

The total births registered for the urban areas amounted to 929, as against 1,006 in May—a decrease of 77. The deaths in June were 479, an increase of 25 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 260, females 219. Sixty-two of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 12·94 per cent. of the whole number. Fifty of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for June and six months ended June, 1924, were as follows. The infantile mortality rate per 100 births for the same period is also given.

Urban Area.	Equivalent Annual Rates per 1,000 of Population.				Infantile Mortality per 100 Births.	
	Births.		Deaths.		June, 1924.	Six Months, 1924.
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Auckland ..	16·58	18·94	9·30	8·77	4·60	4·95
Wellington ..	15·93	18·16	7·75	7·07	4·61	4·04
Christchurch ..	18·41	19·04	8·94	8·15	8·47	4·55
Dunedin ..	14·57	16·45	10·61	8·37	1·09	1·60
Hamilton ..	21·17	25·93	6·70	4·84	3·58	4·78
Gisborne ..	23·43	21·35	6·25	8·20	6·67	9·15
Napier ..	14·50	19·88	11·20	9·67	13·64	7·18
Hastings ..	21·37	21·32	10·26	6·70	16·00	4·03
New Plymouth ..	30·81	25·54	7·59	8·33	2·70	3·26
Wanganui ..	22·57	21·77	8·64	7·44	4·26	3·31
Palmerston North ..	15·07	19·12	7·21	8·41	..	4·00
Nelson ..	17·89	19·12	7·37	9·30	..	9·17
Timaru ..	15·08	17·71	8·62	7·90	4·76	2·70
Invercargill ..	11·11	20·18	7·02	6·73	10·53	5·80
All areas, June and six months 1924 ..	17·19	19·11	8·86	8·03	5·38	4·44
All areas, June and six months 1924 ..	17·82	22·56	9·10	9·77	4·67	4·35

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of June, 1924:—

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	6	7	2	5	12	1	..	11	12	31	32
5 and under 10 years ..	3	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	7	1
10 ..	15	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	3	1
15 ..	20	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
20 ..	25	1	1	4	2	1	1	2	..	3	..	4
25 ..	30	2	..	1	1	..	..	1	3	1	5	5
30 ..	35	2	2	1	2	1	..	..	1	4	8	6
35 ..	40	2	2	3	3	1	..	..	1	2	..	7
40 ..	45	6	4	..	3	..	..	2	3	3	1	11
45 ..	50	7	3	..	1	2	3	2	2	4	3	12
50 ..	55	6	4	2	2	5	..	4	..	3	20	9
55 ..	60	2	5	..	5	3	3	3	1	6	3	14
60 ..	65	8	3	5	1	4	2	3	3	2	22	12
65 years and over ..	29	25	13	14	17	21	16	18	27	23	102	101
Totals ..	78	56	38	36	43	43	34	33	67	51	260	219

The deaths of 203 persons of 65 years and upwards were registered for the urban areas during the month of June, 1924. 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 ..	1	2	2	..	2	..	3	..	1	1	9	3
66 ..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	4	2
67 ..	2	1	..	2	1	..	1	1	2	..	6	4
68 ..	2	..	..	2	1	1	1	..	3	2	7	5
69 ..	2	1	1	..	2	..	..	1	1	1	6	3
70 ..	..	3	1	1	1	3	..	1	1	1	3	9
71 ..	1	..	1	..	..	4	2	..	1	..	5	4
72 ..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	1	2	3	8
73 ..	1	3	1	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	7	4
74 ..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	2	1	4	5
75 ..	2	..	..	1	1	..	2	3	..	2	5	6
76 ..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	1	6
77 ..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	2	1	4	5
78 ..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	2	4	3
79 ..	2	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	4	2
80 ..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	..	3	3
81 ..	3	2	2	..	..	1	1	1	2	1	8	5
82 ..	1	1	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	..	3	4
83 ..	1	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	3
84 ..	2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	5	2
85 ..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	3
86 ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	3
87 ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1
88 ..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	3
89 ..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	1
90 ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
91 ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3
92 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Total ..	29	25	14	14	17	21	16	18	27	28	102	101