

Vital Statistics of Urban Areas.

REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Urban Areas of the Dominion for the Month of December, 1930 :—

	Estimated Population, 1st April, 1930.	Live Births registered, December, 1930.	Proportion of Live Births to the 1,000 of Population.	Still Births registered, December, 1930.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN DECEMBER, 1930.							Total Deaths	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population, December, 1930.
					Males			Females.					
					Under 1 Year.	1 & under 3 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over			
Auckland	212,100	272	1.28	5	3	1	88	5	2	77	176	0.83	
Wellington	138,050	248	1.80	7	10	..	56	4	..	42	112	0.81	
Christchurch	125,800	179	1.42	4	4	2	47	2	..	34	89	0.71	
Dunedin	85,330	116	1.36	1	4	..	27	..	..	25	56	0.66
Hamilton	17,680	34	1.92	..	1	..	3	..	..	3	7	0.40
Gisborne	15,460	18	1.16	..	..	..	7	1	..	2	10	0.65
Napier	18,940	25	1.32	1	1	..	4	..	2	8	15	0.79	
Hastings	15,760	32	2.03	3	2	..	6	..	..	8	16	1.02
New Plymouth	17,450	27	1.55	2	1	..	5	..	..	5	11	0.63
Wanganui	27,480	51	1.86	3	4	..	12	..	..	8	24	0.87
Palmerston North	21,850	39	1.78	2	..	..	15	..	..	12	27	1.24
Nelson	12,300	17	1.38	1	1	..	13	1	..	4	19	1.54	
Timaru	18,020	28	1.55	..	1	..	4	..	..	2	7	0.39
Invercargill	23,540	40	1.70	..	..	..	10	4	..	7	21	0.89
Totals	749,760	1,126	1.50	29	32	3	297	17	4	237	590	0.79	

The total live births registered for the urban areas amounted to 1,126 as against 1,079 in November, an increase of 47. The deaths in December were 590, an increase of 56 as compared with the previous month. Of the total deaths males contributed 332, females 258. Fifty-six of the deaths were of children under five years of age, being 9.49 per cent. of the whole number. Forty-nine of these were under one year of age.

The equivalent annual rates per 1,000 of mean population for December, 1930, and twelve months ended December, 1930, 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.	
	Dec., 1930.	Twelve Months, 1930.	Dec., 1930.	Twelve Months, 1930.	Dec., 1930.	Twelve Months, 1930.	Dec., 1930.	Twelve Months, 1930.
Auckland	15.39	14.25	9.96	9.06	2.94	3.50	1.84	3.14
Wellington	21.56	19.14	9.74	9.24	5.64	4.01	2.82	3.82
Christchurch	17.07	16.44	8.49	9.57	3.35	4.11	2.23	3.04
Dunedin	16.31	15.12	7.88	9.32	3.45	3.33	0.86	2.87
Hamilton	23.08	20.98	4.75	6.79	2.94	6.20	..	2.96
Gisborne	13.97	19.02	7.76	9.18	5.56	5.78	..	2.04
Napier	15.84	17.21	9.50	8.98	4.00	3.99	4.00	2.76
Hastings	24.36	18.85	12.18	7.49	6.25	2.69	9.38	3.70
New Plymouth	18.56	18.80	7.56	8.65	3.70	2.13	7.41	4.27
Wanganui	22.27	17.94	10.48	8.08	7.84	4.26	5.88	3.24
Palmerston North	21.42	19.77	14.83	8.05	..	3.24	5.13	3.47
Nelson	16.59	16.91	18.54	10.89	11.76	3.36	5.88	2.88
Timaru	18.65	17.81	4.66	8.16	3.57	1.87	..	3.74
Invercargill	20.39	18.61	10.71	8.28	10.00	6.62	..	2.74
All areas, December, and twelve months, 1930	18.02	16.72	9.44	9.03	4.35	3.87	2.58	3.22
All areas, December, and twelve months, 1929	15.96	16.92	8.63	9.15	3.46	3.82	3.56	3.35

The following table shows the deaths in various age-groups occurring in the urban areas during the month of December, 1930 :—

Age-group.	Auckland.	Wellington.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hamilton.	Gisborne.	Napier.	Hastings.	New Plymouth.	Wanganui.	Palmerston North.	Nelson.	Timaru.	Invercargill.	Totals.
	Males.														
Under 5 years	4	10	6	4	1	..	1	2	1	4	..	1	1	..	35
5 and under 10 years	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
10 " 15 "	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
15 " 20 " .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
20 " 25 "	3	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
25 " 30 "	2	1	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	9
30 " 35 "	1	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	8
35 " 40 "	1	2	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	11
40 " 45 "	4	1	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	2	..	..	17
45 " 50 "	3	4	1	4	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	14
50 " 55 "	6	6	4	4	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	20
55 " 60 "	12	5	2	2	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	1	1	..	28
60 " 65 "	6	6	8	3	..	2	..	1	..	1	1	2	..	..	30
65 " 70 "	15	12	5	5	1	1	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	1	44
70 " 75 "	8	3	6	1	..	..	1	..	1	3	2	..	..	3	28
75 " 80 "	9	3	6	6	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	3	1	1	33
80 " 85 "	8	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	1	..	..	23
85 " 90 "	5	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	12
90 " 95 " .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
95 " 100 " .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
100 years and over .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	92	66	53	31	4	7	5	8	6	16	15	14	5	10	332