

FOSTER-HOMES.

The 704 infants in foster-homes at the end of the year were distributed as follows :—

In 485 homes, each having one child	..	..	..	..	485
„ 81 „ two children	..	..	..	..	162
„ 15 „ three „	..	..	..	..	45
„ 3 „ four „	..	..	..	..	12
584					704

Six of the homes were those in which children were boarded out by Charitable Aid Boards.  
The total number of licensed homes was 913, so that at the end of the year there were 329 homes in which for the time being no infants were boarded.

CHILDREN UNDER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE IN EXEMPTED INSTITUTIONS.

From information received from thirty-three private institutions (one a day nursery only) there were 1,647 inmates under sixteen years of age at the 31st August, 1924.

The following table shows the parentage of same :—

					Both Parents dead.	One Parent living.	Both living.
Boys	..	..	..	..	98	415	247
Girls	..	..	..	..	124	463	300
Total, 1,647.					222	878	547

EXEMPTED INSTITUTIONS.

Name of Institution	Admissions, 1924.			Deaths, 1924			On the Books at 31st December, 1924.		
	Under 6 Months of Age.	Between 6 and 12 Months of Age.	Total—All Ages (including Coils. (1) and (2)).	Under 6 Months of Age.	Between 6 and 12 Months of Age.	Total—All Ages (including Coils. (4) and (5)).	Under 6 Months of Age.	Between 6 and 12 Months of Age.	Total—All Ages (including Coils. (7) and (8)).
	(1.)	(2.)	(3.)	(4.)	(5.)	(6.)	(7.)	(8.)	(9.)
Salvation Army Boys' Home, Russell .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Mary's Industrial School (Girls' Branch), Auckland .. ..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	12
St. Joseph's Orphanage, Takapuna, Auckland .. ..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	11
Orphan Home, Papatoetoe, Auckland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Children's Home, Ponsonby, Auckland .. ..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	10
Methodist Orphanage, Mount Albert, Auckland .. ..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Leslie Orphanage, Remuera, Auckland .. ..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Manurewa Children's Home, Auckland .. ..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	14
St. Mary's Home, Otahuhu, Auckland .. ..	23	31	56	5	2	7	15	18	41
Salvation Army Home, "The Grange," Herne Bay, Auckland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salvation Army Maternity Home, Auckland .. ..	3	1	5	..	..	..	..	3	4
Salvation Army Children's Home, Hamilton .. ..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	27
Cook County Women's Guild Crèche, Gisborne .. ..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	3
Salvation Army Maternity Home, Gisborne .. ..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Salvation Army Samaritan Home, Gisborne .. ..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Children's Home, Palmerston North .. ..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	4
Manawatu Willard Children's Home, Palmerston North .. ..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	8
Salvation Army Bethany Home, Napier .. ..	5	1	13	1	..	1	..	4	10
St. Hilda's Home, Otane, Hawke's Bay .. ..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Wanganui Orphanage, Gonville, Wanganui .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Salvation Army Boys' Home, Eltham .. ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
St. Barnabus' Home, Khandallah, Wellington .. ..	9	3	12	..	..	..	..	..	21
St. Mary's Home, Karori, Wellington .. ..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	13
St. Mary's Children's Home, Lancaster St., Karori, Wellington .. ..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Residential Nursery, Newtown, Wellington .. ..	3	13	166	..	..	..	2	..	12
Presbyterian Orphanage, Berhampore, Wellington .. ..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	7
Levin Memorial Home, Wellington .. ..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
St. Joseph's Orphanage, Upper Hutt, Wellington .. ..	..	..	39	..	..	..	..	..	32
Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington .. ..	15	6	40	..	6	19	9	..	63
Salvation Army Girls' Home, Owen Street, Wellington .. ..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Salvation Army Boys' Home, Island Bay, Wellington .. ..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
St. Mary's Orphanage, Nelson .. ..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	16
Methodist Orphanage, Papanui, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	17
Nazareth House, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	13
Sacred Heart Orphanage, Mount Magdala, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	16
St. Saviour's Home, Shirley, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Saviour's Guild Home, Nayland Street, Sumner .. ..	18	15	52	2	..	3	6	7	24
Salvation Army Maternity Home, Christchurch .. ..	4	2	6	2	..	2	1	3	10
Presbyterian Orphanage, Papanui, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Children's Convalescent Home, New Brighton, Christchurch .. ..	..	..	37	..	..	..	..	..	10
St. Saviour's Orphanage for Boys, Otipua Road, Timaru .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salvation Army Boys' Home, Temuka .. ..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Children's Rest Home, Mornington, Dunedin .. ..	..	4	58	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grant's Braes Home, Anderson's Bay, Dunedin .. ..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	6
St. Mary's Orphanage, Mornington, Dunedin .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
St. Vincent de Paul's Orphanage, South Dunedin .. ..	1	2	9	..	..	1	1	2	17
Salvation Army Maternity Home, Roslyn, Dunedin .. ..	11	..	11	1	..	1	3	4	8
Salvation Army Home, Anderson's Bay, Dunedin .. ..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	14
Presbyterian Orphanage, Gordon Street, Invercargill .. ..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Victoria Memorial Home, Invercargill .. ..	3	1	9	..	..	..	2	..	6
Totals .. ..	97	80	695	13	2	21	49	50	495

Of the above 495 children, 15 have no parents living, 52 have a mother only, and 84 have a father only. The remainder (344) have both parents living.