

NEW ZEALAND MERCANTILE MARINE
December, 1939, to December, 1946

STRENGTHS, NUMBER OF SHIPS ON NEW ZEALAND REGISTER, AND NET TONNAGE

Date.	Number of Men Employed.	Number of Ships.	Net Tonnage.
31st December—			
1939	2,954	186	83,832
1940	2,990	170	85,744
1941	2,713	165	75,113
1942	2,585	157	72,153
1943	2,506	143	71,039
1944	2,308	137	64,252
1945	2,174	136	59,892
1946	2,469	145	66,930

CASUALTIES TO NEW ZEALAND SEAMEN

	Officers.	Men.	Total.
Serving on Ships Registered in New Zealand—			
Killed	4	..	4
Died while prisoner of war in Japanese camps	2	3	5
Internees (in Japanese hands)	19	32	51
Internees (in German hands)*	11	38	49
	36	73	109
Serving on Ships not Registered in New Zealand—			
Lost at sea, presumed drowned	23	78	101
Internees (in German hands)	9	14	23
	32	92	124
Total casualties	68	165	233

*Represents crews of "Hohmwood" and "Komata" captured by a German raider in late November and early December, 1940. They were landed at Emirau Island, in the Bismark Group, from which they were taken off and repatriated to New Zealand in January, 1941.

SUMMARY OF CASUALTIES

Total killed	..	4	
Total died while prisoner of war in Japanese Camps	..	5	
Total lost at sea, presumed dead	..	101	
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Total internees in German hands	..	72	
Total internees in Japanese hands	..	51	
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