

TABLE.—NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER SUPERVISION OF THE CHILD WELFARE
BRANCH AT 31ST MARCH

	1945.	1946.	1947.
State wards—			
In foster-homes, hostels, and with friends	2,502	2,444	2,322
In situations, including those absent without leave	1,022	1,006	922
In Government institutions, receiving-homes, &c.	285	316	306
In private institutions	108	105	95
In Roman Catholic institutions recognized under Child Welfare Act	90	82	74
In special schools for backward children	139	129	127
In refuges or cognate institutions	59	49	38
In hospitals, convalescent homes, &c.	36	40	32
In residential colleges (mostly Maori children)	17	13	18
Subtotal	4,258	4,184	3,934
Other than State wards—			
Young persons supervised by Child Welfare Officers in their own homes, with relatives, or with friends, pursuant to orders of Courts	1,063	1,026	915
Infants supervised in foster-homes registered under the Infants Act	799	909	788
Pupils at Schools for the Deaf, Sumner and Titirangi	215	238	250
Pupils at schools for mentally backward, Otekaieke and Richmond (other than State wards included in figures above)	47	45	45
Children supervised as preventive cases	1,905	1,629	1,569
Children in New Zealand Institute for Blind for whom the Department makes payment	20	17	24
Subtotal	4,049	3,864	3,591
Grand total	8,307	8,048	7,525
British children in New Zealand	190	46	11