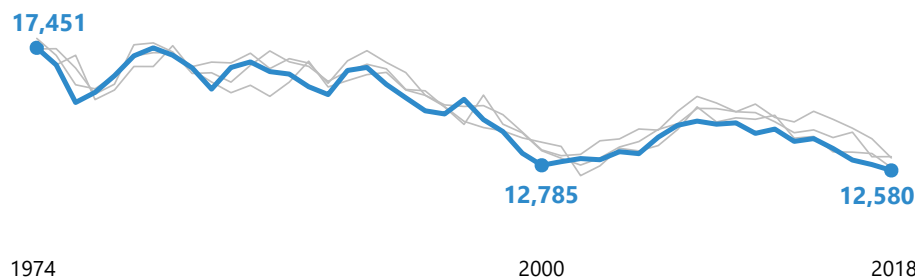


Quarter 4 births at lowest ever level

There were 12,580 births in 2018 quarter 4, the lowest ever quarter 4 total and 5.9% lower than the average of the last 5 years.

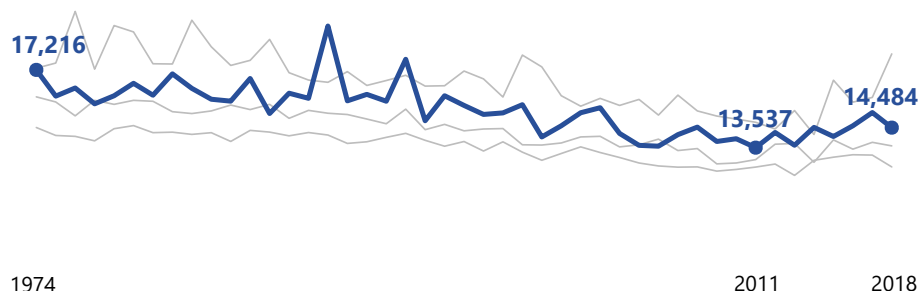
Number of births by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, **Q4**)



Quarter 4 deaths fall but are higher than 5 year average

There were 14,484 deaths in 2018 quarter 4, 4.7% lower than the same period last year, but 0.6% higher than the average of the last 5 years.

Number of deaths by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, **Q4**)



Quarter 4 marriages increase

There were 6,125 marriages in 2018 quarter 4, 3% higher than the same quarter last year and 18% higher than the quarter 4 low point in 2009.

Number of marriages by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, **Q4**)

