

26.—Infantile Mortality, by Provinces, together with the rate per 1,000 Living Births, 1920-1924.

Provinces.	Infant Deaths.					Infant Death Rate per 1,000 Births.				
	1920.	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1920.	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.					
Prince Edward Island.....	184	180	153	176	131	80.0	83.5	70.8	89.0	74.3
Nova Scotia.....	1,537	1,311	1,239	1,139	1,109	116.5	100.7	97.6	97.5	94.8
New Brunswick.....	1,454	1,299	1,194	1,135	1,085	134.9	113.3	103.3	106.0	101.8
Ontario.....	7,497	6,763	5,921	5,950	5,433	103.7	91.2	82.9	84.9	76.4
Manitoba.....	1,882	1,533	1,669	1,411	1,171	102.7	83.0	94.4	85.7	75.8
Saskatchewan.....	1,958	1,814	1,913	1,925	1,622	85.7	80.6	85.6	91.9	76.9
Alberta.....	1,545	1,391	1,475	1,418	1,202	93.5	84.0	91.3	94.2	84.3
British Columbia.....	638	602	692	668	529	60.8	56.5	68.1	66.8	54.5
Canada (Registration Area).....	16,695	14,893	14,256	13,822	12,282	100.1	88.1	86.8	88.1	78.9
Quebec.....	14,134	11,387	11,297	11,011	-	163.7	128.3	127.8	131.7	-
Canada (exclusive of the Territories)	30,829	26,280	25,553	24,833	-	121.8	102.0	101.2	103.2	-

Infantile Mortality by Causes of Death.—Thirteen principal causes of death accounted in the years 1921 to 1923 for about 85 p.c. of the infantile mortality experienced in the registration area, as is shown in Table 27. It is noteworthy that three causes present at birth, *viz.*, premature birth and injuries at birth, congenital debility and congenital malformations, accounted for more than 43 p.c. of the infant deaths of 1923. Indeed, in that year 50.46 p.c. of all infants dying were less than one month old, and 35.15 p.c. less than one week old, as is shown in Table 28.

27.—Infant Deaths in the Registration Area of Canada, by Sex and Principal Causes, with percentages and death rates due to each cause, 1921-1923.

Causes of Death.	Years:	Male.	Female.	Total.	Percentage distribution by cause of death.	Rate per 1,000 living births.
Premature birth and injuries at birth.....	1921	1,862	1,391	3,253	21.8	19.3
	1922	2,013	1,494	3,507	24.6	21.4
	1923	2,027	1,485	3,512	25.4	22.4
Diarrhoea and enteritis.....	1921	1,348	969	2,317	15.6	13.7
	1922	1,199	924	2,123	14.9	12.9
	1923	864	577	1,441	10.4	9.2
Congenital debility.....	1921	1,322	943	2,265	15.2	13.4
	1922	1,154	815	1,969	13.8	12.0
	1923	938	662	1,600	11.6	10.2
Pneumonia.....	1921	918	676	1,594	10.7	9.4
	1922	904	670	1,574	11.0	9.6
	1923	978	756	1,734	12.5	11.1
Bronchitis.....	1921	150	116	266	1.8	1.6
	1922	105	96	201	1.4	1.2
	1923	118	97	215	1.6	1.4
Congenital malformations.....	1921	470	363	833	5.6	4.9
	1922	506	387	893	6.3	5.4
	1923	488	434	922	6.7	5.9
Convulsions.....	1921	335	207	542	3.6	3.2
	1922	292	208	500	3.5	3.1
	1923	227	170	397	2.9	2.5
Influenza.....	1921	92	61	153	1.0	0.9
	1922	230	161	391	2.7	2.4
	1923	335	241	576	4.2	3.7
Epidemic, endemic and infectious diseases.....	1921	448	403	851	5.7	5.0
	1922	383	313	696	4.9	4.2
	1923	489	434	923	6.7	5.9