

TABLE SHOWING THE QUANTITY OF COAL EXPORTED ANNUALLY FROM NEW ZEALAND
FROM 1930 TO 1946

Year.	Tons.	Year.	Tons.
1930	126,118	1939	43,990
1931	48,334	1940	81,287
1932	35,866	1941	58,179
1933	34,131	1942	54,700
1934	40,361	1943	42,522
1935	46,146	1944	37,688
1936	44,872	1945	21,989
1937	113,116	1946	27,366
1938	55,711		

SUBSIDY ON COAL PRODUCTION

Payments for the financial year ended on 31st March, 1947, were—

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District tonnage subsidies	794,774
Subsidy on Saturday work	69,180
Subsidy on work on statutory holidays	101,521
Subsidy on shift bonuses	54,801
Subsidy on increased cost of tools	9,370
Special subsidies on uneconomic mines operated by the State	161,802
Miscellaneous	127,147
Total	1,318,595

State coal-mines received £664,471 of the total, and the balance, paid to privately-owned mines, was £654,124. In addition, privately-owned mines in the Waikato district received £135,950 in respect of guaranteed profits.

The total amount of subsidies paid from the inception in May, 1940, to the 31st March, 1947, is £4,408,543.

STATE COAL-MINES

The comments on the operations of the State coal-mines which have appeared in previous statements have been transferred this year to the introductory section of the annual report on the State coal-mines (C.-2A).

CO-OPERATIVE MINING, STATE COAL RESERVE

During the year 1946 fifteen co-operative coal-mining parties were operating on areas within the State Coal Reserve, Greymouth. The production for the year was 88,709 tons, and the number of men employed was 129. In 1945 sixteen parties produced 81,373 tons.

Co-operative parties have produced to date 2,077,217 tons of coal and have paid royalties to the Crown amounting in the aggregate to £100,123.

WAIKATO COAL-MINES CONTROL

During the year there was a continuance of control by the Waikato Coal-mines Control Board, established under the provisions of the Waikato Coal-mines Control Emergency Regulations 1942, of the mines owned by Glen Afton Collieries, Ltd., Pukemiro Collieries, Ltd., Renown Collieries, Ltd., and Taupiri Coal-mines, Ltd.