

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 May, 1918:—

	Population, Census, 1916	Total Births registered, May, 1918.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population	DEATHS REGISTERED IN MAY, 1918.							Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, May, 1918.
				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	68,888	130	1.89	3	1	24	3	1	24	56	0.81	
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	64,824	128	1.97	3	1	16	2	..	18	40	0.62	
Total for Auckland Metro- politan Area	133,712	258	1.93	6	2	40	5	1	42	96	0.72	
Wellington City	73,305	185	2.52	4	3	33	10	2	22	74	1.01	
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	21,930	40	1.82	1	1	2	1	..	3	8	0.36	
Total for Wellington Metro- politan Area	95,235	225	2.36	5	4	35	11	2	25	82	0.86	
Christchurch City	55,860	99	1.77	1	1	21	..	..	26	49	0.88
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	36,873	67	1.82	..	..	7	2	..	11	20	0.54
Total for Christchurch Metro- politan Area	92,733	166	1.79	1	1	28	2	..	37	69	0.74	
Dunedin City	55,256	90	1.63	2	..	22	1	1	27	53	0.96	
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	13,460	26	1.93	1	..	5	..	..	8	14	1.04
Total for Dunedin Metro- politan Area	68,716	116	1.69	3	..	27	1	1	35	67	0.98	
Gisborne Borough	9,654	26	2.69	2	..	1	..	..	3	6	0.62
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	3,006	5	1.66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Gisborne Suburban Area	12,660	31	2.45	2	..	1	..	..	3	6	0.47
Napier Borough	12,704	19	1.50	..	..	3	..	..	9	12	0.94
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	2,427	9	3.71	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.41
Total for Napier Suburban Area	15,131	28	1.85	..	..	4	..	..	9	13	0.86
New Plymouth Borough	8,704	19	2.18	..	..	1	1	1	5	8	0.92
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	1,091	1	0.92	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for New Plymouth Suburban Area	9,795	20	2.04	..	..	1	1	1	5	8	0.82
Wanganui Borough	14,380	31	2.16	2	..	12	..	1	5	20	1.39	
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	5,137	12	2.34	..	..	3	2	..	2	7	1.36
Total for Wanganui Sub- urban Area	19,517	43	2.20	2	..	15	2	1	7	27	1.38	
Palmerston North Borough	12,829	26	2.03	..	..	4	..	..	9	13	1.01
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	1,177	1	0.85	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	1.70
Total for Palmerston North Suburban Area	14,006	27	1.93	..	..	6	..	..	9	15	1.07
Nelson City	8,774	9	1.03	..	..	4	..	..	2	6	0.68
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	1,188	1	0.84	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.84
Total for Nelson Suburban Area	9,962	10	1.00	..	..	4	..	..	3	7	0.70
Greymouth Borough	4,863	7	1.44	..	..	1	..	1	3	5	1.03
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	3,510	10	2.85	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	0.85
Total for Grey Valley Boroughs Suburban Area	8,373	17	2.03	..	..	4	..	1	3	8	0.96
Timaru Borough	12,238	24	1.96	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	0.25
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	1,478	2	1.35	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Timaru Suburban Area	13,716	26	1.90	..	..	2	..	..	1	3	0.22
Invercargill Borough	14,154	30	2.12	1	..	5	..	1	4	11	0.78	
Remainder of Suburban Area ..	3,708	9	2.43	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	0.27
Total for Invercargill Sub- urban Area	17,862	39	2.18	1	..	5	..	1	5	12	0.67	
Grand Totals	511,418	1,006	1.97	20	7	172	22	8	184	413	0.81	