

**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 1935 the rate of infantile mortality was only 32 per 1,000 live births as compared with 68 in 1905. The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, and Switzerland, with rates of 40, 44, 47 and 48 in their latest available year (1935) 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 57 in 1935, while the rate in Germany has declined from 196 in 1904 to 69 in 1935. In the Netherlands, again, the rate has declined from 131 per 1,000 live births in 1905 to 40 in 1935. Statistics are given in Table 27 by leading countries and by provinces.

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

Country.	Year.	Rate of Infantile Mortality.	Country or Province.	Year.	Rate of Infantile Mortality.
<b>Country—</b>			<b>Country—concluded.</b>		
New Zealand.....	1935	32	Greece.....	1935	113
Netherlands.....	1935	40	Newfoundland.....	1935	119
Australia.....	1935	40	Czechoslovakia.....	1935	123
Norway.....	1935	44	Lithuania.....	1935	123
Sweden.....	1935	47	Palestine.....	1935	131
Switzerland.....	1935	48	Salvador.....	1934	136
United States (reg. area).....	1935	56	Jamaica.....	1935	137
England and Wales.....	1935	57	Hungary.....	1935	152
British Isles.....	1935	61	Bulgaria.....	1935	154
Union of South Africa (whites)	1935	63	Costa Rica.....	1935	157
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>1936</b>	<b>66</b>	Egypt.....	1935	161
Finland.....	1935	67	British India.....	1935	164
Iceland.....	1935	68	Straits Settlements.....	1935	165
Irish Free State.....	1935	68	Roumania.....	1935	192
France.....	1935	69	Chile.....	1935	251
Germany.....	1935	69	Ceylon.....	1935	263
Denmark.....	1935	71			
Scotland.....	1935	77	<b>Province of Canada—</b>		
Latvia.....	1935	79	British Columbia.....	1936	44
Belgium.....	1935	85	Saskatchewan.....	1936	54
Northern Ireland.....	1935	86	Ontario.....	1936	55
Estonia.....	1935	89	Alberta.....	1936	60
Panama.....	1934	95	Manitoba.....	1936	61
Uruguay.....	1934	96	Nova Scotia.....	1936	66
Austria.....	1935	99	Prince Edward Island.....	1936	69
Italy.....	1935	101	New Brunswick.....	1936	77
Japan.....	1935	107	Quebec.....	1936	83
Spain.....	1935	109			

**Infantile Mortality in Certain 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.

To give particular examples, the rate of infantile mortality in New York was 52 per 1,000 live births in 1934, as against a rate of 60 per 1,000 for the birth registration area of the United States. In 1935 Berlin had an infantile mortality rate of 63 per 1,000 live births, as compared with 69 for Germany. On the other hand, Paris had a rate of 76 in 1934, compared with a rate of 69 for France in the same year, and in 1935, London a rate of 58 compared with 57 for England and Wales.

In Canada, Montreal had, in 1935, an infantile mortality of 87 per 1,000 live births as compared with 92 for the province of Quebec. Toronto had, in 1935, an infantile mortality rate of 51 per 1,000 live births as against 56 for the province