

THE REGISTRAR GENERAL'S QUARTERLY REPORT FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

KEY POINTS

BIRTHS AND STILLBIRTHS

- The number of births registered in the quarter under review was 5,441 (2,812 males and 2,629 females). The annualised rate was 12.8 births per 1,000 of the estimated population, which was 0.1 above that for the corresponding quarter of 2003.
- Live births outside marriage numbered 1,832, which represented 33.7 per cent of the total live births registered.
- The number of stillbirths registered was 33 and the rate was 6.0 stillbirths per 1,000 births (including stillbirths).

DEATHS

- Deaths registered during the quarter numbered 3,559 (1,670 males and 1,889 females). The annualised rate was 8.4 deaths per 1,000 of the estimated population, which was 0.3 above that for the corresponding quarter of 2003.
- Deaths of children aged under one year numbered 32 representing an infant mortality rate of 5.7 per 1,000 live births registered, which was 1.5 above that for the corresponding quarter of 2003.
- The number of deaths from cancer totalled 923 comprising of 472 males and 451 females. Cancer deaths accounted for 25.9 percent of the total deaths in this quarter.
- There were 343 male and 314 female deaths due to ischaemic heart disease in this quarter. These accounted for 18.5 percent of the total deaths in the quarter.

Attached are a number of standard tables, which give some further details of the registration events in the period April-June 2004.

Figure 1. QUARTERLY BIRTHS AND DEATHS, 1991 to 2004

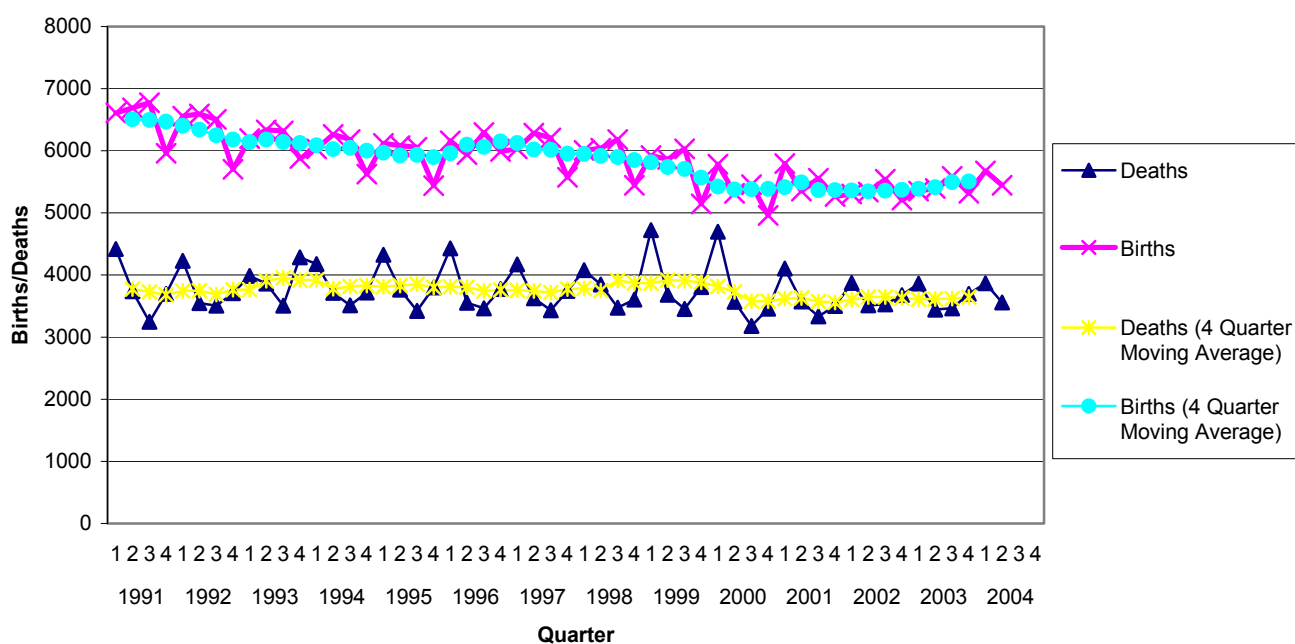


Table 1. VITAL STATISTICS BY QUARTER FROM 1 JANUARY 2001

YEAR	QUARTER	BIRTHS	% OUTSIDE MARRIAGE	STILLBIRTHS	DEATHS		
					ALL CAUSES	CANCER	ISCHAEMIC HEART DISEASE
2001	1st	5796	33.2	32	4102	941	887
	2nd	5348	31.1	26	3573	910	771
	3rd	5557	31.7	27	3336	905	755
	4th	5261	34.1	27	3501	940	735
2002	1st	5304	33.7	23	3871	877	790
	2nd	5334	33.1	30	3511	887	707
	3rd	5542	33.5	32	3527	944	717
	4th	5205	33.6	37	3677	944	734
2003	1st	5350	34.4	29	3860	906	786
	2nd	5392	33.1	27	3442	889	723
	3rd	5590	34.1	25	3464	989	644
	4th	5316	35.9	27	3696	973	690
2004	1st	5677	35.2	27	3867	934	761
	2nd	5441	33.7	33	3559	923	657

Table 2. VITAL STATISTICS BY MONTH FROM JANUARY 2002

YEAR	REGISTRATION MONTH	BIRTHS	STILLBIRTHS	DEATHS
2002	January	2103	12	1419
	February	1524	6	1250
	March	1677	5	1202
	April	1817	10	1237
	May	1898	11	1234
	June	1619	9	1040
	July	1850	11	1243
	August	1821	9	1111
	September	1871	12	1173
	October	1943	8	1263
	November	1733	11	1203
	December	1529	18	1211
2003	January	2109	9	1432
	February	1546	9	1236
	March	1695	11	1192
	April	1799	9	1149
	May	1795	7	1133
	June	1798	11	1160
	July	1982	10	1190
	August	1729	8	1063
	September	1879	7	1211
	October	2032	10	1266
	November	1705	9	1222
	December	1579	8	1208
2004	January	2145	13	1405
	February	1614	6	1200
	March	1918	8	1262
	April	1828	10	1236
	May	1721	13	1118
	June	1892	10	1205

Table 3. VITAL STATISTICS BY AREA (QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2004)

AREA ¹	ESTIMATED POPULATION 30 JUNE 2003	EVENTS REGISTERED									
		BIRTHS				STILL BIRTHS	DEATHS BY		CAUSE OF DEATH		
		LIVE BIRTHS	BIRTH RATE	OUTSIDE MARRIAGE Number	%		ALL AGES	DEATH RATE	UNDER 1 YEAR	CANCER	ISCHAEMIC HEART DISEASE
Northern Ireland	1,702,600	5,441	12.8	1,832	34	33	3,559	8.4	32	923	657
Eastern Board	663,900	2,059	12.4	826	40	14	1,502	9.0	13	395	242
Ards	74,400	219	11.8	76	35	1	162	8.7	1	42	30
Belfast	271,600	856	12.6	440	51	5	681	10.0	3	184	114
Castlereagh	66,100	165	10.0	48	29	1	159	9.6	2	43	28
Down	65,200	238	14.6	71	30	4	127	7.8	1	34	16
Lisburn	109,600	381	13.9	134	35	3	192	7.0	3	50	28
North Down	77,100	200	10.4	57	29	0	181	9.4	3	42	26
Northern Board	432,800	1,366	12.6	404	30	9	892	8.2	4	249	174
Antrim	49,300	185	15.0	51	28	2	92	7.5	1	23	20
Ballymena	59,500	190	12.8	52	27	1	125	8.4	0	42	24
Ballymoney	27,800	91	13.1	20	22	0	53	7.6	0	12	7
Carrickfergus	38,500	110	11.4	36	33	1	61	6.3	0	21	8
Coleraine	56,000	156	11.1	57	37	1	134	9.6	2	36	29
Cookstown	33,400	118	14.1	24	20	0	72	8.6	0	15	19
Larne	30,900	66	8.5	26	39	1	69	8.9	0	20	11
Magherafelt	40,800	152	14.9	30	20	1	77	7.5	1	24	18
Moyle	16,300	49	12.0	18	37	0	33	8.1	0	9	7
Newtownabbey	80,300	249	12.4	90	36	2	176	8.8	0	47	31
Southern Board	319,000	1,118	14.0	283	25	3	644	8.1	9	157	135
Armagh	55,400	168	12.1	45	27	0	122	8.8	1	33	30
Banbridge	43,100	148	13.7	30	20	1	68	6.3	2	12	22
Craigavon	82,200	268	13.0	85	32	1	158	7.7	1	33	38
Dungannon	48,700	197	16.2	42	21	0	118	9.7	2	29	24
Newry & Mourne	89,600	337	15.0	81	24	1	178	7.9	3	50	21
Western Board	286,900	898	12.5	319	36	7	521	7.3	6	122	106
Fermanagh	58,700	157	10.7	39	25	0	129	8.8	1	26	30
Limavady	33,600	97	11.6	35	36	0	59	7.0	1	11	12
Derry	106,500	361	13.6	153	42	3	181	6.8	3	48	24
Omagh	49,600	153	12.3	36	24	2	75	6.1	0	17	22
Strabane	38,600	130	13.5	56	43	2	77	8.0	1	20	18

¹ Figures may not add due to rounding.

Table 4. DEATHS REGISTERED DURING QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2004 CLASSIFIED BY CAUSE, GENDER, HEALTH BOARD AND AGE GROUP

ICD10 Code	Cause of death	Gender		Health Board				Age Group								
		Males	Females	Eastern	Northern	Southern	Western	0	1-14	15-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85 +
A00-Y98	All Causes of Death	1,670	1889	1,502	892	644	521	32	12	65	73	171	354	671	1,190	991
A00-B99	Certain Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	14	21	13	10	7	5	1	1	1	0	1	1	3	11	16
C00-D48	Neoplasms	479	467	403	252	165	126	1	2	9	20	64	157	270	300	123
C00-C97	Malignant Neoplasms	472	451	395	249	157	122	1	2	9	20	62	154	266	291	118
D50-D89	All Diseases of the Blood and Blood Forming Organs and Certain Disorders Involving the Immune Mechanism	2	4	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1
E00-E90	Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases	35	28	21	22	10	10	0	0	1	0	4	8	18	17	15
F00-F99	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	22	57	29	18	26	6	0	0	3	3	3	4	3	22	41
G00-H95	Diseases of the Nervous System and the Sense Organs	47	77	59	33	22	10	0	1	2	2	4	8	18	46	43
I00-I99	Disease of the Circulatory System	602	707	507	344	247	211	2	2	4	13	40	102	229	477	440
I20-I25	Ischaemic Heart Disease	343	314	242	174	135	106	0	0	1	10	27	67	132	230	190
I60-I69	Cerebrovascular Disease	142	221	145	92	63	63	0	0	0	1	5	18	47	142	150
J00-J99	Diseases of the Respiratory System	211	256	217	99	75	76	0	1	3	2	5	21	69	178	188
K00-K93	Diseases of the Digestive System	73	99	78	37	32	25	0	0	1	12	23	28	25	48	35
L00-M99	All Diseases of Skin, Musculoskeletal System and Connective Tissue	5	17	11	6	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	8	9
N00-N99	Diseases of the Genitourinary System	43	57	41	26	18	15	0	0	0	1	0	3	9	45	42
O00-O99	Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P00-P96	Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	12	8	13	1	5	1	19	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Q00-Q99	Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities	8	6	2	5	4	3	5	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	0
R00-R99	Signs, Symptoms and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory Findings, N.E.C.	3	12	12	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	12
V01-Y98	All External Causes of Morbidity and Mortality	114	73	94	36	29	28	3	4	39	18	23	20	21	33	26
V01-V99	Transport Accidents	31	11	19	8	9	6	1	2	17	5	3	6	3	4	1
X60-X84, Y87.0	Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injury	19	11	16	5	4	5	0	0	13	5	7	2	3	0	0

GENERAL NOTES

The figures on births and deaths have been compiled from returns furnished by the local registrars. The figures final figures for each year will be found in the Registrar General's Annual Report.

Births, stillbirths and deaths

Figures relate to those registered during the quarter under review. A birth or stillbirth is assigned to the usual place of residence of mother and excludes births and stillbirths to non-Northern Ireland residents. Deaths are assigned to the usual residence of the deceased, if such residence is within Northern Ireland; otherwise to the place of occurrence and non-resident deaths are included in the figures.

Birth, stillbirth and death rates

Rates for 2003 and 2004 data are calculated on the estimated home population as at 30th June 2003. All quarter rates have been annualised by multiplying the rates by 4.

Stillbirth

Refers to a child which has been issued from its mother after the 24th week of pregnancy and which did not breathe or show any other sign of life.

Infant mortality

Refers to all deaths in the first year of life.

Cancer

Refers to all malignant neoplasms of the lymphatic and haematopoietic tissues, including Hodgkin's disease, leukaemia and aleukaemia.

Cause of death coding

Each death registered in Northern Ireland is attributed to a single cause and coded in accordance with the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death (ICD). The General Register Office in Northern Ireland changed from the ninth (ICD9) to the tenth (ICD10) edition from January 2001. Data in this bulletin prior to 2001 will be based on ICD9 and after 2001 will be based on ICD10. The ICD codes used for the causes of death in Tables 1 and 3 are as follows:

Cancer	ICD9 140-208	ICD10 C00-C97
Ischaemic Heart Disease	ICD9 410-414	ICD10 I20-I25

Seasonality

This short report presents selected information that illustrates seasonal variations in birth and deaths in Northern Ireland.

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