

Table 5 Divorces granted to a sole party: Party to whom granted and fact proven at divorce, 1981, 1991, 1997 and 2001 to 2007

England and Wales		Fact proven					Fact proven			Separation (2 years and consent)			
Year of divorce	Party to whom granted	Total ¹	Adultery	Behaviour	Desertion	Separation (2 years and consent)	Separation (5 years)	Others ³	Total		Adultery	Behaviour	Desertion
		Numbers											
		Percentages by fact proven											
1981	Husband	42,073	18,262	4,343	873	13,399	5,072	124	100	43	10	2	32
	Wife	102,148	25,625	44,482	2,343	23,348	5,888	462	100	25	44	2	23
1991	Husband	43,959	18,353	9,937	348	11,006	4,209	106	100	42	23	1	25
	Wife	113,946	26,380	63,329	734	18,407	4,821	275	100	23	56	1	16
1997 ²	Husband	43,739	14,734	11,202	375	12,936	4,454	38	100	34	26	1	30
	Wife	102,173	22,858	53,845	537	19,702	5,138	92	100	22	53	1	19
2001	Husband	44,378	12,073	12,786	277	13,834	5,402	6	100	27	29	1	31
	Wife	98,992	20,766	51,982	412	19,869	5,953	10	100	21	53	0	20
2002	Husband	44,694	11,849	13,150	262	14,037	5,391	5	100	27	29	1	31
	Wife	102,676	20,980	53,330	419	21,439	6,505	3	100	20	52	0	21
2003	Husband	46,915	12,172	13,978	267	14,587	5,903	8	100	26	30	1	31
	Wife	106,208	21,159	54,966	398	22,344	7,336	5	100	20	52	0	21
2004	Husband	47,651	11,800	14,376	230	15,014	6,228	3	100	25	30	0	32
	Wife	105,381	20,235	54,483	424	22,529	7,705	5	100	19	52	0	21
2005	Husband	44,583	10,077	13,958	234	14,149	6,126	39	100	23	31	1	32
	Wife	96,855	17,915	51,211	359	20,239	7,070	61	100	18	53	0	21
2006	Husband	41,702	8,828	13,452	210	13,308	5,844	60	100	21	32	1	32
	Wife	90,587	16,108	48,782	289	18,486	6,784	138	100	18	54	0	20

2007p	Husband	40,928	8,080	13,656	170	13,312	5,646	64	100	20	33	0	33
	Wife	87,362	15,045	47,348	281	17,956	6,574	158	100	17	54	0	21

¹ Includes cases where the age of husband or wife was not stated.

² In 1997, 1 divorce granted to the wife on petition filed prior to 1 January 1971 is included

³ Cases which have a combination of facts proven.

Notes:

This table excludes divorces which were granted to both parties jointly and annulment (244 in 2007)

Percentages may not sum due to rounding

Full details of divorces in 2006 are still to be published in the Annual Reference Volume *Marriage, divorce and adoption statistics* (series FM2 no. 34).

Publication is planned for spring 2009. Full details of divorces in 2007 are expected to be published in 2010.

p Figures for 2007 are provisional.

Source: *FM2 Marriage, divorce and adoption statistics, Table 4.21*

Separation (5 years)	Others ³
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