

Vital Statistics.

GOVERNMENT STATISTICIAN'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Four Metropolitan Areas and of the Nine Suburban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of December, 1917:—

	Population, Census, 1916.	Total Births registered, December, 1917.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN DECEMBER, 1917.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, December, 1917.
				Males.			Females.				
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
Auckland City	64,951	120	1.85	4	2	28	2	3	35	74	1.14
Remainder of Metropolitan Area ..	68,771	104	1.51	3	3	24	5	3	22	60	0.87
Total for Auckland Metropolitan Area	133,712	224	1.68	7	5	52	7	6	57	134	1.00
Wellington City	73,305	141	1.92	2	5	23	2	..	16	48	0.65
Remainder of Metropolitan Area ..	21,930	56	2.55	2	..	5	..	..	7	14	0.64
Total for Wellington Metropolitan Area	95,235	197	2.07	4	5	28	2	..	23	62	0.65
Christchurch City	54,925	97	1.77	4	3	27	1	1	30	66	1.20
Remainder of Metropolitan Area ..	37,808	48	1.27	..	1	17	1	..	15	34	0.90
Total for Christchurch Metropolitan Area	92,733	145	1.56	4	4	44	2	1	45	100	1.08
Dunedin City	55,256	74	1.34	..	2	22	..	..	29	53	0.96
Remainder of Metropolitan Area ..	13,460	35	2.60	..	..	1	..	1	2	4	0.30
Total for Dunedin Metropolitan Area	68,716	109	1.59	..	2	23	..	1	31	57	0.83
Gisborne Borough	9,174	24	2.62	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.22
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,486	4	1.15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Gisborne Suburban Area	12,660	28	2.21	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.16
Napier Borough	12,704	25	1.97	3	2	4	..	1	1	11	0.87
Remainder of Suburban Area	2,427	2	0.82	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	0.82
Total for Napier Suburban Area	15,131	27	1.78	3	2	5	..	1	2	13	0.86
New Plymouth Borough	8,704	28	3.22	1	..	5	1	..	6	13	1.49
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,091	3	2.75	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	1.83
Total for New Plymouth Suburban Area	9,795	31	3.16	1	1	6	1	..	6	15	1.53
Wanganui Borough	14,380	16	1.11	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.21
Remainder of Suburban Area	5,137	9	1.75	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Wanganui Suburban Area	19,517	25	1.28	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	0.15
Palmerston North Borough	12,829	27	2.10	1	..	4	2	..	4	11	0.86
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,177	2	1.70	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.85
Total for Palmerston North Suburban Area	14,006	29	2.07	1	..	4	2	..	5	12	0.86
Nelson City	8,774	18	2.05	1	..	4	2	..	5	12	1.37
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,188	2	1.68	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	1.68
Total for Nelson Suburban Area	9,962	20	2.01	1	..	5	3	..	5	14	1.41
Greymouth Borough	4,863	9	1.85	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	0.62
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,510	7	1.99	..	..	2	1	..	4	7	1.99
Total for Grey Valley Boroughs Suburban Area	8,373	16	1.91	..	..	4	2	..	4	10	1.19
Timaru Borough	12,238	19	1.55	..	..	1	..	1	4	6	0.49
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,478	2	1.35	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Timaru Suburban Area	13,716	21	1.53	..	..	1	..	1	4	6	0.44
Invercargill Borough	14,154	26	1.84	1	..	5	..	..	3	9	0.64
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,708	7	1.89	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.27
Total for Invercargill Suburban Area	17,862	33	1.85	1	..	5	..	..	4	10	0.56
Grand Totals	511,418	905	1.77	23	19	180	19	10	187	438	0.86