

Table 8.2 Divorces, by duration of marriage, Scotland, 1971 to 2007

| Duration of marriage (years) | All decrees | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 1971-1975 | 1976-1980 | 1981-1985 | 1986-1990 | 1991-1995 | 1996-2000 ¹ | 2001-2005 | 2005 | 2006 |
| All durations | 6,604 | 9,067 | 11,942 | 12,067 | 12,609 | 11,984 | 10,910 | 10,940 | 13,014 |
| 0 | 4 | 12 | 15 | 27 | 35 | 32 | 12 | 16 | 11 |
| 1 | 132 | 159 | 164 | 183 | 161 | 134 | 59 | 52 | 90 |
| 2 | 289 | 365 | 426 | 459 | 422 | 318 | 210 | 209 | 263 |
| 3 | 394 | 541 | 686 | 687 | 669 | 536 | 386 | 341 | 502 |
| 4 | 475 | 635 | 805 | 768 | 777 | 651 | 477 | 471 | 578 |
| 5 | 508 | 615 | 820 | 770 | 773 | 669 | 499 | 468 | 587 |
| 6 | 460 | 583 | 769 | 764 | 768 | 674 | 548 | 496 | 587 |
| 7 | 414 | 549 | 698 | 718 | 747 | 661 | 520 | 494 | 568 |
| 8 | 369 | 478 | 667 | 660 | 692 | 617 | 500 | 484 | 543 |
| 9 | 337 | 444 | 618 | 607 | 625 | 577 | 493 | 461 | 474 |
| 10 | 309 | 410 | 564 | 529 | 563 | 542 | 468 | 439 | 538 |
| 11 | 281 | 373 | 499 | 509 | 544 | 498 | 431 | 409 | 500 |
| 12 | 255 | 313 | 465 | 461 | 507 | 465 | 443 | 420 | 477 |
| 13 | 238 | 308 | 402 | 424 | 459 | 425 | 419 | 439 | 455 |
| 14 | 213 | 270 | 391 | 420 | 422 | 405 | 410 | 406 | 448 |
| 15 | 202 | 264 | 346 | 368 | 389 | 383 | 374 | 408 | 412 |
| 16 | 192 | 237 | 330 | 357 | 355 | 352 | 349 | 348 | 392 |
| 17 | 176 | 224 | 308 | 324 | 347 | 331 | 339 | 355 | 422 |
| 18 | 167 | 217 | 287 | 319 | 328 | 330 | 334 | 342 | 439 |
| 19 | 146 | 210 | 275 | 295 | 304 | 313 | 333 | 336 | 368 |
| 0-4 | 1,295 | 1,712 | 2,097 | 2,123 | 2,064 | 1,673 | 1,144 | 1,089 | 1,444 |
| 5-9 | 2,087 | 2,669 | 3,571 | 3,520 | 3,606 | 3,200 | 2,560 | 2,403 | 2,759 |
| 10-14 | 1,296 | 1,675 | 2,321 | 2,344 | 2,495 | 2,337 | 2,171 | 2,113 | 2,418 |
| 15-19 | 884 | 1,153 | 1,545 | 1,663 | 1,724 | 1,710 | 1,728 | 1,789 | 2,033 |
| 20-24 | 519 | 825 | 1,109 | 1,182 | 1,357 | 1,401 | 1,447 | 1,509 | 1,788 |
| 25-29 | 301 | 495 | 665 | 635 | 738 | 940 | 958 | 1,034 | 1,281 |
| 30+ | 221 | 538 | 633 | 601 | 625 | 720 | 902 | 1,003 | 1,291 |
| Median (years) | 9 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 15 |

¹ Includes 9 cases where the duration of marriage was not recorded.