

ESTIMATED YIELDS OF WHEAT AND OATS.

THE following estimated average yields per acre of wheat and oats for the season 1924-25 have been compiled by the Government Statistician from reports furnished by Inspectors of the Department of Agriculture throughout the Dominion, and issued under date 9th February:—

District.	Wheat.		Oats.	
	Bushels per Acre.		Bushels per Acre.	
North Island	29·98		34·00	
Nelson	28·90		29·93	
Marlborough	30·16		40·46	
Canterbury	31·17		36·61	
Otago	27·70		36·87	
Southland	30·06		42·00	
Average (estimated) for the Dominion, season 1924-25	30·62		38·08	
Average (actual) for the Dominion, season 1923-24 ..	24·01		30·27	

In accordance with the above estimates, the total yield of wheat for the Dominion should be approximately 5,000,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 4,174,537 bushels for the season 1923-24.

The percentage of oats threshed for the five seasons ending with 1923-24 was 27·67 of the total area under that crop. Assuming that a similar proportion is threshed this year, the total yield of grain should be approximately 5,000,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 1,964,511 bushels for the season 1923-24.

IMPORTATION OF FERTILIZERS: DECEMBER QUARTER.

FOLLOWING are the importations of fertilizers into New Zealand for the quarter ended 31st December, 1924: *Sulphate of Ammonia*: From United Kingdom, 150 tons; Australia, 163 tons. *Nitrate of Soda*: Australia, 1 ton. *Basic Slag*: United Kingdom, 133 tons; Belgium, 77 tons. *Bonedust*: India, 600 tons; Australia, 130 tons. *Chardust*: Australia, 100 tons. *Rock Phosphate and Guano*: United Kingdom, 15 tons; New Caledonia, 2,087 tons; Nauru Island, 13,303 tons; Ocean Island, 5,750 tons. *Phosphate, other*: Egypt, 2,762 tons. *Kainit*: United Kingdom, 200 tons; France, 50 tons; Germany, 95 tons. *Superphosphate*: Netherlands, 10 tons. *Sulphate of Potash*: United Kingdom, 75 tons; Germany, 125 tons; *Potash, other*: United Kingdom, 140 tons; Germany, 265 tons; France, 25 tons. *Sulphate of Iron*: United Kingdom, 6 tons; Australia, 37 tons. *Miscellaneous*: United Kingdom, 1 ton; Canada, 2 tons.

FORTHCOMING AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

Waiapu P. and I. Association: Ruatorea, 25th and 26th February.
 North Kaipara Agricultural Association: Paparoa, 26th February.
 Tauranga A. and P. Association: Tauranga, 26th February.
 Franklin A. and P. Association: Pukekohe, 27th and 28th February.
 Omaha and Pakiri A. and H. Association: Leigh, 28th February.
 Taumarunui A. and P. Association: Taumarunui, 4th March.
 Waikato Central A. Association: Cambridge, 4th and 5th March.
 Te Puke A. and P. Association: Te Puke, 5th March.
 Mangonui A. and P. Association: Kaitaia, 6th and 7th March.
 Kumeu District A. and H. Society: Kumeu, 7th March.
 Morrinsville A., P., and H. Society: Morrinsville, 11th March.
 King-country Central A. and P. Association: Te Kuiti, 12th March.
 Matamata A. and P. Association: Matamata, 19th March.
 Mayfield A. and P. Association: Mayfield, 21st March.
 Methven A. and P. Association: Methven, 26th March.
 Katikati A. and P. Society: Katikati, 26th March.
 Temuka and Geraldine A. and P. Association: Winchester, 2nd April.
 Malvern A. and P. Association: Sheffield, 16th April.