Table No. 6—continued

IMPROVEMENT IN NEW ZEALAND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS—continued

MOST RECENT INFORMATION COMPARED WITH EARLIER PERIODS—continued

	Unit.	Depression low.		1935–36.		1938–39.		Latest Figure.	
		Year ended 31st March.	Amount.	Year ended 31st March.	Amount.	Year ended 31st March.	Amount.	Year ended 31st March.	Amount.
Production—continued									
Building permits issued in urban districts—									
Total value all buildings	£(m.) ..	1933	2.5	1936	5.9	1939	12.1	1947	21.2
Private dwellings	Number	1933	1,496	1936	4,140	1939	8,093	1947	9,516
Government housing construction : Dwellings commenced (included above)	Number	..	..	1936	..	1939	3,432	1947	2,603
Membership of workers' unions	(000) ..	1933[4]	71.9	1935[4]	80.9	1938[4]	249.2	1946[4]	247.5
Transport and Communication—									
Value of exports (excluding specie)	£(m.) ..	1932	33.9	1936	49.7	1939	57.9	1947	103.8
Volume of total exports (excluding specie), (1936–38 = 100)	Index No.	..	..	1935[4]	96	1938[4]	97	1946[4]	112[6]
Value of imports (excluding specie)	£(m.) ..	1932	24.8	1936	37.4	1939	54.4	1947	81.8
Volume of total imports (excluding specie), (1936–38 = 100)	Index No.	..	..	1935[4]	72	1938[4]	105	1946[4]	75[6]
Post and telegraph : Volume of business handled	£(m.) ..	1933	153	1936	220	1939	286	1947	661
Radio-receiving licences	(000) ..	..	..	1936[3]	192.3	1939[3]	317.5	1947[3]	415.2
Railways—									
Passenger journeys	Million ..	1933	18.4	1936	20.4	1939	23.3	1947	28.9
Net ton-miles run	Million ..	1933	363.4	1936	443.6	1939	574.5	1947	883.7
Motor-vehicles licensed	(000) ..	1933[3]	195.0	1936[3]	228.2	1939[3]	307.9	1947[3]	330.9
Finance—									
Aggregate private income	£(m.) ..	1933	91.8	1936	124.6	1939	185.8	1946	326.1
Salaries and wages payments (included above)	£(m.) ..	1933	58.9	1936	72.5	1939	109.5	1947	189.0
Trading bank deposits (excluding Government)	£(m.) ..	1932	51.0	1936	62.1	1939	64.1	1947	151.8
Weekly bank debits (excluding Government)	£(m.) ..	1933	10.4	1936	13.8	1939	18.0	1947	33.9
Net bank-note circulation	£(m.) ..	1932	5.8	1936	6.6	1939	10.4	1947	38.8
Net overseas funds of banks (New Zealand business only)	£(m.) ..	..	7	1936[8]	44.1	1939[8]	9.3	1947[8]	99.5