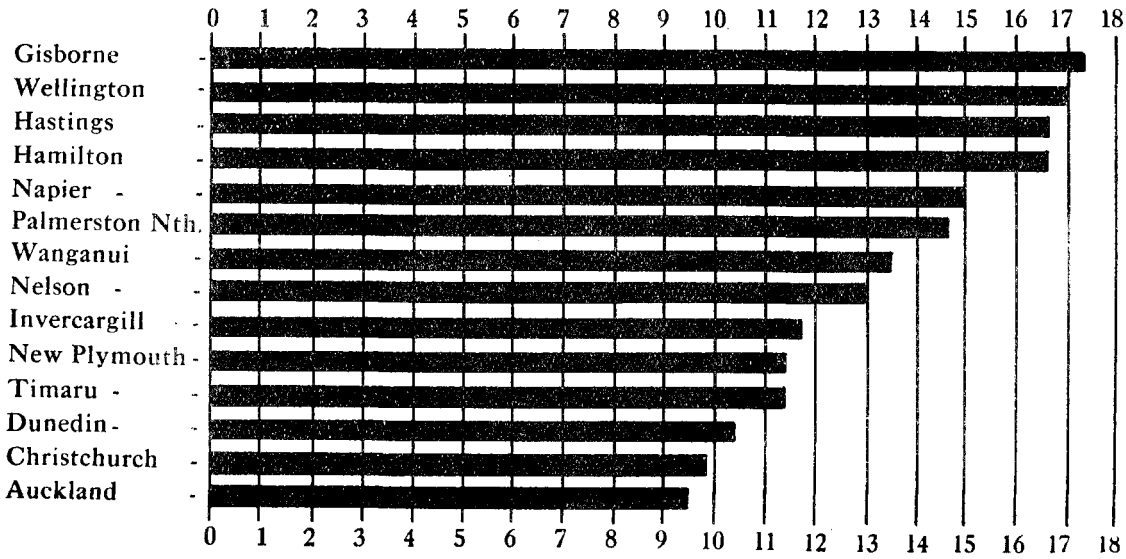


The following table shows, for each class of exchange, the respective percentages of business and residential stations, also the respective percentages of individual- and party-line stations, on the 31st March, 1930 :—

Percentage of			Class I Exchanges.	Class II Exchanges.	Class III Exchanges.	Class IV Exchanges.	Dominion Percentages.
Business stations	..	..	37	32	28	20	29
Residential stations	..	..	63	68	72	80	71
			100	100	100	100	100
Individual-line stations	..		90	75	54	35	65
Party- and rural-line stations	..		10	25	46	65	35
			100	100	100	100	100

GRAPH SHOWING TELEPHONES PER 100 OF POPULATION IN THE CITIES AND PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF NEW ZEALAND, 31ST MARCH, 1929.



The length of various items of telephone-exchange plant in existence on the 31st March, 1929 and 1930, respectively, was as follows :—

	Pole-line.	Single Duct Line.	Cable.		Wire.			
			Under-ground.	Aerial.	In Under-ground Cable.	In Aerial Cable.	Open Aerial.	Under all Headings.
In existence on 31st March, 1929	Miles. 13,658	Chains. 38,003	Chains. 78,286*	Chains. 44,643*	Miles. 333,103*	Miles. 58,215*	Miles. 95,693	Miles. 487,011*
Erected during year	782	1,242	7,884	2,837	26,768	3,731	7,837	38,336
Dismantled during year	91	2	2,047	2,300	8,506	2,588	1,157	12,251
In existence on 31st March, 1930	14,349	39,243	84,123	45,180	351,365	59,358	102,373†	513,096

* Revised figures † Includes 122 miles of earth-working circuit.