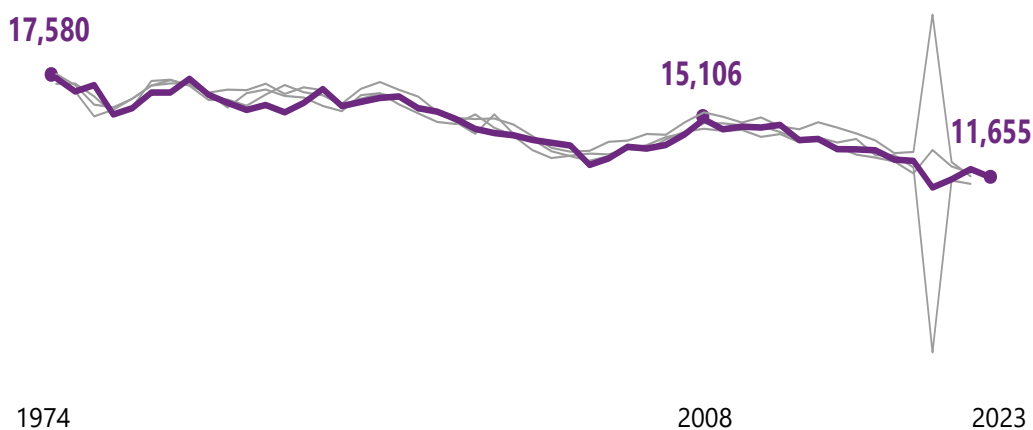


**The number of births was 6% lower than average**

11,655 births were registered in 2023 quarter 1. This figure is 6.3 per cent lower than the quarter 1 average.

Number of births by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4)

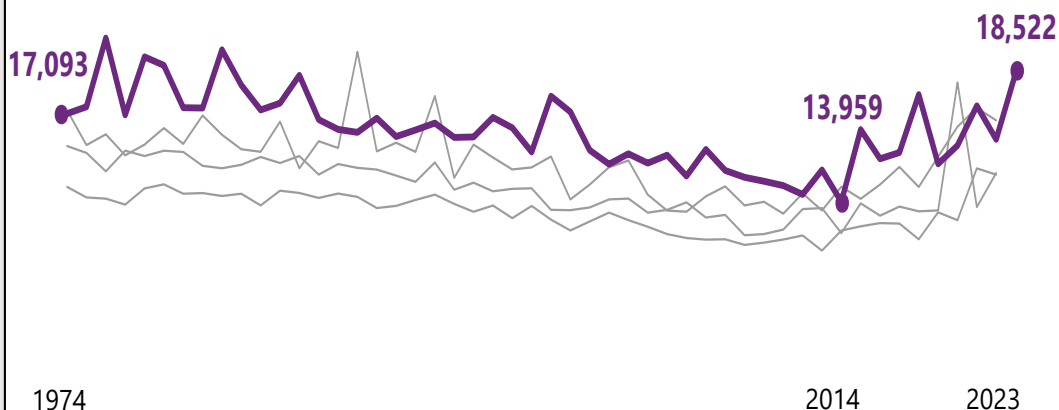


**The number of deaths was 12.5% higher than the five-year average**

18,522 deaths were registered in January - March 2023. That's 12.5% higher than the five year average.

The age-standardised mortality rate, which takes into account the growing and aging population, was 6.2% above average.

Number of deaths by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4)



**The number of marriages was close to the quarter 1 average**

There were 3,073 marriages in 2023 quarter 1. This was 0.4% higher than average.

Number of marriages by quarter (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4)

