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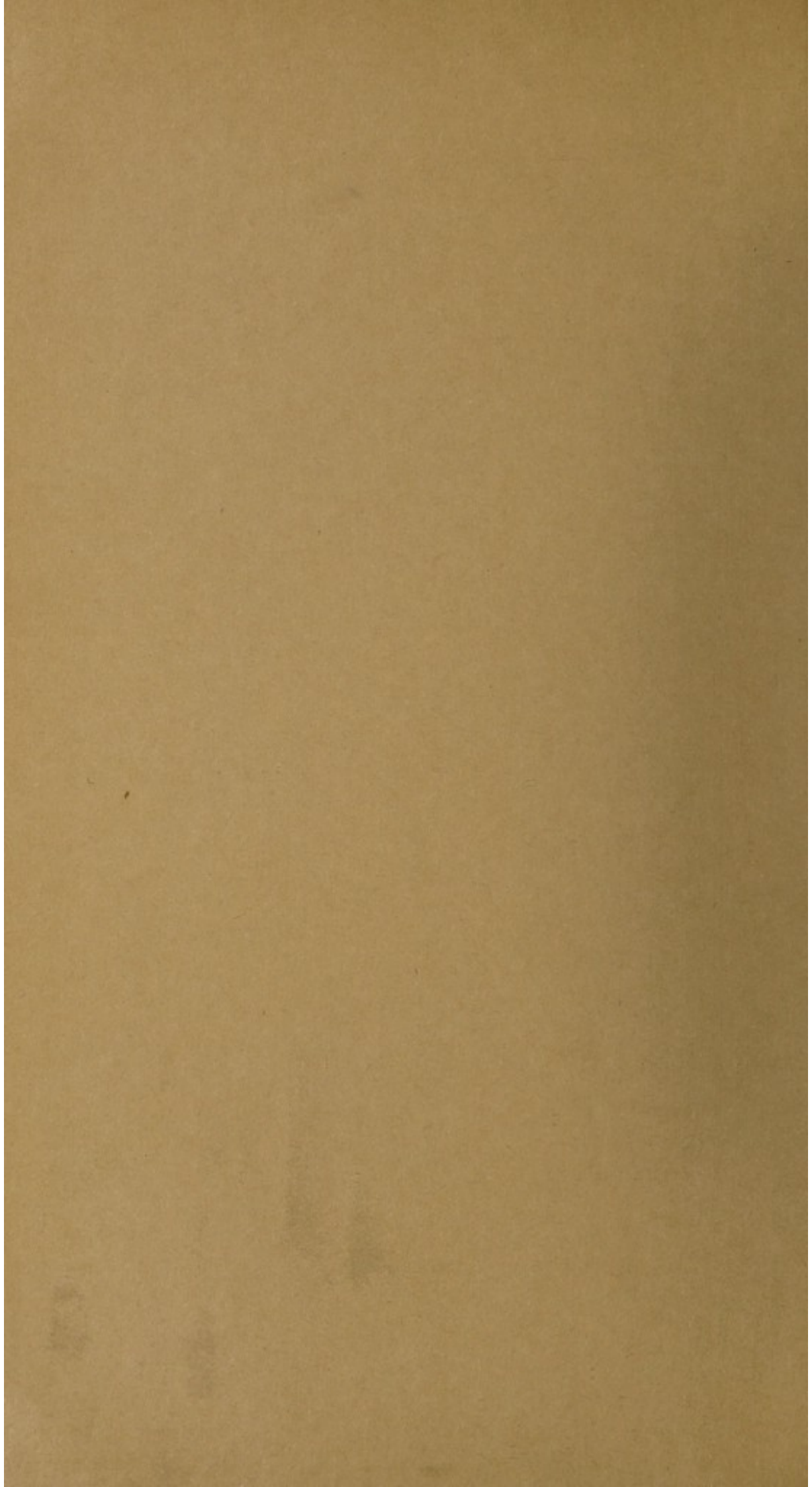
ON

THE HEALTH OF THE  
RURAL DISTRICT OF MAIDSTONE

BY THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

F. H. M. DUMMER  
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RESEARCH REPORT

THE EFFECT OF ...

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this study is to investigate the effects of ...

METHODS

The study was conducted using a controlled experimental design.

RESULTS

The results of the study are presented in the following tables. Table 1 shows the mean values for the dependent variable across the different conditions. Table 2 shows the standard deviations. The data indicate a significant difference between the experimental and control groups.

Table 1: Mean values for the dependent variable. The values range from approximately 1.5 to 3.5. The experimental group shows a higher mean value compared to the control group.

Table 2: Standard deviations for the dependent variable. The standard deviations are relatively low, indicating consistent results within each group.

The statistical analysis revealed a significant main effect of the independent variable,  $F(1, 20) = 10.5, p < 0.05$ . This suggests that the experimental condition significantly influenced the outcome.

There were no significant differences between the groups on the other variables measured. The overall findings support the hypothesis that the experimental condition leads to a higher value of the dependent variable.

The limitations of this study include the small sample size and the lack of a long-term follow-up. Future research should aim to address these limitations by increasing the sample size and conducting a longitudinal study.

In conclusion, the results of this study demonstrate that the experimental condition has a significant positive effect on the dependent variable. These findings have important implications for the field of research and suggest further areas for investigation.

PREPARED BY THE RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

DATE: ...

RURAL DISTRICT OF MAIDSTONE

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To: The Chairman and Members of Maidstone Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my fifteenth Annual Report on the health of the Rural District of Maidstone.

Once again the vital statistics of your District show an encouraging picture of over all good community health. As one would expect in a "young" district, the high birth rate was not only maintained, but slightly exceeded that of last year, and this was matched with a fall in the death rate.

The slight increase in the infantile mortality figure is not significant enough to indicate any adverse trend, but one is always disappointed to see any increase at all in this particular index. No death occurred from childbearing or abortion, and you have the unique position this year of shewing a nil return for tuberculosis mortality.

Although the total of cancer deaths is one less than that of 1970, the picture is very much the same in age grouping. The site distribution displays curious changes from last year - a large decrease in cancer of the stomach and lungs, and a considerable increase in cancer of the breast, prostate and blood. I doubt whether this is due to any factor other than chance, but I shall watch the situation carefully.

I would like to take the opportunity in this Report of thanking Mr. G.W. White, the Chief Public Health Inspector, and the staff of the Public Health Department, for their loyal and co-operative work throughout the year, and to express my thanks also to all officers of the Council who have assisted in the work of the Department and helped in the smooth running of carrying out the policies of your Council.

In all respects the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee and of the Council have given us their full support in our endeavours, and the knowledge of this co-operation has helped us very much.

I have the honour to be,  
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen  
Your obedient Servant

F. H. M. DUMMER

Medical Officer of Health

11th May, 1972.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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England

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To: The Chairman and Members of the Council of the British Psychological Society.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th of the month of October.

Once again the vital statistics of your district show an encouraging picture of over all good mental health. In the world as a whole, however, the picture is not so bright. In fact, the world is ailing, and a large number of people are suffering from mental illness. The slight increase in the incidence of mental illness in our country is a reflection of this general state of affairs.

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Although the slight increase in the incidence of mental illness in our country is a reflection of this general state of affairs, it is not a cause for alarm. The increase is due to a number of factors, and a considerable amount of work is being done to deal with the problem. It is hoped that the situation will improve in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the work of the British Psychological Society. The work of the Society is of great value to the community, and it is hoped that the work of the Society will continue to improve in the future.

In all respects the Chairman and Members of the British Psychological Society and of the Council have given me their full support in my endeavours, and the knowledge of this co-operation has helped me very much.

I have the pleasure to be,  
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant

V. A. WELLS

Medical Officer of Health



STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres) .. .. .	34,487
Estimated resident population (1971) .. .. .	28,830
Number of inhabited houses (according to rate books) at the end of 1971 .. .. .	9,023
Rateable value at the end of 1971 .. .. .	£1,052,520
Sum represented by a penny rate .. .. .	£10,230

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EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births .. .. .	313	269	582
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population			
Crude .. .. .			20.2
Corrected .. .. .			21.8
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births .. .. .			4.8
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Stillbirths .. .. .	5	2	7
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths			11.8
Total live and stillbirths .. .. .	318	271	589
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Infant deaths (deaths under 1 year) .. .. .	3	5	8
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births			13.7
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births .. .. .			10.8
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegiti- mate live births .. .. .			35.6
Neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under four weeks per 1,000 total live births) ..			12
Early neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under one week per 1,000 total live births) ..			10.3
Perinatal mortality rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths) .. .. .			22
Maternal mortality (including abortion) ..			-
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths			-
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Deaths .. .. .	156	189	345
Death rate per 1,000 population			
crude .. .. .			12
corrected .. .. .			9.6
Death rate for England and Wales .. .. .			11.6





INFECTIOUS AND OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

ANALYSIS IN AGE GROUPS

DISEASE	Under 1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-45	46-65	66 & over	TOTAL
Measles	2	1	7	11	-	1	-	-	-	22
Dysentery	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	3
Scarlet fever	-	1	1	7	1	1	1	-	-	12
Whooping cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food poisoning	2	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	5
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>43</b>

The year 1971 saw a dramatic fall in the incidence of measles compared with 1970. This was due to the resumption of anti-measles vaccination, the effect of which will be seen more and more significantly in later years.

There were no unusual cases of infectious disease.

INCUBATION PERIODS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

PERIODS IN 1971

DISEASE	PERIODS										TOTAL
	1-2	3-4	5-7	10-12	13-21	22-42	43-63	64-90	91-120	121-180	
Measles	1	7	12	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	21
Scarlet fever	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Whooping cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infelive jaundice	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Franchillia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orchitis testicularis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polio	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food poisoning	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	4
Salmonella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	7	24	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	41

The year 1971 saw a dramatic fall in the incidence of measles compared with 1970. This was due to the completion of this country's vaccination, the effect of which will be even more and more significant in later years.

There were no unusual cases of infectious diseases.

INFECTIOUS AND OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION

DISEASE	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTALS
Measles	-	-	-	-	3	3	10	6	-	-	-	-	22
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Scarlet fever	-	-	4	5	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	12
Whooping cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food poisoning	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	5
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	1	-	4	5	4	3	11	14	-	1	-	-	43





IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION, 1971

The following table shows figures for 1971 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security:-

Year of Birth	Primary						Reinforcing						
	Triple Antigen	Diph./ Tet.	Smallpox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio-myelitis	Rubella	Triple Antigen	Diph./ Tet.	Smallpox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio-myelitis
1971	2		2			5							
1970	375	13	92		163	422		1					
1969	158	6	423		183	183		6					
1968	11	4	27	1	55	18		15	4				
1967	1	2	8		38	3		4	24	4	3		11
196 $\frac{1}{2}$ /1965			2		20			10	94	14	1		117
1966			5		26	1		18	361	6			302
1955/1963	1		2	13	9		205	7	52	39	26		42
TOTAL	548	25	561	14	494	632	205	61	535	63	30		472

Smallpox vaccinations at County Clinics were discontinued as from: 30/7/71



### IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION (Cont'd)

The returns for immunisation and vaccination continue to be maintained at a reasonable level. One is particularly pleased to see that poliomyelitis protection is being sustained to a good degree, and that rubella and measles vaccination both show an upward trend.

The ever-increasing spread of travel abroad demands protection and I am particularly anxious to urge persons leaving the country to protect themselves against the enteric group of fevers by having T.A.B. vaccination well in advance of their journeys.

### FOOD POISONING

During 1971 five cases of food poisoning were formally notified, all of which proved on investigation to be positive. These notified cases involved three households.

Two cases which were informally reported were also investigated and these also proved to be positive.

### THE PUBLIC HEALTH (INFECTIOUS DISEASES) REGULATIONS, 1968

Arising from the investigation of one of the cases of food poisoning mentioned above, it was found necessary to issue a Notice under the above Regulations requiring a food handler to cease work until clear of infection. This Order was in force for fourteen days.

### NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948 and 1951

It was not found necessary during the year to take action under Section 47 of the above Regulations.



INVESTIGATION AND VACCINATION (Cont'd)

The criteria for immunization and vaccination continue to be maintained at a responsible level. One is particularly pleased to see that poliomyelitis protection is being maintained to a good degree, and that similar maintenance efforts are being made in other areas.

The ever-increasing spread of travel abroad demands protection and is particularly serious in large numbers leaving the country to protect themselves against the various groups of factors by having S.A.B. vaccination with its advantages of their journeys.

FOOD INSPECTION

During 1957 five cases of food poisoning were fully notified, all of which proved on investigation to be positive. These notified cases involved three persons.

The cases which were informally reported were also investigated and these also proved to be positive.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (MISCELLANEOUS) REGULATIONS, 1957

During 1957 the investigation of one of the cases of food poisoning mentioned above, it was found necessary to issue a notice under the above Regulations regarding a food handler to permit work until clear of infection. This order was issued for a period of 7 days.

REGULATIONS CONCERNING FOOD AND DRINK

It was not found necessary during the year to issue any order under Section 57 of the above Regulations.

TUBERCULOSIS

I am indebted to Dr. A.P. Bentley, the Consultant Chest Physician, for the following details of the numbers of contacts of known cases of tuberculosis examined during the year, and the number found to be suffering from tuberculosis. These figures relate to the area of the Chest Clinic, which coincides with the area of the four authorities, Maidstone Borough, Maidstone Rural District, Hollingbourn Rural District and Malling Rural District.

- (a) Number of contacts, seen during 1971 of newly notified cases of tuberculosis .. .. . 178
- (b) Number of contacts examined during 1971 of cases notified prior to 1971 .. .. . 138
- (c) Number of contacts in (a) found to be suffering from pulmonary or non-pulmonary tuberculosis .. .. . -
- (d) Number of contacts in (b) found to be suffering from pulmonary or non-pulmonary tuberculosis .. .. . 1

AGE GROUPS (years)	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 24	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Once again the number of new cases, at 2, is extraordinarily low. The de-escalation of tuberculosis as one of the major causes of mortality is demonstrated in the table by a 'nil' return.

APPENDIX

I am indebted to Dr. A. V. Bentley, the Consultant Ocular Specialist, for the following details of the number of contacts of cases of subconjunctivitis recorded during the year, and the number found to be entering from subconjunctivitis. These figures relate to the area of the Great Ocular, which coincides with the area of the four subconjunctivitis, (subconjunctivitis, subconjunctivitis, subconjunctivitis, subconjunctivitis) and subconjunctivitis.

- (a) Number of contacts, since 1st July 1971 of newly notified cases of subconjunctivitis .. .. . 178
- (b) Number of contacts recorded during 1971 of cases notified prior to 1971 .. .. . 158
- (c) Number of contacts in (a) found to be entering from primary or non-primary subconjunctivitis .. .. . "
- (d) Number of contacts in (b) found to be entering from primary or non-primary subconjunctivitis .. .. . 1

AGE GROUP (years)	NEW CASES				RELATIVES			
	Primary	Non-primary	Primary	Non-primary	Primary	Non-primary	Primary	Non-primary
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 24	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

These data show the number of new cases, at 1, is extraordinarily low. The designation of subconjunctivitis as one of the major forms of conjunctivitis is demonstrated in the table by a '1' return.

CANCER

The number of deaths from cancer in the Maidstone Rural District during the past ten years is given below:-

1962	..	..	..	45
1963	..	..	..	49
1964	..	..	..	50
1965	..	..	..	54
1966	..	..	..	59
1967	..	..	..	58
1968	..	..	..	62
1969	..	..	..	61
1970	..	..	..	74
1971	..	..	..	73

Deaths from cancer in 1971, distributed according to sites:-

Site	Male	Female	Total
Cancer of Oesophagus	1	1	2
Cancer of Stomach	1	2	3
Cancer of Intestine	6	5	11
Cancer of Larynx	-	-	-
Cancer of Lung, Bronchus	10	4	14
Cancer of Breast	-	8	8
Cancer of Uterus	-	3	3
Cancer of Prostate	8	-	8
Leukaemia	2	1	3
Other sites	11	10	21
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>73</b>

Age Groups	Male	Female
0 - 4	-	-
5 - 14	-	-
15 - 24	-	-
25 - 34	-	-
35 - 44	2	-
45 - 54	3	4
55 - 64	9	9
65 - 74	10	9
75 and over	15	12
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>





INFANT MORTALITY

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 1 week	1 - 2 weeks	2 - 3 weeks	3 - 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	4 weeks and under 3 months	3 - 6 months	7 - 9 months	10 - 12 months	Total deaths under 1 year
Cardiac failure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Congenital heart disease	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Intracranial haemorrhage	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Respiratory Distress Syndrome	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Respiratory failure	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Tracheobronchitis	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	6	-	1	-	7	1	-	-	-	8

The number of infant deaths at 8, has risen by 3 since last year. This is still a comparatively low figure and is well below the national average.

I consider that at least 3 of the above deaths were unavoidable.

The general picture continues to be one of high efficiency in the maternity and infant care service in the District.



TOTAL DEATHS, 1971

Cause	Male	Female
1. Cholera	-	-
2. Typhoid fever	-	-
3. Bacillary dysentery and amoebiasis	-	-
4. Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases	1	-
5. Tuberculosis of respiratory system	-	-
6. Late effects of respiratory tuberculosis	-	-
7. Other tuberculosis	-	-
8. Plague	-	-
9. Diphtheria	-	-
10. Whooping cough	-	-
11. Streptococcal sore throat and scarlet fever	-	-
12. Meningococcal infection	-	-
13. Acute poliomyelitis	-	-
14. Smallpox	-	-
15. Measles	-	-
16. Typhus and other rickettsioses	-	-
17. Malaria	-	-
18. Syphilis and its sequelae	1	-
19. All other infective and parasitic diseases -	-	-
20. Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity	-	-
21. Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	1	1
22. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	1	2
23. Malignant neoplasm, intestine	6	5
24. Malignant neoplasm, larynx	-	-
25. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	10	4
26. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	8
27. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	3
28. Malignant neoplasm, prostate	8	-
29. Leukaemia	2	1
30. Other malignant neoplasms	11	10
31. Benign and unspecified neoplasms	-	-
32. Diabetes mellitus	3	-
33. Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiencies	-	-
34. Other endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	2	-
35. Anaemias	-	-
36. Other diseases of blood and blood forming organs	-	-
37. Mental disorders	-	-
38. Meningitis	-	-
	46	34

/Cont.



Year	Rate	Country
-	-	1. Cholera
-	-	2. Typhoid fever
-	-	3. Bacterial dysentery and shigellosis
-	1	4. Botulism and other diarrhoeal diseases
-	-	5. Tuberculosis of respiratory system
-	-	6. Lat. tubercle of respiratory tuberculosis
-	-	7. Other tuberculosis
-	-	8. Leprosy
-	-	9. Malaria
-	-	10. Schistosomiasis
-	-	11. Bacteriological acute febrile and cerebral fever
-	-	12. Postoperative infection
-	-	13. Acute meningitis
-	-	14. Tetanus
-	-	15. Diphtheria
-	-	16. Typhus and other rickettsioses
-	-	17. Polio
-	1	18. Syphilis and its sequelae
-	-	19. All other bacterial and parasitic diseases
-	-	20. All other neoplasms, except cavity
1	1	21. Malignant neoplasms, esophagus
2	1	22. Malignant neoplasms, stomach
3	0	23. Malignant neoplasms, intestine
-	-	24. Malignant neoplasms, larynx
6	10	25. Malignant neoplasms, lung, bronchus
8	-	26. Malignant neoplasms, breast
5	-	27. Malignant neoplasms, uterus
-	5	28. Malignant neoplasms, prostate
1	1	29. Leukemia
10	17	30. Other malignant neoplasms
-	-	31. Benign and unspecified neoplasms
-	3	32. Rheumatic diseases
-	-	33. Arthropathies and other nutritive and degenerative
-	2	34. Other endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases
-	-	35. Anemia
-	-	36. Other diseases of blood and blood forming organs
-	-	37. Mental disorders
-	-	38. Venereal diseases
20	40	Total

TOTAL DEATHS, 1971 (Cont'd.)

Cause	Male	Female
	46	34
39. Multiple sclerosis	-	1
40. Other diseases of nervous system and sense organs	1	4
41. Active rheumatic fever	-	-
42. Chronic rheumatic heart disease	-	-
43. Hypertensive disease	1	4
44. Ischaemic heart disease	42	35
45. Other forms of heart disease	7	13
46. Cerebrovascular disease	24	50
47. Other diseases of circulatory system	6	8
48. Influenza	-	-
49. Pneumonia	4	15
50. Bronchitis and emphysema	10	7
51. Asthma	1	-
52. Other diseases of respiratory system	3	2
53. Peptic ulcer	4	1
54. Appendicitis	-	-
55. Intestinal obstruction and hernia	-	-
56. Cirrhosis of liver	-	-
57. Other diseases of digestive system	-	1
58. Nephritis and nephrosis	1	-
59. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-
60. Other diseases of the genito-urinary system	-	3
61. Abortion	-	-
62. Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium	-	-
63. Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue	-	1
64. Diseases of the musculo-skeletal system and connective tissue	-	1
65. Congenital anomalies	2	1
66. Birth injury, difficult labour etc.	1	3
67. Other causes of perinatal mortality	-	-
68. Symptoms and ill-defined conditions	-	1
69. Motor vehicle accidents	1	1
70. All other accidents	1	2
71. Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	-	-
72. All other external causes	-	1
T O T A L	156	189

Code	Income	Source
73	1	All other external income
-	-	
71	-	Subsidiaries and well-defined enterprises
-	-	
70	2	All other subsidiaries
69	1	Other wholly owned subsidiaries
68	1	Partnerships and ill-defined partnerships
-	-	
67	-	Other sources of subsidiary ownership
66	3	Dividends, royalties, distribution income, etc.
65	1	Capital gains
64	1	Dividends of the non-qualified plan and non-qualified plan
63	1	Dividends of the qualified plan and non-qualified plan
-	-	
62	-	Other conditions of company, children and corporation
61	-	Dividends
60	2	Other income of the partnership system
-	-	
59	1	Partnerships of profits
-	-	
58	1	Partnerships and royalties
57	1	Other income of the partnership system
-	-	
56	-	Dividends of liver
-	-	
55	-	Intercostal construction and income
54	-	Appointments
53	1	Other income
52	1	Other income of the partnership system
51	2	Partnerships and royalties
50	10	Partnerships and royalties
49	4	Partnerships
48	15	Partnerships
47	-	Partnerships
46	-	Partnerships
45	30	Partnerships
44	30	Partnerships
43	1	Partnerships
42	1	Partnerships
41	1	Partnerships
40	1	Partnerships
39	1	Partnerships
38	1	Partnerships
37	1	Partnerships
36	1	Partnerships
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9	1	Partnerships
8	1	Partnerships
7	1	Partnerships
6	1	Partnerships
5	1	Partnerships
4	1	Partnerships
3	1	Partnerships
2	1	Partnerships
1	1	Partnerships
0	1	Partnerships
120	120	

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA

The Chief Public Health Inspector provides the following details and report on functions which come under his direct day to day control.

Preventative environmental health work is very often a matter of routine inspection and the offering of advice to the public on a multitude of matters.

The year under review has not presented any unusual problems although there has been some difficulty involving the shortage of staff, due to the illness of two of your technical and professional officers.

Comment on other aspects of departmental work is made under the respective headings.



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE YEAR

The Chief Public Health Inspector provides the following details and report on functions which were under his direct day to day control.

Representative environmental health work is very often a matter of routine inspection and the giving of advice to the public on a variety of matters.

The year under review has not presented any unusual problems although there has been some difficulty in carrying the staff up to the standard of the health department and professional efficiency.

Comment on other aspects of environmental work is made under the respective headings.

## WATER SUPPLIES

During the year the Mid Kent Water Company and the Maidstone Waterworks Company amalgamated to form one company.

As in previous years, there still remains a small number of properties not connected to a mains supply provided by the Water Company. In each instance this is due entirely to the isolated nature of the properties concerned.

Sampling of water supply to the area continues to be carried out as a routine measure by the Water Company, samples being obtained at the source of supply and point of distribution. All sources of supply are outside the Maidstone Rural District with the exception of the East Farleigh Pumping Station. Samples are being taken of the raw water and water following treatment prior to supply, these samples being submitted for bacteriological examination and chemical analyses. A typical result from a chemical analysis is as follows:-

### Chemical Examination (Results expressed in parts per million)

Ammonia saline	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Ammonia "Albuminoid"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
"Oxygen Absorbed" in 15 minutes at 27°C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0.25
"Oxygen Absorbed" in 4 hours at 27°C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0.55
Nitrogen from nitrites	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Nitrogen from nitrates	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16.4
Chlorine	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37.0
Total Solid Residue	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	547
Total Hardness (as calcium carbonate)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	380
Lead	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Iron in solution	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Total iron	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Zinc	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Reaction (pH value)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7.6
Appearance	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Bright and Colourless
Sediment	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

Opinion: This water is of high organic purity.



Examination of Water Supplies during the year:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satisfactory	Not Satisfactory	No. of Samples	Satisfactory	Not Satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings	12	9	3	-	-	-
Private sources pipe to dwellings	2	2	-	2	2	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Springs	-	-	-	2	2	-

The three unsatisfactory samples of water supplied by statutory undertakings relate to:-

- (a) Two samples obtained from a private dwelling where the water service pipe had been broken.
- (b) A storage tank at a hop camp.

In the first case the internal plumbing of the dwelling was super chlorinated and the service pipe repaired, after which satisfactory sample results were obtained by the water company. The storage tank at the hop camp was replaced by a standpipe directly from the main at the instigation of the department.



Examination of Water Samples During the Year-

Chemical Examination		Bacteriological Examination			No. of Samples	Source
No. of Samples	No. of Samples	No. of Samples	No. of Samples	No. of Samples		
-	-	-	2	2	12	Statutory water supply
-	2	2	-	2	2	Private sources like to boreholes
-	-	-	-	-	-	Other private sources
-	2	2	-	-	-	Public Springs

The three bacteriological samples of water supplied by statutory water supply to the town-

(a) Two samples obtained from a private dwelling where the water supply pipe had been broken.

(b) A storage tank at a shop area.

In the first case the internal plumbing of the dwelling was inspected and the service pipe repaired, after which water supply samples were obtained by the water company. The storage tank at the shop was replaced by a standpipe directly from the main at the investigation of the department.

The following table, supplied by the Water Company gives an indication of (a) the number of dwelling houses and (b) the estimated number of the population supplied from public water mains.

Parish	Houses Supplied (a)	Estimated Population (b)
Barming	596	1,715
Bearsted	1,978	5,855
Boughton Monchelsea	562	1,525
Coxheath	1,003	3,540
East Farleigh	404	1,335
West Farleigh	123	455
Hunton	187	525
Linton	197	550
Loose	679	2,090
Marden	905	2,610
Nettlestead	194	670
Otham	156	425
Staplehurst	1,482	4,215
Teston	222	690
Yalding	951	2,630

The following table, compiled by the State Survey  
 gives an indication of (a) the number of dwelling houses  
 and (b) the estimated number of the population supplied  
 from public water mains.

Estimated Population (b)	Houses Served (a)	Location
1,715	325	Leaning
2,222	1,075	Leaning
1,325	325	Leaning
2,340	1,075	Leaning
1,772	405	Leaning
422	125	Leaning
322	125	Leaning
225	125	Leaning
2,000	675	Leaning
2,420	925	Leaning
270	125	Leaning
625	125	Leaning
4,212	1,225	Leaning
625	125	Leaning
2,225	725	Leaning

Information received from the Mid Kent Water Company indicates that they have been involved in the laying of 4,798 yards of new water mains to new and existing properties within the area. Indication of the size of mains laid is contained in the following table:-

Parish	Yards	Size
Bearsted	378	3"
	679	4"
	521	6"
	1,160	10"
Boughton Monchelsea	150	4"
Coxheath	351	4"
	490	6"
East Farleigh	20	6"
Linton	661	4"
Loose	109	4"
Yalding	279	3"

#### The Fluoride Content of Water Supplies

The fluoride content is negligible and is less than 0.1 parts per million.

#### Swimming Baths

There are seven swimming pools at seven schools in the district one of which is privately owned, these are situated in the parishes of Bearsted, Loose, Boughton Monchelsea, Marden and Staplehurst. Visits were made to all premises during the season and advice was given on the operation and maintenance of proper conditions where this was found to be necessary. During these inspections 26 samples of swimming pool waters were obtained and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination. Only one sample was adjudged to be unsatisfactory and this was due to a heavy bathing load at the time of sampling. Follow-up samples, which were satisfactory, supported this opinion.

It was found during inspection that generally the swimming pools were being responsibly managed and conditions were good, as evidenced by the results of samples taken.



Information received from the Mid West Water Company indicates that they have been advised in the laying of 4,700 yards of new water main to new and existing water-  
 lines within the area. Indication of the size of water main is contained in the following table:-

Size	Yards	Location
3"	370	London
4"	678	
6"	321	
8"	1,400	
10"	130	Highway locations
12"	321	Country
15"	500	
18"	30	East London
24"	621	London
30"	100	London
36"	270	London

The Kinship Content of Water Supplies

The Kinship content is negligible and is less than 0.1 parts per million.

Examination Results

There are seven examining points at seven points in the district one of which is privately owned, these are situated in the parishes of London, London, London, London, London and London. Water was taken to all points during the season and when was given to the operation and maintenance of proper conditions were this was found to be necessary. During these inspections 25 samples of drinking water were obtained and analysed in the Public Health Laboratory for examination. Only one sample was regarded to be unsatisfactory and this was due to a heavy loading of the tank of water. Following samples, which were satisfactory, supported this opinion.

It was found during inspection that generally the examining points were being properly managed and conditions were good, as evidenced by the results of various factors.

## REFUSE AND PUBLIC CLEANSING SERVICES

In the early part of this year the refuse collection system was reviewed and rescheduled with the assistance of work study. Unfortunately many difficulties were experienced and for some considerable time disruption and inconvenience occurred within the department and regrettably to the ratepayers as a whole. From the initial work study recommended scheme it became necessary to increase the labour force by two men. Following this readjustment the situation improved considerably and operated satisfactorily for the remainder of the year.

In general it can be accepted that work study as such has provided certain benefits in relation to labour stabilisation and contentment on the one hand, but equally truthfully cannot be said to be the complete answer to the many practical difficulties and issues associated with the service.

### Manpower

The establishment in connection with the Public Cleansing Service during the year was as follows:-

- (a) Refuse Collection prior to work study (Jan. - April) 19 men
- Refuse Collection following work study 15 men
- Increased to 16 men and subsequently to 17 men because of work study miscalculations
- (b) Refuse Disposal - one tractor driver engaged on refuse tip
- (c) Cesspool Emptying - 7 men

### Labour Statistics

	<u>1971</u>
Men employed on refuse collection	22
Men employed on cesspool cleansing	7
Men employed on refuse disposal	1
Holidays	334 days
Sickness	353 days
Absenteeism	28 days
Leave (Compassionate)	18 days

The figures listed concerning lost working days speak for themselves and indicate the difficulty in operating an efficient service acceptable to the public.

### Abandoned Vehicles

Removal of abandoned vehicles is dealt with under the Removal and Disposal of Vehicles Regulations, 1969. In 1971 14 vehicles were dealt with.

### Civic Amenities Act, 1967

Under this legislation the department endeavours to collect, on request, bulky domestic refuse from householders. Difficulty occurred during the year in meeting all requests due to the unavailability of labour and equipment. Periodical clearance of roadside ditches and verges are also arranged as circumstances permit.

REPORT AND PUBLIC CLEANING RESULTS

In the early part of this year the refuse collection system was reviewed and re-estimated with the assistance of your study. Unfortunately many difficulties were experienced and for some time the situation and management were examined and the results of the department and responsibility to the department as a whole. From the initial work study recommended it became necessary to increase the labour force by two men. Following this re-estimation the situation improved considerably and operated satisfactorily for the remainder of the year.

In general it can be accepted that work study as such has provided certain benefits in relation to labour estimation and control on the one hand, but equally probably cannot be said to be the complete answer to the very practical difficulties and losses associated with the service.

Summary

The establishment in connection with the Public Cleaning Service during the year was as follows:-

- (a) Refuse Collection prior to work study (Jan. - April) 13 men
- Refuse Collection following work study 12 men
- Increased to 15 men and subsequently to 17 men because of work study misclassification
- (b) Refuse Disposal - one tractor driver engaged on average 1 1/2
- (c) Casualty Wrecking - 7 men

Labour Statistics

1957	
22	Men employed on refuse collection
7	Men employed on casual cleaning
1	Men employed on refuse disposal
336 days	Tractors
337 days	Tractors
25 days	Tractors
18 days	Tractors (Casualties)

The figures listed concerning lost working days show the losses and indicate the difficulty in operating an efficient service acceptable to the public.

Standard Vehicles

General of standard vehicles is listed with the general and disposal of vehicle registration, 1957. In 1957 14 vehicles were dealt with.

Cycle examination 1957

Under this legislation the department endeavours to collect, or request, cycle details within four months. Difficulty occurred during the year in meeting all requirements for the supply of labour and equipment. Particular attention is made to those who were also engaged in other work.



### Refuse Disposal

This is achieved by the controlled tipping method at our Laddingford Tip. The general conditions continue to be satisfactory and effective control has been maintained by the use of the four-wheel drive Hough H.30 International Excavator. During the year continued efforts were made to eliminate nuisances caused by insects, vermin and fire. No complaints were received concerning the tip operation.

### Cesspool Emptying

In 1971 increased free entitlement to householders was maintained. Individual premises with individual cesspools being entitled to three free 1,400 gallon loads per annum and groups of properties, served by a communal cesspool, six free emptyings per annum. During the year a total of 5,707 loads involving 7,989,800 gallons were collected and transported to disposal sites.

### Depot

All cleansing and refuse vehicles are normally garaged at the Coxheath Depot, exceptions being the van used by the Pest Officer and the Hough Excavator which is stationed at Laddingford Tip.

The new Depot has been in operation since February 1970, and has greatly improved the working conditions of your staff. We have also seen the benefit of better facilities in relation to storage, garaging, bulk fuel purchasing and minor vehicle servicing.

## DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

In last year's report, reference was made to the Phase 2 Staplehurst sewerage scheme extension. In this particular instance a Contractor employed encountered financial difficulties and completion of the scheme was delayed for some considerable time. However, during the current year the scheme was completed.

A main drainage scheme involving the majority of the parish of Otham was commenced and completed during 1971. The extension to the Barming sewerage system involving 22 premises was commenced and without doubt will be completed in the first half of 1972.

A joint scheme involving this Authority, Tonbridge Rural District Council, and Cranbrook Rural District Council was commenced. The sewerage works to this scheme being situated in the parish of Horsmonden whilst the works affecting this Council involve pumping stations and lengths of public sewer.

Finally a small extension to the Loose sewerage scheme took place providing main drainage for some six domestic properties and one commercial property.

The current year has been one of considerable activity on the part of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department in respect of main drainage schemes. Completion of the schemes indicated, will provide relief to the cesspool emptying service and be a further step towards the ultimate ideal of main drainage availability throughout the district.



Future Disposal

This is achieved by the controlled tipping method at our  
Industrial Tip. The general conditions continue to be satis-  
factory and effective control has been maintained by the use of  
the four-wheel drive heavy duty industrial tractors. During  
the year continued efforts were made to eliminate nuisance caused  
by insects, rodents and birds. No complaints were received concern-  
ing the tip operation.

Geological Surveying

In 1971 increased field activities in the industrial tip were  
initiated. Individual sections with individual components were in-  
stalled to three 1,500 gallon tanks per house and groups of  
properties, served by a common sewer, six 1,500 gallon per  
house. During the year a total of 2,700 tanks involving 7,000,000  
gallons were collected and transported to disposal sites.

Notes

All cleaning and refuse vehicles are generally grouped at the  
Central Depot, operations being the run over by the West Office  
and the High Inspector which is situated at Industrial Tip.

The new depot has been in operation since February 1970, and  
has greatly improved the working conditions of your staff. It  
has also seen the benefit of better facilities in relation to  
storage, parking, bulk fuel purchasing and other vehicle servicing.

MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE

In last year's report, reference was made to the 1969  
Department average scheme extension. In this particular instance  
a Contractor engaged maintained financial difficulties and exten-  
sion of the scheme was delayed for some considerable time. However,  
during the current year the scheme was completed.

A main drainage scheme involving the majority of the streets  
of 0/100 was commenced and completed during 1971. The extension to  
the drainage average scheme involving 13 properties was completed and  
without doubt will be completed in the first half of 1972.

A joint scheme involving this authority, Tebbelton Rural District  
Council, and Gresham Rural District Council was commenced. The  
average water to this scheme being situated in the parish of  
Horsmanston whilst the water affecting this Council involves pumping  
stations and lengths of public sewer.

Finally a main extension to the local average scheme took  
place providing main drainage for some six domestic properties and  
one commercial property.

The current year has been one of considerable activity on the  
part of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department in respect of main  
drainage schemes. Completion of the scheme indicated, will provide  
relief to the sewerage emptying service and be a further step towards  
the ultimate ideal of main drainage availability throughout the  
District.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

HOUSING

Number of houses inspected	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	634
Number of other visits under Housing Acts	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	232
Number of drains tested	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140
Number of drainage visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	296
Number of visits made in respect of Improvement Grants and Building Regulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,223

FOOD AND WATER

Number of Slaughterhouse and meat inspection visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
Number of visits re Water Supplies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42
Number of visits re Milk and Dairies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Number of visits re Food and Drugs Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	505

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Number of visits re infectious diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	236
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GENERAL - PUBLIC HEALTH

Number of visits under Public Health Acts	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	195
Refuse Disposal and Collection	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	410
Accumulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
Cleansing	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	240
Clean Air Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33
Hop Pickers' Camp	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	44
Factories Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66
Shops Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	420
Rodent Control	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	224
Removal and Disposal of Vehicles Regulations, 1968	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	130
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	127
Diseases of Animals and Waste Food Order Visits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Interviews with Builders, Architects, Owners, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	289
Collection and delivery of samples to Public Health Laboratory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	225
Revisits to premises under notice	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	114
Animal Boarding Establishments Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	143
Noise Abatement Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
National Assistance Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-
Swimming Pools	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Child Minding	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-
Work Study Meetings	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	56
School Lectures	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4





GENERAL STATISTICS

HOUSING DEFECTS REMEDIED AND IMPROVEMENTS

Walls and Ceilings .. .. .	84
Rising and penetrating dampness remedied .. .. .	25
Repairs to defective windows and doors .. .. .	84
Chimney stacks repaired .. .. .	18
General repairs to roofs .. .. .	34
Provision for food storage .. .. .	16
Repairs to staircases .. .. .	9
Repointing to brickwork .. .. .	21
Repair or replacement of floors .. .. .	48
Provision of adequate ventilation .. .. .	62
Provision of adequate lighting .. .. .	62
Replacement/treatment of timber .. .. .	8
Provision of central heating .. .. .	9
Decoration .. .. .	25
Provision of hot water supply .. .. .	62
Provision of baths or showers and bathrooms .. .. .	58
Provision of wash-hand basins .. .. .	57
Provision of damp-proof course .. .. .	22
Provision of adequate water supply .. .. .	21
Rewiring .. .. .	28

DRAINAGE

Provision of septic tanks .. .. .	5
Provision of cesspools .. .. .	3
Repairs to eaves guttering and downspouts .. .. .	59
Sinks provided and/or repaired .. .. .	41
Repairs to closets .. .. .	--
Provision of inspection covers .. .. .	6
Provision of flush closets .. .. .	58
Repairs to drains .. .. .	5
Provision of new drainage .. .. .	39





HOUSING

I	1 (a)	Inspections of dwelling-houses during the year. Total number of houses inspected for housing defects, (under Public Health or Housing Acts) .. ..	634
	(b)	Number of inspections made for that purpose .. ..	829
	2 (a)	Houses demolished in clearance areas .. ..	0
	(b)	Houses demolished, not in clearance areas .. ..	2
	3 (a)	Unfit houses closed .. ..	5
	(b)	Parts of unfit houses closed .. ..	0
	4 (a)	Number of persons displaced from houses to be closed or demolished .. ..	4
	(b)	Number of families displaced from houses to be closed or demolished .. ..	3
	5.	Unfit houses made fit .. ..	15
	6.	Other houses in which defects were remedied after informal action under the Housing or Public Health Acts .. ..	56
	7.	Unfit houses in temporary use .. ..	0
	8.	Proceedings under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1957 .. ..	0
	9.	Proceedings under the Public Health Acts	
	(a)	Number of houses in respect of which statutory notices were served .. ..	3
	(b)	Number of houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices by	
	(i)	Owners .. ..	0
	(ii)	Local authority in default of owners .. ..	0
II	Housing Act, 1957, Part 4, Overcrowding.		
	A (1)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year .. ..	3
	(2)	Number of families dwelling therein .. ..	5
	(3)	Number of persons dwelling therein .. ..	21
	B (1)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year .. ..	1
	C (1)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year .. ..	3
	(2)	Number of persons concerned in such cases .. ..	22
	D (1)	Particulars of any cases in which dwelling- houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding .. ..	0

INDEX

1	(a)	Number of dwelling-units during the year.	..	..	..
1	(b)	Total number of houses inspected for housing defects, (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	..	..	..
2	(a)	Number of inspections made for fire purposes	..	..	..
2	(b)	Houses inspected in clearance areas	..	..	..
2	(c)	Houses demolished, not in clearance areas	..	..	..
3	(a)	Walls houses closed	..	..	..
3	(b)	Walls of walls houses closed	..	..	..
4	(a)	Number of persons displaced from houses to be closed or demolished	..	..	..
4	(b)	Number of families displaced from houses to be closed or demolished	..	..	..
5		Walls houses under the Act	..	..	..
6		Other houses in which defects were remedied after informal action under the Housing or Public Health Acts	..	..	..
7		Walls houses in temporary use	..	..	..
8		Proceedings under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1937	..	..	..
9		Proceedings under the Public Health Acts	..	..	..
	(a)	Number of persons in respect of which statutory notices were served	..	..	..
	(b)	Number of houses in which defects were reported after review of formal notices by	..	..	..
		(i) Council	..	..	..
		(ii) Local authority in	..	..	..
		defence of cases	..	..	..
11		Housing Act, 1937, Part I, proceedings.	..	..	..
	A (1)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	..	..	..
	(2)	Number of families dwelling therein	..	..	..
	(3)	Number of persons dwelling therein	..	..	..
	B (1)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	..	..	..
	C (1)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	..	..	..
	(2)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	..	..	..
	D (1)	Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses were again overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the removal of overcrowding	..	..	..



### IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Continuance of the Government's publicity campaign in relation to improvement grants, has encouraged property owners to the extent of boosting applications almost 100% over last year's figures. As I have indicated in previous reports this aspect of the Department's work involves a great deal of time by the Inspectors in interviewing applicants in the initial stages and subsequently until the improvement works are completed and final payment of grant made.

Improvement grants carried out on properties within the district have resulted in the provision of the following amenities:-

16	Ventilated food stores
62	Hot water supplies
58	Baths or showers and bathrooms
57	Wash hand basins
58	Water Closets

It has been apparent during the year under review, that there has been a very marked tendency in the swing towards applications for discretionary grant. This is a complete reversal of the situation in recent preceding years when standard grants were the majority of applications received.

It may be of interest to note that 106 applications for grant were submitted, none being refused. 69 were in respect of discretionary grants and the remaining 37 were standard grant applications. A total of £37,108 53p. was paid in respect of completed grant schemes. £27,963 50p. of this sum relates to 39 completed discretionary grants and £9,145 03p. to 34 completed standard grants.

### QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATES

Owners may apply under the 1969 Housing Act for Qualification Certificates which, when granted, enables them to raise the rents of their properties to an economic level.

The number of applications involved in the current year have increased marginally over those of last year, the following applications have been made:-

Applications under Section 45	received	13
" " " 45	granted	6
" " " 45	refused	-
" " " 46 (provisional approval)	received	5
" " " 46 (provisional approval)	granted	5



Continuance of the Government's policy in relation to investment grants, has encouraged property owners to the extent of housing applications since 1935 over last year's figures. As I have indicated in previous reports this aspect of the Department's work involves a great deal of time by the Inspector in interviewing applicants in the initial stages and subsequently with the approved work and completed and final payment of grant work.

Investment grants awarded out on properties within the District have resulted in the provision of the following statistics:-

10	Completed final stages
23	Not under approval
20	Under or under review and approved
27	Under final review
22	Under review

It has been reported during the year under review, that there has been a very marked tendency in the value towards applications for discretionary grants. This is a marked reversal of the situation in recent preceding years when standard grants were the majority of applications received.

It may be of interest to note that 105 applications for grants were submitted, none being refused. 69 were in respect of discretionary grants and the remaining 36 were standard grant applications. A total of £17,100 was paid in respect of completed grant awards. £27,202 50p. of this was related to 39 completed discretionary grants and £2,145 00p. to 39 completed standard grants.

REVENUE RECEIPTS

During the year under the 1937 Housing Act for Sanitation Districts which, when granted, enables them to raise the rate of their properties to an amount total.

The number of applications received in the current year have increased markedly over those of last year, the following statistics have been submitted:-

12	Applications under Section 45 received
5	45 granted
-	45 refused
5	45 (revised) approved
5	45 (revised) approved
5	45 (revised) approved
5	45 (revised) approved
5	45 (revised) approved

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Standard

	Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
1. No. of applications Received	21	16
No. of applications Approved	21	16
No. of applications Refused	-	-
2. No. of dwellings - works completed	21	13
3. Amount paid in Grants .. .. .		£9,145 03p.
4. Average Grant per house .. .. .		£ 268 97p.

Discretionary

	Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
1. No. of applications Received	46	23
No. of applications Approved	46	23
No. of applications Refused	-	-
2. No. of dwellings - works completed	26	13
3. Amount paid in Grants .. .. .		£27,963 50p.
4. Average Grant per house .. .. .		£ 717 01p.

EXHIBIT A

Summary

Owner/Company	Number	1. No. of applications received
	21	10
	22	10
	-	-
	23	12

2. Amount paid in grants .. .. . \$ 10,100.00  
 3. Average grant per house .. .. . \$ 480.95

Summary

Owner/Company	Number	1. No. of applications received
	24	12
	25	10
	-	-
	26	12

2. Amount paid in grants .. .. . \$ 10,100.00  
 3. Average grant per house .. .. . \$ 480.95

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Visits made by Inspectors .. .. . 236

Reports made to M.O.H.

(a) On cases of reported infectious diseases  
and of contacts:-

Sonne Dysentery .. .. .	3
Salmonella .. .. .	11
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	3

(b) Travellers returning from epidemic or  
endemic areas:-

Smallpox .. .. .	1
Cholera .. .. .	7
Typhoid .. .. .	1

In conjunction with the necessary investigations, further visits were required to the premises concerned and to the Public Health Laboratory at Preston Hall to deliver bacteriological samples.



EXHIBIT

State of New York

County of ...

(a) In case of ...

...

...

...

(b) ...

...

...

...

In witness whereof the necessary investigation, further  
evidence was required to the ... and to the ...  
... of ...

FACTORIES AND WORKPLACES

Factories with mechanical power .. .. .	82
Factories without mechanical power .. .. .	1
Inspections of Factories with mechanical power .. ..	61
Inspections of Factories without mechanical power ..	1
Inspection of Builders' sites for Sanitary Accommodation .. .. .	0
Inspection of closed Factory premises or premises with no employees .. .. .	3
Factories with mechanical power - Informal Notices served .. .. .	5
Factories with mechanical power - Informal Notices completed .. .. .	5
Factories without mechanical power - Informal Notices served .. .. .	0
Factories without mechanical power - Informal Notices completed .. .. .	0
Statutory Notices served .. .. .	1

9 visits were made during the year to Outworkers' premises which proved satisfactory.

FACTORIES AND WORKERS

85	.. .. .	Factories with mechanical power .. .. .
1	.. .. .	Factories without mechanical power .. .. .
61	.. .. .	Inspection of factories with mechanical power .. .. .
1	.. .. .	Inspection of factories without mechanical power .. .. .
0	.. .. .	Inspection of children's work for factory .. .. .
0	.. .. .	Inspection of child labor .. .. .
2	.. .. .	Inspection of child factory workers or children .. .. .
2	.. .. .	Factories with mechanical power - Internal .. .. .
2	.. .. .	Factories with mechanical power - Internal .. .. .
0	.. .. .	Factories without mechanical power - Internal .. .. .
0	.. .. .	Factories without mechanical power - Internal .. .. .
1	.. .. .	Factories without mechanical power .. .. .

9 visits were made during the year to factories  
factories which proved satisfactory

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1971  
FOR THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MAIDSTONE  
IN THE COUNTY OF KENT

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration  
of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities .. ..	1	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority .. ..	83	61	5	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) .. . . . .	-	-	-	-
T O T A L	84	62	5	-

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found. (If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases".)

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To.H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS  
 IN AND FOR THE YEAR 1917  
 FOR THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS  
 IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Transmitted Particulars on the Administration  
 of the Department, July, 1917

TABLE I

1 - INDICATIONS FOR PURPOSES OF VENTILATION AS TO HEALTH VIOLATIONS IN FACTORIES MADE BY LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Particulars	Number of Factories	Violations Noticed	Violations Corrected
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(I) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are to be enforced by local authorities . . . . .	1	-	-
(II) Factories not included in (I) in which Section 7 is enforced by the local authority . . . . .	21	1	-
(III) Other factories in which Section 7 is enforced by the local authority, including non-ferrous, foundries, etc. . . . .	-	-	-
TOTAL	22	1	-

2 - Cases in which (I) or (II) were found. (II) details are discussed in the previous or two, three or more separate memoranda that should be reviewed for the "Cases or Cases" . . . . .

Particulars	Number of cases in which details were found	Details			Total of cases in which details were found
		Found Violated by U.S. Inspector	Violated by U.S. Inspector	Violated by U.S. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Part of Division (I.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Division (I.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Division (I.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Division (I.4)	-	-	-	-	-

Particulars  (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted  (6)
	Found  (2)	Remedied  (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector  (4)	By H.M. Inspector  (5)	
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	1	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	2	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	2	2	-	1	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	6	6	-	4	-



PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work  (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section (133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing (Making apparel) etc.	2	-	-	-	-	-
Curtains and furniture hangings	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cosques, Christmas stockings etc.	4	-	-	-	-	-
Upholstery	3	-	-	-	-	-
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>



STATE BILL NO. 121

Sponsor

Sections 121 and 122

Section 121		Section 122				Section or Code
No. of times amended	No. of times in the code	No. of times in the code	No. of times in the code	No. of times in the code	No. of times in the code	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
-	-	-	-	-	2	Section (Code)
-	-	-	-	-	1	Section (Code)
-	-	-	-	-	2	Section (Code)
-	-	-	-	-	2	Section (Code)
-	-	-	-	-	10	Section (Code)

CARAVAN SITES

<u>Site</u>	<u>Proprietor or Owner</u>	<u>Maximum Number of Caravans</u>
Enterprise Caravan Site, East Farleigh	Mr. H. Smart	25
Hartridge Farm Caravan Site, East Farleigh	Mr. K.A. and Mrs. M.R.G. Chambers	110
The Retreat, Nettlestead	Mrs. P. Lamb	30
"Apple Acres", The Retreat Caravan Park, Nettlestead	Mr. R.W. Lamb	50
Slaughterhouse Lane, Staplehurst	Mrs. G.N. Russell	2
Stilebridge, Marden	Maidstone R.D.C.	12
Broad Forstal, Marden	Mrs. M. and Mrs. G. Beaney	2

CARAVAN SITES FOR SEASONAL USE ONLY

Enterprise Caravan Site, East Farleigh	Mr. H. Smart	15
Medway Wharf Site, Nettlestead	Mr. A.C. Buffery, Medway Wharf Ltd.	10
Twyford Boatyard Site, Yalding	Mr. D.S. Chuter, 102, Blithdale Road, Abbey Wood, S.E.2.	18
Hampstead Cottage Caravan Park, Yalding	Mr. J. Breden	120
Riverside Cafe, Twyford Bridge, Yalding	Mr. A.W. Forrest	2
The Anchor Inn, Yalding	Mr. D. Brenchley and Mrs. M. Brenchley	3

Summary of data

Number of inspections .. .. .	48
Number of licensed sites .. .. .	11
Applications for licences .. .. .	2
Applications for licences refused .. .. .	0

During the year routine visits have been made to all caravan sites situated in the Maidstone R.D.C. area. General conditions have proved to be satisfactory.

The Retreat Caravan Site at Nettlestead was divided in two by the joint proprietors. A new licence has been granted for each of the two sites so provided.

TABLE I

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of</u>	<u>Persons</u>
1910	10	10
1911	10	10
1912	10	10
1913	10	10
1914	10	10
1915	10	10
1916	10	10
1917	10	10
1918	10	10
1919	10	10
1920	10	10

TABLE II

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of</u>	<u>Persons</u>
1910	10	10
1911	10	10
1912	10	10
1913	10	10
1914	10	10
1915	10	10
1916	10	10
1917	10	10
1918	10	10
1919	10	10
1920	10	10

Summary of data

Number of persons .. .. . 10  
 Number of persons .. .. . 10  
 Number of persons .. .. . 10  
 Number of persons .. .. . 10

During the year ending 1920 there were 10 persons who were admitted to the institution and 10 persons who were discharged. The total number of persons who were in the institution at the end of the year was 10.

#### HOP PICKERS' CAMP

Total number of Hop Pickers' Camps in use	..	..	31
Number of huts in use (estimated)	..	..	279 + 60 caravans
Estimated number of pickers	..	..	548
Number of inspections	..	..	44

The estimated number of pickers is slightly less than last year but these figures are not very reliable. Difficulty is encountered in making reasonable assessments due to the character and nature of the camps. It would seem that there is more use being made of caravans each year and the number of huts in use fell considerably.

Surveillance of hop camps included water sampling and in one instance an unsatisfactory result was obtained from a storage tank. After representations by the department, this tank was removed and replaced with a standpipe directly from the mains supply.

#### CLEAN AIR ACT

As in previous years, because of the nature of this district, little difficulty is experienced with contraventions of this Act. The most common cause of complaint is the burning of materials associated with the recovery of scrap etc., and eighteen visits were made in this respect.

#### ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT

Four establishments applied for renewal of licences and these were all granted. The Council adopted more stringent standard conditions based on the recommendations of the British Veterinary Association and these now form part of the licence conditions. Inspections were made during the year to ensure that the conditions of the licences were being met.



NEW RECORDS

Number of inspections .. .. .	44
Number of inspections .. .. .	248
Number of data in new (estimated) .. .. .	279 - 50 cases
Total number of New Records Cases in New .. .. .	31

The estimated number of elements is slightly less than last year but these figures are not reliable. Slightly is contained in some records which are to the contrary and others of the same. It would seem that there is some being made of records and that the number of data in this category.

Inspection of top cases included water sampling and in the location of water sampling results was obtained from a large tank. After examination by the department, this tank was noted and replaced with a standard directly from the same supply.

TRAIN AIR

As in previous years, because of the nature of this district, little difficulty is experienced with contamination of this water. The most common cause of pollution is the burning of materials which is not with the recovery of some gas, but which is not used in this context.

WATER SAMPLING RESULTS

Four water samples were analyzed for records of bacteria and found to be all good. The Council advised that standard water samples were based on the recommendations of the British Water Association and these are now part of the standard conditions. Inspections were made during the year to ensure that the conditions of the samples were being met.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD PREMISES

Advice on the handling and storage of foodstuffs continues to be the prime purpose of routine visits and inspections. Once again the standard of hygiene and cleanliness in food premises has been seen to be of a good standard.

The following data is provided in accordance with the Minister's requirements:-

<u>Type of Business</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Inspections</u>
Restaurants and Cafes	10	43
Grocery and General Provisions	52	148
Greengrocery	11	44
Sugar Confectionery	14	25
Bakehouses	3	11
Wines & Spirits Off Licences	4	10
Bakery Shops	5	13
Licensed Premises	64	56
Butchers	11	29
Fish Shops (Wet and Fried)	4	12
Food Warehouses	3	16
Canteens	17	21
Slaughterhouses	2	10
<b>T O T A L S</b>	<u>200</u>	<u>438</u>

SHOPS ACT

Number of Shops (including Public Houses) .. .. . 226

During the year 1971, 420 inspections were made of shops within the district to check compliance with the provisions of the Act.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD BUSINESS

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The following data is provided in accordance with the Minister's requirements:-

<u>Inspection</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Type of Business</u>
67	10	Restaurants and Cafes
168	28	Grocery and General Provisions
44	11	Greenhouses
23	14	Sugar Confectionery
11	2	Butcheries
10	4	Wine & Spirits Off Licences
13	2	Bakery Shops
26	64	Licensed Traders
29	11	Butchers
12	4	Fish Shops (Hot and Cold)
16	2	Food Processors
21	17	Confection
10	2	Staple Provisions
<u>432</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

FOOD ACT

Number of Shops (including Public Houses) .. .. . 236

During the year 1971, 432 inspections were made of shops within the district to check compliance with the provisions of the Act.

### FOOD COMPLAINTS

The following complaints concerning food alleged to be not of the nature, substance or quality demanded by the purchaser were received during the year:-

- (1) Sausages affected by mould growth (two separate complaints).
- (2) Minced beef alleged to be contaminated with disinfectant.
- (3) Packet of pork sausages containing fly eggs.
- (4) Beef alleged to be discoloured.
- (5) Bread affected with mould (two separate complaints).
- (6) Milk bottle containing cement deposit.
- (7) Pork meat affected by decomposition.
- (8) Cheese containing fly.
- (9) Bag of sugar containing foreign substance.
- (10) Contents of can of stewed steak decomposed.

In cases numbers 2/4 the complaints were not upheld on investigation and in case number 10 it was found that the can of meat had been punctured by a nail in transit and as this was an isolated incident only a verbal warning was issued. In the other cases, after investigation and careful consideration, warning letters were issued to the persons concerned of the consequences of any future similar occurrences.

### MILK SUPPLIES

Number of registered distributors .. .. .	30
Number of registered dairies .. .. .	NIL

The function of sampling milk supplied at retailers' premises is the responsibility of the Kent County Council.

Statistics submitted by the Kent County Council, contained elsewhere in this report, show that 23 samples were obtained from retailers within the Maidstone Rural District. In every instance the results proved to be satisfactory.



APPENDIX

The following complaints concerning food alleged to be not of the nature, substance or quality demanded by the persons were received during the year-

- (1) Sausages affected by mould growth (two separate complaints).
- (2) Mixed beef alleged to be contaminated with nitrate/nitrite.
- (3) Packet of raw sausage containing fly eggs.
- (4) Meat alleged to be diseased.
- (5) Bread affected with mould (two separate complaints).
- (6) Milk bottle containing mouldy contents.
- (7) Milk cans affected by decomposition.
- (8) Cheese containing fly.
- (9) Tin of sugar containing foreign substance.
- (10) Contents of can of mixed milk diseased.

In connection with the complaints were not upheld on investigation and in case number 10 it was found that the tin of meat had been purchased by a girl in France and as this was an isolated incident only a verbal warning was issued. In the other cases, after investigation and careful examination, warning letters were issued to the persons concerned of the seriousness of any future similar occurrences.

WELL-BEING

Number of registered districts .. .. . 70

Number of registered districts .. .. . 100

The number of meetings held during the year is the responsibility of the Local Council.

Statistics submitted by the Local Councils, were printed in this report, and the 25 copies were retained for reference in the Statistical Section. In every instance the results proved to be satisfactory.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT

Nineteen premises were registered under the Act during the year and it is indicative of the general lack of appreciation by employers of the need to notify employment of persons that all but one of these were prompted by an inspectors visit. The total number of premises at the end of the year was one hundred and two and this is slightly higher than any previous year.

Only one anonymous complaint was received and this related to an alleged breach of the requirements on temperature in a warehouse. On investigation it was found that employees had access to a room containing an electric fire and, as it was impracticable to heat the warehouse to a temperature of 16° C, this was in accordance with the provisions of the Act. Information from the management to newly-arrived employees seemed to be lacking and this was speedily remedied.

Inspections were made of 95% of all registered premises during the year and as has been the case in the past the Council received the co-operation of employers in seeing that matters drawn to their attention were dealt with promptly. I am pleased to report that it was not necessary to resort to legal proceedings in any instance. Contraventions noted were of a minor nature and related mostly to the need for the maintenance of decorations and floor coverings, the provision of abstracts of the Act and thermometers.

The Department of Employment has asked whether any particular problems have been encountered with enforcement in warehouses and I am pleased that difficulties have not so far been experienced in this district with this particular class of premises.

No accidents were reported and although this is gratifying on first sight I must admit to being a little dubious whether employers are becoming lax in reporting accidents. Even accidents of a comparatively minor nature often do result in a person being away from work for more than three days and therefore these should be reported to comply with the Act. It would be helpful, I feel, if the Department of Employment could issue information sheets explaining the liability and need for reporting accidents and these could be given to employers when inspections are made.



THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND  
RAILWAY PREMISES  
ACT 1963

TABLE A Registrations and general inspections	TOTALS				
Offices	5	20	17		
Retail shops	11	74	72		
Wholesale shops, warehouses	2	6	6		
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	2	2		
Fuel storage depots	-	-	-		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Class of premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year		
TABLE B Number of visits of all kinds by inspectors to registered premises	143				
TABLE C Analysis of persons employed in registered premises by workplace	Class of workplace (1)	Number of persons employed (2)			
Offices	Offices	192			
Retail Shops	Retail Shops	267			
Wholesale departments, warehouses	Wholesale departments, warehouses	217			
Catering establishments open to the public	Catering establishments open to the public	6			
Canteens	Canteens	6			
Fuel Storage depots	Fuel Storage depots	-			
	<u>Total</u>	688			
	Total: Males	364			
	Total: Females	324			



Year	Number of persons employed	Total number of persons employed
1950	100	100
1951	100	100
1952	100	100
1953	100	100
1954	100	100
1955	100	100
1956	100	100
1957	100	100
1958	100	100
1959	100	100
1960	100	100
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2012	100	100
2013	100	100
2014	100	100
2015	100	100
2016	100	100
2017	100	100
2018	100	100
2019	100	100
2020	100	100
2021	100	100
2022	100	100
2023	100	100
2024	100	100

TABLE D - EXEMPTIONS

Class of premises (1)	No. of exemptions current at 31st December (2)	No. of exemptions granted or extended during the year (3)	No of applica-tions refused or exemptions withdrawn during the year (4)	No. of cases in Cols. (3) and (4) where employees opposed applica-tion (5)	Appeals to Court against refusal to grant or extend an exemption or against the withdrawal of an exemption	
					No. made (6)	No. made (7)
Part I - Space (Sec. 5(2))						
Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots						
Part II - Temperature (Sec. 6)						
Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots						
Part III - Sanitary Conveniences (Sec. 9)						
Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots						
Part IV - Washing Facilities (Sec. 10)						
Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots						



SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Number of licensed slaughterhouses .. .. .	2
Number of premises cleansed during the year .. .. .	2

MEAT INSPECTION

<u>Slaughterhouse</u>	<u>No. of Animals Slaughtered</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>
West End, Marden .. .. .	1,420	77.3%
High Street, Staplehurst .. .. .	414	22.7%
Total .. .. .	<u>1,834</u>	<u>100%</u>

Carcases Inspected and condemned	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	TOTAL
Number killed	306	13	5	741	769	1,834
Number <u>not</u> inspected	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	1	-	-	3	4
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	44	1	-	14	94	153
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	6	6
<u>Cysticerci</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	-	3
Carcases submitted to refrigeration	3	-	-	-	-	3
Generalized and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

The majority of all carcasses examined have been for the trade of the butchers owning the slaughterhouses. As in previous years the standard and quality has been maintained and co-operation between the owners and the department has continued to be good.

Government requirements i.e., 100% inspection of all carcasses slaughtered, has again been achieved without the necessity of involving overtime by the inspectorate.





MEAT INSPECTION

Reason for Condemnation

<u>Reason</u>	<u>Completely condemned</u>	<u>Partially condemned</u>
Abscesses	1	20
Arthritis	0	3
Ascaris Lumbricoides	0	33
Bruising	0	3
Cirrhosis	0	16
Congestion	0	21
Corynebacterium Equi	0	1
Cysticercus Bovis	0	3
Fractured Bones	0	2
Hydronephrosis	0	5
Leukaemia	1	0
Liver Fluke	0	20
Necrosis	0	2
Oedema	1	0
Parasitic Infections	0	4
Pericarditis	0	13
Peritonitis	0	7
Pleurisy	0	23
Pneumonia	0	36
Tuberculosis	0	6
Uraemia	1	0

Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order, 1957

At the close of the year the number of licensed plants still operating in the district had fallen to three and these premises were regularly inspected. No complaints were received during the year about their operation and conditions were found to be satisfactory on inspection.

HEALTH INSPECTOR  
Report for Commission

<u>Number</u>	<u>Consistency</u>	<u>Partially</u>
	<u>Compliance</u>	<u>Compliance</u>
Abcesses	1	20
Arthritis	0	3
Bacterial Infections	0	22
Breast	0	2
Cervicitis	0	10
Conjunctivitis	0	21
Corporation of Eye	0	1
Cystitis	0	2
Deformed Nails	0	2
Dysentery	0	3
Eczema	1	0
Liver Virus	0	20
Mucositis	0	2
Osseous	2	0
Parasitic Infections	0	2
Peritonitis	0	13
Pharyngitis	0	7
Stomach	0	20
Tuberculosis	0	0
Uterus	1	0

Diagnosis of Diseases (Last Year) 1937

At the close of the year the number of licensed plants still operating in the District had fallen to three and these plants were regularly inspected. No complaints were received during the year about their operation and conditions were found to be satisfactory on inspection.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling  
Officers within the MAIDSTONE RURAL DISTRICT  
during the year ended 31st December, 1971.

	<u>Satis- factory</u>	<u>Unsatis- factory</u>
Milk .. .. .	23	-
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese (including processed cheese) ..	2	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes .. .. .	6	1
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals .. .. .	4	1
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials .. .. .	9	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies .. ..	1	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables .. ..	21	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments ..	2	-
Drugs, medicines .. .. .	5	1
Ice Cream .. .. .	-	2
Beer, wines, spirits .. .. .	9	-
Miscellaneous .. .. .	15	-
	97	5

Unsatisfactory Samples

Bacon

Contaminated with nineteen dead fly larvae and two live larvae were associated with the wrapper. Retailer cautioned.

Bread

Contaminated with growths of mould monilia. Due to delay in complaint being made, no further action other than notifying the bakery.

Baby Cough Linctus

Below the declared strength of chloroform. Old stock. Further sample to be taken.

Cassata Ice Cream

Contained 16% of mixed fruit but pictorial representation on container suggested a higher percentage. Firm agreed to amend label.

ICE CREAM

In addition bacteriological samples of unwrapped ice cream were taken by the department from five premises and one mobile vehicle and all were found to be of the highest standard i.e. Grade I.



Details of analysis of the various samples  
collected during the period from 1936 to 1937  
during the period from 1936 to 1937

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Analysis</u>
1	Milk .. .. .
2	Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fat, .. .. .
3	Chases (including processed chases) .. .. .
4	Flour, wheat, rye, corn, rice and .. .. .
5	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
6	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
7	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
8	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
9	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
10	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
11	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
12	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
13	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
14	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
15	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
16	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
17	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
18	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
19	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .
20	Wheat, rye, corn, rice, .. .. .

Investigatory results

Item 1

Contained with nitrogen and its derivatives and the live  
forms were associated with the various bacterial organisms

Item 2

Contained with growth of acid bacteria. Due to the  
isochlorous being made, no further action other than notifying  
the industry.

Item 3

Shows the bacterial strength of the various. It is shown  
that the samples to be taken.

Item 4

Contained with acid but not bacterial organisms  
in certain samples. This action is an  
error.

Item 5

In addition to the various samples of material, the  
samples from the various from the various and the  
various and all were found to be of the highest standard.  
Item 1.

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of Inspections and Surveys  
made under Rodent Control

<u>Properties other than Sewers</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	
	<u>Non- Agricultural</u>	<u>Agricultural</u>
1. Number of properties in district	10,030	1,006
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification.	571	22
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	395	22
(ii) Mice	184	22
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification.	287	-
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	19	-
(ii) Mice	27	-

The service provided by the Council, as in previous years, deals with all aspects of pest control. It is admitted, however, that the majority of this work does in fact relate to the control and elimination of rodent infestation. The number of treatments made during the year under review are considerably lower than those made during 1970. This reduction is attributed entirely to the fact that your Pest Officer was absent from work for a period of three months, due to illness. Nevertheless there have been many instances when members of the public have expressed their satisfaction with the service provided.

During the year several routine inspections and treatments were carried out to parts of the sewerage system in the following parishes:

Staplehurst	Linton Hill
Bearsted	Collier St., Yalding
Marden	Coxheath
Barming	

In general these infestations were very often limited to small pumping stations and small sections of public sewers.

PEST CONTROL

In addition to the above mentioned work, your Pest Officer has dealt with the following infestations:-

Flies	13	Fleas	24	Ants	3
Mites	3	Cockroaches	3	Ground Beetles	8
Bed Bugs	2	Silver Fish	2	Bats	3
Red Spiders	1	Disinfection	4		

Mr. Curties, the Pest Officer involved, has as usual carried out his duties efficiently and with enthusiasm, although in some instances under severe difficulties and handicaps.

REPORT CONTINUED

Summary of Inspections and Services  
and other related matters

Type of Property	No. of Properties	Properties other than Farms	
		Inspected	Not Inspected
1. Number of properties in district	10,000		
2. (a) Total number of properties (including newly constructed) inspected following notification	771		
(b) Number inspected by:			
(i) Staff	592		
(ii) Other	179		
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for other than the reasons stated above	787		
(b) Number inspected by:			
(i) Staff	19		
(ii) Other	768		

The services provided by the Council, as in previous years, dealt with all aspects of pest control. It is believed, however, that the majority of this work has been done in the course of the inspection of residential properties. The number of residential properties inspected was considerably less than in the past. This reduction is attributed entirely to the fact that the Council was advised that it was not to inspect residential properties. Inspections have been made of the premises of the public health authorities and other premises in the district.

During the year several houses, premises and structures were visited on the basis of the reporting system in the following manner:

Reporting Authority	Number of Properties
London Hill	1
London Hill	1
London Hill	1
London Hill	1

In general these inspections were very often limited to a simple check on the condition of the premises.

APPENDIX

In addition to the above mentioned work, the following details were dealt with in the following manner:

No.	Name	Address	Inspected	Not Inspected
1	London Hill	London Hill	1	0
2	London Hill	London Hill	1	0
3	London Hill	London Hill	1	0

For further details, the Council is advised, that the following information is available in the Council's records and is being furnished for your information.

Birth Rates, Death Rates and Analysis of Mortality  
in the year, 1971

Area	Rate per 1,000 population	Annual Death-rate per 1,000 population				Rate per 1,000	
		All causes	Tuberculosis	Cancer of Lung	Other cancer	Live Births	Related Births
England and Wales	16.0	11.6	0.04	0.51	1.51	18	12
Hollingbourn R.D.	17.1	10.3	-	0.48	2.04	30	6
Maidstone R.D.	21.8	9.6	0.09	0.70	1.38	13	11
Malling R.D.	18.1	11.8	0.02	0.61	1.72	14	13
Maidstone Borough	16.6	10.7	0.02	0.66	1.77	7	11
County of Kent	17.2	10.4	0.02	0.66	1.77	13	11

\* Figures not yet available



In the year 1971

Country and year	Number of subjects		Mean score	Grade of pass	Standard deviation	All scores	Number of subjects	Number of subjects	Number of subjects
	total	total							
South Africa	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71
	11	11	57.1	20.0	20.0	4.02	0.71	0.71	0.71

Number of subjects

GENERAL SUMMARY

Estimated resident population, 1971 .. .. .	28,830
Area (in acres) .. .. .	34,487
Density .. .. .	0.835
Annual Birth Rate per 1,000 population	
Crude .. .. .	20.2
Corrected .. .. .	21.8
Annual Death Rate per 1,000 population	
Crude .. .. .	12.0
Corrected .. .. .	9.6
	<u>Male</u> <u>Female</u> <u>Total</u>
Births .. .. .	313   269   582
Deaths .. .. .	156   189   345
Excess of births over deaths ..	157   80   237
Tuberculosis death rate -	
Pulmonary .. .. .	-
Non-pulmonary .. .. .	-
Cancer death rate per 1,000 population .. .. .	2.53

GENERAL STATISTICS

Year	Population	Area (sq. miles)	Density	Annual Birth Rate per 1,000 population	Annual Death Rate per 1,000 population
1917	28,721	28.43	1,014	20.2	9.8
1918	28,431	28.43	1,000	20.2	9.8
1919	28,141	28.43	986	20.2	9.8
1920	27,851	28.43	979	20.2	9.8
1921	27,561	28.43	970	20.2	9.8
1922	27,271	28.43	963	20.2	9.8
1923	26,981	28.43	956	20.2	9.8
1924	26,691	28.43	949	20.2	9.8
1925	26,401	28.43	942	20.2	9.8
1926	26,111	28.43	935	20.2	9.8
1927	25,821	28.43	928	20.2	9.8
1928	25,531	28.43	921	20.2	9.8
1929	25,241	28.43	914	20.2	9.8
1930	24,951	28.43	907	20.2	9.8
1931	24,661	28.43	900	20.2	9.8
1932	24,371	28.43	893	20.2	9.8
1933	24,081	28.43	886	20.2	9.8
1934	23,791	28.43	879	20.2	9.8
1935	23,501	28.43	872	20.2	9.8
1936	23,211	28.43	865	20.2	9.8
1937	22,921	28.43	858	20.2	9.8
1938	22,631	28.43	851	20.2	9.8
1939	22,341	28.43	844	20.2	9.8
1940	22,051	28.43	837	20.2	9.8
1941	21,761	28.43	830	20.2	9.8
1942	21,471	28.43	823	20.2	9.8
1943	21,181	28.43	816	20.2	9.8
1944	20,891	28.43	809	20.2	9.8
1945	20,601	28.43	802	20.2	9.8
1946	20,311	28.43	795	20.2	9.8
1947	20,021	28.43	788	20.2	9.8
1948	19,731	28.43	781	20.2	9.8
1949	19,441	28.43	774	20.2	9.8
1950	19,151	28.43	767	20.2	9.8
1951	18,861	28.43	760	20.2	9.8
1952	18,571	28.43	753	20.2	9.8
1953	18,281	28.43	746	20.2	9.8
1954	17,991	28.43	739	20.2	9.8
1955	17,701	28.43	732	20.2	9.8
1956	17,411	28.43	725	20.2	9.8
1957	17,121	28.43	718	20.2	9.8
1958	16,831	28.43	711	20.2	9.8
1959	16,541	28.43	704	20.2	9.8
1960	16,251	28.43	697	20.2	9.8
1961	15,961	28.43	690	20.2	9.8
1962	15,671	28.43	683	20.2	9.8
1963	15,381	28.43	676	20.2	9.8
1964	15,091	28.43	669	20.2	9.8
1965	14,801	28.43	662	20.2	9.8
1966	14,511	28.43	655	20.2	9.8
1967	14,221	28.43	648	20.2	9.8
1968	13,931	28.43	641	20.2	9.8
1969	13,641	28.43	634	20.2	9.8
1970	13,351	28.43	627	20.2	9.8
1971	13,061	28.43	620	20.2	9.8
1972	12,771	28.43	613	20.2	9.8
1973	12,481	28.43	606	20.2	9.8
1974	12,191	28.43	599	20.2	9.8
1975	11,901	28.43	592	20.2	9.8
1976	11,611	28.43	585	20.2	9.8
1977	11,321	28.43	578	20.2	9.8
1978	11,031	28.43	571	20.2	9.8
1979	10,741	28.43	564	20.2	9.8
1980	10,451	28.43	557	20.2	9.8
1981	10,161	28.43	550	20.2	9.8
1982	9,871	28.43	543	20.2	9.8
1983	9,581	28.43	536	20.2	9.8
1984	9,291	28.43	529	20.2	9.8
1985	9,001	28.43	522	20.2	9.8
1986	8,711	28.43	515	20.2	9.8
1987	8,421	28.43	508	20.2	9.8
1988	8,131	28.43	501	20.2	9.8
1989	7,841	28.43	494	20.2	9.8
1990	7,551	28.43	487	20.2	9.8
1991	7,261	28.43	480	20.2	9.8
1992	6,971	28.43	473	20.2	9.8
1993	6,681	28.43	466	20.2	9.8
1994	6,391	28.43	459	20.2	9.8
1995	6,101	28.43	452	20.2	9.8
1996	5,811	28.43	445	20.2	9.8
1997	5,521	28.43	438	20.2	9.8
1998	5,231	28.43	431	20.2	9.8
1999	4,941	28.43	424	20.2	9.8
2000	4,651	28.43	417	20.2	9.8
2001	4,361	28.43	410	20.2	9.8
2002	4,071	28.43	403	20.2	9.8
2003	3,781	28.43	396	20.2	9.8
2004	3,491	28.43	389	20.2	9.8
2005	3,201	28.43	382	20.2	9.8
2006	2,911	28.43	375	20.2	9.8
2007	2,621	28.43	368	20.2	9.8
2008	2,331	28.43	361	20.2	9.8
2009	2,041	28.43	354	20.2	9.8
2010	1,751	28.43	347	20.2	9.8
2011	1,461	28.43	340	20.2	9.8
2012	1,171	28.43	333	20.2	9.8
2013	881	28.43	326	20.2	9.8
2014	591	28.43	319	20.2	9.8
2015	301	28.43	312	20.2	9.8
2016	11	28.43	305	20.2	9.8

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