

**Table 2.35-- CHARACTERISTICS OF MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES:
1993 TO 1996**

[Place of occurrence basis]

Subject	1993	1994	1995	1996
MARRIAGES				
Number	17,252	18,118	18,669	19,589
Percent on Oahu	57.7	53.0	51.1	49.0
Percent Hawaii residents:				
Both bride and groom	52.6	47.8	46.6	42.4
One partner only	3.9	3.6	3.1	3.5
Neither bride nor groom	43.5	48.6	50.3	54.0
Median age (years):				
Groom	31	31	32	32
Bride	29	29	29	30
Percent previously married:				
Groom	36.8	37.6	38.4	38.8
Bride	37.4	38.5	38.7	38.8
DIVORCES AND ANNULMENTS				
Number	4,888	4,993	5,505	4,903
Divorces	4,878	4,981	5,494	4,883
Annulments	10	11	9	20
Not reported	-	1	2	-
Percent occurring on Oahu	72.2	73.4	76.1	73.9
Percent Hawaii residents:				
Both partners	75.5	75.3	75.5	76.0
One partner only	22.9	23.1	23.0	23.0
Neither partner	0.2	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Not reported 1/	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.9
Median age (years):				
Husband	36	36	36	37
Wife	34	34	34	35
Percent interracial 2/	41.8	41.6	41.9	41.5
Percent with children under 18 years	51.8	49.3	50.1	50.9
Median years married	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.8

1/ Couples where the residence of one or more partners is unknown.

2/ For these calculations, divorces where both bride and groom are in the "Part Hawaiian" or "Other races" categories are classified as non-interracial.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Health, *Statistical Report* (annual), and records.