every case for fathers, the 1926 figure is appreciably greater than that for 1938. In other words, parents, generally speaking, are somewhat younger than in 1926, although for brief intervening periods the trend has been reversed.

5.—Quartile and Decile Ages of Married Fathers and Mothers, 1926, and 1936-38

Position in Array, by Age	Fathers				Mothers			
	1926	1936	1937	1938	1926	1936	1937	1938
	years	years	years	years	years	years	years	years
First quartiles	28·35 33·31 39·01	27·89 32·50 38·39	27·85 32·35 38·05	27·73 32·17 37·97	24·43 28·89 34·26	24·10 28·37 33·60	24·00 28·20 33·38	23·95 28·07 33·19
First deciles	24.91 27.28 29.35 31.28	24·67 26·91 28·79 30·58	24.66 26.91 28.75 30.47	24.61 26.80 28.60 30.32	21·41 23·50 25·34 27·79	21·26 23·22 24·94 26·64	21·22 23·16 24·82 26·48	21·17 23·12 24·75 26·37
Fifth deciles. Sixth deciles. Seventh deciles. Eighth deciles. Ninth deciles.	33.31 35.48 37.81	32.50 34.60 36.92 39.96 44.09	32·35 34·39 36·80 39·62 43·83	32·17 34·18 36·58 39·36 43·63	28 · 89 30 · 82 33 · 41 35 · 61 38 · 69	28.37 30.21 32.40 34.99 38.25	28·20 30·02 32·18 34·74 38·07	28.07 29.87 32.02 34.53 38.01

Birthplaces of Parents.—Table 6 furnishes some idea to what extent the coming generation of Canadian born will be the offspring of Canadian-born, Britishborn, or foreign-born parents. The term "country not specified", under country of birth, includes for the father illegitimate births and births of incomplete record, while for the mother it includes births of incomplete record only. Between 1926 and 1939 the percentage of births for which both parents were born in Canada rose from 61.4 in 1926 to 70.7 and 72.3 for 1938 and 1939, respectively.

6.—Numbers and Percentages of Live Births to Fathers and Mothers Born in Specified Countries, 1926, 1938, and 1939

Note.—Comparable statistics for earlier years, from 1926, will be found in previous Year Books commencing with the 1929 edition.

Country of Birth of Parents	Father,	s of Birt Mother, Born in C	or Both	Percentages of Births with Father, Mother, or Both Parents Born in Specified Country			
	Father	Mother	Both Parents	Father	Mother	Both Parents	
Canada	159,438	166,999	142,882	68·5	71 · 8	61·4	
	174,394	194,323	162,223	76·0	84 · 7	70·7	
	177,479	196,974	165,824	77·3	85 · 8	72·3	
England	18,304	18,808	9,658	7·9	8·1	4·1	
	10,437	7,659	2,334	4·5	3·3	1·0	
	9,866	6,953	2,105	4·3	3·0	0·9	
Ireland (Eire and N. Ireland)1926	2,540	2,195	873	1·1	0·9	0·4	
1938	1,848	1,249	405	0·8	0·5	0·2	
1939	1,680	1,149	359	0·7	0·5	0·2	
Scotland1926	6,635	7,165	3,318	2·9	3·1	1·4	
1938	4,166	3,475	965	1·8	1·5	0·4	
1939	3,967	3,321	858	1·7	1·4	0·4	
Wales	546 468 511	508 342 294	105 52 47	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 2 \\ 0 \cdot 2 \\ 0 \cdot 2 \end{array}$	0·2 0·1 0·1	1 1	

For footnotes, see end of table, p. 79.