

3.—Sex Ratios of Live Births, 1941-66

NOTE.—Figures for Newfoundland are included from 1949 and those for the Yukon and Northwest Territories from 1950.

Year	Males	Females	Males to 1,000 Females	Year	Males	Females	Males to 1,000 Females
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1941.....	131,175	124,142	1,057	1959.....	246,073	233,202	1,055
1951.....	195,918	185,174	1,058	1960.....	246,029	232,522	1,058
1952.....	208,070	195,489	1,064	1961.....	244,403	231,297	1,057
1953.....	214,423	203,461	1,054	1962.....	240,870	228,823	1,053
1954.....	224,168	212,030	1,057	1963.....	238,865	226,902	1,053
1955.....	227,382	215,555	1,055	1964.....	232,657	220,258	1,056
1956.....	231,697	219,042	1,058	1965.....	215,112	203,483	1,057
1957.....	241,073	228,020	1,057	1966.....	198,528	188,782	1,054
1958.....	241,675	228,443	1,058				

Hospitalized Births.—In 1966, 99.2 p.c. of all Canadian births occurred in hospitals as compared with 88.4 p.c. ten years previously. Table 4 shows the rise in hospitalized births in each province since 1941. Before the initiation in 1958 of the federal-provincial hospital insurance programs—in which all provinces were participating by 1961—there were rather wide variations among the provinces in percentages of hospitalized births. Such variations were caused by the existence of prepaid or provincially sponsored hospital, maternity or medical care plans in some provinces, the unavailability of hospital facilities in others—particularly in remote rural areas—and preference for home delivery in some local areas. Although some variation still exists, the operation of the hospital insurance program has probably been responsible for the noticeable increases in hospitalized births in provinces that previously had lower proportions, for example, in New Brunswick where the hospital insurance plan was put into effect on July 1, 1959, and in Quebec where the plan went into effect in 1961.

4.—Percentages of Live Births Hospitalized, by Province, 1941-66

Year	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	N.W.T.	Canada ¹
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
1941....	32.7	50.4	30.8	17.6	67.5	73.6	63.2	77.1	87.3	48.9
1951....	88.3	87.2	70.7	53.0	93.1	93.1	95.2	93.6	97.3	87.4	32.8	79.1
1956....	95.2	93.9	84.7	71.2	97.3	95.8	97.6	96.6	98.3	87.7	44.6	88.4
1957....	96.7	95.1	86.8	75.6	97.9	96.4	98.3	97.5	98.5	91.3	38.6	90.2
1958....	99.0	96.2	88.5	79.3	98.0	96.8	98.5	97.7	98.5	92.6	42.1	91.7
1959....	99.2	98.0	93.5	82.3	98.6	97.4	98.5	98.0	98.6	88.6	45.7	93.1
1960....	99.4	98.6	97.7	85.2	99.0	98.0	99.0	98.5	98.8	93.3	51.7	94.6
1961....	99.3	98.9	99.0	92.3	99.3	98.2	98.8	98.6	98.9	92.8	57.1	96.9
1962....	99.6	99.2	99.4	95.0	99.4	98.5	98.8	98.7	98.9	95.4	55.9	97.8
1963....	99.8	99.3	99.4	96.5	99.6	98.2	99.1	98.9	99.1	93.0	64.3	98.3
1964....	99.5	99.4	99.7	97.6	99.6	98.7	98.9	99.0	99.0	94.4	61.3	98.7
1965....	99.9	99.4	99.7	98.4	99.6	98.8	99.3	99.0	99.2	94.9	68.1	99.0
1966....	99.8	99.6	99.8	98.8	99.7	98.9	99.3	99.0	99.2	93.2	77.6	99.2

¹ Excludes Newfoundland for which data are not available.