

1894.  
NEW ZEALAND.

INTERIM RETURN OF SHEEP

IN THE COLONY ON THE 30TH APRIL, 1894.

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

SIR,—  
Department of Agriculture (Live-stock Branch),  
Wellington, 16th August, 1894.  
I have the honour to furnish a statement of the approximate number of sheep in the colony on the 30th April, 1894.  
JOHN D. RITCHIE,  
Secretary for Agriculture and Chief Inspector of Stock.  
The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER of SHEEP in the Colony on the 30th April, 1894.

	Number of Sheep.		Increase.
	1893.	1894.	
Auckland District	856,970	859,017	2,047
Napier District	4,110,677	4,261,991	151,314
Wellington-West Coast District...	3,717,714	4,009,706	291,992
Marlborough-Nelson District	835,160	885,138	49,978
Canterbury-Kaikoura District	5,484,981	5,680,694	195,713
Otago District	4,374,867	4,426,010	51,143
	19,380,369	20,122,556	742,187
	Approximate increase	North Island ...	445,353
		South Island ...	296,834
	Total increase		742,187

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