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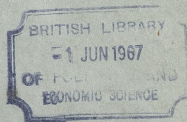
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This study gives the results of a special investigation carried out by the General Register Office into the pattern of over 14,000 stillbirths and over 17,000 infant deaths registered in England and Wales in the twelve months April 1964 to March 1965.

The factors studied in the investigation were social class of father, parity and age of mother, and the geographical region to which the birth was assigned. The detailed tables, which it is hoped will be of value to research workers who may wish to make a further study of the subject, are prefaced by a short commentary which draws attention to the more significant findings and describes the methods adopted in the enquiry—in particular, those adopted for the statistical analysis of the data.

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1. Populations

The estimates of population appearing in this volume and described as "home", "total" or "civilian" have the following content:

Home population - the population, of all types, actually in England and Wales, distributed by area according to residence.

Total population - the home population *plus* members of H.M. Forces belonging to England and Wales and serving overseas but *minus* the Forces of other countries temporarily in England and Wales.

Civilian population - the total population *minus* members of H.M. Forces belonging to England and Wales at home or overseas.

2. Stillbirths

Classification of stillbirths by cause is according to the Supplementary List, set out on pages 336-348 of the *International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 1955** (Seventh Revision), with further sub-division of certain rubrics, and as modified by the following changes of assignment:

	Rubrics to which cause is assigned	
Cause of stillbirth	(i) in International Classification	(ii) in Statistical Review
Patent ductus arteriosus	} 39.5	{ 38.41 38.43 38.45 38.45
Patent foramen ovale		
Congenital heart condition NOS		
Foetal heart condition NOS		

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3. Numbering of tables

Of the tables referred to in this *Review*, those numbered in Arabic numerals (without prefix) will be found in "Part I, Tables, Medical" and those lettered will be found in "Part II, Tables, Population" for the year in question, while those numbered in Arabic numerals with the prefix C appear in this volume.

4. Standardised mortality comparison

The Comparative Mortality Index introduced in 1942 has since 1958 been replaced by a Standardised Mortality Ratio which shows the number of deaths registered in the year of experience as a percentage of those which would have been expected in that year had the sex/age mortality of a standard period (1950-1952) operated on the sex/age population of the year of experience.

5. Indication of reliability

Rates given as 0 indicate that the actual rate is less than one half a unit. A dash (-) in any cell indicates that there were no events. Where a cell has been left blank no denominator is available.

Rates calculated from less than 20 events are distinguished by italic type as a warning to the user that the smallness of the experience may affect their reliability as a measure.

Numbers

If d represents the deaths in an area and p the population in that area then, if d/p is small, the standard error (s.e.) of d is approximately \sqrt{d} assuming that the deaths are independent of one another. Clearly, the larger the number of deaths the smaller will be the proportionate variability. A deviation either way of twice the s.e. may be expected about once in 20 times. Using this criterion one might expect towns each averaging 20 deaths per year to yield in the same year numbers ranging between 11 and 29 without such differences having any statistical significance. Alternatively it could be said that if 20 deaths were recorded for a town, this number would have a 95 per cent confidence interval of approximately ± 9 , there being a 95 per cent chance that the underlying mortality is represented by a number of deaths within this interval.

If d is thought to be an extreme variation it would be more reliable to use as the standard error not \sqrt{d} but $\sqrt{d'}$ where d' is the number of deaths expected if some standard rate (e.g. the national rate) were applied.

Rates

The appropriate standard error of a death rate when d represents the number of deaths and p the population is

$$\frac{\sqrt{d}}{p} \text{ or } \frac{m}{\sqrt{d}}$$

where m is the death rate. The difference between two local death rates m_1 and m_2 can be regarded as significant only if it amounts to more than twice the standard error of the difference, viz.

$$2 \sqrt{\left(\frac{m_1^2}{d_1} + \frac{m_2^2}{d_2}\right)}$$

Comparison of adjusted rates

Before comparisons are made, other known sources of variation (such as differences in the sex and age composition of the population) must be removed. If C is the local death Area Comparability Factor (see p. 57, 1954 *Review*, Part III), then mC is to be compared with m' , the national death rate. The s.e. of mC is

$$C \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{p}\right)}$$

and

$$mC \pm 2C \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{p}\right)}$$

is to be compared with m' . As already indicated, m' can be used instead of m in the calculation of the s.e.; m' has the advantage of itself having only a small sampling error.

6. Abbreviations

- A.C. administrative county (the administrative county of London consists of the City of London [including the Inner and Middle Temple] and the metropolitan boroughs).
- C.B. county borough.
- M.B. municipal borough.
- Met. B. metropolitan borough.
- U.D. urban district.
- R.D. rural district.

7. Standard Regions

The constitution of the standard regions of England and Wales used in this volume is as follows:

Northern	Midland	Southern
Cumberland Durham Northumberland Westmorland Yorkshire, North Riding	Herefordshire Shropshire Staffordshire Warwickshire Worcestershire	Berkshire Buckinghamshire Dorset, Part of ⁷ Hampshire Oxfordshire Wight, Isle of
East and West Ridings Yorkshire, East Riding Yorkshire, West Riding	Eastern Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Ely, Isle of Essex, Part of ⁸ Hertfordshire, Part of ⁴ Huntingdonshire Norfolk Suffolk, East Suffolk, West	South Western Cornwall Devon Dorset, Part of ⁸ Gloucestershire Somerset Wiltshire
North Western Cheshire Derbyshire, Part of ¹ Lancashire	London and South Eastern Essex, Part of ⁵ Hertfordshire, Part of ⁶ Kent London A.C. Middlesex Surrey Sussex, East Sussex, West	Wales I (South East) Breconshire Carmarthenshire Glamorgan Monmouthshire
North Midland Derbyshire, Part of ² Leicestershire Lincolnshire Parts of Holland Parts of Kesteven Parts of Lindsey Northamptonshire Nottinghamshire Peterborough, Soke of Rutland		Wales II (remainder) Anglesey Caernarvonshire Cardiganshire Denbighshire Flintshire Merionethshire Montgomeryshire Pembrokeshire Radnorshire

¹ Buxton M.B., Glossop M.B., New Mills U.D., Whaley Bridge U.D. and Chapel en le Frith R.D.
² All except areas stated in 1 above.
³ All except East Ham C.B., West Ham C.B., Chingford M.B., Wanstead and Woodford M.B., Leyton M.B., Walthamstow M.B., Ilford M.B., Barking M.B., Dagenham M.B., Waltham Holy Cross U.D. and Chigwell U.D.
⁴ All except Barnet U.D., Bushey U.D., Cheshunt U.D., East Barnet U.D. and Elstree R.D.
⁵ All areas stated in 3 above.
⁶ All areas stated in 4 above.
⁷ Poole M.B. only.
⁸ All areas except Poole M.B.

8. Conurbations

The conurbation areas each consist of an aggregation of entire local authority areas and are constituted as follows:

Tyneside	
Durham (part)	Northumberland (part)
Gateshead C.B. South Shields C.B.	Newcastle upon Tyne C.B. Tynemouth C.B. Newburn U.D. Wallsend M.B. Whitley Bay M.B.
Felling U.D. Hebburn U.D. Jarrow M.B. Whickham U.D.	Gosforth U.D. Longbenton U.D.
West Yorkshire	
Yorkshire, West Riding (part)	
Bradford C.B. Dewsbury C.B. Halifax C.B. Huddersfield C.B. Leeds C.B. Wakefield C.B.	Colne Valley U.D. Denby Dale U.D. Denholme U.D. Elland U.D. Heckmondwike U.D. Holmfirth U.D. Mirfield U.D. Morley M.B. Ossett M.B. Pudsey M.B. Queensbury and Shelf U.D. Ripponden U.D.
Aireborough U.D. Baildon U.D. Batley M.B. Bingley U.D. Brighouse M.B.	Horbury U.D. Horsforth U.D. Keighley M.B. Kirkburton U.D. Meltham U.D. Rothwell U.D. Shipley U.D. Sowerby Bridge U.D. Spenborough M.B. Stanley U.D.
South East Lancashire	
Cheshire (part)	Lancashire (part)
Stockport C.B.	Bolton C.B. Bury C.B. Manchester C.B. Oldham C.B. Rochdale C.B. Salford C.B. Kearsley U.D. Lees U.D. Littleborough U.D. Little Lever U.D. Middleton M.B.
Alderley Edge U.D. Altrincham M.B. Bowdon U.D. Bredbury and Romiley U.D. Cheadle and Gatley U.D.	Milnrow U.D. Mossley M.B. Prestwich M.B. Radcliffe M.B. Royton U.D.
Dukinfield M.B. Hale U.D. Hazel Grove and Bramhall U.D. Hyde M.B.	Ashton-under-Lyne M.B. Audenshaw U.D. Chadderton U.D. Crompton U.D. Denton U.D. Stretford M.B. Swinton and Pendlebury M.B. Tottington U.D. Urmston U.D. Wardle U.D.
Marple U.D. Sale M.B. Stalybridge M.B. Wilmslow U.D.	Droylsden U.D. Eccles M.B. Failsworth U.D. Farnworth M.B. Heywood M.B. Westhoughton U.D. Whitefield U.D. Whitworth U.D. Worsley U.D.
Disley R.D.	Horwich U.D. Irlam U.D.

Merseyside

<i>Cheshire (part)</i>		<i>Lancashire (part)</i>
Birkenhead C.B.	Ellesmere Port M.B.	Bootle C.B.
Wallasey C.B.	Hoyle U.D.	Liverpool C.B.
	Neston U.D.	
Bebington M.B.	Wirral U.D.	Crosby M.B.
		Huyton-with-Roby U.D.
		Litherland U.D.

West Midlands

<i>Staffordshire (part)</i>		<i>Warwickshire (part)</i>
Smethwick C.B.	Darlaston U.D.	Birmingham C.B.
Walsall C.B.	Rowley Regis M.B.	Solihull C.B.
West Bromwich C.B.	Sedgley U.D.	
Wolverhampton C.B.	Tettenhall U.D.	Sutton Coldfield M.B.
	Tipton M.B.	<i>Worcestershire (part)</i>
Aldridge U.D.		Dudley C.B.
Amblecote U.D.	Wednesbury M.B.	Halesowen M.B.
Bilston M.B.	Wednesfield U.D.	Oldbury M.B.
Brierley Hill U.D.	Willenhall U.D.	Stourbridge M.B.
Coseley U.D.		

Greater London

<i>London A.C.</i>	<i>Hertfordshire (part)</i>	<i>Surrey (part)</i>
	Barnet U.D.	Croydon C.B.
<i>Middlesex</i>	Bushey U.D.	Banstead U.D.
	Cheshunt U.D.	Barnes M.B.
	East Barnet U.D.	Beddington and Wallington M.B.
<i>Essex (part)</i>	Elstree R.D.	Carshalton U.D.
East Ham C.B.		Coulsdon and Purley U.D.
West Ham C.B.	<i>Kent (part)</i>	Epsom and Ewell M.B.
	Beckenham M.B.	Esher U.D.
Barking M.B.	Bexley M.B.	Kingston-upon-Thames M.B.
Chigwell U.D.	Bromley M.B.	Malden and Coombe M.B.
Chingford M.B.	Chislehurst and Sidcup U.D.	Merton and Morden U.D.
Dagenham M.B.		Mitcham M.B.
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9. Urban and rural aggregates

These aggregates comprise (a) the six conurbations combined, (b) the aggregates of urban local authority areas outside the conurbations in three groups according to the size of their resident population at the 1961 Census and (c) the aggregate of rural local authority areas outside the conurbations. Urban areas include boroughs and urban districts as defined by the Local Government Acts, and rural districts are also defined by those Acts.

10. Hospital Regions

The hospital regions each consist of an aggregation of local authority areas, including associated county boroughs, and are constituted as follows:

Newcastle

<i>Cumberland</i>	<i>Yorkshire, North Riding (part)</i>	
<i>Durham</i>	Middlesbrough C.B.	Skelton and Brotton U.D.
		Thornaby-on-Tees M.B.
<i>Northumberland</i>	Eston U.D.	
	Guisborough U.D.	
<i>Westmorland (part)</i>	Loftus U.D.	Croft R.D.
	Northallerton U.D.	Northallerton R.D.
Appleby M.B.	Redcar M.B.	Reeth R.D.
	Richmond M.B.	Richmond R.D.
North Westmorland R.D.	Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea U.D.	Startforth R.D.
		Stokesley R.D.

Leeds

<i>Yorkshire, East Riding</i>	<i>Yorkshire, West Riding (part)</i> (except areas stated in Sheffield Region)
<i>Yorkshire, North Riding (part)</i> (except areas stated in Newcastle Region)	

Oxford				
Northamptonshire	Gloucestershire (part)	Wiltshire (part)		
Oxfordshire	Cirencester U.D.	Marlborough M.B. Swindon M.B.		
Berkshire (part) (except areas stated in North West Metropolitan Region)	Cirencester R.D. North Cotswold R.D. Northleach R.D.	Cricklade and Wootton Bassett R.D. Highworth R.D.		
Buckinghamshire (part) (except areas stated in North West Metropolitan Region)		Marlborough and Ramsbury R.D. Pewsey R.D.		
South Western				
Cornwall. Devon. Somerset.	Gloucestershire (part) (except areas stated in Oxford Region)			
Dorset (part)	Wiltshire (part) (except areas stated in Wessex and Oxford Regions)			
Lyme Regis M.B.				
Welsh				
All areas in Wales including Monmouthshire				
Birmingham				
Herefordshire	Shropshire	Staffordshire	Warwickshire	Worcestershire
Manchester				
Cheshire (part) (except areas stated in Liverpool Region)		Derbyshire (part)		
Lancashire (part) (except areas stated in Liverpool Region)		Buxton M.B. Glossop M.B. New Mills U.D. Whaley Bridge U.D.		
Westmorland (part) (except areas stated in Newcastle Region)		Chapel en le Frith R.D.		
Liverpool				
Cheshire (part)		Lancashire (part)		
Birkenhead C.B.	Bootle C.B.	Litherland U.D.		
Chester C.B.	Liverpool C.B.	Newton-le-Willows U.D.		
Wallasey C.B.	St. Helens C.B.	Ormskirk U.D.		
Bebington M.B.	Southport C.B.	Prescot U.D.		
Ellesmere Port U.D.	Warrington C.B.	Rainford U.D.		
Hoylake U.D.	Crosby M.B.	Skelmersdale U.D.		
Lymm U.D.	Formby U.D.	Widnes M.B.		
Neston U.D.	Golborne U.D.	Warrington R.D.		
Runcorn U.D.	Haydock U.D.	West Lancashire R.D.		
Wirral U.D.	Huyton with Roby U.D.	Whiston R.D.		
Chester R.D.	Kirkby U.D.			
Northwich R.D. (part)				
Runcorn R.D.				
Tarvin R.D.				

11. Assignment of vital statistics by area

In all tables births and stillbirths are classified according to the area of usual residence of the mother, and deaths to the area of usual residence of the deceased, if this is within England and Wales; if not, to the area of occurrence. Accommodation provided under Parts III and IV of the National Assistance Act, 1948, is regarded as the place of residence of persons dying there. Before 1st January, 1958, chronic sick and psychiatric hospitals were similarly treated for this purpose but from that date the method of classification was modified, the main change being that a death in such a hospital is now assigned to the area of occurrence only if the deceased had been there six months or more. If the deceased had been there less than six months the death is transferred to the area of previous usual residence.

12. General

See also the Explanatory Notes to the Tables Volumes, Parts I and II.

CORRECTIONS

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Page vii Tables, marriages - number and rates

Period, for 931 read 1931

Page 35 Table C5, Year ending 30th June for 1963

Column 4, for +32 read +30

Column 5, for +30 read +32

Page 51 Table C18, All ages for 1963

Bachelors, for 106 read 136

Spinsters, for 125 read 177

Page 79, Line four

Table, for C52 read C54

Page 102 Table C64, Postnatal group - Lack of care,
last four columns

April to June, for 50 read 150

Page 228, Last line, second paragraph

for asterisk read dagger

INTRODUCTION

This Commentary completes the *Registrar General's Statistical Review* for 1964, detailed medical and population statistics for the year having already been published in the Tables Volumes, Parts I and II of the *Review*.

As foreshadowed in the Introduction to the Commentary for 1963, this volume contains a somewhat less detailed discussion of particular aspects of population and mortality statistics than those for previous years, comment having been limited to a broad coverage of the main national trends. The subjects covered include population, migration, marriages, divorces, births, general and maternal mortality, stillbirths and infant mortality, cancer and infectious diseases.

1964 marked the initiation by the Ministry of Health of a voluntary scheme for the notification of congenital malformations, and a brief note is included on the arrangements made for notifications to be reported to the General Register Office and on the analysis of results obtained from the scheme.

Further changes will be made in the *Statistical Review* for 1965 when a number of tables which it has been usual to include in Commentary volumes will be published earlier, either in their usual or in a slightly amended form, in the annual Tables volumes.

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POPULATION

It is estimated that at mid-1964 the *home* population of England and Wales was 47,401,000, the *total* population was 47,511,000 and the *civilian* population was 47,140,000. The definition of what is measured by the first two of these estimates is given in Explanatory Note 1 on page xiii; the third is the *home* population shorn of its non-civilian content, whether H.M. Forces or those of our Allies stationed here. The background to this triple estimation was treated at some length on pages 2 and 3 of the 1961 Commentary in conjunction with page 2 of the 1962 Commentary.

Population growth

Change in the population of England and Wales in recent years is estimated to have been as follows:-

Table C1. Estimated population mid-1951, mid-1956 and mid-1960 to mid-1964, England and Wales

(Figures in thousands)

Mid-year	Total			Home			Civilian		
	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females
1951	44,007	21,233	22,774	43,815	21,044	22,771	43,284	20,530	22,754
1956	44,821	21,669	23,152	44,667	21,517	23,150	44,151	21,013	23,138
1960	45,882	22,203	23,679	45,775	22,097	23,678	45,426	21,760	23,666
1961	46,308	22,455	23,853	46,205	22,353	23,852	45,891	22,051	23,840
1962	46,807	22,756	24,051	46,709	22,660	24,049	46,418	22,382	24,036
1963	47,129	22,934	24,195	47,028	22,834	24,194	46,755	22,574	24,181
1964	47,511	23,152	24,359	47,401	23,044	24,357	47,140	22,794	24,346

The growth in the *home* population of England and Wales in recent years has been so remarkable, so much at variance with the expectations of the Royal Commission on Population reporting in 1949 and so pregnant with importance for present and future planning that no apology is necessary for setting the mid-1963 to mid-1964 increment in a historical context.

Population increases England and Wales

in thousands as percentage

I. Annual averages between Census enumerations		
1911 - 1931	194	0.51
1931 - 1951	190	0.46
II. Annual averages between mid-year home populations		
1951 - 1956	170	0.40
1956 - 1961	308	0.68
III. Between mid-year home populations		
1961 - 1962	504	1.09
1962 - 1963	319	0.68
1963 - 1964	373	0.79

These population changes reflect chronologically first a declining rate of natural increase from 1.2 per cent per year in 1906-1910 to 0.4 per cent per year in 1951-1955 and then a recovery to 0.8 per cent between mid-1963 and mid-1964. These changes in the rate of natural increase were overlaid by changes in migration. Until the early 1930's the effect of migration was to reduce the population each year but not by enough to outweigh the natural increase. From then on, however, the effect of migration was either to increase the population (exceptionally, as in 1961-62, by nearly as much again as the effect of natural increase) or else to have little effect on the total numbers.

Natural Increase

Although the natural increase to the population of England and Wales from mid-1962 to mid-1963 had been trivially less than in the previous year, this was due to the fact that deaths had risen to the exceptionally high figure of 577 thousand. That sharp increase in deaths was undoubtedly largely caused by the severe winter of 1962/63 (see *Registrar General's Statistical Review* for 1963 Part III pages 162 to 168). In the twelve months ended mid-1964 there were 47 thousand fewer deaths. Live births increased fairly steadily up to mid-1964 and natural increase jumped from 271 thousand in the twelve months ended mid-1963 to 333 thousand in the following twelve months. That was more than twice the annual average from 1951 to 1955.

Table C2. Natural increase of the population of England and Wales

Calendar years	Thousands per year			Per cent natural increase
	Births	Deaths	Natural increase	
1911 - 1930	761	496	265	0.7
1931 - 1950	666	499	167	0.4
1951 - 1955	675	514	161	0.4
1956 - 1960	740	523	217	0.5
Mid-year to mid-year				
1961 - 1962	831	556	275	0.6
1962 - 1963	848	577	271	0.6
1963 - 1964	863	530	333	0.7

These figures show that it has been the changes in the numbers of births that have lain behind the varying rates of population change this century. The underlying causes have been considered in census reports on fertility and in the birth chapters of previous numbers of this commentary. Here it is only necessary to draw attention to the fact that it was the decline in births from about 1910 to about 1935 and their recovery from then until 1964 which were the dominant influence on population change. (The very large fluctuations in births caused by the two world wars have substantial consequences for population structure but need not be considered at this point).

Migration

By 1963 it was felt that the complex background to net migration (at regional as well as national level) called for more extensive treatment than could be given as part of a general Population Chapter. Certain changes in the methods of measuring external migration, however, only became satisfactorily operative in 1964 and the 1963 Commentary (pages 28-38) accordingly covered migration up to and including 1964.

We have since, however, given much consideration to the possibility of revising population estimates for years prior to the 1961 Census in the light of final Census data. Since this necessarily involves concern with the migration element in population change as well as with natural increase figures and the number of visitors enumerated at the Census, we have reverted to former practice and included what we have to say about migration in this general Population Chapter, adding any consequential amendments to and updated figures for what were Tables C4 and C5 in the Migration Chapter of the 1963 Commentary (pages 30 and 35) as Tables C4 and C5 (page 9).

Revision of pre-1961 population estimates

With regard to population of both sexes and of all ages, the basic result of the final 1961 Census data was that whereas the mid-1961 estimated population based on the 1951 Census was 46,166 thousand, the estimate based on the 1961 Census would be 46,205 thousand. This difference suggests *prima facie* an accumulated error in the intercensal estimates over the decade of -39 thousand.

Births and deaths are now known in due course with almost complete exactitude, which means that if the difference is in fact due to accumulated error in estimating, these are errors in estimating the migration element in population change. And when we recall that during this decade the post-war return to the traditional net outward balance of migration changed gently into a net inward balance which grew rapidly in the final three years of the period and that from 1953 onwards the information available about overseas migration was more scanty than at any earlier period in this century, the only surprising feature about a shortfall of 39 thousand in migration estimates might be the smallness of the figure. Ten years earlier the 1951 census based on mid-1951 estimate was 150 thousand in excess of the estimate based on twelve years of national registration (1951 Commentary, page 9).

But before we conclude that the difference was wholly or partly due to under-estimates of migration, two other possibilities need to be considered and one trivial difference between the two mid-1961 estimates needs to be recorded. The trivial difference is that the mid-1961 estimate based on the 1951 Census necessarily involved the use of birth registrations mid-1960 to 1961. The revised (i.e. 1961 census based) mid-1961 estimate used actual occurrences between April 24 and June 30, 1961. In the first estimate of population change between mid-1961 and mid-1962 (made before the 1961 Census base was finalised) an adjustment of -2 thousand had to be made because mid-1960-61 birth occurrences turned out to be 2 thousand less than mid-1960-61 registrations. If the interpretation of the -39 thousand as a multicomponent error is to be rejected in favour of the assumption that it was an error wholly due to migration underestimation, the -39 thousand should strictly be -41 thousand.

The first possibility is that one of the Census figures is incorrect or that both are, though not by the same amount. It is customary to assume perfect enumeration or that persons whose existence was not recorded were perfectly balanced by those who were recorded both at home and where they happened to be on Census night. Lack of evidence to the contrary compels us to make this assumption; but it does not establish its accuracy beyond doubt. Some difference between an imbalance of these two categories in 1951 and 1961 respectively may be involved.

The second possibility and the one whose rejection it is more difficult to justify stems from the fact that the 1951 Census enumerated 108 thousand visitors usually resident outside England and Wales, whereas the 1961 Census enumerated 168 thousand such visitors, a difference of +60 thousand. The home (i.e. enumerated or *de facto*) population of England and Wales in including this element at each Census is in entire conformity with international convention on the use of this "present in area" basis for both Census and estimated populations (before going on to modify this into what we here know as our "total" population by the exclusion of the Armed Forces and diplomatic personnel, etc. of other countries who are actually here and the inclusion of our own Armed Forces, diplomatic personnel, etc. outside this country in order to reach the "modified *de facto* international

conventional total"). But it is accepted that our intercensal home population estimates may in fact, be slightly defective in recording change in the number of short term visitors from year to year because (i) of our concentration on the complementary international definition of a 'migrant' (i.e. one who, having been here for at least a year intends to be away for a like period or who, having been elsewhere for at least a year, moves here with the intention of remaining for a like period) and (ii) because of our anxiety to treat June 30 as a "notional" point for the year's estimates, i.e. by excluding purely seasonal variation in population due to the fact that June 30 is part of "holiday time". We cannot know how strictly the Census "visitors" interpret their usual residence in these international conventional terms and it is therefore impossible to say, other than by mere assertion, that the difference of -39 thousand between the two differently based mid-year estimates implied an accumulated error of -39 thousand in the decade's migration estimates or an accumulated error of any figure from this up to +21 thousand in these, or merely failed to reflect a sharp rise between mid-1960 and the 1961 Census in the number of visitors. It is, for example, estimated that this element increased in the single year 1965 by more than this amount.

Nevertheless, on balance we shall assume that the -39 thousand difference was in fact underestimation of migration not restricted to a 1960-61 change in the number of visitors after a maintained or declining number of visitors between 1951 and 1960. How are we to distribute them over the decade mid-1951 to mid-1961?

The published estimated net changes in *total* population by migration in England and Wales in the ten years before mid-1961 were as follows:-

	<i>thousands</i>
1951-2	- 26
1952-3	- 24
1953-4	- 17
1954-5	+ 5
1955-6	+ 25
1956-7	-
1957-8	+ 14
1958-9	+ 48
1959-60	+ 108
1960-1	+ 158

Although the shortfall of these estimates from the population change not due to excess of births over deaths, was recorded (e.g. in the 1961 Commentary), no attempt was then made to dispose of the problem by concealing it from view by mere *pro rata* distribution evenly over the decade. Before deciding whether it was possible to account for the deficit in a more satisfactory manner, the need also to consider possible adjustments for sex and age differences in the two mid-1961 estimates suggested a potential source of clues as to how the basic deficit had come about.

Mid-1961 sex-age distribution

The information in the sex and age analysis of migrants that was available in 1960 came from the National Register which ended in 1952. It was therefore seven years out of date and carried no effects of the migration from the new Commonwealth which was the main feature of the rise in migration that took place between 1959 and 1961. There is some information based on the International Passenger Survey on the sex and age composition of migrants for 1963 and later years. We compared the proportional distribution of the net change in the total population of England and Wales by migration between mid-1964 and mid-1965 with the same thing between mid-1960 and mid-1961. Although the pattern of the differences is by no means identical with the pattern of the errors in the population estimates, there are a few similarities and the orders of magnitude are comparable. In particular there was the suggestion that we had possibly underestimated both the net gain from overseas Commonwealth citizens and from returning former emigrants over the decade. For data from receiving countries suggested that we had not overestimated the number of long-standing emigrants from England and Wales to countries overseas. The most likely solution to our shortfall of estimated population at mid-1961 seemed to be that we had failed to gauge perfectly the 1959-61 net gain from overseas Commonwealth countries or the high figure of returning former emigrants in that period.

On balance we decided that the evidence that change between mid-1959 and the 1961 Census had been underestimated was stronger than any possibility that earlier estimates were involved. This meant that no pre-Censal estimate prior to that of mid-1960 need be amended and had the practical merit of making the steepness of the step which had existed between our published mid-1960 estimate and that (based on final 1961 Census data) for mid-1961 less awkward by the substitution of two shallower steps leading from mid-1959 to mid-1961. Net migration mid-1959 to mid-1960 increased by 16 thousand.

The result of our decision was a revision of the mid-1960 population estimate as follows:-

Table C3. England and Wales. Revised estimate of the population, total, home and civilian, by sex and age, as at 30th June 1960

(Figures in thousands)

Age	Total			Home			Civilian		
	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females
All ages	45,882	22,203	23,679	45,775	22,097	23,678	45,426	21,760	23,666
0	745	383	362	745	383	362	745	383	362
1	735	377	358	735	377	358	735	377	358
2	713	366	347	713	366	347	713	366	347
3	690	354	336	690	354	336	690	354	336
4	664	341	323	664	341	323	664	341	323
5	642	329	313	642	329	313	642	329	313
6	658	337	321	658	337	321	658	337	321
7	653	335	318	653	335	318	653	335	318
8	639	326	313	639	326	313	639	326	313
9	662	339	323	662	339	323	662	339	323
10	681	348	333	681	348	333	681	348	333
11	715	367	348	715	367	348	715	367	348
12	768	392	376	768	392	376	768	392	376
13	864	442	422	864	442	422	864	442	422
14	656	335	321	656	335	321	656	335	321
15	665	341	324	665	341	324	662	338	324
16	672	343	329	672	343	329	664	335	329
17	629	320	309	630	321	309	617	309	308
18	581	294	287	579	292	287	562	277	285
19	539	271	268	532	264	268	515	249	266
20	580	293	287	561	274	287	524	239	285
All ages under 21	14,151	7,233	6,918	14,124	7,206	6,918	14,029	7,118	6,911
0-4	3,547	1,821	1,726	3,547	1,821	1,726	3,547	1,821	1,726
5-9	3,254	1,666	1,588	3,254	1,666	1,588	3,254	1,666	1,588
10-14	3,684	1,884	1,800	3,684	1,884	1,800	3,684	1,884	1,800
15-19	3,086	1,569	1,517	3,078	1,561	1,517	3,020	1,508	1,512
20-24	2,935	1,484	1,451	2,874	1,424	1,450	2,712	1,286	1,446
25-29	2,866	1,453	1,413	2,852	1,439	1,413	2,806	1,394	1,412
30-34	2,995	1,501	1,494	2,985	1,491	1,494	2,959	1,466	1,493
35-39	3,324	1,651	1,673	3,317	1,644	1,673	3,291	1,619	1,672
40-44	2,953	1,455	1,498	2,948	1,450	1,498	2,931	1,433	1,498
45-49	3,272	1,607	1,665	3,270	1,605	1,665	3,260	1,595	1,665
50-54	3,197	1,561	1,636	3,197	1,561	1,636	3,193	1,557	1,636
55-59	2,907	1,387	1,520	2,907	1,387	1,520	2,907	1,387	1,520
60-64	2,408	1,066	1,342	2,408	1,066	1,342	2,408	1,066	1,342
65-69	1,956	809	1,147	1,956	809	1,147	1,956	809	1,147
70-74	1,535	600	935	1,535	600	935	1,535	600	935
75-79	1,064	392	672	1,064	392	672	1,064	392	672
80-84	597	203	394	597	203	394	597	203	394
85 and over	302	94	208	302	94	208	302	94	208

The consequential effect of this revision on Tables C4 and C5 in the 1963 Commentary chapter on Migration (to which reference was made on page 4 above) together with updating figures there given are set out in Tables C4 and C5 below:-

Table C4. Change in sex and age structure by migration, of the total population, England and Wales, 1st July 1960 to 30th June 1962, and 1st July 1962 to 30th June 1964

(Figures in thousands)

1st July 1960 to 30th June 1962		Age-group	1st July 1962 to 30th June 1964	
Males	Females		Males	Females
+ 280	+ 128	All ages	+ 84	+ 18
+ 23	+ 15	0-14	- 3	+ 2
+ 89	+ 75	15-24	+ 34	+ 18
+ 107	+ 30	25-34	+ 35	+ 1
+ 57	+ 7	35-44	+ 14	- 4
+ 8	- 5	45-64	+ 5	+ 2
- 4	+ 6	65 and over	- 1	- 1

Table C5. Estimated net intake (+) or outflow (-) of categories of migrant, mid-1959 to mid-1964, England and Wales.

(Figures in thousands)

Year ending 30th June	On foreign passports*	On passports of overseas Commonwealth countries	By direct U.K. traffic with the Irish Republic	From the rest of the U.K.	On U.K. passports† beyond the U.K. and the Irish Republic	Net migration
1960	+ 30	+ 75	+ 32	+ 24	- 37	+ 124
1961	+ 20	+ 140	+ 35	+ 29	- 41	+ 183
1962	+ 20	+ 185	+ 32	+ 30	- 42	+ 225
1963	+ 20	+ 47	+ 30	+ 32	- 79	+ 50
1964	+ 30	+ 83	+ 28	+ 31	- 120	+ 52

*Including those of the Republic (formerly Union) of South Africa.

†Residents of England and Wales (whatever their origin) who held a U.K. passport, offset by returning former emigrants from U.K. to England and Wales and by inward movement there of others possessing U.K. passports.

Sex-age structure

As a result of the revision of earlier figures in the light of final 1961 Census results, definitive figures for the total population at 30 June 1963 were published as Appendix D in the *Registrar General's Quarterly Return* for the Third Quarter of 1964 by five year age-groups (except for the final grouping together of those aged 85 and over) and by single years of age under 21 and were summarised on page 41 of the 1963 Commentary. Similar figures for mid-1964 were published in Part II of this *Statistical Review* as well as in the *Quarterly Return* for the Third Quarter of 1964 as Appendix A.

As pointed out on page 42 of the 1963 Commentary, it is possible that estimated changes in the structure of the population since the 1961 Census may prove to be less precisely reliable than we hope. In the period of just over three years between the census and mid-1964 there was a migration outflow of about three quarters of a million and an inflow of over a million persons and until 1963 there was a very grave lack of evidence about the characteristics, as distinct from the mere numbers, of migrants. Since 1963 the International Passenger Survey has provided some information about the sex, age and marital condition of migrants but the situation is still not wholly satisfactory. Until the 1966 sample census results become available, data on the 1961-66 characteristics of migrants and therefore of the population will necessarily remain highly provisional.

Sex ratios

About 106 boys are born for every 100 girls; but in the whole population of England and Wales at mid-1964 there were only 95 males for every 100 females, as at mid-1963, compared with ratios of 93 at mid-1951 and 94 at mid-1961.

This slight rise in the proportion of males in the whole population reflects at least three factors.

- (i) The declining level of infant mortality has reduced the effect of the differentially high rate of infant mortality for boys. This can be illustrated as follows:-

	Boys		Girls		Ratio of boys to girls	
	1951	1964	1951	1964	1951	1964
Babies born	1,060	1,062	1,000	1,000	1.060	1.062
Proportion surviving to 1st birthday	.966	.978	.974	.983		
Numbers surviving to 1st birthday	1,024	1,039	974	983	1.051	1.057

The ratio of boys aged 1 to girls aged 1 would have risen from 1.051 to 1.057.

- (ii) The generation of which the men were tragically reduced by the first world war has also been gradually reduced in size by natural deaths. In 1954 that generation was roughly aged 55-70, contained 78 men for every hundred women and comprised 15 per cent of the whole population. By 1964 it was aged 65-80 and comprised only 10 per cent of the whole population. The succeeding generation, aged 55-70 in 1964 contained 84 men for every hundred women and comprised 16 per cent of the whole population.

- (iii) Migration adds more men than women to the population. In the twelve months ended mid-1964, for example, migration added 48 thousand males to the whole population but only 4 thousand females.

Looking at a longer period of change, in 1911 the excess of males at birth changed to parity of numbers by the age of ten (from the greater male mortality in the 5-9 age-group) and thereafter the number of females in each age-group began to exceed the number of males. This effect was increased by the heavy loss of male lives in the 1914-18 War and by a preponderance of males in the traditional net population loss by emigration. In spite of that the situation was quite otherwise in the early nineteen-sixties. One factor of relatively minor importance was the increase in the rate of boys to girls born from 1.038 in 1911 to 1.062 now. The change to an inward balance of migration, together with the increased survival of younger males meant that by mid-1964 it was only among those aged 43 and over in the total population that the number of females equalled (and at higher ages exceeded) that of males. As the death rates for elderly males have fallen much less than those for elderly females, the excess of females among the population aged 65 and over has been increasing. At the 1911 Census there were 757 men for every 1,000 women in this age-group; but by mid-1964 there were only 606. As recently as the 1951 Census there were 620 males to every 1,000 females aged 75 and over; but by mid-1964 there were only 502, i.e. there were virtually twice as many women as men of this advanced age.

Age structure

In the 1961 Commentary (pages 9 and 10) we discussed at some length the change over the previous half-century in the relative size of the groups aged under 15, 15-64 and 65 and over. The figures are brought up-to-date below:

Table C6. Proportion per 1,000 of the total population aged under 15, 15-64 and 65 and over in 1911, 1931, 1951 and 1964, England and Wales

Age-group	1911 (Census)	1931 (Census)	1951 (Census)	1964 (estimate)	2001 (Projection)
All ages	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Under 15	306	238	221	227	281
65 and over	52	74	110	120	114
Under 15 and 65 and over	358	312	331	347	395
15-64	642	688	669	653	605

As the large group under 15 in 1911 grew older, in spite of its depletion by the first world war, it modified the age structure of the population. Simultaneously the falling number of births meant that the younger age-groups were a declining proportion of the whole population. By 1951 these two influences had produced a population much older than in 1911. Since 1951 the trends have been different. Births rose, at least until 1964, and the group of people aged over 65 was being recruited from generations of constant size instead of from generations that were successively larger. The second factor was modified by the reductions in mortality that have occurred throughout the lifetimes of the successive generations but the increase in the relative size of the over 65 age-group has been much slower since 1951 than it was between 1911 and 1951. The under 15 age-group has reversed the direction of movement of its relative size; since 1951 it has comprised a growing share of the whole population.

The projections made early in 1966 on the basis of the mid-1965 population estimates, which were published in the *Registrar General's Quarterly Return* for the 4th Quarter of 1965, are the basis for the final column in the table. They show that the recent trends are expected to continue; the under 15 age-group forms a larger part of the whole population but no further rise is expected in the relative size of the over 65 age-group; correspondingly the working age-group (15-64) is expected to comprise a substantially smaller proportion of the whole population by the end of the century.

Marital status

As in previous years an estimate of the proportion in each age-group who are married (i.e. excluding persons who are widowed or divorced) is contrasted in Table C7 below with information furnished by the 1951 Census and that of 1931. As the final data from the 1961 Census has been used to revise earlier figures since the publication of the 1963 Commentary, revised figures for 1963 (see Table C11 on page 43 of the 1963 Commentary) have been inserted alongside the estimates for 1964.

Table C7. Proportion married per 1,000 in each age-group 1931, 1951, 1963 and 1964, England and Wales

Age-group	Males				Females			
	1931 (census)	1951 (census)	1963 (estimate)	1964 (estimate)	1931 (census)	1951 (census)	1963 (estimate)	1964 (estimate)
15-24	70	125	150	151	140	272	302	303
25-34	640	720	765	768	658	798	860	862
35-44	855	862	863	863	752	820	874	877
45-54	847	877	879	879	720	759	809	813
55-64	795	850	860	861	619	624	668	673
65 and over	619	664	709	711	341	352	341	342

One of the most striking and important changes in British demography has been the tendency towards younger marriage coupled with the tendency for a larger proportion of people to marry. These tendencies are clearly illustrated in this table.

Local Populations

In 1964 the estimated populations of local authority areas were adjusted in the light of final evidence from the 1961 Census on the populations usually resident in each area. In 1960 it had been decided that the mid-year estimates for 1961 and immediately thereafter should use the provisional census figures of the population enumerated in each area - available by May 10, 1961 and published in the *Preliminary Report* - rather than ignore the fact that a census had been taken until definitive figures from it were available some years later. Amendments to the provisional figures would be incorporated in the next estimate after they became available.

The provisional enumerated populations had to be adjusted to obtain provisional estimates of the resident population. First a rough count of the number of persons in each local authority area who gave an address outside the area as their place of usual residence was subtracted from the provisional enumerated population of the area. The sum of these deductions was then redistributed *pro rata* over the population of each borough and county district throughout England and Wales. This could be done fairly soon after the census, before the relatively slow process of coding each address to its proper area had been completed. The results of this exercise were closely scrutinised and if in any area the ratio of the resident population to the enumerated population was completely different from what it had been at the 1951 Census, the provisional resident population was adjusted.

The corrections to be made to these provisional resident population estimates when the true 1961 ratio of the resident population to the enumerated population became known, were negligible as a proportion of the population of any area concerned. Less satisfactory was the continuing revelation between 1961 and late 1963 of many minor errors and a small number of substantial mistakes in estimating the provisional enumerated populations of local authority areas in the hasty assembly of provisional totals in the fortnight following April 24, 1961. These few substantial errors were corrected by the very exceptional course of re-certifying revised figures once the mistakes came to light. One effect of all the adjustments made between 1961 and 1964 was to reduce the number of cases in which the difference between "expected" and census-based mid-1961 populations fell in the two higher groups analysed on page 18 of the 1961 Commentary.

Although the decision to use the provisional census figures was clearly right, it did not prove an unmixed blessing. The local estimates, certified by the Registrar General to the Minister concerned (in the case of the borough and county district figures to the Minister of Housing and Local Government) in November of the year to which they relate form a statutory basis for the calculation of the Exchequer contribution due towards the cost of local authority services. The possibility of amendments to the expectations of local authorities in the light of final census data naturally led to an exceptional amount of correspondence and interviews with local government officers over the post-censal period, during which it became obvious that the general methods used in estimation (and the reasons why these and not others are employed) were extensively misunderstood, in spite of the fact that

they had been discussed at some length in the 1961 Commentary and elsewhere (as the differing methods used a decade earlier had been in the 1951 Text Volume). It seems therefore desirable to go over the ground again in the 1964 Commentary with the commonest areas of misunderstanding definitely in mind.

For more than a decade before 1951, local population changes could be derived from data arising from National Registration in conjunction with data on the issue of food ration books and the number of electors, and estimates of the mid-year populations of local authority areas were prepared on that basis. When the compulsory notification of change of address disappeared with the end of the identity card system early in 1952, there remained food rationing evidence and the possibility of some help from the Registers of Electors (prepared since 1948 on the restored system of annual canvass); and the mid-1952 and 1953 estimates were the product of use of what was available. But the mass issue of new ration books in the Spring of 1953 proved to be the last, and food rationing disappeared a year later. A new procedure had therefore to be devised for meeting the Registrar General's obligation to estimate simultaneously the resident population of every borough and county district of England and Wales during a fixed period which must begin at latest by 1st October each year. As a first step, a national total for England and Wales is estimated; and this provides a control on the local estimates.⁽¹⁾

The General Register Office has at its disposal certain information which is collected locally on a statutory basis. On 1st October 1964 for example, the following 'starting data' was available:-

- (a) the estimated civilian population of England and Wales at 30th June 1963 and 30th June 1964 (these are the national control totals);
 - (b) the civilian parliamentary electorates, national and local, as canvassed in October 1963 and October 1962 (though at that date there was naturally no information about the figures to be collected during October 1964);
 - (c) the births and deaths in each local authority area in the twelve months ended 30th June 1964, events being placed in the area of the usual residence of the child's mother or of the deceased;
- and
- (d) the return of new housing sent in by each local authority to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and published in Appendix B to the Ministry's Housing Return.

The relationship of (a) and (b) above provides the basis for the first of two independent provisional estimates which are calculated separately for every borough and county district. At the time the civilian population of England and Wales is estimated for any mid-year, it is invariably found that the proportion by which it has increased during the previous twelve months is either equal to or only very slightly in excess of the proportion by which the national civilian parliamentary electorate has grown between the two most recent dates for which information is then

(1) The figures for the home populations of all ages for administrative counties and for standard regions are derived, not direct, estimates. They are produced by summing the estimates for the constituent local authority areas.

available. For example, between mid-1963 and mid-1964 the population change was 1.00513 times the electorate change between October 1962 and October 1963: the population change between mid-1964 and mid-1965 was 1.00073 times the electoral change between October 1963 and October 1964.

Since change in the national electorate is simply the sum of changes in the local electorates, the substitution of local for national figures can be used in a formula which from the two electorates and the previous year's population estimate (or any revised starting figure which may need to be adopted) can yield a first provisional civilian population estimate for each local authority area. This provides a possible basis for a statutory estimate, though an imperfect one, for it cannot take account of the extent to which a change in the local ratio of the non-electors to the electors differs from the national change. This provisional estimate, known as the 'Electoral Change Estimate' (ECE) is therefore supplemented by an independent estimate built up from local evidence.

The other data collected locally on a statutory basis (births and deaths and new housing) are not in themselves sufficient ground for modifying the ECE. Natural change is known accurately, but the Ministry's Housing Return forms an inadequate guide to migration. Here the voluntary co-operation of the borough and district councils is invaluable, though its acceptance is subject to certain considerations of equity which have been agreed at the request of the local authority organisations consulted*. The vast majority of borough and district councils send to the General Register Office a voluntary 'Housing Development Return'. This contains information relating to new housing, both public and private, and to its use for re-housing the existing population or for the intake of newcomers. It also details any flow of persons from elsewhere into accommodation becoming vacant during the year, planned overspill elsewhere, etc., as far as they are known to the local authority making the return.

In addition the General Register Office needs to know any change in the previous twelve months in the full term-time complement of boarding schools, university lodgings, etc., the long-term institutional population (hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, etc.). These 'special allowance' changes are adjusted *pro rata* at the expense of all local authorities throughout the country and when this has been done, they will not affect the sum of the estimates supplied by the Housing Development Return. Experience has shown, however, that such estimates invariably result, when natural change is added, in local populations which add up to a total far in excess of the estimated national figure. This is certainly not due to a significant extent to the use of average figures to make good any failure to supply a specific local estimate; but it is probably largely due to the absence of information about outward movement. This is unavoidable; no one knows the extent to which 'penny number' internal migration operates (e.g. the departure of a son involving no change of tenancy or the arrival of daughter-in-law, etc.). The whereabouts of immigrants from outside the country (some 300 thousand in 1963-64) and, to an even greater extent, the local origin of some 250 thousand emigrants elsewhere is also very imperfectly known. But, whatever the reasons, the 'Housing Development Estimate' (HDE) must invariably be scaled down *pro rata* to conform (as does the ECE) with the national figure.

*These conditions are:-

- (a) that the evidence to be considered should be such as is easily accessible to a large number of local Clerks without inordinate trouble or expense; and
- (b) that those authorities not able to co-operate should not thereby be penalised, but should have their figures assessed on some uniform notional basis. (This applies to the many 'not known' answers as well as to the return as a whole).

These two estimates are then compared. For the most part they are very close; but in the few areas where they differ by 2.5 per cent or more either way, or where it is called for by any other special circumstances, the provisional figures are subjected to careful personal scrutiny by the statistician in charge who makes a written judgment of the figure to be used and has any other written judgments about the same area in previous years before him. In all other areas $\frac{2}{3}$ (HDE) + $\frac{1}{3}$ (ECE) is used. This 2 : 1 weighting was based on a special test calculation carried out in the year 1952 when the census and the National Registration scheme made possible very accurate estimates of changes in local populations: HDE and ECE were also made and it was discovered that a 2 : 1 weighting minimised the deviations from the more accurate National Registration estimates. These weighted average figures are again scaled to conform in total with the known national figure. They then form the Registrar General's best estimate possible at the date of certification, once the full strength of Armed Forces stationed in the area has been added.

MARRIAGES (1)

General

During the last thirty years there has been a striking change in the marriage of British and other Western European women. For centuries Western Europe had the lowest and the latest marriage rates of the world, but since about 1935 the pattern has changed. This can be shown for England and Wales by comparing the proportions of women of different ages who had ever been married at the 1921 and 1961 censuses.

Table C8. Proportions of women ever-married per 1,000 population, England and Wales

Year	Age-group						
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
1921	18	274	590	740	796	821	832
1961	66	579	844	890	902	903	895

Although the increases are large the 1961 figures are still a long way short of those typical of, for example, Asia, where about one third of the women aged 15-19 and four-fifths of the women aged 20-24 are married.

It is against this background of more and earlier marriage that the statistics for 1964 must be set.

First marriages

Among the 359 thousand couples who married in 1964, all but 12 per cent of the men were marrying for the first time as were all but 11 per cent of the women. In five out of six marriages both bride and groom were marrying for the first time.

Age distribution

Table C9 shows the age distribution of all bachelors and spinsters in 1964 and in a selection of earlier years back to 1931. This table shows in another way the change in British marriage habits since the 1930's. In 1931 only one spinster bride in ten was under 20 but in 1964 three in ten were. An upward change also takes place amongst bachelor bridegrooms.

(1) Marriages were last discussed in full in Part III of the *Registrar General's Statistical Review* of England and Wales for the year 1961. A discussion of marriages according to their manner of solemnisation appeared in the corresponding volume for 1962.

Table C9. Proportional distribution of first marriages by age-group per 1,000 at all ages, and average age at marriage, 1931 and 1938 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	Age at marriage								Average age at marriage
	15-	20-	25-	30-	35-	45-	55 and over	Not stated	
BACHELORS									
1931	19	371	410	122	55	14	6	3	27.30
1938	17	339	413	146	64	13	5	3	27.72
1939-50	29	421	333	122	71	15	5	4	27.06
1951-55	31	478	304	104	59	17	5	2	26.55
1956	43	502	286	93	53	17	5	1	26.15
1957	49	508	279	90	53	15	5	1	26.03
1958	56	520	268	84	51	15	5	1	25.86
1959	57	529	261	83	50	14	5	1	25.77
1960	59	534	258	79	49	14	6	1	25.68
1961	69	529	255	78	48	14	6	1	25.59
1962	73	528	254	77	48	13	6	1	25.53
1963	79	530	251	74	47	13	5	-	25.41
1964	82	538	249	69	45	12	5	-	25.24
SPINSTERS									
1931	98	480	283	78	41	11	4	5	25.47
1938	112	460	278	86	45	11	4	4	25.58
1939-50	156	504	201	67	48	14	5	5	24.75
1951-55	186	537	161	54	38	16	6	2	24.18
1956	225	530	142	47	33	15	6	2	23.73
1957	237	529	134	45	33	14	6	2	23.60
1958	250	527	128	42	31	14	6	2	23.46
1959	252	534	121	41	30	13	7	2	23.37
1960	264	529	117	40	30	13	6	1	23.26
1961	287	511	115	38	29	12	7	1	23.13
1962	299	505	112	37	28	12	6	1	23.03
1963	305	504	109	35	28	11	7	-	22.92
1964	306	513	106	32	27	10	6	-	22.78

Table C10 illustrates, however, that the age distributions shown in Table C9 conceal the marked differences that would be expected between those bachelors and spinsters who inter-married compared with those who were marrying widowed or divorced partners. Thus although nine in ten of the bachelors marrying spinsters are under 30, only one in five of those marrying widows and less than half of those marrying divorced women were in this age-group. In contrast, two in three of the bachelors marrying widows were over 35, compared with 4 per cent of those marrying spinsters and one in three of those marrying divorced women.

Similar features are apparent among the different age distributions of spinsters marrying single, widowed or divorced men. The contrasts are slightly greater: this is indicated by the fact that the mean age of marriage of spinsters marrying widowers is nearly two years older than that of bachelors marrying widows, although the ages at marriage of spinsters in general are lower than those of bachelors.

Table C10. First marriages: proportional age distribution per 1,000 at all ages and average age at marriage by marital condition of spouse, 1964, England and Wales

All	Bachelors who married			Age at marriage	Spinsters who married			
	Spinsters	Widows	Divorced women		All	Bachelors	Widowers	Divorced men
82	87	5	4	Under 20	306	322	35	75
538	560	72	154	20-24	513	529	101	355
249	249	120	292	25-29	106	100	87	234
69	62	134	214	30-34	32	26	87	129
57	40	517	310	35-54	37	21	463	192
5	2	152	25	55 and over	6	1	227	15
25.24	24.69	41.44	33.01	Average age at marriage	22.78	22.06	43.16	28.92
317,440	300,897	4,683	11,860	Numbers of marriages	320,846	300,897	6,631	13,318

Marriage rates

The crude marriage rates shown in Table C11 reveal very little of the changes in nuptiality that have been taking place. Because of the effect of changes in the age distribution of the population, the marriage rate per 1,000 total population gives only the broadest indication of changes in nuptiality and the same is true, although to a smaller degree, of the other rates shown in Table C11 which are related to very broad age-groups.

Table C11. Numbers of marriages and marriage rates, 1931 and 1938 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	Marriages	Marriage rates				
		Per 1,000 total population	Per 1,000 unmarried population		Women aged 15-39	
			Men aged 15 and over	Women aged 15 and over		
1931	311,847	15.6	53.4	41.6	106.4	68.6
1938	361,768	17.6	61.2	47.8	124.5	85.5
1939-50*	381,910	17.9	68.2	53.0	139.7	106.2
1951-55*	350,916	15.8	68.4	51.4	129.9	110.6
1956	352,944	15.7	70.9	53.0	138.9	120.7
1957	346,903	15.4	70.3	52.4	138.9	121.5
1958	339,913	15.0	69.0	51.5	137.7	120.2
1959	340,126	14.9	68.7	51.3	138.9	119.2
1960	343,614	15.0	68.9	51.6	141.5	119.9
1961	346,678	15.0	67.1	50.8	137.0	116.4
1962	347,732	14.9	65.3	50.2	135.8	112.7
1963	351,329	14.9	64.9	50.2	135.1	111.4
1964	359,307	15.1	65.5	51.1	136.2	113.3

*Annual averages

Table C12. First marriage rates by sex and age with ratios to those of 1938 taken as 100, 1931 and 1938 to 1964, England and Wales

The ratios were calculated using unrounded rates

Marriage rate per 1,000 population over 15	Marriage rates per 1,000 single population in each age-group										Period	Ratio of rates to those of 1938 taken as 100									
	15-	20-	25-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	55 and over	15-		20-	25-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	55 and over	All ages*	
BACHELORS																					
56.0	3.3	72.3	152.2	111.5	62.7	33.8	20.4	12.2	5.4	1931	100	83	86	87	91	90	87	92	114	86	
64.8	3.2	87.0	176.8	127.5	68.8	37.7	23.4	13.2	4.8	1938	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
71.2	6.4	112.1	175.6	128.3	75.8	42.1	25.1	15.3	5.1	1939-50	198	129	99	101	110	112	107	118	107	113	
70.8	6.7	131.8	174.4	107.3	60.7	35.6	21.7	14.1	5.1	1951-55	205	152	99	84	88	95	93	107	106	117	
73.6	11.0	153.1	187.4	105.7	55.4	31.1	21.0	12.0	4.8	1956-60	339	176	106	83	80	83	90	91	101	132	
72.7	11.5	154.1	187.6	103.8	53.2	29.4	21.0	11.2	4.8	1959	354	177	106	81	77	78	90	85	100	133	
72.8	11.7	157.8	190.9	104.0	54.4	29.5	20.7	11.5	4.8	1960	359	181	108	82	79	78	89	87	101	138	
70.4	13.0	159.2	182.4	91.8	48.4	28.5	17.9	11.8	4.7	1961	401	183	103	72	70	76	77	89	99	133	
68.1	12.8	158.3	180.6	90.4	47.7	26.9	17.9	11.5	4.6	1962	393	182	102	71	69	71	77	87	97	131	
67.1	13.4	156.6	180.3	88.7	46.7	26.6	17.3	11.2	4.6	1963	412	180	102	70	68	71	74	85	96	132	
67.5	13.9	157.4	183.1	85.4	45.7	26.3	16.4	10.8	4.4	1964	428	181	104	70	66	70	70	82	92	134	
SPINSTERS																					
51.7	17.1	106.8	119.1	57.2	27.0	14.5	9.6	5.9	2.2	1931	76	72	77	85	81	86	90	95	108	76	
61.4	22.6	147.9	154.0	67.2	33.1	16.8	10.7	6.2	2.0	1938	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
69.5	36.8	191.1	153.3	72.8	36.5	20.4	12.6	7.5	2.0	1939-50	163	129	100	108	110	121	118	121	100	123	
71.9	43.9	231.9	157.2	75.1	38.6	21.2	12.8	7.9	2.1	1951-55	194	157	102	112	117	126	120	128	102	144	
77.4	56.6	264.8	169.9	80.7	37.2	22.6	12.7	7.8	2.2	1956-60	251	179	110	120	112	135	119	127	107	169	
77.1	56.5	265.4	171.2	81.1	35.4	23.5	12.2	7.8	2.3	1959	250	179	111	121	107	140	115	126	112	171	
77.8	57.7	267.8	172.7	85.7	36.9	24.4	13.4	7.9	2.2	1960	256	181	112	128	111	145	125	128	108	175	
76.2	59.8	261.2	162.9	74.7	38.0	21.2	13.6	8.0	2.2	1961	265	177	106	111	115	126	128	130	110	172	
74.7	58.0	258.2	159.4	74.3	38.7	22.1	12.9	8.2	2.2	1962	257	175	103	111	117	131	121	132	106	171	
74.6	57.6	253.2	157.4	74.2	38.6	22.4	13.6	8.1	2.2	1963	255	171	102	110	117	133	127	132	110	169	
76.0	58.2	255.4	155.1	73.0	38.6	22.4	13.4	8.5	2.2	1964	258	173	101	109	117	133	126	137	109	171	

*Age-standardised.

Table C12 illustrates much more clearly the transformation in the pattern of marriage which has taken place since the 1930's. During these last thirty years marriage rates for spinsters at all ages have risen, markedly so for women under the age of 25. The age-standardised marriage rate for all ages has risen by 70 per cent, while that for women under 20 has increased to over two and a half times the rate experienced in 1938. For men, the all-ages rate in 1964 is up by a third compared with 1938, but Table C12 shows that there has been a very wide variation in the experience of different age-groups. The marriage rate has quadrupled for men under 20 and for men aged 20-24 has risen by 80 per cent. In contrast to these rates for young men, marriage rates for men aged over 30 have fallen, at least for bachelors who marry below the age of 55.

First marriages at ages under 30

More detailed information on the pattern of first marriage rates at younger ages is given in Table C13. This table relates to men and women under the age of 30, an age-group which in 1964 accounted for 87 per cent of all first marriages for men and 92 per cent of those for women.

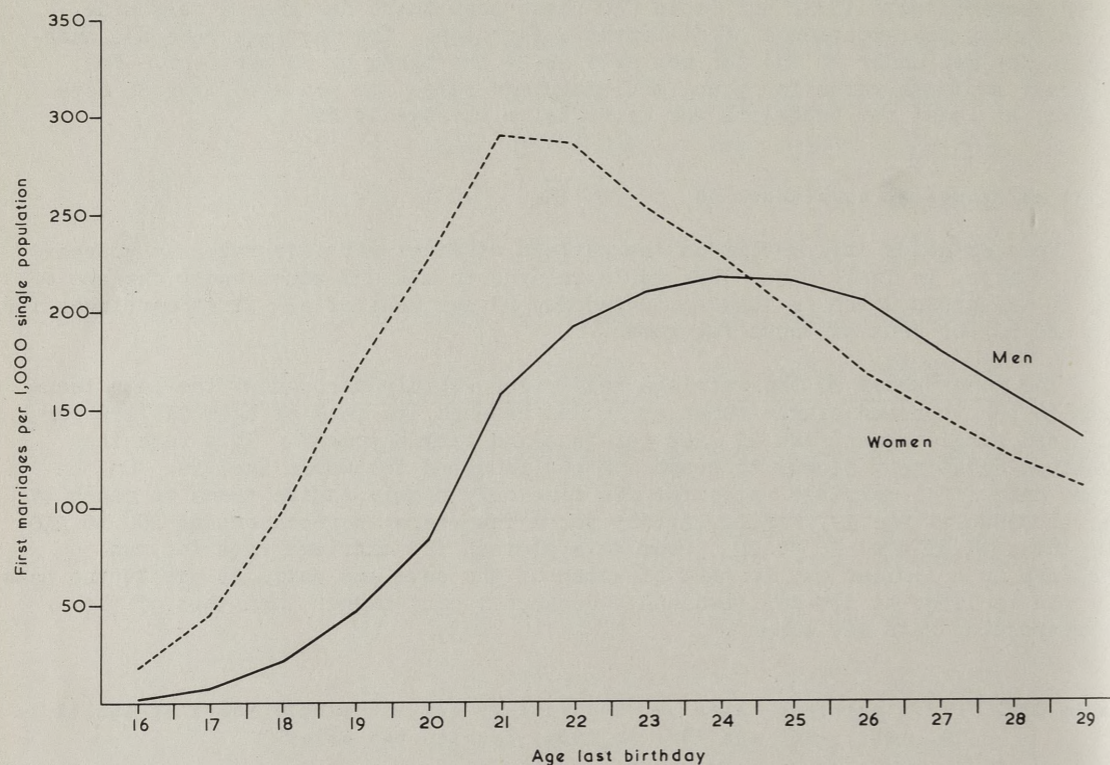
For women under 30 the marriage rate rises rapidly throughout the late teens from 18 per thousand single women at 16 and reaches its peak at ages 21 (289 per thousand single women) and 22 (284 per thousand single women). This rate then declines relatively slowly to reach 110 per thousand for women aged 29. On the other hand first marriage rates for men rise only slowly in the teens to reach 47 per thousand at age 19, rising rapidly for a few years to reach around 200 to 210 per thousand at ages 23 to 26. From this plateau the marriage rate for men declines in a similar way to that of women of the same age until at age 29 the rate for men in 1964, at 134 per thousand, was 23 per cent higher than that of the corresponding rate for women.

Table C13. First marriage rates per thousand by sex and single years of age 16 to 29, 1951, 1956 and 1961 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	Age at marriage													
	16-	17-	18-	19-	20-	21-	22-	23-	24-	25-	26-	27-	28-	29-30
BACHELORS														
1951	0.2	2.0	8.6	19.9	48.9	109.0	143.0	177.2	192.4	190.4	179.0	169.2	159.1	146.8
1956	0.4	3.5	14.3	28.7	65.8	137.9	172.6	206.9	216.0	214.8	203.6	177.7	165.9	151.1
1961	1.0	5.9	18.9	45.3	83.5	152.2	175.6	207.2	222.9	213.2	199.7	178.3	155.8	135.8
1962	1.0	6.0	19.5	43.5	82.5	154.9	179.6	202.7	221.0	214.6	195.3	173.2	155.3	133.2
1963	1.1	6.3	20.8	45.6	80.9	156.1	184.1	205.3	218.0	215.4	194.6	172.3	152.3	135.0
1964	1.1	6.5	21.3	46.7	83.2	156.0	191.0	207.7	216.0	213.6	202.7	178.6	154.8	134.5
SPINSTERS														
1951	5.8	22.9	64.7	120.5	171.4	250.0	241.9	235.3	218.5	193.6	171.3	148.7	133.9	114.6
1956	9.8	34.3	86.5	153.5	213.2	299.6	290.3	277.2	242.6	217.8	198.5	155.0	135.7	116.0
1961	19.1	47.3	100.0	170.4	222.6	304.9	282.3	262.2	233.1	208.8	178.5	153.2	131.2	112.9
1962	18.5	47.8	100.3	166.6	222.3	295.3	287.5	260.5	232.7	201.7	171.7	150.7	129.5	112.0
1963	18.2	46.9	100.9	167.6	217.5	297.7	273.2	257.4	229.2	199.3	167.3	147.0	127.2	114.5
1964	18.1	45.5	98.2	168.4	224.7	289.0	283.9	251.9	227.6	197.4	166.6	145.9	124.6	109.6

These rates have been graphed in Diagram 1, which illustrates the younger marriage pattern of women and the fact that the peak of the age pattern for marriage for women is much more clearly marked than that for men.

Diagram 1



First marriage rates of men and women under 30 years of age, 1964, England and Wales

While it would be dangerous to read too much into year-to-year changes for individual ages, it is worthy of note that apart from age 16, where there has been no change, teenage marriage rates for men were higher in 1964 than in 1963 but the pattern of change at older ages was irregular. Rates for women at ages under 19 and also at all ages over 22 decreased between 1963 and 1964. These changes are generally in line with experience over the last few years. The fall in marriage rates for the youngest group of women may well be associated with the demographic history of these age-groups. Women aged 16-19 in 1964 were born in 1945-48, years which included the post-war "baby boom". An analysis of joint ages at first marriage on pages 29-34 of the 1961 Commentary showed that brides aged 16-19 were then marrying men aged 21-23 on average, i.e. 4-5 years older than themselves. In 1964, men aged 21-23 were the survivors of the considerably smaller number of births than those which produced the women aged 16-19 in 1964. Comparison with Table J in Part II suggests that although there has been a small reduction in the average age of bridegrooms for these young brides (0.3 of a year at age 16 and 0.2 of a year at age 19) the basic age difference has not been disturbed. The

suggestion is, therefore, that these young women are likely to experience lower marriage rates than their predecessors because of the comparative shortage of husbands of what has hitherto been the most popular age. It will be necessary to follow a larger part of the marriage history of these generations before a full assessment can be made of the way this basic lack of balance is resolved.

Nevertheless, the current marriage rates for those under 30 are, apart from the oldest ages in the group, clearly above the 1951 level. For men all the rates at ages under 20 have more than doubled in the last 13 years and, although the rise becomes less with increasing age, even at age 26 there has been a rise of 13 per cent. The increases since 1951 in marriage rates for women of these ages have clearly been less than those for men and are hardly present at all for women marrying over the age of 23. Comparison between changes in the marriage rates at ages under 20 between men and women can, however, have little meaning when the first marriage rates for women are so much higher than those for men.

Re-marriages

During 1964, 42 thousand men re-married, 19 thousand being widowers and 23 thousand being divorced; 38 thousand women re-married, 17 thousand being widows and 22 thousand being divorced. Re-marriage rates for widowed and divorced people combined are shown in Table C14 which indicates that 1964 generally saw a continuation in the rise in the re-marriage rates which has been a feature of recent years.

Widowers and widows

Among the widowed men who re-married in 1964, nearly half married widows, a little over one third married spinsters and the rest married divorced women. For widows the pattern was similar except that widowed partners were slightly more popular and single partners correspondingly less so.

The average age at re-marriage of widowers in 1964 was nearly 58 and widowers marrying widows had a clearly older average age compared with other widowers, 62 compared with 53 for those marrying spinsters and 54 for those marrying divorced women. Table C15 which shows abbreviated age distributions of the different types of re-marriage further shows that the age distribution of widowers marrying spinsters differs from that of widowers marrying divorced women; 12 per cent of the former group were under 35 compared with a negligible portion of those widowers marrying widows. By way of contrast nearly two in five of widowers marrying widows in 1964 were over 65 compared with just over one in five of widowers marrying spinsters. Widowers marrying divorced women are more heavily concentrated in the 35-64 age band which accounted for four in five of this group compared with around three in five for the other two groups.

Widows marrying widowers are clearly older - with an average age of 58 - than other widows re-marrying: their average ages at re-marriage was 43 for those marrying bachelors and 47 for those marrying divorced men.

Table C14. Re-marriage rates by sex and age with ratios to those of 1938 taken as 100, 1931 and 1938 to 1964, England and Wales

The ratios were calculated using unrounded rates

Marriage rate per 1,000 population over 15	Re-marriage rates per thousand widowed and divorced population in each age-group						Period	Ratios of rates to those of 1938 taken as 100						
	20-*	25-	30-	35-	45-	55 and over		20-*	25-	30-	35-	45-	55 and over	All ages†
WIDOWED AND DIVORCED MEN														
35.8	139.2	172.7	189.2	133.5	67.6	14.9	1931	91	99	76	87	85	94	88
38.1	153.6	174.5	248.0	152.6	79.1	15.9	1938	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
50.5	217.6	425.9	338.1	214.8	106.0	17.6	1939-50	142	244	136	141	134	111	133
55.4	253.0	355.8	339.4	210.7	116.1	19.7	1951-55	165	204	137	138	147	124	139
48.4	391.9	338.2	305.6	173.7	98.9	20.4	1956-60	255	194	123	114	125	128	126
47.5	503.2	349.2	305.2	169.5	94.9	20.8	1959	328	200	123	111	120	131	125
47.9	504.4	363.9	326.7	168.6	96.6	21.1	1960	328	209	132	110	122	133	128
48.6	362.0	420.6	320.6	173.0	95.6	21.6	1961	236	241	129	113	121	136	130
49.2	401.0	422.8	321.6	176.3	95.6	21.5	1962	261	242	130	116	121	135	131
51.6	638.8	448.8	343.5	178.6	97.1	21.9	1963	416	257	139	117	123	138	135
53.5	686.9	485.4	341.9	184.6	96.5	22.5	1964	447	278	138	121	122	141	139
WIDOWED AND DIVORCED WOMEN														
9.8	128.2	138.8	94.1	36.5	14.1	2.2	1931	65	81	82	73	96	89	82
10.2	197.1	172.4	114.2	50.1	14.7	2.5	1938	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
15.7	294.0	308.6	170.3	73.0	21.6	2.7	1939-50	149	179	149	146	146	109	145
16.1	374.7	323.0	190.6	85.0	29.2	3.0	1951-55	190	187	167	170	198	122	167
13.2	427.7	339.7	222.0	81.1	29.6	3.0	1956-60	217	197	194	162	200	123	168
12.7	453.5	326.1	235.6	79.9	29.9	3.0	1959	230	189	206	159	203	123	168
12.7	458.4	337.3	239.6	81.7	30.1	3.2	1960	233	196	210	163	204	128	172
12.6	379.6	327.9	193.2	77.9	29.1	3.3	1961	193	190	169	155	197	132	164
12.9	416.2	331.8	190.7	81.5	29.2	3.3	1962	211	192	167	163	198	134	167
13.1	452.4	331.8	200.5	81.3	29.2	3.3	1963	230	192	176	162	198	133	169
13.7	500.7	348.3	207.9	85.6	29.9	3.4	1964	254	202	182	171	203	138	150

*Based on small numbers.

†Age-standardised.

Table C15. Widowed persons: proportional age distribution per 1,000 at all ages and average age at re-marriage by marital condition of spouse, 1964, England and Wales

Widowers who married				Age at re-marriage	Widows who married			
All	Spinsters	Widows	Divorced women		All	Bachelors	Widowers	Divorced men
49	120	5	34	Under 35	100	288	13	107
198	265	110	316	35-49	323	442	211	507
463	403	491	508	50-64	421	247	530	345
290	212	395	142	65 and over	156	42	246	41
57.66	53.42	61.96	53.91	Average age at re-marriage	52.03	43.38	57.70	47.32
19,126	6,631	9,328	3,167	Numbers of re-marriages	16,654	4,683	9,328	2,643

Over a quarter of the widows marrying bachelors were under 35 and seven in ten were under 50 compared with two in ten of those marrying widowers. In contrast, eight in ten of widows marrying widowers were over 50 (a quarter were over 65) compared with three in ten of those marrying bachelors. Widowed women marrying divorced men were concentrated in the 35-64 age-group.

The distribution of age of marriage for both widowed men and widowed women is becoming older. As an example of this trend, Table C16 shows that in 1938 36 per cent of widowed men and 50 per cent of widowed women re-married under the age of 45 compared with 16 per cent of widowed men and 29 per cent of widowed women in 1964. This change is not accounted for by a really marked change in the re-marriage rates and must reflect the decreased mortality of recent years, which has raised the age at initial widowhood.

For both men and women re-marriage rates decrease with age as illustrated by Table C17. At 25-29 the re-marriage rate for men at 317 per thousand implies re-marriage within an average of two years of widowhood and the rate at 30-34 implies re-marriage within three years on average. Rates for widowed women at these ages are only about half of the corresponding rates for men. The ratio of re-marriage rates for widowed women to corresponding rates for widowed men becomes smaller with advancing age until in the 55 and over age-group the re-marriage rate for women is about one seventh of the re-marriage rate for men. At these older ages a high proportion of the marriages are between widowers and widows. These marriages take place in a population in which widowers are less numerous than widows. This would account for at least part of the higher marriage rates of widowers at these ages.

It is of interest that since 1951-55 re-marriage rates for men have tended to rise for men under 35 and decline for older men, whereas for women there has been a decline for the younger women and little change for older women.

the age of 45 and for women under 35: such rates imply re-marriage on average within three or four years of divorce. The rate for men aged 25-29, at 511 per thousand in 1964, indicates an average interval between divorce and re-marriage of less than a year. The rates of 364 per thousand for men aged 30-34 and 398 per thousand for women aged 25-29 both imply an average interval between divorce and re-marriage of well under two years:

Leaving aside any consideration of the interval between divorce and re-marriage, re-marriage rates for divorced men are consistently higher, age for age, than those for divorced women. This indicates a considerably shorter interval between divorce and re-marriage for men compared with women.

Apart from men and women aged 25-29, Table C17 indicates that marriage rates of divorced people are generally lower than they were in 1951-55.

Table C19. Divorced persons: proportional age distribution, per 1,000 at all ages and average age at re-marriage by marital condition of spouse, 1964, England and Wales

Divorced men who married				Age at re-marriage	Divorced women who married			
All	Spinsters	Widows	Divorced women		All	Bachelors	Widowers	Divorced men
387	509	85	265	Under 35	511	654	149	429
441	383	476	541	35-49	383	300	502	474
158	97	392	186	50-64	99	44	320	93
15	11	47	9	65 and over	7	2	28	4
39.76	36.99	48.52	41.77	Average age at re-marriage	36.55	33.32	45.91	37.82
22,741	13,318	2,643	6,780	Numbers of re-marriages	21,807	11,860	3,167	6,780

Recent changes in marital condition estimate

Reference has already been made to the rise in marriage rates particularly for first marriage rates at younger ages for both men and women. The impact of these changes is reflected in a comparison of the 1964 marital condition estimate for England and Wales with the corresponding estimates for 1951 and 1961. The changes in the proportions within each sex age-group who were single, married, widowed or divorced is shown in Table C20 which compares 1964 first with 1951 and then with 1961.

It has to be remembered that these changes are not the result of comparing the marital conditions of the same men and women in 1951 and 1964 but comparing the men and women who were of a given age in 1951, for example, with the men and women of the same age in 1964; that is, the men and women shown in a given age-group for 1964 would be thirteen years younger in 1951.

Table C20 shows there is a clear pattern for both men and women under the age of forty, for whom a fall in the proportion of single and an increase in the proportion married is quite evident. For men under the age of thirty-five the

Table C20. Proportional differences per thousand in the estimated total population by sex, age and marital condition, mid-1964 compared with mid-1951, and with mid-1961, England and Wales

Men				Age	Women			
Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced		Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced
1964 compared with 1951								
- 3	+ 9	- 8	+ 2	15 and over	- 27	+ 17	+ 7	+ 3
- 8	+ 8	-	-	15-19	- 28	+ 28	-	-
- 89	+ 89	-	-	20-24	- 104	+ 103	-	+ 1
- 73	+ 72	- 1	+ 2	25-29	- 69	+ 71	- 3	+ 1
- 22	+ 23	- 2	+ 1	30-34	- 47	+ 57	- 8	- 2
-	+ 3	- 4	+ 1	35-39	- 41	+ 53	- 12	-
+ 2	- 1	- 4	+ 3	40-44	- 53	+ 59	- 10	+ 4
- 3	+ 2	- 5	+ 6	45-49	- 56	+ 57	- 9	+ 8
+ 1	+ 2	- 10	+ 7	50-54	- 44	+ 55	- 20	+ 9
+ 5	+ 3	- 15	+ 7	55-59	- 29	+ 51	- 31	+ 9
+ 2	+ 18	- 25	+ 5	60-64	- 19	+ 45	- 34	+ 8
- 11	+ 42	- 34	+ 3	65-69	- 9	+ 25	- 22	+ 6
- 13	+ 64	- 53	+ 2	70-74	- 3	+ 2	- 3	+ 4
+ 2	+ 44	- 48	+ 2	75 and over	- 7	- 20	+ 26	+ 1
1964 compared with 1961								
+ 9	- 7	- 2	-	15 and over	+ 2	+ 3	-	+ 1
- 2	+ 2	-	-	15-19	- 3	+ 3	-	-
- 8	+ 9	-	- 1	20-24	- 3	+ 3	-	-
- 15	+ 13	-	+ 2	25-29	- 8	+ 6	- 1	+ 3
- 6	+ 5	-	+ 1	30-34	- 10	+ 9	- 1	+ 2
+ 1	-	- 1	-	35-39	- 7	+ 9	- 2	-
+ 2	- 3	-	+ 1	40-44	- 8	+ 11	- 3	-
+ 1	- 2	-	+ 1	45-49	- 10	+ 11	- 2	+ 1
- 1	+ 1	- 1	+ 1	50-54	- 15	+ 14	- 1	+ 2
- 2	+ 2	- 2	+ 2	55-59	- 11	+ 13	- 4	+ 2
+ 2	-	- 4	+ 2	60-64	- 6	+ 11	- 7	+ 2
-	+ 2	- 3	+ 1	65-69	- 7	+ 10	- 5	+ 2
- 4	+ 14	- 11	+ 1	70-74	- 1	+ 4	- 5	+ 2
+ 2	+ 8	- 11	+ 1	75 and over	- 2	- 4	+ 6	-

correspondence between the reduction in the proportion single and the increase in the proportion married is almost exact, but for women over twenty-five the increase in the proportion married is also augmented by the decline in the proportion widowed. This decline in the proportion widowed is likely to be due to the relatively high proportion of widows in 1951 as a result of the 1939-45 war. For women over the age of forty the proportion married has risen for all but those over 75 years of age. This increase has been partly at the expense of the single, but

for older women as for older men the fall in the proportion widowed has played an important role. For men the pattern is less clearly defined. There has been relatively little change in the proportion married among men aged 55-59 but for men over 60 the proportion has risen, an increase which is largely balanced by the decline in the proportion widowed. This latter change is likely to be due to the improvement in the mortality of women leading to the longer survival of married couples together.

By restricting the comparison to 1961 and 1964 the second part of Table C20 highlights the changes which have taken place recently. The general pattern of change shown for 1961-64 is similar to that already noticed for 1951-64. For men the main features are again a shift from single to married at ages under thirty-five and from widowed to married at ages over sixty-five. There has also been a small rise in the proportion divorced for all ages. For women the shift from single to married persists to older ages, still being clear in the 65-69 age-group. The general reduction in the proportion widowed is clear for all but those aged 75 and over where the number of widows is increasing more quickly than the number of old women generally.

Proportions married

A comparison of marital condition estimates for different years in the past does not give a clear picture of the implications of a set of future marriage rates.

One alternative method of assessing the long-term impact of marriage rates is by means of a nuptiality table. Such a table combines marriage rates in much the same way as death rates are combined to present a life table. Thus a set of age-specific marriage rates are applied to a generation of men and women all of whom are assumed to be single at age 15. Successive application of such marriage rates to a generation of single people will give the proportion who have ceased to be single at a specified older age and hence, the proportion still remaining single within a specified age-group. The left-hand side of Table C21 has been produced from such nuptiality tables and shows the proportion ever-married (i.e. all those not still single) derived from a complete nuptiality table relating to 1951-55 and abridged nuptiality tables (i.e. worked by an abbreviated method for five year age-groups only for the years 1961 and 1964).

On the basis of the nuptiality table of 1964 only 7 per cent of men and 4.5 per cent of women would remain unmarried by the time they reach 45-49. The proportions ever-married derived from these nuptiality tables rose on the whole between 1951-55 and 1961 but between 1961 and 1964 some decline is apparent at all ages for women and at ages 25 and over for men. This fall is due to the decrease in first marriage rates in recent years which has already been mentioned. For ages over 25 the proportions ever-married implied by the continuation of any of the sets of age-specific marriage rates used are clearly higher than those experienced in recent years, examples of the latter rates also being shown on the right-hand side of Table C21 for purposes of such a comparison and this raises the question of the confidence which can be attached to proportions ever-married derived from nuptiality tables.

Although a nuptiality table is useful for assessing the implications of the indefinite continuation of a set of marriage rates, such a table can be misleading

as to the true prospects, because the marriage rates on which the nuptiality table for a given period is based relate to the experience of different generations during this single period. Thus, for example, at the moment marriage rates at young ages are tending to rise while those at older ages are tending to fall. Therefore, if these trends continue, the generation now marrying at ages 15-19 will experience at ages 30-34, for example, not the marriage rates which are currently being experienced by people now aged 30-34 but rates which will be well below the present rates.

Table C21. Proportions ever-married; 1951, 1956, 1961 and 1964 together with proportions implied by nuptiality tables for 1951-55, 1961 and 1964, England and Wales

Proportions ever-married implied by nuptiality tables of			Age-group	Actual proportions ever-married			
1951-55	1961	1964		1951	1956	1961	1964
Men							
6	12	12	15-19	5	8	11	13
251	303	304	20-24	229	266	309	317
685	750	749	25-29	647	681	705	720
844	874	872	30-34	810	833	826	832
897	909	906	35-39	867	873	868	867
920	926	920	40-45	892	896	892	890
930	935	929	45-49	902	912	905	904
Women							
49	64	63	15-19	42	55	67	70
528	592	584	20-24	477	539	578	581
838	880	872	25-29	782	820	843	851
909	932	926	30-34	855	883	892	902
931	948	943	35-39	869	889	903	910
940	954	950	40-45	860	893	905	913
945	958	955	45-49	848	869	895	905

The proportions ever-married at given ages from selected years, such as are shown on the left-hand side of Table C21, can be re-arranged to provide a comparison of the experience of different generations at the same ages. (Such a re-arrangement permits us to trace the experience of particular generations and see how this compares with that of earlier generations). This has been done in Table C22, which shows that, apart from minor irregularities in the proportions for men, there has been a continuous rise in the proportion ever-married at all ages for both men and women for all generations born during the present century. Figures for 1964 have been incorporated into Table C22 at the younger ages where they show that the rise in the proportion ever-married is still continuing. Comparison of the proportions for older ages in 1964 which are shown in Table C21 with the figures for these same ages in Table C23 suggests that the proportions ever-married are still rising for women but that temporary stability has been reached as far as men are concerned. This suggests that for men at least the proportions ever-married derived from recent nuptiality tables are certainly higher than those which will in fact be achieved in the future.

Table C25. Quarterly incidence of marriage 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	Proportion of marriages in quarter ended			
	March	June	September	December
1841-1850	205	255	239	301
1851-1860	206	252	242	300
1861-1870	205	252	246	297
1871-1880	204	253	245	298
1881-1890	197	257	250	296
1891-1900	184	265	266	285
1901-1910	182	265	280	273
1911-1920	186	263	280	271
1921-1930	170	266	303	261
1931-1935	162	280	317	261
1936-1940	166	253	321	260
1941-1945	212	268	276	244
1946-1950	218	250	303	229
1951-1956	289	206	303	202
1956-1960	296	196	300	208
1960	259	212	301	228
1961	243	220	324	213
1962	290	181	310	219
1963	277	181	316	226
1964	272	191	309	228

The period from 1861 to 1940 saw an increase in the marriages in the June and, particularly, the September Quarters. These changes may be associated with the increasing importance of industry compared to agriculture, the effect of the Bank Holidays Act (1871) and the growth of summer holidays.

After 1940 there was a sustained rise in the proportion of marriages in the March Quarter, until in the 1956-60 period the March and September Quarters each accounted for 30 per cent of the year's marriages, while the June and December Quarters accounted for about 20 per cent each. Recent years have seen a tendency for the proportion of marriages in the December Quarter to increase somewhat.

The monthly figures in Table C26 give more detail for recent years. The true monthly pattern is disturbed by the effect of the distribution of marriages over the days of the week: the popularity of Saturday weddings means that the figures for the same month differ from year to year according to the number of Saturdays in the month. Months with five Saturdays are indicated in Table C26. Table C26 shows that the popularity of the March Quarter is based upon weddings in the month of March, by far the most popular single month of the year. The peak in March is related to the end of the income tax year on 5th April, which causes marriages to be arranged to obtain as much tax relief as possible. This table also demonstrates that the recent increase in marriages in the December Quarter is due to the rise in the relative number of marriages in October, an increase which is also associated with the effect of the income tax regulations for marriages where the bride continues to work. The number of October weddings has nearly doubled since 1956 and its relative popularity is now exceeded only by March and September.

Table C26. Monthly incidence of marriage, 1947 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total for period
Numbers of marriages													
1947-50	79,800	86,917	172,641	137,984	88,828	151,447	162,258	146,750	162,808	105,026	82,372	154,801	1,531,632
1951-55	77,794	106,484	322,146	127,251	85,085	149,785	173,716	172,504	185,313	114,109	81,472	158,920	1,754,579
1956-60	71,511	100,764	337,942	111,513	75,702	149,797	147,023	174,825	196,561	136,132	84,203	137,527	1,723,500
1956	13,651	19,898	73,573*	21,113	15,529	32,179*	30,144	34,503	42,276*	21,158	15,947	32,973*	352,944
1957	13,894	19,954	76,244*	19,034	12,150	34,620*	28,458	38,192*	36,967	21,817	18,199*	27,374	346,903
1958	12,940	20,777	68,912*	21,229	17,434*	27,548	27,900	37,115*	36,683	24,005	19,048*	26,322	339,913
1959	15,430*	18,972	67,028	20,121	17,142*	26,018	27,390	35,601*	39,600	32,649*	15,548	24,627	340,126
1960	15,596*	21,163	52,185	30,016*	13,447	29,432	33,131*	29,414	41,035	36,503*	15,461	26,231*	343,614
1961	12,310	18,020	54,118	32,733*	16,623	26,813	31,282*	30,822	50,263*	31,897	15,899	25,898*	346,678
1962	12,345	18,568	70,012*	16,540	13,722	32,810*	26,148	29,722	51,807*	34,999	15,761	25,298*	347,732
1963	12,113	19,687	65,509*	16,604	13,943	33,017*	26,775	36,874*	47,336	38,125	19,293*	22,053	351,329
1964	12,478	20,970*	64,266	22,671	18,841*	26,985	27,448	35,388*	48,322	44,573*	16,689	20,676	359,307
Ratio of daily average for the month to daily average for the year taken as 1,000													
1947-50	614	734	1,328	1,097	683	1,204	1,248	1,129	1,294	808	655	1,191	1,000
1951-55	522	786	2,163	883	571	1,039	1,166	1,158	1,286	766	565	1,067	1,000
1956-60	489	753	2,310	789	518	1,058	1,005	1,196	1,389	933	595	940	1,000
1956	456	712	2,462*	730	520	1,113*	1,008	1,155	1,462*	709	552	1,104*	1,000
1957	472	750	2,588*	668	412	1,214*	966	1,296*	1,297	741	638*	929	1,000
1958	448	797	2,387*	760	604*	986	966	1,286*	1,313	832	682*	912	1,000
1959	534*	727	2,320	720	593*	931	948	1,232*	1,416	1,130*	556	852	1,000
1960	536*	777	1,793	1,066*	462	1,045	1,138*	1,011	1,457	1,254*	549	901*	1,000
1961	418	678	1,838	1,149*	565	941	1,062*	1,047	1,764*	1,083	558	880*	1,000
1962	418	696	2,371*	579	465	1,148*	885	1,006	1,813*	1,185	551	857*	1,000
1963	406	730	2,193*	574	467	1,142*	897	1,235*	1,638	1,277	668*	738	1,000
1964	409	735*	2,106	768	617*	914	899	1,160*	1,636	1,461*	565	678	1,000

*These months contained five Saturdays.

The monthly pattern of marriages in 1964 generally fitted into the pattern of recent years. The rise in the ratio of the month to the year in May and October and the decreases in March, June and November were accounted for by changes in the number of Saturdays in the months concerned. The sharp rise for April is doubtless due to the fact that April 5th fell on a Sunday so that marriages on the first Saturday in April accounted for full tax relief in contrast to 1963 when the first Saturday in April fell on the 6th.

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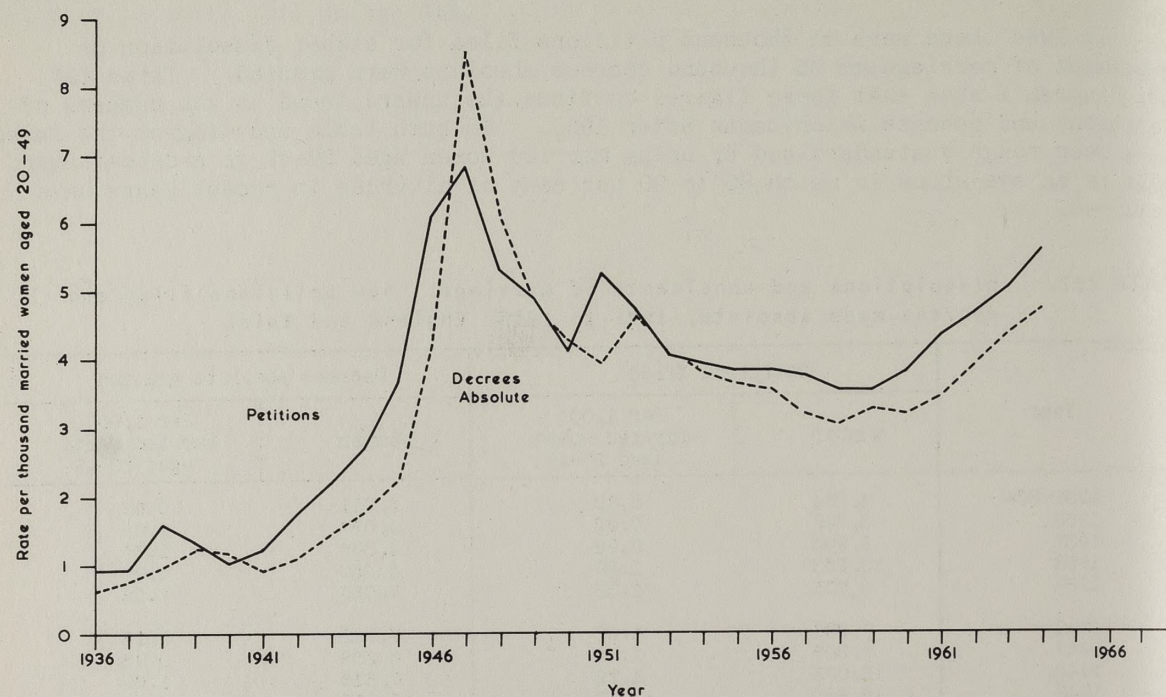
In 1964 there were 41 thousand petitions filed for either dissolution or annulment of marriage and 35 thousand decrees absolute were granted. Table C27 and Diagram 2 show that these figures continue the upward trend in the numbers of petitions and decrees which began after 1960. In both table and diagram the rates have been roughly standardised by using married women aged 20-49 as a denominator: this is an age-group in which 85 to 90 per cent of divorces in recent years have occurred.

Table C27. Dissolutions and annulments of marriage: new petitions filed and decrees made absolute, 1931 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	Petitions filed		Decrees absolute granted	
	Number	Per 1,000 married women aged 20-49	Number	Per 1,000 married women aged 20-49
1931-35*	4,784	0.80	4,011	0.67
1936	5,749	0.92	4,057	0.65
1937	5,903	0.93	4,886	0.77
1938	10,233	1.59	6,250	0.97
1939	8,703	1.33	7,955	1.22
1940	7,086	1.05	7,755	1.15
1941	8,305	1.21	6,368	0.93
1942	12,003	1.72	7,618	1.09
1943	15,385	2.19	10,012	1.43
1944	18,969	2.70	12,312	1.75
1945	25,711	3.65	15,634	2.22
1946	43,163	6.09	29,829	4.21
1947	48,501	6.81	60,254	8.47
1948	37,919	5.28	43,698	6.08
1949	35,191	4.87	34,856	4.82
1950	29,729	4.09	30,870	4.24
1951	38,382	5.23	28,767	3.92
1952	34,567	4.69	33,922	4.60
1953	30,542	4.14	30,328	4.11
1954	29,036	3.93	28,027	3.79
1955	28,314	3.83	26,816	3.62
1956	28,426	3.83	26,265	3.54
1957	27,858	3.74	23,785	3.19
1958	28,239	3.52	22,654	3.04
1959	26,327	3.52	24,286	3.25
1960	28,542	3.80	23,868	3.18
1961	31,905	4.31	25,394	3.43
1962	34,625	4.66	28,935	3.89
1963	37,304	5.02	32,052	4.32
1964	41,468	5.58	34,868	4.70

*Annual average

Diagram 2



Dissolutions and annulments of marriage: new petitions filed and decrees made absolute per 1,000 married women aged 20-49, 1936 to 1964, England and Wales

Among both the petitions filed and the decrees absolute granted, two per cent were for annulment of marriage (847 of the petitions and 706 of the decrees). This accords with the pattern of recent years. Over the last 10 years it appears that about 9 in every 10 petitions for dissolution of marriage result in a decree absolute being granted as do 7 in 10 of the petitions for annulment.

In the past, the incidence of divorce seems to have been sensitive to changes in both the permissible grounds for divorce and in the provision of financial assistance to litigants. For example, the Matrimonial Causes Act of 1937 extended the grounds on which divorce was permissible and disturbed the relatively constant level of divorces up to that time. The 1939-45 war brought about a great rise in the frequency of divorce which culminated in the peak figures of 1947. The decline from the 1947 peak was checked by the Legal Aid and Advice Act of 1949, while the start of the latest rise may well have been associated with the introduction of the Legal Aid Act (1960) which changed the income limits for legal aid though the continuing increase, which has now lasted for five years, seems too persistent to be accounted for solely by the effects of that Act.

The increase in both the petitions and the decrees absolute has been sustained since 1960, although petitions appeared to have started to move upwards in 1959 and decrees started to increase in 1960. By 1964 the number of petitions filed was 45 per cent higher than in 1960, while the number of decrees absolute granted was higher by 46 per cent. Since 1961, the rise in the number of decrees absolute is nearly 38 per cent and Table C28 shows that the all ages divorce rate has risen by the same amount. This indicates that the increase in the number of divorces has not been associated simply with a rise in the numbers in the married population. The rise in divorce rates has affected all the current age-groups which are identified in Table C28, but the proportional rise has been greatest for young men and women. The increase in the divorce rates was 57 per cent for men and 50 per cent for women in the under 25 age-group but fell to just under 30 per cent for both men and women aged 45-49.

Table C28. Rates of divorce and annulment per 1,000 married population by age at divorce, 1951 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	Age at date of decree absolute								
	All ages	Under 25	25-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	60 and over
Husbands									
1951-55	2.6	2.1	4.7	4.9	4.2	3.3	2.5	1.4	0.3
1956-60	2.1	1.3	3.5	3.8	3.3	2.7	2.1	1.3	0.3
1961	2.1	1.4	4.0	4.1	3.4	2.8	2.1	1.3	0.4
1962	2.4	1.7	4.4	4.7	3.7	3.2	2.4	1.4	0.4
1963	2.7	2.0	5.2	5.2	4.2	3.4	2.6	1.5	0.4
1964	2.9	2.2	5.7	5.8	4.6	3.4	2.7	1.6	0.5
Wives									
1951-55	2.6	3.1	5.3	4.6	3.7	2.9	2.1	1.0	0.2
1956-60	2.1	2.2	4.1	3.6	2.9	2.4	1.8	0.9	0.2
1961	2.1	2.4	4.6	3.9	3.0	2.4	1.8	1.0	0.2
1962	2.4	2.8	5.2	4.3	3.5	2.8	2.0	1.1	0.3
1963	2.7	3.2	5.9	4.8	3.7	2.9	2.3	1.2	0.3
1964	2.9	3.6	6.6	5.2	4.0	3.1	2.3	1.3	0.4

Grounds on which granted

Table C29 shows the distribution of grounds on which decrees absolute of divorce were granted according to the party to whom the decree was granted and the age of that party. The numbers in this table add up to more than the total number of decrees because decrees are sometimes granted on more than one ground and sometimes to both parties; thus the total of Table C29 is 36,358 compared with 34,868 decrees granted in 1964. Sections (ii) and (iii) of this table give proportional distributions to assist interpretation.

Table C29. Grounds on which decrees absolute of dissolution were granted by party and age, 1964, England and Wales

Age of party at date of decree absolute	Party to whom granted	Ground				Total
		Adultery	Desertion	Cruelty	Others*	
(1) Numbers						
All ages	{ Husband Wife	9,669 9,665	5,100 5,653	386 5,708	62 115	15,217 21,141
Under 20	{ Husband Wife	1 1	- 5	- 19	- -	1 25
20-24	{ Husband Wife	344 885	52 275	4 869	2 6	402 2,035
25-29	{ Husband Wife	1,952 2,271	610 1,022	39 1,360	4 10	2,605 4,663
30-34	{ Husband Wife	2,159 1,984	973 979	52 982	1 10	3,185 3,955
35-39	{ Husband Wife	1,787 1,528	818 889	61 802	1 12	2,667 3,231
40-44	{ Husband Wife	1,377 1,250	745 918	70 801	7 21	2,199 2,990
45-49	{ Husband Wife	869 750	553 577	63 422	8 16	1,493 1,765
50-54	{ Husband Wife	634 540	545 501	48 274	14 9	1,241 1,324
55-59	{ Husband Wife	313 288	394 273	28 112	8 8	743 681
60 and over	{ Husband Wife	233 168	410 214	21 67	17 23	681 472
(11) Distribution per 1,000 of each ground by party						
All ages	{ Husband Wife	500 500	474 526	63 937	350 650	419 581
(111) Distribution per 1,000 total grounds for each party by ground						
All ages	{ Husband Wife	636 458	335 267	25 270	4 5	1,000 1,000
Under 20	{ Husband Wife	1,000 40	- 200	- 760	- -	1,000 1,000
20-24	{ Husband Wife	856 435	129 135	10 427	5 3	1,000 1,000
25-29	{ Husband Wife	749 487	234 219	15 292	2 2	1,000 1,000
30-34	{ Husband Wife	678 502	306 247	16 248	3 3	1,000 1,000
35-39	{ Husband Wife	670 473	307 275	23 248	0 4	1,000 1,000
40-44	{ Husband Wife	626 418	339 307	32 268	3 7	1,000 1,000
45-49	{ Husband Wife	583 425	370 327	42 239	5 9	1,000 1,000
50-54	{ Husband Wife	511 408	439 378	39 207	11 7	1,000 1,000
55-59	{ Husband Wife	421 423	530 401	38 164	11 12	1,000 1,000
60 and over	{ Husband Wife	342 356	602 453	31 142	25 49	1,000 1,000

*Includes grounds of unsound mind, 71: presumed dead, 63.

The ground of adultery appeared in 1964 with almost equal frequency in decrees granted to the husband and to the wife. Cruelty appeared predominantly in decrees granted to the wife while desertion was somewhat more common in decrees granted to the wife than to the husband.

These features are illustrated in another way in section (iii) of Table C29. This shows the proportional distribution of grounds in divorces granted to husbands and to wives according to their age. In decrees granted to the husband, 64 per cent of the grounds quoted were accounted for by adultery, and 33 per cent by desertion. Among decrees granted to the wife, adultery accounted for 46 per cent and desertion and cruelty for 27 per cent each.

Adultery as a ground becomes relatively less frequent with increasing age in decrees granted to the husband. Among decrees granted to the wife the pattern is rather different, since the relative frequency of adultery increases with age up to 35, decreases between 35 and 44, but thereafter remains at about 40 per cent of all grounds quoted. The relative frequency of desertion as a ground increases with age irrespective of whether the decree is granted to the husband or to the wife; it rises from 30 per cent for both husbands and wives aged 20-24 to reach 60 per cent of the grounds used by husbands over 60 and 45 per cent of those used by wives over 60. The use of cruelty as a ground is negligible for men, and for women becomes steadily less frequent with increasing age, accounting for 43 per cent of all grounds quoted at ages 20-24 and falling to 14 per cent in decrees granted to wives over the age of 60.

It has already been noted that between 1960 and 1964, the number of divorces increased by 11 thousand or 46 per cent. The increase was more marked for divorces granted to the wife, which increased by 53 per cent, compared with those granted to the husband, which increased by only 37 per cent. Within this differential increase according to the party to whom the decree was granted, there was some shift in the distribution of grounds on which the decree was granted. For men, decrees on the grounds of adultery increased by 50 per cent and accounted for three quarters of the total increase. Among decrees granted to women, there was also a shift towards adultery, the number of decrees on this ground rising by 72 per cent compared with an increase of 53 per cent decrees on all grounds granted to the wife. For women, the number of decrees granted on the grounds of cruelty also rose more than average, whereas decrees granted for desertion increased by well below the average amount (as was also true for men). These shifts in the relative frequency of grounds can be summarised as a decline in that of desertion and, for women, of cruelty and an increase in the frequency of decrees granted on the grounds of adultery. They are partly associated with the relatively greater use in divorce among younger married people for whom adultery and cruelty are more frequent grounds. Further they are not limited to the 1960-64 period. A comparison of the distribution of decrees by the grounds on which they were granted for 1957 and 1960, when the number of decrees granted were very similar and there was little change in the distribution by party, shows this transition in progress between these two years.

Age of wife at marriage

Table C31, which is illustrated in Diagram 3, shows the impact of age at marriage on divorce. The differences between the rates shown in this table are

Table C30. Dissolutions granted to either husband or wife by grounds, percentage distribution 1957, 1960 and 1964

Ground	1957 Granted to		1960 Granted to		1964 Granted to	
	Husband	Wife	Husband	Wife	Husband	Wife
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100
Adultery	53.3	35.6	56.8	38.8	62.0	43.6
Cruelty	1.9	21.9	1.7	23.5	2.1	25.6
Desertion	39.0	34.6	36.2	29.2	30.9	23.6
Any two or all three above	4.4	7.0	4.3	7.6	4.7	6.7
All others	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.4	0.6
Number	10,540	12,705	10,443	12,844	14,359	19,630

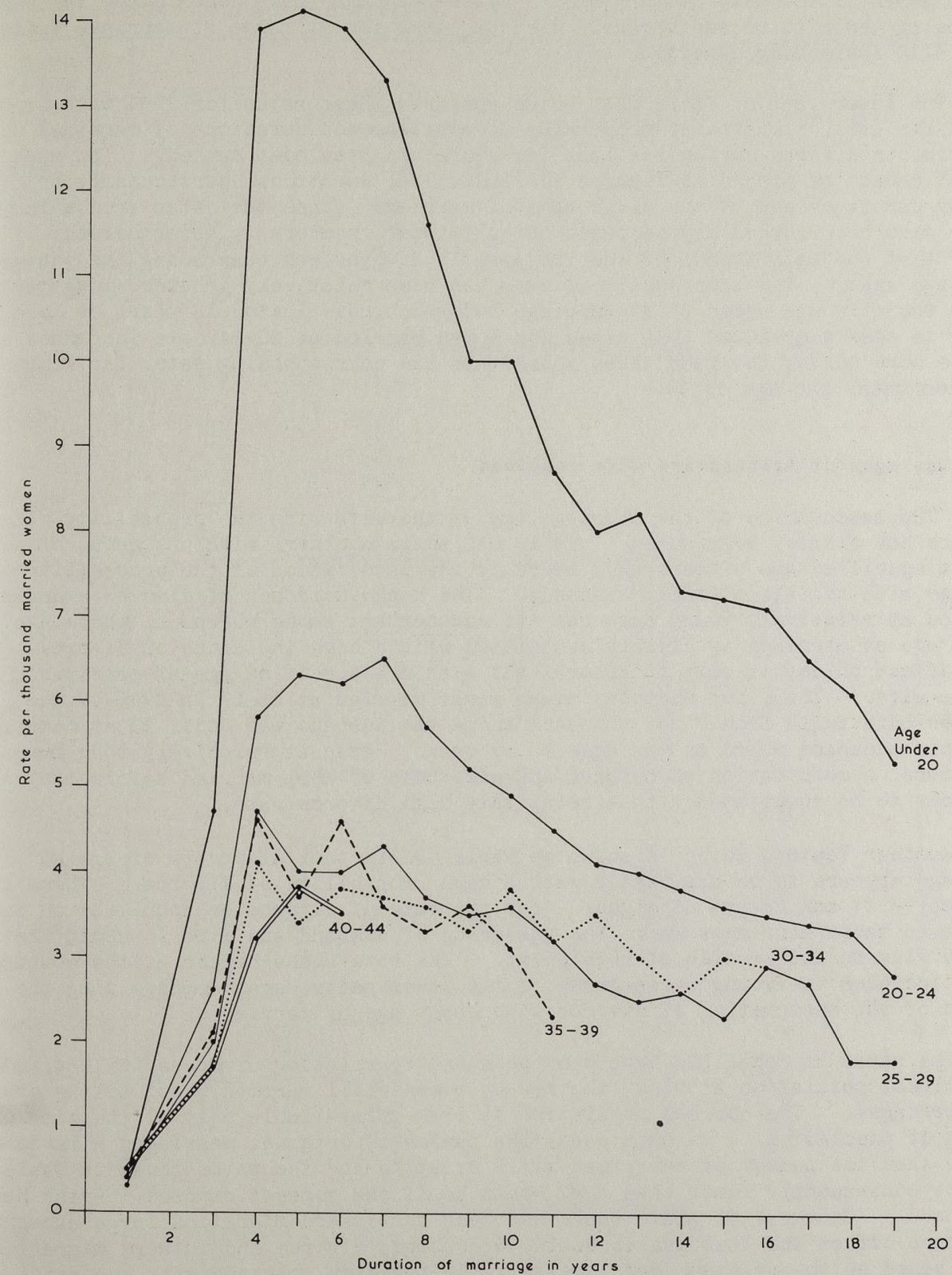
much larger than those in Table C28, demonstrating that age at marriage is much more closely associated with the frequency of divorce than is age at the time of divorce.

Table C31. Dissolutions and annulments of marriage made absolute, by duration of marriage and marriage age of wife. Rates per 1,000 married women 1964 and per cent change compared with 1961, England and Wales

Age of wife at marriage	Duration of marriage (completed years)															
	0-2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15-19	20-24	25-29
1964																
Under 20	0.4	4.7	13.9	14.1	13.9	13.3	11.6	10.0	10.0	8.7	8.0	8.2	7.3	6.5	4.7	3.7
20-	0.3	2.6	5.8	6.3	6.2	6.5	5.7	5.2	4.9	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.8	3.3	2.5	
25-	0.4	2.0	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.3	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.3		
30-	0.5	1.7	4.1	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.8	3.2	3.5	3.0	2.6			
35-	0.5	2.1	4.6	3.7	4.6	3.6	3.3	3.6	3.1	2.3						
40-44	0.5	1.7	3.2	3.8	3.5											
Per cent, compared with 1961																
Under 20	200	127	140	140	140	151	138	127	141	134	118	128	112	148	124	132
20-	150	144	141	140	148	151	158	141	129	141	132	121	112	132	139	
25-	133	154	127	114	125	143	112	113	144	133	96	100	137	121		
30-	125	106	111	103	115	123	124	103	131	133	140	120	130			
35-	167	162	139	148	192	129	138	129	129	96						
40-44	100	567	84	146	130											

The higher rates of divorce and annulment for marriages where the wife was under 20 at marriage is clear. This is true for all but the very shortest marriage duration. In general, rates for those married under the age of 20 are almost double those for marriages where the wife married at 20-24. Marriages where the wife was aged 20-24 at the time of the marriage experienced divorce rates in 1964 which were about 50 per cent higher than the rates for marriages where the wife was 25 or over at marriage. Over the age of 25, age of wife at marriage appears to have had relatively little association with the likelihood of divorce.

Diagram 3



Rates of dissolution and annulment of marriage by duration of marriage and marriage age of wife, 1964, England and Wales

For all marriage ages divorce rates reach their peak between four and seven years after the marriage. Normally a petition for divorce may not be filed within three years of the date of marriage. After reaching their peak in the few years following their third anniversary, divorce rates for all ages at marriage tended to fall with increasing duration.

The lower part of Table C31, which compares these rates for 1964 with similar rates for 1961, illustrates those ages at marriage and durations of marriage where the rise in divorce during the last few years has been most marked. Too much weight cannot be placed on figures for individual durations, particularly at the longer durations and at the older ages of marriage, since the rates from which these have been worked may be based on quite small numbers. Nevertheless, it is clear that the main impact of the increase in divorce has been among the younger marriage ages. The increase in divorce has been relatively greater among marriages where the wife was under 25 at marriage and which have lasted 12 years or less. There is some suggestion that rates for women married at 20-24 have increased a little more during the last three years than the corresponding rates for women married under the age of 20.

Marriage ages of husband and wife combined

The association of the marriage age of the wife with the probability of divorce has already been noted. Table C32 shows whether, within a group of wives with a specified age of marriage, there is any association of the probability of divorce with the age of their husbands. The high incidence of divorce among women married at relatively young ages has its counterpart among husbands, where again a young age at marriage is clearly associated with a high incidence of divorce. This effect holds not only in general but within a specified age-at-marriage group of the wife. Thus, for example, among wives married at 25-29 in 1945-49 the divorce rate falls from 7 per thousand where the husband was under 20 at marriage to 2 per thousand where he was aged 25 or over. Even at relatively long marriage durations, a combination of husband and wife both of whom married before they were 20 tends to be associated with a relatively high divorce rate.

Another feature which is shown by Table C32 is that disparity of age at marriage appears to be associated with a high probability of divorce. There is a tendency - it can be put no higher - for the rate of divorce or annulment to be lowest in those marriages where the age-group of husband and wife is about the same and to rise on either side of this point. The rate rises higher at the combination which includes the younger age-group of the other party, again emphasising the effect of the association of divorce with lower age of marriage.

The rates in Table C32 have been obtained by relating divorces in 1964, not to the correct population at risk (the men or women still married), but to the original marriages. The correct population at risk is available only at the time of a census of population. In most cases the number of original marriages will be higher than the number of marriages still existing and the rates shown in Table C32 will be consequently lower than they would be if the correct exposed-to-risk had been used. Conversely, where there has been net inward migration large enough to more than offset the loss due to death, widowhood, divorce and outward migration, rates based on the original marriages will be too high compared with the rates

Table C32. Divorce and annulment rates per 1,000 related marriages by calendar year of marriage and the age at marriage of both parties in combination, 1964, England and Wales

Age of wife at marriage	Age of husband at marriage					
	All ages	Under 20	20-	25-	30-	35 and over
Persons married in 1960						
All ages	5.6	14.8	6.4	4.5	3.4	3.0
Under 20	10.5	16.0	9.3	9.3	8.0	9.6
20-	4.6	10.0	4.8	4.0	3.6	4.3
25-	3.8	23.4	5.9	3.1	2.7	4.4
30-	3.5	105.3	5.2	3.6	2.5	3.7
35 and over	2.7	-	7.1	5.8	4.2	2.4
Persons married in the years 1955-59						
All ages	6.8	17.5	8.2	5.5	4.8	3.0
Under 20	13.2	19.0	12.5	11.1	10.3	15.0
20-	6.1	13.0	6.4	5.1	5.2	6.9
25-	4.2	12.2	5.4	3.9	3.9	3.8
30-	3.8	24.7	7.0	3.8	4.1	3.2
35 and over	2.7	-	8.1	6.0	4.9	2.3
Persons married in the years 1950-54						
All ages	4.2	10.7	5.5	3.6	3.2	1.9
Under 20	8.3	11.0	8.0	7.9	7.4	8.3
20-	4.2	10.1	4.5	3.4	3.8	4.2
25-	2.9	7.1	4.4	2.6	2.4	2.8
30-	3.1	18.2	6.5	3.6	3.0	2.6
35 and over	1.5	-	6.0	3.2	2.8	1.3
Persons married in the years 1945-49						
All ages	2.9	6.9	3.9	2.7	2.2	1.3
Under 20	5.7	7.3	5.5	5.3	5.4	7.5
20-	3.1	6.1	3.4	2.6	2.6	3.3
25-	2.2	7.0	3.2	2.0	1.7	2.1
30-	2.0	12.5	4.5	2.3	2.0	1.6
35 and over	0.9	33.3	8.0	3.2	2.1	0.6
Persons married in the years 1940-44						
All ages	1.9	4.1	2.5	1.7	1.3	0.6
Under 20	3.7	4.1	3.5	4.0	3.3	4.8
20-	2.0	3.8	2.2	1.7	1.7	2.3
25-	1.3	8.2	1.9	1.2	1.0	1.0
30-	1.1	15.7	2.4	1.4	0.9	0.8
35 and over	0.3	55.6	6.9	1.2	0.7	0.2
Persons married in the years 1935-39						
All ages	1.2	3.6	1.8	1.1	0.7	0.2
Under 20	3.0	3.6	2.9	3.0	2.7	3.1
20-	1.4	3.3	1.6	1.2	1.3	0.7
25-	0.7	7.2	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.4
30-	0.5	13.7	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3
35 and over	0.2	-	3.1	1.3	0.2	0.1

based on the correct existing population. The effect of using an inappropriate denominator will not affect seriously the differential impact of the combination of age at marriage of husband with the corresponding age of the wife.

Previous marital condition

Examination of the marital condition of husband and wife before they entered the marriage which was dissolved or annulled in 1964 shows that 93 per cent of both parties were in their first marriage, 2 per cent were previously widowed and 5 per cent were previously divorced. Information is not available for those who were not in their first marriage about the number of times they had been married. Table C33 shows a proportional classification by former marital condition of both parties combined, classified by marriage age of the wife.

Table C33. Dissolutions and annulments of marriage made absolute in 1964 by previous marital condition of both parties and age of wife at marriage; proportions per 1,000 in each age at marriage

Age at marriage of wife	Previous marital condition of wife	Previous marital condition of husband			
		All	Single	Widowed	Divorced
All ages	All	1,000	927	21	52
	Single	925	881	11	33
	Widowed	25	14	6	5
	Divorced	51	32	4	14
Under 20	All	1,000	986	4	10
	Single	999	985	4	10
	Widowed	0	0	0	0
	Divorced	1	1	-	-
20-24	All	1,000	962	9	29
	Single	982	946	8	28
	Widowed	5	5	0	0
	Divorced	13	11	0	1
25-29	All	1,000	863	25	113
	Single	814	714	20	80
	Widowed	45	38	2	4
	Divorced	142	111	3	28
30-34	All	1,000	702	72	225
	Single	589	435	38	96
	Widowed	107	73	10	24
	Divorced	324	195	24	105
35 and over	All	1,000	450	232	318
	Single	328	179	57	90
	Widowed	309	118	117	74
	Divorced	365	153	58	154

Naturally the distribution by previous marital condition varies according to the age of the wife at the time of the marriage. For marriages where the wife was under 20 when she married, 99 per cent of the dissolved marriages were first marriages for both parties; where the wife was aged 30-34 at marriage, the corresponding proportion falls to 43 per cent, and for the dissolved marriages where the wife was over 35 at the time of the marriage, 18 per cent of marriages were first marriages for both parties. For those dissolved marriages where the wife was 35 or over at marriage, 23 per cent of the husbands were formerly widowers and 32 per cent divorced, the corresponding proportions among the wives being 31 per cent and 37 per cent.

Table C34 gives rates of divorce and annulment per 1,000 related original marriages. Since once again original marriages have been used for the denominators, the rates will again tend to be too low (except when net immigration more than offsets the other effects). When account is taken of age at marriage, divorce rates are seen to be higher on the whole for those previously divorced and lowest for those previously single, with those previously widowed in an intermediate position. Comparison between different marital condition groups is made somewhat difficult because of the frequency of cells with small numbers, due to the very different age distributions at marriage of the re-married compared with those marrying for the first time. A further complication is that the greater divorce risk of those previously divorced means that relatively fewer of their original marriages would have lasted to 1964 than among a corresponding group of first marriages. The true differential between divorce rates will be understated in Table C34 because of the use of original marriages as the denominators. By the same token, differences between different marriage cohorts will be distorted by the factor of duration of marriage; the longer the duration the greater the difference between the appropriate denominator and that actually used here.

Children of divorced couples

Women whose marriages were dissolved or annulled in 1964 are classified in Table P5 in Part II according to the number of children of the marriage. These children are those alive at the date of the petition irrespective of their age and may include children legitimated by the marriage and adopted children as well as children of the dissolved marriage.

In the marriages which were dissolved or annulled in 1964, 50,342 children were involved, that is an average of 1.44 children for each couple. Because of the extra categories of children involved, this is likely to be a little too high for a completely valid comparison with figures for the population as a whole relating to number of liveborn children only, but such a comparison is attempted in Table C35. This table uses the 1961 census figures as the basis of comparison; in computing these census estimates the duration of marriage distribution was standardised on that of the women divorced in 1964. The family size for all ages at marriage of women divorced in 1964 was only four fifths of that of the general population of married women. This proportion varied considerably with age at marriage but no clear pattern emerges between the different age at marriage groups. As would be expected with a lower mean family size, the proportion of divorced women who were childless was higher than in the general population, the difference being particularly marked for women married under the age of 25 and decreasing with increasing age at marriage.

Table C34. Divorce rates per 1,000 related marriages by husband's or wife's age at and marital condition before the marriage and calendar year of marriage, 1964, England and Wales

Calendar year of marriage	Previous marital condition	Age at marriage					
		All ages	Under 20	20-	25-	30-	35 and over
Husbands							
1960	Single	5.8	14.8	6.4	4.3	2.7	2.5
	Widowed	2.0	-	-	3.4	3.6	1.9
	Divorced	6.8	-	10.3	10.5	8.6	5.5
1955-59	Single	7.1	17.5	8.2	5.4	4.1	2.6
	Widowed	2.3	-	15.7	9.4	7.1	2.0
	Divorced	7.0	-	17.0	11.8	9.3	5.2
1950-54	Single	4.4	10.7	5.4	3.5	2.7	2.0
	Widowed	1.2	-	12.7	4.7	4.2	0.9
	Divorced	4.4	-	9.5	7.6	5.7	3.2
1945-49	Single	3.0	6.9	3.9	2.6	1.9	1.3
	Widowed	1.0	-	7.1	3.9	3.7	0.6
	Divorced	3.0	-	4.6	4.8	3.8	2.2
1940-44	Single	2.0	4.1	2.5	1.7	1.2	0.7
	Widowed	0.5	-	4.0	3.2	2.0	0.3
	Divorced	1.7	-	5.6	3.5	1.7	1.5
1935-39	Single	1.3	3.6	1.8	1.1	0.7	0.3
	Widowed	0.2	-	1.4	0.9	0.4	0.1
	Divorced	1.2	-	14.5	5.7	1.6	0.6
Before 1935	Single	0.7	2.2	1.1	0.5	0.2	0.1
	Widowed	0.1	-	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.0
	Divorced	0.5	-	15.9	1.5	0.8	0.1
Wives							
1960	Single	5.8	10.5	4.6	3.4	2.4	2.3
	Widowed	2.6	-	-	6.5	6.9	2.2
	Divorced	5.8	-	11.0	8.5	6.5	4.0
1955-59	Single	7.0	13.2	6.0	3.6	2.7	1.6
	Widowed	3.3	31.2	13.3	12.2	6.5	2.5
	Divorced	7.1	133.3	15.5	10.4	6.9	5.0
1950-54	Single	4.3	8.3	4.1	2.6	2.3	1.2
	Widowed	1.8	31.2	13.3	4.3	3.1	1.2
	Divorced	4.7	64.5	12.0	6.0	5.9	2.5
1945-49	Single	2.9	5.7	3.0	1.9	1.5	0.7
	Widowed	1.6	15.0	3.8	3.3	2.6	0.8
	Divorced	3.7	18.7	7.3	5.4	4.0	1.7
1940-44	Single	1.9	3.7	2.0	1.2	1.0	0.4
	Widowed	0.7	-	3.6	2.8	1.5	0.2
	Divorced	2.1	-	8.3	4.7	2.5	0.8
1935-39	Single	1.2	3.0	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.2
	Widowed	0.2	-	1.4	0.9	0.1	0.1
	Divorced	1.1	-	-	2.4	1.9	0.1
Before 1935	Single	0.6	1.9	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.0
	Widowed	0.1	-	1.6	0.5	0.1	0.0
	Divorced	0.7	250.0	1.6	1.4	0.8	0.2

Table C35. Mean family size and proportion infertile of women divorced in 1964; comparison with married women at the 1961 Census, England and Wales

Age of wife at marriage	Mean family size		Proportion infertile	
	Women divorced in 1964	Married women 1961 census (Standardised for duration)	Women divorced in 1964	Married women 1961 census (Standardised for duration)
All ages	1.44	1.80	0.30	0.18
Under 20	1.67	2.30	0.22	0.08
20-24	1.41	1.92	0.31	0.13
25-29	0.83	1.66	0.36	0.20
30-34	0.92	1.43	0.41	0.29
35-39	1.07	1.18	0.48	0.42
40-44	0.84	1.05	0.59	0.54
45 and over	0.57	1.31	0.74	0.51

W I D O W H O O D

This subject was commented upon in the 1961 commentary. For convenience the figures given have been brought up to date as follows:-

Table C36. Percentage of deaths with marital condition not stated, 1962 to 1964, England and Wales

Men			Age at death	Women		
1962	1963	1964		1962	1963	1964
1.0	0.97	0.86	15 and over	0.12	0.12	0.12
3.3	4.4	3.8	15-	0.33	0.37	1.1
4.7	3.0	3.7	20-	0.28	0.46	0.14
2.9	3.2	3.4	25-	-	0.23	0.35
3.2	2.7	2.8	30-	0.15	0.31	-
2.2	2.0	2.2	35-	0.18	0.14	0.053
2.0	1.3	1.6	40-	0.029	0.14	0.16
1.3	1.1	0.95	45-	0.13	0.13	0.16
1.1	0.94	0.82	50-	0.15	0.11	0.21
1.0	0.88	0.85	55-	0.078	0.092	0.097
0.93	0.93	0.79	60-	0.18	0.21	0.17
0.75	0.85	0.72	65-	0.12	0.14	0.15
1.0	0.82	0.76	70-	0.16	0.14	0.12
1.0	0.91	0.73	75 and over	0.10	0.10	0.10

Table C37. Widowhood rates, 1960 to 1964, England and Wales

1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	Age of surviving spouse	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Deaths of wives per 1,000 married men					15 and over	Deaths of husbands per 1,000 married women				
6.2	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.5		12.9	14.4	14.6	14.8	14.1
0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	15-	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8
0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	25-	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0
0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	30-	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	35-	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6
1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	40-	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5
2.7	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.7	45-	7.2	7.6	7.7	7.9	7.8
4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3	50-	12.3	12.7	12.9	13.1	12.6
6.8	6.9	6.7	6.8	6.5	55-	19.8	20.8	20.9	21.1	20.0
11.2	11.4	11.4	11.3	10.7	60-	31.4	33.8	34.4	34.5	32.5
17.6	18.1	17.8	18.0	16.9	65-	47.7	49.8	49.3	50.2	46.7
28.1	29.4	28.4	28.9	27.1	70-	66.7	70.2	71.6	72.1	67.0
56.4	57.9	57.0	58.3	53.7	75 and over	106.1	113.1	115.5	118.4	106.7

B I R T H S

Births in 1964

There were 876 thousand live births in 1964, which was the highest annual number of births since 1947 (881 thousand) and, before then, 1920 (958 thousand). Since births in 1965 fell to 863 thousand and in 1966 will probably fall still further, it is likely that 1964 represents the peak of the surge in births which started in 1956. The causes underlying the start of the climb are not known nor, as yet, are the reasons for the change after 1964. It seems clear that a part of the rise between 1955 and 1964 was due to the high inward balance of migration, and this was particularly so in the later stages of the rise. Even then, however, it is unlikely that more than a small part of the increase can be attributed to this cause. It was suggested in the 1962 Commentary that migration might account for 25 to 30 per cent of the total additional births between 1955 and 1962. In the light of the data on differential fertility obtained at the 1961 Census of Population, such estimates should be revised downwards and something of the order of 10 per cent now seems more reasonable.

Table C38. Change in number of live births, 1951 to 1965, England and Wales

Year	Live births	Per cent change since previous year	Ratio to 1955 (1955 = 1,000)
1951	677,529	- 2.8	1,015
1952	673,735	- 0.6	1,009
1953	684,372	+ 1.6	1,025
1954	673,651	- 1.6	1,009
1955	667,811	- 0.9	1,000
1956	700,335	+ 4.9	1,049
1957	723,381	+ 3.3	1,083
1958	740,715	+ 2.4	1,109
1959	748,501	+ 1.1	1,121
1960	785,005	+ 4.9	1,175
1961	811,281	+ 3.3	1,215
1962	838,736	+ 3.4	1,256
1963	854,055	+ 1.8	1,279
1964	875,972	+ 2.6	1,312
1965	862,725	- 1.5	1,292

Fertility in 1964 should be considered in the light of the (less detailed) information available for late periods. Most of the detailed fertility rates, which will be discussed later in this chapter, suggest that 1964 was merely a further year on the rising trend, and they do not in themselves provide any clear indication of the fall in births which was to come. The quarterly figures in

Table C39 show relative stability for all but the first quarter of 1964, but the same had been true for 1962 so that this stability has much more significance with the benefit of hindsight than it did at the time.

Table C39. Seasonally adjusted * quarterly live birth occurrences: numbers (in thousands) and annual rates per 1,000 population, 1951 to 1965, England and Wales

Year	Quarter							
	First		Second		Third		Fourth	
	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate
1951	170.8	15.6	172.4	15.7	168.7	15.4	165.6	15.1
1952	168.1	15.3	166.8	15.2	168.8	15.4	170.0	15.5
1953	168.8	15.3	173.1	15.7	173.4	15.7	169.1	15.3
1954	169.9	15.3	168.9	15.3	167.2	15.1	167.6	15.1
1955	165.3	14.9	165.2	14.9	166.7	15.0	170.5	15.3
1956	173.8	15.6	174.7	15.6	176.6	15.8	175.3	15.7
1957	177.9	15.8	180.5	16.1	181.0	16.1	184.0	16.4
1958	185.7	16.5	182.1	16.1	182.0	16.1	190.9	16.9
1959	189.3	16.7	187.6	16.5	187.0	16.5	184.6	16.3
1960	191.7	16.8	194.3	17.0	198.1	17.3	200.9	17.6
1961	198.9	17.2	200.7	17.4	204.7	17.7	207.0	17.9
1962	208.9	17.9	209.8	18.0	209.6	17.9	210.4	18.0
1963	214.2	18.2	214.1	18.2	212.6	18.1	213.1	18.1
1964	216.9	18.3	220.0	18.6	220.1	18.6	219.0	18.5
1965	215.5	18.0	215.0	18.0	216.5	18.1	215.6	18.1

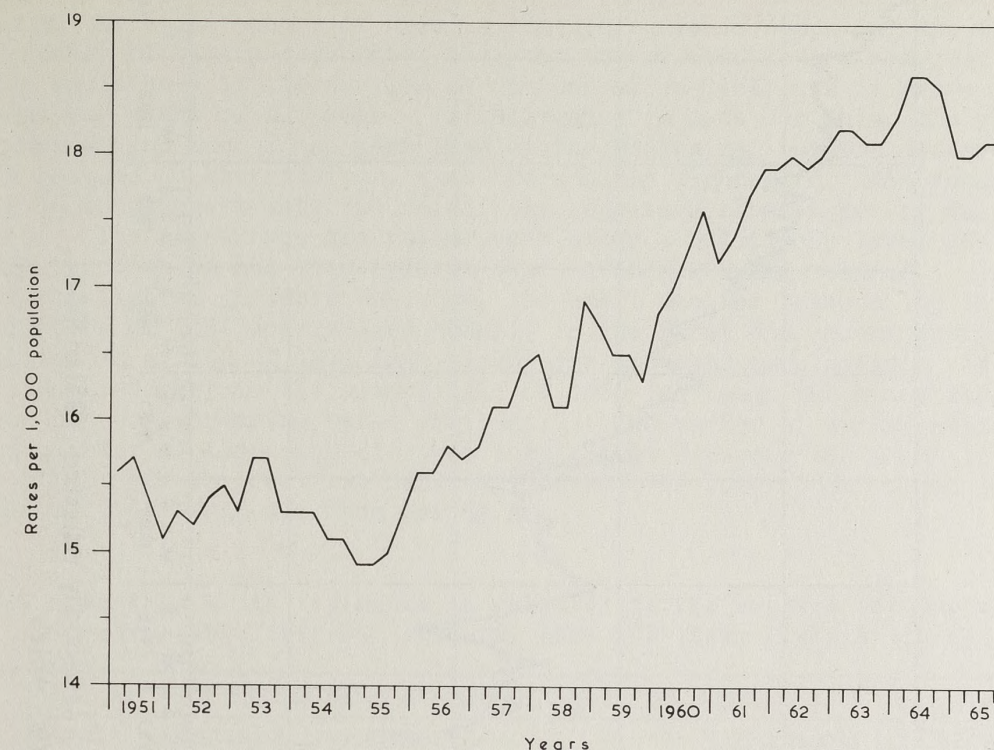
*The original figures for occurrences have been adjusted by removing the estimated regular seasonal fluctuations so that the trend and any random variations are left.

As already indicated, the rise in births for 1955 to 1962 was discussed in the Commentary volume for 1962, and, apart from the reservation on the effect of migration, the information which has become available since that account was written, and in particular the detailed fertility statistics for 1963 and 1964, does not add much to the account given there. Reference should therefore be made to the 1962 Commentary for the general background leading up to the 1964 statistics.

Changes in the course of 1964

The quarterly pattern in 1964 was that the seasonally adjusted live birth rate for the first quarter was higher than the rate during 1963 (when the trend had been, if anything, slightly downwards) and that the number of births and the birth rate for the second, third and fourth quarters were relatively stable, but at a level clearly higher than in the first quarter of the year. In retrospect, the peak rate (18.6) was reached in the second and third quarters of 1964, since when the trend has been clearly downwards.

Diagram 4



Seasonally adjusted live birth rates per 1,000 population, 1951-1965 England and Wales

Table C40. Number of live births by month of occurrence (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 1951 to 1964, and rates per 1,000 population, 1964, England and Wales

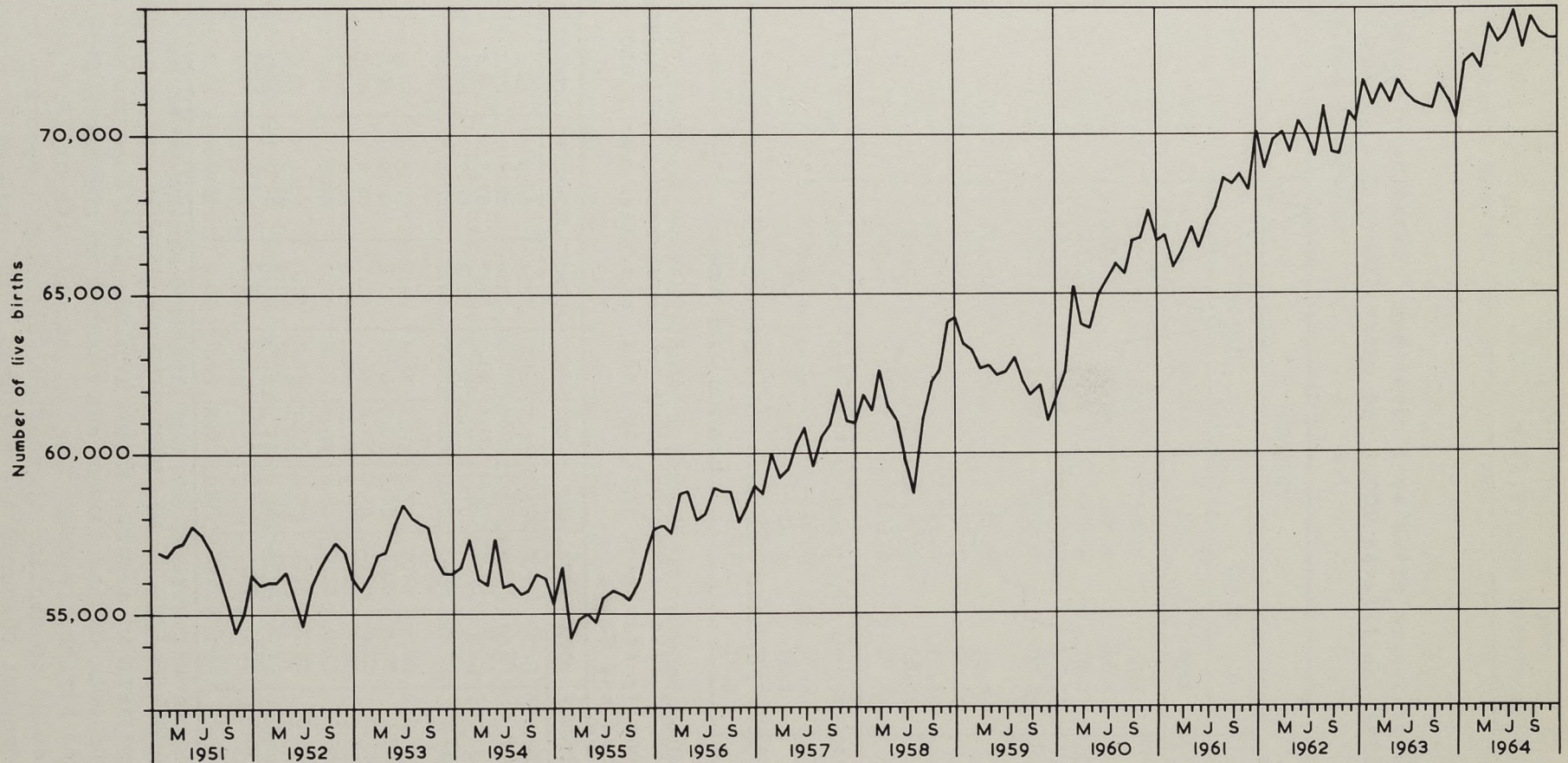
Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1951	58.9	58.8	57.1	57.2	57.7	57.5	57.0	56.3	55.4	54.4	55.0	56.2
1952	55.9	56.0	56.0	56.3	55.6	54.6	55.9	56.4	56.8	57.2	56.9	56.1
1953	55.7	56.2	56.8	56.9	57.8	58.4	58.0	57.8	57.7	56.7	56.2	56.2
1954	56.4	57.3	56.1	55.9	57.3	55.8	55.9	55.6	55.7	56.2	56.1	55.3
1955	56.4	54.2	54.8	55.0	54.7	55.5	55.7	55.6	55.4	56.0	56.9	57.6
1956	57.7	57.5	58.7	58.8	57.9	58.1	58.9	58.8	58.8	57.8	58.4	59.0
1957	58.7	60.0	59.2	59.5	60.3	60.8	59.6	60.5	60.9	62.0	61.0	60.9
1958	61.8	61.3	62.6	61.4	61.0	59.8	58.7	61.1	62.2	62.6	64.1	64.2
1959	63.4	63.2	62.6	62.7	62.4	62.5	63.0	62.2	61.8	62.1	61.0	61.6
1960	62.5	65.2	64.0	63.9	65.0	65.4	65.9	65.6	66.6	66.7	67.6	66.6
1961	66.8	65.8	66.3	67.1	66.4	67.2	67.7	68.6	68.4	68.7	68.2	70.1
1962	68.9	69.8	70.1	69.4	70.4	70.0	69.3	70.9	69.4	69.3	70.7	70.4
1963	71.7	70.9	71.6	71.0	71.7	71.3	71.0	70.9	70.8	71.6	71.1	70.5
1964	72.2	72.5	72.1	73.5	72.9	73.2	73.9	72.7	73.7	73.2	73.0	73.0
1964 Rate	18.3	18.3	18.2	18.6	18.5	18.5	18.7	18.4	18.7	18.5	18.5	18.5

Note. The original figures for occurrences have been adjusted by removing the estimated regular seasonal fluctuations so that the trend and any random variations are left.

The monthly pattern of births (shown in Table C40) does not add very much to this picture. The peak of the births was reached in the month July (73,900 seasonally adjusted births, representing an annual rate of 18.7 per thousand population) and tended to decline thereafter, although a recovery in September (to 18.7 again) somewhat obscured the picture. The seasonally adjusted births at

Diagram 5

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Live births by month of occurrence , seasonally adjusted , 1951 to 1964 ,
England and Wales

the end of 1964 were apparently higher than the level at the beginning of the year, though the significance of this is limited since in computing the birth rate the number of births throughout the year are related to the mid-year population which would be a little too low at the end of the year, as it was a little too high at the start of the year. If allowance is made for this, the rate was still higher at the end of the year than at the beginning, but the difference is very much reduced. Nevertheless, even the monthly figures for 1964 taken in isolation do not suggest that the relatively long-term rise in births was about to be checked. The appearance was rather that after a relatively level year in 1963 the upward trend which had been evident since 1955 was being resumed. In fact, as the quarterly figures in Table C39 show, the small decline between the third and fourth quarters of 1964 accelerated sharply in the first and second quarters of 1965, falling to a rate of 18.0 live births per thousand population. There was then a slight recovery in the second half of 1965 (although the rates were still well below the corresponding rates for 1964). The number of births adjusted in the first quarter of 1966 suggests that this slight recovery was short-lived and that the birth rate in the first half of 1966 will be lower than it was in the first half of 1965, when the rate was 18.0.

Table C41. Monthly birth incidence in relation to the average for the calendar year, 1939, 1951-55, 1956-60, 1963 and 1964, England and Wales

Month of occurrence	Ratio of monthly daily average to that of the calendar year taken as 1,000									
	Legitimate live births					Illegitimate live births				
	1939	1951-55	1956-60	1963	1964	1939	1951-55	1956-60	1963	1964
January	980	994	986	1,001	979	1,076	998	975	988	971
February	995	1,030	1,033	1,028	1,032	1,041	1,049	1,026	1,019	1,000
March	1,041	1,063	1,071	1,090	1,066	1,080	1,074	1,036	1,068	1,040
April	1,073	1,056	1,047	1,042	1,053	1,046	1,078	1,036	1,049	1,046
May	1,078	1,065	1,046	1,049	1,036	1,138	1,084	1,044	1,062	1,035
June	1,043	1,035	1,009	1,022	1,023	1,044	1,056	1,026	1,019	1,029
July	1,025	1,009	985	1,001	1,024	1,038	1,020	988	1,000	1,017
August	985	968	963	966	961	960	941	968	969	988
September	1,004	991	1,005	991	1,008	969	970	1,009	988	1,017
October	939	936	967	962	956	959	890	966	907	965
November	914	913	934	923	923	853	900	949	957	965
December	927	941	956	926	943	889	950	965	961	936

Legitimate births

Age of mother

All but 7.2 per cent of the live births in 1964 were legitimate and it is this great majority (813 thousand out of 876 thousand) which forms the basis for most of the detailed fertility analyses. The majority of mothers of legitimate children in 1964 were in their twenties; 514 thousand (or 63 per cent) were in this age-group, 81 per cent were aged 20-34 and 97 per cent were aged between 16 and 39. The proportion of young mothers is increasing; 39 per cent were under 25 in 1964

Table C42. Quarterly incidence of live births in relation to the average for the calendar year: ratio of quarterly daily average to that of the calendar year taken as 100, 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
1841-1850	105	103	96	96
1851-1860	105	104	96	95
1861-1870	104	103	97	96
1871-1880	103	102	98	97
1881-1890	103	102	98	97
1891-1900	102	102	99	97
1901-1910	102	103	100	95
1911-1920	103	102	99	96
1921-1930	102	105	100	93
1931-1935	101	106	101	92
1936-1940	100	106	102	92
1941-1945	100	104	99	97
1946-1950	103	104	99	94
1951-1955	103	105	99	93
1956-1960	102	103	99	96
1959	105	104	98	93
1960	101	103	100	96
1961	102	103	100	96
1962	103	104	99	94
1963	104	104	99	94
1964	102	104	100	94

Table C43. Quarterly incidence of live births in relation to the average for the calendar year: ratio of quarterly daily average to that of the calendar year taken as 100, by legitimacy, 1939, 1951-55, 1961 to 1964, England and Wales

	1939	1951-55 average	1961	1962	1963	1964
All live births						
1st Quarter	101	103	102	103	104	102
2nd Quarter	107	105	103	104	104	104
3rd Quarter	100	99	100	99	99	100
4th Quarter	92	93	96	94	94	94
Legitimate live births						
1st Quarter	101	103	102	104	104	103
2nd Quarter	106	105	103	104	104	104
3rd Quarter	100	99	100	99	99	100
4th Quarter	93	93	96	94	94	94
Illegitimate live births						
1st Quarter	106	104	97	99	103	100
2nd Quarter	108	107	101	104	104	104
3rd Quarter	99	98	101	98	99	101
4th Quarter	87	91	101	98	95	95

compared with 37 per cent in 1961, 33 per cent in 1955 and 27 per cent in 1940. The number of legitimate live births to mothers aged under 20 increased from 27 thousand in 1955 to 48 thousand in 1961 and to 59 thousand in 1964. On the other hand, while in 1940 one in six of all legitimate live births were to mothers aged 35 or over, by 1964 this proportion had fallen to 1 in 9. The age at maternity is decreasing, which in turn implies that women are completing their childbearing years and the years of looking after a young family at a younger age. The continuation of this trend would mean that married women would become potentially available for employment earlier in their lives than in the past.

Table C44. Live births and birth rates by legitimacy, 1851 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	Total live births	Live birth rate per 1,000 population	All live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44	Legitimate live births	Legitimate live births per 1,000 married women aged 15-44	Illegitimate live births	Illegitimate live births per 1,000 unmarried women aged 15-44
1851-1860	6,471,650	34.1	144.9	6,048,479	281.0	423,171	18.3
1861-1870	7,500,096	35.2	151.0	7,043,090	287.3	457,006	18.2
1871-1880	8,588,782	35.4	153.6	8,161,584	295.5	427,198	15.1
1881-1890	8,890,238	32.4	138.7	8,471,116	274.6	419,122	12.6
1891-1900	9,155,153	29.9	122.7	8,773,351	250.3	381,802	9.6
1901-1910	9,298,209	27.2	109.0	8,927,791	221.6	370,418	8.2
1911-1920	8,096,222	21.8	87.7	7,706,457	173.5	389,765	8.1
1921-1930	7,129,070	18.3	73.9	6,818,295	143.6	310,775	6.3
1931-1935	3,022,864	15.0	61.7	2,891,469	115.2	131,395	5.5
1936-1940	3,041,652	14.7	60.9	2,913,834	107.3	127,818	5.6
1941-1945	3,346,343	15.9	69.3	3,116,516	105.4	229,827	11.4
1946-1950	3,904,666	18.0	80.9	3,690,413	122.5	214,253	11.7
1951-1955	3,377,098	15.2	72.5	3,216,521	105.0	160,577	10.1
1956	700,335	15.6	77.0	666,801	108.2	33,534	11.4
1957	723,381	16.1	80.0	688,819	111.3	34,562	12.1
1958	740,715	16.4	82.1	704,541	113.6	36,174	12.8
1959	748,501	16.4	83.0	710,340	114.5	38,161	13.5
1960	785,005	17.1	86.7	742,298	119.2	42,707	15.1
1961	811,281	17.5	89.1	762,791	123.9	48,490	16.5
1962	838,736	17.9	90.5	783,360	125.9	55,376	18.2
1963	854,055	18.1	90.9	794,951	126.5	59,104	19.0
1964	875,972	18.4	92.6	812,632	128.4	63,340	20.2

Duration of marriage

In 1964, 84 per cent of legitimate live births were to mothers who had been married for less than 10 years. This proportion has hardly changed over the last 10 years. This does not suggest that the higher fertility rates now being experienced have resulted in any marked lengthening of the childbearing period. In fact, the whole distribution of legitimate births in 1964 according to the number of years that the mother had been married differed little from that of

measure of imprecision attaches to the results. Among the 875 births where the census form on which the mother was enumerated was successfully found, 250 or 29 per cent were to women described as "married" on the census form. Among those births which were registered on "joint information", that is where both parents gave information for the birth to be registered which implies that the man acknowledges that he is the father of the child, the proportion of 'married' women rose to 50 per cent, being only 13 per cent where the birth was registered on the information of the mother alone.

A classification was made according to the place of birth of the mother. This showed that for those mothers who were born in England and Wales (four out of five of the total matched sample) the proportions were very similar to those quoted above. There were some apparent differences for women born in other countries but the sample was not large enough to show whether these differences were statistically significant.

The classification by age, also shown in Table C50, indicates that just over a quarter of the 'married' mothers of illegitimate children in the matched sample were under 25 (including 4 per cent under 20) and that 7 in 10 were aged between 25 and 39. As will be seen later, this indicates that the 'married' mothers of illegitimate children had an age distribution which was considerably older than that of all mothers of illegitimate children.

Those births registered on "joint information" were classified according to whether the father was enumerated as being present on the Census Schedule. For all these 361 "joint information" births the father of the child was enumerated on the Schedule in 80 per cent of the matched births, the proportion rising to 89 per cent where the mother was "married" (the proportion for widowed and divorced mothers was not significantly different from the proportion for 'married' mothers). Births registered on joint information typically appear to represent some form of de facto union (assuming that the presence of the father on the Schedule can be taken to imply this).

This investigation indicates that the conventional use of the single, widowed and divorced population of women as the appropriate denominator for illegitimate births can be misleading and that this is particularly so for women over 25 years of age. This comparison relates only to one point of time and does not permit any assessment to be made as to whether the proportion of illegitimate births where the mother is married has been changing in time.

This conclusion adds to the difficulties of examining current statistics of illegitimate births. It is always necessary to consider statistics of demographic events, illegitimate births in this example, in the light of statistics of the people who can experience the event (the populations at risk). Traditionally it has been assumed that the population at risk for illegitimate births is the population of unmarried women aged 15-44, but it now seems that nearly one illegitimate child in three may be born to a married woman, or, at least, to a woman who would describe herself as married in a census. It therefore becomes necessary to make some adjustments to the basic figures.

It is only possible to make the adjustment by subtracting the illegitimate births to married women from the total. Making the adjustment in this way means that discussion is limited to illegitimate births to unmarried women. The

Table C50. Results of matching* illegitimate birth registrations with 1961 census records, England and Wales

(A) Country of birth of mother

Marital condition	Country of birth of mother				All matched births	Not matched births	Total in sample
	England and Wales	Rest of British Isles	West Indies	Elsewhere			
Births registered on sole information							
Total	424	35	41	14	514	135	649
Single	337	31	39	13	420		
Married	63	2	2	1	68		
Widowed	9	1	-	-	10		
Divorced	15	1	-	-	16		
Births registered on joint information							
Total	293	20	29	19	361	49	410
Single	96	7	24	6	133		
Married	158	10	4	10	182		
Widowed	4	1	1	-	6		
Divorced	35	2	-	3	40		
All forms of registration							
Total	717	55	70	33	875	184	1,059
Single	433	38	63	19	553		
Married	221	12	6	11	250		
Widowed	13	2	1	-	16		
Divorced	50	3	-	3	56		

(B) Age of mother

Marital condition	Age of mother (in years)					All matched births	Not matched births	Total in sample
	Under 20	20-	25-	30-	40 and over			
Births registered on sole information								
Total	175	188	70	70	11	514	135	649
Single	172	168	48	28	4	420		
Married	3	17	18	28	4	68		
Widowed	-	-	1	7	2	10		
Divorced	-	3	3	9	1	16		
Births registered on joint information								
Total	31	92	100	122	16	361	49	410
Single	23	48	33	25	4	133		
Married	8	37	56	75	6	182		
Widowed	-	-	-	6	-	6		
Divorced	-	7	11	16	6	40		
All forms of registrations								
Total	206	280	170	192	27	875	184	1,059
Single	195	216	81	53	8	553		
Married	11	54	74	101	10	250		
Widowed	-	-	1	13	2	16		
Divorced	-	10	14	25	7	56		

(C) Births registered on joint information only (matched births only)

Marital condition of mother	Total	Father present on census schedule	Father not present on census schedule	Enumerated in non-private household
Total	361	290	57	14
Single	133	89	35	9
Married	182	162 [†]	16	4
Widowed	6	5	1	-
Divorced	40	34	5	1

*A sample of illegitimate births which occurred during April 1961 was matched with the census records to ascertain the marital condition of the mother.

[†]Father "married" was stated in 95 cases and "not married" in 67 cases.

alternative method would be to add some married women to the population at risk. But although it is possible to estimate the number of married women who do have illegitimate babies it is not possible to estimate the number who are at risk of doing so.

Table C50 shows the following proportions of illegitimate births as occurring to women who described themselves as married on their census form:-

Age	Per cent
Under 20	5.34
20-24	19.29
25-29	43.53
30-39	52.60
40 and over	37.04

The first question to consider is whether it is necessary to adjust these figures for any mis-statement of marital condition at the census. The work done on evaluating the 1961 census by means of a post-enumeration survey and by comparing the Census results with estimates based on other data does not indicate any under- or over-statement of marriage at the census amongst women as a whole. (See, for example, *Registrar General's Statistical Review*, Part III, 1963, pages 21 to 27). There is only under-statement of divorce and over-statement of widowhood. It is possible, however, that amongst mothers of illegitimate children there would be some tendency wrongly to describe themselves as 'married' which would be too small to show up in a general study of the whole population. There is no evidence for or against this so it is not possible to adjust the figures in the table to allow for it, but it should be borne in mind when attempting to interpret the results.

The first adjustment to illegitimate births is therefore as follows:-

Table C51. Illegitimate births to married and to unmarried women in 1964, England and Wales

Age	Number of illegitimate births in 1964	Born to married women		Born to unmarried women
		Per cent	Number	Number
Total	63,340	26.70	16,911	46,429
Under 20	17,372	5.34	928	16,444
20-24	20,485	19.29	3,952	16,533
25-29	12,148	43.53	5,288	6,860
30-39	11,589	52.60	6,096	5,493
40 and over	1,746	37.04	647	1,099

This shows that more than a third of the illegitimate births to unmarried women are to teenage (under 20) unmarried women and appears to suggest that illegitimacy is largely a teenage problem. But it is necessary first to consider

the population at risk of having illegitimate babies. Now that the figures have been adjusted to exclude illegitimate births to married women it is possible to use the populations of unmarried women as the denominators.

Table C52. Illegitimacy rates for unmarried women in 1964, England and Wales

Age	Number of illegitimate births to unmarried women	Population of unmarried women (thousands)	Illegitimacy rates per thousand population
Total	46,429	3,368.5	13.78
Under 20	16,444	1,687.0	9.7
20-24	16,533	648.3	25.5
25-29	6,860	234.5	29.3
30-39	5,493	339.4	16.2
40-49	1,099	459.3	2.4

Although more than a third of the illegitimate births to unmarried women are to teenage unmarried women, more than half of all the unmarried women aged 15-44 are teenagers, so that the illegitimacy rate (the probability of having an illegitimate child) is actually relatively low for unmarried teenagers and is three times as high for the 25-29 group.

This finding does not conflict with the additional aspect of the illegitimacy figures that whereas more than a fifth of all births to teenage girls are illegitimate births to unmarried girls only one in fifty of the births to women aged 25-29 are illegitimate births to unmarried women. Here it is necessary to remember that 93 per cent of teenage girls are unmarried, whereas only one 25-29 year old woman in six is unmarried.

There is one further aspect which is worth considering, and that is the number of legitimate births which can be assumed to have been conceived before marriage. These are shown in Table II of Part II of the *Statistical Review* as the births occurring to married women before the end of seven months of marriage. If these are added to the number of illegitimate births to unmarried women, and the total is divided by the population of unmarried women, the resulting quotient can be called the extra-marital conception rate for unmarried women.

Here the gradient is much less steep, and the highest rate is at 20-24 instead of at 25-29. It is only the fact that more than half of the unmarried women of childbearing age are teenagers that produces the result that more than two-fifths of the births conceived extra-maritally by unmarried women were conceived by teenagers. It remains clear that extra-marital conception is not specifically a teenage problem; the probability that an unmarried woman will conceive in the course of a year is one in thirty-four if she is under 20, rises to a peak of one in fifteen if she is 20-24, falls to one in twenty if she is 25-29 and to one in forty-five if she is 30-39.

Table C53. Extra-marital conception rate for unmarried women in 1964, England and Wales

Age	Illegitimate births to unmarried women	Pre-maritally conceived births to married women	Births conceived extra-maritally by unmarried women	Population of unmarried women (thousands)	Extra marital conception rate for 1,000 unmarried women
Total	46,429	67,933	114,362	3,368.5	34.0
Under 20	16,444	33,340	49,784	1,687.0	29.5
20-24	16,533	27,494	44,027	648.3	67.9
25-29	6,860	4,985	11,845	234.5	50.5
30-39	5,493	1,987	7,480	339.4	22.0
40-49	1,099	127	1,226	459.3	0.3

During the period of the 1939-45 war and the period immediately after there was some indication that the number of illegitimate births varied inversely with births which although born as legitimate were actually conceived before marriage. Table C54 indicates that in recent years no such inverse relationship is to be seen; both illegitimate births and pre-maritally conceived legitimate births have been rising. In the last few years when illegitimate births have been rising more quickly than pre-maritally conceived legitimate births, the proportion of all conceptions outside marriage which resulted in illegitimate births has been falling, particularly so during the last few years when the proportion fell from 56 per cent in 1960 to 52 per cent in 1964.

Fertility trends

The births in an individual year cannot give an accurate picture of fertility trends. This is basically because a single year is a small fraction of a mother's family building period. Furthermore, it may well be influenced considerably by economic and social factors which can easily make it an unrepresentative small fraction.

In a population where the age distribution of the population and fertility rates were constant, the fertility rates for a single year would then be an unbiased sample of the whole reproductive period and accumulation of the fertility rates for a single year would yield a satisfactory estimate of the mean family size of women. An adjustment to produce the average number of girls born instead of the average number of children would provide a measure of the extent to which the population of child-bearing women would replace themselves under these conditions, assuming that demographic stability were to persist. Herein lies the rationale of the reproduction rate, either in the form of *Gross Reproduction Rate* which takes no explicit account of mortality or of the *Net Reproduction Rate* which differs from the gross rate in being discounted for the mortality of the period. The values of these reproduction rates are given in Table C56 and these values are illustrated in Diagram 6. From the figures quoted in Table C56 the limited value of these reproduction rates seems clear. Not only do they mirror the temporary influences which affect annual numbers of births (as shown by the variations in the rate of increase

Table C54. Illegitimate maternities and pre-maritally conceived legitimate maternities, 1938 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	Illegitimate maternities	Pre-maritally conceived legitimate maternities*†	Total maternities conceived extra-maritally*		Percentage of extra-maritally conceived maternities legitimated by marriage of parents before birth of child
			Numbers	Percentage of all maternities	
1938	27,440	64,530	91,970	14.4	70.2
1939	26,569	60,346	86,915	13.8	69.4
1940-1944#	39,542	43,146	82,688	12.4	52.2
1945-1949#	49,466	52,557	102,023	13.0	51.5
1950	35,816	54,188	90,004	12.8	60.2
1951	33,444	50,477	83,921	12.3	60.1
1952	33,088	44,239	77,327	11.4	57.2
1953	33,083	43,988	77,071	11.2	57.1
1954	32,128	44,319	76,447	11.2	58.0
1955	31,649	43,601	75,250	11.1	57.9
1956	34,113	47,377	81,490	11.5	58.1
1957	35,098	48,611	83,709	11.5	58.1
1958	36,787	49,775	86,562	11.6	57.5
1959	38,792	50,871	89,663	11.9	56.7
1960	43,281	54,576	97,857	12.4	55.8
1961‡	48,490	59,115	107,605	13.3	54.9
1962‡	55,376	62,455	117,831	14.0	53.0
1963‡	59,104	64,427	123,531	14.5	52.2
1964‡	63,340	67,933	131,273	15.0	51.7

*From 1952 onwards the figures relate to women married once only.

†Marriage durations under 8½ months up to 1951, under 8 months thereafter.

#Annual averages.

‡The figures relate to live births, i.e. they include multiple births but exclude stillbirths.

Table C55. Age distributions of mothers of illegitimate children 1955, 1961 and 1964, England and Wales

	All ages	Age of mother						
		Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Number of illegitimate live births 1955	31,145	5,540	9,376	6,601	5,173	3,103	1,255	97
1961	48,490	11,896	15,489	9,313	6,216	3,973	1,484	119
1964	63,340	17,372	20,485	12,148	7,286	4,303	1,623	123
Percentage increase 1961-1964	30.6	46.0	32.3	30.4	17.2	8.3	9.4	3.4
Proportional age distributions 1955	1,000	178	301	212	166	100	40	3
1961	1,000	245	319	192	128	82	31	2
1964	1,000	274	323	192	115	68	26	2
Proportion of illegitimate live births to 1,000 total live births 1955	47	168	49	31	37	47	60	72
1961	60	199	62	37	41	51	68	85
1964	72	226	74	45	47	57	73	99
Percentage increase 1961-1964	20	14	19	22	15	12	7	16

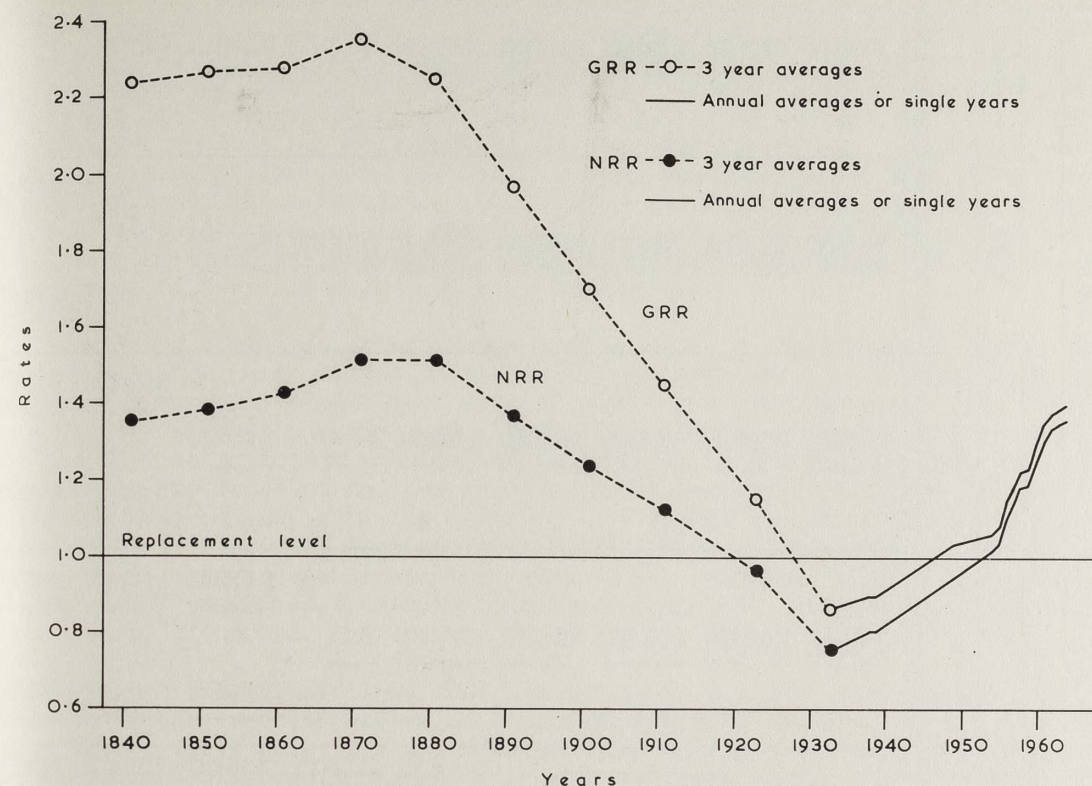
of family size suggested by the reproduction rates in the last fifteen years), but in any non-stable population they imply that women will experience inconsistent fertility rates. To give a very simple example of this, in a period when all fertility rates are rising a woman now aged 20-24 will, when she is 30-34, experience not the current fertility rates of the women aged 30-34 but a rate higher than that. Thus, in such a period the reproduction rate will tend to under-estimate ultimate family size, while in a period when fertility is declining a reproduction rate will conversely tend to over-estimate ultimate family size. Nevertheless, despite its limitations, a reproduction rate or more particularly a series of such rates over a number of years does provide some indication of fertility changes and one of its merits is that only specific rates are necessary for its construction.

Table C56. Gross and net reproduction rates, 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	GRR	NRR	Year	GRR	NRR
	3 year averages		Individual years or annual averages		
1841	2.237	1.349	1938	0.897	0.805
1851	2.264	1.381	1939-49	1.031	0.945
1861	2.277	1.427	1950-54	1.061	1.015
1871	2.356	1.511	1955	1.077	1.038
1881	2.252	1.511	1956	1.146	1.107
1891	1.973	1.369	1957	1.190	1.149
1901	1.702	1.238	1958	1.221	1.182
1911	1.428	1.121	1959	1.230	1.190
1923	1.153	0.966	1960	1.292	1.252
1933	0.862	0.756	1961	1.346	1.303
			1962	1.378	1.336
			1963	1.389	1.347
			1964	1.402	1.360

In many ways it is more satisfactory to use the approach of cohort analysis. The aim here is to follow a group of women married in a particular year at a particular age through their family-building years. By accumulating fertility rates specific for year of marriage, age at marriage and duration of marriage, the achieved mean family size of these cohorts can be estimated with reasonable accuracy. Examples of such family sizes appear in Table C57. It should, however, be noted that such estimates depend not only on having births tabulated to the requisite detail, but also the population of married women should also be classified to the same degree of detail. It is not at present possible to obtain statistics of migration specific for age at marriage, number of times married and duration of marriage and, therefore, any population estimates to this detail cannot be precise and any errors in these populations must be reflected in fertility rates which have been computed with these populations as a basis. The fertility rates already mentioned in Table 00 in Part II of the *Statistical Review* are specific to this degree of detail; they have been accumulated to form mean family sizes which appear in Table PP and Table QQ, also in Part II, shows a series of such mean family sizes for years since 1920. This last table enables the trend of mean family sizes to be followed for each marriage cohort. It will be seen that compared with annual fertility rates these family sizes are stable and relatively slow to change. A comparison of the trend of family sizes over the years since 1920 (shown in Table C57) provides a much more stable base for projections of births than do annual fertility rates.

Diagram 6



Gross and net reproduction rates, 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

However, even such relatively sophisticated rates and mean family sizes can only present a picture of what has happened up to the present time. What will happen in the future has to be a matter of subjective judgment. From the point of view of projections, the use of cohort fertility merely means that a sounder basis for subjective extrapolation is provided.

The relative stability of family size as a basis for projection points to a weakness. Family size has been relatively stable over the last 30 or 40 years and yet the annual births have fluctuated very widely, sometimes over a short period. The period from 1955 to 1964 was untypical in that births were increasing relatively steadily: there were no year to year fluctuations superimposed on the rising trend. Even if the ultimate family size is correctly predicted, this is a long way from correctly predicting annual births. A disturbance to the timing of family building may have no impact at all on ultimate family size but could produce wide changes in the annual numbers of births over a number of years. A correct prediction of family size could mean that the population projection for the year 2000 would contain the forecast number of persons under 20, but despite this, the distribution of the under 20 population by five year age-groups could be seriously in error.

Table C57. Mean ultimate family size of marriage cohorts since 1920, by age at marriage, England and Wales

Mean ultimate family sizes that include a projected element of 20 per cent or more are shown below the dotted lines

Year of marriage	Age at marriage													
	Under 45		Under 20		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40-44	
	Projected element: fertility rates of													
	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64	1951-55	1963-64
1920	2.47		3.83		2.81		2.04		1.57		0.92		0.41	
1921	2.38		3.75		2.72		1.91		1.45		0.87		0.48	
1922	2.28		3.62		2.62		1.83		1.44		0.85		0.36	
1923	2.23		3.52		2.54		1.83		1.38		0.81		0.32	
1924	2.21		3.60		2.54		1.76		1.35		0.78		0.45	
1925	2.17		3.50		2.51		1.70		1.34		0.81		0.40	
1926	2.14		3.46		2.48		1.67		1.19		0.74		0.37	
1927	2.09		3.42		2.39		1.63		1.27		0.68		0.42	
1928	2.08		3.48		2.36		1.64		1.15		0.67		0.22	
1929	2.08		3.42		2.37		1.65		1.16		0.66		0.24	
1930	2.09		3.40		2.35		1.69		1.17		0.68		0.27	
1931	2.08		3.37		2.35		1.65		1.15		0.69		0.26	
1932	2.08		3.40		2.34		1.64		1.24		0.66		0.25	
1933	2.06		3.36		2.32		1.65		1.19		0.61		0.27	
1934	2.03		3.33		2.30		1.65		1.16		0.66		0.27	
1935	2.04		3.30		2.32		1.68		1.19		0.66		0.27	
1936	2.01		3.30		2.26		1.68		1.20		0.67		0.20	
1937	2.02		3.31		2.25		1.71		1.20		0.61		0.21	
1938	2.05		3.23	3.22	2.26		1.72		1.25		0.67		0.21	
1939	2.05		3.08	3.07	2.21		1.73		1.23		0.60		0.22	
1940	2.00		2.87	2.85	2.15		1.71		1.20		0.61		0.24	
1941	2.04		2.88	2.86	2.18		1.71		1.22		0.66		0.24	
1942	2.08		2.85	2.83	2.21	2.20	1.72		1.23		0.63		0.24	
1943	2.15	2.14	2.89	2.86	2.27	2.26	1.81		1.29		0.67		0.22	
1944	2.19	2.18	2.96	2.92	2.30	2.30	1.86		1.34		0.70		0.23	
1945	2.20	2.19	3.01	2.97	2.32	2.31	1.89		1.37		0.73		0.25	
1946	2.20	2.19	3.13	3.08	2.34	2.34	1.92		1.37		0.74		0.25	
1947	2.22	2.21	3.18	3.13	2.34	2.34	1.95		1.34		0.71		0.24	
1948	2.24	2.22	3.24	3.18	2.32	2.32	1.91	1.92	1.33		0.69		0.23	
1949	2.25	2.24	3.27	3.21	2.32	2.32	1.85	1.85	1.34		0.68		0.22	
1950	2.27	2.26	3.29	3.24	2.33	2.34	1.86	1.87	1.36		0.68		0.22	
1951	2.27	2.27	3.27	3.23	2.33	2.34	1.88	1.89	1.37		0.67		0.22	
1952	2.32	2.32	3.31	3.26	2.36	2.38	1.91	1.92	1.42		0.67		0.22	
1953	2.36	2.37	3.30	3.27	2.38	2.41	1.95	1.97	1.40		0.70		0.22	
1954	2.38	2.41	3.30	3.28	2.38	2.43	1.98	2.02	1.42		0.72		0.23	
1955	2.41	2.45	3.26	3.26	2.40	2.46	2.01	2.06	1.14	1.45	0.74		0.23	
1956	2.45	2.51	3.28	3.29	2.41	2.49	2.06	2.13	1.51	1.53	0.78		0.25	
1957	2.46	2.55	3.27	3.31	2.40	2.52	2.07	2.18	1.49	1.53	0.79	0.80	0.22	
1958	2.48	2.61	3.26	3.32	2.40	2.57	2.07	2.22	1.51	1.57	0.80	0.81	0.25	
1959	2.48	2.65	3.26	3.34	2.38	2.60	2.06	2.25	1.53	1.61	0.79	0.81	0.26	0.25
1960	2.47	2.69	3.28	3.40	2.34	2.63	2.02	2.26	1.52	1.64	0.78	0.81	0.27	0.27
1961	2.45	2.73	3.24	3.40	2.30	2.65	1.98	2.29	1.48	1.64	0.79	0.84	0.27	0.28
1962	2.41	2.74	3.20	3.39	2.24	2.66	1.91	2.28	1.45	1.66	0.76	0.83	0.26	0.27
1963	2.40	2.76	3.18	3.39	2.22	2.66	1.88	2.29	1.42	1.67	0.76	0.84	0.24	0.28
1964	2.36	2.76	3.12	3.39	2.18	2.66	1.81	2.29	1.36	1.67	0.70	0.84	0.22	0.28

Some knowledge is being gained on the factors which influence family size. The spread of family limitation has been the main influence in the decline of the mean family size between the women who married in the early part of the 19th century and those married in the 1920s. It can reasonably be suggested that factors such as the probability of a continuing rise in the standard of living and better housing, the falling age of puberty and the "fashion" for larger families are likely to work towards the increase of family size while the effect of cheaper and more effective contraceptive methods may well work in the opposite direction. To arrive at a forecast of family size it is difficult to make anything but a subjective judgment of the balance of these factors. The population projections published in the spring of 1965 incorporated the hypothesis that completed family size for each five year age-group at marriage would continue to increase throughout the period of the projection, but more and more slowly as time passes.

As already indicated, when it comes to a study of the timing of family building, knowledge is much more limited. It has not yet been possible to assess which factors play a really significant part in short-term fluctuations. The effect of the economic depression between the 1914-18 and 1939-45 wars can be seen and even more clearly the impact of the two wars themselves. However, the current population projections forecast neither great economic fluctuations nor world wars and population projections involving those yet to be born should always be used bearing in mind that a relatively constant pattern of timing of family building is implied. To the extent that such a constant pattern is not realised, births in a single year or a number of years may fluctuate considerably without the underlying fertility pattern being disturbed.

In this context it follows that the births in a single year cannot contribute very much to the overall problem of identifying trends in fertility or of projecting births. The figures for a single year can only provide an indication of whether a trend has been continued during the current year. The evidence of detailed cohort fertility rates for the 1963-64 period was that this was still on the trend for recent years. That is, it still suggested that mean family sizes for all ages at marriage would continue their slow rise which became apparent after the 1939-45 war. Only the future will show whether in fact the trend had changed.

1963, 3,308 in 1962 and 7,102 in 1961. There was a low prevalence of the influenza B virus in 1964, the major strain being the A2 or Asian virus.

Notifications and deaths from tuberculosis continued to decline steadily.

There were no cases of smallpox in the country.

Cancer

The total number of deaths from cancer continued to increase, the rise being still mainly due to cancer of the lung. Both men and women are affected by the increase in lung cancer but the number of cases is far greater in males. In 1964 there were 21,476 deaths of males from this condition (ICD Nos. 162, 163) and 3,895 of females. As noted in a previous commentary (1962), however, it is to be expected that the rate in males will stabilise at a higher level in the next ten years.

After correction for age distribution of the population there were only slight changes of incidence in cancer as a whole, the SMR for males being 111, the same as in 1963, and for females 98 compared with 96.

Leukaemia (ICD No. 204), which has been increasing in males during recent years, continued to do so, the SMRs for males being 136 in 1964, 133 in 1963 and 124 in 1962. The rate in females rose to 131 in 1962 and 1963 but fell again to 128 in 1964.

There was a sharp rise in the incidence of carcinoma of the breast in females (ICD No. 170) in 1964, there being 9,860 deaths compared with 9,442 in 1963. This change is also evident in the SMRs, 106 in 1964 and 102 in 1963. The detailed nature of this increase has been examined by Adams and Spicer (*Lancet*, 1965) and appears to be an accident of sampling. However, their investigation shows that there has been a steady increase in recent years in the incidence of breast cancer at ages 35-64 years. In the higher ages there is little sign of an increase, except possibly at ages over 85 years.

Diseases of circulatory system

There were 198,253 deaths from diseases of the circulatory system (ICD Nos. 400-468) in 1964, the crude death rate being 4,182 per million. This was less than in the two previous years and is confirmed by the SMRs, which were 96 for males and 79 for females in 1964, compared with 103 and 88 in 1963, and 100 and 87 in 1962. This decrease is almost certainly due in part to the low incidence of respiratory infections in 1964. (A high incidence of respiratory and influenzal infection almost always raises the death rate from many other causes but particularly the diseases of the heart and circulatory system as a terminal phenomenon in old age.)

Generally speaking there has been little change in the pattern of deaths from circulatory disease in recent years. Apart from a slight fall in 1964 there has been a general increase in deaths ascribed to arteriosclerotic heart disease, including coronary disease (ICD No. 420) and a decline in deaths due to myocardial degeneration (ICD No. 422), these two accounting for the major part of deaths from circulatory disorders.

Diseases of the veins and other diseases of the circulatory system (ICD Nos. 460-468) have shown a general tendency to increase. In 1964 there was a slight check in the SMR for males (207 compared with 211 in 1963) and a minor continuation of the increase in females (212 in 1964, 211 in 1963).

Infant mortality and stillbirths

The number of infant deaths in 1964 was 17,445, which was less than in 1963 (18,042) in spite of the greater number of births. The rates per thousand live births were 19.92 and 21.13 in these two years respectively. Stillbirths, neonatal mortality and post-neonatal mortality all fell in 1964. The two former have been falling steadily for some years but the latter has shown little recent improvement and the low figure 6.1 per 1,000 live births in 1964, may have been due mainly to the low incidence of respiratory disease. Death rates from congenital malformations during the first year of life were slightly lower in 1964, 4.15 as compared with 4.20 in 1963 and 4.58 in 1962.

Maternal mortality

The maternal mortality rate in 1964 was 0.25 per 1,000 total births, the lowest so far recorded. The actual number of deaths was 227, which was even less than in 1963 (243) in spite of the larger number of births in 1964. Rates for individual causes of maternal mortality are now based on such small numbers of cases that year-to-year variations are subject to chance fluctuations. However the trend in almost all categories is downward or more or less stationary.

Deaths due to Other diseases attributable to viruses (ICD No. 096)

Rapidly expanding knowledge of viruses and of the part they play in causing many diseases of hitherto unknown causation has been one of the main features of medical research in recent years. There have been spectacular decreases in number of deaths for some infective diseases, both bacterial (such as tuberculosis) and viral (such as poliomyelitis), but the residual group of Other diseases attributable to viruses has shown a continual increase in number during the past ten years.

1955	11	1960	24
1956	6	1961	23
1957	11	1962	25
1958	12	1963	34
1959	20	1964	31

It is therefore desirable to inspect more closely the nature of illnesses assigned to this category.

	1962	1963	1964	Male	Female
096.0 Herpes febrilis	4	8	7	7	12
.1 Infectious kerato-conjunctivitis	-	-	-	-	-
.2 Psittacosis and ornithosis	-	-	-	-	-
.3 Cowpox	8	-	1	7	2
.4 Epidemic hiccough	-	-	-	-	-
.5 Epidemic myalgia (Bornholm disease)	-	-	-	-	-
.6 Foot and mouth disease	-	-	-	-	-
.7 Sandfly fever	-	-	-	-	-
.8 Rift Valley fever	-	-	-	-	-
.9 Other	13	26	23	35	27
Classification of "Other" group					
Specified virus	4	6	-	6	4
Specified symptoms	7	19	21	27	20
Unspecified virus infection	2	-	1	2	1
Qualified diagnosis	-	1	1	-	2

Among the specified viruses the following were mentioned:

	1962	1963	1964	Male	Female
Cytomegalic inclusion disease	4	3	-	4	3
Coxsackie B 4	-	1	-	-	1
Possibly herpes simplex	-	1	-	1	-
Possibly measles	-	1	-	1	-

It is thus seen that only three virus diseases have been reported frequently in this category - herpes febrilis, cowpox and cytomegalic inclusion disease.

The specified symptoms are varied and for purposes of description have been summarised under the system of the body affected, in the order of systems used in the International Classification of Diseases.

	1962	1963	1964	Male	Female
Thrombocytopenic purpura	-	1	-	1	-
Nervous system:					
acute encephalitis	-	-	1	1	-
convulsions	-	1	1	1	1
encephalopathy	-	-	1	-	1
cerebral thrombosis	1	-	-	-	1
Cardio-vascular:					
myocarditis	-	1	2	2	1
cardiac dilatation	-	-	1	1	-
myocardial, heart failure	-	1	1	-	2
circulatory failure	1	-	-	1	-
coronary thrombosis	-	1	-	-	1
Respiratory:					
pneumonia	-	4	4	3	5
infection	-	3	-	2	1
diaphragmatic pleurisy	-	1	-	1	-
bronchitis	1	-	-	1	-
pulmonary oedema	-	1	-	-	1
alveolar membrane disease	-	-	1	1	-
Alimentary:					
gastro-enteritis, diarrhoea	2	-	1	2	1
gastritis	-	1	-	-	1
gastric haemorrhage	-	-	1	1	-
hepatitis	-	-	1	1	-
Acute renal failure	-	-	1	-	1
Acute, fulminating, toxæmia, viraemia	2	4	4	8	2
Hypothermia	-	-	1	-	1

A wide variety of symptoms are recorded each year, although there is a suggestion that respiratory infections including pneumonia were more prominent in 1963. Further evidence of distinct patterns emerges from consideration of the age-groups involved.

	Total 1962-1964	Age in years				
		0-	1-	5-	15-	65 and over
Herpes febrilis	19	5	2	1	3	8
Cowpox	9	3	6	-	-	-
Cytomegalic inclusion disease	7	7	-	-	-	-
Symptoms:						
nervous system	5	3	1	1	-	-
cardio-vascular	8	1	-	-	4	3
respiratory:						
pneumonia	8	3	-	-	1	4
infection	3	-	-	-	-	3
others	4	1	-	-	1	2
alimentary	6	2	1	-	2	1
others	13	7	3	-	1	2

Deaths due to respiratory infections, including pneumonia, and the cardiovascular deaths tend to be more in the older age-groups, but the cases diagnosed as cowpox and those with cytomegalic inclusion bodies were in young children. Two of the deaths in the latter group were on the first day of life and four out of the total of seven were within the first month after birth, the other diagnoses being made at three, four and eight months.

Death in infancy due to milk allergy

Sensitivity to, or intolerance of, milk and its constituents is thought to be the reason for some of the sudden deaths in infancy. Sudden death due to mechanical suffocation is coded in the International Classification as an accident, but deaths due to allergy appear as natural causes in ICD No.245, and this category has been searched for the years 1962 to 1964 to discover how many deaths were assigned to this cause.

The number of deaths in each year has been:

Year	Male	Female
1962	9	4
1963	7	3
1964	8	3

and the age distribution for the three years combined has been:

Age	Male	Female
1st week of life	-	1
rest of 1st month	2	-
1 month	7	1
2 months	5	5
3-5 months	7	3
6-8 months	3	-
9-11 months	-	-
second year of life	-	-

The term most frequently used to describe the mechanism of death is anaphylaxis - 10 deaths, with one other in which convulsions were mentioned with

anaphylactic shock. Allergy alone was mentioned in four deaths. Inhalation of milk, of vomit or both was mentioned in four deaths; other respiratory conditions recorded without mention of any inhalation were:

	Number of deaths
pulmonary oedema	4
acute pneumonitis	1
tracheo-bronchitis	1
bronchiolitis	1

Gastro-enteritis was recorded as the terminal event in three deaths, two subsequent to pneumonia.

Specific references to the components of milk causing the mishap were not common. In one death, reference was made to lactose intolerance, but death itself occurred from sinus thrombosis after an intravenous injection; in the only other mention of lactose, death was due to gastro-enteritis. Protein was mentioned in four deaths; in ten deaths cow's milk was mentioned, and in one other a reference to foreign protein ruled out breast milk.

Deaths assigned to this cause were unequally distributed among the regions:

Northern	3
East and West Ridings	-
North Western	7
North Midland	1
Midland	10
Eastern	-
London and South Eastern	3
Southern	4
South Western	5
Wales	1

The Midland region claimed 10/34 (29 per cent) of the diagnoses although less than 11 per cent of births (in 1963) occurred in that region. Two registration districts under the jurisdiction of the same coroner provided seven of these cases.

Table C60. Crude annual death rates per 1,000 living, and Standardised Mortality Ratios, 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	Crude death rate per 1,000 living		Standardised Mortality Ratio* (1950-52 = 100)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
1841-1850	23.1	21.6	320	396
1851-1860	23.1	21.4	313	384
1861-1870	23.7	21.4	319	383
1871-1880	22.7	20.1	308	362
1881-1890	20.3	18.1	281	327
1891-1900	19.3	17.1	268	307
1901-1910	16.4	14.4	221	248
1911-1920	15.1	13.0	187	207
1921-1930	12.9	11.4	142	159
1931-1940	13.0	11.5	125	136
1941-1950	12.5	10.9	104	107
1951-1960	12.3	10.9	96	92
1941	14.0	11.8	124	127
1942	12.5	10.5	109	111
1943	12.7	11.1	109	114
1944	12.6	10.7	106	108
1945	12.3	10.7	103	106
1946	12.2	10.9	101	106
1947	12.9	11.2	106	108
1948	11.5	10.1	93	95
1949	12.3	11.1	99	103
1950	12.3	11.0	98	101
1951	13.4	11.8	106	106
1952	12.2	10.5	96	93
1953	12.2	10.7	96	94
1954	12.2	10.5	95	91
1955	12.5	10.9	97	93
1956	12.5	10.9	96	92
1957	12.3	10.7	94	88
1958	12.4	11.0	95	90
1959	12.3	11.0	94	89
1960	12.2	10.9	92	87
1961	12.6	11.4	96	90
1962	12.6	11.3	96	89
1963	12.8	11.6	98	91
1964	11.9	10.7	91	83

*Civilians only, 1914-1918 and 1939-1949.

Table C61. Abridged life table, 1962-64, England and Wales

Males		Age x	Females	
l_x	e_x		l_x	e_x
10,000	68.1	0	10,000	74.2
9,765	68.8	1	9,818	74.5
9,750	67.9	2	9,805	73.6
9,742	66.9	3	9,798	72.7
9,736	66.0	4	9,793	71.7
9,730	65.0	5	9,788	70.8
9,707	60.2	10	9,772	65.9
9,687	55.3	15	9,760	61.0
9,642	50.5	20	9,743	56.0
9,589	45.8	25	9,720	51.2
9,543	41.0	30	9,690	46.3
9,486	36.2	35	9,649	41.5
9,400	31.5	40	9,583	36.8
9,259	27.0	45	9,480	32.2
9,016	22.6	50	9,315	27.7
8,604	18.6	55	9,072	23.4
7,912	15.0	60	8,710	19.2
6,869	11.9	65	8,142	15.4
5,495	9.3	70	7,281	11.9
3,895	7.0	75	5,994	8.9
2,282	5.2	80	4,281	6.5
984	3.9	85	2,366	4.8

This abridged life table is constructed from the estimated home population in 1962, 1963 and 1964, and the total deaths registered in those years.

The column headed l_x shows, for each sex, the numbers who would survive to exact age x out of 10,000 born who were subject throughout their lives to the recorded age death rates of the period.

Column e_x is the "expectation of life", that is, the average future life-time which would be lived by persons aged exactly x , if likewise subject to those death rates.

Table C62. Expectation of life at birth and at age 1 year, 1838 to 1964 England and Wales

From English Life Table	Year	Expectation of life at			
		Birth		Age 1 year	
		Males	Females	Males	Females
No. 1	1841	40.2	42.2	46.7	47.6
2	1838-44	40.4	42.0	47.0	47.4
3	1838-54	39.9	41.9	46.7	47.3
4	1871-80	41.4	44.6	48.1	50.1
5	1881-90	43.7	47.2	51.0	53.2
6	1891-1900	44.1	47.8	52.2	54.5
7	1901-10	48.5	52.4	55.7	58.3
8	1910-12	51.5	55.4	57.5	60.3
9	1920-22	55.6	59.6	60.1	63.0
10	1930-32	58.7	62.9	62.3	65.5
11	1950-52	66.4	71.5	67.7	72.4
From annual Abridged Life Tables	1943	61.6	67.3	64.1	69.3
	1944	62.2	68.3	64.4	70.1
	1945	62.6	68.8	65.0	70.6
	1946	64.5	69.4	66.8	71.0
	1947	64.5	69.3	66.6	70.9
	1948	66.4	71.2	68.0	72.3
	1949	66.0	70.6	67.5	71.7
	1950	66.5	71.2	67.8	72.1
	1951	65.8	70.9	67.1	71.7
	1952	67.1	72.5	68.2	73.2
	1953	67.3	72.5	68.4	73.3
	1954	67.6	73.1	68.6	73.7
	1955	67.5	73.0	68.5	73.6
	1956	67.8	73.3	68.6	73.8
	1957	67.9	73.6	68.7	74.1
	1958	68.0	73.7	68.7	74.2
	1959	68.1	73.8	68.8	74.3
	1960	68.3	74.1	69.0	74.6
	1961	68.0	73.8	68.7	74.2
	1962	68.0	73.9	68.7	74.3
1963	67.8	73.8	68.5	74.2	
1964	68.6	74.7	69.1	75.1	

Table C63. Annual death rates per 1,000 living, by quarters, in each year 1954 to 1964, with ratios to each yearly rate taken as 100, England and Wales

	Death rate per 1,000 living				Ratio to yearly rate taken as 100			
	March	June	September	December	March	June	September	December
1954	14.0	10.6	9.3	11.4	124	94	82	101
1955	15.4	11.2	9.1	11.1	132	96	78	95
1956	15.3	10.8	9.3	11.3	131	92	79	97
1957	12.2	10.6	9.7	13.4	106	92	84	117
1958	14.7	11.0	9.3	11.7	126	94	79	100
1959	15.8	10.6	9.0	11.1	136	91	78	96
1960	13.1	10.9	9.8	12.2	114	95	85	106
1961	15.5	10.9	9.5	11.9	130	92	80	100
1962	15.5	11.1	9.4	11.9	130	93	79	100
1963	17.0	11.0	9.6	11.2	139	90	79	92
1964	13.2	10.8	9.5	11.6	117	96	84	103

Table C64. Average annual death rates per 1,000 living, by sex and age, 1841 to 1964, England and Wales

	Males									Females								
	All ages	0-*	1-	5-	15-	25-	45-	65-	85 and over	All ages	0-*	1-	5-	15-	25-	45-	65-	85 and over
1841-1850	23.1	167		7.24	8.23	11.2	23.6	89.6	312.3	21.6	137		7.27	8.50	11.6	21.1	82.4	293.3
1851-1860	23.1	168		6.79	7.71	10.9	23.2	86.8	308.2	21.4	139		6.84	7.98	10.9	20.1	80.0	288.9
1861-1870	23.7	168		6.43	7.26	11.5	24.8	87.7	315.0	21.4	139		6.25	7.30	10.7	20.6	79.8	285.1
1871-1880	22.7	163		5.29	6.24	11.3	26.1	90.2	327.4	20.1	134		5.05	6.12	9.92	21.0	80.9	296.4
1881-1890	20.3	155		4.20	4.97	9.79	25.5	89.4	305.8	18.1	128		4.23	4.97	8.76	20.6	78.9	270.8
1891-1900	19.3	168		3.40	4.38	8.82	25.2	89.4	286.8	17.1	138		3.49	4.06	7.58	20.3	79.5	261.4
1901-1910	16.4	140		2.80	3.61	7.16	22.3	82.7	279.2	14.4	144		2.91	3.20	5.60	17.5	71.6	250.3
1911-1920	15.1	112		2.93	4.16	7.05	20.2	81.4	274.5	13.0	89		2.97	3.53	5.54	15.2	67.6	243.6
1921-1925	12.9	86		2.10	3.06	5.24	16.9	76.2	272.7	11.4	66		2.05	2.83	4.26	12.8	64.0	241.2
1926-1930	12.9	77		2.06	2.93	4.84	17.0	76.3	298.1	11.4	59		1.90	2.67	3.97	12.4	62.5	254.4
1931-1935	12.7	70	6.88	1.84	2.81	4.23	16.6	75.1	278.9	11.4	54	6.23	1.71	2.51	3.67	11.9	61.0	245.0
1936-1940	13.3	62	5.00	1.60	2.64	3.95	17.3	76.2	286.3	11.6	48	4.40	1.40	2.17	3.22	11.5	60.1	252.7
1941-1945	12.8	56	3.72	1.44	2.99	3.72	15.7	69.0	226.1	10.9	44	3.26	1.13	1.98	2.84	9.86	52.6	206.6
1946-1950	12.2	41	1.90	0.79	1.42	2.58	14.5	69.9	241.6	10.9	32	1.62	0.59	1.29	2.17	8.79	52.1	208.9
1951-1955	12.5	30	1.23	0.52	1.05	2.05	13.9	75.5	265.9	10.9	23	1.04	0.37	0.60	1.60	8.02	51.9	222.0
1956-1960	12.3	25	0.99	0.44	1.00	1.82	13.5	74.1	239.2	10.9	20	0.82	0.30	0.45	1.34	7.43	49.4	212.5
1956	12.5	27	0.98	0.43	0.93	1.85	13.5	75.8	256.2	10.9	20	0.83	0.30	0.45	1.40	7.55	51.0	222.7
1957	12.3	26	1.04	0.46	1.03	1.86	13.7	73.5	226.8	10.7	20	0.90	0.32	0.49	1.41	7.59	48.7	199.2
1958	12.4	25	0.99	0.44	0.95	1.81	13.5	75.1	242.6	11.0	20	0.77	0.27	0.45	1.32	7.45	49.9	215.6
1959	12.3	25	1.00	0.43	1.03	1.79	13.5	73.9	240.0	11.0	20	0.81	0.31	0.44	1.30	7.34	49.3	215.4
1960	12.2	25	0.95	0.45	1.03	1.79	13.4	72.4	232.1	10.9	19	0.78	0.30	0.40	1.25	7.23	48.1	210.4
1961	12.6	24	1.04	0.43	1.01	1.80	13.8	75.3	256.9	11.4	19	0.81	0.28	0.45	1.27	7.42	50.2	214.1
1962	12.6	24	0.94	0.43	1.00	1.75	14.0	75.7	261.1	11.3	19	0.77	0.28	0.41	1.29	7.45	49.5	213.8
1963	12.8	24	0.98	0.44	0.99	1.80	14.4	77.3	272.8	11.6	19	0.83	0.28	0.39	1.29	7.58	50.4	220.2
1964	11.9	22	0.87	0.43	1.03	1.81	14.0	70.4	234.0	10.7	17	0.74	0.29	0.43	1.27	7.28	45.5	190.3

*Per thousand live births; related live births from 1931 to 1956.

Table C68. Notification rates per 100,000 living for certain infectious diseases, by sex and age, 1964, England and Wales

	Scarlet fever		Whooping cough		Acute poliomyelitis				Measles (excluding rubella)		Diphtheria		Dysentery		Meningococcal infection	
	M	F	M	F	Paralytic		Non-paralytic		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
					M	F	M	F								
Under 1 year	12	9.2	409	450	0.23	0.24	-	-	1,478	1,551	-	-	137	123	18	11
1	49	49	401	454	0.24	-	-	-	4,151	4,179	-	-	211	207	11	7.2
2	145	135	503	584	0.48	0.76	-	-	5,148	5,196	-	-	230	216	6.7	2.5
3	239	248	441	532	0.75	0.26	-	-	5,761	5,836	-	-	202	186	1.7	3.7
4	334	330	463	524	0.26	-	0.52	-	5,821	5,798	-	-	188	168	3.7	2.8
5-	318	334	272	318	0.17	0.18	0.11	-	3,488	3,451	0.17	0.06	145	134	2.3	2.1
10-	59	66	42	52	-	-	-	0.06	183	180	0.18	0.19	44	42	1.2	0.87
15-	8.4	8.4	3.7	5.7	0.09	-	0.06	-	23	27	0.15	0.09	19	31	0.84	0.69
25 and over	0.58	0.74	1.2	1.9	0.03	0.02	-	-	2.7	2.9	0.01	0.01	13	17	0.19	0.18
All ages	44	41	65	68	0.08	0.05	0.03	0.00	682	614	0.05	0.03	43	42	1.3	0.87

	Acute pneumonia (primary or influenzal)		Acute encephalitis				Enteric or typhoid fever		Paratyphoid fevers		Erysipelas		Food poisoning	
	M	F	Infective		Post-infectious		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
			M	F	M	F								
Under 5 years	37	31	0.58	0.46	1.1	0.77	0.39	0.46	1.0	1.0	1.2	0.36	22	21
5-	14	11	0.72	0.43	1.3	0.49	0.35	0.33	0.93	0.49	0.75	0.67	18	14
15-	10	8.6	0.21	0.21	0.26	0.14	0.23	0.38	0.48	0.51	1.8	2.0	11	10
45-	27	17	0.11	0.13	0.04	0.05	0.11	0.21	0.16	0.30	6.2	7.4	6.8	6.7
65 and over	57	38	-	-	-	-	-	0.06	0.09	0.37	8.1	8.0	7.0	8.6
All ages	22	17	0.27	0.21	0.42	0.19	0.21	0.29	0.49	0.48	3.3	4.0	12	11

	Tuberculosis					
	Respiratory		Meninges and CNS		Other	
	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 5 years	16	15	0.68	0.61	1.6	2.0
5-	13	12	0.55	0.21	2.6	2.9
15-	34	30	0.41	0.45	5.9	5.8
25-	50	31	0.33	0.26	8.2	8.6
45-	63	16	0.14	0.16	3.8	4.2
65 and over	62	12	0.14	0.14	3.1	5.3
All ages	43	21	0.34	0.27	4.9	5.4

Table C69. Infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births in the neonatal, post-neonatal and other age periods and stillbirth rates per 1,000 total births, 1906 to 1964, England and Wales

Period	Total infant mortality (under 1 year)	Infant mortality per 1,000 live births* at various ages									Stillbirths and infant deaths - rates per 1,000 total births†				
		Neonatal mortality (under 4 weeks)	Early neonatal mortality (under 1 week)	Late neonatal mortality (1 week and under 4 weeks)	Post-neonatal mortality (4 weeks and under 1 year)	Early neonatal period		Post-neonatal period			Stillbirths plus infant deaths under 1 year "birth wastage"	Stillbirths (late foetal deaths, at or over 28 weeks' gestation)	Stillbirths plus infant deaths under 1 week "perinatal mortality"	Infant deaths at 1 week and over	Stillbirths plus infant deaths under 4 weeks
						Under 1 day	1 day and under 1 week	4 weeks and under 3 months	3 months and under 6 months	6 months and under 1 year					
1906-1910	117.1	40.2	24.5	15.7	76.9	11.5	13.0	22.8	22.0	32.1	-	-	-	-	-
1911-1915	108.7	39.0	24.1	14.9	69.8	11.4	12.7	20.2	19.6	30.0	-	-	-	-	-
1916-1920	90.9	37.0	23.4	13.7	53.9	11.0	12.4	16.5	14.6	22.8	-	-	-	-	-
1921-1925	74.9	33.4	21.7	11.7	41.6	10.4	11.3	12.8	11.3	17.5	-	-	-	-	-
1926-1930	67.6	31.8	21.8	9.9	35.7	10.3	11.5	10.8	9.5	15.4	-	-	-	-	-
1931-1935	61.9	31.4	22.4	9.0	30.5	10.7	11.7	9.9	8.5	12.1	100.6	41.0	62.5	38.1	71.1
1936-1940	55.3	29.2	21.5	7.7	26.0	10.4	11.2	8.8	7.8	9.4	91.7	38.5	59.2	32.5	66.6
1941-1945	49.8	26.0	18.7	7.2	23.8	9.3	9.5	8.9	7.7	7.2	78.5	30.5	48.6	29.9	55.6
1946-1950	36.3	21.1	16.2	4.9	15.2	7.9	8.4	5.8	5.0	4.4	59.5	24.0	39.8	19.6	44.6
1951-1955	26.9	18.0	15.0	3.0	8.9	7.5	7.5	3.4	3.0	2.5	49.2	23.0	37.6	11.6	40.5
1956-1960	22.6	16.2	13.8	2.4	6.5	7.5	6.3	2.6	2.1	1.8	43.6	21.4	34.9	8.7	37.2
1928	65.3	31.1	21.6	9.5	34.2	10.4	11.2	10.7	9.3	14.2	102.6	40.1	60.8	41.7	69.9
1929	73.9	32.8	22.2	10.5	41.1	10.4	11.9	11.5	10.6	19.0	111.4	40.0	61.4	50.0	71.6
1930	60.2	30.9	22.0	8.9	29.3	10.4	11.6	9.7	7.9	11.7	98.3	40.8	61.9	36.4	70.4
1931	65.7	31.5	22.1	9.5	34.2	10.4	11.7	10.8	9.2	14.2	104.5	40.9	62.1	42.4	71.2
1932	64.5	31.5	22.4	9.2	33.0	10.6	11.8	10.8	9.0	13.2	103.7	41.3	62.8	40.8	71.6
1933	62.7	32.1	22.9	9.3	30.6	11.0	11.8	9.8	8.6	12.2	102.5	41.4	63.4	39.1	72.3
1934	59.3	31.4	22.7	8.7	27.9	10.9	11.8	8.9	7.7	11.3	96.7	40.5	62.2	34.5	70.5
1935	57.0	30.4	22.0	8.4	26.6	10.7	11.3	9.1	7.7	9.8	95.4	40.7	61.9	33.5	69.9

* Rates based on related live births from 1926 to 1956.

† The births upon which these rates are based for successive calendar years are numbers registered up to 1936 inclusive, and numbers of occurrences from 1939.

Table C71. Principal causes of death under 1 year, age-group distribution per cent of all deaths assigned to each cause, cause distribution per 1,000 total deaths in each age-group, 1964, England and Wales

Aetiological group	Cause of death (and ICD No.)	Number of infant deaths (under 1 year)	Age distribution per cent of total infant deaths assigned to each cause					Cause distribution per 1,000 total infant deaths in each age-group					
			Infant mortality (under 1 year)	Neonatal mortality			Post-neonatal mortality (4 weeks and under 1 year)	Infant mortality (under 1 year)	Neonatal mortality			Post-neonatal mortality (4 weeks and under 1 year)	
				Under 4 weeks	Early (under 1 week)	Late (1 week and under 4 weeks)			Under 4 weeks	Early (under 1 week)	Late (1 week and under 4 weeks)		
	All causes	17,445	100	69	60	9	31	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
104 Prenatal and natal group (including congenital malformations)	Congenital malformations (750-759)	3,635	100	66	47	19	34	208	199	163	446	229	
	Total causes mainly of prenatal and natal origin other than congenital malformations	8,428	100	99	96	3	1	483	691	770	160	12	
	Intracranial and spinal injury at birth (760)	1,397	100	100	94	5	-	80	115	125	48	-	
	Other birth injury (including maternal antepartum haemorrhage) (761)	543	100	100	98	1	-	31	45	51	4	-	
	Postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis (762)	2,639	100	99	97	2	1	151	216	242	38	6	
	Attributed to maternal toxæmia (769)	249	100	100	99	-	-	14	20	23	1	-	
	Erythroblastosis (770)	317	100	99	94	4	1	18	28	28	9	1	
	Haemorrhagic disease of newborn (771)	184	100	100	95	5	-	11	15	17	6	-	
	Ill-defined diseases of early infancy (773)	495	100	97	94	4	3	28	40	44	12	2	
	Immaturity alone, or primary to diseases other than of early infancy (774, 776)	2,604	100	99	97	2	1	149	214	240	41	3	
105 Postnatal group	Total causes mainly of postnatal origin	4,386	100	22	10	12	78	251	80	42	333	641	
	Causes classified as infective (001-138) and others mainly infective in origin (340, 391-393, 470-483, 518, 519, 690-698, 765-768)	555	100	35	12	23	65	32	16	6	82	67	
	Septicaemia, skin and subcutaneous tissue infections and sepsis of newborn (053, 690-698, 765-768)	105	100	70	24	47	30	6	6	2	31	6	
	Whooping cough and measles (066, 085)	45	100	-	-	-	100	3	-	-	-	8	
	Meningococcal infections and non-meningococcal meningitis (057, 340)	220	100	47	15	31	53	13	9	3	44	22	
	Causes classified as infective not specified above (rem. 001-138)	66	100	12	6	6	88	4	1	-	3	11	
	Otitis media and mastoiditis, empyema and pleurisy (391-393, 518, 519)	70	100	11	4	7	89	4	1	-	3	12	
	Acute upper respiratory infections and influenza (470-475, 480-483)	49	100	6	2	4	94	3	-	-	1	9	
	Pneumonia and bronchitis (490-493, 763, 500-502)	2,740	100	22	11	11	78	157	50	29	196	399	
	Gastro-enteritis (including diarrhoea of newborn) (571, 764)	420	100	13	1	12	87	24	5	1	31	68	
	Accidental mechanical suffocation from vomit, food, foreign body, or in cot (E921-E925)	477	100	7	1	6	93	27	3	-	17	83	
	Lack of care, neglect (including foundlings), infanticide (E926, E980-E985)	76	100	72	71	1	28	4	5	5	1	4	
	Other violent causes (rem. E800-E999)	118	100	14	6	8	86	7	1	1	6	19	
	Unclassified	Total causes remaining	996	100	37	27	10	63	57	30	26	62	118
		Neoplasms (140-239)	81	100	21	19	2	79	5	1	1	1	12
Other remaining causes		915	100	38	28	10	62	52	29	24	61	106	
	Immaturity, or with mention of immaturity (774, 776, 760.5-773.5)	6,222	100	100	96	4	-	357	512	565	152	5	
	Immaturity alone, or primary to diseases other than of early infancy (774, 776)	2,604	100	99	97	2	1	149	214	240	41	3	
	Immaturity associated with diseases of early infancy (760.5-773.5)	3,618	100	100	95	5	-	207	298	326	111	2	
	All other causes	11,223	100	53	41	12	47	643	488	436	848	995	

Table C72. Principal causes of death under 1 year in the neonatal, post-natal and other age periods, by sex, per 1,000 live births, 1964, England and Wales

Aetiological group	Cause of death (and ICD No.)	Infant mortality per 1,000 live births									
		Total infant mortality (under 1 year)	Neonatal mortality (under 4 weeks)	Early neonatal mortality (under 1 week)	Late neonatal mortality (1 week and under 4 weeks)	Post-neonatal mortality (4 weeks and under 1 year)	Early neo-natal period		Post-neonatal period		
							Under 1 day	1 day and under 1 week	4 weeks and under 3 months	3 months and under 6 months	6 months and under 1 year
	All causes	{ M 22.19 F 17.50	15.52 12.01	13.54 10.43	1.98 1.59	6.67 5.48	7.82 6.36	5.71 4.07	2.74 2.11	2.29 1.88	1.64 1.49
108 Prenatal and natal group (including congenital malformations)	Congenital malformations (750-759)	{ M 4.28 F 4.01	2.87 2.63	2.03 1.88	0.84 0.75	1.41 1.38	1.00 0.95	1.03 0.92	0.70 0.66	0.38 0.37	0.33 0.35
	Total causes mainly of prenatal and natal origin other than congenital malformations	{ M 10.99 F 8.17	10.91 8.10	10.57 7.87	0.33 0.24	0.08 0.07	6.49 5.09	4.08 2.78	0.08 0.05	0.01 0.01	0.00 0.01
	Intracranial and spinal injury at birth (760)	{ M 1.94 F 1.23	1.94 1.23	1.82 1.17	0.11 0.06	- 0.00	0.95 0.65	0.88 0.52	- 0.00	- -	- -
	Other birth injury (including maternal antepartum haemorrhage) (761)	{ M 0.73 F 0.50	0.73 0.50	0.72 0.49	0.01 0.01	- 0.00	0.53 0.39	0.19 0.10	- 0.00	- -	- -
	Postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis (762)	{ M 3.46 F 2.54	3.42 2.51	3.34 2.45	0.08 0.06	0.04 0.03	1.96 1.55	1.38 0.90	0.03 0.02	0.01 0.00	0.00 0.01
	Attributed to maternal toxæmia (769)	{ M 0.28 F 0.29	0.28 0.29	0.28	- 0.00	- 0.00	0.18 0.18	0.10 0.11	- -	- 0.00	- -
	Erythroblastosis (770)	{ M 0.38 F 0.34	0.37 0.34	0.35 0.33	0.02 0.01	0.01 0.00	0.22 0.24	0.13 0.09	0.00 -	- 0.00	0.00 -
	Haemorrhagic disease of newborn (771)	{ M 0.22 F 0.20	0.22 0.20	0.21 0.19	0.02 0.01	- -	0.07 0.07	0.14 0.12	- -	- -	- -
	Ill-defined diseases of early infancy (773)	{ M 0.69 F 0.43	0.68 0.41	0.66 0.39	0.02 0.02	0.01 0.02	0.32 0.22	0.34 0.18	0.01 0.01	0.00 0.00	- -
	Immaturity alone, or primary to diseases other than of early infancy (774,776)	{ M 3.29 F 2.64	3.27 2.63	3.19 2.56	0.08 0.07	0.02 0.01	2.27 1.80	0.92 0.76	0.02 0.01	- -	- -
	Total causes mainly of postnatal origin	{ M 5.65 F 4.33	1.25 0.94	0.57 0.44	0.68 0.50	4.40 3.38	0.14 0.16	0.43 0.28	1.69 1.19	1.63 1.29	1.08 0.91
107 Postnatal group	Causes classified as infective (001-138) and others mainly infective in origin (340, 391-393, 470-483, 518, 519, 690-698, 765-768)	{ M 0.69 F 0.58	0.25 0.20	0.08 0.07	0.17 0.12	0.43 0.38	0.00 0.01	0.08 0.06	0.18 0.12	0.14 0.13	0.12 0.13
	Pneumonia and bronchitis (490-493, 763, 500-502)	{ M 3.58 F 2.65	0.82 0.56	0.41 0.27	0.41 0.29	2.75 2.09	0.09 0.08	0.32 0.21	1.12 0.77	1.02 0.83	0.60 0.49
	Gastro-enteritis (including diarrhoea of newborn) (571, 764)	{ M 0.54 F 0.42	0.07 0.05	0.01 -	0.06 0.05	0.46 0.37	- -	0.01 -	0.15 0.12	0.16 0.12	0.16 0.14
	Accidental mechanical suffocation from vomit, food, foreign body, or in cot (E921-E925)	{ M 0.65 F 0.44	0.04 0.03	0.01 0.00	0.03 0.03	0.61 0.40	- 0.00	0.01 0.00	0.21 0.16	0.27 0.18	0.12 0.07
	Lack of care, neglect (including foundlings), infanticide (E926, E980-E985)	{ M 0.07 F 0.11	0.05 0.08	0.05 0.08	- 0.00	0.02 0.03	0.05 0.07	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.01	0.01 0.01	0.01 0.01
	Other violent causes (rem. E900-E999)	{ M 0.14 F 0.13	0.01 0.03	- 0.02	0.01 0.01	0.12 0.11	- 0.02	- -	0.03 0.03	0.03 0.02	0.06 0.07
Unclassified	Total causes remaining	{ M 1.27 F 0.99	0.49 0.34	0.37 0.25	0.12 0.10	0.78 0.65	0.19 0.16	0.18 0.09	0.29 0.22	0.26 0.21	0.23 0.22
	Neoplasms (140-239)	{ M 0.08 F 0.10	0.02 0.02	0.01 0.02	0.00 -	0.07 0.08	0.00 0.02	0.01 0.00	0.02 0.01	0.01 0.03	0.03 0.04
	Other remaining causes	{ M 1.19 F 0.89	0.47 0.32	0.35 0.23	0.12 0.10	0.72 0.57	0.19 0.14	0.16 0.08	0.27 0.20	0.25 0.18	0.20 0.18
	Immaturity, or with mention of immaturity (774, 776, 760.5-773.5)	{ M 8.17 F 5.97	8.13 5.95	7.81 5.73	0.32 0.22	0.04 0.02	4.87 3.66	2.94 2.07	0.04 0.02	- -	0.00 -
	Immaturity alone, or primary to diseases other than of early infancy (774, 776)	{ M 3.29 F 2.64	3.27 2.63	3.19 2.56	0.08 0.07	0.02 0.01	2.27 1.80	0.92 0.76	0.02 0.01	- -	- -
	Immaturity associated with diseases of early infancy (760.5-773.5)	{ M 4.88 F 3.33	4.86 3.33	4.62 3.17	0.24 0.15	0.02 0.01	2.60 1.86	2.02 1.31	0.02 0.01	- -	0.00 -
	All other causes	{ M 14.03 F 11.52	7.39 6.08	5.73 4.70	1.66 1.37	6.64 5.46	2.95 2.70	2.78 2.00	2.71 2.09	2.29 1.88	1.64 1.49

Table C75 - (continued)

Aetiological group	Cause of death (and ICD No.)	Rates per 1,000 live births					Regional group rates per cent of England and Wales rate			
		England and Wales	North of England	Wales and Midlands	South and East of England (excluding Greater London)	Greater London	North of England	Wales and Midlands	South and East of England (excluding Greater London)	Greater London
Postnatal group - (continued)	Causes classified as infective not specified above (rem. 001-138)	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.05	0.05	100	150	62	62
	Otitis media and mastoiditis, empyema and pleurisy (391-393, 518, 519)	0.08	0.06	0.12	0.07	0.09	75	150	88	112
	Acute upper respiratory infections, and influenza (470-475, 480-483)	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05	83	117	83	83
	Pneumonia and bronchitis (490-493, 763, 500-502)	3.13	3.95	3.21	2.13	3.19	126	103	68	102
	Gastro-enteritis (including diarrhoea of newborn) (571, 764)	0.48	0.71	0.54	0.29	0.30	148	112	60	62
	Accidental mechanical suffocation from vomit, food, foreign body, or in cot (E921-E925)	0.54	0.70	0.50	0.61	0.23	130	93	113	43
	Lack of care, neglect (including foundlings), infanticide (E926, E980-E985)	0.09	0.10	0.07	0.09	0.09	111	78	100	100
	Other violent causes (rem. E800-E999)	0.13	0.12	0.14	0.12	0.18	92	108	92	138
Unclassified	Total causes remaining	1.14	1.27	1.17	1.02	1.04	111	103	89	91
	Neoplasms (140-239)	0.09	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.11	122	89	78	122
	Other remaining causes	1.04	1.16	1.09	0.95	0.92	112	105	91	88
Immaturity, or with mention of immaturity (774, 776, 760.5-773.5)		7.10	7.86	7.16	6.29	7.02	111	101	89	99
Immaturity alone, or primary to diseases other than of early infancy (774, 776)		2.97	3.17	3.17	2.85	2.54	107	107	96	86
Immaturity associated with diseases of early infancy (760.5-773.5)		4.13	4.69	3.99	3.44	4.47	114	97	83	108
All other causes		12.81	14.66	13.47	10.92	11.69	114	105	85	91

Table C76. Trend of stillbirths, per 1,000 total births, and of deaths in the neonatal, and post-neonatal periods per 1,000 live births, in standard regions, 1960 to 1964, England and Wales

	Rates in each year 1960 to 1964					Rates in 1961 to 1964 per cent of rate in 1960				
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1961	1962	1963	1964	
Stillbirths (at or over 28 weeks' gestation) per 1,000 total births	ENGLAND AND WALES	19.8	19.0	18.1	17.2	16.3	96	91	87	82
	NORTH OF ENGLAND	21.9	21.0	19.5	18.8	18.3	96	89	86	84
	Northern	22.3	21.7	19.6	19.2	19.0	97	88	86	85
	East and West Ridings	20.9	20.1	18.4	17.6	17.8	96	88	84	85
	North Western	22.3	21.2	19.9	19.3	18.2	95	89	87	82
	WALES AND MIDLANDS	21.4	20.4	19.8	18.4	17.2	95	93	86	80
	Wales	23.6	22.4	22.0	19.9	17.8	95	93	84	75
	North Midland	20.6	19.6	18.7	17.2	16.9	95	91	83	82
	Midland	20.9	19.9	19.5	18.5	17.1	95	93	89	82
	SOUTH AND EAST OF ENGLAND (excluding Greater London)	17.5	17.0	16.2	15.9	14.8	97	93	91	85
	London and South Eastern (excluding Greater London)	17.1	16.3	15.7	15.7	14.9	95	92	92	87
	Southern	16.2	16.2	15.5	15.3	14.5	100	96	94	90
	South Western	18.3	18.3	17.8	16.2	15.7	100	97	89	86
	Eastern	17.9	17.1	15.7	16.1	14.3	96	88	90	80
GREATER LONDON	17.1	16.6	16.3	15.1	14.2	97	95	88	83	
Neonatal mortality per 1,000 live births	ENGLAND AND WALES	15.5	15.3	15.1	14.3	13.8	99	97	92	89
	NORTH OF ENGLAND	17.1	16.9	16.8	16.0	15.2	99	98	94	89
	Northern	17.4	16.5	16.8	15.8	15.1	95	97	91	87
	East and West Ridings	16.0	16.4	15.9	15.6	15.0	102	99	98	94
	North Western	17.6	17.4	17.3	16.3	15.3	99	98	93	87
	WALES AND MIDLANDS	16.1	15.6	15.4	14.3	14.3	97	96	89	89
	Wales	18.7	17.5	16.9	16.8	17.2	94	90	90	92
	North Midland	14.8	14.4	14.6	12.9	13.1	97	99	87	89
	Midland	15.8	15.6	15.2	14.1	13.7	99	96	89	87
	SOUTH AND EAST OF ENGLAND (excluding Greater London)	13.6	13.5	13.4	12.7	12.2	99	99	93	90
	London and South Eastern (excluding Greater London)	13.2	13.8	12.8	12.8	13.0	105	97	97	98
	Southern	13.5	13.7	13.7	13.1	12.7	101	101	97	94
	South Western	14.4	13.2	14.0	13.0	12.3	92	97	90	85
	Eastern	13.3	13.3	13.0	11.9	11.3	100	98	89	85
GREATER LONDON	14.8	15.0	14.4	13.7	13.4	101	97	93	91	
Post-neonatal mortality per 1,000 live births	ENGLAND AND WALES	6.3	6.1	6.6	6.9	6.1	97	105	110	97
	NORTH OF ENGLAND	7.7	7.4	8.0	8.3	7.4	96	104	108	96
	Northern	7.2	6.7	7.5	6.9	7.1	93	104	96	99
	East and West Ridings	7.0	7.8	7.3	8.6	7.8	111	104	123	111
	North Western	8.3	7.5	8.6	8.7	7.3	90	104	105	88
	WALES AND MIDLANDS	6.6	6.2	7.2	7.1	6.4	94	109	108	97
	Wales	6.6	6.6	8.4	7.8	7.1	100	127	118	108
	North Midland	7.0	5.6	6.8	6.9	6.0	80	97	99	86
	Midland	6.2	6.5	6.9	6.8	6.3	105	111	110	102
	SOUTH AND EAST OF ENGLAND (excluding Greater London)	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.0	104	104	106	96
	London and South Eastern (excluding Greater London)	5.3	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.3	102	108	108	100
	Southern	5.3	5.8	5.9	6.1	4.8	109	111	115	91
	South Western	4.8	5.1	5.6	5.6	5.3	106	117	117	110
	Eastern	5.2	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.6	94	88	92	88
GREATER LONDON	5.1	4.9	5.2	6.3	5.3	96	102	124	104	

Table C79. Maternal deaths attributed to or associated with abortion, 1931 to 1964, England and Wales

	Spontaneous or induced for therapeutic reasons		Induced for non-therapeutic reasons		Total attributed to abortion (including criminal)	Others associated with abortion	Total attributed to, or associated with, abortion	Percentage of deaths due to abortion which had mention of sepsis
	With sepsis	Without sepsis	With sepsis	Without sepsis*				
1931	229	140	52	27	448	77	525	63
1932	262	139	46	23	470	90	560	66
1933	257	144	56	29	486	97	583	64
1934	295	118	67	33	513	64	577	71
1935	262	108	64	30	464	74	538	70
1936	242	105	49	24	420	70	490	69
1937	176	109	56	28	369	104	473	63
1938	173	101	54	26	354	81	435	64
1939	167	79	80	28	354	49	403	70
1940	116	76	43	33	268	56	324	59
1941	145	90	66	24	325	47	372	65
1942	175	62	64	12	313	49	362	76
1943	166	64	76	15	321	57	378	75
1944	168	63	75	7	313	52	365	78
1945	109	50	65	9	233	19	252	75
1946	69	42	41	5	157	37	194	70
1947	54	49	37	3	143	44	187	64
1948	55	32	34	4	125	16	141	71
1949	58	31	20	9	118	19	137	66
1950	39	18	25	21	103	21	124	62
1951	34	14	33	26	107	9	116	63
1952	28	15	19	28	90	8	98	52
1953	22	13	17	24	76	7	83	51
1954	22	19	10	25	76	5	81	42
1955	19	15	17	15	66	7	75	56
1956	20	16	20	16	72	6	78	56
1957	18	13	15	15	61	6	67	54
1958	27	16	8	12	63	4	67	56
1959	16	8	13	10	47	7	54	62
1960	21	11	12	18	62	5	67	53
1961	24	7	8	15	54	3	57	59
1962	17	11	11	18	57	2	59	49
1963	17	11	15	6	49	6	55	65
1964	16	10	13	11	50	1	51	58

*Deaths due to attempted abortion, formerly classed to accidental causes, are included for years 1950 onwards.

Table C80. Deaths assigned to pregnancy or childbearing, by age and cause, 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death	All ages	15-	20-	25-	30-	35-	40-	45 and over
640-648	Complications of pregnancy	71	3	16	14	24	9	5	-
640	Pyelitis and pyelonephritis of pregnancy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
641	Other infections of genito-urinary tract during pregnancy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
642	Toxaemias of pregnancy	30	2	8	3	10	6	1	-
643	Placenta praevia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
644	Other haemorrhage of pregnancy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
645	Ectopic pregnancy	21	-	4	5	8	1	3	-
646	Anaemia of pregnancy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
647	Pregnancy with malposition of foetus in uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
648	Other complications arising from pregnancy	20	1	4	6	6	2	1	-
650-652	Abortion	50	2	13	16	10	8	1	-
650	Abortion without mention of sepsis or toxaemia	16	-	6	4	5	1	-	-
651	Abortion with sepsis	29	2	4	12	4	6	1	-
652	Abortion with toxaemia, without mention of sepsis	5	-	3	-	1	1	-	-
660	Delivery without mention of complication	5	-	1	-	1	2	-	1
670-678	Delivery with specified complication	58	2	11	11	13	15	5	1
670	Delivery complicated by placenta praevia or antepartum haemorrhage	7	-	-	4	1	2	-	-
671	Delivery complicated by retained placenta	5	-	2	1	1	-	1	-
672	Delivery complicated by other post-partum haemorrhage	7	-	4	1	1	1	-	-
673	Delivery complicated by abnormality of bony pelvis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
674	Delivery complicated by disproportion or malposition of foetus	7	-	1	1	1	1	2	1
675	Delivery complicated by prolonged labour of other origin	6	-	1	2	1	2	-	-
676	Delivery with laceration of perineum, without mention of other laceration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
677	Delivery with other trauma	11	1	-	-	4	5	1	-
678	Delivery with other complications of childbirth	15	1	3	2	4	4	1	-
680-689	Complications of the puerperium	43	3	8	10	11	7	3	1
680	Puerperal urinary infection without other sepsis	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
681	Sepsis of childbirth and the puerperium	10	-	3	2	2	1	2	-
682	Puerperal phlebitis and thrombosis	16	2	3	4	6	1	-	-
683	Pyrexia of unknown origin during the puerperium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
684	Puerperal pulmonary embolism	6	-	-	-	2	3	1	-
685	Puerperal eclampsia	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	1
686	Other forms of puerperal toxaemia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
687	Cerebral haemorrhage in the puerperium	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
688	Other and unspecified complications of the puerperium	4	-	1	2	-	1	-	-
689	Mastitis and other disorders of lactation	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
640-648 660-689	Total (excluding abortion)	177	8	36	35	49	33	13	3
640-689	Total	227	10	49	51	59	41	14	3

Note: Excludes 25 cases in which it was stated that death followed the maternal condition after an interval of 12 months.

Table C84. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system, ratio of deaths to 100 notifications*, by sex and age, 1954 to 1964, England and Wales

	Males						Females					
	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45-	65 and over	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45-	65 and over
1954	23	1	2	14	38	80	14	1	3	15	35	77
1955	21	0	2	12	33	76	12	1	2	13	29	66
1956	19	1	1	10	27	67	10	0	2	10	23	66
1957	18	1	1	8	25	63	10	1	1	10	19	51
1958	18	1	1	7	25	60	11	1	1	9	23	60
1959	17	1	1	7	22	58	9	1	1	7	19	55
1960	18	0	0	6	22	61	10	1	0	7	19	54
1961	18	1	0	6	22	62	11	-	1	7	23	55
1962	18	0	0	5	21	67	11	0	0	6	23	53
1963	19	0	0	6	24	66	10	0	0	7	21	48
1964	17	1	1	4	21	61	10	1	0	6	18	48

*See footnote to Table C83.

Table C87. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system, ratio of deaths to 100 notifications, by sex and age, in standard regions and hospital regions, 1964, England and Wales

	Males				Females			
	15-	25-	45-	65 and over	15-	25-	45-	65 and over
ENGLAND AND WALES	1	4	21	61	0	6	18	48
Standard regions:								
Northern	-	5	21	78	-	6	12	28
East and West Ridings	1	4	24	76	1	6	15	52
North Western	1	4	26	74	-	7	25	63
North Midland	2	5	21	48	-	7	35	70
Midland	-	5	24	65	-	6	18	68
Eastern	-	4	15	56	-	2	8	41
London and South Eastern	1	4	17	53	-	4	17	41
Southern	2	3	13	44	-	5	12	43
South Western	-	6	20	58	-	9	12	43
Wales	-	5	28	66	1	9	30	44
Wales I (South East)	-	5	26	77	2	8	26	35
Wales II (remainder)	-	6	32	47	-	12	38	53
Hospital regions:								
Newcastle	-	5	21	76	-	6	13	25
Leeds	1	4	23	84	-	7	16	57
Sheffield	2	6	23	54	1	5	26	54
East Anglia	-	-	18	71	-	-	12	40
North West Metropolitan	-	3	15	39	-	4	7	38
North East Metropolitan	1	4	16	70	-	2	14	53
South East Metropolitan	1	6	15	49	-	6	29	44
South West Metropolitan	1	4	23	50	-	4	16	29
Wessex	4	3	20	56	-	4	9	39
Oxford	-	5	12	40	-	5	16	58
South Western	-	5	17	55	-	9	14	50
Welsh	-	6	28	66	1	9	30	44
Birmingham	-	5	24	65	-	6	18	68
Manchester	-	6	27	75	-	7	38	67
Liverpool	2	1	22	73	-	8	23	64

Table C88. Non-respiratory tuberculosis, death rates per million living, by sex and age, 1954 to 1964, England and Wales

	Males					Females				
	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45 and over	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45 and over
1954	21	16	15	18	30	17	13	15	12	22
1955	17	11	12	14	26	13	14	5.3	8.5	18
1956	13	7.3	4.4	11	20	11	5.6	7.6	9.2	16
1957	12	7.2	6.5	11	19	12	8.6	6.5	8.0	17
1958	12	5.4	7.1	9.4	20	9.5	5.8	3.2	6.1	16
1959	8.7	6.0	2.1	6.3	15	8.1	4.5	2.8	5.4	13
1960	7.2	2.4	2.4	5.7	14	7.2	2.5	2.7	5.1	12
1961	7.4	1.5	4.2	6.3	14	7.0	3.9	3.9	3.1	12
1962	8.0	3.7	4.6	5.5	14	5.5	2.3	3.1	3.1	10
1963	7.4	2.6	3.6	5.1	14	7.5	3.3	2.7	4.4	13
1964	6.2	1.5	0.9	4.5	13	5.5	1.3	0.9	2.9	11

Table C89. Non-respiratory tuberculosis, notification rates* per million living, by sex and age, 1954 to 1964, England and Wales

	Males					Females				
	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45 and over	All ages	0-	15-	25-	45 and over
1954	109	192	149	93	48	133	199	245	140	56
1955	96	145	154	85	48	109	144	203	126	48
1956	87	121	131	83	49	98	113	188	118	49
1957	76	91	119	74	49	93	103	162	121	46
1958	70	75	106	82	44	83	77	142	111	50
1959	58	53	86	71	40	67	55	114	88	46
1960	56	47	67	82	36	69	48	113	103	43
1961	54	41	72	76	38	64	40	92	101	43
1962	53	38	59	81	38	62	36	85	96	46
1963	53	29	67	87	34	58	29	80	91	44
1964	52	28	63	86	37	56	29	63	89	48

*See footnote to Table C83

Table C90. Mass miniature radiography, number of examinations made by mass radio-
(The total numbers of examinations have been derived from a 10 per cent sample of

Category of person examined	Males												All ages	Category of person examined
	Under 14	14	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	60-	65 and over	Not stated	All ages		
Out-patients and in-patients of hospitals	30	10	760	950	1,790	1,740	1,760	960	740	1,130	-	9,870		
H.M. Forces intakes	-	-	480	90	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	590		
School children (Mantoux test)	4,220	2,050	1,240	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,590		
School children (school groups)	1,410	2,950	18,710	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	23,260		
Contacts (Mantoux test)	1,040	270	350	40	180	990	450	20	20	60	20	3,440		
Other contacts	3,960	2,090	5,330	2,610	6,030	5,860	5,030	1,750	1,590	900	20	35,170		
Persons covered by special surveys	230	40	160	180	470	420	400	140	90	130	30	2,290		
Persons in prisons, borstals etc.	220	220	7,990	7,060	6,180	4,150	2,440	860	710	2,010	-	31,840		
Persons in factories/offices (General surveys)	-	700	115,260	140,390	287,750	281,230	236,470	94,740	64,040	14,140	70	1,214,790		
General public volunteers	1,830	1,420	35,090	38,360	85,260	90,840	77,350	34,150	25,830	36,280	30	426,440		
Ante-natal cases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Psychiatric hospitals	330	50	1,390	1,750	3,590	5,390	5,820	3,270	2,790	4,140	180	28,700		
Total	13,270	9,800	186,760	191,690	371,250	390,620	329,740	135,890	95,810	58,790	360	1,783,980		
Persons referred by general practitioners	2,810	1,180	12,540	13,270	26,200	27,400	26,020	13,720	12,910	12,820	10	148,880		
Total (all groups)	16,080	10,980	199,300	204,960	397,450	418,020	355,760	149,610	108,720	71,610	370	1,932,860		

graphy units, by sex, age, and category of person examined, 1964, England and Wales
(record cards)

Category of person examined	Females												All ages	Category of person examined
	Under 14	14	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	60-	65 and over	Not stated	All ages		
Out-patients and in-patients of hospitals	40	30	760	1,090	2,090	2,440	2,630	1,190	770	1,240	-	12,280	22,150	
H.M. Forces intakes	-	-	-	10	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	610	
School children (Mantoux test)	3,900	2,470	960	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,410	15,000	
School children (school groups)	1,280	2,470	14,740	170	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18,660	41,920	
Contacts (Mantoux test)	900	300	510	60	440	1,280	450	40	20	50	10	4,060	7,500	
Other contacts	2,400	1,410	4,720	2,540	2,940	3,920	3,040	930	430	390	-	22,720	57,890	
Persons covered by special surveys	180	30	50	140	260	190	180	70	40	180	-	1,320	3,610	
Persons in prisons, borstals etc.	70	40	790	490	880	850	680	430	350	2,280	-	6,860	38,700	
Persons in factories/offices (General surveys)	-	320	146,620	115,120	98,420	117,500	96,630	31,940	10,730	4,360	40	621,680	1,836,470	
General public volunteers	2,250	1,220	45,630	42,510	97,550	113,660	85,230	36,250	29,220	32,910	50	486,480	912,920	
Ante-natal cases	-	10	2,590	7,140	8,760	1,820	70	-	-	-	-	20,390	20,390	
Psychiatric hospitals	120	20	920	1,120	2,690	3,870	5,050	2,760	2,970	7,570	230	27,320	56,020	
Total	11,140	8,320	218,290	170,470	214,040	245,530	193,960	73,610	44,530	48,980	330	1,229,200	3,013,180	
Persons referred by general practitioners	2,730	970	14,790	14,100	23,790	22,780	19,060	6,910	7,210	9,940	40	124,320	273,200	
Total (all groups)	13,870	9,290	233,080	184,570	237,830	268,310	213,020	82,520	51,740	58,920	370	1,353,520	3,286,380	

Table C93. Deaths from cancer by sex and age according to histological type and death rates per million living, 1964, England and Wales

		All ages	0-	15-	35-	45-	55-	65 and over
		Number of deaths						
All malignant neoplasms (140-205)	{ M	56,247	450	875	1,800	5,911	16,178	31,033
	{ F	48,451	341	723	2,388	6,083	10,789	28,127
Carcinoma	{ M	49,297	30	291	1,185	4,987	14,462	28,342
	{ F	42,544	25	344	1,967	5,304	9,531	25,373
Glioma	{ M	986	81	92	151	207	309	146
	{ F	680	58	59	91	147	191	134
Sarcoma	{ M	990	82	141	96	139	197	335
	{ F	1,143	70	87	111	172	218	485
Reticuloses	{ M	3,290	247	337	313	408	750	1,235
	{ F	2,709	179	216	158	295	547	1,314
Undefined	{ M	1,684	10	14	55	170	460	975
	{ F	1,375	9	17	61	165	302	821
		Death rates per million persons living						
All malignant neoplasms (140-205)		2,209	74	126	648	1,976	4,747	10,350
Carcinoma		1,938	5	50	488	1,695	4,224	9,398
Glioma		35	13	12	37	58	88	49
Sarcoma		45	14	18	32	51	73	143
Reticuloses		127	40	44	73	116	228	446
Undefined		65	2	2	18	55	134	314

Table C94. Cancer (ICD Nos. 140-205), sex and age specific death rates per million living from cancer at various sites and the percentage of mortality at each site to "all sites", 1964, England and Wales

Males

ICD No.	Site or organ	All ages	Age groups											Per cent of all sites
			0-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 and over		
140	Lip	27	-	0	-	1	2	17	40	129	337	677	1.1	
141	Tongue													
142	Salivary Gland													
143	Floor of mouth													
144	Other parts of mouth and mouth unspecified													
145	Oral mesopharynx	17	-	1	1	1	4	12	39	85	135	277	0.7	
146	Nasopharynx													
147	Hypopharynx													
148	Pharynx unspecified													
150	Oesophagus	59	-	-	-	0	6	41	138	273	618	728	2.4	
151	Stomach	325	-	-	1	6	59	250	778	1,733	2,797	2,595	13.3	
152	Small intestine, including duodenum	162	0	1	1	9	36	115	310	785	1,729	2,441	6.6	
153	Large intestine, except rectum													
154	Rectum	128	-	0	-	7	24	76	248	696	1,290	1,887	5.3	
155	Biliary passages and liver (stated to be primary site)	27	1	0	2	3	10	21	58	132	232	185	1.1	
157	Pancreas	102	-	1	-	3	23	75	249	561	776	964	4.2	
161	Larynx	25	-	-	0	-	2	15	64	133	212	246	1.0	
162	Bronchus and trachea, and of lung specified as primary	932	-	-	3	20	160	910	2,934	5,041	4,528	2,226	38.2	
163	Lung, unspecified as to whether primary or secondary													
170	Breast	4	-	-	-	0	0	3	12	16	20	51	0.1	
177	Prostate	162	0	-	0	0	1	15	151	861	2,669	4,328	6.6	
178	Testis	10	1	-	9	24	12	11	5	12	7	31	0.4	
179	Other and unspecified male genital organs	6	-	-	-	0	2	5	9	26	51	195	0.2	
180	Kidney	37	10	2	2	2	10	46	91	189	194	103	1.5	
181	Bladder and other urinary organs	103	1	-	-	1	9	55	224	540	1,064	1,579	4.2	

Table C94 - continued

		Males												
ICD No.	Site or organ	All ages	Age groups											Per cent of all sites
			0-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 and over		
190	Skin (malignant melanoma)	16	0	0	1	7	12	23	23	55	158	400	0.7	
191	Skin (malignant neoplasm)													
193	Malignant neoplasm of brain and other parts of nervous system	51	23	19	10	23	52	78	138	110	29	10	2.1	
194	Thyroid gland	4	-	-	-	0	2	5	9	23	27	31	0.2	
195	Other endocrine glands	3	4	1	1	1	2	3	5	8	2	10	0.1	
196	Bone (including jaw bone)	17	2	3	12	6	9	12	30	65	114	133	0.7	
197	Connective tissue													
158	Peritoneum	10	0	1	1	3	3	10	20	48	71	82	0.4	
164	Mediastinum													
198	Secondary and unspecified malignant neoplasm of lymph nodes													
200	Lymphosarcoma and reticulosarcoma	31	4	9	10	14	18	34	71	111	130	123	1.3	
201	Hodgkin's disease	21	0	4	12	23	30	25	33	51	45	31	0.9	
202	Other forms of lymphoma (reticulosis)	5	3	0	2	2	4	5	9	14	25	51	0.2	
203	Multiple myeloma (plasmocytoma)	17	-	-	-	1	6	17	54	79	106	31	0.7	
204	Leukaemia and aleukaemia	68	36	32	22	20	39	56	112	244	407	523	2.8	
205	Mycosis fungoides	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	3	-	0.0	
Others in 140-205	Remaining sites	70	4	1	3	5	18	55	164	358	535	626	2.9	
140-205	Total	2,441	93	75	92	184	554	1,991	6,020	12,380	18,311	20,564	100.0	
193	Malignant neoplasm of brain and other parts of nervous system	69	29	23	16	32	69	105	184	155	51	31	2.8	
223	Benign neoplasm of brain and other parts of nervous system													
237	Neoplasm of unspecified nature of brain and other parts of nervous system													

Table C95. Cancer (ICD Nos. 140-205), sex and age specific death rates per million living from cancer at various sites and the percentage of mortality at each site to "all sites", 1964, England and Wales

		Females												
ICD No.	Site or organ	All ages	Age groups											Per cent of all sites
			0-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 and over		
140	Lip	14	1	0	1	1	4	8	19	36	93	195	0.7	
141	Tongue													
142	Salivary gland													
143	Floor of mouth													
144	Other parts of mouth and mouth unspecified													
145	Oral mesopharynx	13	1	-	0	1	6	13	28	43	56	70	0.7	
146	Nasopharynx													
147	Hypopharynx													
148	Pharynx unspecified													
150	Oesophagus	49	-	-	-	1	10	31	69	163	330	514	2.5	
151	Stomach	229	-	-	1	8	29	110	305	787	1,704	2,260	11.5	
152	Small intestine, including duodenum	229	-	0	1	10	43	138	334	740	1,566	2,442	11.5	
153	Large intestine, except rectum													
154	Rectum	107	-	-	-	7	16	62	158	349	752	1,036	5.4	
155	Biliary passages and liver (stated to be primary site)	36	1	-	0	2	4	18	66	118	251	253	1.8	
157	Pancreas	83	-	0	0	1	9	50	134	281	557	713	4.1	
161	Larynx	6	-	-	-	0	2	6	12	18	28	46	0.3	
162	Bronchus and trachea, and of lung specified as primary	160	1	0	1	8	51	181	393	541	585	493	8.0	
163	Lung, unspecified as to whether primary or secondary													
170	Breast	405	-	-	2	39	233	588	852	1,100	1,455	2,347	20.4	
171	Cervix uteri	106	-	-	1	11	105	202	187	262	326	311	5.3	
172	Corpus uteri	45	-	-	-	0	8	35	99	178	211	195	2.3	
173	Other parts of uterus, including chorionepithelioma	13	1	-	0	0	3	11	26	50	56	46	0.6	
174	Uterus, unspecified													
175	Ovary, Fallopian tube and broad ligament	129	-	2	3	11	69	200	325	361	363	394	6.5	

Table C103. Congenital malformations of the circulatory system (ICD No. 754), deaths and death rates per million living, by sex and age, 1956 to 1964, England and Wales

	1956		1957		1958		1959		1960		1961		1962		1963		1964	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Deaths																		
All ages	1,017	791	1,126	911	1,124	870	1,102	921	1,161	1,009	1,214	1,056	1,330	1,087	1,395	1,099	1,313	1,047
0-	677	506	725	553	726	528	724	584	747	612	793	635	887	687	879	687	905	678
1-	58	59	71	60	87	71	76	66	83	84	76	83	89	90	104	75	89	90
5-	60	49	68	55	52	53	79	67	86	83	106	75	85	75	106	59	71	60
15-	132	102	140	115	148	117	132	105	130	115	124	131	152	102	170	111	135	108
45-	65	53	94	95	86	79	69	68	85	79	87	85	88	86	91	103	83	77
65 and over	25	22	28	33	25	22	22	31	30	36	28	47	29	47	45	64	30	34

Death rates per million living*

All ages	47.3	34.2	52.0	39.2	51.7	37.2	50.4	39.2	52.6	42.6	54.3	44.3	58.7	45.2	61.1	45.4	57.0	43.0
0-	1.88	1.49	1.95	1.58	1.91	1.47	1.88	1.61	1.85	1.61	1.90	1.61	2.05	1.69	2.00	1.65	2.01	1.60
1-	43.3	46.3	52.6	46.8	63.7	54.7	54.6	49.9	57.7	61.5	51.5	59.4	58.3	62.2	66.0	50.2	54.8	58.4
5-	17.1	14.6	19.2	16.2	14.6	15.6	22.3	19.8	24.3	24.5	29.8	22.1	24.3	22.6	30.6	17.9	20.5	18.2
15-	14.8	11.2	15.7	12.7	16.6	13.0	14.8	11.6	14.5	12.7	13.5	14.4	16.1	11.0	17.7	11.8	13.9	11.4
45-	12.2	8.88	17.4	15.8	15.7	13.0	12.4	11.1	15.1	12.8	15.4	13.8	15.5	13.9	16.1	16.8	14.7	12.6
65 and over	12.2	7.03	13.5	10.3	12.1	6.79	10.6	9.43	14.3	10.7	13.3	13.8	13.7	13.6	21.2	18.3	13.9	9.56

*At ages under 1 year, per thousand live birth occurrences.

Table C104. Bronchitis (ICD Nos. 500-502), Infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births, death rates per million living at ages over one year and Standardised Mortality Ratios (1950-52 = 100), 1954 to 1964, England and Wales

	Males										
	Infant mortality	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 and over	SMR (All ages)
1954	0.58	43	7.1	5.9	11	67	425	1,780	4,347	8,583	86
1955	0.65	48	5.8	9.5	11	73	475	1,997	4,868	9,531	96
1956	0.54	58	5.4	5.5	11	57	437	2,072	5,040	9,754	98
1957	0.45	39	4.8	4.0	11	65	431	2,034	4,683	8,503	92
1958	0.54	40	7.3	9.3	10	69	434	2,044	5,181	9,506	98
1959	0.57	40	6.2	5.2	12	53	411	1,958	5,126	9,624	96
1960	0.52	44	5.6	4.7	12	58	346	1,823	4,662	9,161	89
1961	0.44	56	5.3	5.2	11	52	382	2,058	5,590	10,753	104
1962	0.57	35	6.3	5.5	13	56	409	2,121	5,753	11,383	108
1963	0.59	44	5.8	7.1	9.0	59	418	2,168	5,984	12,640	114
1964	0.49	29	4.9	7.3	9.2	51	346	1,794	5,030	10,191	94

Females

1954	0.41	30	6.8	5.3	8.2	24	95	330	1,133	4,358	68
1955	0.41	25	3.6	4.6	11	29	94	366	1,321	4,768	76
1956	0.35	31	4.5	4.0	10	34	89	384	1,293	4,889	77
1957	0.35	34	6.5	5.0	12	30	93	330	1,104	3,547	61
1958	0.40	32	5.3	6.4	11	31	103	390	1,168	4,067	68
1959	0.47	32	3.5	4.5	8.2	30	92	359	1,161	3,883	65
1960	0.40	28	3.3	2.4	7.2	23	85	288	916	3,277	54
1961	0.34	34	5.0	4.9	8.7	31	101	344	1,192	3,836	65
1962	0.41	35	5.4	3.4	7.3	29	109	357	1,234	4,202	69
1963	0.48	38	8.2	2.7	6.6	37	126	393	1,251	4,338	72
1964	0.34	42	3.3	5.7	7.3	29	101	305	966	3,110	54

Table C108. Motor vehicle accidents, death rates per million living, by sex and age, and Standardised Mortality Ratios by sex, 1931 to 1964, England and Wales

	All ages	0-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 and over	SMR † (1950-52 = 100)
Males												
1931-35	208	184	93	204	368	210	133	153	206	363	678	143
1936-40	216	159	86	176	363	209	152	171	257	411	749	146
1941-45	199	198	113	152	227	193	149	160	228	353	556	130
1946	153	144	109	161	205	139	109	102	160	241	498	99
1947	146	134	75	127	209	139	106	111	147	246	460	95
1948	126	135	63	122	173	112	79	97	142	194	400	82
1949	140	123	80	147	226	117	103	101	137	229	451	91
1950	151	104	60	177	279	164	106	102	153	242	439	98
1951	161	112	88	178	308	174	112	117	160	231	505	105
1952	149	105	73	165	301	150	123	105	144	219	403	97
1953	158	98	61	170	307	164	110	126	160	245	518	103
1954	161	77	57	194	323	165	116	127	170	259	564	105
1955	171	83	64	234	388	170	125	130	164	273	540	111
1956	174	86	61	236	344	182	121	138	185	270	587	113
1957	170	74	58	254	378	164	130	125	166	263	604	111
1958*	186	81	68	305	386	175	140	142	191	271	638	121
1959*	202	77	67	384	476	180	137	147	207	319	626	131
1960*	215	83	63	411	476	200	151	173	221	301	678	140
1961*	213	83	70	413	440	201	151	150	196	330	750	138
1962*	200	80	74	377	407	172	136	162	199	295	643	129
1963*	201	89	77	380	400	187	134	152	212	277	599	129
1964*	227	87	79	489	425	202	154	179	220	303	739	146
Females												
1931-35	68	106	34	49	50	31	29	49	95	181	267	169
1936-40	64	84	30	49	48	29	27	45	85	173	279	158
1941-45	56	106	42	42	40	29	26	37	61	107	172	128
1946	47	72	30	36	27	21	20	27	56	100	185	105
1947	47	71	26	37	23	17	22	33	54	100	177	104
1948	43	79	31	25	16	14	19	21	49	101	157	96
1949	41	65	32	32	30	10	16	22	44	95	151	91
1950	46	64	25	40	30	17	19	35	48	84	200	101
1951	49	58	22	47	37	19	23	35	54	101	198	107
1952	42	52	21	34	31	19	18	28	43	94	168	92
1953	45	56	25	36	37	16	18	33	49	87	181	97
1954	51	45	15	36	37	23	23	32	63	120	218	109
1955	55	52	26	58	45	22	26	32	57	121	235	117
1956	56	47	22	42	40	26	26	38	63	129	236	119
1957	53	42	22	42	46	24	22	37	59	117	222	111
1958*	60	43	23	50	49	29	23	43	65	144	254	126
1959*	69	48	25	60	67	32	28	48	81	146	289	143
1960*	80	46	34	78	62	36	38	61	101	173	306	165
1961*	79	55	20	92	62	42	37	54	83	182	297	162
1962*	74	47	34	70	50	31	34	55	83	163	304	152
1963*	73	47	30	59	46	36	32	53	96	165	270	149
1964*	83	51	41	104	67	41	39	55	84	177	318	170

*According to the Seventh Revision of the International Classification (Nos. E810-E835). Other years according to the classification in use at the time.

†SMRs are based on civilian deaths and civilian populations for the years 1940-1949 inclusive.

Table C109. Deaths of pedestrians, pedal cyclists, motorcyclists, motor vehicle occupants, and others in motor vehicle traffic accidents, motor vehicle non-traffic accidents, and other road vehicle accidents, by sex, 1941 to 1964, England and Wales

	1941-45 (annual average)		1946-49 (annual average)		1950-54 (annual average)		1955-59 (annual average)		1960		1961		1962		1963		1964	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Pedestrians:																		
Motor vehicle traffic accidents					1,185	719	1,265	858	1,488	1,174	1,512	1,129	1,421	1,076	1,418	1,099	1,606	1,213
Motor vehicle non-traffic accidents	2,073	898	1,295	706	43	8	43	6	36	6	50	4	34	5	29	6	36	3
Other road vehicle accidents	166	70	79	47	63	36	34	28	20	25	19	23	15	24	10	14	11	21
Pedal cyclist:																		
Motor vehicle traffic accidents					462	77	459	73	477	91	481	74	412	68	431	58	431	68
Motor vehicle non-traffic accidents	557	140	464	86	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Other road vehicle accidents	230	51	159	29	138	27	112	17	88	14	71	11	77	9	55	10	57	10
Motorcyclists:																		
Motor vehicle traffic accidents					1,018	83	1,234	102	1,529	151	1,382	125	1,190	93	1,140	85	1,266	111
Motor vehicle non-traffic accidents	651	27	659	48	8	-	9	-	10	-	12	-	15	-	11	-	14	-
Motor vehicle occupants and others:																		
Motor vehicle traffic accidents					519	175	867	321	1,182	465	1,294	547	1,428	542	1,533	512	1,857	638
Motor vehicle non-traffic accidents	762	167	549	155	64	2	25	1	30	2	21	2	21	-	27	2	27	-
Other road vehicle accidents	47	11	26	6	27	11	11	8	6	7	8	12	7	7	9	10	3	10

Table C112. Suicide, proportions per 1,000 suicides according to external agent, by sex and age, 1960-64, England and Wales

	Males					Females				
	All ages 15 and over	15-	35-	55-	75 and over	All ages 15 and over	15-	35-	55-	75 and over
Domestic gas poisoning	423	461	395	419	482	450	473	412	464	512
Other poisoning	230	232	288	199	129	374	357	404	366	314
Hanging or strangulation	141	118	134	154	159	55	40	58	55	61
Drowning	69	38	55	88	101	73	53	70	81	76
Firearms or explosives	53	66	44	55	50	4	10	5	1	-
Cutting and piercing instruments	26	8	22	32	44	8	4	10	7	5
Jumping from high place	18	18	16	20	17	17	18	17	15	27
Other agents	40	59	46	33	18	19	45	24	11	5
Total	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total number of suicides	15,811	2,685	5,588	6,178	1,360	11,339	1,371	3,979	5,006	983

Table C113. Accidents in the home and residential institutions, deaths and death rates per million living, by sex and age, 1964, England and Wales

	All accidents in the home and residential institutions (E870-E936)		Poisoning by utility (illuminating) gas (E890)		Burns and scalds (E916, E917)		Fall on stairs, from ladders, and from one level to another (E900-E902)		Fall on same level (E903)		Unspecified falls (E904)		Other accidents in the home and residential institutions (rem. E870-E936)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Deaths														
All ages	2,729	4,641	367	532	279	492	473	616	559	1,648	166	563	885	790
0-4	502	367	13	6	70	74	26	20	2	2	5	1	386	264
5-14	59	50	2	2	15	27	8	3	1	1	-	-	33	17
15-44	340	209	52	32	33	44	51	14	2	3	4	1	198	115
45-64	457	478	86	68	43	77	119	57	34	56	9	17	166	203
65-74	347	669	75	111	35	84	66	110	90	195	26	77	55	92
75 and over	1,024	2,868	139	313	83	186	203	412	430	1,391	122	467	47	99
Rates														
All ages	118	191	16	22	12	20	21	25	24	68	7.2	23	38	32
0-4	244	188	6.3	3.1	34	38	13	10	1.0	1.0	2.4	0.5	188	135
5-14	17	15	0.6	0.6	4.3	8.2	2.3	0.9	0.3	0.3	-	-	9.5	5.2
15-44	35	22	5.4	3.4	3.4	4.7	5.3	1.5	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	20	12
45-64	81	78	15	11	7.6	13	21	9.4	6.0	9.2	1.6	2.8	29	33
65-74	237	307	51	51	24	39	45	50	61	89	18	35	38	42
75 and over	1,481	2,084	201	227	120	135	294	299	622	1,011	176	339	68	72

Table C114. Accidents in the home and residential institutions, deaths by month of occurrence, 1952-57, 1958-62 (annual averages), 1963 and 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death		PERSONS											
			Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
E870-E888	Poisoning	1952-57	17	16	18	17	16	14	15	16	14	19	14	15
		1958-62	31	25	28	32	24	26	22	23	23	27	27	29
		1963	46	46	50	36	42	39	39	28	38	40	48	42
		1964	41	31	44	37	52	43	51	30	32	52	46	47
E890-E895	Gas poisoning	1952-57	88	94	66	50	38	31	28	27	33	49	74	77
		1958-62	157	99	107	71	53	44	37	43	47	62	103	162
		1963	311	202	126	82	63	47	54	33	59	78	95	163
		1964	154	123	129	74	48	49	34	40	33	81	72	124
E900	Fall on stairs	1952-57	93	79	75	60	57	48	53	58	57	66	75	94
		1958-62	105	80	72	58	50	53	54	51	54	59	67	97
		1963	91	73	77	57	60	48	57	50	64	49	48	84
		1964	77	70	59	60	49	48	40	52	37	69	75	75
E901	Fall from ladders	1952-57	3	2	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	3
		1958-62	4	3	2	4	3	4	2	4	5	4	4	2
		1963	6	6	4	3	3	7	2	1	3	2	2	4
		1964	5	1	4	2	2	-	5	3	6	5	1	2
E902	Other falls from one level to another	1952-57	39	34	35	33	33	30	33	27	28	32	28	30
		1958-62	37	33	33	37	30	28	28	29	30	28	29	34
		1963	38	37	37	26	36	29	25	26	26	18	35	30
		1964	32	23	31	24	25	24	26	33	33	31	24	17
E903	Fall on same level	1952-57	115	118	112	88	88	89	85	90	90	98	96	108
		1958-62	190	185	199	150	146	134	143	129	135	147	156	193
		1963	322	281	286	200	211	141	176	166	138	146	157	209
		1964	217	213	195	170	170	171	173	158	153	189	185	202
E904	Unspecified falls	1952-57	155	142	154	124	118	100	102	91	102	112	117	143
		1958-62	134	109	108	88	96	85	70	73	68	75	81	108
		1963	77	83	61	44	41	28	42	47	39	55	54	75
		1964	70	80	86	51	60	46	60	38	41	56	70	68
E914	Accident caused by electric current	1952-57	4	2	4	3	2	3	3	5	4	4	5	4
		1958-62	5	5	4	3	4	5	4	4	4	3	3	6
		1963	12	6	7	7	2	-	8	3	3	6	10	4
		1964	4	3	4	4	6	5	4	4	3	-	3	7
E916	Accident caused by fire and explosion of combustible material	1952-57	83	92	66	51	30	29	24	20	21	37	47	71
		1958-62	99	82	82	54	39	32	22	18	21	30	53	88
		1963	166	135	118	56	50	27	34	29	22	32	41	122
		1964	106	94	84	64	38	24	19	20	23	47	56	104
E917	Accident caused by hot substance, corrosive liquid, and steam	1952-57	12	11	11	10	8	9	6	5	5	8	10	8
		1958-62	14	9	10	6	7	6	4	5	5	6	8	10
		1963	12	10	10	4	5	6	10	4	3	3	6	9
		1964	9	7	6	7	7	4	6	2	6	-	2	9
E921	Inhalation and ingestion of food causing obstruction or suffocation	1952-57	38	32	39	31	25	20	21	16	22	29	26	36
		1958-62	33	33	37	33	29	23	21	22	27	29	33	42
		1963	49	30	43	27	33	24	30	27	28	37	37	42
		1964	52	47	43	42	42	27	37	25	25	38	34	51
E924	Accidental mechanical suffocation in bed and cradle	1952-57	23	18	19	16	17	16	14	15	13	16	18	20
		1958-62	15	15	14	11	12	10	9	10	9	10	14	16
		1963	16	10	18	10	11	12	10	11	13	11	14	18
		1964	14	11	9	18	16	17	9	12	11	19	11	17
E929	Drowning and submersion	1952-57	3	3	5	6	6	9	5	6	6	5	4	4
		1958-62	5	4	6	5	6	7	5	6	5	4	7	4
		1963	2	-	5	6	8	6	1	5	5	1	8	7
		1964	4	11	12	8	7	9	7	10	6	5	4	7
Rem. E870-E936	All other accidents	1952-57	28	43	22	22	20	18	17	19	16	14	14	14
		1958-62	21	26	23	24	22	26	22	21	21	21	20	26
		1963	72	55	29	23	26	24	28	24	24	35	20	43
		1964	27	26	16	33	22	26	18	32	27	22	24	32
E870-E936	All accidents in the home and residential institutions	1952-57	700	687	629	515	462	420	409	398	416	495	532	627
		1958-62	850	706	727	575	520	484	443	437	455	505	603	817
		1963	1,220	974	871	581	591	438	516	454	465	513	575	852
		1964	812	740	722	594	544	493	489	459	436	614	607	762

Table C115. Accidents in the home and residential institutions, deaths by cause and sex at age 65 and over, 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death	Home			Residential institutions		
		Male	Female	Persons	Male	Female	Persons
E870-E888	Accidental poisoning by solid and liquid substances	40	86	126	1	-	1
E871	Accidental poisoning by barbituric acid and derivatives	26	68	94	1	-	1
E883	Accidental poisoning by corrosive aromatics, acids, and caustic alkalis	1	2	3	-	-	-
Rem.E870-E888	Accidental poisoning by other solid and liquid substances	13	16	29	-	-	-
E890-E895	Accidental poisoning by gases and vapours	222	433	655	1	-	1
E890	Accidental poisoning by utility (illuminating) gas	213	424	637	1	-	1
Rem.E890-E895	Accidental poisoning by other gases and vapours	9	9	18	-	-	-
E900-E904	Accidental falls	701	1,983	2,684	236	669	905
E900	Fall on stairs	174	356	530	12	17	29
E901	Fall from ladders	9	6	15	-	-	-
E902	Other falls from one level to another	46	90	136	28	53	81
E903	Fall on same level	338	1,036	1,374	182	550	732
E904	Unspecified falls	134	495	629	14	49	63
E910-E936	Other accidents	142	327	469	28	39	67
E916	Accident caused by fire and explosion of combustible material	98	245	343	8	3	11
E917	Accident caused by hot substance, corrosive liquid, and steam	11	14	25	1	8	9
E921	Inhalation and ingestion of food causing obstruction or suffocation	12	17	29	8	16	24
E929	Accidental drowning and submersion	4	17	21	2	-	2
Rem.E910-E936	Remainder of other accidents	17	34	51	9	12	21
E870-E936	All accidents in the home and residential institutions	1,105	2,829	3,934	266	708	974

Table C116. Accidents in the home and residential institutions, deaths by cause, sex, and age, 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death	All ages	0-	5-	15-	45-	65-	75 and over
E870-E888	Accidental poisoning by solid and liquid substances	{ M 211 F 312	22	1	69	78	30	11
E871	Accidental poisoning by barbituric acid and derivatives	{ M 133 F 236	1	-	44	61	20	7
E872	Accidental poisoning by aspirin and salicylates	{ M 17 F 18	8	-	2	3	4	-
E890-E895	Accidental poisoning by gases and vapours	{ M 418 F 551	14	5	74	102	79	144
E900	Fall on stairs	{ M 289 F 432	8	1	23	71	48	138
E901	Fall from ladders	{ M 31 F 7	7	-	5	17	4	5
E902	Other falls from one level to another	{ M 153 F 117	18	7	23	31	14	60
E903	Fall on same level	{ M 559 F 1,648	2	1	2	34	90	430
E904	Unspecified falls	{ M 166 F 563	5	-	4	9	26	122
E914	Accident caused by electric current	{ M 30 F 13	8	1	15	5	1	-
E916	Accident caused by fire and explosion of combustible material	{ M 252 F 455	60	15	31	40	33	73
	Burns by clothing	{ M 51 F 226	10	7	2	3	6	23
	from domestic fire (open)	{ M 14 F 55	3	3	-	2	-	6
	gas fire, stove, etc.	{ M 4 F 23	1	2	-	-	-	1
	electric fire	{ M 7 F 48	1	-	-	-	2	4
	other specified	{ M 17 F 44	4	1	1	1	2	8
	not specified	{ M 9 F 56	1	1	1	-	2	4
	Burns by falling into fire	{ M 26 F 34	-	-	1	4	4	17
	Burns by conflagration	{ M 67 F 64	25	4	14	8	9	7
	Burns by other specified means	{ M 97 F 103	23	2	14	20	13	25
	Burns by means not specified	{ M 11 F 28	2	2	-	5	1	1
E917	Accident caused by hot substance, corrosive liquid, and steam	{ M 27 F 37	10	-	2	3	2	10
E921	Inhalation and ingestion of food causing obstruction or suffocation	{ M 258 F 210	184	2	28	24	12	8
E924	Accidental mechanical suffocation in bed and cradle	{ M 102 F 67	100	1	1	-	-	-
E929	Accidental drowning and submersion	{ M 35 F 57	16	1	6	6	4	2
Rem.E870-E936	Other accidents	{ M 198 F 112	55	24	57	37	4	21
E870-E936	All accidents in the home and residential institutions	{ M 2,729 F 4,641	502	59	340	457	347	1,024
			367	50	209	478	669	2,868

CAUSES OF STILLBIRTH

There has been a steady fall in the stillbirth rate, the rate per thousand total births (live and still) for all causes for the past four years having been 19.0, 18.1, 17.2, 16.3.

Place of occurrence

The decrease in the number and proportion of stillbirths has been shown most clearly among births in NHS hospitals, and among those occurring at home.

Year	NHS hospital	Other hospital	At home	Elsewhere
(Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total births)				
1961	25.2	9.83	8.56	12.3
1962	24.1	8.44	7.72	13.0
1963	22.6	7.32	7.05	11.2
1964	21.0	8.75	6.32	13.3

Selection of difficult cases for delivery in hospital and transfer to hospital of patients developing complications accounts for the higher stillbirth rate found in them. There is no indication of any falling off in this process: on the contrary, proportionally more patients have been delivered in hospital.

Year	NHS hospital	Other hospital	At home	Elsewhere
(Total live and still births in thousands)				
1961	515	27	268	17
1962	536	27	274	17
1963	566	27	261	15
1964	597	26	253	14

While the improved outcome among births at home may be due in part to more bad risk cases being transferred to hospital, the improvement in hospital births can be attributed to advances in technique and management.

The major causes of stillbirth which have shown a steady improvement during the past four years are briefly reviewed below, in rates per thousand total births.

Table C119. Causes of stillbirth rates per 1,000 total births, by place of confinement, 1961 to 1964, England and Wales

Year	NHS hospital	Other hospital	At home	Elsewhere
Y 32.3, Y 32.4 Toxaemia of pregnancy				
1961	3.98	0.92	0.57	0.24
1962	3.76	0.75	0.44	0.42
1963	3.29	0.94	0.39	0.39
1964	2.75	0.61	0.30	1.00
Y 34 Difficult in labour				
1961	1.87	0.92	1.02	0.96
1962	1.65	0.68	0.88	1.08
1963	1.47	0.53	0.74	0.72
1964	1.30	0.80	0.66	1.07
Y 34.2 Malposition				
1961	1.02	0.40	0.61	0.54
1962	0.80	0.49	0.46	0.72
1963	0.74	0.38	0.41	0.39
1964	0.62	0.54	0.31	0.64
Y 38 Congenital malformations				
1961	4.92	1.88	1.71	1.93
1962	4.48	1.54	1.37	2.10
1963	4.23	1.13	1.22	1.76
1964	3.87	1.72	1.22	1.93
Y 38.0 Anencephalus				
1961	2.85	0.77	0.62	1.08
1962	2.57	0.71	0.51	1.08
1963	2.49	0.26	0.46	0.72
1964	2.31	0.88	0.49	1.15
Y 38.1 Hydrocephalus				
1961	0.76	0.40	0.58	0.66
1962	0.74	0.38	0.41	0.36
1963	0.66	0.34	0.36	0.33
1964	0.54	0.38	0.39	0.36

The major causes of stillbirth which have shown no improvement, whether the birth occurred in hospital or in other places, include the combined group of haemorrhage and premature separation of normally implanted placenta; erythroblastosis; and the group of ill-defined causes (including maceration and unspecified). The stillbirth rates per thousand total births were:

Year	NHS hospital	Other hospital	At home	Elsewhere
Y 32.2, Y 36.2 Haemorrhage and premature separation of normally implanted placenta				
1961	2.89	0.81	0.46	0.48
1962	2.87	0.94	0.38	0.42
1963	2.96	0.68	0.43	0.52
1964	2.77	1.03	0.32	0.64
Y 39.2 Erythroblastosis				
1961	1.31	0.40	0.22	0.24
1962	1.13	0.38	0.19	0.24
1963	1.10	0.19	0.13	0.13
1964	1.16	0.19	0.13	0.21
Y 39.4, Y 39.5, Y 39.6 Ill-defined causes (including maceration and unspecified)				
1961	3.76	1.10	2.30	5.42
1962	3.80	1.43	2.22	5.58
1963	3.45	1.28	1.92	5.01
1964	3.44	1.26	1.66	5.87

One group has shown a steady increase throughout the years i.e. stillbirths assigned to "Other abnormality of placenta and cord" (ICD No. Y 36.6). These are almost all recorded as due to placental insufficiency.

Year	NHS hospital	Other hospital	At home	Elsewhere
1961	1.79	1.03	0.42	0.84
1962	2.12	0.79	0.45	0.60
1963	2.09	0.71	0.55	0.72
1964	2.16	1.34	0.59	0.72

NOTIFICATION OF CONGENITAL ABNORMALITIES

In January 1964, a scheme for the voluntary notification of congenital abnormalities was initiated by the Ministry of Health. Any congenital abnormalities apparent at a live or still birth were to be notified by the doctor or midwife notifying a birth to a local Medical Officer of Health, who in turn was requested to collect basic information about the baby from the notifying person and to send completed enquiry forms to the General Register Office. Provision was made on the enquiry form for the particular abnormality or abnormalities present to be coded by the notifying persons, of whom, in the first year of the scheme, about 70 per cent were midwives and nurses, about 18 per cent were doctors and the rest either 'not stated' or health visitors, records officers or medical clerks.

According to notifications received in the first twelve months of the scheme 17,844 malformations were observed in 14,631 babies, ten per cent of whom had two and four per cent more than two malformations. As reporting in this scheme includes only those malformations observed at birth, the observed incidence of any individual malformation is, on the whole, lower than incidence found in local special studies in Birmingham (1 and 2). Figures are higher than those in the College of General Practitioners' study (3), which depended on a retrospective enquiry.

In order to observe as rapidly as possible any unusually high incidence of any particular abnormality, the incidence of each abnormality in each of the administrative counties and county boroughs is examined each month. This examination consists of a computer program designed to compare the reported number of cases of a particular congenital abnormality with the number of cases which would have been expected if no more than an acceptable deviation from the norm had taken place. Significant departures from the expected number in any given area for any given abnormality are selectively printed.

The following tables, first published in the *Registrar General's Quarterly Return* for the Quarter ended 31st December 1965, provide basic information about the distribution by site of malformations notified during 1964:-

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3. Slater, B. C. S., Watson, G. I. and McDonald, J. C., (1964). *Brit. J. prev. soc. Med.* 18 1-7.

Table C120 - (continued)

Area	All sites	Central nervous system	Eye, ear	Alimentary system	Heart and great vessels	Respiratory system	Uro-genital system	Limbs	Other skeletal	Other systems	Other malformations
Administrative counties: (continued)											
Leicestershire	180	44	1	17	9	-	23	48	5	21	12
Lincolnshire (Parts of Holland)	51	13	2	8	6	-	-	15	1	2	4
Lincolnshire (Parts of Kesteven)	32	8	-	4	2	-	2	8	-	6	2
Lincolnshire (Parts of Lindsey)	91	35	1	10	3	2	6	21	2	6	5
London	1,376	271	34	127	28	27	134	561	25	84	87
Middlesex	811	150	25	86	29	8	91	307	26	44	45
Norfolk	141	28	2	18	4	3	11	43	11	11	10
Northamptonshire	156	29	10	18	8	-	6	59	7	14	5
Northumberland	145	39	6	19	1	1	7	45	9	13	5
Nottinghamshire	284	76	8	35	21	1	18	84	8	22	11
Oxfordshire	88	23	1	6	6	-	5	34	2	7	4
Peterborough, Soke of	24	1	1	3	2	1	1	13	-	-	2
Rutland	6	2	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Shropshire	121	35	1	13	8	-	5	46	1	5	7
Somerset	248	48	13	23	17	2	28	86	4	17	10
Staffordshire	288	70	8	55	22	3	11	83	8	8	20
Suffolk, East	70	13	3	14	4	-	6	20	2	6	2
Suffolk, West	79	15	3	8	1	2	5	31	4	8	2
Surrey	488	95	28	57	44	14	42	133	16	21	40
Sussex, East	132	16	9	18	3	-	14	32	4	24	12
Sussex, West	84	15	-	6	5	-	8	36	4	5	5
Warwickshire	212	65	2	25	14	2	11	66	8	6	13
Westmorland	26	7	-	4	2	-	2	5	2	2	2
Wight, Isle of	40	3	4	2	3	2	6	12	-	6	2
Wiltshire	231	52	14	22	13	9	20	69	7	15	10
Worcestershire	194	32	6	20	20	2	15	86	1	3	9
Yorkshire, East Riding	93	22	2	14	3	1	5	34	2	4	6
Yorkshire, North Riding	98	22	6	9	2	-	8	33	5	6	7
Yorkshire, West Riding	598	153	15	60	8	9	53	203	11	63	23
Anglesey	46	10	2	6	4	4	3	8	1	6	2
Breconshire	16	3	-	2	2	-	3	3	-	-	3
Caernarvonshire	40	7	-	3	12	2	5	4	2	3	2
Cardiganshire	24	7	1	2	-	-	1	11	-	-	2
Carmarthenshire	60	22	1	2	-	1	5	22	2	-	5
Denbighshire	81	19	4	7	3	-	5	27	3	7	6
Flintshire	28	7	1	2	-	-	1	14	-	1	2
Glamorgan	350	119	11	30	21	3	15	107	11	15	18
Merionethshire	8	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	2	-	1
Monmouthshire	91	35	1	6	3	1	4	27	3	6	5
Montgomeryshire	8	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Pembrokeshire	20	5	2	2	-	-	2	9	-	-	-
Radnorshire	12	4	-	2	2	-	-	4	-	-	-

* Notifications of congenital malformations commenced 1st February 1964. Figures relate, therefore, to births occurring during the period February to December 1964.

Table C121. Congenital malformations: Numbers notified in respect of infants born during 1964, by site of malformation, sex and type of birth; rates per 10,000 births

Site	Numbers of malformations					Rates per 10,000 births				
	Live		Still		Total *	Live		Still		Total
	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	
All sites	7,997	6,732	1,204	1,767	17,844	177	158	1,591	2,532	200
Central Nervous System	901	1,174	757	1,314	4,162	20.0	27.6	1,001	1,883	46.7
Eye, ear	264	267	8	14	556	5.85	6.28	10.6	20.1	6.24
Alimentary system	1,091	691	67	52	1,922	24.2	16.3	88.6	74.5	21.6
Heart and great vessels	414	382	17	19	835	9.18	8.99	22.5	27.2	9.38
Respiratory system	107	83	12	12	214	2.37	1.95	15.9	17.2	2.40
Uro-genital system	1,105	133	43	24	1,355	24.5	3.13	56.8	34.4	15.2
Limbs	2,910	2,780	132	137	5,982	64.5	65.4	174	196	67.2
Other skeletal	214	198	30	36	483	4.74	4.66	39.6	51.6	5.42
Other systems	575	587	55	74	1,302	12.8	13.8	72.7	106	14.6
Other malformations	416	437	83	85	1,033	9.22	10.3	110	122	11.6

* Including cases where the sex or type of birth was either indeterminate or not stated.

M I S C E L L A N E O U S

Infectious diseases

Routine tables in Part I - Medical of the Registrar General's Statistical Review for 1964 give details of original notifications of infectious disease and the final numbers after correction (Tables 28 to 31). In general, notifications and deaths from infectious disease continued to decrease and the present section reviews some of the less common infectious diseases. Table C122 shows corrected notifications and deaths from diseases which occur only rarely. The last appearance of the disease in this country if it was not reported in 1960-1964 was:

Cholera - 1 death in 1909 - last notified in 1948.

Relapsing fever - last notified in 1960 - 1 case.

Rabies - 1 death in 1956.

Malaria contracted in England and Wales - 1 case in 1963.

Table C122. Corrected notifications and deaths assigned to uncommon infectious diseases, 1960-1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Disease	Notifications	Deaths	
			1964	1960-1964
043	Cholera	-	-	-
044	Brucellosis	-	-	3
055	Diphtheria	20	-	19
058	Plague	-	-	1
062	Anthrax	7	-	3
071	Relapsing fever	-	-	-
084	Smallpox	-	-	26
094	Rabies	*	-	-
100-108	Typhus and other rickettsial diseases	-	-	3
110-117	Malaria contracted in England and Wales	-	-	-
	Other	88	2	22
132	Actinomycosis	*	-	10

*Not notifiable.

Table C123. Final notifications* of anthrax, 1964

County	Administrative area of notification	Number of cases
Lancashire	Leigh M.B.	1
	Manchester C.B.	1
Lincolnshire, Kesteven	Grantham M.B.	1
Nottinghamshire	Nottingham C.B.	1
Yorkshire, West Riding	Dewsbury C.B.	1
	Huddersfield C.B.	1
Denbighshire	Wrexham R.D.	1

*Four cases only were confirmed bacteriologically.

Notifications of diphtheria (corrected) have ranged from 16 to 155 in the past ten years, the lowest figure being recorded in the year 1962. In 1963 and again in 1964 the West Riding of Yorkshire accounted for a substantial proportion of these cases. Six out of the twenty cases in 1964 were patients in a hospital for mentally subnormal persons (Annual Report of the Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health, 1964). Other foci occur sporadically.

Table C124. Corrected notifications of diphtheria, 1964, England and Wales

County	Administrative area of notification	Number of cases	
		Males	Females
Devon	Plymouth C.B.	-	2
	Plympton St. Mary R.D.	1	-
Kent	Malling R.D.	-	1
Lancashire	Liverpool C.B.	-	1
London A.C.	St. Pancras	-	1
	Southwark	1	2
Surrey	Reigate M.B.	1	-
Yorkshire, West Riding	Bradford C.B.	1	-
	Denholme U.D.	-	1
	Keighley M.B.	2	-
	Todmorden M.B.	6	-

Acute encephalitis

Notifications of acute encephalitis totalled 257 in 1964 (290 the previous year) of which rather more than half were described as post-infectious. In the case of death, the cause of death is assigned to the antecedent infection if this is known, so that only deaths due to acute infectious encephalitis with no mention of antecedent infection appear in tables of death by cause. To them should be

added the deaths recorded in Table C125 of deaths secondary to other infectious disease to obtain a total comparable with the notifications. The numbers for 1964 were:

	Notifications	Deaths	
Post-infectious encephalitis	143	35	Secondary to infectious disease
Infective encephalitis	114	98	Acute infective encephalitis
		112	Other encephalitis and myelitis.

Table C125. Deaths from encephalitis certified as secondary to infectious disease, by underlying cause, sex and age, 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death	Sex	All deaths	Deaths from encephalitis secondary to infectious disease											
				All ages	0-	1-	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 and over
085	Measles	M	30	5	2	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
		F	43	6	-	1	1	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	
086	Rubella	M	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
087	Chickenpox	M	15	4	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
		F	14	4	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-		
088	Herpes zoster	M	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	35	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	
089	Mumps	M	3	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
096	Other diseases attributable to viruses	M	13	3	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	
		F	18	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
483	Influenza with nervous manifestations but without digestive or respiratory symptoms	M	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
571	Gastro-enteritis and colitis, except ulcerative, age 4 weeks and over	M	449	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
		F	534	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total		M	528	16	4	3	2	-	-	4	-	-	2	1	
		F	652	19	2	1	2	2	2	-	-	1	1	2	6

Tetanus

The total number of deaths in which tetanus is the terminal event has not changed appreciably in recent years.

Year:	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Deaths:	32	41	29	21	29

The proportion assigned elsewhere varies around one third of the total: deaths are so assigned if it follows an injury more serious than a prick, splinter, minor cut or similar injury. Horticultural pursuits regularly produce a few cases, 1964 adding a new variety in which death followed fracture of the wrist when a motor mower kicked back during starting. Handling wood and chopping wood are again specified causes of injury leading to tetanus.

Deaths associated with vaccination or other prophylactic inoculation

There were six deaths associated with vaccination or other prophylactic inoculation in 1964 compared with four in 1963 and twenty-nine in 1962, the year of the outbreak (smallpox) in which twenty-six persons died from smallpox.

- (a) ICD Nos. E940-E942, vaccinia, post-vaccinal encephalitis, and other complications of smallpox vaccination, and ICD Nos. E943, E944, post-immunization jaundice and hepatitis, and other complications of prophylactic inoculation.

Two deaths were assigned to this group. One was due to post-vaccinal encephalitis and the other to complications of smallpox vaccination:

- (1) Female aged 3 years, certified as post-vaccinal encephalitis.
- (2) Female aged 19 months, certified as hydrocephalus following encephalitis after vaccination for smallpox.

There were two deaths assigned to complications of other prophylactic inoculations:

- (3) Male aged 35 years, certified as shock following an injection of anti-hay fever vaccinal pollaccine.
- (4) Female aged 16 years, certified as acute bronchospasm following injection of an allergen vaccine.

- (b) Deaths assigned to other underlying causes but where the vaccination of the deceased was either mentioned on the certificate or ascertained by enquiry to have been associated with the death.

There was one death in this category:

- (1) Male aged 4 months, certified as toxæmia due to coli septicaemia associated with recent triple antigen injection.

Table C126. Deaths due to tetanus, by sex and age, showing cause of tetanus, 1964, England and Wales

Age	Sex	Cause of tetanus
1 month	M	Tetanus*
5 years	M	Tetanus*
9 years	M	Haemorrhage from trachea ulcer
9 years	M	Tetanus*
14 years	M	Tetanus*
17 years	M	Tetanus, poisoning from an unascertainable site of entry of the organism into the body
21 years	M	Scratched left knee
28 years	F	Tetanus*
43 years	F	Fell in street
52 years	F	Accidental fall on public highway
54 years	M	Wood splinter entered finger while working on field drain
56 years	F	Infection of a sore in calf
56 years	M	Tetanus*
56 years	M	Tetanus*
58 years	F	Tetanus*
60 years	M	Tetanus*
63 years	F	Wood splinter entered left middle finger
65 years	M	Right thumb lacerated by bamboo splinter
70 years	F	Cut and grazes on left leg
71 years	M	Infection through a cut finger
85 years	F	Tetanus*
		(b) assigned elsewhere
3 years	M	Laceration of right arm, fell into drain
29 years	M	Infection sustained through frost bite to feet
47 years	M	Hit left thumb with hammer causing laceration of skin
51 years	M	Starting handle of motor mower kicked, fracturing radius
64 years	F	Penetrating wound of left leg by fall in garden, balance disturbed by dog
75 years	M	Accidentally slit hand with spade
86 years	M	Cut finger while chopping wood
Unknown	M	Penetrating head wound, struck by falling stone

*No cause stated.

(c) ICD No. 096.3, deaths where the vaccination of a contact of the deceased was either mentioned on the certificate or ascertained by enquiry to have been associated with the death.

One death was assigned to this category:

- (1) Male aged 2 years, certified as I(a) Acute vaccinal encephalitis,
(b) Infantile eczema.

Deaths in which anaesthesia was mentioned

The number of deaths in which anaesthesia was mentioned on the death certificate are shown in Table C127. The number is slightly greater than in the previous year,

Table C127. Deaths by cause, sex and age, in which anaesthesia was mentioned, 1964, England and Wales

ICD No.	Cause of death	All ages		0-		5-		15-		25-		35-		45-		55-		65 and over		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
		020-029	Syphilis and its sequelae	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
140-205	Malignant neoplasms including neoplasms of lymphatic and haematopoietic tissues	20	28	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	6	5	3	10	15	
210-239	Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature	4	8	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	3	2	1		
280	Diabetes mellitus	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
330-334	Vascular lesions affecting central nervous system	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
370-389	Diseases of the eye	3	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	
410-416	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	2	-	2	-	-		
420-422	Arteriosclerotic and degenerative heart disease	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	4	6			
440-443	Hypertensive heart disease	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-			
450-456	Diseases of arteries	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	3			
500-502	Bronchitis	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1			
530-535	Diseases of the teeth and supporting structures	4	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	
540-541	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	8	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	2	-		
550-553	Appendicitis	6	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1			
560, 561, 570	Intestinal obstruction and hernia	9	7	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	4	5		
572	Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1			
580-587	Diseases of liver, gallbladder, and pancreas	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	2	2		
610	Hyperplasia of prostate	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-			
640-689	Deliveries and complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-		
720-749	Diseases of the bones and organs of movement	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1		
750-759	Congenital malformations	8	9	6	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1		
Rem. 001-795	All other diseases	16	21	1	-	1	-	-	2	2	-	3	3	2	2	-	4	7	10	
E810-E835	Motor vehicle Accidents	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-		
E900-E904	Accidental falls	3	13	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	11		
Rem. E800-E999	All other accidents and violence	2	5	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1		
	All causes	115	138	9	7	5	3	3	5	5	9	6	12	13	17	24	20	50	65	

but is liable to vary with the number of operations performed and the standard of reporting details of death.

Year:	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Deaths:	344	323	286	230	253

While most individual causes show a decrease in numbers of these deaths, there has been an increase for deaths assigned to congenital malformations, presumably as the result of the greater attention being paid to these conditions and more frequent operative intervention. The number of such deaths was seven in 1962, two in 1963 and thirteen in 1964 among children under the age of five years.

Deaths in institutions

The proportion of patients dying in their own homes has been decreasing steadily in recent years and there has been a corresponding increase in the proportion of deaths which occur in psychiatric or other NHS hospitals. Full details for 1964 are presented in Table C128 and the percentage of all deaths which occurred in different types of place are given below.

Place of death	1954	1959	1962	1963	1964
Hospitals:					
Psychiatric	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2
Non-psychiatric	40.6	45.8	48.0	48.3	50.3
Other institutions	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.2
Own home	49.5	43.2	40.5	39.9	38.1
Other places	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.2

Method of certification

Some form of enquiry by a coroner was held in 96,955 cases of death registered in 1964 (18.1 per cent); and in 27,006 cases (5.1 per cent) an inquest was held to determine the cause of death. Most other deaths were supported by a certificate issued by a medical practitioner but a small number (1,047) equivalent to 0.20 per cent of all deaths were uncertified.

The proportion of deaths in which a post-mortem examination was held has been increasing steadily, and the percentages of various groups in 1964 are compared with similar groups ten years previously:

Type of certification	1954 (per cent)	1964 (per cent)
Certified by coroner:		
Post-mortem and inquest	3.3	4.1
Post-mortem without inquest	8.3	13.1
Certified by medical practitioner after post-mortem examination	9.1	10.2
Total with post-mortem	20.7	27.3

Table C128. Deaths by cause and sex according to type of institution, etc. in which they occurred, 1964, England and Wales

Cause of death	ICD No.	Total deaths		Psychiatric hospitals				Other hospitals and institutions for the care of the sick				Other institutions		At deceased person's own home		In other private houses and other places	
				NHS		Other than NHS		NHS		Other than NHS							
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes		274,773	259,964	6,851	9,680	133	315	133,924	121,451	4,452	9,174	6,584	10,745	106,399	97,326	16,430	11,273
Infective and parasitic diseases	001-138	2,904	1,495	102	58	3	5	1,857	948	37	20	35	37	812	392	58	35
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	001-008	1,711	498	45	15	2	-	1,054	317	20	3	12	6	555	145	23	12
Tuberculosis, other forms	010-019	142	133	6	2	-	-	115	112	1	2	1	-	18	15	1	2
Syphilis and its sequelae	020-029	496	295	28	18	-	-	277	140	8	1	9	14	153	113	21	9
Gonococcal infection and other venereal diseases	030-039	9	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-
Infectious diseases commonly arising in the intestinal tract	040-049	15	22	1	1	-	-	13	17	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	2
Other bacterial diseases	050-064	184	148	2	4	-	-	151	104	2	2	2	3	22	31	5	4
Spirochaetal diseases, except syphilis	070-074	7	2	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Diseases attributed to viruses	080-096	281	322	20	15	1	5	191	205	6	12	9	13	47	67	7	5
Typhus and other rickettsial diseases	100-108	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	110-117	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	120-138	57	75	-	3	-	-	43	51	-	-	1	-	12	20	1	1
Neoplasms	140-239	56,959	49,235	553	589	6	16	31,346	25,666	1,470	2,403	584	790	22,233	17,690	767	2,081
Malignant neoplasm of buccal cavity and pharynx	140-148	1,020	656	10	17	1	-	520	317	34	41	20	7	414	254	21	20
Malignant neoplasm of digestive organs and peritoneum	150-159	19,050	18,391	184	207	3	6	9,802	9,010	532	905	222	353	8,036	6,990	271	920
Malignant neoplasm of respiratory system	160-165	22,236	4,181	187	51	1	1	12,093	2,533	461	152	150	41	9,036	1,259	308	144
Malignant neoplasm of breast and genito-urinary organs	170-181	7,400	19,060	74	211	-	7	4,085	9,215	264	1,073	148	319	2,731	7,468	98	767
Malignant neoplasm of other and unspecified sites	190-199	3,251	3,454	58	53	1	2	1,951	2,080	111	158	34	33	1,061	995	35	133
Neoplasm of lymphatic and haematopoietic tissues	200-205	3,290	2,709	18	20	-	-	2,339	1,939	61	52	5	24	837	593	30	81
Benign neoplasm	210-229	336	488	11	21	-	-	243	328	5	16	2	5	73	89	2	11
Neoplasm of unspecified nature	230-239	376	316	11	9	-	-	313	246	2	6	3	8	45	42	2	5
Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic, and nutritional diseases	240-289	2,650	4,542	73	127	1	3	1,511	2,606	34	87	39	104	899	1,446	93	169
Allergic disorders	240-245	804	1,045	13	13	-	1	309	444	9	19	10	14	415	476	48	78
Diseases of thyroid gland	250-254	95	527	4	15	-	1	50	280	-	9	1	10	36	197	4	15
Diabetes mellitus	260	1,409	2,522	45	88	1	-	915	1,597	24	52	25	76	370	645	29	64
Diseases of other endocrine glands	270-277	121	142	2	6	-	1	93	97	-	1	1	1	21	34	4	2
Avitaminoses, and other metabolic diseases	280-289	221	306	9	5	-	-	144	188	1	6	2	3	57	94	8	10
Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	290-299	772	1,256	19	16	-	-	552	814	7	28	15	29	174	340	5	29

Table C129 - (continued)

Cause of death	ICD No.	Total deaths		Coroner						Certifying medical practitioner								Uncertified	
				Inquest held				Post-mortem without inquest	After post-mortem		Operation mentioned on death certificate	Other examination mentioned on death certificate		No examination mentioned					
				With post-mortem		No post-mortem													
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	540, 541	2,568	1,376	44	8	7	-	622	328	838	398	201	75	2	1	853	565	1	1
Appendicitis	550-553	274	224	12	4	2	2	56	41	85	73	35	28	-	-	83	76	1	-
Intestinal obstruction and hernia	560, 561, 570	1,401	1,638	22	26	5	3	369	428	420	431	162	175	-	-	419	574	4	1
Gastritis, duodenitis, enteritis, and colitis, except diarrhoea of the newborn	543, 571, 572	1,046	1,611	19	13	1	-	243	286	317	409	40	80	-	-	424	821	2	2
Cirrhosis of liver	581	657	652	26	16	4	4	102	81	170	205	5	2	-	1	350	343	-	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	590-594	1,518	1,404	12	4	-	1	111	110	373	300	4	-	-	-	1,018	989	-	-
Hyperplasia of prostate	610	2,338	-	30	-	3	-	170	-	411	-	391	-	-	-	1,331	-	2	-
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium	640-689	-	227	-	50	-	6	-	114	-	35	-	3	-	1	-	18	-	-
Congenital malformations	750-759	2,741	2,417	17	13	2	2	559	384	1,145	903	46	31	-	-	968	1,082	4	2
Birth injuries, postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis	760-762	2,765	1,816	18	18	2	2	166	126	1,574	986	-	-	-	-	1,000	677	5	7
Infections of the newborn	763-768	431	283	-	-	-	-	104	61	225	139	-	-	-	-	102	83	-	-
Other diseases peculiar to early infancy, and immaturity unqualified	769-776	2,199	1,656	6	4	-	-	45	25	641	481	-	-	-	-	1,500	1,136	7	10
Senility without mention of psychosis, ill-defined and unknown causes	780-795	1,725	3,444	50	34	10	8	20	57	18	21	1	1	-	-	1,618	3,309	8	14
All other diseases	Rem. 140-795	20,379	24,953	592	216	63	33	3,987	4,085	3,557	3,919	316	356	4	6	11,841	16,313	19	25
Motor vehicle accidents	E810-E835	5,238	2,033	4,450	1,750	781	276	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	1
All other accidents	E800-E802, E840-E962	5,675	5,756	4,237	3,677	1,142	1,573	125	175	28	32	6	32	-	-	124	252	13	15
Suicide and self-inflicted injury	E963, E970-E979	3,175	2,391	2,598	2,031	565	337	9	20	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	2	-	-
Homicide and operations of war	E964, E965, E980-E999	156	136	126	122	21	14	3	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-

Therapeutic misadventures

The majority of patients who die receive medical treatment for their illness and potent methods may have been employed in attempting a cure. It is often a matter of difficult subjective judgment to determine how far, if at all, the fatal termination was influenced by the treatment, and if any element of misadventure entered into it. Comparison of yearly totals is therefore not reliable evidence of changes in medical practice or the results of therapy. The diminution in the number of deaths in which adverse reaction to drugs and therapy was recorded in 1964 or some accident of technique mentioned must therefore be welcomed with restrained satisfaction; there are however indications that many of the adverse results which were recorded in previous years are being successfully avoided.

The total numbers of deaths in each group of misadventures during the past five years have been:

Fatal misadventures due to:	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Adverse reaction to drug or therapy	147	188	220	181	103
Mistake in drug administration	1	2	-	1	1
Overdose of drug	117	117	157	166	176
Accident in technique	59	110	96	95	74

Full details of individual cases are given in Tables C130 to C134 but the following general trends may be noted. The large group of misadventures due to the use of corticosteroids and steroid therapy is gradually declining from forty in 1962, to twenty five in 1963 and nineteen in 1964. There have been similar decreases in the number recorded during these years for other groups of drugs:

Drugs	1962	1963	1964
anti-coagulants	21	16	9
anti-cancer drugs	18	16	4

Drugs used for psychiatric purposes were mentioned in 5 cases (18 in 1963), but deaths in which butazolidin or phenylbutazone were mentioned - seven- were only one less than in the previous year.

Table C130. Fatal therapeutic misadventures due to adverse reaction to drug or therapy, 1964, England and Wales

Drug or therapy	No. of cases	Nature of adverse reaction	Terminal complication
Amitriptyline	1	Paralytic ileus	Terminal pneumonia and oedema of lungs
Anaesthetic	1	Pulmonary collapse	Acute congestive cardiac failure
Antibiotic	1	Gastro-enteritis	-
Anticoagulant	4		
	1	Cerebral haemorrhage	-
	2	Retroperitoneal haemorrhage	-
	1	Subdural haemorrhage	-
Aramine	1	Left ventricular failure, hypertension	Oedema of lungs
Aspirin	2		
	1	Acute gastric erosion	Severe melaena
	1	Rupture of oesophagus	Pleural effusions and chemical pleurisy
Butazolidin	5		
	2	Agranulocytosis	Lung abscess (1 case)
	1	Aplastic anaemia	-
	1	Aplastic anaemia (severe myeloblastic)	Myocardial failure
	1	Thrombocytopenia	Cerebral haemorrhage
Chloramphenicol	4	Aplastic anaemia	-
Codeine	1	Necrotizing papillitis	Uraemia
Codis	1	Acute haemorrhagic gastritis	Gastro-intestinal haemorrhage
Corticosteroid	3		
	1	Cushinoid syndrome	Lobar pneumonia
	1	Electrolyte imbalance	Cardiac failure
	1	Respiratory tract infection	Adrenal crisis
Corticosteroid and antibiotic	1	Staphylococcal enteritis	-
Cortisone	3		
	1	Adrenal failure; potassium deficiency	Cardiac failure
	1	Adrenal gland failure	-
	1	Cerebral haemorrhage	-
Cytotoxic drug	1	Leucopenia	Bronchopneumonia
Depressive drug	1	Central cerebral depression	Asphyxia
Dindevan	5		
	1	Acute pericarditis and gangrenous intestine	-
	1	Cerebellar haemorrhage	-
	1	Massive haemorrhages into the bladder, rectus muscle and diaphragm	-
	1	Sensitivity	Lower nephron nephrosis
	1	Spontaneous subdural haemorrhage	-

Table C130 - (continued)

Drug or therapy	No. of cases	Nature of adverse reaction	Terminal complication
Emetine	1	Acute toxic myocarditis	-
Methotrexate	1	Bowel haemorrhage	-
Methylhydrazine	1	Aplastic anaemia	-
Myleran	1	Thrombocytopenia	-
Myocrisin	1	Aplastic anaemia	Pulmonary oedema
Narcosis, therapeutic	1	Pulmonary collapse	-
Nitrogen mustard	1	Agranulocytosis	Bronchopneumonia
Nitrous oxide, oxygen and Trilene	1	Ventricular fibrillation	-
Penicillin	1	Acute anaphylactoid reaction	Oedema of glottis; asphyxia
Phenindione	1	Haemopericardium	-
Phenylbutazone	2		
	1	Agranulocytosis	Fulminating bronchopneumonia
	1	Aplastic anaemia	-
Prednisone	1	Fluid retention	Heart failure
Radiation	32		
(Radioactive) gold	1	Septicaemia from cystitis	Cardiac failure
Radioactive iodine	1	Aplastic anaemia	Congestive heart failure
Radiotherapy	6		
	1	Cerebral radiation necrosis	-
	1	Fibrosis (presumably of chest)	-
	1	Fibrosis; ureteric obstruction	Uraemia
	1	Perforated ulcer of rectum	Peritonitis
	1	Perforation of rectum	Peritonitis
	1	Vesicovaginal fistula	Carcinomatosis
Radium	1	Necrotic erosion of vessels in neck	Haemorrhage
Radium and X-ray	1	Sickness	-
	5		
	1	Fistula of small bowel and bladder	Cachexia
	1	Necrosis of lungs	-
	3	Pulmonary fibrosis	Bronchopneumonia (1 case) Pulmonary arterial thrombosis (1 case)
Not specified	17		
	1	Colitis and perforation	Peritonitis
	1	Cystitis	Hypostatic pneumonia
	1	Fibrosis; hydronephrosis	Cachexia and uraemia
	1	Fibrosis; intestinal obstruction	Cardiac failure
	1	Fibrosis of left lung	Secondary carcinoma of brain
	1	Fibrosis of right lung	Bronchopneumonia
	1	Fibrosis; perforated ileum	Peritonitis
	1	Fibrosis; stricture of small bowel	Rupture, bladder and colon; toxaemia
	1	Inflammation, perforated ileum	Generalised peritonitis

Table C130 - (continued)

Drug or therapy	No. of cases	Nature of adverse reaction	Terminal complication
Radiation - (continued) Not specified (continued)	1	Necrosis, faecal fistula; burst abdomen	Toxaemia
	1	Necrosis; intestinal obstruction	Peritonitis
	1	Nephritis; polycystic renal disease	Uraemia
	2	Pulmonary fibrosis	Congestive heart failure (1 case) Extra-renal uraemia (1 case)
	1	Radionecrosis	Rectal haemorrhage
	1	Radionecrotic ulcer on tongue	Bronchopneumonia
	1	Stricture of oesophagus	Aspiration of gastric contents
Stelazine	1	Combined effects of Stelazine and starvation	-
Steroid therapy	11		
	1	Adrenal aplasia	Addisonian crisis
	1	Adrenal atrophy	Adrenal insufficiency
	1	Deep vein thrombosis	Pulmonary embolism
	1	Gastric erosion	Haematemesis
	1	Gastric haemorrhage	Aspiration of vomitus
	1	Gastric ulcer	Massive haemorrhage
	2	Gastro-intestinal haemorrhage	Uraemia (1 case)
	1	Pancreatitis	-
	1	Perforated gastric ulcer	-
	1	Perforated peptic ulcer	-
Streptomycin and para-aminosalicylic (acid)	1	Toxic hepatitis	-
Sulphadimidine and Dindevan	1	Agranulocytosis	Coronary occlusion and bronchopneumonia
Sulphamezathine	1	Agranulocytosis	Septicaemia
Tanderil	1	Agranulocytosis	Ischiorectal abscess; toxaemia
Transfusion	3		
	1	Delayed serum reaction	Uraemia
	1	Homologous serum jaundice	Hepatic failure
	1	Virus hepatitis	Liver failure
Other drugs and therapies	4		
Drug therapy for depression	1	Agranulocytosis	-
Treatment of papillomatosis of bladder	1	Fibrosis of bladder	Bilateral hydronephrosis
Drug unspecified	2		
	1	Marrow depression; pancytopenia	Cerebral haemorrhage
	1	Pyelonephritis	Uraemia
Total	103		

Table C131. Therapeutic misadventures, summary of adverse reactions to drugs and therapy

Drug or therapy	1957* and 1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Anaesthetic agents	10	4	-	4	1	1	2
Analgesics	8	1	3½	4	15½	5	4
Antibiotics n.e.c.	36	12½	13	22½	19½	16½	7½
Anti-cancer-leukaemia	7	3½	12	9½	18	16	4
Anticoagulant	9½	13	10	20	21	16	10½
Anti-convulsant	4	2	2	1	2	2	-
Anti-rheumatic	6	4	8	5½	14	12	8
Anti-tuberculosis	3	2½	½	1½	1½	-	1
Barbiturates and other hypnotics	3½	1	-	6½	3½	-	-
Corticosteroids and related drugs	11½	13	16½	28	40	25	18½
Contrast media	3	2	1	3	3	-	-
Diuretics	4	1	3	2½	-	2	-
Endocrine, hormones, nutritional and metabolic agents	23	13	7	6½	8	3	-
Hypotensives	4½	1	½	-	1	-	-
Metals and compounds	9	2	2	3½	1	½	1
Psychiatric, tranquillisers	18	9	8½	5½	10	18	5
Radiation (radio-active substances and x-rays)	42½	32	43	46	41	47	32
Sulphonamides	10½	2	3	3	2½	3	1½
Transfusions	21	6½	7½	6	8	3	3
Mixed responsibility	3	-	-	2	-	-	-
Drug n.e.c.	7	3	-	3½	4½	1	2
Drug unknown	5	-	5	1	2	1	3
Electro-convulsive therapy	11	8	1	3	3	6	-
Other procedures	5	-	-	-	-	3	-
Total	265	136	147	188	220	181	103

Note. If two drugs or other forms of therapeutic misadventure are reported as being jointly responsible for the immediate causation of death, each is counted as one-half in assessing comparative results.

* Combined total for two years.

Table C132. Fatal therapeutic misadventures due to mistake in drug administration, 1964, England and Wales

Therapeutic misadventure associated with	Nature of misadventure
	<i>Medically administered</i>
Nitrous oxide	Nitrous oxide given instead of oxygen

Table C133. Fatal therapeutic misadventures due to overdose of drug, 1964, England and Wales

Drug or combination of drugs	Cases			Drug or combination of drugs	Cases		
	Medically administered	Self administered	Administration not stated		Medically administered	Self administered	Administration not stated
Amitripyline and phenelzine	-	-	1	Mylomide and alcohol	-	1	-
Amylobarbitone	-	1	-	Nembutal	-	4	7
Amylobarbitone and quinalbarbitone	-	-	1	Nembutal and alcohol	-	1	-
Amytal	-	2	5	Nembutal and aspirin	-	1	-
Amytal and Sonalgin	-	-	1	Nembutal and morphine	-	-	1
Aspirin	1	3	7	Penicillin	1	-	-
Barbitone	-	-	2	Pentobarbitone	-	1	1
Barbiturate	-	8	20	Phenobarbitone	-	1	5
Barbiturate and alcohol	-	2	-	Phenobarbitone and amylobarbitone	-	-	1
Barbiturate and Nardil	-	1	-	Potassium bromide	-	-	1
Barbituric acid	-	-	1	Salicylate	-	-	2
Butobarbitone	-	1	-	Seconal	-	3	2
Carbrital	-	2	4	Seconal and Tuinal	-	-	1
Chlordiazepoxide	-	-	1	Sleeping drugs n.e.c.	-	3	-
Chloral hydrate	-	1	3	Sodium Amytal	-	8	9
Chlorpromazine and Sodium Amytal	-	-	1	Sodium Amytal and alcohol	-	2	-
Cortisone	-	-	1	Sodium Amytal and Nardil	-	-	1
Cyclobarbitone	-	-	1	Soneryl	-	4	2
Cyclobarbitone and alcohol	-	1	-	Tofranil	-	-	1
Digitalis	-	-	1	Tuinal	-	14	9
Digoxin	-	-	1	Tuinal and alcohol	-	1	-
Doriden	-	1	-	Tuinal and Sodium Amytal	-	-	1
Doriden and alcohol	-	1	-	Tuinal, Nembutal and Soneryl	-	1	-
Hypnotic drugs n.e.c.	-	-	1	Vallergan	-	1	-
Insulin	-	2	2	Viomycin	-	-	1
Medinal and carbon monoxide	-	-	1	Welldorm	-	1	-
Morphia	-	-	1	Total	2	73	101

Accidents in technique

The number recorded in 1964 - seventy-four - was the smallest number since 1960, and there has been a marked reduction in some of the fields of surgery which provided the largest number of cases in 1963. The figures for the numbers of fatal accidents recorded in the two years are:

	1963	1964
Operations on oesophagus	22	12
Other thoracic surgery	19	12
Gastro-intestinal and abdominal surgery	17	13

There were small increases in other departments of surgery which may be due to chance fluctuation in numbers:

	1963	1964
Anaesthesia	4	3
Oto-rhino-laryngology	2	4
Orthopaedic surgery	2	5

It should be noted that anaesthetic deaths may be duplicated between this section or adverse reactions to drugs and the account of deaths in which anaesthesia was mentioned in Table C127.

Table C134. Fatal therapeutic misadventures due to accident in technique, 1964, England and Wales

G.R.O. Code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
001-049	Neurosurgery			
005	Excision of intracranial lesion	2	Air embolism (2 cases)	Air embolism due to recent operation, cerebellar tumour Air embolism following operation for relief of cerebellar carcinoma, second to bronchial carcinoma
012	Insertion of Spitz Holter valve	1	Obstruction	Acute exacerbation of chronic hydrocephalus associated with blockage of Spitz Holter drainage catheter
038	Injection into peripheral nerve	1	Injection	Hypotension due to injection of Xylocaine into epidural space prior to surgery for removal of carcinoma of bladder

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. Code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
200-249	Ear, nose and throat surgery			
203	Operation on tympanum	1	Air embolism	Air embolism following operation, myringotomy and insufflation for secretory otis media
245	Tracheotomy	1	Infection	Haemorrhage; trachea ulcer; tracheotomy; tetanus
246	Tracheostomy	2	Dislodgement of tube	I(a) Laryngeal atresia: II Accidental dislodgement of tracheostomy tube; Part IV Underdeveloped larynx (congenital), lower portion completely obstructed with overgrowth of cricoid cartilage
			Haemorrhage	Haemorrhage from a tracheostomy following cardiac arrest during an operation for investigations for infertility. Anaesthetic - Omnopon, scopolamine, Pentothal, Flaxedil, halothane
250-299	Buccal cavity and oesophageal surgery			
251	Extraction of tooth	1	Unspecified	Primary cardiac arrest during a necessary operation carried out by a competent person for extraction of teeth
287	Oesophagoscopy	6	Perforation (4 cases)	Acute anterior mediastinitis due to perforation of the oesophagus, due to oesophagoscopy for stricture of oesophagus: generalised arteriosclerotic degeneration
				Perforation of oesophagus, oesophagoscopy for carcinoma of the oesophagus: uraemia; senility
				Peritonitis due to perforation of oesophagus during oesophagoscopy for oesophageal stricture
				Pleural shock due to perforation of oesophagus following passage of an oesophagoscope
			Rupture (2 cases)	Bilateral suprarenal haemorrhage; toxæmia; infection of the mediastinal tissues; rupture of the gullet while undergoing an investigation of a hernia of the lower gullet
				Haemorrhage; rupture of the aorta by an oesophageal tube; carcinoma of the oesophagus

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
250-299	Buccal cavity and oesophageal surgery (continued)			
288	Dilation of oesophagus	6	Perforation (6 cases)	I Acute myocardial failure; pleurisy and mediastinitis: II Perforation of oesophagus (insertion of tube) and carcinoma of the stomach
				Cardiac failure; perforation of oesophagus; dilation of carcinoma of oesophagus: essential hypertension and coronary atheroma
				Cellulitis of neck and mediastinum due to perforation of oesophagus during oesophagoscopy for dilation of gullet; peptic ulcer of lower oesophagus: haemorrhage into patch of coronary atheroma, gullet split by oesophagoscope
				Empyema and mediastinitis; perforation of the oesophagus by Mousseau-Barbin tube
				Massive oesophageal haemorrhage due to perforation of aorta; pressure erosion of oesophagus wall by a Mousseau-Barbin tube: carcinoma, lower end of oesophagus
				Shock and pneumothorax; perforation of oesophagus; intubation of oesophagus for carcinoma of bronchus
300-379	Thoracic surgery			
304	Operations on valves of heart	2	Suture	Haemorrhage from suture line following plastic replacement of aortic valve for aortic stenosis
			Traumatic tear	Operative haemorrhage due to traumatic tear of pulmonary artery, thoracotomy for mitral and aortic incompetence
305	Repair of congenital defect of heart	1	Apparatus	Cerebral anoxia due to infiltration of oxygen into the circulation during operation for congenital heart disease
319	Cardiac catheterisation	1	Perforation	Haemopericardium due to cardiac catheterisation following rheumatic heart disease; congestive heart failure, collapsed following catheterisation of heart operation: mitral stenosis

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
300-379	Thoracic surgery (continued)			
320	Operation on aneurysm of great vessel, intra-thoracic	1	Haemorrhage	Haemorrhage through dacron prosthesis following resection of aortic aneurysm
338	Bronchoscopy	2	Haemorrhage	Asphyxia, inhalation of the blood; bronchogenic carcinoma; haemorrhage following bronchoscopy
			Laceration	Fatal haemorrhage due to laceration of a vessel during bronchoscopy and biopsy which were necessary and skilfully performed for left bronchial carcinoma and carcinomatosis
344	Pneumonectomy	5	Air embolism and slipped ligature	Internal haemorrhage and air embolism due to slipped ligature following pneumonectomy for carcinoma of lung
			Ligature of artery	Acute cardiac failure, suturing of right pulmonary artery in presence of a non-functioning left lung, pneumonectomy for left broncho-pleural fistula, pulmonary arteries displaced, the right being mistaken for the left
			Slipped ligature (3 cases)	Acute right haemothorax due to slipping of ligatures on right pulmonary artery following right lower lobectomy for bronchial carcinoma, the cause of the slipping not being ascertained
				Haemorrhage following operation for bronchial carcinoma; slipping of ligature
				Internal haemorrhage due to slipped arterial ligature following right pneumonectomy and bronchial carcinoma
400-599	Gastro-intestinal and abdominal surgery			
400	Laparotomy and drainage	1	Swab	Lobar pneumonia; intestinal ulceration and anaemia due to swab left from previous operation
402	Hernioplasty, inguinal	2	Haemorrhage (2 cases)	Haemorrhage; damaged vein occurring during reduction for strangulated inguinal hernia; bronchitis and emphysema; generalised atherosclerosis and fibrosis of myocardium

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
400-599	Gastro-intestinal and abdominal surgery (continued)			
402	Hernioplasty, inguinal (continued)		Haemorrhage (continued)	Haemorrhage from right testicular artery following operation for repair of inguinal hernia
403	Hernioplasty, femoral	1	Inhalation	Inhalation of blood; operation for relief of intestinal obstruction; strangulated femoral hernia
453	Colectomy, partial	2	Irrigating solution	Toxaemia; necrosis of the large intestine; hemicolectomy for carcinoma, sigmoid colon; bowel inadvertently washed out with a stronger solution of perchloride of mercury than the recommended strength
			Suture failed	I(a) Paralytic ileus; (b) Surgical resection of the sigmoid colon (sutures failed to hold)
458	Other enterostomy	1	Diathermy	Explosive shock from ignition of bowel gas contents during diathermy opening of caecostomy for carcinoma of sigmoid colon
460	Enterorrhaphy	1	Stitches	Generalised peritonitis; laparotomy; perforated duodenal ulcer; stitches gave way following repair
469	Operation on intestine	1	Forceps	Acute pancreatitis accelerated by shock following second laparotomy; forceps left in abdomen: intestinal obstruction
502	Biopsy of liver	1	Infection	General peritonitis due to liver biopsy due to chronic pancreatitis
521	Cholecystectomy	1	Suture	Biliary peritonitis due to cholecystectomy for gallstones; common bile ducts blocked by a suture, hepatic ducts severed
529	Operation on gall-bladder	1	Gauze pack	Haemoperitoneum due to bleeding from gall-bladder, operation site, following removal of a gauze pack; inflammation of gall-bladder
541	Splenectomy	1	Infection	Septicaemia (<i>Pseudomonas pyocyanea</i>), wound infection; splenectomy. Felty's Syndrome.

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. Code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
600-699	Genito-urinary surgery			
606	Nephrectomy	1	Slipped ligature	Haemorrhage from right renal artery in operation for removal of right kidney following slipping of ligature; malignant hypertension
649	Cystoscopy	2	Infection	Bacteraemia following cystoscopy as a preliminary to prostatectomy
			Perforation	Peritonitis following perforation of carcinoma of bladder by instrument during operation
659	Operation on bladder	1	Diathermy	Bronchopneumonia; peritonitis; ruptured bladder after diathermy of papillomata
700-759	Gynaecological operations			
710	Fallopian insufflation	1	Gas embolism	Gas embolism following insufflation of the Fallopian tubes for infertility
722	Hysterectomy, total	1	Infection	Pelvic infection (gas gangrene) following hysterectomy
732	Curettage of uterus	1	Perforation	I(a) Toxaemia; (b) Peritonitis; (c) Perforation of uterus; (d) Curettage of uterus: Part IV Uterus pierced by instrument during curettage
743	Colporrhaphy	1	Perforation	Peritonitis, perforation of the colon during operation for vaginal repair
760-799	Obstetric operations			
790	Procedures for therapeutic abortion	1	Infection	General peritonitis; infected tear of the uterus, incomplete abortion
800-899	Orthopaedic surgery			
804	Closed reduction of fracture	1	Embolism	Pulmonary embolism; femoral thrombophlebitis; fracture of right talus; surgical emphysema
813	Spinal fusion	1	Embolism	An embolism following operation for scoliosis of spine
834	Closed reduction of dislocation	1	Infection	Central respiratory failure due to brain swelling due to cerebral abscess as the result of infection when a traction device was fitted for a dislocation of the cervical spine

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
800-899	Orthopaedic surgery (continued)			
838	Arthroplasty	2	Embolism	Pulmonary embolus following insertion of Austin Moore prosthesis: hypertension
			Uncertain role	Pneumonia; Austin Moore prosthesis, right hip: mild diabetes: right hemiplegia
900-929	Surgery on peripheral blood vessels and lymphatic system			
926	Biopsy of lymph node	1	Air embolism	Air embolism; tear of external jugular vein; biopsy, supraclavicular lymph node: carcinoma of lung
950-999	Other procedures			
951	Transfusion of blood, indirect	3	Air embolism (2 cases)	Accidental air embolism following transfusions for haematemesis from chronic benign gastric ulcer
			Unspecified	Air embolism due to air entering the blood stream during an intravenous drip probably due to an air leak during change of bottle but possibly at rubber connection
			Unspecified	Fibrillation of the heart following transfusion reaction, iron deficiency anaemia
953	Infusion, intravenous	1	Infection	Pyæmia (staphylococcal) following infected intravenous drip site following an operation for a gastrectomy for simple gastric ulcer
954	Injection, intravenous	1	Injection tearing	Toxaemia due to left pyonephrosis due to ureteric obstruction: haemorrhage into left thigh caused by injections tearing vein or artery
987	Catheterisation, urethral	1	Broken catheter	Cardiac arrest during an operation for removal of a broken catheter from the bladder inserted for enlargement of prostate
-	Anaesthesia	3	Endotracheal stilette	Surgical emphysema due to a small tear of trachea during anaesthesia (gas, oxygen and ether) caused by stilette in endotracheal tube. Congenital fibrous band of ligament

Table C134 - (continued)

G.R.O. Code No.	Operation or other surgical procedure	Number of cases	Nature	Result
950-999	Other procedures (continued)			
-	Anaesthesia (continued)		Fault in apparatus (2 cases)	Anoxic cerebral damage, cardiac arrest during operation for repair of tendons, radial artery and medial nerve: oxygen supply failed Bronchopneumonia; brain damage following cerebral anoxia, fault developed in administering anaesthetic during operation for appendectomy
-	Artificial respiration	2	Obstruction	Asphyxia due to obstruction of an artificial airway by a plug of mucus whilst on a mechanical respirator for old bulbar poliomyelitis
			Unspecified	Asphyxia due to bilateral pneumothorax associated with artificial respiration as an emergency procedure
-	Other procedures	2	Incubator	Heat pyrexia caused by overheating of incubator in which the child was placed
			Oxygen tent	Asphyxia, inhalation of vomit; pneumonitis; diffuse cerebral sclerosis: exposure due to oxygen tent being uncovered
	Total	74		

Live births, stillbirths and stillbirth rates by age and parity of mother and place of confinement

In England and Wales in 1964 there were 875,972 live births and 14,546 stillbirths. The tables which follow give details of the distribution of those births by place of confinement, and age and parity of mother. The categories used for place of confinement are:-

NHS hospital, i.e. hospitals and homes under the National Health Service, except psychiatric hospitals;

Other hospital, which are mainly maternity homes not under the National Health Service;

At home, i.e. at the usual place of residence of the mother;

Other places of confinement which include all psychiatric institutions, homes for unmarried mothers, remand homes, reception centres, private houses (other than the mother's usual residence), etc.

A set of tables is available for reference at the General Register Office showing numbers of live and still births with a breakdown as in Table C136 and C137 for individual county boroughs and administrative counties within England and Wales. A copy of these tables, or of a table for a particular area, can be obtained from the General Register Office on payment.

Table C135. Births by place of confinement, 1964, England and Wales

Place of confinement	Live births	Stillbirths	Total births	Total births per cent by place of confinement*	Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total births*
NHS hospital	584,905	12,533	597,438	67.1 (65.1)	21.0 (22.6)
Other hospital	25,934	229	26,163	2.9 (3.1)	8.8 (7.3)
At home	251,360	1,599	252,959	28.4 (30.0)	6.3 (7.1)
Other	13,773	185	13,958	1.6 (1.8)	13.3 (11.2)
Total	875,972	14,546	890,518	100.0	16.3 (17.2)

*The figures in brackets are the corresponding figures for 1963.

Table C136. Live births by age and parity* of mother and place of confinement, 1964, England and Wales

Parity of mother	Place of confinement	Age of mother							
		All ages	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Total	NHS hospital	584,905	61,289	188,728	166,127	96,671	52,926	18,082	1,082
	Other hospital	25,934	2,251	8,510	8,326	4,517	1,855	453	22
	At home	251,360	10,747	72,109	92,846	51,399	20,396	3,734	129
	Other	13,773	2,447	6,756	3,401	926	194	44	5
0	NHS hospital	240,369	39,766	108,233	61,581	21,362	7,705	1,661	61
	Other hospital	9,410	1,267	4,534	2,646	732	183	44	4
	At home	31,849	5,327	16,690	8,309	1,273	227	23	-
	Other	4,441	989	2,669	685	89	7	2	-
1	NHS hospital	142,883	6,360	45,503	51,656	25,969	10,620	2,669	106
	Other hospital	7,905	229	2,372	3,239	1,537	459	69	-
	At home	95,324	3,736	34,258	39,256	14,513	3,279	277	5
	Other	5,205	455	2,733	1,603	359	44	10	1
2	NHS hospital	70,030	675	13,455	23,906	18,520	10,154	3,167	153
	Other hospital	3,893	15	650	1,404	1,176	534	109	5
	At home	63,168	454	13,734	25,947	16,574	5,728	711	20
	Other	1,400	22	547	578	191	55	6	1
3	NHS hospital	35,121	38	3,912	10,507	10,539	7,210	2,747	168
	Other hospital	1,624	1	159	515	547	291	107	4
	At home	30,524	22	3,742	11,420	9,783	4,703	832	22
	Other	407	2	104	174	97	27	3	-
4	NHS hospital	20,153	2	1,050	5,407	6,528	5,020	2,019	127
	Other hospital	587	-	41	149	208	138	50	3
	At home	11,905	2	753	3,715	4,246	2,556	614	19
	Other	123	-	14	54	34	16	5	-
5-9	NHS hospital	24,871	-	313	3,923	8,144	8,268	3,937	286
	Other hospital	491	-	9	80	181	165	51	5
	At home	9,233	-	137	1,758	3,363	2,965	968	42
	Other	98	-	6	32	32	19	7	2
10-14	NHS hospital	1,290	-	-	6	179	558	479	68
	Other hospital	8	-	-	-	2	2	4	-
	At home	280	-	-	2	50	125	92	11
	Other	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
15 and over	NHS hospital	31	-	-	-	-	8	21	2
	Other hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	At home	7	-	-	-	-	1	6	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illegitimate	NHS hospital	50,157	14,448	16,262	9,141	5,430	3,383	1,382	111
	Other hospital	2,016	739	745	293	136	83	19	1
	At home	9,070	1,206	2,795	2,439	1,597	812	211	10
	Other	2,097	979	683	275	123	25	11	1

*Parity in this instance means the number of previous liveborn children.

Table C137. Stillbirths by age and parity* of mother and place of confinement, 1964, England and Wales

Parity of mother	Place of confinement	Age of mother							
		All ages	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Total	NHS hospital	12,533	978	3,143	3,440	2,431	1,762	724	55
	Other hospital	229	23	64	66	44	20	12	-
	At home	1,599	132	368	476	341	212	65	5
	Other	185	43	49	41	41	8	2	1
0	NHS hospital	4,620	620	1,843	1,259	549	264	82	3
	Other hospital	87	13	41	16	12	1	4	-
	At home	312	72	126	82	20	10	2	-
	Other	54	16	18	12	7	-	1	-
1	NHS hospital	2,512	76	672	873	544	251	93	3
	Other hospital	46	4	11	14	13	4	-	-
	At home	398	15	136	152	67	20	8	-
	Other	35	2	14	9	8	2	-	-
2	NHS hospital	1,773	10	255	567	484	345	102	10
	Other hospital	40	-	5	16	10	6	3	-
	At home	309	2	49	110	90	46	11	1
	Other	11	-	2	4	4	-	-	1
3	NHS hospital	1,094	1	83	302	310	284	103	11
	Other hospital	17	-	3	6	5	3	-	-
	At home	203	2	16	65	61	48	10	1
	Other	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
4	NHS hospital	599	-	16	154	156	179	86	8
	Other hospital	9	-	-	5	1	1	2	-
	At home	111	-	3	33	37	33	5	-
	Other	3	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
5-9	NHS hospital	806	-	1	87	238	300	167	13
	Other hospital	8	-	-	1	1	4	2	-
	At home	116	-	1	12	42	39	21	1
	Other	3	-	-	-	2	1	-	-
10-14	NHS hospital	59	-	-	-	7	28	23	1
	Other hospital	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	At home	6	-	-	-	-	4	1	1
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 and over	NHS hospital	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
	Other hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	At home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illegitimate	NHS hospital	1,068	271	273	198	143	111	66	6
	Other hospital	20	6	4	8	2	-	-	-
	At home	144	41	37	22	24	12	7	1
	Other	77	25	15	15	17	4	1	-

*Parity in this instance means the number of previous liveborn children.

Table C138. Percentage distribution of births for each place of confinement within each age and parity* group 1964, England and Wales

Parity of mother	Place of confinement	Age of mother							
		All ages	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Total	NHS hospital	67	80	69	62	63	71	82	88
	Other hospital	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2
	At home	28	14	26	34	33	27	16	10
	Other	2	3	2	1	1	0	0	0
0	NHS hospital	84	84	82	84	92	95	96	94
	Other hospital	3	3	3	4	3	2	3	6
	At home	11	11	13	11	5	3	1	-
	Other	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	-
1	NHS hospital	57	60	54	54	61	75	89	95
	Other hospital	3	2	3	3	4	3	2	-
	At home	38	34	40	41	34	22	9	4
	Other	2	4	3	2	1	0	0	1
2	NHS hospital	51	58	48	46	51	63	79	85
	Other hospital	3	1	2	3	3	3	3	3
	At home	45	39	48	50	45	34	18	11
	Other	1	2	2	1	1	0	0	1
3	NHS hospital	52	59	50	47	51	60	75	87
	Other hospital	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	2
	At home	45	36	47	50	46	38	22	11
	Other	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	-
4	NHS hospital	62	50	57	58	60	65	76	86
	Other hospital	2	-	2	2	2	2	2	2
	At home	36	50	40	39	38	33	22	12
	Other	0	-	1	1	0	0	0	-
5-9	NHS hospital	73	-	67	68	70	73	80	86
	Other hospital	1	-	2	1	2	1	1	1
	At home	26	-	30	30	28	26	19	12
	Other	0	-	1	1	0	0	0	1
10-14	NHS hospital	82	-	-	75	78	82	84	85
	Other hospital	1	-	-	-	1	0	1	-
	At home	17	-	-	25	21	18	15	15
	Other	0	-	-	-	0	0	-	-
15 and over	NHS hospital	82	-	-	-	-	89	79	100
	Other hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	At home	18	-	-	-	-	11	21	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illegitimate	NHS hospital	80	83	79	76	74	78	85	90
	Other hospital	3	4	4	2	2	2	1	1
	At home	14	7	14	20	22	19	13	8
	Other	3	6	3	2	2	1	1	1

*Parity in this instance means the number of previous liveborn children.

Table C139. Stillbirth rates per 1,000 total births by age and parity* of mother and place of confinement, 1964, England and Wales

Parity of mother	Place of confinement	Age of mother							
		All ages	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Total	NHS hospital	21	16	16	20	25	32	38	48
	Other hospital	9	10	7	8	10	11	26	-
	At home	6	12	5	5	7	10	17	37
	Other	13	17	7	12	42	40	43	167
0	NHS hospital	19	15	17	20	25	33	47	47
	Other hospital	9	10	9	6	16	5	83	-
	At home	10	13	7	10	15	15	80	-
	Other	12	16	7	17	73	-	333	-
1	NHS hospital	17	12	15	17	21	23	34	28
	Other hospital	6	17	5	4	8	9	-	-
	At home	4	4	4	4	5	6	28	-
	Other	7	4	5	6	22	43	-	-
2	NHS hospital	25	15	19	23	25	33	31	61
	Other hospital	10	-	8	11	8	11	27	-
	At home	5	4	4	4	5	8	15	48
	Other	8	-	4	7	21	-	-	500
3	NHS hospital	30	26	21	28	29	38	36	61
	Other hospital	10	-	19	12	9	10	-	-
	At home	7	83	4	6	6	10	12	43
	Other	5	-	-	-	10	36	-	-
4	NHS hospital	29	-	15	28	23	34	41	59
	Other hospital	15	-	-	32	5	7	38	-
	At home	9	-	4	9	9	13	8	-
	Other	24	-	-	18	56	-	-	-
5-9	NHS hospital	31	-	3	22	28	35	41	43
	Other hospital	16	-	-	12	5	24	38	-
	At home	12	-	7	7	12	13	21	23
	Other	30	-	-	-	59	50	-	-
10-14	NHS hospital	44	-	-	-	38	48	46	14
	Other hospital	200	-	-	-	-	333	200	-
	At home	21	-	-	-	-	31	11	83
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 and over	NHS hospital	61	-	-	-	-	-	87	-
	Other hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	At home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illegitimate	NHS hospital	21	18	17	21	26	32	46	51
	Other hospital	10	8	5	27	14	-	-	-
	At home	16	33	13	9	15	15	32	91
	Other	35	25	21	52	121	138	83	-

*Parity in this instance means the number of previous liveborn children.

Table C141 (continued)

	Year	United Kingdom	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Infant mortality rates ⁽⁵⁾ (under 1 year) per 1,000 live births	1938	56	53	57	70	75
	1946-50	38	36	42	47	48
	1951-55	28	27	33	33	37
	1956-60	23	22	27	28	28
	1961	22	21	24	26	27
	1962	22	22	25	27	27
	1963	22	21	25	26	27
	1964	21	20	24	24	26

- (1) England and Wales: occurrences. Remainder: registrations.
- (2) The marriage and birth rates for 1938 and from 1951 are based on *home* population, but the 1946-50 aggregates are based on *total* population.
- (3) Here the 1931-38 aggregate is given, since crude death rates in the year 1938 were rather lower than in adjacent years.
- (4) The death rates are based on total deaths and *home* populations, except that the 1946-49 element in the 1946-50 aggregate is based on civilian deaths and *civilian* populations.
- (5) England and Wales: for 1957 onwards based on deaths per thousand live birth occurrences; for earlier years based on deaths per thousand related live births. Remainder: based on deaths per thousand births registered.

PARLIAMENTARY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTORS

The statistics of parliamentary and local government electors were discussed in Part III of the *Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales* for 1961. The following tables advance by one year the figures given in the corresponding volume for 1963. The percentage which the total parliamentary electorate represented of the estimated *total* population in the years 1959 to 1964 were:-

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
67.8	67.5	67.0	66.6	66.2	65.9

Table C142. Parliamentary and local government electors, 1959 to 1964, England and Wales

Register (qualifying date in brackets)	Parliamentary Register				Local Government Register
	Total at qualifying date	Services Register (included in Col. 2)	"Young Electors" (not included in Cols. 2 and 3)		
			Total	Services (included in Col. 4)	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1959 (10th Oct. 1958)	30,850,124	274,628	258,688	24,129	30,969,488
1960 (10th Oct. 1959)	30,974,254	279,936	245,464	25,435	31,096,735
1961 (10th Oct. 1960)	31,020,479	278,100	250,557	6,466	31,144,715
1962 (10th Oct. 1961)	31,153,107	229,022	240,636	5,903	31,278,504
1963 (10th Oct. 1962)	31,216,583	197,394	271,663	6,726	31,343,549
1964 (10th Oct. 1963)	31,311,153	195,208	298,716	6,849	31,434,102

Table C143. Parliamentary constituencies by size, distinguishing county and borough constituencies, 1961 and 1964, England and Wales

England

Total number of electors at qualifying date	Number of constituencies			
	1961		1964	
	County	Borough	County	Borough
Under 30,000	-	-	-	1
30,000 -	-	1	-	2
35,000 -	1	9	2	11
40,000 -	19	15	17	21
45,000 -	26	45	19	50
50,000 -	41	72	36	62
55,000 -	48	62	42	59
60,000 -	31	35	33	29
65,000 -	26	25	28	26
70,000 -	21	18	21	21
75,000 -	6	4	13	3
80,000 and over	3	3	11	4
Total	222	289	222	289

Wales

Total number of electors at qualifying date	Number of constituencies			
	1961		1964	
	County	Borough	County	Borough
Under 30,000	1	-	2	-
30,000 -	1	1	-	1
35,000 -	4	1	4	1
40,000 -	2	1	2	1
45,000 -	5	1	7	1
50,000 -	6	-	3	-
55,000 -	3	3	3	3
60,000 -	3	2	4	1
65,000 -	1	-	1	2
70,000 -	-	1	-	-
75,000 -	-	-	-	-
80,000 and over	-	-	-	-
Total	26	10	26	10

Table C144. Local government elections. Percentage of electorate voting in contested county council elections, 1964, England and Wales and standard regions

Area	Percentage of electorate voting							Contested elections			
	Under 30	30-	35-	40-	50-	60-	70 and over	Total county councils	Total electorate	Electorate voting	Percentage of electorate voting
England and Wales	3	7	11	21	6	3	3	54	13,664,004	5,598,172	41.0
England	3	7	11	18	2	-	-	41	13,212,860	5,377,410	40.7
Wales	-	-	-	3	4	3	3	13	451,144	220,762	48.9
Standard regions:											
Northern	-	1	1	2	1	-	-	5	424,073	164,824	38.9
East and West Ridings	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	952,794	378,864	39.8
North Western	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	1,393,227	552,096	39.6
North Midland*	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	6	760,526	311,393	40.9
Midland	-	1	2	2	-	-	-	5	1,030,172	364,558	35.4
Eastern†	-	1	2	3	1	-	-	7	1,058,618	449,633	42.6
London and South Eastern†	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	3	5,795,261	2,518,653	43.5
Southern	1	1	-	3	-	-	-	5	911,587	328,742	35.8
South Western‡	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	6	888,602	310,647	35.0
Wales I (South East)	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	4	343,349	158,749	46.2
Wales II (remainder)	-	-	-	2	2	2	3	9	107,795	62,013	57.5

*Includes the whole of Derbyshire.

†Includes Huntingdon and Peterborough and Cambridge and Isle of Ely as they will be constituted on 1st April 1965.

‡Includes Greater London Council as constituted on 1st April 1965.

§ Includes the whole of Dorset

Table C145. Local government elections. Percentage of electorate voting in contested elections in urban areas, 1964, England and Wales

Electorate at qualifying date	Percentage of electorate voting												Contested elections			
	Under 25	25-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	55-	60-	65-	70-	75 and over	Total urban areas	Total electorate	Electorate voting	Percentage of electorate voting
County boroughs																
Under 50,000	-	-	-	3	7	4	3	3	-	-	-	-	20	772,772	356,622	46.1
50,000-	-	-	2	2	4	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	19	1,053,999	477,843	45.3
70,000-	-	1	1	4	7	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	19	1,366,546	581,600	42.6
100,000-	-	-	2	2	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	2,105,061	876,283	41.6
200,000 and over	-	1	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	2,959,404	1,050,508	35.5
Total	-	2	8	13	28	17	8	6	-	-	-	-	82	8,257,782	3,342,856	40.5
Municipal boroughs and urban districts																
Under 5,000	4	5	6	6	19	27	32	32	23	20	13	12	199	563,631	297,461	52.8
5,000-	3	2	5	12	18	24	47	26	13	6	4	1	161	937,590	474,456	50.6
10,000-	1	6	8	17	36	55	37	22	12	2	-	-	196	2,090,796	1,001,147	47.9
20,000-	3	3	14	21	38	37	22	11	1	1	-	-	161	3,872,129	1,721,738	44.5
50,000 and over	5	5	7	9	10	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	6,189,268	2,240,718	36.2
Total	16	21	40	65	121	154	148	91	49	29	17	13	764	13,653,414	5,735,520	42.0

Table C146. Local government elections. Percentage of electorate voting in contested rural district elections, 1964, England and Wales and standard regions

Area	Percentage of electorate voting													Contested elections			
	Under 25	25-	30-	35-	40-	45-	50-	55-	60-	65-	70-	75 and over	Total rural districts	Total electorate	Electorate voting	Percentage of electorate voting	
England and Wales	16	13	30	50	53	56	54	48	25	16	17	35	413	2,088,713	942,455	45.1	
England	15	13	30	47	53	55	51	43	20	9	13	17	366	1,859,312	804,715	43.3	
Wales	1	-	-	3	-	1	3	5	5	7	4	18	47	229,401	137,740	60.0	
Standard regions:																	
Northern	2	2	4	4	2	3	6	10	2	3	1	2	41	203,390	86,260	42.4	
East and West Ridings	-	-	6	3	3	5	2	2	2	-	-	1	24	169,190	71,259	42.1	
North Western	-	-	2	2	2	3	6	3	-	3	-	3	24	124,274	60,688	48.8	
North Midland*	2	1	4	2	11	5	5	9	4	-	2	-	45	249,405	109,775	44.0	
Midland	2	1	1	5	7	5	8	3	-	2	2	1	37	182,235	78,813	43.2	
Eastern†	2	-	5	13	8	8	10	5	2	-	2	2	57	299,209	130,179	43.5	
London and South Eastern	3	2	3	3	3	5	6	3	-	1	-	-	29	114,171	52,591	46.1	
Southern	4	5	5	4	7	3	2	3	-	-	1	2	36	196,854	66,663	33.9	
South Western‡	-	2	-	11	10	18	6	5	10	-	5	6	73	320,584	148,487	46.3	
Wales I (South East)	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	3	2	5	-	6	20	150,237	87,819	58.5	
Wales II (remainder)	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	3	2	4	12	27	79,164	49,921	63.1	

*Includes the whole of Derbyshire.

†Includes the whole of Essex and Hertfordshire.

‡Includes the whole of Dorset.

Table C147. Local government elections. Percentage of electorate voting in contested elections, 1956 to 1964, England and Wales

District	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
County councils	-	-	33.3	-	-	35.7	-	-	41.0*
County boroughs	37.6	40.0	40.3	41.0	35.4	40.6	40.2	41.3	40.5
Other boroughs and urban districts	39.4	44.1	42.9	42.1	40.4	42.3	42.9	46.2	42.0
Rural districts	41.3	45.2	46.2	42.1	37.5	45.0	41.5	41.3	45.1
Total	38.7	42.2	38.6	41.6	38.0	39.5	41.8	43.9	41.5

*Includes Greater London council as constituted at 1st April 1965.

APPENDIX

FERTILITY RATES BY BIRTH ORDER, ENGLAND AND WALES

Live births per woman married once only at integral marriage durations irrespective of parity

Note - Figures are rounded and may not add to totals

1963-64

Calendar year of marriage	Marriage duration in completed years	Age at marriage																		
		All ages under 45						Under 20					20-24		25-29					
		Number of previous children																		
		Total	0	1	2	3	4 or more	Total	0	1	2	3	4 or more	Total	0	1	2	3	4 or more	
1963	0	.352	.339	.010	.002	.001	.001	.010	.001	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.290	.287	.014	.005	.002	.002
1961	1	.299	.215	.078	.004	.001	.004	.130	.004	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.298	.233	.064	.007	.002	.002
1960	2	.285	.117	.145	.020	.002	.002	.090	.032	.002	.000	.000	.000	.000	.276	.135	.127	.018	.003	.003
1959	3	.271	.077	.140	.046	.006	.001	.289	.065	.158	.000	.000	.000	.001	.287	.063	.129	.034	.007	.003
1958	4	.239	.053	.113	.055	.015	.003	.256	.036	.113	.025	.003	.003	.003	.228	.053	.111	.047	.012	.006
1957	5	.206	.036	.066	.056	.021	.007	.223	.025	.079	.073	.035	.011	.006	.191	.036	.082	.049	.017	.008
1956	6	.170	.024	.063	.049	.023	.012	.193	.018	.057	.062	.037	.020	.008	.156	.023	.059	.045	.018	.011
1955	7	.144	.016	.047	.043	.023	.015	.168	.012	.043	.052	.036	.025	.012	.128	.016	.044	.037	.019	.012
1954	8	.114	.012	.033	.034	.019	.016	.142	.009	.030	.042	.030	.030	.013	.098	.011	.030	.029	.016	.011
	9	.098	.009	.025	.029	.018	.018	.130	.007	.025	.036	.029	.033	.016	.080	.008	.022	.023	.014	.012
1953	10	.064	.007	.019	.024	.016	.018	.118	.006	.019	.031	.027	.036	.016	.066	.006	.016	.019	.012	.012
1952	11	.069	.005	.014	.019	.014	.018	.104	.004	.015	.025	.022	.037	.016	.049	.004	.011	.014	.009	.011
1951	12	.055	.003	.010	.014	.011	.016	.086	.003	.011	.019	.019	.034	.015	.035	.003	.007	.009	.008	.008
1950	13	.049	.002	.007	.012	.010	.017	.086	.002	.009	.020	.018	.037	.016	.028	.002	.005	.007	.006	.008
1949	14	.037	.002	.005	.009	.008	.014	.069	.001	.006	.013	.015	.034	.014	.018	.001	.002	.004	.004	.006
1948	15	.032	.001	.004	.007	.007	.013	.064	.001	.005	.011	.014	.032	.013	.013	.001	.002	.003	.003	.005
1947	16	.028	.001	.003	.005	.005	.012	.056	.001	.004	.010	.011	.030	.013	.009	.000	.001	.002	.002	.004
1946	17	.019	.001	.002	.003	.004	.008	.048	.001	.003	.007	.010	.027	.010	.007	.000	.001	.002	.002	.003
1945	18	.016	.000	.001	.003	.003	.008	.040	.001	.002	.006	.007	.024	.008	.003	.000	.000	.001	.001	.001
1944	19	.013	.000	.001	.002	.002	.007	.033	.001	.002	.004	.005	.021	.012	.002	.000	.000	.000	.000	.001
1943	20	.011	.000	.001	.002	.002	.006	.029	.001	.002	.003	.005	.018	.010	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
1942	21	.007	.000	.000	.001	.001	.004	.021	.000	.002	.003	.004	.013	.007	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
1941	22	.005	.000	.000	.001	.001	.003	.016	.000	.001	.002	.003	.011	.004	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
1940	23	.003	.000	.000	.000	.000	.002	.013	.000	.001	.002	.002	.008	.002	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
1939	24	.002	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.009	.000	.000	.001	.002	.006	.001	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
1938	25	.001	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.006	.000	.000	.000	.001	.005	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000

Calendar year of marriage	Marriage duration in completed years	Age at marriage											
		30-34				35-39				40-44			
		Number of previous children											
	Total	0	1	2	3	4 or more	Total	0	1	2	3	4 or more	
1963	.280	.248	.014	.008	.004	.005	.199	.169	.013	.008	.005	.005	.058
1962	.279	.211	.051	.008	.004	.005	.175	.137	.028	.003	.003	.004	.062
1961	.232	.097	.109	.017	.004	.006	.125	.055	.057	.008	.002	.002	.027
1960	.202	.058	.101	.031	.006	.006	.100	.031	.050	.011	.005	.003	.014
1959	.169	.037	.077	.038	.011	.006	.060	.014	.026	.012	.004	.004	.009
1958	.130	.022	.052	.034	.015	.007	.040	.008	.015	.010	.004	.002	.001
1957	.095	.015	.032	.026	.014	.008	.028	.004	.009	.007	.003	.004	-
1956	.071	.007	.023	.019	.011	.011	.016	.003	.006	.003	.002	.002	-
1955	.048	.006	.014	.011	.008	.009	.007	.001	.001	.003	.001	.001	-
1954	.034	.004	.009	.009	.006	.006	.003	.001	.001	.000	.000	.001	-
1953	.019	.001	.004	.005	.003	.005	.002	-	.001	.001	.000	.000	-
1952	.014	.001	.003	.004	.003	.003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1951	.009	.001	.002	.003	.001	.003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1950	.005	.000	.001	.001	.001	.002	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1949	.003	.000	.000	.001	.001	.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1948	.001	-	.000	.000	.000	.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1947	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1946	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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1960	3	.202	.058	.101	.031	.006	.006	.100	.031	.050	.011	.005	.003
1959	4	.169	.037	.077	.038	.011	.006	.060	.014	.026	.012	.004	.004
1958	5	.130	.022	.052	.034	.015	.007	.040	.008	.015	.010	.004	.002
1957	6	.095	.015	.032	.026	.014	.008	.028	.004	.009	.007	.003	.004
1956	7	.071	.007	.023	.019	.011	.011	.016	.003	.006	.003	.002	.002
1955	8	.048	.006	.014	.011	.008	.009	.007	.001	.001	.003	.001	.001
1954	9	.034	.004	.009	.009	.006	.006	.003	.001	.001	.000	.000	.001
1953	10	.019	.001	.004	.005	.003	.005	.002	-	.001	.001	.000	.000
1952	11	.014	.001	.003	.004	.003	.003	-	-	-	-	-	-
1951	12	.009	.001	.002	.003	.001	.003	-	-	-	-	-	-
1950	13	.005	.000	.001	.001	.001	.002	-	-	-	-	-	-
1949	14	.003	.000	.000	.001	.001	.001	-	-	-	-	-	-
1948	15	.001	-	.000	.000	.000	.001	-	-	-	-	-	-
1947	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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