

1.—Crude Birth Rates of Various Countries of the World and of Provinces of Canada in Recent Years

(Sources: League of Nations Year Book and other official sources. In certain cases final figures are not available and provisional data are shown.)

Country or Province	Year	Crude Birth Rate	Country or Province	Year	Crude Birth Rate
Palestine.....	1943	43.1	Canada —concluded		
Egypt.....	1940	41.6	Saskatchewan.....	1943	22.0
Straits Settlements.....	1940	41.3	British Columbia.....	1942	21.4
Costa Rica.....	1942	41.1	Ontario.....	1943	20.9
Panama.....	1943	39.0	Greece.....	1942	19.3
Salvador.....	1943	38.1	Eire.....	1943	20.7
Ceylon.....	1942	36.7	United States.....	1943	20.1
Chile.....	1943	33.1	Bulgaria.....	1942	23.5
British India.....	1940	33.0	Austria.....	1940	22.3
Jamaica.....	1941	29.3	Denmark.....	1943	21.9
Japan.....	1940	28.9	New Zealand.....	1943	21.8
Union of South Africa (Whites).....	1941	25.2	Netherlands.....	1942	21.3
Newfoundland and Labrador.....	1938	24.8	Latvia.....	1941	21.2
Poland.....	1938	24.5	Australia.....	1943	20.7
Roumania.....	1942	24.4	Iceland.....	1940	20.5
Finland.....	1941	24.2	Spain.....	1942	20.3
Northern Ireland.....	1943	24.2	Italy.....	1942	20.2
Canada	1943	24.0	Hungary ¹	1942	19.8
	1942	23.4	Uruguay.....	1942	19.4
Quebec.....	1943	28.6	Sweden.....	1943	19.3
New Brunswick.....	1943	28.0	Estonia.....	1941	19.2
	1942	28.3	Switzerland.....	1943	19.2
Nova Scotia.....	1943	27.3	Scotland.....	1943	18.9
	1942	25.4	Lithuania.....	1941	18.1
Alberta.....	1943	25.9	British Isles.....	1943	17.2
	1942	24.4	England and Wales.....	1943	16.5
Prince Edward Island.....	1943	23.6	Germany (Greater Reich).....	1943	16.1
	1942	23.9	France (excl. Alsace-Lorraine).....	1943	16.0
Manitoba.....	1943	22.6	Belgium.....	1943	14.7
	1942	21.6			

¹ Within the boundaries of the Treaty of Trianon.

The birth statistics indicate that there is a tendency towards greater hospitalization and medical attendance at births and that the numbers of births in the urban areas of Canada (cities and towns of 1,000 population or over) are increasing more rapidly than births in the rural parts. Live births in cities, towns and villages of 10,000 population or over are given in Table 2.

2.—Live Births in Urban Centres of 10,000 Population or Over, 1941-43, by Place of Residence, with Five-Year Averages, 1926-40, by Place of Occurrence

Province and Urban Centre	Census Populations		Aver-	Aver-	Aver-	1941	1942	1943
	1931	1941	ages, 1926-30	ages, 1931-35	ages, 1936-40			
P.E. Island— Charlottetown.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
	12,361	14,821	287	361	440	328	400	393
Nova Scotia— Dartmouth.....	9,100	10,847	168	144	122	309	414	441
Glace Bay.....	20,706	25,147	672	703	892	742	737	729
Halifax.....	59,275	70,488	1,457	1,630	1,772	1,806	2,102	2,081
Sydney.....	23,089	28,305	511	587	640	818	947	989
Truro.....	7,901	10,272	190	187	226	291	304	284
New Brunswick— Fredericton.....	8,830	10,062	200	192	241	178	239	195
Moncton.....	20,689	22,763	518	494	550	525	640	658
Saint John.....	47,514	51,741	1,144	1,203	1,294	1,254	1,354	1,441
Quebec— Cap-de-la-Madeleine.....	8,748	11,961	405	295	281	351	387	365
Chicoutimi.....	11,877	16,040	553	508	551	676	849	928
Drummondville.....	6,609	10,555	301	340	253	332	355	377
Granby.....	10,587	14,197	298	354	335	458	452	444