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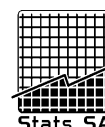
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## KEY FINDINGS

***THE NUMBER OF OFFICIALLY RECORDED MARRIAGES IN SOUTH AFRICA DURING 1999 WAS 155 807, AN INCREASE OF 6,2% COMPARED TO THE 1998 FIGURE OF 146 741. FOR DIVORCES, A LOWER RELATIVE INCREASE WAS OBSERVED. THE NUMBER OF RECORDED DIVORCES INCREASED BY 3,6%, FROM 35 792 IN 1998 TO 37 098 IN 1999.***

### Introduction

The marriage and divorce statistics covered in this release are for those marriages and divorces that were recorded by the civil registration system in 1999, and therefore excludes marriages solemnised under customary and certain religious rites during the year. Past legislation on the registration of marriages and divorces in South Africa resulted in customary and certain religious marriages and divorces being excluded from the civil registration system. With the enactment of the Recognition of Customary Marriages Act 120 of 1998 and its subsequent implementation on 15 November 2000, the civil registration system now recognises and records those marriages solemnised under customary rites. However, these statistics will only get included in official statistics for the year 2000 and beyond (post-implementation date). Furthermore, in order to align past legislation with the new constitution, the South African Law Commission (SALC) has undertaken an investigation with a view to recognising Islamic marriages (discussed in SALC document Issue Paper 15, Project 59). When these marriages finally get recognised, they will also be included in official statistics.

Understandably, when a large number of marriages are not recognised and are not reported, the reported numbers would only be a proportion of the true numbers that do occur. Under these circumstances, the best estimate available for the total number of all existing marriages in South Africa is the census. According to the 1996 census, traditional marriages comprise 32,2% of all marriages and 46,5% of all African marriages. For provinces with large African and rural populations, the proportions of traditional marriages are high; 46,9% in Eastern Cape, 47,1% in Mpumalanga and 63,7% in Limpopo. On the other hand, the proportions of traditional marriages are low in Northern Cape (3,9%) and in Western Cape (7,4%). The statistics reported here are therefore referring specifically to marriages and divorces registered through the civil registration system during 1999 and not all marriages and divorces that took place in South Africa during the year.

### Officially recorded marriages

***The crude rate for registered marriages in South Africa during 1999 was 354,8 per 100 000 of the population. Provincially, the Western Cape had the highest crude rate for registered marriages, 595,6 per 100 000, while KwaZulu-Natal had the lowest crude rate, 165,5 per 100 000.***

The crude rate for registered marriages for South Africa in 1999 was 354,8 per 100 000 of the population. Figure 1 shows the breakdown of crude rate for registered marriages by province. The figure shows that, Western Cape had the highest crude marriage rate (595,6 per 100 000), followed by Gauteng (523,1 per 100 000), and Free State (480,7 per 100 000). The lowest crude marriage rate was for the KwaZulu-Natal (165,5 per 100 000).

### Officially recorded marriages by way of solemnisation

***In 1999, 45,3% of the officially recorded marriages was solemnised under civil. Provincially, the Western Cape had the highest number of marriages solemnised under religious ceremony and Gauteng had the highest number of marriages solemnised under civil.***

In 1999, 45,3% of the officially recorded marriages was solemnised under civil. A breakdown of the way of solemnisation by province for 1999 shows that in some provinces, more marriages were solemnised under civil than by means of a religious ceremony while for other provinces it is the reverse. As shown in Figure 2, for the Free State, North West, Gauteng, Mpumalanga and Limpopo, more marriages were solemnised under civil than under religious ceremony. However, in Northern Cape Province, Western Cape, Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal more marriages were solemnised by religious ceremony in 1999.

## **Age at first marriage for officially recorded marriages**

***For registered marriages in South Africa, the median age at first marriages in 1999 was 33,7 years for males and 29,5 years for females.***

The age at first marriage is important, as it has an influence on the timing of childbearing, the number of years exposed to childbearing (in communities where childbearing starts with the formation of marital union) and ultimately on fertility. For registered marriages in South Africa, the median age at first marriages in 1999 was 33,7 years for males and 29,5 years for females. Figure 3, shows the age distribution of male and female at the time of first marriage to be single-peaked but skewed towards the younger adult ages. The peak number of first marriages for both male and female occurred in the age group 25-29. For ages below the peak age group, more females got married than males while for ages above the peak age group, more males got married than females. This suggests that for most first marriages, females got married to males older than themselves.

## **Officially recorded divorces**

***In 1999, 37 098 divorces were officially recorded in South Africa. The crude rate for registered divorces in SA during 1999 was 83,4 per 100 000 of the population. Provincially, Gauteng had the highest crude rate for registered divorces, 181,2 per 100 000, while Limpopo had the lowest, 19,2 per 100 000.***

In 1999, 27 522 officially recorded divorces were for couples from the same population group, while 357 divorces were for couples from different population groups and 9 219 were for couples who did not specify their population group. The crude rate for registered divorces in SA during 1999 was 83,4 per 100 000 of the population. Provincially, Gauteng had the highest crude rate for registered divorces, 181,2 per 100 000, while Limpopo had the lowest, 19,2 per 100 000. For population groups, whites had the highest crude rate for registered divorces, 329,5 per 100 000, while Africans had the lowest, 20,6 per 100 000.

A more refined rate for measuring divorces is the modified divorce rate. This rate relates the number of registered divorces to the exposed population, which in this case is the married population. For South Africa as a whole, the modified rate of registered divorces in 1999 was 660,4 per 100 000 married couples. Figure 5 shows modified divorce rates by province. The provinces with the highest modified divorce rates were: Gauteng (1 253,3 per 100 000 married couples), followed by Western Cape (1 140,3 per 100 000 married couples) and Northern Cape (797,7 per 100 000 married couples). Limpopo had the lowest modified divorce rate at 143,4 per 100 000 married couples.

Figure 6 shows officially recorded divorces by way of solemnisation of the marriage by population group for 1999. For whites and coloureds more marriages were solemnised under religious ceremony than by civil. However, for Africans and Indians/Asians, more marriages were solemnised under civil registration than under religious marriages. The higher number of civil marriages among Africans and Indians/Asians can partly be attributed to the non-recognition of their respective customary, traditional and religious rites of marriage. This means that for a marriage to be recognised the couple would have had to have their marriage registered through the civil registration system even if they had contracted a customary/ religious marriage prior to this.

## **Age patterns of registered divorces among the different population groups**

***The 1999 data on divorces shows that among white and Indian/Asian males, the number of registered divorces remains high, especially between the age group 30-34 years.***

Figure 7 shows the age pattern of registered divorces for males by population group for 1999. From the Figure, it can be seen that for whites, divorces begin early, rising at ages 20-24 years, peaking at 30-34 years, and thereafter gradually declining with age. For African males, the age pattern of divorces show a rapid rise from ages 25-29 years, peaking at 35-39 years and thereafter declining with age. For Indian/Asian males, the age pattern of divorces manifests a broad peak over the age range 25-39 years. For coloureds, the age pattern of divorces exhibits an early rise, reaching up to a broad peak in the age range 30-39 years and thereafter steadily declining with age. Comparatively, the age patterns of registered divorces manifest a sharp peak for both whites and Africans and a broad peak for coloureds and Indians/Asians.

### **Divorces by duration of marriage prior to the divorce**


*For registered divorces in South Africa, highest percentage of divorces occurs for marriages lasting between 5-9 years of marriage, 28,1%, followed by those lasting between 0-4 years.*

For South Africa as a whole, 83,3% of all the registered divorces is for marriages lasting less than 20 years. The highest percentage of divorces occurs for marriages lasting between 5-9 years of marriage, 28,1%, followed by those lasting between 0-4 years. Of the registered divorces occurring among Africans during 1999, 31,1% were for marriages that had lasted 5-9 years and 18,7% were for marriages that had lasted 0-4 years. This divorce peak at 5-9 years of marriage is found among all the other population groups except for whites, where the peak number of divorces is for marriages lasting 0-4 years, as shown in Figure 8. The Figure also shows the number of divorces according to the duration of marriage prior to the divorce by population group.

### **Minor children involved in registered divorces**

*The officially registered divorces in 1999 of 35 711 involved 45 360 minor children.*

The officially registered divorces in 1999 of 35 711 involved 45 360 minor children. Figure 9 shows the breakdown of the number of minor children affected by registered divorces in 1999, by population group. The numbers of children who were affected by divorce were 9 136, for marriages involving African couples; 15 590, for marriages involving white couples; 2 814, for marriages involving Indian/Asian couples and 5 955, for marriages involving coloured couples. The number of minor children affected by divorces of the couples from different population groups was 356 and the number of minor children affected by divorces of couples from unspecified population group was 11 509.



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## **Collection and compilation of data on marriages**

Marriage officers obtain data on marriages from the marriage certificates that are submitted to the Department of Home Affairs. Most often magistrates, justices of peace, commissioners and ministers of religion serve as marriage officers, although other public service employees may also be designated to serve in such capacities. Marriages solemnised in courts are classed under civil marriages and are recorded by the Department of Home Affairs within three days of solemnisation of any marriage. However, as of the 1 June 1996 no magistrate or designated persons from the Department of Justice solemnised marriages. The solemnisation of marriages is now conducted by the Department of Home Affairs. Data capture of the marriage details is subsequently carried out at the Department of Home Affairs. Details of the bride and bridegroom are recorded together with the religious denomination of the officiating minister. At the coding of data stage, codes are assigned only to the religious denominations with significant numbers of marriages.

## **Collection and compilation of data on divorces**

Stats SA, through registrars of the twelve Supreme Courts, administers the divorce form. Data capture and editing are carried out at Stats SA. In addition to other relevant information, the divorce form seeks information on how the marriage had been solemnised. Prior to the 1998 passing of the Recognition of Customary Marriages Act 120 of 1998 the divorce form only recognised “religious” and “civil” as ways of solemnisation of the marriage. Undocumented cases of abandonment do not appear in the statistics nor does divorces that have been granted by religious or traditional authorities outside the civil courts.

## **Clarity on the choice of explanatory variables included in the report**

The heterogeneity of the South African society, makes it necessary to distinguish between global (national) effects and effects that apply specifically to certain population subgroups. For this reason, the divorce data is disaggregated into different relevant variables such as province, duration of marriage, marital status at time of marriage, occupation of spouse at time of divorce, population group, number of minor children etc.

Of all the above variables, the relevance of population group is persistently questioned. The Department of Home Affairs does not collect information on this variable in the marriage statistics or in its other statistics (as at 1999). The divorce form however, still collects information on this variable for the purposes of informing policy. As coverage among Africans is still relatively low, it is necessary to keep the population variable in order to monitor the progress made in improving coverage.

There is, however, a section of the population that chooses not to be placed in any population group by not filling in the question on population group. Previously, imputation was applied to cases where population groups were omitted. This entailed using the names reported and other available characteristics to decipher the likely population group. This practice has been discontinued since the 1995 marriages and divorces report. The report carries in its summary marriages between people of different population groups and marriages where the population group is not specified, respectively categorised as mixed and unspecified.

## **Notes and Concepts**

### ***Clarification on the way of solemnisation of marriage***

“Civil” marriages refer to all marriages solemnised in courts either by a magistrate or designated marriage officer. However, as of the 1 June 1996 no magistrate or designated persons from the Department of Justice solemnised marriages. The solemnisation of marriages is now conducted by the Department of Home Affairs.

The category “Religious” refers to marriages that were solemnised under Christian or Jewish and Hebrew rites. It excludes customary, traditional marriages, and certain religious rites, especially that of Islamic marriages. Once these unrecognised marriages are recognised by law and recorded then the use of the category ‘religious’ would be representative of the way marriages are solemnised in South Africa.

In cases where the religious denomination is not known or when the church description is vague, these are coded as ‘unspecified’. In some of these cases only the name of the town or place where the marriages was registered is indicated.

## **Definitions**

**Crude rate:** A 'crude rate' has a specific and general meaning. In its specific meaning, it refers to the general rate for the total population of an area. More generally, however, it may be used to refer to the general rate for any population group in an area such as the male population, the population of a province or the urban population of a country.

**Crude rate for registered marriages** is expressed as the number of registered marriages per 100 000 of the population.

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**Modified divorce rate:** The modified divorce rate is calculated as:

$$d_{mar} = \frac{D}{P_f}$$

Where:

$d_{mar}$  = Divorce rate for married couples in a given year

$D$  = Number of divorces in a given year

$P_f$  = Number of married persons who are female

The modified crude divorce rate is used to denote the divorce rate based on the number of married couples. In intercensal years it is difficult to obtain a good estimate of the denominator. The denominator is usually obtained by either averaging the number of male and female, or by using one or the other. For the calculating of the modified crude divorce rate in this report the number of married persons who are female was used as the denominator.

#### **SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

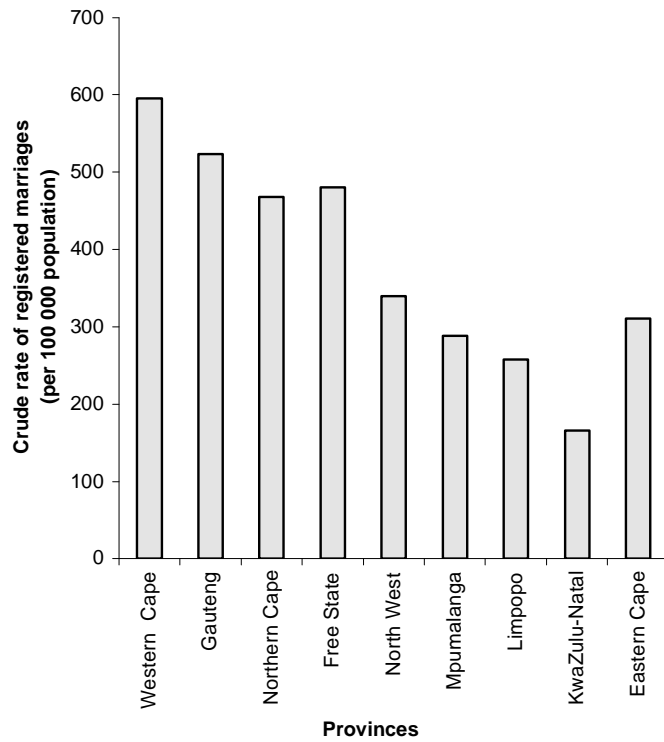
- = Nil or not applicable

+ = A plus sign after a figure denotes 'and over', therefore 50+ means 50 and over

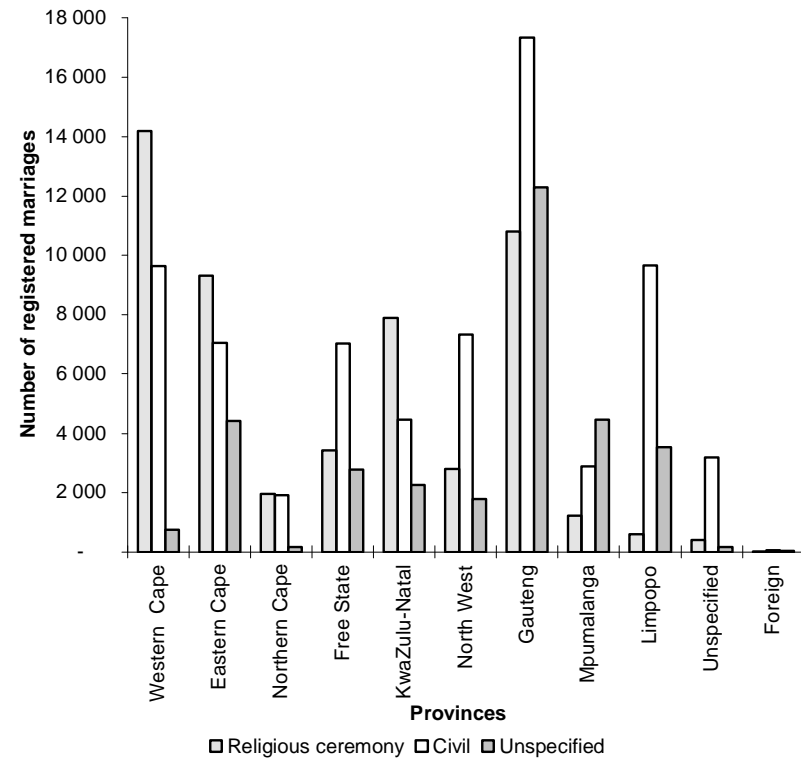
< = This sign before a figure denotes 'less than', therefore <20 means less than 20

UNSPEC = Unspecified

**Figure 1: Crude rate of registered marriages by provinces, South Africa, 1999.**

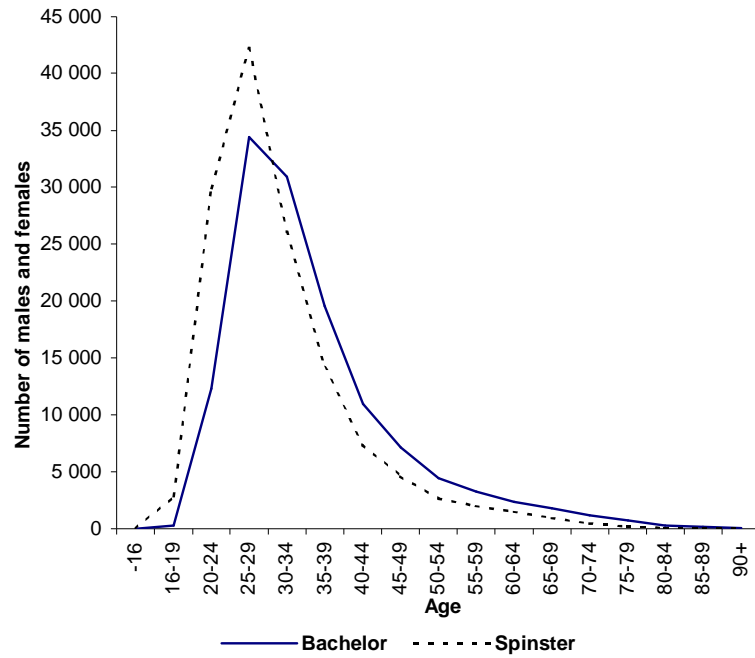


**Figure 2: Registered marriages in provinces by way of solemnisation, South Africa, 1999.**

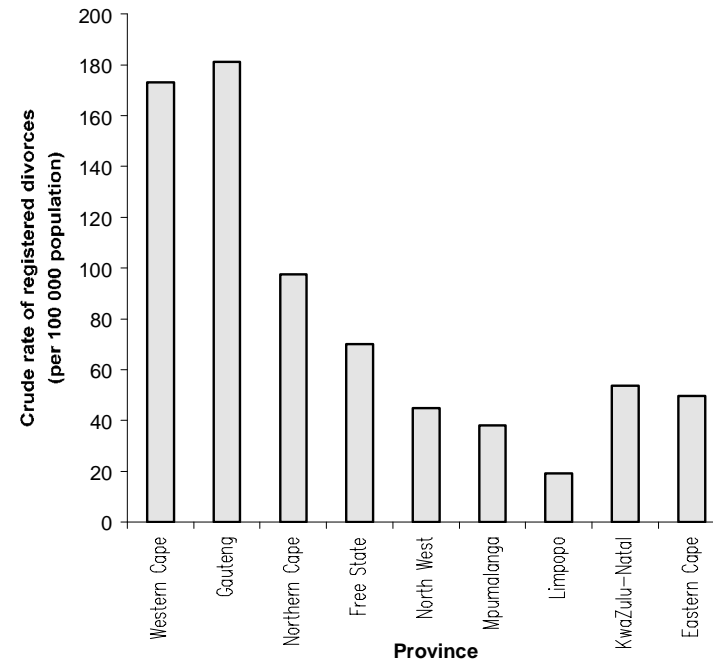


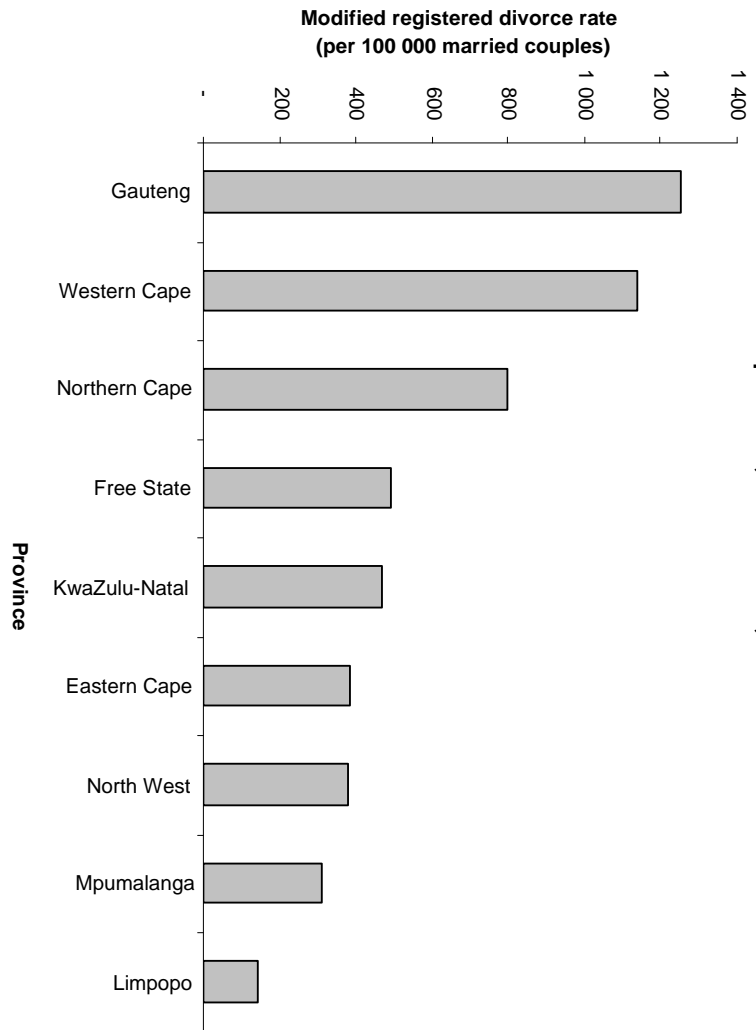


**Figure 3: Age at marriage for registered first marriages, South Africa, 1999**



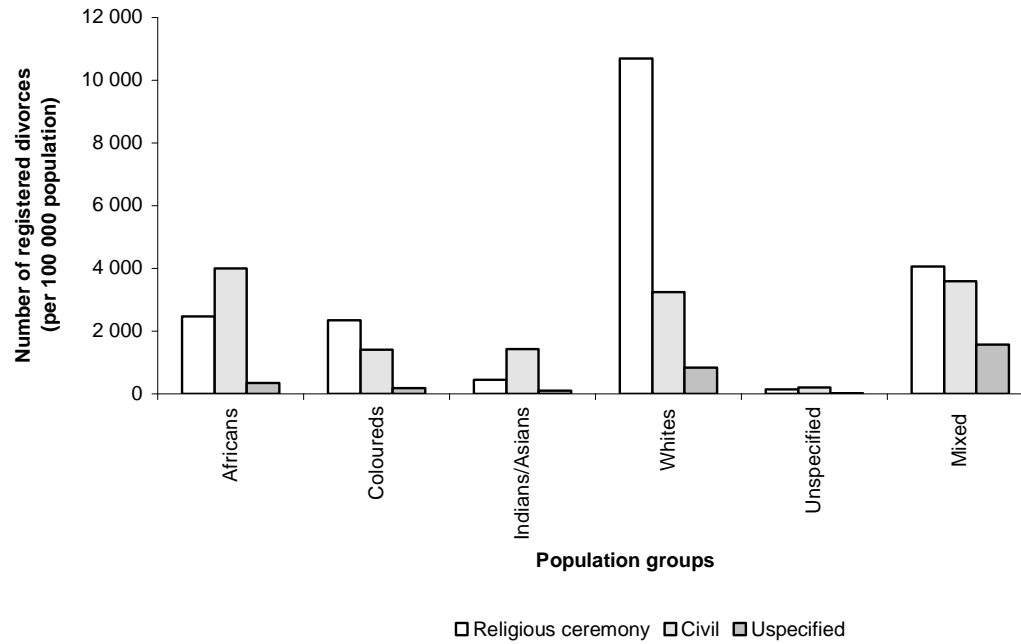
**Figure 4: Crude rate of registered divorces by province, SA, 1999.**



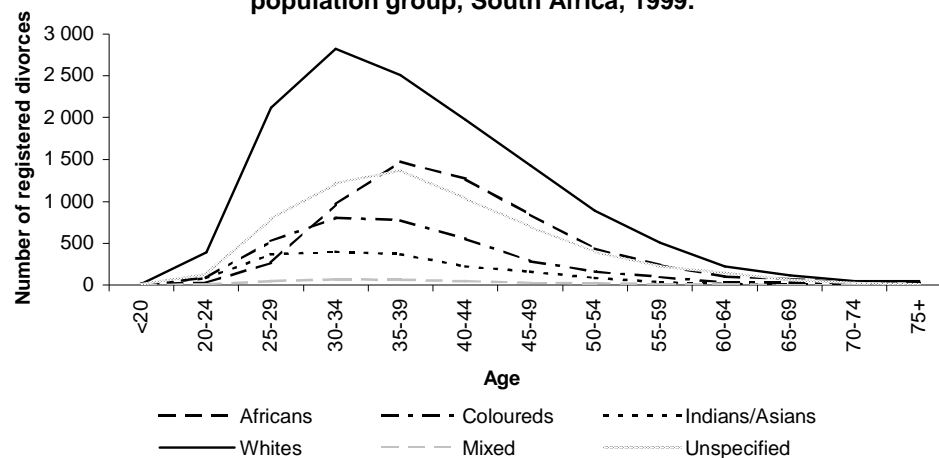


**Figure 5: Modified divorce rates per 100 000 married couples by province, South Africa, 1999**

**Figure 6: Registered divorces among the different population groups by way of solemnisation of marriage, South Africa, 1999.**



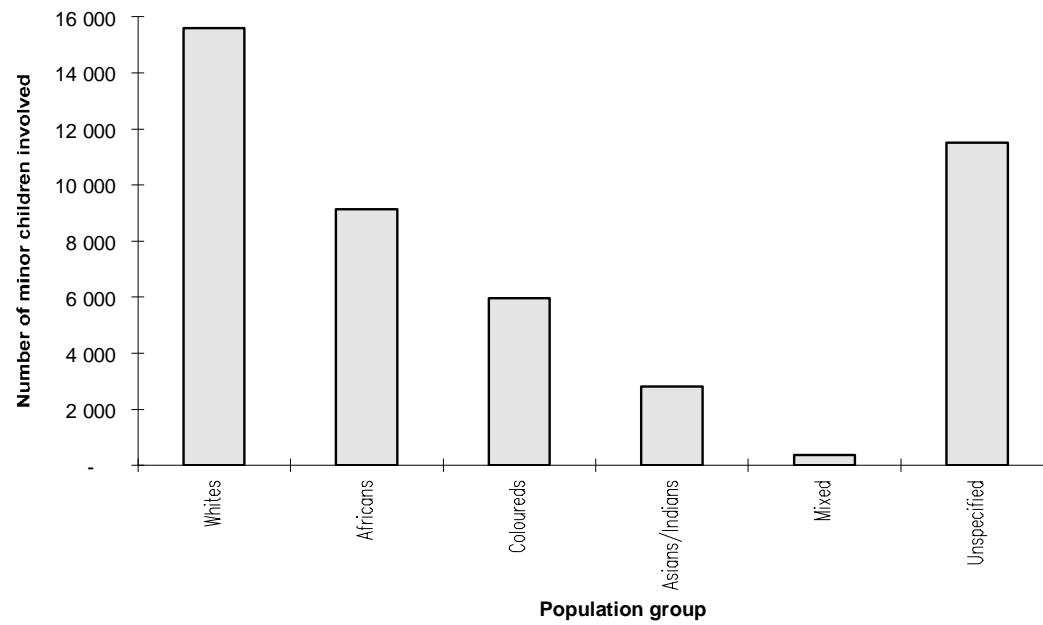
**Figure 7: Age pattern of registered divorces for males by population group, South Africa, 1999.**



**Figure 8: Number of registered divorces by duration of marriage for the different population groups, South Africa, 1999.**



**Figure 9: Number of minor children involved in registered divorces among the different population groups, South Africa, 1999.**



**1. MARRIAGES**

**1.1 AGE OF BRIDEGROOM AND BRIDE BY MARITAL STATUS AT THE TIME OF MARRIAGE**

AGE GROUP	MARITAL STATUS AT THE TIME OF MARRIAGE									
	BRIDEGROOM					BRIDE				
	TOTAL	BACHELOR	WIDOWER	DIVORCEE	UNSPEC	TOTAL	SPINSTER	WIDOW	DIVORCEE	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	155 807	129 715	6 006	2 969	17 117	155 807	134 944	3 493	2 903	14 467
<b>AVERAGE AGE</b>	36,53	35,25	42,59	55,21	40,84	32,19	31,04	42,48	47,67	37,30
<b>MEDIAN AGE</b>	33,66	32,39	41,54	55,59	39,37	29,48	28,61	41,70	46,26	36,93
-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16-19	265	265	0	0	0	2 868	2 849	3	0	16
20-24	12 430	12 306	35	6	83	30 459	29 910	22	28	499
25-29	36 072	34 385	142	57	1 488	44 749	42 213	39	177	2 320
30-34	34 999	30 926	734	164	3 175	30 284	26 053	368	339	3 524
35-39	25 246	19 565	1 530	239	3 912	18 528	14 187	903	378	3 060
40-44	15 921	10 969	1 380	296	3 276	10 955	7 394	935	397	2 229
45-49	10 581	7 130	967	312	2 172	6 976	4 629	640	376	1 331
50-54	6 843	4 429	644	329	1 441	4 076	2 628	349	305	794
55-59	4 796	3 243	388	373	792	2 767	1 971	143	260	393
60-64	3 213	2 326	100	348	439	1 948	1 468	50	260	170
65-69	2 355	1 792	43	337	183	1 236	928	19	204	85
70-74	1 552	1 187	19	252	94	598	442	15	108	33
75-79	920	709	12	153	46	229	162	5	53	9
80-84	387	294	10	73	10	95	77	0	16	2
85-89	183	150	1	27	5	35	30	1	2	2
90+	44	39	1	3	1	4	3	1	0	0

**1. MARRIAGES****1.2 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	155 807	52 630	70 544	32 633
WESTERN CAPE	24 579	14 195	9 630	754
EASTERN CAPE	20 787	9 319	7 057	4 411
NORTHERN CAPE	4 042	1 948	1 919	175
FREE STATE	13 208	3 418	7 025	2 765
KWAZULU-NATAL	14 612	7 899	4 452	2 261
NORTH WEST	11 919	2 811	7 329	1 779
GAUTENG	40 432	10 803	17 329	12 300
MPUMALANGA	8 574	1 228	2 891	4 455
LIMPOPO	13 791	587	9 666	3 538
UNSPECIFIED	3 763	410	3 195	158
MARRIAGE NOT SOLEMNISED IN SA	100	12	51	37

**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.1 AFRICAN**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	6 823	2 465	4 002	356
WESTERN CAPE	207	124	78	5
EASTERN CAPE	743	379	330	34
NORTHERN CAPE	106	54	46	6
FREE STATE	611	306	260	45
KWAZULU-NATAL	817	632	145	40
NORTH WEST	517	171	324	22
GAUTENG	2 813	597	2 077	139
MPUMALANGA	315	64	229	22
LIMPOPO	486	56	397	33
FOREIGN	1	1	0	0
UNSPECIFIED	207	81	116	10



**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.2 COLOURED**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	3 938	2 355	1 414	169
WESTERN CAPE	1 891	1 191	630	70
EASTERN CAPE	569	370	172	27
NORTHERN CAPE	258	157	88	13
FREE STATE	80	47	21	12
KWAZULU-NATAL	262	127	118	17
NORTH WEST	46	24	21	1
GAUTENG	595	296	279	20
MPUMALANGA	15	8	7	0
LIMPOPO	14	3	10	1
FOREIGN	0	0	0	0
UNSPECIFIED	208	132	68	8

**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.3 INDIAN/ ASIAN**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	1 976	453	1 421	102
WESTERN CAPE	93	20	71	2
EASTERN CAPE	68	24	39	5
NORTHERN CAPE	2	1	1	0
FREE STATE	6	2	3	1
KWAZULU-NATAL	1 492	300	1 120	72
NORTH WEST	4	3	1	0
GAUTENG	253	86	149	18
MPUMALANGA	9	3	6	0
LIMPOPO	6	2	3	1
FOREIGN	0	0	0	0
UNSPECIFIED	43	12	28	3

**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.4 WHITE**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	14 785	10 696	3 241	848
WESTERN CAPE	1 526	1 088	362	76
EASTERN CAPE	1 056	753	236	67
NORTHERN CAPE	227	167	33	27
FREE STATE	974	743	143	88
KWAZULU-NATAL	1 699	1 177	460	62
NORTH WEST	721	551	120	50
GAUTENG	7 101	5 119	1 609	373
MPUMALANGA	684	510	124	50
LIMPOPO	387	289	69	29
FOREIGN	8	7	1	0
UNSPECIFIED	402	292	84	26

**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.5 MIXED**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	357	138	204	15
WESTERN CAPE	55	22	31	2
EASTERN CAPE	29	15	14	0
NORTHERN CAPE	8	2	5	1
FREE STATE	11	7	3	1
KWAZULU-NATAL	54	21	31	2
NORTH WEST	20	11	9	0
GAUTENG	140	42	91	7
MPUMALANGA	9	4	5	0
LIMPOPO	7	4	3	0
FOREIGN	0	0	0	0
UNSPECIFIED	24	10	12	2

**2. DIVORCES****2.1 PROVINCE BY WAY OF SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE BY POPULATION GROUP****2.1.6 UNSPECIFIED**

PROVINCE	TOTAL	WAY OF SOLEMNISATION		
		RELIGIOUS	CIVIL	UNSPECIFIED
<b>TOTAL</b>	9 219	4 070	3 587	1 562
WESTERN CAPE	3 371	1 755	1 422	194
EASTERN CAPE	852	447	241	164
NORTHERN CAPE	242	100	65	77
FREE STATE	247	138	49	60
KWAZULU-NATAL	417	222	150	45
NORTH WEST	266	97	147	22
GAUTENG	3 103	978	1 254	871
MPUMALANGA	100	38	46	16
LIMPOPO	127	43	68	16
FOREIGN	6	1	0	5
UNSPECIFIED	488	251	145	92

**2. DIVORCES**

**2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.2.1 AFRICAN**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	6 823	15	29	267	967	1 476	1 270	841	434	238	101	71	26	24	1 064
0-4	1 277	3	14	162	325	298	150	79	37	18	8	4	6	2	171
5-9	2 125	0	2	85	477	623	331	177	68	35	14	10	5	6	292
10-14	1 462	3	1	7	117	415	382	155	59	32	21	11	3	6	250
15-19	959	3	1	5	11	102	311	218	79	40	12	12	3	5	157
20-24	463	4	8	1	3	3	70	157	78	32	20	5	1	1	80
25-29	212	0	2	2	2	1	3	33	76	43	8	9	1	2	30
30-34	79	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	23	23	10	4	0	0	12
35-39	38	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	10	7	5	1	1	9
40-44	17	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	6	3	1	3
45-49	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	1	0	3
50+	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	179	2	1	5	25	32	19	19	13	4	0	0	2	0	57

**2. DIVORCES**

**2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.2.2 COLOURED**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	3 938	2	90	526	803	776	555	287	160	96	33	31	9	5	565
0-4	802	2	67	258	194	79	43	28	23	5	3	2	1	2	95
5-9	1 100	0	17	229	352	200	87	33	20	14	4	4	2	1	137
10-14	831	0	1	16	227	286	100	39	16	10	4	5	1	1	125
15-19	544	0	2	3	13	170	179	52	21	10	5	2	2	0	85
20-24	301	0	1	2	2	17	117	79	24	9	1	2	0	0	47
25-29	156	0	1	2	1	1	14	50	29	19	5	1	2	0	31
30-34	55	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	14	19	3	2	1	0	10
35-39	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	7	3	4	0	0	5
40-44	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	4
45-49	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	0
50+	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	106	0	1	16	11	21	14	3	11	3	0	2	0	0	24

2. DIVORCES

2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP

2.2.3 INDIAN/ ASIAN

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	1 976	5	84	365	400	370	221	162	88	36	16	8	7	3	211
0-4	464	0	71	181	92	41	13	10	11	2	0	0	0	0	43
5-9	497	0	11	161	158	71	25	10	5	4	2	0	0	0	50
10-14	396	0	0	15	119	142	47	23	8	1	0	1	0	0	40
15-19	268	1	0	1	16	98	87	33	4	0	0	0	0	0	28
20-24	151	4	1	0	1	12	38	53	16	5	0	0	1	0	20
25-29	84	0	0	1	1	0	6	30	24	7	2	0	0	2	11
30-34	39	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	15	11	4	2	0	1	4
35-39	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	4	2	0	0	2
40-44	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	4	0	1
45-49	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
50+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	49	0	1	6	12	5	4	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	12



**2. DIVORCES**

**2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.2.4 WHITE**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	14 785	19	396	2 117	2 819	2 509	1 976	1 434	889	502	226	117	51	45	1 685
0-4	4 399	16	346	1 218	858	536	379	238	137	91	60	28	19	26	447
5-9	3 926	2	30	785	1 262	636	335	212	121	60	31	21	8	7	416
10-14	2 246	0	3	45	565	741	284	145	81	50	16	11	6	3	296
15-19	1 637	1	3	3	56	496	523	188	86	52	13	9	5	2	200
20-24	1 003	0	3	2	8	28	369	337	82	32	13	6	0	1	122
25-29	685	0	1	5	3	1	34	264	230	59	8	6	0	1	73
30-34	314	0	1	2	3	4	0	7	122	103	24	3	0	0	45
35-39	106	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	43	29	8	1	1	16
40-44	44	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	20	14	2	3	3
45-49	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4	0	4
50+	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	1	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	403	0	9	57	64	67	49	41	24	11	11	4	3	0	63

**2. DIVORCES**

**2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.2.5 MIXED**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	357	1	9	48	70	64	45	28	24	6	8	4	2	1	47
0-4	107	0	7	28	30	15	4	7	3	0	2	1	1	1	8
5-9	117	0	2	16	33	31	11	4	4	0	3	0	0	0	13
10-14	45	0	0	2	4	11	9	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	10
15-19	35	1	0	0	2	6	11	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	6
20-24	22	0	0	0	0	0	7	3	4	0	2	1	1	0	4
25-29	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	2	1	0	0	0	1
30-34	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
35-39	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
40-44	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
45-49	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
50+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	13	0	0	2	1	1	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	2

2. DIVORCES

2.2 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY AGE OF HUSBAND BY POPULATION GROUP

2.2.6 UNSPECIFIED

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	AGE OF HUSBAND													
		<20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL</b>	9 219	11	128	790	1 216	1 369	1 035	697	395	223	146	63	24	8	3 114
0-4	2 161	5	105	444	343	222	120	100	46	34	24	12	5	1	700
5-9	2 656	1	15	312	561	421	196	100	57	37	23	8	4	3	918
10-14	1 661	1	4	16	240	440	250	81	51	24	15	9	2	3	525
15-19	1 189	1	1	1	34	232	275	147	59	31	18	6	2	0	382
20-24	658	2	0	1	5	16	141	157	62	14	12	3	2	0	243
25-29	348	1	1	3	1	1	12	90	69	26	9	4	3	0	128
30-34	162	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	39	35	16	8	2	0	58
35-39	56	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	12	15	6	1	0	19
40-44	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	1	1	7
45-49	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
50+	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	304	0	2	13	31	37	41	17	11	10	5	5	0	0	132

**2. DIVORCES**

**2.3 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.3.1 AFRICAN**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL MINOR CHILDREN</b>	9 136	0	1 815	3 306	2 403	988	345	162	84	24	9	0	0
<b>TOTAL DIVORCES</b>	6 823	1 013	1 815	1 653	801	247	69	27	12	3	1	0	1 182
0-4	1 277	278	430	169	57	6	0	3	1	1	0	0	332
5-9	2 125	300	683	562	206	47	6	4	1	1	1	0	314
10-14	1 462	146	326	487	235	61	25	5	3	0	0	0	174
15-19	959	92	173	250	194	85	21	7	4	1	0	0	132
20-24	463	73	97	90	65	32	11	6	2	0	0	0	87
25-34	212	41	41	44	23	7	2	1	1	0	0	0	52
30-34	79	28	17	7	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	22
35-39	38	16	6	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
40-44	17	4	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
45-49	11	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
50+	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	179	33	37	39	15	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	46

**2. DIVORCES**

**2.3 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.3.2 COLOURED**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL MINOR CHILDREN</b>	5 955	0	1 152	2 348	1 551	684	115	48	7	8	27	15	0
<b>TOTAL DIVORCES</b>	3 938	482	1 152	1 174	517	171	23	8	1	1	3	1	405
0-4	802	152	343	123	30	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	147
5-9	1 100	117	417	372	83	19	2	1	0	0	0	1	88
10-14	831	53	153	347	179	53	5	0	0	0	1	0	40
15-19	544	33	84	183	145	54	9	4	1	0	0	0	31
20-24	301	31	58	87	60	31	5	3	0	0	0	0	26
25-34	156	37	56	24	5	4	2	0	0	1	0	0	27
30-34	55	24	10	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
35-39	22	11	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
40-44	12	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
45-49	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
50+	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	106	17	26	30	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	18



**2. DIVORCES**

**2.3 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.3.4 WHITES**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL MINOR CHILDREN</b>	15 590	0	3 654	7 738	3 210	704	105	12	21	16	45	85	0
<b>TOTAL DIVORCES</b>	14 785	3 263	3 654	3 869	1 070	176	21	2	3	2	5	7	2 713
0-4	4 399	1 580	1 107	320	50	6	0	0	0	0	5	1	1 330
5-9	3 926	784	1 223	1 149	159	15	0	0	1	0	0	4	591
10-14	2 246	235	471	1 013	286	39	1	0	0	0	0	2	199
15-19	1 637	112	257	750	332	66	7	0	0	1	0	0	112
20-24	1 003	72	230	400	185	33	10	2	1	1	0	0	69
25-29	685	164	223	113	31	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	145
30-34	314	121	48	22	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	115
35-39	106	45	10	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	46
40-44	44	21	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
45-49	14	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
50+	8	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	403	120	83	97	22	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	75





**2. DIVORCES**

**2.3 DURATION OF MARRIAGE BY NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED BY POPULATION GROUP**

**2.3.6 UNSPECIFIED**

DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS	TOTAL	NUMBER OF MINOR CHILDREN INVOLVED											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	UNSPEC
<b>TOTAL MINOR CHILDREN</b>	11 509	0	2 404	4 884	2 688	1 008	275	126	42	0	36	46	0
<b>TOTAL DIVORCES</b>	9 219	1 539	2 404	2 442	896	252	55	21	6	0	4	4	1 596
0-4	2 161	612	671	201	53	13	2	1	0	0	1	0	607
5-9	2 656	384	852	798	180	33	1	4	3	0	1	0	400
10-14	1 661	166	354	659	237	70	14	4	0	0	0	4	153
15-19	1 189	99	182	437	257	87	20	6	2	0	1	0	98
20-24	658	58	141	213	125	34	14	5	0	0	1	0	67
25-29	348	69	94	58	24	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	96
30-34	162	58	28	7	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	61
35-39	56	19	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
40-44	19	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
45-49	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
50+	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b>UNSPECIFIED</b>	304	64	69	68	17	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	78