

Tables H6, H6A, and H6B give full information as regards the race of the children on the rolls of the Native schools in December, 1911. As will be seen, 86·4 per cent. were Maoris speaking Maori in their homes, 2·2 were Maoris speaking English, and 11·4 per cent. were Europeans.

The total number of children of Maori or of mixed race on the rolls of primary Native schools, public schools, Native mission schools, and secondary Native schools, together with such pupils as were receiving special technical training at the end of the year 1911 is shown in the schedule below. The numbers do not include Maori children attending public secondary schools or Maoris at schools not under Government inspection: of these no separate return is made.

—				Actual Number.	Number per 10,000 of Maori Population at Census of 1911 (49,829).
I. Primary schools—					
(a.)	Government	Native	schools	4,557	914·5
(b.)	Mission	schools	230	46·2
(c.)	Public	schools	4,685	940·2
				9,472	1,900·9
II.	Secondary	schools	387	77·7
III.	Special	technical	training	17	3·4
Totals				9,876	1,982·0

CLASSIFICATION OF PUPILS.

A reference to Table H (*supra*, page 2) will show the classification of the pupils attending Native village schools, grouped according to ages. The following is a summary:—

	Maoris.	Europeans.	Totals.	Per Cent of the Roll.
Class P	2,008	199	2,207	48·4
Standard I	464	45	509	11·2
Standard II	492	72	564	12·4
Standard III	382	47	429	9·4
Standard IV	292	49	341	7·5
Standard V	237	43	280	6·1
Standard VI	138	41	179	3·9
Standard VII	26	22	48	1·1

Further details in regard to the above figures will be found in the tables in the appendix.

RESULTS OF INSPECTION.

Table H9 gives full information as to the results of the annual inspection. Twelve schools attained the maximum marks allotted, and eighty-one others showed good results. Six were only fair, and three were unsatisfactory. Five schools opened after the Inspector's annual visit to the district had been made were not inspected during the year.

STAFFS AND SALARIES.

As shown in Table H1, the staffs of the village schools included 81 masters, 22 mistresses in charge, 122 assistants, and 3 sewing-teachers. The total amount paid in salary during the year was £24,439 8s. The average salary of the head teachers at the rate paid in December, 1911, was £170 8s. 8d.—males, £175 9s. 3d.; and females, £151 18s. 2d.; the average salary of assistants being £48 13s. 2d. Lodging-allowances at the rate of £30 per annum were paid to forty-one assistants.

Three schools are in charge of teachers who are themselves members of the Maori race, and the Inspectors speak highly of their efficiency. Several Maori girls who have completed their course in secondary schools are employed as assistants, and are, on the whole, doing satisfactory work.