

of admissions over deaths and discharges for the added period, the distribution of the patients at this date is as follows:—

	Males.		Females.		Total.	
	Patients.	Accommodation.	Patients.	Accommodation.	Patients.	Accommodation.
Auckland ... ..	411	447	271	259	682	706
Christchurch ... ..	281	283	250	239	531	522
Dunedin (Seacliff) ... ..	441	451	273	253	714	704
Hokitika ... ..	150	160	57	65	207	225
Nelson ... ..	87	80	58	55	145	135
Porirua ... ..	325	317	271	274	596	591
Wellington ... ..	141	139	88	88	229	227
	1,836	1,877	1,268	1,233	3,104	3,110
Ashburn Hall (private mental hospital)	23	30	21	36	44	66
Totals ... ..	1,859	1,907	1,289	1,269	3,148	3,176
On probation ... ..	67	...	36	...	103	...
	1,926	...	1,325	...	3,251	...

The accommodation for men is sufficient for immediate requirements, but an excess of thirty-five women is spread over the hospitals. This year's building programme provides for the present and the estimated increase, and a little more.

On the 31st December the patients on the register stood in the following relation to the estimated general population:—

The proportion of the male insane to the male population was,—

Exclusive of Maoris ... ..	3·90	per 1,000, or 1 in 256
Inclusive of Maoris ... ..	3·75	" 1 in 266

The proportion of the female insane to the female population,—

Exclusive of Maoris ... ..	3·02	" 1 in 330
Inclusive of Maoris ... ..	2·91	" 1 in 344

The proportion of the total insane to the total population,—

Exclusive of Maoris ... ..	3·49	" 1 in 286
Inclusive of Maoris ... ..	3·35	" 1 in 298

It is interesting to compare our proportions with those of England (and Wales), Scotland, and Ireland, and also, by analysing Table VIII in the Appendix in the light of the new census (not corrected for the added eight months), to arrive at the proportion of insanity among immigrants of each nationality contributing at least a thousand persons to our population.

In the following table (to be referred to hereafter as Table A) only the chief contributing countries are considered. The Maori race is included in the table, but omitted when inferences are drawn. This may be taken as generally applicable, because the number on our register is negligible, which fact, however, cannot be accepted as actual proof of relative immunity.

TABLE A.—SHOWING (for each SEX) according to Birthplace the NUMBER of PERSONS RESIDENT in the Colony (28th April, 1906), the NUMBER of INSANE PERSONS of each Nationality on the 31st December, 1906, the NUMBER in the Population contributing ONE INSANE PERSON and the LIKE PROPORTION in the Country of Origin.

Country of Birth.	Persons in Colony.			Insane in Colony.			Proportion of Insane in Population.			Proportion in Native Country of Insane in Population.		
	Males.	Females.	Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.	Both Sexes.	Males: 1 in	Females: 1 in	Both Sexes: 1 in	Males: 1 in	Females: 1 in	Both Sexes: 1 in
New Zealand—												
Maoris .. ..	25,520	22,181	47,701	21	13	34	1,215	1,706	1,403·0	..	..	..
Exclusive of Maoris .. ..	303,976	302,271	606,247	540	448	988	563	675	613·6	..	..	..
Australia .. ..	27,472	19,784	47,256	62	38	100	443	520	472·5	..	..	..
England (and Wales) .. ..	69,293	49,411	118,704	506	337	843	137	146	140·8	297	272	283
Scotland .. ..	28,078	19,689	47,767	253	133	386	111	148	123·7	283	275	280
Ireland .. ..	23,295	19,165	42,460	348	273	621	67	70	68·4	178	199	188
Austria .. ..	2,042	170	2,212	8	1	9	255	..	245·7	..	..	..
China .. ..	2,556	46	2,602	26	..	26	98	..	100·0	..	..	..
Denmark .. ..	1,526	751	2,277	10	3	13	152	..	175·0	..	..	..
Germany .. ..	2,731	1,443	4,174	26	15	41	105	96	101·8	..	..	..
Norway .. ..	1,032	364	1,396	11	4	15	94	..	93·0	..	..	..
Sweden .. ..	1,412	206	1,618	19	5	24	74	..	67·4	..	..	..