

AREA IN OCCUPATION, 1916-17—continued.

TABLE SHOWING FOR EACH COUNTY IN THE DOMINION THE AREA IN OCCUPATION (EXCLUSIVE OF HOLDINGS OF LESS THAN 1 ACRE IN EXTENT) FOR THE SEASON 1916-17—continued.

County.	Total Area cultivated	Phormium Tenax.	Tussock and other Native Grasses.	Fern, Scrub, and Second Growth.	Standing Virgin Bush.	Barren and Unproductive Land.	Total Area in Occupation.
<i>Land District of Otago.</i>							
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Waitaki .. .. .	287,640	..	1,001,372	18,029	1,774	29,004	1,337,819
Maniototo .. .. .	111,111	..	697,053	..	..	10,269	818,433
Waihemo .. .. .	46,008	..	184,118	351	242	837	231,556
Waikouaiti .. .. .	41,877	..	108,422	3,059	9,502	6,149	169,009
Peninsula .. .. .	18,546	..	65	109	830	875	20,425
Taieri .. .. .	105,017	5	449,462	15,433	1,739	3,204	574,860
Tuapeka .. .. .	187,976	24	538,684	26,349	16,198	7,874	777,105
Bruce .. .. .	154,415	..	123,057	32,777	3,969	2,938	317,156
Clutha .. .. .	293,656	1,532	125,068	13,486	52,153	599	486,494
Vincent .. .. .	74,821	..	1,337,386	41,250	32,248	138,363	1,624,068
Lake .. .. .	68,568	..	1,428,949	5,202	4,010	44,018	1,550,747
Totals .. .. .	1,389,635	1,561	5,993,636	156,045	122,665	244,130	7,907,672

<i>Land District of Southland.</i>							
Fiord .. .. .	10	..	4,000	..	10,017	4,000	18,027
Wallace .. .. .	288,168	1,058	572,629	65,961	98,079	117,699	1,143,594
Southland .. .. .	882,291	5,334	894,186	54,821	76,027	46,734	1,959,593
Stewart Island .. .. .	1,305	..	23,752	2,167	8,669	4,270	40,163
Totals .. .. .	1,171,774	6,392	1,494,567	122,949	192,792	172,703	3,161,177

Land District.	SUMMARY OF LAND DISTRICTS.						
Auckland .. .. .	3,248,547	12,911	788,999	1,488,956	1,183,768	223,550	6,946,731
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	2,962,943	559	866,223	277,951	344,060	111,347	4,563,083
Taranaki .. .. .	1,274,403	182	11,687	56,666	346,800	11,659	1,701,397
Wellington .. .. .	3,451,753	21,913	521,102	212,384	478,328	122,728	4,808,208
Nelson .. .. .	340,741	2,931	270,879	110,127	475,123	62,892	1,262,693
Marlborough .. .. .	409,372	549	1,375,275	167,424	180,532	422,231	2,555,383
Westland .. .. .	135,612	5,856	210,525	75,684	1,010,876	269,145	1,707,698
Canterbury .. .. .	2,680,017	1,388	4,621,128	65,120	205,581	557,443	8,130,677
Otago .. .. .	1,389,635	1,561	5,993,636	156,045	122,665	244,130	7,907,672
Southland .. .. .	1,171,774	6,392	1,494,567	122,949	192,792	172,703	3,161,177
Totals for Dominion .. .. .	17,064,797	54,242	16,154,021	2,733,306	4,540,525	2,197,828	42,744,719

TABLE SHOWING THE AREA IN OCCUPATION FOR 1916-17 AS COMPARED WITH 1915-16.

	1915-16.	1916-17.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Grain and pulse crops .. .. .	1,030,226	844,642	..	185,584
Grasses and clovers (cut for seed or hay), root and green crops	1,021,669½	1,000,263	..	21,406½
Sown grasses (not cut for seed or hay) .. .. .	14,560,797½	14,971,725	410,927½	..
Fallow lands .. .. .	84,648½	90,042	5,393½	..
Gardens, orchards plantations, &c. .. .. .	198,248½	158,135	..	40,123½
Unimproved land .. .. .	24,366,603½	25,679,922	1,313,318½	..
Totals .. .. .	41,262,192½	42,744,719	1,482,526½	..

OCCUPATION OF LAND, 1917.

TENURE.

Land District.	Freehold occupied by Owner.	Leased from Private Individuals.	Leased from Public Bodies.	Leased from Maoris.	Crown Lands.		Tenure not specified.	Total Area occupied.
					Held under Pastoral Lease.	Held under other Tenures.		
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Auckland .. .. .	4,149,881	317,408	84,843	610,901	488,193	1,290,080	5,425	6,946,731
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	2,486,887	324,294	153,406	668,253	315,071	615,172	..	4,563,083
Taranaki .. .. .	791,240	176,026	55,714	149,196	112,252	416,969	..	1,701,397
Wellington .. .. .	2,917,783	507,226	107,694	436,132	226,032	613,341	..	4,808,208
Nelson .. .. .	601,184	60,285	9,877	13,471	143,512	434,364	..	1,262,693
Marlborough .. .. .	788,370	51,052	26,797	33,756	1,111,373	544,035	..	2,555,383
Westland .. .. .	146,178	7,986	17,998	5,448	1,183,804	346,284	..	1,707,698
Canterbury .. .. .	3,004,791	532,137	341,062	11,477	3,226,184	1,015,026	..	8,130,677
Otago .. .. .	1,532,154	231,440	82,106	7,091	3,926,438	2,127,672	771	7,907,672
Southland .. .. .	1,326,158	126,325	220,577	4,456	1,106,371	377,290	..	3,161,177
Totals for Dominion .. .. .	17,744,626	2,334,179	1,100,074	1,940,181	11,839,230	7,780,233	6,196	42,744,719