

A.—COMPARATIVE RETURN of MAORI CENSUS, 1896 and 1901.

	Total Persons, 1896.	Males.			Females.			Total Persons, 1901.	Males.			Females.			Increase.		Decrease.		Actual Increase, 1896-1901.	
		Under 15.	Over 15.	Not specified.	Under 15.	Over 15.	Not specified.		Under 15.	Over 15.	Not specified.	Under 15.	Over 15.	Not specified.	Under 15.	Over 15.	Under 15.	Over 15.	Under 15.	Over 15.
North Island ...	37,102	7,097	13,226	20	6,117	10,638	4	40,665	7,990	13,897	16	7,178	11,571	13	1,954	1,604	...	...	...	...
Middle Island ...	2,207	473	693	...	416	625	...	1,916	396	628	1	353	538	...	...	140	152	...	...	...
Stewart Island ...	117	27	32	...	28	30	...	112	29	37	...	20	26	...	...	1	6	...	...	...
Chatham Islands—																				
Maoris ...	179	39	55	...	45	40	...	181	42	49	...	45	45	...	3	...	...	1	...	...
Morioris ...	20	4	7	...	2	7	...	31	6	9	...	6	10	...	6	5	...	...	...	...
Maori wives living with European husbands...	229	...	...	...	...	229	...	196	...	...	...	...	196	...	...	...	33	...	...	...
Totals ...	39,854	7,640	14,013	20	6,608	11,569	4	43,101	8,463	14,620	17	7,602	12,386	13	1,963	1,610	146	186	1,817	1,430*

* Including 6 persons whose ages are not specified.

NOTE.—The above figures for 1901 are subject to revision. The final return will be prepared and published in the Registrar-General's Department.