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Live births, by marital status of mother, Canada, provinces and territories
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Geography, place of residence of mother ⁴	Marital status of mother ^{3, 5}	Characteristics ²	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Yukon, place of residence of mother	Total, marital status of mother	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
	Marital status of mother, single (never married)	Number of live births	209	184	211	176	207	187	211	169	178	170	174	167	173	192
		Percentage of live births	36.8	34.8	41.5	39.8	44.0	42.2	44.5	42.7	46.5	45.9	50.6	49.3	51.6	52.6
	Marital status of mother, married	Number of live births	339	325	282	248	244	241	248	208	192	187	156	167	147	164
		Percentage of live births	59.7	61.4	55.5	56.1	51.9	54.4	52.3	52.5	50.1	50.5	45.3	49.3	43.9	44.9
	Marital status of mother, widowed	Number of live births	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
		Percentage of live births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Marital status of mother, divorced	Number of live births	19	20	13	10	12	12	9	12	6	7	8	3	9	4
		Percentage of live births	3.3	3.8	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.7	1.9	3.0	1.6	1.9	2.3	0.9	2.7	1.1
	Marital status of mother, separated	Number of live births	1	0	0	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1
		Percentage of live births	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.3
	Marital status of mother, not stated	Number of live births	0	0	2	3	5	0	4	3	5	3	3	0	5	4
		Percentage of live births	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.0	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.0	1.5	1.1

Geography, place of residence of mother ⁴	Marital status of mother ^{3, 5}	Characteristics ²	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
		Percentage of live births										0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	
	Marital status of mother, divorced	Number of live births										2	8	9	13	8	
		Percentage of live births											0.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	1.1
	Marital status of mother, separated	Number of live births											1	2	8	9	6
		Percentage of live births											0.1	0.3	1.3	1.3	0.9
	Marital status of mother, not stated	Number of live births											25	22	52	81	93
		Percentage of live births											3.7	3.6	8.2	11.6	13.3
	Nunavut, place of residence of mother	Total, marital status of mother	Number of live births										727	710	726	758	747
			Percentage of live births											100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
		Marital status of mother, single (never married)	Number of live births											528	524	501	522
Percentage of live births													72.6	73.8	69.0	68.9	68.9
Marital status of mother, married		Number of live births											179	143	177	175	174
		Percentage of live births											24.6	20.1	24.4	23.1	23.3
Marital status of mother, widowed		Number of live births											0	2	5	1	2
		Percentage of live births											0.0	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.3
Marital status of mother, divorced		Number of live births											3	2	1	3	2
		Percentage of live births											0.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.3
Marital status of mother, separated		Number of live births											1	3	8	4	7
		Percentage of live births											0.1	0.4	1.1	0.5	0.9
Marital status of mother, not stated		Number of live births											16	36	34	53	47
		Percentage of live births											2.2	5.1	4.7	7.0	6.3

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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. Marital status of mother refers to her legal conjugal status at the time of the birth. Persons in common-law relationships are assigned to their legal marital status category. A single person is one who has never been married, or a person whose marriage has been annulled and who has not remarried. A separated person is legally married but is not living with his or her spouse because the couple no longer wants to live together. A divorced person is one who has obtained a legal divorce and has not remarried. A married person is one who is legally married and not separated. A person whose spouse has died and who has not remarried is widowed.
4. The geographic distribution of live births in this table is based on the mother's usual place of residence.
5. Northwest Territories excluding Nunavut.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. Partway through 2003, Alberta Registries amended their Registration of Birth form in such a way that Statistics Canada can no longer determine the legal marital status of those persons in common-law marriages.
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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