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VITAL STATISTICS — STATISTIQUE DE L'ÉTAT CIVIL

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Births — The 38,633 births registered in the 10 provincial vital statistics offices during December, 1959, brought the total number of records filed during the year to almost 489,000, about 3 p.c. higher than the number registered in the previous year. On the basis of these figures it is estimated that of this number an all-time record total of 486,000 infants will have been born during 1959 in the 10 provinces and the 2 Territories, as compared with a final total of 470,118 in 1958. All provinces contributed to the increase in the total crop of babies, with Ontario and Quebec contributing the lion's share.

As has been the case since 1953 more babies were born in Ontario in 1959 than in any other province, followed by Quebec, British Columbia and Alberta in that order.

The 1959 total brought the number of babies added to the population during the past 3 years alone to 1,425,000 as compared with 2,150,000 between the 1951 and 1956 Censuses, and about 2,200,000 between the end of World War II and the 1951 Census, or a total of over 5½ million since the end of World War II.

After having dropped drastically below 28 for the first time since the year 1953 to 27.6 in 1958, the birth rate (per 1,000 population) is estimated to have risen to 27.9 in 1959, with all provinces except New Brunswick and British Columbia showing a corresponding increase or no change (estimated for Quebec and Saskatchewan).

Marriages — Some 10,311 marriages were registered in provincial offices during December bringing the total for the year to within 3 p.c. of the 1958 total. A total of 127,000 of these are estimated to have occurred during 1959, the lowest number on record since 1951.

The marriage rate (per 1,000 population) has been declining gradually from the record 10.9 in 1946 and is estimated at a record low of 7.3 for 1959 as compared with 7.7 in 1958.

Deaths — Total deaths registered during 1959 were about 4.2 p.c. higher than in the previous year. Final returns may raise the figure to a record 141,000 with increases in virtually all provinces.

After having declined in 1958 for the first time, to less than 8 per 1,000 population the estimated crude death rate rose to 8.1 in 1959 with corresponding increases estimated for most provinces.

Summary of Principal Vital Statistics, 1947-1959 — Récapitulation des principales statistiques de l'état civil, 1947-1959

		'47	'48	'49	'50	'51	'52	'53	'54	'55	'56	'57	'58	(Est.) '59
(000's)														
Number — Nombre	Births — Naissances..	372.6	359.9	367.1	372.0	381.1	403.6	417.9	436.2	442.9	450.7	469.1	470.1	486.0
	Marriages — Mariages	130.4	126.1	124.1	125.1	128.4	128.5	131.0	128.6	128.0	132.7	133.2	131.5	127.0
	Deaths — Décès	121.5	123.0	124.6	124.2	125.8	126.4	127.8	124.9	128.5	132.0	136.6	135.2	141.0
Rates — Taux	Births — Naissances..	28.9	27.3	27.3	27.1	27.2	27.9	28.1	28.5	28.2	28.0	28.3	27.6	27.9
	Marriages — Mariages	10.1	9.6	9.2	9.1	9.2	8.9	8.8	8.4	8.2	8.3	8.0	7.7	7.3
	Deaths — Décès	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.9	8.1

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS, DECEMBER, 1959

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NAISSANCES, MARIAGES ET DÉCÈS, DÉCEMBRE, 1959

	December - Décembre			Year to date - Année à ce jour			
	1959	1958	3 year median - Médiane de 3 ans 1956-1958	1959	1958	Av.-Moy. 1956-58	% change from % de changement
							1958
BIRTHS - NAISSANCES							
Canada	38,633	35,787	34,521	488,984	473,854	465,046	+ 3.2 + 5.1
Newfoundland	1,073	650	902	15,092	14,573	14,818	+ 3.6 + 1.8
Prince Edward Island	236	222	206	2,722	2,558	2,617	+ 6.4 + 4.0
Nova Scotia	1,403	1,552	1,552	19,254	18,839	19,252	+ 2.2 (1)
New Brunswick	1,202	1,182	1,200	16,874	16,651	17,136	+ 1.3 - 1.5
Quebec	11,704	9,550	9,681	147,883	144,459	140,668	+ 2.4 + 5.1
Ontario	13,651	12,645	11,733	160,881	153,801	150,554	+ 4.6 + 6.9
Manitoba	1,779	1,761	1,761	23,240	21,995	22,309	+ 5.7 + 4.2
Saskatchewan	2,044	2,114	1,917	24,437	24,011	24,052	+ 1.8 + 1.6
Alberta	2,475	2,778	2,541	38,776	37,207	35,591	+ 4.2 + 8.9
British Columbia	3,066	3,333	3,089	39,825	39,760	38,049	+ 0.2 + 4.7
MARRIAGES - MARIAGES							
Canada	10,311	9,757	8,971	130,312	134,813	133,594	- 3.3 - 2.5
Newfoundland	237	147	225	3,123	3,022	3,108	+ 3.3 + 0.5
Prince Edward Island	44	48	48	635	616	630	+ 3.1 + 0.8
Nova Scotia	401	432	432	5,331	5,220	5,346	+ 2.1 - 0.3
New Brunswick	237	238	238	4,265	4,178	4,327	+ 2.1 - 1.4
Quebec	3,173	2,585	2,585	34,476	37,810	37,948	- 8.8 - 9.1
Ontario	3,594	3,659	2,997	46,972	48,195	46,705	- 2.5 + 0.6
Manitoba	414	457	427	6,661	6,432	6,561	+ 3.6 + 1.5
Saskatchewan	394	443	406	6,407	6,464	6,463	- 0.9 - 0.9
Alberta	850	874	691	10,450	10,353	10,221	+ 0.9 + 2.2
British Columbia	967	874	874	11,992	12,523	12,285	- 4.2 - 2.4
DEATHS - DÉCÈS							
Canada	12,477	11,740	11,398	139,338	133,700	133,782	+ 4.2 + 4.2
Newfoundland	204	119	175	2,987	3,043	2,965	- 1.8 + 0.7
Prince Edward Island	99	97	97	1,019	936	924	+ 8.9 + 10.3
Nova Scotia	466	601	588	6,410	6,127	6,009	+ 4.6 + 6.7
New Brunswick	362	353	377	4,860	4,573	4,684	+ 6.3 + 3.8
Quebec	3,251	3,090	3,081	35,060	33,912	34,514	+ 3.4 + 1.6
Ontario	4,713	4,475	4,239	51,528	49,146	49,032	+ 4.8 + 5.1
Manitoba	554	658	638	7,548	7,141	7,234	+ 5.7 + 4.3
Saskatchewan	570	575	575	6,922	6,557	6,656	+ 5.6 + 4.0
Alberta	912	620	512	8,720	8,422	8,159	+ 3.5 + 6.9
British Columbia	1,346	1,152	1,111	14,284	13,843	13,605	+ 3.2 + 5.0

(1) Less than 0.1 per cent increase - Moins de 0.1 p.c. d'augmentation

The figures shown represent the number of registrations filed in provincial vital statistics offices during the period under review, regardless of when the events actually occurred but exclude "delayed" registrations (events more than 12 months old). They will thus differ slightly from the final figures which will be tabulated in due course according to the actual month of occurrence and the province of residence.

Ces chiffres représentent le nombre d'enregistrements déposé aux bureaux provinciaux de l'état civil durant la période observée, indépendamment du mois de l'événement mais, à l'exclusion des enregistrements "différés" (événements datant de plus de 12 mois). Pour cette raison, ils différeront dans une certaine mesure des chiffres définitifs qui seront établis en temps et lieu selon le mois de l'événement et la province de domicile.