

All ages are represented in the Emigration, even from newborn children, to old people at the brink of the grave. As an instance, from Drammen there emigrated a woman 86 years old. The proportion of male emigrants is larger than females. Of every 1000 emigrants there are 465 woman and 535 men. This difference is certainly large, but even smaller than most of the other countries which participate in emigration. The ages between 30 and 40 years give the largest number towards emigration, both of males and females. The number of children among 100 emigrants is larger than their proportion of 100 of Norways population. In comparison with other countries the Norwegian Emigration has the advantage that the proportion of males over females is less, and the number of children on the contrary, larger. This shows consequently that the emigration from Norway is more by families than from other places, and this has a great moral and economic meaning.

The largest emigration has taken place from those districts which contain the higher mountain ranges, where the means of livelihood are fewer and where failure of the crops is most frequent. From four of these districts, the Emigration from 1836 to 1864 amounted to above 100 for every 1000 of the average population.

It has been least from most southern and most northern districts, from none of which during the stated period, more than 10 of every 1000 have emigrated. This year there is some appearance of emigration from the most northern districts.

The mortality on the voyage has been greater on Norwegian vessels than on any others. The proportion has even been so large that while on an average only