

Vital Statistics of Urban Areas.

REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Urban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of October, 1925:—

	Estimated Population, 1st April, 1925.	Total Births registered, October, 1925.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN OCTOBER, 1925.							Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, October, 1925
				Males.			Females.			Total Deaths.	
				Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
Auckland ..	180,790	293	1.62	6	3	57	9	..	41	116	0.64
Wellington ..	118,490	167	1.41	3	2	33	4	1	41	84	0.71
Christchurch ..	118,270	186	1.57	4	3	44	..	1	42	94	0.79
Dunedin ..	77,480	118	1.52	4	3	34	3	..	17	61	0.79
Hamilton ..	17,070	34	1.99	2	..	7	..	..	2	11	0.64
Gisborne ..	15,700	17	1.08	1	1	8	..	1	6	17	1.08
Napier ..	18,910	29	1.53	2	1	9	..	..	10	22	1.16
Hastings ..	14,590	29	1.99	3	1	5	1	..	6	16	1.10
New Plymouth ..	15,360	21	1.37	..	..	6	1	..	2	9	0.59
Wanganui ..	25,940	56	2.16	1	1	10	..	2	6	20	0.77
Palmerston North ..	19,240	24	1.25	1	..	7	..	..	5	13	0.68
Nelson ..	11,650	12	1.03	..	..	5	1	..	7	13	1.12
Timaru ..	17,110	26	1.52	2	..	4	1	..	12	19	1.11
Invercargill ..	20,990	43	2.05	3	1	5	1	..	7	17	0.81
Totals ..	671,590	1,055	1.57	32	16	234	21	5	204	512	0.76

The total births registered for the urban areas amounted to 1,055, as against 1,054 in September—an increase of 1. The deaths in October were 512, a decrease of 50 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 282, females 230. Seventy-four of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 14.45 per cent. of the whole number. Fifty-three of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for October, 1925, and ten months ended October, 1925, 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.		October, 1925.	Ten Months, 1925.
	October, 1925.	Ten Months, 1925.	October, 1925.	Ten Months, 1925.		
Auckland ..	19.45	18.60	7.70	9.18	5.12	5.35
Wellington ..	16.91	18.03	8.51	8.04	4.23	3.65
Christchurch ..	18.87	18.35	9.54	9.01	2.15	4.98
Dunedin ..	18.27	17.62	9.45	10.17	5.93	3.51
Hamilton ..	23.90	24.25	7.73	7.73	5.88	4.93
Gisborne ..	12.99	18.10	12.99	7.95	5.88	3.80
Napier ..	18.40	18.40	13.96	8.42	6.90	6.21
Hastings ..	23.85	20.48	13.16	8.31	13.79	4.02
New Plymouth ..	16.41	22.50	7.03	9.22	4.76	3.12
Wanganui ..	25.91	21.33	9.25	7.45	1.79	5.42
Palmerston North ..	14.97	20.39	8.11	8.61	4.17	4.28
Nelson ..	12.36	17.61	13.39	11.74	8.33	4.68
Timaru ..	18.23	17.67	13.32	8.77	11.54	6.35
Invercargill ..	24.58	23.95	9.72	7.89	6.98	5.68
All areas, October, and ten months, 1925	18.85	18.88	9.15	8.87	5.02	4.72
All areas, October, and ten months, 1924	20.40	19.51	9.81	8.84	4.35	4.68

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of October, 1925:—

Age-group.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hamilton.	Gisborne.	Napier.	Hastings.	New Plymouth.	Wanganui.	Palmerston North.	Nelson.	Timaru.	Invercargill.	Totals.
	Males.														
Under 5 years ..	9	5	7	7	2	2	3	4	..	2	1	..	2	4	48
5 and under 10 years ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
10 " 15 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15 " 20 " ..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
20 " 25 " ..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	6
25 " 30 " ..	4	1	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
30 " 35 " ..	1	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
35 " 40 " ..	5	5	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
40 " 45 " ..	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	10
45 " 50 " ..	2	4	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	11
50 " 55 " ..	6	2	7	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
55 " 60 " ..	9	6	4	1	..	1	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	26
60 " 65 " ..	5	1	5	4	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	18
65 " 70 " ..	5	1	3	8	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	22
70 " 75 " ..	3	3	7	4	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26
75 " 80 " ..	6	5	2	5	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	26
80 " 85 " ..	4	1	5	3	..	..	2	1	1	1	1	..	1	..	20
85 " 90 " ..	2	1	3	4	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	15
90 " 95 " ..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
95 " 100 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
100 years and over ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	66	38	51	41	9	10	12	9	6	12	8	5	6	9	282