

Nativity of Parents.—Table 8 classifies the children born in 1923 by country of birth of parents, and furnishes some idea to what extent the coming generation will be the product of Canadian-born, British-born or foreign-born parents. The term "unspecified," under country of birth, includes for the father illegitimate births and births of incomplete record, while for the mother it includes births of incomplete record only.

8.—Number and Percentage of Births (exclusive of Stillbirths) to Fathers and Mothers born in specified Country, 1923.

Countries of Birth of Parents.	Number of births with father, mother or both parents born in specified country.			Percentage of births with father, mother or both parents born in specified country.		
	Father.	Mother.	Both Parents.	Father.	Mother.	Both Parents.
Canada.....	88,465	92,598	73,893	56.4	59.0	47.1
England.....	19,507	20,655	11,310	12.4	13.2	7.2
Ireland.....	2,466	2,156	833	1.6	1.4	0.5
Scotland.....	6,512	6,948	3,304	4.2	4.4	2.1
Wales.....	514	469	109	0.3	0.3	0.1
Other British Isles.....	90	91	26	0.1	0.1	1
Newfoundland.....	981	971	505	0.6	0.6	0.3
Other British Possessions.....	507	387	108	0.3	0.2	0.1
Austria.....	3,756	3,357	2,788	2.4	2.1	1.8
Belgium.....	435	429	276	0.3	0.3	0.2
Finland.....	346	349	272	0.2	0.2	0.2
France.....	445	446	207	0.3	0.3	0.1
Galicia.....	2,627	2,375	2,094	1.7	1.5	1.3
Germany.....	675	537	210	0.4	0.3	0.1
Hungary.....	372	370	269	0.2	0.2	0.2
Italy.....	2,092	1,639	1,601	1.3	1.0	1.0
Norway.....	844	629	356	0.5	0.4	0.2
Poland.....	1,724	1,582	1,260	1.1	1.0	0.8
Russia.....	4,067	3,522	2,722	2.6	2.2	1.7
Sweden.....	955	721	437	0.6	0.5	0.3
Other Europe.....	3,415	2,619	2,025	2.2	1.7	1.3
China and Japan.....	1,052	1,035	1,004	0.7	0.7	0.6
Other Asia.....	222	156	140	0.1	0.1	0.1
United States.....	10,370	11,610	4,506	6.6	7.4	2.9
Total specified.....	152,439	155,651	110,255	97.2	99.2	70.2
Country not specified.....	4,458	1,246	762	2.8	0.8	0.5
Total.....	156,897	156,897²	111,017	100.0	100.0	70.7³

¹Less than one-tenth of one per cent.

²Represents for 1923 the number of births where both parents were in the same category as regards birthplace. The difference between this figure (111,017) and total births (156,897) equals the number of births (45,880) where both parents were not in the same category as regards birthplace.

³This number excludes the percentage (29.3) of mixed parentage, i.e., where both parents were not in the same category by birthplace.

Racial Origin of Parents.—Table 9 gives the number and percentage of births during 1923, distributed by the principal racial groups. As an indication of the improvement which has taken place in obtaining records of racial origin, it may be stated that in 1921, 12.8 p.c. of fathers and 11.7 p.c. of mothers were reported without a statement as to origin, while in 1922 this number was only 8.9 p.c. of the total for fathers and 7.5 p.c. for mothers, and in 1923, 3.0 p.c. for fathers and 1.0 p.c. for mothers.