

## 15.—Distribution of Infant Deaths, by Province and Sex, 1941-60—concluded

Province or Territory and Year	Males	Females	Rate per 1,000 Male Live Births	Rate per 1,000 Female Live Births	Territory and Year	Males	Females	Rate per 1,000 Male Live Births	Rate per 1,000 Female Live Births	
	No.	No.				No.	No.			
British Columbia..	1941	316	236	41	Northwest Territories.....	1951	43	27	136	
	1951	487	352	34		1957	66	63	151	136
	1957	619	477	32		1958	86	57	169	131
	1958	600	477	30		1959	72	56	140	118
	1959	568	426	28		1960	89	69	157	131
	1960	542	404	26		21				
Yukon Territory...	1951	10	9	58	Canada.....	1941 <sup>1</sup>	8,788	6,448	67	52
	1957	17	10	66		1951	8,375	6,298	43	34
	1958	12	8	48		1957	8,313	6,204	34	27
	1959	9	5	34		1958	8,152	6,026	34	26
	1959	9	5	34		1959	7,827	5,768	32	25
	1960	16	10	57		1960	7,572	5,505	31	24

<sup>1</sup> Excludes Newfoundland and the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

**Age at Death.**—In 1960 the ages of the 13,077 infants who died within a year of birth were by no means evenly spread over the twelve-month span. In fact, 11,834 or 90 p.c. of the infants were less than six months old and 8,410 or 64 p.c. were less than one month old. There was a sharp drop to 1,063 in the second month with gradual reductions thereafter to the eleventh month. Of the 8,410 deaths during the first month, 7,307 occurred in the first week of life and no less than 4,467 took place in the first day.

**Causes of Infant Deaths.**—In 1960 more than two-thirds of the infant deaths were caused by immaturity, congenital malformations, pneumonia, postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis, and injury at birth. Immaturity was the underlying cause of 2,261 deaths, followed closely by congenital malformations with 2,076 fatalities. Pneumonia took the lives of 1,869 infants. Postnatal asphyxia accounted for 1,522 deaths and injury at birth for 1,265.

## 16.—Infant Mortality and Rates per 100,000 Live Births, by Cause, 1958-60

International List No.	Cause of Death	Numbers of Deaths			Rates per 100,000 Live Births		
		1958	1959	1960	1958	1959	1960
001-019	Tuberculosis.....	27	18	7	6	4	1
020-029	Syphilis.....	4	1	—	1	—	—
045-048	Dysentery.....	12	9	23	3	2	5
050	Scarlet fever.....	1	2	1	—	—	—
052	Erysipelas.....	—	2	—	—	—	—
055	Diphtheria.....	—	—	—	—	—	—
056	Whooping cough.....	32	39	63	7	8	13
057	Meningococcal infections.....	28	25	35	6	5	7
085	Measles.....	35	28	27	7	6	6
140-239	Neoplasms.....	43	53	44	9	11	9
273	Diseases of thymus gland.....	32	29	23	7	6	5
325	Mental deficiency.....	48	65	52	10	14	11
340	Meningitis (non-meningococcal).....	112	79	89	24	16	19
391, 392	Otitis media.....	92	89	86	20	19	18
470-475	Acute upper respiratory infections.....	56	59	57	12	12	12
480-483	Influenza.....	204	175	119	43	37	25
490-493	Pneumonia (4 weeks and over).....	1,557	1,389	1,415	331	290	296
500-502	Bronchitis.....	133	105	105	28	22	22
543	Gastritis and duodenitis.....	4	2	5	1	—	1
560-570	Hernia and intestinal obstruction.....	117	102	97	25	21	20
571	Gastro-enteritis and colitis.....	590	490	483	126	102	101
572	Chronic enteritis, and ulcerative colitis.....	5	1	5	1	—	1