

STATISTICS OF COMMON SCHOOLS IN UPPER CANADA.

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In compiling the following Statistics, all the sources of information accessible to the Education Office have been exhausted. The first law under which Common School Reports were made was passed in 1841. These Reports, therefore, commence with 1842. Another School Law having been passed in 1843, no Returns were made for that year. Many of the returns are very defective; so that the Statistics contained in the following Table present, in many instances, merely an approximation to the truth. The Returns for 1845 are less defective than those of any preceding year. It is to be hoped, that the Returns for the present and future years will be still more complete.

It is to be observed, that in that portion of the Population which is represented as not attending any (Common) School, are included all those who attend Colleges, District Grammar Schools, and Private Schools. A complete view of the state of Education in Upper Canada cannot be given, until the attendance at these Establishments is ascertained. The following Table presents only a statistical view of the state and progress of *Common Schools* in Upper Canada since 1842; as such, it is believed, it will not be without interest, and may serve as the basis of some interesting inquiries and practical suggestions.

	UPPER CANADA	DISTRICTS IN UPPER CANADA.																			
		Eastern.	Ottawa.	Dalhousie.	Bathurst.	Johnstown.	Midland.	Prince Ed- ward.	Victoria.	Newcastle.	Colborne.	Home.	Simcoe.	Gore.	Niagara.	Wellington.	Talbot.	Brook.	London.	Huron.	Western.
Population in 1842.....	506,055	29,993	7,956	19,721	21,872	36,868	38,870	15,579	15,952	32,133	13,360	59,011	12,692	45,435	34,794	15,061	11,390	16,570	31,550	11,740	22,680
Population in 1845, estimated at.....	632,570	37,366	9,930	24,515	27,090	45,960	48,463	19,224	19,803	40,042	17,133	73,567	15,740	56,540	43,312	18,564	14,114	20,339	39,188	13,500	28,123
Population between the ages of 5 and 16 years, in 1842.....	141,143	9,084	2,303	4,436	6,404	9,194	9,696	4,246	4,144	8,571	3,984	20,839	3,963	12,786	10,297	4,326	3,428	4,983	9,353	1,815	7,275
Population between the ages of 5 and 16 years, in 1844.....	183,539	12,023	2,425	4,951	7,750	12,396	12,087	5,341	6,121	12,483	5,027	27,564	4,886	17,426	13,776	6,268	4,245	6,751	11,896	2,149	7,966
Population between the ages of 5 and 16 years, in 1845.....	198,434	12,459	2,697	No Rep't.	7,800	14,248	12,988	5,343	6,361	14,123	6,167	30,215	6,415	18,679	12,700	7,488	5,610	7,801	14,250	3,043	9,848
Pupils in 1842.....	65,978	4,201	800	3,005	2,702	5,304	4,011	2,516	2,112	4,603	2,215	9,525	1,917	6,279	5,311	2,789	2,210	3,307	5,020	1,011	3,079
Pupils in 1844.....	96,756	5,873	1,567*	3,434	3,728	7,471	5,481	3,667	3,013	5,727	2,409	13,500	2,340	9,350	8,907	2,825	3,472	3,729	6,182	978	3,103
Pupils in 1845.....	110,002	6,362	1,199*	4,642	4,157	8,019	6,016	3,755	3,214	6,994	3,451	14,363	2,944	9,610	8,087	4,383	3,444	5,081	7,911	1,494	4,876
Children not attending School in 1842.....	75,165	4,883	1,503	1,431	3,702	3,890	5,685	1,730	2,032	3,968	1,769	11,314	2,046	6,507	4,986	1,547	1,218	1,676	4,333	804	4,196
Children not attending School in 1844.....	86,783	6,250	858*	1,517	4,022	4,925	6,606	1,674	3,108	6,756	2,618	14,064	2,546	8,076	4,869	3,443	773	3,022	5,714	1,171	4,863
Children not attending School in 1845.....	88,432	6,097	1,498*	No Rep't.	3,643	6,229	6,972	1,588	3,147	7,123	2,116	15,852	3,471	9,069	4,613	3,105	2,166	2,720	6,339	1,549	4,972
Number of Schools in 1842.....	1,721	112	24*	58	73	120*	108*	62*	56*	119*	53*	220*	54*	102*	130*	57*	46*	68*	118*	25*	102*
Number of Schools in 1844.....	2,610	169	40	71	112	215	167	107	83	156	65	318	85	209	235	77	78	121	165	30	107
Number of Schools in 1845.....	2,736	174	39	83	117	217	167	102	98	177	84	312	78	221	191	91	90	122	190	44	139
Ratio of Children between the ages of 5 and 16 years to the whole Population in 1842, 1 child for every.....	3½	3½	3½	4½	3½	3½	4	3½	3½	3½	3½	2½	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½
Ratio of Children between the ages of 5 and 16 years to the whole Population in 1844, 1 child for every.....	3½	3	3½	No Rep't.	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	2½	3	2½	2½	3	3½	2½	2½	2½	2½	4	2½
Ratio of Pupils to the whole Population in 1842, 1 pupil for every.....	7½	7	9½	6½	8	7	9½	6½	7½	7	6½	6½	6½	7½	6½	6	5½	5	6½	15	7
Ratio of Pupils to the whole Population in 1845, 1 pupil for every.....	5½	5½	8½	5½	6½	5½	5½	5½	6½	5½	5	6½	5½	5½	5½	4½	4½	4	5	9	6
Ratio of Schools to the whole Population in 1842, 1 school for every.....	295	267½	331½	340	300	307½	360	251½	285	267½	261½	270	235	445	267½	264½	247½	242	260½	470	222½
Ratio of Schools to the whole Population in 1845, 1 school for every.....	231½	275	254½	295½	231½	211½	294	190	202	226½	204½	235½	201½	255½	226½	203	156	167	206	306½	201
Average number of Pupils in each School in 1844.....	37	35	39½	49	34	35	33	34½	36	36½	35½	42½	27½	44½	29	36½	44½	30½	37	32½	29
Average number of Pupils in each School in 1845.....	40½	36½	30½*	56	35½	37	36	36½	33	39½	41½	46	38½	43½	42	48	38	41½	41½	34	35
Amount of Salaries paid Teachers in 1842.....	\$41,500	\$2,700	800	1,434	1,806	3,234	2,840	1,284	1,164	2,650	1,069	5,835	1,166	3,965	2,982	1,282	890	1,186	2,474	470	2,084
Amount of Salaries paid Teachers in 1844.....	\$51,714	\$3,071	775*	2,493	2,568	3,510*	1,336*	1,528*	209*	3,987*	594*	8,567	1,052*	6,178	4,388	1,744*	1,731	1,850*	3,408	430*	2,291*
Amount of Salaries paid Teachers in 1845.....	\$71,514	\$3,943	818	2,220	1,662*	4,618	3,688	2,647	1,598	5,184	1,378	11,644	1,878	7,911	5,171	2,595	1,919	3,337	4,942	848	3,511
Average Salaries of Teachers in 1842, (for 12 months' teaching.....	\$25	33		25	25	27	28	30	22	38	24	41	25	42	26	39	30	24	36	23	29
Average Salaries of Teachers in 1845, (for 12 months' teaching.....	\$29	\$70	23	27	20	27	28	30	22	38	24	41	25	42	26	39	30	24	36	23	29
Ratio of amount paid for the Salaries of Teachers to the whole Population in 1842, £1 for every.....	12½	11½	10½	12½	12	11½	13½	11½	13½	11½	11	10½	12	11½	11½	12	12½	13½	12	13½	10½
Ratio of amount paid for the Salaries of Teachers to the whole Population in 1845, £1 for every.....	9½	9½	10½	11	16½	9½	10½	18	12½	7½	12½	6½	8½	7½	8½	7½	7½	6½	8	13½	8
Ratio of the amount assessed to the whole Population in 1845, £1 for every.....	26½	26	29	15½	No Rep't.	29½	35½	23½	36½	23½	29½	22½	24½	24½	25½	18	20	23½	26½	27	30½
Average time Schools were kept open in 1844.....(months)	7½	9½	9½	9½	9	7½	8½	8½	7½	8½	7½	8½	8½	9½	7	7½	8½	7½	7½	8½	7½
Average time Schools were kept open in 1845.....(months)	9½	9½	11	12	9	9	9½	10	9	8½	8	10½	11½	9½	9	8½	8½	8½	8½	10	8½
Increase of Children since 1842, i. e. 1845.....	57,291	3,375	394	No Rep't.	1,396	5,054	3,292	1,097	2,217	5,551	2,183	9,376	2,452	5,892	2,403	3,162	2,182	2,818	4,892	1,228	2,573
Increase of Schools since 1842, i. e. 1845.....	1,068	95	21	37	52	90	59	40	40	58	27	92	24	119	61	44	44	54	72	19	37
Increase of Pupils since 1842, i. e. 1845.....	44,024	2,161	399*	1,637	1,455	2,715	2,005	1,239	1,102	2,391	1,236	4,838	1,027	3,331	2,776	1,594	1,234	1,774	2,891	483	1,997

* Defective Report.

† No Assessment.

‡ Raised voluntarily.