

An analysis of expenditure is shown in the following table :—

TABLE B.—ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1939.
(For more details see appendix to this Paper.)

| Branch of Education. | Total Expenditure (Net).* | Expenditure expressed as Percentage of Total Expenditure. | Expenditure per Head of Population.† | | |
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| | £ | | £ | s. | d. |
| Departmental administration | 45,244 | 0·88 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Boards' administration | 69,190 | 1·34 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Cost of inspection— | | | | | |
| Primary | 37,966 | 0·73 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Native | 3,007 | 0·06 | | ‡ | |
| Post-primary | 7,749 | 0·15 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Primary education— | | | | | |
| Public schools | 2,564,112 | 50·01 | 1 | 12 | 0 |
| Departmental Correspondence School | 15,232 | | | | |
| Native education— | | | | | |
| Native schools | 129,995 | 2·69 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| Scholarships and bursaries | 8,778 | | | | |
| Post-primary education— | | | | | |
| Secondary, technical, and combined schools | 762,298 | 17·43 | 0 | 11 | 2 |
| Secondary departments of district high schools | 115,493 | | | | |
| Correspondence School | 16,676 | | | | |
| Scholarships and bursaries | 4,663 | | | | |
| Higher education | 152,989 | 2·97 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| Training of teachers | 185,276 | 3·59 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| Special schools | 37,027 | 0·72 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Child welfare | 140,704 | 2·73 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| Superannuation | 167,064 | 3·24 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Miscellaneous | 6,041 | 0·12 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Country Library Service | 7,597 | 0·15 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Capital expenditure on school buildings | 680,123 | 13·19 | 0 | 8 | 5 |
| Total* | 5,157,224 | 100·00 | 3 | 4 | 0 |

* This includes revenue from endowments administered by the various Boards, &c., as well as direct expenditure from public funds

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| From public funds as shown in appendix | £ 5,099,523 |
| Endowments— | |
| Post-primary schools | 41,490 |
| University colleges | 16,211 |
| | <u>5,157,224</u> |

† Mean population for twelve months ended 31st March, 1939, was 1,611,362.

‡ No significant amount.

From the statement of expenditure and recoveries the cost of primary education per pupil in the primary schools based on average attendance was £14 18s. 9d. excluding buildings, and £17 9s. 10d. including buildings.

4. SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND SITES.

The net capital expenditure on the erection of school buildings, additions, and teachers' residences and the purchase of sites for the financial year ended on 31st March, 1939, totalled £680,123, as against £561,532 for the previous year. The work for the year included the erection of modern buildings to replace worn-out and out-of-date structures, the replacement of unsatisfactory rented accommodation, the erection of consolidated schools to house the children from small country schools, the provision of additional class-rooms where needed, and the erection of residences for teachers in centres where it is not possible to secure rented accommodation.

In addition to this work, extensive improvements to school-grounds at all types of schools have been undertaken during the past two years. The work done has been of permanent value to the schools and in many cases involved the making of concrete retaining-walls in order that larger level areas could be provided for recreation. A substantial portion of the labour-cost was paid for out of the Employment Promotion Fund.

The larger works carried out in the Auckland district included new primary schools at Orakei and Richmond Road (Auckland), Howick, Okaihau Consolidated School; additional accommodation at Ngatea, Otorohanga, Taumarunui, Tauranga, and Matamata District High Schools, and a new site has been purchased in