

25.—Principal Vital Statistics Rates of Selected Countries, 1959

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		Neo-natal Mortality <sup>1</sup>		Maternal Mortality		Marriages		Natural Increase	
	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank	Rate <sup>2</sup>	Rank
Australia.....	22.8	14	8.9	7	21 <sup>4</sup>	4	15 <sup>4</sup>	4	0.5 <sup>4</sup>	3	7.4	15	13.7	11
Austria.....	17.5	25	12.4	24	40	15	25	13	0.8 <sup>4</sup>	6	8.3	8	5.1	24
Belgium.....	17.2	26	11.8	20	30	11	22 <sup>5</sup>	11	0.6 <sup>4</sup>	4	7.1	17	5.4	23
Canada.....	27.5	6	8.0	4	28	9	18	7	0.5	3	7.6	13	19.5	6
Newfoundland.....	33.0	...	7.1	...	39	...	22	...	0.8	...	6.4	...	25.9	...
Prince Edward Island.....	26.7	...	9.9	...	31	...	19	...	—	...	6.3	...	16.8	...
Nova Scotia.....	26.6	...	8.9	...	31	...	20	...	0.4	...	7.4	...	17.7	...
New Brunswick.....	27.9	...	8.0	...	33	...	19	...	0.4	...	7.3	...	19.9	...
Quebec.....	28.5	...	7.3	...	33	...	21	...	0.7	...	7.4	...	21.2	...
Ontario.....	26.4	...	8.5	...	24	...	17	...	0.5	...	7.8	...	17.9	...
Manitoba.....	25.8	...	8.4	...	27	...	16	...	0.6	...	7.5	...	17.4	...
Saskatchewan.....	27.0	...	7.8	...	26	...	18	...	0.4	...	7.1	...	19.2	...
Alberta.....	30.6	...	6.8	...	24	...	16	...	0.4	...	8.4	...	23.8	...
British Columbia.....	25.5	...	9.1	...	25	...	16	...	0.4	...	7.6	...	18.4	...
Yukon.....	41.3	...	6.8	...	26	...	7	...	—	...	8.4	...	34.5	...
Northwest Territories.....	47.1	...	13.8	...	129	...	54	...	5.1	...	6.2	...	33.3	...
Ceylon.....	35.8 <sup>4</sup>	4	9.7 <sup>4</sup>	13	68 <sup>5</sup>	19	39 <sup>5</sup>	17	3.9 <sup>4</sup>	14	6.1 <sup>4</sup>	22	26.1 <sup>4</sup>	4
Chile.....	33.5	5	12.5	25	127 <sup>4</sup>	24	37 <sup>4</sup>	16	3.2 <sup>4</sup>	13	7.4	15	21.0	5
Denmark.....	16.3	28	9.4	10	23	6	16 <sup>4</sup>	5	0.4 <sup>4</sup>	2	7.2	16	6.9	21
England and Wales.....	16.5	27	11.6	19	22	5	16	5	0.4	2	7.5	14	4.9	25
Finland.....	18.9	20	8.8	6	24	7	15 <sup>4</sup>	4	1.0 <sup>4</sup>	7	7.2	16	10.1	16
France.....	18.4	21	11.3	18	30	11	18	7	0.6 <sup>4</sup>	4	7.1	17	7.1	19
Germany, Federal Republic of.....	17.6	24	10.8	16	34	13	23	12	1.2 <sup>4</sup>	9	9.2	2	6.8	22
India <sup>6</sup> .....	25.7	7	12.1	23	96 <sup>5</sup>	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	13.6	12
Ireland.....	21.1	18	12.0	22	32	12	21	10	0.7	5	5.4	24	9.1	17
Italy.....	18.4	21	9.3	9	45	17	26 <sup>5</sup>	14	1.1 <sup>4</sup>	8	7.8	11	9.1	17
Japan.....	17.5	25	7.4	2	35 <sup>4</sup>	14	22 <sup>5</sup>	11	1.5 <sup>4</sup>	11	9.1	3	10.1	16
Mexico.....	47.0	2	11.9	21	74	20	28 <sup>5</sup>	15	2.2 <sup>5</sup>	12	6.4	20	35.1	2
Netherlands.....	21.3	17	7.6	3	17	2	12	1	0.4 <sup>4</sup>	2	7.8	11	13.7	11
New Zealand.....	25.1	10	9.1	8	20	3	14 <sup>4</sup>	3	0.4 <sup>4</sup>	2	7.9	10	16.0	9
Northern Ireland.....	21.9	15	10.9	17	28	9	20	9	0.6	4	6.8	18	11.0	15
Norway.....	18.0	22	8.9	7	20 <sup>5</sup>	3	12 <sup>5</sup>	1	0.5 <sup>4</sup>	3	6.5	19	9.1	17
Peru.....	36.5	3	10.1	15	88 <sup>4</sup>	21	...	...	...	...	3.5	25	26.4	3
Portugal.....	23.5	12	10.8	16	88	21	26 <sup>4</sup>	14	1.2 <sup>4</sup>	9	8.4	7	12.7	14
Scotland.....	19.1	19	12.1	23	28	9	19	8	0.4	2	7.8	11	7.0	20
Spain.....	21.6	16	8.9	7	41	16	...	...	0.8 <sup>6</sup>	6	8.1	9	12.7	14
Sweden.....	14.1	29	9.5	11	16	1	13	2	0.3 <sup>4</sup>	1	6.3	21	4.8	26
Switzerland.....	17.8	23	9.6	12	22	5	17 <sup>7</sup>	6	0.8 <sup>4</sup>	6	7.7	12	8.2	18
Union of South Africa (Whites).....	25.4	8	8.6	5	29 <sup>4</sup>	10	19 <sup>7,8</sup>	8	0.5 <sup>5</sup>	3	9.0 <sup>4</sup>	4	16.8	8
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.....	25.3 <sup>4</sup>	9	7.2 <sup>4</sup>	1	41 <sup>4</sup>	16	...	...	...	...	12.5 <sup>4</sup>	1	18.1 <sup>4</sup>	7
United States.....	24.1	11	9.4	10	26	8	19	8	0.4	2	8.5	6	14.7	10
Venezuela.....	50.8	1	9.3	9	65 <sup>4</sup>	18	28 <sup>5</sup>	15	1.4 <sup>4</sup>	10	5.8	23	41.5	1
Yugoslavia.....	23.1	13	9.8	14	91	22	37 <sup>6</sup>	16	0.3 <sup>6</sup>	1	8.7	5	13.3	13

<sup>1</sup> Under four weeks unless otherwise stated.

<sup>2</sup> Under one month.

<sup>3</sup> 1955.

<sup>4</sup> Per 1,000 population.

<sup>5</sup> Per 1,000 live births.

<sup>6</sup> 1958.

<sup>7</sup> 1957.

<sup>8</sup> Registration area only.