

In 1954, 79.6 p.c. of the males arriving and 77.2 p.c. of the females were 15 years of age or over as compared with 78.2 p.c. and 76.2 p.c., respectively in 1953. Of those arriving in 1954 who were 15 years of age or over 41.2 p.c. were married, 55.7 p.c. were single and 3.1 p.c. were widowed or divorced. The total number of single males exceeded the number of single females by 17,658 but there were more females than males in the married, widowed and divorced categories. In the single class, males were 51.8 p.c. more numerous than females, the numerical superiority being particularly heavy in the age group 20 to 29.

4.—Sex and Marital Status of Immigrant Arrivals by Age Group 1953 and 1954

Year and Age Group	Males					Females				
	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Total	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1953										
0 - 14 years	19,901	—	—	—	19,901	18,419	1	—	—	18,420
15 - 19 "	7,293	60	1	—	7,354	5,030	628	—	—	5,658
20 - 24 "	13,907	2,342	6	11	16,266	6,757	5,731	11	45	12,544
25 - 29 "	8,668	7,775	20	95	16,558	4,190	8,561	43	183	12,977
30 - 39 "	4,102	14,011	62	317	18,492	2,632	11,507	275	422	14,836
40 - 49 "	833	7,787	103	222	8,950	827	5,844	486	362	7,519
50 - 59 "	201	2,387	81	71	2,740	254	2,111	833	160	3,358
60 years or over	46	863	237	15	1,161	142	626	1,313	53	2,134
Totals, 1953	54,956	35,225	510	731	91,422	38,251	35,009	2,961	1,225	77,446
1954										
0 - 14 years	17,222	—	—	—	17,222	15,876	—	—	—	15,876
15 - 19 "	6,407	68	—	—	6,475	4,159	673	—	—	4,832
20 - 24 "	14,148	2,279	4	13	16,444	6,607	5,935	9	38	12,589
25 - 29 "	9,199	7,777	14	90	17,080	4,053	7,789	27	123	11,992
30 - 39 "	3,911	12,507	51	239	16,708	2,409	10,111	193	397	13,110
40 - 49 "	729	6,413	76	175	7,393	644	4,956	437	288	6,325
50 - 59 "	105	1,941	95	39	2,180	222	1,814	768	175	2,979
60 years or over	44	739	228	18	1,029	137	612	1,176	68	1,993
Totals, 1954	51,765	31,724	468	574	84,531	34,107	31,890	2,610	1,089	69,696

Birthplace, Nationality and Origin.—Of the immigrant arrivals in 1954, 31.2 p.c. were born in British Commonwealth countries or in Ireland. This percentage compares with 29.9 p.c. in 1953 and 28.2 p.c. in 1952. In 1954, 41.7 p.c. of the newcomers were born in Germany, Italy or the Netherlands, 5.2 p.c. were born in the United States and 21.9 p.c. in other countries.

5.—Birthplaces of Immigrant Arrivals 1952-54

Note.—Figures from 1942 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1948-49 edition.

Birthplace	1952	1953	1954	Birthplace	1952	1953	1954
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
Commonwealth—				Commonwealth—concl.			
British Isles—				Other Commonwealth—			
England	26,221	26,943	25,426	Africa (British)	330	702	637
Northern Ireland	2,326	4,438	3,182	Australia	667	1,002	1,248
Scotland	10,611	10,101	10,081	Canada	795	686	704
Wales	1,049	978	961	India	468	533	526
Lesser Isles	137	158	198	New Zealand	227	311	371
				West Indies (British)	673	845	799
				Other	938	965	1,218
Totals, British Isles	40,844	42,618	39,858	Republic of Ireland	1,516	2,805	2,795