

CENSUS OF NEW ZEALAND, MARCH, 1886.

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THE population of the colony according to the Census of the 28th March (excepting that of the Chatham Islands, from which returns have not yet been received) is shown in the first of the tables presented herewith.

Its distribution in counties and boroughs is given in Table II., and in Table III. the particulars for the various ridings, road and town districts. A further table showing the populations of the wards in the different boroughs has been prepared, but, being at present deficient in a few details, has not been included in this series.

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TABLE I., showing the Total Population of the Colony of New Zealand (exclusive of Maoris), as on the 28th March, 1886, in Counties, Boroughs, adjacent Islands, and on Shipboard (excepting the Chatham Islands).

						Persons.	Males.	Females.
In counties	...	...	...	...	...	327,328	184,537	142,791
In boroughs	...	...	...	...	...	245,612	122,961	122,651
In adjacent islands	...	...	...	...	...	617	403	214
On shipboard (a)	...	...	...	...	...	4,726	4,214	512
Total (exclusive of Maoris (b) and Chatham Islands population) (c)						578,283	312,115	266,168

(a) Exclusive of 1,073 persons on board of three German warships lying in Auckland Harbour.
(b) A census of the Maoris taken in February shows the population to have been as follows: Total persons, 41,432, including 39,168 full Maoris, and 2,264 half-castes living as members of Maori tribes. There were enumerated in the European census 201 Maori wives (not included in the above table) of European husbands, and 1,957 half-castes living amongst Europeans.
(c) The returns from the Chatham Islands not yet received.

TABLE II., showing the Population (exclusive of Maoris) of the different Counties and Boroughs in the Colony of New Zealand, as on the 28th March, 1886.

Counties.	Population.			Boroughs (set opposite exterior Counties).	Population.		
	Persons.	Males.	Females.		Persons.	Males.	Females.
Mongonui	1,833	1,043	790				
On shipboard	15	14	1				
Bay of Islands	2,158	1,169	989				
On shipboard	6	6	...				
Hokianga	767	459	308				
Hobson	3,542	2,168	1,374				
On shipboard	52	51	1				
Whangarei	4,724	2,670	2,054				
On shipboard	23	23	...				
Rodney	3,243	1,782	1,461				
On shipboard	16	16	...				
Waitemata	7,936	4,393	3,543				
On shipboard	34	34	...				