

INSANE.

1373. The number of insane in Canada in 1891 as obtained by the census was 13,355, of which 7,162 were males and 6,193 females.

In every 10,000 males there were 29·1 insane, and in every 10,000 females there were 26·1 insane.

The insane classified according to civil condition were : single, 9,506 ; married, 2,815 ; widowed, 721 ; unknown, 313.

Of the single, 5,441 were males and 4,065 females ; of the married, males were 1,239 and females 1,576 ; of the widowed, 218 were males and 503 females, and of the unknown, 206 were males and 107 females.

According to ages there were 762 insane under 15 years old ; 701 between 15 and 19 years old ; 2,429 between 20 and 29 ; 2,643 between 30 and 39 years ; 5,369 between 40 and 69 years ; 878, 70 years and over, and 576 whose ages were unknown.

Under 15 years the percentage was 0·04 ; between 15 and 19 years it was 0·13 ; between 20 and 29 it was 0·28 ; between 30 and 39 it was 0·45, and between 40 and 69 years it was 0·57 per cent, showing a larger proportion of the insane among the population between 40 and 69 than among other age groups.

According to nativity, 5,853 of the insane were born in Canada of parents who were both born in Canada ; 2,793 were born in Canada of foreign-born parents ; 612 were born in Canada of parents one of whom was born in Canada and 3,044 were foreign-born ; 1,053 were born in Canada, but the birth-places of their parents were unknown.

These constitute two groups : 1st, those whose parents were foreign-born, and, 2nd, all the others. The first group have 90 insane in every 10,000 of the foreign-born population. The second group have 18 insane in every 10,000 of the native born.

Divided by provinces the insane are distributed as follows :—

	Census of 1891 Per 10,000 of the people.
British Columbia.....	93·2 insane.
Manitoba.....	12
New Brunswick.....	27
Nova Scotia.....	30
Ontario.....	28
Prince Edward Island....	30
Quebec.....	30
The Territories.....	5