Marital Status of Parents

In the Vital Events statistics:

- married parents: refers to parents who are married to each other (or in a civil partnership together)
- unmarried parents: refers to parents who are unmarried, or who are married but not to each other.

Some of the statistics about births to unmarried parents distinguish between:

- births registered jointly, with the names of both parents, where both had the same usual residence at the time of the birth;
- births registered jointly, with the names of both parents, where each gave a different address for their usual residence at the time of the birth; and
- births registered solely in the mother's name.