

Closed.

Aorangi, Wellington.
 Braco, Christchurch.
 Castle Hill, Christchurch.
 Eastown, Wanganui.
 Galatea, Auckland.
 Karitane, Dunedin.
 Kawarau Bridge, Dunedin.

Ohinemutu, Auckland.
 Oponoi, Auckland.
 Owango, Auckland.
 Pukerimu, Auckland.
 Puponga Wharf, Nelson.
 Ridgelands, Wellington.

Te Awa, Wellington.
 Te Oneroa, Invercargill.
 Tokaanu, Auckland (28/2/05).
 Tokatea, Auckland.
 Upper Mohaka, Napier.
 Wakatahuri, Blenheim (31/3/05).

The number of post-offices open at the end of the year was 1,937.

PARCEL-POST.

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels posted during the years 1890, 1900, 1904, and 1905:—

Postal Districts.	1890.		1900.		1904.		1905.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.
Auckland	21,882	57,912 10	40,287	122,449 9	61,933	219,254 12	68,037	224,620 14
Thames	1,491	3,661 8	2,989	9,094 4	4,381	12,273 12	4,263	12,467 13
New Plymouth	1,007	2,674 3	3,038	9,615 9	5,273	16,679 14	5,299	16,373 15
Gisborne	938	2,570 6	2,022	5,771 15	2,535	7,274 5	2,120	8,871 8
Napier	6,265	17,075 14	8,848	28,142 15	11,523	35,996 10	12,589	39,659 10
Wanganui	4,035	9,563 8	8,846	28,206 10	12,837	41,286 5	14,900	46,542 14
Wellington	25,893	74,544 2	44,322	160,737 4	75,149	272,630 10	85,782	295,495 15½
Nelson	4,723	13,370 7	5,261	16,916 4	6,733	22,469 13	7,209	22,828 7
Westport	1,077	2,332 4	1,868	4,645 15	2,921	7,359 9	2,855	7,072 13
Greymouth	2,509	6,243 13	2,533	7,711 4	3,199	10,417 2	2,712	8,854 1
Hokitika	1,413	3,924 5	2,527	9,173 5	3,131	11,136 13	3,421	11,904 11
Blenheim	1,846	4,357 11	1,961	5,976 4	2,426	7,875 10	2,618	8,762 7
Christchurch	19,383	58,708 4	30,897	118,206 3	39,770	144,827 8	41,968	152,861 13
Timaru	2,013	4,774 8	1,743	5,294 1	3,176	9,474 6	2,848	8,540 14
Oamaru	859	2,123 3	1,149	4,162 7	2,407	8,533 2	2,017	6,163 13
Dunedin	22,500	65,329 13	34,411	125,419 10	44,933	170,533 0	47,362	182,306 2
Invercargill	3,458	7,477 5	6,661	20,617 0	7,235	20,245 13	7,617	21,573 10
Totals	121,292	336,643 12	199,413	682,140 7	289,617	1,018,369 0	313,617	1,074,901 4½

The following table shows the number and weight of parcels exchanged with the United Kingdom and the undermentioned places during the years 1904 and 1905:—

Country.	Received.				Despatched.			
	1904.		1905.		1904.		1905.	
	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.	Number.	Weight.
		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.		Lb. oz.
United Kingdom and foreign countries (<i>vid</i> London)	43,808	192,379 0	50,777	234,131 0	8,552	22,127 12	8,778	22,722 0
United States of America	5,310	15,659 9	6,083	17,393 0	1,321	2,778 11	1,515	3,318 6
Canada	386	755 8	413	930 4	236	809 6	293	672 11
Victoria	5,937	17,607 0	7,058	19,578 4	3,062	6,407 14	3,067	6,483 1
New South Wales	9,287	26,903 4	10,734	30,804 0	3,842	7,849 9½	4,330	8,385 9
South Australia	417	1,198 0½	443	1,163 10	394	932 11	435	853 11
Queensland	555	1,267 8	641	1,502 4	677	1,644 8	894	1,812 11
Tasmania	320	839 5	358	881 11	589	1,230 7	630	1,193 14
Western Australia	292	719 4	313	779 0	560	1,209 15	526	1,110 4
Samoa	12	37 6	20	53 13	175	527 9	239	697 1
Fiji	67	163 9	93	225 6	328	942 6	297	747 9
Ceylon	390	1,129 11½	340	1,299 14½	74	192 15½	100	251 2½
Uruguay	24	89 14	29	97 0
Cape Colony	391	558 8	357	649 4	445	947 14	233	432 3
Natal	114	192 8	85	139 0	107	219 9½	278	530 13
India	601	1,928 4½	685	2,291 3½	204	470 7	225	481 12
Totals	67,887	261,338 5½	78,400	311,821 10½	20,640	48,381 8½	21,369	49,789 11½

The declared value of parcels received from places outside the colony in 1905 was £188,543. The Customs duty collected amounted to £39,728 1s. 10d.

The declared value of parcels despatched to places beyond the colony was £20,610, as against £20,722 in 1904.