TABLE B2A.—COMPARISON OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR 1913 AND 1914, North Island and South Island.

		Average Attendance.						
Districts.		1918.	1914.	Difference				
Auckland		40,510	42,832	2,322				
Taranaki		5,351	5,511	160				
Wanganui		13,706	14,118	412				
Wellington		16,351	17,142	791				
Hawke's Bay	•••	10,183	10,938	755				
Totals, North Island	–	86,101	90,541	4,440				
Marlborough		2,158	2,251	93				
Nelson		5,610	5,743	133				
Grey		1,726	1,740	14				
Westland		1,047	1,041	-6				
North Canterbury		18,961	19,874	913				
South Canterbury		5,145	5,427	282				
Otago		18,955	19,504	549				
Southland	•••	9,656	10,090	434				
Totals, South Island	–	63,258	65,670	2,412				
Totals for Dominion		149,359	156,211	6,852				

Excluding Secondary Departments, District High Schools.

TABLE B3.—AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR 1914 AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS GROUPED IN TABLE A1, AS ESTIMATED FOR DETERMINING THE GRADES OF SCHOOLS. (PART I OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE TO THE EDUCATION AMENDMENT ACT, 1908.)

Grade.	Auckland.	Taranaki.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Hawke's Bay.	Marlborough.	Nelson.	Grey.	Westland.	North Canterbury.	South Canterbury.	Otago.	Southland.	Totals for 1914.	Totals for 1913.
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(Including Secondary Departments of District High Schools.)

The following notes are appended in explanation of this table :----

A.---The average attendance as given in Table B3 differs from that in Table B1 for the following reasons :----

(1.) Under certain contingencies, the regulations provide that for the elimination of one or two quarter's averages in the case of any school or department if the grade of the school or department would be raised or maintained by calculating the yearly average attendance on the mean of the remaining quarters' averages. The amended average attendance thus ascertained is reckoned for the sole purpose of determining the grade of the school, and consequently this amended average attendance is used in the compilation of Table B3, which gives the schools according to their grades. For statistical purposes the average attendance as given in Table B1 should be taken.

(2.) The totals of this table are for the mean of the four quarters of each school taken separately, not the mean of the gross quarterly totals of all schools.

(3.) New schools, many of which were open for only part of the year, are included as having an average attendance for the whole year; whereas in Table B1 the average attendance is included only for those quarters during which the schools were open.

B.—This table shows the average attendance for determining the grades of schools. For determining the "primary" staffs of schools, however, the figures require to be reduced by the attendance in secondary departments of district high schools, viz.: Grade IV, 25; V, 52; VIA, 110; VIB, 140; VIIA, 135; VIIB, 96; VIIIA, 268; VIIIB, 164; VIIIc, 47; IXA, 268; IXB, 37; IXc, 122; XA, 132; XB, 39; Xc, 48; XD, 245; XE, 233: total, 1,928.