

6.—Stillbirths and Rates per 1,000 Live Births by Province 1921-54

(Exclusive of Yukon and the Northwest Territories)

Year	Born to All Mothers											Born to Un-married Mothers ¹	
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada ²	No.	P.C. of Total
STILLBIRTHS													
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Av. 1921-25.....	..	57	457	288	2,659	3,083	546	601	418	295	8,403
" 1926-30.....	128	43	365	283	2,212	2,761	479	551	467	297	7,458	356	4.77
" 1931-35.....	141	67	401	302	2,337	2,284	383	488	421	247	6,930	381	5.50
" 1936-40.....	162	61	334	282	2,386	2,008	340	393	359	248	6,410	337	5.26
" 1941-45.....	191	50	388	295	2,786	1,988	345	348	327	309	6,838	355	5.20
" 1946-50.....	215	54	358	320	2,898	2,020	349	350	385	352	7,177	343	4.85
1951.....	189	56	319	293	2,768	1,975	340	303	402	365	7,010	327	4.79
1952.....	226	45	369	281	2,805	2,085	361	314	399	375	7,260	341	4.85
1953.....	213	55	337	307	2,592	1,952	345	319	476	375	6,971	290	4.29
1954.....	242	59	326	313	2,805	2,027	323	327	418	373	7,213	296	4.25
RATES PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS												Per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births ³	
Av. 1921-25.....	..	29.1	37.7	26.0	30.5	43.1	32.9	27.9	27.0	28.7	33.9
" 1926-30.....	19.0	24.8	33.1	27.4	26.7	40.2	33.3	25.9	29.3	28.7	31.5	49.9	49.9
" 1931-35.....	21.1	34.2	34.9	28.9	29.6	35.1	28.0	24.0	25.4	24.7	30.3	45.7	45.7
" 1936-40.....	21.2	29.7	27.7	25.4	30.4	31.2	25.2	21.0	22.0	20.5	28.0	37.3	37.3
" 1941-45.....	20.5	22.8	25.6	22.6	28.5	25.6	21.8	18.9	17.4	17.5	24.7	30.8	30.8
" 1946-50.....	17.4	18.9	19.9	19.0	25.1	19.2	18.1	16.0	15.9	13.6	20.2	24.2	24.2
1951.....	16.1	21.1	18.6	18.2	22.9	17.2	17.0	13.9	14.9	13.0	18.4	23.3	23.3
1952.....	18.0	16.6	20.6	16.8	22.2	16.8	17.4	13.9	13.7	12.6	18.0	23.1	23.1
1953.....	16.6	20.1	18.4	18.7	20.1	15.0	16.2	13.5	15.2	11.8	16.7	18.6	18.6
1954.....	17.7	21.7	17.2	18.8	21.1	14.9	14.5	13.1	12.4	11.3	16.6	18.1	18.1

¹ Exclusive of Newfoundland.² Figures for Newfoundland are included for 1951-54 only.

Multiple Births.—Approximately one confinement in 85 in Canada results in the birth of more than one child. In the period 1926-54 there have been 96,555 such confinements, of which 95,667 were twins and 875 were triplets. There have been twelve sets of quadruplets and one set of quintuplets—the Dionne quintuplets who were born in 1934.

The proportion of stillbirths is higher among multiple than among single births. It is about twice as high for twins and between three and five times as high for triplets.