

TABLE 1—NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE CHILD WELFARE DIVISION AT 31ST MARCH

	1948.	1949.	1950.
<i>* State Wards—</i>			
In foster-homes .. .. .	1,747	1,737	1,771
With relatives or friends .. .. .	455	352	351
In employment (excluding those with relatives or friends), (including 9 absent on 31st March, 1948; 4, 1949; and 6, 1950)	862	786	702
In Government receiving-homes .. .. .	135	138	118
In Government hostels .. .. .	14	21	28
In Government residential training institutions .. .. .	141	107	136
In private children's homes registered under the Child Welfare Amendment Act, 1927	63	78	47
In Roman Catholic institutions recognized under the Child Welfare Act	52	28	12
In special schools for mentally backward or deaf children (see also under "Other than State Wards")	116	129	125
In hospitals, convalescent homes, &c. .. .. .	49	36	22
In residential colleges .. .. .	20	38	40
In mental hospitals .. .. .	170	166	150
	3,824	3,616	3,502
<i>Other Than State Wards—</i>			
Young persons supervised by Child Welfare Officers in their own homes pursuant to orders of Courts	879	854	906
Infants supervised in private foster-homes licensed under the Infants Act, 1908	772	832	817
Pupils at the Schools for the Deaf, Sumner and Titirangi (excluding State wards)	251	272	293
Pupils at special schools for mentally backward children (Otekaike and Richmond), (excluding State wards)	44	49	52
Children supervised by Child Welfare Officers in their own homes without Court order ("preventive" cases)	1,645	1,460	938
Pupils of the New Zealand Institute for the Blind, for whom the Division makes payments	22	16	17
	3,613	3,483	3,023
	7,437	7,099	6,525

\* Including children who had not formally been committed to the care of the Superintendent but over whom the Division exercised legal control—i.e., children under control under section 12 of the Child Welfare Act, or legal warrant, or under supervision and resident in a Child Welfare institution. On 31st March, 1950, there were 83 such children.

NOTE.—At 31st March, 1950, there were 161 British children (not included in the above table) under the care of the Superintendent.