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## **Women**

**were drawn on for  
labour during World War I,  
as the male labour force became insufficient.  
They were found "satisfactorily employed  
on such work as stoking, wheeling in  
coal, work in nitroglycerine,  
labouring...mixing concrete, etc."**

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## RGPF PERSONNEL

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**July 1914** — **918 males,**  
**"practically all being  
local residents"**

**May 1917** — **2637 men**  
**478 boys**  
**1832 women**  
**drawn "from the  
surrounding districts  
and the North of  
London"**

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