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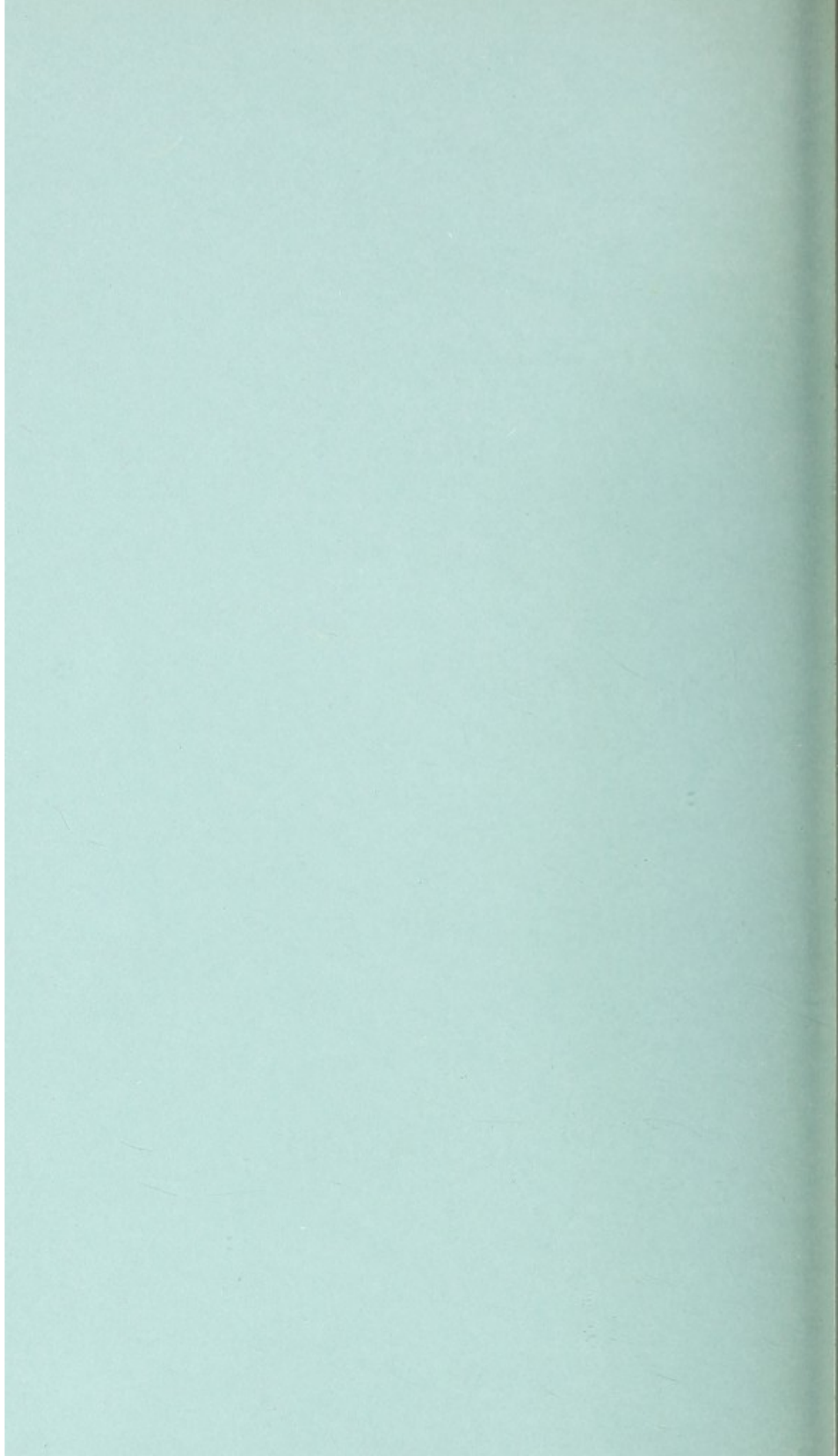


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EAST GRINSTEAD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Year 1951

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE EAST GRINSTEAD
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL :

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report for the year 1951. The report is prepared on the same lines as that for 1950, and as indicated in Ministry of Health Circular No. 42/51, dated 10th December, 1951.

The Crude Death Rate is 13.34, as compared with 11.48 for 1950. The Standardised Death Rate is 10.80, compared with 12.5 for England and Wales. The Standardised Death Rate is obtained by the application of a "comparability factor", making allowance for the age and sex distribution of England and Wales as a whole.

The Infantile Mortality Rate is 27.78, which compares with 17.65 for the previous year, and with 29.6 for England and Wales. (There were three deaths of infants under one year in 1950 and four in 1951).

The Birth Rate is 12.88, compared with 15.37 in 1950.

The Standardised Birth Rate is 13.41, compared with 15.5 for England and Wales.

There were no deaths of children under the age of two years from diarrhoea, enteritis or from maternal causes.

No deaths occurred from Scarlet Fever, Typhoid Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough or Measles.

No case of Food Poisoning was notified during the year.

Measles and Whooping Cough have been prevalent throughout the year, but in each the symptoms have been usually mild and with few complications.

For the sixth successive year no case of diphtheria was notified in the district. Parents are to be congratulated on the high rate of diphtheria immunisation, which has been maintained despite the apparent removal of the threat of disease. The effort involved is a low price to pay for the continued safety of the children.

During the year ended 31st December, 1951, the following vaccinations and re-vaccinations were carried out at Clinics and at Doctors' Surgeries. Grouped according to age vaccinations were : under 1 year, 140 ; 1—4 years, 10 ; 5—14 years, 388 ; over 15 years, 613—making a total of 1,221. Re-vaccinations were : under 1 year, 3 ; 1—4 years, 25 ; 5—14 years, 580 ; over 15 years, 1,625—making a total of 3,454.

The outbreak of smallpox in Brighton created a demand on the general practitioners of the town for protective vaccination, and during the period 3,297 persons were vaccinated or re-vaccinated. Of this number only 47 were under

one year of age and 2,196 were adult. It is hoped that this experience will act as a stimulus to the demand for infant vaccination.

In the body of this report is a statement of progress made in securing hygienic conditions in food shops. While the majority of traders are in agreement with our principles and make an honest endeavour to apply them in their daily work of food distribution, there remains the obstinate minority who regard their wares as only something to sell, and not as someone's food. The remedy is ultimately in the hands of the discerning customer and should be applied. Increasing supplies and decreased controls should free them from the bondage of "under the counter" methods of retaining customers, and allow a free choice from the cleanest shops.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN PETRIE,

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

(For comparison the figures for 1950 are shown in brackets)

Area	6,597 acres	
Registrar-General's Estimated Population ...	11,170	(11,060)
Density of Population per acre	1.69	(1.68)
Rateable Value	£103,113	(£99,931)
Sum Represented by Id. Rate	£410	(£407)
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population	12.88	(15.37)
Standardised Birth Rate	13.41	(15.98)
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 Population	13.34	(11.48)
Standardised Death Rate	10.80	(9.3)
Infantile Mortality Rate	27.78	(17.65)

Births

VITAL STATISTICS

LIVE BIRTHS						Male	Female	Total
Legitimate						76	59	135
Illegitimate						2	7	9
Total Live Births						78	66	144

Birth Rate per 1,000 Live Births ...	12.88
Comparability Factor	1.04
Standardised Birth Rate	13.41

STILL BIRTHS						Male	Female	Total
Legitimate						1	—	1
Illegitimate						—	—	—
Total Still Births						1	—	1

Rate per 1,000 of the Estimated Population	.09
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Deaths

	Male	Female	Total
	63	86	149

Crude Death Rate per 1,000 Population	13.34
Comparability Factor	.81
Standardised Death Rate	10.80

Infantile Mortality

	Male	Female	Total
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age ...	2	2	4
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age... ..	2	2	4

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE PER 1,000	
LIVE BIRTHS	27.78

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEARS 1936-1951

YEAR	Estim- ated Popu- lation	Number of Births						Birth Rate	Number of Deaths			Death Rate	Infant's Deaths			Infant Death Rate	Natural increase of Births over Deaths
		Legitimate			Illegitimate				M	F	Total		M	F	Total		
		M	F	Total	M	F	Total										
1936	9,400	61	50	111	1	1	2	12.02	64	53	117	12.45	2	2	4	34.8	— 4
1937	9,519	55	58	113	2	4	6	12.5	49	77	126	13.24	1	1	2	16.81	— 7
1938	9,655	59	47	106	3	2	5	11.5	61	67	128	13.26	5	—	5	45.05	—17
1939	10,100	66	56	122	2	7	9	13.49	65	68	133	13.19	2	4	6	45.8	— 2
1940	10,810	73	51	124	3	1	4	11.84	57	80	137	12.67	2	5	7	54.59	— 9
1941	12,750	89	72	161	8	9	17	13.85	60	85	145	11.37	2	2	4	28.1	33
1942	10,720	74	81	155	5	7	12	15.58	54	73	127	11.8	2	3	5	29.94	40
1943	10,280	87	79	166	7	13	20	18.09	62	108	170	16.5	2	2	4	21.5	16
1944	9,648	68	81	149	15	14	29	18.44	73	74	147	15.23	2	3	5	28.09	31
1945	9,910	57	65	122	11	4	15	13.82	68	78	146	14.73	4	3	7	51.09	— 9
1946	10,580	88	94	182	7	5	12	18.34	59	56	115	10.87	6	2	8	41.24	79
1947	10,740	106	103	209	4	7	11	20.48	50	63	113	10.52	1	1	2	9.09	107
1948	10,840	69	84	153	7	4	11	15.13	53	62	115	10.61	—	3	3	18.29	49
1949	11,000	74	83	157	3	3	6	14.82	78	92	170	15.45	1	2	3	18.41	— 7
1950	11,060	78	81	159	6	5	11	15.37	68	59	127	11.84	2	1	3	17.65	43
1951	11,170	76	59	135	2	7	9	12.88	63	86	149	13.34	2	2	4	27.78	— 5

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE EAST GRINSTEAD URBAN DISTRICT

								<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Tuberculosis, Other	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	—	—
Syphilitic Disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Meningococcal Infections	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	2	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	1	1
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	5
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	1	1
Diabetes	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	2	2
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	12	12
Coronary Disease, Angina	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	11	11
Hypertension with Heart Disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	5	5
Other Heart Disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	18	18
Other Circulatory Disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	6
Influenza	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	—	—
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	—	—
Gastritis, Enteritis, and Diarrhoea	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Nephritis and Nephrosis	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Congenital Malformations	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
Other Defined and Ill-defined Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	14	14
Motor Vehicle Accidents	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	—	—
All Other Accidents	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	1
Suicide	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	—	—
Homicide and Operations of War	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
All Causes	...	...	...	...	...	...	63	86	86

MORTALITY IN AGE GROUPS

AGE GROUPS					MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Under 1 year	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
1—4	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
5—14	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
15—24	...	...	...	...	—	—	—
25—34	...	...	...	...	2	—	2
35—44	...	...	...	...	—	2	2
45—54	...	...	...	...	2	4	6
55—64	...	...	...	...	15	7	22
65—74	...	...	...	...	11	26	37
75 and over	...	...	...	...	30	44	74
TOTALS	...	...	...	...	63	86	149

BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY, MATERNAL MORTALITY AND CASE-RATES FOR CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN THE YEAR 1951

	England and Wales	126 County Borough and Great Towns (including London)	148 Smaller Towns Resident Population 25,000— 50,000 1931 Census	London Admin. County	East Grinstead U.D.
Births					
Rates per 1,000 Home Population					
Live Births	15.5	17.3	16.7	17.8	12.88
Still Births	0.36	0.45	0.38	0.37	0.09
Deaths					
All Causes	12.5	13.4	12.5	13.1	10.80
Typhoid and Paratyphoid	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—
Whooping Cough	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	—
Diphtheria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	—
Tuberculosis	0.31	0.37	0.31	0.38	0.09
Influenza	0.38	0.36	0.38	0.23	0.27
Smallpox	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis)	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	—
Pneumonia	0.61	0.65	0.63	0.61	0.09
Notifications (Corrected)					
Typhoid Fever	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	—
Paratyphoid Fever	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.01	—
Meningococcal Infection	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	—
Scarlet Fever	1.11	1.20	1.20	1.10	0.45
Whooping Cough	3.87	3.62	4.00	3.11	11.01
Diphtheria	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.01	—
Erysipelas	0.14	0.15	0.12	0.15	—
Smallpox	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—
Measles	14.07	13.93	14.82	14.64	25.42
Pneumonia	0.99	1.04	0.96	0.72	0.45
Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis)—					
Paralytic	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.09
Non-Paralytic	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	—
Food Poisoning	0.13	0.15	0.08	0.23	—
Deaths					
Rates per 1,000 Live Births					
All Causes under 1 year of age	29.6	33.9	27.6	26.4	27.78
Enteritis and Diarrhoea under 2 years of age	1.4	1.6	1.0	0.7	—
Notifications (Corrected)					
Rates per 1,000 Total (Live and Still) Births					
Puerperal Fever and Pyrexia	10.66	13.77	8.08	14.90	—
MATERNAL MORTALITY					
Rates per 1,000 Total (Live and Still) Births					
	England & Wales		East Grinstead		
Sepsis of Childbirth and the Puerperium... ..	0.10		—		
Abortion with Toxaemia, and other Toxaemias of Pregnancy and the Puerperium	0.24		—		
Haemorrhage of Pregnancy and Childbirth	0.13		—		
Abortion without mention of Sepsis or Toxaemia	0.05		—		
Abortion with Sepsis	0.09		—		
Other Complications of the Puerperium	0.18		—		

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

The following cases of infectious disease were notified during the
year 1951

DISEASE	Cases Notified	Cases to Hospital	Total Deaths
Scarlet Fever	5	2	—
Measles	284	3	—
Whooping Cough	123	—	—
Pneumonia	5	—	1
Poliomyelitis	1	1	—

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE IN AGE GROUPS

DISEASE	Age Groups								
	0	1	3	5	10	15	25	45	65
Scarlet Fever	—	—	1	1	2	1	—	—	—
Measles	5	36	76	154	8	—	5	—	—
Whooping Cough	12	27	35	43	3	—	3	—	—
Pneumonia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	2
Poliomyelitis	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases and Mortality during the year 1951

AGE GROUPS	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	<i>Pulmonary</i>		<i>Non Pulmonary</i>		<i>Pulmonary</i>		<i>Non Pulmonary</i>	
	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>
0—1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
65 and over	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCULOSIS

Summary of New Cases and Mortality during the Years 1936—1951

YEAR	NEW CASES					DEATHS				
	Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Total	Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
1936	4	4	—	1	9	2	—	—	—	2
1937	3	4	1	4	12	2	1	1	2	6
1938	4	—	1	1	6	2	3	1	1	7
1939	1	1	1	3	6	—	—	1	—	1
1940	7	6	1	—	14	2	2	—	1	5
1941	2	2	1	1	6	1	2	—	—	3
1942	3	3	—	2	8	2	1	—	—	3
1943	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
1944	5	3	1	2	11	—	—	—	—	—
1945	3	3	2	1	9	1	1	1	—	3
1946	3	2	3	1	9	—	—	—	1	1
1947	1	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
1948	3	2	—	—	5	2	1	—	—	3
1949	4	2	—	—	6	2	1	—	—	3
1950	6	5	—	—	11	5	—	1	—	6
1951	12	5	—	—	17	—	—	1	—	1

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

Summary of Immunisation State in East Grinstead Urban District
at 31st December, 1951

0—5 YEARS

Estimated Mid-year Population (Registrar-General)...	...	...	94
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	76
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	80.51	

1—5 YEARS

Actual Population on Immunisation Register	...	...	76
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	73
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	95.55	

5—15 YEARS (EAST GRINSTEAD CHILDREN ONLY)

Estimated Mid-year Population (Registrar-General)...	...	...	153
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	151
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	98.44	

5—15 YEARS (INCLUDING CHILDREN ATTENDING EAST GRINSTEAD SCHOOLS ALTHOUGH LIVING OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT)

Number on Immunisation Register	...	...	200
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	197
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	98.16	

1—15 YEARS (EAST GRINSTEAD CHILDREN ONLY)

Number on Immunisation Register	...	...	24
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	23
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	97.19	

0—15 YEARS (EAST GRINSTEAD CHILDREN ONLY)

Estimated Mid-year Population (Registrar-General)...	...	...	24
Number of Children Immunised	...	...	22
<i>Percentage Immunised</i>	...	91.61	

EAST SUSSEX MASS RADIOGRAPHY UNIT

This Unit was established at the Council Offices, East Grinstead, during May, 1952, and appended is an analysis by the Medical Director of the results of the survey carried out.

Persons attending were photographed on 35 mm. film and those found to be not quite normal were asked to be photographed again on full-sized film.

All films were examined by the Medical Director, a Specialist Chest Physician, and in each case having some abnormality the family doctor was given a full report. The result of the examination was entirely confidential, and in all cases action was taken only through the family doctor. The examinations were free and voluntary, and separate sessions were arranged for men and women.

Pulmonary tuberculosis can be diagnosed in its early stages by radiography and it is wise for everyone to have a periodical X-Ray examination of the chest. Those suffering from prolonged chest complaints, winter cough or unexplained debility should do so without fail. Delay through dread of having fears confirmed is unjustifiable when it is realised that treatment in the early stage of the disease will almost certainly result in cure; and immediate precautions can be taken to protect other members of the family from infection.

Anyone who was unable to take advantage of the Radiography Unit on its visit to East Grinstead may still have the facilities offered by writing for an appointment to the Director, East Sussex Mass Radiography Unit, 26 Ditchling Road, Brighton 7, when arrangements can be made for a visit to the Unit wherever it is in operation in the County.

Analysis of Results of Survey carried out at East Grinstead

	<i>Male.</i>	<i>Female.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Number of persons X-Rayed	298	595	893
Number recalled for large films	28	38	66
Number found to have abnormal large films ...	10	20	30

ANALYSIS OF ABNORMAL LARGE FILMS

Active Pulmonary Tuberculosis	—	3	3
Inactive Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3	13	16
Malignant Disease	—	—	—
Other Diseases of Lung or Pleura	5	2	7
Cardio-Vascular Diseases	1	1	2

Number (per 1,000 persons X-Rayed) with active
Pulmonary Tuberculosis 3.35
(Two films have not yet been classified).

SANITARY SUPERVISION

Housing Inspections

Inspections made under Housing Acts	...	...	...	...	7
Inspections made under Public Health Acts	...	...	...	...	7

Other Inspections

Inspections of Dairies and Milkshops	...	...	...	...	4
Meatshops and Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	8
Fishshops	...	...	...	...	8
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	3
Other Food Premises	...	...	...	...	19
Piggeries	...	...	...	...	
Factories (not included in other totals)	...	...	...	...	1
Petroleum Stores	...	...	...	...	3
Infectious Diseases	...	...	...	...	2
Water Supplies	...	...	...	...	4
Ice Cream Regulations	...	...	...	...	3
Smoke Observations	...	...	...	...	2
Public Health	...	...	...	...	30
Fly Infestations...	...	...	...	...	
Public Houses (Food and Drugs Act)	...	...	...	...	
Inspections under Pest Destruction Acts	...	...	...	...	14
Civil Defence	...	...	...	...	
Other Miscellaneous Inspections	...	...	...	...	
Complaints received	...	...	...	...	

SUMMARY OF MAIN DEFECTS ABATED IN TERMS OF PREMISES

Drains amended and repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Water-closets repaired, lighted and ventilated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roofs repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Eaves, gutters and downspouts renewed or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
House floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chimneys repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fireplaces repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Water supplies amended and provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yards and Passages repaired...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dustbins provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Accumulations removed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cesspools emptied	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Streams cleared	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Commercial kitchens disinfested	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Handwashing facilities provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Premises cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sinks provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baths provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

ACTION UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936

No premises were the subject of statutory notices under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936, during the year.

INSPECTION OF FOOD

During the year 492 visits were made to food premises and below are details of the foodstuffs voluntarily surrendered as being unfit for human consumption :—

MEAT ... 10 lbs.

FISH—Wet ... 48 stones

Cured ... 4 stones

TINNED FOODSTUFFS—

Meat ... 34 tins

Fish ... 13 tins

Milk ... 5 tins

Fruit ... 57 tins

Vegetables ... 83 tins

Spaghetti ... 2 tins

Mincemeat ... 2 tins

Jam ... 2 tins

Soup ... 8 tins

Peas ... 16 tins

Ham ... 10 tins

Baked Beans ... 1 tin

Paste ... 1 tin

Syrup ... 1 tin

OTHER FOODSTUFFS—

Geese ... 2

Tapioca ... 20 lbs.

Rabbits ... 30 lbs.

Bacon ... 49 lbs.

Sausages ... 50 lbs.

Mayonnaise ... 12 bottles

Pigs Trotters ... 20 lbs.

Turkey ... 6½ lbs.

Butter ... 1 lb.

Ground Rice ... 55 lbs.

Flour ... 24 lbs.

MILK

The following Dealer's Licences authorising the use of special designations were issued and in force during the year ended 31st December, 1951.

<i>Special Designation</i>	<i>No. of Licences Issued</i>
Pasteurised ...	3
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ...	3
Tuberculin Tested ...	4

There are six registered distributors of milk in the district and all sell only designated milks.

No order has yet been made declaring East Grinstead to be a "specified area" in which only designated milk shall be sold, but I am pleased to record the growing sale of designated milks, centrally bottled in approved establishments.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937

During the year 103 inspections were made under the Factories Act, 1937. In no case was statutory action found necessary.

1. **INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspector).

PREMISES	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority ...	33	49	6	—
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ...	50	54	—	—
(3) Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	83	103	6	—

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

PARTICULARS	No. of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases where prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness	4	4	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable Temperature	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate Ventilation	1	1	—	—	—
Ineffective Drainage of Floors	2	2	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences—					
(a) Insufficient	2	2	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	2	2	—	2	—
(c) Not separate for Sexes	1	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-workers)	—	1	—	—	—
TOTAL	12	11	—	2	—

RODENT CONTROL

The Council employ one full-time Rodent Officer on Pest Destruction.

During the year 57 complaints were received. 1,469 visits under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, were made and 123 infestations treated.

Regular inspections have been made at the Durkins Road and Eden Vale refuse tips, housing estates and other Council properties.

Infestation of 56 premises was found as a result of systematic surveys which are made throughout the district.

A 10% test of sewers was completed in April to the satisfaction of the Inspector from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

A nominal charge for rodent destruction is made to householders. Business premises are charged with the actual cost of treatment in accordance with the agreement between the Council and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. No charge is made for subsequent inspection to ensure that premises remain free from rats.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

This work is carried out by the Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

House refuse is collected weekly. Trade refuse is collected at the request of the trader concerned and charges at cost plus 15% are made.

Refuse is disposed of by tipping at Eden Vale during the warmer months, and at Durkins Road refuse tip for the remaining months of the year. Before being covered newly-tipped refuse is treated with gammexane insecticide to prevent breeding of flies.

Monthly inspection of both refuse tips have been made by the Public Health Department to ascertain possible nuisance caused by rodents and flies.

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL WELFARE CENTRES

The following table shows the clinics held at the East Sussex County Council's Welfare Centre, Moat View, Moat Road, East Grinstead :—

<i>CLINICS</i>	<i>DAYS AND TIMES</i>
School Minor Ailments ...	Mondays to Fridays—9 to 10 a.m.
DOCTORS' SESSIONS ...	1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays—10 a.m.
Dental	
MOTHERS AND CHILDREN	
UNDER 5 YEARS ...	By appointment.
SCHOOL CHILDREN ...	By appointment.
Child Guidance ...	Every other Friday—By appointment.
Orthopaedic ...	Monday afternoon—By appointment. Thursday morning—By appointment.
DOCTORS' SESSIONS ...	By appointment.
Chest Clinic... ...	2nd and 4th Thursdays each month—2 p.m.
Diphtheria Immunisation and Vaccination ...	2nd Thursday each month—2.15 p.m.
Schick-test and Reading	4th and 5th Thursdays each month—2.15 p.m.
Ante Natal	
DISTRICT NURSES ...	1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays—2.15 p.m.
CUCKFIELD HOSPITAL	
PATIENTS ...	3rd Wednesday each month—2.15 p.m.
Infant Welfare ...	Every Monday (except 5th Monday in the month)—2 to 4 p.m.
DOCTORS' SESSIONS ...	2nd and 3rd Mondays—2 to 4 p.m.
Speech Therapy ...	Every Tuesday—By appointment.
The following Clinic is held at St. Dunstan's Hall, Maypole Road, Ashurst Wood :—	
Infant Welfare	
DOCTORS' SESSION ...	4th Tuesday each month—2 to 4.30 p.m.