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POPULATION OF WYOMING BY COUNTIES AND MINOR CIVIL DIVISIONS.

This bulletin, prepared under the direction of Mr. WILLIAM C. HUNT, chief statistician for population, gives the aggregate population of Wyoming by counties and minor civil divisions, according to the official count of the returns of the Twelfth Census, taken as of June 1, 1900.

Wyoming was organized as a territory July 25, 1868, and admitted as a state July 10, 1890. Table 1 shows the population of Wyoming at each census from 1870 to 1900, inclusive, together with the increase by number and per cent during each decade.

TABLE 1.—POPULATION OF WYOMING: 1870 TO 1900.

CENSUS YEARS.	Population.	INCREASE.	
		Number.	Per cent.
1900	92,531	31,826	52.4
1890	60,705	39,916	192.0
1880	20,789	11,671	128.0
1870	9,118		

The population of the state in 1900 is 92,531 as against 60,705 in 1890, representing an increase since 1890 of 31,826, or 52.4 per cent. A small portion of this increase is due to the fact that there were 1,801 Indians and 49 other persons, or a total of 1,850 persons, on Indian reservations, etc., in Wyoming, who were specially enumerated in 1890 under the provisions of the census act, but were not included in the general population of the state at that census. The population of the territory of Wyoming in 1870 was 9,118 and it increased to 20,789 in 1880. During the next ten years the increase was 39,916, or 192.0 per cent, giving a total population of 60,705 in 1890, when the territory was admitted as a state. During the first decade as a state it has gained 31,826 inhabitants, that is to say, its population has increased more than fifty per cent.

The population of Wyoming in 1900 is more than ten times as large as that given for 1870, the first census in which the population of the territory appears.

The total land surface of Wyoming is, approximately, 97,575 square miles, the average number of persons to the square mile at the censuses of 1890 and 1900 being as follows: 1890, 0.6; 1900, 0.9.

Table 2 shows the population of Wyoming by counties at each census from 1870 to 1900, inclusive, while table 3, which immediately follows, shows, for each county, the increase (or decrease) by number and per cent during the ten years from 1890 to 1900.