

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the DOMINION of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1922.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams, including Paid Government Telegrams.		Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Night-letter Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.		Toll Communications.		Total.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number. †	Amount. †	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Auckland	395	254,927	£ s. d. 15,703 15 8	12,497	£ s. d. 1,581 1 7	1,396	£ s. d. 119 1 6½	8,009	£ s. d. 1,190 15 7	252,995	£ s. d. 9,318 9 8	529,824	£ s. d. 27,913 4 0½
Blenheim	97	20,801	1,208 3 9	856	106 16 11	88	7 9 11½	480	294 4 1	41,966	1,354 19 3½	64,191	2,971 14 0
Christchurch	217	146,181	9,155 1 10½	7,402	1,156 15 11	646	63 9 1½	5,692	1,818 6 2	154,950	6,907 3 9	314,871	19,100 16 10
Dunedin	243	112,721	6,786 5 5½	3,415	466 12 6	639	60 6 6½	3,621	779 1 2	119,000	5,728 9 4½	239,396	13,820 15 0½
Gisborne	40	29,692	1,965 0 11½	1,456	204 6 5	353	34 5 0½	1,249	522 11 0½	57,591	3,058 14 7	90,341	5,784 18 0½
Greymouth*	130	41,578	2,480 19 3	1,170	148 5 8	195	17 18 11	1,200	779 0 3	39,469	1,412 4 3½	83,612	4,838 8 4½
Hamilton	196	99,962	5,736 6 2½	3,675	457 5 10	108	8 16 5½	1,124	333 12 10	172,194	6,454 19 4½	277,063	12,991 0 8½
Invercargill	199	48,965	2,830 14 10½	991	136 14 9	186	16 4 10	1,128	699 7 10	109,960	4,294 9 0	161,230	7,977 11 3½
Napier	85	65,137	3,941 2 0	3,180	372 4 9	222	21 4 8½	1,767	869 5 2	168,218	6,229 18 1½	238,524	11,433 14 9
Nelson	122	29,774	1,805 19 6½	1,114	154 5 11	84	7 1 2½	820	279 3 1	40,041	1,482 11 5	71,833	3,729 1 2
New Plymouth	107	52,761	3,166 6 6½	2,464	238 9 1	171	15 4 9	1,387	794 15 7	94,908	2,934 16 8	151,691	7,149 12 7½
Oamaru	53	15,219	865 2 9	308	44 8 7	33	2 19 6½	137	424 18 3	23,885	1,245 4 6½	39,582	2,582 13 8
Thames	84	46,674	2,636 1 7½	1,731	214 3 1	59	4 16 9½	830	888 14 11	61,484	2,164 7 11	110,778	5,408 4 4
Timaru	70	30,597	1,679 9 0	660	85 2 8	86	7 14 1	910	536 11 8	61,660	2,955 5 4	93,913	5,264 2 9
Wanganui	104	65,203	3,841 9 8	3,099	316 18 11	126	10 3 8	2,194	650 12 2	99,060	4,135 15 10	169,682	8,955 0 3
Wellington	185	285,964	21,823 8 11	13,717	1,861 12 3	978	92 14 4½	63,500	1,523 3 10	284,130	11,453 1 6	648,289	36,759 0 10½
Totals, 1st quarter in 1922	2,327	1,346,156	85,630 8 1	57,735	7,545 4 10	5,370	489 11 6½	94,048	11,884 3 7½	1,781,511	71,130 10 8	3,284,820	176,679 18 9
Totals, 1st quarter in 1921	2,338	1,520,262	96,873 16 8	75,712	10,719 1 11½	3,590	324 16 1	94,965	9,839 10 7½	1,705,983	67,718 9 7	3,400,512	185,475 14 11

* Hokitika and Westport postal districts were amalgamated with Greymouth on 1st January, 1922.

† Forwarded Press telegrams the bulk of which are "collect" upon delivery.

‡ Amount received from prepaid and "collect" Press telegrams.

General Post Office, Wellington, 1st May, 1922.

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