

Total Population of Prairie Provinces.—The male and female population of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta (a) by provinces, (b) by the electoral districts constituted by the Representation Act, 1914 (4-5 Geo. V, c. 51), and (c) by cities, towns and villages, as compared with the population by sex for 1911 and by totals for 1901 and 1906, was published in the Year Book of 1916-17 (pp. 95-105). The total population of the three prairie provinces in 1916 was returned as 1,698,220, compared with 1,328,725 in 1911, 808,863 in 1906 and 419,512 in 1901. As the population of the prairie provinces in 1921 was 1,956,082 the increase during the five year period since 1916 was 257,862 or 15.18 per cent. This comparatively low rate of increase as compared with the increase of 28 per cent during the five years ended 1916 was undoubtedly due to the effect of the war in restricting immigration. Table 13 shows the population of the prairie provinces for 1901, 1906, 1911, 1916 and 1921, the population being distinguished by sex for 1911 and 1916.

13.—Population of the Prairie Provinces, 1901, 1906, 1911, 1916 and 1921.

Provinces.	1901.	1906.	1911.			1916.			1921.
	Total.	Total.	Males.	Fe-males.	Total.	Males.	Fe-males.	Total.	Total.
Manitoba.....	255,211	365,688	253,056	208,574	461,630	294,609	259,251	553,860	610,118
Saskatchewan.....	91,279	257,763	291,730	200,702	492,432	363,787	284,048	647,835	757,510
Alberta.....	73,022	185,412	223,989	150,674	374,663	277,256	219,269	496,525	588,454
Total.....	419,512	808,863	768,775	559,950	1,328,725	935,652	762,568	1,698,220	1,956,082

14.—Population of Prairie Provinces by Sex at each Census Period from 1870 for Manitoba and from 1901 for Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Provinces and Years.	Population.			Increase over Preceding Census.					
	Males.	Fe-males.	Total.	Males.		Females.		Total.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
Manitoba—									
1870.....	6,317	5,911	12,228	—	—	—	—	—	—
1881.....	35,123	27,137	62,260	28,806	456.01	21,226	359.10	50,032	409.16
1886.....	59,594	49,046	108,640	24,471	69.67	21,909	80.73	46,380	74.49
1891.....	84,342	68,164	152,506	24,748	41.53	19,118	38.98	43,866	40.37
1896.....	1	1	193,425	—	—	—	—	40,919	26.83
1901 ¹	138,504	116,767	255,211	54,162	64.22	48,543	71.22	102,705	67.34
1906.....	205,183	160,505	365,688	66,679	48.14	43,798	37.53	110,477	43.29
1911.....	253,056	208,574	461,394	47,873	23.33	48,069	29.95	95,942	26.23
1916.....	294,609	259,251	553,860	41,553	16.42	50,677	24.30	92,230	19.98
1921.....	—	—	610,118	—	—	—	—	56,258	10.16
Saskatchewan—									
1901.....	49,431	41,848	91,279	—	—	—	—	—	—
1906.....	152,791	104,972	257,763	103,360	209.10	63,124	150.84	166,484	182.39
1911.....	291,730	200,702	492,432	138,939	90.93	95,730	91.20	234,669	91.05
1916.....	363,787	284,048	647,835	72,057	24.70	83,346	41.52	155,403	31.50
1921.....	—	—	757,510	—	—	—	—	109,675	16.93
Alberta—									
1901.....	41,019	32,003	73,022	—	—	—	—	—	—
1906.....	108,283	77,129	185,412	67,264	163.98	45,126	141.00	112,390	153.91
1911.....	223,989	150,674	374,295	115,706	106.86	73,545	95.35	189,251	102.07
1916.....	277,256	219,269	496,525	53,267	23.78	68,595	45.53	121,862	32.53
1921.....	—	—	588,454	—	—	—	—	91,929	18.51

¹ In 1896 the Census consisted of a count of population only.

² Ten-year increase shown.