

## 28.—Brides and Bridegrooms, by Age and Marital Status, 1965—concluded

Age Group	BRIDEGROOMS							
	Numbers				Percentages			
	Bachelors	Widowers	Divorced	Total	Bachelors	Widowers	Divorced	Total
15—19 years.....	10,166	1	—	10,167	7.6	--	—	7.0
20—24 ".....	74,422	35	247	74,704	55.9	0.6	3.8	51.3
25—29 ".....	31,614	128	1,201	32,943	23.8	2.1	18.6	22.6
30—34 ".....	9,246	220	1,324	10,790	6.9	3.7	20.6	7.4
35—39 ".....	3,740	331	1,181	5,252	2.8	5.5	18.3	3.6
40—44 ".....	1,858	481	897	3,236	1.4	8.1	13.9	2.2
45—49 ".....	863	537	682	2,082	0.6	9.0	10.6	1.4
50—54 ".....	524	724	468	1,716	0.4	12.1	7.3	1.2
55—59 ".....	297	807	247	1,351	0.2	13.5	3.8	0.9
60—64 ".....	198	824	130	1,152	0.1	13.8	2.0	0.8
65 years or over.....	176	1,882	65	2,123	0.1	31.5	1.0	1.5
<b>Totals, Stated Ages..</b>	<b>133,104</b>	<b>5,970</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>145,516</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Age not stated.....	3	—	—	3	...	...	...	...
<b>Totals, All Ages.....</b>	<b>133,107</b>	<b>5,970</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>145,519</b>	<b>91.5</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Average ages..... yrs.	25.3	56.5	38.5	27.2	...	...	...	...
Median ages <sup>1</sup> ..... "	23.7	58.3	36.9	24.1	...	...	...	...

<sup>1</sup> The ages below and above which half of the marriages occurred.

**Religious Denominations of Brides and Bridegrooms.**—The distribution of brides and bridegrooms by religious denominations is roughly the same as that for the population as a whole. Table 29 shows the very strong influence that religion has on marriage. Nearly 69 p.c. of all marriages are between persons of the same religious denomination; in 1965 among those of Jewish faith it was about 90 p.c.; among Roman Catholics about 86 p.c.; United Church about 57 p.c.; and Eastern Orthodox about 68 p.c.

## 29.—Marriages by Religious Denominations of Contracting Parties, 1965

Denomination of Bridegroom	Denomination of Bride										Total Marriages	P.C. of Grooms
	Anglican	Baptist	Eastern Orthodox	Jewish	Lutheran	Presbyterian	Roman Catholic <sup>1</sup>	United Church	Other Sects	Not Stated		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		
Anglican.....	7,726	598	91	14	431	756	2,571	3,700	765	6	16,658	11.4
Baptist.....	665	2,117	24	3	129	171	588	958	344	3	5,002	3.4
Eastern Orthodox.....	147	25	1,873	5	87	23	428	256	77	1	2,922	2.0
Jewish.....	30	6	3	1,450	11	14	71	34	36	—	1,655	1.1
Lutheran.....	600	146	71	2	1,928	135	925	1,003	339	1	5,150	3.5
Presbyterian.....	814	173	31	6	131	1,639	781	1,223	212	2	5,012	3.4
Roman Catholic <sup>1</sup> .....	2,668	519	296	29	789	605	60,056	3,476	1,156	6	69,600	47.8
United Church.....	3,825	818	172	16	856	1,085	3,328	15,620	1,202	5	26,927	18.5
Other sects.....	1,006	366	67	35	362	259	1,558	1,609	7,265	4	12,531	8.6
Not stated.....	6	4	1	—	2	1	14	5	9	20	62	...
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>17,487</b>	<b>4,772</b>	<b>2,629</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>4,726</b>	<b>4,688</b>	<b>70,320</b>	<b>27,884</b>	<b>11,405</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>145,519</b>	<b>100.0</b>
P.C. of brides....	12.0	3.3	1.8	1.1	3.2	3.2	48.3	19.2	7.8	...	100.0	68.5 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Includes Greek Catholic denomination.

<sup>2</sup> Percentage of marriages between contracting parties of the same religious denomination.