

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	3694	225,355		
Army Department (incl. Militia & Vol)	1863-1872, 1877-1900	3210	109,165		
Treasury	1856-1900	2352	105,833		
Justice	1858-1900	2386	102,606		
Marine	1870-1900	2587	80,201		Correspondence fire damaged
Police	1877-1900	2495	59,889		
Customs	1864-1900	1206	<u>44,631</u>		
Sub-total			727,680		
Provincial Governments	1853-1876	4000	(x 24yrs)	96,000	
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	
Immigration	1878-1890	1000	(x 13yrs)	13,000	
New Munster & New Ulster	1840-1852	1000	(x 13yrs)	13,000	
Grand-Total			727,680 +	313,000 =	1,040,680