



Figure 1

**Source:** <https://www.humanfertility.org/Country/Country?cntr=CAN#age>

Figure 1 compares the period fertility rate (TFR) and cohort fertility rate (CTFR) of Canada from 1921 to 2019. Just observing the period fertility rate, an initial drop in fertility rates is observed, with a local minimum in the 1930s. We see a peak around the late 1950s before a steep decline afterwards, stabilising after 1975. Period fertility rate appears to fluctuate along the curve compared to cohort fertility rate, the latter of which also has less extreme values. A timing misalignment is also present; shifting the cohort fertility forward by 26 years — the mean age of childbearing — would roughly align the curves.