

The total births registered for the urban areas amounted to 942, as against 1,103 in May—a decrease of 161. The deaths in June were 481, an increase of 16 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 250, females 231. Sixty-six of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 13.72 per cent. of the whole number. Forty-four of these were under one year of age.

The rates per 1,000 of mean population in June, 1922 and 1923, were as follows:—

Urban Area.	Birth Rate.		Death Rate.	
	June, 1922.	June, 1923.	June, 1922.	June, 1923.
Auckland	1.47	1.50	0.86	0.82
Wellington	1.89	1.55	0.91	0.73
Christchurch	1.55	1.40	0.91	0.83
Dunedin	1.73	1.23	1.20	0.79
Hamilton	1.81	1.63	1.20	0.85
Gisborne	2.21	1.59	0.67	0.53
Napier	1.13	1.34	0.96	0.73
Hastings	2.66	1.31	0.52	0.22
New Plymouth	2.23	2.30	0.74	0.65
Wanganui	1.99	1.35	0.79	0.70
Palmerston North	1.77	1.40	0.97	0.45
Nelson	1.20	1.42	1.20	0.62
Timaru	1.56	1.70	1.00	0.55
Invercargill	2.35	1.98	0.71	1.09
Totals for all areas	1.70	1.48	0.92	0.76

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of June, 1923:—

Age-group.	URBAN AREAS.										Total.	
	Auckland.		Wellington.		Christchurch.		Dunedin.		Others.		Males.	Females.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
Under 5 years	7	4	10	6	5	6	2	5	10	11	34	32
5 and under 10 years	4	1	..	1	3	1	1	..	..	3	8	6
10 " 15 "	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	2
15 " 20 "	2	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	1	6	4
20 " 25 "	3	2	..	1	1	2	..	..	1	3	5	8
25 " 30 " .. .. .	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	7
30 " 35 "	3	1	..	..	1	..	3	1	1	..	8	2
35 " 40 "	2	3	1	1	5	4	..	1	2	1	10	10
40 " 45 "	1	2	4	3	2	1	2	1	1	1	10	8
45 " 50 "	5	4	1	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	12	11
50 " 55 "	3	2	1	4	3	3	1	..	3	4	11	13
55 " 60 "	7	6	5	2	1	1	3	1	5	3	21	13
60 " 65 "	5	1	4	3	2	6	3	2	3	6	17	18
65 years and over	34	30	13	11	20	22	13	17	24	17	104	97
Totals	77	60	43	39	46	48	29	30	55	54	250	231

The deaths of 201 persons of 65 years and upwards were registered for the urban areas during the month of June, 1923. The following table shows the classification:—

Age.	URBAN AREAS.										Total.	
	Auckland.		Wellington.		Christchurch.		Dunedin.		Others.		Males.	Females.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
65	3	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	5	2
66	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	5	1
67	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	2
68	2	1	1	1	4	1	..	..	1	..	8	3
69	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	4	3
70	1	3	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	6
71	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	2	4
72	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	3	2
73	2	4	1	1	..	1	1	1	2	3	6	10
74	1	3	3	..	1	2	..	2	1	..	6	7
75	2	3	..	..	..	3	2	..	3	..	7	6
76	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	4	2
77	1	..	1	..	2	2	..	1	1	..	5	3
78	..	5	1	..	..	2	1	2	2	1	6	10
79	3	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	4	4
80	2	2	..	1	1	..	2	2	2	2	5	7
81	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	1
82	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	4	2
83	1	..	1	2	1	..	1	..	2	..	6	2
84	2	..	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	5	4
85	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	4	2
86	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
87	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	3	2
88	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	3
89	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	2
90	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	3	1
91	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2
92	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
93	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
94	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
97	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
103	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total	34	30	13	11	20	22	13	17	24	17	104	97