

Table 2.

Type of Vehicle.					Total Cost.	Total Mileage.	Cost per Mile.
Year 1936-37—					£		d.
Cars and light deliveries (10 cwt. to 15 cwt.)	..	..	..	..	53,159	4,032,349	3·16
Trucks (1 ton and over)	..	..	..	..	17,570	770,353	5·47
					70,729	4,802,702	3·53
Year 1937-38—							
Cars and light deliveries (10 cwt. to 15 cwt.)	..	..	..	..	76,887	5,399,170	3·42
Trucks (1 ton and over)	..	..	..	..	28,867	1,196,196	5·79
					105,754	6,595,366	3·85
Year 1938-39—							
Cars and light deliveries (10 cwt. to 15 cwt.)	..	..	..	..	103,082	6,577,271	3·79
Trucks (1 ton and over)	..	..	..	..	41,959	1,776,869	5·67
					145,041	8,354,140	4·17

Table 3.—Analysis of Table 2, showing Operating-costs in various Districts (Motor-vehicle Operations, 1938-39).

Cars and Light Deliveries.					Trucks (1 Ton and over).			
District.	Number of Vehicles.	Mileage.	Total Cost.	Cost per Mile.	Number of Vehicles.	Mileage.	Total Cost.	Cost per Mile.
			£	d.			£	d.
Whangarei	28	329,012	5,335	3·89	7	104,270	2,322	5·34
Auckland	58	771,500	11,611	3·61	12	124,292	2,595	5·01
Tauranga	27	356,875	5,028	3·38	20	210,161	4,015	4·58
Gisborne	18	229,971	3,530	3·68	11	101,147	2,628	6·24
Taumarunui	16	177,982	3,355	4·52	10	92,628	2,524	6·54
Stratford	34	414,749	6,146	3·56	13	107,845	2,303	5·12
Napier	23	296,734	4,047	3·27	6	55,922	1,354	5·81
Wellington	45	425,085	6,986	3·94	10	53,404	1,621	7·28
Nelson	33	353,917	5,065	3·43	10	120,631	2,199	4·37
Greymouth	32	399,743	5,659	3·40	13	126,287	2,696	5·12
Christchurch	49	659,121	9,895	3·60	17	208,642	3,984	4·58
Dunedin	37	399,733	5,737	3·44	17	160,550	4,084	6·10
Total, general districts	400	4,814,422	72,394	3·60	146	1,465,779	32,325	5·29
Hamilton Electrical	53	439,772	8,274	4·51	10	56,279	1,807	7·70
Palmerston North Electrical	35	291,027	6,137	5·06	8	44,871	1,925	10·29
Christchurch Electrical	33	337,269	6,558	4·67	15	134,038	4,056	7·26
Southland Electrical	70	694,781	9,719	3·36	15	75,902	1,846	5·84
Total, electrical districts	191	1,762,849	30,688	4·18	48	311,090	9,634	7·43
Grand total, all districts	591	6,577,271	103,082	3·79	194	1,776,869	41,959	5·67

NOTE.—All vehicles that have operated for any part of the year are included—i.e., vehicles purchased and sold during the period.

Total cost includes—

Running cost: Tires, tubes, fuel, lubricants, repairs, and maintenance.

Standing charges: Interest, depreciation, garaging (5s. per week), registration, and license fees.

Motor-vehicle Allowances.—The total amount paid to departmental officers at scale rates for use of their own motor-vehicles upon Government business comprises a large number of comparatively small sums for mileages run for the convenience of the Department where the transfer or purchase of a departmental vehicle was not warranted and the arrangement of hire was inexpedient:—

Year.	Total Allowances.				
	£				
1936-37	..	..	..	..	2,497
1937-38	..	..	..	..	4,564
1938-39	..	..	..	..	8,316

Motor-lorry Hire.—It frequently happens that in the matter of transport on a number of undertakings departmental motor-trucks cannot be transferred to meet requirements and the circumstances do not warrant the purchase of new vehicles. Therefore, where reasonable hire rates