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# ANNUAL REPORT

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Borough of Devizes

Public Health Department, The Chequers, Devizes, Wiltshire.

To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Devizes.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the state of the Public Health of the Borough during the Year 1958

I wish to thank the Council's Officers, particularly the Public Health Inspector, for advice during the year, and to thank the Council and Committee Chairmen for their ready appreciation of difficulties on Public Health and Housing matters. Some of these have necessitated special visits by Committees and by members to see sanitary nuisances and food hygiene equipment, to inspect unfit houses and to view new housing estates in other towns. Many evenings have been given voluntarily by members to this work.

I also wish to thank the Chairman of the Road Safety Committee, who feeling that his Committee also safeguards the public health, invited me to attend meetings.

I have the honour to be, Your obedient servant,

KENNETH J. ADAMS

Medical Officer of Health.

# PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF

Medical Officer of Health: -

K.J. ADAMS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. (Univ.Lond.).

Public Health Inspector:-

K. WILDEY, M.P.H.I.A, C.R.S.I., C.G.L.I.(San.Eng.),
Royal Sanitary Institute Certificates for Meat and
other Foods Inspection and for Sanitary Science as
applied to Buildings and Public Works.

Rodent Operator:-

F.V. BARRETT, (Part-time, being shared with Devizes Rural District Council).
Health Office Clerk:-

MISS B.P. COX.

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### GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in Acres						1,419.87
Population (Registrar Gene	ral's Estima	ate)				8,270
Number of dwellings (inclu	ding shops	with dwel	ling a	commo	dation)	2,733
Rateable Value						
Product of 1d. Rate (Estim	ated 1958/19	959)				£410

# Birth and Death Rates Compared with other Areas (Births and Deaths per 1,000 population)

			Birth Rate	Death Rate
Devizes Borough	 	 	 14.71	6.28
England and Wales	 	 	 16.4	11.7
Wiltshire	 	 	 18.67	10.45
Devizes Rural District	 	 	 18.94	7.14

In calculating Birth and Death Rates, area comparability factors are issued by the Registrar General to "correct" irregularities in the age and sex structure of the population, and also to take into account any high mortality due to the presence of residential institutions.

### Births and Infantile Deaths

	Legi	timate	Illeg	Total	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Live Births	50	58	6	3	117
Still Births	1 -	2	-	-	2
Deaths under 1 year Deaths under 4 weeks	1		10_ 17	e William	1

# Infantile Mortality

The infantile mortality rate is the number of deaths in infants under one year of age per 1,000 registered live births. There was one death among infants under one year of age to 117 live births in the area. This is too small a figure to calculate an accurate infantile mortality rate but it compares very favourably with the national rate of 22.5 deaths in infants under one year of age per thousand live births, and the Wiltshire rate of 22.57.

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### COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

There were no deaths from acute communicable diseases during the year. Cases notified were as follows:-

Measles	 	 	263
Scarlet Fever	 	 	11
Tuberculosis	 	 	2
Brucellosis	 	 	1

### Diphtheria

No cases of this disease occurred. The following children were immunised for the first time:-

		1957	1958
Aged less than one year	 	 81	87
Aged one to four years	 	 37	19
Aged five to nine years	 	 4	3

The following number of children received boosting injections:-

			1957	1958
Aged one to four years		 	6	29
Aged five to nine years		 	104	28
Aged ten to fourteen year	·s .	 	-	-

Diphtheria is still with us, for example, 25 cases were notified in England and Wales in one week in October. Seven of these occurred in Essex where an outbreak began in a class of 35 children in an infants' school. Experience shows that in schools where immunisation rates are low, diphtheria, once introduced, will spread rapidly.

### Whooping Cough

No cases of Whooping Cough were notified. The Wiltshire County Council and family doctors offer a combined Diphtheria and Whooping Cough vaccine which is 80% effective in preventing the disease. This vaccine is improved greatly since its first introduction. It is well worth using, because the disease is not easily controlled by antibiotics and is very infectious for young children. The following number of children were vaccinated against Whooping Cough for the first time:-

		1957	1958
Aged less than one year	 	 79	73
Aged one to four years	 	 32	18
Aged five to nine years	 	 1	1

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### Smallpox Vaccination during 1958

Age Group	Under 1	1	2-4	5-14	15 or over	
Vaccination	116	4	2	2	4	
Re-vaccination	-	2	5	8	20	

### Tuberculosis

Two notifications of this disease were received during the year. Several authorities are co-operating to control this distressing disease. The area was declared a Tuberculosis eradication area for cattle on the 1st March, 1958, and only Tuberculin Tested and Pasteurised Milk may be sold in the town. This milk is sampled monthly.

The Building and Letting Committees are well aware of bad housing and overcrowding as a means of spreading the infection and I am able to award points on medical grounds to assist the rehousing of tuberculous persons.

If their parents consent, the County Council vaccinate 13 year old children with B.C.G. vaccine. This is being done by most school health authorities on the assumption that the older school child will probably come into contact with Tuberculosis during the five years after leaving school. The measure is a popular one but has not received the publicity it deserves. The vaccination procedure is quick and simple and may prevent years of unhappiness.

### Poliomyelitis

No cases of this disease were notified. Vaccination continued during the year. Some children were offered third doses and the upper age limit for registration was extended to 25 years. The national incidence of poliomyelitis in 1958 was lower than expected so that it is to be hoped the vaccination campaign is already proving its worth.

### Head Lice

This is not a notifiable disease but is found all too commonly in a small proportion of Devizes school children I hasten to add that this matter is not peculiar to Devizes as the National figure for 1957 is 4%. Despite regular inspections it seems difficult to eradicate this insect.

If confidential advice is needed, the School Nurses are easily contacted by telephone and it behaves mothers to look regularly at their children's hair as the condition is now easily controlled by D.D.T. preparations.

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### Brucellosis

This disease was made notifiable for a period of three years from the 1st October, 1958. This step was taken because of difficulty in isolating the causative bacteria from routine milk samples - the notification of an actual case being contributory evidence to the possible infection of a milk supply. For the last three years strenuous efforts by the Public Health Inspector and co-operation from the farmers have brought about a position where all known cows producing infected milk have been withdrawn from local herds. This situation has necessitated individual sampling and sometimes quarter sampling of the suspect animal.

I am pleased to say that only one case of Brucellosis or Undulant Fever has so far been notified and this subsequently proved a wrong diagnosis.

### Measles

An epidemic of Measles occurred in the town, beginning in July, it spread rapidly through August, despite schools being closed for the summer holidays and the number of notifications continued to be well above average to the end of the year.

### CAUSES OF DEATH

Before the coming of antibiotics and modern understanding of the spread of infection, death frequently came in violent epidemics and drew attention to itself by force of numbers and lack of respect for age or class. Now-a-days death comes in more subtle ways and public attention has to be focused upon it by some artificial means.

### Road Accidents

In Great Britain an average of 15 people die every day and 750 are injured as a result of road traffic accidents yet much enforceable legislation could be made to control this "epidemic".

In 1958, 717 children under the age of 15 years were killed in Road Accidents in Great Britain and 49,146 were injured. This is an increase since 1957 of 88 deaths and over 4,000 injuries. Road accidents are one of our biggest public health problems. It has been suggested that public complacency about road accidents is in itself a phenomenon which deserves study, but the answer lies partly in the National Health Service - a service which repairs broken bodies free of immediate charge. If called upon to provide payment for medical service, the cost of insurance premiums for motor vehicles would have to be greatly increased.

# Death by Social Class

Until the 1951 Census, mortality increased with the descending order of social class. This is not now so. Certain diseases increase in incidence the higher up the social scale, among these are coronary disease, suicide and brain haemorrhage.

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### Coronary Disease

Coronary disease is one of the principal sources of ill-health and premature death in middle-age. It has a rising incidence and accounted for 27 deaths in your area. This disease is associated with physical inactivity. It is more common among the professional and executive classes but also occurs among those having a sedentary occupation. These persons should make a point of taking moderate exercise, such as walking to work.

### Lung Cancer

Three deaths were caused by Cancer of the Lung in this area during the year. Education about the association between lung cancer and smoking is of little value as most persons, except school children, are well aware of it. The difficulty is in accepting that smoking is merely one of many carcinogenic stimuli in everyday life and the summation of these may cause cancer in a susceptible individual. If you are a susceptible, smoking may be merely "the last straw which breaks the camel's back."

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# HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT Analysis of Housing Demand as at 31st March, 1959.

# One-bedroomed dwellings

Number of applicants who could suitably be accommodated in one-bedroomed dwellings	128
Add number of persons now living in three-bedroomed Council houses who could suitably be transferred to a one-bedroomed dwelling	67
Total demand for one-bedroomed accommodation	195
Approximate number of one-bedroomed dwellings present and future building schemes are planned to provide:-	
Sheep Street 12 Avon Terrace 38 Caen Hill 90	
Subtract Total 140	140
Apparent deficiency of one-bedroomed dwellings	55
wo or Three-bedroomed dwellings	
Number of applicants who could suitably be accommodated in two or three-bedroomed dwellings	216
Subtract number of three-bedroomed houses now occupied but which could be released by suitable transfers	67
Total demand for two or three-bedroomed dwellings	149
Approximate number of two or three-bedroomed dwellings present and future building schemes are planned to provide:-	
Brickley Lane 28 Sheep Street 24 Caen Hill 45	
Subtract Total 97	97
Apparent deficiency of two or three-bedroomed dwellings	52

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In compiling the previous analysis, it has been assumed that, owing to present prices, the Council would prefer to build subsidised dwellings only. It is, therefore, in the public interest that persons living in three-bedroomed houses who could suitably live in one-bedroomed dwellings should do so.

Type of Accommodation	Value of Subsidy	Reason for Subsidy
One-bedroomed dwellings	£10 p.a. for 60 years	General needs
One, two or three- bedroomed dwellings	£22:1:0d. p.a. for 60 years	Rehousing for Slum Clearance only

### Slum Clearance

Two clearance areas fronting upon Avon Terrace were purchased by the Council in October and December, with the exception of one property. An Inquiry was held in December as it was thought necessary to compulsorarily acquire this property. However, the owner withdrew his objections at the Inquiry and offered no evidence. At the same time another Inquiry was held over an objection to a Clearance Order upon four properties at Nursteed.

The Health Committee visited 49 unfit properties during the year, including houses in the New Park Street area.

The Committee felt that action should be taken over some of the New Park Street properties, some of which are owned by the Corporation, but that the whole matter should be considered having regard to the replanning of this area. Accordingly, in November it was proposed that a small sub-committee consisting of members from the Health and Letting Committee and the Building and Planning Committee, should consider the slum clearance redevelopment of the New Park Street area as a whole.

### Planning and Redevelopment

The year is most notable for the work done in the Sheep Street
Redevelopment Area. The old properties on the north side had disappeared
by the end of the summer and four blocks of flats appeared almost overnight.
The first was completed in October and comprised four lock-up shops and four
two-bedroomed flats. These were formally opened by His Worship The Mayor on
the 15th October, 1958. I was very sorry that my predecessor, Dr. George Waylen,
could not have attended this ceremony, as much of the enthusiasm and work in
the early stages stemmed from him.

Hartmoor House and grounds, purchased in 1957, demonstrate the possibilities of building houses in gardens too large by modern standards. Often the local housing authority is the only body big enough to develop such sites. In this

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case the house has been divided into four flats and in the grounds ten three-bedroomed houses were completed and occupied by September. A little more in-filling was done in Hillworth Road where four old persons' bungalows were completed in December.

Meanwhile, the main family rehousing programme proceeded in the Brickley Lane area and 44 houses were completed during the year. These are built in pairs and in terrace blocks of four and six, necessitating two new roads - Cromwell Road and Shackleton Road.

The total number of houses and flats completed for letting by the Council during the year is a record for post-war years.

Mindful that the acquisition of land and the debate over layout plans is a lengthy process, Caen Hill, Brickley Lane North Frontage and the provision of allotment land also received attention. Caen Hill, purchased in 1957, was surveyed during the year. Brickley Lane North Frontage was purchased early in 1958 and planning consent was obtained for the erection of 28 three-bedroomed houses and some lock-up garages. The Council also agreed to sell land for a Catholic Church and a caretaker's house.

In the sections dealing with Planning and Redevelopment, and Housing Demand, it gives me pleasure to acknowledge the assistance of Mr. R.E. Paget, Borough Surveyor, and Mr. J.E. Hopkins, Borough Housing Officer.

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# Borough of Devizes

Public Health Department, The Chequers, Devizes, Wiltshire.

# THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1958

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my tenth Annual Report.

I wish to again record my appreciation of the help and support of the Chairman and Members of the Health and Letting Committee, the Council's Officers and Staff, in the activities of the Health Department. My gratitide is also extended to Dr. Adams, Medical Officer of Health, who has at all times readily given advice and assistance to me when needed.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

K. WILDEY

# Public Health Inspector.

### FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955.

174 visits were made to food premises. In 56 instances a detailed inspection was made and the occupier's attention drawn to matters for remedying in respect of the following:-

Structural Defects		Found	Remedied
State of Disrepair		30 13 6 13 6	21 9 6 12 2
Sanitary Accommodation  Unsatisfactory water closet	••••••	21 6	15 4
No hand washing facilities	:: ::	19 10 10 5	15 7 8 . 4

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	Found	Remedied
Dirty Towels (Hand)	 7 4 5 9	7 4 5 9 15
Equipment		
Unsatisfactory	 21	17
Cleanliness		
Premises dirty	27 17 9 16 6	22 17 9 15 5 5 2 (Polythene substituted)
Mainly on shop counters	16	12
Open Market (Food placed on floor)	 9	-
First-aid materials not provided	 2	2

The above synopsis does not include improvements made at food premises during the year as a result of informal action in 1957. This included 8 factory canteens where recommendations were completed in 5 cases and almost finished at the other three canteens.

### Borough Property Market House

The Devizes Borough Council have, with direct labour, completed improvements to the food traders' section of the covered market by the provision of 3 sinks, 2 wash-hand basins with hot and cold water over, re-constructed the drains, laid a concrete floor, underdrawn the roof, renovated the walls with gloss enamel paint finish and provided tubular stalls with formica tops.

### Mobile Food Vans

The Womens Institute provided a fully equipped, modern, covered, open fronted food stall for standing in the open market.

Inspections were made of several mobile food vans and the proprietors' attention drawn to deficiencies with co-operative effects.

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# Mobile Food Vans

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All School Kitchens were brought up to a standard in line with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

The kitchens, food preparation rooms and equipment have been brought up to a high standard of perfection at the Devizes and District Hospital. Improvements have also been carried out in the food preparation rooms at Old Park Hospital Annexe.

### Food Premises in Borough

There are 105 food traders, excluding stall holders who stand in Devizes Market and mobile shops.

Food premises registered under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and the Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949-1953: 4 fried fish, 13 prepared meat premises, 4 dairies and 38 for sale of ice-cream. Two dealers are registered for manufacturing ice-cream; both produce ice-cream by the cold mix method.

### Ice-cream

Ice-cream was not submitted for examination owing to difficulties in obtaining dry ice for packing purposes.

### Milk Sampling

159 milk specimens were submitted to the Pathological Department at Salisbury for testing. The results were as follows:-

Results of	Sampling	1957	1958
PASTEURISE	ED MILK		
Tuberculosis	Absent	5	12
bacteria	Present	none	none
Phosphatase (for checking	Satisfactory	11	13
pasteurisation)	Unsatisfactory	none	none
RAW MII			
Tuberculosis	Absent	64	49
bacteria	Present	none	none
Methylene Blue (keeping quality	Satisfactory	156	139
and cleanliness)	Unsatisfactory	9	7

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### Meat Inspection

The Central Wiltshire Bacon Co. Ltd. is the only slaughterhouse in operation in the Borough. Carcasses, organs, etc. were inspected in accordance with the methods recommended by the Ministry of Food - Memo 3/Foods.

The	number	of	pigs	slaughtere	d				9926
The	number	of	pigs	inspected					8611
The	number	of	pigs	inspected	by	the	Manage	ement	1315

Pig carcasses/organs or parts condemned as unfit for human consumption were as follows:-

	Tuberculosis	All Diseases except Tuberculosis
Whole Pigs	5	18
Heads	170	
Internal Organs	105	490
Percentage of number inspected affected	2.4%	5.2%

### Condemned Food

The following food has been condemned as unfit for human consumption:-

							lbs.	ozs.
76	tins of f	ruit		 	 	 	 127	41/2
		eat					 256	5
		egetables					 59	2
30	tins of m	ilk		 	 	 	 27	
5	tins of s	oup				 	 8	2
1	jar marma	lade		 	 	 	 2	-
1	case of f	ish		 	 	 	 77	-
2	jars of s	alad dress	ing					

# Food Poisoning

There were no notified cases of food poisoning during the year.

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### HOUSING

Following the survey of houses in 1954/1955 and the submission to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government of the Slum Clearance programme, the Council proposed to deal with a total of 403 unfit houses in a period of seven years. The progress made up to the end of this year to fulfil the programme has been:-

Number of houses demolished	72
Number of houses empty	91
Schemes submitted by owners at present under consideration	5
Total houses dealt with by Clearance Orders or Individual Orders	168
Unfit properties rendered fit by owners at an unreasonable expense	8
Number of undertakings given by owners not to relet	14
Total of unfit houses dealt with to date:	190

### Improvement Grants

Numerous enquiries were made to the Department about the procedure required when applying for an Improvement Grant. Two schemes started in 1957 were completed this year and the grants duly paid. Four new applications were presented for consideration - two did not materialize, one is in course of work and the fourth has only submitted a preliminary application.

# Disrepair Certificates

Three applications were made for disrepair certificates. Two certificates were issued and formally withdrawn after the repairs had been done.

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The following is a copy of the progress returns forwarded to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government:-

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED  In Clearance Areas	Houses Demolished	Displ Persons	laced Families
1. Houses unfit for human habitation	41	146	40
2. Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc	_	_	_
3. Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 .	_	6	2
Not in Clearance Areas			
4. As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957	1	21	6
5. Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	2	12	5
6. Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	<u>_</u>	_	_
7. Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	_	-	-
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED	Number		
8. Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1) Housing Act, 1957	15	34	8
9. Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957		-	-
10. Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957	1	10	4

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C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HO	OUSES IN	WHICH DEFEC	TS WERE REMEDIED
		By Owner	By Local Authority
11. After informal action by local authority	•••	31	-
12. After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts (b) Sections 9 and 16 He	ousing	1	musican <del>e</del>
Act, 1957 13. Under Section 24, Housing 1957	Act,	-	
D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY US	SE (Housi	ing Act, 195	57)
14. Retained for temporary		of houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1)
accommodation:  (a) under Section 48			
(b) under Section 46 (b) under Section 17 (2) (c) under Section 46		_	_
15. Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53		Monthlia Following	
E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEM	MENT		
		of houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)
	107 (418)	(1)	(2)
16. Houses in clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance			
Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased during the year			

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### RODENT CONTROL

Systematic inspections and treatments of premises, business and private, were made by your Rodent Operator. Eradication treatments were carried out twice in the Borough sewers, three times at the refuse tip, both sewage works and once at Shepherds Shore Water Works. All complaints were attended to promptly.

	Local Auth.	Private Properties	Farms	Business Premises	Total
No. of inspections made	28	4,305	4	390	4,727
No. of properties infested by rats	5	97	_	8	110
No. of properties infested by mice	-	10	-	4	14
No. of treatments carried out  Block treatments	5	107	- 20	12	124
carried out	-	-	-	-	26

PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACT, 1928 & 1936 PETROLEUM (MIXTURES) ORDER, 1929

	Number	Total	Revenue
	Licensed	Gallons	£ s d.
Resale Premises Private Premises Bulk Storage Depots	9	36,700	10 15 -
	25	20,200	16
	1	<b>3</b> 0,000	4
Total	35	86,900	<b>30</b> 15 -

Two premises are licensed for the storage of Carbide of Calcium.

# THE DISEASE OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOOD) ORDER, 1957.

At the beginning of the year there were 7 pig and poultry dealers in the Borough who collected waste food for animals. Their premises were very unsatisfactory. Five dealers were not prepared to spend money on improvements to meet the requirements of the above Order and either ceased to keep pigs or poultry or reduced the numbers beyond the scope of the Order. Licences were granted to two pig dealers who rebuilt their premises and provided effecient steam sterilizing plant.

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# FACTORIES ACT, 1937 & 1948 - Part I of the Act

Teneral comulitate	Number	Number of				
Premises	on Register (3)	Inspections (4)	Written Notices (5)	Occupiers Prosecuted (6)		
Factories in which Secs. 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Auths.	<b>2</b> 9	12	8	-		
Factories not included in (i) in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the L.A.	62	8	6	-		
Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A. (excluding out workers' premises)	4	_		12/4 <b>-</b>		
Total	95	20	14	-		

# Cases in which defects were found

	No. of	Number of			
the second second	Found	Remedied	Refe	cases in which	
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	Prosecu- tions were
	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	Instituted (7)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	14	10	-	-	_
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
b. Unsuitable or defective	10	9	-	-	-
c. Not separate	-	-	-	-	-
Total	24	19	-	-	-

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# NUMBER AND NATURE OF INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT DURING 1958

Visits re:-			
General complaints			222
Public Health Nuisances			56
Works in progress			33
Vermin infestation			15
Water sampling			5
Suspected food poisoning	• •		1
Zymotics			9
Smoke Nuisance			
Public Health Nuisances abated		• •	30
Drains: smoke tested			16
colour tested			17
water tested			3
Disinfestation of premises	• •		5
Food and Drugs Act			
E-1 Haring Damidation			471
Food Hygiene Regulations	• •		174
Food Inspections	••	• •	135
Milk & Dairies Regulations			
Milk sampling			44
Retail Dairies (Routine visits)	• •	• •	47
Factories Act			
Turnostions			_
Inspections	• •	••	5
Outworkers	••	•••	1
Housing and Rents Act			
Housing Inspections			152
Rent Act			13
Improvement Grants	•••	•••	21
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Miscellaneous			
Shops Act			3
Pests Control			41
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order 1957			15
Petroleum Acts			9
Miscellaneous			156
Interviews with builders/owners/representatives			113

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