

Marriages and divorces, 1997

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Now available from Stats SA, this report presents statistics on marriages contracted and divorces granted in the Republic of Southern Africa during 1997.

Officially recorded marriages by way of solemnisation

Of the total officially recorded marriages in 1997, 71 003 (48%) were solemnised under civil law and 53 330 (36%) through religious ceremonies. For 22 396 (15%) marriages the way of solemnisation was unspecified. Compared to 1996, the number of marriages solemnised under civil law decreased by 2 479 and marriages solemnised through religious ceremonies by 3 370. The number of marriages classified as unspecified increased by 5 846.

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