

**Table 6-2**  
**Infant mortality by age group and geography**

| Place of residence                                   | Total, <sup>1,2</sup><br>under 1 year | Neonatal <sup>1,3</sup> |                |                |                 | Post-neonatal <sup>1,4</sup> |                  |                  |                   |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|  |                                       | 0 to<br>27 days         | Under<br>1 day | 1 to<br>6 days | 7 to<br>27 days | 1 to<br>11 months            | 1 to<br>2 months | 3 to<br>5 months | 6 to<br>11 months |
| <b>Canada</b>  |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 1,872                                 | 1,404                   | 965            | 221            | 218             | 468                          | 204              | 145              | 119               |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 4.9                                   | 3.7                     | 2.5            | 0.6            | 0.6             | 1.2                          | 0.5              | 0.4              | 0.3               |
| <b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>                     |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 31                                    | 25                      | 19             | 2              | 4               | 6                            | 2                | 1                | 3                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 6.3                                   | 5.1                     | 3.9            | 0.4            | 0.8             | 1.2                          | 0.4              | 0.2              | 0.6               |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>                          |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 5                                     | 4                       | 4              | 0              | 0               | 1                            | 1                | 0                | 0                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 3.4                                   | 2.7                     | 2.7            | 0.0            | 0.0             | 0.7                          | 0.7              | 0.0              | 0.0               |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>                                   |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 31                                    | 23                      | 13             | 5              | 5               | 8                            | 4                | 2                | 2                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 3.4                                   | 2.6                     | 1.4            | 0.6            | 0.6             | 0.9                          | 0.4              | 0.2              | 0.2               |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>                                 |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 43                                    | 26                      | 19             | 5              | 2               | 17                           | 7                | 6                | 4                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 5.8                                   | 3.5                     | 2.6            | 0.7            | 0.3             | 2.3                          | 0.9              | 0.8              | 0.5               |
| <b>Quebec</b>  |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 389                                   | 314                     | 214            | 49             | 51              | 75                           | 28               | 25               | 22                |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 4.4                                   | 3.5                     | 2.4            | 0.6            | 0.6             | 0.8                          | 0.3              | 0.3              | 0.2               |
| <b>Ontario</b>                                       |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 705                                   | 541                     | 361            | 94             | 86              | 164                          | 77               | 43               | 44                |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 5.0                                   | 3.9                     | 2.6            | 0.7            | 0.6             | 1.2                          | 0.5              | 0.3              | 0.3               |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                                      |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 100                                   | 74                      | 47             | 12             | 15              | 26                           | 13               | 5                | 8                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 6.3                                   | 4.6                     | 2.9            | 0.8            | 0.9             | 1.6                          | 0.8              | 0.3              | 0.5               |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                                  |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 96                                    | 51                      | 33             | 5              | 13              | 45                           | 16               | 20               | 9                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 6.7                                   | 3.6                     | 2.3            | 0.4            | 0.9             | 3.2                          | 1.1              | 1.4              | 0.6               |
| <b>Alberta</b>                                       |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 284                                   | 216                     | 170            | 23             | 23              | 68                           | 31               | 22               | 15                |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 5.5                                   | 4.2                     | 3.3            | 0.4            | 0.4             | 1.3                          | 0.6              | 0.4              | 0.3               |
| <b>British Columbia</b>                              |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 161                                   | 111                     | 74             | 23             | 14              | 50                           | 24               | 16               | 10                |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 3.6                                   | 2.5                     | 1.6            | 0.5            | 0.3             | 1.1                          | 0.5              | 0.4              | 0.2               |
| <b>Yukon</b>   |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 3                                     | 2                       | 2              | 0              | 0               | 1                            | 0                | 0                | 1                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 7.8                                   | 5.2                     | 5.2            | 0.0            | 0.0             | 2.6                          | 0.0              | 0.0              | 2.6               |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b>                         |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 11                                    | 9                       | 5              | 3              | 1               | 2                            | 0                | 2                | 0                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 15.5                                  | 12.7                    | 7.0            | 4.2            | 1.4             | 2.8                          | 0.0              | 2.8              | 0.0               |
| <b>Nunavut</b>                                       |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 13                                    | 8                       | 4              | 0              | 4               | 5                            | 1                | 3                | 1                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | 14.8                                  | 9.1                     | 4.6            | 0.0            | 4.6             | 5.7                          | 1.1              | 3.4              | 1.1               |
| <b>Unknown</b>                                       |                                       |                         |                |                |                 |                              |                  |                  |                   |
| Number of deaths                                     | 0                                     | 0                       | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                            | 0                | 0                | 0                 |
| Mortality rate per 1,000 live births <sup>5, 6</sup> | ..                                    | ..                      | ..             | ..             | ..              | ..                           | ..               | ..               | ..                |

1. Age, in the case of infant deaths, corresponds to the completed number of months (or minutes, hours, or days) since birth.

2. Infant death rate is the number of infant deaths during a given year per 1,000 live births in the same year.

3. Neonatal mortality rate is the number of neonatal deaths during a given year per 1,000 live births in the same year.

4. Post-neonatal mortality rate is the number of post-neonatal deaths during a given year per 1,000 live births in the same year.

5. Mortality rate calculations in this table use live births in the calendar year instead of the Demography Division's under one year of age population estimate (Appendix 1).

6. The mortality rate represents the number of deaths in a particular age group during a given year per 1,000 live births in the same calendar year.

**Note(s):** See "Data quality, concepts and methodology — Explanatory notes for the tables" section.

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