

9. NUMBER OF PUPILS AND ADULT TEACHERS IN THE PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND FORMS I AND II OF JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS IN THE DIFFERENT EDUCATION DISTRICTS.

The following table gives the number of children attending public primary schools and Forms I and II of junior high schools and departments in the different education districts and the number of adult teachers in these schools at the end of 1932. The figures are exclusive of the secondary departments of district high schools.

TABLE J.

Education District.				Enrolment.	Schools and Departments.	Adult Teachers.
Auckland	..	..	..	64,822	758	1,934
Taranaki	..	..	..	11,524	170	369
Wanganui	..	..	..	15,782	218	508
Hawke's Bay	..	..	..	15,442	193	472
Wellington	..	..	..	27,347	248	811
Nelson	..	..	..	6,529	133	242
Canterbury	..	..	..	34,813	379	1,034
Otago	..	..	..	19,608	247	638
Southland	..	..	..	11,413	182	376
Totals	..	..	..	207,280	2,528	6,384

The foregoing table gives a complete picture of the pupils, schools, and departments and teachers concerned with primary instruction in each education district. The relative responsibilities of each Education Board can thus be seen, but in Auckland, Wellington, and Otago districts two intermediate departments which are controlled by High School Boards are included.

10. SIZE OF CLASSES.

As will be seen from the following table, the average number of children per adult teacher in the public primary schools is not unreasonably high.

TABLE K I.—AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER ADULT CLASS-TEACHER IN PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Grade of School.	Number of Adult Teachers.			Total Average Attendance for Year ended 31st August, 1932 (Primary only).	Average Number of Children per Adult Class-teacher.	
	All Teachers.	Head Teachers excluded.	Class-teachers.		1931.	1932.
O (1-8)	185	..	185	1,200	6	6
I (9-20)	740	..	740	10,882	15	15
II (21-35)	509	..	509	12,575	26	25
III _A (36-50)	589	..	589	12,828	22	22
III _B (51-80)	534	..	534	15,887	30	30
III _C (81-120)	382	..	382	11,961	32	31
IV (121-240)	680	..	680	23,705	36	35
V (241-360)	580	..	580	22,654	41	39
VI (361-480)	590	56	534	23,245	44	44
VII (481 and over)	1,503	104	1,399	59,453	44	43
Junior high schools and departments (Forms I and II only)	92	2	90	2,568	28*	29*
All schools	6,384	162	6,222	196,958	32	32

* These figures are low on account of the inclusion of 20 and 25 manual and art instructors respectively who devote part of their time to secondary departments.

N.B.—The average attendance shown for each grade school in the above table does not correspond with that shown in table C 1, owing to the fact that in Table C 1 part-time and side schools are taken separately, thus altering the grades of various schools for the purpose of the that table.