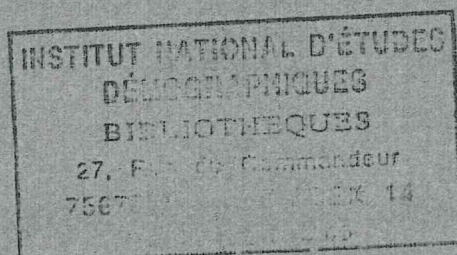




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Table III
LIVE-BIRTHS AND CRUDE BIRTH RATES
BY ETHNIC GROUP, 1990 AND 1991

Ethnic Group	Live-births		Crude Birth Rate	
	Number		Per Thousand Resident Population	
	1990	1991	1990	1991
Total	51,142	49,114	18.4	17.3
Malays	9,943	9,878	25.9	25.1
Chinese	35,296	33,423	16.6	15.4
Indians	3,975	3,804	20.5	19.2
Others	1,928	2,009	39.4	37.0

17 Among the three main ethnic groups, Malays had the highest crude birth rate of 25.1 per thousand resident population and Chinese the lowest, at 15.4 in 1991. The crude birth rate of Indians was 19.2. Compared to the rates in 1990, the crude birth rates for the Chinese, Malays and Indians had declined by 7.2%, 3.1% and 6.3% respectively.

18 The age-specific fertility rate (ASFR) which measures the average number of children per thousand resident females of a specific age group, has declined for all age groups except for females aged 15 - 19. The ASFR of females aged 15 - 19 increased slightly from 8.1 children per thousand resident females in 1990 to 8.3 in 1991. The total fertility rate defined as the average number of children born per thousand resident females has also declined from 1,823 in 1990 to 1,734 in 1991.

Table IV
AGE-SPECIFIC FERTILITY RATES AND
TOTAL FERTILITY RATES, 1989 - 1991

Per Thousand Resident Females

Age Group	Age-Specific Fertility Rates		
	1989	1990	1991
15-19	7.0	8.1	8.3
20-24	57.9	58.6	53.2
25-29	126.0	135.9	129.8
30-34	102.1	110.8	107.4
35-39	40.9	44.1	41.7
40-44	7.5	7.1	6.4
Total Fertility Rate	1,707	1,823	1,734