

Vital Statistics.

REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Four Metropolitan Areas and of the Nine Suburban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of December, 1920:—

	Estimated Population as at 1st January, 1920.	Total Births registered December, 1920.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN DECEMBER, 1920.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, December, 1920.
				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	73,852	134	1.81	8	1	38	3	2	29	81	1.10
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	70,794	121	1.71	4	1	21	3	1	24	54	0.76
Total for Auckland Metropolitan Area	144,646	255	1.76	12	2	59	6	3	53	135	0.93
Wellington City	81,301	151	1.86	3	..	30	4	1	11	49	0.60
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	19,597	47	2.40	1	2	6	1	..	5	15	0.77
Total for Wellington Metropolitan Area	100,898	198	1.96	4	2	36	5	1	16	64	0.63
Christchurch City	61,104	111	1.82	7	2	23	4	1	21	58	0.95
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	40,643	74	1.82	2	1	14	3	2	16	38	0.93
Total for Christchurch Metropolitan Area	101,747	185	1.82	9	3	37	7	3	37	96	0.94
Dunedin City	57,995	110	1.90	2	2	26	1	..	30	61	1.05
Remainder of Metropolitan Area	14,113	27	1.91	2	..	3	..	..	3	8	0.57
Total for Dunedin Metropolitan Area	72,048	137	1.90	4	2	29	1	..	33	69	0.96
Gisborne Borough	11,022	26	2.36	..	1	6	..	1	..	8	0.73
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,344	4	1.20	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	0.30
Total for Gisborne Suburban Area	14,366	30	2.09	1	1	6	..	1	..	9	0.63
Napier Borough	13,785	33	2.39	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	0.29
Remainder of Suburban Area	2,598	4	1.54	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	1.15
Total for Napier Suburban Area	16,383	37	2.26	..	..	3	2	..	2	7	0.43
New Plymouth Borough	9,820	23	2.34	1	..	4	..	..	2	7	0.71
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,231	4	3.25	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	1.62
Total for New Plymouth Suburban Area	11,051	27	2.44	1	..	6	..	..	2	9	0.81
Wanganui Borough	15,363	34	2.21	2	..	5	..	..	5	12	0.78
Remainder of Suburban Area	6,415	16	2.49	..	..	..	1	..	3	4	0.62
Total for Wanganui Suburban Area	21,778	50	2.30	2	..	5	1	..	8	16	0.73
Palmerston North Borough	13,617	26	1.91	1	1	8	2	..	3	15	1.10
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,249	2	1.60	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	0.80
Total for Palmerston North Suburban Area	14,866	28	1.88	1	1	9	2	..	3	16	1.08
Nelson City	9,107	16	1.76	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	0.22
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,233	2	1.62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Nelson Suburban Area	10,340	18	1.74	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	0.19
Greymouth Borough	4,960	12	2.42	2	..	3	1	1	1	8	1.61
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,535	10	2.83	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Grey Valley Boroughs Suburban Area	8,495	22	2.59	2	..	3	1	1	1	8	0.94
Timaru Borough	13,230	19	1.44	1	..	8	..	..	2	11	0.83
Remainder of Suburban Area	1,598	3	1.88	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for Timaru Suburban Area	14,828	22	1.48	1	..	8	..	..	2	11	0.74
Invercargill Borough	14,367	37	2.49	1	1	3	..	..	9	14	0.94
Remainder of Suburban Area	3,859	4	1.04	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	0.52
Total for Invercargill Suburban Area	18,726	41	2.19	1	1	3	..	..	11	16	0.85
Grand totals	550,172	1,050	1.91	39	12	205	25	9	168	458	0.83