

70 p.c. of all marriages are between persons of the same religious denomination; in 1963 among those of Jewish faith it was about 90 p.c.; among Roman Catholics about 87 p.c.; United Church about 59 p.c.; and Eastern Orthodox about 63 p.c.

29.—Marriages by Religious Denominations of Contracting Parties, 1963

Denomination of Bridegroom	Denomination of Bride										Total Marriages	P.C. of Grooms
	Angli-can	Bapt-ist	East-ern Orth-odox	Jew-ish	Luth-eran	Pres-byter-ian	Roman Cath-olic ¹	United Church	Other Sects	Not Stated		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Anglican.....	7,138	572	87	20	414	584	2,032	3,353	590	—	14,790	11.3
Baptist.....	591	1,932	14	3	108	181	433	907	289	1	4,459	3.4
Eastern Orthodox.....	139	23	1,335	6	86	25	365	242	41	—	2,262	1.7
Jewish.....	32	5	6	1,303	11	8	60	32	28	—	1,485	1.1
Lutheran.....	515	121	45	3	1,994	160	871	1,037	298	1	5,045	3.8
Presbyterian.....	698	170	27	8	133	1,610	595	1,080	176	—	4,497	3.4
Roman Catholic ¹	2,131	450	239	32	723	547	55,381	2,671	991	3	63,168	48.2
United Church.....	3,362	833	181	20	737	1,007	2,715	14,049	1,024	2	24,530	18.7
Other sects.....	861	321	60	21	336	222	1,208	1,340	6,479	1	10,849	8.3
Not stated.....	4	—	2	—	—	—	6	4	4	6	26	...
Totals.....	15,471	4,427	1,996	1,416	4,542	4,344	63,666	25,315	9,920	14	131,111	100.0
P.C. of brides.....	11.8	3.4	1.5	1.1	3.5	3.3	48.6	19.3	7.6	...	100.0	70.0 ²

¹ Includes Greek Catholic.

² Percentage of marriages between contracting parties of the same religious denomination.

Subsection 2.—Divorces

Before World War I the number of divorces granted in Canada was very small, and represented less than one per 1,000 of the yearly number of marriages. After that War, however, there was a definite upward trend; the number advanced to 8,213 in 1947, declined gradually to a postwar low of 5,270 in 1951 and from 1953 to 1963 fluctuated between 5,923 and 7,686. The 1964 preliminary figure of 8,589 was the highest on record.

30.—Dissolutions of Marriage (Divorces), by Province, 1941-64

NOTE.—Figures for individual years from 1900 to 1953 are given in the 1956 Year Book, p. 230, and for 1954-60 in the 1963 edition, pp. 263-264.

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada
NUMBERS											
Ay. 1941-45.....	..	2	92	104	99	1,398	305	207	432	937	3,576
" 1946-50.....	..	21	185	245	303	2,839	500	383	724	1,676	6,877
" 1951-55.....	5	10	212	167	327	2,430	356	231	612	1,461	5,811
" 1956-60.....	5	4	227	194	403	2,801	315	247	788	1,514	6,498
1961.....	6	8	245	194	348	2,739	312	251	1,039	1,397	6,563 ¹
1962.....	—	5	229	181	—	3,140	339	281	1,084	1,490	6,768 ²
1963.....	8	8	271	172	491	3,237	369	331	1,268	1,516	7,686 ²
1964 ^p	7	5	315	210	834	3,474	418	315	1,389	1,596	8,589 ^{1,5}
RATES PER 100,000 POPULATION											
Ay. 1941-45.....	..	2.2	15.4	22.4	2.9	35.8	42.0	24.4	54.3	104.8	30.3
" 1946-50.....	..	22.1	29.7	49.3	8.0	66.4	66.8	45.9	84.6	155.8	53.0
" 1951-55.....	1.8	9.8	32.0	31.4	7.6	49.2	44.0	26.9	60.3	116.8	39.1
" 1956-60.....	1.2	4.0	32.0	33.9	8.2	48.4	35.9	27.6	65.3	99.8	38.2
1961.....	1.3	7.6	33.2	32.4	6.6	43.9	33.9	27.1	78.0	85.8	36.0 ¹
1962.....	—	4.7	30.7	29.8	—	49.5	36.3	30.2	79.1	89.8	36.4 ²
1963.....	1.7	7.5	35.8	28.0	9.0	50.2	38.8	35.5	90.2	89.4	40.7 ²
1964 ^p	1.4	4.7	41.4	34.0	15.0	52.7	43.6	33.4	97.0	91.8	44.74 ^{1,5}

¹ Includes 24 in Yukon Territory.

² Includes 14 in Yukon Territory and five in the Northwest Territories.

³ Includes 13 in Yukon Territory and two in the Northwest Territories. ⁴ Includes 24 in Yukon Territory and two in the Northwest Territories. ⁵ Includes Bills of Divorce passed by the House of Commons during the 1964-65 Session of Parliament.