

War Facts and Figures

Below are statistics showing the resources and strength of the nations involved in the European War. The Figures are chiefly taken from the Statesman's Year Book, a standard reference work compiled annually from official returns

THE RIVAL NAVIES

Triple Entente and Allies

	Dreadnoughts and Super-Dreadnoughts	Battleships	Cruisers and Small Craft
Great Britain and Dominions	24	40	600
Russia		10	137
France	4	21	360
Belgium		No Navy	
Servia		No Navy	
Montenegro		No Navy	
Total	28	71	1,097

Germany and Austria-Hungary

	Dreadnoughts and Super-Dreadnoughts	Battleships	Cruisers and Small Craft
Germany	17	22	286
Austria-Hungary	2	12	102
Total	19	34	388

THE RIVAL ARMIES

Triple Entente and Allies

	Peace Strength	War Strength
Great Britain	181,000	712,000
Russia	1,250,000	1,850,000
France	645,000	1,380,000
Belgium	48,000	350,000
Servia	360,000	360,000
Montenegro	20,000	40,000
British Dominions	200,000	400,000
Total	2,704,000	4,452,000

Germany and Austria-Hungary

	Peace Strength	War Strength
Germany	800,000	3,350,000
Austria-Hungary	325,000	820,000
Total	1,125,000	4,170,000

It will be seen from the accompanying tables that the nations of the Triple Entente—France, Russia and Britain—with their allies of the Balkan States, have the advantage of their enemies of Germany and Austria-Hungary in land, sea and air forces. It will not be doubted that both in the



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First Lord of the British Admiralty, responsible for the efficiency of the Navy.

skill of leaders and the bravery of men the British and their allies are at least equal to the enemy. This gives cause for the hope that the war may be speedily decided by the decisive defeat of the German and Austro-Hungarian armies and navies. It will be observed that Britain's greatest strength is upon the sea. Both Germany and Britain

LEVIATHANS OF WAR

British Dreadnoughts and Super-Dreadnoughts

Super Dreadnoughts—	Tons.
Orion, Thunderer, Monarch and Conqueror	22,500
King George, Centurion, Ajax and Audacious	24,800
Benbow, Emperor of India, Iron Duke and Marlboro	25,000
Queen Elizabeth and Valiant	27,500
Dreadnoughts—	
Dreadnought	17,000
Bellerophon, Temeraire and Superb	18,000
St. Vincent, Collingwood and Vanguard	19,250
Neptuné	19,900
Hercules and Colossus	20,000

The German Dreadnoughts

Westphalen, Nassau, Rheinland and Poseidon	18,500
Thuringen, Ostfriesland, Heligoland and Oldenburg	20,500
Kaiser, Friedrich der Grosse, Kaiserin and König Albrecht	24,700
Prinz Regent Luitpold and Seydlitz	25,000
König, Grossen Kurfürst and Kronprinz	24,700

THE FLYING CORPS

In the air, as well as on sea and land, the Triple Entente has a considerable advantage over the enemy. Britain has a smaller flying corps than any other of the great powers, but France alone has more airships than Austria and Germany combined. The number of aircraft available for war purposes in each country is given as follows:

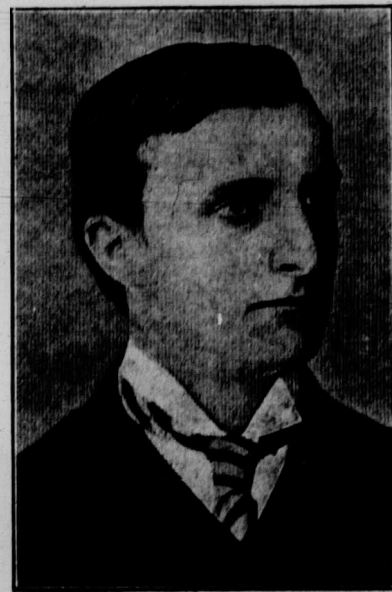
Aircraft of the Triple Entente

Russia	380
France	750
Great Britain	130
Total	1,260

Aircraft of Germany and Austria-Hungary

Germany	350
Austria	150
Total	500

have cruiser squadrons in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans, but the big ships of both countries are concentrated in the North Sea. The superiority of the British fleet was evidenced immediately on the declaration of war, when the North Sea was swept clear of German ships which took refuge under the



SIR EDWARD GREY
British Foreign Minister, who made every effort to secure a peaceful settlement of the dispute before the declaration of war.

protection of the land forts in the vicinity of the Kiel Canal. This canal, which crosses the isthmus by which Denmark is joined to Germany, gives the German navy two outlets from the Baltic to the North Sea, and thus greatly increases the difficulty of keeping the Kaiser's ships under observation and in check.

FOOD SUPPLIES

The following table shows the number of cattle in the belligerent countries and the amount of wheat produced in 1913:

Triple Entente and Allies

	Cattle	Sheep and Swine	Wheat (Bus.)
Russia	49,000,000	87,000,000	970,000,000
France	14,000,000	23,000,000	323,000,000
Great Britain	12,000,000	30,000,000	57,000,000
Belgium	2,000,000	1,500,000	16,000,000
British Dominions	20,000,000	25,000,000	306,000,000
Servia	957,918		16,000,000
Montenegro	60,000		

Germany and Austria-Hungary

Germany	20,000,000	27,000,000	170,000,000
Austria-Hungary	15,000,000	22,000,000	225,000,000

POPULATION, TRADE AND RAILWAYS

TRIPLE ENTENTE AND ALLIES	Population	Annual Foreign Trade	Railways (miles)
Russia	160,000,000	\$1,267,673,000	43,000
France	39,000,000	2,815,391,000	30,000
Great Britain	45,000,000	7,000,000,000	23,250
Belgium	7,500,000	1,630,000,000
British Dominions	20,000,000	3,000,000,000	53,633
Servia	3,000,000	50,000,000	974
Montenegro	516,000	2,500,000

GERMANY AND AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

Germany	65,000,000	4,676,275,000	37,000
Austria-Hungary	50,000,000	1,277,003,000	26,000