shown by the unrevised figures for 1928, this figure giving a rate of $13 \cdot 2$ per 1,000 of the estimated population.

Statistics of the births, marriages, deaths and natural increase in cities of 10,000 and over are given for the calendar year 1927 in Table 2, but these are not worked out as rates per 1,000 of population, though the census population in 1921 is furnished as some guide to the rate of natural increase. Particularly notable in this table is the very large number of births in such cities as Montreal and Quebec, as compared with Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa and other cities of somewhat corresponding size. This greatly higher birth rate is in part counterbalanced by a considerably higher death rate, but the natural increase in Quebec cities is still considerably higher than in the cities of other provinces.

