

the population of those districts at the census of 1906, thus adding 22,133 to the foregoing figures, produces a total of 99,229. But, as it is very well known that several of the suburban districts have extended in a manner altogether beyond what can be accounted for by natural increase, the Town of Auckland has probably now considerably over one hundred thousand souls.

[NOTE.—The figures relating to Onehunga, though that borough is practically within a Greater Auckland area, are not brought into the statistics which follow.]

Birth-rate.

The average birth-rates per 1,000 of the population for ten years 1900–9 are,—

Auckland City	30·28
Auckland and suburban boroughs	28·28

Death-rate.

The average death-rates per 1,000 of the population for ten years 1900–9 are,—

Auckland City	12·97
Auckland and suburban boroughs	11·28

Natural Increase of Population.

	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase.	Ditto per 1,000 of Mean Population.
Auckland City	1,279	484	795	18·48
Suburban boroughs	839	233	606	17·78
Auckland and suburban boroughs	2,118	717	1,401	18·28

Both the death and birth rates are lowered in 1909; still, as compared with 1908, when the natural increase was 2·04 in excess of the previous year, 1909 shows an improvement. This improvement is only maintained by effecting reduction in the death-rate, and the due effect upon the population is almost neutralized by the continued fall in the birth-rate.

Infant Mortality.

In Auckland and suburban boroughs,—

Deaths of infants under 1 year were	131
Between 1 year and 5 years	39

170

Deaths of children under 1 year per 100 births,—	Auckland City.	Auckland and Suburban Boroughs.
Mean for 5 years 1900–4	12·09	11·18
Mean for 5 years 1905–9	9·34	8·37
Mean for ten years	10·71	9·77

Mean for the whole Dominion for 10 years 1899–1908 = 7·59.

It will be noted from the above table that there is a satisfactory decrease in the infant-mortality rate in the Auckland District during the past ten years. The present year is the lowest in that period.

In 1909 the deaths in the suburban boroughs were 35 only, and these are only 4·05 per 100 births—a very low percentage.

Causes of Deaths.

Zymotic Diseases.

Deaths in Auckland and suburban boroughs				74
For the last five years:—		Deaths.		Deaths.
1905	45	1908	139	
1906	42	1909	74	
1907	103			

These 74 deaths were from,—

Diarrhoeal diseases	48
Influenza	2
Typhoid fever	5
Diphtheria	6
Whooping-cough	5
Croup	2
Other zymotic diseases	6
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Cancer.

Deaths in Auckland and suburban boroughs				..	..	..	..	76
For the last five years,—				Deaths.		Deaths.		
1905	..	..	..	35	1908	..	..	55
1906	..	..	..	49	1909	..	..	76
1907	..	..	..	50				