

Section 3.—Conjugal Condition.

In Table 11 are given in summary form, together with percentages, the statistics of the conjugal condition of the population, as single, married, widowed, divorced, legally separated and not given, for the six censuses since 1871. Especially notable is the larger percentage of married in the more recent years. This is mainly attributable to the larger percentage of adults to total population in our own time. Noteworthy also is the larger percentage of divorced in recent years, though it should be remembered that the 1921 figures include also the legally separated. The reader should also consult p. 168 of this Volume for the number of divorces granted in each year since 1900.

The conjugal condition of the 1921 population is shown by provinces in Table 12; a table showing in detail the conjugal condition of the population in 1921, by quinquennial age-groups from age 15 and upwards, will be found on pages 99-100 of the 1924 Year Book. (See also detailed tables on pp. 113-233 of Vol. II of the Census of 1921.)

11.—Conjugal Condition of the Population, by Numbers and Percentages, as shown by the Censuses of 1871, 1881, 1891, 1901, 1911 and 1921.

Sex.	Single.	Married.	Widowed.	Divorced.	Legally Separated.	Not Given.	Total.
1871—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Male.....	1,183,787	543,037	37,487	—	—	—	1,764,311
Female.....	1,099,216	542,339	79,895	—	—	—	1,721,450
1881—							
Male.....	1,447,415	690,544	50,895	—	—	—	2,188,854
Female.....	1,336,981	689,540	169,435	—	—	—	2,135,956
1891—							
Male.....	1,601,541	796,153	62,777	—	—	—	2,460,471
Female.....	1,451,851	791,902	129,015	—	—	—	2,372,768
1901—							
Male.....	1,748,582	928,952	73,837	337	—	—	2,751,708
Female.....	1,564,011	904,091	151,181	324	—	—	2,619,607
1911—							
Male.....	2,309,766	1,331,853	89,154	839	1,286	29,097	3,821,995
Female.....	1,941,886	1,281,468	179,656	691	1,584	9,363	3,384,648
1921—							
Male.....	2,698,754	1,698,395	119,798	3,670	2	9,418	4,529,945
Female.....	2,378,844	1,631,761	236,522	3,731	2	7,680	4,258,538
1871—	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Male.....	67.10	30.78	2.12	—	—	—	100
Female.....	63.85	31.51	4.64	—	—	—	100
1881—							
Male.....	66.12	31.55	2.33	—	—	—	100
Female.....	62.59	32.28	5.13	—	—	—	100
1891—							
Male.....	65.09	32.36	2.55	—	—	—	100
Female.....	61.18	33.38	5.44	—	—	—	100
1901—							
Male.....	63.55	33.76	2.08	.01	—	—	100
Female.....	59.71	34.51	5.77	.01	—	—	100
1911—							
Male.....	62.01	34.85	2.33	.02	.03	.76	100
Female.....	57.37	36.97	5.31	.02	.05	.28	100
1921—							
Male.....	59.53	37.49	2.64	.08	2	.21	100
Female.....	55.86	38.32	5.55	.09	2	.18	100

¹The figures for 1871 are for the four original provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia only. ²Legally separated included with divorced.