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FOR THE YEAR

1921.

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOUSING  
COMMITTEE OF THE BERKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

The outstanding feature of the year 1921 was the exceptionally severe drought, extending from about the middle of May to the middle of August with only slight intermissions. The water levels fell so low that many of the wells were left dry. Inhabitants in East Berkshire had every reason to be thankful for the policy which in the past had led to the laying of water mains throughout a wide area.

The general death-rate and the rate of infantile mortality each remained well below the average of the preceeding ten years, but the comparatively high birth-rate of 1920 was not maintained, the figure for 1921 being scarcely in excess of the average.

The incidence of scarlet fever showed a further increase, but the cases were generally of a mild type. Diphtheria was also prevalent in several localities, a considerable number of the cases being of a serious nature. A small but definite outbreak of acute poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) was recorded in Wantage and its vicinity.

Considerable progress was made in state aided housing schemes, but the supply of cottages is still insufficient and the problem of providing house accommodation at a rent that can be met out of current wages remains unsolved.

The death of Dr. Ashby early in the present year (1922) has deprived the Public Health Service of an officer who will always be remembered with affectionate regard by his colleagues. For many years he had been associated with Berkshire as Medical Officer of Health of Reading County Borough and the Wokingham districts and his wide knowledge and experience and essentially practical views on sanitation combined to make his advice of real value.

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PATERSON, JAMES J., B.Sc., M.D., B.S., Lond., D.P.H., R.C.P.S., Lond. Guildhall, Maidenhead (Tel. 64 Maidenhead).	East Berks United Districts, viz., Maidenhead Urban; Cook- ham, Easthampstead and Windsor Rural.
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SISAM, W. ... ..	Faringdon Rural.

## DATES OF RECEIPT OF ANNUAL REPORTS FOR THE YEAR 1921.

New Windsor Urban District ... ..	May 17th, 1922.
West Berks United Districts ... ..	July 21st, 1922.
East Berks United Districts ... ..	July 24th, 1922.
Faringdon Rural District ... ..	July 13th, 1922.
Wokingham Urban District ... ..	June 8th, 1922.
Wokingham Rural District ... ..	June 8th, 1922.

## SANITARY INSPECTORS.

BERKSHIRE, 1922.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES.					URBAN DISTRICTS.
HALL, RAPHAEL V.,	...	...	...	...	Abingdon Borough.
Borough Buildings, Abingdon.					
HARDING, W. E.,	...	...	...	...	Maidenhead Borough.
Guildhall, Maidenhead.					
VINCENT, S. J. F.,	...	...	...	...	Newbury Borough.
Town Hall, Newbury.					
MELLOWS, S. W.,	...	...	...	...	New Windsor Borough.
16, Alma Road, Windsor.					
GRAY, A. G.,	...	...	...	...	Wallingford Borough.
Benson, near Wallingford.					
GREEN, GEO.,	...	...	...	...	Wantage.
Town Hall, Wantage.					
MARKS, C. W.,	...	...	...	...	Wokingham Borough.
Town Hall, Wokingham.					
					RURAL DISTRICTS.
ASMAN, F. W.,	...	...	...	...	Abingdon.
9, Bath Street, Abingdon.					
WINDLE T. HAROLD,	...	...	...	...	Bradfield.
Blossom End, Theale.					
COLEMAN, W. J.,	...	...	...	...	Cookham.
1, Park Street, Maidenhead.					
YORKE, C.,	...	...	...	...	Easthampstead.
Council Offices, Bracknell.					
BERESFORD, J. J.,	...	...	...	...	Faringdon.
Sanitary Inspector, Bromsgrove Place, Faringdon.					
RAINE, W. S.,	...	...	...	...	Hungerford.
Salisbury Road, Hungerford.					
EVERSHED, S. J.,	...	...	...	...	Newbury.
Essex Street, Wash Common, Newbury.					
LAY, R. B.,	...	...	...	...	Wallingford.
Sotwell, Wallingford.					
WESTBROOK, E. R.,	...	...	...	...	Wantage.
West Challow.					
BURCH, E. A.,	...	...	...	...	Windsor.
Sunningdale, Ascot.					
LONGHURST, W. L.,	...	...	...	...	Wokingham.
Holme Green, Wokingham.					



## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF BERKSHIRE.

## Area and Population.

The area of the Administrative County is 454,728 acres, of which 2,866 acres are covered with water. The total acreage and the distribution of land and water in the various districts is given in the following table.

		Acreage.			Population.		
		Land.	Water	Total.	Census, 1911.	Estimate 1921.	
						For Birth-Rate.	For Death-Rate
URBAN DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon Borough	701	27	728	6,809	7,130	7,130
2	Maidenhead Borough	2,095	30	2,125	15,219	16,490	16,490
3	Newbury Borough	1,804	24	1,828	12,107	12,200	12,200
4	New Windsor Borough	2,656	61	2,717	12,681	19,770	19,770
5	Wallingford Borough	372	8	380	2,716	2,681	2,681
6	Wantage ..	2,471	7	2,478	3,628	3,862	3,862
7	Wokingham Borough	557	0	557	4,352	4,430	4,430
Total ...		10,656	157	10,813	57,512	66,563	66,563
RURAL DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon ...	42,009	201	42,210	9,250	10,220	10,220
2	Bradfield* ...	52,542	336	52,878	14,349	14,350	14,350
3	Cookham ...	27,428	373	27,801	12,311	13,240	13,240
4	Easthampstead ...	26,897	136	27,033	17,548	18,610	17,685
5	Faringdon† ..	55,469	257	55,726	11 075	10,050	10,050
6	Hungerford ...	44,664	152	44,816	9,007	8,270	8,270
7	Newbury ...	42,060	328	42,388	10,757	10,500	10,500
8	Wallingford ...	22,055	97	22,152	7,245	8,830	8,830
9	Wantage... ..	74,427	73	74,500	12,025	11,630	11,630
10	Windsor ... ..	10,339	228	10,567	15,370	9,410	9,410
11	Wokingham ...	43,316	528	43,844	16,652	18,200	18,200
Total ...		441,206	2,709	443,915	135,589	133,310	132,385
Administrative County*†		451,862	2,866	454,728	193,101	199,873	198,948

\* Not including portion incorporated in Borough of Reading, November, 1911.

† Not including Lechlade (Gloucestershire) Parish of Faringdon Rural District, which has an area of 3,870 acres, and a population of 1,167 persons (Census, 1911).

For 1921, the Register General's estimates of population for each sanitary district with the exception of Easthampstead are the same for birth rate and death rate.

## BIRTH-RATE.

(Per 1,000 of the Population).

				Average Rate, 1911-1920.	Rate, 1921.*	Number of Births 1921.
URBAN DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon Borough	...	...	18.69	18.79	134
2	Maidenhead Borough	...	..	18.52	17.22	284
3	Newbury Borough	..	...	16.80	19.34	236
4	New Windsor Borough	...	...	19.96	21.24	420
5	Wallingford Borough	..	...	17.97	19.02	51
6	Wantage	...	..	19.06	20.19	78
7	Wokingham Borough	...	..	17.39	18.05	80
RURAL DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon	..	...	19.24	19.76	202
2	Bradfield	...	...	16.60	18.88	271
3	Cookham	...	...	17.57	16.46	218
4	Easthampstead	...	...	17.31	14.88	277
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	20.20	20.39	205
6	Hungerford	...	...	20.19	20.43	169
7	Newbury	...	...	15.96	17.14	180
8	Wallingford	...	...	18.94	16.42	145
9	Wantage	...	...	19.18	20.11	234
10	Windsor	...	...	18.36	17.00	160
11	Wokingham	...	...	18.46	17.36	316
Urban Districts				18.40	19.27	1,283
Rural Districts				18.21	17.83	2,377
County ...				18.26	18.31	3,660

The average birth-rate in the County as a whole during the ten years, 1911 to 1920, was only 18.26, whilst the rate in 1921 was 18.31 per 1,000 of population. Of the various Districts, Faringdon Rural shows the highest average rate, i.e., 20.20.

\* Per 1,000 of Estimated Population. See note p. 8.



## NET DEATH-RATE.

(Per 1,000 of Population).

				Average Rate, 1911-1920.	Rate, 1921.*	Number of Deaths 1921.
URBAN DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon Borough	...	...	13.81	10.23	73
2	Maidenhead Borough	...	...	12.31	11.09	183
3	Newbury Borough	...	...	14.38	12.13	148
4	New Windsor Borough	...	...	13.94	11.63	230
5	Wallingford Borough	...	...	14.77	10.81	29
6	Wantage	...	...	13.79	13.98	54
7	Wokingham Borough	...	...	14.63	13.99	62
RURAL DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon	...	...	13.03	9.39	96
2	Bradfield	...	...	11.90	12.05	173
3	Cookham	...	...	11.70	9.74	129
4	Easthampstead	...	...	11.77	10.18	180
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	13.39	10.84	109
6	Hungerford	...	...	13.71	11.48	95
7	Newbury	...	...	13.03	11.14	117
8	Wallingford	...	...	11.86	9.17	81
9	Wantage	...	...	13.31	11.17	130
10	Windsor	...	...	11.95	8.50	80
11	Wokingham	...	...	12.53	10.10	184
Urban Districts				13.64	11.70	779
Rural Districts				12.48	10.38	1,374
County				12.83	10.82	2,153

\* Rate per 1,000 of estimated population, see note page 2.

CORRECTION OF DEATH-RATES FOR DIFFERENCES IN  
THE AGE AND SEX CONSTITUTION OF POPULATION.

It has been customary to insert a table of the death-rates of the County and of the constituent districts standardized to compensate for differences in the age and sex constitution of the various populations, but since 1914 the factors for correction have not been available.

# INFANTILE MORTALITY.

By *Rate of Infantile Mortality* is understood the ratio of the annual number of deaths of infants under one year of age to every thousand births during the same period.

	Average Rate, 1911-1920.	Rate, 1921.	Number of Deaths 1921.
URBAN DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon Borough ... ..	71.09	52.23	7
2 Maidenhead Borough ... ..	81.72	56.33	16
3 Newbury Borough ... ..	67.01	38.13	9
4 New Windsor Borough ... ..	63.75	59.52	25
5 Wallingford Borough ... ..	56.48	58.82	3
6 Wantage ... ..	67.79	89.74	7
7 Wokingham Borough ... ..	68.03	75.00	6
RURAL DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon ... ..	75.94	44.55	9
2 Bradfield ... ..	54.62	55.35	15
3 Cookham ... ..	66.39	45.87	10
4 Easthampstead ... ..	66.16	46.93	13
5 Faringdon (Berks) ... ..	62.31	39.02	8
6 Hungerford ... ..	68.03	65.08	11
7 Newbury ... ..	69.58	44.44	8
8 Wallingford ... ..	61.23	68.96	10
9 Wantage ... ..	57.07	59.82	14
10 Windsor ... ..	60.60	31.25	5
11 Wokingham ... ..	60.55	44.30	14
Urban Districts ... ..	70.54	56.89	73
Rural Districts ... ..	63.78	49.22	117
County ... ..	65.86	51.91	199

Since 1896, the rate of infantile mortality in this County, though subject to annual fluctuations of considerable range, has shown on the whole a steady fall. The quinquennial rates were 107 for 1896-1900, 90 for 1901-1905, 78 for 1906-1910, 71 for 1911-1915, and 62 for 1916 to 1920.

The rate of infantile mortality in England and Wales during 1921 was 83.

In the 96 great towns, 87. In London, 80.

In the 148 smaller towns, 84.



## MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

By the middle of 1918 arrangements were made for carrying out a scheme of Maternity and Child Welfare work in those parts of the Administrative County not already covered by independent municipal or voluntary action, and shortly afterwards a commencement had been made throughout the greater part of the county.

The arrangements now sanctioned by the Berkshire County Council provide for :—

1. Home visitation of
  - (a) Expectant mothers.
  - (b) Infants and children under school age.
2. Hospital accommodation for lying-in. (Rescinded 18th June, 1921.)
3. Grants to Nursing Associations providing midwives or monthly nurses.
4. Payment of midwives in necessitous cases.
5. Treatment in Hospitals and Convalescent Homes of children under school age.
6. Extra nourishment for expectant and nursing mothers and children under school age, if necessitous. (Rescinded 1st April, 1921.)
7. Maternity and Infant Welfare Centres and Clinics.

In areas where there are nurse-midwives working for the County Nursing Association the Health Visiting is done by these women, and their Superintendent reports to me each week. Whole-time Health Visitors have been appointed by the County Council for the greater portion of the remainder of the County.

The Maidenhead, Newbury and New Windsor Borough schemes have each been established several years, and comprise systematic home visiting and medical consultations at a centre.

In the remainder of the County there are nine Infant Welfare Centres managed by voluntary committees, at each centre a medical officer attends, usually twice a month; the centre may be opened weekly for other welfare purposes.

Abingdon : New Parish Hall, every Friday, 2.30—4 p.m.

Crowthorne : Oddfellows Hall, second Friday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

Sandhurst : Mission Hall, third Friday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

Faringdon : Mission Hall, second Tuesday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

Thatcham : Parish Hall, every Monday, 2.30—4 p.m.

Wantage : Town Hall, every Friday, 2.30 p.m.

Old Windsor : Working Men's Club, second Thursday in the month, 3 p.m.

Ascot : St. Michael's House Gymnasium, second Thursday in the month,  
2—4 p.m.

Pangbourne : Breedon Schools, 1st and 3rd Wed. in the month, 3 p.m.

In the case of Crowthorne and Sandhurst, a special Health Visitor has been appointed by the local committee, elsewhere the home visiting in connection with the centre is carried out by the County whole-time Visitors, or by the District Nurses except in the case of Ascot, where lady members of the Committee undertake home visiting to ensure regular attendance at the Centre.



## TUBERCULOSIS.

*Notification.* During 1921 there were 182 primary notifications of pulmonary tuberculosis, and 45 primary notifications of other forms of tuberculosis. The number of pulmonary cases notified shows a marked decrease and is the lowest for any year. The majority of cases on notification are found to be in advanced stages of disease, this is due to patients failing to consult their medical practitioner until their symptoms are such that they are no longer able to continue their work. The mild winter, dry summer and mild form of influenza to a certain extent accounts for the decrease in the number of notifications. The following table gives a summary of notifications received.

## PRIMARY NOTIFICATIONS OF TUBERCULOUS DISEASE.

	Pulmonary.	Other.	Total.
1913	342	82	424
1914	254	61	315
1915	244	45	289
1916	194	54	248
1917	256	55	311
1918	263	44	307
1919	297	49	346
1920	226	55	281
1921	182	45	227

All cases are visited by the Tuberculosis Officer on receipt of the notification. Arrangements are made for Institutional, dispensary, or domiciliary treatment. Reports are made to the Medical Practitioner in attendance on the case.

Enquiries are made about the health of all contacts and examination made when possible. Any contacts not present at time of visit are invited to attend at the nearest dispensary.

The School Medical Officers' reports are available for all children attending Elementary and Secondary Schools. Reports are sent to the District Medical Officers of any defects in the sanitary condition of the homes requiring attention, and notices are sent in cases where disinfection of premises is required.

The number of deaths from pulmonary Tuberculosis was 115, and from non-pulmonary Tuberculosis was 31. The deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis show a decrease as compared with previous years. The death rate for all respiratory diseases for the year also shows a decrease.

Of the number of deaths 43 occurred amongst patients who had not been notified as suffering from tuberculosis, 6 occurred at the time of notification and 43 occurred within six months of notification. These figures show that a large number of cases are notified only in the last stages of disease.

## DEATHS FROM PHTHISIS.

(Pulmonary Tuberculosis).

				Average for 10 years 1911-20.		1921.	
				No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon Borough	...	...	6.3	.95	7	.98
2	Maidenhead Borough	...	...	14.3	.91	4	.24
3	Newbury Borough	...	...	9.9	.83	11	.90
4	New Windsor Borough	...	...	11.3	.95	19	.96
5	Wallingford Borough	...	...	3.0	1.17	1	.37
6	Wantage	...	...	3.2	.89	1	.25
7	Wokingham Borough	...	...	4.3	1.00	5	1.12
RURAL DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon	...	...	9.2	1.00	7	.68
2	Bradfield	...	...	11.2	.81	5	.34
3	Cookham	...	...	8.2	.67	6	.45
4	Easthampstead	...	...	9.9	.64	8	.45
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	6.8	.76	10	.99
6	Hungerford	...	...	5.7	.68	2	.24
7	Newbury	...	...	6.2	.59	4	.38
8	Wallingford	...	...	4.5	.66	5	.56
9	Wantage	...	...	9.4	.83	9	.77
10	Windsor	...	...	13.3	.99	2	.21
11	Wokingham	...	...	15.6	.97	9	.49
Urban Districts				52.3	.92	48	.72
Rural Districts				100.0	.77	67	.50
County				152.3	.82	115	.57

\* Rate per 1,000 of estimated population. See note p. 8.

The average annual mortality from phthisis (pulmonary tuberculosis) in the Berkshire Registration County, which includes the Borough of Reading, was 2.37 per 1,000 of population during the decennial period 1861-70. Since then the mortality from phthisis in the same area has declined to under 1 per 1,000 of population, and a similar fall in the rate of mortality has taken place in England and Wales as a whole.



DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOUS DISEASES OTHER THAN  
PHTHISIS.

				Average for 10 years 1911-1920.		1921.	
				No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon Borough	...	...	2.8	.42	1	.14
2	Maidenhead Borough	...	...	3.2	.20	3	.18
3	Newbury Borough	...	...	4.2	.35	2	.16
4	New Windsor Borough	...	...	3.6	.30	4	.20
5	Wallingford Borough	...	...	1.0	.39	...	...
6	Wantage	...	...	1.3	.36	...	...
7	Wokingham Borough	...	...	1.1	.25	...	...
RURAL DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon	...	...	2.3	.25	2	.19
2	Bradfield	...	...	2.8	.20	2	.13
3	Cookham	...	...	1.9	.15	1	.07
4	Easthampstead	...	...	2.8	.17	2	.11
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	2.1	.20	2	.19
6	Hungerford	...	...	1.7	.20	3	.36
7	Newbury	...	...	1.6	.15	2	.19
8	Wallingford	...	...	.5	.07	...	...
9	Wantage	...	...	3.0	.26	4	.34
10	Windsor	...	...	4.5	.30	1	.10
11	Wokingham	...	...	3.7	.23	2	.10
Urban Districts				17.2	.30	10	.15
Rural Districts				26.9	.20	21	.15
County				44.1	.23	31	.15

\* Rate per 1,000 of estimated population. See note page 8.

*Institutional Treatment.* In May, 1921, the County Council became responsible for the institutional treatment of all sections of the population whether insured or uninsured; this did not necessitate any alterations in the Council's scheme as they had an agreement with the Berks Insurance Committee and arranged for the treatment of insured people in their original scheme.

*Berks & Bucks Joint Sanatorium at Peppard Common.* The accommodation available for Berkshire patients is 32 beds for men, 18 beds for women, and 40 beds for children.

Medical Officer in charge	...	Dr. Esther Carling.
Assistant Medical Officer	...	Dr. Barker.
Superintendent	...	Mr. H. Carling.



Provision is made for the training of patients in horticulture, pig, poultry and rabbit rearing, and carpentry incidental to the above. Rug and fancy basket making and weaving are also taught. It is found that very few patients are willing to undergo a full course of training. The number of patients undergoing a full course of treatment and training during the year was 7, 6 of whom were ex-service men receiving pensions.

All types of cases are admitted to the Sanatorium. The number of adults admitted was males 57, females 47. Of the patients discharged during the year 45 were fit for work, 31 were improved, 18 were not improved, 3 cases died in the Sanatorium.

Patients are slowly realising the value of a prolonged period of treatment in the Sanatorium, and also the necessity of carrying on the Sanatorium method of living on their return home.

The great difficulty is that in many instances owing to lack of funds they are quite unable to carry out instructions. It is noticed that pensioners do much better, having 100% pensions they have the means of supplying themselves with the necessary nourishment.

The number of children admitted was 50. The results of treatment are very good. It is found that children who before treatment were continually ailing and attended school very irregularly, after treatment are able to attend school regularly and continue the improvement made during their stay at the Sanatorium. The Sanatorium is very popular with the parents and the children. The parents are very grateful for the improvement made in their children and make great efforts to keep up the improved health of their children on their return home.

During the last two years the general health and nutrition of the children has improved and fewer children are found showing signs of incipient tuberculosis, consequently the demand for beds is decreasing.

The School in connection with the children's block is approved by the Board of Education.

*Abingdon Sanatorium.* There is accommodation for 12 males and 8 females. This Sanatorium is used for advanced cases and cases in which the home conditions are such that it is necessary they should be moved for the sake of the patient and the other members of the family.

During the year a number of surgical cases were admitted, cases requiring prolonged treatment with immobilisation of limbs, fresh air and good feeding.

All cases are admitted and discharged by the Tuberculosis Officer. Dr Challenor, Medical Officer to the Isolation Hospital, attends daily.

During the year 53 cases were admitted. Of the discharges 11 were fit for work, 17 were improved, 8 showed no improvement and 16 died in the Sanatorium.



*Surgical Tuberculosis.* The number of cases notified during the year was 45. Many of these cases were of old standing, having received treatment as out-patients at the General Hospitals. Out-patient treatment for disease of the joints is not satisfactory, and in order to obtain satisfactory results, prolonged institutional treatment is necessary, and continual supervision at home after a period of institutional treatment.

The number of cases sent to Special institutions during the year was 18.

14 to the Headington Orthopaedical Hospital, Oxford.

2 to the Royal Sea Bathing Hospital, Margate.

2 to the Cold Ash Hospital.

A number of voluntary clinics have been established in the County by the Authorities of the Headington Orthopaedic Hospital. Some Tubercular cases attend these clinics.

The clinics are under the charge of Mr. Girdlestone, F.R.C.S.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Girdlestone for consultation in surgical cases admitted to the Councils' Sanatoria.

Dispensaries and Calling Stations have been established in the following places :—

Reading, Shire Hall, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the month and every Saturday, 10—4 p.m.

Abingdon, Sanatorium, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month, 4 p.m.

Maidenhead Town Hall, 4th Mondays in the month, 1—4 p.m.

Newbury, Oddfellows' Institute, 2nd Thursday in the month, 1—4 p.m.

Wantage, Town Hall, 1st Tuesday in the month, 1—4 p.m.

Windsor, Congregational Hall, 1st Thursday in the month, 1—4 p.m.

Wokingham, Town Hall, 3rd Thursday in the month, 1—4 p.m.

The head office is at the County Medical Officer's Department, Shire Hall, Reading, where all records and correspondence is kept.

The number of patients examined for the first time at the dispensaries during the year was 969, and the total number of attendances for patients was 2,559.

Cases are sent to the various dispensaries by the general practitioner and School Medical Officers. All cases on discharge from Sanatoria are instructed to report at the nearest dispensary.

*Home Visiting.* In scattered rural districts a large amount of home visiting is necessary as many patients are unable to attend the Dispensaries owing to the distance and expenses of travelling. All these cases are visited periodically by the Health Visitor, District Nurses and Tuberculosis Officer.

The number of visits made by the Tuberculosis Officer 637, Health Visitors 2,545, Local District Nurses 293. Arrangements have been made with the



County Nursing Association and other local Nursing Associations for the nursing in the County of patients in their own homes.

Extra nourishment was provided for patients by the County Council, War Pensions Committee and Board of Guardians on recommendation of the Tuberculosis Officer.

*Shelters.* 49 Shelters are available for the use of patients. All the shelters were in use during the year.

Examination of sputum is undertaken for the medical practitioners free of charge. All the practitioners being supplied with outfits for the collection of sputum.

202 specimens of sputum were examined of which 54 were positive.

## DEATHS FROM CANCER.

				Average for 10 years 1911-1920.		1921.	
				No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon Borough	...	...	10.7	1.63	9	1.26
2	Maidenhead Borough	...	...	16.7	1.06	30	1.81
3	Newbury Borough	...	...	17.8	1.49	19	1.55
4	New Windsor Borough	...	...	17.8	1.50	29	1.46
5	Wallingford Borough	...	...	4.3	1.68	1	.37
6	Wantage	...	...	4.2	1.18	6	1.55
7	Wokingham Borough	...	...	6.8	1.59	11	2.48
RURAL DISTRICTS.							
1	Abingdon	...	...	11.2	1.22	10	.97
2	Bradfield	...	...	19.4	1.41	31	2.16
3	Cookham	...	...	16.5	1.35	23	1.73
4	Easthampstead	...	...	18.9	1.17	24	1.35
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	14.6	1.42	15	1.49
6	Hungerford	...	...	10.0	1.20	13	1.57
7	Newbury	...	...	15.7	1.50	16	1.52
8	Wallingford	...	...	6.6	.98	8	.90
9	Wantage	...	...	17.7	1.56	18	1.54
10	Windsor	...	...	20.1	1.39	10	1.06
11	Wokingham	...	...	24.8	1.54	27	1.48
Urban Districts				78.3	1.39	105	1.57
Rural Districts				175.5	1.36	195	1.47
County...				253.8	1.37	300	1.50

\* Per 1,000 of estimated population. See note page 8.

## EPIDEMIC DEATH-RATE, 1921.

(PER 1,000 OF ESTIMATED CIVIL POPULATION).

Prior to 1910 the diseases grouped together in the Registrar General's Annual Summary under the term "Principal Epidemic Diseases," were smallpox, measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough, diphtheria, "fever" (including typhus, enteric, and simple continued fever), and diarrhoea. In 1910 enteric fever was substituted for the heading "fever," and in the Annual Summaries for 1911 and subsequent years the mortality figures for these diseases considered as a group, have been omitted. Another alteration which was made in the Summary for 1911 was the substitution of deaths from diarrhoea and enteritis under 2 years for deaths from diarrhoea at all ages, and in the Annual Summaries since 1912, the mortality figure for diarrhoea and enteritis calculated upon the population of all ages is not given, but a rate per 1,000 births.

For purposes of comparison it is convenient to group the commoner epidemic diseases in a single table, and for the same reason I have given the total epidemic death-rate for each District.

	Principal Epidemic Diseases.	Small- pox.	Measles	Scarlet Fever.	Diph- theria.	Whoop- ing Cough.	Enteric Fever.	Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years).
URBAN DISTRICTS.								
1 Abingdon Borough	.14	...	..	...	.14	...	...	...
2 Maidenhead Borough	.24	...	...	...	.06	.12	.06	...
3 Newbury Borough...	.40	...	.08	...	...	...	...	.32
4 New Windsor Borough	.55	...	.05	...	.05	.15	...	.30
5 Wallingford Borough	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 Wantage...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7 Wokingham Borough	.90	...	.67	...	...	.22	...	...
RURAL DISTRICTS.								
1 Abingdon	.09	...	...	...	.09	...	...	...
2 Bradfield	.20	...	...	...	.13	...	...	.06
3 Cookham	.22	...	.07	...	...	...	...	.15
4 Easthampstead	.39	...	...	...	.22	.11	...	.05
5 Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 Hungerford	.36	...	...	...	.12	...	...	.24
7 Newbury	.09	...	...	...	...	...	.09	...
8 Wallingford	.56	...	.11	.11	.11	...	...	.22
9 Wantage	.17	...	...	...	...	.08	...	.08
10 Windsor	.31	...	...	...	...	...	.10	.21
11 Wokingham	.60	...	.21	...	.21	.16	...	...
Urban Districts	.37	...	.07	...	.04	.09	.01	.15
Rural Districts	.29	...	.04	.007	.09	.04	.01	.08
County	.32	...	.05	.005	.08	.06	.01	.10
† { England and Wales	Not	0.00	0.06	0.03	0.12	0.12	0.02	Not stated.
96 Great Towns (inc. Lon.)	Stated	0.00	0.08	0.04	0.15	0.13	0.01	
148 Smaller Towns		0.00	0.05	0.03	0.11	0.11	0.01	

† From the Annual Summary of the Registrar-General.



# EPIDEMIC MORTALITY DURING TEN YEARS, 1911-1920.

TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS.										DEATH-RATE PER 1,000 OF POPULATION.							
										Principal Epidemic Diseases.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Whooping Cough.	Enteric Fever.	Diarrhoea.*
<i>Urban Districts.</i>																	
1	Abingdon Borough	...	41	...	12	...	12	8	...	.62	...	.18	..	.18	.12	...	.13
2	Maidenhead Borough...	...	97	...	29	...	2	30	3	.62	...	.18	.01	.05	.19	.01	.16
3	Newbury Borough	...	43	...	7	...	2	6	1	.36	...	.05	.01	.11	.05	.008	.10
4	New Windsor Borough	...	66	...	26	...	...	11	2	.55	...	.22	...	.03	.09	.01	.19
5	Wallingford Borough...	...	4	...	2	...	...	2	..	.15	...	.07	...	...	.07	...	...
6	Wantage	...	24	...	4	...	1	8	...	.67	...	.11	...	.16	.22	...	.14
7	Wokingham Borough ..	...	17	...	2	...	1	4	2	.39	...	.04	.02	.07	.09	.04	.11
<i>Rural Districts.</i>																	
1	Abingdon	...	48	...	14	...	1	11	2	.52	...	.15	.01	.14	.12	.02	.07
2	Bradfield	...	48	...	6	...	3	11	2	.34	...	.04	.02	.04	.08	.01	.14
3	Cookham	...	62	...	12	...	2	17	3	.51	...	.09	.01	.14	.14	.02	.09
4	Easthampstead	...	70	...	10	...	5	25	...	.43	...	.06	.03	.08	.15	...	.10
5	Faringdon (Berks)	...	49	...	9	...	8	6	1	.47	...	.08	.07	.08	.05	.009	.15
6	Hungerford...	...	33	...	9	...	...	14	2	.39	...	.10	...	.08	.16	.02	.01
7	Newbury	...	33	...	2	...	1	14	3	.31	...	.01	.009	.06	.13	.02	.05
8	Wallingford ...	...	26	...	3	...	2	6	2	.38	...	.04	.02	.02	.08	.02	.16
9	Wantage	...	58	...	13	...	2	16	3	.51	...	.11	.01	.15	.14	.02	.06
10	Windsor	...	80	...	24	...	3	20	1	.55	...	.16	.02	.04	.13	.006	.17
11	Wokingham	...	60	...	11	...	1	14	4	.37	...	.06	.006	.09	.08	.02	.08
<i>Urban Districts</i>																	
...	Urban Districts	...	292	...	82	...	6	69	8	.51	...	.14	.01	.08	.12	.01	.14
...	Rural Districts	...	567	...	113	...	28	154	23	.44	...	.08	.02	.08	.11	.01	.10
...	County	...	859	...	195	...	34	223	31	.46	...	.10	.01	.08	.12	.01	.11

\*In 1911 and subsequent years, deaths from Diarrhoea at ages above 2 years have been excluded, but deaths from Enteritis under 2 years have been included.



## CASE MORTALITY.

i.e., RATIO OF DEATHS TO NOTIFICATIONS.

	No. of Notifications		No. of Deaths.		Ratio per cent.	
	Ten years, 1911-1920.	1921.	Ten years, 1911-1920.	1921.	Ten years, 1911-1920.	1921.
<i>Urban Districts.</i>						
Smallpox ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	1,168	217	6	...	.51	...
Diphtheria ... ..	617	77	47	3	7.61	3.89
Enteric Fever ... ..	44	5	8	1	18.18	20.60
Puerperal Fever* ... ..	22	3	14	2	63.63	66.66
Erysipelas ... ..	186	17	8	...	4.30	...
<i>Rural Districts.</i>						
Smallpox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	2,228	271	28	1	1.25	.36
Diphtheria ... ..	1,103	157	114	13	10.33	8.28
Enteric Fever ... ..	158	12	23	2	14.55	16.66
Puerperal Fever* ... ..	70	6	24	6	34.28	100.0
Erysipelas ... ..	301	17	13	1	4.31	5.88
<i>County.</i>						
Smallpox ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	3,396	488	34	1	1.00	.20
Diphtheria ... ..	1,720	234	161	16	9.36	6.83
Enteric Fever ... ..	202	17	31	3	15.34	17.64
Puerperal Fever* ... ..	92	9	38	8	41.30	88.88
Erysipelas ... ..	487	34	21	1	4.31	2.94

\* On examining the Notification and Mortality Tables for the past eleven years, it appears that several cases of puerperal fever and one case of enteric fever, which proved fatal, were never "notified"; where this has obviously occurred an addition has been made for the purpose of this Table to the number of notifications given in the District Reports, and the figures thus corrected are given above.

## SMALLPOX.

No case of smallpox was notified during the past ten years, and only one case in 1911. Prior to this no case of smallpox had been notified in Berkshire since 1905, when there was one case. In 1904 no case was notified. The number in 1903 was 13, and in 1902, 33.

## MEASLES AND GERMAN MEASLES.

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Health (Measles and German Measles) Regulations, 1915, the notification of both measles and German measles became compulsory from 1st January, 1916, and remained in force until 31st December, 1919, from which date it was rescinded.

## DIPHTHERIA.

The number of cases notified during 1921 was 234 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 172.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 26 of this report.

## SCARLET FEVER (SCARLATINA).

The number of cases notified during 1921 was 488 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 339.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 26 of this report.

## ENTERIC (TYPHOID) FEVER.

The number of cases notified during 1921 was 17 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 20.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 26 of this report.

## CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER (CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS.)

This disease was made compulsorily notifiable as from September 1st, 1912. Up to the end of 1914 only one case had been notified, but 23 cases, 18 of which were fatal, were notified during 1915, 10, including 8 fatal cases, during 1916, 11, including 5 fatal cases in 1917, 6, including 4 fatal cases in 1918 ; one other death was certified during 1918 as due to cerebro-spinal fever, but the case was not notified, and 4, including 1 fatal case in 1919, 1 fatal case in 1920, and 4 fatal cases in 1921.

## INFLUENZA.

During 1921, 50 deaths were certified as due to Influenza, the average number in the preceding 10 years was 94.

The severe epidemic of 1918-19 was of world-wide distribution and a high rate of mortality, due to pneumonia, appears to have been generally recorded. The last pandemic of influenza occurred in 1889-90.



## DIARRHOEA.

During the ten years 1911 to 1920 the average number of deaths under two years of age from diarrhoeal diseases was 21 per annum in the whole County, giving a rate of '11 per 1,000 of estimated population. In 1921 there were 21 deaths.

## PUERPERAL FEVER.

Nine cases were notified compared with an average of nine during the preceding ten years.

## ERYSIPELAS.

Thirty-four cases of this disease were notified during 1921, the average number of notifications during the preceding ten years was 48.

## TUBERCULOUS DISEASES.

These have been referred to earlier in the Report, page 14, *et seq.*

## OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum (inflammation of the eyes of newly-born infants) was made compulsorily notifiable from 1st April, 1914.

During the year 1921 sixteen cases were notified in the County, compared with fifteen cases in the previous year, twenty-three in 1919, twenty-six in 1918, nineteen in 1917, twenty-one in 1916, and thirteen in 1915.

## ACUTE POLIOMYELITIS.

The notification of this disease became compulsory from September 1st, 1912. One case was notified in 1912, two in 1913, one in 1914, none in 1915, and five in 1916. There were no cases notified during 1917, although one death from the disease was recorded. In 1918 two cases were notified. In 1919 seven cases were notified. In 1920 one case was notified. In 1921 six cases were notified.



## VENEREAL DISEASES.

Arrangements made by the Berkshire County Council include free treatment at centres established by the Royal Berkshire Hospital and the Radcliffe Infirmary. At each institution the centre is open on two afternoons and two evenings a week, the days and hours having been chosen to suit the convenience of the majority of patients.

The hours arranged for 1922 are as follows :—

## ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL, READING.

Men.—Wednesdays 2 p.m. Saturdays 5 p.m.

Women.—Wednesdays 5 p.m. Saturdays 3 p.m.

## THE RADCLIFFE INFIRMARY, OXFORD.

Men.—Wednesdays 6 p.m. Saturdays 3 p.m.

Women.—Mondays 6 p.m. Wednesdays 3 p.m.

Specimens are examined at the Pathological Laboratory of the Royal Berkshire Hospital and the Radcliffe Infirmary for the purpose of diagnosis and of judging the effects of treatment. Salvarsan, or its substitutes, is supplied from the treatment centres to medical practitioners under certain restrictions. The provision of free treatment at the centres has been advertised in the local papers, circulars explaining the scheme and asking for co-operation to ensure full advantage being taken of its diagnostic and curative functions have been sent to medical practitioners, certified midwives, social workers, etc., in the County, and leaflets, supplied by the Local Government Board and drawing attention to the dangers of venereal diseases and the imperative need for early and efficient treatment, have been issued to persons in a position to distribute them with good effect.

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# TABLE OF NOTIFICATIONS AND REMOVALS TO HOSPITAL.

The number of Cases treated in Hospital is in each instance inserted in brackets.

	SMALLPOX.			SCARLET FEVER.			DIPHTHERIA AND MEMBRANEOUS GROUP.			ENTERIC FEVER.			TOTALS.		
	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>URBAN DISTRICTS.</b>															
1 Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	7 (7)	3 (2)	73 (70)	19 (19)	50 (48)	25 (25)	...	...	1 (1)	26 (26)	53 (50)	99 (96)
2 Maidenhead Borough	...	...	...	19 (10)	57 (46)	26 (21)	13 (12)	11 (11)	20 (18)	1	1	4 (2)	33 (22)	69 (57)	50 (41)
3 Newbury Borough	...	...	...	5 (5)	17 (12)	45 (32)	15 (7)	20 (8)	18 (6)	...	1	...	20 (12)	38 (20)	63 (38)
4 New Windsor Borough	...	...	...	9 (5)	16 (8)	33 (14)	...	13 (5)	12 (4)	...	1 (1)	...	9 (5)	30 (14)	45 (18)
5 Wallingford Borough	...	...	...	...	...	8 (8)	2 (2)	6 (6)	1 (1)	...	...	...	2 (2)	6 (6)	9 (9)
6 Wantage	...	...	...	6 (5)	1 (1)	27 (16)	...	12 (6)	1 (1)	...	...	...	6 (5)	13 (7)	28 (17)
7 Wokingham Borough	...	...	...	1	9	5 (1)	4	...	...	...	1 (1)	...	5	10 (1)	5 (1)
Total	...	...	...	47 (32)	103 (69)	217 (162)	53 (40)	112 (84)	77 (55)	1	4 (2)	5 (3)	101 (72)	219 (155)	299 (220)
<b>RURAL DISTRICTS.</b>															
1 Abingdon	...	...	...	8 (8)	6 (4)	25 (15)	21 (20)	10 (10)	8 (8)	2 (1)	2 (2)	...	31 (29)	18 (16)	33 (23)
2 Bradfield	...	...	...	21 (5)	42 (15)	21 (5)	5 (3)	...	26 (1)	1 (1)	...	...	27 (9)	42 (15)	47 (6)
3 Cookham	...	...	...	8 (7)	31 (25)	16 (11)	25 (21)	7 (4)	16 (12)	1	...	5 (3)	34 (28)	38 (29)	37 (26)
4 Easthampstead	...	...	...	6	5 (1)	19 (5)	6 (4)	13 (5)	35 (18)	...	...	...	12 (4)	18 (6)	54 (23)
5 Faringdon (Berks)	...	...	...	4	3 (1)	5 (2)	28 (21)	7 (1)	3 (2)	...	1 (1)	1 (1)	32 (21)	11 (3)	9 (5)
6 Hungerford	...	...	...	17 (7)	8 (1)	11 (3)	...	25 (20)	5 (1)	...	...	...	17 (7)	33 (21)	16 (4)
7 Newbury	...	...	...	26 (14)	11 (3)	64 (28)	7 (4)	8 (4)	5	...	1 (1)	2 (2)	33 (18)	20 (9)	71 (30)
8 Wallingford	...	...	...	2	18 (15)	30 (25)	4	8 (8)	25 (21)	2	...	...	8	26 (23)	55 (46)
9 Wantage	...	...	...	8	28 (16)	20 (10)	17 (12)	42 (28)	7 (1)	...	...	...	25 (12)	70 (44)	27 (11)
10 Windsor	...	...	...	6 (2)	61 (28)	10 (5)	13 (6)	13 (9)	4 (4)	1	1	2 (1)	20 (8)	75 (37)	16 (10)
11 Wokingham	...	...	...	26	16 (1)	50	13	22	23 (9)	...	6	2	39	44 (1)	75 (9)
Total	...	...	...	132 (43)	229 (110)	271 (109)	139 (91)	155 (90)	157 (77)	7 (2)	11 (4)	12 (7)	278 (136)	395 (204)	440 (193)

+ To Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

§ To Abingdon Isolation Hospital.

b To Isolation Hospital, Newbury.

\* To Reading Isolation Hospital.

d To Maidenhead Isolation Hospital.

f To Crippenham Hospital.

g To Wallingford and Crowmarsh Isolation Hospital.



## ISOLATION HOSPITALS—OTHER THAN SMALLPOX.

URBAN DISTRICTS.	Area Served.	Acres.	Popn. Census, 1911.	Buildings.	Beds.	Dis- eases.	FOR SMALLPOX.
Abingdon Borough	Abingdon U.D. & R.D., Wantage U.D. & R.D., Faringdon R.D., Bradfield R.D., Hungerford R.D., Newbury R.D., & the Oxfordshire Districts of Wheatley U., Witney U., Witney R., Goring R., Culham R., and the Rural District of Ramsbury in Wilts	472,074	112,454**	permanent ...	32	three	Temporary building. Abingdon U. & R. Districts.
Maidenhead Borough	Maidenhead U.D., Cookham R.D., Easthampstead R.D., and two parishes of Windsor R.D.	61,306	51,949	temporary ...	24	two	Tents.
Newbury Borough	Newbury U. and R. Districts	44,216	22,864	temporary ...	28	two	Small isolated house could be used (Site for new Hospital secured).
New Windsor Borough	See footnote <i>c</i>	4,616	19,038	...	...	...	Temporary building. 12 beds.
Wallingford Borough	Wallingford U. and R. Districts and Crowmarsh R.D. (Oxon)	42,696	14,975	{ permanent adminis- trative, temporary ward buildings	15	three	{ Permanent building. 4 beds. Henley and Wallingford, Small- pox Hospital District.
Wantage	See Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	...	...	Temporary building. U. and R. Districts.
Wokingham Borough	No hospital	557	4,352	...	...	...	Tents. Urban and Rural Districts.
RURAL DISTRICTS.							
Abingdon	See Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	...	...	See Abingdon Borough.
Bradfield	See Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	...	...	No hospital.
Cookham	See Maidenhead Borough	...	...	...	...	...	See Maidenhead Borough.
Easthampstead	See Maidenhead Borough	...	...	...	...	...	See Maidenhead Borough.
Faringdon*	See Abingdon Borough, Faringdon R.D.C. also possess three Berthon hospital tents	...	...	...	...	...	Berthon hospital tents.
Hungerford	See Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	...	...	Temporary building.
Newbury	See Newbury and Abingdon Boroughs	...	...	...	...	...	See Newbury Borough
Wallingford	See Wallingford Borough	...	...	...	...	...	See Wallingford Borough.
Wantage	See Abingdon Borough	...	...	...	...	...	See Wantage Urban.
Windsor	See footnote <sup>†</sup>	...	...	...	...	...	Temporary building. 8 beds.
Wokingham	No hospital <sup>b</sup> ...	43,844	16,652	...	...	...	See Wokingham Borough.

\* Including Lechlade parish in Gloucestershire

<sup>†</sup> Patients from Parish of Old Windsor received into Egham (Surrey) Isolation Hospital and from Parishes of Sunninghill, and Sunningdale, into Maidenhead Isolation Hospital.<sup>b</sup> Patients from Parish of Remenham received into Smith Hospital, Henley.<sup>c</sup> Eton R.D.C. Isolation Hospital available.

\*\* Only enteric cases admitted from Newbury Rural District, the estimated population of which, 10,525, is included in this total.



## ADULTERATED FOODS AND DRUGS.

In the following table the work carried out in the County during 1921, under the sale of Food and Drugs Acts, is summarised. For the particulars I am indebted to the quarterly reports of the Chief Constable, Lt.-Colonel A. F. Poulton, and of the County Analyst, Sir William Smith, and also the reports of the Medical Officers of Health of the Boroughs of Newbury and New Windsor.

	No. of Samples.	Number Genuine.	Number Adulterated.	Prosecutions.	Convictions.
Newbury Borough ...	22	21	1	—	—
New Windsor Borough	49	48	1	—	—
Remainder of County	298	286	12	6	3
	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	369	355	14	6	3

The percentage of adulterated samples to the total number taken was 3.79 for the whole County, compared with 3.48 in 1920, 5.39 in 1919, 8.67 in 1918, 6.70 in 1917, 4.34 in 1916, 10.5 in 1915, 4.33 in 1914, 4.77 in 1913, 4.20 in 1912, 5.69 in 1911, 2.11 in 1910, 4.01 in 1909, 4.40 in 1908, 1.64 in 1907, and 4.99 in 1906

An extended table giving the list of articles examined, is printed at the end of this report (Table 5).

Of the 99 samples of milk examined, 2 was deficient in fat, and 9 contained added water.

Of the 12 samples of coffee, 1 contained 20% of chicory.

Of the 11 samples of cream, 1 contained 22% of Boric Acid.

Of the 9 samples of mustard, 1 contained 20% of starchy matter having the characters of wheat flour.

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## THE MIDWIVES ACTS, 1902 AND 1918.

## INSPECTION OF MIDWIVES.

During the year ending 31st December, 1921, 150 women gave notice of their intention to practise as Midwives in the County ; of this number, 4 ceased practising and 15 moved out of the County, leaving 131 on the register at the end of the year.

Of these, 124 were working under Nursing Associations or for individual estate owners and 26 were working on their own account. Of the 124 association midwives, all but one had been certified after examination, whereas out of the remaining 26 midwives, 23 had been certified after examination, 3 having been placed on the roll as bona-fide practising midwives at the time the Midwives Act came into force.

The routine inspections numbered 337.

Midwives belonging to the County Nursing Association are inspected by their own Superintendent, Miss G. R. Skinner, who has been appointed by the County Council as " Superintendent of Health Visitors and Midwives throughout the area of the County covered by the Association."

All other Midwives are inspected by Miss A. E. Dutton, one of the whole-time Health Visitors on the County staff.

During the year the following notices were received :—

Stillbirth	...	...	...	...	40
Sending for medical help	...	...	...	...	396
Death of infants before attendance of a doctor	...	...	...	...	11
Laying out dead bodies	...	...	...	...	21
Liability to be a source of infection	...	...	...	...	5
Artificial feeding	...	...	...	...	30

Nearly sixty per cent. of the births registered in the County during the year 1921, appear to have been attended by certified midwives, a rather higher proportion than in previous years.



TABLE 1.—C

ADMINISTRATIVE

	Population.				Population.		Population.	
	By Census, 1901.	By Census, 1911.	By Estimate, 1921, for Birth-Rate.	By Estimate, 1921, for Death-Rate.	Area in Acres.	Per Acre, 1911.	Inhabited Houses, 1911.	Per House, 1911.
URBAN DISTRICTS ...	54,776	57,513	66,563	66,563	10,813	5.32	12,762	4.59
RURAL DISTRICTS † ...	125,578	128,301‡	133,310	132,385	445,678	.31	30,227	4.49
COUNTY † ...	180,354	195,814§	199,873	198,948	456,491	.43	42,989	4.54
URBAN DISTRICTS—								
1 Abingdon Boro' ...	6,480	6,810	7,130	7,130	728	9.35	1,561	4.36
2 Maidenhead Boro' ...	12,980	15,218	16,490	16,490	2,125	7.16	3,377	4.51
3 Newbury Boro' ...	11,061	12,108	12,200	12,200	1,828	6.62	2,927	4.14
4 New Windsor Boro' ...	14,130	12,681	19,770	19,770	2,717	4.67	2,502	5.07
5 Wallingford Boro' ...	2,808	2,716	2,681	2,681	380	7.15	618	4.39
6 Wantage ...	3,766	3,628	3,862	3,862	2,478	1.46	755	4.81
7 Wokingham Boro' ...	3,551	4,352	4,430	4,430	557	7.81	1,022	4.26
RURAL DISTRICTS—								
1 Abingdon ..	8,370	9,251	10,220	10,220	42,210	.22	2,149	4.30
2 Bradfield ...	15,260	17,059	14,350	14,350	54,641	.31	3,199	4.49
3 Cookham ...	10,574	12,301	13,240	13,240	27,801	.44	2,878	4.28
4 Easthampstead ...	15,757	17,550	18,610	17,685	27,033	.65	3,372	5.20
5 Faringdon † ...	10,447	11,075	10,050	10,050	55,726	.20	2,570	4.31
6 Hungerford ...	8,468	9,009	8,270	8,270	44,816	.20	2,057	4.38
7 Newbury ...	9,996	10,759	10,500	10,500	42,388	.25	2,611	4.12
8 Wallingford ...	6,204	7,246	8,830	8,830	22,152	.33	1,474	4.92
9 Wantage ...	11,842	12,028	11,630	11,630	74,500	.16	2,891	4.16
10 Windsor ...	14,274	15,370	9,410	9,410	10,567	1.45	3,118	4.93
11 Wokingham ...	14,386	16,653	18,200	18,200	43,844	.38	3,908	4.26

\* The Epidemic Death-Rate refers to the Deaths from Smallpox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, under 2 years are included.

† The Rural District of Faringdon is partly in the Administrative County of Gloucestershire, the figures given refer to the

‡ The population of the Rural Districts not including the area incorporated in the Borough of Reading was 135,589.

§ " " " County " " " " " " " " 193,101.

|| " " " Bradfield R.D. " " " " " " " " 14,349.

¶ Civil population only.

# STATISTICS, 1921.

## COUNTY OF BERKSHIRE.

Rate.		Net Death-Rate.			Epidemic Death-Rate.*			Death-Rate from Diarrhoea.*			Death-Rate from Phthisis			Death-Rate from Cancer.			Infantile Mortality.		
1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921	1919	1920	1921
2.8	19.2	12.7	11.1	11.7	.1	.2	.3	.1	.1	.1	1.0	.8	.7	1.4	1.5	1.5	61	46	56
4.7	17.8	12.6	10.7	10.3	.2	.2	.2	.4	.3	.08	.6	.7	.5	1.6	1.3	1.4	55	48	49
4.0	18.3	12.6	10.8	10.8	.2	.2	.3	.3	.3	.1	.8	.7	.5	1.5	1.4	1.5	57	48	51
8.3	18.7	10.5	11.1	10.2	...	1.3	.1	...	...	...	.7	1.1	.9	1.2	1.7	1.2	40	51	52
3.1	17.2	11.1	8.8	11.0	.1	.1	.2	...	...	...	.9	.6	.2	.9	1.0	1.8	76	49	56
1.6	19.3	13.6	13.5	12.1	.1	...	.4	.1	...	.3	.7	.7	.9	1.8	1.9	1.5	50	40	38
1.8	21.2	14.0	11.1	11.6	.1	.1	.5	...	...	.3	1.5	.9	.9	1.3	1.8	1.4	37	47	59
1.9	19.0	14.0	13.4	10.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.8	1.5	.3	2.0	1.1	.3	...	105	58
1.5	20.1	14.1	11.3	13.9	...	.2	...	...	.2	...	1.0	.2	.2	2.5	.9	1.5	53	44	89
1.4	18.0	13.6	11.7	13.9	.2	.2	.9	...	...	...	.2	1.1	1.1	2.3	2.0	2.4	105	10	75
26.2	19.7	13.8	9.0	9.3	.1	.2	.09	...	...	...	.6	.9	.6	1.7	.7	.9	91	36	44
24.4	18.8	12.0	9.9	12.0	.3	.2	.2	.1	...	.06	.7	1.0	.3	2.0	1.1	2.1	61	33	55
20.6	16.4	11.5	9.7	9.7	.4	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.7	.3	.4	.9	1.8	1.7	89	64	45
22.3	14.8	12.1	11.0	10.1	.1	.2	.3	...	...	.05	.5	.6	.4	1.7	1.2	1.3	50	68	46
28.9	20.3	12.4	11.5	10.8	.5	...	...	.1	...	...	.9	.5	.9	1.4	1.5	1.4	49	46	39
25.0	20.4	14.7	12.4	11.4	...	.1	.3	...	...	.2	.6	1.1	.2	1.4	1.1	1.5	84	65	65
21.1	17.1	11.5	11.6	11.1	.2	.1	.09	...	.1	...	.2	.7	.3	1.4	1.2	1.5	45	49	44
22.6	16.4	12.5	9.8	9.1	...	...	.5	...	...	.2	.4	.8	.5	1.8	.8	.9	53	26	68
26.6	20.1	13.6	8.9	11.1	.5	.5	.1	...	...	.08	.7	.7	.7	1.4	1.4	1.5	25	23	59
27.8	17.0	11.9	11.0	8.5	.3	.2	.3	.1	...	.2	.9	.4	.2	1.5	1.3	1.0	24	67	31
26.0	17.3 <sup>1</sup>	13.4	12.3	10.1	.2	.4	.6	.1	.1	...	.8	1.1	.4	1.4	2.0	1.4	56	45	44

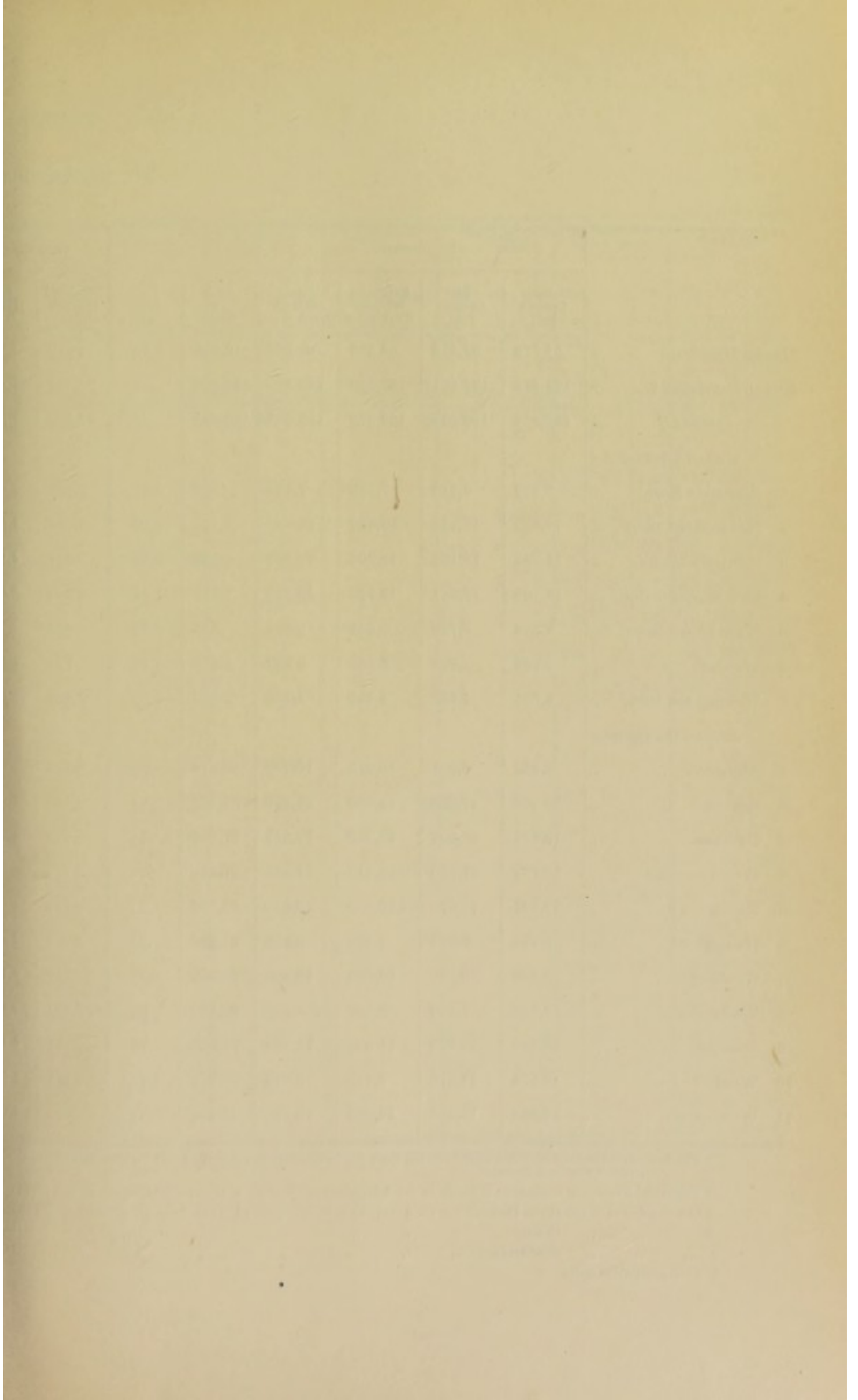
\* (including Enteric) and Diarrhoea. Deaths from Diarrhoea at ages above 2 years are excluded, but deaths from Enteritis

are portion only.



The following list, corrected to June, 1922 shows the distribution of the Midwives who have given notice of their intention of practising in the County.

Abingdon ... ..	7	Northbourne ... ..	1
Aldermaston ... ..	1	Old Windsor ... ..	2
Appleton ... ..	1	Pangbourne ... ..	1
Ardington ... ..	1	Sandhurst ... ..	1
Ashbury ... ..	1	Shinfield ... ..	2
Aston Tirrold ... ..	2	Shrivenham ... ..	2
Basildon ... ..	2	South Ascot... ..	4
Beedon ... ..	1	South Moreton ... ..	1
Binfield ... ..	1	Spencer's Wood ... ..	1
Boar's Hill .. ..	1	Stanford in the Vale ... ..	1
Bracknell ... ..	1	Steventon ... ..	1
Bradfield ... ..	2	Stockcross ... ..	1
Bothampstead ... ..	1	Streatley ... ..	1
Botley ... ..	1	Sulhamstead ... ..	1
Braywood ... ..	1	Thatcham ... ..	1
Brimpton ... ..	1	Theale ... ..	1
Burchett's Green ... ..	1	Twyford ... ..	1
Burghfield ... ..	1	Wallingford ... ..	4
Chieveley ... ..	1	Waltham St. Lawrence ... ..	1
Cholsey ... ..	1	Wantage ... ..	3
Cold Ash ... ..	1	Warfield ... ..	1
Crowthorne ... ..	2	Welford ... ..	1
Didcot ... ..	2	Westcott ... ..	1
East Hanney ... ..	1	West Hagbourne ... ..	1
East Hendred ... ..	1	White Waltham ... ..	1
Englefield ... ..	1	Windsor ... ..	6
Faringdon ... ..	2	Winkfield ... ..	1
Grazeley ... ..	1	Wokingham... ..	3
Hampstead Norris ... ..	1	Woodley ... ..	2
Harwell ... ..	1	Woolhampton ... ..	1
Holyport ... ..	1	Yattendon ... ..	1
Hungerford ... ..	2	*Baughurst ... ..	1
Hurst ... ..	1	*Blackwater ... ..	1
Inkpen ... ..	1	*Clifton Hampden ... ..	1
Kintbury .. ..	1	*Dorchester ... ..	1
Leckhampstead ... ..	1	*Henley ... ..	1
Longworth ... ..	1	*Highworth ... ..	1
Maidenhead... ..	6	*Lechlade ... ..	1
Marcham ... ..	1	*Marlow ... ..	1
Marlston ... ..	1	*Oxford ... ..	1
Mortimer ... ..	1	*Reading ... ..	2
Newbury ... ..	4		





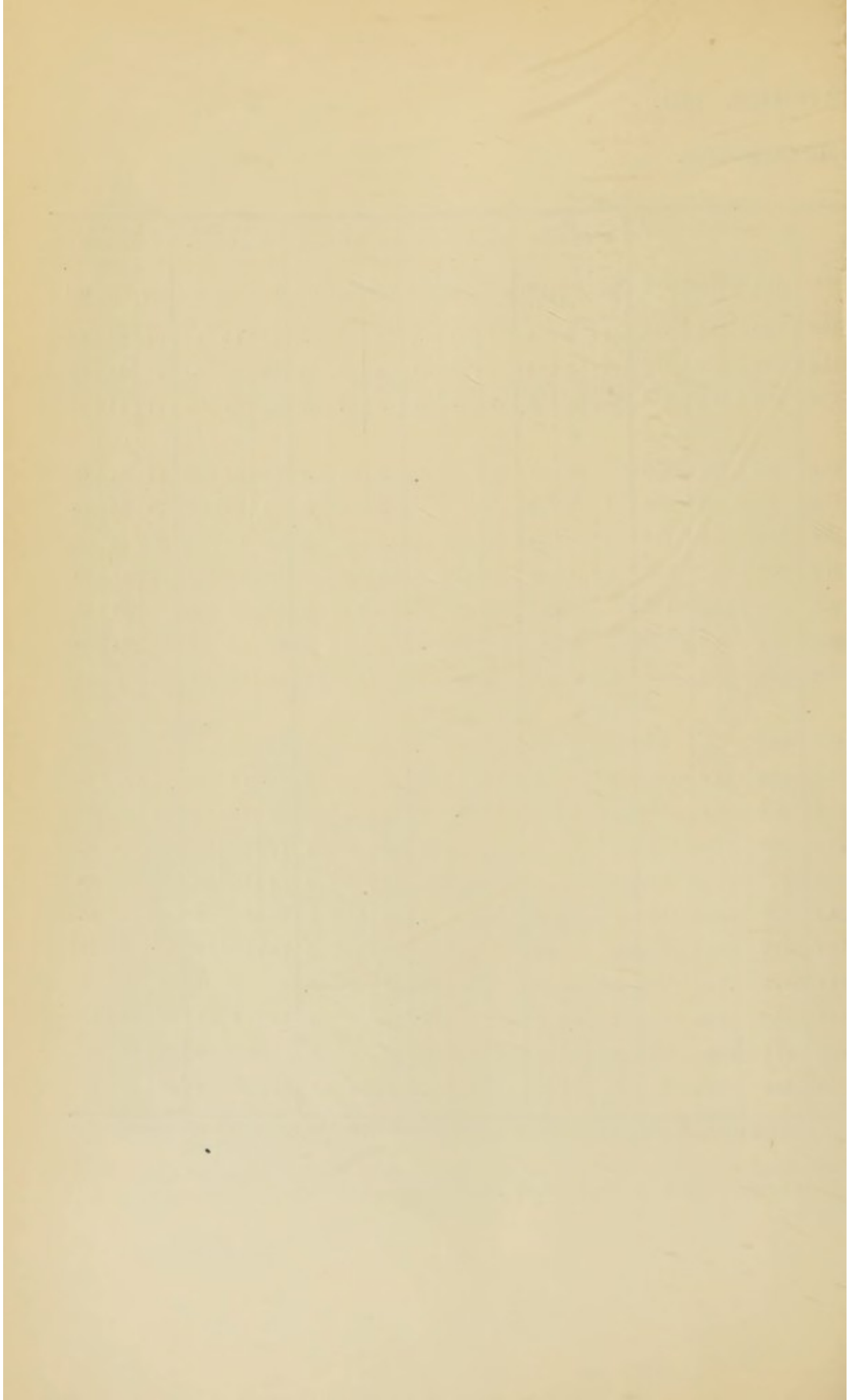


TABLE 2.—CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH, 1921.

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF BERKS.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Net Deaths at the subjoined Ages of "Residents," whether occurring within or without the County.									
	All ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 2 years.	2 and under 5 years.	5 and under 15 years.	15 and under 25 years.	25 and under 45 years.	45 and under 65 years.	65 and under 75 years.	75 and upwards.
Enteric Fever ...	3	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	..	...
Smallpox ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ...	11	2	6	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough ...	12	4	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ...	16	...	...	5	10	1	...	...	...	...
Influenza ...	50	2	...	2	2	2	4	11	15	12
Encephalitis Lethargica	10	..	...	...	...	1	3	4	2	...
Meningococcal Meningitis ..	4	2	...	...	2	...	...	..	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	115	1	...	...	..	29	49	27	8	1
Other Tuberculous Diseases	31	2	2	2	5	3	11	5	1	...
Cancer, Malignant Disease	300	...	1	...	...	...	20	131	96	52
Rheumatic Fever ...	6	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	1	...
Diabetes ...	17	...	...	..	1	...	2	5	7	2
Cerebral Hæmorrhage, etc. ...	172	...	...	...	...	...	3	36	63	70
Heart Disease ...	293	...	...	...	2	4	20	63	94	110
Arterio-sclerosis ...	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	26	42
Bronchitis ...	116	8	4	...	...	1	2	14	24	63
Pneumonia (all forms)	89	13	8	8	2	3	10	20	8	17
Other Respiratory Diseases ...	18	...	...	1	...	1	2	4	2	8
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum ...	22	...	...	...	...	...	4	12	4	2
Diarrhoea, etc. ...	36	19	2	1	1	...	2	2	2	7
Appendicitis and Typhlitis	17	...	..	1	2	4	2	4	3	1
Cirrhosis of Liver ...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...
Acute and Chronic Nephritis ..	73	...	...	...	...	...	5	30	16	22
Puerperal Sepsis ...	8	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	...	...
Other Accidents and Diseases of Pregnancy and Parturition ...	7	...	...	...	...	1	6	...	...	...
Congenital Debility and Malformation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Premature Birth ...	95	94	...	..	...	..	1	...	...	...
Suicide ...	17	..	...	...	...	2	2	7	6	...
Other Deaths from Violence ..	73	3	3	4	9	7	9	21	7	10
Other Defined Diseases	441	39	9	2	9	12	35	74	81	180
Causes ill-defined or unknown ...	17	1	...	1	...	...	2	10	3	...
All Causes ...	2153	190	40	32	48	73	205	495	471	599



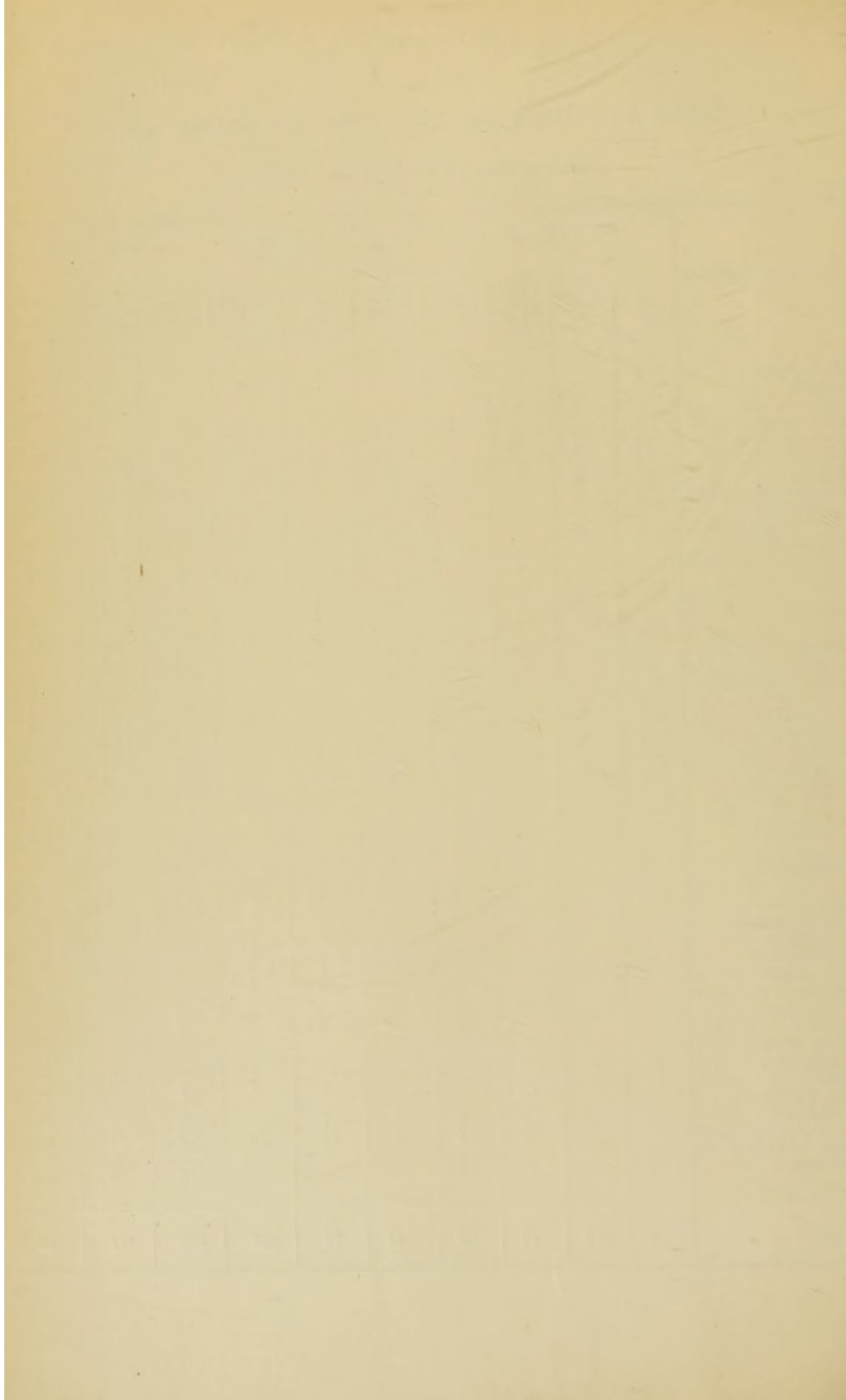


TABLE 3.—CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH, 1921

## URBAN DISTRICTS.

Cause of Death.	Deaths belonging to all Urban Districts.										Deaths belonging to each District, (at all ages).						
	All Ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 2.	2 and under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 45.	45 and under 65.	65 and under 75.	75 and upwards.	Abingdon Borough.	Maidenhead Borough.	Newbury Borough.	New Windsor Borough.	Wallingford Borough.	Wantage.	Wokingham Borough.
Enteric Fever ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Small Pox ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	5	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	3
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough ...	6	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	1
Diphtheria ... ..	3	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
Influenza ... ..	25	1	...	...	1	1	2	7	8	5	1	8	4	7	3	...	2
Encephalitis Lethargica	5	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...
Meningococcal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Respiratory System...	48	...	...	...	...	13	19	12	4	...	7	4	11	19	1	1	5
Other Tuberculous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases ...	10	...	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	...	1	3	2	4	...	...	...
Cancer, Malignant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Disease ...	105	...	...	...	...	...	4	51	32	18	9	30	19	29	1	6	11
Rheumatic Fever ...	4	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...
Diabetes ... ..	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	1	1	...	1	2	...	1	1
CerebralHæmorrhage,etc.	69	...	...	...	...	...	2	17	26	24	13	14	9	17	5	7	4
Heart Disease ... ..	84	...	...	...	1	3	6	14	28	32	6	18	21	22	8	6	3
Arterio-sclerosis ...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10	20	1	2	7	20	1	...	1
Bronchitis ... ..	49	4	2	...	...	1	2	6	10	24	3	16	12	6	2	6	4
Pneumonia (all forms) ...	40	6	5	5	1	2	3	8	2	8	5	9	6	15	1	1	3
Other Respiratory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	1	...
Ulcer of Stomach or	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
duodenum...	9	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	4	1	3	...	1	...
Diarrhœa, etc. ... ..	16	9	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	4	6	...	...	6
Appendicitis and	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhlitis ... ..	7	...	...	...	1	2	2	1	1	...	...	4	...	2	...	1	...
Cirrhosis of Liver ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute and Chronic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nephritis ... ..	20	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	5	4	1	7	3	8	...	...	1
Puerperal Sepsis ...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Other Accidents and	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of Pregnancy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
and Parturition ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Congenital Debility and	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malformation, Prema-	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
ture Birth ... ..	36	35	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	6	4	12	3	6	2
Suicide ... ..	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	1
Other Deaths from	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Violence ... ..	27	2	1	1	3	2	3	9	4	2	2	4	4	10	1	2	4
Other Defined Diseases...	155	14	1	1	2	5	8	28	27	69	17	42	34	38	1	15	8
Causes ill defined or	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
unknown...	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	2	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	2
All Causes ... ..	779	73	17	12	15	34	65	181	170	212	73	183	148	230	29	54	62



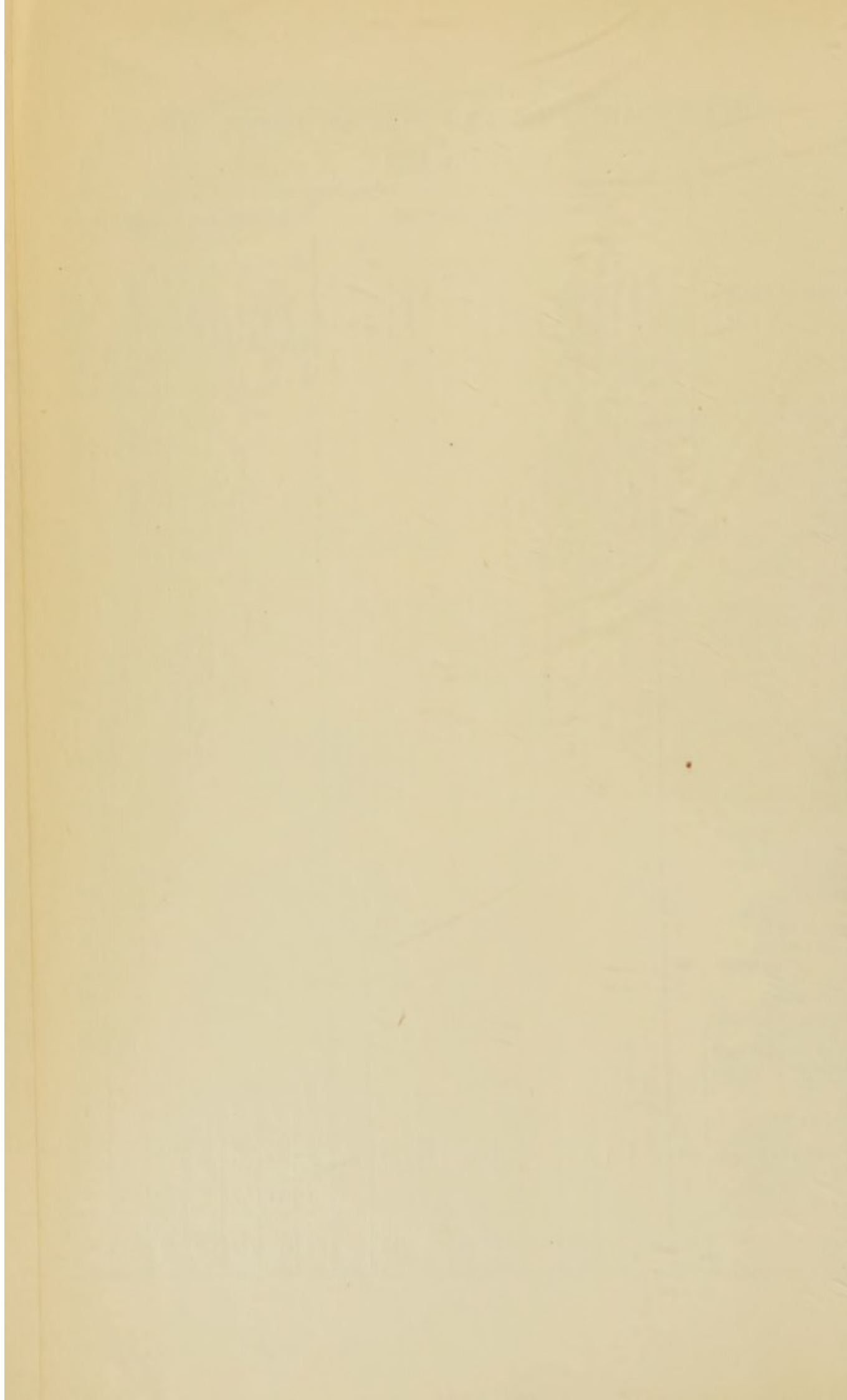






TABLE 4.—CAUSES OF, ANIMAL

RURAL DISTRICT

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Deaths belonging to all Rural Districts						
	All Ages	Under 1 year	1 and under 2	2 and under 5	5 and under 15	15 and under 25	25 and under 45
Enteric Fever	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Smallpox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	6	2	3	...	1	...	...
Scarlet Fever	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Whooping Cough	6	2	2	2	...	...	...
Diphtheria	13	...	...	4	8	1	...
Influenza	25	1	...	2	1	1	2
Encephalitis Lethargica	5	...	...	...	...	...	1
Meningococcal Meningitis	4	2	...	...	2	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	67	1	...	...	...	16	30
Other Tuberculous Diseases	21	2	1	1	2	1	10
Cancer, Malignant Disease	195	...	1	...	...	...	16
Rheumatic Fever	2	...	...	...	...	1	1
Diabetes	11	...	...	...	1	...	2
Cerebral Hæmorrhage, etc.	103	...	...	...	...	...	1
Heart Disease	209	...	...	...	1	1	14
Arterio-sclerosis	46	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bronchitis	67	4	2	...	...	...	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	49	7	3	3	1	1	7
Other Respiratory Diseases	15	...	...	1	...	1	1
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	13	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diarrhœa, etc. (under 2 years)	11	10	1	...	...	...	...
Appendicitis and Typhlitis	10	...	...	1	1	2	...
Cirrhosis of Liver	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute and Chronic Nephritis	53	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis	6	...	...	...	...	...	4
Other Accidents and Diseases of Pregnancy and Parturition	7	...	...	...	...	...	6
Congenital Debility and Malformation, Premature Birth	59	59	...	...	...	...	...
Suicide	12	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Deaths from Violence	46	1	2	3	6	1	2
Other Defined Diseases	295	25	8	2	8	5	6
Causes ill-defined or unknown	11	1	...	1	...	7	28
							1
All causes	1374	117	23	20	33	39	140

# AGES, AT DEATH, 1921.

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			Deaths belonging to each District (At all Ages).										
and er	65 and under 75	75 and up- wards	Abingdon	Bradfield	Cookham	Easthampstead	Faringdon, (Berks Portion.)	Hungerford	Newbury	Wallingford	Wantage	Windsor	Wokingham
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	3
7	7	...	1	2	...	4	...	1	...	1	...	...	4
2	...	...	6	3	2	6	2	2	1	...	...	2	1
...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
4	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	7	5	6	8	10	2	4	5	9	2	9
...	...	...	2	2	1	2	2	3	2	...	4	1	2
64	34	10	31	23	24	15	13	16	8	18	10	27	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
4	1	...	2	1	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
37	46	3	13	13	10	8	12	8	...	6	1	15	8
66	78	12	20	19	12	23	18	19	20	26	7	8	32
13	22	1	15	5	6	1	...	7	...	2	2	4	5
14	39	2	6	5	15	7	...	6	2	13	2	2	9
6	9	3	10	5	11	2	1	3	4	4	1	1	5
2	6	2	2	2	1	1	...	1	3	1	1	1	2
1	2	...	...	3	2	3	...	...	1	...	...	2	1
...	...	...	1	2	1	1	...	2	...	2	1	2	...
2	1	...	...	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	2
2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
11	18	3	8	7	9	6	2	5	3	3	3	3	4
...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1	1
...	...	7	8	5	1	4	7	2	7	7	3	8	8
4	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	3	3
3	8	5	3	4	5	2	4	5	2	2	4	10	10
55	115	28	39	18	45	17	23	29	13	26	16	41	41
1	...	1	2	1	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	1	1
301	387	96	173	129	178	109	95	117	81	130	80	186	





TABLE 5.—SAMPLES ANALYSED DURING 1921.

## SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

ARTICLES.	No. of Samples taken.	Number Genuine.	Number Adulterated.	Prosecutions.	Convictions.	No. of Samples taken.		
						Newbury Borough.	New Windsor Borough.	Remainder of County.
Arrowroot ... ..	14	14	...	..	...	...	1	13
Baking Powder ... ..	14	14	...	..	...	...	...	14
Beer ... ..	14	14	...	...	...	...	...	14
Bread ... ..	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	6
Butter... ..	28	28	...	..	..	1	15	12
Cakeoma ... ..	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cocoa ... ..	12	12	...	...	...	...	...	12
Coffee ... ..	12	11	1	...	...	...	...	12
Corned Beef ... ..	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cream .. ..	11	10	1	1	...	...	9	2
Cream, Preserved ... ..	3	3	...	..	...	...	...	3
Epsom Salts ... ..	9	9	...	...	...	...	...	9
Flour ... ..	3	3	...	...	...	...	..	3
Glauber Salts... ..	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	5
Lard ... ..	18	18	...	...	...	..	4	14
Magnesia ... ..	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	10
Margarine .. ..	15	15	...	...	...	...	3	12
Meat and Fish, Tinned ... ..	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	6
Milk ... ..	99	88	11	5	3	21	15	63
Mustard ... ..	9	8	1	...	..	...	1	8
Olive Oil ... ..	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Pepper ... ..	15	15	...	...	...	...	1	14
Potted Meat ... ..	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	4
Sago ... ..	14	14	...	...	...	...	...	14
Semoline ... ..	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	5
Sugar ... ..	15	15	...	..	...	...	...	15
Tapioca ... ..	7	7	...	...	...	...	...	7
Vaseline ... ..	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	6
Vinegar .. ..	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	6
Totals .. ..	369	355	14	6	3	22	49	298



