

Table 3: Number of previous live births by mother's age

(a) Numbers of Births registered in Scotland in 2013

Previous Live Births	Age Not Known	19 and under	Mother's Age							All
			20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and over	40 to 44	45 and over	
0	16	2,501	6,667	8,403	7,700	3,277	810	754	56	29,374
1	0	240	2,440	4,633	6,132	3,409	705	672	33	17,559
2	1	21	538	1,610	2,178	1,468	358	333	25	6,174
3	0	1	105	400	688	520	201	192	9	1,915
4 or more	0	0	17	182	334	299	160	147	13	992
Total	17	2,763	9,767	15,228	17,032	8,973	2,234	2,098	136	56,014

(b) column percentages

Previous Live Births	Age Not Known	19 and under	Mother's Age							All
			20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and over	40 to 44	45 and over	
0		91%	68%	55%	45%	37%	36%	36%	41%	52%
1		9%	25%	30%	36%	38%	32%	32%	24%	31%
2		1%	6%	11%	13%	16%	16%	16%	18%	11%
3		0%	1%	3%	4%	6%	9%	9%	7%	3%
4 or more		0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	7%	7%	10%	2%
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

(c) column percentages - England and Wales - second 'half' of 2012

figures for 28 May to 31 December 2012, as published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) as part of the [Characteristics of Mother 2, England and Wales, 2012](#) release of the ONS website, they exclude cases for which the number of previous liveborn children was not known (0.26%).

Previous Live Births	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	All
	0	72.9%	48.3%	38.4%	32.9%	25.0%	
1	24.1%	36.8%	36.5%	38.1%	37.6%	32.4%	36.5%
2	2.7%	11.6%	16.5%	17.7%	21.2%	20.8%	16.3%
3	0.2%	2.7%	5.9%	7.0%	9.2%	11.4%	6.1%
4+	0.0%	0.6%	2.6%	4.3%	7.1%	12.0%	3.7%

(d) Scotland percentage minus E+W percentage: => differences (percentage points)

Previous Live Births	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over	All
	0	18	20	17	12	11	
1	-15	-12	-6	-2	0	-1	-5
2	-2	-6	-6	-5	-5	-5	-5
3	0	-2	-3	-3	-3	-2	-3
4 or more	0	0	-1	-2	-4	-5	-2