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## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1969





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Public Health Department, Town Hall, EXMOUTH.

July, 1970.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It gives me much pleasure to present to you the Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 1969. This Report includes sections kindly supplied by the Senior Public Health Inspector and the Housing Officer.

The resident mid-year population as estimated by the Registrar General has increased from 23,200 in 1968 to 23,630 in 1969 and the number of inhabited dwellings increased from 8,754 in 1968 to 9,138 in 1969.

There were 303 live births during the year, representing a standardised birth rate of 18.6, which is higher than the rate for the country as a whole. Of these 303 live births 24 were illegitimate.

The standardised death rate of 8.7 was the same as in 1968 and is considerably below that for England and Wales, viz. 11.9. The average age at death of males, 71.4 and females, 78.2, is well above the national average (1968) of 66.6 and 72.6 respectively.

of the 84 cases of infectious diseases notified, 59 were a mild form of dysentery. There were only 13 cases of measles, and there were no cases of poliomyelitis, diphtheria, whooping cough or tetanus, diseases against which the majority of the children are immunised. The immunisation campaign against measles has continued throughout the year and is steadily gaining momentum. It is anticipated that the incidence of this often very distressing disease will now steadily decline and even cease in the near future.

In conclusion I would like to thank the members of the Exmouth Urban District Council and the staff for their interest shown and co-operation given to me during the year under review.

I have the honour to be Your Obedient Servant

L. G. ANDERSON

Medical Officer of Health

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### 1. STATISTICS OF THE AREA

Area in acres	5,255
Resident population mid-year 1969 (as estimated by the Registrar General)	23,631
Number of inhabited dwellings (31st March 1969)	9,138
Rateable Value (31st March 1969)	£1,138,056
Estimated product of a penny rate	\$4,500

### 2. VITAL STATISTICS

## (a) Live Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	153	126	279
Illegitimate	9	15	24
Total	162	141	303

Live birth rate per 1,000 estimated population	12.8
Standardised live birth rate per 1,000 estimated resident population	18.6
Live birth rate per 1,000 estimated civilian population England & Wales	16.3

### (b) Still Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	2	2	4
Illegitimate	-	1	1
Total	2	3	5

Still birth rate per 1,000 total live & still births 16
Still birth rate per 1,000 total live & still births,
England & Wales 13

## (c) Deaths

Males	Females	Total
179	261	440

Corrected death rate per 1,000 estimated resident population 18.6 Standardised death rate per 1,000 estimated resident population 8.7 Death rate per 1,000 civilian population, England & Wales 11.9

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## (d) Infant Mortality (deaths of infants under one year)

	Males	Females	Tc tal
Legitimate	4	2	6
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	4	2	6

Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births

Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births,

England & Wales

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## 3. LIVE BIRTH RATE (rate per 1,000 estimated resident population)

During 1969, a total of 303 babies were born, 162 males and 141 females. This total was 17 more than the previous year.

The standardised rate per 1,000 estimated resident population was 18.6, which is higher than the rate for England & Wales as a whole, 16.3.

The live birth rate during the last ten years was as follows:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Exmouth	15.0	14.2	15.2	14.9	16.3	14.3	15.2	14.9	12.3	12.8
Standard-	18.0	15.5	16.6	19.1	20.8	18.3	19.5	21.6	17.8	18.6
England &	17.1	17.4	18.0	18.2	18.4	18.0	17.7	17.2	16.9	16.3

## 4. ILLEGITIMATE BIRTH RATE (rate per 1,000 live births)

Of the 303 children born in 1969, 24 were illegitimate. The rate per 1,000 live births was 79.2, compared with 25 illegitimate births in 1968, representing an illegitimate birth rate of 87.5. The illegitimate birth rate during the last ten years is as follows:

1	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Exmouth	60.9	65.0	69.0	75.6	109,1	69.0	1000	77.5	87.5	79.2

## 5. STILL BIRTHS (rate per 1,000 live and still births)

There were 5 still births in 1969, the same number as in the previous year. The still birth rate of 16.0 was higher than the rate for England & Wales as a whole, 13.0. The following table shows the still births rate for the last ten years:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Exmouth	27.9	3.6	13.0	6.6	11.8	6.6	9.3	9.0	17.0	16.0
England &	19.7	18.7	18.1	17.3	16.3	15.7	15.3	14.8	14.0	13.0

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### 6. DEATHS

During 1969, 440 persons normally resident in the urban district died, 179 males and 261 females. This represents a corrected death rate of 18.6, but when allowances for age and sex distribution have been made, represents a standardised death rate of 8.7, which is lower than the rate for England & Wales, 11.9.

The following table shows the corrected and standardised death rates for Exmouth for the last ten years:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Corrected	19.7	17.3	17.5	21.3	19.1	19.3	21.6	16.9	17.5	18.6
Standard- ised	12.6	12.2	12.6	13.5	11.8	11.0	12.1	8.5	8.7	8.7
England & Wales	11.5	12.0	11.9	12.5	11.3	11.5	11.7	11.2	11.9	11.9

### (a) Age at Death

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Males	71.4	71.0	70.1	73.1	72.2	71.3	71.0	71.9	70.7	71.4
Females	75.3	73.6	76.4	76.1	75.8	75.1	73.3	75.2	76.5	78.2
Both Sexes	73.3	72.6	73.4	74.8	74.2	73.2	72.1	73.8	74.1	75.4
England 1 & Wales 1		E - TOTAL STATE OF THE STATE OF								

## (b) Expectation of Life

The future average lifetime of a male child aged one year in 1969 is 69.1 years and for a female child the life expectancy is 75.1 years.

#### (c) Causes of Death

As in previous years, the most common cause of death was heart disease, 163 cases; cerebrovascular diseases were responsible for 71 deaths, and cancer was the cause of 85 deaths.

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### Causes of Deaths

The following table shows the causes of death (data supplied by the Registrar General).

	Males	Females	Total
Syphilis and its sequelae	-	1	1
Other Infective and parasitic diseases	-	1	1
Cancer			
Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity etc.		1	1
" oesophagus " stomach	3	5	8
" intestine	4	11	15
" lung, bronchus	17	2	19
" breast	-	9	9
" prostate	1	-	i
Leukaemia	1	1	2
Other malignant neoplasms	9	15	24
Diabetes mellitus	1	1	2
Mental disorders	1	1	2
Other diseases of nervous system, etc.	3	1	4
Chronic rheumatic heart disease	2	3	5
Hypertensive disease	. 2	6	8
Ischaemic heart disease	53	43	96
Other forms of heart disease	10	27	37
Cerebrovascular disease	22	49	71
Other diseases of circulatory system	3	14	17
Influenza	2	-	2
Pneumonia	6	18	24
Bronchitis and emphysema	14	6	20
Other diseases of respiratory system	2	2	4
Peptic ulcer	-	2	2
Intestinal obstruction and hernia	1	2	3
Cirrhosis of liver	2	-	2
Other diseases of digestive system	2	4	6
Nephritis and nephrosis	, 1	-	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	3	-	3
Other diseases, genito-urinary system	1	6	7
Congenital anomalies	-	1	1
Birth injury, difficult labour, etc.	2	-	2
Other causes of perinatal mortality	1	1	2
Symptoms and ill defined conditions	4	5	9
Motor vehicle accidents	3	3	6
All other accidents	3	13	16
Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	-	1	1
Total	179	261	440

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## Deaths due to accidents

## (a) Motor Vehicle Accidents

Sex	Age	Cause
Male	19	Multiple injuries
Male	46	п п
Male	64	Contusion of brain
Female	55	Multiple injuries
Female	64	" "
Female	70	Haemorrhage & shock

## (b) All other accidents

Male	7 wks.	Asphyxia
Male	23	Drowning
Male	42	Barbiturate poisoning
Female	36	Dislocation of lumber spine, fall
Female	53	Barbiturate poisoning
Female	61	Asphyxia, due to impacted food bolus
Female	73	Carbon monoxide poisoning
Female	91	Fractured femur
Female	84	" "
Female	90	" "
Female	87	
Female	79	Fractured left ankle
Female	83	Dislocation of spine
Female	94	Fractured tibia and fibula
Female	82	Inhalation of gastric contents
Female	22	Post ligation embolism

## Death due to suicide

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The following table shows the incidence of death in various age groups. (From returns supplied by the local Registrar of Births and Deaths).

	Males	Females	Total	Percentage
Under 1 year	4	2	6	1.3
1 - 4 years	-	-	-	-
5 - 14 years	1	-	1	0.2
15 - 24 years	3	1	4	0.9
25 - 34 years	1	1	2	0.4
35 - 44 years	4	3	7	1.5
45 - 54 years	7	9	16	3.6
55 - 64 years	23	25	48	10.9
65 - 74 years	55	40	95	21.9
75 and over	81	180	261	59.3
Total	179	261	440	

### 7. INFANT MORTALITY

The infant mortality rate represents the number of deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births registered. During 1969, four male and 2 female infants died. This represents an infant mortality rate of 20, which is higher than for England & Wales, 18.

The following table gives the infant mortality rate for the last ten years:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
No. of deaths under lyr.	3	4	5	4	4	7	4	2	3	6
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 live births	10.8	14.4	16.4	13.1	11.8	23.1	12.1	6.0	10.0	20.0

The causes of the deaths of the six infants were as follows:

Male	7 weeks	Asphyxia
Male	4 hours	Prematurity
Male	30 minutes	Cerebral haemorrhage
Male	3 weeks	Malformations
Female	5 months	Malformations
Female	39 days	Prematurity, Rh incompatability

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Deaths from cancer again increased, from 75 in 1968 to 85 in 1969 and in relation to the total number of deaths, the percentage was slightly higher, 19.3%, compared with 18.4% in 1968.

(a) The parts of the body affected are given in the following table:

Site	Males	Females	Total
Buccal cavity, etc	- 1	1	1
0esophagus	-	2	2
Stomach	3	5	8
Intestine	4	11	15
Lung, bronchus	17	2	19
Breast	- 1	9	9
Uterus	-	4	4
Prostate	1	-	1
All other sites	10	16	26
Total	35	50	85

(b) The following table shows the incidence of lung cancer compared with other forms of cancer for the last ten years:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Lung	11	10	16	9	13	14	16	12	16	19
Other sites	50	47	51	50	62	62	65	58	59	66

(c) The incidence of deaths from cancer during the last ten years are

as TOTIOWS:	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Number of cases	61	57	67	59	75	76	81	70	75	85
Percentage total no. of deaths	16.7	16.9	17.4	15.9	19.1	18.7	17.4	18.4	18.4	19.3
Rate per 1,000 resident population	2.30	2.90	3.38	2.85	3.60	3.60	3,73	3.11	3,23	3.60

#### INFECTIOUS DISEASES

During the year, 84 cases of notifiable infectious diseases were reported, which is 293 less than last year.

(a) Measles - There were 13 cases of measles in 1969, all of a mild nature. The seasonal incidence of measles in Exmouth was as follows:

Jan	Peb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
-	-	2	1	1	-	7	1	1	-	-	-
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### TABULAR STATEMENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The incidence of the various notifiable diseases during 1969 is tabulated below:

Disease	Cases Notified	Cases admitted to hospital
Meningitis	2	2
Food Poisoning	1	
Scarlet Fever	6	_
Dysentery	59	4
Infective Jaundice	1	-
Measles	13	-
Tuberculosis	2	1

The following table shows the incidence of notifiable infectious diseases which have occurred during the last ten years:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Measles	154	132	34	561	32	439	39	84	328	13
Whooping Cough	3	5	1	5	6	-	3	4	18	-
Scarlet Fever	7	2	2	-	4	1	υ,	-	10	6
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	1	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	
Dysentery	3	-	372	43	2	-	24	2	8	59
Pneumonia	-	5	-	9	4	8	7	2	4	
Erysipelas	4	3	2	1	4	5	-	1	-	*
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice		1								1
Meningitis	-									2

<sup>\*</sup> These diseases are no longer notifiable.

The following table shows the incidence of notifiable infectious diseases grouped according to age:

The second second second second	Under lyr.	1+	2+	3+		5+		15+	25+	35+	45+	55+	65+	Total
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Measles	1	2	3	2	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dysentery	1	3	4	2	3	22	7	2	7	5	1	-	-	59
Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Tuberculosis	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2

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### 10. TUBERCULOSIS

The incidence of new cases of tuberculosis brought to the notice of the Medical Officer during the period 1960-69 is as follows:

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
m.	1	5	2	1	11	1	3	-	-	1
Pulmonary f.	1	3	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Non- m.	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
pulmonaryf.	. 2	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	3	1
Total	4	8	4	2	2	1	5	4	3	2

Table showing the incidence of all forms of tuberculosis - Rates per 1,000 estimated resident population

Year	Cases Notified (Per 1,000 resident population)	Death Rate
1952	0.93	0.29
1953	0.93	0.06
1954	0.63	0.06
1955	0.97	0.11
1956	0.78	-
1957	0.44	0.11
1958	-	-
1959	0.49	0.05
1960	0.27	-
1961	0.41	0.05
1962	0.20	0.05
1963	0.10	-
1964	0.09	-
1965	0.05	0.05
1966	0.23	-
1967	0.18	0.05
1968	0.13	0.04
1969	0.12	-

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#### 11. NATIONAL HEALTH FACILITIES

The Health Service provided under Parts II and III of the National Health Service Act applicable to your district are briefly set out below:

#### Part II

#### Hospital Facilities

General - The Urban District is well served by the Exmouth Hospital, Claremont Grove, Exmouth, tel. 4381, where there is accommodation for:

Males 13 beds
Females 15 beds
Children 5 beds
General & 12 beds
Private

In addition to the Exmouth Hospital, use is made of:

- (a) The Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital, Southernhay East, Exeter Tel. 72261 - 302 beds
- (b) Redhills Hospital, St. Thomas, Exeter Tel. 76481 - 137 beds
- (c) Exeter City Hospital, Heavitree Road, Exeter Tel. 77351 257 beds
- (d) Princess Elizabeth Hospital, Wonford Road, Exeter Tel. 54217 - 111 beds
- (e) West of England Rye Infirmary, Magdalen Street, Exeter Tel. 73183 - 62 beds

The plastic surgery clinic for Devon is held at the Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital on the second Thursday morning of every month. Mr. Fitz-Gibbon and Mr. Bodenham of the South West Regional Hospital Board attend.

#### Maternity

- (a) Redhills Hospital, St. Thomas, Exeter 10 beds
- (b) Exeter City Hospital, Heavitree Road, Exeter 49 beds 31 cots

#### Isolation

Cases of infectious diseases are admitted to the Isolation Hospital, Whipton, Exeter, tel. 67158, as in previous years, when necessary.

#### Smallpox

Cases of smallpox or suspected smallpox will be admitted to the Smallpox Isolation Hospital at Liskeard, Cornwall. Consultants who may be called upon to assist in the diagnosis of smallpox are:

East Devon - Dr. E. J. G. Wallace, Health Centre, Westham Road, Weymouth, Dorset.

Cornwall & Devon to River Exe Dr. W. H. St. John Brooke,
West Cornwall Hospital,
Penzance, Cornwall.

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Bacteriological and serological examinations are carried out at the Public Health Laboratories, Church Lane, Exeter, tel. 77833, under the direction of Dr. B. Moore, whose ready co-operation and help I wish to acknowledge.

#### Venereal Disease

Free advice and treatment is available to all persons at the following centre:

Males	Females
Monday 7 - 8 p.m.	Monday 6 - 7 p.m. Friday 3 - 4 p.m.

#### Ambulance Facilities

Three ambulances are maintained at the Ambulance Station, Bastin Hall, Elm Grove, Exmouth. All are equipped with radio telephone communication systems.

In the district served, the ambulances have carried 3,343 patients and have attended 66 street accidents and 44 home cases. The total mileage covered during the year was 45.035 miles.

#### Part III

#### Care of Mothers and Children

There are five Health Visitors assigned to this district. Help is given at the various centres by lady volunteers, whose assistance is greatly appreciated.

Two medical officers attend the Infant Welfare Clinics, Dr. J. Allott and your Medical Officer of Health. The centres are the Devon County Council Clinic at Withycombe Village Road, on Wednesday and Friday from 2.00 to 4.30 p.m., and the Church Hall, Littleham, every second and fourth Monday of each month from 2.00 to 4.30 p.m.

### Exmouth Clinic

Number of Sessions held	Total attendances by infants	Total attendances by children 1 - 5
102	1,823 (new cases 275 )	536 (new cases 29 )
Littlehem Clinic		
Number of Sessions held	Total attendances by infants	Total attendances By children 1 - 5
21	137 (new cases 17 )	178 (new cases 3 )

## Laboratory Facilities

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#### Maternity

The area is served by six District Nurses, two of whom are part-time, and two Midwives. They are based at the Devon County Council Health Clinic at Withycombe. Each is in possession of a motor car and all are fully trained in analgesics and the use of resuscitation apparatus.

#### Care of Premature Infants

When necessary, arrangements can be made of the admission of a premature baby and its mother to the nearest Maternity Unit, at the Exeter City Hospital, where there are 31 cots for premature babies.

#### Dental Care of Mothers and Young Children

A well equipped surgery is provided at the Devon County Council Clinic at Withycombe Village Road, Exmouth, at which dental treatment can be given to mothers and young children every Friday by appointment Centro on located are supplied at the Association follows to the the Court on training of the seasons of the control that the Church Hell, the them, overy Monday afternoon; also at the V.B.V.S. Headquarters, 2 lie ton Street, Ersouth, on Minday, the control and Thomsday and Thomsday afternoons, from 2.00 to 4.50 p.m.

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## 12. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

#### General

The scope of this includes visits and inspections in relation to the work described under all the various sections which follow, but in particular, work under the provisions of the Public Health Acts, including nuisances, Housing Acts, and the Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act.

During the year, 135 complaints were received. This was an increase on the previous two years. The various matters were investigated and the necessary action was taken in those cases with which the Council had power to act.

In the course of this work 18 nuisances were abated. Drains at two premises were cleared. In three instances repairs were effected to drains by the owner after informal notice.

It was necessary to serve two statutory notices under Sec. 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, in respect of two properties before the repairs to remedy dampness were carried out.

Four combined drains (Sec. 24, Public Sewers), were cleared and repaired after investigation.

In one instance, upon request, an accumulation of rubbish was removed from a house.

This year, 8 complaints of alleged noise nuisance were received. This was an increase of two compared with last year. As a result of investigating these cases, there was sufficient evidence to substantiate a statutory nuisance in four cases only. Three of these have been remedied, but negotiations are still proceeding in the other case. The complaints related to noise from a water pump at a launderette, noise from milk roundsmen, hammering at a boat builders, quenching of metal parts, a compressor working day and night, and a planing machine.

## (b) Housing

During the year the Council made one Demolition Order under Sec. 17 of the Housing Act, 1957 and one Closing Order under Sec. 18 of the Act. Demolition Orders were substituted in two instances for Closing Orders previously made. The basement rooms at a property in the district were made to comply with the Underground Rooms Regulations as a result of informal action. At three properties the necessary repairs to make them fit were carried out and therefore one Closing Order and two Undertakings were revoked. In addition, statutory notices under Sec. 9 of the Housing Act, 1957 were served in connection with work required at two houses.

As a result of informal action by the Department, a further 19 houses were repaired to a satisfactory standard. The repairs included roofs, walls, floors, ceilings, sashcords, sink waste pipe, drains, water pipes, rainwater down pipes and eaves gutters.

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### (c) Improvement Grants

### (i) Standard Grants

Standard Grants are available to provide dwellings with the Standard Amenities set out below.

During the year 19 applications were approved, 13 in respect of owner/occupied dwellings and 6 for other dwellings.

Work was completed in 14 instances, and grants totalling £1,836 were paid, an average of £131 per dwelling.

The Standard Amenities provided were:

Fixed bath in a bathroom 14\* Inside w.c. 12
Wash hand basin 14 Ventilated foodstore 8

Hot water supply 13 (applications made prior to 1969 Act)

(application made under 1969 Act)

\*The bathroom was provided by the building of an extension in two cases.

### (ii) Discretionary Grants

The Council has power to make grants for:

(a) the improvement of sub-standard or inadequate dwellings, and

(b) the provision of dwellings by conversion.

During the year 10 applications for improvement were approved and work was completed in 6 instances. All the applications were in respect of owner/occupied dwellings and £1,804 was paid in grants, an average of £300 a house. The improvement works usually covered the provision of a bathroom, an inside w.c., a domestic hot water supply, improvements to the kitchen and improved heating facilities.

To be eligible for grant, a dwelling must be made to comply with the Minister's 12 points, which are designed to achieve a good standard of accommodation in the improved house.

#### (iii) Compulsory Improvement

After consideration of representations from the tenant, the Council authorised the service of an Immediate Improvement Notice on the owner of a house requiring him to provide it with the Standard Amenities within twelve months.

#### (iv) Housing Act, 1969

This Act came into force on 25th August 1969 and, inter alia, made important alterations to the law concerning Improvement Grants. The maximum Standard Grant was raised from £155, (in certain instances £350), to £200 and £450 respectively. With regard to Discretionary Grants, the maximum was increased from £400 to £1,000 and certain categories of repairs were made eligible for grant.

There are now no conditions applying to the grants, the emphasis being solely on the improvement of the estimated national figure of 4.5 million houses which are fit but are in need of repair, and without the amenities of a bath, wash hand basin, inside w.c. and a hot water system.

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### DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION

The specialist firm employed by the Council carried out the following disinfestation treatments:

1 house for fleas

l caravan for fleas

30 wasp nests destroyed
(3 of which were in Council houses)

### CAMPING AND CARAVANNING

There are three sites within the Urban District, as follows:

### (a) Sandy Bay Holiday Park

Fields at Westdown Farm, Littleham, bearing the Ordnance Survey numbers: 189, 190, 197, 198, 200, 203, 512, 514, 515, 516, 519, 520, 521, 524, 526, 531, 532, 534, 535 and 536.

Area = 159.7 acres. Licensed for 2,650 moveable dwellings, which represents a density of 17 caravans to the acre.

### (b) Higher Orcombe

Fields at Higher Orcombe bearing the Ordnance Survey numbers: 500, 502, 504, 506 and 507.

Area = 24.7 acres. Licensed for 82 trailer caravans of a type approved by the Council, which represents a density of 3 moveable dwellings to the acre.

### (c) Orcombe Heights

Fields at Orcombe Heights bearing the Ordnance Survey numbers 499 and 503.

Area = 22.3 acres. Licensed for 50 tents or trailer caravans of a type approved by the Council, which represents a density of 2 moveable dwellings to the acre.

### (d) Camping Census

At the request of the Devon County Planning Authority, the Annual Camping Census was taken during the second week of August.

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### (e) Camping at Unlicensed Sites

### (i) Prattshayes Farm

This site is still the only camping site for tents in the district and as it is open only for the peak holiday weeks, it does not come within the licensing provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936. Consequently by agreement with the Planning Authority, the number of tents is restricted to 32, and it is evident that many campers have to pass on elsewhere in view of the lack of sites for tents. Conditions at this site were satisfactory.

### (ii) Scattered Sites

This year there were two organised tented camps, which took place during July and August in two fields at Woodlands Farm, Castle Lane, Littleham, and one organised camp at St. John's Farm, St. John's Road. All were operated in a satisfactory manner.

During the year 30 visits were made to the permanent holiday sites, whilst 24 visits were made in connection with temporary camping.

### 15. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

### (a) Registered Premises

The number and type of food premises registered under Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955 are:

The preparation or manufacture of preserved food	34
The manufacture of ice cream	5
The sale of ice cream	151
Total number of dairies registered under the	
Milk & Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959	23

### (b) Unsound Food

Food condemned as unfit for human consumption consisted of:

Canned Meats	lbs.	ozs.	cwts.	qtrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Cooked ham (decomposition)	9	4				
Corned beef "	32	13				
Stewed steak "	3	0				
Chopped ham & pork "	2	0				
	47	1		1	19	1
Other Foods						
Bacon	33	0				
Chickens 287 (decomposition)	303	0				
Rebbits "	46	0				
Shelled Walnuts (infested with						
moths)	56	0				
Prunes (mouldy)	60	0				
Whiting (decomposition)	28	0				
Witches "	28	0				
Cod Fillets "	48	0				
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All condemned food is disposed of by burying at the Council's refuse tip.

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### (c) Food Retailers

During the course of the year routine visits were made to butchers shops, fish shops, fried fish shops, bakers shops, greengrocers and grocers shops. Whilst engaged in routine inspection, advice on food hygiene has continued to be given. It was necessary in one butcher's shop for repairs to be required.

### (d) Bakehouses

All seven bakehouses in the district are operated by mechanical power and of these, six are classed as factories, since more than one person is employed in them. Conditions were found to be satisfactory at these premises.

### (e) Catering Establishments

In one cafe a new floor has been provided, whilst at another premises the w.c. and food storcrooms were provided with means of ventilation. With the assitance of proprietors and managers a good standard of hygiene was maintained.

### (f) Hotels, Guest Houses and Nursing Homes

During the course of routine inspection, it was found that at one premises rooms adjoining a foodstore were being used as bedrooms and this use was immediately discontinued. At another guest house repairs and redecoration to the kitchen have been diffected. At a hotel, additional refrigeration was provided to ensure satisfactory temperature control of foodstuffs and new food storerooms provided.

Although there is use of seasonal staff it was found that the general standard of hygiene remained good.

### (g) Public Houses

Satisfactory conditions continued at these places as a result of inspections. At a number of premises light meter readings taken at the bar sinks were frequently low. The attention of the breweries has been directed to this with a request for improved lighting.

### (h) Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

The number and type of food premises to which these Regulations apply are given in the table overleaf, which also indicates certain information requested by the Minister of Health and Social Security.

It will be noted that these Regulations apply to all the above types of food premises, which are also mentioned in the following table. The requirements of the Regulations were checked with the conditions existing at the premises during routine visits. The items dealt with have been included in their respective headings above.

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303	16	17	23	17	73	30	747	7	10	8	5	35	15	(i) Number of Premises
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280	3	17	23	17	73	30	47	7		8	5	35	15	(iii)  No. of premises to which Reg 19 applies - facilities for washing food & equipment
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### (i) Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls & Delivery Vehicles) Regulations 1966

Food vehicles continued to be kept under observation and where necessary action was taken to deal with those matters requiring attention under the Regulations as a result of "spot checks" on . vehicles.

### (j) Milk Supply

The Devon County Council Sampling Officer has taken samples of raw milk and no reports of brucella abortus were received this year.

### (k) Shellfish

Visits were made at regular intervals to the shellfish factory at the Docks, occupied by Messrs. Exe Shellfish Ltd. During the year 11 samples of their shellfish were submitted for bacteriological exmaination to the Public Health Laboratory. All were found to be satisfactory.

### (1) Poultry Inspection

There are no poultry processing premises within the district.

### PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

### Rodent Control

### (a) General

There was a slight increase in the number of complaints this year, there being 117, compared with 108 last year. As a result of investigation, 105 properties were found to be infested.

An accumulation of rubbish was removed after service of a statutory notice under the provisions of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, Section 4.

Owing to the difficulty of obtaining a suitable person from the Council's staff to do this work, a specialist firm was engaged under contract to carry out this work on behalf of the Council. The contract commenced on 1st July, 1969 and after minor adjustments appears to be operating satisfactorily.

### (b) Sewers

This year the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food did not require the test baiting of sewer manholes to be carried out, as the negative results of the previous years had indicated that the sewer system was free of rodent infestation.

### (c) Council Property

The following properties of the Council were treated in the course of the year:

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# (a) Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health:

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of: Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
1.Factories in which Secs.1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by local authorities	3	3	_	-12-109
2.Factories not included in 1. in which Sec 7. is enforced by local authorities	94	35	_	
3.0ther premises in which Sec 7 is enforced by the local authority, (excluding outworkers' premises)	_		-	
TOTAL	97	38	-	-

### (b) Cases in which defects were found:

202	Numb	er of case	defects	Number of cases in	
	Found	Remedied	To H.M.		which prosecutions were instituted
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (a) insufficient	2	2	-	2	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	2	2	-	2	-
(c) not separate for the sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act, not including offences relating to 'outwork'	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	4	-	4	- 7

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Where work is given out from a factory and done in a private dwelling house, it is termed "homework" and the person who does the work is an "outworker". This control applies to certain classes of work as specified by Regulations made by the Secretary of State. The occupier of the factory concerned with "outworkers" is required to keep a list of all outworkers and send a copy of the list to the local authority during the months of February and August of each year.

### Part VIII of the Act - 'Homework'

Nature of Work	Number of outworkers in August list required by Sec 133 (1c)	cases in	Number of prosecutions for failing to supply lists	Number of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served
Wearing apparel, making etc cleaning, washing	6	_	_	_	_
Brass and brass articles	23	-	-	-	-
Making of baskets	6	_	W_W/W	-	-
Total	35	-	-	-	-

### OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

During the course of the year inspection and revisiting of premises in connection with the above Act continued as also the giving of advice with regard to matters concerned with the operation of the Act. Following on from the visits, the works listed in the table below indicate the chief contraventions remedied.

Works Necessary				Number
Cleanliness				1
Heating				3
Ventilation				2
Lighting				3
Sanitary conveniences required				1
Intervening ventilated space or mech	nanical	ventila	tion	
		ded to w		1
Overcrowding				1
Provision of hot water supply				2
Provision of drinking water supply				2
Clothing accommodation				4
Floor, stairs and passages repaired				5
First aid materials				6
Absract of the Act				7
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- (b) The consideration of the Government Report on Council Housing, Purposes, Procedures and Priorities.

### Housing Requirements

Taking into account plans for the future of housing development, the Council had to consider:

- Rehousing families displaced during 1973/74 because of the new road and Town Centre Re-Development.
- The continued increase in the number of applicants on the Housing Waiting List in spite of the turnover in existing properties.
- 3. That the population of Exmouth might be limited to about 30,000 and remembering that this would also limit the availability of land, if a site for future development was not decided on in the near future, it was possible that the Council might have difficulty in carrying out any further housing development during the 1970's, beyond the completion of the St. John's Estate.

The Council were also asked to consider the factors affecting further housing development and in particular finance and the effect this would have on existing housing rents and in turn on the possible turnover of properties and future demand.

Also to be considered was the financial loss that would be incurred in aquiring a site of say 30 acres, a greater part of which would be unproductive for some years.

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In essence the Committee made in all approximately twenty recommendations, some of which were far reaching and which could vitally affect the Council's whole management policy.

In parti cular, they recommended:

- (a) that local authorities should ensure that they were better informed of the housing situation of their area,
- (b) that housing authorities should publicise the method of selection of tenants and also their rent rebate scheme,
- (c) as far as redevelopment was concerned, the local authorities should be required to ensure that displaced persons were satisfactorily housed and that those affected should be given the utmost information available and rehousing should include thise in furnished accommodation.

Finally, probably the most outstanding recommendation, was that local authorities should, in considering needs for rehousing, give greater priority to those in financial and social need as distinct from living in overcrowded conditions.

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# ANALYSIS OF THE HOUSING NEED.

# ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED.

	3 bedroomed	2 bedroomed	1 bedroomed	TOTAL	Grand Total of Housing Applicants Including A/H.
December 1969	164	34	120	318	503
December 1968	125	26	94	245	431
October 1967	123	38	104	265	450
December 1966	101	45	86	232	443
December 1965	132	35	95	262	466
December 1964	126	33	87	246	455
December 1963	129	34	88	251	477
December 1962	101	28	77	206	411
Narch 1962	81	39	82	202	384
March 1961	114	43	102	259	406
March 1960	77	33	62	172	342
December 1958	73	32	52	157	316
December 1957	79	34	35	148	303
December 1956	75	36	27	138	250

## ACCOMMODATION PROVIDED.

	3 bedroomed	2 bedroomed	1 bedroomed	Total
December 1969	53	10	32	95*
December 1968	75	23	20	118*
October 1967	69	14	25	108*
December 1966	36	6	55	97*
December 1965	29	3	14	
December 1964	32	3	11	46 46
December 1963	25	7	8	40
December 1962	48	3	49	100*
March 1962	50	5	30	85*
March 1961	28	2	31	61*
March 1960	24	6	7	37
December 1958	41	8	8	57
December 1957	34 *inc	luding new buildi	9	48

## NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

December 1969	248	Number	considered	to be i	n need	of rehousing	135
1968	177						102
1967	163				•••		107
1966	180						<b>⊅58</b>
1965	190						152
1964	168						107
1963	200						133
1962	196						127
1961	190			•••			116
1960	197						146
1959	210						115
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1956	225						165

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