The Disproportionality of Titanic Survivors

On April 10th, 1912, over two-thousand people boarded the Titanic for its maiden voyage across the Atlantic.

Despite being marketed as one of the safest ships for its time, only one-third of the passengers and crew aboard the Titanic survived.

Survival was conditional on age, sex, and class, meaning a disproportionate number of people died based on which categories they occupied. Children, women, and first-class passengers were far more likely to survive.

The sinking of the Titanic led to major improvements in maritime safety.





