

**Infantile Mortality in Various Countries.**—The rate of infantile mortality to live births has been greatly reduced in civilized countries by the recent advances in medical science and in sanitation. The low record is held at the present time by New Zealand, where in 1933 the rate of infantile mortality was only 32 per 1,000 live births as compared with 68 in 1905. The Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland and Sweden, with rates of 44, 48, 48 and 50 in their latest available year (1933), are the lowest among European countries.

As showing the improvement in recent years, it may be stated that the rate of infantile mortality in England and Wales has been reduced from 128 per 1,000 live births in 1905 to 64 in 1933, while the rate in Germany has declined from 196 in 1904 to 77 in 1933. In the Netherlands, again, the rate has declined from 131 per 1,000 live births in 1905 to 44 in 1933. Statistics are given in Table 34 by leading countries and by provinces.

**34.—Infantile Mortality per 1,000 Live Births in Various Countries of the World and Provinces of Canada in Recent Years.**

| Country or Province.                   | Year.       | Rate of Infantile Mortality. | Country or Province.     | Year. | Rate of Infantile Mortality. |
|--|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| New Zealand.....                       | 1933        | 32                           | Northern Ireland.....    | 1933  | 80                           |
| South Australia.....                   | 1933        | 32                           | Prussia.....             | 1932  | 80                           |
| Western Australia.....                 | 1933        | 37                           | Scotland.....            | 1933  | 81                           |
| New South Wales.....                   | 1933        | 39                           | New Brunswick.....       | 1934  | 86                           |
| Australia.....                         | 1933        | 40                           | Panama.....              | 1931  | 86                           |
| Victoria.....                          | 1933        | 40                           | Belgium.....             | 1933  | 92                           |
| Tasmania.....                          | 1933        | 41                           | Austria.....             | 1933  | 93                           |
| Iceland.....                           | 1933        | 42                           | Uruguay.....             | 1933  | 93                           |
| British Columbia.....                  | 1934        | 43                           | Estonia.....             | 1933  | 94                           |
| Netherlands.....                       | 1933        | 44                           | Quebec.....              | 1934  | 97                           |
| Norway.....                            | 1933        | 48                           | Italy.....               | 1933  | 100                          |
| Switzerland.....                       | 1933        | 48                           | Newfoundland.....        | 1933  | 106                          |
| Sweden.....                            | 1933        | 50                           | Spain.....               | 1932  | 112                          |
| Alberta.....                           | 1934        | 55                           | Japan.....               | 1933  | 121                          |
| Manitoba.....                          | 1934        | 55                           | Greece.....              | 1933  | 123                          |
| Saskatchewan.....                      | 1934        | 55                           | Czechoslovakia.....      | 1933  | 127                          |
| Ontario.....                           | 1934        | 57                           | Salvador.....            | 1932  | 133                          |
| United States (Registration Area)..... | 1933        | 58                           | Hungary.....             | 1933  | 136                          |
| Union of South Africa (Whites)         | 1933        | 61                           | Palestine.....           | 1933  | 144                          |
| England and Wales.....                 | 1933        | 64                           | Bulgaria.....            | 1933  | 146                          |
| Irish Free State.....                  | 1933        | 65                           | Jamaica.....             | 1933  | 149                          |
| British Isles.....                     | 1933        | 66                           | Ukraine.....             | 1929  | 150                          |
| Prince Edward Island.....              | 1934        | 67                           | Ceylon.....              | 1933  | 157                          |
| Denmark.....                           | 1933        | 68                           | Egypt.....               | 1933  | 162                          |
| Nova Scotia.....                       | 1934        | 71                           | Costa Rica.....          | 1933  | 164                          |
| <b>Canada.....</b>                     | <b>1934</b> | <b>72</b>                    | British India.....       | 1933  | 171                          |
| France.....                            | 1933        | 75                           | Straits Settlements..... | 1933  | 173                          |
| Finland.....                           | 1933        | 76                           | Roumania.....            | 1933  | 174                          |
| Latvia.....                            | 1933        | 76                           | Russia.....              | 1929  | 206                          |
| Germany.....                           | 1933        | 77                           | Chile.....               | 1933  | 258                          |

**Infantile Mortality in Great Cities of the World.**—It is one of the greatest triumphs of our time that city life is in our day, if not as healthy, yet not necessarily more dangerous to human, especially to infant life, than the average living conditions in the country as a whole.