

The income and property of pensioners at the close of the year were as follows :—

Income—							£
From property	..	..	..	..	..	..	6,805
From other sources	..	..	..	..	..	..	43,043
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	<u>£49,848</u>
Average income per pensioner, £32.							
Property—							£
Homes	..	..	..	..	..	..	147,245
Cash	..	..	..	..	..	..	41,503
Other property	..	..	..	..	..	..	55,834
							<u>244,582</u>
Less mortgages	..	..	..	..	..	..	75,792
Net total	..	..	..	..	..	..	<u>£168,790</u>
Average property per pensioner, £109.							

The averages last year were—Income, £36 ; property, £107.

The following table shows the distribution of the year's payments under each head in the various parts of the Dominion :—

Postal District.	Old-age. £	Widows'. £	Military. £
Auckland	85,306	5,390	12,125
Thames	13,580	890	2,370
Gisborne	2,899	355	856
Napier	15,553	1,060	2,956
New Plymouth	6,994	539	3,159
Wanganui	14,087	1,125	3,050
Wellington	47,957	3,883	2,461
Nelson	8,411	619	218
Blenheim	5,171	291	132
Christchurch	73,951	4,890	854
Timaru	17,878	842	78
Greymouth	12,881	646	244
Hokitika	12,405	136	144
Westport	6,565	427	105
Oamaru	8,140	402	147
Dunedin	60,866	3,993	392
Invercargill	24,132	1,589	126
Totals	<u>£416,776</u>	<u>£27,077</u>	<u>£29,447</u>
Grand total	<u>£473,300</u>		