

1885.  
NEW ZEALAND.

## COST OF COLLECTING CUSTOMS REVENUE AT EACH PORT OF ENTRY

(RETURN OF), FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1885.

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

RETURN of the Amount of Customs Gross Collections at each Port of Entry in New Zealand, and the Cost of Collecting the same, for the Financial Period ended 31st March, 1885.

Ports.	Customs Gross Collections.	Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.	Ports.	Customs Gross Collections.	Rate per cent. of Cost of Collection.
	£	£ s. d.		£	£ s. d.
Auckland .. .. .	351,191	2 1 8	Wairau .. .. .	8,604	3 15 9
Thames .. .. .	8,378	5 5 6	Picton .. .. .	269	12 12 9
Russell .. .. .	1,557	19 1 6	Nelson .. .. .	45,967	2 14 6
Mangonui .. .. .	285	30 10 6	Westport .. .. .	11,991	5 16 11
Hokianga .. .. .	510	52 7 1	Greymouth .. .. .	32,315	2 15 5
Kaipara .. .. .	2,206	4 10 8	Hokitika .. .. .	22,249	4 4 8
Tauranga .. .. .	2,499	2 8 10	Riverton .. .. .	2,528	6 0 3
New Plymouth .. .. .	6,862	9 11 9	Invercargill and Bluff .. .. .	45,759	3 9 6
Wanganui .. .. .	15,050	4 6 1	Dunedin .. .. .	424,650	2 0 3
Foxton .. .. .	1,217	3 7 4	Oamaru .. .. .	14,188	3 19 1
Patea .. .. .	1,049	2 11 8	Timaru .. .. .	19,652	3 19 9
Wellington .. .. .	247,043	2 5 7	Christchurch and Lyttelton .. .. .	223,007	2 17 4
Napier .. .. .	44,926	3 11 7			
Poverty Bay .. .. .	11,819	3 10 7	Total .. .. .	£1,545,771	

NOTE.—The cost of collection for the above-named period was £2 11s. 6d. per cent. For the financial year 1883-84 it was £2 12s. 4d. In the United Kingdom the rate per cent. of cost of collection in 1881 was £3 12s. 11d., and the average of ten years ending 31st March, 1881, was £3 8s. 7d. (No particulars of cost in United Kingdom since 1881 have been received.)

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Wellington, 11th May, 1885.