

only 4,567, or 13.5 p.c., were living with both their parents before coming under the care of a social agency or institution; of the remainder 11,614, or 34.5 p.c. of the 33,479 were illegitimate, although some of the 1,565 whose parentage was unknown may come under this category. It is rather remarkable that only 833, or 2.5 p.c. of the children of known social background were the offspring of divorced parents. It is, of course, quite possible that some of the children reported under other headings should have been included here. Further experience in the collection of these statistics should lead to the refinement of the measurements used so that future reports should be much more specific in the measurement of the extent to which divorce and illegitimacy contribute to the placement of children in institutions or under the care of social agencies.

17.—Family Status of Children in Care, by Provinces, as at June 2, 1941

Item	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
Legitimate—										
Full orphans.....	M 10	125	45	792	469	86	51	38	53	1,669
	F 12	137	57	819	420	65	40	50	52	1,652
	T 22	262	102	1,611	889	151	91	88	105	3,321
Parents deserted.....	M 39	96	124	1,094	922	73	11	56	192	2,607
	F 25	95	57	467	761	40	19	56	172	1,692
	T 64	191	181	1,561	1,683	113	30	112	364	4,299
Living with one parent...	M 30	131	60	1,448	889	104	15	55	123	2,855
	F 27	206	82	1,571	776	78	10	35	95	2,880
	T 57	337	142	3,019	1,665	182	25	90	218	5,735
Living with parents.....	M 18	188	64	1,208	805	211	7	29	54	2,584
	F 11	98	71	967	617	101	12	32	74	1,983
	T 29	286	135	2,175	1,422	312	19	61	128	4,567
Living with relatives.....	M 4	54	11	428	443	43	15	16	31	1,045
	F 3	55	13	178	392	18	19	2	43	723
	T 7	109	24	606	835	61	34	18	74	1,768
Parents divorced or separated	M Nil	24	4	147	167	38	8	6	20	414
	F " 24	47	140	143	20	7	21	17	17	419
	T " 48	51	287	310	58	15	27	37	833	
Parents unknown.....	M 4	103	51	207	313	29	15	13	19	754
	F Nil	117	86	165	353	29	15	12	34	811
	T 4	220	137	372	666	58	30	25	53	1,565
Illegitimate.....	M 33	300	79	2,537	2,327	267	77	21	308	5,949
	F 26	211	84	1,535	3,267	137	74	19	312	5,665
	T 59	511	163	4,072	5,594	404	151	40	620	11,614
Other or not applicable.....	M 23	175	54	801	809	47	22	28	91	2,050
	F 18	190	62	1,000	796	28	23	72	105	2,294
	T 41	365	116	1,801	1,605	75	45	100	196	4,344
Totals.....	M 161	1,196	492	8,662	7,144	898	221	262	891	19,927
	F 122	1,133	559	6,842	7,525	516	219	299	904	18,119
	T 283	2,329	1,051	15,504	14,669	1,414	440	561	1,795	38,046

Section 7.—The Canadian Red Cross; The Victorian Order of Nurses; and The Saint John Ambulance Association

Each of these organizations carries on important welfare work but their major activities are related more directly to public health than to welfare and for this reason the data regarding their operations are given in the Public Health Chapter of this volume.