

## Key statistics on bereavement in childhood 2022

	<b>UK</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>England</b>	<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>Scotland</b>	<b>Wales</b>
How many parents die each year, leaving dependent children? <sup>1</sup>	26,900	26,000	21,800	900	2,800	1,400
How often does a parent die, leaving dependent children?	Every 20 minutes	Every 21 minutes	Every 24 minutes	Every 10 hours	Every 3 hours	Every 7 hours
How many children under 18 are bereaved of a parent each year? <sup>1</sup>	46,300	44,700	37,600	1,600	4,700	2,300
How many children are bereaved of a parent each week? <sup>2</sup>	890	860	720	30	90	50
How many children are bereaved of a parent each day?	127	122	103	4	13	6

<sup>1</sup> Rounded to the nearest 100

<sup>2</sup> Rounded to the nearest 10

Estimates calculated from annual (average 2019-2021) mortality statistics of adults aged 20-64 (i.e. likely age of parents with dependent children), combined with proportions of adults in each age band living with dependent children, from Office of National Statistics, Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, National Records of Scotland. Details of full workings and assumptions available from [cbn@ncb.org.uk](mailto:cbn@ncb.org.uk)

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