

Vital Statistics of Urban Areas.

REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Urban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of June, 1926:—

	Census of Population, 20th April, 1926.	Total Births registered, June, 1926.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN JUNE, 1926.									Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, June, 1926.
				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 ..	192,176	290	1.51	16	3	76	4	1	51	151	0.79		
Wellington ..	121,324	194	1.59	7	1	53	..	3	37	101	0.83		
Christchurch ..	118,408	152	1.28	4	2	34	3	..	39	82	0.69		
Dunedin ..	85,103	99	1.16	2	3	26	3	..	28	62	0.73		
Hamilton ..	16,070	31	1.93	..	..	3	..	..	2	5	0.31
Gisborne ..	14,834	37	2.49	1	1	4	..	1	8	15	1.01		
Napier ..	17,933	31	1.73	..	..	8	1	..	7	16	0.89
Hastings ..	14,638	23	1.57	..	..	6	..	..	1	7	0.45
New Plymouth ..	15,938	34	2.13	2	..	11	1	..	4	18	1.13		
Wanganui ..	26,130	36	1.38	..	..	9	..	..	8	17	0.65
Palmerston North ..	19,754	34	1.72	2	..	6	..	..	4	12	0.61
Nelson ..	11,762	19	1.62	..	..	5	..	..	3	8	0.68
Timaru ..	16,817	23	1.37	..	..	13	1	..	5	19	1.13
Invercargill ..	21,862	27	1.24	..	..	8	..	..	7	15	0.69
Totals ..	692,749	1,030	1.48	34	10	262	13	5	204	528	0.73		

The total births registered for the urban areas amounted to 1,030, as against 1,033 in May—a decrease of 3. The deaths in June were 528—an increase of 45 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 306, females 222. Seventy of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 14.40 per cent. of the whole number. Forty-seven of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for June, 1926, and six months ended June, 1926, 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, 1926.	Six Months, 1926.
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Auckland ..	18.12	18.88	9.48	8.44	6.89	4.46
Wellington ..	19.08	18.86	9.96	7.95	3.60	2.09
Christchurch ..	15.36	18.28	8.28	7.78	4.50	3.96
Dunedin ..	13.92	16.03	8.76	8.60	5.05	3.81
Hamilton ..	23.16	20.53	3.72	6.34	..	2.41
Gisborne ..	29.88	23.18	12.12	10.51	2.70	5.82
Napier ..	20.76	19.18	10.68	10.92	3.22	5.82
Hastings ..	18.84	20.36	5.40	5.34	..	1.34
New Plymouth ..	25.56	23.84	13.56	8.66	8.82	3.68
Wanganui ..	16.56	21.13	7.80	7.42	..	2.90
Palmerston North ..	20.64	19.84	7.32	7.49	5.88	5.10
Nelson ..	19.44	20.23	8.16	9.86	..	3.36
Timaru ..	16.44	17.84	13.56	9.28	4.34	3.33
Invercargill ..	14.89	17.89	8.28	7.04	..	2.04
All areas, June, and six months, 1926	17.76	18.77	9.12	8.10	4.56	3.67
All areas, June, and six months, 1925	18.06	19.11	9.67	8.06	4.85	4.36

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of June, 1926:—

Age-group.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hamilton.	Gisborne.	Napier.	Hastings.	New Plymouth.	Wanganui.	Palmerston North.	Nelson.	Timaru.	Invercargill.	Totals.
<i>Males.</i>															
Under 5 years ..	19	8	6	5	..	2	..	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	45
5 and under 10 years ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
10 " 15 " ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
15 " 20 " ..	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
20 " 25 " ..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
25 " 30 " ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
30 " 35 " ..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
35 " 40 " ..	3	5	1	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	14
40 " 45 " ..	3	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
45 " 50 " ..	6	4	2	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	16
50 " 55 " ..	5	3	5	2	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	1	3	1	23
55 " 60 " ..	6	7	2	3	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	1	1	..	24
60 " 65 " ..	7	7	3	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	23
65 " 70 " ..	5	4	6	3	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	..	3	1	27
70 " 75 " ..	11	4	4	1	..	1	..	1	1	3	..	1	1	1	29
75 " 80 " ..	10	5	5	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	31
80 " 85 " ..	11	5	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	26
85 " 90 " ..	4	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	2	1	1	..	2	..	14
90 " 95 " ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
95 " 100 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
100 years and over ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	95	61	40	31	3	6	8	6	13	9	8	5	13	8	306