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Mean age of mother at time of delivery (live births), Canada, provinces and territories

annual (years)

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Geography, place of residence of mother ⁴	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Yukon, place of residence of mother	29.2	28.9	29.2	29.0	29.0	29.1	30.1	29.9	29.8
Northwest Territories, place of residence of mother ⁵	27.8	27.7	27.8	27.9	28.0	27.8	28.1	28.2	28.3
Nunavut, place of residence of mother	24.7	24.6	24.7	24.4	25.1	24.6	24.6	24.9	24.7

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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. Mean age of mother for Canada, a province or a territory is calculated by summing the mothers' ages at their last birthday preceding delivery and then dividing the sum by the total number of live births in that jurisdiction. To estimate mid-year mean age, a statistic often used in analyses, add 0.5 to the mean age in this table.
- 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. Includes 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. 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.
- 9. 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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