

1905.
NEW ZEALAND.

EXPENDITURE ON PUBLIC WORKS IN EACH PROVINCIAL DISTRICT,

AND NUMBER OF MEN EMPLOYED, FOR TWO YEARS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1905.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 18th July, 1905.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing (1) the amount of money spent on all public works in every provincial district in the colony, and (2) the number of men employed on similar works in every provincial district; the return to cover a period of two years."—(Mr. DAVEY.)

RETURN showing the Amount of MONEY SPENT on all PUBLIC WORKS in each Provincial District, and the Average Number of MEN EMPLOYED by Government Departments on such Works in each Provincial District, for the Two Years ended the 31st March, 1905.

Provincial District.	Amount. £	Average Number of Men employed by Government Departments.
Auckland	693,323	1,491
Taranaki	128,602	252
Hawke's Bay	92,962	116
Wellington	512,782	1,122
Marlborough	23,592	64
Nelson	230,376	238
Westland	131,496	139
Canterbury	335,356	495
Otago (including Southland)	517,962	660

The *actual* number of men employed cannot be supplied, as large sums are paid to contractors, local bodies, Education Boards, &c.

H. J. H. BLOW, Under-Secretary.

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