

DIVORCE ACROSS THE YEARS

BACK IN THE YEAR 1931

there were only **3764** divorces. This is a small number considering the population was nearly **40 MILLION** in England and Wales.



SINCE THEN, DIVORCE RATES HAVE INCREASED RAPIDLY.



IN **1975** there were **120,522**.

IN 1993

there were **165,018** divorces - this is the highest amount of divorces in a year since records began

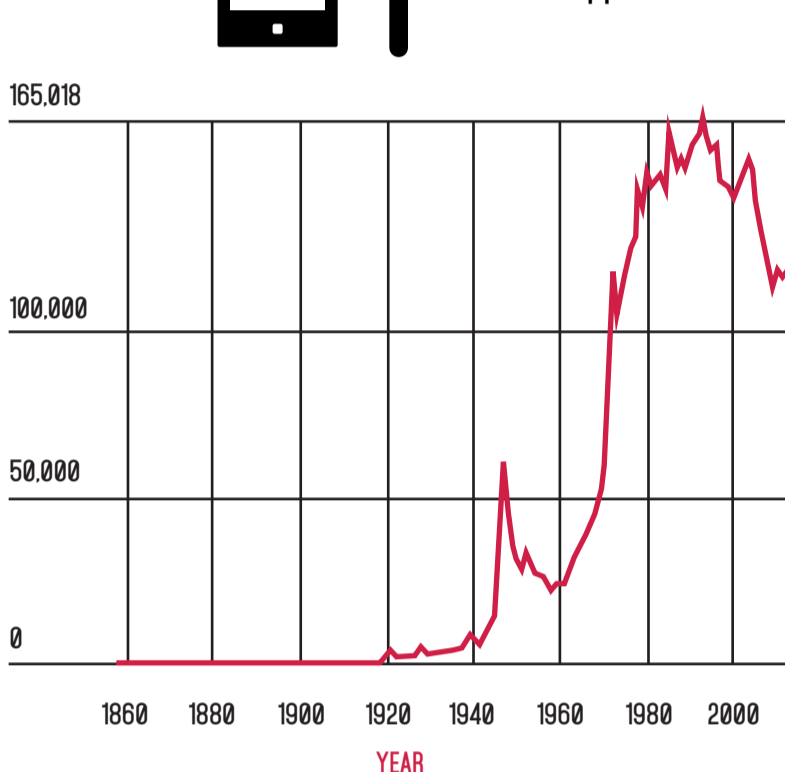


THAT'S AN INCREASE IN DIVORCE OF **4284%** BETWEEN **1931 AND 1993**.



IN 2012

divorces dropped down to **118,140**



THAT'S STILL **13 DIVORCES** *an hour in* ENGLAND & WALES



WHEN DO PEOPLE GET DIVORCED?

42% of all marriages **ARE EXPECTED** TO END IN DIVORCE

ALMOST **HALF** OF THESE *will end within the first* **10 YEARS OF MARRIAGE**



34% OF MARRIAGES WILL END IN DIVORCE — **BY THE 20TH** — *wedding anniversary...*

...BUT IF YOU MAKE IT TO **26 YEARS**, *your probability* OF DIVORCE IS LESS THAN **1%**

PREVIOUS RESEARCH SUGGESTS AGE IS IMPORTANT

ONLY 7% OF MARRIAGES *end in divorce if* THOSE WHO MARRIED WERE AGED **45-49**.

The chance of divorce is **GREATEST** BETWEEN **4TH AND 8TH** WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

53% OF MARRIAGES OF **UNDER 20s** END IN DIVORCE BY *the* **30th anniversary**



THE *average* AGE THAT **MEN** DIVORCE IS **45**

THE *average* AGE THAT **WOMEN** DIVORCE IS **42**

WHY DO PEOPLE DIVORCE?

THE MAIN REASON FOR DIVORCE IS **GROWING APART** OR *falling out of love*



1 IN 7 DIVORCES ARE DUE TO **ADULTERY**

IN-LAWS ARE BLAMED FOR **1 IN 10** DIVORCES



BUT DESPITE THESE DISMAL FIGURES; *the average marriage in* ENGLAND AND WALES LASTS **32 YEARS**.

