

**Stillbirths.**\*—The 6,471 stillbirths in 1960 represented a ratio of 13.5 for every 1,000 fetuses born alive. As is evident from Table 11, the stillbirth rate has been decreasing steadily and has been cut by more than half over the past quarter-century. Although the variations between provincial rates have never been wide, rates in some provinces have been reduced more than in others. The stillbirth rate among unmarried mothers has been consistently higher than that among married mothers, but the difference has been narrowing in recent years; in 1959, for example, the rate for unmarried mothers was actually lower than that for married mothers, but this was reversed again in 1960.

\*Although there are at present some provincial differences in the requirements for compulsory registration of stillbirths (i.e., with respect to minimum gestational age-limits and specific criteria of life), stillbirths, as referred to here, may be summarized as including "fetuses of 28 or more weeks of gestation, which did not show any sign of life".

### 11.—Stillbirths and Rates per 1,000 Live Births, by Province, 1941-60

Year	Born to All Mothers													Born to Unmarried Mothers <sup>1</sup>	
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N. W. T.	Canada <sup>2</sup>	No.	P.C. of Total
	STILLBIRTHS														
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		
Av. 1941-45	191	50	388	295	2,786	1,988	345	348	327	309	1	6	6,845	355	5.20
" 1946-50	215	54	358	320	2,898	2,020	349	350	385	352	2	8	7,187	343	4.85
" 1951-55	222	52	337	291	2,705	2,017	336	313	425	374	6	11	7,088	316	4.60
1956.....	260	51	337	331	2,584	1,969	316	291	409	413	4	11	6,976	311	4.63
1957.....	259	46	325	252	2,551	1,999	302	280	385	422	5	11	6,837	299	4.55
1958.....	267	42	319	254	2,424	2,017	309	270	395	414	5	10	6,726	286	4.43
1959.....	307	54	261	252	2,324	2,016	299	247	376	404	6	14	6,560	237	3.79
1960.....	275	36	279	246	2,346	1,960	279	221	373	437	7	12	6,471	320	5.16
	RATES PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS													Rate per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births <sup>1</sup>	
Av. 1941-45	20.5	22.8	25.6	22.6	28.5	25.6	21.8	18.9	17.4	17.5	11.4	15.7	24.7	30.8	
" 1946-50	17.4	18.9	19.9	19.0	25.1	19.2	18.1	16.0	15.9	13.6	8.7	12.5	20.2	24.2	
" 1951-55	17.0	19.0	18.4	17.7	21.0	15.6	15.7	13.3	13.7	11.9	14.1	16.5	17.0	20.3	
1956.....	17.9	19.2	17.6	20.0	19.0	13.7	14.4	12.1	11.7	11.4	8.3	14.0	15.5	18.3	
1957.....	16.9	17.2	16.8	14.8	18.0	13.2	13.5	11.7	10.8	10.9	10.1	12.2	14.6	16.6	
1958.....	18.0	16.3	16.9	15.5	17.1	13.2	14.2	11.3	10.7	10.5	10.6	10.6	14.3	15.5	
1959.....	20.7	19.9	13.7	15.3	16.3	12.8	13.1	10.2	9.9	10.1	11.2	14.1	13.7	12.0	
1960.....	18.1	13.2	14.6	15.1	17.0	12.3	12.0	9.2	9.6	10.9	13.0	11.0	13.5	16.2	

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of Newfoundland for all years and the Yukon and Northwest Territories for 1941-50. <sup>2</sup> Figures for Newfoundland are included from 1949.