

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the DOMINION of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1912.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams, including Paid Govern- ment Telegrams.			Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.	
		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Auckland	503	375,161	£ 11,443 8 3½	19,736	£ 1,241 19 5	13,998	£ 863 0 10	125,937	£ 3,340 2 5	534,832	£ 16,888 10 11½	
Blenheim	84	30,827	915 3 11	1,321	81 13 7	556	86 9 7	14,703	329 2 8	47,407	1,412 9 9	
Christchurch	223	175,819	5,334 13 0½	7,817	493 7 4	7,148	764 7 1½	71,736	1,759 13 3	262,520	8,352 0 9	
Dunedin	219	146,427	4,522 15 5	4,651	321 9 10	6,929	421 19 1	55,362	1,643 9 3	213,369	6,909 13 7	
Gisborne	34	40,181	1,342 6 8	2,119	143 6 3	1,152	255 12 10½	26,996	944 10 5	70,448	2,685 16 2½	
Greymouth	35	35,461	1,171 16 2	1,365	102 12 1	1,519	213 15 2	7,657	205 18 6½	46,002	1,694 1 11½	
Hokitika	52	11,732	356 13 7	337	22 16 2	181	113 10 5½	6,591	148 16 8	18,841	641 16 10½	
Invercargill	178	64,374	1,941 5 6	1,196	81 10 3	1,622	300 15 7½	64,633	1,835 19 3	131,825	4,159 10 7½	
Napier	89	88,349	2,650 4 7	3,632	251 10 4	2,538	362 11 1	95,231	2,487 19 8	189,800	5,752 5 8	
Nelson	88	38,919	1,198 0 3	1,816	110 5 8	19,501	198 4 5	14,567	384 17 3	74,803	1,891 7 7	
New Plymouth	76	43,150	1,330 8 2½	1,749	120 4 8	599	229 18 10½	24,218	545 19 6	69,716	2,226 11 3	
Oamaru	48	18,339	569 18 3½	462	29 1 0	308	172 6 10	13,014	479 7 10	32,123	1,250 13 11½	
Thames	64	55,876	1,649 13 0½	2,284	142 16 9	2,662	160 4 3	17,641	417 18 8	78,463	2,370 12 8½	
Timaru	68	39,287	1,173 0 8	1,190	70 2 5	1,335	200 6 2	34,256	1,073 9 8½	76,118	2,516 18 11½	
Wanganui	131	107,119	3,302 3 6	5,069	314 4 6	1,936	338 19 9½	60,097	1,327 3 4	174,221	5,342 11 1½	
Wellington	222	313,247	10,590 2 3	15,621	1,016 7 3	48,553	960 0 2	134,299	3,490 11 6	511,720	16,057 1 2	
Westport	47	26,816	823 5 9	992	81 5 6	264	105 15 6½	5,155	155 18 8½	33,227	1,166 5 6	
Totals fourth quarter in 1912	2,161	1,611,084	50,314 19 1½	71,357	4,624 13 0	110,901	5,747 17 10½	772,093	20,630 18 7½	2,565,435	81,318 8 7½	
Totals fourth quarter in 1911	2,041	1,562,758	49,977 13 0	73,950	4,173 8 8	115,351	5,838 15 6	601,437	16,490 6 3½	2,353,496	76,480 3 5½	

General Post Office, Wellington 27th January, 1913.

* The bulk of Press telegrams are forwarded as "Collect" on delivery.

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