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In addition to these schools, there were three mission schools giving primary instruction to Maori children, and 565 public schools at which Maori scholars were in attendance, while there were ten boarding-schools specially concerned with the secondary education for Maori boys and girls. Thus, the total number of schools giving instruction to Maori children was—

Native village schools		107
Native mission schools subject to inspection by the Education Department	٠.	3
Public schools at which Maori scholars were in attendance		565
Total number of primary schools		675
Native boarding-schools affording secondary education to Maoris		10
Total		685

The following table shows the number of Native village schools in each grade, as compared with the number for the previous year:—

TABLE H.—NUMBER OF NATIVE VILLAGE SCHOOLS IN EACH GRADE.

				1912.	1913.
Grade I (9-15)		 	 	 • •	
Grade IIA (16-20)		 	 	 8	9
Grade IIB (21-25)	• • •	 	 • • •	 13	14
Grade III (26-35)		 	 	 32	3 0
Grade IVA (36-50)		 	 	 34	30
Grade IVB (51-80)		 		 16	2 0
Grade V (81–120)		 	 	 5	4
\mathbf{T}	otals	 	 	 108	107

Attendance.

The number of pupils on the rolls of the Native village schools at the end of the year 1913 was—Boys, 2,459; girls, 2,188: total, 4,647. Included in these numbers are 258 boys and 257 girls who are Europeans.

The average daily attendance, in actual numbers and as a percentage of the average weekly roll number, for each of the years 1912 and 1913 was as follows:—

			Average Attendance.		Per Cent. of Rol	
			1912.	1913.	1912.	1913.
First quarter	 • •	 	3,943	. 4,201	$85 \cdot 7$	87.4
Second quarter	 • •	 	4,063	4,297	89.0	87.1
Third quarter	 	 	4,068	4,068	86.6	83.1
Fourth quarter	 	 	4,092	4,000	86.8	85.0

The following are some of the figures in regard to the attendance at Native village schools for 1913, the corresponding figures for 1912 being inserted for purposes of comparison:—

parson •		1912.	1913.
Number on rolls at end of year	 	 4,694	4,647
Average weekly roll number	 	 4,644*	4,835*
Average yearly attendance	 • •	 4,042*	4,142*
Percentage of regularity of attendance	 	 87	85.7

^{*} The mean of the four quarters.

If the Native village schools are added to the Native secondary schools, we have the following figures for 1912 and 1913 respectively:—

Number on rolls of Native village school mission school	ols			1912. 4,694 174	1913. 4,647 116
,, boarding-sch	boarding-schools			369	419
Combined rolls of Native schools				5,237	5,182
Combined average weekly roll number				5,241	5,362
Combined average yearly attendance				4,588	4,621
Percentage of regularity of attendance	• •			87.5	86.2