

SECTION 7

DIVORCES

Table 7.1 - Number of divorce cases lodged and disposed of - Republic of Mauritius ^{1/}, 1997 - 2004

Number of Cases lodged\disposed of	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lodged	1,266	1,582	1,580	1,570	1,626	1,480	1,586	2,167
Disposed of:								
Total	1,123	1,267	1,431	1,459	1,947	1,630	1,507	1,489
(i) struck out, set aside or withdrawn	193	215	240	246	407	295	287	289
(ii) dismissed	39	40	36	16	27	39	28	34
(iii) judicial separation	-	-	5	6	1	5	2	4
(iv) divorce granted	891	1,012	1,150	1,191	1,512	1,291	1,190	1,162

Source : Judicial Department

^{1/} excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 7.2 - Divorces by number of dependent children ^{1/} - Republic of Mauritius ^{2/}, 1995 - 2004

Number of children	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
0	238	195	316	355	397	403	523	425	423	383
1	244	242	261	312	319	357	437	397	377	366
2	188	219	191	206	260	294	387	334	258	282
3	95	100	72	79	115	93	108	95	91	89
4	22	27	40	46	36	27	28	20	24	32
5	6	3	9	12	17	8	17	14	11	5
6	4	3	1	2	5	3	8	4	3	2
7	1	1	1	-	1	3	3	1	1	3
8	2	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	1	-
9	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
10 & over	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Total divorces	801	792	891	1,012	1,150	1,191	1,512	1,291	1,190	1,162
Aggregate no. of children	1,079	1,149	1,077	1,217	1,450	1,438	1,809	1,540	1,359	1,383

Source : Judicial Department

1/ dependent children are the living children who are dependent on either of the divorcees at the time the divorce petition is filed

2/ excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 7.3 - Divorces by duration of union - Republic of Mauritius ^{1/}, 1995 - 2004

Duration of union (years)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
< 1 year	12	1	1	2	-	5	-	-	-	-
1 year	29	35	41	52	70	64	94	84	58	45
2 years	54	40	63	71	78	96	141	133	93	74
3 years	55	47	70	74	97	78	87	73	85	78
4 years	50	51	63	67	73	67	91	84	77	71
5 years	55	69	68	70	76	71	104	90	75	75
6 years	57	69	59	69	79	71	93	77	75	68
7 years	52	65	66	71	73	72	76	69	63	75
8 years	43	61	61	62	68	74	72	65	73	66
9 years	50	57	55	61	58	72	86	75	68	51
10 - 14 years	177	164	147	177	238	252	322	277	242	240
15 - 19 years	83	70	106	125	119	137	167	146	135	166
20 - 24 years	43	29	51	58	75	75	114	86	77	85
25 - 29 years	24	22	27	32	30	35	37	20	47	47
30 - 34 years	11	7	7	11	12	7	17	7	15	16
35 years & over	6	5	6	10	4	15	11	5	7	5
Total divorces	801	792	891	1,012	1,150	1,191	1,512	1,291	1,190	1,162

Source : Judicial Department

^{1/} excluding Agalega and St Brandon