

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the DOMINION of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1931.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams, including Paid Government Telegrams.		Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Letter Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.		Toll Communications.		Total.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number. *	Amount. †	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Auckland .. .. .	372	233,925	£ 11,782 7 2	11,294	£ 1,054 13 11	16,042	£ 790 17 2	12,815	£ 1,977 14 0	404,958	£ 17,072 15 0	679,034	£ 32,678 7 3
Blenheim .. .. .	82	16,651	796 17 10	448	35 14 8	1,405	64 9 4	1,048	508 9 2½	47,929	1,900 7 7	67,481	3,305 18 7½
Christchurch .. .. .	184	136,038	6,932 11 7	5,191	574 8 6	8,187	385 15 2	9,682	2,576 7 1½	256,986	11,882 3 3½	416,084	22,351 5 8
Dunedin .. .. .	202	97,434	4,779 7 5½	2,636	245 11 11½	8,625	423 6 6	6,940	1,072 18 1½	180,911	8,268 3 11½	296,546	14,780 8 0
Gisborne .. .. .	55	34,503	1,774 6 7	2,460	278 16 10½	4,514	241 6 5	2,721	671 4 2	74,605	3,624 15 6	118,803	6,590 9 6½
Greymouth .. .. .	81	29,653	1,485 4 7	715	73 13 8	2,516	129 14 6	1,587	768 14 6½	35,284	1,877 18 1½	69,755	4,335 5 5
Hamilton .. .. .	176	92,901	4,371 17 6½	2,950	306 11 8	3,281	155 3 11½	2,738	434 7 7	270,357	11,041 19 1½	372,227	16,309 19 10½
Invercargill .. .. .	143	45,032	2,125 8 3½	940	105 13 11	3,691	179 8 6	2,228	972 8 5	164,783	5,987 3 1	216,674	9,370 2 2½
Napier .. .. .	69	121,778	5,001 8 10½	3,794	425 0 7	5,748	301 1 9½	4,828	702 16 5½	123,436	5,321 2 2	259,584	11,751 9 10½
Nelson .. .. .	111	27,962	1,445 19 1½	784	91 3 4	1,824	91 8 6	853	445 7 6½	64,795	2,625 11 2	96,218	4,699 9 8
New Plymouth .. .. .	98	49,321	2,628 12 0½	1,687	147 14 7	4,267	207 19 2	3,398	1,068 13 6½	156,281	5,756 6 1	214,954	9,809 5 5
Oamaru .. .. .	49	15,178	715 6 10	215	23 18 11	868	41 0 3	470	539 14 9½	32,767	1,535 11 10	49,498	2,855 12 7½
Palmerston North .. .. .	69	75,463	3,414 13 6½	4,386	280 6 7½	3,074	141 9 6½	5,648	1,061 16 10	205,988	8,480 10 2	294,559	13,387 16 8½
Thames .. .. .	67	40,428	1,853 2 3	1,054	104 17 11	1,890	95 14 3	1,549	77 4 2	101,326	3,907 10 2½	146,256	6,038 8 9½
Timaru .. .. .	55	30,551	1,425 2 10½	693	68 18 1	2,201	102 12 10	1,472	798 14 3	89,873	3,896 8 2½	124,790	6,291 16 3
Wanganui .. .. .	87	50,144	2,370 17 5½	2,063	179 4 0½	2,424	114 18 2	1,923	820 9 2	122,881	5,869 17 11	179,435	9,355 6 9
Wellington .. .. .	96	250,766	18,728 0 1½	11,066	1,277 7 2	13,386	675 5 8½	70,966	1,443 3 9	275,016	13,850 10 0½	621,200	35,974 6 9½
Westport .. .. .	38	13,318	647 10 5	270	29 15 0	1,646	76 16 3	572	316 11 10	18,696	733 10 7	34,502	1,804 4 1
Totals, 1st quarter in 1931	2,034	1,361,046	72,278 14 7	52,646	5,303 11 5	85,598	4,218 8 0	131,438	16,256 15 6	2,626,872	113,641 4 0½	4,257,600	211,698 13 6½
Totals, 1st quarter in 1930	2,093	1,465,115	75,187 11 3½	56,411	5,316 9 6½	101,965	4,538 11 5	157,928	21,026 10 3	3,010,000	127,664 5 0	4,791,419	233,733 7 6

\* Forwarded Press telegrams the bulk of which are "collect" upon delivery.  
General Post Office, Wellington, 9th June, 1931.

† Amount received from prepaid and "collect" Press telegrams.

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