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THE ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS OF  
THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF EAST HAM

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report for the years 1960, 1961 and to point at once to the continued decline in population by 740 to 109,160 in 1960 and 3,690 to 105,470 in 1961. However, these figures should not be viewed in isolation but considered rather, in a more synoptic statistical survey. Thus we see that in 1955 there were 116,100 people living in 31,910 houses and the birthrate was 12.4, whereas to-day we find 105,470 occupying 32,480 houses, and the birth rate a fair index of social security has risen to 15.8 per 1,000 population.

In fact despite the fall in population, the number of births has risen from 1,441 in 1955 to 1,686 in 1960 and 1634 in 1961.

It is pleasing to observe also that the infantile mortality rate has fallen to 14.7 per 1,000 live births which is only one third the figure for 1943 and reflects the great progress made in the preservation of child life in the first year after birth. The same observation can be made in regard to the care of expectant and parturient women in that no woman died of puerperal sepsis and in each of the years under review only one mother died from causes associated with parturition.

Venereal Disease

In various parts of the country a marked increase in the incidence of venereal disease especially amongst young persons has caused considerable concern. It was feared that this riparian community with its indigenous 'youth problems' and influx of certain coloured people would share in the national upsurge of venereal disease, but happily this has not proved to be the case and the figures for these conditions show a marked decline on those for 1952.

Day Nursery Service

The era of the 'Welfare State' coupled with 'full employment is well reflected in the declining use made by the burgesses of the day nursery service. In 1950 the Council provided 293 places in four day nurseries for the reception of children in the approved categories and at the end of that year 257 names of children still in need of the service remained on the register. In 1960 only one day nursery with 74 approved places remained open, but 61 children required the service, and by the end of 1961 52 names remained on the register and the daily average attendance throughout the year had fallen to 44.

It was abundantly clear that the time had come for the review of this social service which for a variety of reasons had quietly run down and was no longer a pressing social necessity.

Cancer of the Lung

I feel it my duty again to bring this matter into a prominent place in my report

Year	Total Deaths	Cancer deaths (all forms)	% of total deaths	Deaths from Cancer of Lungs	% of total deaths
1950	1304	248	18.25	47 (includes 9 females)	3.60
1961	1214	291	23.97	84 (includes 15 females)	6.91

From this table it can be seen quite clearly that cancer of the lung is taking an increasing toll of mortality, in that the percentage of total deaths from this awful disease has almost doubled in a decade. Year after year I have inveighed against the habit of cigarette smoking as a direct cause of lung cancer, but with no avail as shown by the poignant figures here delineated. It is little consolation that my colleagues up and down the country also have met with no success, but nevertheless I shall pursue the policy of preaching the "no smoking gospel" in the schools to the younger age groups of boys and girls for I believe that here in spite of many adverse influences one's words may not all fall on stony soil.

#### General Practitioners and Ante Natal Care

Following on the recommendations of the Cranbrook Report the Council in their wisdom have agreed to the general practitioner obstetricians carrying out comprehensive ante natal and post natal supervision in local authority clinics.

It is too early to assess all the advantages that have accrued as a result of this liaison but there is no doubt it has resulted in an increasing number of doctors attending on women in their homes during childbirth, and has stimulated a refreshing revitalization of domiciliary obstetrics which could hardly have been achieved in any other way.

This is well exemplified in the appended table, from which it can be seen that in 1960 the doctor was present at the birth in 11% of booked cases, whereas in 1961 this figure had risen to 62%.

It must be a tremendous encouragement to parturient women to know that in addition to the competent midwife present the services of the general practitioner obstetrician are so readily available at home -

	1960	1961
Doctor booked for confinement and attended birth	22	134
Doctor booked for confinement and did not attend	195	215
Percentage of booked cases at which doctor was present at the birth	approx. 11%	approx. 62%
Total number of domiciliary confinements	321	356

In the body of the report will be found other interesting statistics of the personal health services and details of matters pertaining to the public health.

These years have marked steady progress in the forging of links of close working with the other two bodies under the National Health Service, directed towards one end, a better comprehensive medical service for the people of East Ham.

Once more I express my sincere thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committees in the years under review, for their patient consideration and constructive criticism of all matters submitted to them bearing on the public health of the borough, and to my Deputy, Dr. Allen and the Chief Administrative

Assistant, Mr. Horsnell and all the members of the professional and clerical staff who have displayed a great loyalty and exemplary industry in the conduct of the work of the Public Health Department.

I have the honour to remain Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. S. Coleman,

Medical Officer of Health and  
Principal School Medical Officer

STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

SOCIAL	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Area (in statute acres) land and water .. .. .	3,324	3,324
Population. Census - April 1951 .. .. .	120,873	120,873
Estimated civilian population - Mid. year .. .. .	109,160	105,470
Number of inhabited houses (end of year according to rate books) (including tenements and shops but excluding factories, cinemas, government properties corporation properties (offices and works), utility undertakings and other miscellaneous hereditaments not actually occupied as dwellings) .. .. .	32,402	32,480
Rateable value at 31st December .. .. .	£1,481,747	£1,485,913
Sum represented by a penny rate for the year .. .. .	£6,040	£6,050

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

			<u>1960</u>			<u>1961</u>		
			M	F	T	M	F	T
Live Births	{	Legitimate .. .. .	808	786	1,594	802	726	1,528
		Illegitimate .. .. .	50	42	92	59	47	106
	Totals .. .. .	<u>858</u>	<u>828</u>	<u>1,686</u>	<u>861</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>1,634</u>	
Still Births	{	Legitimate .. .. .	13	14	27	15	13	28
		Illegitimate .. .. .	1	1	2	1	1	2
	Totals .. .. .	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>30</u>	
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population .. .. .		15.4		15.5				
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 population .. .. .		0.26		0.28				
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Total (Live and Still) Births .. .. .		16.9		17.4				
Deaths	{	Males .. .. .		607		639		
		Females .. .. .		518		575		
	Totals .. .. .		<u>1,125</u>		<u>1,214</u>			
Death Rate per 1,000 population .. .. .		10.3		11.5				
Deaths from Cancer (all ages) .. .. .		249		291				

		<u>Deaths</u>		<u>Rate per 1,000 total (Live and Still) Births</u>	
		<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Deaths from Puerperal Causes					
Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .		-	-	-	-
Other Maternal Causes .. .. .		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.58</u>	<u>0.60</u>
Totals .. .. .		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.58</u>	<u>0.60</u>
Death Rates of infants under one year of age :-					
All infants per 1,000 live births .. .. .		24.3	14.7		
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births .. .. .		24.4	13.7		
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births .. .. .		21.7	28.3		

## POPULATION

The Registrar General's estimates of the population at 30th June each year were :-

1960	-	109,160
1961	-	105,470

The corresponding figure for 1959 was 109,900

The various rates per 1,000 population quoted in this report are based on the above estimates.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936 - SECTION 203

The following tabulation shows the number of births notified each year, as adjusted by transferred notifications :-

					<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	
(a)	Live Births:						
	(i)	Domiciliary	..	..	..	317	352
	(ii)	Institutional	..	..	..	1,365	1,274
(b)	Still Births:						
	(i)	Domiciliary	..	..	..	3	4
	(ii)	Institutional	..	..	..	24	22
(c)	Totals:						
	(i)	Domiciliary	..	..	..	320	356
	(ii)	Institutional	..	..	..	1,389	1,296
		Grand Totals	..			<u>1,709</u>	<u>1,652</u>

Number of premature infants notified during the years (including transferred notifications) where the mothers normally reside in the area.

					<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
(i)	Born at home	..	..	..	9	8
(ii)	Born in hospital or nursing home	..			99	97
	Totals	..			<u>108</u>	<u>105</u>

The number of births assigned to the area and birth rates for the years under review, with comparative figures for previous years are shown in the following tabulation :

					<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of live births	..	..	..	..	1,447	1,500	1,525	1,686	1,634
Birth rate per 1,000 population	..	..	..	..	12.8	13.5	13.8	15.4	15.5
Area comparability factor	..	..	..	..	0.98	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.00
Corrected birth rate	..	..	..	..	12.5	13.2	13.6	15.4	15.5
Birth rate for England and Wales	..	..	..	..	16.1	16.4	16.5	17.1	17.4

## STILL BIRTHS

The numbers of still births registered and the rates per 1,000 total (live and still) births are shown in the following table, together with comparable figures for the preceding three years :

					<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
No. of still births	..	..	..	..	42	29	26	29	30
Rate per 1,000 total births	..	..	..	..	28.2	18.9	16.7	16.9	17.4

The still birth mortality rates for England and Wales and East Ham are shown in the following table :-

TABLE 1

	Still births per 1,000 population				
	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
England and Wales .. .. .	0.37	0.36	0.35	0.34	0.34
East Ham .. .. .	0.37	0.26	0.23	0.26	0.28

## DEATHS

Details of deaths of residents in 1960 and 1961 with comparative figures are shown below :-

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of deaths notified .. .. .	1,246	1,134	1,172	1,125	1,214
Death rate per 1,000 population .. .. .	11.0	10.2	10.5	10.3	11.5
Area comparability factor .. .. .	1.11	1.09	1.08	1.07	1.05
Corrected death rate .. .. .	12.2	11.1	11.3	11.02	12.05
Death rate for England and Wales .. .. .	12.2	11.7	11.6	11.5	12.0
Number of deaths occurring in institutions ..	710	643	678	697	728
Number of deaths occurring outside the borough ..	626	583	626	627	615
Number of non-residents dying in the borough ..	91	71	73	75	93

## INFANTILE MORTALITY

The following tabulation shows details of deaths of infants under one year, comparative figures for England and Wales and for the years 1957 to 1961 being quoted :

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of deaths of infants under one year of age	22	27	30	41	24
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) ..	15.2	18.0	19.6	24.3	14.7
Rate for England and Wales .. .. .	23.1	22.6	22.2	21.9	21.6
Number of deaths of illegitimate infants under one year of age .. .. .	Nil	1	2	2	3
Mortality rate (per 1,000 illegitimate live births)	-	18.3	26.6	21.7	28.3

## NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

The number of deaths of children under the age of four weeks and the causes of such deaths were as follows :-

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of children dying under the age of four weeks	15	19	24	24	21
Neo-Natal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) ..	10.3	12.6	15.7	14.2	12.8

Cause of death	Number of deaths	
	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Atelectasis .. .. .	5	6
Premature Birth .. .. .	4	9
Congenital Malformation, Birth Injury, etc. ..	3	1
Other causes .. .. .	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>
Totals ..	<u>24</u>	<u>21</u>

## MATERNAL MORTALITY

There was one death from maternal causes in 1960 and one such death in 1961 giving a maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births of 0.58 for 1960 and 0.60 for 1961.

TABLE 2 - BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE AND ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY, 1960 AND 1961

	Year	Live Births per 1,000 Population	Still Births per 1,000 Total (Live and Still Births)	Annual Death Rates per 1,000 Population									
				All Causes	Malignant Neoplasm Lung and Bronchus	Acute Poliomyelitis	Pneumonia	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria	Influenza	Coronary & Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease	Tuberculosis (All Forms)	Deaths of Infants under one year (Rate per 1,000 Live Births)
England and Wales .. ..	1960	17.1	19.8	11.5	0.48	0.00	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.02	2.01	0.07	21.9
	1961	17.4	19.1	12.0	0.49	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.15	2.07	0.07	21.6
London - Administrative County .. ..	1960	17.8	17.9	11.4	0.70	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.02	0.08	21.6
	1961	18.7	18.3	11.9	0.67	0.00	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.08	2.05	0.10	21.5
EAST HAM .. ..	1960	15.4	16.9	10.3	0.69	-	0.60	-	-	0.00	1.98	0.08	24.3
	1961	15.5	17.4	11.5	0.79	-	0.73	-	-	0.07	2.16	0.04	14.7

A dash (-) signifies there were no deaths

TABLE 3 - CAUSES OF DEATH IN AGE GROUPS 1960, AND TOTAL DEATHS FOR THE YEARS 1956 - 1960

Reference No.	Cause of Death	Number of deaths of residents (including non-civilians) whether occurring within or without the district														Total deaths in Institutions		Total deaths for the years					Reference No.				
		All Ages		Under 1 Year		1 - 4 Years		5 - 14 Years		15 - 24 Years		25 - 44 Years		45 - 64 Years		65 - 74 Years		75 Years & over		M	F	1960		1959	1958	1957	1956
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F										
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory .. ..	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	2	-	1	-	7	8	5	20	12	1.
2.	Tuberculosis, other forms .. ..	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	1	2.
3.	Syphilitic Disease .. ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	4	1	4	3.
4.	Diphtheria .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.
5.	Whooping Cough .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.
6.	Meningococcal Infections .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	6.
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.
8.	Measles .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.
9.	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	1	9.
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ..	17	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	6	5	4	3	12	4	26	31	26	40	42	10.
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	68	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	32	2	23	3	12	3	35	4	76	69	57	63	52	11.	
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ..	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	9	-	7	-	6	-	15	26	20	24	19	30	12.		
13.	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ..	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	2	-	4	-	7	10	9	12	5	11	13.		
14.	Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	60	50	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	2	22	22	14	9	19	17	38	35	110	102	107	130	110	14.	
15.	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia .. ..	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	2	1	-	1	3	8	7	6	6	10	15.	
16.	Diabetes .. ..	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	8	12	7	4	9	16.		
17.	Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	54	82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	13	22	21	23	48	32	46	136	139	156	136	123	17.	
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina .. ..	132	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	44	13	42	30	44	42	80	47	217	209	211	232	167	18.	
19.	Hypertension with Heart Disease ..	15	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	6	8	10	4	8	31	16	23	22	28	19.	
20.	Other Heart Disease .. ..	55	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	9	9	12	7	33	50	42	59	124	169	144	182	192	20.		
21.	Other Circulatory Disease .. ..	22	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	6	6	5	8	10	7	16	43	43	47	44	51	21.		
22.	Influenza .. ..	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	22	3	17	2	22.		
23.	Pneumonia .. ..	34	32	5	5	1	-	1	-	-	1	4	3	5	7	19	15	22	15	66	61	72	87	63	23.		
24.	Bronchitis .. ..	50	21	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	3	20	5	17	12	35	9	71	78	75	72	94	24.		
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	7	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	1	2	-	1	7	2	10	14	11	10	14	25.		
26.	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ..	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	3	-	5	-	9	-	14	15	8	9	9	26.		
27.	Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ..	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	7	9	9	9	27.		
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis .. ..	3	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	2	1	3	2	5	10	8	8	13	11	28.		
29.	Hyperplasia of Prostate .. ..	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	3	2	9	4	11	29.		
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	-	1	30.	
31.	Congenital Malformations .. ..	5	10	3	6	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	4	7	15	10	7	6	13	31.		
32.	Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	29	43	8	10	1	-	-	1	-	2	-	8	9	2	10	7	14	27	29	72	78	65	71	85	32.	
33.	Motor Vehicle Accidents .. ..	4	5	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	1	2	1	2	-	-	4	4	9	14	9	15	6	33.	
34.	All Other Accidents .. ..	10	3	1	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	-	1	3	1	6	2	13	20	15	19	11	34.		
35.	Suicide .. ..	6	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	3	1	2	1	-	-	1	2	9	8	11	9	7	35.	
36.	Homicide and Operations of War ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36.	
TOTALS ..		607	517	19	22	3	1	2	2	8	2	14	13	179	102	171	131	211	244	372	324	1124	1172	1134	1246	1180	

TABLE 4 - CAUSES OF DEATH IN AGE GROUPS 1961 AND TOTAL DEATHS FOR THE YEARS 1957 - 1961

Reference No.	Cause of Death	Number of Deaths of Residents (including non-civilians) whether occurring within or without the district														Total deaths in Institutions		Total deaths for the years					Reference No.				
		All Ages		Under 1 Year		1 - 4 Years		5 - 14 Years		15 - 24 Years		25 - 44 Years		45 - 64 Years		65 - 74 Years		75 Years & over		M	F	1961		1960	1959	1958	1957
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F										
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory .. ..	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	3	-	4	7	8	5	20	1.		
2.	Tuberculosis, other forms .. ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	-	2.		
3.	Syphilitic Disease .. ..	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	4	1	3.		
4.	Diphtheria .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.		
5.	Whooping Cough .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.		
6.	Meningococcal Infections .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	6.	
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.	
8.	Measles .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.	
9.	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	1	-	-	9.	
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ..	23	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	9	11	8	4	9	11	8	49	26	31	26	40	10.	
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung Bronchus	69	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	32	6	22	1	13	6	36	8	84	76	69	57	63	11.	
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ..	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	5	-	2	-	8	19	26	20	24	19	12.	
13.	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ..	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	3	-	8	8	10	9	12	5	13.	
14.	Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	57	66	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	7	24	18	17	18	14	22	47	42	123	111	102	107	130	14.		
15.	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia .. ..	3	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	3	5	8	8	7	6	6	15.		
16.	Diabetes .. ..	2	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	3	1	2	1	3	9	8	12	7	4	16.		
17.	Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	43	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	14	14	16	23	44	28	46	117	136	139	156	136	17.		
18.	Coronary Disease Angina .. ..	155	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	71	11	44	28	37	33	71	30	228	217	209	211	232	18.		
19.	Hypertension with Heart Disease	8	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	3	3	9	4	5	21	31	16	23	22	19	19.		
20.	Other Heart Disease .. ..	55	99	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	2	7	13	11	18	32	66	63	154	124	169	144	182	20.		
21.	Other Circulatory Disease .. ..	27	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	4	8	5	13	22	14	18	58	43	43	47	44	21.		
22.	Influenza .. ..	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	2	1	-	8	3	22	3	17	22.		
23.	Pneumonia .. ..	40	37	3	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	5	2	14	5	17	27	32	28	77	66	61	72	87	23.		
24.	Bronchitis .. ..	56	28	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	3	22	5	24	20	33	18	84	71	78	75	72	24.		
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	3	2	8	10	14	11	10	25.		
26.	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ..	13	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	3	6	-	8	1	16	14	15	8	9	26.		
27.	Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	1	7	9	27.		
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis .. ..	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	2	1	1	4	4	7	13	10	8	8	13	28.		
29.	Hyperplasia of Prostate .. ..	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	2	-	6	-	7	3	2	9	4	29.	
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	1	30.	
31.	Congenital Malformations .. ..	2	3	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	5	15	10	7	6	31.		
32.	Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	39	37	12	4	-	1	1	-	1	3	-	8	8	6	9	17	30	27	76	72	78	65	71	32.		
33.	Motor Vehicle Accidents .. ..	5	6	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	4	5	11	9	14	9	15	33.	
34.	All Other Accidents .. ..	8	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	2	3	5	4	5	13	20	15	19	34.		
35.	Suicide .. ..	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	1	-	5	9	8	11	9	35.		
36.	Homicide and Operations of War ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	36.	
	TOTALS ..	639	575	18	6	-	2	3	2	3	4	23	18	195	113	193	132	204	298	387	341	1214	1125	1172	1134	1246	

CANCER						1950	1961
Total deaths	..	..	..	..	..	256	291
Male deaths	..	..	..	..	..	150	152
Female deaths	..	..	..	..	..	106	139

TABLE 5 - CANCER DEATHS 1960 AND 1961 - LOCATION OF THE DISEASE

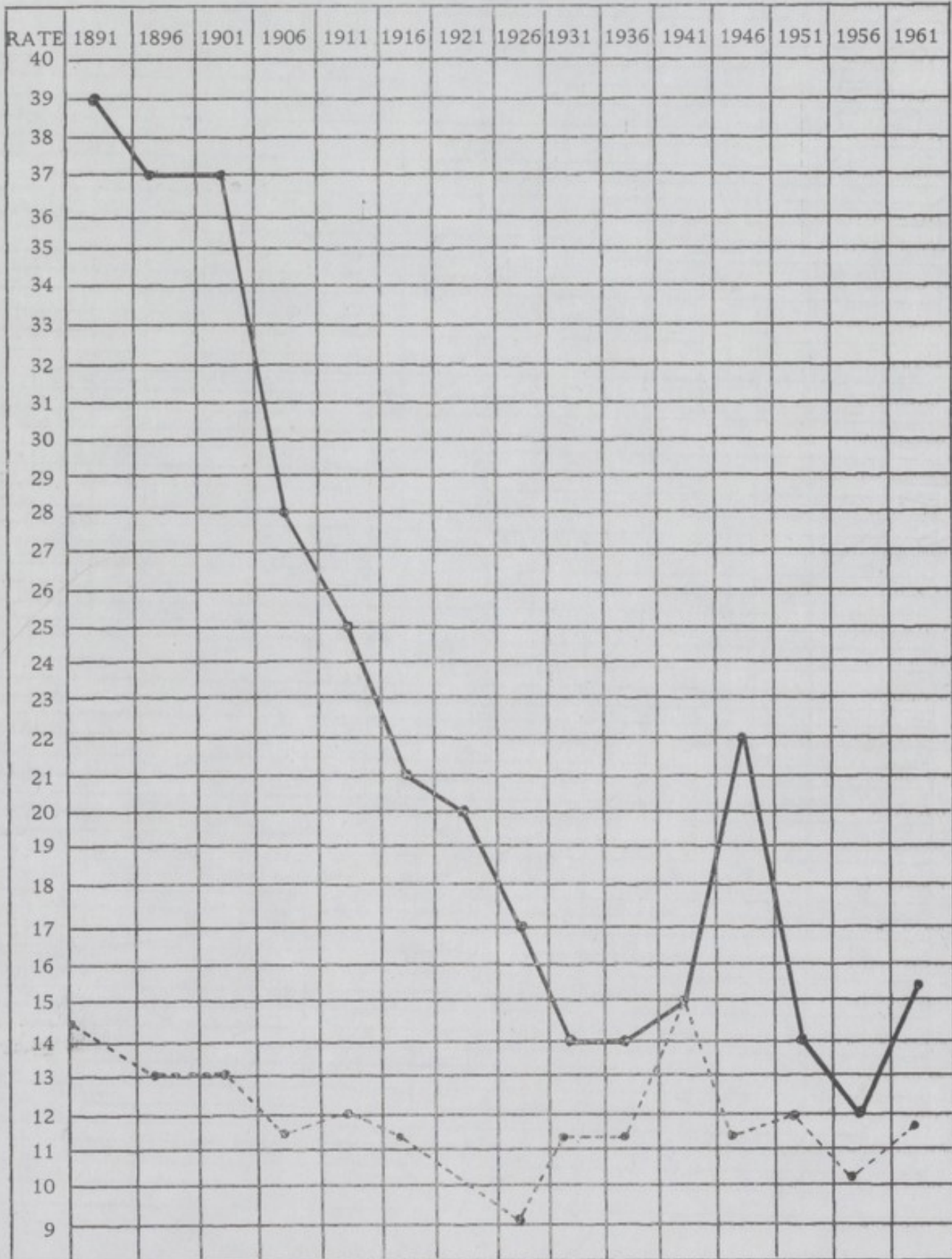
Parts of Body Affected	Year	Under 15		15-24		25-44		45-54		65-74		75 and upwards		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Buccal Cavity and Pharynx	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	1	1	4	1	8	5
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Digestive Organs and Peritoneum ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	1	16	7	8	7	9	12	33	27
	1961	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	11	16	11	2	17	29	39
Lungs, Bronchus ..	1960	-	-	-	-	1	-	32	2	23	3	12	3	68	8
	1961	-	-	-	-	2	2	32	6	22	1	13	6	69	15
Other Respiratory Organs ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uterus .. ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	2	-	4	-	10
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	3	-	8
Other Female Genital Organs .. ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	6
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	6	-	2	-	1	-	12
Breast .. ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	9	-	7	-	6	-	26
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	5	-	2	-	19
Male Genital Organs	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Urinary Organs ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	6	1	11	1
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	7	-	5	-	17	-
Leukaemia and Aleukaemia ..	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	2	1	-	5	3
	1961	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	3	5
Brain and other parts of Nervous System	1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
	1961	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	1	1	-	-	-	5	3
Other or Unspecified Organs .. ..	1960	1	-	1	-	3	1	9	8	6	5	4	6	24	20
	1961	-	-	-	-	1	3	13	9	4	13	11	13	29	38
TOTALS	1960	1	-	1	-	4	7	65	38	43	28	36	33	150	106
	1961	-	1	-	1	6	10	64	52	51	33	31	42	152	139

BIRTH AND DEATH RATES (PER 1,000 POPULATION) 1891 - 1961

BIRTH RATE —————

DEATH RATE - - - - -

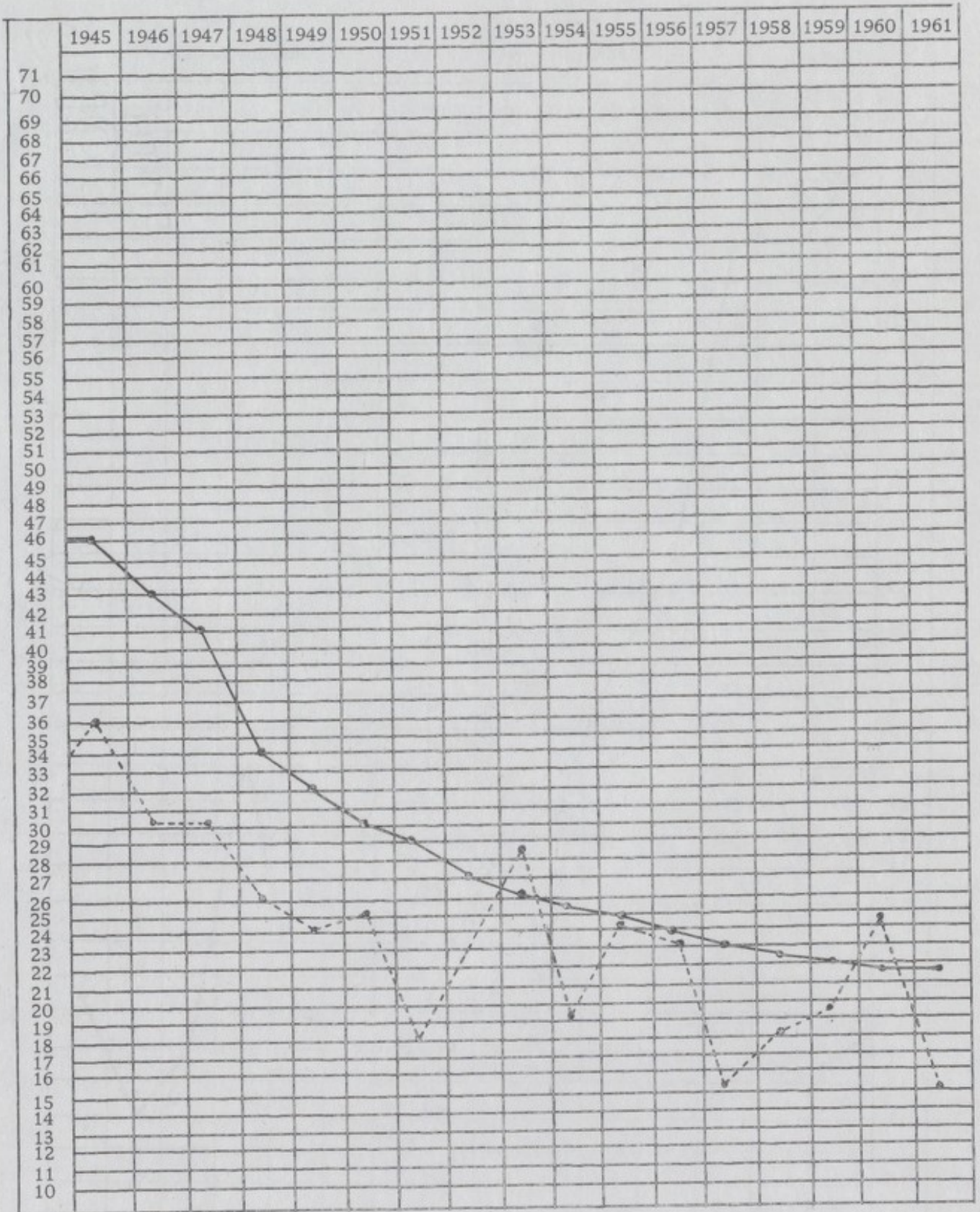
The high death rate in 1941 was due to deaths resulting from enemy action



INFANTILE MORTALITY RATES (PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS) 1945 - 1961

England and Wales —————

East Ham - - - - -



## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The quarterly returns to the Registrar-General were as follows :-

TABLE 6

DISEASE	QUARTER ENDING 31.3.60	QUARTER ENDING 30.6.60	QUARTER ENDING 30.9.60	QUARTER ENDING 31.12.60	TOTAL 1960	QUARTER ENDING 31.3.61	QUARTER ENDING 30.6.61	QUARTER ENDING 30.9.61	QUARTER ENDING 31.12.61	TOTAL 1961
Scarlet Fever .. ..	31	25	15	16	87	11	9	7	6	33
Whooping Cough .. ..	24	73	121	61	279	9	19	7	2	37
* Acute Poliomyelitis ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Measles .. .. .	2	2	14	41	59	1068	414	100	2	1584
Diphtheria .. .. .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia .. .. .	6	4	2	12	24	14	8	3	2	27
Dysentery .. .. .	1	9	2	1	13	-	5	1	1	7
Typhoid Fever .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas .. .. .	3	2	2	1	8	4	2	3	-	9
Meningococcal Infection	1	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	1
Food Poisoning .. ..	2	4	4	2	12	1	1	7	4	13
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	3	-	3
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis - Respiratory	13	15	13	7	48	16	19	18	22	75
Tuberculosis - Meninges & C.N.S. .. .. .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis - Other ..	4	1	1	-	6	-	-	3	1	4
Malaria .. .. .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Acute Encephalitis ..	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

\* This case of Acute Poliomyelitis was paralytic

There were no deaths from the seven principal Zymotic diseases (Smallpox, Whooping Cough, Measles, Diphtheria, Diarrhoea, Scarlet Fever and Enteric Fever.)

Details of the Notifications of tuberculosis are set out in Table 7.

TABLE 7 - PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1952  
SUMMARY OF NOTIFICATIONS DURING THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JANUARY, 1960  
TO THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1961

## Formal Notifications

Age Periods		Number of Primary Notifications of new cases of tuberculosis													Total (all ages)
		0-	1-	2-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	
Respiratory, Males ..	1960	1	-	1	1	-	3	2	1	6	8	1	4	1	29
	1961	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	6	9	7	10	7	-	47
Respiratory, Females ..	1960	-	1	-	-	1	4	2	4	3	2	2	-	-	19
	1961	-	-	1	-	-	1	6	3	4	6	3	1	2	27
Non-Respiratory, Males ..	1960	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	1961	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Non-Respiratory, Females	1960	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	1961	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	3

During this period two new cases of Tuberculosis came to the knowledge of the department other than by formal notification. Details are as follows :-

		Age Group	Notified By
1960	1 Male	55 - 64 yrs.	Local Registrar of Births & Deaths
1961	1 Male	65 - 74 yrs.	" " " "

## FOOD POISONING

In accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 46/49, the following information was supplied :-

(1) (a) Food Poisoning Notifications (Corrected) Return to Registrar-General :-

	1960	1961
1st Quarter .. .. .	2	1
2nd Quarter .. .. .	4	1
3rd Quarter .. .. .	4	7
4th Quarter .. .. .	2	4
Total	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>
(b) Cases otherwise ascertained .. .. .	Nil	Nil
(c) Symptomless Excreters .. .. .	Nil	Nil
(d) Fatal Cases .. .. .	Nil	Nil

## (2) Particulars of Outbreaks

TABLE 8

	YEAR	Number of Outbreaks		Number of Cases		Total No. of Cases
		Family Outbreaks	Other Outbreaks	Notified	Otherwise Ascertained	
<u>Agent Identified as "CLOSTRIDIUM WELCHII"</u>	1960	-	1	4	-	4
<u>Agent Not Identified</u>	1960	-	-	-	-	-

There were no outbreaks during 1961

## (3) Single Cases

The various organisms identified in each case as the cause of illness were :-

	1960	1961
Salmonella Typhi-Murium ..	6	11
Salmonella Menston .. ..	-	2
Salmonella Heidelberg ..	1	-
Salmonella Potsdam .. ..	1	-
	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>

## VENEREAL DISEASES

The following statistics have been abstracted from copies of form V.D.(R), which have been received from the Hospitals named and total figures for 1958 and 1959 are also shown :-

Patients Dealt With for the First Time  
During the Year

	1960				1961			
	Syphilis	Gonorrhoea	Other Conditions	Total	Syphilis	Gonorrhoea	Other Conditions	Total
Whitechapel Clinic, London Hospital	6	31	111	148	-	8	22	30
Albert Dock Hospital .. ..	-	1	28	29	-	4	18	22
Queen Mary's Hospital, E. 15 .. ..	4	19	45	68	3	8	41	52
Totals ..	<u>10</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>104</u>
Totals for 1958 .. ..	5	33	131	169				
Totals for 1959 .. ..	6	32	147	185				

A study of the statistics for the years 1958-1961 shows a marked decline in the number of new cases of venereal disease seeking treatment for the first time in 1961.

This is very gratifying, in view of the repeated assertions in the public press of a nation wide increase in venereal disease, variously attributable to 'teenage' immorality, influx of coloured populations, decay of family life, development of resistant forms of organisms to known antibiotics and lack of sex education among adolescents.

In fact no increase of venereal diseases is ascertainable in our borough. Quite the contrary, our statistics show a substantial decline, which trend we hope, fervently, may be maintained.

#### CHILDREN'S ACT - NURSERY AND SCATTERED HOMES

The statistics for the two years are appended :-

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
1. Average number in nursery and homes throughout the year	50.5	40
2. No. chargeable to East Ham on 1st January .. ..	51	49
3. No. chargeable to East Ham on 31st December .. ..	49	37
4. Average weekly admissions .. .. .	2.4	2.4
5. Average weekly discharges .. .. .	2.5	2.6

The medical officers of the Public Health Department continue to give a comprehensive medical service to the children in the residential nursery at Brading Crescent and the scattered homes in Woodford, East Ham and Ilford. A rota of medical duties is prepared to cover working days, night calls and weekends.

The appended figures show the effect of the Council's policy of 'boarding out' children in care, rather than accommodating them in Homes or large Nurseries.

Few will deny the modern concept that, for a child, a home with surrogate parents, is to be preferred to an institution of any kind, however well run.

The Children's Committee and the Children's Officer are to be congratulated on the vigorous way in which they pursue this most desirable method of placement of their charges.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Average No. of children in homes throughout the year</u>
1952	353
1953	324
1954	203
1955	149
1956	106
1957	91
1958	78
1959	60.6
1960	50.5
1961	40

## PUBLIC MORTUARY - STATISTICS

AUTHORITY	YEAR 1960		YEAR 1961	
	No. of Bodies Received	No. of Autopsies Performed	No. of Bodies Received	No. of Autopsies Performed
EAST HAM .. ..	158	157	184	179
BARKING .. ..	33	33	36	35
DAGENHAM .. ..	18	18	13	13
ILFORD .. ..	5	5	5	4
LEYTON .. ..	1	-	-	-
WANSTEAD .. ..	-	-	8	8
EAST HAM HOSPITAL	-	-	6	2
TOTALS ..	215	213	252	241

It can be seen from the statistical table that considerable use is made of our mortuary facilities by neighbouring authorities.

The table that follows sets out the total reception of cadavers and autopsies performed in each of the last 5 years.

It can be seen that in almost every case autopsy is carried out and this is done by a pathologist designated by the Coroner.

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of bodies received</u>	<u>No. of autopsies performed</u>
1957	290	289
1958	224	225
1959	238	236
1960	215	213
1961	252	241

Comment should also be made on arrangements made in 1961 with the Hospital Management Committee (No. 9 Group), for the reception of bodies from East Ham Memorial Hospital especially during the summer months, for storage and autopsy because of lack of refrigeration in the hospital mortuary.

## NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

The above section of the National Assistance Act, 1948, deals with the removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention. It has not been found necessary for action to be taken under this section during the years 1960 and 1961.

## WATER SUPPLY

- (i) The water supply of the Borough in its several parts had been satisfactory both in quality and quantity.
- (ii) All houses in the area have water services laid on from the Metropolitan Water Board's mains. No bacteriological or chemical analyses were made by this Authority on the raw water going into supply.
- (iii) The water supply of this district from the Metropolitan Water Board does not give rise to plumbo-solvent action.
- (iv) There were no contamination areas.

## REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

Under Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936, there were no homes registered during the years 1960 to 1961, and there were no homes on the register at the end of either year.

## FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948

In accordance with the Factories Act, 1937 and at the request of the Minister of Labour and National Service, the following information is included in this report.

TABLE 10  
FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 AND 1948  
YEARS 1960 & 1961

## 1. - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

	Number on Register		Number of					
			Inspections		Written notices		Occupiers prosecuted	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
(i) Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities .. .. .	50	48	43	50	1	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority .. .. .	263	259	248	262	1	1	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	313	307	291	312	2	1	-	-

## 2. - CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they are considered as two, three or more "cases"

PARTICULARS	Number of cases in which defects were found								Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted	
	Found		Remedied		Referred					
					To H.M. Inspector		By H.M. Inspector		1960	1961
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ..	4	20	3	15	-	-	1	1	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2) .. .. .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)										
(a) insufficient .. .. .	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective ..	-	4	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	8	25	5	18	-	-	2	1	-	-



NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE  
ACT, 1946

SECTIONS 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 51.

Full details of the Council's proposals approved by the Minister of Health, as indicated in my report for 1948, have been published in booklet form and are available for reference.

SECTION 22 - CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

DENTAL CARE

TABLE 11  
NUMBERS PROVIDED WITH DENTAL CARE

		Examined	Needing treatment	Treated	Made dentally fit
Expectant & Nursing Mothers	1960	130	128	126	47
	1961	157	150	133	64
Children under five .. ..	1960	260	242	223	94
	1961	267	228	205	117

TABLE 12  
FORMS OF DENTAL TREATMENT PROVIDED

		Ex-tractions	General Anaesthetics	Fill-ings	Scalings or scaling and gum treatment	Silver Nitrate treatment	Radio-graphs	Dentures provided	
								Com-plete	Par-tial
Expectant & Nursing Mothers	1960	321	95	127	27	-	1	14	16
	1961	291	61	171	32	3	8	14	12
Children under five	1960	314	152	93	3	116	-	-	-
	1961	277	122	57	6	109	2	-	-

From the table appended it can be seen that fewer expectant and nursing mothers and their young children (under 5 years) received dental treatment in the two years under review than in 1958/1959.

TABLE 13

	Year	Examined	Needed treatment	Accepted treatment	Made dentally fit
Expectant and Nursing Mothers	1958 & 1959	382	372	343	224
	1960 & 1961	287	278	259	111
Children under five .. ..	1958 & 1959	598	566	534	463
	1960 & 1961	527	470	428	211

This of course was greatly to be regretted and was due entirely to the shortage of dental staff and the difficulty experienced in the recruitment of full time dental officers. The staffing position can be readily assessed by reference to the note on dental staff that follows. Furthermore the Oral Hygienist left in 1959.

TABLE 14

	DENTAL STAFF	
	Principal Dental Officer	Assistant Dental Officers
1.1.60	1	1
1.7.60	1	3 part-time equivalent to 1 full-time officer.
1.1.61	1	4 part-time equivalent to $1\frac{3}{11}$ " " "
1.7.61	1	4 part-time equivalent to $1\frac{2}{11}$ " " "
1.1.62	1	1 full-time 2 part-time equivalent to $1\frac{7}{11}$ " " "

Our full establishment is one Principal Dental Officer and three whole time Dental Officers and one Oral Hygienist.

It should be remembered that nation wide studies have demonstrated that at three years of age 15 out of every 100 children have 10 or more carious teeth i.e. they have lost, virtually half their deciduous dentition.

By the age of 4 years this has increased to 20 out of every 100, so that the importance of early dental care and supervision in very young children cannot be overstressed.

Every effort is being made to recruit dental officers to combat the serious position, which of course poses a problem not peculiar to East Ham alone.

TABLE 15  
ANTE-NATAL AND POST-NATAL CLINICS

(1)	No. of clinics provided at end of year (whether held at Child Welfare Centres or other premises)		No. of Sessions held per month at clinics included in col. (2)		No. of women in attendance				Total No. of attendances made by women included in col.(4) during the year	
					No. of women who attended during the year		No. of new cases included in col.(4) i.e. for A.N. clinics women who had not previously attended any clinic during current pregnancy & for P.N. clinics women who had not previously attended any P.N. clinic after last confinement			
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
<u>Local Health Authority Clinics</u>										
Ante-natal clinics	4	4	36	36	1,070	1,152	888	893	4,051	4,614
Post-natal clinics $\phi$	-	-	-	-	148	180	148	180	161	180
<u>Clinic belonging to other L.H.A.*</u>										
Ante-natal clinics	1	1	4	4	19	12	14	7	56	69
Post-natal clinics $\phi$	-	-	-	-	14	3	13	3	3	4

\* By arrangements with L.C.C. at Fernhill Street Baths, North Woolwich, E. 16

$\phi$  Post-natal patients seen at ante-natal clinics and these numbers are not included in the ante-natal figures

No clinics were discontinued or new premises open during the year

No ante-natal or post-natal examinations were carried out by General Practitioners at the mother's home or the practitioner's surgery under arrangements made with the Local Health Authority

Mothers for domiciliary confinement are seen at the Ante-Natal clinics by the General Practitioner Obstetricians and midwives with whom they are booked

The General Practitioner obstetricians are not paid sessional fees by the Authority.

TABLE 16  
CHILD WELFARE CENTRES, 1960

	Number of centres provided at end of year	Number of Child Welfare Sessions held per month at centres	Number of children who first attended a centre during the year, and who at their first attendance were under 1 year of age	Number of children who attended during the year and who were born in:			Total Number of children who attended during the year	Number of attendances during the year made by children who at the date of attendance were:			Total attendances during the year
				1960	1959	1958-55		Under 1 year	1 but under 2	2 but under 5	
Local Health Authority Centres	4	36	1,387	1,256	864	318	2,438	13,918	1,836	1,602	17,356
Centre belonging to other L. H. A. *	1	4	22	15	13	13	41	147	41	27	215

\* By arrangement with L. C. C. at Fernhill Street Baths, North Woolwich, E. 16.

Note: - No clinics were discontinued or new premises opened during the year

TABLE 17  
CHILD WELFARE CENTRES, 1961

	Number of centres provided at end of year	Number of Child Welfare Sessions held per month at centres	Number of children who first attended a centre during the year, and who at their first attendance were under 1 year of age	Number of children who attended during the year and who were born in:			Total Number of children who attended during the year	Number of attendances during the year made by children who at the date of attendance were:			Total attendances during the year
				1961	1960	1959-56		Under 1 year	1 but under 2	2 but under 5	
Local Health Authority Centres	4	36	1,328	1,197	891	307	2,395	12,931	1,842	1,715	16,488
Centre belonging to other L.H.A. *	1	4	15	14	10	11	35	249	24	26	299

\* By arrangement with L.C.C. at Fernhill Street Baths, North Woolwich, E. 16.  
No clinics were discontinued or new premises opened during the year

## DAY NURSERY

TABLE 18

Year	Number at 31st December	No. of approved places		No. of children on the register at the end of the year		Average daily attendance during the year	
		0 - 2 years	2 - 5 years	0 - 2 years	2 - 5 years	0 - 2 years	2 - 5 years
1960	1	27	47	15	46	13.94	38.35
1961	1	27	47	16	36	14.3	29.9

There are no Nurseries in the borough provided by Voluntary Organisations, the one nursery being operated by the authority.

The fact looms large that over the past three years the need for a Day Nursery Service has been a steadily decreasing one. Reference has already been made to this social problem in the foreword to this report. It suffices here to say that the Health Committee will be asked to reconsider the need for the continuation of the Service in its present form and the question of closure of the remaining Day Nursery at St. Stephens Road. Of course provision will have to be made for an alternative method of care for a certain residual group of children, but the number involved will be small. With the closure of the Day Nursery considerable financial economies can be anticipated.

## NURSERY AND CHILD-MINDERS REGULATION ACT, 1948

There were no daily minders provided by the Council during the years and there were no premises or daily minders registered under the above Act at 31st December in each year.

The Authority do not pay any fees to daily minders under section 22 of the National Health Service Act, 1946.

## CARE OF UNMARRIED MOTHERS

The Authority does not provide a Mother and Baby Home, but, where necessary patients are admitted to homes maintained by voluntary Moral Welfare Associations or by other Local Health Authorities.

During 1960 the Council accepted financial responsibility for the maintenance of one unmarried mother and for seven unmarried mothers in 1961.

These mothers were cared for in recognised mother and baby homes, the period of care varying from one to 10 weeks.

## ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN (Circular 2866)

The Council do not employ a social worker for the purposes of the above Circular.

These duties are undertaken by the Superintendent Health Visitor, and close co-operation is maintained with the Children's Officer and the Chief Education Officer.

## SECTION 23 - MIDWIFERY SERVICE

These years have been difficult ones for the domiciliary midwives, and for long periods four midwives only were active in the borough. Shortage of trained midwives is a national problem, and difficulties in recruitment particularly marked in East Ham owing to the unattractive nature of the area, and lack of inducements such as provision of housing and car by the employing Authority. In spite of shortage of staff the instruction of the midwifery pupils allocated has proceeded normally, thanks to the energy of Mrs. Lloyd-Owen and Miss Stevens.

As mentioned in the foreword the General Practitioner Obstetrician scheme started in May 1961 and was followed by a great resurgence of interest of many local doctors in domiciliary midwifery and ante-natal and post-natal care. For the first time general practitioners can examine their own expectant mothers under ideal conditions with ancillary clerical and Health Visitor advisory services readily available. The midwife too is present whenever possible to complete liaison and share with the general practitioner obstetrician the full surveillance of all aspects of the ante-natal period.

It is too early to report fully on this local authority-general practitioner co-operation, but the experiment will be watched with interest by the Health Committee.

TABLE 19

NUMBER OF DELIVERIES ATTENDED BY MIDWIVES EMPLOYED BY THE AUTHORITY DURING THE YEAR											
Domiciliary Cases										Cases in Institutions	
Doctor not booked				Doctor booked				Totals			
Doctor present at time of delivery of child		Doctor not present at time of delivery of child		Doctor present at time of delivery of child (either the booked Doctor or another)		Doctor not present at time of delivery of child					
1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
3	3	101	3	195	134	22	215	321	355	-	-

TABLE 20

DOMICILIARY MIDWIVES EMPLOYED BY THE AUTHORITY  
- ANALGESIA AND ADMINISTRATION OF PETHIDINE

	Number of domiciliary midwives practising in the area at end of year who were qualified to administer inhalational analgesics in accordance with the requirements of the Central Midwives Board	Number of sets of apparatus for the administration of inhalational analgesics in use at end of year		Number of cases in which inhalational analgesics were administered by midwives in domiciliary practice during the year :-				Number of cases in which pethidine was administered by midwives in domiciliary practice during the year :-	
				When doctor was present at time of delivery of child		When doctor was not present at time of delivery of child		When doctor was present at time of delivery of child	When doctor was not present at time of delivery of child
		Gas and air	"Tri-lene"	Gas and air	"Tri-lene"	Gas and air	"Tri-lene"		
1960	4	4	-	16	-	218	-	20	114
1961	4	4	-	98	-	198	-	47	87

During the two years the only midwives practising in the area were those employed by the local Health Authority.

Number of cases in which medical aid was summoned by a midwife under section 14(1) of the Midwives Act, 1951 :-

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
(a) for domiciliary cases -		
(i) where the medical practitioner had arranged to provide the patient with maternity medical services under the N.H.S. Act .. ..	48	-
(ii) others .. ..	<u>18</u>	<u>-</u>
Total ..	<u>66</u>	<u>-</u>
 (b) Number of cases delivered in institutions but attended by domiciliary midwives on discharge from institutions and before the fourteenth day in 1960 and before the tenth day in 1961 ..	39	70

## SECTION 24 - HEALTH VISITING SERVICE

In my report for 1959 I stressed the reorientation of the Health Visitors' duties, referring particularly to the Mental Health field work with old people and problem families.

For some time now a number of Health Visitors have shown a predilection to work in schools with both sexes on Health Education and sex education, and the Deputy Superintendent Health Visitor herself is actively engaged in furthering plans for such instruction and carrying the work into the Youth Centres and social groups.

This is very vital and rewarding work but can be done only by Health Visitors attuned to the task.

Ministry of Health Circular 1/62 para. 7a

Isolated Health Visitors have worked with general practitioners in the conduct of their 'practice infant welfare clinics' and this is welcomed by the mothers. But shortage of trained Health Visitors makes it difficult if not impossible at this juncture, to allocate Health Visitors to work with general practitioners, or groups of general practitioners exclusively. However, the duties of the Health Visitor will remain under constant review to allow for pilot schemes of liaison with general practitioners should the staffing position make this possible.

Ministry of Health Circular 1/62 para. 7b.

In regard to arrangements for Health Visitor follow up of patients discharged from hospital. The Superintendent Health Visitor had prepared a 'roads list' indicating the Health Visitor allocated to all the houses in areas of the borough and these Health Visitor roads lists are in the hands of all Hospital Almoners in our Catchment Area.

The Almoner has no difficulty either to contact the Superintendent Health Visitor or the Health Visitor concerned as indicated by the patient's address in East Ham, requesting follow up and report, should the latter also be necessary.

This system is working well and of course the initiative rests with the Almoners to ensure that follow up after discharge from hospital (especially of important cases) is in fact asked for through the established channels.

TABLE 21

## HEALTH VISITORS - STATISTICS

		Number of children under 5 years of age visited during year	Expectant Mothers	Children under 1 year of age	Children age 1 and under 2 years	Children age 2 but under 5 years	Other Cases	Total number of families or households visited by Health Visitors	Number of attendances by Health Visitors at Clinic Sessions
			Total Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits		
Effective Visits	1960	8,539	2,160	8,158	3,932	6,204	4,600	8,713	2,577
	1961	7,231	2,021	7,343	3,492	5,052	5,501	7,383	2,627
No Access Visits	1960		542	1,878	977	1,163	951		
	1961		454	1,062	522	568	579		

A "No Access" or ineffective visit is one in which the Health Visitor did not make contact with the individual to be visited or a responsible representative of that individual.

## SECTION 25 - HOME NURSING SERVICE

As mentioned in my report for 1959 the administrative headquarters for this service were transferred in April 1959 from their 'Home' in Shrewsbury Road (which was demolished under a housing scheme) to offices in the Town Hall Annexe.

Necessarily all the District Nurses live in their own homes and are supplied with telephones.

It is difficult to maintain a full establishment of nurses for a variety of reasons, ranking high among the latter, are the refusal to make cars available or give car allowances, and to link the posts to residential accommodation provided by the employing Authority.

With the rise in numbers of old persons in our borough this service plays an increasing role in the medico-social life of the community, and study of the statistical table reveals the large number of 'nursing visits' absorbed by about one-third of the cases during the years under review. It can be assumed that most of these cases are old people.

The burgesses owe a great debt of gratitude to the dedicated nurses in this service, for without them it is quite apparent the general practitioner domiciliary service would break down.

The district nurse is indeed the handmaiden of the family doctor and carries high the "Nightingale" lamp in many a household darkened by sickness and despair.

TABLE 22  
HOME NURSING - STATISTICS

	Year	TYPE OF CASE							Number of Patients who were 65 or over at the time of the first visit during the year	Number of Children who were under 5 at the time of the first visit during the year	Number of Patients who had more than 24 visits during the year
		Medical	Surgical	Infectious Diseases	Tuber- culosis	Maternal Compli- cations	Others	Totals			
Number of cases attended by Home Nurses during the year L.H.A.	1960	1,209	139	1	44	15	109	1,517	493	36	432
	1961	1,246	122	8	21	4	35	1,436	610	22	523
Woolwich & Plumstead D.N.A. by arrangement	1960	45	2	-	-	2	1	50	22	3	7
	1961	39	2	-	3	-	5	49	15	5	11
Number of visits paid by Home Nurses during the year L.H.A.	1960	48,607	5,267	38	2,302	109	191	56,514	36,821	177	45,721
	1961	43,128	5,857	47	2,081	83	201	51,422	36,767	86	43,850
Woolwich & Plumstead D.N.A. by arrangement	1960	863	40	-	-	19	6	928	589	22	507
	1961	916	88	-	79	-	31	1,114	758	72	728

## SECTION 26 - VACCINATION &amp; IMMUNISATION

Vaccination or Immunisation is undertaken against the following diseases -

Diphtheria	Smallpox
Whooping Cough	Tuberculosis
Poliomyelitis	

TABLE 23

## SMALLPOX VACCINATION

		Number of persons vaccinated or re-vaccinated					Totals
		Age at date of vaccination					
		Under 1 year	1 year	2 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	Over 14 years	
Number Vaccinated	1960	629	89	36	22	56	832
	1961	521	118	50	56	84	829
Number re-vaccinated	1960	1	-	4	7	102	114
	1961	2	1	8	17	129	157

All vaccinations were carried out by general practitioners.

There were no cases specially reported during the period under review of :-

- Generalised vaccinia.
- Post-vaccinal encephalomyelitis.
- Death from complications of vaccinations other than (a) and (b).

TABLE 24

## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

	Immunisation carried out by	Age at date of final injection or of reinforcing injection as appropriate						Total	
		Under 1 year		1 - 4 years		5 - 14 years			
		1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
Number of children who completed a full course of primary immunisation during the year	General Practitioners	681	303	257	756	38	124	976	1183
	Local Health Authority	356	164	189	372	50	108	595	644
	Totals	1037	467	446	1128	88	232	1571	1827
Number of children who received a secondary or reinforcing injection during the year	General Practitioners	2	-	97	54	162	443	261	497
	Local Health Authority	-	-	466	91	128	639	594	730
	Totals	2	-	563	145	290	1082	855	1227

TABLE 25  
WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION

	Immunisation carried out by	Age at date of final injection					
		0 - 4 years		5 - 14 years		Total	
		1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
Children who completed a full course of injections	General Practitioners	857	951	18	75	875	1026
	Local Health Authority	441	498	14	58	455	556
		1298	1449	32	133	1330	1582

TABLE 26  
POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

Class	Number vaccinated with two injections during the year					
	By General Practitioners		In Authority Clinics		Total	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
Children & Young Persons born in years 1943 - 61	1336	1615	531	653	1867	2268
Young Persons born in years 1933-42	447	439	336	130	783	569
Persons born before 1933 who have not passed their 40th Birthday	1356	912	1111	322	2467	1234
Other Priority Groups	3	3	2	-	5	3
	3142	2969	1980	1105	5122	4074

At the 31st December 1960, 23,753 persons had received their 3rd injections  
At the 31st December 1961, 27,064 persons had received their 3rd injections

## SECTION 27 - AMBULANCE SERVICE

TABLE 27  
STATISTICS FOR YEARS ENDING 31.3.61 AND 31.3.62

			Ambulance 2/4 Stretchers	Dual Purpose Vehicles (1 or 2 Stretchers)	Sitting Case Vehicles	Totals
Number of Vehicles as at 31st March		1960/61	4	6	1	11
		1961/62	4	6	1	11
Number of Patients Carried	Accident & Emergency	1960/61	1,344	64		1,408
		1961/62	1,352	90		1,442
	Others	1960/61	14,591	29,728		44,319
		1961/62	11,992	27,112		39,104
Total Mileage		1960/61	60,534	101,154		161,688
		1961/62	56,344	97,542		153,886

During the year ended 31,3,61 two dual purpose vehicles were purchased to replace two ambulances 2/4 stretchers.

During the year ended 31.3.62 one 2/4 stretcher ambulance and one dual purpose vehicle were purchased to replace two similar vehicles.

#### Safe Driving Awards

Twelve drivers obtained awards in the National Safe Driving Competition during the year ended 31.3.61 and twenty drivers received similar awards during the year ended 31.3.62

The following graph shows the work of the service for the period 1951 - 1962 -

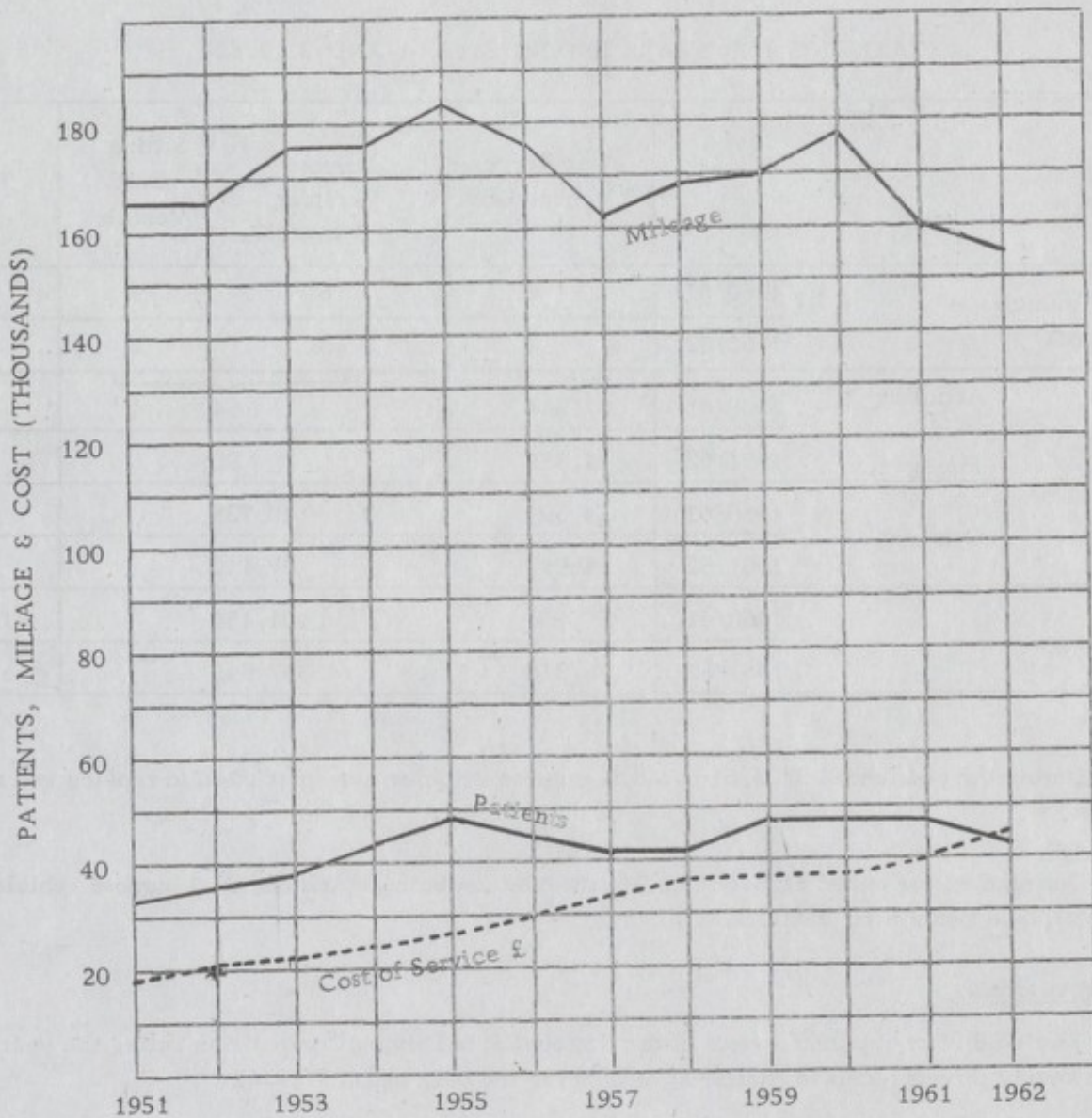


TABLE 28

## UNIT COST AMBULANCE SERVICE

YEAR	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Cost per Vehicle Mile	2/4	2/5	2/7	2/9	3/1	3/4	4/-	4/3	4/5	4/4	4/7½	5/8
Cost per Patient	11/10	11/8	11/6	11/11	11/10	13/5	15/6	17/7	16/6	16/7	16/3	21/4
Cost per 1,000 Population	£160	£167	£186	£205	£235	£258	£282	£313	£336	£346	£340	£410
No. of Patients carried per 1,000 Population	268	285	324	346	397	385	363	358	406	417	419	384
Average Mileage per Patient	5.0	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.53	3.8

## SECTION 28 - PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTER CARE

Loan of Nursing Equipment

The demand for this service is still heavy and during 1960, 1,352 items of equipment were loaned to various types of patients.

In 1961, the number of items issued dropped to 871, this was a direct result of writing off as irrecoverable many items of equipment issued since the beginning of the scheme to patients who had since moved from the area or died.

The increase in the number of patients receiving treatment at the Geriatric Unit of Langthorne Hospital on a "6 weeks in and 6 weeks out basis" resulted in an increase demand for certain types of equipment such as Rubber Sheets, Bed Pans and Commodes.

It often happens that such equipment, once issued to an aged chronic sick person, is not returned to the department for re-issue to another patient for several years and it therefore became necessary during the year to double the stock of commodes and bed pans, with similar increased in other items of equipment.

## TUBERCULOSIS

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
No. of attendances at the Chest Clinic .. ..	23,454	23,453
No. of visits to homes of patients by Tuberculosis Visitors	4,026	2,937
No. of attendances by Tuberculosis Visitors at Clinic Sessions .. .. .	1,251	884

At the beginning of 1961 with the agreement of the Physician to the Chest Clinic, the number of Tuberculosis Visitors was reduced from five to three and a half, the redundant staff being transferred to the Health Visiting Staff of the department.

There is no change in the procedure outlined on page 53 of my report for 1949 in respect of the provision of free extra nourishment (milk and food) to Tuberculosis patients.

No. of patients in receipt of extra nourishment

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
on 1st January .. .. .	141	103
on 31st December .. .. .	103	92

## OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

As a result of the lack of suitable accommodation the "Therapy Class" was discontinued at the end of September 1961 all patients who had previously attended classes, continued to receive Therapy in their own homes.

All stocks of material were transferred to the main health office in the Town Hall Annexe, where the Occupational Therapist was also provided with office accommodation.

The following statistics relate to the work of the part-time Occupational Therapist :-

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
No. of sessions at the Therapy Centre .. .. .	95	72
No. of attendances at the Therapy Centre .. .. .	830	497
No. of sessions worked by Therapist to visit housebound patients	99	104
No. of visits by Therapist to patients homes .. .. .	540	518

## B. C. G. VACCINATION

TABLE 29

	Number Skin Tested		Number found Negative		Number Vaccinated	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
Contacts of Active Cases of Tuberculosis	227	253	146	157	166	182
Schoolchildren - Initial Examination	1150	1332	910	1139	892	1123

## MASS RADIOGRAPHY

The Mass Radiography Unit (6B) visited East Ham and conducted a public survey from 11th September to 12th October 1961 at three different sites in the Borough.

The following table shews the result of the survey :-

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Number X-rayed</u>	<u>Referred for investigation</u>
Civil Defence H. Q., Romford Road, E. 12.	802	21
Burges Road, E. 6.	1,068	33
Town Hall	<u>5,449</u>	<u>109</u>
	<u>7,319</u>	<u>163</u>

Of the total number who were X-rayed 4,645 were from the General Public, 2,464 from firms, and 210 were referred for examination by General Practitioners.

The following statistical summary was received from the Director of the Mass Radiography Unit :-

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
No. examined on miniature x-ray .. .. .	3,305	3,814	7,319
No. referred for further investigation .. .. .	84	79	163
No. showing some abnormality .. .. .	207	187	394
Percentage showing some abnormality .. .. .	6.3	4.9	5.4
Failed to attend for further investigation .. .. .	3	-	3

Tuberculous lesions

Active tuberculosis .. .. .	9	5	14
Inactive tuberculosis .. .. .	64	56	120

Active tubercle - rates per 1,000 examined

Male 2.6      Female 1.3      Combined rate 1.9

Carcinoma of lung - rates per 1,000 examined

Male 3.1      Female 0.5      Combined rate 1.8

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Other abnormalities revealed</u>			
Abnormalities of the bony thorax and soft tissues - congenital	6	7	13
Abnormalities of the bony thorax and soft tissues - acquired	28	41	69
Tumours of the bony thorax - primary and secondary ..	-	1	1
Congenital malformations of the lungs .. .. .	3	1	4
Bacterial and virus infections of the lungs .. .. .	5	4	9
Bronchiectasis .. .. .	1	2	3
Emphysema .. .. .	3	-	3
Pulmonary fibrosis - non-tuberculous .. .. .	16	7	23
Pneumoconiosis .. .. .	-	1	1
Benign tumours of the lungs and mediastinum .. .. .	1	3	4
Carcinoma of the lung and mediastinum .. .. .	11	2	13
Sarcoidosis and collagenous diseases .. .. .	-	2	2
Pleural thickening or calcification - non-tuberculous ..	34	15	49
Abnormalities of the diaphragm and oesophagus - congenital and acquired .. .. .	5	5	10
Congenital abnormalities of heart and vessels .. .. .	1	-	1
Acquired abnormalities of heart and vessels .. .. .	16	28	44
Miscellaneous .. .. .	4	7	11
Totals	207	187	394

The following note is extracted from a short account of the clinical follow up of the cases of tuberculosis "revealed" by the Mass Radiography Unit Survey (11th September - 12th October 1961).

"In the first place 11 of the 14 cases of active tuberculosis were East Ham residents and came to our notice in due course. Of these, one was a known and notified case of tuberculosis already on treatment and attending the clinic, so he should not have been attending Mass X-ray. One of the females was an old case of tuberculous gland in the neck who had been seen and treated many years ago elsewhere and was found to have minimal disease in her lung. Two others were contacts of tuberculosis. One male was a contact of a fellow worker and one female was the contact of her sister who was found to have tuberculosis at the same unit on the 1st September and was notified here on the 25th September. One female was an Irish immigrant who had been working very long hours in a Public House. Four of the cases did subsequently move out of the area and I cannot give you much in the way of details but I do know that all had minimal disease considered active on radiological appearances. Only two out of ten cases sent to us from the Mass X-ray Unit who were not previously known to be tuberculous had positive sputa.

I think that the trend is very satisfactory. It may be that we do notify cases in the early stages of the disease rather than wait until the sputum is positive as I feel that it is extremely important that treatment should be initiated early and under adequate supervision.

For your interest, of the bronchial carcinomata only six were referred to us. Of these four have died, one had a left lower lobectomy and remains well and working and one had a lobectomy and was well and working until three months ago when he suddenly developed a paraplegia due to spinal metastasis. Of those who died three had evidence of peripheral metastasis at their first attendance and one was confirmed to be inoperable at thoracotomy.

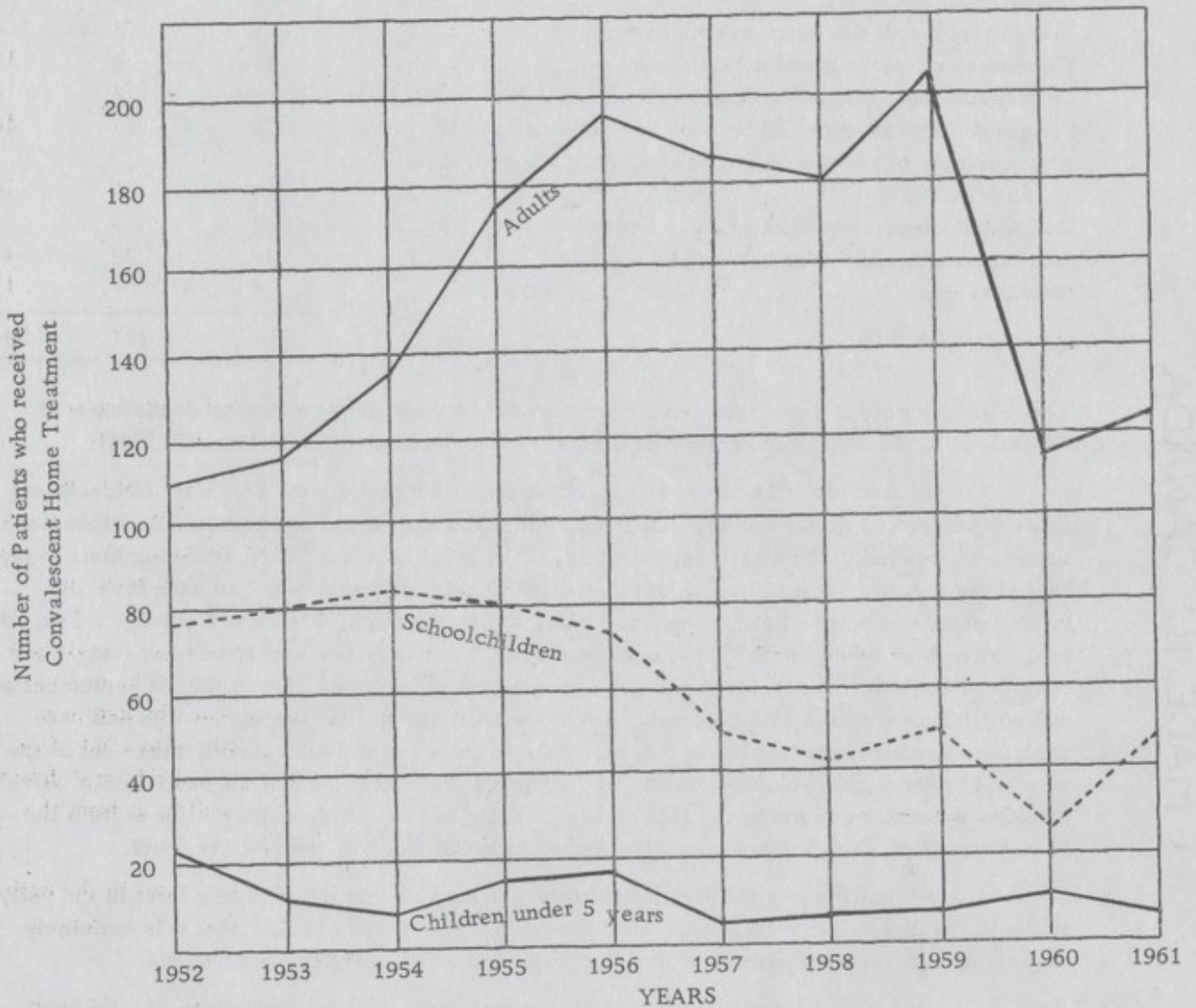
(signed) Audrey Hanson  
Chest Physician."

CONVALESCENT HOME TREATMENT

The arrangements for providing convalescence facilities for persons who have been ill but whose active period of treatment is over, continued throughout the year.

In all cases a recommendation of a doctor is required and great care is exercised in the selection of adult patients to ensure the need is a recuperative period after a debilitating illness or accident, for in many instances recommendations are received for persons who merely desire a holiday away from home and the environment of East Ham.

The following graph shews the trend of the service since 1952.



				<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
No. of recommendations received	..	..	..	220	232
No. of patients admitted to homes	..	..	..	151	168

## SECTION 28 &amp; 51 - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

Great changes in the work of the Mental Welfare Officers during the first year of operation of the Mental Health Act, were not anticipated and in fact did not materialize.

The expansion of community care of the mentally ill (and the subnormal) was possible only with the full co-operation of the Mental Hospitals in whose catchment area East Ham fell. The great distance from Runwell and South Ockendon precluded free personal intercommunication between our Mental Welfare Officers and the various staffs concerned in after care - Doctors, Welfare Workers and others, and efforts were embarked upon to initiate some form of instruction by the Hospital staffs, of our officers in the expanded fields of mental after-care in the community. To date not a great deal has been achieved and it was hoped to appoint a special medical officer (of Consultant rank) one of whose duties would be to oversee the referral of cases to our therapeutic after care club and initiate and maintain the after-care of cases discharged from Runwell Hospital to community care.

It may well be the relocation of East Ham to the catchment area of a Mental Hospital in closer proximity to our boundaries may solve this problem.

Statistics

At the end of the year the following patients were under the care of the Authority :-

TABLE 30

	1960						1961					
	Under 16		Over 16		Total		Under 16		Over 16		Total	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Attending Day Training Centre	7	9	20	17	27	26	9	9	20	17	29	26
Under Guardianship of L.H.A.	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Receiving home visits	10	6	147	123	157	129	4	2	111	73	115	75
Totals	17	15	168	140	185	155	13	11	131	91	144	102

## DAY TRAINING CENTRE

The work of this centre continued to be restricted by the lack of suitable accommodation and other training facilities.

The transfer of this centre to one of the disused Day Nursery premises, specially adapted for use as a Day Training Centre will be unfortunately delayed until 1962.

When opened the facilities available will be a great improvement upon those of the previous centre, but there will still be a need for a "purpose built" centre with greater accommodation.

Statistics

					<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
On register at 31st December	..	..	..	..	53	55
Average daily attendance	..	..	..	..	43.5	46.0
Waiting list at 31st December	..	..	..	..	6	7

## PARK VIEW THERAPEUTIC CLUB

The club continues to function for a decreasing number of patients. Club nights are held on every Monday and on one such night per month a social and dance is held to which patients may invite relatives and friends. The average attendance per club night is 8 patients.

## HOME HELP SERVICE

## TABULATION OF CASES

TABLE 31

Illness or other cause for which help provided	Total	
	1960	1961
Maternity (including expectant Mothers) .. ..	45	39
Tuberculosis .. .. .	29	22
Cancer .. .. .	79	68
Chronic Sick (including Aged and Infirm) .. ..	1091	1186
Other Sickness .. .. .	91	63
Totals ..	1335	1398

The approved establishment is 80 full-time helps on their equivalent in part-time help and on 31st December of each year the staff employed comprised :-

	1960	1961
Full-time permanent helps .. .. .	-	-
Registered casual helps .. .. .	130	140
Casual helps awaiting registration .. .. .	21	16
	<u>151</u>	<u>156</u>

Provision was made for an average use of 3,300 hours per week in the financial year 1960/61 and 3,355 hours per week in 1961/62. The total hours worked and the weekly average were as follows :-

Year	Total Hours Worked	Average per week
1960	166,048	3,193
1961	173,320½	3,333

In 1960 there was a total sickness of 9,686 hours among the staff and in 1961, 7,873 hours, in each year the majority of this sickness was covered by relief workers.

During the years under review the Organiser and her Assistant made the following numbers of visits to the homes of applicants for the service :-

	1960	1961
Primary visits to new applicants for the service .. ..	491	596
Visits to applicants already in receipt of the service ..	1735	1809

SANITARY SECTION

This section of the report relating to sanitary circumstances, housing, food inspection, clean air and general routine work of the section has been completed by the Chief Public Health Inspector, Mr. D.G. Tonkin, M.P.H.I.A.

Throughout the period, the Department still suffered a shortage of technical staff, and although one student qualified and another young inspector was appointed in 1960, at the end of the period there remained a shortage of one Inspector on the establishment and in view of the extra work involved by new legislation plus increased housing work and various matters of complaint, a severe strain was placed upon the remaining staff.

The year 1961 will be remembered along the High Streets for the most offensive smells caused by the conveyance through the Town of crude sewage in tankers from a large sewage works in Mid Essex, which suffered a breakdown in the treatment process, to the Northern Outfall Works in the south of the Borough. After the nuisance had persisted for two weeks, the Committee instructed that continual daily observation be kept along the route. 355 tankers were logged during the periods 9.0 a.m. to 5.0 p.m. Monday to Saturday. As a result 20 prosecutions were instituted and fines totalling £127 were imposed.

A further item of particular interest concerned the fish content of a product called "Mock Salmon cutlets". The Public Analyst certified that in his opinion, mock salmon cutlets should contain a substantial proportion of fish protein. The sample analysed by him contained only 33%, whereas an ordinary fish cake was required to contain 35% fish, by the Fish Cakes Order 1950. As the cutlets were not covered by the Order, the Magistrate declined to fix a standard and dismissed the case. An appeal was entered in the High Court, as a result of which the Judges referred the case back to the Magistrate with an instruction to convict, and the matter became Case Law.

It is only by persistent sampling of foodstuffs that the public are safeguarded against unscrupulous manufacturing processes.

Inspections of over 400 houses in the Boleyn area were completed during the year and the necessary official representations to effect clearance were submitted in 1962.

I - SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
<u>A. Inspections</u>		
The number of inspections of all classes .. .. .	24,632	21,265
(i) <u>Housing</u>		
Under Public Health Act .. .. .	7,356	6,125
Re-inspections .. .. .	5,340	3,733
Housing Act, 1957 .. .. .	2,327	3,617
Rent Act, 1957 .. .. .	506	353
Smoke Nuisances Observations .. .. .	126	134
(ii) <u>Sanitary Circumstances</u>		
Yards and Passages .. .. .	174	172
Drainage and Sanitary Accommodation .. .. .	3,052	2,352
Drainage Tests .. .. .	298	285
Caravans .. .. .	19	60
Offensive Fumes .. .. .	6	1
Miscellaneous .. .. .	479	314
Factories (excluding bakehouses) .. .. .	387	316
Workplaces and Outworkers .. .. .	346	249
Places of Public Entertainment .. .. .	309	381

								<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
(iii)	<u>Food Supply</u>								
	Milk & Dairy Premises	..	..	..	..	..	..	92	81
	Ice Cream Premises	..	..	..	..	..	..	308	255
	Food Premises, general and unsound food	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,586	1,208
	Cafes and Restaurants	..	..	..	..	..	..	301	204
	Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	..	51	42
	Itinerant Food Vendors Stalls	..	..	..	..	..	..	441	348
	Sampling, visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	664	496
	Slaughterhouses	..	..	..	..	..	..	174	200
(iv)	<u>Diseases of Animals Acts</u>								
	Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	29
(v)	<u>Pet Animals Act</u>								
	Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	7
(vi)	<u>Infectious Diseases</u>								
	Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	72	98
(vii)	<u>Food Poisoning</u>								
	Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	2
(viii)	<u>Clean Air Act</u>								
	Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	148	203

#### B. Notices

No. of complaints with regard to sanitary circumstances, disrepair, infestations, obstructed drains, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,253	2,195
No. of preliminary notices served during the year	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,298	913
No. of preliminary notices complied with	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	854	594
No. of statutory notices served during the year	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	487	349
No. of statutory notices complied with	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	292	251

#### C. Rodent Control

No. of complaints of rat and mice infestation received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	351	351
No. of premises visited	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	372	397
No. of visits by rodent operative	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,301	1,564

#### D. Disinfestation and Disinfection

No. of premises treated for infectious disease, bugs and dirty premises, and beetle infestations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	539	161
No. of days on which steam disinfector was in use	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	-
No. of library books disinfected before return to libraries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	257	363

In addition to the foregoing, all articles returned to the Department's loan cupboard after use were sterilised or disinfected before re-issue.

\* Use of the steam disinfector at the Sewage Works ceased in 1960 and, by arrangement with the Hospital Management Committee, this work now is carried out at the Chadwell Health Hospital.

				<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
E.	<u>Drainage</u>				
	No. of complaints of choked or defective drains	..	..	651	710

F. Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926

Samples taken during the year were as follows :-

				Number Taken		Number Unsatisfactory	
				1960	1961	1960	1961
	Bone Meal	..	..	4	-	2	-
	Sulphate of Ammonia	..	..	1	-	-	-
	Potato Fertiliser	..	..	1	-	1	-

G. Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act 1951

Samples taken for analysis were as follows :-

								<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
	Cotton Felt	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	2
	Algerian Fibre	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
	Linter Felt	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
	Rag Flock	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3
	Coir Fibre	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
				Totals		..	..	6	6

All the above samples were satisfactory.

H. Pet Animals Act, 1951

No. of premises licenced to be kept as pet shops	..	..	..	15	14
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Frequent visits were made to these premises, where conditions were found to be satisfactory.

I. Factories, Workplaces and Outworkers

No. of factories on the register :-

Power	..	..	..	..	263	259
Non-power	..	..	..	..	50	48
				Totals	313	307
No. of visits of inspection made to factories	..	..	..	..	291	312
No. of cases in which defects were found	..	..	..	..	8	25
No. of outworkers on the register	..	..	..	..	258	224

J. Mosquito Control

Spraying of ditches and areas of stagnant water were carried out as usual, but an earlier start was made and advantage was taken of a new product in the form of capsules which may be thrown into water areas not readily accessible by spraying. The results proved most satisfactory.

With the improved insecticides now in use and the fact that many of the areas of land which at one time were a source of considerable trouble in this direction, have now been built upon and some ditches have been culverted, mosquito nuisance is not now so serious as it used to be.

### K. Places of Public Entertainment

Regular inspections were carried out of such premises and if unsatisfactory conditions were found a verbal intimation to the management had the desired effect.

### L. Smoke Abatement

It is a matter for regret that the Corporation have not yet been able to agree to the making of smoke control areas. Nevertheless, householders do frequently seek the advice of the Department with regard to matters concerning smoke abatement. In addition, observations were carried out on factory chimneys and warnings given where black smoke was seen to be emitted beyond the prescribed limit.

### M. Sampling

The following table shows the number of samples of all types taken for analysis or examination during each year.

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Food & Drugs Act .. ..	400	290
Bacteriological - Food .. ..	132	130
Water - drinking and bath .. ..	6	6
Fertilizers and Feeding Stuffs .. ..	6	6
Rag Flock & Other Filling Materials	6	-
	<u>550</u>	<u>432</u>

### N. Diseases of Animals Act, 1950 and Slaughtering

39 visits were made in 1960 and 29 in 1961 in connection with various Orders made under this Act. The Order was generally applied to movement of swine or cattle from infected areas to local slaughterhouses. Checks were made to see that the licensed number of animals actually arrived at the slaughterhouse and that no evidence of contagious diseases was present.

## II - HOUSING STATISTICS

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
A. Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year		
1(A) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for defect (under Public Health or Housing Acts) .. ..	10,261	10,193
(B) Number of inspections made for the purpose .. ..	15,601	13,926
2(A) Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-heading (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidation Regulations, 1925 .. ..	Nil	Nil
(B) Number of inspections made for the purpose .. ..	Nil	Nil
3 Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ..	Nil	Nil
4 Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation .. ..	1,706	1,381
B. Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices :-		
Number of defective houses (dwelling) rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ..	854	594

C.		1960	1961
Action under Statutory Powers during year			
(a)	Proceedings under Section 9, 10 & 12 of the Housing Act, 1957.		
1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs .. .. .	Nil	Nil
2)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice -		
	(i) By owner .. .. .	Nil	Nil
	(ii) By Local Authority in default of owners ..	Nil	Nil
(b)	Proceedings under the Public Health Act.		
	(i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied .. .. .	487	349
	(ii) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	292	251
	1) By owner .. .. .	288	227
	2) By Local Authority in default of owners	4	24
D.	Visits in connection with Housing circumstances of applicants for rehousing .. .. .	2,327	3,617

### III - RENT ACT, 1957

Particulars of applications made and Certificates issued under the Rent Act, 1957.

1)	Number of applications for Certificates of Disrepair .. .. .	86	49
2)	" " decisions not to issue Certificates .. .. .	1	3
3)	" " " to issue Certificates .. .. .	74	33
	(a) in respect of some but not all defects .. .. .	15	3
	(b) " " " all defects .. .. .	59	30
4)	Number of Undertakings given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the first schedule .. .. .	58	32
5)	Number of Certificates issued .. .. .	33	5
6)	Number of Undertakings refused by Local Authority under proviso to paragraph 5 of the first schedule .. .. .	Nil	Nil
7)	Applications by landlords to Local Authority for Cancellation of Certificates .. .. .	26	11
8)	Objections by tenants to cancellation of Certificate .. .. .	4	5
9)	Decisions by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenant's objections .. .. .	1	Nil
10)	Certificates cancelled by Local Authority .. .. .	25	5

### IV - INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD SUPPLIES AND PREMISES

3,617 visits were paid to food premises during the year 1960, and 2,834 in 1961 mainly in connection with the Food Hygiene Regulations. It was necessary to prosecute one Greengrocer in respect of the dirty condition of his shop and fittings, in respect of which fines of £20 were imposed and proceedings were also taken against a Butcher for smoking in prohibited areas of his establishment. He was fined £25. As a general rule, food premises in the Borough have been satisfactory, but there are a number of establishments where unless constant supervision is maintained, conditions deteriorate rapidly.

A. Milk Supply

The number of milk distributors registered at the close of 1960 was : .. .. 166

The following licenses were issued to use special designations prescribed in the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1949/54 :-

Pasteurised Milk

Dealers Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	111
Supplementary Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Dealers (Pasteurisers) Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dealers Licence (Pasteurised and Tuberculin Tested)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2

Sterilised Milk

Dealers Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	150
Supplementary Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Dealers (Sterilisers Licence)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

Tuberculin Tested Milk

Dealers Licence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Supplementary	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10

139 samples of milk were submitted for chemical analysis i. e. fat content etc., all of which were satisfactory. 84 samples were submitted for bacteriological examination. All samples were satisfactory.

The number of milk distributors registered at the close of 1961 was: .. .. 174

The following licences were issued under the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960

Dealers (Pre-packed Milk) Licence authorising the use of the special

designation 'Pasteurised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
'Tuberculin Tested', 'Pasteurised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
'Tuberculin Tested', 'Pasteurised', 'Sterilised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19
'Pasteurised', 'Sterilised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	87
'Sterilised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40

Dealers (Pasteuriser's) Licences authorising the use of the special designation

'Pasteurised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dealers (Steriliser's) Licence authorising the use of the special designation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
'Sterilised'	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

106 Samples of milk were submitted for chemical analysis, i. e. fat content etc., all of which were satisfactory. 93 samples were submitted for bacteriological examination. 2 samples were unsatisfactory.

B. Meat Inspection

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the Borough and the following table shows the number of animals killed and examined :-

				<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Cattle	..	..	..	785	809
Calves	..	..	..	-	-
Sheep	..	..	..	923	2,174
Pigs	..	..	..	<u>116</u>	<u>77</u>
Totals	..	..	..	<u>1,824</u>	<u>3,060</u>

Quantity of Meat certified as unfit for human consumption 2,661 lbs. 2,474 lbs. 6 ozs.

C. <u>Ice Cream</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of premises registered for sale of ice cream .. ..	311	311
Number of new registrations included in above figure .. ..	18	7
Number of premises registered for manufacture of ice cream ..	20	20
Number of samples of ice cream submitted for bacteriological examination .. .. .	38	37
Number of above samples found unsatisfactory or of a low standard of purity .. .. .	21	18
Grading of samples on examination -		
Grade I .. .. .	22	23
Grade II .. .. .	10	7
Grade III .. .. .	4	4
Grade IV .. .. .	2	3

D. <u>Other Foods</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of premises registered at end of year for the preparation or manufacture of prescribed foods .. .. .	109	107
Number of new registrations included in above figures .. ..	-	1
The following amounts of foodstuffs were certified as unfit for human consumption :-		
Meat (tins) .. .. .	144	277
Fruit (tins) .. .. .	309	202
Milk (tins) .. .. .	35	60
Fish (tins) .. .. .	37	40
Other foods (tins or packets) .. .. .	<u>233</u>	<u>897</u>
Totals .. .. .	<u>772</u>	<u>1,476</u>

## Food other than tinned or packeted :-

Meat .. .. .	352 lbs.	539 lbs. 3ozs.
Fish .. .. .	42 lbs.	60 lbs.
Chickens .. .. .	58 lbs. 11 ozs.	-
Cream .. .. .	5 ozs.	6 ozs.
Currants .. .. .	50 lbs.	-
Jam .. .. .	5 lbs.	119 lbs. 4 ozs.
Marmalade .. .. .	1 lb.	-
Prunes .. .. .	60 lbs.	-
Piccallilli .. .. .	3 lbs. 11 ozs.	-
Potatoes .. .. .	252 lbs.	-
Meat Paste .. .. .	-	1½ ozs.
Totals .. .. .	<u>824 lbs. 11 ozs.</u>	<u>718 lbs. 14½ ozs.</u>

E. Food & Drugs Sampling

Details of the samples submitted to the Public Analyst were as follows :-

	<u>Number of Samples</u>		<u>Number Adulterated or below Standard</u>	
	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Butter .. .. .	6	4	-	-
Cheese .. .. .	6	1	-	-
Confectionery .. .. .	10	5	-	-
Jam .. .. .	6	2	-	-
Margarine .. .. .	5	-	1	-
Milk .. .. .	140	106	1	-
Sausage .. .. .	54	35	4	8
Vinegar .. .. .	1	4	-	-
Wines & Spirits .. .. .	6	5	-	-
Drugs .. .. .	25	5	2	-
Lard .. .. .	-	2	-	-
Other Articles .. .. .	<u>139</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>
Totals .. .. .	<u>400</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>19</u>

Details of Samples not Satisfactory

<u>Number</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>Informal or Formal</u>	<u>Article</u>	<u>Adulteration or Deficiency</u>
260	Informal	Quinine & Phosphorous Tonic	Composition in accordance with Pharmaceutical Journal Formula 6(14). No declaration of active constituents given on label.
262	Informal	Bronchial Balsam	Proportion of Antimony and Potassium Tartrate incorrectly stated on list of active ingredients on label of bottle.
363	Informal	Minced Meat	Contained Sulphur Dioxide 100 parts per million. Preservative not permitted.
378	Informal	Cream slices	Contained Imitation cream. Mis-described as cream slices.
394	Informal	Beef sausage	Contained preservative. No declaration given.
413	Informal	Pork sausage	Contained preservative. No declaration given.
416	Informal	Pasteurised Milk	Contained foreign matter consisting of mould growth associated with dried milk film.
442	Informal	Margarine	Consisted of margarine containing butter not exceeding 10%. No statement of proportion of butter given as required by Section 7 A C of Labelling of Food Order, of 1953.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Informal or Formal</u>	<u>Article</u>	<u>Adulteration or Deficiency</u>
<u>1960</u>			
453	Informal	Hamburger	Meat content 66%. Considered slightly deficient by analyst.
455	Informal	Cream doughnuts	Filling was imitation cream. Misdescribed as cream doughnuts.
495	Informal	Pork Sausages	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
509	Informal	Beef Sausage	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
566	Informal	Mock Salmon cutlets	Unsatisfactory. Insufficient fish content.
<u>1961</u>			
619	Formal	6 Mock Salmon cutlets	Fish content 33%. Insufficient to justify description.
627	Informal	Pork Sausage	Meat 56%. Deficient by 13%.
630	Informal	Cream Doughnuts	Contained imitation cream. Misdescribed as cream doughnuts.
649	Informal	Mock Salmon cutlets	Fish content 45%. Insufficient to justify description.
731	Informal	Minced Meat	Contained preservative. Use not permitted.
658	Informal	Ice lollies	Contained copper, 80 parts per million. Should not exceed 20 parts per million.
756	Informal	Orange Drink	Orange drink and fruit 15%. Low content for drink to be diluted before consumption unless from whole oranges. No statement to this effect.
778	Informal	Chicken Noodle soup	Opinion of analyst that meat proportion 1.1% is poor.
797	Informal	Ham & chicken	Meat 73%. Label ham and chicken misleading.
817	Informal	Pork sausage	Meat 57%. Analysts opinion should be 65%
826	Informal	" "	Contained sulphur dioxide 150 parts per million. No declaration of preservative made.
831	Informal	Orance juice	Contained a species of common slug.
839	Informal	Pork Sausage	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
841	Informal	Pork Sausage Meat	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
852	Informal	Beef Sausages	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
885	Informal	Bread	Contained hind end of male cockroach.
890	Informal	Pork Sausage	Meat 60%. Deficient content.
891	Informal	Sausage Meat	Contained preservative. No declaration of use given.
781	Informal	Sliced Loaf	Contained fragment of needle. No evidence to show that it was baked in loaf.

## F. Legal Proceedings

### 1960

Legal proceedings were instituted under the Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955 in two cases where defendants were fined :

- 1) £10 in each respect of 2 contraventions of Regulation 23.
- 2) £25 in respect of contravention of Regulations 9 and 32.

### 1961

(i) Legal Proceedings were instituted in a case of a firm selling Mock Salmon Cutlets containing insufficient fish.

(ii) Legal Proceedings 26.9.61 - Contravention of Bye-Law No. 2 County Borough East Ham Bye-laws made in pursuance of Section 82 Public Health Act, 1936 (Tankers causing smells).

8 prosecutions                      £3 penalty on 7 cases, 1 dismissed.

14.11.61 Contravention of Bye-law No. 2a and 2b of County Borough of East Ham Bye-laws made in pursuance of Section 82 Public Health Act, 1936.

No. 2a,	10 prosecutions	£10 penalty on each
2b,	2 prosecutions	£3 " " "

## G. Hairdressers

The numbers of hairdressers registered in accordance with the East Ham Corporation Act 1957, were as follows :-

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Total registrations during the year .. ..	97	102
Number of new registrations included in above figures	10	19

## H. Caravans

There are no licensed caravan sites in the Borough, but action was taken immediately upon information brought to our notice that itinerant caravans had pulled up on to grass verges and by means of persuasion, the caravans were removed in the course of a day or two. It was not necessary to institute legal proceedings in respect of any case.

## V - NEW LEGISLATION

The following Acts of Parliament, passed during the years under review, affect the work of the Section :-

- Noise Abatement Act, 1960
- Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960
- Oil Burners Act, 1960
- Radioactive Substance Act, 1960
- Licensing Act, 1961
- Public Health Act, 1961
- Consumer Protection Act, 1961
- Mock Auctions Act, 1961
- Housing Act, 1961
- Factories Act, 1961.

## VI - SHOPS ACT 1950 AND ALLIED LEGISLATION

A. <u>Shops</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of shops in the Borough :-		
Open .. .. .	1,909	1,902
Closed .. .. .	108	125
Totals ..	<u>2,017</u>	<u>2,027</u>
Number of shops visited for inspection and advice re-closing hours and employment of staff .. .. .	1,617	1,473
Number of inspections under Section 38 (Health and comfort of shop assistants) .. .. .	721	427
Number of instances where conditions were found to be unsatisfactory .. .. .	81	43
Number of cases where records were found to be unsatisfactory following inspection .. .. .	301	175
Number of visits made in connection with closing hours of shop .. .. .	3,659	1,794
Number of shopkeepers cautioned for failure to observe provisions regarding hours of closing .. .. .	137	82
Number of prosecutions of shopkeepers for infringement of Shops Act - serving customers outside permitted hours	1 (fined £2)	1 (fined £1)

Evening closing hours are on the whole well observed, but some difficulty is met when dealing with the small general stores and confectioner/tobacconists remaining open after 8 p.m. for the sale of confectionery, ice cream and mineral waters.

There are six Local Closing Orders in the borough, fixing Thursday as the Early Closing day with Saturday the alternative.

Although Saturday is the day fixed as the late day when shops may remain open until 9 p.m., Friday is the most popular with the public and some shops remain open until 7.30 or 8 p.m. whereas on Saturday, they close at 6 p.m. or earlier.

B. Minor Excise Licenses

Late evening observations were carried out during the year in connection with Refreshment House licenses and 25 visits were made in 1960 and 12 in 1961 as a result. Occupiers advised in each case.

C. Domestic Servants Registry

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of persons registered .. .. .	2	2
Number of new registrations included in above figures ..	1	1

D. Heating Appliances (Fireguards) Act, 1952 and Consumer Protection Act, 1961

The Consumer Protection Act became operative in August 1961, and revoked the Heating Appliances (Fireguards) Act, 1952 and the Oil Burners (Standards) Act 1960. The Heating Appliance Regulations 1953, remain effective.

The details of work under these Acts were as follows:-	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of observations and visits .. .. .	1,209	1,428
Number of unsatisfactory appliances found .. .. .	18	17

All the unsatisfactory appliances were second-hand.

E. <u>Statistics</u>						<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>
Number of shops in borough open	..	..	..	..	..	1,909	1,902
" " " " " closed	..	..	..	..	..	108	125
						<u>2,017</u>	<u>2,027</u>
Number of Inspections - Shops Act	..	..	..	..	..	1,617	1,473
" " " - Health & Comfort	..	..	..	..	..	721	427
" " " - Insufficient/Unsatisfactory	..	..	..	..	..	87	43
Number of Inspections - Records	..	..	..	..	..	667	377
" " " - Unsatisfactory	..	..	..	..	..	301	175
Change of Occupier	..	..	..	..	..	110	109
" " Trade	..	..	..	..	..	5	1
" " Occupier & Trade	..	..	..	..	..	51	62
						<u>166</u>	<u>172</u>
Number of Assistants employed -							
Male	..	..	..	..	..	1,102	1,117
Female	..	..	..	..	..	2,017	1,989
Male - Young persons	..	..	..	..	..	137	141
Female - " "	..	..	..	..	..	174	184
						<u>3,430</u>	<u>3,431</u>
Visits - Other Matters	..	..	..	..	..	551	475
" - Closing Hours	..	..	..	..	..	3,659	2,794
" Cautions	..	..	..	..	..	137	82
" - Holiday Closing	..	..	..	..	..	514	346
Registered Traders Section 53	..	..	..	..	..	6	6
(Jewish Faith) - New	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
" - Cancelled	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
(Kosher Butchers)	..	..	..	..	..	3	3
" - Cancelled	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
Visits - Heating Appliances	..	..	..	..	..	1,209	1,428
<u>Pharmacy &amp; Poisons Act, 1933</u>							
Visits - Pharmacy & Poisons - Storage	..	..	..	..	..	140	126
" - Number of Renewals	..	..	..	..	..	123	112
" - New applications	..	..	..	..	..	17	14
" - Number of Cancellations	..	..	..	..	..	19	24
Number of premises registered	..	..	..	..	..	135	125
<u>Explosives Act, 1875 and 1923</u>							
Visits - Explosives Act - Storage	..	..	..	..	..	176	178
" - Number of Renewals	..	..	..	..	..	141	139
" - Number of New applications	..	..	..	..	..	35	39
" - Number of Cancellations	..	..	..	..	..	27	38
" - Number of premises registered	..	..	..	..	..	175	174



