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*To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health and Housing Committee  
of the County Council.*

The birth-rate of the County in 1926 was only 15·80, which is two per 1,000 of population below the birth-rate of England and Wales during the same period and seven per 1,000 less than the birth-rate in Berkshire twenty years ago.

The general death-rate, 11·12, and the rate of infantile mortality, 47·89, were both below the average and compare favourably with the corresponding figures for England and Wales, viz., 11·6 and 70.

The amount of notifiable infectious disease in the County as a whole was well below the average, especially as regards diphtheria.

The work associated with maternity and infant welfare has progressed satisfactorily, and the arrangements for the treatment of cripple children at Wingfield Hospital and associated clinics have proved most helpful.

In the body of the report will be found particulars of the various Health Services for which the Public Health Committee are responsible; the usual statistical tables follow at the end of the report.

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*County Medical Officer of Health.*

Shire Hall

The Forbury,

Reading.

25th June, 1927.

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OF THE SANITARY DISTRICTS IN BERKSHIRE, 1927.

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SISAM, W., B.Sc., M.D., Birm., D.P.H. Camb. Bank Chambers, Cross Street, Reading. (Tel. 647 Reading).	West Berks United Districts, viz., Abingdon, Newbury, Walling- ford and Wantage Urban ; Abingdon, Bradfield, Hunger- ford, Newbury, Wallingford, and Wantage Rural.
SISAM, W.	Faringdon Rural.

## SANITARY INSPECTORS.

BERKSHIRE, 1927.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES.	URBAN DISTRICTS.
LEWIS, WALTER H., .. .. . Council Offices, The Abbey House, Abingdon.	Abingdon Borough.
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BOWES, N. S. .. .. . Town Hall, Newbury.	Newbury Borough.
ARNOLD F. .. .. . Town Hall, Windsor.	New Windsor Borough.
GRAY, A. G. .. .. . Benson, near Wallingford.	Wallingford Borough.
GREEN, GEO. .. .. . Town Hall, Wantage.	Wantage.
MARKS, C. W. .... .. Town Hall, Wokingham.	Wokingham Borough.
UPTON, T. E. .. .. . 12, Stert Street, Abingdon.	RURAL DISTRICTS. Abingdon.
WINDLE, T. HAROLD .. .. . Blossom End, Theale.	Bradfield.
COLEMAN, W. J. .. .. . 1, Park Street, Maidenhead.	Cookham.
YORKE, C. .. .. . Council Offices, Bracknell.	Easthampstead.
BERESFORD, J. J. .. .. . Sanitary Inspector, Union Street, Faringdon.	Faringdon.
RAINE, W. S. .. .. . Salisbury Road, Hungerford.	Hungerford.
HAMPSHIRE, E. G. .. .. . Wash Common, Newbury.	Newbury.
LAY, R. B. .. .. . Sotwell, Wallingford.	Wallingford.
WESTBROOK, E. R. .. .. . West Challow.	Wantage.
BURCH, E. A. .. .. . Sunningdale, Ascot.	Windsor.
LONGHURST, W. L. .. .. . The R.D.C. of Wokingham, Board Room, Barkham Road, Wokingham.	Wokingham.



## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF BERKSHIRE.

## AREA AND POPULATION.

The area of the Administrative County is 454,725 acres. The total acreage and the distribution of land and water in the various districts is given in the following table :—

	Area in Statute Acres (Land and Inland Water).	Population.		
		Census, 1921.	Estimate, 1926.	
			For Birth-Rate.	For Death-Rate.
URBAN DISTRICTS.				
1 Abingdon Borough ..	728	7,165	7,389	7,389
2 Maidenhead Borough	2,124	16,730	16,830	16,830
3 Newbury Borough ..	1,829	12,295	12,960	12,960
4 New Windsor Borough	4,616	20,122	20,140	19,050
5 Wallingford Borough	380	2,726	2,702	2,702
6 Wantage .. ..	2,478	3,886	3,929	3,929
7 Wokingham Borough	557	4,475	4,240	4,240
Total .. ..	12,712	67,399	68,190	67,100
RURAL DISTRICTS.				
1 Abingdon .. ..	42,210	10,311	11,250	11,250
2 Bradfield* .. ..	52,878	14,563	14,130	14,130
3 Cookham .. ..	27,803	13,714	13,950	13,950
4 Easthampstead ..	27,034	18,757	18,840	18,040
5 Faringdon† .. ..	55,726	10,101	9,771	9,771
6 Hungerford .. ..	44,817	8,320	8,703	8,793
7 Newbury .. ..	42,386	10,669	10,740	10,740
8 Wallingford .. ..	22,152	8,846	9,173	8,973
9 Wantage .. ..	74,498	11,704	12,110	12,110
10 Windsor .. ..	8,665	9,690	9,383	9,383
11 Wokingham .. ..	43,844	18,469	20,350	20,350
Total .. ..	442,013	135,144	138,400	137,400
Administrative County*†	454,725	202,543	206,590	204,500

\* 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 1,048 persons (Census, 1921).

For 1926 the Registrar General's estimates of population for each sanitary district with the exception of New Windsor Borough, Easthampstead and Wallingford Rural Districts are the same for birth rate and death rate.

BIRTH-RATE.  
(Per 1,000 of the Population).

	Average Rate, 1916-1925.	Rate, 1926.	Number of Births, 1926.
URBAN DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon Borough .. .	18.59	14.61	108
2 Maidenhead Borough .. .	16.97	17.11	288
3 Newbury Borough .. .	16.78	16.66	216
4 New Windsor Borough .. .	18.69	15.29	308
5 Wallingford Borough .. .	17.19	18.13	49
6 Wantage .. .	16.92	14.25	56
7 Wokingham Borough .. .	17.08	14.15	60
RURAL DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon .. .	18.53	18.31	206
2 Bradfield .. .	16.45	14.01	198
3 Cookham .. .	15.64	12.90	180
4 Easthampstead .. .	15.66	13.69	258
5 Faringdon (Berks) .. .	19.37	17.42	173
6 Hungerford .. .	19.31	18.38	160
7 Newbury .. .	15.81	16.94	182
8 Wallingford .. .	17.08	17.22	158
9 Wantage .. .	18.82	19.23	233
10 Windsor .. .	16.72	14.80	139
11 Wokingham .. .	17.30	14.34	292
Urban Districts .. .	17.56	15.90	1,085
Rural Districts .. .	17.10	15.74	2,179
County .. .	17.16	15.80	3,264

The average birth-rate in the County as a whole during the ten years, 1916 to 1925, was 17.41, whilst the rate in 1926 was only 15.80 per 1,000 of population, a figure lower than any I have seen recorded for the County except in the year 1924, when it was 15.78, and in the years 1917 and 1918, when the birth-rate fell to between 14 and 15 per 1,000 of estimated population.

Of the various Districts, Faringdon Rural shows the highest average rate for the ten years, 1916 to 1925, i.e., 19.37.

The birth-rate of England and Wales in 1926 was 17.8, a figure less than half that of the maximum rate recorded exactly fifty years previously.



**NET DEATH-RATE.**  
(Per 1,000 of Population)

				Average Rate, 1916-1925.	Rate, 1926.	Number of Deaths, 1926.
<b>URBAN DISTRICTS.</b>						
1	Abingdon Borough	..	..	13.30	10.28	76
2	Maidenhead Borough	..	..	11.70	12.35	208
3	Newbury Borough	..	..	14.29	10.80	140
4	New Windsor Borough	..	..	12.58	11.70	223
5	Wallingford Borough	..	..	13.54	14.43	39
6	Wantage	..	..	12.66	11.70	46
7	Wokingham Borough	..	..	15.02	18.15	77
<b>RURAL DISTRICTS.</b>						
1	Abingdon	..	..	12.28	9.68	109
2	Bradfield	..	..	12.32	11.46	162
3	Cookham	..	..	11.26	10.25	143
4	Easthampstead	..	..	11.43	10.53	190
5	Faringdon (Berks)	..	..	13.53	12.99	127
6	Hungerford	..	..	13.74	13.09	114
7	Newbury	..	..	12.73	12.66	136
8	Wallingford	..	..	10.44	9.13	82
9	Wantage	..	..	12.42	11.47	139
10	Windsor	..	..	11.42	9.69	91
11	Wokingham	..	..	12.27	8.50	173
Urban Districts				12.67	12.05	809
Rural Districts				12.12	10.66	1,466
County				12.31	11.12	2,275

The death-rate of the County in 1926 was 11.12, which is below the average of the preceding ten years.

The death-rate of England and Wales in 1926 was 11.6 per 1,000 of population.

# 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, 1916-1925.	Rate, 1926.	Number of Deaths, 1926.
URBAN DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon Borough .. ..	52·87	64·81	7
2 Maidenhead Borough .. ..	65·93	45·13	13
3 Newbury Borough .. ..	58·08	18·51	4
4 New Windsor Borough .. ..	54·98	38·96	12
5 Wallingford Borough .. ..	58·94	40·81	2
6 Wantage .. ..	70·54	71·42	4
7 Wokingham Borough .. ..	53·52	133·33	8
RURAL DISTRICTS.			
1 Abingdon .. ..	69·72	38·83	8
2 Bradfield .. ..	50·50	40·40	8
3 Cookham .. ..	55·50	66·66	12
4 Easthampstead .. ..	57·31	34·88	9
5 Faringdon (Berks) .. ..	59·92	46·24	8
6 Hungerford .. ..	62·69	68·75	11
7 Newbury .. ..	51·52	38·46	7
8 Wallingford .. ..	47·61	31·64	5
9 Wantage .. ..	50·15	85·83	20
10 Windsor .. ..	47·66	57·55	8
11 Wokingham .. ..	57·50	34·24	10
Urban Districts .. ..	59·17	46·08	50
Rural Districts .. ..	55·56	48·64	106
County .. ..	56·45	47·89	156

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, 62 for 1916-1920, and 54 for 1921-1925.

The rate of infantile mortality in England and Wales during 1926 was 70.

In the 105 great towns, 73. In London, 64.

In the 158 smaller towns, 67.



## 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 sanctioned by the Berkshire County Council provided for :—

1. Home visitation of
  - (a) Expectant mothers.
  - (b) Infants and children under school age.
2. Hospital accommodation for lying-in.
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 were fourteen Infant Welfare Centres in 1926 managed by voluntary committees, at each centre, with the exception of Hungerford, a medical officer attends, usually twice a month; the centre may be opened weekly for other welfare purposes.



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

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

Sandhurst : Mission Hall, Branksome Hill Road, College Town, third Wednesday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

Faringdon : Mission Hall, Coxwell Street, 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.

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

East Hendred : Rectory Room, fourth Tuesday in the month, 3 p.m.

Finchampstead : Village Hall, first Friday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

Kingston Lisle : Village Hall, first Monday in the month, 2-4 p.m.

Childrey : Parish Room, first Tuesday in the month, 2.30-4.30 p.m.

Sunninghill and South Ascot : Fortnightly, Thursday, 2-4 p.m.

Appleton : Fortnightly, Tuesday, 2.30-4 p.m.

Hungerford : Old School, first Wednesday in the month, 2.30 p.m.

The home visiting in connection with the centres 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.

#### ORTHOPÆDIC CLINICS.

Clinics for the treatment of cripples have been opened at Sandhurst, Wokingham, Wallingford, Wantage, Newbury, and Windsor. They are worked in connection with the Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital at Headington, near Oxford, but are under the management of local Voluntary Committees, incidental expenses being met by private donations and funds derived from entertainments, as well as contributions from the Red Cross and patients' payments.

The Berkshire County Council make no grant towards the expenses of these Clinics, but have paid for the maintenance of crippled children whilst undergoing treatment in the Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital. During 1926 eight children under 5 years of age were admitted to the Hospital and special efforts are being made to bring cases of infantile paralysis under treatment in hospital during the acute early stage before permanent paralysis has supervened.



## TUBERCULOSIS.

TABLE 1 shows the number of new cases of tuberculosis, including cases coming into the County from other areas, and the number of deaths from tuberculosis during the year.

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 .. ..	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
1 .. ..	—	2	2	6	2	—	6	—
5 .. ..	4	3	10	5	—	1	3	3
10 .. ..	4	1	6	2	1	1	1	3
15 .. ..	7	9	—	3	—	6	2	2
20 .. ..	10	17	4	2	6	5	2	2
25 .. ..	24	30	6	1	14	17	1	—
35 .. ..	23	17	1	4	15	9	2	3
45 .. ..	17	11	3	2	10	11	—	1
55 .. ..	7	6	—	—	6	6	1	—
65 & upwards	2	1	—	—	4	4	—	—
Totals ..	98	97	33	25	58	60	18	14

The total number of deaths from tuberculosis was 153. 119 were due to pulmonary tuberculosis and 34 due to non-pulmonary tuberculosis. Of these deaths, 26 cases were not notified as suffering from tuberculosis, 18 died within one month of being notified, and 33 died within six months of notification.

Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925. No action necessary.

Public Health Act, 1925, Section 62. No action necessary.

## DEATHS FROM PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

		Average for 10 years, 1916-1925.		1926.	
		Number of Deaths.	Rate.	Number of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.					
1	Abingdon Borough ..	5.8	.85	6	.81
2	Maidenhead Borough ..	13.2	.81	10	.59
3	Newbury Borough ..	9.7	.80	10	.77
4	New Windsor Borough ..	13.7	.88	16	.83
5	Wallingford Borough ..	2.4	.93	3	1.11
6	Wantage .. ..	2.6	.69	1	.25
7	Wokingham Borough ..	4.1	.96	6	1.41
RURAL DISTRICTS.					
1	Abingdon .. ..	7.2	.73	6	.53
2	Bradfield .. ..	10.0	.74	11	.77
3	Cookham .. ..	7.1	.56	7	.50
4	Easthampstead .. ..	10.8	.65	6	.33
5	Faringdon (Berks) ..	7.4	.75	4	.40
6	Hungerford .. ..	6.3	.78	3	.34
7	Newbury .. ..	5.9	.57	6	.55
8	Wallingford .. ..	5.4	.73	5	.55
9	Wantage .. ..	9.3	.82	7	.57
10	Windsor .. ..	9.4	.81	4	.42
11	Wokingham .. ..	17.4	1.02	8	.39
	Urban Districts .. ..	51.5	.82	52	.77
	Rural Districts .. ..	96.2	.75	67	.48
	County .. ..	147.7	.77	119	.58

\* Rate per 1,000 of Estimated Population.

The average annual mortality from 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 pulmonary tuberculosis 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 PULMONARY.

	Average for 10 years, 1916-1925.		1926.	
	Number of Deaths.	Rate.	Number of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.				
1 Abingdon Borough ..	2.3	.33	..	..
2 Maidenhead Borough ..	2.4	.14	6	.35
3 Newbury Borough ..	2.1	.17	2	.15
4 New Windsor Borough ..	3.8	.24	5	.26
5 Wallingford Borough ..	.9	.34	..	..
6 Wantage .. ..	.7	.18	2	.50
7 Wokingham Borough ..	1.1	.25	2	.47
RURAL DISTRICTS.				
1 Abingdon .. ..	2.0	.20	1	.08
2 Bradfield .. ..	2.8	.20	1	.07
3 Cookham .. ..	1.7	.13	1	.07
4 Easthampstead .. ..	2.4	.14	1	.05
5 Faringdon (Berks) ..	1.9	.19	1	.10
6 Hungerford .. ..	1.4	.17	2	.22
7 Newbury .. ..	1.2	.11	4	.37
8 Wallingford .. ..	.7	.09	1	.11
9 Wantage .. ..	2.7	.23	3	.24
10 Windsor .. ..	2.6	.22	1	.10
11 Wokingham .. ..	3.4	.20	1	.04
Urban Districts .. ..	13.3	.21	17	.25
Rural Districts .. ..	22.8	.17	17	.12
County .. ..	36.1	.19	34	.16

\* Rate per 1,000 of Estimated Population.

## INSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT.

*Berks & Bucks Joint Sanatorium at Peppard Common.* The accommodation available for Berkshire patients is 31 beds for men, 19 beds for women and 40 beds for children.

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

During the year 85 adults were admitted and 83 discharged, viz.:—15 disease quiescent, 46 improved, 15 no material improvement, and 7 died in the Sanatorium.

Forty children were admitted and 44 discharged. The children on discharge showed very great improvement in health, and this improvement has been generally maintained after their return home.

*Abingdon Sanatorium.*—The accommodation is 12 beds for males and 8 for females, with shelters for two more patients if required. Dr. Challenor, Medical Officer to the Isolation Hospital, attends daily. During the year 49 patients were admitted and 45 were discharged, viz. :—3 disease quiescent, 16 improved, 11 no material improvement, and 15 died in the Sanatorium.

**Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis.**—Eight patients were admitted to the Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital, Headington, and 6 discharged, viz. :—2 disease quiescent, 2 improved, and 2 died. Four patients were admitted to the Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot, and 2 discharged, viz. :—1 disease quiescent, and 1 no material improvement.

In connection with the Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital, Clinics are established at Windsor, Wantage, Wallingford, Newbury, Wokingham and Sandhurst.

Surgical appliances have been supplied to 13 patients during the year, on the recommendation of the Tuberculosis Officer.

Dispensaries are visited by the Tuberculosis Officer at the following places :—

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

Abingdon, Sanatorium, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month, 1—4 p.m.

Maidenhead, Town Hall, 4th Monday 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, Church Rooms, Church Road, 1st Thursday in the month, 1—4 p.m.

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

Faringdon, The Savings Bank, Gloucester Road, as occasion arises, usually once a quarter.

The number of attendances made by patients was 1,963.

Patients are sent to the Dispensaries by the General Practitioners and School Medical Officers, and on discharge from Institutions are referred to the nearest dispensary. More patients are coming up yearly without being sent by any doctor. In these cases reports are sent to the Medical Practitioner concerned.



Twenty-seven Patients underwent x-ray examination. These examinations were made at the Berks and Bucks Joint Sanatorium, and the Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital.

*Home Visiting.*—In rural districts, in order to keep in touch with the patients, a large amount of home visiting is necessary. During the year, 1,214 visits were made by the Tuberculosis Officer. The Health Visitors and District Nurses made 1,937 visits.

Home nursing is undertaken by the local district nursing associations on request of the Tuberculosis Officer, and during the year 36 patients were referred to the district associations.

Ring pillows, water beds, etc., are lent to patients, the required appliance being obtained from the Red Cross Society.

*Shelters.*—Forty-nine shelters are available for the use of patients. These have been in constant use.

*Sputum Examinations.*—These are done by the Tuberculosis Officer, and 346 specimens were examined during the year.

## DEATHS FROM CANCER.

			Average for 10 years, 1916-1925.		1926.	
			Number of Deaths.	Rate.	Number of Deaths.	Rate.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon Borough	..	10.0	1.47	6	.81
2	Maidenhead Borough	..	21.8	1.34	37	2.19
3	Newbury Borough	..	21.1	1.75	19	1.46
4	New Windsor Borough	..	24.6	1.59	32	1.67
5	Wallingford Borough	..	4.1	1.59	1	.37
6	Wantage .. ..	..	5.1	1.36	7	1.78
7	Wokingham Borough	..	8.8	2.06	6	1.41
RURAL DISTRICTS.						
1	Abingdon .. ..	..	13.2	1.34	14	1.24
2	Bradfield .. ..	..	22.3	1.65	29	2.05
3	Cookham .. ..	..	21.1	1.67	18	1.29
4	Easthampstead ..	..	22.2	1.35	31	1.71
5	Faringdon (Berks) ..	..	16.5	1.67	25	2.55
6	Hungerford .. ..	..	10.7	1.32	9	1.03
7	Newbury .. ..	..	17.2	1.67	29	2.70
8	Wallingford .. ..	..	7.5	1.02	13	1.44
9	Wantage .. ..	..	17.5	1.55	12	.99
10	Windsor .. ..	..	15.2	1.31	12	1.27
11	Wokingham .. ..	..	28.4	1.67	30	1.47
Urban Districts .. ..			95.5	1.52	108	1.60
Rural Districts .. ..			191.8	1.50	222	1.61
County .. ..			287.3	1.51	330	1.61

\* Per 1,000 of Estimated Population.



## EPIDEMIC DEATH-RATE, 1926.

(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 ..	·13	..	..	..	..	·13	..	..
2 Maidenhead Borough ..	·11	..	..	..	..	·05	..	·05
3 Newbury Borough ..	·23	..	·07	..	..	·07	..	·07
4 New Windsor Borough ..	·26	..	·05	..	..	·10	..	·10
5 Wallingford Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6 Wantage .. ..	·25	..	..	..	·25	..	..	..
7 Wokingham Borough ..	·23	..	..	..	·23	..	..	..
RURAL DISTRICTS.								
1 Abingdon .. ..	·08	..	..	..	..	·08	..	..
2 Bradfield .. ..	·21	..	..	..	·07	..	..	·14
3 Cookham .. ..	·07	..	..	..	..	..	..	·07
4 Easthampstead .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5 Faringdon (Berks) ..	·30	..	..	..	..	·10	..	·20
6 Hungerford .. ..	·11	..	·11	..	..	..	..	..
7 Newbury .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8 Wallingford .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9 Wantage .. ..	·24	..	..	..	..	·08	..	·16
10 Windsor .. ..	·10	..	..	..	..	..	..	·10
11 Wokingham .. ..	·09	..	..	..	..	..	..	·09
Urban Districts .. ..	·19	..	·03	..	·03	·07	..	·05
Rural Districts .. ..	·10	..	·007	..	·007	·02	..	·07
County .. ..	·13	..	·01	..	·01	·04	..	·06
* { England and Wales ..		0·00	0·09	0·02	0·07	0·10	0·01	
105 Great Towns (inc. Lon.)	Not	0·00	0·12	0·02	0·10	0·10	0·01	Not
158 Smaller Towns ..	stated	0·00	0·07	0·02	0·06	0·11	0·01	stated.

\* From the Annual Summary of the Registrar-General.



# EPIDEMIC MORTALITY DURING TEN YEARS, 1916-1925.

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.*
URBAN DISTRICTS.																	
1	Abingdon Borough	46	..	9	9	20	5	..	3	.67	..	.13	.13	.29	.07	..	.04
2	Maidenhead Borough	61	..	12	2	7	23	4	13	.37	..	.07	.01	.04	.14	.02	.08
3	Newbury Borough	26	..	6	1	4	2	..	13	.21	..	.05	.008	.03	.01	..	.10
4	New Windsor Borough	58	..	15	2	6	21	1	13	.37	..	.09	.01	.03	.13	.006	.08
5	Wallingford Borough	4	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	.15	..	.07	..	..	.07	..	..
6	Wantage	14	..	1	1	5	4	..	3	.37	..	.02	.02	.13	.10	..	.08
7	Wokingham Borough	12	..	4	..	2	2	2	2	.28	..	.09	..	.04	.04	.04	.04
RURAL DISTRICTS.																	
1	Abingdon	60	..	5	4	30	10	4	7	.61	..	.05	.04	.30	.10	.04	.07
2	Bradfield	31	..	4	1	6	12	2	6	.22	..	.02	.007	.04	.08	.01	.04
3	Cookham	38	..	8	1	5	11	4	9	.30	..	.06	.007	.03	.08	.03	.07
4	Easthampstead	44	..	4	2	16	15	..	7	.26	..	.02	.01	.09	.09	..	.04
5	Faringdon (Berks)	38	..	3	2	8	12	..	13	.38	..	.03	.02	.08	.12	..	.13
6	Hungerford	22	..	5	..	5	8	1	3	.27	..	.06	..	.06	.09	.01	.03
7	Newbury	18	..	3	..	6	2	3	4	.17	..	.02	..	.05	.02	.03	.03
8	Wallingford	17	..	1	2	2	3	1	8	.23	..	.01	.02	.02	.04	.01	.10
9	Wantage	48	..	10	..	14	17	..	7	.42	..	.08	..	.12	.15	..	.06
10	Windsor	46	..	13	1	5	15	2	10	.39	..	.11	.008	.04	.12	.01	.08
11	Wokingham	60	..	16	2	14	15	3	10	.35	..	.09	.01	.08	.08	.01	.06
Urban Districts										221	..	.07	.02	.07	.09	.01	.07
Rural Districts										422	..	.05	.01	.08	.09	.01	.06
County										643	..	.06	.01	.08	.09	.01	.07

\* 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, 1916-1925.	1926.	Ten years, 1916-1925.	1926.	Ten years, 1916-1925.	1926.
<i>Urban Districts.</i>						
Smallpox .. ..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever ..	1,359	55	15	..	1.10	..
Diphtheria .. ..	596	35	44	2	7.38	5.71
Enteric Fever ..	35	6	7	..	20.00	..
Puerperal Fever* ..	17	2	14	1	82.35	50.00
Erysipelas .. ..	128	8	5	1	3.90	12.50
<i>Rural Districts.</i>						
Smallpox .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever ..	2,635	203	15	..	0.56	..
Diphtheria .. ..	1,188	47	111	1	9.34	2.12
Enteric Fever ..	101	14	20	..	19.80	..
Puerperal Fever* ..	59	6	27	3	45.76	50.00
Erysipelas .. ..	223	30	10	..	4.48	..
<i>County.</i>						
Smallpox .. ..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever ..	3,994	258	30	..	0.75	..
Diphtheria .. ..	1,784	82	155	3	9.08	3.65
Enteric Fever ..	136	20	27	..	19.85	..
Puerperal Fever* ..	76	8	41	4	53.94	50.00
Erysipelas .. ..	351	38	15	1	4.27	2.63

\* 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 year. Three cases were notified in 1923 and 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.

## CHICKEN-POX.

Twenty-three cases of this disease were notified from Faringdon Rural District. The disease ceased to be notifiable in the district after July, 1926. In no other area of the County was chicken-pox temporarily notifiable.

## DIPHTHERIA.

The number of cases notified during 1926 was 82 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 178.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 27 of this report.

## SCARLET FEVER (SCARLATINA).

The number of cases notified during 1926 was 258 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 399.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 27 of this report.

## ENTERIC (TYPHOID) FEVER.

The number of cases notified during 1926 was 20 ; the average in the preceding ten years was 13.

The distribution of the cases amongst the various districts is set out on page 27 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 case which proved fatal was notified in 1920, 4 fatal cases in 1921, of which only 2 were notified, 3 fatal cases in 1922, of which only 1 was notified, 2 fatal cases in 1923, neither of which was notified, 1 fatal case in 1924 which was not notified, 2 fatal cases in 1925 of which only 1 was notified, and 4, including 2 fatal cases, in 1926.

## INFLUENZA.

During 1926, 43 deaths were certified as due to influenza ; the average number in the preceding 10 years was 116.

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.



**DIARRHŒA.**

During the ten years 1916 to 1925 the average number of deaths under two years of age from diarrhœal diseases was 13 per annum in the whole County, giving a rate of 3·87 per 1,000 births. In 1926 there were 14 deaths.

**PUERPERAL FEVER.**

Eight cases were notified, compared with an average of seven during the preceding ten years.

**PUERPERAL PYREXIA.**

The notification of this condition became compulsory from 1st October, 1926. Ten cases were notified during 1926.

**ERYSIPELAS.**

Thirty-eight cases of this disease were notified during 1926, the average number of notifications during the preceding ten years was 35.

**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 1926 thirteen cases were notified in the County, compared with eleven cases in the previous year, nine cases in 1924, fourteen cases in 1923, nine cases in 1922, sixteen in 1921, fifteen in 1920, twenty-three in 1919, twenty-six in 1918, nineteen in 1917, twenty-one in 1916, and thirteen in 1915.

**CASES NOTIFIED AS OPTHALMIA NEONATORUM.**

Number of Cases.			Vision un-impaired.	Vision impaired.	Total Blindness.	Deaths.
Notified.	Treated.					
	At home.	In hospital.				
13	11	2	12	1	—	—

Medical help was also called for by midwives on account of 19 other infants with inflamed eyes; none of these infants suffered any permanent impairment of vision.



## 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. In 1922 six cases were notified. In 1923 no cases were notified. In 1924 three cases were notified. In 1925 two cases were notified. In 1926 two cases were notified.

## POLIOENCEPHALITIS.

One case of this disease was notified in 1926.

## 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 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 diagnosis 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.



## ISOLATION HOSPITALS—OTHER THAN SMALLPOX.

URBAN DISTRICTS	Area Served.	Acres.	Popn. Census, 1921.	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., Thame R., and Woodstock U. & R. ....	503,236	121,037**	Mainly permanent ..	54	three	Temporary building. Abingdon U. & R. Districts.
Maidenhead Borough	Maidenhead U.D., Cookham R.D., Easthampstead R.D., two parishes of Windsor R.D. and Wokingham U. and R. Districts ..	105,707	78,641	Permanent administrative, temporary ward buildings	32	two	Tents.
Newbury Borough ..	Newbury U. and R. Districts ..	44,216	22,960	Temporary ..	28	two	The Newbury Joint Smallpox Hospital. 4 beds.
New Windsor Borough	See footnote c ..	4,616	20,115	..	..	..	Smallpox Hospital. Old Windsor. Permanent building. 4 beds.
Wallingford Borough	Wallingford U. and R. Districts and Crowmarsh R.D. (Oxon) ..	42,696	17,276	Permanent administrative, temporary ward buildings	15	three	South Chilterns Smallpox Hospital District.
Wantage ..	See Abingdon Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	Temporary building. U. and R. Districts.
Wokingham Borough	See Maidenhead Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	Tents. Urban and Rural Districts.
RURAL DISTRICTS							
Abingdon ..	See Abingdon Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	See Abingdon Borough.
Bradfield ..	See Abingdon Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	South Chilterns Joint Smallpox Hospital.
Cookham ..	See Maidenhead Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	See Maidenhead Borough.
Easthampstead ..	See Maidenhead Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	See Maidenhead Borough.
Faringdon* ..	See Abingdon Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	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 † ..	..	..	..	..	..	Temporary building. 8 beds.
Wokingham ..	See Maidenhead Borough ..	..	..	..	..	..	See Wokingham Borough.

\* Including Lechlade parish in Gloucestershire.

† Patients from Parish of Old Windsor received into Egham (Surrey) Isolation Hospital and from Parishes of Sunninghill and Sunningdale into Maidenhead Isolation Hospital.

c Eton R.D.C. Isolation Hospital available.

\*\* Only enteric cases admitted from Newbury Rural District, the population of which, 10,669, is included in this total.



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 Membranous Group.			Enteric Fever.			Totals.		
	1924	1925	1926	1924	1925	1926	1924	1925	1926	1924	1925	1926	1924	1925	1926
URBAN DISTRICTS.															
1 Abingdon Borough	..	..	..	5 (5) <i>a</i>	5 (5) <i>a</i>	3 (2) <i>a</i>	27 (27) <i>a</i>	4 (4) <i>a</i>	2 (2) <i>a</i>	2 (2) <i>a</i>	..	..	34 (34)	9 (9)	5 (4)
2 Maidenhead Borough	..	..	..	2 (2) <i>d</i>	11 (4) <i>d</i>	15 (13) <i>d</i>	..	10 (10) <i>d</i>	1	1	..	2	3 (2)	21 (14)	21 (16)
3 Newbury Borough	..	..	..	14 (12) <i>b</i>	36 (25) <i>b</i>	3 (3) <i>b</i>	7 (4) <i>b</i>	4 (3) <i>b</i>	..	..	..	1	21 (16)	40 (28)	4 (3)
4 New Windsor Borough	..	..	..	42 (31) <i>f</i>	15 (12) <i>f</i>	21 (16) <i>f</i>	1 (1) <i>f</i>	1 (1)	12 (12) <i>f</i>	1 (1) <i>f</i>	..	2 (2) <i>f</i>	44 (33)	16 (13)	35 (30)
5 Wallingford Borough	..	..	..	5 (5) <i>g</i>	1 (1) <i>g</i>	3 (3) <i>g</i>	(1) <i>g</i>	3 (3) <i>g</i>	..	..	..	..	5 (6)	4 (4)	3 (3)
6 Wantage	..	..	..	..	..	8 (6) <i>a</i>	..	..	2 (1) <i>a</i>	..	..	..	..	..	10 (7)
7 Wokingham Borough	..	..	..	4	3	2	..	..	15 (13) <i>d</i>	..	..	1 (1) <i>e</i>	4	3	18 (14)
Total .. ..	..	..	..	72 (55)	71 (47)	55 (43)	35 (33)	22 (21)	35 (31)	4 (3)	..	6 (3)	111 (91)	93 (68)	96 (77)
RURAL DISTRICTS.															
1 Abingdon	..	..	..	18*(17) <i>a</i>	15 (13) <i>a</i>	7 (6) <i>a</i>	12 (12) <i>a</i>	3 (2) <i>a</i>	8 (8) <i>a</i>	2 (2) <i>a</i>	1 (1) <i>a</i>	3 (3) <i>a</i>	32 (31)	19 (16)	18 (17)
2 Bradfield..	..	..	..	14 (3) <i>a</i>	21 <i>c</i> (4) <i>a</i>	15 (2) <i>a</i>	4 (3) <i>a</i>	..	2	1 (1) <i>a</i>	..	2 (1) <i>e</i>	19 (7)	21 (4)	19 (3)
3 Cookham	..	..	..	5 (2) <i>d</i>	17 (15) <i>d</i>	13 (11) <i>d</i>	4 (4) <i>d</i>	4 (4) <i>d</i>	1 (1) <i>d</i>	2 (2) <i>d</i>	1 (1) <i>d</i>	2 (1) <i>d</i>	11 (8)	22 (20)	16 (13)
4 Easthampstead ..	..	..	..	69 (51) <i>d</i>	65 (42) <i>d</i>	22 (17) <i>i</i>	3 (3) <i>d</i>	4 (4) <i>d</i>	..	..	1	2	72 (54)	70 (46)	24 (17)
5 Faringdon (Berks)	..	..	..	24 (21) <i>a</i>	34 (33) <i>a</i>	13 (9) <i>a</i>	7 (5) <i>a</i>	..	..	..	..	..	31 (26)	34 (33)	13 (9)
6 Hungerford	..	..	..	6 (4) <i>a</i>	18 (15) <i>a</i>	30 (11) <i>a</i>	6 (4) <i>a</i>	..	..	..	..	1 (1) <i>a</i>	12 (8)	18 (15)	31 (12)
7 Newbury ..	..	..	..	12 (9) <i>b</i>	33 (24) <i>b</i>	15 (12) <i>b</i>	3 (3) <i>b</i>	7 (6) <i>b</i>	3 (2) <i>b</i>	1 (1) <i>a</i>	..	..	16 (13)	40 (30)	18 (14)
8 Wallingford	..	..	..	15 (12) <i>g</i>	14 (12) <i>g</i>	22 (17) <i>g</i>	..	4 (3) <i>g</i>	5 (5) <i>g</i>	..	..	..	15 (12)	18 (15)	27 (22)
9 Wantage	..	..	..	5 (3) <i>a</i>	31 (13) <i>a</i>	21 (16) <i>a</i>	1	2 (2) <i>a</i>	3 (1) <i>a</i>	..	..	..	6 (3)	33 (15)	24 (17)
10 Windsor ..	..	..	..	41 (33) <i>d</i>	38 (23) <i>d</i>	16 (13) <i>j</i>	11 (11) <i>h</i>	7 (5) <i>d</i>	2 (2) <i>h</i>	..	..	2	52 (44)	45 (24)	20 (15)
11 Wokingham	..	..	..	47 (40) <i>d</i>	57 (40) <i>d</i>	29 (19) <i>k</i>	19† (17) <i>d</i>	10 (10) <i>d</i>	23 (23) <i>d</i>	..	1 (1) <i>d</i>	2 (1) <i>l</i>	66 (57)	68 (51)	54 (43)
Total .. ..	..	..	..	256 (195)	343 (234)	203 (133)	70 (62)	41 (32)	47 (42)	6 (6)	4 (3)	14 (7)	332 (263)	388 (269)	264 (182)

\* Including 1 case admitted to Oxford Isolation Hospital.

† Including 8 cases which occurred at a private institution.

*a* To Abingdon Isolation Hospital.*b* To Isolation Hospital, Newbury.*c* Including one case to Reading Isolation Hospital.*d* To Maidenhead Isolation Hospital.*e* To Royal Berks Hospital, Reading.*f* To Crippenham Hospital.*g* To Wallingford and Crowmarsh Isolation Hospital.*h* Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot.*i* Fourteen cases to *d*, 3 to Brock Hill House, Sandhurst.*j* 9 cases to *d*, 4 to *h*.*k* 17 cases to *d*, 2 to Bearwood Orphanage Sanatorium.*l* Berks Mental Hospital.

§ Including 6 cases of Diphtheria and 2 cases of Scarlet Fever notified from Heatherwood Hospital (United Services Fund), and treated in the Sanatorium there.



## ADULTERATED FOODS AND DRUGS.

In the following table the work carried out in the County during 1926, under the Sale of Foods 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.

	Number of Samples.	Number Genuine.	Number Adulterated.	Prosecutions.	Convictions.
Newbury Borough ...	29	25	4	—	—
New Windsor Borough	50	44	6	4	—
Remainder of County	278	274	4	1	—
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Total ...	357	343	14	5	—

The percentage of adulterated samples to the total number taken was 3·92 for the whole County, compared with 1·63 in 1925, 4·12 in 1924, 2·40 in 1923, 1·23 in 1922, 3·79 in 1921, 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 7).

## PUBLIC HEALTH (MILK AND CREAM) REGULATIONS, 1912 and 1917

## REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1926.

## 1. Milk ; and Cream not sold as Preserved Cream.

Forty-three samples of milk and 4 of cream were examined. Preservative was present in one sample of cream, the percentage being 0·17 per cent. Boric Acid.

## 2. Cream sold as Preserved Cream.

Two samples examined ; in each instance the statement (0·4) on the label was correct.

Percentage of preservatives found in above specimens 0·40, 0·34.

The samples all showed milk fat present in excess of 35 per cent.

In no instance was there any contravention of the Regulations.

3. There was no evidence of addition of thickening substances in any of the samples of cream.

## THE MIDWIVES ACTS, 1902 AND 1918.

### INSPECTION OF MIDWIVES.

During the year ending 31st December, 1926, 160 women gave notice of their intention to practise as Midwives in the County ; of this number 10 moved out of the County, leaving 150 on the register at the end of the year.

Of these, 124 were working under Nursing Associations or for individual estate owners and 36 were working on their own account. Of the 124 association midwives, all had been certified after examination, whereas out of the remaining 36 midwives, 33 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 403.

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 :—

Sending for medical help	...	...	...	...	516
Stillbirth ...	...	...	...	...	50
Laying out dead bodies	...	...	...	...	48
Artificial feeding	...	...	...	...	29
Liability to be a source of infection	...	...	...	...	16
Death of infants before attendance of a doctor	...	...	...	...	10
Death of mother	...	...	...	...	1

Seventy-five per cent. of the births registered in the County during the year 1926 appear to have been attended by certified midwives, a rather higher proportion than in previous years.



The following list, corrected to June, 1927, shows the distribution of the Midwives who have given notice of their intention of practising in the County.

Abingdon .. .. .	3	Northbourne .. .. .	1
Aldermaston .. .. .	2	North Moreton .. .. .	1
Appleton .. .. .	1	Old Windsor .. .. .	3
Ardington .. .. .	1	Pangbourne .. .. .	1
Ashbury .. .. .	1	Remenham .. .. .	1
Ashmore Green .. .. .	1	Sandhurst .. .. .	1
Aston Tirrold .. .. .	2	Shefford .. .. .	1
Basildon .. .. .	1	Shinfield .. .. .	1
Binfield .. .. .	1	Shippon .. .. .	1
Boar's Hill .. .. .	1	Shrivenham .. .. .	1
Bracknell .. .. .	1	Sonning .. .. .	1
Bradfield .. .. .	3	South Ascot .. .. .	3
Bray .. .. .	1	Spencer's Wood .. .. .	1
Brimpton .. .. .	3	Stanford-in-the-Vale .. .. .	1
Buckland .. .. .	1	Steventon .. .. .	2
Bucklebury .. .. .	1	Stockcross .. .. .	1
Burghfield .. .. .	1	Streatley .. .. .	1
Chieveley .. .. .	1	Sulhamstead .. .. .	1
Cholsey .. .. .	1	Sutton Courtenay .. .. .	1
Cookham Rise .. .. .	1	Thatcham .. .. .	2
Crowthorne .. .. .	1	Theale .. .. .	1
Curridge .. .. .	1	Twyford .. .. .	2
Cumnor .. .. .	1	Wallingford .. .. .	4
East Challow .. .. .	1	Waltham St. Lawrence .. .. .	1
East Hanney .. .. .	1	Wantage .. .. .	4
East Hendred .. .. .	1	Warfield .. .. .	1
Englefield .. .. .	1	Welford .. .. .	1
Faringdon .. .. .	2	Westcott .. .. .	1
Finchampstead .. .. .	1	West Hagbourne .. .. .	1
Grazeley .. .. .	1	White Waltham .. .. .	1
Hampstead Norris .. .. .	1	Windsor .. .. .	7
Hare Hatch .. .. .	1	Winkfield .. .. .	1
Harwell .. .. .	1	Wokingham .. .. .	4
Hungerford .. .. .	2	Woodlands .. .. .	1
Hurst .. .. .	1	Yattendon .. .. .	1
Inkpen .. .. .	1	*Caversham .. .. .	1
Kennington .. .. .	1	*Clifton Hampden .. .. .	1
Kintbury .. .. .	1	*Dorchester .. .. .	1
Leckhampstead .. .. .	1	*Eynsham .. .. .	1
Littlewick .. .. .	1	*Highworth .. .. .	1
Longworth .. .. .	1	*Langley .. .. .	1
Maidenhead .. .. .	9	*Lechlade .. .. .	1
Marcham .. .. .	1	*Marlow .. .. .	1
Marlston .. .. .	1	*Oxford .. .. .	2
Mortimer .. .. .	1	*Reading .. .. .	5
Newbury .. .. .	7	*Wolvercote .. .. .	1



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NAME	DEGREE	DEPARTMENT	RANK	SALARY	DATE
ALLEN, J. H.	Ph.D.	Physics	Professor	\$12,000	1910
BROWN, E. A.	Ph.D.	Chemistry	Associate Professor	\$8,000	1912
SMITH, W. L.	Ph.D.	Mathematics	Professor	\$10,000	1915
JOHNSON, R. M.	Ph.D.	History	Associate Professor	\$7,000	1918
WILLIAMS, D. K.	Ph.D.	Literature	Professor	\$9,000	1920
GARCIA, F. J.	Ph.D.	Biology	Associate Professor	\$6,000	1922
MILLER, S. P.	Ph.D.	Physics	Professor	\$11,000	1925
DAVIS, L. R.	Ph.D.	Chemistry	Associate Professor	\$7,500	1928
WILSON, J. T.	Ph.D.	Mathematics	Professor	\$10,500	1930
ANDERSON, H. G.	Ph.D.	History	Associate Professor	\$7,200	1932
THOMAS, C. B.	Ph.D.	Literature	Professor	\$9,500	1935
HARRIS, E. D.	Ph.D.	Biology	Associate Professor	\$6,500	1938
KELLEY, M. N.	Ph.D.	Physics	Professor	\$11,500	1940
LONG, R. J.	Ph.D.	Chemistry	Associate Professor	\$7,800	1942
PETERSON, A. L.	Ph.D.	Mathematics	Professor	\$10,800	1945
ROBERTS, G. H.	Ph.D.	History	Associate Professor	\$7,400	1948
TURNER, I. M.	Ph.D.	Literature	Professor	\$9,800	1950
WATSON, K. O.	Ph.D.	Biology	Associate Professor	\$6,800	1952
YOUNG, L. P.	Ph.D.	Physics	Professor	\$11,800	1955
ZIMMERMAN, N. Q.	Ph.D.	Chemistry	Associate Professor	\$8,200	1958

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TABLE 1.—CHIEF STATISTICS, 1926.

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF BERKSHIRE.

	Population.				Population.		Population.		Birth-Rate.			Net Death-Rate.			a Epidemic Death-Rate.			a Death-Rate from Diarrhoea.			Death-Rate from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.			Death-Rate from Cancer.			Infantile Mortality.		
	By Census, 1911.	By Census, 1921.	By Estimate, 1926, for Birth-Rate.	By Estimate, 1926, for Death-Rate.	Area in Acres.	Per Acre, 1921.	Inhabited Houses, 1921.	Per House, 1921.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1924.	1925.	1926.
URBAN DISTRICTS ..	57,513	67,399	68,190	67,100	12,712	5.30	14,657	4.62	16.2	16.3	15.9	12.2	11.7	12.0	-3	-1	-1	-0.7	-0.7	-0.5	-5	-7	-7	1.5	1.8	1.6	61	58	46
RURAL DISTRICTS† ..	138,301	135,144	138,400	137,400	442,013	-30	29,974	4.50	15.5	16.1	15.7	11.0	11.5	10.6	-1	-2	-1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	-6	-5	-4	1.3	1.4	1.6	54	53	48
COUNTY† ..	195,814	202,543	206,590	204,500	454,725	-44	44,631	4.53	15.7	16.2	15.8	11.4	11.6	10.2	-2	-2	-1	-0.3	-0.7	-0.6	-5	-6	-5	1.4	1.5	1.6	56	55	47
URBAN DISTRICTS																													
1 Abingdon Borough ..	6,810	7,165	7,389	7,389	728	9.84	1,639	4.36	16.4	16.8	14.6	11.6	13.1	10.2	-6	..	-1	-1	..	..	-4	1.0	-8	1.3	1.7	-8	25	56	64
2 Maidenhead Borough ..	15,218	16,730	16,830	16,830	2,124	7.88	3,528	4.74	14.8	15.8	17.1	11.8	10.5	12.3	-2	-1	-1	-0.5	-1	-0.5	-7	-7	-5	1.6	1.4	2.1	76	48	45
3 Newbury Borough ..	12,108	12,295	12,960	12,960	1,829	6.71	3,070	4.00	17.1	17.4	16.6	13.0	11.9	10.8	-5	-2	-2	-2	-0.8	-0.7	-5	-4	-7	1.3	1.9	1.4	56	82	18
4 New Windsor Boro' ..	12,681	20,122	20,140	19,050	4,616	4.35	3,952	5.08	16.6	16.5	15.2	11.2	11.1	11.7	-1	-2	-2	..	..	-1	-6	-6	-8	1.4	1.8	1.6	65	41	38
5 Wallingford Borough ..	2,716	2,726	2,702	2,702	380	7.16	631	4.32	11.3	14.8	18.1	13.5	12.6	14.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	-3	-3	1.1	2.1	-7	-3	32	100	40
6 Wantage ..	3,628	3,886	3,929	3,929	2,478	1.56	758	5.12	17.5	12.8	14.2	11.5	12.0	11.7	..	..	-2	..	..	..	-2	1.2	-2	-7	2.0	1.7	71	98	71
7 Wokingham Borough ..	4,352	4,475	4,240	4,240	557	8.02	1,079	4.14	19.6	17.2	14.1	16.4	16.0	18.1	-2	-4	-2	..	-4	..	-2	-6	1.4	3.1	3.0	1.4	58	54	133
RURAL DISTRICTS—																													
1 Abingdon ..	9,251	10,311	11,250	11,250	42,210	-24	2,316	4.15	16.4	17.4	18.3	10.3	13.0	9.6	-2	-0.9	-0.8	..	..	..	-3	-3	-5	-9	1.6	1.2	57	31	38
2 Bradfield ..	17,059	14,563	14,130	14,130	52,878	-27	3,327	4.37	14.4	16.5	14.0	12.0	12.3	11.4	-2	-2	-2	..	..	-1	-7	-7	-7	1.8	1.8	2.0	38	63	40
3 Cookham ..	12,301	13,714	13,930	13,950	27,803	-49	3,156	4.34	13.0	14.3	12.9	11.9	10.2	10.2	-2	-1	-0.7	..	-0.7	-0.7	-5	-3	-5	2.5	1.5	1.2	44	40	64
4 Easthampstead ..	17,550	18,757	18,840	18,040	27,034	-69	3,466	5.41	12.9	14.0	13.6	9.0	10.7	10.5	..	-1	..	..	-0.5	..	-4	-6	-3	-9	1.3	1.7	40	71	24
5 Faringdon† ..	11,075	10,101	9,771	9,771	55,726	-18	2,460	4.15	18.5	17.4	17.4	11.7	14.0	12.9	-1	-7	-3	-0.9	-2	-2	-5	-5	-4	1.0	1.8	2.5	42	79	46
6 Hungerford ..	9,009	8,320	8,703	8,703	44,817	-18	2,018	4.12	17.1	17.5	18.3	14.4	13.5	13.0	..	-2	-1	..	-1	..	-9	-9	-3	-9	1.0	1.0	114	79	68
7 Newbury ..	10,759	10,669	10,740	10,740	42,386	-25	2,671	3.99	16.9	17.3	16.9	11.1	14.9	12.6	-1	-0.9	..	..	..	..	-2	-4	-5	1.2	2.2	2.7	61	37	38
8 Wallingford ..	7,246	8,846	9,173	8,973	22,152	-39	1,522	5.81	15.1	15.3	17.2	9.3	6.3	9.1	-1	..	..	..	..	..	-4	-6	-5	-9	-6	1.4	70	7	31
9 Wantage ..	12,028	11,704	12,110	12,110	74,498	-15	2,929	3.99	19.1	18.0	19.2	10.4	11.4	11.4	-2	-5	-2	-0.8	-1	-1	-6	-4	-5	1.2	1.1	-9	48	50	85
10 Windsor ..	15,370	9,690	9,383	9,383	8,665	1.11	1,920	5.04	13.7	12.4	14.8	9.6	10.0	9.6	..	-1	-1	..	-1	-1	-6	-2	-4	1.3	1.1	1.2	45	33	57
11 Wokingham ..	16,653	18,469	20,350	20,350	43,844	-42	4,189	4.40	15.8	17.5	14.3	11.5	11.0	8.5	-3	-1	-0.9	..	-0.5	-0.9	-8	-9	-3	1.3	1.3	1.4	56	61	34

a The Epidemic Death-Rate refers to the Deaths from Smallpox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, "Fever" (including Enteric) and Diarrhoea. Deaths from Diarrhoea at ages above 2 years are excluded, but deaths from Enteritis under 2 years are included.

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

‡ Civil population only.



TABLE 2.—VITAL STATISTICS FOR ENGLAND AND WALES, 1926.

The following Table issued by the Registrar-General gives the principal vital statistics during the year 1926 for England and Wales, London, the 105 great Towns and the 158 smaller Towns.

The corresponding figures for the County of Berks (calculated on the 1926 population) are appended for purposes of comparison.

TABLE X:—Birth-rate, Death-rate, and Analysis of Mortality during the year 1926.

(Provisional figures. The rates for England and Wales have been calculated on a population estimated to the middle of 1926, while those for the towns have been calculated on populations estimated to the middle of 1925. The mortality rates refer to the whole population as regards England and Wales, but only to civilians as regards London and the groups of towns.)

	BIRTH-RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL POPULA- TION.	ANNUAL DEATH-RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION.										RATE PER 1,000 BIRTHS.	
		All Causes.	Enteric Fever.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping Cough.	Diphtheria.	Influenza.	Violence.	Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under Two years).	Total Deaths under One year.	
England and Wales .. .. .	17.8	11.6	0.01	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.10	0.07	0.22	0.47	8.7	70	
105 County Boroughs and Great Towns, including London .. .. .	18.2	11.6	0.01	0.00	0.12	0.02	0.10	0.10	0.22	0.43	11.8	73	
†158 Smaller Towns (1921) Adjusted													
Populations 20,000-50,000 .. .. .	17.6	10.6	0.01	0.00	0.07	0.02	0.11	0.06	0.23	0.40	6.6	67	
London .. .. .	17.1	11.6	0.01	0.00	0.20	0.02	0.05	0.12	0.17	0.48	11.8	64	
Berkshire .. .. .	15.80	10.22	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.21	0.31	4.2	47	

† Hanwell U.D. having been added to Ealing M.B. on the 1st October, 1926, the figures relate to 158 towns for the first nine months and to 157 towns for the rest of the year.

Date	Time	Locality	Remarks	Temperature		Wind	Weather	Remarks
				Air	Water			
1904	10:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	11:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	12:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	13:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	14:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	15:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	16:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	17:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	18:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	19:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	20:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	21:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	22:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	
1904	23:00	Off Cape Cod	Under way	55	50	SE	Cloudy	

Under way from Cape Cod to New Bedford, Mass. The weather was cloudy with a light breeze from the south-east. The temperature of the air was 55° and of the water 50°.

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TABLE 3.—NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE, 1926.

DISEASES NOTIFIED	Cases notified in Urban Districts.								Cases notified in Rural Districts.													
	Abingdon Borough.	Maidenhead Borough.	Newbury Borough.	New Windsor Borough.	Wallingford Borough.	Wantage.	Wokingham Borough.	Total Urban Districts.	Abingdon.	Bradfield.	Cookham.	Easthampstead.	Faringdon (Berks portion).	Hungerford.	Newbury.	Wallingford.	Wantage.	Windsor.	Wokingham.	Total Rural Districts.	Total County.	
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1 Smallpox .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	8	2	1	..	..	..	3	5	3	2	23	47	82	..
2 Diphtheria and Membranous Croup ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	9	1	..	..	..	1	..	7	..	4	30	38	..
3 Erysipelas .. ..	3	15	3	21	3	..	2	55	7	15	13	22	13	30	15	22	21	16	29	203	258	..
4 Scarlet Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5 Typhus Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6 Enteric Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	3	2	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	2	2	14	20	..
7 Puerperal Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	..	..	3	6	8	..
8 Puerperal Pyrexia.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	2	2	1	1	..	..	8	10	..
9 Cerebro-spinal Meningitis .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..
10 Poliomyelitis .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
11 Polioencephalitis .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..
12 Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. ..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	3	9	13	..
13 Pneumonia .. ..	..	6	..	1	..	2	..	9	2	10	2	1	..	..	2	..	2	3	4	26	35	..
14 Dysentery .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15 Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. ..	6	16	15	19	3	5	9	73	7	9	10	11	3	5	4	6	8	6	14	83	156	..
16 Tuberculosis other than Pulmonary ..	3	5	4	1	..	1	1	15	5	2	3	6	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	35	50	..
17 Encephalitis Lethargica .. ..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	5	..
Totals .. ..	17	54	23	66	7	20	29	216	36	51	38	43	23	44	30	38	46	32	85	466	682	..

Date		Description		Amount	
1917	Jan 1	Balance		100.00	
1917	Jan 15	Received from A. B. C.		50.00	
1917	Feb 1	Received from D. E. F.		25.00	
1917	Mar 1	Received from G. H. I.		75.00	
1917	Apr 1	Received from J. K. L.		100.00	
1917	May 1	Received from M. N. O.		150.00	
1917	Jun 1	Received from P. Q. R.		200.00	
1917	Jul 1	Received from S. T. U.		250.00	
1917	Aug 1	Received from V. W. X.		300.00	
1917	Sep 1	Received from Y. Z. A.		350.00	
1917	Oct 1	Received from B. C. D.		400.00	
1917	Nov 1	Received from E. F. G.		450.00	
1917	Dec 1	Received from H. I. J.		500.00	
1917	Dec 31	Total		2500.00	
1918	Jan 1	Balance		500.00	
1918	Jan 15	Received from K. L. M.		100.00	
1918	Feb 1	Received from N. O. P.		150.00	
1918	Mar 1	Received from Q. R. S.		200.00	
1918	Apr 1	Received from T. U. V.		250.00	
1918	May 1	Received from W. X. Y.		300.00	
1918	Jun 1	Received from Z. A. B.		350.00	
1918	Jul 1	Received from C. D. E.		400.00	
1918	Aug 1	Received from F. G. H.		450.00	
1918	Sep 1	Received from I. J. K.		500.00	
1918	Oct 1	Received from L. M. N.		550.00	
1918	Nov 1	Received from O. P. Q.		600.00	
1918	Dec 1	Received from R. S. T.		650.00	
1918	Dec 31	Total		4500.00	

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TABLE 4.—CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH, 1926.

## 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.
Eric Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ill Pox .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Measles .. ..	3	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Typhoid Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough .. ..	8	3	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diphtheria .. ..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Influenza .. ..	43	1	..	..	2	1	3	13	12	11
Encephalitis Lethargica .. ..	7	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	1
Septicæmic .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Meningitis .. ..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tuberculosis of .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Respiratory System .. ..	119	..	2	..	5	18	58	30	4	2
or Tuberculous .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases .. ..	34	2	3	2	9	6	6	4	1	1
Cancer, Malignant .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Disease .. ..	330	..	..	..	1	2	15	120	105	87
Scarlet Fever .. ..	6	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	..	..
Scabies .. ..	35	..	..	..	..	..	3	12	13	7
Cerebral Hæmorrhage, .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
etc. .. ..	168	..	..	..	1	..	..	34	42	91
Heart Disease .. ..	339	..	..	2	1	4	17	76	110	129
Arterio-sclerosis .. ..	136	..	..	..	..	..	2	14	42	78
Nephritis .. ..	151	7	1	1	..	..	4	14	41	83
Dysentery (all forms) .. ..	98	20	5	8	3	2	8	18	14	20
or Respiratory .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases .. ..	15	1	..	..	1	..	1	6	1	5
or of Stomach or .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Duodenum .. ..	20	..	..	..	..	..	6	10	1	3
Hæmorrhæa, etc. .. ..	14	13	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Appendicitis and .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Typhlitis .. ..	15	..	..	1	3	..	4	3	3	1
Stenosis of Liver .. ..	9	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	1	..
Acute and Chronic .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nephritis .. ..	51	..	..	1	..	1	2	19	15	13
Septicæmia .. ..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
or Accidents and .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of Pregnancy .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
and Parturition .. ..	7	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..
Genital Debility .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
and Malformation, .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Premature Birth .. ..	88	83	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..
Suicide .. ..	20	..	..	..	..	1	7	7	3	2
or Deaths from .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Violence .. ..	65	..	5	1	3	7	23	16	2	8
or Defined Diseases .. ..	469	23	2	7	9	14	39	87	72	216
or Ill-defined or .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unknown .. ..	15	2	..	..	..	..	2	6	5	..
<b>Causes .. ..</b>	<b>2275</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>758</b>





TABLE 5.—CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH, 1926.

## 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.
Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Box .. ..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
Fever .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ing Cough ..	5	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	..	..
ria .. ..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
a .. ..	10	..	..	..	1	..	1	4	2	2	..	7	1	1	1	..	..
ditis Lethargica	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
coccal	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Meningitis..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..
losis of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
atory System..	52	..	..	..	1	5	27	16	3	..	6	10	10	16	3	1	6
uberculous	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases..	17	1	2	1	6	4	1	2	..	..	..	6	2	5	..	2	2
Malignant	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Disease..	108	..	..	..	..	1	6	34	34	33	6	37	19	32	1	7	6
atic Fever ..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
s .. ..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	6	2	..	1	2	5	3	1	2
Hæmorrhage etc	67	..	..	..	1	..	..	17	16	33	8	15	10	19	5	2	8
Disease .. ..	112	..	..	1	1	2	7	22	42	37	7	25	27	29	10	4	10
sclerosis ..	47	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	15	25	..	12	11	15	2	2	5
tis .. ..	59	2	..	..	..	..	1	9	15	32	17	14	7	16	..	4	1
nia (all forms)..	34	5	1	1	..	1	2	9	6	9	2	13	5	7	1	4	2
espiratory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	1	..	4	..	2	..	..	..
Stomach or	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Duodenum..	7	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	1	..	4	..	2	..	1	..
ea, etc. ..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..
icitis and	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Typhlitis..	5	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	1	2	..	..	..
s of Liver ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	2	1	2	..	..	..	1
nd Chronic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nephritis..	24	..	..	1	..	..	2	9	8	4	1	5	4	7	3	..	4
al Sepsis ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Accidents and	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
ses of Pregnancy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Parturition ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..
tal Debility and	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
rmation, Prema-	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Birth .. ..	28	27	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	7	..	5	..	4	8
.. ..	7	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	1	1	..	1	2	2	..	1
Deaths from	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Violence..	22	..	1	..	..	3	9	6	..	3	1	6	5	7	2	1	..
efined Diseases	158	7	1	3	5	7	12	34	17	72	18	35	28	40	6	12	19
ill defined or	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
unknown..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..
ses .. ..	809	50	8	12	19	24	81	190	169	256	76	208	140	223	39	46	77

(In thousands of pounds)

Year	Total	Species									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1900	100	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
1901	110	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	91	110
1902	120	12	22	32	42	52	62	72	82	92	120
1903	130	13	23	33	43	53	63	73	83	93	130
1904	140	14	24	34	44	54	64	74	84	94	140
1905	150	15	25	35	45	55	65	75	85	95	150
1906	160	16	26	36	46	56	66	76	86	96	160
1907	170	17	27	37	47	57	67	77	87	97	170
1908	180	18	28	38	48	58	68	78	88	98	180
1909	190	19	29	39	49	59	69	79	89	99	190
1910	200	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
1911	210	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	91	101	210
1912	220	22	32	42	52	62	72	82	92	102	220
1913	230	23	33	43	53	63	73	83	93	103	230
1914	240	24	34	44	54	64	74	84	94	104	240
1915	250	25	35	45	55	65	75	85	95	105	250
1916	260	26	36	46	56	66	76	86	96	106	260
1917	270	27	37	47	57	67	77	87	97	107	270
1918	280	28	38	48	58	68	78	88	98	108	280
1919	290	29	39	49	59	69	79	89	99	109	290
1920	300	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	300
1921	310	31	41	51	61	71	81	91	101	111	310
1922	320	32	42	52	62	72	82	92	102	112	320
1923	330	33	43	53	63	73	83	93	103	113	330
1924	340	34	44	54	64	74	84	94	104	114	340
1925	350	35	45	55	65	75	85	95	105	115	350
1926	360	36	46	56	66	76	86	96	106	116	360
1927	370	37	47	57	67	77	87	97	107	117	370
1928	380	38	48	58	68	78	88	98	108	118	380
1929	390	39	49	59	69	79	89	99	109	119	390
1930	400	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	400
1931	410	41	51	61	71	81	91	101	111	121	410
1932	420	42	52	62	72	82	92	102	112	122	420
1933	430	43	53	63	73	83	93	103	113	123	430
1934	440	44	54	64	74	84	94	104	114	124	440
1935	450	45	55	65	75	85	95	105	115	125	450
1936	460	46	56	66	76	86	96	106	116	126	460
1937	470	47	57	67	77	87	97	107	117	127	470
1938	480	48	58	68	78	88	98	108	118	128	480
1939	490	49	59	69	79	89	99	109	119	129	490
1940	500	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	500
1941	510	51	61	71	81	91	101	111	121	131	510
1942	520	52	62	72	82	92	102	112	122	132	520
1943	530	53	63	73	83	93	103	113	123	133	530
1944	540	54	64	74	84	94	104	114	124	134	540
1945	550	55	65	75	85	95	105	115	125	135	550
1946	560	56	66	76	86	96	106	116	126	136	560
1947	570	57	67	77	87	97	107	117	127	137	570
1948	580	58	68	78	88	98	108	118	128	138	580
1949	590	59	69	79	89	99	109	119	129	139	590
1950	600	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	600
1951	610	61	71	81	91	101	111	121	131	141	610
1952	620	62	72	82	92	102	112	122	132	142	620
1953	630	63	73	83	93	103	113	123	133	143	630
1954	640	64	74	84	94	104	114	124	134	144	640
1955	650	65	75	85	95	105	115	125	135	145	650
1956	660	66	76	86	96	106	116	126	136	146	660
1957	670	67	77	87	97	107	117	127	137	147	670
1958	680	68	78	88	98	108	118	128	138	148	680
1959	690	69	79	89	99	109	119	129	139	149	690
1960	700	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	700
1961	710	71	81	91	101	111	121	131	141	151	710
1962	720	72	82	92	102	112	122	132	142	152	720
1963	730	73	83	93	103	113	123	133	143	153	730
1964	740	74	84	94	104	114	124	134	144	154	740
1965	750	75	85	95	105	115	125	135	145	155	750
1966	760	76	86	96	106	116	126	136	146	156	760
1967	770	77	87	97	107	117	127	137	147	157	770
1968	780	78	88	98	108	118	128	138	148	158	780
1969	790	79	89	99	109	119	129	139	149	159	790
1970	800	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	800
1971	810	81	91	101	111	121	131	141	151	161	810
1972	820	82	92	102	112	122	132	142	152	162	820
1973	830	83	93	103	113	123	133	143	153	163	830
1974	840	84	94	104	114	124	134	144	154	164	840
1975	850	85	95	105	115	125	135	145	155	165	850
1976	860	86	96	106	116	126	136	146	156	166	860
1977	870	87	97	107	117	127	137	147	157	167	870
1978	880	88	98	108	118	128	138	148	158	168	880
1979	890	89	99	109	119	129	139	149	159	169	890
1980	900	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	900
1981	910	91	101	111	121	131	141	151	161	171	910
1982	920	92	102	112	122	132	142	152	162	172	920
1983	930	93	103	113	123	133	143	153	163	173	930
1984	940	94	104	114	124	134	144	154	164	174	940
1985	950	95	105	115	125	135	145	155	165	175	950
1986	960	96	106	116	126	136	146	156	166	176	960
1987	970	97	107	117	127	137	147	157	167	177	970
1988	980	98	108	118	128	138	148	158	168	178	980
1989	990	99	109	119	129	139	149	159	169	179	990
1990	1000	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	1000





TABLE 6.—CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH, 1926.

## RURAL DISTRICTS.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Deaths belonging to all Rural 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	Bradfield	Cookham	Easthampstead	Faringdon (Berks Portion)	Hungerford	Newbury	Wallingford	Wantage	Windsor	Wokingham
Enteric Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Small Pox .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Measles .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Whooping Cough .. .. .	3	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diphtheria .. .. .	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	9	10	9	..	4	5	10	5	1	1	2	1	3	1
Influenza .. .. .	33	1	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	..	..	2	..	4	13	31	14	1	2	6	11	7	6	4	3	6	5	7	4	8
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System .. .. .	67	..	..	1	3	2	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	1	3	1	1
Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	17	1	1	..	..	1	9	86	71	54	14	29	18	31	25	9	29	13	12	12	30
Cancer, Malignant Disease .. .. .	222	..	..	..	1	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	2
Rheumatic Fever .. .. .	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diabetes .. .. .	21	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	7	5	..	..	8	2	1	1	4	1	1	3	..
Cerebral Hæmorrhage, etc. .. .. .	101	..	..	..	..	..	17	26	58	7	7	9	6	18	12	9	7	5	8	10	10
Heart Disease .. .. .	227	..	..	1	..	2	10	54	68	92	15	24	27	28	21	15	15	22	21	7	32
Arterio-sclerosis .. .. .	89	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	27	53	5	13	13	11	2	5	16	6	1	5	12
Bronchitis .. .. .	92	5	1	1	..	..	3	5	26	51	10	12	5	14	7	5	11	7	6	8	7
Pneumonia (all forms) .. .. .	64	15	4	7	3	1	6	9	8	11	5	5	9	4	5	7	7	2	6	5	9
Other Respiratory Diseases .. .. .	9	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	4	1	1	1	..	1	3	..	2	..	..	..
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum .. .. .	13	..	..	..	..	..	4	6	1	2	1	2	2	1	..	..	4	1	..	..	2
Diarrhœa, etc. (under 2 years) .. .. .	10	9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	2
Appendicitis and Typhlitis .. .. .	10	..	..	..	2	..	2	3	2	1	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	..	2	1	2
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..
Acute and Chronic Nephritis .. .. .	27	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	7	9	2	4	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	7
Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Other Accidents and Diseases of Pregnancy and Parturition .. .. .	5	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..
Congenital Debility and Malformation, Premature Birth .. .. .	60	56	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	5	6	8	5	4	5	4	12	2	4
Suicide .. .. .	13	..	..	..	..	1	3	5	3	1	1	2	1	4	..	1	..	..	2	..	2
Other Deaths from Violence .. .. .	43	..	4	1	3	4	14	10	2	5	3	5	2	4	10	2	1	2	4	4	6
Other Defined Diseases .. .. .	311	16	1	4	4	7	27	53	55	144	29	29	26	42	20	41	21	8	40	20	35
Causes ill-defined or unknown .. .. .	11	1	..	..	..	..	2	5	3	..	1	2	2	1	1	1	..	1	2	..	..
All causes .. .. .	1466	106	17	17	27	37	132	310	318	502	109	162	143	190	127	114	136	82	139	91	173



TABLE 7.—SAMPLES ANALYSED DURING 1926.

## SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

ARTICLES.	No. of Samples taken.	No. Genuine.	No. Adulterated.	Prosecutions.	Convictions.	No. of Samples taken		
						Newbury Borough.	New Windsor Borough.	Remainder of County.
Apples .. ..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Beer .. ..	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	11
Brandy .. ..	9	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Bread .. ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Butter .. ..	21	21	..	..	..	4	7	10
Carbonate of Soda .. ..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Castor Oil .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Castor Sugar .. ..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Chocolates .. ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	..
Cocoa .. ..	6	6	..	..	..	..	1	5
Coffee .. ..	15	15	..	..	..	..	2	13
Cream, Fresh .. ..	9	7	†2	..	..	3	3	3
Cream, Preserved .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	4	3
Curry Powder .. ..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Custard Powder .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Epsom Salts .. ..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fish Paste .. ..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..
Glauber Salts .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glycerine .. ..	13	13	..	..	..	..	..	13
Ground Rice .. ..	10	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Lard .. ..	22	22	..	..	..	..	..	22
Lemon Squash .. ..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Lemonade Powder .. ..	13	13	..	..	..	..	..	13
Lime Juice .. ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Liquorice Powder .. ..	12	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Magnesia .. ..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Margarine .. ..	26	26	..	..	..	..	6	20
Meat Paste .. ..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..
Milk .. ..	86	74	*12	5	..	22	21	43
Olive Oil .. ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	..
Peas (dried) .. ..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Peas (tinned) .. ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Potatoes .. ..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Sausages .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Self-Raising Flour .. ..	10	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Stable Jelly .. ..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Tinned Salmon .. ..	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Totals .. ..	357	343	14	5	..	29	50	278

\* Vendors warned in 7 cases.

† Vendors warned.

