

Vital Statistics of Urban Areas.

REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Urban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of June, 1929:—

	Estimated Population, 1st April, 1929.	Live Births registered, June, 1929.	Proportion of Live Births to the 1,000 of Population.	Stillbirths registered, June, 1929.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN JUNE, 1929.							Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, June, 1929.
					Males.			Females.					
					Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.			
Auckland	208,580	241	1.16	7	3	3	91	2	1	76	176	0.84	
Wellington	133,320	186	1.40	3	3	..	59	2	1	34	99	0.74	
Christchurch	125,170	158	1.26	5	4	4	40	2	..	34	84	0.67	
Dunedin	84,990	106	1.25	2	3	1	35	1	..	33	73	0.86	
Hamilton	17,400	23	1.32	..	..	1	5	1	..	4	11	0.63
Gisborne	15,280	19	1.24	2	..	..	4	1	..	3	8	0.52
Napier	18,780	16	0.85	..	..	1	13	..	..	4	18	0.96
Hastings	15,330	27	1.76	..	..	..	5	2	1	5	13	0.85
New Plymouth	17,040	42	2.47	2	1	..	4	..	..	6	11	0.65
Wanganui	27,320	33	1.21	1	..	..	10	..	..	10	20	0.73
Palmerston North	21,220	31	1.46	..	2	..	7	..	..	5	14	0.66
Nelson	12,230	20	1.64	2	..	..	3	..	1	6	10	0.82
Timaru	17,880	18	1.01	..	1	..	4	..	..	9	14	0.78
Invercargill	23,260	38	1.66	4	6	..	6	1	..	3	16	0.69	
Totals	737,800	958	1.30	28	23	10	286	12	4	232	567	0.77	

The total live births registered for the urban areas amounted to 958 as against 1,149 in May, a decrease of 191. The deaths in June were 567—a decrease of 28 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 319, females 248. Forty-nine of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 8.64 per cent. of the whole number. Thirty-five of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for June, 1929, and six months ended June, 1929, were as follows. The infant-mortality and still-birth rates per 100 births for the same period are also given.

Urban Area.	Equivalent Annual Rates per 1,000 of Population.				Rate per 100 Births.			
	Births.		Deaths.		Infant Mortality.		Still-births.	
	June, 1929.	Six Months, 1929.	June, 1929.	Six Months, 1929.	June, 1929.	Six Months, 1929.	June, 1929.	Six Months, 1929.
Auckland	13.86	15.86	10.12	8.13	2.07	2.78	2.90	2.84
Wellington	16.74	18.39	8.90	7.89	2.69	3.18	1.61	2.37
Christchurch	15.14	15.72	8.05	7.75	3.16	3.25	3.16	2.74
Dunedin	14.96	14.54	10.30	8.92	1.89	3.88	1.89	3.24
Hamilton	15.86	18.51	7.58	8.16	4.35	3.11	..	1.24
Gisborne	14.92	20.16	6.29	6.81	5.26	5.84	10.53	2.60
Napier	10.22	18.32	11.50	7.99	..	0.58	..	2.33
Hastings	21.13	21.40	10.18	8.35	7.41	4.27	..	1.22
New Plymouth	29.58	20.07	7.75	7.86	2.38	4.09	4.76	2.92
Wanganui	14.50	16.47	8.78	7.69	..	2.67	3.03	5.78
Palmerston North	17.53	22.43	7.92	7.54	6.46	4.20	..	4.20
Nelson	19.62	15.86	9.82	10.30	..	3.09	10.00	4.12
Timaru	12.08	17.11	9.40	7.72	5.56	2.61	..	0.65
Invercargill	19.97	20.55	8.27	9.03	18.42	6.28	10.53	3.77
All areas, June, and six months, 1929	15.58	16.95	9.22	8.10	3.65	3.36	2.92	2.83
All areas, June, and six months, 1928	16.19	17.70	8.78	8.18	5.30	3.32	3.47	2.70

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of June, 1929:—

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	6	3	8	4	1	..	1	..	1	..	3	..	1	6	34
5 and under 10 years .. .. .	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
10 " 15 " .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3
15 " 20 "	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5
20 " 25 "	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
25 " 30 "	3	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8
30 " 35 " .. .. .	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	5
35 " 40 "	3	3	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
40 " 45 "	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
45 " 50 "	3	6	3	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	15
50 " 55 "	6	4	1	4	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	2	..	1	23
55 " 60 "	8	2	6	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	21
60 " 65 "	15	3	6	3	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	31
65 " 70 "	6	7	4	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	27
70 " 75 "	14	10	4	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	37
75 " 80 "	14	5	5	6	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	..	1	..	41
80 " 85 "	7	6	4	8	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	30
85 " 90 "	5	2	3	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	14
90 " 95 "	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
95 " 100 " .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
100 years and over .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	97	62	48	39	6	4	14	5	5	10	9	3	5	12	319