

Snow was unusually frequent in both Islands. The main snow-falls were on the 6th and 7th, from the 11th to the 13th, and on the 18th and 19th. Parts of Otago reported snow falling on about half the days of the month, and in the mountainous area to the west and north-west of Dunedin some places were isolated for several days.

Sunshine—Over the greater part of the country sunshine was 20–50 hours above normal. However, in Southland and Otago it was normal or, up to 30 hours below; while in Northland, Gisborne, and Hawke's Bay it was close to normal.

Weather Sequence—At the beginning of June and on the 2nd an anticyclone was centred near Melbourne and a depression near the Chatham Islands. South-westerlies covered the country, with scattered rain. During the next two days an anticyclone covered New Zealand, with settled weather. This anticyclone soon collapsed, and with pressures low again to the east, southerly winds predominated from the 5th to the 7th. Light rain was reported in eastern districts and in Southland with snow in some areas, especially the North Island high country. The main centre to the east moved northward and southerlies persisted from the 8th to the 10th, with similar conditions.

The main centre of high pressure was still centred near Melbourne. A trough of low pressure moved on to New Zealand from the west and a depression developed on its east of Otago with a second centre west of the North Island. On the 11th and 12th rain was general except in the east of the North Island. Some heavy falls were reported on the 12th with serious flooding in South Otago and Southland, while snow affected many inland areas of the South Island. The southern centre moved away eastward but the other centre crossed the North Island on the 13th and 14th with considerable rain, more especially in the east. Snow was reported over much of the North Island high country. Conditions

showed some improvement on the following day as the depression moved away to the east. On the 16th and 17th pressures were low to the south and winds became more south-westerly. Rain affected mainly western districts but it persisted in Southland and most of Otago.

On the 18th a deep depression developed off the Otago coast and moved slowly north-eastwards. Rain was fairly general at first but it became scattered on the following day. This was another period with widespread snow in both Islands. An anticyclone was now centred near Tasmania, while another one was passing to the north of Northland, and pressures remained low to the south-east. South-westerly conditions persisted from the 20th to the 23rd, with further rain in Southland and scattered falls elsewhere.

During the 24th and 25th a complex depression from the North Tasman Sea crossed the North Island while anticyclones were centred over the South Tasman Sea and near Campbell Island. Considerable rain was reported in northern and eastern districts of the North Island with scattered light falls elsewhere, except on the West Coast, the Alps, Nelson, and inland Canterbury and Otago. During the next three days the depression was moving away to the north-east of Auckland while an anticyclone crossed the South Island. In the easterlies, rain persisted in northern and eastern districts of the North Island though gradually decreasing in extent and amount.

During the last two days of the month a deep depression near Tasmania moved eastward and an associated trough of low pressure crossed New Zealand. Rain affected most of the country except for eastern districts and Northland.

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Manufacturing Retailers' Licences Under the Sales Tax Act—Notice No. 1972/7

PURSUANT to the Sales Tax Act 1932–33, licences to act as manufacturing retailers have been granted as set out in Schedule I hereto, and licences to act as manufacturing retailers have been surrendered or revoked as set out in Schedule II hereto.

SCHEDULE I

LICENCES GRANTED

Name of Licensee	Licence Operative From	Place at Which Business is Carried On	Place at Which Tax is Payable
Brunette, Jonathan Sedgley	1/6/72	Titirangi ..	AK
Swan, John, and Co. Ltd.	10/4/63	Dunedin	

SCHEDULE II

LICENCES SURRENDERED OR REVOKED

Name of Licensee	Licence Cancelled From	Place at Which Business was Carried On
Audio Centre Ltd.	31/3/72	Auckland
Jackson, David Albert	29/2/72	Northcote
Lees Boatbuilders Ltd.	30/4/72	Warkworth
Pelin Plans Ltd.	31/3/72	Takapuna
Speed-Lite Sulkies (New Zealand) Ltd.	30/9/71	Papakura Pukekohe
Swan, John, and Co.	9/4/63	Dunedin
Vos, P., Ltd.	31/1/72	Auckland
Whiting Yachts (Whiting, Paul D'Arcy, trading as)	31/1/72	Mount Roskill

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of July 1972.

J. A. KEAN, Comptroller of Customs.