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### (e) STATISTICS OF THE 1951 CENSUS

The tabulation and analysis of the population census taken for the night of 17 April 1951 is still proceeding, and the following volumes of census results have been published:—

Volume 1—Increase and Location of Population.

Appendix A—Census of Poultry.

Interim Returns of Population and Dwellings.

Some of the data to be covered by further volumes of census results are available, and summaries are given in the following pages. The figures are subject to revision, but it is improbable that any major changes will be necessary.

It should be noted that Maoris are included in all tables, except where otherwise stated. When making comparisons with the figures for the census of 25 September 1945 allowance should be made for the fact that both censuses exclude members of the New Zealand Forces who were overseas at the respective census dates. The number absent overseas in 1945 was 45,381 (44,715 males and 666 females), and in 1951, 1,894 (1,891 males and 3 females). The 1945 census figures also exclude 250 members of the United States of America Forces and 803 enemy prisoners of war in New Zealand. On the other hand, refugees and internees were included in the enumeration.

AGES.—The age distribution of the population as disclosed at the censuses of 1945 and 1951 is now given.

Age Group (Years)	1945 Census			1951 Census		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Under 5	90,992	87,533	178,525	119,443	114,989	234,432
5–9	74,930	72,993	147,923	92,746	88,951	181,697
10–14	67,630	64,573	132,203	78,381	76,111	154,492
15–19	70,007	68,531	138,538	66,931	63,583	130,514
20–24	50,223	70,718	120,941	71,716	68,957	140,673
25–29	54,788	68,278	123,066	74,220	72,234	146,454
30–34	61,043	67,299	128,342	67,165	69,233	136,398
35–39	61,324	62,465	123,789	69,294	69,149	138,443
40–44	55,339	53,892	109,231	65,241	62,407	127,648
45–49	49,334	50,108	99,442	57,490	54,119	111,609
50–54	41,808	45,065	86,873	48,370	48,763	97,133
55–59	42,740	42,765	85,505	39,400	42,989	82,389
60–64	39,846	39,175	79,021	38,121	40,390	78,511
65–69	32,514	32,923	65,437	34,225	36,270	70,495
70–74	20,282	20,616	40,898	25,979	27,931	53,910
75–79	11,750	12,832	24,532	14,650	16,276	30,926
80–84	5,010	5,929	10,939	6,905	8,321	15,226
85–89	1,844	2,297	4,141	2,245	3,083	5,328
90–94	424	582	1,006	506	788	1,294
95–99	76	110	186	88	153	241
100 and over	7	23	30	15	24	39
Not specified						
—Adults	858	598	1,456	794	731	1,525
Minors	108	116	224	43	52	95
Totals	832,877	869,421	1,702,298	973,968	965,504	1,939,472

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The percentage of age distribution for the last two censuses is now given.

Age Group (Years)	1945	1951	Age Group (Years)	1945	1951
	Per Cent	Per Cent		Per Cent	Per Cent
Under 5	10.50	12.10	50-54	5.11	5.01
5-9	8.70	9.38	55-59	5.03	4.25
10-14	7.77	7.97	60-64	4.65	4.05
15-19	8.15	6.73	65-69	3.85	3.64
20-24	7.11	7.26	70-74	2.40	2.78
25-29	7.24	7.56	75-79	1.44	1.60
30-34	7.55	7.04	80-84	0.64	0.79
35-39	7.28	7.14	85-89	0.24	0.27
40-44	6.42	6.59	90 and over	0.07	0.08
45-49	5.85	5.76	Totals	100.00	100.00

The exclusion of members of the Armed Forces overseas affects the comparison in the above tables, particularly in regard to certain age groups. In the following summary, however, the absent members have been included in order to give a better picture of the changes in the age constitution of the population. All of these have been included in the age group 15 and under 65 years.

Age Group (Years)	1945 Census		1951 Census		Increase 1945-51	
	Numbers	Per Cent	Numbers	Per Cent	Numbers	Per Cent
Under 15	458,651	26.7	570,621	29.42	111,970	24.41
15 and under 65	1,140,129	65.30	1,191,666	61.43	51,537	4.52
65 and over	147,219	8.43	177,459	9.15	30,240	20.54
Not specified	1,680	..	1,620	..	-60	
Totals	1,747,679	100.00	1,941,366	100.00	193,687	11.08

Note.—Minus sign (—) denotes a decrease.

The outstanding points emerging from this table are the large increases in the numbers of children under 15 years, and of persons aged 65 or over, and the comparatively little change in the group 15 and under 65 years. The increase in children is mainly due to the high birth rate in the post-war years, while the gradual ageing of the population has been in evidence over a long period. The group 15 and under 65 years, which includes most of the working population, is, of course, affected by deaths in two World Wars.

**MARITAL STATUS.**—The marital status of persons aged 16 years and over as returned at the census of 1951 is summarized in the following tables. The status is that existing at the census date—*i.e.*, a person who had been widowed or divorced, but had remarried before the census, is counted as married.

Age Group (Years)	Never Married	Married	Legally Separated	Widowed	Divorced	Not Specified	Total
<i>Males</i>							
16-19	53,042	365		1	1	3	75
20	13,497	695		6	1	2	31
21-24	42,830	14,358		130	28	46	92
25-29	27,288	45,774		617	134	326	81
30-34	12,638	52,901		705	271	592	58
35-39	9,472	57,681		775	428	879	59
40-44	7,129	55,550		820	731	966	45
45-49	5,994	48,628		802	1,049	974	43
50-54	5,080	40,150		613	1,590	869	68
55-59	4,107	32,072		508	1,997	666	50
60-64	4,003	29,819		452	3,144	629	64
65-69	3,679	25,032		534	4,426	496	58
70-74	3,014	17,267		386	4,927	338	47
75-79	1,734	8,300		190	4,226	156	44
80-84	800	3,242		85	2,695	64	19
85-89	224	838		19	1,132	24	8
90 and over	68	163		3	371		4
Not specified, adults	102	256		7	27	9	393
Totals 1951	194,701	433,091		6,663	27,178	7,039	1,239
Totals 1945	181,083	366,114		4,805	26,297	5,948	914
<i>Females</i>							
16-19	47,547	3,134		32	7	3	49
20	10,169	3,690		47	9	10	10
21-24	23,772	30,555		459	69	117	50
25-29	13,653	56,720		903	336	577	45
30-34	8,564	58,035		914	807	877	36
35-39	7,561	58,104		1,024	1,373	1,049	38
40-44	7,066	51,269		897	2,042	1,104	29
45-49	6,380	42,805		780	3,089	1,018	47
50-54	5,764	36,531		682	4,873	881	32
55-59	5,317	29,479		577	6,854	729	33

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Age Group (Years)	Never Married	Married	Legally Separated	Widowed	Divorced	Not Specified	Total
60-64	5,039	24,129	548	9,971	646	57	40,390
65-69	4,636	18,490	486	12,136	472	50	36,270
70-74	3,677	11,288	280	12,381	257	48	27,931
75-79	2,389	4,587	111	9,042	112	35	16,276
80-84	1,089	1,507	42	5,646	22	15	8,321
85-89	396	337	7	2,330	10	3	3,083
90 and over	99	82	2	777	1	4	965
Not specified, adults	81	434	12	93	6	105	731
Totals 1951	153,199	431,176	7,803	71,835	7,891	686	672,900
Totals 1945	174,781	378,854	6,003	64,292	6,392	183	630,505

The proportional distribution of the adult population—i.e., those aged 21 years and over—is given in the following summary.

Marital Status	Males		Females	
	1945	1951	1945	1951
	Per Cent			
Never married	21·98	21·32	19·75	15·72
Married	70·84	71·88	66·61	69·88
Legally separated	0·93	1·11	1·06	1·27
Widowed	5·10	4·52	11·44	11·83
Divorced	1·15	1·17	1·14	1·30
Totals	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00

The return of many single men who were overseas in 1945 would tend to obscure movement in the proportions of males as between the censuses. It is evident, however, that the high post-war marriage rates have increased the proportion of married men, but not to the same extent as is observed for females.

**RELIGIOUS PROFESSIONS.**—The following summary presents the main religious professions returned at the last census, with comparative figures for 1945 being given also.

Religious Profession	Adherents	
	1945	1951
Church of England	634,364	726,626
Presbyterian	376,602	446,333
Roman Catholic (including Catholic undefined)	230,819	264,555
Methodist	137,755	156,077
Baptist	27,533	31,518
Brethren	18,868	21,398
Ratana	17,945	17,414
Protestant (undefined)	12,122	14,432
Salvation Army	13,300	13,607
Church of Christ	11,406	11,937
Latter Day Saints	7,798	10,008
Congregational	6,416	6,824
Seventh Day Adventist	5,084	6,159
Ringatu	5,244	4,970
Christian (undefined)	3,780	4,853
Christian Scientist	4,827	4,586
Freethinker	3,109	3,774
Hebrew	3,470	3,661
Lutheran	2,145	3,309
Undenominational Christian	1,692	2,726
Rationalist	2,887	2,088
Agnostic	1,547	2,083
Jehovah's Witness	650	1,756
Atheist	1,657	1,746
Missions	2,982	1,610
Christadelphian	1,367	1,484
Undenominational	1,530	1,382
Hindu	661	1,089
Eastern Orthodox Catholic	595	1,007
Apostolic	707	756
Spiritualist	763	717
Commonwealth Covenant Church	835	659
Society of Friends	546	593
Confucian	638	523
Pentecostal	443	477
Assemblies of God	362	475

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Religious Profession	Adherents	
	1945	1951
Unitarian	417	456
Nonconformist	396	403
Theosophist	409	383
Liberal Catholic	334	328
Uncertain	341	322
Hau Hau	662	307
No religion (so returned)	11,313	11,475
All other religious professions	3,247	4,538
Object to state	133,431	137,597
Not specified	9,299	10,451
Totals	1,702,298	1,939,472

The category recorded as "Object to state" represents those persons availing themselves of the special statutory right of objecting to answer a question on this subject. It is very likely that the "not specified" group may also include a number of persons objecting to the question.

The proportional distribution according to number of adherents is as shown below.

Religious Profession	Percentage of Total Population	
	1945	1951
Church of England	37·27	37·47
Presbyterian	22·12	23·01
Roman Catholic (including Catholic undefined)	13·56	13·64
Methodist	8·09	8·05
Baptist	1·62	1·63
Brethren	1·11	1·10
Ratana	1·05	0·90
Protestant (undefined)	0·71	0·74
Salvation Army	0·78	0·70
Church of Christ	0·67	0·62
Latter Day Saints	0·46	0·52
No religion (so returned)	0·66	0·59
Object to state	7·84	7·09
All others (including "not specified")	4·06	3·94
Totals	100·00	100·00

**RACIAL ORIGINS.**—The racial origins of the population are shown in three main divisions together with comparative figures for the 1945 census. While it is not possible to complete an accurate ethnological survey from census data, the information obtained is of considerable value.

Race	Census	
	1945	1951
European—		
European	1,575,974	1,791,020
European-Maori quarter-caste	16,902	18,421
Totals, European	1,592,876	1,809,441
Maori—		
Full Maori	61,440	76,918
Three-quarter caste	18,348	15,201
Half-caste	18,956	23,183
Maori-other Polynesian	*	374
Totals, Maori	98,744	115,676
Race alien—		
Negro—F.B.	17	19
M.B.	85	59
Lebanese—F.B.		828
M.B.	901	383
Syrian—F.B.		109
M.B.	438	197
Lebanese-Maori		31
Syrian-Maori	57	42
Arab—F.B.	1	44
Indian—F.B.	1,116	1,784
M.B.	299	407
Indian-Maori	134	220
* Included with Polynesian.		
Note.—F.B. signifies "full blood," M.B. "mixed blood," the second race being European.		

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Race	Census	
	1945	1951
Burmese—F.B.	1	7
M.B.	11	84
Chinese—F.B.	4,373	4,832
M.B.	361	420
Chinese-Polynesian	8	99
Chinese-Maori	198	369
West Indian—F.B.	11	24
M.B.	45	44
Melanesian—		
Fijian—F.B.	20	40
M.B.	164	237
Other—F.B.	6	9
M.B.	18	39
Melanesian-Maori	10	33
Polynesian—		
Cook Island Maori (including Niuean)—F.B.	387	934
M.B.	192	425
Other or undefined—F.B.	170	750
M.B.	1,410	1,515
Polynesian-Melanesian		46
Other race aliens—F.B.	72	107
M.B.	173	218
Totals, race aliens	10,678	14,355
Grand totals	1,702,298	1,939,472

**\* Included with Polynesian.**

**Note.—F.B. signifies “full blood,” M.B. “mixed blood,” the second race being European.**

The increase in Maoris of full-blood was at a substantially higher rate than that of Maori-Europeans ; in fact, the three-quarter caste Maoris returned a decrease during the intercensal period. It does not seem likely that the decrease is a real one and it is possible that a change in enumeration technique may be partly responsible. Prior to 1951 a special Maori household schedule was used in the North Island and all persons in a Maori dwelling were enumerated on the one schedule. In 1951 Maoris were enumerated on the same schedules as Europeans and a separate personal schedule was used for each occupant in a dwelling on census night.

The relative rates of increase between 1945 and 1951 for the three groups were—Europeans, 13·6 per cent; Maoris, 17·1 per cent; and race aliens, 34·4 per cent. The substantial increases in Indians and Polynesians (other than Maori) result mainly from immigration.

**DEPENDENT CHILDREN.**—The term “dependent children” in these statistics covers all living children under the age of sixteen years irrespective of financial dependency between parent and child. In a few instances children under sixteen were not financially dependent on their parents, while in other cases children may be partly or wholly supported by their own efforts; generally, however, the great bulk of children under sixteen years are dependent on their parents.

Number of Dependent Children Under 16 Years	1945 (Excluding Maoris)			1951 (Including Maoris)		
	Married Men	Widowers	Widows	Married Men	Widowers	Widows
Nil	164,563	21,764	55,228	186,712	24,417	65,541
1	71,082	1,425	3,616	83,217	1,301	3,182
2	58,223	622	1,704	79,155	705	1,26
3	32,303	343	744	45,222	315	707
4	14,543	151	286	21,118	220	369
5	6,085	79	106	9,130	98	197
6	2,628	37	52	4,080	52	80
7	1,083	14	32	1,974	19	74
8	484	9	9	1,076	10	18
9 or over	372	3	9	818	7	15
Not specified	425	36	101	589	34	126
Totals	351,791	24,483	61,887	433,091	27,178	71,835

In the following summary, showing the average number of dependent children, the figures quoted for 1951 are under two headings—viz., exclusive of Maoris and inclusive of Maoris—figures for Maoris were not available for 1945. The exclusion of Maoris results in decreases in all cases of the average numbers of children.

—	1945	1951	
	Excluding Maoris	Excluding Maoris	Including Maoris
<i>Average Number of Dependent Children</i>			
Married men—			
Per person	1·15	1·24	1·30
Per person with dependent children	2·16	2·22	2·29
Widowers—			
Per person	0·21	0·16	0·21
Per person with dependent children	1·91	1·93	2·06

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—	1945		1951	
	Excluding Maoris	Excluding Maoris	Including Maoris	
Widows—				
Per person	0·19	0·14	0·17	
Per person with dependent children	1·77	1·83	1·96	

**WAR SERVICE.**—The compilation of statistics regarding war service was restricted to service in uniform with the Armed Forces overseas from the place of enlistment. It included Navy, Army, and Air Force service, but not Merchant Navy, and only service with a Commonwealth Force in the First and Second World Wars and the South African War was counted. Of the 209,784 persons with overseas war service, 205,178 saw service in one war only, 4,535 had service in two wars, while 71 claimed service in the three wars.

Overseas War Service: Numbers			
Wars	Males	Females	Total
Overseas service—			
Only in World War II	134,323	4,110	138,433
Only in World War I	62,973	1,300	64,273
Only in South African War	2,447	25	2,472
In World War II and World War I	3,282	49	3,331
In World War I and South African War	1,130	8	1,138
In World War II and South African War	65	1	66
TH World War II, World War I, and South African War	70	1	71
Totals with overseas war service, 1951 census	204,290	5,494	209,784
Totals with overseas war service, 1945 census	157,744	2,840	160,584

The figures quoted for both censuses are exclusive of the members of the New Zealand Armed Forces overseas at the respective dates.

Overseas War Service: Wars and Forces With Which Served						
Forces with Which Served	World War II		World War I		South African War	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
New Zealand Forces	125,154	1,858	52,617	576	2,083	18
Australian Forces	1,075	120	1,224	39	226	1
United Kingdom Forces and Indian Forces	11,015	2,100	13,262	735	1,244	15
Canadian Forces	282	30	284	5	23	
Other Commonwealth Forces	214	53	68	3	136	1
Totals	137,740	4,161	67,455	1,358	3,712	35

**Note.**—In this table where persons served in more than one war, they are shown for each war in which they served.

**INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS.**—The following tables illustrate the extent to which the population directly participated in the economic life of the country, according to industry and the nature of their activities—*i.e.*, employer, wage or salary earner, &c. It is not possible to give comparative figures for 1945 owing to changes in procedure. At that census the classification of the Maori population was done on an occupational basis, and data were not available by industry and occupational status for this section of the population. The compilation does, however, allow for a comparison between the two censuses showing numbers actively engaged or otherwise, and the following table gives this information.

—	1945 Census			1951 Census		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
<i>Numbers</i>						
Actively engaged	495,477	167,263	662,740	568,963	171,533	740,496
Not actively engaged	337,400	702,158	1,039,558	405,005	793,971	1,198,976
Totals	832,877	869,421	1,702,298	973,968	965,504	1,939,472
<i>Proportions Per Cent</i>						
Actively engaged	59·49	19·24	38·93	58·42	17·77	38·18
Not actively engaged	40·51	80·76	61·07	41·58	82·23	61·82
Totals	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00

The return of members of the Armed Forces is responsible for a large part of the increase in males actively engaged, but the decrease in the proportion is probably due to the high post-war birth rate. The increased birth rate would also be responsible for some of the decrease in the proportion of females actively engaged, while the withdrawal of women from industry following the termination of the war and the lifting of man power controls would also have its effect.

**Industrial Distribution 1951: Divisions.**—The industrial distribution of the population by the principal divisions of industry at the 1951 Census is now given.

Division	Numbers			Percentage of Total Population		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Agriculture, forestry, hunting, and fishing	126,220	9,669	135,889	12·96	1·00	7·01
Mining and quarrying	7,707	100	7,807	0·79	0·01	0·40
Manufacturing	136,325	41,105	177,430	14·00	4·26	9·15
Construction	61,234	1,080	62,314	6·29	0·11	3·21
Electricity, gas, water, and sanitary services	7,691	607	8,298	0·79	0·06	0·43
Commerce	83,284	38,397	121,681	8·55	3·98	6·27
Transport, storage, and communication	70,142	7,924	78,066	7·20	0·82	4·03
Services	72,729	71,207	143,936	7·47	7·38	7·42
Activities not adequately described	3,631	1,444	5,075	0·37	0·15	0·26

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Division	Numbers			Percentage of Total Population		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Total actively engaged	568,963	171,533	740,496	58·42	17·77	38·18
Not actively engaged	405,005	793,971	1,198,976	41·58	82·23	61·82
Grand totals	973,968	965,504	1,939,472	100·00	100·00	100·00

**Industrial Distribution 1951: Major Groups.**—A more detailed classification by major groups is shown below.

Industry Divisions and Major Groups	Males	Females	Total
Agriculture, forestry, hunting, and fishing—			
Agriculture and livestock production	119,172	9,506	128,678
Forestry and logging	3,802	132	3,934
Hunting, trapping, and game propagation	1,779	11	1,790
Fishing	1,467	20	1,487
Mining and quarrying—			
Coal mining	5,557	78	5,635
Metal mining	994	10	1,004
Crude petroleum and natural gas	23		23
Stone quarrying, clay, and sand pits	1,100	8	1,108
Non-metallic mining and quarrying	33	4	37
Manufacturing—			
Food manufacturing	27,727	4,798	32,525
Beverages	2,588	189	2,777
Tobacco	588	844	1,432
Manufacture of textiles	4,360	3,475	7,835
Manufacture of footwear, other wearing apparel, and made-up textile goods	8,746	20,316	29,062
Manufacture of wood and cork (excluding furniture)	14,262	445	14,707
Manufacture of furniture and fixtures	5,659	801	6,460
Manufacture of paper and paper products	1,193	674	1,867
Printing, publishing, and allied industries	7,729	2,277	10,006
Manufacture of leather and leather products (except footwear)	1,977	524	2,501
Manufacture of rubber products	2,298	534	2,832
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	3,961	1,333	5,294
Manufacture of products of petroleum and coal	314	16	330
Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products	6,150	355	6,505
Manufacture of metallic products (except machinery and transport equipment)	5,306	612	5,918
Manufacture of machinery (except electrical machinery)	11,868	722	12,590
Manufacture of electrical machinery, apparatus, and supplies	4,743	934	5,677
Manufacture of transport equipment	23,774	1,189	24,963
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	3,082	1,067	4,149
Construction—			
Construction	61,234	1,080	62,314
Electricity, gas, water, and sanitary services—			
Electricity, gas, and steam	6,693	587	7,280
Water and sanitary services	998	20	1,018
Commerce—			
Wholesale and retail trade	71,644	32,941	104,585
Banks and other financial institutions	6,249	2,910	9,159
Insurance	3,748	2,019	5,767
Real estate	1,643	527	2,170
Transport, storage, and communication—			
Transport	57,193	3,521	60,714
Storage and warehousing	218	26	244
Communication	12,731	4,377	17,108
Services—			
Government services	22,347	4,900	27,247
Community and business services	31,524	40,789	72,313
Recreation services	4,849	1,421	6,270
Personal services	14,009	24,097	38,106
Activities not adequately described	3,631	1,444	5,075
Total actively engaged	568,963	171,533	740,496
Not actively engaged	405,005	793,971	1,198,976
Grand totals	973,968	965,504	1,939,472

**Occupational Status 1951.**—The following table shows the distribution of the population according to the character of participation or non-participation in industry.

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Occupational Status	Males	Females	Total
Employer	63,570	5,933	69,503
Own account	71,235	7,683	78,918
Wage or salary earner	423,174	154,520	577,694
Unemployed	7,902	1,726	9,628
Relative assisting, unpaid	1,966	1,248	3,214
Retired, independent means, &c.	27,850	12,482	40,332
Dependent on public or private support	377,155	781,489	1,158,644
Not specified	1,116	423	1,539
Totals	973,968	965,504	1,939,472

**DWELLINGS.**—Two tables are now given for dwellings showing details by nature for all dwellings and tenure of occupied permanent private dwellings at the last two censuses. In 1951 a standard classification was used for both European and Maori dwellings, but in 1945 dwellings occupied by Maoris were classified on a different basis to European dwellings, both for nature and tenure. It has been possible to include Maori dwellings in the classification now shown for 1945 by nature of dwelling, but not for tenure.

Nature of Dwelling	Numbers		Percentage of Total Inhabited	
	1945	1951	1945	1951
<b>A. Inhabited dwellings—</b>				
Permanent private dwellings—				
Private house, not partly sub-let	365,120	437,078	85·18	86·56
Private house, partly sub-let	1,697	1,225	0·39	0·24
Flat	28,175	35,021	6·57	6·94
Combined shop and dwelling, rooms attached to offices, &c.	8,391	8,040	1·96	1·59
Bach, hut	14,519	12,393	3·39	2·45
Other	1,015	255	0·24	0·05
Totals	418,917	494,012	97·73	97·83
Temporary dwellings—				
Mobile residences	*	1,675	*	0·33
Other	615	833	0·14	0·16
Totals	615	2,508	0·14	0·49
Non-private dwellings—				
Hotels, boardinghouses, &c.	7,293	6,354	1·70	1·26
Public and private hospitals	519	515	0·12	0·10
Camps	374	550	0·09	0·11
Other (including not specified)	952	1,048	0·22	0·21
Totals	9,138	8,467	2·13	1·68
Grand totals, inhabited dwellings	428,670	504,987	100·00	100·00
<b>B. Uninhabited dwellings—</b>				
Untenanted dwellings	7,036	7,922	..	..
Occupants temporarily away	5,896	9,416	..	..
Baches (week-end or summer dwellings)	10,975	15,181	..	..
Totals	23,907	32,519	..	..
<b>C. Building—</b>				
Dwellings in course of erection	5,542	9,346	..	..
<b>* Included in other permanent private dwellings.</b>				

The chief points observed in the above table are the increases of 71,486 private houses, 6,846 flats, and 8,612 uninhabited dwellings, and the decrease of 939 in hotels, boardinghouses, &c. While the increase in dwellings results from new construction work, part of the flat increase occurs from the subdivision of larger dwellings.

It has already been noted that the 1945 census was taken in September and the 1951 census in April, and this may not be without effect on the number of mobile residences—which include caravans—returned at the latter census, and the larger increase in dwellings where the occupants were temporarily away.

Tenure	Numbers		Percentage of Total Specified	
	1945 (Excluding Maori Dwellings)	1951	1945 (Excluding Maori Dwellings)	1951
Renting or leasing	142,717	150,634	35·44	3·65
Free dwelling provided with job	24,690	31,313	6·13	6·37
Loaned without payment	6,475	9,139	1·61	1·86
Buying on time payment or with table mortgage	72,217	94,113	17·93	19·15
With flat mortgage	54,265	56,039	13·47	11·40
Unspecified mortgage cases		278	·0·05	
Owned without mortgage	102,358	149,988	25·42	30·52
Not specified	612	2,508	..	..
Totals	403,334	494,012	100·00	100·00

The figures quoted for the 1945 census above are exclusive of dwellings occupied by Maoris, for which full details of tenure are not available. Of the details available, and excluding temporary dwellings and unspecified cases, 8,592 (54·85 per cent) were recorded as owned; 4,930 (31·47 per cent) as rented; and 2,144 (16·68 per cent) as rent free.

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If Maori dwellings are included in the 1945 figures, the percentages for renting or leasing, rent free, and owned dwellings (including all types of mortgage) are 35·29, 7·96, and 56·75 respectively, compared with 3·65, 8·23, and 61·12 per cent respectively for 1951.

The substantial increase in "owned" dwellings is mainly in the categories "owned without mortgage" and "buying on time payment or with table mortgage"; flat mortgages have shown little change in numbers.

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