

1904.
NEW ZEALAND.

BIRTH-RATE DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS AND DEATH-
RATE OF CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS
(RETURN RELATIVE TO).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated Thursday, the 30th June, 1904.
Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The total number of births in the colony during the ten years ending the 31st December, 1903; and (2) the total number of deaths of children under five years of age during the same period, giving the proportion of male and female in each case."—(Mr. ARNOLD.)

TOTAL NUMBER of BIRTHS in the Colony of New Zealand during the Ten Years ended 31st December, 1903.

Births for Ten Years.

Year.	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Proportion per Cent. of Sexes.	
				Males.	Females.
1894	9,472	9,056	18,528	51·12	48·88
1895	9,493	9,053	18,546	51·19	48·81
1896	9,511	9,101	18,612	51·10	48·90
1897	9,600	9,137	18,737	51·24	48·76
1898	9,615	9,340	18,955	50·73	49·27
1899	9,724	9,111	18,835	51·63	48·37
1900	10,107	9,439	19,546	51·71	48·29
1901	10,471	10,020	20,491	51·10	48·90
1902	10,653	10,002	20,655	51·58	48·42
1903	11,217	10,612	21,829	51·39	48·61
Totals	99,863	94,871	194,734	51·28	48·72

DEATHS OF CHILDREN under Five Years of Age during the Ten Years ended 31st December, 1903, with Proportions of Males and Females in each Case.

Children under Five Years.

Year.	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Proportions per Cent. of Sexes.	
				Males.	Females.
1894	1,087	917	2,004	54·24	45·76
1895	1,148	991	2,139	53·66	46·34
1896	1,026	827	1,853	55·37	44·63
1897	956	776	1,732	55·20	44·80
1898	1,098	822	1,920	57·19	42·81
1899	1,293	1,045	2,338	55·30	44·70
1900	1,042	847	1,889	55·16	44·84
1901	1,056	920	1,976	53·44	46·56
1902	1,231	1,059	2,290	53·76	46·24
1903	1,282	1,064	2,346	54·65	45·35
Totals	11,219	9,268	20,487	54·76	45·24

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