

Native-born Canadians of Native Parentage.—The information secured at the census of 1921 has enabled a special compilation to be made of third-generation Canadians, *i.e.*, of Canadian-born persons both of whose parents were also born in Canada, and who therefore come into the category described in the United States as "native-born of native parents". Of such Canadians there were no fewer than 4,857,523 in 1921, of whom 1,991,276 were residents of the Province of Quebec, and 1,451,544 of Ontario. The Maritime Provinces also show a high percentage of Canadian-born of Canadian parents. Figures are given by provinces on p. 107 of the 1929 Year Book, while much more detailed information on this subject may be found at pages 256–293 of Volume II of the Census of 1921.

Section 7.—Birthplaces.¹

The nativity of the population of Canada, as at each of the six censuses since Confederation, is shown by Canadian-born, British-born, United States-born and other foreign-born in Table 15. The table shows that in 1871 97·28 p.c. of the population were born under the British flag, while half a century later the percentage had declined to 89·87. Among these, the Canadian-born population was at its maximum percentage in 1901, with 86·98 p.c. of the total, while in 1921 that percentage was at its minimum, 77·75. As a consequence of the large immigration from the United Kingdom in the first two decades of the century, the British-born population has increased from 7·84 p.c. in 1901 to 12·12 p.c. in 1921.

The foreign-born population has been divided into United States-born and other foreign-born. Worthy of note is the fairly steady increase of the United States-born population from 1·85 p.c. in 1871 to 4·25 p.c. in 1921. Other foreign-born increased from 0·87 p.c. in 1871 to 6·23 p.c. in 1911, but declined slightly to 5·88 p.c. of the total population in 1921, in spite of a numerical increase from 449,052 to 516,258.

15.—Birthplaces of the Population of Canada, according to the Censuses of 1871-1921.

Years.	Canadian-born.	Other British-born.	Foreign-born.		Total Population.	Percentages of Total Population.			
			Born in United States.	Born in other Foreign Countries.		Canadian-born.	Other British-born.	Foreign-born.	
								United States-born.	Other Foreign-born.
No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	
1871 ²	2,894,186	496,477	64,447	30,651	3,485,761	83·04	14·24	1·85	0·87
1881....	3,721,826	478,615	77,753	46,616	4,324,810	86·06	11·07	1·79	1·08
1891....	4,189,368	490,573	80,915	72,383	4,833,239	86·68	10·15	1·67	1·50
1901....	4,671,815	421,051	127,899	150,550	5,371,315	86·98	7·84	2·38	2·80
1911....	5,619,682	834,229	303,680	449,052	7,206,643	77·98	11·58	4·21	6·23
1921....	6,832,747	1,065,454	374,024	516,258	8,788,483	77·75	12·12	4·25	5·88

The nativity of the 1921 population is indicated by sex in Table 16 for the various provinces and territories. In the Maritime provinces, the population is shown by the census to be about 93 p.c. native-born, and in Quebec about 92 p.c. In Ontario, however, the proportion sinks to about 78 p.c., in Manitoba to about 63 p.c., in Saskatchewan to about 64 p.c., in Alberta to about 53 p.c. and in British Columbia to barely over 50 p.c.

¹ For more detailed information on this subject, see pp. 235-368 of Vol. II of the Census of 1921, published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

² Figures for 1871 include the four original provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick only.