Table 1335. Births to Unmarried Women by Country: 1980 to 2008

[Percent of all live births]

| Country | 1980 | 1990 | 2000 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| United States | 18.4 | 28.0 | 33.2 | 36.9 | 38.5 | 39.7 | 40.6 |
| Canada | 12.8 | 24.4 | 28.3 | 25.6 | 27.1 | 27.3 | (NA) |
| Japan | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.1 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Denmark | 33.2 | 46.4 | 44.6 | 45.7 | 46.4 | 46.1 | 46.2 |
| France | 11.4 | 30.1 | 43.6 | 48.4 | 50.5 | 51.7 | 52.6 |
| Germany 1 | (X) | 15.1 | 23.4 | 29.2 | 30.0 | 30.8 | 32.1 |
| Ireland | 5.9 | 14.6 | 31.5 | 31.8 | 32.7 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Italy | 4.3 | 6.5 | 9.7 | 15.2 | 16.2 | 17.7 | (NA) |
| Netherlands | 4.1 | 11.4 | 24.9 | 34.9 | 37.1 | 39.5 | 41.2 |
| Spain | 3.9 | 9.6 | 17.7 | 26.6 | 28.4 | 30.2 | 31.7 |
| Sweden | 39.7 | 47.0 | 55.3 | 55.4 | 55.5 | 54.8 | 54.7 |
| United Kingdom | 11.5 | 27.9 | 39.5 | 42.9 | 43.7 | (NA) | (NA) |

NA Not available. X Not applicable. 1 Data are for 1991 instead of 1990.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, updated and revised from "Families and Work Transition in 12 Countries, 1980–2001," Monthly Labor Review, September 2003, with national sources, some of which may be unpublished.

Table 1336. Marriage and Divorce Rates by Country: 1980 to 2008

[Per 1,000 population aged 15-64 years]

| Country | Marriage rate | | | | Divorce rate | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|------|------|------|--------------|------|------|------|
| Country | 1980 | 1990 | 2000 | 2008 | 1980 | 1990 | 2000 | 2008 |
| United States 1 | 15.9 | 14.9 | 12.5 | 10.6 | 7.9 | 7.2 | 6.2 | 5.2 |
| Canada | 11.5 | 10.0 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 3.4 | (NA) |
| Japan | 9.8 | 8.4 | 9.2 | (NA) | 1.8 | 1.8 | 3.1 | (NA) |
| Denmark | 8.0 | 9.1 | 10.8 | 10.3 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| France | 9.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 6.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 3.0 | (NA) |
| Germany 2 | (X) | 8.2 | 7.6 | 6.9 | (X) | 2.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| Ireland 3 | 10.9 | 8.3 | 7.6 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 1.0 | (NA) |
| Italy | 8.7 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 6.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Netherlands | 9.6 | 9.4 | 8.2 | 6.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.9 |
| Spain | 9.4 | 8.5 | 7.9 | 6.2 | (NA) | 0.9 | 1.4 | 3.5 |
| Sweden | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 8.3 | `3.7 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.5 |
| United Kingdom | 11.6 | 10.0 | 8.0 | (NA) | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | (NA) |

NA Not available. X Not applicable. ¹ Divorce rates exclude data for California, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Louisiana, and Minnesota in 2008. ² Data are for 1991 instead of 1990. ³ Divorce not allowed by law prior to 1997.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, updated and revised from "Families and Work in Transition in 12 Countries, 1980–2001," Monthly Labor Review, September 2003, with national sources, some of which may be unpublished.

Table 1337. Single-Parent Households: 1980 to 2009

[In thousands (6,061 represents 6,061,000), except for percent. For the United Kingdom in 1981, children are defined as those under 15 and those who are 15, 16, or 17 and attended school full-time; for later years, children are defined as those under 16 and those who are 16 or 17 and attend school full-time. For Ireland, children are defined as those under 15. For Denmark for 2009 and France, children are defined as those under 25. For Canada for 2001 onward and for Germany for 1995 onward, children are of all ages. For Germany in 1991 and all other countries, children are defined as those under 18 living at home, or away at school. Data are generally for the entire year, but in some instances they are only for a particular month within the year!

| | | Percent of all | | | Percent of all |
|------------------|---------|----------------|-------------------|---------|----------------|
| Country and year | Number | households | Country and year | Number | households |
| | (1,000) | with children | | (1,000) | with children |
| United States: | | | | | |
| 1980 | 6,061 | 19.5 | Germany: | | |
| 1990 | 7,752 | 24.0 | 1991 | 1,429 | 15.2 |
| 2000 | 9,357 | 27.0 | 1995 1 | 2,496 | 18.8 |
| 2008 | 10,536 | 29.5 | 2000 1 | 2,274 | 17.6 |
| Canada: | | | 2008 | 2,616 | 21.7 |
| 1981 | 437 | 12.7 | Ireland: 2 | | |
| 1991 | 572 | 16.2 | 1981 | 30 | 7.2 |
| 2001 1 | 1,184 | 23.5 | 1991 | 44 | 10.7 |
| 2006 | 1,276 | 24.6 | 2002 | 50 | 17.4 |
| Japan: | | | 2006 | 78 | 22.6 |
| 1980 | 796 | 4.9 | Netherlands: | | |
| 1990 | 934 | 6.5 | 1988 | 179 | 9.6 |
| 2000 | 996 | 8.3 | 2000 | 240 | 13.0 |
| 2005 | 1,163 | 10.2 | 2009 1 | 310 | 16.0 |
| Denmark: 2 | | | Sweden: | | |
| 1980 | 99 | 13.4 | 1985 | 117 | 11.2 |
| 1990 | 117 | 17.8 | 1995 1 | 189 | 17.4 |
| 2001 | 120 | 18.4 | 2000 | 233 | 21.4 |
| 2009 1 | 165 | 21.7 | 2008 | 200 | 18.7 |
| France: | | | United Kingdom: 3 | | |
| 1982 | 887 | 10.2 | | 1,010 | 13.9 |
| 1990 | 1,175 | 13.2 | 1991 | 1,344 | 19.4 |
| 1999 | 1,494 | 17.4 | 2000 | 1,434 | 20.7 |
| 2005 1 | 1,725 | 19.8 | 2008 | 1,750 | 25.0 |

¹ Break in series. ² Data are from family-based, rather than household-based, statistics. ³ Great Britain only (excludes Northern Ireland).

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, updated and revised from "Families and Work in Transition in 12 Countries, 1980–2001," *Monthly Labor Review*, September 2003, with national sources, some of which may be unpublished.