

1917.
NEW ZEALAND.

INTERIM RETURN OF SHEEP

IN THE DOMINION ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1917.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce,
Wellington, 20th June, 1917.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF SHEEP IN THE DOMINION ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1917.

District.	Number of Sheep.		Increase.	Decrease.
	1916.*	1917.		
Auckland	1,841,086	1,959,610	118,524	...
Napier-Gisborne	6,007,480	6,167,847	160,367	...
Wellington - West Coast	6,032,233	6,015,330	...	16,903
Marlborough-Nelson-Westland	1,363,478	1,333,859	...	29,619
Canterbury-Kaikoura	4,769,989	4,649,053	...	120,936
Otago	4,773,884	4,627,625	...	146,259
Totals	24,788,150	24,753,324	278,891	313,717
Increase, North Island			261,988	
Decrease, South Island			296,814	
Net decrease for Dominion			34,826	

* Complete returns.

NUMBER OF SHEEP IN THE DOMINION AND EXPORT OF MUTTON AND LAMB FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS, AT 30TH APRIL.

Year ending 30th April.	Number of Sheep in Dominion.	Mutton Carcases exported.	Legs and Pieces exported.	Lamb Carcases exported.
1908	22,449,053	1,821,426	Cwt. 35,663	2,826,437
1909	23,480,707	1,899,446	41,681	2,910,358
1910	24,269,620	1,711,839	52,873	3,423,918
1911	23,996,126	1,979,534	42,624	3,708,468
1912	23,750,153	1,918,119	34,667	3,035,783
1913	24,191,810	2,133,226	20,133	3,181,991
1914	24,798,763	2,630,962	22,696	3,808,006
1915	24,901,421	2,392,213	15,274	3,456,597
1916	24,788,150	2,713,247	33,274	3,488,951
1917	24,753,324*	2,613,259	7,920	2,883,350

* Approximate.

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