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The following has been copied from the published volume, and whilst some of it is not relevant in terms of viewing the Database, it does give the reader a complete view of the data collected, the original records from which it came and other useful and interesting information. Some Appendix tables have not been reproduced here but can be viewed in a copy of the volume in major libraries.

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### General overview

The 1814 Muster provides a picture of the New South Wales community after the first quarter-century of settlement. By 1814 some 14000 convicts had arrived in New South Wales, many of whom had served out their sentences and were settled on the land with their families. Others were working for the government or were assigned to officials, members of the military, or free settlers. The Muster includes details of those resident in the colony in 1814 with the exception of the military and important officials, and provides details of their current employment situation or relevant relationship. In many instances, these details have not survived in any other source. The Muster also includes individual entries for those born in the first decade of settlement, and may provide the earliest surviving reference to their existence.

In addition to providing individual information, the pattern of population distribution reflected by the entries, of assignments and of occupations being pursued in the different regions reveals the extent of settlement and the activities undertaken in each district. Those “at the mountains”, for example, were building the road through the Blue Mountains, while the “Lane Cove” residents were part of a large tree felling operation.

The Muster records the following information for each individual: name of resident, ship of arrival, settlement district within NSW, status (free or convict), victualling status, number of children, occupation, employer, spouse and other general information. It includes the names of over 7000 residents plus an additional 3000 cross-references to spouses and employers.

The 1814 Muster is an unequalled reference to the people and activities in New South Wales at the end of the first generation of European settlement.

### **Historical Background to the NSW General Musters**

Systematic enumeration of the population of New South Wales began shortly after the arrival of the First Fleet when the first “muster” of the population was taken. Musters were the means by which the government counted the population and controlled the convicts. The Musters also noted whether individuals were victualled from government stores or were self-supporting, and served as a means of determining the colony’s ability to support itself without recourse to the public stores.

From 1795 onwards general musters appears to have been held annually. Those required to attend included all inhabitants in the settlement except members of the military and civil officers. They were usually supervised by the Governor or Lieutenant-Governor, and an officer of the commissary who was responsible for the collection of land and stock returns was always present.

### **General Muster for 1814**

#### **Collection of Muster**

On 1 October 1814 the Governor issued a General Order and Instruction for the inhabitants of New South Wales to attend a Muster between 17 October 1814 and 16 November 1814. The orders stated that it was to be a General Muster of all the inhabitants with the exception of the civil officers and the military, held under His

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Excellency's inspection and assisted by Deputy Assistant Commissary William Broughton.

The Muster was to commence at 6am. The settlers and landholders were required to provide an account of the land in cultivation and the stock in possession. Expirees were ordered to produce their certificates of freedom; pardons and tickets of leave were also to be produced. Children were not required to attend as their mothers were to supply the necessary details. Surgeons were asked to provide details of those who were sick as well as the overseers at the hospital. Failure to attend was to be punished with the utmost severity.

The instructions for attendance were as follows:

### **At Public Stores, Windsor:**

- Monday 17 October: All free men from the districts of Windsor, Richmond and Castlereagh;
- Tuesday 18 October: All free men from the districts of Wilberforce, Pitt Town & Portland Head;
- Wednesday 19 October: All male prisoners including Ticket of Leave men in the above districts;
- Thursday 20 October: All free women from Windsor, Richmond and Castlereagh;
- Friday 21 October: All free women from Wilberforce, Pitt Town and Portland Head;
- Saturday 22 October: All female prisoners from the above districts;
- Monday 24 October: All persons missing the previous muster from unavoidable causes 'as His Excellency the Governor will remain there the Whole of that Day for this purpose'.

### **At the Public School Room, Parramatta:**

- Thursday 27 October: All free men from the districts of Parramatta, Prospect Hills, Seven Hills, Baulkham Hills and Toongabbee;
- Friday 28 October: All free men from the districts of the Northern Boundaries, Field of Mars, Dundas and Pennant Hills;
- Saturday 29 October: All male prisoners resident in the above districts;
- Monday 31 October: All free women in the above districts;
- Tuesday 1 November: All female prisoners in the above districts;
- Wednesday 2 November: All persons missing the previous muster.

### **At the School House, Liverpool:**

- Friday 4 November: All free men and prisoners including Ticket of Leave men in the districts of Liverpool, Bunbury Curran, Airds and Appin;

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- Saturday 5 November: All free women and female prisoners 'and such of the stock keepers as were unable to attend on Friday'.

### **At the Charity School, Sydney:**

- Wednesday 9 November: All free men and prisoners including Ticket of Leave men resident at Sydney and off stores;
- Thursday 10 November: All free men and prisoners including Ticket of Leave men resident in the districts of Kissing Point, Concord, Botany Bay and Cook's River;
- Friday 11 November: All free women and female prisoners on stores resident at Sydney, Kissing Point, Concord, Botany Bay and Cook's River;
- Saturday 12 November; All free men and prisoners resident at Sydney and on stores 'at which time the different superintendents and overseers are required to attend at the place of muster at the head of their respective gangs';
- Monday 14 November: All free women off stores residing at Sydney, Kissing Point, Concord, Botany Bay and Cook's River;
- Tuesday 15 November: All female prisoners off stores residing at Sydney, Kissing Point, Concord, Botany Bay and Cook's River.
- Wednesday 16 November: Owners and persons employed in colonial craft to attend and persons with vessels at sea to give correct list of master's, officers' and seamen's names. Others who were unable to attend the previous muster.

Source: Government & General Orders & Notices 5 January 1810 - 12 November 1814 pp.540-544 and *Sydney Gazette* Saturday 1 October 1814 and 5 November 1814 as quoted in V.W.E. Goodin's '1814 General Muster-Roll'.

### **Record Repository where original held**

The returns for the General Muster of 1814 are held at State Records New South Wales [SRNSW ref: 4/1225]. The volume is labelled as follows:

*General Muster of the Inhabitants in His Majesty's Territory of New South Wales taken under the inspection of His Excellency Governor Macquarie assisted by Deputy Assistant Commissary General Broughton, commencing on the 17th October and ending the 16<sup>th</sup> November 1814.*

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The returns for the land and stock section of the Muster have not survived, however abstracted statistics were included in a report to Earl Bathurst. These are reproduced below.

Source: *Muster and Census Records Information Leaflet No.38* (State Records - NSW); General Muster 1814 [SRNSW ref: 4/1225].

### Statistics

On 24 June 1815 Governor Macquarie enclosed in his despatch to Earl Bathurst a General Statement of the Inhabitants of New South Wales as per the General Muster of 1814. The Statement recorded 13116 inhabitants in the colony and included the civil and military departments, commissariat staff, free persons, prisoners and children. These statistics are reproduced in the *Historical Records of Australia*, Series 1, Volume 8, pp.597-601.

Table 1 has been abstracted from the General Statement to provide clearer statistics regarding sex and age groups. These statistics record a population of 13117, one more than shown in the General Statement (the variation occurs in the Civil Department where the tally was incorrect).

**Table 1: Abstract from General Statement**

	Free Victualled	Prisoners Victualled	People not Victualled	Comm-issary	Sub-Total	Civil	Military	Grand Total
Men	339	1359	4118	7	5823	37	705	6565
Women	156	267	2084		2507	17	157	2681
Adults Sub-Total	495	1626	6202	7	8330	54	862	9246
Children	294	139	3116		3549	33	289	3871
Total	789	1765	9318	7	11879	87	1151	13117

As members of the military and the majority of the civil department were not mustered with the general population, their totals have been recorded separately. After subtracting the statistics for these non-mustered groups, an adult population of some 8330 people remains. These people were purportedly named in the General Muster. However the extant version of the 1814 Muster lists only 7183 adults and includes at least 14 duplicates. Although these other 1160 plus adults, has not been identified, the following information is probably relevant:

- Some Sydney Hospital staff are included in the Muster however no individuals are listed as patients. The General Statement probably includes statistics relating to these people.
- The *Somersetshire* arrived on 16 October 1814 with 199 convicts however only one free passenger was listed in the Muster. Perhaps statistics for these transportees were added to the General Statement.
- Some persons named as employers are not themselves listed. In fact, many names recorded in the 1811 Muster and in post-1814 records are not listed in the 1814 Muster itself. Either they chose not to attend the Muster or were unable to attend for some reason (distance, ill-health &c). It is feasible that some assessment of this absenteeism was made and used to adjust the General Statement statistics.
- It is also possible that a section of the return is missing.
- Some of these omissions may result from clerical error.

### **Inconsistencies and Difficulties**

The 1814 Muster includes many factual errors which, as explained in the section on Editing Parameters, have not been corrected by the Editor. Some would result from hazy recollection, some would be deliberate, and others mistakes on the part of the clerk.

Difficulties in transcription occur through the clerk's inconsistent use of the symbol ("). In some fields this symbol was used to signify a ditto; in others, a blank. For the columns "Status" and "Stores", the clerk noted "free" or "convict" and "on" or "off" respectively for the first entry on each page then used the symbol (") until the reference changed. The new word was written in full then the symbol (") was repeated until another change was made. Clearly in these instances the symbol (") signified a ditto. The use of the symbol (") in the "Ship of Arrival" and "Remarks" columns has been taken to signify a ditto. V.W.E. Goodin made the same judgement in his transcription. Yet for the columns covering "Children On/Off Stores", the symbol (") was used to signify a blank; all numbers of children appear to have been noted in full.

Further confusion arises when a field was left blank, as this evidently signified a ditto in some instances. For example, for entries 11148 to 11182 the first person was noted as being "At the Mountains" while the following entries to the end of the page were blank. The first entry on the next page noted "At the Mountains" while the following entries were again left blank until the employer changed. The men working "at the mountains" were building the road through the mountains to Bathurst. As a large group of men were required for this venture, it seems logical that the blanks in this instance signified dittos.

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Vernon W.E. Goodin assumed most blanks to signify dittos including instances where the "Ship of Arrival" field was left blank. Comparing these entries with the Convict Indents, it appears that this was an incorrect assumption so the decision was made to leave these fields blank.

The first page of the Muster includes a group of people who were employed by "Mr J.T. Palmer" [entries 10008 to 10014]. The following entry [10015] was for "Mr G.T. Palmer" himself, recording the correct initials for his given names. These types of errors seem surprising however they are not infrequent.

Entries 10331 to 10348 cover a group of landholders, labourers and skilled tradesmen. All were listed as "on" stores, through the use of dittos from an earlier "on" stores entry, although those with such occupations were usually self-supporting and therefore off stores. As the "On" dittoes continue to the end of the page whereas the first entry on the following page records "Off" stores, it seems likely that the clerk omitted to change the "On" to "Off" and continued the dittoes as if such a change had been made.

### Research Value

The 1814 Muster provides information about many important or colourful figures of the early colony. By 1814 the route over the Blue Mountains had been discovered, and the Muster provides details of two of the explorers, Gregory Blaxland [12082] and William Charles Wentworth [15192]. Both were listed as Landholders. To enable access to the newly discovered pastures beyond the mountains, a road was required. This was supervised by Magistrate William Cox [10323], and was built by the men listed as "At the Mountains" [11148-11182]. The road was completed in January 1815 with no loss of life.

Admiral Bligh, the former Governor of New South Wales and master of the ship *Bounty*, was no longer living in the colony in 1814 yet he still owned land. Three convicts [10740, 11260 and 11261] are named in the Muster as being assigned "to Admiral Bligh".

The first man to farm his own land in the colony, James Ruse, is listed as a Landholder [10351] as is Samuel Terry, the "Rothschild of Botany Bay" [14260].

Seven men who arrived on the flagship of the First Fleet, the *Sirius*, are included in the Muster. Five were landholders: John Drummond [13529], Peter Hibbs [10337], Owen Kavanagh [10548], Frederick Meredith [14770] and James Painter [10346]. Of the other two, Isaac Tarr was on charity [12256], and William Tonks was a Gimblet Maker [14461].

Architect Francis Greenway is included [15272]. Although he had arrived in the colony only a few months previously, his privileged position is revealed by the reference to his Ticket of Leave.



## Unusual and Interesting Entries

A number of occupations in the Muster are today either non-existent, interesting or amusing. In Sydney lived the following: Thomas Hughes the executioner [16029]; and Joseph Davis, government cutler to the Hospital [14957] who made and repaired the knives and other cutting implements. Thomas Blayde, Peter Hayes and Joseph Lycett [15262-15254] were listed as limners (portrait painters). May Robinson was a mantua maker [16129]; James Plunkett, a sweep [15269]; and John Pendergrass, the town crier [14962]. Thomas Wright [15417] was a usurer (money lender), a word now used to suggest money lent at exorbitant interest rates. William Tonks was a gimblet maker [14461], making instruments used for boring holes in wood.

The scourger in Windsor was Richard Townsend [10914]; the man with the same occupation in Parramatta was James Walton [11941]. Also in Parramatta lived Benjamin Cowan the pound keeper [11924], Daniel Welling, a sievemaker [11883], and Elizabeth Evans, a turnpike woman [12952]. Izrael Rayner [10241] was the toll gate man in Windsor and Frances Jennings [11449] and Hannah Lisson [11486] the midwives. Silvester Hall [13890] in Liverpool was the town clerk and Thomas Gordon, the botanist [13649].

In the 18th and early 19th centuries families tended to name children with little originality. The common names for each sex were rarely deviated from and the majority of these names are still found today. Occasionally children were given more unusual names and a number are found in the 1814 Muster, as follows: Anzela McGra [10135], Barrow Jackson [15041], Bassina Gilbert [17146], Caulfield Wood [11037], Dyson Post [10209], Enoch Hutchinson [12825], Grissill Johnson [16436], Havilla Riley [16338], Hercules Walls [15935], Lazarus Greaves [10091], Malecai Ryan [15130], Manina Tate [16314], Odery Appleyard [13802], Peirpont William [14863], Shepherdess Wright [13186], Sirius Doyle [10471], Theophilus Mitchell [15964] and Uriah Moses [10990]. When an unusual given name was combined with an unusual surname some curious names result: Cammell Dew [16110], Diderick Matts [15039], Farrell Cuff [14330], Mordecai Pass [15406], Stafford Lett [14332] and Teague Harrigan [14368].

References to different nationalities are found in the Muster. The most obvious are the "lascars" (or Indians) who came out on at least two ships. The *Dundee* brought Jack Junal [13665] and John Boxhall [12294] who were both labourers. The *Frederick* brought Bhandavie Junt [14825], Boberjic Callacher [14823], Chlaphic Abdulla [14826], Doby Burty [14824] and Rosa [16194], all servants to Mr O'Conner [14645] who also arrived on the *Frederick*.

## Civil and Military Appointments

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The following table from *Historical Records of Australia* (Series 1 Volume 8 pp.597-8) provides a list of those holding civil and military appointments on 1 June 1815. The majority were not named in the General Muster, although they were included in the statistics.

### **A List of Persons holding Civil and Military Employments in New South Wales and its Dependencies. Sydney 1 June 1815.**

(NB. The numbers in square brackets represent an entry for that person in the Muster)

Lachlan Macquarie	— Governor
Geo. Molle	— Lieut Governor
Ellis Bent	— Judge Advocate
J.H. Bent	— Judge
William Moore	— Solicitor to the Crown
J.T. Campbell	— Secretary to Governor
William Gore	— Provost Marshal
John Piper	— Naval Officer
Alfred Thrupp	— Asst. Naval Officer
Robert Watson	— Harbour Master
Geo. Dowling	— Wharfinger [15016]
James Stewart	— Asst. Wharfinger [14956]
John Oxley	— Surveyor General
James Meehan	— Dpty Surveyor General
D'Arcy Wentworth	— Principal Surgeon
James Mileham	— Asst. Surgeon [10322]
William Redfern	— Asst. Surgeon
William Redfern	— Asst. Surgeon
Edward Luttrell	— Asst. Surgeon
William Evans	— Asst. Surgeon
H. St. Jno. Younge	— Asst. Surgeon
Revd. S. Marsden	— Principal Chaplain
Revd. Wm. Cowper	— Asst. Chaplain
Revd. H. Fulton	— Asst. Chaplain
Revd. R. Cartwright	— Asst. Chaplain [10249]
Revd. B. Vale	— Asst. Chaplain
William Cosar	— Boat Builder
J.W. Lewin	— Coroner [14876]
Thomas Hobby	— Asst. Coroner [10330]
Mich'l Robinson	— Clerk in the Secretary's Office
Charles Gray	— 2nd Clerk in Secretary's Office
Jos. Cowgill	— 3rd Clerk (ditto) [15914]
James Foster	— Clerk to Judge Advocate
William Roberts	— Clerk to Judge
D'Arcy Wentworth	— Supt. of Police
Robert Jones	— Asst. Supt. of Police [14866]
George Chartres	— Clerk to Supt. of Police [14848]
Rowland Hassall	— Supt. of Stock [12184]
Thos. Arkell	— Overseer of Stock [12271]
James Blackman	— Overseer of Stock
William Hutchinson	— Supt. of Convicts [10494]
Rich'd Rouse	— Supt. of Public Works [12277]
David Langley	— Supt. of Smiths
Samuel Bradley	— Supt. of Carpenters [14951]

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Thomas Legg	— Supt. of Bricklayers
Rich'd Fitzgerald	— Supt. at Windsor
William Hill	— Supt. of Slaughter House
Geo. Salter	— Supt. at Castle Hill [12134]
Rich'd Lewis	— Supt. of New Road
A. Hutchinson	— Supt. of Mills
Francis Oakes	— Supt. at Parramatta [12100]
Francis Oakes	— Supt. of the Factory [12100]
N. Devine	— Late Superintendent [14839]
John Redman	— Chief Constable [14978]
William Thorn	— Asst. to Chief Constable [14920]
Daniel Cubitt	— Gaoler [14855 & 14979]
William Davidson	— Asst. Gaoler [14931]
Richard Wade	— Steeple Keeper
John Austin	— Clock Keeper
Geo. Howe	— Government Printer
Mrs Martin	— Govt House Keeper P'matta
Capt H.C. Antill	— Major of Brigade
Lieut. J. Watts	— Aid de Camp
Chas. McIntosh	— Barrack Master
Capt. M. Gill	— Engineer
John O'Hearne	— Asst. Engineer
Lieut. Thompson	— Commandant Newcastle
Chas. Whalan	— Sgt. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Thos. Tollis	— Cpl. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Jos. Craddock	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
George Lawson	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Thomas Evans	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Henry Newman	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Thomas Humphries	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse
Thomas Field	— Prv. Governor's Guard, Light Horse

### **Explanatory Notes** **Editing Parameters**

In producing this published volume the main aims were:

- a) To reproduce an accurate copy of the General Musters of NSW 1814 as recorded in the State Records NSW Volume [Ref: 4/1225];
- b) To facilitate searches by specific fields including surname, given name, gender, residence, status, ship of arrival, occupation, organisation/institution, employer/spouse, extra information (including military, born in the colony, came free &c) or any combination of the above.

The 1814 Muster divided the population by district: Windsor, Parramatta, Liverpool and Sydney; by sex; and by status: free and convict. Within each district the information was recorded under the following headings: name, ship, status, stores, children, on/off stores and remarks. The "remarks" column included a variety of information such as occupation, marital status, spouse or employer's name,

residence, nationality and colour. For searchability, this information has been divided into separate fields.

It is clear that many mistakes were made in the preparation of the original muster, and contemporary records refer to this problem. In publishing the Muster, it was deemed more important to maintain the integrity of the original record rather than produce a new and corrected version. A few mistakes have been noted in the Editor's Remarks field.

### **Capturing the data**

Volunteers data-entered the 1814 Muster and checked the resulting print-outs against the original volume. The late Jess Hill checked the entries for the women against her research records on convict women. The Editor then re-checked all of the entries. The original order of the Muster has been retained (see Reference Number below) so that researchers can determine the identities of the persons who were mustered immediately before or after their person of interest.

The Muster was then sorted by each field enabling systematic checking and crosschecking, with some information crosschecked against other sources such as V.W.E. Goodin's transcription of the 1814 Muster held at the Mitchell Library, Sydney, the *General Musters of New South Wales, Norfolk Island and Van Diemen's Land 1811*, the *Census of New South Wales November 1828*, and the Descendants of Convicts Group 'Convict Index'.

Inevitably, however, mistakes will have passed through the checking process as the handwriting was often difficult to interpret. The scribe failed to clearly differentiate between many letters, the main problems found with the smaller letters, namely 'a', 'c', 'e', 'i', 'n', 'o', 'r', 's', 'u', 'v' and 'w'. Most could be interchanged with at least one other letter and remain meaningful. The 'a' was left open, the "c" only slightly curved, the 'e' not looped, the 'l' not dotted, the 'n' appearing like a combination of two letters, the "o" left open, the "r" a stroke that could pass as most other small letters, the 's' often only a simple stroke, the 'u' and 'w' appearing like a combination of letters and the 'v' like a 'u'. The scribe also ended many words with a slight flourish which was hard to distinguish from a real letter.

### **Notes on information appearing in the Full Alphabetical List**

#### **Order of Information**

The 1814 Muster has no alphabetical structure. The population is divided by district, sex and status, listing the entries within each district in an apparently random order. However there is a certain structure to the grouping. Within each district many entries are grouped together under the name of an employer or the place of employment, and family members are often listed consecutively.

### **Reference Number**

The entries have been input in the same order as recorded in the original volume. An exclusive reference number has been allocated to each entry to assist with location. This allows each entry to be brought up within the environment of its original location.

### **Residence**

The Muster is divided into four districts, namely:

- Windsor, Richmond and Castlereagh;
- Parramatta;
- Liverpool;
- Sydney.

In the Full Alphabetical List, these have been abbreviated to “WDSR”, “PMTA”, “LVPL” and “SDNY”. In the Full Details Screen, the four place names are recorded in full.

### **Status**

The Muster includes references to current status, namely “Free”, “Convict” and “Ticket of Leave”. In the Full Alphabetical List, only “FREE” or “CNVT” are recorded. The additional information is found in the Full Details screen.

### **Names**

Titles have been standardized to the form generally used, for example: Mr, Mrs, Sir, Capt, Admrl, Col, Lieut, Esq, Snr and Jnr. Given names were generally abbreviated in the original Muster to a relatively standard form. For purposes of clarity and ease of use these have been extended to the common form of the name. Where the abbreviations were obscure, other records have been checked to determine the correct form of the name. The names James and Joseph were abbreviated in a similar manner creating interpretation difficulties; where possible these have been checked against other records to ensure accuracy. Surnames have been transcribed exactly as they appeared in the Muster.

Only given names, surnames and titles that precede a name are included in the Full Alphabetical List.

### **Alias/Alternative**

This field includes aliases recorded in the Muster as well as corrections noted in the Muster itself or variants/corrections by the Editor.

### **Gender**

“M” for male and “F” for female has added by the Editor to assist with searchability.

### **BC/CF**

This field is included in the Full Alphabetical List and refers to “Born in Colony” or “Came Free”.

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### Ship of Arrival

Ship names have been standardised to facilitate computer sorting. The spelling standard is based on the forms used by Charles Bateson in *The Convict Ships* and John Cumpston's *Shipping Arrivals & Departures, Sydney, 1788—1825*.

The voyage number is transcribed as recorded in the Muster. Numerous mistakes occur with this information, probably as a result of inaccurate recollection on the part of the mustered. Additional information recorded in the Muster such as the type of ship (brig, schooner &c) is noted.

The year in which each ship arrived in the colony was not included in the Musters, however a guide is found below. Convict transports with their year(s) of arrival are recorded in bold. Non-transports are listed in italics; for those with no year of arrival, this could not be readily ascertained either because the ship arrived on multiple occasions or because the ship-name is uncertain. It must be noted that convict transports occasionally arrived as trading vessels in years other than those listed below. Additionally other ships with the same name as a transport sometimes arrived in years other than those listed below. Those who were not convicts could therefore have arrived on another unlisted voyage.

<b>Active 1791</b>	<i>City of Edinburgh 1808</i>	<b>Glatton 1803</b>
<b>Admiral Barrington 1791</b>	<i>Clarkson 1812</i>	<b>Gorgon 1791</b>
<b>Admiral Gambier 1808 &amp; 1811</b>	<i>Commerce</i>	<i>Guardian (1789)</i>
<b>Aeolus 1809</b>	<i>Concord</i>	<b>Guildford 1812</b>
<b>Albemarle 1791</b>	<b>Coromandel 1802 &amp; 1804</b>	<i>Hawkesbury</i>
<i>Albion</i>	<i>Cyclops</i>	<i>Hebe 1808</i>
<b>Alexander 1788 &amp; 1806</b>	<i>Daphne</i>	<b>Hercules 1802</b>
<b>Anne 1801 &amp; 1810</b>	<i>Derwent</i>	<i>Hero 1808</i>
<b>Archduke Charles 1813</b>	<i>Diana</i>	<i>Hibernia</i>
<i>Argo</i>	<i>Dromedary 1809</i>	<b>Hillsborough 1799</b>
<b>Atlantic 1791</b>	<b>Duke of Portland 1807</b>	<i>Hindustan 1809</i>
<b>Atlas 1802 &amp; 1802</b>	<i>Dundee 1808</i>	<i>Hope</i>
<i>Aurora</i>	<i>Eagle</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<b>Barwell 1798</b>	<b>Earl Cornwallis 1801</b>	<b>Indefatigable 1812</b>
<b>Bellona 1793</b>	<b>Earl Spencer 1813</b>	<b>Indian 1810</b>
<i>Betsey</i>	<i>Eliza</i>	<b>Indispensable 1796 &amp; 1809</b>
<b>Boddingtons 1791</b>	<i>Elizabeth</i>	<i>Isabella 1812</i>
<b>Boyd 1809</b>	<i>Endeavour</i>	<i>James Hay 1813</i>
<i>Bridgewater 1803</i>	<b>Experiment 1804 &amp; 1809</b>	<i>John Jay 1800</i>
<b>Britannia 1791, 1797 &amp; 1798</b>	<i>Fair American 1804</i>	<i>Kangaroo 1814</i>
<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Ferret</i>	<b>Kitty 1792</b>
<b>Broxbornebury 1814</b>	<b>Fortune 1806 &amp; 1813</b>	<b>Lady Juliana 1790</b>
<i>Buffalo</i>	<i>Frederick</i>	<b>Lady Penrhyn 1788</b>
<b>Calcutta 1803</b>	<i>Frederick &amp; Maria</i>	<i>Laura</i>
<i>Campbell Macquarie</i>	<b>Friends 1811</b>	<i>Lucy 1806</i>
<b>Canada 1801 &amp; 1811</b>	<b>Friendship 1788 &amp; 1800</b>	<i>Margaret</i>
<b>Catherine 1814</b>	<b>Ganges 1797</b>	<b>Marquis Cornwallis 1796</b>
<b>Charlotte 1788</b>	<i>General Brown 1814</i>	<i>Mary</i>
	<i>General Graham 1812</i>	<b>Mary Ann 1791</b>
	<i>General Hewitt 1814</i>	

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*New Zealander*

**Nile 1801**

*Ocean*

*Parramatta 1807*

*Pegasus*

**Perseus 1802**

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**Pitt 1792**

*Pomona 1798*

*Porpoise*

**Prince of Wales 1788**

**Providence 1811**

**Queen 1791**

*Queen Charlotte*

*Recovery*

*Reliance*

*Richard & Mary*

**Rolla 1803**

**Royal Admiral 1792 &  
1800**

*Ruby 1811*

**Salamander 1791**

**Scarborough 1788 & 1790**

*Shah Hormuzear 1793*

*Sinclair*

**Sirius 1788**

**Somersetshire 1814**

**Sovereign 1795**

**Speedy 1800**

**Speke 1808**

*Spring 1814*

*Spring Grove*

*Star*

**Sugar Cane 1793**

**Surprize 1790 & 1794**

**Surry 1814**

*Suwarrow*

**Sydney Cove 1807**

**Tellicherry 1806**

**Three Bees 1814**

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**William Pitt 1806**

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*Young William*

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### **Stores**

Each entry notes whether the subject of the entry was victualled by the government (“on” stores), or self-supporting (“off” stores).

### **Children On/Off Stores**

The Muster includes two columns for this information. The first covers the number of children in a family who were “on” stores, the second covers the number of children who were “off” stores. These references to children were generally included in their mother’s entry. It appears that at the age of 15 children were eligible for an entry in the Muster in their own right.

### **Occupation &c**

This field covers most other information such as occupation, employer and spouse. In order to separate the information into specific fields for computing and searchability purposes, information has occasionally been re-arranged. For example, “Soldier’s Wife” became “Wife Soldier” so that “Wife” would fit in the Relationship field and “Soldier” in the Other Person Occupation field, to facilitate searching by the relevant information. All possessives have been eliminated.

### **Additional information**

References to marital status, nationality, disabilities and so on are included in this field.

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### **Source Reference**

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### **Appendix 1 – Given Names**

#### **Male Given Names**

Table 1 provides a simple breakdown of the occurrence of given names in the 1814 Muster. Of the males listed without a given name, some had initials, some had a title (eg. Rev) and some had only the one name (that is, technically a given name but generally recorded with the surnames).

#### **Table 1: Male Given Names**

##### General Musters

With given name	4691
No given name	51
Total	4742

Tables 2 and 3 below record the male given names listed in the 1814 Muster. A total of 173 male given names were recorded providing an average of one name per 27 men. However 79 names were unusual, occurring only once in the colony at that time. Combined they covered 1.7% of the population.

As the statistics reveal, “John” was the most common male given name and was carried by 915 residents or nearly 20% (one in five) of the “named” adult male population. One in every two males was named either “John”, “William”, “Thomas” or “James”, these four names covering 53% of the male population. A further 27% carried one of the following ten names:

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Joseph, George, Richard, Patrick, Robert, Edward, Michael, Charles, Henry and Samuel. The frequency of Irish immigrants is seen in the popularity of "Patrick".

Forty-eight references to a middle name were recorded in the Muster however these were primarily represented by an initial. For those noted in full, one-third were derived from surnames and the other two-thirds from given names.

**Table 2: Male Given Names – Frequency Order**

Freq	Pop.	%	Freq	Pop.	%	Freq	Pop.	%			
1	John	913	19.5	38t	Simon		/Murty	3	0.1		
2	William	614	13.1		/Simion	11	0.2	62t	Randle	3	0.1
3	Thomas	519	11.1	40t	Bernard	10	0.2	62t	Terence	3	0.1
4	James	449	9.6	40t	Jeremiah	10	0.2	77t	Abel	2	0.1
5	Joseph	185	3.9	40t	Martin	10	0.2	77t	Adam	2	0.1
6	George	171	3.6	43t	Arthur	9	0.2	77t	Anzela	2	0.1
7	Richard	150	3.2	43t	Mark	9	0.2	77t	Barnard	2	0.1
8	Patrick	146	3.1	45	Walter	8	0.2	77t	Cavan	2	0.1
9	Robert	127	2.7	46t	Anthony	7	0.2	77t	Domminick		
10	Edward	113	2.4	46t	Jonathan	7	0.2		/Dominico	2	0.1
11	Michael	105	2.2	46t	Moses	7	0.2	77t	Gregory	2	0.1
12	Charles	93	2.0	46t	Nathaniel	7	0.2	77t	Jarvis	2	0.1
13	Henry	92	2.0	50t	Darby	6	0.1	77t	Jeffrey	2	0.1
14	Samuel	89	1.9	50t	Edmund	6	0.1	77t	Job	2	0.1
15	Daniel	63	1.3	50t	Joshua	6	0.1	77t	Leonard	2	0.1
16	Peter	38	0.8	50t	Morgan	6	0.1	77t	Miles	2	0.1
17t	Benjamin	37	0.8	50t	Ralph	6	0.1	77t	Noah	2	0.1
17t	David	37	0.8	50t	Solomon	6	0.1	77t	Reuben	2	0.1
19	Francis	34	0.7	56t	Archibald	5	0.1	77t	Rice/Rece	2	0.1
20	Matthew	31	0.7	56t	Luke	5	0.1	77t	Rowland	2	0.1
21t	Andrew	30	0.6	56t	Paul	5	0.1	77t	Silvester	2	0.1
21t	Isaac	30	0.6	59t	Antonio	4	0.1	77t	Valentine	2	0.1
23t	Denis	29	0.6	59t	Aron	4	0.1	95t	Abdulla	1	0.0
23t	Stephen	29	0.6	59t	Frederick	4	0.1	95t	Abot	1	0.0
25	Timothy	27	0.6	62t	Ambrose	3	0.1	95t	Albian	1	0.0
26	Hugh	23	0.5	62t	Bartholomew	3		95t	Alfred	1	0.0
27	Owen	22	0.5		0.1		95t	Alico	1	0.0	
28	Christopher	21	0.4	62t	Conor	3	0.1	95t	Allan	1	0.0
29t	Lawrence	20	0.4	62t	Elias	3	0.1	95t	Amos	1	0.0
29t	Philip	20	0.4	62t	Emanuel	3	0.1	95t	Aram	1	0.0
31	Abraham	19	0.4	62t	Felix	3	0.1	95t	Asher	1	0.0
32t	Alexander	18	0.4	62t	Ferdinand	3	0.1	95t	Augustine	1	0.0
32t	Bryan	18	0.4	62t	Humphrey	3	0.1	95t	Bar	1	0.0
34t	Jacob	13	0.3	62t	Jesse	3	0.1	95t	Barnabas	1	0.0
34t	Nicholas	13	0.3	62t	Joel	3	0.1	95t	Barrow	1	0.0
36t	Cornelius	12	0.3	62t	Jonas	3	0.1	95t	Bishop	1	0.0
36t	Morris	12	0.3	62t	Lachlan	3	0.1	95t	Boxho	1	0.0
38t	Roger	11	0.2	62t	Murtah	11		95t	Burk	1	0.0

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95t	Burty	1	0.0	95t	Hamilton	1	0.0	95t	Meredith	1	0.0
95t	Caleb	1	0.0	95t	Hannibal	1	0.0	95t	Mersillie	1	0.0
95t	Callacher	1	0.0	95t	Hector	1	0.0	95t	Mordecai	1	0.0
95t	Caman	1	0.0	95t	Hely	1	0.0	95t	Murdock	1	0.0
95t	Caulfield	1	0.0	95t	Hercules	1	0.0	95t	Niel	1	0.0
95t	Davis	1	0.0	95t	Huon	1	0.0	95t	Peirpoint	1	0.0
95t	Davy	1	0.0	95t	Hyam	1	0.0	95t	Pierce	1	0.0
95t	Demetrius	1	0.0	95t	Isiah	1	0.0	95t	Redmond	1	0.0
95t	Diderick	1	0.0	95t	Izrael	1	0.0	95t	Reed	1	0.0
95t	Donald	1	0.0	95t	Jack	1	0.0	95t	Riley	1	0.0
95t	Dyson	1	0.0	95t	Jasper	1	0.0	95t	Sabo	1	0.0
95t	Ebenezer	1	0.0	95t	Johanna	1	0.0	95t	Sampson	1	0.0
95t	Edwin	1	0.0	95t	Josia	1	0.0	95t	Silvanus	1	0.0
95t	Eliza			95t	Junent	1	0.0	95t	Sirus	1	0.0
	/[Elijah]	1	0.0	95t	Kearns	1	0.0	95t	Stafford	1	0.0
95t	Enock	1	0.0	95t	Kennedy	1	0.0	95t	Teague	1	0.0
95t	Ezekiel	1	0.0	95t	Lazarus	1	0.0	95t	Theobald	1	0.0
95t	Farrell	1	0.0	95t	Lewellin	1	0.0	95t	Theophilus	1	0.0
95t	Fergus	1	0.0	95t	Lindsay	1	0.0	95t	Tristram	1	0.0
95t	Francisco	1	0.0	95t	Lot	1	0.0	95t	Uriah	1	0.0
95t	Gilbert	1	0.0	95t	Major	1	0.0				
95t	Graham	1	0.0	95t	Malecai	1	0.0				

**Table 3: Male Given Names – Alphabetical Order**

Freq	Pop	%	Freq	Pop	%	Freq	Pop	%			
95t	Abdulla	1	0.0	95t	Bar	1	0.0	50t	Darby	6	0.1
77t	Abel	2	0.1	95t	Barnabas	1	0.0	17t	David	37	0.8
95t	Abot	1	0.0	77t	Barnard	2	0.1	95t	Davis	1	0.0
31	Abraham	19	0.4	95t	Barrow	1	0.0	95t	Davy	1	0.0
77t	Adam	2	0.1	62t	Bartholomew	3	0.1	95t	Demetrius	1	0.0
95t	Albian	1	0.0	17t	Benjamin	37	0.8	23t	Denis	29	0.6
32t	Alexander	18	0.4	40t	Bernard	10	0.2	95t	Diderick	1	0.0
95t	Alfred	1	0.0	95t	Bishop	1	0.0	77t	Domminick		
95t	Alico	1	0.0	95t	Boxho	1	0.0		/Dominico	2	0.1
95t	Allan	1	0.0	32t	Bryan	18	0.4	95t	Donald	1	0.0
62t	Ambrose	3	0.2	95t	Burk	1	0.0	95t	Dyson	1	0.0
95t	Amos	1	0.0	95t	Burty	1	0.0	95t	Ebenezer	1	0.0
21t	Andrew	30	0.6	95t	Caleb	1	0.0	50t	Edmund	6	0.1
46t	Anthony	7	0.2	95t	Callacher	1	0.0	10	Edward	113	2.4
59t	Antonio	4	0.1	95t	Caman	1	0.0	95t	Edwin	1	0.0
77t	Anzela	2	0.1	95t	Caulfield	1	0.0	62t	Elias	3	0.1
95t	Aram	1	0.0	77t	Cavan	2	0.1	95t	Eliza		
56t	Archibald	5	0.1	12	Charles	93	2.0		[Elijah]	1	0.0
59t	Aron	4	0.1	28	Christopher	21	0.4	62t	Emanuel	3	0.1
43t	Arthur	9	0.2	62t	Conor	3	0.1	95t	Enock	1	0.0
95t	Asher	1	0.0	36t	Cornelius	12	0.3	95t	Ezekiel	1	0.0
95t	Augustine	1	0.0	15	Daniel	63	1.3	95t	Farrell	1	0.0

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62t	Felix	3	0.1	5	Joseph	185	3.9	95t	Peirpoint	1	0.0
62t	Ferdinand	3	0.1	50t	Joshua	6	0.1	16	Peter	38	0.8
95t	Fergus	1	0.0	95t	Josia	1	0.0	29t	Philip	20	0.4
19	Francis	34	0.7	95t	Junent	1	0.0	95t	Pierce	1	0.0
95t	Francisco	1	0.0	95t	Kearns	1	0.0	50t	Ralph	6	0.1
59t	Frederick	4	0.1	95t	Kennedy	1	0.0	62t	Randle	3	0.1
6	George	171	3.6	62t	Lachlan	3	0.1	95t	Redmond	1	0.0
95t	Gilbert	1	0.0	29t	Lawrence	20	0.4	95t	Reed	1	0.0
95t	Graham	1	0.0	95t	Lazarus	1	0.0	77t	Reuben	2	0.1
77t	Gregory	2	0.1	77t	Leonard	2	0.1	77t	Rice/Rece	2	0.1
95t	Hamilton	1	0.0	95t	Lewellin	1	0.0	7	Richard	150	3.2
95t	Hannibal	1	0.0	95t	Lindsay	1	0.0	95t	Riley	1	0.0
95t	Hector	1	0.0	95t	Lot	1	0.0	9	Robert	127	2.7
95t	Hely	1	0.0	56t	Luke	5	0.1	38t	Roger	11	0.2
13	Henry	92	2.0	95t	Major	1	0.0	77t	Rowland	2	0.1
95t	Hercules	1	0.0	95t	Malecai	1	0.0	95t	Sabo	1	0.0
26	Hugh	23	0.5	43t	Mark	9	0.2	95t	Sampson	1	0.0
62t	Humphrey	3	0.1	40t	Martin	10	0.2	14	Samuel	89	1.9
95t	Huon	1	0.0	20	Matthew	31	0.7	95t	Silvanus	1	0.0
95t	Hyam	1	0.0	95t	Meredith	1	0.0	77t	Silvester	2	0.1
21t	Isaac	30	0.6	95t	Mersillie	1	0.0	38t	Simon		
95t	Isiah	1	0.0	11	Michael	105	2.2		/Simion	11	0.2
95t	Izrael	1	0.0	77t	Miles	2	0.1	95t	Sirus	1	0.0
95t	Jack	1	0.0	95t	Mordecai	1	0.0	50t	Solomon	6	0.1
34t	Jacob	13	0.3	50t	Morgan	6	0.1	95t	Stafford	1	0.0
4	James	449	9.6	36t	Morris	12	0.3	23t	Stephen	29	0.6
77t	Jarvis	2	0.1	46t	Moses	7	0.2	95t	Teague	1	0.0
95t	Jasper	1	0.0	95t	Murdock	1	0.0	62t	Terence	3	0.1
77t	Jeffrey	2	0.1	62t	Murtah			95t	Theobald	1	0.0
40t	Jeremiah	10	0.2		/Murty	3	0.1	95t	Theophilus	1	0.0
62t	Jesse	3	0.1	46t	Nathaniel	7	0.2	3	Thomas	519	11.1
77t	Job	2	0.1	34t	Nicholas	13	0.3	25	Timothy	27	0.6
62t	Joel	3	0.1	95t	Niel	1	0.0	95t	Tristram	1	0.0
95t	Johanna	1	0.0	77t	Noah	2	0.1	95t	Uriah	1	0.0
1	John	913	19.5	27	Owen	22	0.5	77t	Valentine	2	0.1
62t	Jonas	3	0.1	8	Patrick	146	3.1	45	Walter	8	0.2
46t	Jonathan	7	0.2	56t	Paul	5	0.1	2	William	614	13.1

### Female Given Names

Table 4 provides a simple breakdown of the occurrence of female given names in the 1814 Musters. Of the 22 females listed without a given name, seven were recorded with initials. The remainder were primarily listed with the title "Mrs".

#### Table 4: Female Given Names

##### General Musters

With given name

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No given name	22
Total	2239

Tables 5 and 6 below record the female given names listed in the 1814 Muster. A total of 87 female given names were recorded providing an average of one name per 28 women. However 27 names were unusual, occurring only once in the colony at that time. Combined they covered 1% of the population.

“Mary” was the most common female given name and was carried by 534 residents or 22% (one in five) of the “named” adults. One in every two females was named either “Mary”, “Elizabeth” or “Ann”, these three names covering 50% of the male population. When combined with “Sarah”, “Jane”, “Catherine” and “Margaret”, 72% or nearly three-quarters of the female population were covered.

Fifteen references to a middle name were recorded in the Muster. Four were represented by initials, the remainder were themselves given names.

**Table 5: Female Given Names – Frequency Order**

Freq		Pop	%	Freq		Pop	%	Freq		Pop	%
1	Mary	534	22.1	23	Eliza	14	0.6	46t	Anna	3	0.1
2	Elizabeth	369	15.2	24	Rebecca	13	0.5	46t	Celia	3	0.1
3	Ann	307	12.7	25t	Harriet	10	0.4	46t	Christiana	3	0.1
4	Sarah	199	8.2	25t	Rose	10	0.4	46t	Clara	3	0.1
5	Jane	113	4.7	27	Honora	9	0.4	46t	Emma	3	0.1
6	Catherine	106	4.4	28t	Lucy	8	0.3	46t	Euphemia	3	0.1
7	Margaret	105	4.3	28t	Lydia	8	0.3	46t	Jemima	3	0.1
8	Hannah	58	2.4	30t	Grace	7	0.3	46t	Julia	3	0.1
9	Eleanor	57	2.4	30t	Johanna	7	0.3	54t	Abigal	2	0.1
10	Martha	46	1.9	30t	Phoebe	7	0.3	54t	Docebella	2	0.1
11	Maria	37	1.5	30t	Rachel	7	0.3	54t	Henrietta	2	0.1
12	Susannah	35	1.4	34t	Amelia	6	0.2	54t	Kessia	2	0.1
13	Charlotte	33	1.4	34t	Ellen	6	0.2	54t	Matilda	2	0.1
14	Bridget	29	1.2	34t	Letitia	6	0.2	54t	Olive	2	0.1
15t	Frances			34t	Rosetta	6	0.2	54t	Winifred	2	0.1
	/Fanny	28	1.2	38t	Caroline	5	0.2	61t	Anastatia	1	0.0
15t	Mary Ann	28	1.2	38t	Louisa	5	0.2	61t	Bassina	1	0.0
17	Esther	22	0.9	38t	Ruth	5	0.2	61t	Bella	1	0.0
18	Isabella	21	0.9	41t	Agnes	4	0.2	61t	Bertha	1	0.0
19	Sophia	19	0.8	41t	Barbara	4	0.2	61t	Cammell	1	0.0
20	Alice	17	0.7	41t	Betty	4	0.2	61t	Christo		
21t	Judith	15	0.6	41t	Diana	4	0.2		-Bella	1	0.0
21t	Susan	15	0.6	41t	Priscilla	4	0.2	61t	Constance	1	0.0

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61t	Debora	1	0.0	61t	Grissill	1	0.0	61t	Odery	1	0.0
61t	Dorcas	1	0.0	61t	Jesse	1	0.0	61t	Philis	1	0.0
61t	Dorothea	1	0.0	61t	Julian	1	0.0	61t	Rosamond	1	0.0
61t	Eve	1	0.0	61t	Laura	1	0.0	61t	Rosana	1	0.0
61t	Felicia	1	0.0	61t	Letty	1	0.0	61t	Shepherdess1	0.0	
61t	Flavilla	1	0.0	61t	Manina	1	0.0	61t	Tabitha	1	0.0
61t	Georgiana	1	0.0	61t	May	1	0.0				

**Table 6: Female Given Names – Alphabetical Order**

Freq		Pop <sup>n</sup>	%	Freq		Pop <sup>n</sup>	%	Freq		Pop <sup>n</sup>	%
54t	Abigal	2	0.1	2	Elizabeth	369	15.2	28t	Lucy	8	0.3
41t	Agnes	4	0.2	34t	Ellen	6	0.2	28t	Lydia	8	0.3
20	Alice	17	0.7	46t	Emma	3	0.1	61t	Manina	1	0.0
34t	Amelia	6	0.2	17	Esther	22	0.9	7	Margaret	105	4.3
61t	Anastatia	1	0.0	46t	Euphemia	3	0.1	11	Maria	37	1.5
3	Ann	307	12.7	61t	Eve	1	0.0	10	Martha	46	1.9
46t	Anna	3	0.1	61t	Felicia	1	0.0	1	Mary	534	22.1
41t	Barbara	4	0.2	61t	Flavilla	1	0.0	15t	Mary Ann	28	1.2
61t	Bassina	1	0.0	15t	Frances			54t	Matilda	2	0.1
61t	Bella	1	0.0		/Fanny	28	1.2	61t	May	1	0.0
61t	Bertha	1	0.0	61t	Georgiana	1	0.0	61t	Odery	1	0.0
41t	Betty	4	0.2	30t	Grace	7	0.3	54t	Olive	2	0.1
14	Bridget	29	1.2	61t	Grissill	1	0.0	61t	Philis	1	0.0
61t	Cammell	1	0.0	8	Hannah	58	2.4	30t	Phoebe	7	0.3
38t	Caroline	5	0.2	25t	Harriet	10	0.4	41t	Priscilla	4	0.2
6	Catherine	106	4.4	54t	Henrietta	2	0.1	30t	Rachel	7	0.3
46t	Celia	3	0.1	27	Honora	9	0.4	24	Rebecca	13	0.5
13	Charlotte	33	1.4	18	Isabella	21	0.9	61t	Rosamond	1	0.0
46t	Christiana	3	0.1	5	Jane	113	4.7	61t	Rosana	1	0.0
61t	Christo			46t	Jemima	3	0.1	25t	Rose	10	0.4
	-Bella	1	0.0	61t	Jesse	1	0.0	34t	Rosetta	6	0.2
46t	Clara	3	0.1	30t	Johanna	7	0.3	38t	Ruth	5	0.2
61t	Constance	1	0.0	21t	Judith	15	0.6	4	Sarah	199	8.2
61t	Debora	1	0.0	46t	Julia	3	0.1	61t	Shepherdess1	0.0	
41t	Diana	4	0.2	61t	Julian	1	0.0	19	Sophia	19	0.8
54t	Docebella	2	0.1	54t	Kessia	2	0.1	21t	Susan	15	0.6
61t	Dorcas	1	0.0	61t	Laura	1	0.0	12	Susannah	35	1.4
61t	Dorothea	1	0.0	34t	Letitia	6	0.2	61t	Tabitha	1	0.0
9	Eleanor	57	2.4	61t	Letty	1	0.0	54t	Winifred	2	0.1
23	Eliza	14	0.6	38t	Louisa	5	0.2				

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**Table 7: Comparison between Male and Female Statistics**

	Male	Female
Total population with recorded given name	4691	2417
Total number of record given names	173	87
Average number of persons per given name	27	28
Total number of given names occurring more than once	94	60
Proportion of total given names	54%	69%
Total number of given names occurring only once	79	27
Proportion of total given names	46%	31%
Proportion of population with common names		
– Top 1	20%	22%
– Top 3	44%	50%
– Top	764%	72%
– Top 10	72%	78%
– Top 20	85%	90%

### Comparison between Male and Female Naming Patterns

Approximately twice as many male given names as female given names were recorded in the 1814 Muster however as the male population was nearly twice as large as the female population, the average number of persons carrying each name is similar for each gender. This indicates that the number of additional names is directly proportional to the number of additional people.

The majority of common female names covered a larger proportion of the population than the corresponding male names. The most common female name “Mary” was carried by 22% of the female population whereas the most common male name “John” was only carried by 20%. This pattern was more obvious when the top 3, 7, 10 or 20 names were examined.

A much larger number and proportion of male names were one-off occurrences. Seventy-nine male names (46%) occurred only once and covered 1.7% of the male population as compared with 27 female names (31%) which covered only 1.1% of the female population. Clearly males were more likely to be given unusual names than were females.

### Appendix 2 - Occupations

The following tables contain statistical breakdowns of the occupations recorded for those mustered. In calculating these statistics only those specific occupational terms were included. Many of those mustered were assigned to a master and had no occupation or activity listed. Others were working for an organisation or assigned to a Gang and had no occupation recorded. These entries were ignored. Appendix 3 covers organisations and institutions.

These occupations have been grouped into similar occupational labels, as follows:

- ‘Assistant’ plus occupation was included in the occupation category;
- ‘Overseers’ were grouped together as were ‘Superintendents’;
- All versions of an occupation were grouped together; eg. ‘Chief Constable,’ ‘District Constable,’ ‘Road Constable,’ and ‘Bush Constable’ were grouped as ‘Constable;’ and
- Where the scope of the task was different, the occupations remained distinct; eg. ‘Cabinet Maker’ and ‘Chair Maker’ were grouped together, however ‘Carpenter’ remained in a category of its own. ‘Ship Carpenter’ was combined with ‘Ship Builder’ and ‘Shipwright.’

**Table 1** details the breakdown of the major 35 occupations; that is, those with ten or more people listed as having the same occupation. The main listed occupation is Landholder which covers 28% of the population and includes farmers and graziers. When Labourers are added, a term usually used for ‘farm labourer’, the figure tops 50%. Servants comprise the third largest category at over 4% of the listed occupations although this figure would be higher if occupations were noted against those assigned to a master. Constables comprise the fourth largest occupation, the need for so many being understandable in a penal settlement. These four occupations are the main general occupations, those requiring the least training. Most of the other occupations are skilled trades or specific commercial activities.

A surprisingly large number of Shoemakers are found in the colony, with 52 listed in the Muster making it the 8th largest occupational group.

When examining occupations within regions, a picture of regional activity is presented. Sydney was the commercial centre. Landholders and Labourers comprised less than 30% of Sydney’s listed occupations, while skilled trades or other commercial activities comprised 65% of listed occupations.

Windsor and Liverpool were clearly farming areas. Landholders, labourers, servants, constables, carpenters and sawyers comprised 90% of the listed occupations in Windsor and 94% in Liverpool. Parramatta had a combination of rural and commercial activities, with 32% of the listed occupations covering skilled trades or commercial activities.

**Table 1: Major Occupations**

Occupation	Liverpool		Parramatta		Sydney		Windsor		Total	
		%		%		%		%		%
Landholder/Settler	124	52.5	175	26.9	123	8.6	460	57.0	882	28.2
Labourer	76	32.3	191	29.3	289	20.1	169	21.1	725	23.2
Servant	2	0.9	60	9.2	27	1.9	44	5.5	133	4.3
Constable (incl. Chief)	9	3.8	19	2.9	52	3.6	22	2.8	102	3.3
Carpenter	5	2.1	15	2.3	63	4.4	10	1.3	93	3.0
Sawyer	6	2.5	9	1.4	35	2.4	16	2.0	66	2.1
Stockman/Stock keeper			47	7.2	15	1.1	4	0.5	66	2.1



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Shoemaker			8	1.2	38	2.6	6	0.8	52	1.7
Seaman/Mariner					47	3.3			47	1.5
Smith/Blacksmith	2	0.9	8	1.2	32	2.2	4	0.5	46	1.5
Brickmaker			3	0.5	39	2.7	3	0.4	45	1.4
Boatman			3	0.5	40	2.8	1	0.1	44	1.4
Clerk	1	0.4	5	0.8	32	2.2	3	0.4	41	1.3
Mason/Stonemason/ Stonecutter			4	0.6	34	2.4	1	0.1	39	1.2
Overseer	2	0.9	4	0.6	31	2.2	2	0.3	39	1.2
Baker			6	0.9	31	2.2			37	1.2
Apprentice			1	0.2	32	2.2	1	0.1	34	1.1
Driver/Carriage Driver/ Coachman					34	2.4			34	1.1
Publican			3	0.5	26	1.8	4	0.5	33	1.1
Bricklayer	2	0.9	4	0.6	22	1.5	3	0.4	31	1.0
Mason Labourer					29	2.0			29	0.9
Teacher	2	0.9	8	1.2	10	0.7	9	1.1	29	0.9
Nurse/Male Attendant			9	1.4	19	1.3	1	0.1	29	0.9
Dealer	1	0.4	3	0.5	21	1.5	1	0.1	26	0.8
Butcher			4	0.6	16	1.1	2	0.3	22	0.7
Fisherman					22	1.5			22	0.7
Plaisterer			2	0.3	16	1.1	2	0.2	20	0.7
Tailor			2	0.3	13	0.9	4	0.5	19	0.6
Gardener			2	0.3	12	0.8	1	0.1	15	0.5
Shipwright/Carpenter/ Builder					12	0.8	2	0.2	14	0.4
Cooper			1	0.2	10	0.7	2	0.2	13	0.4
Wheelwright			4	0.6	4	0.3	3	0.4	11	0.3
Merchant					10	0.7			10	0.3
Shopkeeper			1	0.1	9	0.6			10	0.3
Shingle Splitter			2	0.3	7	0.5	1	0.1	10	0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>98.5</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>1252</b>	<b>87.1</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>97.1</b>	<b>2868</b>	<b>91.6</b>
Minor Occupations	3	1.2	37	5.7	138	9.6	22	2.8	200	6.4
Uncommon Occupations	1	0.3	11	1.7	48	3.3	1	0.1	61	2.0
<b>Total Occupation</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1438</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3129</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Other People	390		982		1627		1061		4060	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>626</b>		<b>1633</b>		<b>3065</b>		<b>1861</b>		<b>7189</b>	

**Table 2** covers most other occupations, those with between two and nine people in each category. Of the 44 occupations listed, 16 existed only in Sydney and only two did not occur in Sydney. Again, the variety of occupations and the numbers involved stress the commercial nature of Sydney as against the rural nature of the other regions.

Liverpool appears to have been a totally rural area. Only three occupations in this list are found in Liverpool and include one Settler, one Magistrate and one Surgeon. Sydney's occupation population was five times as large as Liverpool but had 45 times more people involved in these smaller occupational categories.

Windsor was also strongly rural. Entries included in this table were mainly concerned with administration, law enforcement, religion and health. The only trades included in the list covered the entries for a Nailer and a Brewer. Sydney's occupation

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population was only 80% larger than that of Windsor but had five times as many entries in this table.

Parramatta again is shown to have a strong commercial sector. A number of entries are found in the trades and other commercial activities listed in this table, such as Barber, Farrier, Nailer, Sadler, Turner, Sievemaker, Glazier and Weaver and Dyer. Sydney's occupation population was more than twice as large as that of Parramatta but had only three times as many people in the minor occupations.

**Table 2: Other Occupations**

<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Liverpool</b>	<b>Parramatta</b>	<b>Sydney</b>	<b>Windsor</b>	<b>Total</b>
Painter	—	—	9	—	9
Superintendent	—	7	2	—	9
Barber/Hairdresser	—	1	7	—	8
Cabinet-/Chairmaker	—	2	6	—	8
Gaoler/Gaolman	—	2	3	3	8
Watchman	—	—	8	—	8
Farrier	—	2	5	—	7
Nailer	—	1	5	1	7
Saddler	—	1	6	—	7
Householder	—	2	2	2	6
Midwife	—	1	3	2	6
Miller	—	—	6	—	6
Tanner	—	—	5	—	5
Tinman	—	—	5	—	5
Watchmaker	—	—	5	—	5
Waterman	—	—	5	—	5
Missionary/Chaplain	—	3	1	1	5
Housekeeper	—	—	4	—	4
Limner	—	—	4	—	4
Roadmaker	—	3	1	—	4
Sailmaker	—	—	4	—	4
Barrackman/Guardhouseman	—	1	2	1	4
Magistrate	1	—	1	2	4
Turner	—	1	3	—	4
Brewer	—	—	2	1	3
Coachmaker	—	—	3	—	3
Coxswain	—	—	3	—	3
Fuller	—	—	3	—	3
Glazier	—	1	2	—	3
Potter	—	—	3	—	3
Attorney	—	—	3	—	3
Sexton	—	1	1	1	3
Shepherd	—	1	2	—	3
Sievemaker	—	1	2	—	3
Steward	—	—	2	1	3
Surgeon	1	1	1	—	3
Upholsterer	—	—	3	—	3
Weaver/ + Dyer	—	1	2	—	3
Coroner	—	—	1	1	2
Scourger	—	1	—	1	2
Tinker	—	1	1	—	2

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Toll Gate/Turnpike Person—	1	—	1	2
Well Sinker	—	1	—	2
Total	2	37	137	194

**Table 3** covers the uncommon occupations with a small number of entries and which are peculiar to a particular region. Sydney has the largest number of entries which cover administration, law enforcement, trades and commercial activities.

### **Table 3: Uncommon Occupations**

Numbers in brackets indicate if more than one person was involved.

#### **Liverpool**

Botanist

#### **Parramatta**

Cardmaker  
Dairy Man/Woman (2)  
File Cutter  
Hut keeper (2)  
Market keeper  
Pound keeper  
Store keeper  
Woodman (2)

#### **Windsor**

Harness Maker

#### **Sydney**

Basketmaker (2)  
Bellringer  
Bookbinder (2)  
Brass founder  
Broom maker  
Cardmaker  
Cook  
Cutler  
Deputy Engineer  
Deputy Provost  
Engraver  
Executioner  
Faller  
Feller  
Fidler  
Fowler  
Fruitman  
Gimblet maker  
Goldsmith  
Grass cutter (2)  
Jeweller  
Limeburner (2)  
Mantua maker  
Medicine Vendor  
Messenger (2)

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Needlewoman (2)  
Office Keeper (2)  
Paymaster  
Provost Marshal  
Quarryman  
Rope maker (2)  
Salt boiler  
Silver Smith (2)  
Soap boiler  
Stable man  
Sweep  
Town Cryer  
Usurer  
Woodcutter  
Wharfinger (2)

### Appendix 3 - Organisations and Institutions

This Appendix covers employer organisations and institutions. In the Muster some entries record occupations only, some record occupations along with organisations or institutions, others record organisations or institutions only. As a result the statistics in Appendices 2 and 3 are not mutually exclusive and must not be combined.

The statistics in Table 1 are organised into different groupings: by organisation or institution, by region, and by staff/inmates where appropriate.

The Factory at Parramatta leads the table with the largest number of inmates/employees. The inmates were female and the Factory was not just a manufactory of goods but a maternity home and place of punishment as well. Convict women who were not married or cohabiting and were not assigned as domestic servants resided and worked in the Factory; others who had fallen pregnant or were guilty of wrongdoing were sent back to the Factory.

The statistics for Sydney Hospital reveal no details of patients. With a staff of 21, there must have been considerably more patients.

**Table 1: Organisations and Institutions**

<u>Organisation</u>		<u>Staff</u>	<u>Inmates</u>	<u>Total</u>
Factory:	Parramatta	5	162	167
Lumber Yard:	Sydney	78	—	78
	Parramatta	53	—	53
	Total	131	—	131
Gaol:	Sydney	3	33	36
	Parramatta	3	12	15
	Windsor	3	5	8

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	Liverpool	—	1	1
	Total	9	51	60
Hospital:	Sydney	21	—	21
	Parramatta	8	13	21
	Windsor	1	5	6
	Castle Hill Asylum	4	3	7
	Military	1	—	1
	Total	35	21	56
Gaol Gang:	Sydney	2	27	29
	Parramatta	1	13	14
	Windsor	—	8	8
	Total	3	48	51
Town Gang:	Sydney	1	32	33
	Windsor	—	14	14
	Parramatta	—	2	2
	Total	1	48	49
Lane Cove (Timber Operation)		49	—	49
Government:	Occupation	9	—	9
	Organisation/Property	27	—	27
	Total	36	—	36
At Mountains (Building road to Bathurst)		35	—	35
Dockyard:	Sydney	34	—	34
Stores:	Sydney (Wet & Dry)	13	—	13
	Parramatta	6	—	6
	Windsor	3	—	3
	Total	22	—	22
Commissary Generals Office, Sydney		11	—	11
Orphan House/School/Farm		4	—	4
Grand Total				705

### Appendix 4 - Adults Born in the Colony

Entries noting “Born Here” were the source of the information in this appendix. Children were apparently classified as adults and mustered individually after they reached the age of 15. Those listed as “born here” would generally be between the ages of 15 and 26.

**Table 1: Gender Ratio**

Gender	No.	%
Male	129	35
Female	237	65
Total	366	100

**Table 1** divides those “Born Here” by gender and shows a marked difference between the numbers of males and females. At birth approximately 51% of infants are males and 49% females, although by early adulthood these percentages usually reverse. As it is virtually impossible for twice as many girls to have been born as boys, where did the boys go? The difference must result from the death or disappearance of the males. As natural causes of death would not have specifically targeted the males, and as no wars were being fought on colonial soil to cause the unnatural death of large numbers of young adult males, the males were either not recorded or had gone elsewhere. Possibilities include:

- Employment in isolated areas as sawyers or farm labourers;
- Employment in sealing or whaling operations or on colonial vessels, with many reappearing in later records;
- Employment on or taking a passage on a ship sailing back to Britain or elsewhere, never to return;
- Enlistment in the armed forces in which case they would not be mustered. Some could have returned to Britain with their regiment.

**Table 2: Occupation/Residence breakdown for colonial-born males**

Occupation/Residence	No.	% of Colonial-Born Males	% of Occupation Population
Labourer	32	25	30
Landholder	28	22	26
Apprentice:			
— In Dockyard	10	8	9
— To L Butler (Cabinetmaker)	4	3	4
— In Lumberyard	3	2	3
— Carpenter	1	1	1
— Other (No specifics listed)	8	6	7
<b>Total Apprentices</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>24</b>
Carpenter	6	5	6
Seaman	5	4	5
Shipwright	3	2	3
Servant	2	1	2
Baker	1	1	1
Clerk	1	1	1
Blacksmith	1	1	1
Nailer	1	1	1
<b>Total Occupation Population</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>100</b>
Other — No Specific Occupation	3	2	
Lives With Family	11	8	
Single/Child/Youth	9	7	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Table 2** provides information on the occupations and residences of the 129 males who were “Born Here”. Of these, 83% of the entries include an occupation, while the other 17% were either single, living with family members, or had no specific occupation.

Labourers and Landholders together comprised 56% of the listed occupations. Of the other 44%, the majority of colonial-born males were either learning or employed in a particular field in proportions higher than those found in the general population, as follows:

- Apprentices comprised 24% of the colonial-born male population as compared with 1.1% of the general population. The age group of the colonial-born covered the apprenticeship years and also reveals the importance colonial parents attributed to having their children learn a particular trade or skill.
- Carpenters and shipwrights comprised 9% of the “Born Here” male population as compared with 3.4% of the general population.
- Seaman comprised 5% as compared with 1.5%.

17% of the colonial-born males with listed occupations were employed working with wood.

**Table 3: Occupation/Residence breakdown for colonial-born females**

Occupation/Residence	No.	%
Wife To	132	56
Lives with Man		
— Same Surname	2	1
— Different Surname	4	1
Total in Relationship	138	58
Single	74	31
Lives with Family	9	4
Servant	12	5
Housekeeper	2	1
Landholder	1	0.5
Other	1	0.5
Grand Total	237	100

**Table 3** details the occupations and residences of the females who were “Born Here”. The majority (58%) were involved in a relationship. Although most were described as “Wife to”, this is not evidence that a marriage ceremony had taken place.

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