

Nativity of Brides and Bridegrooms.—When the registration area was established in 1921 the majority of marriages solemnized in the western provinces were between persons born outside of Canada. This situation has rapidly reversed as the percentage of foreign-born bridegrooms and brides show a general reduction (see Table 13). Both Canadian-born brides and bridegrooms are now in the majority in each province, while in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec and Ontario they show a marked predominance. Taking Canada as a whole, 88 p.c. of all bridegrooms and 92 p.c. of all brides in 1941, 1942 and 1943 were born in Canada; the 1943 figures are the highest percentage shown for any year of the period covered by the statistics.

13.—Percentage Distribution of Grooms and Brides, by Nativity and Provinces, 1941-43, with Five-Year Averages, 1921-40

NOTE.—For figures for single years 1921-40, see previous editions of the Year Book beginning with the 1929 edition.

Province and Year	Marriages		Percentage Distribution of Grooms and Brides, by Nativity					
	Total	Per 1,000 Population	Born in Province of Residence		Born in Other Provinces		Born Outside Canada	
			Grooms	Brides	Grooms	Brides	Grooms	Brides
	No.	No.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Prince Edward Island, Av. 1921-25	473	5.4	90.8	93.8	5.1	2.6	4.1	3.7
Av. 1926-30	473	5.4	90.8	93.5	4.1	2.9	5.1	3.6
Av. 1931-35	496	5.5	89.7	92.6	4.7	3.6	5.6	3.8
Av. 1936-40	623	6.6	88.4	92.9	6.3	4.5	5.3	2.6
1941	673	7.1	78.8	86.6	15.0	9.4	6.2	4.0
1942	778	8.6	75.1	87.5	13.5	10.0	11.4	2.4
1943	653	7.2	71.5	85.5	15.0	10.6	13.5	4.0
Nova Scotia, Av. 1921-25	3,186	6.1	78.2	83.2	5.6	3.4	16.3	13.4
Av. 1926-30	3,224	6.3	78.7	84.0	5.0	3.6	16.3	12.4
Av. 1931-35	3,522	6.7	81.8	87.1	5.4	4.1	12.8	8.8
Av. 1936-40	4,796	8.6	82.4	87.3	8.1	5.8	9.5	6.9
1941	6,596	11.4	73.2	83.8	16.8	9.5	10.0	6.7
1942	6,874	11.6	72.3	83.5	18.5	10.1	9.2	6.4
1943	6,105	10.1	64.3	80.6	24.4	12.0	11.3	7.5
New Brunswick, Av. 1921-25	2,953	7.6	72.4	77.0	10.5	8.0	17.2	14.9
Av. 1926-30	2,970	7.4	72.7	76.8	9.2	8.1	18.2	15.0
Av. 1931-35	2,737	6.5	78.7	83.2	9.9	8.3	11.4	8.5
Av. 1936-40	3,801	8.6	82.1	86.8	9.2	7.3	8.7	5.9
1941	4,941	10.8	78.5	84.4	13.3	9.7	8.2	5.9
1942	4,934	10.6	76.4	85.1	14.4	8.5	9.2	6.3
1943	3,985	8.6	73.6	85.0	15.9	8.9	10.5	6.1
Quebec ¹ , Av. 1926-30	18,731	6.9	80.6	83.5	4.0	3.5	15.4	13.0
Av. 1931-35	17,089	5.8	81.3	84.7	4.2	4.0	14.5	11.3
Av. 1936-40	27,111	8.5	86.8	89.8	4.9	4.6	8.3	5.5
1941	32,782	9.8	86.1	89.3	6.7	5.9	7.2	4.8
1942	33,857	10.0	86.4	89.2	7.0	6.3	6.6	4.5
1943	33,856	9.8	88.2	91.1	6.4	5.2	5.5	3.7
Ontario, Av. 1921-25	24,037	8.0	61.0	64.5	6.7	5.8	32.4	29.6
Av. 1926-30	25,449	7.8	57.2	61.9	7.3	6.8	35.5	31.3
Av. 1931-35	24,260	6.9	62.9	69.5	7.0	7.4	30.1	23.1
Av. 1936-40	32,719	8.9	81.3	84.0	4.9	5.4	13.8	10.6
1941	43,270	11.4	89.2	89.0	4.2	4.5	6.7	6.5
1942	45,466	11.7	86.8	88.3	5.4	5.2	7.8	6.5
1943	36,109	9.2	88.2	88.2	5.1	5.6	6.8	6.2

¹ Quebec was not included in the registration area prior to 1926.