

of female immigrants are employed in hospitals and in domestic work where accommodation is also available. For immigrants in other occupations, special immigration hostels, consisting of converted Armed Forces accommodation, have been made available in the four main centres. The following table shows the capacity of these hostels, which provide accommodation for a total of 501 men and 471 women :—

Auckland—					Males.	Females.
North Head	..	•	..	..	144	..
Narrow Neck	..	..	..	..	..	138
Wellington—						
Fort Dorset	..	..	..	..	103	179
Christchurch—						
Wigram	..	..	..	..	120	154
Dunedin—						
St. Kilda	..	..	..	..	134	..

Approval had been obtained, and by the end of the year under review plans were being prepared, for extending the hostel accommodation for immigrants in Auckland, Wellington, and Dunedin. Satisfactory results have attended an appeal for private board for immigrants engaged in occupations in which accommodation is not provided on the job, and at 31st March, 1949, only 14 per cent. of all Government-assisted immigrants who have arrived in New Zealand were still accommodated in hostels.

(3) Assisted immigrants have been selected for work in a wide range of productive and servicing occupations, and have formed a valuable addition to the labour force of this country. A detailed list, showing the occupations and numbers of assisted immigrants arriving during the past year, appears in Table X of the Appendix to this report. The following table shows more briefly the groups of industries in which assisted immigrants have taken up employment.

INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION OF ASSISTED IMMIGRANTS ARRIVING DURING YEAR ENDED
31st MARCH, 1949

Industrial Group.					Males.	Females.
Farming	..	..	..	..	63	2
Forestry and sawmilling	..	..	..	..	150	..
Coal-mining	..	..	..	..	35	..
Total, primary industry	..	..	..	..	248	2
Textiles, clothing, and leather	..	..	..	..	15	67
Engineering and metals	..	..	..	..	204	4
Printing industry	..	..	..	..	11	35
Building and construction	..	..	..	..	66	..
Miscellaneous secondary	..	..	..	..	254	55
Total, secondary industry	..	..	..	..	550	161
Post and telegraph	..	..	..	..	56	2
Domestic and personal services (includes cooks and domestics for hospitals and hostels)	..	..	..	..	3	151
Hospital staff	..	..	..	..	1	229
Other tertiary	..	..	..	..	21	104
Total, tertiary industry	..	..	..	..	81	486
Total, all industries	..	..	..	..	879	649