

The Census and Statistics Act, 1910.—Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 24th February, 1914.

THE following table gives the estimated average yields of field crops for the season 1913-14:—

District.	Bushels, per Acre.					Lb., per Acre.					Tons, per Acre.		
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Peas.	Rye-grass.	Cocks-foot.	Chewings Fescue.	Red Clover.	White Clover.	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Mangolds.
Auckland ..	30.25	42.05	48.78	55.47	30.01	480.28	218.96	..	..	..	6.42	17.89	22.62
Taranaki ..	37.11	44.50	45.90	..	..	316.00	279.01	..	..	..	7.69	24.65	40.17
Hawke's Bay	37.47	45.53	46.12	38.71	32.17	469.55	113.47	..	..	..	6.22	13.00	48.24
Wellington..	36.92	43.49	35.71	..	29.81	463.74	189.62	..	144.62	50.00	7.64	23.25	37.37
Nelson and Marlborough	32.17	40.35	33.70	..	31.71	484.86	338.08	..	228.04	82.93	6.77	11.10	26.33
Canterbury	32.04	42.01	36.66	..	34.80	510.88	220.36	..	161.28	146.82	7.01	13.12	26.70
Otago—													
Otago portion	32.95	41.74	41.91	..	45.48	435.06	210.00	293.33	127.68	..	5.03	13.25	24.99
Southland portion	30.95	38.45	37.26	..	37.63	547.01	222.44	281.74	..	250.00	7.00	15.15	19.88
Averages for the Dominion	32.33	41.03	38.31	54.30	33.57	503.64	220.48	282.31	174.21	123.74	6.57	15.19	31.12

The following are condensed reports of enumerators on the prospects of yields of crops in the various districts:—

Auckland.—Season good, and yields generally above the average. Potatoes, however, affected by blight in several localities.

Taranaki.—Wheat and oats, good crops generally, and barley fair to good. Yields of grass-seed very satisfactory. Potatoes, fair average, but other root crops irregular; late-sown turnips and mangolds, however, doing well.

Hawke's Bay.—Good yields of wheat, oats, barley, and rye-grass. Turnips and mangolds also good, though weather has affected root crops in some localities.

Wellington.—Heavy yields of wheat and oats in Wanganui district, and good yields of other crops, except that early sown turnips are unsatisfactory. Wairarapa crops looked promising, but bad weather will diminish yields. In remainder of province oats failed, and potatoes severely affected by blight. Good crops of turnips.

Marlborough and Nelson.—Crops doing fairly well, and good yields expected.

Canterbury.—Grain crops and cocksfoot well up to average in spite of bad weather. Early potatoes attacked with blight, but later crops more satisfactory, and yields should equal last year's.

Otago.—Wheat and oat crops not good, except in Maniototo, Vincent, and Waitaki Counties. Good yields of turnips and also of potatoes, though blight is fairly widespread, especially in coastal districts.

Southland.—Oats lighter than usual, and rye-grass not quite up to standard. Average crop of potatoes, blight prevalent. Prospects of turnip crops good.

Estimated Total Yields.—According to the returns furnished the total estimated yield of the principal crops will be approximately as given below. It should be remembered that the estimate is based on a collection of returns by post. All forms posted to farmers were not returned, the percentage of returns received out of the forms issued varying from 82.72 in Auckland to 95.53 in Canterbury, and averaging 89.01 per cent. over the whole Dominion.

Wheat	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,388,776 bushels.
Oats	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14,908,259 "
Barley	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,196,772 "
Rye-grass	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27,995,130 lb.
Cocksfoot	5,734,787 "
Potatoes	192,636 tons.
Turnips	7,705,991 "
Mangolds	286,352 "

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Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 24th February, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given that, no person having taken out administration, the Public Trustee has filed in the office of the Supreme Court at Wellington an election to administer the several intestate estates of the persons deceased, whose names, residences, and occupations, so far as known, are hereunder respectively set forth, their gross properties being estimated not to exceed £400 in each case:—

Wilcox, Marjory, late of Kingsland, in the Provincial District of Auckland, widow. Filed on 20th January, 1914.

Thomas, Edward or Jack, late of Punga Punga, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on 20th January, 1914.

Hendry, James, late of Nelson, in the Provincial District of Nelson, miner. Filed on 26th January, 1914.

Kenrick, Michael, late of Nine-mile Ferry, in the Provincial District of Nelson, labourer. Filed on 26th January, 1914.

McKenzie, Matthew, late of Nightcaps, in the Provincial District of Otago, miner. Filed on 26th January, 1914.

Kelly, Frank (or Francis), late of Bealey Flat, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on 26th January, 1914.

Watson, J. M., late of Taupiri, in the Provincial District of Auckland, electrical engineer. Filed on 26th January, 1914.

Andrew, Dougal W., late of Porirua, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on 3rd February, 1914.

Archbold, John, late of Mangonui, Auckland, gum-digger. Filed on 3rd February, 1914.

Blood, William George, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on 3rd February, 1914.

Carson, William James, late of Auckland, in the Provincial District of Auckland, police constable. Filed on 3rd February, 1914.

Randles, Thomas Oak, late of Matawai, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on 5th February, 1914.

Pockett, George Edward, late of Huntly, in the Provincial District of Auckland, clerk. Filed on 5th February, 1914.

Hofmeister, Sarah Margaret, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, married woman. Filed on 5th February, 1914.

Carr, Henry Leach, late of Feilding, in the Provincial District of Wellington, studmaster. Filed on 10th February, 1914.

Nello Luigi Del Toso (or Nollo Lingi Del Toso), late of Waipawa, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, cordial-maker. Filed on 12th February, 1914.

Voyce, Thomas George, late of Thorntown, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, jeweller. Filed on 12th February, 1914.

Ross, Alexander, late of Cardrona, in the Provincial District of Otago, miner. Filed on 12th February, 1914.

Lea, Sarah, late of Tauranga, in the Provincial District of Auckland, married woman. Filed on 13th February, 1914.

Walsh, Mary, late of Ballynahill, in County Limerick, Ireland, married woman. Filed on 14th February, 1914.

McKenzie, William, late of Porangahau, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, shepherd. Filed on 16th February, 1914.

Taylor, Lavinia, late of Stratford, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, widow. Filed on 16th February, 1914.

FRED. FITCHETT,
Public Trustee.