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Number of children.	Per cent of mothers.	Mean error.	Number of children.	Per cent of mothers.	Mean error.
1.....	15.1	±0.6	10.....	3.2	±0.3
2.....	14.6	± .6	11.....	1.7	± .2
3.....	15.5	± .6	12.....	.9	± .2
4.....	14.5	± .6	13.....	.4	± .1
5.....	10.2	± .5	14.....	.3
6.....	6.8	± .5	15.....	.1
7.....	8.2	± .5	16.....	.1
8.....	4.5	± .4	17.....	.0
9.....	3.9	± .3			

It is of interest to compare the number of children according to the order of their birth in various cities. I have tabulated for this purpose a number of children in Oakland, Cal., according to the order of their birth, and found the following result:

	Toronto.	Oakland, Cal.
Per cent of first-born children.....	22.6	26.4
Per cent of second-born children.....	19.2	22.3
Per cent of third-born children.....	15.9	17.0
Per cent of fourth-born children.....	12.4	12.3
Per cent of fifth and later born children.....	30.0	22.0

It appears from this table that families in Toronto are much larger than those in Oakland, Cal. There are 26.4 per cent of first-born children in Oakland as compared to 22.6 per cent of first-born children in Toronto, while fifth and later born children form only 22 per cent of the total population in Oakland, and in Toronto they form 30 per cent. This indicates that the size of the families is considerably smaller in Oakland than in Toronto. It is difficult to judge what the social causes of this phenomenon may be. The general conditions of life and the nationalities composing the population certainly have a great influence upon the size of families. In order to investigate this question, I have tabulated the Toronto girls according to their order of birth and nationality. The results of this tabulation are given in the following table:

Nationality (in per cent) of grandparents of Toronto girls.

Order of birth.	English.	Scotch.	Irish.	Canadian.
First-born.....	2,028 (39.0%)	1,112 (16.5%)	1,614 (23.9%)	838 (12.4%)
Second-born.....	2,411 (41.0%)	888 (15.1%)	1,397 (21.8%)	670 (11.4%)
Third-born.....	1,992 (40.8%)	815 (16.7%)	1,145 (23.5%)	510 (10.5%)
Fourth-born.....	1,664 (43.0%)	679 (17.5%)	892 (23.1%)	311 (8.0%)
Fifth-born.....	1,321 (40.3%)	474 (16.0%)	694 (24.3%)	180 (6.3%)
Sixth-born.....	670 (44.0%)	343 (17.5%)	470 (24.3%)	101 (5.3%)
Seventh-born.....	614 (49.0%)	250 (15.7%)	334 (20.5%)	92 (5.0%)
Eighth-born.....	453 (48.3%)	149 (15.0%)	251 (20.8%)	35 (3.7%)
Ninth-born.....	384 (40.0%)	133 (17.0%)	154 (19.7%)	42 (5.4%)
Tenth-born.....	240 (48.4%)	89 (18.0%)	129 (26.0%)	18 (3.6%)
Eleventh-born.....	127 (45.4%)	48 (17.1%)	72 (25.7%)	6 (2.1%)
Twelfth and later born.....	127 (43.2%)	51 (17.4%)	57 (10.4%)	29 (9.0%)

Order of birth.	American.	German.	French.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
First-born.....	294 (3.5%)	140 (2.0%)	30 (0.4%)	157 (2.3%)	6,753
Second-born.....	194 (3.3%)	143 (2.4%)	32 (0.6%)	143 (2.4%)	5,878
Third-born.....	144 (3.0%)	136 (2.8%)	18 (0.4%)	123 (2.5%)	4,883
Fourth-born.....	125 (3.2%)	82 (2.1%)	18 (0.5%)	100 (2.6%)	3,868
Fifth-born.....	92 (2.2%)	51 (1.8%)	12 (0.4%)	63 (2.2%)	2,800
Sixth-born.....	57 (2.0%)	45 (2.3%)	5 (0.3%)	55 (2.8%)	1,964
Seventh-born.....	54 (3.3%)	46 (2.8%)	0 (0.4%)	31 (2.0%)	1,633
Eighth-born.....	24 (2.0%)	5 (0.5%)	21 (3.2%)	938
Ninth-born.....	27 (3.4%)	17 (2.2%)	2 (0.3%)	24 (3.1%)	783
Tenth-born.....	15 (3.0%)	8 (1.0%)	2 (0.4%)	15 (3.0%)	496
Eleventh-born.....	9 (3.2%)	4 (1.4%)	2 (0.7%)	12 (4.3%)	280
Twelfth and later born.....	5 (1.7%)	8 (2.7%)	4 (1.4%)	13 (4.4%)	294

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