

**11.—Live Births in Urban Centres of 10,000 Population or Over, 1941-44, by Place of Residence, with Five-Year Averages, 1926-40, by Place of Occurrence—concluded**

Province and Urban Centre	Census Populations		Average, 1926-30	Average, 1931-35	Average, 1936-40	1941	1942	1943	1944
	1931	1941							
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Manitoba—</b>									
Brandon.....	17,082	17,383	392	303	278	269	336	431	389
St. Boniface.....	16,305	18,157	843	1,064	1,290	374	393	440	471
Winnipeg.....	218,785	221,960	4,527	3,944	3,785	3,604	4,001	4,389	4,165
<b>Saskatchewan—</b>									
Moose Jaw.....	21,299	20,753	623	464	496	385	466	533	470
Prince Albert.....	9,905	12,508	334	398	508	301	337	329	365
Regina.....	53,209	58,245	1,368	1,270	1,331	1,100	1,154	1,246	1,155
Saskatoon.....	43,291	43,027	1,058	955	928	754	801	854	899
<b>Alberta—</b>									
Calgary.....	83,761	88,904	1,806	1,695	1,720	1,761	1,968	2,139	2,190
Edmonton.....	79,197	93,817	2,122	2,246	2,731	1,891	2,108	2,538	2,565
Lethbridge.....	13,489	14,612	436	531	638	261	377	391	409
Medicine Hat.....	10,300	10,571	385	359	355	223	248	333	332
<b>British Columbia—</b>									
New Westminster...	17,524	21,967	525	558	789	480	438	541	504
Vancouver.....	246,593	275,353	3,776	3,359	4,039	4,449	5,216	5,780	5,827
Victoria.....	39,082	44,068	717	697	854	782	1,046	1,411	1,383

**Illegitimacy.**—Less than 5 p.c. of live births in Canada are illegitimate. This percentage is comparatively low. The steady increase of illegitimacy since the collection of vital statistics was begun is due, in part, to the more complete registration of children born out of lawful wedlock. This has been brought about by the co-operation of social welfare agencies and provincial registration officials, and by an intelligent human approach on their part to the problem of illegitimacy.

Table 12 shows the number of illegitimate live births in Canada, by provinces, and the percentages that these constitute to the total.

**12.—Illegitimate Live Births, and Percentages of Total Live Births, by Provinces, 1941-44, with Five-Year Averages, 1926-40**

NOTE.—Figures for 1944 are by place of residence.

Item	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada <sup>1</sup>
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Totals—Illegitimate Live Births—</b>										
Av. 1926-30	42	558	299	2,334	2,196	501	489	479	240	7,138
Av. 1931-35	74	652	373	2,431	2,707	501	651	613	330	8,333
Av. 1936-40	83	766	415	2,539	2,939	506	663	643	475	9,030
1941	96	977	432	2,646	3,384	517	641	720	688	10,101
1942	98	1,037	473	3,018	3,789	558	579	777	759	11,088
1943	101	961	589	3,196	3,741	581	612	866	827	11,474
1944	101	1,165	698	3,098	3,764	653	703	849	1,048	12,079
<b>Percentages of Illegitimate to Total Live Births—</b>										
Av. 1926-30	2.4	5.1	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.5	2.3	3.0	2.3	3.01
Av. 1931-35	3.8	5.7	3.6	3.1	4.2	3.7	3.2	3.7	3.3	3.65
Av. 1936-40	4.0	6.4	3.7	3.2	4.6	3.7	3.6	3.9	3.9	3.95
1941	4.7	7.0	3.5	3.0	4.7	3.5	3.5	4.2	4.6	3.96
1942	4.6	6.8	3.7	3.2	4.8	3.6	3.2	4.2	4.5	4.07
1943	4.7	6.2	4.5	3.2	4.6	3.5	3.3	4.5	4.4	4.05
1944	4.4	7.5	5.2	3.0	4.8	4.1	3.9	4.4	5.5	4.25

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the Territories.