

**Infant Mortality in Various Countries.**—New Zealand for many years has had a low record for infant mortality; in 1942 the rate was only 29 per 1,000 live births as compared with 68 in 1905, 51 in 1920, and 34 in 1930. Indications of the general improvement during the present century are to be found in England and Wales where the rate has been reduced from 128 per 1,000 live births in 1905 to 80 in 1920, 60 in 1930 and 48 in 1943, while the rate in Germany has declined from 196 in 1904 to 85 in 1930 and 66 in 1942. In the Netherlands the rate has declined from 131 per 1,000 live births in 1905 to 51 in 1930 and 40 in 1942.

**25.—Infant Mortality per 1,000 Live Births in Various Countries of the World and in the 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	Infant Mortality Rate	Country	Year	Infant Mortality Rate
Sweden	1943	29	Scotland	1943	65
New Zealand	1943	31	Latvia	1939	70
Iceland	1940	36	Germany (Greater Reich)	1943	72
Australia	1943	36	Austria	1940	72
Norway	1939	37	France (excl. Alsace-Lorraine)	1943	77
Switzerland	1943	40	Estonia	1938	77
Netherlands	1942	40	Northern Ireland	1943	78
United States	1943	40	Eire	1943	80
Denmark	1943	45	Finland	1940	88
England and Wales	1943	48	Uruguay	1942	93
Union of South Africa (Whites)	1941	52	Newfoundland and Labrador	1938	93
British Isles	1943	54	Panama	1934	95
<b>Canada</b>	<b>1943</b>	<b>54</b>	Palestine	1943	96
British Columbia	1942	54	Czechoslovakia	1942	98
	1943	38	Greece	1938	99
	1942	35	Spain	1942	103
Ontario	1943	42	Italy	1942	108
	1942	40	Salvador	1943	110
Alberta	1943	42	Japan	1938	114
	1942	38	Ceylon	1942	120
Prince Edward Island	1943	45	Lithuania	1939	122
	1942	50	Bulgaria	1942	127
Saskatchewan	1943	47	Jamaica	1938	129
	1942	43	Hungary <sup>1</sup>	1942	134
Manitoba	1943	55	Poland	1938	140
	1942	51	Strait Settlements	1940	144
Nova Scotia	1943	58	Costa Rica	1942	157
	1942	58	British India	1940	160
Quebec	1943	67	Egypt	1940	163
	1942	70	Roumania	1942	183
New Brunswick	1943	68	Chile	1943	194
	1942	77			

<sup>1</sup> Within the boundaries of the Treaty of Trianon.

**Infant Mortality in Certain Cities of the World.**—One of the greatest triumphs of medicine and public health of modern times has been the reduction of infant mortality in the metropolitan areas of the world.

To give particular examples, the rate of infant mortality for New York was 29 per 1,000 births in 1942, as against a rate of 40 per 1,000 for the Birth Registration Area of the United States. For 1938, Berlin had an infant mortality rate of 58 per 1,000 live births, as compared with 60 for Germany; Paris had a rate of 61 in 1939, compared with a rate of 63 for France and, in 1942, London had a rate of 51 compared with 49 for England and Wales.