

RETURN showing the PROPORTION of POLICE to POPULATION and COST of POLICE per INHABITANT in each of the under-mentioned Places.

Place.	Proportion of Police to Population.	Cost of Police per Inhabitant.	Remarks.
New Zealand ..	1 to 1,461	s. d. 2 7½	Number of police, 516; net expenditure (<i>vide</i> Appropriation Account for year ended 31st March, 1897), £99,350 18s. 7d. Population, 754,016 (including Maoris).
Victoria	1 to 832	4 2½	<i>Vide</i> Appropriation of Revenue, 1896-97—viz.: Number of police, 1,412; vote, £247,552. Population, 1,174,888.
New South Wales ..	1 to 692	5 1½	<i>Vide</i> Estimates of Expenditure, 1896-97—viz.: Number of police, 1,873 (exclusive of 70 Native trackers); vote, £332,437. Population, 1,297,640.
South Australia ..	1 to 1,041	4 3	<i>Vide</i> Estimates of Expenditure for Year ending 30th June, 1897—viz.: Number of police, 346; vote, £76,592. Population, 360,220.
Queensland	1 to 579	6 9	<i>Vide</i> Estimates for 1895-96—viz.: Number of police, 815 (exclusive of 10 supernumeraries and 100 Native trackers); vote, £159,710. Population, 472,179.

NOTE.—Populations are taken from official estimates as on 31st December, 1896.

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