

Tamameamea—a male infant.
Fafine—a married woman.
Teine muli—a young woman from the time of puberty (or approximately twelve years) until marriage.
Teineitiiti—a girl from the age of about one year until puberty (or twelve years).
Teinemeamea—a female infant.

| | | | | Upolu, Manono, and Apolima. | Savai'i. | Total, Western Samoa. |
|--------------------|----|----|----|--------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Males— | | | | | | |
| <i>Matai</i> | .. | .. | .. | 1,873 | 1,112 | 2,985 |
| <i>Taule'ale'a</i> | .. | .. | .. | 4,365 | 2,157 | 6,522 |
| <i>Tamaitiiti</i> | .. | .. | .. | 5,455 | 2,695 | 8,150 |
| <i>Tamameamea</i> | .. | .. | .. | 535 | 449 | 984 |
| Total males | | | | 12,228 | 6,413 | 18,641 |
| Females— | | | | | | |
| <i>Fafine</i> | .. | .. | .. | 5,445 | 2,859 | 8,304 |
| <i>Teine muli</i> | .. | .. | .. | 1,949 | 857 | 2,806 |
| <i>Teineitiiti</i> | .. | .. | .. | 3,885 | 2,078 | 5,963 |
| <i>Teinemeamea</i> | .. | .. | .. | 545 | 429 | 974 |
| Total females | | | | 11,824 | 6,223 | 18,047 |
| Total both sexes | | | | 24,052 | 12,636 | 36,688 |

The two small islands of Manono (population 668), and Apolima (population 144), lying close to the coast of Upolu, are too small to list separately, and are included with Upolu in this report.

A comparison of the above figures with those of the 1921 census may be of interest :—

| | | | | Census 1921. | Census 1926. | Increase. |
|---|----|----|----|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| <i>Matai</i> | .. | .. | .. | 2,658 | 2,985 | 327 |
| <i>Taule'ale'a</i> | .. | .. | .. | 5,901 | 6,522 | 621 |
| <i>Tamaitiiti</i> and <i>Tamameamea</i> | .. | .. | .. | 8,037 | 9,134 | 1,097 |
| Total males | | | | 16,596 | 18,641 | 2,045 |
| <i>Fafine</i> | .. | .. | .. | 7,332 | 8,304 | 972 |
| <i>Teine muli</i> | .. | .. | .. | 2,381 | 2,806 | 425 |
| <i>Teineitiiti</i> and <i>Teinemeamea</i> | .. | .. | .. | 6,292 | 6,937 | 645 |
| Total females | | | | 16,005 | 18,047 | 2,042 |
| Total Western Samoa | | | | 32,601 | 36,688 | 4,087 |

The subdivisions of the sexes are not comparable the one with the other. In the case of males it is possible to separate those over sixteen from those under that age with a fair degree of accuracy. A boy does not become a *taule'ale'a* until he has reached the age of approximately sixteen years. Of the 18,641 males enumerated, 9,134 had not reached that stage—that is, a percentage of 49 per cent. of the males were under sixteen years of age. In the case of females, 6,937, or 39 per cent. of the total of 18,047, had not reached the age of puberty (twelve years), and 9,743, or 54 per cent. of the total, were unmarried. On the evidence it is reasonable to assume that at least half the total Native population of Western Samoa is under the age of eighteen years.

Religions.

Five different religious bodies are represented in Samoa. The numbers of their adherents are shown below, with the figures of the 1921 census for comparison. It will be noticed that every Samoan is an adherent of one or other of these five organizations :—

| | | | | Census 1921. | Census 1926. |
|--------------------------------|----|----|----|--------------|--------------|
| London Missionary Society | .. | .. | .. | 21,225 | 23,474 |
| Wesleyan Methodist Mission | .. | .. | .. | 5,806 | 6,447 |
| Roman Catholic Mission | .. | .. | .. | 5,284 | 5,842 |
| Mormon Mission | .. | .. | .. | 634 | 898 |
| Seventh-day Adventists Mission | .. | .. | .. | 4 | 27 |
| Totals | | | | 32,953* | 36,688 |

* Numbers slightly overestimated : total should be 32,601.