

TABLE showing Consumption, per Head of Population, of ARTICLES in COMMON USE.

| Year. | Adult Male Population (including Maoris). | Spirits. |           |                 | Tobacco. |           |                 |      | Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff. |                 |            |           |               |         |           |
|-------|-------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|
|       |                                           | Gallons. | Per Head. | Rate of Duty. † | Duty. £  | Per Head. | Rate of Duty. ‡ | Lib. | Per Head.                      | Rate of Duty. § | Lib.       | Per Head. | Rate of Duty. | Duty. £ | Per Head. |
|       |                                           |          |           |                 |          |           |                 |      |                                |                 |            |           |               |         |           |
| 1878  | 139,354                                   | 659,233  | Gal.      | 6/12/           | 392,108  | 2 16 3    | 1,064,520       | 7-64 | 2/6                            | 133,065         | 0 19 1     | 87,396    | 0-63          | 21,849  | £ s. d.   |
| 1879  | 147,313                                   | 624,503  | 4-73      | 6/7/12/14/      | 378,754  | 2 11 5    | 1,054,271       | 7-16 | 2/6 3/6                        | 135,539         | 0 18 5     | 71,025    | 0-48          | 17,535  | 0 3 2     |
| 1880  | 152,564                                   | 553,404  | 4-24      | 7/12/14/        | 394,136  | 2 11 8    | 1,027,280       | 6-73 | 3/6                            | 179,774         | 1 3 7      | 66,750    | 0-44          | 20,025  | 0 2 5     |
| 1881  | 154,073                                   | 571,850  | 3-71      | 7/12/14/        | 400,284  | 2 12 0    | 1,063,651       | 6-90 | 3/6                            | 186,137         | 1 4 2      | 75,636    | 0-49          | 22,691  | 0 3 11    |
| 1882  | 157,686                                   | 586,322  | 3-72      | 7/12/14/        | 410,856  | 2 12 1    | 1,080,515       | 6-85 | 3/6                            | 189,090         | 1 4 0      | 91,543    | 0-58          | 27,463  | 0 3 6     |
| 1883  | 162,834                                   | 576,058  | 3-54      | 12/14/          | 402,981  | 2 9 6     | 1,069,307       | 6-57 | 3/6                            | 187,129         | 1 3 0      | 92,400    | 0-57          | 27,720  | 0 3 6     |
| 1884  | 167,938                                   | 551,763  | 3-23      | 12/14/          | 385,735  | 2 5 11    | 1,163,774       | 6-93 | 3/6 1/                         | 203,063         | 1 4 2      | 99,777    | 0-59          | 29,233  | 0 3 7     |
| 1885  | 170,206                                   | 507,812  | 2-98      | 12/14/14/6      | 361,692  | 2 2 6     | 1,198,410       | 7-04 | 3/6 1/                         | 208,151         | 1 4 6      | 106,266   | 0-62          | 30,455  | 0 3 7     |
| 1886  | 172,180                                   | 473,369  | 2-75      | 14/6            | 343,192  | 1 19 10   | 1,144,897       | 6-65 | 3/6 1/                         | 197,378         | 1 2 11     | 94,905    | 0-55          | 28,292  | 0 3 3     |
| 1887  | 174,907                                   | 463,087  | 2-65      | 14/6            | 335,738  | 1 18 5    | 1,138,655       | 6-51 | 3/6 1/                         | 198,152         | 1 2 8      | 99,290    | 0-57          | 28,067  | 0 3 3     |
| 1888  | 174,355                                   | 493,084  | 2-86*     | 14/6 15/16/     | 377,599  | 2 3 4*    | 1,149,734       | 6-59 | 3/6 1/                         | 198,856         | 1 2 10     | 100,785   | 0-58          | 30,126  | 0 3 5     |
| 1889  | 176,985                                   | 369,086  | 2-09      | 15/16/          | 281,835  | 1 11 10   | 1,157,340       | 6-54 | 3/6 1/                         | 199,617         | 1 2 7      | 103,258   | 0-58          | 34,637  | 0 3 11    |
| 1890  | 182,310                                   | 435,075  | 2-39      | 15/16/          | 333,848  | 1 16 7    | 1,173,831       | 6-44 | 3/6 1/                         | 203,593         | 1 2 4      | 112,640   | 0-62          | 38,430  | 0 4 3     |
| 1891  | 182,260                                   | 442,360  | 2-43      | 15/16/          | 339,758  | 1 17 7    | 1,257,082       | 6-90 | 3/6 1/                         | 214,789         | 1 2 4      | 127,438   | 0-70          | 41,745  | 0 4 7     |
| 1892  | 185,070                                   | 456,995  | 2-47      | 15/16/          | 351,154  | 1 17 11   | 1,244,089       | 6-72 | 3/6 1/                         | 212,998         | 1 3 0      | 134,670   | 0-73          | 44,491  | 0 4 9 1/2 |
| 1893  | 189,176                                   | 464,195  | 2-40      | 15/16/          | 356,602  | 1 16 11   | 1,273,754       | 6-59 | 3/6 1/                         | 218,637         | 1 2 7 1/2  | 161,193   | 0-83          | 49,331  | 0 5 1 1/2 |
| 1894  | 196,005                                   | 439,153  | 2-24      | 15/16/          | 337,247  | 1 14 5    | 1,261,826       | 6-44 | 3/6 1/                         | 215,232         | 1 1 11 1/2 | 144,676   | 0 4           | 44,676  | 0 4 6 1/2 |
| 1895  | 197,521                                   | 435,431  | 2-20      | 15/16/          | 339,795  | 1 14 5    | 1,343,420       | 6-81 | 3/6 1/                         | 231,521         | 1 3 5      | 143,890   | 0-73          | 50,453  | 0 5 1 1/2 |
| 1896  | 208,513                                   | 451,679  | 2-17      | 16/             | 361,343  | 1 14 8    | 1,378,814       | 6-61 | 3/6 1/                         | 237,135         | 1 2 9      | ...       | ...           | 59,704  | 0 5 8 1/2 |
| 1897  | 212,551                                   | 478,136  | 2-25      | 16/             | 382,509  | 1 16 0    | 1,418,205       | 6-67 | 3/6 1/                         | 242,231         | 1 2 9 1/4  | ...       | ...           | 65,538  | 0 6 2     |

§ The 1/ rate is for New-Zealand-manufactured tobacco. Includes heavy clearances in view of case spirits being taken at 2, 3, and 4 gallons, instead of actual quantities, on the 1st December, 1898.

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| Year. | Male and Female Population over Fifteen Years (including Maoris). | Wine.    |           |                | Ale and Beer. |           |                |       |              | Year.  | Total Population (including Maoris). | Tea.    |           |      |            |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|--------------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------|------|------------|
|       |                                                                   | Gallons. | Per Head. | Rate of Duty*. | Duty.         | Per Head. | Rate of Duty.† | Duty. | Per Head.    |        |                                      |         |           |      |            |
|       |                                                                   |          |           |                |               |           |                |       |              |        |                                      |         |           |      |            |
|       |                                                                   | Gal.     | s. d.     | £              | Gal.          | Per Head. | Rate of Duty.† | £     | s. d.        | lb.    | Rate of Duty.                        | £       | Per Head. |      |            |
| 1878  | 278,321                                                           | 194,892  | 0.70      | 4/ 6/          | 39,635        | 2 10      | 488,252        | 1.75  | 1/3, 1/      | 29,315 | 2 1                                  | 476,114 | 2,896,720 | 6.08 | s. d.      |
| 1879  | 296,110                                                           | 198,657  | 0.67      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 37,748        | 2 7       | 492,704        | 1.66  | 1/3, 1/      | 29,852 | 2 0                                  | 507,324 | 4,808,100 | 9.48 | 0 3 0      |
| 1880  | 308,079                                                           | 152,002  | 0.49      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 37,332        | 2 5       | 430,990        | 1.40  | 1/6, 1/3, 1/ | 30,024 | 1 11                                 | 528,459 | 3,887,980 | 5.80 | 0 3 2      |
| 1881  | 316,439                                                           | 165,460  | 0.52      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 40,521        | 2 7       | 437,784        | 1.38  | 1/6, 1/3     | 32,086 | 2 0                                  | 545,007 | 3,877,962 | 7.13 | 0 1 11     |
| 1882  | 327,387                                                           | 179,048  | 0.54      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 43,780        | 2 8       | 422,946        | 1.29  | 1/6, 1/3     | 30,974 | 1 11                                 | 561,763 | 3,919,860 | 6.98 | 0 2 5      |
| 1883  | 342,113                                                           | 166,638  | 0.49      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 40,345        | 2 4       | 397,648        | 1.16  | 1/6, 1/3     | 27,291 | 1 7                                  | 584,975 | 3,919,860 | 6.98 | 0 2 4      |
| 1884  | 357,104                                                           | 150,221  | 0.42      | 4/ 5/ 6/       | 36,353        | 2 0       | 390,234        | 1.09  | 1/6, 1/3     | 28,724 | 1 7                                  | 608,401 | 4,391,940 | 7.22 | 0 2 2      |
| 1885  | 364,959                                                           | 149,788  | 0.41      | 4/6, 5/6, 6/6  | 37,978        | 2 1       | 422,788        | 1.16  | 1/6, 1/3     | 31,210 | 1 9                                  | 626,517 | 4,081,920 | 6.51 | 0 2 5      |
| 1886  | 374,986                                                           | 123,355  | 0.33      | 4/6, 5/6, 6/6  | 32,884        | 1 9       | 334,158        | 0.89  | 1/6, 1/3     | 24,606 | 1 4                                  | 631,214 | 4,045,500 | 6.40 | 0 2 2      |
| 1887  | 382,797                                                           | 117,991  | 0.31      | 4/6, 5/6, 6/6  | 31,469        | 1 8       | 300,098        | 0.78  | 1/6, 1/3     | 22,151 | 1 2                                  | 645,330 | 4,815,120 | 7.40 | 0 2 6      |
| 1888  | 385,157                                                           | 101,170  | 0.26      | 4/6, 5/6, 6/6  | 28,497        | 1 6       | 268,117        | 0.70  | 1/6, 1/3     | 19,946 | 1 0                                  | 649,349 | 4,036,980 | 6.22 | 0 2 1      |
| 1889  | 392,735                                                           | 107,818  | 0.27      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 31,643        | 1 7       | 274,427        | 0.70  | 1/6          | 20,582 | 1 1                                  | 662,248 | 3,696,280 | 5.58 | 0 2 9 1/2  |
| 1890  | 398,905                                                           | 115,091  | 0.29      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 33,518        | 1 8       | 266,147        | 0.67  | 1/6          | 19,961 | 1 0                                  | 672,750 | 3,951,480 | 5.87 | 0 2 11 1/2 |
| 1891  | 407,590                                                           | 108,066  | 0.27      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 31,513        | 1 7       | 248,039        | 0.61  | 1/6          | 18,603 | 0 11                                 | 675,775 | 4,065,193 | 6.00 | 0 3 0 1/2  |
| 1892  | 417,673                                                           | 111,704  | 0.27      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 32,607        | 1 6 1/2   | 261,867        | 0.62  | 1/6          | 19,640 | 0 11 1/2                             | 692,426 | 4,088,360 | 5.90 | 0 2 11 1/2 |
| 1893  | 430,885                                                           | 112,116  | 0.26      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 32,641        | 1 6 1/2   | 239,960        | 0.53  | 1/6          | 17,247 | 0 9 1/2                              | 714,258 | 4,083,840 | 5.72 | 0 2 10 1/2 |
| 1894  | 439,198                                                           | 97,984   | 0.22      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 28,412        | 1 3 1/2   | 212,613        | 0.48  | 1/6          | 15,946 | 0 8 1/2                              | 728,121 | 4,126,440 | 5.67 | 0 2 10 1/2 |
| 1895  | 444,298                                                           | 93,138   | 0.21      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 27,102        | 1 2 1/2   | 201,770        | 0.45  | 1/6, 2/      | 17,120 | 0 9 1/2                              | 649,699 | 4,472,528 | 6.04 | 0 2 6 1/2  |
| 1896  | 479,015                                                           | 99,473   | 0.21      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 28,846        | 1 2 1/2   | 182,080        | 0.38  | 2/           | 18,208 | 0 9                                  | 754,016 | 4,431,480 | 5.88 | 0 1 11 1/2 |
| 1897  | 488,472                                                           | 105,060  | 0.21      | 5/6, 6/6, 9/   | 30,518        | 1 2 1/2   | 190,350        | 0.39  | 2/           | 19,035 | 0 9 1/2                              | 768,910 | 4,564,860 | 5.93 | 0 1 11 1/2 |