

1. EXTRACT FROM THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

(Table K1.)

SCHOOLS affording education of a secondary nature are established in every centre of any importance in the Dominion, and are at present of the following types: Secondary schools, technical high schools, district high schools, private secondary schools, and Maori secondary schools. The majority of the district high schools are in the country centres, the secondary schools and technical high schools being in the larger towns and cities.

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