

The following summary shows the number in each class that came to the Dominion during the year as assisted immigrants :—

Class.	Applied in London.	Nominated from New Zealand.	Total.
Domestics	192	50	242
Farmers and farm labourers	8	12	20
Wives of farmers and farm labourers	8	..	29
Children of farmers and farm labourers	21	..	
Separated relatives—			
(a.) Men	..	85	812
(b.) Women	..	325	
(c.) Children	..	402	
Totals	229	874	1,103

The distribution of the domestics and of the farm labourers throughout the Dominion, according to bookings, is as follows :—

Province.	Domestics.	Farm Labourers.
Auckland	70	6
Canterbury	38	3
Hawke's Bay	30	3
Marlborough	..	..
Nelson	4	..
Otago	17	1
Southland	2	..
Taranaki	4	3
Wellington	75	4
Westland	2	..
Totals	242	20

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF ASSISTED IMMIGRANTS INTRODUCED INTO THE DOMINION DURING THE PAST TWELVE YEARS.

Year.	Applied in London.	Nominated from New Zealand.	Total.
1905	..	..	1,751
1906	..	..	2,469
1907	..	..	3,712
1908	..	..	3,104
1909	2,822	2,131	4,953
1910	1,118	1,554	2,672
1911	1,327	1,297	2,624
1912	1,728	1,572	3,300
1913	1,797	2,131	3,928
1914	2,309	2,755	5,064
1915	867	2,119	2,986
1916	229	874	1,103

The Government is not at present, and has not been since the outbreak of the war, accepting the nomination either in New Zealand or in England of men eligible for military service, as it was deemed inadvisable to continue any course of action that might interfere in any degree with the requirements of the military authorities in England.

The inquiries regarding the number of women in the United Kingdom under forty-five years of age who have lost their breadwinners through the war, and who may be willing to emigrate to New Zealand under the existing scheme of assisted passages to take up domestic service in the Dominion, are being continued.

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