

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the DOMINION of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1919.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams, including Paid Government Telegrams.			Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.										
		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.									
			£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.								
Auckland .. .. .	605	359,880	13,598	3	1	32,579	2,602	18	5½	8,964	954	9	4	324,338	9,480	10	0	725,761	26,636	0	10½
Blenheim .. .. .	97	25,485	1,020	10	5½	1,915	150	5	7	110	144	1	1½	33,325	741	9	10½	60,835	2,056	7	0½
Christchurch .. .. .	225	163,676	6,628	0	11½	14,106	1,164	9	3	6,333	843	14	1	122,119	4,081	5	4	306,234	12,717	9	7½
Dunedin .. .. .	240	133,294	5,598	14	7½	7,912	669	12	8½	3,736	429	18	6½	104,728	3,636	13	0½	249,670	10,334	18	11
Gisborne .. .. .	41	35,229	1,574	14	2	3,297	246	11	1	840	276	0	5	54,429	2,125	7	0	93,795	4,222	12	8
Greymouth .. .. .	41	23,863	1,013	17	4	1,230	105	7	2½	826	278	0	2½	13,348	355	19	4	39,267	1,753	4	1
Hokitika .. .. .	51	8,380	326	19	4	326	21	7	11½	241	76	6	3½	9,723	216	7	7	18,670	641	1	2
Invercargill .. .. .	204	56,502	2,270	14	0½	2,351	177	2	10	1,346	347	7	0½	90,987	2,748	15	10	151,186	5,543	19	9
Napier .. .. .	88	77,595	3,074	18	2	6,299	418	4	9	1,204	517	18	6	160,114	4,458	14	9½	245,212	8,469	16	2½
Nelson .. .. .	100	35,171	1,444	8	6½	2,748	191	15	10½	289	218	3	3½	31,282	846	12	7½	69,490	2,701	0	4
New Plymouth .. .. .	108	61,618	2,415	10	4	5,413	340	19	9½	1,370	457	0	2½	75,509	1,796	12	8	143,910	5,010	3	0
Oamaru .. .. .	53	17,389	636	0	10	990	64	12	8	363	252	15	11½	21,730	900	8	2½	40,472	1,853	17	8
Thames .. .. .	79	50,374	1,903	7	9	3,204	231	9	6	594	230	17	0	47,321	1,253	19	10	101,493	3,619	14	1
Timaru .. .. .	72	37,595	1,318	10	2½	1,966	133	10	5	644	318	6	7	54,671	1,997	16	10	94,876	3,768	4	0½
Wanganui .. .. .	102	78,118	3,132	12	7½	6,789	432	13	5	1,941	377	4	10½	90,523	2,778	18	3	177,371	6,721	9	2
Wellington .. .. .	194	349,687	18,871	12	5½	32,587	2,675	16	4½	57,040	1,031	3	9	249,291	8,178	13	3	688,605	30,757	5	10
Westport .. .. .	54	14,062	551	8	4½	900	73	17	5	321	169	5	0½	9,293	229	9	0	24,576	1,023	19	10
Totals, 1st quarter in 1919 .. .. .	2,354	1,527,918	65,380	3	3½	124,612	9,700	15	3½	86,162	6,922	12	3	1,492,731	45,827	13	5½	3,231,423	127,831	4	3½
Totals, 1st quarter in 1918 .. .. .	2,371	1,521,072	64,100	1	1½	102,196	8,688	11	4½	63,733	5,427	6	8	1,361,843	40,828	2	8½	3,048,844	119,044	1	10½

General Post Office, Wellington, 30th April, 1919.

\* The bulk of Press telegrams are forwarded as "Collect" on delivery.

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