

28.—Infantile Mortality, by Provinces, together with the Rate per 1,000 Living Births, 1926-31 with Averages for 1921-25 and 1926-30.

A.—INFANT DEATHS.

Year.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada. ²
Average 1921-25.....	151	1,139	1,165	1	5,916	1,394	1,789	1,327	621	1
Average 1926-30.....	122	934	1,039	10,518	5,091	1,031	1,559	1,195	571	22,060
1926.....	123	882	1,095	11,666	5,302	1,122	1,681	1,233	588	23,692
1927.....	113	1,028	1,006	10,739	4,812	1,021	1,575	1,110	606	22,010
1928.....	92	865	960	10,332	4,890	972	1,370	1,200	524	21,195
1929.....	150	960	1,090	9,810	5,263	1,005	1,571	1,310	575	21,674
1930.....	132	937	1,048	10,045	5,260	1,035	1,601	1,122	562	21,742
1931.....	128	914	944	9,448	4,833	924	1,463	1,197	514	20,360

B.—INFANT DEATH RATES PER 1,000 LIVING BIRTHS.

Average 1921-25.....	76.8	93.7	105.0	1	82.7	83.7	83.0	85.8	60.6	1
Average 1926-30.....	70.6	84.8	100.7	127.1	74.1	71.6	73.3	75.5	55.2	93.3
1926.....	70.2	80.3	105.9	142.0	78.4	76.5	81.1	85.3	58.4	101.8
1927.....	66.6	92.3	96.0	129.3	71.1	72.2	74.9	74.5	60.1	91.0
1928.....	60.9	79.1	95.6	123.6	71.2	67.0	64.4	76.5	50.5	89.5
1929.....	89.8	89.8	106.5	120.5	76.0	70.6	73.3	77.4	55.4	92.1
1930.....	75.5	82.6	99.5	120.1	73.8	71.8	72.6	63.6	51.7	89.3
1931.....	68.1	78.7	87.4	112.9	69.8	64.3	68.6	69.4	49.4	84.7

¹Quebec was not included in the registration area prior to 1926.

²Exclusive of the Territories.

Infantile Mortality by Causes of Death.—Twenty-one principal causes of death accounted in the years 1926 to 1931 for between 91 and 93 p.c. of the infantile mortality experienced in the Dominion, as is shown in Table 29. It is noteworthy that four causes present at birth, viz., premature birth, injuries at birth, congenital debility and congenital malformations, accounted for over 43 p.c. of the infant deaths of 1931. In the year 1930, 47 p.c. of all infants dying were less than one month old and 34 p.c. less than one week old, as is shown in Table 30.

29.—Infantile Mortality in Canada by Principal Causes of Death, 1926, 1928-31.

Note.—Figures for the former registration area for the years 1921 to 1924 will be found at pp. 182-3 of the 1927-28 Year Book and for 1925 to 1927 at pp. 177-8 of the 1929 Year Book. Figures for the whole of Canada for the years 1927 and 1928 will be found at pp. 138-40 of the 1932 Year Book.

Cause of Death.	Inter-national List No.	Year.	Numbers.			Rates per 100,000.			Per cent Distribution by Cause of Death.
			Males.	Fe-males.	Both.	Males.	Fe-males.	Both.	
Measles.....	7	1926	141	122	263	118	108	113	1.1
		1929	88	84	172	73	73	73	0.8
		1930	119	98	212	95	78	87	1.0
		1931	29	27	56	23	23	23	0.3
Scarlet fever.....	8	1926	13	12	25	11	11	11	0.1
		1929	10	10	20	8	9	8	0.1
		1930	17	13	30	14	11	12	0.1
		1931	7	7	14	6	6	6	0.1
Whooping cough.....	9	1926	358	415	773	299	368	332	3.3
		1929	231	223	454	191	195	193	2.1
		1930	345	341	686	276	287	282	3.2
		1931	243	259	502	197	222	206	2.5
Diphtheria.....	10	1926	24	23	47	20	20	20	0.2
		1929	22	21	43	18	18	18	0.2
		1930	29	20	49	23	17	20	0.2
		1931	30	24	54	24	21	22	0.3
Influenza.....	11	1926	576	374	950	481	331	408	4.0
		1929	686	543	1,229	567	474	522	5.7
		1930	284	186	470	227	157	193	2.2
		1931	372	319	691	301	273	287	3.4
Erysipelas.....	15	1926	51	50	101	43	44	43	0.4
		1929	55	45	100	45	39	42	0.5
		1930	49	34	83	39	29	34	0.4
		1931	35	28	63	28	24	26	0.3