

7.—Numbers and Percentages of Births (Exclusive of Stillbirths) in Canada to Fathers and Mothers of Specified Origins, 1935 and 1936—concluded.

Origin of Parents.		Numbers of Births with Father, Mother, or Both Parents of Specified Origin.			Percentages of Births with Father, Mother, or Both Parents of Specified Origin.		
		Father.	Mother.	Both Parents.	Father.	Mother.	Both Parents.
Other.....	1935	264	260	127	0.1	0.1	0.1
	1936	249	260	125	0.1	0.1	0.1
Origin not specified.....	1935	8,776	1,360	296	4.0	0.6	0.1
	1936	9,012	1,360	217	4.1	0.6	0.1
Totals.....	1935	221,451	221,451	154,618¹	100.0	100.0	69.8⁴
	1936	220,371	220,371	152,351²	100.0	100.0	69.1⁴

¹ Less than one-tenth of one per cent. ² Including "Galician" and "Bukovinian". ³ This figure gives the number of children whose fathers and mothers have the same origin. The difference between this figure and the total number of births represents the number of children whose fathers and mothers are of different origins. ⁴ This excludes the percentage of "mixed parentage", i.e., parents not of the same origin.

Illegitimacy.—The ratio of illegitimate to total births is, generally speaking, low in Canada as compared with other countries. The steady increase which is noticeable in recent years is probably due, in some measure, to more complete data.

Out of 221,451 live births in the nine provinces of Canada in 1935, 8,344, or 3.77 p.c., were returned as the issue of unmarried mothers. Figures for 1936 show a total of 220,371 live births, of which 8,633, or 3.92 p.c., were returned as the issue of unmarried mothers. Out of this number, 4,492 were males and 4,141 females—a ratio of 1,085 males to every 1,000 females, as compared with 1,069 males per 1,000 females in 1935, and a general 1936 rate for all live births of 1,058 males to 1,000 females. (See Table 8.)

8.—Numbers of Illegitimate Births, Classified by Age of Mother, by Provinces, 1936, Percentages to Total Live Births, and Totals of Illegitimate Births, by Sex, 1934, 1935 and 1936, with Averages or Totals, 1926-36.

Age Group of Mother and Item.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada. ¹
1936.										
Under 15 years.....	1	4	4	9	29	5	4	2	3	61
15-19 years.....	31	268	144	488	905	141	221	186	113	2,497
20-24 years.....	22	285	172	553	1,094	201	289	227	142	2,985
25-29 years.....	9	96	45	193	419	78	106	98	64	1,108
30-34 years.....	3	41	22	64	186	23	33	47	30	449
35-39 years.....	2	23	15	33	93	24	40	32	15	277
40-44 years.....	Nil	5	3	4	41	15	8	8	5	89
45 years or over.....	Nil	1	Nil	1	2	Nil	1	6	2	13
Not given.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	1,124	19	6	1	1	3	1,154
Av. 1926-30.....	42	558	299	2,334	2,196	501	489	479	240	7,138
Av. 1931-35.....	74	652	373	2,431	2,707	501	651	613	330	8,332
Totals—										
1934.....	84	659	367	2,335	2,500	512	678	589	346	8,070
1935.....	83	663	403	2,506	2,642	473	640	614	320	8,344
1936.....	68	723	405	2,469	2,788	493	703	607	377	8,633
Percentages of All Live Births—	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
1934.....	4.3	5.8	3.6	3.1	4.0	3.8	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.65
1935.....	4.1	5.7	3.9	3.3	4.2	3.5	3.3	3.8	3.2	3.77
1936.....	3.4	6.1	3.9	3.3	4.5	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.92
Male Illegitimate Births—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1934.....	47	340	191	1,231	1,272	243	333	296	179	4,132
1935.....	37	341	218	1,298	1,368	237	329	314	169	4,311
1936.....	36	394	198	1,302	1,446	248	375	304	189	4,492
Female Illegitimate Births—										
1934.....	37	319	176	1,104	1,228	269	345	293	167	3,938
1935.....	46	322	185	1,208	1,274	236	311	300	151	4,033
1936.....	32	329	207	1,167	1,342	245	328	303	188	4,141