

SECONDARY EDUCATION.

(See also E.-6, Report on Secondary Education.)

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

(E.-6, Table K1.)

Secondary education was carried on at secondary schools, district high schools, technical high schools, Maori secondary schools, and private secondary schools. The secondary schools, which are under the control of twenty-seven separate controlling authorities, may be classified as follows:—

(a.) Endowed secondary schools included in the Ninth Schedule to the Education Act, 1914	31
(b.) Secondary schools established in the manner provided by section 88 of the Education Act, 1914	4
(c.) Endowed secondary schools within the meaning of the Act, but not included above	2
Total	37

Four of the schools under (a) are not in operation—namely, Akaroa, Grey-mouth, Hokitika, and Waimate. At these places secondary education is carried on in the secondary departments of the district high schools, to which the High School Boards supply assistance.

The number of district high schools was sixty, technical high schools eight, and Maori secondary continuation schools ten. In addition there were seventeen private secondary schools registered under the Education Act, 1914, making a total of 132 schools affording education of a secondary nature.

ROLL AND ATTENDANCE.

(E.-6, Tables K1, K2, K3, L1, and L2.)

The total number of pupils attending the thirty-three secondary schools included under (a), (b), and (c) above in the last terms of 1915 and 1916 respectively was—

	1915.			1916.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Roll (exclusive of lower departments)	3,748	2,740	6,488	4,025	3,027	7,052
Number in lower departments	273	144	417	296	170	466
Totals	4,021	2,884	6,905	4,321	3,197	7,518
Number of boarders (included above)	909	147	1,056	963	246	1,209

The following are some of the figures in connection with the roll and attendance of schools in which secondary education is given:—

(a.) SECONDARY SCHOOLS (Lower Departments excluded).

Number of 1915 pupils on roll at beginning of 1916	4,642
Number admitted during 1916	3,287
Number of these who left public primary schools in 1915	2,851
Number who left secondary schools during 1916	877
Number on roll at end of 1916	7,052
Number of first-year pupils	2,971
Number of second-year pupils	2,025
Number of third-year pupils	1,119
Number of fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-year pupils	937
Average attendance	7,000

(b.) SECONDARY DEPARTMENTS OF DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOLS.

Number on roll at end of 1916	2,115
Number of first-year pupils	1,130
Number of second-year pupils	648
Number of third-year pupils	337
Mean of average weekly roll: Boys, 1,166; girls, 1,220: total,	2,386
Average attendance	2,176

(c.) TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

Number on roll at end of 1916: Boys, 973; girls, 1,132: total,	2,105
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(d.) REGISTERED PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Number on roll at end of 1916: Boys, 397; girls, 607: total,	1,004
Number under twelve years of age	9
Number between twelve and fifteen years of age	311
Number over fifteen years of age	684

(e.) SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR MAORIS.

Number on roll at end of 1916	457
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