

secondary instruction in the Dominion (a) the pupils attending certain day classes in connection with technical schools who are receiving a special form of secondary instruction, and (b) the pupils in various institutions for the secondary education of Maori boys and girls.

Including these, but excluding the pupils in the lower departments of secondary schools, we find the total number of pupils receiving secondary instruction at the end of 1908 to be as follows :—

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Secondary schools	2,502	1,678	4,180
District high schools	1,017	1,125	2,142
Technical day-schools	1,096	904	2,000
Maori secondary schools	136	167	303*
Total	4,751	3,874	8,625

* All these pupils are boarders.

Salaries of Secondary Teachers.

The total amount of the salaries paid to the regular staffs of secondary schools as at the rates paid at the end of the year was £47,788. As might be expected, the salaries paid in the different secondary schools varied considerably; the average for principals and assistants, and that for men and women respectively, are shown below to the nearest pound :—

Salaries in Secondary Schools.

				December, 1908.		
				M.	F.	All.
				£	£	£
Principals .. .. .	..	..	..	464	341	422
Assistants .. .. .	..	..	..	224	147	190
Whole staff .. .. .	..	..	..	£261	£168	£222

NOTE.—The salaries of part-time teachers are excluded from the above comparison.

In the secondary departments of district high schools salaries are uniform, in accordance with the Schedule to the Act. The average salaries actually paid to the assistants, in addition to the sums paid by way of extra salary to the head teachers, were, in December, 1908,—

	£	s.	d.
Men	193	17	7
Women	145	4	3
All secondary assistants	171	9	1

(The scale of salaries is the same for men and women.)

The total amount paid in salaries for the secondary departments of district high schools, including the special payments to head teachers, was £20,501; in 1907 it was £20,388.

The professional qualifications of the secondary teachers of the Dominion are shown below :—

Status of Secondary Teachers (Regular Staff only), December, 1908.

	Secondary Schools.	District High Schools (Secondary Departments).
Principals,—		
Graduates	29	24
Holding certificates or other qualifications (excluding graduates)	1	42
Assistants,—		
Graduates	142	58
Certificated (excluding graduates)	11	37
Uncertificated	34	7
Total	217	168

Further information in regard to the roll, and staff, and salaries of secondary schools is given in Tables J1 and J2 of E.—6; and further information of the same kind for district high schools is contained in Tables K1 and K2 of the same report.