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*Adding
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Adoptions, Re-Registrations & Gender Recognition

In 2015:

- 113 children were adopted, an increase of 9 from the 2014 figure of 104.
- 1,011 births were re-registered, 23 more than in 2014.

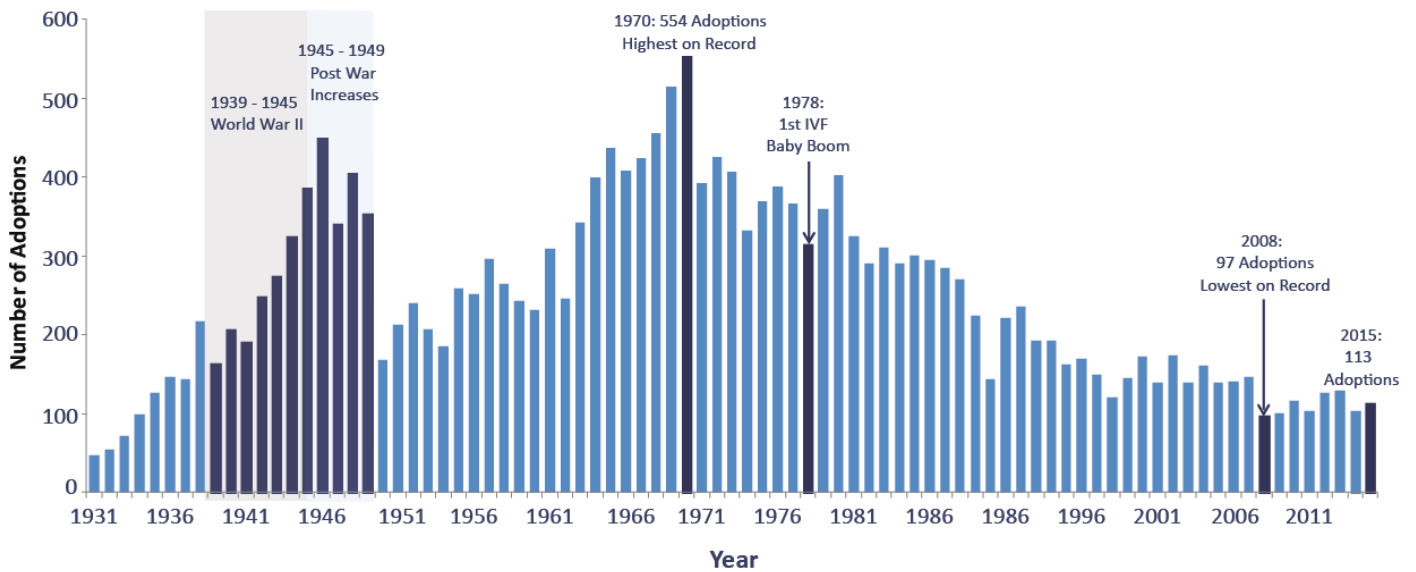
Adoptions

Registers of children adopted under the provisions of the Adoption (NI) Order 1987 and Adoption (Hague Convention) Act (NI) 1969 and of previous adoption Acts of 1929, 1950 and 1967 are kept in the General Register Office, to which adoption orders made to the courts are transmitted.

A certified copy of an entry in the Adopted Children Register is evidence of adoption, and is also evidence of the date of birth of the adopted child.

The number of children recorded in the Adopted Children Register during 2015 was 113, an increase of 9 from the 2014 figure of 104. The number of adoptions has generally been falling since 1970 when over 550 children were adopted. The 2008 figure of 97 adoptions was the lowest recorded figure since the early 1930's.

Figure 1.53: Number of Adoptions (1931 to 2015)



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Re-Registrations of Births

There were 1,011 births re-registered in 2015, 23 more than in 2014. The most common reasons for a re-registration are because (i) the parents have subsequently got married or (ii) to add the father's name to the birth entry.

Gender Recognition Registration

The Gender Recognition Act 2004 was passed on 1 July 2004 and established a Gender Recognition Panel that issues Gender Recognition Certificates to those who have satisfactorily proved that they have been living in their new gender identity.

The Gender Recognition Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 that came into operation from 1 April 2005 allows the Registrar General, on receipt of a Gender Recognition Certificate, to re-register a birth, showing the new gender, in the Gender Recognition Register. In 2015, there were 8 births re-registered in this way.

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