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# MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE STATISTICS, MALAYSIA, 2018

### MARRIAGE

#### Number of marriage and crude marriage rates decreased

The number of marriages decreased 4.9 per cent from 200,274 (2016) to 190,532 (2017). Thus, the crude marriage rate (CMR) per 1,000 population declined from 6.3 (2016) to 5.9 (2017).

The number of Muslim<sup>1</sup> marriages recorded in 2017 was 134,008 decreased 6.1 per cent as compared to 142,712 (2016). CMR decreased from 7.4 (2016) to 6.8 (2017) per 1,000 Muslim population. Similarly, non-Muslim marriages declined 1.8 per cent to 56,524 as compared to 57,562 (2016). Thus, CMR for non-Muslim decreased from 4.7 (2016) to 4.5 (2017) per 1,000 non-Muslim population.

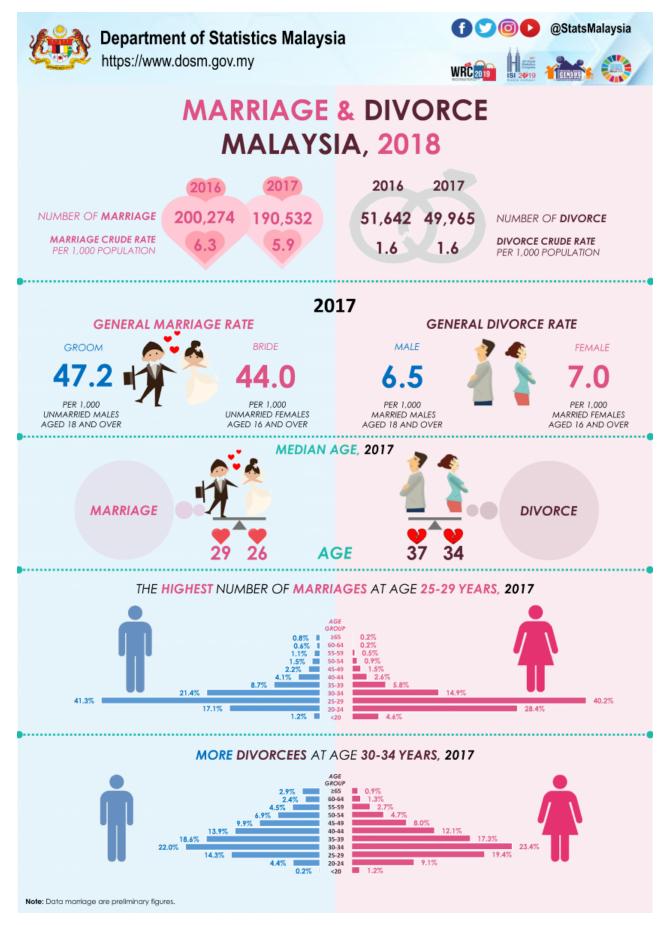
## DIVORCE

#### General divorce rate (GDR)

#### Less divorce in 2017

The number of divorces improved by 3.2 per cent from 51,642 (2016) to 49,965 (2017). However, the crude divorce rate (CDR) remained at 1.6 per 1,000 population.

The number of Muslim divorces recorded in 2017 was 39,709, decreased 3.2 per cent as compared to 41,030 (2016). Consequently, CDR decreased from 2.1(2016) to 2.0 (2017) per 1,000 Muslim population. Similarly, non-Muslim divorces declined 3.4 per cent from 10,612 (2016) to 10,256 (2017). Hence, CDR for non-Muslim slightly improved from 0.9 (2016) to 0.8 (2017).



#### Note:

[1] Data for Muslim is obtained from JAIN except Johor, Selangor and Sarawak are registered data from JAKIM.

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