

18.—Male and Female Population of Canada by Age-Periods, 1881-1921—concluded.

Age-Periods.	1901.			1911.			1921.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
	Under 1 year.....	66,464	65,116	131,580	93,513	91,946	185,459	105,953	103,731
1 year.....	62,384	61,203	123,587	87,399	86,002	173,401	104,575	103,213	207,788
2 years.....	65,245	64,132	129,427	90,697	88,943	179,640	105,815	104,152	209,967
3 years.....	64,748	64,158	128,906	89,688	87,730	177,418	108,421	106,214	214,635
4 years.....	65,455	64,030	129,485	86,922	84,643	171,565	108,655	106,391	215,046
Total under									
5 years.....	324,296	318,659	642,955	448,219	439,264	887,483	533,449	524,201	1,057,650
5 to 9 years.....	311,134	304,765	615,899	395,045	388,207	783,252	528,700	520,061	1,048,761
10 to 14 ".....	295,674	284,665	580,339	354,911	345,401	700,312	461,320	451,829	913,149
15 to 19 ".....	280,275	272,228	552,503	351,244	329,129	680,373	403,259	396,559	801,818
20 to 24 ".....	256,981	251,823	508,804	385,855	320,435	706,290	350,984	360,227	711,211
25 to 29 ".....	216,334	207,051	423,385	370,494	287,684	658,178	347,645	338,874	686,519
30 to 34 ".....	188,125	174,942	363,067	310,339	244,777	555,116	343,263	309,623	652,886
35 to 39 ".....	172,553	158,673	331,226	257,875	209,904	467,779	342,313	290,080	632,393
40 to 44 ".....	152,036	137,822	289,858	213,018	176,677	389,695	286,470	240,666	527,136
45 to 49 ".....	125,636	113,550	239,186	172,715	152,768	325,483	236,896	198,133	436,029
50 to 54 ".....	106,107	97,857	203,964	152,718	132,366	285,084	195,141	166,817	361,953
55 to 59 ".....	82,136	78,555	160,671	112,952	100,096	213,048	148,137	132,167	280,304
60 to 64 ".....	72,807	68,156	140,963	94,318	83,786	178,104	126,400	112,885	239,285
65 to 69 ".....	54,497	51,176	105,673	67,626	63,523	131,149	90,621	81,383	172,004
70 to 74 ".....	39,086	37,294	76,380	47,807	46,197	94,004	60,531	56,850	117,381
75 to 79 ".....	24,548	23,248	47,796	30,266	29,260	59,526	35,584	35,767	71,351
80 to 84 ".....	13,090	12,740	25,830	15,550	15,921	31,471	18,137	19,465	37,602
85 to 89 ".....	4,848	4,990	9,838	6,184	6,687	12,871	7,142	8,237	15,379
90 to 94 ".....	1,556	1,554	2,910	1,693	2,010	3,703	1,800	2,380	4,180
95 to 99 ".....	423	338	761	417	502	919	412	565	977
100 and over.....	-	-	-	62	58	120	90	93	183
Not given.....	29,766	19,311	49,077	26,687	9,996	36,683	11,601	9,676	21,277
Total popula- tion.....	2,751,708	2,619,607	5,371,315	3,821,995	3,384,648	7,206,643	4,529,945	4,258,538	8,788,483

6.—Racial Origin.¹

In five out of the six censuses of Canada since Confederation the racial origin of each person has been secured, the exception being in 1891. The object of this question is to ascertain from what basic ethnic stocks the Canadian population, more particularly the recently immigrated population, is derived. The answer "Canadian" is not accepted under this heading, as the purpose of the question is to obtain, in so far as possible, a definition of "Canadian" in terms of racial derivation. Of this procedure of the census, criticism has been received on two main grounds:—(a) that there are Canadians whose family is of several generations' residence in the country who may not know their ultimate racial origin, or who may be of very mixed racial origin; and (b) that the practice tends to perpetuate racial distinctions which it is desirable to obliterate. As against these criticisms respectively, the following must be considered:—(a) that Canadians whose family is of three or more generations residence are enumerated and differentiated through the census question regarding the birth place of parents; (b) that notwithstanding the desirability of racial assimilation, there are special features in connection with the process that require appraisal and study; for example, 295 children of Chinese fathers and 618 of Japanese fathers were born in Canada (not including the province of Quebec) in 1921. Again, the fact that the constitution of Canada is based on the presence of two dominant races points to the desirability of a measurement of these factors; only recently it has been widely pointed out that the original French colony, numbering 75,000 at the date of the Conquest, has expanded to over three millions today; measurements of this kind would be impossible if the answer "Canadian" instead of "French" were accepted under the heading of racial origin,

¹For detailed material on racial origins, see pp. 351-565 of Vol. I. of the Census of 1921.