

1840-1900 ~ One Million Letters written to the New Zealand Government

As recorded in correspondence registers held at Archives New Zealand

Agency	Period	Letters per Year	Actual	Estimate	Comment
Colonial Secretary's Office	1840-1900	3756	225,355		
Army Department (incl. Militia & Vol)	1863-1900	3513	129,991		
Treasury	1841-1900	1809	108,522		1841-1844, 1848-1851, 1854+
Justice	1858-1900	2443	102,606		
Marine	1870-1900	2673	80,201		Correspondence fire damaged
Armed Constabulary / Police	1877-1900	2502	60,058		
Customs	1864-1900	1240	<u>44,631</u>		
Sub-total			751,394		
Canterbury Province	1853-1876	2351	47,016		
Nelson Province	1853-1877	996	23,892		
Otago Province	1853-1876	1059	21,172		
Wellington Province	1856-1876	709	<u>14,184</u>		
Sub-total			106,264		
Public Works	1871-1900	2000	(x 30yrs)	60,000	Correspondence lost in fire
Railways	1878-1900	2000	(x 23yrs)	46,000	
Land	1858-1900	1000	(x 43yrs)	43,000	Correspondence lost in fire
Post and Telegraph	1887-1900	2000	(x 14yrs)	28,000	Correspondence lost in fire
Registrar General	1873-1900	500	(x 28yrs)	14,000	
New Munster & New Ulster	1840-1852	1000	(x 13yrs)	13,000	
Immigration	1878-1890	660	(x 13yrs)	8,450	
Grand-Total			857,658 +	212,450 =	1,070,108