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PROTECTORATES

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AREA.—POPULATION.

No. 3.—AREA, and POPULATION according to the CENSUS taken

COLONIES, POSSESSIONS AND PROTECTORATES.	AREA (accord- ing to latest Returns).	POPULATION.								
		Census of 1891.			Census of 1901.			Estimated on 31st December, 1907.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
India:— +	Sq. Miles.									
British " "	1,097,821	112,542,698	108,652,738	221,195,436	117,774,412	114,081,121	231,855,533	—	—	—
Feudatory Native States	675,267	34,196,017	31,879,139	66,075,156	32,146,882	30,314,667	62,461,549	—	—	—
Aden (including Perim)	80	30,914	13,165	44,079	30,530	13,444	43,974	—	—	—
Socotra -	1,382	—	—	12,000	—	—	12,000	—	—	—
Straits Settlements +	(a) 1,600	344,551	167,791	512,342	370,151	193,008	563,240	410,805	209,322	620,127
Labuan -	30.2	3,531	2,322	5,853	5,017	3,394	8,411	4,603	3,683	8,286
Ceylon +	25,332	1,593,376	1,414,413	(b) 3,007,789	1,896,212	1,669,742	3,565,954	2,130,671	1,867,393	(b) 3,998,064
Mauritius -	705	206,088	164,550	(c) 370,588	199,552	171,471	(c) 371,023	200,985	175,650	(c) 376,635
Dependencies of Mauritius	(d) 130	1,904	1,320	3,224	2,762	2,097	4,859	3,189	2,575	5,764
Seychelles -	156	8,302	8,138	16,440	9,805	9,432	19,237	11,009	10,493	21,502
Hong Kong -	48.5	157,585	68,856	226,441	219,480	77,752	297,232	—	—	—
New Territories (f)	341	—	—	—	57,344	44,910	102,254	—	—	—
Wei-Hai-Wei (f)	225	—	—	—	68,586	62,206	130,792	—	—	—
Australia:—										
New South Wales -	310,372	612,562	519,672	1,132,234	710,005	644,841	1,354,846	841,391	731,833	1,573,224
Victoria -	87,884	598,414	541,901	1,140,405	603,720	597,350	1,201,070	631,140	627,000	1,258,140
South Australia and Northern Territory	903,690	166,801	153,630	320,431	184,422	178,182	362,604	212,304	183,724	396,028
Western Australia -	975,920	29,807	19,975	49,782	112,875	71,249	184,124	154,151	109,695	263,846
Tasmania -	26,215	77,560	69,107	146,667	89,624	82,851	172,475	94,600	80,313	134,008
Queensland -	670,500	223,779	169,939	393,718	277,003	221,126	498,129	298,040	248,427	546,467
Total Commonwealth (g)	2,974,581	1,708,923	1,474,314	3,183,237	1,977,849	1,795,500	3,773,348	2,231,716	1,980,907	4,212,713
Territory of Papua	90,540	—	—	350,000	—	—	350,000	—	—	350,000
Dominion of New Zealand (h)	104,751	332,877	293,781	626,658	405,992	366,727	772,719	498,878	442,951	941,824
Fiji -	7,740	66,367	54,313	121,180	66,374	53,250	120,124	72,492	55,912	128,404
Falkland Islands	6,500	1,086	708	1,794	1,303	840	2,043	1,308	958	2,266
Natal (including Zululand) +	(i) 35,371	263,062	275,351	(k) 538,413	450,437	474,681	925,118	576,549	587,786	(i) 1,164,285
Cape of Good Hope +	276,995	767,327	759,397	(l) 1,527,224	1,318,940	1,190,864	2,509,804	—	—	2,507,500
Basutoland -	10,293	105,543	113,354	218,902	163,373	184,975	(m) 348,348	—	—	344,000
Orange River Colony (n)	50,392	—	—	—	210,095	177,220	(n) 387,315	239,970	207,118	447,088
Bechuanaland Prot. o	(o) 275,000	—	—	(g) 190,000	59,574	61,202	(n) 120,776	65,100	68,000	133,100
Transvaal (n) +	111,126	—	—	—	702,569	567,882	(n) 1,269,951	—	—	(o) 1,222,885
Swaziland - o	6,536	—	—	—	37,471	48,020	(m) 85,491	—	—	(u) 94,000
Rhodesia:—										
Southern -	148,575	—	—	500,000	—	—	508,065	—	—	(e) 677,000
North-Eastern -	109,000	—	—	—	—	—	346,000	—	—	399,000
North-Western -	132,000	—	—	—	—	—	400,000	—	—	322,000
Nyasaland Prot. o	(r) 43,608	—	—	—	—	—	706,000	424,106	524,164	(y) 948,270
Uganda Protectorate	(o) 223,500	—	—	—	—	—	(s) 4,500,000	—	—	500,000
B. East Africa Prot. o	175,588	—	—	—	—	—	(e) 2,960,000	—	—	4,000,000
Somaland Prot. -	(e) 68,000	—	—	—	—	—	153,000	—	—	348,076
St. Helena o -	47	1,775	2,102	(b) 3,877	1,534	1,308	(b) 3,842	—	—	(b) 3,485
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(a) Including Christmas Island and the Coocos (or Keeling) Islands, added to the Colony in 1900 and 1903 respectively. (b) Excluding the military and shipping population. (c) Excluding the military population. (d) Rodriguez only. (e) The European population according to a census taken in September, 1907, numbered 14,007 persons (9,451 males and 4,556 females). (f) Leased to the British Government in 1898. (g) The population of Australia is exclusive of Aborigines living in an uncivilized state, estimated at 148,000 in 1901. (h) The area (280 sq. miles), and population (12,340 at census of 1906), of the Cook and other islands of the Pacific annexed on June 10th, 1901, are included. The population of the Maoris (estimated at 41,993 in 1891, 43,143 in 1901 and 47,871 in 1906) is excluded. (i) Including the area (6,970 sq. miles), and population of the territories of Vryheid, Utrecht and Pietermaritzburg, annexed to Natal in January, 1903. (j) Excluding the population of Zululand, annexed to Natal on 30th December, 1895. (k) Excluding the population of Pondoland and British Bechuanaland, annexed in 1894 and 1895 respectively. (l) Census of 1904. (m) Census of the population was taken in 1901 owing to the war. (n) The Orange River Colony was annexed on 24th May, 1902. (o) Census of the population was taken in 1901 September, 1900. (p) Area as furnished to the Colonial Office, according to the most recent computations. (q) Including the population of British Bechuanaland annexed to Cape Colony in 1895. (r) From the latest Official Map of the Protectorate.