

## 25.—Principal Vital Statistics Rates of Selected Countries 1957

NOTE.—Countries are ranked according to the highest rates for births, marriages and natural increase and according to the lowest for deaths.  
SOURCE: United Nations publications.

Country or Province	Births		Deaths		Infant Mortality		Neonatal Mortality <sup>1</sup>		Maternal Mortality		Marriages		Natural Increase	
	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>3</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>3</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>3</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank
Australia.....	22.9	13	8.8	6	21	3	16 <sup>4</sup>	3	0.6 <sup>5</sup>	3	7.7	11	14.1	11
Austria.....	16.8	25	12.7	22	45	14	28 <sup>6</sup>	12	1.1 <sup>5</sup>	7	8.0	9	4.1	31
Belgium.....	16.9	24	12.4	21	35	11	23 <sup>5,6</sup>	9	0.8 <sup>5</sup>	5	7.6	12	4.5	30
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>6</b>
Newfoundland.....	36.0	...	7.5	...	39	...	22	...	1.3	...	7.1	...	28.5	...
Prince Edward Island.....	27.0	...	9.3	...	28	...	18	...	0.7	...	6.3	...	17.7	...
Nova Scotia.....	27.5	...	8.5	...	27	...	16	...	0.7	...	7.4	...	19.0	...
New Brunswick.....	30.1	...	8.1	...	35	...	21	...	0.3	...	7.6	...	22.0	...
Quebec.....	29.8	...	7.6	...	38	...	25	...	0.8	...	7.8	...	22.2	...
Ontario.....	26.8	...	8.7	...	25	...	18	...	0.4	...	8.3	...	18.1	...
Manitoba.....	26.0	...	8.6	...	32	...	19	...	0.4	...	7.7	...	17.4	...
Saskatchewan.....	27.2	...	7.7	...	25	...	16	...	0.2	...	7.4	...	19.5	...
Alberta.....	30.8	...	7.1	...	27	...	18	...	0.3	...	8.7	...	23.7	...
British Columbia.....	26.1	...	9.2	...	28	...	18	...	0.4	...	8.5	...	16.9	...
Yukon.....	41.2	...	7.8	...	55	...	22	...	2.0	...	9.2	...	33.4	...
Northwest Territories.....	47.4	...	17.1	...	143	...	53	...	2.2	...	8.5	...	30.3	...
Ceylon.....	36.4 <sup>4</sup>	4	9.8 <sup>4</sup>	11	67 <sup>4</sup>	18	41 <sup>4</sup>	17	3.8 <sup>4</sup>	14	6.3 <sup>4</sup>	20	26.6 <sup>4</sup>	4
Chile.....	35.4 <sup>4</sup>	5	11.9 <sup>4</sup>	19	113 <sup>4</sup>	24	39 <sup>4,6</sup>	16	2.8 <sup>5</sup>	13	8.3 <sup>4</sup>	7	23.5 <sup>4</sup>	5
Denmark.....	16.7	26	9.3	8	23	4	18 <sup>4,6</sup>	5	0.5 <sup>5</sup>	2	7.3	14	7.4	24
England and Wales.....	16.1	27	11.5	17	23	4	17	4	0.5	2	7.7	11	4.6	29
Finland.....	19.8	17	9.4	9	28	6	16 <sup>4</sup>	3	1.1 <sup>4</sup>	7	7.2	15	10.4	18
France.....	18.4	19	12.0	20	34	10	20	7	0.6 <sup>5</sup>	3	7.0	16	6.4	26
Germany, Federal Republic of.....	17.0	23	11.3	16	36	12	24	10	1.6 <sup>5</sup>	10	9.0	1	5.7	27
India <sup>7</sup> .....	24.2	10	11.8	18	100 <sup>6</sup>	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	12.4	14
Ireland.....	21.2	16	11.9	19	33	9	22	8	0.8 <sup>4</sup>	5	5.0	22	9.3	20
Italy.....	18.2	20	10.0	13	50	16	26 <sup>5</sup>	11	1.3 <sup>5</sup>	8	7.5	13	8.2	22
Japan.....	17.2	22	8.3	3	39	13	23 <sup>4</sup>	9	1.8 <sup>5</sup>	11	8.5	5	8.9	21
Mexico.....	46.9	1	12.9	23	69 <sup>4</sup>	19	29 <sup>5</sup>	13	2.2 <sup>5</sup>	12	6.5	19	34.0	2
Netherlands.....	21.2	16	7.5	1	17	1	12	1	0.6 <sup>5</sup>	3	8.5	5	13.7	12
New Zealand.....	24.9	9	9.3	8	20	2	13 <sup>4</sup>	2	0.4 <sup>5</sup>	1	7.9	10	15.6	9
Northern Ireland.....	21.5	15	10.9	15	29	7	20	7	1.1	7	6.7	18	10.6	17
Norway.....	18.2	20	8.6	5	21 <sup>5</sup>	3	13 <sup>5</sup>	2	0.7 <sup>5</sup>	4	6.9	17	9.6	19
Peru.....	36.6	3	9.0	7	94 <sup>8</sup>	21	37 <sup>8</sup>	15	...	...	3.0	23	27.6	3
Portugal.....	23.3	12	11.3	16	89	20	30 <sup>4</sup>	14	1.4 <sup>5</sup>	9	8.0	9	12.0	15
Scotland.....	19.0	18	11.9	19	29	7	20	7	0.5	2	8.3	7	7.1	25
Spain.....	21.7	14	9.8	11	48	15	22 <sup>6,9</sup>	8	1.0 <sup>5</sup>	6	8.4	6	11.9	16
Sweden.....	14.6	28	9.9	12	17	1	13	2	0.5 <sup>5</sup>	2	7.0	16	4.7	28
Switzerland.....	17.7	21	10.0	13	23	4	17 <sup>4</sup>	4	1.0 <sup>5</sup>	6	8.1	8	7.7	23
Union of South Africa (Whites).....	25.6	7	8.8	6	31 <sup>4</sup>	8	20 <sup>4</sup>	7	0.7 <sup>5</sup>	4	8.8 <sup>4</sup>	3	16.8	8
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.....	25.6 <sup>5</sup>	7	8.4 <sup>5</sup>	4	48 <sup>5</sup>	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	17.2 <sup>5</sup>	7
United States.....	25.0	8	9.6	10	26	5	19	6	0.4	1	8.9	2	15.4	10
Venezuela.....	46.7 <sup>4</sup>	2	9.9 <sup>4</sup>	12	66 <sup>4</sup>	17	...	...	...	...	5.9 <sup>4</sup>	21	36.8 <sup>4</sup>	1
Yugoslavia.....	23.5	11	10.5	14	101	23	42 <sup>5</sup>	18	...	...	8.6	4	13.0	13

<sup>1</sup> Under four weeks unless otherwise stated.    <sup>2</sup> Per 1,000 population.    <sup>3</sup> Per 1,000 live births.    <sup>4</sup> 1956.    <sup>5</sup> 1955.    <sup>6</sup> Under one month.  
<sup>7</sup> Registration area only.    <sup>8</sup> 1954.    <sup>9</sup> 1953.