

TABLE showing Number of Children for whom Maintenance is paid by Charitable Aid Boards, &c., at 31st March, 1901, and 31st March, 1900.

	Boarded out.				Paid for in Institutions.				Totals.			
	31st March, 1901.	31st March, 1900.	Increase.	Decrease.	31st March, 1901.	31st March, 1900.	Increase.	Decrease.	31st March, 1901.	31st March, 1900.	Increase.	Decrease.
North of Auckland	...	1	...	1	7	6	1	...	7	7	...	...
Auckland	14	20	...	6	40	37	3	...	54	57	...	3
Coromandel and Thames...	1	2	...	1	31	32	...	1	32	34	...	2
Waikato	1	1	...	...	5	6	...	1	6	7	...	1
Bay of Plenty	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cook	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...
Hawke's Bay	11	14	...	3	1	1	...	...	12	15	...	3
Taranaki	15	12	3	...	...	...	...	...	15	12	3	...
Patea and Wanganui	3	4	...	1	4	6	...	2	7	10	...	3
Palmerston North	1	1	...	...	10	12	...	2	11	13	...	2
Wellington Charitable Aid Board	...	...	...	...	100	82	18	...	140	145	...	5
Wellington Benevolent Trustees	20	43	...	23	13	13	...	...				
North Wairarapa Benevolent Society	7	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...
Wairau	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...				
Picton	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	1	3	4	...	1
Nelson	8	12	...	4	22	33	...	11	30	45	...	15
Buller...	...	1	...	1	9	5	4	...	9	6	3	...
Inangahua	...	...	...	...	8	8	...	...	8	8	...	...
Grey	10	17	...	7	37	40	...	3	47	57	...	10
Westland	15	14	1	...	8	8	...	...	23	22	1	...
Ashburton and North Canterbury...	55	53	2	...	39	37	2	...	94	90	4	...
South Canterbury	33	43	...	5	9	6	3	...	47	49	...	2
North Otago	...	...	...	...	14	17	...	3	14	17	...	3
Otago United	...	...	...	...	214	184	30	...	231	187	44	...
Otago Benevolent Institution	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...				
Southland	8	14	...	6	4	4	...	...	12	18	...	6
Totals	214	266	6	58	579	542	61	24	807	808	55	56

STATISTICS AS TO OUTDOOR RELIEF.

TABLE I.—CAUSES OF POVERTY (CHIEF CAUSES, NOT TRIBUTARY CAUSES).

(This table refers to outdoor relief and to heads of families only.)

	Auckland Charitable Aid Board.	Christchurch Charitable Aid Board.	Wellington Benevolent Trust.	Dunedin Benevolent Society.	Greymouth Benevolent Society.	Hokitika Benevolent Society.	Napier Charitable Aid Board.	North Wairarapa Benevolent Society.	South Canterbury Charitable Aid Board.	North Otago Benevolent Society.
Lack of employment—				Gives no information.						
(1.) Able-bodied	21	13	17		...	...	36	20	...	3
(2.) Inefficient	4	12	29		...	15	...	39	1	19
Sickness	99	108	81		2	1	24	13	5	5
Accident	2	2	1		...	...	2	...	...	2
Insanity of bread-winner	4	11	11		...	...	1	1	1	...
Imprisonment of bread-winner	11	10	6		...	...	2	1	3	1
Desertion of bread-winner	58	42	29		2	...	7	2	5	5
No male support—										
(1.) Widows	83	129	46		12	9	41	2	42	27
(2.) Mothers of illegitimate children	11	28	6	...	...	1	...	...	1	
Intemperance	5	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Shiftlessness	3	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	
Physical defects	11	19	8	1	...	6	6	9	1	
Old age	121	77	62	16	5	18	11	6	...	
Causes undetermined	3	27	44	...	...	5	...	...	1	
Total number of cases	436	483	343	...	33	30	151	95	72	65