

SOUTH DAKOTA.

NUMBER AND DISTRIBUTION OF INHABITANTS.

Population of the state.—According to the Fourteenth Census, taken as of January 1, 1920, the population of South Dakota is 636,547, which represents an increase of 52,659, or 9 per cent, since 1910. During the same period the population of the United States increased by 14.9 per cent.

The following summary shows the population of

South Dakota from 1890 to 1920, inclusive, together with the number and per cent of increase for each decade, in comparison with the per cent of increase for the United States as a whole. The population of that part of Dakota territory which now constitutes the state of South Dakota was 98,268 in 1880 and 11,776 in 1870.

POPULATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA: 1890 TO 1920.

CENSUS YEAR.	Population.	INCREASE OVER PRECEDING CENSUS.		Per cent of increase for the United States.
		Number.	Per cent.	
1920.....	636,547	52,659	9.0	14.9
1910.....	583,888	182,318	45.4	21.0
1900.....	401,570	52,970	15.2	20.7
1890.....	348,600			