

The cost of primary education increased from £1,184,000 in 1914-15 to £1,273,000 in 1915-16, the larger payments on account of teachers' salaries being responsible for the increase; the cost per head of population has risen from 20s. 9d. to 21s. 11d. The cost of secondary education has increased from £175,000 to £197,000, the great proportion of the increase being in the cost of maintenance. The total cost of education has increased by £118,000, or 1s. 4d. per head of the population. The total expenditure on education per head of population in the United States of America is approximately £1 12s. 1d.

TABLE C. (1.) ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON EDUCATION IN NEW ZEALAND (EXCLUSIVE OF NEW BUILDINGS, SITES, ETC.), FOR THE YEARS 1898-99, 1903-4, 1908-9, 1914-15, 1915-16, OUT OF PUBLIC REVENUE (INCOME FROM RESERVES INCLUDED).

(Figures given in every case to the nearest £1,000.)

	1898-99.	1903-4.	1908-9.	1914-15.	1915-16.
Population (including Maoris) .. .. .	783,317	875,648	1,008,373	1,140,172	1,164,745
Branch of Education.	Total.	Total.	Total.	Total.	Total.
A. (1.) Primary (including Native schools and training colleges)	£ 477,000	£ 572,000	£ 760,000	£ 1,098,000	£ 1,216,000
(2.) Secondary (including secondary schools and secondary departments of district high schools, also technical high schools from 1914-15)	27,000	53,000	98,000	169,000	191,000
(3.) Continuation and technical .. .. .	2,000	11,000	42,000	*41,000	*46,000
(4.) Higher education (including university and higher technical)	33,000	37,000	50,000	69,000	76,000
Totals A (1-4) .. .. .	539,000	673,000	950,000	1,377,000	1,529,000
B. Industrial schools .. .. .	13,000	27,000	31,000	48,000	45,000
C. Special schools (Deaf and Blind, and Home for Backward Children)	3,000	4,000	6,000	8,000	8,000
D. Superannuation, and miscellaneous .. .. .	2,000	3,000	7,000	29,000	25,000
Totals A, B, C, D .. .. .	557,000	707,000	994,000	1,462,000	1,607,000

\* Technical high schools included in secondary education.

TABLE C—continued. (2.) EXPENDITURE PER HEAD OF POPULATION IN NEW ZEALAND (EXCLUSIVE OF NEW BUILDINGS, SITES, ETC.), FOR THE YEARS 1898-99, 1903-4, 1908-9, 1914-15, 1915-16, OUT OF PUBLIC REVENUE (INCOME FROM RESERVES INCLUDED).

(Figures given in every case to the nearest penny.)

Branch of Education.	1898-99.	1903-4.	1908-9.	1914-15.	1915-16.
A. (1.) Primary (including Native schools and training colleges)	s. d. 12 2	s. d. 13 1	s. d. 15 1	s. d. 19 3	s. d. 20 11
(2.) Secondary (including secondary schools and secondary departments of district high schools, also technical high schools from 1914-15)	0 8	1 3	1 11	2 11	3 3
(3.) Continuation and technical .. .. .	0 1	0 3	0 10	0 9*	0 10*
(4.) Higher education (including university and higher technical)	0 10	0 10	1 0	1 3	1 3
Totals A (1-4) .. .. .	13 9	15 5	18 10	24 2	26 3
B. Industrial schools .. .. .	0 4	0 7	0 7	0 10	0 9
C. Special schools (Deaf and Blind, and Home for Backward Children)	0 1	0 1	0 1	0 2	0 2
D. Superannuation, medical inspection, and miscellaneous ..	0 1	0 1	0 2	0 6	0 5
Totals A, B, C, D .. .. .	14 3	16 2	19 8	25 8	27 7

\* Technical high schools included in secondary education.

TABLE D.—EXPENDITURE ON PRIMARY EDUCATION FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL ON THE ROLL OF THE SCHOOLS FOR THE YEARS 1912, 1913, 1914, AND 1915. (RESERVES REVENUE INCLUDED.)

	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.
Excluding expenditure on new buildings .. .. .	£ s. d. 5 16 5	£ s. d. 5 17 2	£ s. d. 6 2 11	£ s. d. 6 11 11
Including expenditure on new buildings .. .. .	6 3 9	6 7 1	6 12 7	6 18 2