

Table 1.—RETURN SHOWING (APPROXIMATELY) POSITION OF LANDS IN THE DOMINION AT 31ST MARCH, 1917.

District.	Total Area sold and held on Freehold.	Total Area granted under Acts without Money Payment or reserved for Public Purposes from Foundation of Dominion.	Total Area of Crown Lands leased under all Tenures (exclusive of Reserves leased by Crown).	Total Area open for Selection.	Total Area of Native Land.	Estimated Area of Barren and Worn-out Country not already included under any of the other Headings.	Estimated Area occupied by Roads, Rivers, Lakes, &c.	Total Area remaining for Future Disposal, exclusive of Land shown in Preceding Columns.	Total Area in Land District.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Auckland	2,569,300	3,580,663	1,804,863	215,898	3,486,960	..	662,139	1,203,717	13,525,540
Hawke's Bay	2,469,465	436,272	954,474	24,526	1,312,671	..	150,190	161,302	5,508,900
Taranaki	533,209	714,900	595,671	18,745	292,624	..	67,602	181,659	2,404,500
Wellington	3,282,809	897,989	814,339	34,937	1,613,936	36,500	195,232	175,258	7,051,000
Nelson	599,981	329,716	870,405	105,293	30,627	1,573,000	60,093	1,145,885	4,715,000
Marlborough	772,871	222,032	1,489,820	18,196	..	131,447	100,416	33,218	2,768,000
Westland	142,384	308,555	1,785,808	502,603	..	750,000	154,208	220,320	3,863,878
Canterbury	3,611,409	1,352,288	3,717,508	12,500	..	175,000*	445,400	163,940	9,478,045
Otago	1,976,170	610,492	5,552,398	13,144	..	573,600	263,305	105,891	9,095,000
Southland	1,603,880	3,557,588	1,639,170	30,724	..	626,479	140,559	283,969	7,882,369
Totals	17,561,478	12,010,585†	19,224,456	976,566	6,736,818	3,866,026	2,239,144	3,677,159	66,292,232

* Area reduced by excluding land formerly classed as barren and worthless now held under temporary lease. † Total Crown land reserved during the year was 17,928 acres.