

STAFFS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

(Table E1 in E.—2.)

The number of teachers employed in the primary departments of public schools in 1920 was 5,755, as compared with 5,626 in 1919. Of the total number, 5,175 were adult teachers (1,675 males and 3,500 females) and 580 were pupil-teachers (114 males and 466 females). The increase in numbers took place in the adult staff, there being 69 more male teachers and 106 more female teachers than in 1919. There were 46 fewer pupil-teachers than in the previous year, but this decrease was more than compensated for in the increased number of probationers. In addition to the staff of adult teachers and pupil-teachers 580 probationers were employed—144 more than in 1919. Of the total, 95 were males and 485 were females, the number of males having increased by 50 per cent.

The following table shows the number of adult teachers in each grade of school classified under the headings of sole, head, or assistant teachers:—

NUMBER OF ADULT TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DECEMBER, 1920.

Grade of School.			Sole Teachers.		Head Teachers.		Assistant Teachers.		Total Adult Teachers.		
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Total.
Grade	O. (1-8)	..	9	142	..	..	..	..	9	142	151
"	I. (9-20)	..	148	474	..	..	..	..	148	474	622
"	II. (21-35)	..	212	313	9	9	..	18	221	340	561
"	IIIA. (36-80)	..	24	16	385	136	4	527	413	679	1,092
"	IIIB. (81-120)	..	..	..	115	6	2	236	117	242	359
"	IV. (121-240)	..	..	..	112	1	46	277	158	278	436
"	V. (241-400)	..	..	..	87	5	105	419	192	424	616
"	VI. 401-480)	..	..	..	21	..	44	129	65	129	194
"	VII. (over 480)	..	..	..	90	1	262	791	352	792	1,144
All grades			393	945	819	158	463	2,397	1,675	3,500	5,175

The number of pupils per teacher in the several grades or groups of schools is shown below, two pupil-teachers being counted as equivalent to one adult teacher, and probationers being disregarded:—

Grade of School.	Total Average Attendance.	Average Number of Children per Teacher.	Grade of School.	Total Average Attendance.	Average Number of Children per Teacher.
O. (1-8)	1,057	6	VIIA. (481-520)	5,916	44
I. (9-20)	10,591	15	VII B. (521-560)	4,701	
II. (21-35)	14,858	27	VII C. (561-600)	7,886	
IIIA. (36-80)	29,904	27	VII D. (601-640)	9,058	
IIIB. (81-120)	12,355	32	VII E. (641-680)	7,180	
IVA. (121-160)	8,094	39	VII F. (681-720)	4,118	
IVB. (161-200)	7,475		VII G. (721-760)	5,273	
IVC. (201-240)	5,753		VII H. (761-800)	2,981	
VA. (241-280)	6,724	42	VII I. (801-840)	1,609	
VB. (281-320)	8,181		VII J. (841-880)	588	
VC. (321-360)	7,037		VII K. (881-920)	..	
VD. (361-400)	6,802	45	VII L. (921-960)	909	
VIA. (401-440)	3,816				
VIB. (441-480)	6,395				

	Total Average Attendance.	Average Number of Children per Teacher.
Grades III-VII (two or more teachers)	153,755	38
Grades V-VII (six or more teachers)	89,174	43
All schools	179,261	32

The average number of pupils per teacher in all schools remains at thirty-two, this comparatively low figure being dominated, of course, by the large number