

There were thirty-six secondary schools in operation, including fourteen separate schools for boys, thirteen for girls, and nine for boys and girls. Two of the boys' schools, although endowed with public property, do not come directly under the control of the Government. The remaining secondary schools are managed by separate Boards in accordance with special Acts constituting them, and the provisions of the Education Act and regulations thereunder. There were sixty-one secondary departments of district high schools, thirteen technical high schools, ten Maori secondary schools, and twenty-seven registered private secondary schools, making a total of 147 schools providing secondary education.

#### NUMBER OF PUPILS RECEIVING SECONDARY EDUCATION.

The total number of pupils attending the thirty-six secondary schools mentioned above at the end of 1921 and 1922 respectively was :—

|   | 1921. |        |        | 1922. |        |        |
|---|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
|   | Boys. | Girls. | Total. | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |
| Roll (exclusive of lower departments).. | 5,583 | 4,447  | 10,030 | 5,971 | 4,765  | 10,736 |

The roll number was 706, or 7 per cent. greater than in the previous year. In the last ten years the roll number of secondary schools has nearly doubled itself. The roll number on the 1st March, which is regarded as the highest roll number during the year was 11,593.

The following are some of the figures in connection with the roll and attendance of schools in which secondary education is given :—

##### (a.) SECONDARY SCHOOLS (Christ's College and Wanganui Collegiate Schools included).

|   |    |    |    |    |        |
|---|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Roll number at end of 1922 ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10,736 |
| Roll number, 1st March, 1922 ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11,593 |
| Average attendance for the year 1922..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10,697 |
| Number of new entrants, 1922 ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,870  |
| Number of first-year pupils ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,185  |
| Number of second-year pupils ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3,080  |
| Number of third-year pupils..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,939  |
| Number of fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-year pupils ..                           | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,532  |
| Number of pupils at end of year under thirteen years of age ..                | .. | .. | .. | .. | 104    |
| Number of pupils at end of year between thirteen and fourteen years of age .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 913    |
| Number of pupils at end of year between fourteen and fifteen years of age ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,568  |
| Number of pupils at end of year between fifteen and sixteen years of age ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3,139  |
| Number of pupils at end of year over sixteen years of age ..                  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,012  |

##### (b.) SECONDARY DEPARTMENTS OF DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOLS.

|   |    |    |    |    |       |
|---|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Number on roll at end of 1922 ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,606 |
| Mean of average weekly roll—Boys, 1,437 ; girls, 1,466 : total ..             | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,903 |
| Average attendance ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,682 |
| Number of new entrants from public primary schools ..                         | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,709 |
| Number of first-year pupils ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,421 |
| Number of second-year pupils ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 767   |
| Number of third-year pupils..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 418   |
| Number of pupils at end of year under thirteen years of age ..                | .. | .. | .. | .. | 19    |
| Number of pupils at end of year between thirteen and fourteen years of age .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 296   |
| Number of pupils at end of year between fourteen and fifteen years of age ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 818   |
| Number of pupils at end of year between fifteen and sixteen years of age ..   | .. | .. | .. | .. | 819   |
| Number of pupils at end of year over sixteen years of age ..                  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 654   |

##### (c.) TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

|   |    |    |    |    |       |
|---|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Number on roll at end of 1922—Boys, 2,334 ; girls, 1,868 : total .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,202 |
| Number under thirteen years of age ..                               | .. | .. | .. | .. | 148   |
| Number between thirteen and fourteen years of age ..                | .. | .. | .. | .. | 896   |
| Number between fourteen and fifteen years of age ..                 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,360 |
| Number over fifteen years of age ..                                 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,798 |