

**4.49 Marriages and rate per 1,000 population, by province, with percentage distribution of bridegrooms and brides by birthplace, 1951, 1961, 1971 and 1972**

Province or territory	Year	Total marriages	Rate per 1,000 population	Born in province where married		Born in other provinces		Born outside Canada	
				Grooms %	Brides %	Grooms %	Brides %	Grooms %	Brides %
Newfoundland	1951	2,517	7.0	85.2	96.7	2.4	1.9	12.4	1.4
	1961	3,306	7.2	88.0	97.2	3.8	1.6	8.2	1.2
	1971	4,685	9.0	91.6	95.3	4.2	3.3	4.2	1.4
	1972	5,106	9.6	91.2	95.4	5.0	2.9	3.8	1.7
Prince Edward Island	1951	583	5.9	82.3	91.1	12.9	6.0	4.8	2.9
	1961	624	6.0	81.7	89.6	15.4	7.2	2.9	3.2
	1971	961	8.6	78.9	88.1	17.4	9.5	3.7	2.4
	1972	1,013	9.0	77.8	88.5	17.3	9.2	4.9	2.3
Nova Scotia	1951	5,094	7.9	78.2	86.7	15.9	9.0	6.0	4.3
	1961	5,292	7.2	75.2	87.8	18.8	8.8	6.0	3.4
	1971	6,883	8.7	77.9	85.6	16.2	10.9	5.9	3.5
	1972	7,291	9.2	78.5	85.6	15.7	10.9	5.8	3.5
New Brunswick	1951	4,386	8.5	80.0	86.9	10.1	6.7	9.8	6.4
	1961	4,504	7.5	75.4	86.3	14.9	7.9	9.7	5.8
	1971	6,149	9.7	77.9	86.2	14.8	9.5	7.2	4.3
	1972	6,455	10.0	80.7	86.4	12.9	9.3	6.4	4.3
Quebec	1951	35,704	8.8	86.7	89.5	6.1	5.5	7.2	5.0
	1961	35,943	6.8	83.6	87.4	5.7	4.8	10.7	7.8
	1971	49,695	8.2	84.2	88.1	5.2	4.3	10.7	7.6
	1972	53,830	8.9	85.3	88.7	4.8	4.2	9.9	7.1
Ontario	1951	45,198	9.8	65.9	72.4	14.6	12.2	19.5	15.4
	1961	44,434	7.1	61.5	67.2	12.9	11.0	25.6	21.8
	1971	69,590	9.0	60.1	66.1	12.7	11.2	27.2	22.7
	1972	72,278	9.2	61.9	67.3	12.2	10.7	25.9	22.0
Manitoba	1951	7,366	9.5	67.9	75.1	15.4	13.3	16.8	11.6
	1961	6,512	7.1	66.6	74.5	18.5	14.5	14.8	11.0
	1971	9,127	9.2	67.1	75.2	17.7	13.8	15.1	11.0
	1972	9,181	9.3	68.1	75.3	17.0	13.6	14.9	11.1
Saskatchewan	1951	6,805	8.2	78.3	86.4	10.7	6.4	11.1	7.2
	1961	6,149	6.6	79.3	85.8	11.9	8.7	8.8	5.5
	1971	7,813	8.4	78.9	85.3	14.4	10.1	6.6	4.6
	1972	7,877	8.6	78.9	86.7	15.1	9.3	6.0	4.0
Alberta	1951	9,305	9.9	56.0	67.4	25.7	19.6	18.3	13.0
	1961	10,474	7.9	54.4	62.3	25.8	21.8	19.8	15.9
	1971	15,614	9.6	54.8	62.0	28.5	24.4	16.6	13.5
	1972	16,345	9.9	55.3	63.3	28.3	24.0	16.4	12.7
British Columbia	1951	11,272	9.7	35.5	41.6	43.1	43.0	21.3	15.5
	1961	10,964	6.7	36.4	45.9	35.9	32.4	27.7	21.8
	1971	20,389	9.3	43.1	50.5	32.1	29.3	24.9	20.3
	1972	20,659	9.2	43.2	50.5	32.2	29.1	24.6	20.4
Yukon Territory	1961	128	8.8	12.5	24.2	63.3	52.3	24.2	23.4
	1971	166	9.0	10.2	20.5	67.5	59.0	22.3	20.5
	1972	181	9.5	11.0	21.5	66.3	60.8	22.7	17.7
Northwest Territories	1961	145	6.3	54.5	61.4	35.9	31.7	9.7	6.9
	1971	252	7.2	41.3	55.6	43.3	33.3	15.5	11.1
	1972	254	7.1	38.2	47.3	48.0	42.9	13.8	9.8
Canada	1951 <sup>1</sup>	128,230	9.2	70.5	76.5	15.1	12.8	14.5	10.6
	1961	128,475	7.0	67.9	74.2	14.3	11.7	17.9	14.1
	1971	191,324	8.9	67.2	73.2	14.5	12.3	18.3	14.5
	1972	200,470	9.2	68.7	74.1	14.0	11.9	17.3	14.0

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

**4.50 Brides and bridegrooms, by age and marital status, 1972**

Age group	Brides				Percentage			
	Spinsters	Widows	Divorced	Total	Spinsters	Widows	Divorced	Total
Under 15 years	117	—	—	117	0.1	—	—	0.1
15-19	57,274	15	54	57,343	32.4	0.2	0.4	28.6
20-24	91,814	207	2,025	94,046	51.8	2.6	13.1	46.9
25-29	19,175	375	3,865	23,415	10.8	4.7	25.0	11.7
30-34	4,440	408	2,922	7,770	2.5	5.2	19.0	3.9
35-39	1,774	451	2,057	4,282	1.0	5.7	13.4	2.1
40-44	1,025	652	1,625	3,302	0.6	8.2	10.6	1.6
45-49	578	999	1,351	2,928	0.3	12.6	8.8	1.5
50-54	437	1,144	823	2,404	0.2	14.6	5.3	1.2
55-59	243	1,125	413	1,781	0.1	14.2	2.7	0.9
60-64	151	1,093	181	1,425	0.1	13.8	1.2	0.7
65 years and over	122	1,444	85	1,651	0.1	18.2	0.5	0.8
Total, stated ages	177,150	7,913	15,401	200,464	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Age not stated	5	—	1	6	...	...	...	...
Total, all ages	177,155	7,913	15,402	200,470	...	...	...	...
Average age	yr	22.6	52.4	35.2	24.7	...	...	...
Median age <sup>1</sup>	yr	20.7	52.7	32.0	21.3	...	...	...