

19.—Numbers and Percentages of Live Births to Parents of Specified Origins, 1944-46, with Five-Year Averages, 1936-45

NOTE.—Figures for 1944 to 1946 are by place of residence; for previous years by place of occurrence.

Origin of Parents and Year	Numbers			Percentages		
	Father	Mother	Both Parents	Father	Mother	Both Parents
English.....Av. 1936-40	45,985	48,724	28,889	20.1	21.3	12.
Av. 1941-45	55,231	58,617	32,491	20.0	21.2	11.7
1944	56,138	59,551	32,908	19.8	21.0	11.6
1945	54,711	59,412	31,522	18.9	20.6	10.9
1946	69,421	75,423	40,130	21.0	22.8	12.1
Irish.....Av. 1936-40	20,603	20,192	7,569	9.0	8.8	3.3
Av. 1941-45	24,988	25,137	8,325	9.0	9.1	3.0
1944	25,438	25,631	8,492	9.0	9.0	3.0
1945	25,871	26,069	8,521	9.0	9.0	3.0
1946	31,953	31,863	9,879	9.7	9.6	3.0
Scottish.....Av. 1936-40	21,148	21,141	7,778	9.2	9.2	3.4
Av. 1941-45	26,071	26,409	8,716	9.4	9.5	3.1
1944	26,263	27,058	8,787	9.2	9.5	3.1
1945	26,575	27,490	8,851	9.2	9.5	3.1
1946	33,874	34,138	10,963	10.2	10.3	3.3
French.....Av. 1936-40	87,238	91,251	81,888	38.1	39.9	35.8
Av. 1941-45	107,883	113,085	100,635	39.0	40.8	36.4
1944	112,087	117,576	104,672	39.4	41.4	36.8
1945	115,218	120,212	107,431	39.9	41.6	37.2
1946	123,555	128,591	113,235	37.4	38.9	34.2
Other origins.....Av. 1936-40	44,309	46,114	28,951	19.4	20.2	12.7
Av. 1941-45	50,693	52,624	28,854	18.3	19.0	10.4
1944	51,764	53,402	28,861	18.2	18.8	10.2
1945	53,156	54,839	29,272	18.4	19.0	10.1
1946	58,088	60,078	29,745	17.6	18.2	9.0
Origin unspecified.....Av. 1936-40	9,484	1,345	268	4.2	0.6	0.1
Av. 1941-45	11,966	960	190	4.3	0.3	0.1
1944	12,530	1,002	226	4.4	0.4	0.1
1945	13,199	708	70	4.6	0.2	³
1946	13,841	639	69	4.2	0.2	³
Totals.....Av. 1936-40	228,767	228,767	155,343 ¹	100.0	100.0	67.9 ²
Av. 1941-45	276,832	276,832	179,211 ¹	100.0	100.0	64.7 ²
1944	284,220	284,220	183,946 ¹	100.0	100.0	64.7 ²
1945	288,730	288,730	185,667 ¹	100.0	100.0	64.3 ²
1946	330,732	330,732	204,021 ¹	100.0	100.0	61.7 ²

¹ This figure gives the number of children whose fathers and mothers are of the same origin. The difference between this figure and the total number of births represents the number of children whose parents are of different origins.

² This is the percentage of children whose fathers and mothers are of the same origin.

³ Less than one-tenth of one per cent.

Section 4.—Deaths

Except for wars and their after-effects—military and civilian deaths in the First and Second World Wars must be counted in tens of millions—impressive declines in the death rate have been recorded during the past century in many countries of the world.