

TABLE 4.—STATUS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS UNDER THE GUARDIANSHIP OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AT 31ST MARCH, 1936.

Status.	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
In residence .. .. .	103	100	203
Boarded out .. .. .	1,167	899	2,066
At service (includes 4 boys and 16 girls at day service)	606	328	934
With friends .. .. .	308	248	556
In hospitals, convalescent homes, &c. .. .. .	40	21	61
In refuges or cognate institutions .. .. .	2	33	35
In orphanages .. .. .	23	21	44
Absent without leave .. .. .	11	3	14
Y.M.C.A. Hostel, Auckland .. .. .	15	..	15
In colleges .. .. .	3	3	6
In Girls' Hostel, Wellington .. .. .	..	17	17
In residence, Roman Catholic schools .. .. .	29	42	71
In schools for mentally backward .. .. .	182	58	240
In School for Deaf, Sumner (State wards) .. .. .	1	6	7
Totals .. .. .	2,490	1,779	4,269

The following table shows the admissions according to age :—

TABLE 5.—COMMITTALS AND ADMISSIONS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1936.

—	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Under six months .. .. .	37	27	64
Over six months and under one year .. .. .	9	4	13
One year to five years .. .. .	33	41	74
Five years to ten years .. .. .	55	46	101
Ten years to fourteen years .. .. .	75	46	121
Over fourteen years .. .. .	71	51	122
Totals .. .. .	280	215	495

Table 6 below shows the admissions classified according to the causes of admission. Of the total number (495) 175 were indigent, 108 not under proper control, 63 charged with punishable offences, 23 delinquent, 57 living in detrimental environments, and 14 neglected. Of the number admitted under these headings (440), 342 were placed out in the community before the 31st March, 1936.

TABLE 6.—COMMITTALS AND ADMISSIONS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1936, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO CAUSES OF ADMISSION.

Taken charge of as	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Indigent .. .. .	96	79	175
Delinquent .. .. .	16	7	23
Detrimental environment .. .. .	20	37	57
Neglected .. .. .	8	6	14
Not under proper control .. .. .	50	58	108
Accused or guilty of punishable offence .. .. .	53	10	63
Admission by private arrangement (section 12, Child Welfare Act) .. .. .	4	2	6
Temporary arrangement .. .. .	28	16	44
Supervision, with residence .. .. .	5	..	5
Totals .. .. .	280	215	495

NOTE.—Of the number (440) actually committed to the care of the Superintendent, 67 had been previously dealt with by the Courts and placed under supervision.

TABLE 7.—CHILDREN BEFORE THE COURTS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1936, AND PLACED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF CHILD WELFARE OFFICERS.

—	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Charged with an offence .. .. .	377	33	410
Delinquent .. .. .	92	19	111
Not under proper control .. .. .	59	22	81
In detrimental environment .. .. .	3	7	10
Indigent .. .. .	4	..	4
Totals .. .. .	535	81	616

NOTE.—8 of the above were again before the Courts during this period and were placed under a further term of supervision; 24 were again before the Courts during this period and were committed to the care of the Superintendent; 31 were already under supervision, and 5 were ordered to spend a period in an institution. Furthermore, 45 had previously been under supervision.