

The citrus replanting scheme is being vigorously pursued. The original limits of the scheme have been reached on Rarotonga and Aitutaki, and the acreages made available for replanting on these islands have been increased. At the same time replanting has been extended to Atiu and Mauke. The installation of modern citrus-processing plant has been under consideration for some time past. During the year the Director of Agriculture has visited citrus-growing areas in Australia and inspected processing machinery, in order to make recommendations for the Cook Island industry. In accordance with the policy of insisting on the highest standards of export produce, the Administration is encouraging the construction of copra-drying kilns throughout the Group. The Assistant Director of Agriculture spent some time in Western Samoa and Tonga during the year inspecting copra-kilns, and has drawn up plans of a model well adapted to local use.

APPENDIX I—INFORMATION RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ISLANDS

	1945-46.	1946-47.	1947-48.	1948-49.	1949-50.
<i>Rarotonga</i>					
Vessels handling cargo	15	14	18	17	22
Other	9	8	8	10	9
Aircraft calls .. ..	..	..	37	37	31
Exports—					
Oranges (cases)	12,981	4,790	21,893	8,711	26,106
Copra (tons)	8	8	32	46	86
Other citrus fruit (cases)	4,528	1,464	6,530	2,997	11,736
Bananas (cases)	3,136	54	..	38	..
Tomatoes (boxes)	35,096	78,761	21,233	78,385	22,987
Coconuts (bags) .. ..	..	..	..	..	2,490
High Court cases	1,230	1,270	1,782	1,475	1,391
<i>Mangaia</i>					
Shipping calls	10	13	13	13	19
Oranges (cases)	22,630	11,018	14,426	20,671	21,663
Pineapples .. ..	..	708	808	676	1,337
Copra (tons) .. ..	..	6	58	33	59
High Court cases	667	517	827	505	659
<i>Mauke</i>					
Shipping calls	11	11	7	12	15
Oranges (cases)	6,530	1,502	5,609	3,030	2,250
Copra (tons)	3	1	6	50	40
High Court cases	65	102	161	205	204
<i>Mitiaro</i>					
Shipping calls	4	5	9	3	8
High Court cases .. ..	..	..	51	..	..
<i>Atiu</i>					
Shipping calls	12	11	12	10	21
Oranges (cases)	12,916	3,979	8,077	3,326	1,731
Copra (tons)	44	15	15	61	59
High Court cases	528	442	505	470	507
<i>Aitutaki</i>					
Vessels handling cargo	19	21	26	13	43
Other .. ..	..	..	..	..	9
Aircraft calls .. ..	..	..	61	65	77
Exports—					
Oranges (cases)	12,684	1,000	..	..	4,090
Copra (tons) .. ..	..	185	76	206	512
Arrowroot (tons)	55	51	74	83	10
High Court cases	320	366	207	232	347