Vital Statistics of Urban Areas.

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

—	Census of Population, 20th April, 1926.	Total Births registered, July, 1926.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	Deaths registered in July, 1926. Males. Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Females. Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, July, 1926.
Auckland	192,176	297	1·55	12	3	105	5	4	75	204	1·06
Wellington	121,324	172	1·42	4	1	60	5	3	61	134	1·10
Christchurch	118,408	170	1·44	14	6	74	9	9	106	218	1·84
Dunedin	85,103	103	1·21	3	..	39	3	4	45	94	1·10
Hamilton	16,070	34	2·11	2	1	5	1	1	6	16	1·00
Gisborne	14,834	27	1·82	..	..	10	1	..	5	16	1·08
Napier	17,933	25	1·39	1	1	10	2	..	7	21	1·17
Hastings	14,638	34	2·32	1	..	4	..	..	8	13	0·89
New Plymouth	15,938	36	2·26	1	..	8	..	..	6	15	0·94
Wanganui	26,130	43	1·65	2	..	9	1	..	3	15	0·57
Palmerston North	19,754	34	1·72	..	..	9	..	..	9	18	0·91
Nelson	11,762	21	1·79	..	..	5	1	..	6	12	1·02
Timaru	16,817	39	2·32	..	..	7	1	1	6	15	0·89
Invercargill	21,862	51	2·33	1	..	3	2	..	9	15	0·69
Totals	692,749	1,086	1·55	41	12	348	31	22	352	806	1·16

The total births registered for the urban areas amounted to 1,086, as against 1,030 in June—an increase of 56. The deaths in July were 806—an increase of 278 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 401, females 405. One hundred and six of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 13·15 per cent. of the whole number. Seventy-two of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for July, 1926, and seven months ended July, 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. Births. July, 1926.	Seven Months, 1926.	Deaths. July, 1926.	Seven Months, 1926.	Infantile Mortality per 100 Births. July, 1926.	Seven Months 1926.
Auckland	18·60	18·75	12·72	9·05	5·61	2·13
Wellington	17·04	21·46	13·20	8·70	5·23	3·05
Christchurch	17·28	18·14	22·08	9·63	13·52	5·27
Dunedin	14·52	13·30	13·20	8·88	5·82	2·45
Hamilton	25·32	20·91	12·00	6·72	8·83	2·84
Gisborne	21·84	22·65	12·96	10·51	3·70	1·89
Napier	16·68	18·74	14·04	11·37	1·20	1·51
Hastings	27·84	21·31	10·68	5·74	2·94	6·10
New Plymouth	27·12	24·10	11·28	9·03	2·77	2·82
Wanganui	19·80	20·66	6·84	7·35	6·97	2·90
Palmerston North	20·64	18·83	10·92	7·89	..	2·30
Nelson	21·48	20·40	12·24	10·20	4·76	2·80
Timaru	27·84	19·26	10·68	9·28	2·56	3·15
Invercargill	27·96	19·21	8·28	7·14	5·87	3·53
All areas, July, and seven months, 1926	18·60	21·19	13·92	8·93	6·59	4·35
All areas, July, and seven months, 1925	18·87	19·07	10·77	8·45	5·78	4·56

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

Age-group.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christch'tch.	Dunedin.	Hamilton.	Gisborne.	Napier.	Hastings.	New Plymouth.	Wanganui.	Palmerston North.	Nelson.	Timaru.	Invercargill.	Totals.
Males.															
Under 5 years	15	5	20	3	3	..	2	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	53
5 and under 10 years	..	3	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
10 „ 15 „	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
15 „ 20 „	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	5
20 „ 25 „	1	2	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
25 „ 30 „	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
30 „ 35 „	6	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
35 „ 40 „	6	2	5	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	17
40 „ 45 „	2	7	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	16
45 „ 50 „	8	3	5	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	21
50 „ 55 „	9	8	2	3	..	2	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	1	29
55 „ 60 „	14	7	5	3	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	32
60 „ 65 „	3	8	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	19
65 „ 70 „	10	3	7	3	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	28
70 „ 75 „	18	8	6	3	..	3	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	43
75 „ 80 „	8	5	15	8	1	..	4	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	45
80 „ 85 „	6	1	7	7	1	1	1	..	1	1	3	..	1	..	30
85 „ 90 „	6	2	10	4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	26
90 „ 95 „	4	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7
95 „ 100 „	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
100 years and over	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	120	65	94	42	8	10	12	5	9	11	9	5	7	4	401

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