

**THE RELATION OF RURAL AND URBAN POPULATIONS AS SHOWN
BY THE CENSUS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA TO PUBLIC
HEALTH PROBLEMS.**

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I desire to direct your attention to the two tables in the following diagram showing the total populations and their increases in the United States and in Canada during the last census periods, and the rate of urban and rural increases in each, and their relation to each other and to similar tables in previous census periods.

TABLE 1.

	Population of the United States.				Percentage distribution.			
	1910	1900	1890	1880	1910	1900	1890	1880
Total.....	91,972,206	75,994,575	62,947,714	50,155,783
Rural.....	49,348,883	45,187,390	40,227,491	35,383,345	53.7	59.5	63.9	70.5
Urban.....	42,623,383	30,797,185	22,720,223	14,772,438	46.3	40.5	36.1	29.5

Total increase of United States 1900-1910, 21 per cent.

Total rural population, 1900	45,197,390
Total rural population, 1910	49,348,813
Actual increase in census period.....	4,151,423
Estimated natural increase at 1.2 per cent per annum.....	5,423,686
Total urban population, 1900.....	30,797,185
Total urban population, 1910.....	42,623,383
Actual increase in census period.....	11,826,198
Estimated natural increase at 1.5 per cent per annum.....	4,619,528
Total United States immigration in 10 years, 1901-1911.....	8,789,386
Estimated immigrant farmers and farm laborers, based on data of 1911...	2,636,815
Estimated rural loss without allowing for any natural increase in rural immigrants.....	4,656,815
Immigration to the United States, by years:	
1901.....	487,918
1902.....	648,743
1903.....	857,846
1904.....	1,020,499
1905.....	1,020,499
1906.....	1,110,499
1907.....	1,285,249
1908.....	782,870
1909.....	751,786
1910.....	1,041,570