

2.39 Marriages by religious denominations (concluded)

Year and denomination of bridegroom	Denomination of bride										Total marriages	Percentage of groom	
	Angli-can	Bap-tist	Greek Ortho-dox	Jewish	Luth-eran	Pres-by-terian	Roman Catho-lic	United Church	Other sects	Not stated			
1981													
Anglican	6,388	565	133	58	552	654	4,808	3,580	1,719	87	18,544	12.4	
Baptist	606	2,180	22	14	113	169	925	766	623	14	5,432	3.6	
Greek Orthodox	146	21	777	8	80	39	457	191	198	8	1,925	1.3	
Jewish	59	9	6	1,136	13	11	139	72	139	6	1,590	1.1	
Lutheran	544	139	51	7	1,263	139	1,231	1,021	567	37	4,999	3.4	
Presbyterian	695	166	25	5	179	1,321	1,194	958	387	17	4,947	3.3	
Roman Catholic	4,617	876	303	102	1,262	1,067	25,657	6,048	5,004	212	45,148	30.3	
United Church	3,412	698	169	36	981	917	6,122	12,499	2,003	80	26,917	18.0	
Other sects	2,125	705	181	145	761	531	5,866	2,788	24,342	111	37,555	25.2	
Not stated	118	29	7	12	50	23	297	167	139	1,178	2,020	1.4	
Total	18,710	5,388	1,674	1,523	5,254	4,871	46,696	28,090	35,121	1,750	149,077	100.0	
Percentage of brides	12.6	3.6	1.1	1.0	3.5	3.3	31.3	18.8	23.6	1.2	100.0	...	

2.40 Divorces and rates

Province or territory	Number		Per cent change	Rate per 100,000 population		Per cent change
	1971	1981		1971	1981	
	1971-81	1971-81	1971-81	1971-81		
Newfoundland	150	569	279.3	28.7	100.2	249.1
Prince Edward Island	61	187	206.6	54.7	152.6	179.0
Nova Scotia	721	2,285	216.9	91.6	269.6	194.3
New Brunswick	483	1,334	176.2	76.1	191.6	151.8
Quebec	5,203	19,193	268.9	86.3	298.1	245.4
Ontario	12,211	21,680	77.5	158.5	251.4	58.6
Manitoba	1,384	2,399	73.3	140.1	233.8	66.9
Saskatchewan	816	1,932	136.8	88.1	199.5	126.4
Alberta	3,656	8,418	130.3	224.6	376.2	67.5
British Columbia	4,928	9,533	93.4	225.6	347.4	54.0
Yukon	47	75	59.6	255.4	324.0	26.9
Northwest Territories	25	66	164.0	71.8	144.3	101.0
Canada	29,685	67,671	128.0	137.6	278.0	102.0

2.41 Alleged grounds for divorce by type of offence

Alleged grounds	1977		1978		1979		1980		1981	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Marital offence										
Adultery	22,649	30.3	24,082	31.1	25,064	31.2	25,521	31.0	28,241	31.1
Physical cruelty	11,221	15.0	12,071	15.6	12,361	15.4	12,316	14.9	13,417	14.8
Mental cruelty	13,981	18.7	15,147	19.6	16,005	19.9	16,617	20.1	19,768	21.8
Other	207	0.3	229	0.3	187	0.2	173	0.2	184	0.2
Total	48,058	64.3	51,529	66.6	53,617	66.7	54,627	66.2	61,610	67.9
Marriage breakdown by reason of:										
Addiction to alcohol	1,791	2.4	1,655	2.1	1,671	2.1	1,508	1.8	1,543	1.7
Separation for not less than 3 years	22,447	30.1	22,163	28.6	23,097	28.8	24,689	30.0	26,059	28.8
Desertion by petitioner for not less than 5 years	1,870	2.5	1,578	2.0	1,485	1.8	1,267	1.5	1,066	1.2
Other	514	0.7	497	0.7	459	0.6	423	0.5	400	0.4
Total	26,622	35.7	25,893	33.4	26,712	33.3	27,887	33.8	29,068	32.1
Total, alleged grounds¹	74,680	100.0	77,422	100.0	80,329	100.0	82,514	100.0	90,678	100.0

¹Totals are higher than the number of divorces because some divorce decrees involve more than one alleged ground.