

The inclusion of the suburban boroughs lowers the rate at all four cities.

	Death-rates per 1,000 of Population.	
Auckland City .. .. .	0.72	0.69
"    and seven suburban boroughs .. .. .	0.96	0.91
Wellington City .. .. .	0.76	0.75
"    and four suburban boroughs .. .. .	1.27	1.20
Christchurch City .. .. .		
"    and five suburban boroughs .. .. .		
Dunedin City .. .. .		
"    and five suburban boroughs .. .. .		

Including the suburbs, the rate at Dunedin is the highest and at Auckland the lowest.

Compared with July, 1914, the results are—

	1914.	1915.
Auckland and suburbs .. .. .	0.93	0.69
Wellington and suburbs .. .. .	1.08	0.91
Christchurch and suburbs .. .. .	1.00	0.75
Dunedin and suburbs .. .. .	0.98	1.20

The total births in the four chief cities and their suburban boroughs amounted to 600, against 559 in June—an increase of 41. The deaths in July were 274—an increase of 37 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 149, females 125. Fifty of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 18.25 per cent. of the whole number; 44 of these were under one year of age.

There were 106 deaths of persons of 65 years and upwards in the four chief cities and their suburban boroughs, as against 92 in June. The following table shows the classification:—

Age.	Auckland.		Wellington.		Christchurch.		Dunedin.		Total.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
65	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	2
66	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
67	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
68	2	..	3	1	1	..	3	1	9	2
69	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2
70	1	2	2	2	..	..	..	2	3	6
71	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	3
72	2	1	..	2	..	..	1	1	3	4
73	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	4	1
74	1	2	..	..	1	..	3	1	5	3
75	2	1	3	..	4	..	1	1	10	2
76	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	1
77	2	1	..	..	2	..	2	1	6	2
78	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	3	..
79	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	3	1
80	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1
81	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
82	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2
83	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
84	1	..	..	..	2	2	1	..	4	2
85	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	2
86	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	1
87	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
88	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
89	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
91	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Totals ..	17	10	11	12	16	7	17	16	61	45

TABLE showing the Causes of the Deaths of Persons at the Four Centres registered during July, 1915.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
1. — GENERAL DISEASES.									
(a.) Epidemic Diseases.									
6. Measles .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
7. Scarlet fever .. .. .	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	3
8. Whooping-cough .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
10. Influenza .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	4
(b.) Other General Diseases.									
20. Septic Infection .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
24. Tetanus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
28. Phthisis .. .. .	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	3	7