

The Act also provides, —

First, that an Apprenticeship Committee may be formed in any industry or group of industries in any locality by agreement between any organizations of employers and workers; and the Court is also given power either to appoint a Committee or to alter the constitution of a Committee—for example, where the Committee may not be properly representative (no occasion has yet arisen for the exercise of the Court's power in this respect). The accompanying table shows the industries in which Committees have been set up.

NOTE.—In each case, except where indicated, an apprenticeship order of the Court of Arbitration has also been made fixing the wages and other general conditions of employment of apprentices.

Industries.	Districts where there are Committees.
Baking and pastrycooking	Wellington, Canterbury, Auckland, Taranaki, Wanganui, Dunedin, Southland.
Boilermaking	Wellington, Wanganui, Palmerston North,* Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, Auckland, Gisborne, Southland.
Bootmaking	Auckland, Wellington, Canterbury, Otago and Southland, Taranaki.
Bricklaying	Auckland, Wanganui, Palmerston North,* North Canterbury.
Carpentering and joinery	Auckland, Taranaki, Gisborne, Wellington, Wanganui, Hawke's Bay, Palmerston North,* Masterton, Nelson, North Canterbury, South Canterbury, Southland, Dunedin.
Clothing trade	Canterbury.
Coachbuilding	Wellington, Canterbury, Auckland, Otago and Southland.
Electrical working	Auckland, Wellington, Wanganui, Canterbury, Masterton, Southland.
Engineering	Wellington, Gisborne, Wanganui, Nelson, Palmerston North, Westland, Christchurch, Dunedin, Auckland, Masterton, Southland.
Furniture trades	Auckland, Wellington, Wanganui, Westland, Canterbury, Gisborne, South Canterbury, Southland.
Gardening	Canterbury.
Hairdressing	Canterbury, Wanganui.
Jewellery and watchmaking	Wellington, Auckland.
Leadlight and glass working	Canterbury.
Letterpress, lithographing, and book binding	Gisborne,* Canterbury,* Taranaki,* Wanganui,* Otago.
Masonry (stone and monumental)	Auckland, Wanganui.
Motor engineering	Gisborne,* Westland, Canterbury, Auckland.
Moulding	Wellington, Nelson, Wanganui, Christchurch, Dunedin, Southland, Auckland, Palmerston North,
Painting	Auckland, Gisborne, Wellington, Wanganui, Hawke's Bay, Palmerston North, Masterton, Nelson, North Canterbury, Dunedin, Southland.
Plumbing and gasfitting	Auckland, Hamilton, Whangarei, Gisborne, Wellington, Dunedin, Palmerston North, Nelson, Christchurch, Oamaru, South Canterbury, Southland.
Plastering	Auckland, Wellington, Wanganui, Canterbury, South Canterbury.
Saddlery	Auckland.
Tailoring	Wellington, Wanganui, Canterbury, Otago and Southland.
Tinsmithing	Auckland, North Canterbury.
Typographing	Gisborne,* Canterbury,* Taranaki,* Wanganui,* Otago.
Wicker-working	Dunedin.

* No order yet made.

As above stated, the Act permits of separate Committees being formed in the respective industries in any particular localities, and accordingly all the Committees have been set up for either specified towns or for districts. One hundred and three Committees are in existence under the Act, covering twenty-six industries. These have been agreed upon by the employers and workers concerned. There are only a few unimportant industries in which no Apprenticeship Committee has been set up or orders of the Court made, such as those of coopers, gardeners, horse-shoers, beamsmen, and curriers.

Second, the Court is required to make general orders fixing the wages, hours, and other conditions of employment of apprentices, also the periods of apprenticeship, the minimum (not the maximum) age at which an apprenticeship may commence, and the proportion of apprentices to journeymen. There are now eighty-one orders of the Court in force, twenty-nine being made during the past year. Most, if not all, of these have been agreed upon by the parties concerned.

Regarding the periods of apprenticeship, it was thought at the time the Act came into force that for various reasons, such as the use of machinery and the discouragement felt by boys when faced