

Table 4-5 Main Meaning of Having Children in A Marriage

August, 2002

Unit : One thousand people

	Total	Enjoying the close relationship between parents and children	To carry on the family name	To be more like a family	Having people to take care of us when growing old	Making the relationship of husband and wife more intimate	Other	No special meaning
Total	13,974	6,555	3,638	2,036	695	941	24	84
By area								
Northern Area	6,123	3,109	1,299	1,016	229	422	12	35
Central Area	3,465	1,528	1,036	421	224	229	7	19
Southern Area	4,048	1,739	1,230	543	224	281	4	28
Eastern Area	338	180	73	56	18	9	1	2
By sex and age								
20 - 24	1,355	729	175	241	26	168	3	12
25 - 29	1,450	781	214	243	32	168	4	8
30 - 34	1,544	888	231	240	36	136	1	11
35 - 39	1,708	973	274	273	47	127	3	10
40 - 44	1,702	913	336	271	52	116	4	10
45 - 49	1,559	741	362	251	86	103	6	11
50 - 54	1,250	525	392	191	79	57	1	5
55 - 59	773	288	289	94	70	25	1	5
60 - 64	764	242	359	84	63	14	0	3
65 and over	1,870	475	1,006	148	206	27	0	8
Male	6,971	3,196	1,981	988	307	451	13	35
20 - 24	642	326	108	115	15	73	2	3
25 - 29	732	369	144	125	15	75	1	3
30 - 34	778	435	127	117	18	75	0	6
35 - 39	862	478	168	126	25	60	2	3
40 - 44	845	430	203	133	19	54	3	4
45 - 49	773	365	184	127	38	51	3	6
50 - 54	621	266	206	87	31	26	1	3
55 - 59	385	139	152	47	30	14	1	3
60 - 64	373	121	180	38	24	8	0	1
65 and over	960	266	510	74	92	15	0	2
Female	7,003	3,360	1,657	1,048	388	490	11	49
20 - 24	713	403	68	127	11	95	1	9
25 - 29	718	412	69	117	17	93	3	6
30 - 34	766	453	104	124	18	61	1	5
35 - 39	846	495	106	148	22	67	1	7
40 - 44	856	482	133	138	33	62	1	7
45 - 49	786	376	178	124	48	52	3	6
50 - 54	629	259	186	104	47	31	0	2
55 - 59	388	149	138	48	41	12	1	1
60 - 64	391	121	178	46	38	6	-	1
65 and over	910	209	496	74	113	12	0	6

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By sex and marriage status								
Single	2,767	1,426	424	491	69	323	9	25
Married or co-habiting	9,847	4,668	2,635	1,408	487	585	14	50
Divorced or separated, widow/widower	1,360	462	579	137	139	34	1	9
Male								
Single	1,599	770	317	285	49	164	3	11
Married or co-habiting	4,939	2,283	1,471	656	221	275	9	23
Divorced or separated, widow/widower	433	142	194	47	37	12	0	1
Female								
Single	1,168	655	108	206	20	159	6	14
Married or co-habiting	4,908	2,385	1,164	752	266	309	5	27
Divorced or separated, widow/widower	927	320	385	91	101	22	1	7
By sex and education background								
Elementary school and beneath	4,134	1,181	1,892	487	424	127	4	20
Junior high school/primary vocational school	2,177	972	607	331	105	146	2	14
Senior high school/senior vocational school	3,982	2,169	706	632	104	341	3	27
University and above	3,681	2,234	434	586	63	327	15	23
Male								
Elementary school and beneath	1,683	457	831	185	152	48	2	8
Junior high school/primary vocational school	1,196	487	385	177	59	80	1	7
Senior high school/senior vocational school	2,076	1,062	473	305	58	170	2	6
University and above	2,016	1,189	293	321	38	153	9	13
Female								
Elementary school and beneath	2,451	723	1,061	302	272	79	2	12
Junior high school/primary vocational school	981	485	222	154	46	65	2	7
Senior high school/senior vocational school	1,906	1,107	233	327	45	172	1	21
University and above	1,666	1,045	140	265	25	175	6	10