the celebration and the registration of a marriage. As a result of the delay in registration, some marriages celebrated in one year are not registered until the following year. Under the *Australian Marriage Act 1961*, marriages may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month, and within six calendar months, before the marriage. A celebrant must transmit an official certificate of the marriage for registration to a District Registrar in the State in which the marriage took place.

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

**21** The ABS, due to budgetary considerations, processed only limited data on marriages registered in 1995. The data items were State or Territory of registration, date of marriage, age of parties at marriage and previous marital status of parties. To assist in analysis of 1995 data, additional tables of marriage characteristics available from complete 1994 data have been included in Appendix D. ABS resumed full processing for 1996 marriage data.

## DIVORCES

**22** All divorce data in this publication, with the exception of data in Appendix E3, are for State or Territory of registration, based on the location of the Family Court where the divorce was granted and registered. As there is no residential requirement under Family Law, applicants may be resident anywhere in Australia.

**23** Divorce statistics shown in Appendix E3 are based on the State or Territory of usual residence at the time of separation. This takes account of some Family Courts having responsibility for hearing divorce cases relating to other States or Territories. The Australian Capital Territory Family Court hears cases from most of south-eastern New South Wales and part of Victoria. State or Territory of usual residence data are only available for 1993 and 1994 due to a decision taken by the Family Court in 1995. See paragraph 28 for more information.

**24** 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, and there being no reasonable likelihood of reconciliation. Application for nullity of marriage under Family Law legislation must be on the ground that there was a failure to meet a legal requirement, such as that neither party be already lawfully married to another person. There is no provision for judicial separation under Family Law legislation.

**25** 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.

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

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

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

- Characteristics of the divorce:
  - Postcode and State or Territory of separation;
  - Rite of marriage; and
  - Number of children aged over 18 years.
- Characteristics of the husband and wife:
  - Previous marital status at marriage;
  - Number of previous marriages;
  - Occupation at separation;
  - Date of first arrival in Australia; and
  - Duration of residence.

**29** In light of the Family Court decision and ABS budgetary considerations, only limited data on divorces registered in 1995 were processed. The data items were State or Territory of registration; date of birth of parties; age of parties at marriage, separation and divorce; duration of marriage until separation and divorce; and sex of applicant. To assist in analysis of 1995 data, additional tables of divorce characteristics available from complete 1994 data have been included in Appendix E. With the exception of those data items which the Family Court no longer collects, ABS resumed full processing for 1996 divorce data.

#### GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES

**30** The geographic boundaries for small area data are defined in the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 5* (1216.0).

**31** The boundaries used for births and deaths statistics are the statistical local area boundaries at 30 June 1995. Note that although the name of the Town of Victoria Park is used in Table 1.2, the statistical local area code of 57790 for the Town of Shepperton, which existed from 1 July 1994 to 21 June 1995, was used in coding births and deaths for 1995.

**32** The classification of countries in this publication is the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS). For more detailed information refer to the ABS publication *Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics* (1269.0).

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

#### RELATED PUBLICATIONS

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

- Western Australia at a Glance* (1306.5)
- Western Australian Yearbook* (1300.5)
- Monthly Summary of Statistics, Western Australia*, (monthly) (1305.5)
- Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (3101.0)
- Australian Demographic Trends* (3102.0)
- Births, Australia* (3301.0)
- Causes of Death, Australia* (3303.0)
- Deaths, Australia* (3302.0)
- Demography* (State and Territory specific publications) (3311.1-8)
- Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia* (3203.5)
- Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age, States and Territories of Australia* (3201.0)
- Estimated Resident Population in Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia, 30 June, Preliminary* (3204.5)
- Marriages and Divorces, Australia* (3310.0)
- Migration, Australia* (3412.0)
- Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories, 1995 to 2051* (3222.0)
- Regional Population Growth, 1994-95* (3218.0)
- Experimental Projections, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, June 1991-2001* (3231.0)
- Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, June 1986 to June 1991* (3230.0)

#### ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE

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

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

# APPENDIX **A**

## CHARACTERISTICS AVAILABLE .....

Data items relating to vital statistics which are collected in Western Australia, but not published in this bulletin.

### BIRTHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin of mother, father (if paternity acknowledged) and child  
 Date of birth  
 Hospital/non-hospital birth  
 Month/year of registration  
 Place of marriage

### DEATHS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Origin  
 Age at marriage  
 Date of death  
 Month/year of registration  
 Number of issue  
 Occupation at time of death (or previous occupation, if retired)

### MARRIAGES

Birthplace of parents of bridegroom (n.a. 1995)  
 Birthplace of parents of bride (n.a. 1995)  
 Date of marriage  
 Duration of residence in Australia, if born overseas (n.a. 1995)  
 Month/year of registration  
 Number of children of previous marriages (n.a. 1995)  
 Year of birth of youngest child (n.a. 1995)  
 Year of celebration of last marriage (n.a. 1995)  
 Year of first previous marriage (n.a. 1995)  
 Year of termination of last marriage (n.a. 1995)

### DIVORCES

Age of youngest child of marriage (n.a. 1995)  
 Month of divorce  
 Occupation of husband (n.a. after 1994)  
 Occupation of wife (n.a. after 1994)

# APPENDIX B HISTORICAL SUMMARY .....

## ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS AT 31 DECEMBER

Year	Population	Births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Marriages	Divorces	Crude birth rate(a)	Crude death rate(a)	Infant mortality rate(b)	Crude marriage rate(a)	Crude divorce rate(a)
1911	293 923	8 091	2 923	615	2 421	—	28.2	10.2	76.0	8.4	—
1916	306 880	8 563	3 085	567	2 365	—	27.4	9.9	66.2	7.6	—
1921	336 548	7 807	3 480	611	2 656	—	23.4	10.4	78.3	8.0	—
1926	385 233	8 301	3 350	409	2 844	—	21.8	8.9	49.3	7.5	—
1931	433 686	8 549	3 681	355	2 741	—	19.8	8.5	41.5	6.3	—
1936	454 200	8 479	4 230	358	4 242	—	18.8	9.4	42.2	9.4	—
1941	473 213	10 118	4 769	357	5 077	—	21.4	10.1	35.3	10.7	—
1946	496 973	12 105	4 753	376	5 171	—	24.6	9.6	31.1	10.5	—
1951	590 339	14 794	5 288	425	5 390	682	25.5	9.1	28.7	9.3	1.2
1956	681 268	16 916	5 572	384	5 080	544	25.1	8.3	22.7	7.5	0.8
1961	744 845	17 078	5 729	336	5 150	466	23.2	7.8	19.7	7.0	0.6
1966(c)	864 093	17 194	6 902	343	7 002	637	20.2	8.1	20.0	8.2	0.8
1971	1 070 347	24 239	7 806	464	9 382	1 064	23.0	7.4	19.1	8.9	1.0
1976(d)	1 191 680	20 670	7 740	273	9 517	4 818	17.5	6.6	13.2	8.1	4.1
1981(e)	1 320 221	21 877	7 993	193	10 111	3 481	16.8	6.1	8.8	7.8	2.7
1986	1 477 398	24 236	9 307	214	10 379	4 001	16.6	6.4	8.8	7.1	2.7
1991	1 646 856	25 417	9 528	183	10 659	4 446	15.5	5.8	7.2	6.5	2.7
1992	1 666 738	25 073	9 898	175	10 118	4 540	15.1	6.0	7.0	6.1	2.7
1993	1 687 401	25 081	10 316	147	10 382	4 654	15.0	6.2	5.9	6.2	2.8
1994	1 714 350	25 138	10 293	140	10 366	5 024	14.8	6.1	5.6	6.1	3.0
1995	1 746 400	25 139	10 364	129	10 404	5 040	14.5	6.0	5.1	6.0	2.9

(a) Crude rate per 1 000 population.

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

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

(d) For divorces, The *Family Law Act* (Cwth), repealing State legislation, came into operation throughout Australia in 1976.

(e) Births, Deaths and Infant deaths are on a State of usual residence basis from 1983 onwards. Data prior to 1983 are on a State of registration basis. Divorces and Marriages have always been on a State of registration basis.

APPENDIX **C** CENSUS 1991 .....

SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1991

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>
<b>Total persons counted(a)</b>	<b>793 877</b>	<b>793 173</b>	<b>1 587 050</b>	<b>..</b>
Persons counted in private dwellings	757 968	765 799	1 523 767	96.0
Persons counted in non-private dwellings	34 586	27 150	61 736	3.9
<b>Usual residence</b>				
Persons counted at home	745 072	752 214	1 497 286	94.3
Visitors counted from				
Elsewhere in same statistical local area	8 936	8 173	17 109	1.1
Elsewhere within Western Australia	28 326	21 359	49 685	3.1
Interstate	8 075	7 482	15 557	1.0
Overseas	3 468	3 945	7 413	0.5
Total visitors	48 805	40 959	89 764	5.7
<b>Usual residence 5 years ago(b)</b>				
Same address	331 731	337 640	669 371	48.6
Different address				
Same statistical local area	85 829	88 039	173 868	12.6
Elsewhere within Western Australia	160 141	164 924	325 065	23.6
Interstate	33 552	31 836	65 388	4.7
Overseas	42 161	43 980	86 141	6.3
Not stated(c)	4 278	3 700	7 978	0.6
<b>Age of persons counted (years)</b>				
0-14	192 121	181 581	373 702	23.6
15-54	471 137	461 362	932 499	58.8
55-64	62 790	61 450	124 240	7.8
65 or more	67 707	88 071	155 778	9.8
<b>Marital status of persons counted(d)</b>				
Never married	199 261	156 450	355 711	29.3
Married	340 607	342 947	683 554	56.4
Separated but not divorced	18 778	21 632	40 410	3.3
Divorced	29 854	36 247	66 101	5.5
Widowed	12 967	53 892	66 859	5.5
<b>Birthplace of persons counted</b>				
Australia	546 604	550 892	1 097 496	89.2
Other Oceania and Antarctica	20 619	18 447	39 066	2.5
Europe and the former USSR	157 186	151 638	308 824	19.5
Middle East and North Africa	3 118	2 572	5 690	0.4
Southeast Asia	21 830	25 807	47 637	3.0
Northeast Asia	4 956	5 431	10 387	0.7
Southern Asia	7 484	7 810	15 294	1.0
Northern America	4 631	4 020	8 651	0.5
Southern and Central America	2 129	2 243	4 372	0.3
Africa (excl. North Africa)	8 926	9 246	18 172	1.1
Other(e)	285	304	589	—

For footnotes see end of table.



SUMMARY, Census of Population and Housing—1991 *continued*

<i>Characteristics of persons counted</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Proportion of total persons</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>
<i>Australian citizens</i>	672 863	672 674	1 345 537	84.8
Aged 18 years or more	467 142	477 458	944 600	59.5
Persons identifying themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin	20 915	20 943	41 858	2.6
<i>Labour force status(d)</i>				
<i>Employed persons</i>	385 056	280 789	665 845	54.9
Full-time(f)	307 223	142 176	449 399	37.1
Part-time	58 240	124 201	182 441	15.0
Hours worked not stated	19 593	14 412	34 005	2.8
<i>Unemployed persons</i>	59 887	34 608	94 495	7.8
Looking for full-time work	53 996	23 668	77 664	6.4
Looking for part-time work	5 891	10 940	16 831	1.4
<i>Total in the labour force</i>	444 943	315 397	760 340	62.7
Total not in the labour force(g)	155 900	296 116	452 016	37.3

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Persons aged 5 years or more counted at home on census night.

(c) Comprises persons who stated they lived at a different address 5 years ago but did not state the actual address.

(d) Persons aged 15 years or more.

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

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

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

APPENDIX **D** MARRIAGE TABLES, 1994 .....

**D1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994**

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	5 463	—	1 466	6 929	5 463	—	1 764	7 227
Fiji	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	245	58	88	391	154	58	71	283
Other	17	1	20	38	18	1	12	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>5 727</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1 574</b>	<b>7 360</b>	<b>5 635</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1 847</b>	<b>7 541</b>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	3	—	3	6	2	—	3	5
Former USSR & Baltic States	—	1	1	2	7	1	6	14
Former Yugoslav Republics	24	21	7	52	18	21	13	52
Germany	43	22	21	86	34	22	24	80
Greece	7	2	1	10	4	2	2	8
Hungary	3	3	3	9	—	3	3	6
Ireland	26	11	22	59	12	11	14	37
Italy	49	4	22	75	25	4	6	35
Malta	5	—	1	6	5	—	4	9
Netherlands	32	4	20	56	26	4	7	37
Poland	2	20	5	27	9	20	6	35
United Kingdom	936	433	239	1 608	733	433	153	1 319
Other	55	18	48	121	47	18	33	98
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 185</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>2 117</b>	<b>922</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>1 735</b>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	5	3	4	12	2	3	2	7
Lebanon	3	—	5	8	2	—	2	4
Turkey	1	1	—	2	1	1	—	2
Other	16	11	11	38	10	11	5	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>39</b>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	10	9	9	28	17	9	18	44
Malaysia	23	23	34	80	38	23	57	118
Philippines	5	12	4	21	38	12	35	85
Singapore	20	20	15	55	27	20	34	81
Thailand	1	1	—	2	17	1	21	39
Viet Nam	—	124	6	130	1	124	17	142
Other	14	22	21	57	17	22	26	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>574</b>

D1 MARRIAGES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	BRIDEGROOM BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDE BORN IN.....				BRIDE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND BRIDEGROOM BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	2	22	8	32	14	22	13	49
Hong Kong	2	5	10	17	6	5	9	20
Other	4	14	5	23	19	14	20	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>122</b>
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	38	21	14	73	25	21	27	73
Sri Lanka	9	6	3	18	1	6	2	9
Other	6	8	2	16	2	8	5	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>97</b>
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	24	4	7	35	19	4	8	31
Chile	2	4	4	10	4	4	3	11
United States of America	59	5	21	85	35	5	14	54
Other	11	8	6	25	11	8	11	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>126</b>
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	27	9	19	55	26	9	14	49
Other	33	12	22	67	40	12	31	83
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>132</b>
Other and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>7 227</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>2 197</b>	<b>10 366</b>	<b>6 929</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>2 495</b>	<b>10 366</b>

**D2 MARRIAGES, Category of Rite, Previous Marital Status of Parties—1994**

Category of rite	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDEGROOM			PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS OF BRIDE.....			All marriages	Proportion of all marriages
	Never married	Widowed	Divorced	Never married	Widowed	Divorced		
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	%
RELIGIOUS( a)								
Anglican	1 008	26	163	1 042	37	118	1 197	11.5
Baptist	114	5	35	115	5	34	154	1.5
Catholic	1 695	25	57	1 718	27	32	1 777	17.1
Churches of Christ	125	7	43	132	6	37	175	1.7
Lutheran	45	—	4	41	—	8	49	0.5
Orthodox	74	1	15	81	1	8	90	0.9
Presbyterian	18	—	5	19	—	4	23	0.2
Uniting Church	450	17	150	506	11	100	617	6.0
Other denominations	568	27	158	553	25	175	753	7.3
<b>All religious rites</b>	<b>4 097</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>4 207</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>4 835</b>	<b>46.6</b>
CIVIL								
Official registrars	572	29	277	566	30	282	878	8.5
Other civil celebrants	2 983	113	1 557	3 018	135	1 500	4 653	44.9
<b>All civil rites</b>	<b>3 555</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>1 834</b>	<b>3 584</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1 782</b>	<b>5 531</b>	<b>53.4</b>
TOTAL								
<b>Number</b>	<b>7 652</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>2 464</b>	<b>7 791</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>2 298</b>	<b>10 366</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Proportion (%)	73.8	2.4	23.8	75.2	2.7	22.2	100.0	—

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

**D3 REMARRIAGES, Number of Previous Marriages, Number of Children Under 16—1994**

## NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 16.....

<i>Number of previous marriages</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>Four or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
BRIDEGROOM							
One	1 445	366	356	114	16	19	2 316
Two	230	67	44	15	3	4	363
Three or more	17	6	7	2	2	1	35
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 692	439	407	131	21	24	2 714
BRIDE							
One	1 349	381	329	114	17	11	2 201
Two	225	61	42	8	3	3	342
Three or more	23	4	4	—	—	1	32
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 597	446	375	122	20	15	2 575

**D4 REMARRIAGES, Interval to Remarriage, Reason for Termination of Last Marriage—1994**

Interval between termination of last marriage and remarriage (years)	BRIDEGROOM'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY			BRIDE'S LAST MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY.....		
	Death of spouse	Divorce	Total	Death of spouse	Divorce	Total
Under 1	4	402	406	2	330	332
1	34	529	563	13	435	448
2	45	322	367	21	294	315
3	32	246	278	22	243	265
4	27	158	185	30	150	180
0-4	142	1 657	1 799	88	1 452	1 540
5	30	151	181	27	130	157
6	22	124	146	24	128	152
7	14	74	88	30	91	121
8	10	88	98	13	70	83
9	6	50	56	17	71	88
5-9	82	487	569	111	490	601
10-14	11	212	223	50	238	288
15-19	8	80	88	18	79	97
20 and over	7	14	21	9	22	31
Not stated	—	14	14	1	17	18
<b>All remarriages</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>2 464</b>	<b>2 714</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>2 298</b>	<b>2 575</b>

APPENDIX **E** **DIVORCE TABLES, 1994** .....

**E1 DIVORCES, Children of the Marriage(a), Duration of Marriage—1994**  
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NUMBER OF CHILDREN.....

Duration of marriage (years)	0	1	2	3	4 or more	All divorces	All children	Average number of children(b)
1	34	5	2	1	—	42	12	1.5
2	150	31	15	7	2	205	91	1.7
3	196	63	26	6	1	292	137	1.4
4	243	81	35	6	4	369	185	1.5
5	168	68	38	7	4	285	182	1.6
6	145	51	55	8	6	265	209	1.7
7	122	54	55	10	6	247	220	1.8
8	117	45	50	18	6	236	223	1.9
9	97	50	65	26	4	242	274	1.9
10-14	327	168	343	140	38	1 016	1 431	2.1
15-19	158	104	271	121	49	703	1 212	2.2
20-24	216	161	115	33	6	531	515	1.6
25-29	259	67	13	—	—	339	93	1.2
30 and over	244	8	—	—	—	252	8	1.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 476</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>1 083</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>5 024</b>	<b>4 792</b>	<b>1.9</b>

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

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

## E2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total	Australia	Same overseas country	Different overseas country	Total
OCEANIA AND ANTARCTICA								
Australia	2 304	—	713	3 017	2 304	—	813	3 117
Fiji	2	—	1	3	—	—	4	4
New Zealand	77	78	29	184	51	78	29	158
Other	2	3	6	11	3	3	3	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 385</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>3 215</b>	<b>2 358</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>3 288</b>
EUROPE AND THE FORMER USSR								
Austria	4	1	4	9	—	1	6	8
Former USSR & Baltic States	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	5
Former Yugoslav Republics	19	24	10	53	4	24	6	34
Germany	32	18	28	78	21	18	19	58
Greece	4	4	5	13	—	4	3	7
Hungary	—	6	1	7	2	6	2	10
Ireland	8	12	14	34	4	12	6	22
Italy	42	16	14	72	21	16	11	48
Malta	2	1	2	5	—	1	2	3
Netherlands	32	4	19	55	18	4	12	34
Poland	2	22	5	29	2	22	3	27
United Kingdom	409	452	138	999	422	452	90	964
Other	24	24	24	72	21	24	23	68
<b>Total</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>1 430</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>1 288</b>
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA								
Egypt	4	4	2	10	4	4	2	10
Lebanon	2	3	—	5	2	3	—	5
Turkey	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	1
Other	4	3	12	19	1	3	4	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>24</b>
SOUTHEAST ASIA								
Indonesia	11	3	2	16	7	3	7	17
Malaysia	7	9	8	24	13	9	24	46
Philippines	—	4	—	4	15	4	20	39
Singapore	7	5	8	20	10	5	8	23
Thailand	—	—	—	—	12	—	8	20
Viet Nam	1	12	9	22	—	12	4	16
Other	10	11	4	25	2	11	10	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>184</b>



E2 DIVORCES, Birthplace of Parties—1994 *continued*

	HUSBAND BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND WIFE BORN IN.....				WIFE BORN IN COUNTRY SHOWN AND HUSBAND BORN IN.....			
	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Same overseas country</i>	<i>Different overseas country</i>	<i>Total</i>
NORTHEAST ASIA								
China	1	9	6	16	3	9	17	29
Hong Kong	7	—	6	13	3	—	3	6
Other	3	2	1	6	4	2	5	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>46</b>
SOUTHERN ASIA								
India	23	13	10	46	8	13	12	33
Sri Lanka	4	2	1	7	1	2	—	3
Other	1	4	—	5	1	4	2	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>43</b>
THE AMERICAS								
Canada	13	—	2	15	6	—	8	14
Chile	1	1	2	4	—	1	1	2
United States of America	24	1	12	37	21	1	16	38
Other	2	1	5	8	2	1	7	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>64</b>
AFRICA (EXCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)								
South Africa	6	17	7	30	10	17	15	42
Other	16	10	14	40	12	10	20	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>84</b>
Other and not stated	5	—	—	5	3	—	—	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 117</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>1 126</b>	<b>5 024</b>	<b>3 017</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>1 226</b>	<b>5 024</b>

## E3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Aust.
ALL DIVORCES										
<b>Divorces granted</b>	<b>15 663</b>	<b>11 229</b>	<b>8 359</b>	<b>4 081</b>	<b>4 963</b>	<b>1 519</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>1 154</b>	<b>48 312</b>
Crude divorce rate	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.2	2.4	3.1	..	2.7
Median duration of marriage (years)	10.4	11.0	11.1	11.3	11.3	12.0	10.9	10.0	9.1	10.9
Median interval between marriage and final separation (years)	7.2	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.8	7.3	7.2	4.5	7.6
Divorces involving children										
Number	7 826	(c)	4 733	1 941	2 498	931	232	524	411	(c)
Percentage of total divorces	50.0	(c)	56.6	47.6	50.3	61.3	56.2	56.3	35.6	(c)
Average issue	1.9	(c)	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.7	(c)
Applicant										
Husband	5 745	4 135	3 155	1 387	1 443	482	143	341	519	17 350
Wife	7 945	5 493	4 315	2 061	1 950	878	171	407	519	23 739
Joint	1 973	1 601	889	633	1 570	159	99	183	116	7 223

For footnotes see end of table.

E3 DIVORCES, Summary(a), State or Territory of Usual Residence—1994r *continued*

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Other(b)	Aust.
HUSBAND										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.6	..	0.8
25-29	7.8	7.7	7.8	8.2	7.8	10.1	6.0	9.0	..	8.0
30-34	12.1	12.0	11.6	13.3	14.0	16.5	8.2	13.9	..	12.7
35-39	12.7	12.2	12.8	13.7	13.1	16.8	12.2	14.2	..	13.2
40-44	11.8	12.0	12.1	14.4	13.1	14.8	10.2	13.3	..	12.6
45-49	10.4	10.1	11.1	10.9	11.9	12.9	7.7	12.3	..	10.9
50-54	8.4	7.7	8.1	7.9	9.8	11.1	9.2	9.0	..	8.5
55 and over	2.5	2.5	2.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	4.1	4.2	..	2.7
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 781	9 331	6 592	3 280	4 018	1 257	325	749	922	39 255
Widowed	175	105	102	42	53	12	2	8	11	510
Divorced	2 707	1 793	1 665	759	892	250	86	174	221	8 547
Total	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	25.7	25.2	25.3	25.0	25.4	24.7	25.8	26.0	27.0	25.4
At final separation	36.5	36.5	36.9	36.6	36.8	36.7	36.5	36.7	34.3	36.6
At decree made absolute	39.6	39.5	40.1	39.6	40.1	39.4	39.5	39.6	38.6	39.7
WIFE										
Age-specific divorce rate										
Age group (years)										
24 and under	2.1	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.8	..	2.0
25-29	11.5	11.4	11.4	12.8	12.4	15.2	7.0	13.2	..	12.0
30-34	13.2	12.6	13.2	14.1	14.5	16.4	11.4	14.9	..	13.8
35-39	12.5	11.8	12.4	14.1	13.8	17.2	11.5	13.7	..	13.0
40-44	11.2	11.1	11.5	12.8	12.5	14.4	10.6	12.0	..	11.8
45-49	9.1	8.5	9.4	8.8	10.1	11.0	10.1	9.7	..	9.3
50-54	6.1	5.5	6.5	6.0	7.4	7.7	5.6	8.1	..	6.3
55 and over	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.1	..	1.3
Marital status at marriage (number)										
Never married	12 816	9 431	6 649	3 311	4 010	1 259	332	756	975	39 539
Widowed	191	158	122	45	68	21	2	4	14	625
Divorced	2 656	1 640	1 588	725	885	239	79	171	165	8 148
Total	15 663	11 229	8 359	4 081	4 963	1 519	413	931	1 154	48 312
Median age (years)										
At marriage	23.0	22.8	22.5	22.4	22.7	22.2	23.6	23.3	24.1	22.8
At final separation	33.7	33.7	34.1	33.9	33.9	34.1	33.5	33.7	31.1	33.8
At decree made absolute	36.8	36.7	37.0	36.9	37.2	36.7	37.0	36.9	35.3	36.8

(a) See Glossary for definitions of terms used.

(b) Includes divorces where usual residence was Christmas Island or Cocos (Keeling) Islands (3), Overseas (1,059) or not stated (91).

(c) Family Court children data for Victoria appears incomplete.

## GLOSSARY .....

- Age-specific birth rates** Age-specific birth rates are the number of live births registered during the calendar year, according to age of mother, per 1,000 of the female estimated resident population of the same age at 30 June. For calculating these rates, births to mothers under 15 are included in the 15-19 age group, and births to mothers aged 50 and over are included in the 45-49 age group. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of births for which age of mother is not given.
- Age-specific death rates** Age-specific death rates are the number of deaths at a specified age per 1,000 of the estimated resident population of that age at 30 June. The infant mortality rate is used for the age-specific rate for children under 1 year of age. Pro rata adjustment is made in respect of deaths for which the age of deceased is not given.
- Age-specific divorce rates** Two different populations are used in the calculation of age-specific divorce rates:
- Per 1,000 population at 30 June — this relates the number of divorces, by age at decree made absolute, to the estimated resident population in specific age groups. Males under 18 and females under 16 are excluded from the population.
  - Per 1,000 married population at 30 June — this relates the number of divorces, by age at decree made absolute, to the married population in specific age groups. Those classified as permanently separated are included in the married population. Males and females under 15 are excluded from the population.
- Age-specific marriage rates** Two different populations are used in the calculation of age-specific marriage rates:
- Per 1,000 population at 30 June — this relates the number of marriages, by age at marriage, to the estimated resident population in specific age groups. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.
  - Per 1,000 not currently married population at 30 June — this relates the number of marriages, by age at marriage, to the not currently married population in specific age groups. Males and females aged under 15 are excluded from the population.
- Birth** The delivery of a child, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, who after being born breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
- Category of movement** Overseas arrivals and departures are classified according to length of stay (in Australia or overseas) recorded in months and days by travellers on passenger cards.
- There are three main categories of movement:
- permanent
  - long-term (one year or more)
  - short-term (less than one year).
- A significant number of travellers (i.e. overseas visitors to Australia on arrival and Australian residents going abroad) state exactly twelve months or one year as their intended period of stay. Many of them stay for less than that period and

- on their departure from, or return to, Australia are therefore classified as short-term. Accordingly in an attempt to maintain consistency between arrivals and departures, movements of travellers who report their actual or intended period of stay as being one year exactly are randomly allocated to long-term or short-term in proportion to the number of movements of travellers who report their actual length of stay as up to one month more, or one month less, than one year.
- Children (divorce collection)** Children in the divorce collection are unmarried children of the marriage who were aged under 18 years at the time of application for divorce. Under the *Family Law Act 1975*, 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 (marriage collection)** Children in the marriage collection refer to persons under 16 years of age born from previous marriages. The term children should not be confused with the term previous births used in births data (see previous births).
- Confinement** A pregnancy which results in at least one live birth.
- Crude birth rate** The crude birth rate is the number of live births registered during the calendar year per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude birth rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.
- Crude death rate** The crude death rate is the number of deaths registered during the calendar year per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude death rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year.
- Crude divorce rate** The crude divorce rate is the number of decrees absolute granted during the calendar year per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude divorce rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is unmarried or below the minimum age of marriage.
- Crude marriage rate** The crude marriage rate is the number of marriages registered during the calendar year per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June of that year. For years prior to 1994, the crude marriage rate is based on the mean estimated resident population for the calendar year. In the interpretation of this rate, it must be kept in mind that a large and varying proportion of the population used in the denominator is below the minimum age of marriage or is already married.
- Date of final separation** The date of final separation is that date, given on the application for divorce, from which the period of living apart is calculated for the purpose of establishing grounds for divorce. In determining the date of final separation, a single period of resumed cohabitation of less than three months may be ignored, provided the periods of living apart before and after resumed cohabitation amount to a total of 12 months or more.
- Divorce** Decree absolute of dissolution of marriage.
- Duration of marriage** Duration of marriage is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of divorce.

<b>Duration of marriage until separation</b>	Duration of marriage until separation is the interval measured in completed years between the date of marriage and the date of separation.
<b>Estimated resident population</b>	<p>Estimated resident population data are quarterly estimates of the Australian population obtained by adding to the estimated population at the beginning of each period the components of natural increase (on a usual residence basis) and net overseas migration. For the States and Territories, account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of usual residence. After each census, estimates for the preceding intercensal period are revised by incorporating an additional quarterly adjustment (intercensal discrepancy) to ensure that the total intercensal increase agrees with the difference between the estimated resident populations at the two respective census dates.</p> <p>Estimates of the resident population are based on census counts by place of usual residence adjusted for underenumeration and to which are added the number of Australian residents estimated to have been temporarily overseas at the time of the census.</p> <p>The concept of estimated resident population links people to a place of usual residence within Australia. Usual residence is that place where each person has lived or intends to live for six months or more in a reference year.</p> <p>Rates shown in this publication for the years since 1974 are calculated using estimates of resident population. A description of the conceptual basis of the estimated resident population is contained in <i>Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods</i> (3228.0). Revised population estimates are published in <i>Australian Demographic Statistics</i> (3101.0) (issued quarterly).</p>
<b>Fetal death</b>	The delivery of a child weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or of at least 22 weeks gestation if birthweight is unavailable) which did not, at any time after delivery, breathe or show any other evidence of life such as heartbeat.
<b>Fetal death rate</b>	The fetal death rate is the number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or of at least 22 weeks gestation if birthweight was unavailable) plus fetal deaths combined.
<b>First marriage rates</b>	First marriage rates are the number of men and women, in an age group, marrying for the first time per 1,000 (mid-year) population of never married men and women in the same age group.
<b>Indigenous origin</b>	<p>Persons who identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous birth refers to the birth of a live born child where either the mother or the father has identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p> <p>An Indigenous death refers to a death where the deceased was identified as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.</p>
<b>Infant death</b>	An infant death is the death of a live born child who died when less than one year old.
<b>Infant mortality rate</b>	The number of deaths of children under one year of age in a calendar year per 1,000 live births in the same calendar year.

<b>Life expectancy</b>	Life expectancy refers to the average number of additional years a person of a given age and sex might expect to live if the age-specific death rates of the given period continued throughout his or her lifetime.
<b>Long-term arrivals</b>	Long-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors who intend to stay in Australia for twelve months or more (but not permanently) and Australian residents returning after an absence of twelve months or more overseas.
<b>Long-term departures</b>	Long-term departures comprise Australian residents who intend to stay abroad for twelve months or more (but not permanently) and overseas visitors departing who stayed twelve months or more in Australia.
<b>Marriage</b>	Under the <i>Australian Marriage Act 1961</i> (Cwth), a marriage may be celebrated by a minister of religion registered as an authorised celebrant, by a district registrar or by other persons authorised by the Attorney-General. Notice of the intended marriage must be given to the celebrant at least one calendar month but within six calendar months before the marriage. A celebrant must transmit an official certificate of the marriage for registration to a district registrar in the State or Territory in which the marriage took place.
<b>Marital status</b>	Two separate concepts are measured by the ABS. These are registered marital status and social marital status. They are different personal characteristics and are independent variables with separate classifications. Marital status in this publication relates to registered marital status which refers to formally registered marriages or divorces for which the partners hold a certificate.
<b>Median value</b>	The median value (age, duration, interval) is that value which divides the relevant population into two equal parts, half falling below this value, and half exceeding it. Where the value for a particular record has not been stated, that record is excluded from the calculation.
<b>Multiple confinement</b>	A multiple birth is a confinement which results in two or more issue, at least one of which is live born.
<b>Neonatal death</b>	A neonatal death is the death within 28 days of birth of any child weighing at least 500 grams at delivery (or of at least 22 weeks gestation if birthweight was unavailable) who after delivery breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as a heartbeat.
<b>Neonatal death rate</b>	The neonatal death rate is the number of neonatal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or at least 22 weeks gestation if birthweight was unavailable).
<b>Nuptial first confinement</b>	A nuptial first confinement is the first confinement in the current marriage and therefore does not necessarily represent the woman's first ever confinement resulting in a live birth.
<b>Nuptiality</b>	Nuptiality relates to the relative marital status of parents. Confinements and births are identified as being nuptial where the father registered was married to the mother at the time of birth, or where the husband died during the pregnancy.
<b>Paternity-acknowledged birth</b>	A paternity-acknowledged birth refers to an ex-nuptial birth where paternity was acknowledged by the child's father.
<b>Perinatal death</b>	A perinatal death is either a fetal or a neonatal death, as elsewhere defined.

<b>Perinatal death rate</b>	The perinatal death rate is the number of perinatal deaths per 1,000 live births who weighed at least 500 grams at birth (or of at least 22 weeks gestation if birthweight was unavailable) plus fetal deaths combined.
<b>Permanent arrivals (settlers)</b>	Permanent arrivals (settlers) comprise travellers who hold migrant visas (regardless of stated intended period of stay), New Zealand citizens who indicate an intention to settle and those who are otherwise eligible to settle (e.g. overseas-born children of Australian citizens).
<b>Permanent departures</b>	Permanent departures are Australian residents (including former settlers) who on departure state that they do not intend to return to Australia.
<b>Previous births</b>	<p>Previous births refer to children born alive (who may be still living or now dead) to a mother prior to the registration of the current birth. In some States and both Territories, legitimated and legally adopted children are included.</p> <p>Previous births of the current marriage relates to nuptial births to the same parents prior to the current nuptial confinement.</p> <p>All previous births of the mother includes all births prior to the current confinement, regardless of nuptiality and paternity.</p>
<b>Previous issue</b>	See previous births.
<b>Remarriage rates</b>	Remarriage rates are the number of remarrying men and women of a certain age per 1,000 (mid-year) population of widowed or divorced men and women of the same age.
<b>Reproduction rate</b>	<p>Two different reproduction rates are shown in this publication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Gross reproduction rate — the gross reproduction rate represents the average number of daughters per woman that would be born to a group of women all of whom survive to the end of the reproductive period and who had borne daughters at each age in accordance with the rates prevailing during that year. It is an indication of the extent to which the population would reproduce itself under these conditions, except that it does not allow for females who fail to survive to the end of the child-bearing period. It is the sum of the female 5 year age-specific fertility rates (i.e. the number of female live births according to age of mother per 1,000 females of that age) multiplied by five.</li> <li>▪ Net reproduction rate — the net reproduction rate makes allowance for all women not surviving until the end of the reproductive period. It represents the average number of daughters born to a group of women who are subject to the fertility rates of that year and to the mortality rates of the life table. It indicates the extent to which the population would reproduce itself. The net reproduction rate is obtained by multiplying the female age-specific birth rates by the proportion of survivors at corresponding ages in a life table and adding the products.</li> </ul>
<b>Sex ratio</b>	The sex ratio relates to the number of male events (births and deaths) per 100 female events.
<b>Short-term arrivals</b>	Short-term arrivals comprise overseas visitors whose intended stay in Australia is less than twelve months and Australian residents returning after an absence of less than twelve months overseas.



<b>Short-term departures</b>	Short-term departures comprise Australian residents whose intended period of stay abroad is less than twelve months and overseas visitors departing who stayed less than twelve months in Australia.
<b>Standardised death rates</b>	<p>Standardised death rates enable the comparison of death rates between populations with different age structures by relating them to a standard population, in this case all persons in the 1991 Australian population. They are expressed per 1,000 persons. There are two methods of calculating standardised death rates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The <i>direct method</i> — this is used when the populations under study are large and the age-specific death rates are reliable. It is the overall death rate that would have prevailed in the standard population if it had experienced at each age the death rates of the population under study. The direct method is used for comparing State and Territory and Australia rates.</li> <li>▪ The <i>indirect method</i> — this is used when the populations under study are small and the age-specific death rates are unreliable or not known. It is an adjustment to the crude death rate of the standard population to account for the variation between the actual number of deaths in the population under study and the number of deaths which would have occurred if the population under study had experienced the age-specific death rates of the standard population. The indirect method is used for comparison of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rates and Statistical Local Area rates.</li> </ul>
<b>State or Territory of registration</b>	State or Territory of registration refers to the State or Territory in which the birth, death, or marriage was registered or the State or Territory in which the divorce was granted. For further information about how this affects divorce data see paragraphs 21 to 22 of the Explanatory Notes.
<b>State or Territory of usual residence</b>	<p>State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory of usual residence of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ the population (estimated resident population);</li> <li>▪ the mother (birth collection);</li> <li>▪ the deceased (death collection); and</li> <li>▪ the parties at separation (divorce collection). For further information about how this affects divorce data see paragraphs 22 to 23 of the Explanatory Notes.</li> </ul> <p>In the case of overseas movements State or Territory of usual residence refers to the State or Territory regarded by the traveller as the one in which he/she lives or has lived. State or Territory of intended residence is derived from the intended address given by settlers and by Australian residents returning after a journey abroad. Particularly in the case of the former, this information does not necessarily relate to the State or Territory in which the person will eventually establish a permanent residence.</p>
<b>Total fertility rate</b>	The total fertility rate represents the number of children one woman would bear if the age-specific birth rates of the year shown continued during her child-bearing lifetime. It is obtained by summing the five-year age-specific birth rates, multiplying by five and dividing by a thousand.

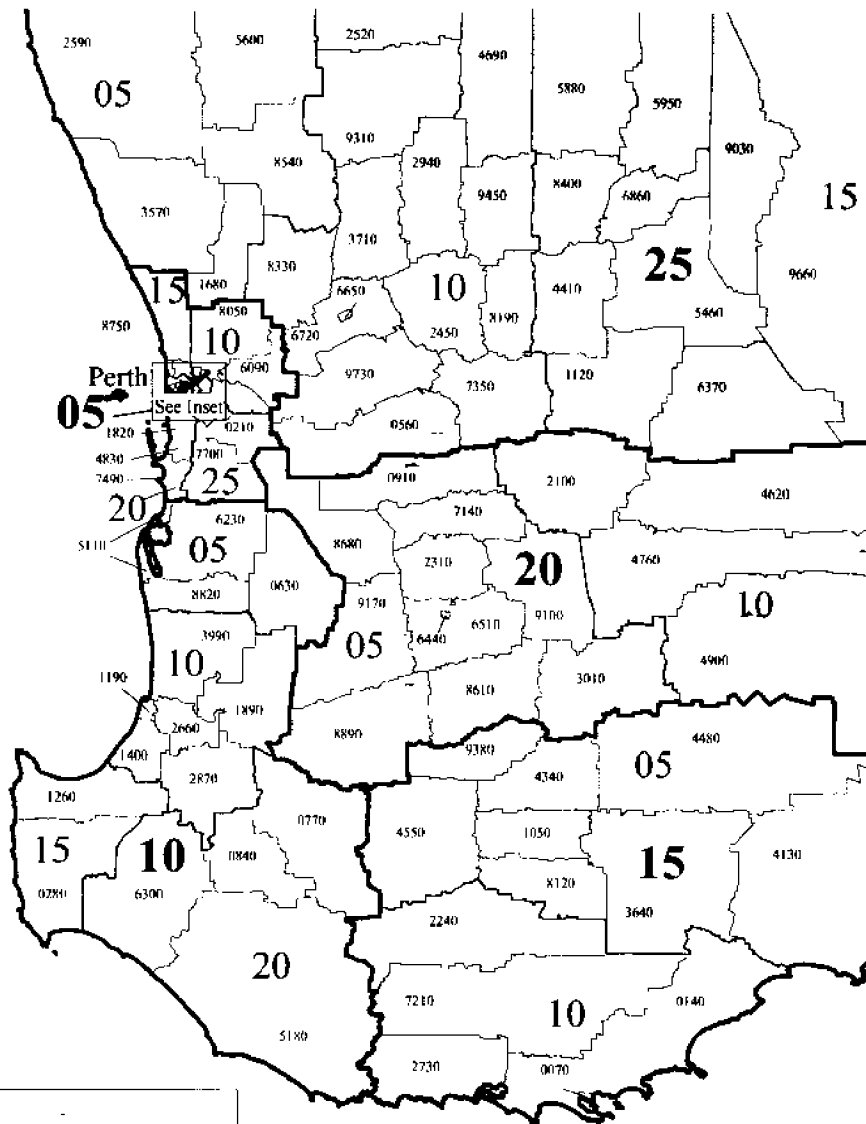
**STATISTICAL DIVISIONS, SUBDIVISIONS AND STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, At 30 June 1995(a)**

Name	CODE	Name	CODE	Name	CODE	Name	CODE
<b>PERTH</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>PRESTON</b>	<b>1010</b>	<b>LAKES</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>CENTRAL</b>	<b>35</b>
CENTRAL METROPOLITAN	0505	Bunbury (C)	1190	Corrigin (S)	2100	GASCOYNE	3505
Cambridge (T)	1310	Capel (S)	1400	Kondinin (S)	4620	Carnarvon (S)	1540
Claremont (T)	1750	Collie (S)	1890	Kulin (S)	4760	Exmouth (S)	3390
Cottesloe (T)	2170	Dardanup (S)	2660	Lake Grace (S)	4900	Shark Bay (S)	7770
Mosman Park (T)	5740	Donnybrook-Balingup (S)	2870	<b>MIDLANDS</b>	<b>25</b>	Upper Gascoyne (S)	8470
Nedlands (C)	6580	Harvey (S)	3990	<b>MOORE</b>	<b>2505</b>	<b>CARNEGIE</b>	<b>3510</b>
Peppermint Grove (S)	6930	<b>VASSE</b>	<b>1015</b>	Chitternig (S)	1680	Cue (S)	2380
Perth (C)-Inner	7081	Augusta-Margaret River (S)	0280	Dandaragan (S)	2590	Meekatharra (S)	5250
Perth (C)-Remainder	7082	Busselton (S)	1260	Gingin (S)	3570	Mount Magnet (S)	5810
Subiaco (C)	7980	<b>BLACKWOOD</b>	<b>1020</b>	Moorra (S)	5600	Murchison (S)	6160
Victoria Park (T)	8510	Boyup Brook (S)	0770	Victoria Plains (S)	8540	Ngaanyatjarraku (S)	6620
Vincent (T)	8570	Brdgetown-Greenbushes (S)	0840	<b>AVON</b>	<b>2510</b>	Sandstone (S)	7630
<b>EAST METROPOLITAN</b>	<b>0510</b>	Manjimup (S)	5180	Beverley (S)	0560	Wiluna (S)	9250
Bassendean (T)	0350	Nannup (S)	6300	Cunderdin (S)	2450	Yalgoo (S)	9590
Bayswater (C)	0420	<b>LOWER GREAT SOUTHERN</b>	<b>15</b>	Dalwallinu (S)	2520	<b>GREENOUGH RIVER</b>	<b>3515</b>
Kalamunda (S)	4200	<b>PALLINUP</b>	<b>1505</b>	Dowerin (S)	2940	Carnamah (S)	1470
Mundaring (S)	6090	Broomehill (S)	1050	Goomalling (S)	3710	Chapman Valley (S)	1610
Swan (S)	8050	Gnowangerup (S)	3640	Koorda (S)	4690	Coorow (S)	2030
<b>NORTH METROPOLITAN</b>	<b>0515</b>	Jerramungup (S)	4130	Northam (T)	6650	Geraldton (C)	3500
Stirling (C)-Central	7911	Katanning (S)	4340	Northam (S)	6720	Greenough (S)	3850
Stirling (C)-West	7912	Kent (S)	4480	Quairading (S)	7350	Irwin (S)	4060
Stirling (C)-South-Eastern	7913	Kojonup (S)	4550	Tammin (S)	8190	Mingenew (S)	5530
Wanneroo (C)	8750	Tambellup (S)	8120	Toodyay (S)	8330	Morawa (S)	5670
<b>SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN</b>	<b>0520</b>	Woodanilling (S)	9380	Wongan-Ballidu (S)	9310	Mullewa (S)	6020
Cockburn (C)	1820	<b>KING</b>	<b>1510</b>	Wyalkatchem (S)	9450	Northampton (S)	6790
East Fremantle (T)	3150	Albany (T)	0070	York (S)	9730	Perenjori (S)	7000
Fremantle (C)-Inner	3431	Albany (S)	0140	<b>CAMPION</b>	<b>2515</b>	Three Springs (S)	8260
Fremantle (C)-Remainder	3432	Cranbrook (S)	2240	Bruce Rock (S)	1120	<b>PILBARA</b>	<b>40</b>
Kwinana (T)	4830	Denmark (S)	2730	Kellerberrin (S)	4410	<b>DE GREY</b>	<b>4005</b>
Melville (C)	5320	Plantagenet (S)	7210	Merredin (S)	5480	East Pilbara (S)	3220
Rockingham (C)	7490	<b>UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN</b>	<b>20</b>	Mount Marshall (S)	5880	Port Hedland (T)	7280
<b>SOUTH EAST METROPOLITAN</b>	<b>0525</b>	<b>HOTHAM</b>	<b>2005</b>	Mukinbudin (S)	5950	Narembeen (S)	6370
Armadale (C)	0210	Brookton (S)	0910	Nungarin (S)	6860	Trayning (S)	8400
Belmont (C)	0490	Cuballing (S)	2310	Westonia (S)	9030	Yilgarn (S)	9660
Canning (C)	1330	Dumbleyung (S)	3010	<b>SOUTH EASTERN</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>KIMBERLEY</b>	<b>45</b>
Gosnells (C)	3780	Narrogin (T)	6440	LEFROY	3005	ORD	4505
Serpentine-Jarrahdale (S)	7700	Narrogin (S)	6510	Coolgardie (S)	1960	Halls Creek (S)	3920
South Perth (C)	7840	Pingelly (S)	7140	Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C)	4280	Wyndham-East Kimberley (S)	9520
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>10</b>	Wagin (S)	8610	Laverton (S)	4970	<b>FITZROY</b>	<b>4510</b>
DALE	1005	Wandering (S)	8680	Leonora (S)	5040	Broome (S)	0990
Boddington (S)	0630	West Arthur (S)	8890	Menzies (S)	5390	Derby-West Kimberley (S)	2800
Mandurah (C)	5110	Wickepin (S)	9100	<b>JOHNSTON</b>	<b>3010</b>	Dundas (S)	3080
Murray (S)	6230	Williams (S)	9170	Dundas (S)	3080	Esperance (S)	3290
Waroona (S)	8820			Esperance (S)	3290	Ravensthorpe (S)	7420

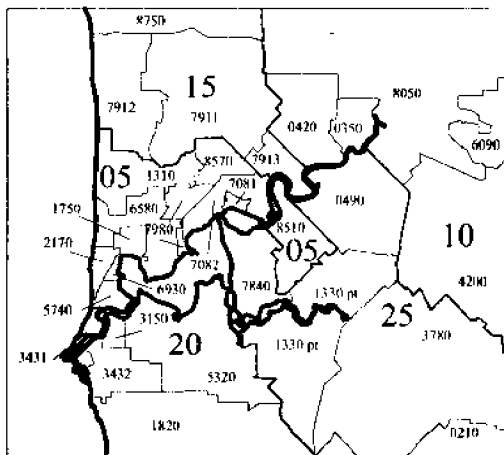
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## Statistical Divisions and Statistical Local Areas



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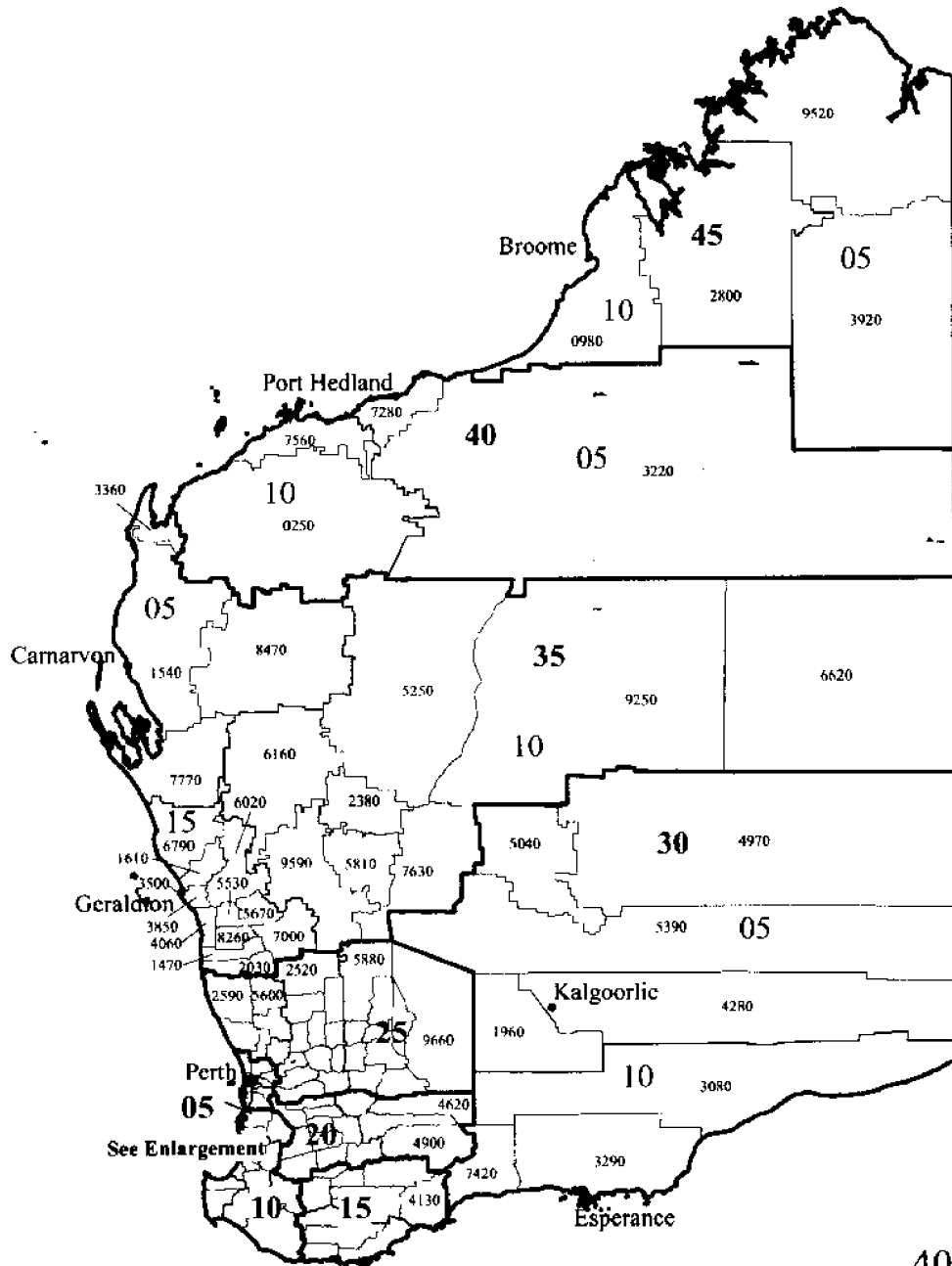
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Statistical Subdivisions	<u>05</u>
Statistical Local Areas	3220

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