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TABLE C-1. AVERAGE GROWTH RATE OF TOTAL WHITE POPULATION, 1870-1959  
(per cent per quinquennium)

Period	Rate of Change	Period	Rate of Change
1870-75	13.0	1915-20	5.6
1875-80	9.9	1920-25	8.6
1880-85	13.5	1925-30	6.3
1885-90	10.4	1930-35	3.5
1890-95	10.2	1935-40	3.6
1895-1900	8.2	1940-45	5.1
1900-05	9.7	1945-50	7.1
1905-10	10.6	1950-55	7.9
1910-15	9.2	1955-59 <sup>a</sup>	8.1

<sup>a</sup> Adjusted to rate of change per quinquennium.

TABLE C-2. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF CRUDE BIRTH RATE OF TOTAL WHITE POPULATION, 1855-1959

Period	Average Annual Crude Birth Rate (per thousand)		Change in Crude Birth Rate Since Preceding Period (per cent per quinquennium on base of given and preceding period)	
	Zelnik (1)	Official (2)	Zelnik (3)	Official (4)
1855-59	46.5	-	-	-
1860-64	41.5	-	-11.4	-
1865-69	39.7	-	-4.4	-
1870-74	39.7	-	0	-
1875-79	38.0	-	-4.4	-
1880-84	36.1	-	-5.1	-
1885-89	35.3	-	-2.2	-
1890-94	34.0	-	-3.8	-
1895-99	31.2	-	-8.6	-
1900-04	28.8	-	-8.0	-
1905-09	29.4	-	+2.1	-
1910-14	28.2	29.1	-4.2	-
1915-19	26.9	27.6	-4.7	-5.3
1920-24	25.2	26.0	-6.5	-6.0
1925-29	21.5	22.4	-15.8	-14.9
1930-34	18.3	18.9	-16.1	-16.9
1935-39	-	18.0	-	-4.9
1940-44	-	20.4	-	+12.5
1945-49	-	23.4	-	+13.7
1950-54	-	23.8	-	+1.7
1955-59	-	23.7	-	-0.04

TABLE C-3. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF FERTILITY RATIO, 1865-1929, AND OF GENERAL FERTILITY RATE, 1920-58: TOTAL WHITE POPULATION, BY NATIVITY

Period	Fertility (per thousand)			Change in Fertility Since Preceding Period (per cent per quinquennium on base of given and preceding period)		
	Total White (1)	Native White (2)	Foreign- Born White (3)	Total White (4)	Native White (5)	Foreign- Born White (6)
<i>Fertility Ratio</i> <sup>a</sup>						
1865-69	877	—	—	—	—	—
1870-74	855	—	—	-2.5	—	—
1875-79	812	771	971	-5.2	—	—
1880-84	783	743	938	-3.6	-3.7	-3.5
1885-89	744	706	889	-5.1	-5.1	-5.4
1890-94	723	672	927	-2.9	-4.9	+4.2
1895-99	665	628	819	-8.4	-6.8	-12.4
1900-04	636	606	768	-4.5	-3.6	-6.4
1905-09	632	601	754	-0.6	-0.8	-1.8
1910-14	610	566	793	-3.5	-6.0	+5.0
1915-19	614	575	792	+0.7	+1.6	-0.1
1920-24	586	574	648	-4.7	-0.2	-20.0
1925-29	505	508	486	-14.8	-12.2	-28.6
<i>General Fertility Rate</i> <sup>b</sup>						
1920-24	111.4	106.4	—	—	—	—
1925-29	95.7	93.4	—	-15.2	-13.0	—
1930-34	79.6	79.4	—	-18.4	-16.2	—
1935-39	74.7	75.6	—	-6.4	-4.9	—
1940-44	85.2	87.4	—	+13.1	+14.5	—
1945-49	100.7	102.6	—	+16.7	+16.0	—
1950-54	108.6	109.2	—	+7.5	+6.2	—
1954-58	114.8	115.4	—	+6.9 <sup>c</sup>	+6.9 <sup>c</sup>	—

<sup>a</sup> Number of children under 5 years old per 1,000 women 20 to 44 years old.

<sup>b</sup> Annual average total live births per 1,000 women 15 to 44 years old.

<sup>c</sup> Adjusted to rate of change per quinquennium.

TABLE C-4. WHITE CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS OLD BY NATIVITY AND PARENTAGE, 1870-1930

Date	Total White (1)	Native White, Total (2)	Native White of Native Parentage (3)	Native White of Foreign or Mixed Parentage (4)	Native White of Foreign Parentage (5)	Native White of Mixed Parentage			Foreign-Born White (9)
						Total (6)	Mother Native (7)	Mother Foreign (8)	
1870	5,333	5,243	—	—	—	—	—	—	90
1875	5,872	5,774	—	—	—	—	—	—	98
1880	6,246	6,179	4,379	1,800	1,238	329	234	234	67
1885	6,809	6,669	4,748	1,921	1,279	375	267	267	140
1890	7,348	7,252	5,084	2,167	1,436	428	304	304	96
1895	7,995	7,922	5,471	2,450	1,611	490	349	349	73
1900	8,177	8,123	5,721	2,403	1,559	493	351	351	54
1905	8,606	8,546	6,125	2,420	1,561	518	341	341	60
1910	9,664	9,558	6,827	2,731	1,858	543	330	330	106
1915	10,332	10,231	7,198	3,033	2,174	534	324	324	101
1920	10,950	10,902	7,893	3,009	2,158	530	322	322	48
1925	11,306	11,236	8,622	2,614	1,681	604	329	329	70
1930	10,543	10,508	8,464	2,044	1,171	586	286	286	35

TABLE C-5. WHITE FEMALES 20-44 BY NATIVITY, 1870-1930

Date	Total White (1)	Native White (2)	Foreign-Born White (3)
1870	6,084	4,550	1,534
1875	6,869	5,276	1,593
1880	7,692	6,105	1,587
1885	8,692	6,894	1,798
1890	9,869	7,803	2,066
1895	11,062	8,870	2,192
1900	12,292	9,894	2,398
1905	13,523	10,967	2,556
1910	15,302	12,258	3,044
1915	16,946	13,668	3,278
1920	17,845	14,654	3,191
1925	19,281	16,070	3,211
1930	20,892	17,820	3,072

TABLE C-6. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF FERTILITY RATIO BY RURAL-URBAN RESIDENCE: NATIVE WHITE POPULATION, 1885-1929; TOTAL WHITE POPULATION, 1925-58

Period	Fertility Ratio in Specified Quinquennium (per thousand)			Change in Fertility Ratio Since Preceding Period (per cent per decade, on base of given and preceding period)		
	Total (1)	Urban (2)	Rural (3)	Total (4)	Urban (5)	Rural (6)
<i>Native White</i>						
1885-89	671	434	818	-	-	-
1895-99	631	400	809	-6.1	-8.2	-1.1
1905-09	606	407	797	-4.0	+1.7	-1.5
1915-19	565	407	757	-7.0	0	-5.1
1925-29	503	384	686	-11.6	-5.8	-9.8
<i>Total White</i>						
1925-29	485	388	658	-	-	-
1935-39	400	311	551	-19.2	-22.1	-17.7
1945-49	551	479	673	+31.7	+42.5	+19.9
1954-58	651	566	n.a.	+18.5 <sup>a</sup>	+18.5 <sup>a</sup>	-

<sup>a</sup> Adjusted to rate of change per decade.

TABLE C-7. RATIO OF MALES AGED 25-34 TO FEMALES AGED 20-29, AND PERCENTAGE OF LATTER MARRIED: FOREIGN-BORN WHITE POPULATION, 1890-1930

Date	Ratio of Males 25-34 to Females 20-29 at Specified Date (per cent)	Females 20-29, Per Cent Married at Specified Date
1890	126	60.4
1900	129	61.3
1910	147	67.0
1920	154	75.3
1930	137	66.1

TABLE C-8. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF FERTILITY RATIO; AND OF RATIO OF MALES AGED 25-34 TO FEMALES 20-29, AND OF FEMALES AGED 20-34 TO FEMALES 20-44: FOREIGN-BORN WHITE POPULATION, 1875-1930

Period	Fertility Ratio (per thousand) (1)	At Following Census or Mid-census Date (per cent)		Change Since Preceding Date (per cent per quinquennium, on base of given and preceding period)		
		Ratio of Males 25-34 to Females 20-29 (2)	Ratio of Females 20-34 to Females 20-44 (3)	Fertility Ratio (4)	Ratio of Males 25-34 to Females 20-29 (5)	Ratio of Females 20-34 to Females 20-44 (6)
1875-79	971	140.1	56.9	-	-	-
1880-84	938	126.7	59.1	-3.5	-10.0	+3.8
1885-89	889	126.4	63.1	-5.4	-0.2	+6.5
1890-94	927	138.0	64.0	+4.2	+8.8	+1.4
1895-99	819	128.8	61.9	-12.4	-6.9	-3.3
1900-04	768	135.9	59.9	-6.4	+5.4	-3.2
1905-09	754	147.0	62.3	-1.8	+7.9	+3.9
1910-14	793	152.2	62.3	+5.0	+3.5	0
1915-19	792	153.6	57.6	-0.1	+0.9	-7.8
1920-24	648	147.8	54.4	-20.0	-3.8	-5.7
1925-29	486	137.1	50.5	-28.6	-7.5	-7.4

TABLE C-9. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF FERTILITY RATIO OF RURAL WHITE POPULATION AND REAL GROSS FARM INCOME PER ENGAGED, 1885-1929

Period	Fertility Ratio (per thousand) (1)	Real Gross Farm Income per Engaged in Quinquennium Approximately 1.25 Years Earlier (1924-28 = 100) (2)	Change Since Preceding Period (per cent per quinquennium, on base of given and preceding period)	
			Fertility Ratio (3)	Real Gross Farm Income per Engaged (4)
1885-89	845 <sup>a</sup>	55.4	-	-
1895-99	836	56.0	-0.6 <sup>a</sup>	+0.6
1905-09	821	81.9	-0.9	+18.8
1915-19	781	118.8	-2.5	+18.4
1925-29	686	100.0	-6.5	-8.6

<sup>a</sup> Adjustment of the figure in column 1 to reflect underenumeration of children under 5 in excess of the National Resources Committee allowance of 5 per cent yields a value of 887. The rate of change in column 3 based on this adjusted 1885-89 figure is -3.0 per cent.

TABLE C-10. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF CRUDE BIRTH RATE OF TOTAL FARM POPULATION AND REAL NET FARM INCOME PER HEAD OF FARM POPULATION, 1920-58

Period	Crude Birth Rate, Annual Average (per thousand) (1)	Real Net Farm Income per Head of Farm Population in Quinquennium 1.25 Years Earlier (1924-28 = 100) (2)	Change Since Preceding Period (per cent per quinquennium on base of given and preceding period)	
			Crude Birth Rate (3)	Real Net Farm Income per Head (4)
1920-24	26.0	85.0	-	-
1925-29	25.1	100.0	-3.6	+16.2
1930-34	22.7	76.9	-9.7	-26.1
1935-39	22.6	96.3	-0.5	+22.4
1940-44	23.9	149.0	+5.4	+43.0
1945-49	25.5	217.6	+6.4	+37.4
1950-54	24.8	185.5	-2.6	-15.9
1954-58	25.1	167.3	+1.5 <sup>a</sup>	-12.9 <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Adjusted to rate of change per quinquennium.



TABLE C-11. LEVEL AND RATE OF CHANGE OF URBAN NATIVE WHITE FERTILITY RATIO,<sup>a</sup> UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, AND RATE OF CHANGE OF TOTAL WHITE MALE POPULATION AGED 20-29: 1885-1958

Period	Fertility Ratio <sup>a</sup> (per thousand) (1)	Percentage of Civilian Labor Force Unemployed in Quinquennium Approximately 1.25 Years Earlier (2)	Change in Total White Male Population Aged 20-29 (per cent per quinquennium) (3)	Change Since Preceding Period		
				Fertility Ratio (per cent per decade on base of given and preceding quinquennium) (4)	Percentage of Civilian Labor Force Unemployed (percentage points) (5)	Change in Total White Male Population Aged 20-29 (percentage points) (6)
1885-89	434	5.0	11.4	-	-	-
1895-99	400	11.7	7.4	-8.1	+6.7	-4.0
1905-09	407	3.8	15.8	+1.7	-7.9	+8.4
1915-19	407	5.7	-2.2	0	+1.9	-18.0
1925-29	384 <sup>a</sup>	4.0	7.7	-5.8	-1.7	+9.9
1935-39	311	18.4	3.3 <sup>c</sup>	-22.0	+14.4	-4.4
1945-49	479	2.8 <sup>b</sup>	-0.4	+42.5	-15.6	-4.0
1954-58	566	4.3	-2.6	+18.5 <sup>d</sup>	+1.7 <sup>d</sup>	-2.4 <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup> For 1935-39 on figures are for urban total white. The overlap value for 1925-29 comparable to later dates is 388.

<sup>b</sup> Figures for 1954-58 are from a different source than those for earlier dates. The overlap value for 1945-49 comparable to 1954-58 is 2.9.

<sup>c</sup> Figures for 1945-49 on are from a different source than those for earlier dates. The overlap value for 1935-39 comparable to later dates is 3.6.

<sup>d</sup> Adjusted to rate of change per decade.

TABLE C-12. NATIVITY COMPONENTS OF CHANGE IN TOTAL WHITE FERTILITY RATIO, 1875-1929

Period	Change in Total White Fertility Ratio Since Preceding Period Attributable to Contribution of							
	Fertility Ratio (per thousand)			Change in Fertility Ratio of			Change in Nativity Distribution of White Females Aged 20-44 (7)	Interaction Terms (8)
	Total White (1)	Native White (2)	Foreign-Born White (3)	All Factors (4)	Native White (5)	Foreign-Born White (6)		
1875-79	812	771	971	-	-	-	-	-
1880-84	783	743	938	-29	-22	-7	-	-
1885-89	744	706	889	-39	-29	-10	-	0
1890-94	723	672	927	-21	-27	+8	-2	0
1895-99	665	628	819	-58	-35	-21	-1	-1
1900-04	636	606	768	-29	-18	-10	-1	0
1905-09	632	601	754	-4	-4	-3	+2	+1
1910-14	610	566	793	-22	-28	+8	-1	-1
1915-19	614	575	792	+4	+7	-	-3	0
1920-24	586	574	648	-28	-1	-26	-3	+2
1925-29	505	508	486	-81	-55	-27	-1	+2

Columns 1, 2, and 3: Table C-3, columns 1 through 3.

Columns 5, 6, and 7: The values of all components were held constant at their beginning-of-period levels except for the component whose contribution was being assessed, and the change in the total that would have resulted from the change in this component alone was computed.

Column 8: Column 4 minus columns 5 through 7.

TABLE C-13. URBAN-RURAL COMPONENTS OF CHANGE IN NATIVE WHITE FERTILITY RATIO, 1885-1929

Period	Fertility Ratio in (per thousand)			Change in Native White Fertility Ratio Since Preceding Period Attributable to Contribution of				
	Total Native White (1)	Urban Native White (2)	Rural Native White (3)	All Factors (4)	Change in Fertility Ratio of		Change in Urban- Rural Dis- tribution of Native White Females Aged 20-44 (7)	Inter- action Terms (8)
					Urban Native White (5)	Rural Native White (6)		
1885-89	671	434	818	-	-	-	-	-
1895-99	631	400	809	-40	-13	-6	-20	-1
1905-09	606	407	797	-25	+3	-7	-24	+3
1915-19	565	407	757	-41	0	-20	-21	0
1925-29	503	384	686	-62	-13	-32	-20	+3

Columns 1 through 3: Table C-6, columns 1 through 3.

Columns 5 through 8: See explanation for Table C-12, columns 5 through 8.

## SOURCES AND METHODS

Detailed notes explaining the underlying sources and methods and precise time reference of the observations are published in *The American Baby Boom in Historical Perspective*, New York, National Bureau of Economic Research, Occasional Paper 79, 1962, Appendix C.



