

Nativity of Mothers.—In Table 6 will be found for each of the provinces the percentages of legitimate children born alive to Canadian-born, British-born and foreign-born mothers respectively in 1931 and 1932. It is noteworthy that children born to foreign-born mothers outnumbered children born to Canadian-born mothers in the province of Alberta in 1931 but this condition was reversed and Alberta fell into line with all the other provinces in this respect in 1932. For the Dominion as a whole, in the respective years 73.9 p.c. and 75.5 p.c. of the children of mothers whose birthplaces were known had Canadian-born mothers, 11.1 p.c. and 10.3 p.c. British-born mothers and 15.0 p.c. and 14.3 p.c. foreign-born mothers.

It is also significant that the percentage of legitimate children born alive to Canadian-born mothers between 1921 and 1932 increased from 42.3 p.c. to 60.3 p.c. in Manitoba, from 36.1 p.c. to 51.9 p.c. in Saskatchewan, from 30.0 p.c. to 43.5 p.c. in Alberta, and from 29.7 p.c. to 48.6 p.c. in British Columbia. Thus more and more of the children of the West are coming within the class of third generation Canadians.

6.—Percentages of Legitimate Children Born Alive to Canadian-Born, British-Born or Foreign-Born Mothers, by Provinces, 1931-32.

Province.	Nativity of Mothers.					
	Canadian-born.		British-born.		Foreign-born.	
	1931.	1932.	1931.	1932.	1931.	1932.
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Prince Edward Island.....	94.8	94.4	1.8	1.8	3.4	3.8
Nova Scotia.....	86.2	87.2	9.8	9.0	3.9	3.7
New Brunswick.....	92.0	92.7	3.6	3.0	4.4	4.3
Quebec.....	93.3	93.7	2.6	2.4	4.1	3.9
Ontario.....	68.6	70.3	18.9	18.0	12.4	11.7
Manitoba.....	57.2	60.3	13.6	12.1	29.1	27.7
Saskatchewan.....	49.2	51.9	11.1	10.1	39.7	38.0
Alberta.....	41.7	43.5	14.7	14.1	43.5	42.4
British Columbia.....	44.3	48.6	28.2	25.9	27.5	25.5
Canada (Exclusive of the Territories).....	73.9	75.5	11.1	10.3	15.0	14.3

Sex of Live Births.—Table 7 shows the number and proportion of live male and female births reported for each province in Canada during the calendar years 1931, 1932 and 1933, with averages for the five-year periods 1921-25 and 1926-30. The figures for Quebec commence only with the year 1926 when that province entered the registration area, and the totals for Canada are limited in the same manner in consequence. Every province shows an excess of male births although individual figures for 1928 gave a slight excess of female births in British Columbia. The table shows that among every 1,000 born in 1933 in the whole of Canada, 513 were males and 487 females. In other words, there were 1,054 males born to every 1,000 females.