For primary education the cost per head of population, excluding the cost of new schools and additions, was 17s. 10d., an increase of 1d. in the cost per head for the previous year.

The following figures show the approximate cost of primary education per head, excluding new schools and additions, contributed out of public funds (general and local) in some other countries:—

								s.	a.
England						• •		 13	<b>2</b>
Wales		• •			• •	••		 16	11
Scotland		• •	• •				• •	 16	7
United St	ates (	including St	ate of	New York)				 18	7

Table N2 analyses the expenditure on education in New Zealand out of public funds for the five-yearly periods as from 1898-9. The total amounts spent on the various branches of education are shown to the nearest thousand pounds, and the expenditure per head of the population to the nearest penny.

Table N2. (1.) Analysis of Expenditure on Education in New Zealand for Five-yearly Periods as from 1898-99, out of Public Revenue.

(Figures given in every case to the	nearest £1,000.)
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<del></del> -	1898–9.*	1903-4.*	1908-9.*	1912–13.	1913–14,
Population (including Maoris, but excluding Cook and other Pacific Islands)	783,317	875,648	1,008,373	1,102,471	1,134,506
Branch of Education.	Total.	Total.	Total.	Total.	Total.
A. (1.) Primary (including Native schools and training colleges) (2.) Secondary (including secondary schools and secondary departments of district high schools) (3.) Continuation and technical	£ 482,000  5,000 12,000	£ 565,000 26,000 23,000 12,000	£ 756,000 74,000 59,000 28,000	£ 954,000 90,000 70,000 33,000	£ 1,013,000 157,000 42,000 63,000
Totals A (1-4)	499,000	626,000	917,000	1,147,000	1,275,000
B. Industrial schools	15,000 3,000	37,000 13,000	39,000 17,000	52,000 9,000	45,000 7,000
D. Superannuation, medical inspection, and miscellaneous	2,000	3,000	14,000	29,000	33,000
Totals A, B, C, D	519,000	679,000	987,000	1,237,000	1,360,000

<sup>\*</sup> Exclusive of income from reserves.

Table N2—continued. (2.) Expenditure per Head of Population in New Zealand for Fiveyearly Periods as from 1898-99 out of Public Revenue.

(Figures given in every case to the nearest penny.)

Branch of Education.	1898-9.*	1903-4.*	1908-9.*	1912–13.	1913-14.
<ul> <li>(1.) Primary (including Native schools and training colleges)</li> <li>(2.) Secondary (including secondary schools and secondary departments of district high schools)</li> <li>(3.) Continuation and technical</li></ul>	s. d. 12 4  0 2 0 4	s. d. 12 11 0 7 0 6 0 3	s. d. 14 11 1 5 1 2 0 7	s. d. 17 4 1 8 1 3 0 7	s. d. 17 10 2 9 0 9 1 2
Totals A (1-4)	12 10	14 3	18 1	20 10	22 6
3. Industrial schools	0 5	0 10	0 9	0 11	0 9
5. Special schools (Deaf and Blind, and Home for Backward Children)	0 1	0 4	0 4	0 2	0 2
D. Superannuation, medical inspection, and miscellaneous	••	0 1	0 4	0 6	0 7
Totals A, B, C, D	13 4	15 6	19 6	22 5	24 0

<sup>\*</sup> Exclusive of income from reserves.