

POPULATION—SAN FRANCISCO, 1870-71.

Few subjects referred to in this work possess greater importance than the population of this city, and every movement calculated to develop its extent, wealth and character is of public interest and its results eagerly anticipated. Fully appreciating this feeling, and believing that he possessed peculiar advantages therefor, the compiler of this work has annually prepared and published a statement of the population of this city, which has been accepted generally in the absence of "official figures" as a fair approximation to the actual number. In the preparation of these statements, the greatest care has been observed to consult only data of a reliable character—the experience obtained by carefully noting the progress of the city since its foundation and the annual observations of able and experienced canvassers have been, however, chiefly relied upon for the figures contained therein.

In no other section of the United States were the results of the Ninth Federal Census awaited with more interest than in the State of California, for the reason that the two previous censuses had failed to do justice to the State. Various causes had contributed to produce that result, which time and a more perfect organization of society had, to a great extent, eradicated; and so far as the City of San Francisco was concerned, it was expected that there, at least, a reasonable showing would be made and the true rank of that city established by official authority. While anticipating the most favorable results from the labors of the Census Marshal, the community was surprised at the first published estimate (*Morning Call* of July 23d, 1870) of the population of this city at 125,000, of which 10,000 were Chinese. The publication of this statement in the face of the returns of nearly 59,500 adult males in the City Directory and 45,617 children under 15 years of age in the School Census, of that year, was received with universal surprise and disappointment. These figures were subsequently increased in the columns of the daily press to 140,000, then to 145,000, and finally, by the publication of the official returns, to 150,361, which are in excess of the number (149,482) reported by the Census Bureau at Washington.

Census Returns for San Francisco for 1870.

WARDS.	WHITE.						COLORED.						CHINESE.						INDIANS.
	Under 15. Born in Cal.						Under 15 B'n Cal.						Under 15 B'n Cal.						
	Mal's	F'm's	Mal's	F'm's	Mal's	F'm's	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.			
1st.....	7,187	3,239	1,389	1,397	1,158	1,188	68	9	2	4	1	2	303	2	48	.....	.....	.....	.....
2d.....	5,868	5,500	2,226	2,260	1,803	1,898	76	61	27	18	26	9	316	8	39	2	1	2	3
3d.....	1,966	543	132	144	104	108	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	545	16	58	.....	.....	.....	.....
4th.....	6,358	4,314	1,016	939	898	775	229	160	35	35	31	30	3,898	1,593	234	191	140	102	3
5th.....	2,111	679	151	133	95	81	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
6th.....	3,192	3,058	865	864	719	728	101	119	22	33	20	22	2,540	394	171	72	44	24	7
7th, 1st Precinct.	3,087	2,395	759	797	523	552	4	5	1	4	1	2	107	2	11	1	2	1	2
" 2d Precinct.	2,607	2,100	756	726	566	559	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....
8th, 1st Precinct.	3,875	3,202	976	1,020	829	863	34	17	2	3	3	2	263	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	4,293	4,188	1,590	1,672	1,391	1,393	16	22	1	2	.....	.....	198	2	50	1	.....	.....	.....
9th.....	5,480	5,084	2,030	1,980	1,556	1,479	21	28	3	6	2	5	211	5	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
10th, 1st Precinct.	2,814	2,404	902	810	573	596	7	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	2,302	2,153	833	858	614	584	14	14	3	4	2	4	54	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 3d Precinct.	3,071	2,886	1,094	1,130	859	848	3	7	1	2	1	1	89	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 4th Precinct.	3,262	3,202	1,292	1,245	987	988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th, 1st Precinct.	4,962	4,604	2,313	2,237	1,562	1,648	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	409	2	34	1	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	4,787	3,990	1,959	1,857	1,565	1,512	18	5	6	.....	4	.....	203	10	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 3d Precinct.	1,307	1,254	542	563	408	408	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	129	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 4th Precinct.	648	511	200	261	160	216	7	8	3	5	2	5	27	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
12th, 1st Precinct.	2,433	1,930	860	836	702	663	9	5	2	.....	2	.....	178	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	4,214	3,766	1,837	1,672	1,424	1,362	6	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	112	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	75,824	61,577	23,722	23,261	18,346	18,219	626	468	108	117	95	84	9,777	2,040	877	271	189	131	49

WARDS.	PROPERTY.				OWN BY CHINESE		CITIZENS.....		CANNOT READ OR WRITE.		BUILDINGS..		MARRIAGES...		BIRTHS.....		PROSTITUTES..	
	Real.		Personal.		Real.	Personal.	W.	C.	M.	F.	No.	E'ty	M.	F.	W.	Ch.		
1st.....	\$ 7,431,300	\$ 7,407,900	.....	.....	\$ 12,000	3,155	42	858	363	1,171	11	117	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2d.....	10,539,825	5,005,275	.....	.....	5,000	2,008	37	2,008	37	2,483	125	23	169	170	.....	.....	.....	.....
3d.....	4,193,500	3,154,605	.....	.....	46,700	985	5	129	55	832	481	11	13	10	.....	.....	.....	.....
4th.....	7,913,500	3,966,500	\$40,000	230,300	1,550	1,440	860	696	1,575	140	5	58	38	216	1,248	.....	.....	.....
5th.....	1,843,500	1,172,600	.....	8,600	1,523	.....	103	26	204	22	.....	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6th.....	20,619,550	11,766,575	34,000	788,000	1,711	52	18	113	1,450	100	4	68	56	166	204	.....	.....	.....
7th, 1st Precinct.	1,695,050	775,116	.....	788,000	1,639	1	137	282	782	53	5	78	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	6,667,250	4,115,650	.....	.....	1,256	.....	51	170	1,027	120	18	80	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8th, 1st Precinct.	16,662,340	11,676,735	.....	.....	1,738	15	55	128	1,302	162	24	64	76	28	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	13,662,110	6,109,150	.....	.....	1,916	8	22	337	1,502	154	35	116	110	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
9th.....	11,011,605	5,980,900	800	14,050	2,298	13	77	217	1,865	182	1	188	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10th, 1st Precinct.	6,603,810	4,558,555	.....	.....	2,100	1,337	4	92	235	97	38	39	67	88	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	3,435,215	2,004,240	.....	.....	917	9	1	4	826	12	21	31	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 3d Precinct.	5,170,780	2,081,059	.....	.....	100	1,177	.....	45	263	921	31	8	104	93	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 4th Precinct.	3,334,176	802,965	.....	.....	100	1,422	.....	39	90	1,178	166	3	136	112	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th, 1st Precinct.	7,978,840	3,930,680	.....	39,930	1,882	6	139	196	1,875	138	26	177	216	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	11,802,700	5,206,865	.....	29,550	1,659	6	304	200	1,760	188	17	144	137	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 3d Precinct.	3,408,550	1,276,315	.....	4,500	585	.....	74	120	525	34	10	58	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 4th Precinct.	3,711,720	316,993	.....	.....	258	3	17	45	262	51	2	18	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12th, 1st Precinct.	4,240,430	1,734,115	.....	4,300	1,029	6	33	64	981	164	6	66	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" 2d Precinct.	10,898,020	5,323,708	.....	1,250	1,566	5	135	294	1,696	282	25	129	159	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$163,259,771	\$97,796,741	\$74,800	\$1,188,080	31,701	352	3,370	4,297	25,266	2,603	296	1,886	1,893	446	1,452	.....	.....	.....