

93. Rehabilitation.—During the year ended 31st March, 1946, 856 transport licences were obtained by ex-servicemen. This brings the total licences held by ex-servicemen at 31st March, 1947, to 2,265.

(a) The following table shows by districts the class of these licences :—

District.						Class of Licence obtained.				
						Passenger.	Taxi.	Rental.	Goods.	Total.
No. 1	..	..	..	..	..	26	125	10	567	728
No. 2	..	..	..	..	..	31	165	8	419	623
No. 3	..	..	..	..	..	10	18	5	169	202
No. 4	..	..	..	..	..	6	59	3	294	362
No. 5	..	..	..	..	..	3	13	4	40	60
Auckland Metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	1	109	..	..	110
Wellington Metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	..	113	..	..	113
Christchurch Metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	..	44	..	..	44
Dunedin Metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	23
Totals	..	..	..	..	..	77	669	30	1,489	2,265

(b) The following table shows the number of transport licences now held by ex-servicemen, and also the total number of current transport licences, as at 31st March, 1947, by districts :—

District.		Class of Licence.										
		Passenger.		Taxi.		Rental.		Goods.		Totals.		
		Total.	Ex-servicemen.	Total.	Ex-servicemen.	Total.	Ex-servicemen.	Total.	Ex-servicemen.	Total Licences.	Total held by Ex-servicemen.	Percentage held by Ex-servicemen.
No. 1	..	434	26	359	125	44	10	1,873	567	2,710	728	27
No. 2	..	354	31	279	165	59	8	1,313	419	2,005	623	31
No. 3	..	117	10	73	18	24	5	507	169	721	202	28
No. 4	..	145	6	118	59	18	3	612	294	893	362	41
No. 5	..	58	3	32	13	8	4	111	40	209	60	29
Auckland Metropolitan	..	431	1	373	109	..	..	..	..	804	110	14
Wellington Metropolitan	..	13	..	203	113	..	..	..	..	216	113	52
Christchurch Metropolitan	..	15	..	104	44	..	..	..	..	119	44	37
Dunedin Metropolitan	..	16	..	51	23	..	..	..	..	67	23	34
Totals	..	1,583	77	1,592	669	153	30	4,416	1,489	7,744	2,265	29

94. Goods-service Charges Tribunal.—During the year ended 31st March, 1947, the Tribunal held hearings to deal with four applications for the review of area rates schedules, one application for exemption from an area rates schedule, two applications for special rates, and a Dominion-wide application for an increase in rates consequent on increases in wages in the road goods transport industry. In addition the Tribunal dealt with 44 general contracts and 38 mail contracts.