

The disposals as referred to above were spread as follows:—

	£
(a) Auckland District	1,074,916
(b) Wellington District	441,182
(c) Nelson and Marlborough District	76,712
(d) South Island, less (e)	156,549
(e) Fiji	183,942
	<u>£1,933,301</u>

21. MOTOR-VEHICLES : GENERAL

Sales of motor-vehicles have proceeded steadily during the year, all trucks sold being under allocation by the various Transport Licensing Authorities, returned ex-servicemen, on the recommendation of the Rehabilitation Department, receiving preference.

Having regard to the fact that 11,102 trucks have been sold since the inception of the scheme, there is a relatively small number of commercial-type vehicles now available for disposal. The majority of the vehicles available are special types, but it is not anticipated that any difficulty will be experienced in disposing of these, and consideration is now being given to the best means of placing them on the market.

Cars have not been made available for sale to the public. After the requirements of Government Departments have been satisfied, cars are allocated to returned ex-servicemen on the recommendation of the Rehabilitation Department. Few cars are available at present, and the indications are that they will continue to be in short supply.

A large number of American vehicles which at VJ Day were in New Zealand awaiting reconditioning were purchased for approximately £15,500 and have since been sold by tender, the total realization being approximately £83,146.

22. MOTOR-VEHICLES : DISPOSALS

The following schedules give details of disposals from the inception of the scheme up to 31st May, 1946, but excluding American vehicles referred to in the immediately preceding paragraph:—

(a) Disposals by Classes

	Trucks.	Cars.	Wrecks.	Motor-cycles.	Total.
Sales—					
To 31st May, 1945	9,665	1,069	48	2,151	12,933
Year ended 31st May, 1946	1,578	255	1,469	155	3,452
Total sales	11,238	1,324	1,517	2,306	16,385

(b) Distribution of Sales

To Government Departments	2,296
To ex-servicemen	2,723
To public	11,366
	<u>16,385</u>

(c) Proceeds of Sales

	£
Sales—	
To 31st May, 1945	3,461,949
Year ended 31st May, 1946	727,357
Total sales	<u>£4,189,306</u>