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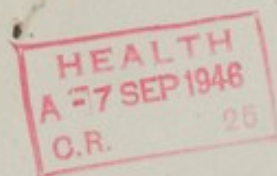
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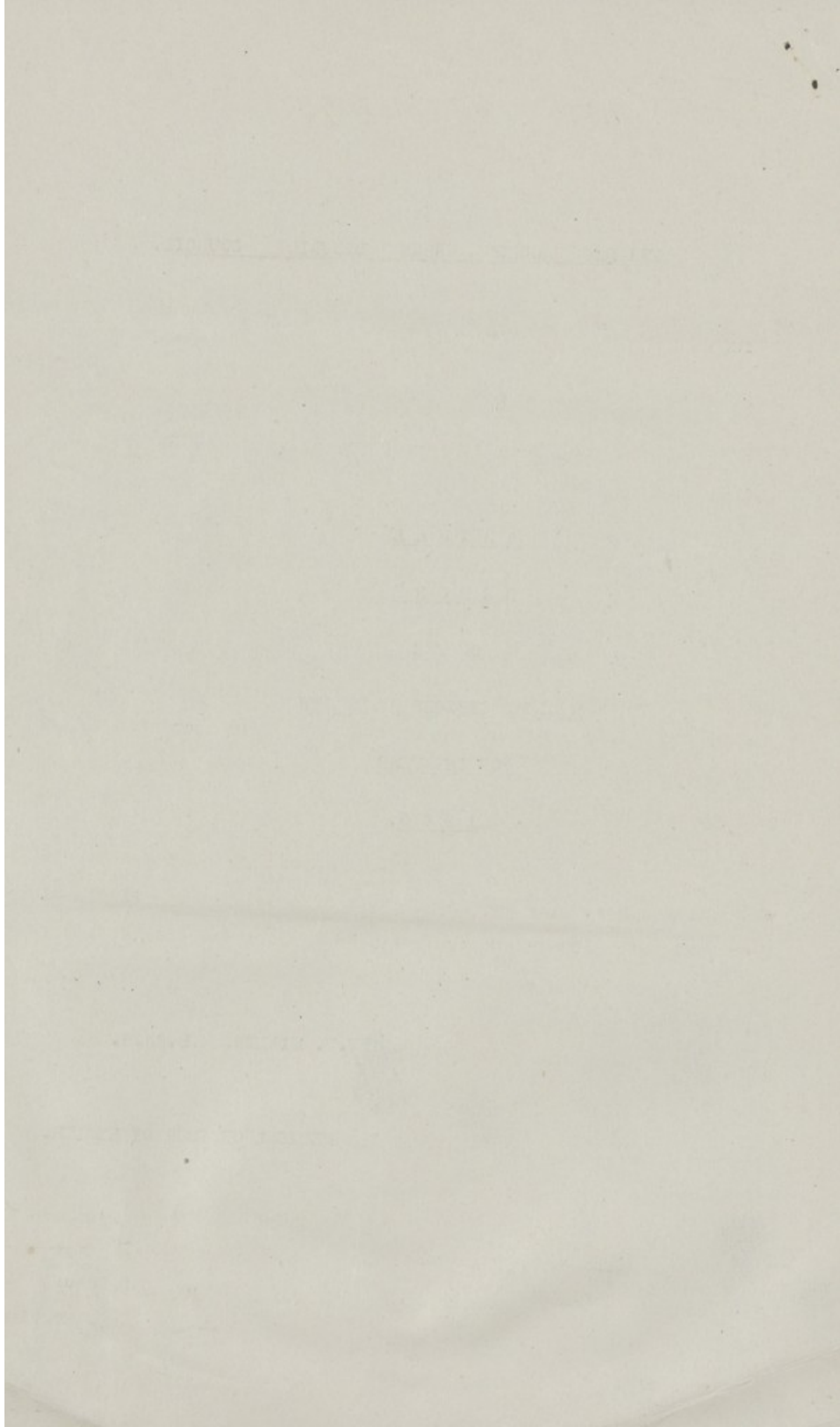
FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.



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W.W. MILLEN. M.B.Ch.B.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.



FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Public Health Dept.
Town Hall. N.11.

August, 1946.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mrs. McCarthy & Gentlemen,

Herewith I present to you my Annual Report
for the year 1945.

The Report covers the period 1st. January 1945
to 31st. December 1945, and is drawn up on the lines indicated in
Ministry of Health Circular 29/26 dated 11th. February 1946.

The health of the district continued at a high
level throughout the year. The Death Rate remained low at 9.4
per 1000 of the population, whilst the Birth Rate increased to
14.9 per 1000. There were no deaths in child-birth, nor any cases
of Puerperal Pyrexia.

The incidence of the common infectious diseases
was satisfactory. The number of cases of Measles was a little higher
than last year, 100 as compared with 76. There was little Whooping
Cough, only 15 cases occurring during the year. Notifications of
Scarlet Fever also were fewer, 23 as against 47 during 1944.
Only two cases of Diphtheria occurred, both children under 5 years
of age, neither of whom had been immunised.

During the year 74 cases of Scabies were treated.
At the end of May premises in Hemington Avenue which had been used
as a clinic for the treatment of this disease were de-requisitioned,
and arrangements were made with the Medical Officer of the Joint
Isolation Hospital in Coppetts Road for the treatment of future
cases as out-patients at the Hospital. This arrangement is working
satisfactory.

Dr. Stephen, School Medical Officer and Maternity and Child Welfare Doctor, has continued with her work of immunising children against Diphtheria, during the year there were 651 attendances at the various sessions held. By the end of the year 1070 children between the age of 0 - 5 years and 1218 children between the age of 5 - 15 years, representing 60% and 40% respectively of the child population had been successfully immunised.

The usual tables of statistics are attached, and I express my thanks to my fellow officers for their assistance throughout the year.

I am, Mrs. McCarthy & Gentlemen

Your obedient Servant,

W.W. Millen.

Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health.	W.W. Millen. M.B., Ch.B.
Chief Sanitary Inspector.	Albert Harmann.
Additional Sanitary Inspector. (Returned October)	W.R. Jackaman.
Clerk.	Miss E. Glasscock.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

Area in acres - 1341.2
Registra General's estimate of population - 25,750.
Rateable value - £290,051.
Sum represented by a 1d. rate - £1135.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

Live births	Registered - 366	Birth rate - 14.9
Still births	" - 9	Rate per 1000 births - 24.6
Deaths (Nett)	" - 233	Death rate - 9.4

No. of women dying in childbirth - From Sepsis - 0. Other causes - 0.
Deaths of infants under 1 year per 1000 births - 39.3
Legitimate - 13 Illegitimate - 1 Total - 14.
Deaths from Measles (all ages) - 0.
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) - 0.
Deaths from Diarrhoea and Gastro Enteritis (under 2 years) - 1.

NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INSPECTED. (separate primary inspections only).

(1). On Complaint.....	415.
(2). On Notification of infectious disease.....	22.
(3). Re Tubercu sis.....	2.
Visits to foodshops.....	47.
" " dairies and milkshops.....	12.
" " Factories & Workshops.....	-
" re Shops Act.....	2.
" re Petroleum Act.....	13.
" for Disinfection.....	18.
" re Housing Act.....	-
" re Disinfestation and to Verminous premises	26.
" re Rat Infestation.....	585.
Re-inspections & visits to works in progress.....	453.
Appointments and Special visits.....	318.
Attendance at Court (Petty Sessions & County Court	-
Visits on technical matters for Re-housing Office.	26.
	<u>1939</u>
Total visits and inspections for 1944.....	1856.
" " " " " 1943.....	1625.
" " " " " 1942.....	1431.
" " " " " 1941.....	1684.

HOUSING STATISTICS.

1. Inspection of dwelling houses during the year:-

1.(a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts..... 261.

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose..... 319.

2. Number of dwelling-houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation..... 128.

2. Remedy of defects without service of formal notice:-

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers..... 121.

3. Action under Statutory Powers:-

A.Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 & 16 of the Housing Act 1936:-

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs..... 7.

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices..... 7.

(a) By owners..... -

(b) By local authority in default of owners..... 7.

B.Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied..... 9.

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice:-

(a) By owners..... 4.

(b) By Local Authority in default of owners..... 4.

The following is a summary of the sanitary improvements and defects remedied during the year:-

Water.

Store cisterns provided, repaired, cleansed or covers provided.....	0.
Fittings and services repaired.....	16.

Drainage.

Drains cleared or repaired.....	31.
Inspection chambers cleansed, repaired etc..	5.
Soil and vent pipes repaired.....	1.
New sink waste pipes provided.....	4.
Sink wastes repaired.....	2.

W.C.

W.C. pans and traps fixed.....	18.
W.C. pan and traps repaired.....	1.
W.C. seats, doors, windows, floors renewed or repaired.....	3.
Walls cleansed or distempered.....	2.
Ceilings cleansed or distempered.....	1.
Flushing cisterns provided.....	3.
Flushing cisterns repaired or regulated.....	10.

Floors.

Floors repaired.....	8.
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Roofs.

Stripped or renewed.....	3.
Repaired.....	40.
Gutters & downspouts renewed or repaired....	23.

Cleansing.

Walls repaired cleansed or distempered.....	5.
Ceilings repaired or renewed.....	3.
New ceilings.....	1.

Windows.

Sashes and frames repaired or renewed.....	1.
Sills repaired or renewed.....	1.
Sash-cords provided (number of houses).....	-.

Brickwork.

Damp-proof courses provided.....	-
Brickwork repaired.....	2.
Chimney stacks rebuilt or repaired.....	1.
Dampness in walls remedied.....	8.
Walls repointed or rendered.....	-

Refuse.

Dustbins provided.....	41.
Accumulation of refuse removed.....	3.

General.

New ranges and grates provided.....	1.
Ranges and grates repaired.....	7.
Other defects (unclassified).....	2.
Vermineous rooms cleansed.....	3.

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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK.

The following licences were issued under the Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.

Pasteurised	10
Grade A (Tuberculin Tested)..	7
Pasteuriser's	1

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

The following foodstuffs were surrendered as unfit for human consumption:-

150 lbs.	Corned Beef.
30 lbs.	Tinned Ham.
24 lbs.	Sausages.
12 lbs.	Liver.
6 lbs.	Ox Tongue.
11 Tins	Stewed Steak.
1 Tin	Chicken Soup.
2 Tins	Salmon.
15 Tins	Pilchards.
7 Tins	Mackerel.
6 Tins	Sardines.
17 Tins	Baked Beans.
16 Tins	Condensed Milk.
23 Tins	Evaporated Milk.
2 Tins	Marmalade.
1 Tin	Peas.
14 Tins	Pork & Beans.
25 lbs.	Dried Peaches.
11 lbs.	Dried Figs.
4 lbs.	Sweets.
17 Packets	Pudding Mixture.
10 Stone	Skate.
4 Stone	Cod Chitterlings.
65 lbs.	Preserves.
28 lbs.	Sugar.
7 lbs.	Butter.
18 lbs.	Cooking Fat.
11 lbs.	Syrup.
2 cwt.	Potatoes.
1 cwt.	Swedes.
1 cwt.	Parsnips.
3 Sacks	Greens.
15 lbs.	Apples.
15 lbs.	Carrots.
2 Packets	Dried Egg.

TABLE 1.

ANALYSIS OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR ENDING
31st. DECEMBER, 1945.

Disease.	Number of cases notified.								Cases in each Ward.			Friern Hosp.	No. removed to Hosp.
	All.	Un.I.	1-5.	5-15.	15-25.	25-45.	45-65.	65 & O.	North.	South	Central.		
Scarlet Fever.	23	-	4	13	2	4	-	-	7	11	5	-	16
Diphtheria.	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2
Pneumonia.	12	1	3	1	-	1	1	5	2	3	3	4	-
Measles.	100	6	60	34	-	-	-	-	45	15	40	-	-
Whooping Cough	15	-	11	4	-	-	-	-	5	4	6	-	1
Dysentery.	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	-	1	-	4	1
Pulm. Tuberculosis.	56	1	1	2	9	16	6	1	8	13	15	-	-
Other Tuberculosis	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Malaria.	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
TOTALS.	196	8	82	54	12	24	8	8	68	49	71	8	20

TABLE 2.

ANALYSIS OF THE CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1945, FOR THE WHOLE DISTRICT.

Causes of Death.	No. Regd.	At ----- Ages.								Wards.				Out Tr.	In Tr.	M.	F.	Nett deaths.
		0-1	1-2	2-5	5-15	15-25	25-45	45-65	65&O.	N.	S.	C.	A.					
Accident	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	2	-	5	1	1	6	2	6	7
Appendicitis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1
Arterio-sclerosis	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	13	6	5	4	6	6	7	10	11	15
Bronchitis	11	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	7	3	1	5	4	4	2	7	6	9
Cancer	51	-	-	-	-	-	7	34	32	15	8	14	36	37	22	33	40	36
Cerebral-haemorrhage	22	-	-	-	-	-	3	8	18	6	4	10	9	10	7	15	14	19
Cerebral Thrombosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	-	2
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	-	-
Congenital debility	1	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	3	2	-	-	10	7	4	11
Dementia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
Diabetes	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	1
Epilepsy	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	-
General Paralysis	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	-	1	4	4	1	5	-	1
Heart Disease	96	-	-	-	-	-	8	24	91	24	24	36	39	40	27	55	68	83
Influenza	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Meningitis	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	3	3	1	1	3	1
Nephritis	10	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	4	-	-	3	9	9	2	8	4	3
Other Def. Diseases	12	-	-	-	2	-	3	10	11	4	4	7	11	11	14	17	9	15
Other Tubercular diseases	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other Violence	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
Pneumonia	24	1	-	-	-	-	6	13	15	5	4	5	21	22	11	21	14	13
Senility	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	2	-	-	3	2	1	3
Shock	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-
Suicide	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	2	-	1
Tuberculosis of Resp. system	15	-	-	-	1	5	10	5	1	1	6	4	11	14	7	15	7	9
War Operations	5	-	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	5	-	-
TOTALS	292	16	1	1	3	7	43	122	210	76	64	100	169	175	126	214	194	233

TABLE 3.

ANALYSIS OF CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFIED DURING 1945, AND THE MORTALITY FROM THE SAME DISEASE
OVER THE SAME PERIOD.

AGES.	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
0 - 1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10- 15	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
15- 20	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20- 25	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	-
25- 35	6	4	-	1	1	1	-	-
35- 45	2	2	-	1	2	-	-	-
45- 55	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
55- 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 & Over	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	17	14	-	2	3	2	1	-

TABLE 4

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

NETT DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES AT VARIOUS AGES UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE 1945.

	Under 1 week.	1 - 2 weeks.	2 - 3 weeks.	3 - 4 weeks.	Total under 4 weeks.	4 weeks and under 3 months.	3 months and under 6 months.	6 months and under 9 months.	9 months and under 12 months.	Total under 1 year.
All causes :-										
Certified.	1	3	1	2	11	1	4	1	1	16
Un -Certified.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Accident.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Accident at birth	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bronchitis.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Congenital defects.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gastro-enteritis	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pneumonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Prematurity	3	1	1	2	6	1	1	1	1	6