

Marriages by Religious Denominations of Contracting Parties.—This analysis shows the very strong influence that the religious denominations of brides and grooms exerts in marriage. The 88,438 marriages that took place in 1938 are roughly divided among the various denominations in proportion as the total population is so divided. In all the denominations shown in Table 13, however, the ratio of grooms marrying brides of the same denominations is over 50 p.c. with the exception of Presbyterians when the percentage is 41·93. On such a percentage basis, the Jewish faith ranks first with 96·23 of the grooms marrying Jewish brides; the Roman Catholics are a close second with 92·06 p.c.; Greek Catholics and Protestant are in third and fourth places, each with between 70 and 75 p.c.; members of the United Church show slightly over 68 p.c., while Anglicans, Lutherans, and Baptists have each between 50 and 55 p.c.

13.—Marriages¹ Classified by Religious Denominations, 1937 and 1938

Denomination of Groom	Total Grooms	Denominations of Brides										
		Anglican	Baptist	Greek Catholic	Jewish	Lutheran	Presbyterian	Protestant	Roman Catholic	United Church	Other Sects	Not Stated
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1937												
Anglican.....	12,742	6,923	559	38	7	266	996	41	1,015	2,611	282	4
Baptist.....	4,136	555	2,085	9	1	83	248	11	195	794	153	2
Greek Catholic.....	1,343	18	8	1,016	2	17	9	10	171	23	67	2
Jewish.....	1,620	8	4	1	1,563	Nil	8	3	14	17	1	1
Lutheran.....	3,211	279	109	33	3	1,713	147	37	242	477	169	2
Presbyterian.....	6,668	1,297	329	21	4	150	2,764	40	520	1,372	170	1
Protestant ²	1,943	81	35	10	1	45	40	1,358	238	102	32	1
Roman Catholic.....	34,923	697	159	208	9	197	271	163	32,402	653	158	6
United Church.....	16,861	2,182	655	35	2	338	923	56	783	11,529	354	4
Other sects.....	4,305	265	137	72	1	112	124	14	216	362	3,000	2
Not stated.....	48	6	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	3	Nil	9	7	2	19
Totals.....	87,800	12,311	4,082	1,443	1,593	2,921	5,533	1,733	35,865	17,947	4,388	44
1938												
Anglican.....	12,743	6,813	602	29	6	264	957	57	1,052	2,684	276	3
Baptist.....	4,098	583	2,074	11	2	74	224	11	216	758	144	1
Greek Catholic.....	1,405	15	4	1,053	2	21	10	4	198	26	72	Nil
Jewish.....	1,565	13	2	Nil	1,506	4	8	5	16	7	3	1
Lutheran.....	3,279	320	100	30	Nil	1,695	138	44	275	487	188	2
Presbyterian.....	6,325	1,133	315	22	3	151	2,652	34	519	1,336	159	1
Protestant ²	2,219	87	25	11	2	45	41	1,584	259	121	44	Nil
Roman Catholic.....	34,597	758	174	218	7	212	276	205	31,849	690	203	5
United Church.....	17,731	2,265	715	39	10	355	896	60	918	12,079	387	7
Other sects.....	4,421	278	140	82	7	125	118	34	228	404	3,002	3
Not stated.....	55	6	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	11	11	5	17
Totals.....	88,438	12,271	4,155	1,495	1,545	2,946	5,321	2,038	35,541	18,603	4,483	40

¹ Exclusive of the Territories.

² Reported as "Protestant" without further information.

Marriage Rates in Various Countries.—For comparative purposes, the crude marriage rates per 1,000 of population in various countries of the world and in the provinces of Canada are shown for the indicated years in Table 14.