

The following return shows the number of offences reported in each police district during the year, the number of cases in which arrests or summonses resulted, and the number in which no prosecution followed :—

Police District.	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests or Summonses resulted.	Number in which no Arrests or Summonses resulted.
Whangarei	953	918	35
Auckland co-ordinated districts	7,852	7,190	662
Hamilton	2,124	1,947	177
Gisborne	1,362	1,332	30
Napier	1,662	1,547	115
New Plymouth	1,422	1,382	40
Wanganui	1,152	1,110	42
Palmerston North	1,475	1,382	93
Wellington co-ordinated districts	5,378	5,052	326
Nelson	788	702	86
Greymouth	1,627	1,604	23
Christchurch co-ordinated districts	4,341	3,587	754
Timaru	1,220	1,155	65
Dunedin	1,583	1,415	168
Invercargill	1,311	1,252	59
Totals	34,250	31,575	2,675

The percentage of arrests or summonses resulting from offences reported during the year 1929 was 92·18, the figures of the preceding year being 92·4.

SERIOUS CRIMES.

The following is a return of the number of serious crimes as compared with the previous year :—

Crimes.	1928.		1929.	
	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests resulted.	Number of Offences reported.	Number of Offences in which Arrests resulted.
Arson	20	17	56	50
Robbery and aggravated robbery	10	8	2	2
Burglary, breaking into shops, dwellings, &c.	986	546	1,092	783
Forgery and uttering	208	200	146	131
Murder	2	2	6	5
Murder, attempted	3	3	5	5
Rape	13	12	16	14
Receiving stolen property	172	171	140	138
Wounding with intent	1	1	4	4
Totals	1,415	960	1,467	1,132

Indecent and sexual offences were as under :—

Offences.	1928.	1929.
Unnatural offence	4	11
Unnatural offence, attempted	4	1
Indecently assaulting a male	55	37
Incest	5	8
Indecent acts	42	23
Concealment of birth	6	4
Assault, indecent	85	93
Rape	13	16
Rape, attempted	10	11
Carnally knowing girls	58	47
Carnally knowing girls, attempted	8	19
Abortion, procuring, &c.	6	6
Exposure of person and grossly indecent acts	255	285
Totals	551	561