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**Live births, by age of mother, Canada, provinces and territories**  
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Geography, place of residence of mother <sup>a</sup>	Age of mother <sup>a</sup>	Characteristics <sup>a</sup>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
Yukon, place of residence of mother	Age of mother, all ages <sup>a</sup>	Number of live births	568	529	508	442	470	443	474	396	383	370	344	339	335	365	
		Percentage of live births	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Age of mother, under 15 years	Number of live births	2	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
		Percentage of live births	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Age of mother, 15 to 19 years	Number of live births	40	35	40	43	35	32	32	30	31	33	28	25	27	27	27
		Percentage of live births	7.0	6.6	7.9	9.7	7.4	7.2	6.8	7.6	8.1	8.9	8.1	7.4	8.1	7.4	7.4
	Age of mother, 20 to 24 years	Number of live births	129	118	110	86	102	95	90	82	68	70	77	68	70	87	87
		Percentage of live births	22.7	22.3	21.7	19.5	21.7	21.4	19.0	20.7	17.8	18.9	22.4	20.1	20.9	23.8	23.8
	Age of mother, 25 to 29 years	Number of live births	187	165	153	117	133	127	152	108	103	92	83	101	89	96	96
		Percentage of live births	32.9	31.2	30.1	26.5	28.3	28.7	32.1	27.3	26.9	24.9	24.1	29.8	26.6	26.3	26.3
	Age of mother, 30 to 34 years	Number of live births	145	136	133	121	138	122	125	101	101	96	98	84	94	102	102
		Percentage of live births	25.5	25.7	26.2	27.4	29.4	27.5	26.4	25.5	26.4	25.9	28.5	24.8	28.1	27.9	27.9
	Age of mother, 35 to 39 years	Number of live births	54	61	67	63	51	55	63	64	65	72	43	48	38	43	43
		Percentage of live births	9.5	11.5	13.2	14.3	10.9	12.4	13.3	16.2	17.0	19.5	12.5	14.2	11.3	11.8	11.8

Geography, place of residence of mother <sup>2</sup>	Age of mother <sup>3</sup>	Characteristics <sup>3</sup>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
	Age of mother, 40 to 44 years	Number of live births	10	11	4	12	10	11	12	11	14	7	14	12	17	6	
		Percentage of live births	1.8	2.1	0.8	2.7	2.1	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.7	1.9	4.1	3.5	5.1	1.6	
	Age of mother, 45 to 49 years	Number of live births	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
		Percentage of live births	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.1
	Age of mother, not stated <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Percentage of live births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Northwest Territories including Nunavut, place of residence of mother <sup>2</sup>	Age of mother, all ages <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births	1,634	1,554	1,559	1,580	1,613	1,562	1,468	1,348	1,396	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	..	..	..	..	..
	Age of mother, under 15 years	Number of live births	5	5	9	7	4	4	9	10	8	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 15 to 19 years	Number of live births	274	233	250	273	274	271	242	243	252	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	16.8	15.0	16.0	17.3	17.0	17.3	16.5	18.0	18.1	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 20 to 24 years	Number of live births	515	484	498	438	434	433	413	363	377	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	31.5	31.1	31.9	27.7	26.9	27.7	28.1	26.9	27.0	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 25 to 29 years	Number of live births	449	447	442	428	452	432	407	339	378	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	27.5	28.8	28.4	27.1	28.0	27.7	27.7	25.1	27.1	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 30 to 34 years	Number of live births	284	276	276	298	324	291	262	272	242	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	17.4	17.8	17.7	18.9	20.1	18.6	17.8	20.2	17.3	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 35 to 39 years	Number of live births	96	95	70	122	105	108	118	105	110	..	..	..	..	..	
		Percentage of live births	5.9	6.1	4.5	7.7	6.5	6.9	8.0	7.8	7.9	..	..	..	..	..	
	Age of mother, 40 to 44 years	Number of live births	11	14	12	13	18	22	17	12	26	..	..	..	..	..	

Geography, place of residence of mother <sup>3</sup>	Age of mother <sup>4</sup>	Characteristics <sup>5</sup>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
		Percentage of live births	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.2	0.9	1.9	..	..	..	..	..	
		Number of live births	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Age of mother, 45 to 49 years	Percentage of live births	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Age of mother, not stated <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	..	..	..	..	..
		Percentage of live births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	..	..	..	..	..
Northwest Territories, place of residence of mother <sup>4</sup>	Age of mother, all ages <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births										673	613	635	701	698	
		Percentage of live births											100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Age of mother, under 15 years	Number of live births											2	1	0	3	2
		Percentage of live births											0.3	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.3
	Age of mother, 15 to 19 years	Number of live births											82	69	72	69	84
		Percentage of live births											12.2	11.3	11.3	9.8	12.0
	Age of mother, 20 to 24 years	Number of live births											160	155	145	174	159
		Percentage of live births											23.8	25.3	22.8	24.8	22.8
	Age of mother, 25 to 29 years	Number of live births											173	154	185	169	195
		Percentage of live births											25.7	25.1	29.1	24.1	27.9
	Age of mother, 30 to 34 years	Number of live births											155	141	159	187	167
		Percentage of live births											23.0	23.0	25.0	26.7	23.9
	Age of mother, 35 to 39 years	Number of live births											85	78	62	80	76
		Percentage of live births											12.6	12.7	9.8	11.4	10.9
	Age of mother, 40 to 44 years	Number of live births											15	15	11	17	14
		Percentage of live births											2.2	2.4	1.7	2.4	2.0

Geography, place of residence of mother <sup>1</sup>	Age of mother <sup>2</sup>	Characteristics <sup>3</sup>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
	Age of mother, 45 to 49 years	Number of live births										1	0	1	2	1	
		Percentage of live births											0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1
	Age of mother, not stated <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births											0	0	0	0	0
		Percentage of live births											0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Nunavut, place of residence of mother	Age of mother, all ages <sup>1</sup>	Number of live births										727	710	726	758	747	
		Percentage of live births											100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Age of mother, under 15 years	Number of live births											7	5	6	4	1
		Percentage of live births											1.0	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.1
	Age of mother, 15 to 19 years	Number of live births											154	150	158	165	181
		Percentage of live births											21.2	21.1	21.8	21.8	24.2
	Age of mother, 20 to 24 years	Number of live births											223	238	237	236	237
		Percentage of live births											30.7	33.5	32.6	31.1	31.7
	Age of mother, 25 to 29 years	Number of live births											190	155	167	180	175
		Percentage of live births											26.1	21.8	23.0	23.7	23.4
	Age of mother, 30 to 34 years	Number of live births											106	102	103	120	97
		Percentage of live births											14.6	14.4	14.2	15.8	13.0
	Age of mother, 35 to 39 years	Number of live births											37	39	46	43	51
		Percentage of live births											5.1	5.5	6.3	5.7	6.8
	Age of mother, 40 to 44 years	Number of live births											8	15	9	8	4
		Percentage of live births											1.1	2.1	1.2	1.1	0.5
		Age of mother, 45 to 49 years	Number of live births										2	5	0	1	1

Geography, place of residence of mother <sup>1</sup>	Age of mother <sup>2</sup>	Characteristics <sup>3</sup>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
		Percentage of live births										0.3	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.1
	Age of mother, not stated <sup>4</sup>	Number of live births										0	1	0	1	0
		Percentage of live births										0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0

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## Footnotes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Vital Statistics, Birth Database
2. Live birth is the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, which, after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached.
3. Age of mother attained at the last birthday preceding delivery.
4. For confidentiality reasons, live births to mothers aged 50 and over are included in the category "Age of mother, not stated." Where information is unavailable on the birth mother of children who are adopted these records are included in the category "Age of mother, not stated."
5. The geographic distribution of live births in this table is based on the mother's usual place of residence.
6. Northwest Territories excluding Nunavut.
7. Unknown province or territory of residence of mother, refers to live births to mothers who are residents of Canada, with unknown province or territory of residence.
8. The following standard symbols are used in this Statistics Canada table: (..) for figures not available for a specific reference period, (...) for figures not applicable, and (x) for figures suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act.
9. Nunavut came into being officially as a Territory of Canada on April 1, 1999. Data for Nunavut and Northwest Territories are presented separately starting in the year 2000.
10. During the production of each year's birth/death/stillbirth statistics, data from previous years may be revised to reflect any updates or changes that have been received from the provincial and territorial vital statistics registrars.

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