

IN the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 12th July, 1917, an interim return was published showing approximately the principal crops and live-stock in the North Island for 1916-17. The appended tables now give the approximate figures for the whole of the Dominion, those for the North Island being repeated for general information.

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INTERIM RETURNS.

I.—TABLE showing APPROXIMATE AREAS and YIELDS of the PRINCIPAL CROPS in each Land District in the Dominion for the Season 1916-17.

Land District.	Wheat.					Oats.					Not harvested (Fed Off, &c.).	Barley.				Maize.				Rye-grass.		Cocksfoot.		Potatoes.		Turnips.	Mangolds.
	For Threshing.		For Chaff, Hay, or Ensilage.		Acres.	Tons.	For Threshing.		For Chaff, Hay, or Ensilage.			Acres.	Tons.	For Threshing.		For Ensilage.		Acres.	Lb.	Acres.	Lb.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Tons.		
	Area.	Yield.	Area.	Yield.			Area.	Yield.	Area.	Yield.				Area.	Yield.	Area.	Yield.										
Auckland	573	11,696	114	149	36	368	6,393	21,009	25,811	856	484	12,037	105	275	3,314	119,010	511	3,667	1,078	221,285	977	55,235	3,020	10,915	77,012	537	
Hawke's Bay	319	7,940	173	344	72	1,104	27,923	12,791	19,184	821	2,576	96,253	319	459	3,070	162,919	60	683	4,896	1,492,990	491	24,212	923	4,231	11,576	479	
Taranaki	423	11,257	53	108	32	519	13,110	6,923	13,071	301	370	12,290	111	209	13	372	26	116	96	29,119	80	7,114	399	1,558	35,041	1,375	
Wellington	4,996	120,950	297	377	79	7,775	239,714	18,375	29,297	1,680	941	28,339	124	261	23	761	55	333	2,523	571,438	654	82,271	2,389	12,917	40,653	788	
Nelson	826	12,332	46	66	19	951	18,228	9,245	10,570	138	1,600	25,500	2	2	7	157	2	20	84	10,800	107	5,600	486	1,804	5,164	20	
Marlborough	1,289	23,328	206	306	435	1,677	47,390	18,180	35,362	1,757	7,969	159,542	98	75	7	200	5	101	1,290	338,054	280	25,005	361	1,476	2,725	310	
Westland	2	16	..	..	..	..	..	521	627	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1,400	41	166	2,107	2	
Canterbury	178,545	3,960,192	2,354	3,253	1,728	82,507	2,067,451	159,416	157,654	22,788	9,013	202,150	226	9,204	..	..	8	13	48,061	10,525,696	11,579	1,505,985	12,781	68,106	122,219	3,978
Otago	30,318	862,214	417	847	311	45,377	1,627,754	62,449	82,633	3,544	6,247	188,574	57	137	..	..	1	7,931	2,714,637	466	52,056	3,508	19,372	116,197	1,466	
Southland	1,830	45,492	40	65	162	38,119	1,422,442	43,707	56,025	568	370	13,297	73	133	..	..	..	..	13,441	7,424,287	98	12,838	1,594	10,262	118,802	27
Totals, Dominion, 1916-17 (interim figures only)	219,121	5,055,457	3,700	5,515	2,874	178,397	5,470,405	352,616	430,234	32,500	29,570	737,982	1,115	10,755	6,434	283,419	668	4,934	79,400	23,328,306	14,733	1,771,716	25,502	130,807	531,496	8,982	
Totals, Dominion, 1915-16 (final figures)	329,207	7,108,360	6,215	7,440	..	212,688	7,653,208	429,437	572,435	..	30,204	820,174	2,040	3,387	8,086	340,372	624	3,493	43,095	15,908,312	13,293	1,577,285	29,809	128,807	572,138	13,046	

II.—TABLE showing the APPROXIMATE NUMBERS of the Principal Varieties of LIVE-STOCK in each Land District in the Dominion (inclusive of its Interior Boroughs).

Land District.	Horses, as at 31st Jan., 1917.	Dairy Cows, as at 31st Jan., 1917 (in Milk and Dry).	Total Cattle, as at 31st Jan., 1917 (including Figures in Previous Column).	Number of Sheep shorn Season 1916-17.	Number of Lambs tailed, Season 1916-17.	Sheep, as at 30th April, 1917.	Pigs, as at 31st Jan., 1917.
Auckland	89,960	251,484	820,210	1,704,455	780,299	1,792,176	86,678
Hawke's Bay	37,837	42,662	342,061	5,211,671	2,403,058	5,961,553	15,724
Taranaki	25,855	154,406	334,773	961,282	386,221	983,822	50,428
Wellington	51,735	131,895	493,427	5,059,524	2,551,621	5,473,850	47,263
Nelson	9,011	18,034	51,413	407,780	179,167	456,991	8,889
Marlborough	7,318	10,533	30,304	949,693	386,707	1,017,629	7,107
Westland	3,254	9,475	37,108	56,334	27,156	62,271	2,953
Canterbury	69,348	55,468	146,782	3,876,742	2,136,453	4,377,407	36,339
Otago	42,656	45,778	122,017	2,585,982	1,121,647	2,911,057	14,270
Southland	30,193	40,323	124,605	1,367,361	706,251	1,716,568	8,535
Totals, Dominion, 1917 (interim figs.)	367,167	760,108	2,502,700	22,180,824	10,678,580	24,753,324	278,186
Totals, Dominion, 1916 (final figures)	371,331	750,323	2,417,491	22,097,268	10,370,771	24,788,150	297,501