

[Report 1970] / Medical Officer of Health, Oundle U.D.C.

Contributors

Oundle (England). Urban District Council.

Publication/Creation

1970

Persistent URL

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/a3suhu3k>

License and attribution

You have permission to make copies of this work under a Creative Commons, Attribution license.

This licence permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original author and source are credited. See the Legal Code for further information.

Image source should be attributed as specified in the full catalogue record. If no source is given the image should be attributed to Wellcome Collection.



Wellcome Collection
183 Euston Road
London NW1 2BE UK
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722
E library@wellcomecollection.org
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

BOUNDLE

I

URBAN

DISTRICT .



**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE
YEAR 1970**

F.R.N. LYNCH, M.B., B.CH., B.A.O., D.P.H.



URBAN DISTRICT OF OUNDLE

Chairman of the Council:

Councillor R.W. Cheney

Members of the Public Health Committee:

Councillor J.W. Wild (Chairman)

Councillors:

R.W. Cheney
R.A. Markham

P.R. Charnley
B. Rowbottom

Mrs. D.M. Cockin
R.L. Whitby

Clerk of the Council:

B.G. Seaman

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

Medical Officer of Health:

F.R.N. Lynch, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.


(Medical Officer of Health Northamptonshire Health Division No. 2.)

Secretary:

Miss M.W. Langley

Surveyor and Public Health Inspector:

R.E.T. Chinnery, F.F.S., M.I.P.H.E., M.A.P.H.I.



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2018 with funding from
Wellcome Library

<https://archive.org/details/b29941842>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Medical Officer of Health desires to express his thanks to the following for supplying material used in the compilation of this Report:

Dr. W.J. McQuillan,
Northamptonshire County Medical Officer of Health.

The Clerk of the Council.

Surveyor and Public Health Inspector.

Manager, Department of Employment.

Chief Inspector, Weights and Measures Department,
Northamptonshire County Council.

Women's Royal Voluntary Service.

Honorary Secretary, Oundle Evergreen Club.

Honorary Secretary, Oundle and District Care Committee.

CONTENTS

	<u>Page</u>
Introductory Letter 	5
Summary of Vital Statistics 	6
SECTION A. Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area 	7
SECTION B. General Provision of Health Services in the Area ...	11
SECTION C. Sanitary Circumstances of the Area 	13
SECTION D. Public Health and Housing Acts 	15
SECTION E. Inspection and Supervision of Food 	16
SECTION F. Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious Diseases ...	18
SECTION G. Administration of Factories Act 	20

Telephone: Kettering 2473

Area Health Office,
75 London Road,
KETTERING.

August 1971.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Urban District Council of Oundle.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Environmental Health of the Urban District of Oundle for the year 1970. It has been compiled in accordance with instructions circulated by the Department of Health and Social Security.

I took up the appointment of Medical Officer of Health to the Urban District in the Summer, succeeding Dr. Joan M.St.V. Dawkins who now acts for the County Council's Health Division No. 1.

There was little Infectious Disease during the year.

The statistics relating to the Urban District, supplied by the Registrar General, are given on Page 6 and are satisfactory.

In April the Northamptonshire Rat Control Committee decided to set up five District Committees and the Regional Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food recommended that the Urban District of Oundle be included in Committee No. 5 which also comprises the Urban Districts of Irthlingborough, Raunds and Rushden, the Borough of Higham Ferrers and the Rural District of Oundle and Thrapston.

Mr. R.E.T. Chinnery, who had held the appointment of Surveyor and Chief Public Health Inspector to the Council for upwards of twelve years, retired in February 1971. Mr. Chinnery takes with him the good wishes of everyone for a long and happy retirement and the Chairman of the Council marked the event by making a presentation to the retiring Surveyor. One is pleased to know that we shall not lose sight of Mr. Chinnery as he has decided to continue to reside in Oundle.

My thanks are due Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your support during the year and to Mr. Willis, Surveyor and Public Health Inspector, and Miss Langley, my Secretary, for their help in the preparation of this Report.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servant,
F.R.N. LYNCH
Medical Officer of Health.

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

Comparative Statistics for the Five Year Period 1966 to 1970

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>
Area of the Urban District (acres)	2,469	2,469	2,469	2,469	2,469
Population (Registrar General's Estimate)	3,480	3,590	3,660	3,670	3,700
Number of Live Births	56	40	44	42	51
Legitimate	54	37	42	39	47
Illegitimate	2	3	2	3	4
Birth Rate per 1,000 pop.	16.1	11.1	12.0	11.4	13.8
Number of Stillbirths	-	-	-	1	1
Legitimate	-	-	-	1	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-	-	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,000	-	-	-	23.0	19.2
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 population	-	-	-	0.2	0.2
Number of Deaths	58	51	72	50	58
Death Rate per 1,000 population	16.7	14.2	19.7	13.6	15.7
Deaths from Pregnancy, Childbirth and Abortion	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Infant Deaths	1	1	-	2	1
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births	17.9	25.0	-	48.0	19.6
Neonatal Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births	-	-	-	-	-
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total Live and Stillbirths)	-	-	-	23.0	19.2
Deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis including late effects	-	-	-	1	-
Deaths from Respiratory Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Malignant Neoplasms	6	6	12	7	11
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Enteritis and Diarrhoea under two years of age	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths from Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION A

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area

Area (acres)		2,469
Population 1961 (Census)		2,547
1970 (Mid-year estimate)		3,700
Number of inhabited houses 1961 (Census)		789
1970		1,059
Rateable Value		£105,043
Sum represented by Penny Rate		£360

The chief occupations of the inhabitants are as follows:-

There are several small factories in the town including Light Engineering and Footwear manufacture. Employment is also provided by the British Steel Corporation's great works at the New Town of Corby (11 miles) and also by the Engineering Works situated at Peterborough (13 miles).

Oundle School is one of the foremost and largest Public Schools in England. There are 750 boys on the roll.

The social conditions of the district are satisfactory and at the end of the year the percentage of unemployment in the area was 3.3. The National Rate was 3 per cent.

The density of the population is 1.49 persons per acre and the Housing Factor is 3.49.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS 1970

						<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>								
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	...	26	21	47
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
Total						28	23	51
Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population								13.8
Adjusted Birth Rate (Comparability Factor 1.3)								17.9
<u>STILLBIRTHS</u>						<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
Total						-	1	1
Rate per 1,000 total births (live and still)								19.2
<u>DEATHS</u>						<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Number registered all causes						26	32	58
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population								15.7
Adjusted Death Rate (Comparability Factor 0.65)								10.2
<u>DEATHS FROM CERTAIN SPECIFIED CAUSES</u>						<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cardio-vascular Disease (all forms)						12	10	22
Malignant Neoplasms (all forms)						5	6	11
Cerebrovascular Disease						1	3	4
Diseases of Respiratory System						4	5	9
<u>DEATHS FROM MATERNAL CAUSES</u>								-
<u>DEATHS OF INFANTS (under 1 year)</u>						1	-	1
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births								19.6
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 Legitimate live births								20.0
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 Illegitimate live births								-
<u>DEATHS OF INFANTS (under 4 weeks)</u>						-	-	-
Neonatal Mortality Rate								-
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate								-
Perinatal Mortality Rate								-

CAUSES OF DEATH 1970

LIST NO.	Cause of death	Sex	All Ages	Under 4 Weeks	4 Weeks & under 1 year	Age in years								
						1 - 4	5 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 64	65 - 74	75 & over	
B19(1)	Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity etc.	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B19(5)	Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(7)	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B46(5)	Other Diseases of Nervous System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	M	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
		F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
B29	Other Forms of Heart Disease	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B32	Pneumonia	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B33(1)	Bronchitis and Emphysema	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B46(7)	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	M	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B34	Peptic Ulcer	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B36	Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B46(8)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B46(9)	Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B46(11)	Diseases of Musculo Skeletal System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
		F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B45	Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>TOTAL ALL CAUSES</u>		M	26	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	8	14
		F	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	25

COMMENTS ON VITAL STATISTICS

1. Population:- The Registrar General's mid-year estimate of population i.e. 30th June 1970, is 3,700. The corresponding figure for 1969 was 3,670 giving an increase of 30 in the twelve months.

2. Births:- There were 51 live births in 1970, which is an increase of 9 in the number registered for the previous year. This gives a Crude Birth Rate of 13.8 per 1,000 population. The corresponding figure for 1969 was 11.4.

It will be apparent that the Birth Rate and Death Rate in any place is influenced by the age and sex distribution of the population so that in order that more exact comparisons can be made between one area and another the actual Rate is multiplied by a number called the Comparability Factor, the result being known as the Adjusted, or Corrected Rate. These Comparability Factors are supplied by the Registrar General and are based on the age and sex distribution as shown by the Census. For Oundle the Birth Rate Comparability Factor is 1.3 and the Corrected Birth Rate standardised on the basis of age and sex composition therefore gives an Adjusted Rate of 17.9. The adjusted rate of 17.9 compares with 14.3 for 1969 and the Provisional Crude Rate for England and Wales of 16.0.

3. Deaths:- There were 58 deaths from all causes in 1970. The figure for last year was 50 and the corresponding Crude Death Rates are 15.7 and 13.6. In the same way as described in the case of 2 Births above, the Death Rate is standardised by the use of a further Comparability Factor. Its value for Oundle is 0.65 and the Adjusted Death Rate corrected by means of this calculation is found to be 10.2. The Provisional Crude Rate for England and Wales as a whole is reckoned by the Registrar General to be 11.7.

4. Infant Mortality:- There was one infant death registered in the District. The Infant Mortality rate was 19.6 per 1,000 live births. The rate in 1969 was 48.0. The corresponding Infant Mortality rate for England and Wales as a whole is 18.0. There were no Neonatal Deaths. The current rate for England and Wales is 12.0. I append details of the cause and other particulars concerning the Infant death.

Age: 6 weeks Sex: M Cause of Death: Acute Bronchiolitis (Autopsy).

5. Stillbirths:- There was one Stillbirth registered in the District; there was also one in 1969 and the rates are 19.2 and 23.0 respectively. The rate for England and Wales is 13.0. I append particulars of this death.

Sex: M Cause: Intra uterine death.

6. Maternal Mortality:- There were no deaths classed to pregnancy and childbirth in 1970.

SECTION B

General Provision of Health Services

In subsequent sections, full details will be found relating to infectious diseases and environmental health within the Urban District, for which the Council is directly responsible.

The present section relates to those health services which concern the personal health and welfare of the individual rather than public health and the community. The Health Committee of the Northamptonshire County Council is responsible for administration of some of these services under Part III of the National Health Service Act.

Liaison between County Council services and District Council services is facilitated by the fact that your Medical Officer of Health is also a School Medical Officer and Assistant County Medical Officer.

Laboratory Facilities:- The Public Health Laboratories at Northampton and Peterborough are available for the examination of specimens in connection with the diagnosis and control of infectious disease.

Ambulance Service:- This is one of the services for which the County Council is responsible, and the area is adequately covered.

Domiciliary Services:- These include District Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors, who are all highly trained, qualified nurses on the staff of the County Medical Officer. The Home Help Service, also provided by the County Council, is proving more and more valuable in relieving people of domestic worries during periods of illness or confinement, and in helping old folks to remain in their own homes, so that they can retain their treasured independence.

Hospital Accommodation and Out-Patient Facilities:-

General Hospitals: Northampton, Kettering, Stamford and Peterborough.

Maternity Units: Kettering, Corby, Stamford and Peterborough.

Tuberculosis and Rushden Hospital, Bourne Chest Hospital and

Chest Diseases: Peterborough & District Hospital.

Orthopaedic: Manfield Hospital, Northampton and Peterborough & District Hospital.

Infectious Harborough Road Hospital, Northampton and St. Peter's Hospital,

Diseases: Peterborough.

Child Welfare Centre:- A clinic is held at the Glapthorn Road Hospital on the second and fourth Monday of every month.

Immunisation and Vaccination:- Immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis and vaccination against Smallpox are free services, available either from the family doctor or at the County Child Welfare Clinics. Certain age groups of children can also be given B.C.G. vaccination to protect against Tuberculosis; this is done through the School Health Service.

A vaccine for the protection of infants against Measles is now available and, in accordance with the policy of the County Health Department, a campaign for the control of, and, it is hoped, ultimate eradication of this disease, was commenced in the Autumn of 1968.

National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1954, Section 47:- These acts give Local Authorities powers to enable them to deal expeditiously with certain cases of persons in need of care and attention which they are unable to provide for themselves and are not receiving from other people.

No formal action was taken under this Section of these Acts during 1970.

Meals on Wheels Service:- The Women's Royal Voluntary Service arranges for the delivery of "Meals on Wheels" twice a week, in appropriate cases. During 1970 1,957 meals were delivered.

Oundle Evergreen Club:- The Oundle Evergreen Club, which has a membership of nearly 100, meets once a month. The hard-working Committee arranges various forms of entertainment for these meetings as well as arranging visits to the Lincolnshire Tulip Fields and to the seaside.

A successful garden party was held during the year to help raise funds for the Club.

Oundle and District Care Committee:- This Committee carries on very generous work by visiting the sick at home and in hospital and by providing them with presents and essentials.

The Chiropody Service is also the responsibility of the Committee.

REPORT BY D. S. WILLIS, M.A.P.H.I.

I have the honour to present my first Annual Report upon those matters about which the Department of Health and Social Security require yearly details.

SECTION C.

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

Water Supplies.-

The Nene and Ouse Water Board have maintained a satisfactory supply, both as regards quality and quantity throughout the year.

Forty-eight samples were submitted for bacteriological examination and all were reported as being satisfactory for domestic consumption.

All dwelling houses and house-shops are supplied direct from the mains; the population served (Registrar General's estimate) was 3,700.

The fluoride content of all the water is 0.02 parts per 100,000 this is reduced to 0.01 parts per 100,000 after filtration and chlorination.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.-

As previously reported, the Council decided to implement the recirculation of sewage pending the provision of increased capacity.

Works for the recirculation of sewage were completed during the year and the extension of the works is well in hand.

The Council have also undertaken the provision of new surface water and foul sewers in the Benefield Road area, works being well progressed at the end of the year.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.-

The regular weekly collection of house and trade refuse was maintained during the year.

The space available at the controlled tipping site at Ashton Road, Oundle is rapidly being used up and enquiries have been made regarding alternative means of refuse disposal.

Public Conveniences, Cemetery and Churchyard.-

These facilities were maintained at a satisfactory standard during the year.

Common Lodging Houses.-

There are none within the Urban District.

Rodent Control.-

All infestations were dealt with as reported or discovered.

Council owned properties particularly the refuse and sewage disposal sites are kept clear; private houses and gardens are dealt with free of charge, while payment is demanded in respect of trade premises treated.

The Council have an arrangement with Oundle Public School whereby infestations of their extensive properties are dealt with on a fixed annual charge basis; this operates satisfactorily to both parties.

As an extension of this service a number of wasps nests have been destroyed again this year free of charge; these insects can cause great annoyance and this service is much appreciated.

SECTION D

Housing

Provision of New Houses by the Local Authority -

No houses were built by the Council during the year. However, commencement was awaited on eleven three bedroomed houses at St. Wilfrid's Road as the first phase of a two stage development of thirty houses.

Private Enterprise Housing -

Fifty-nine houses were completed by private owners, all for owner-occupation, against thirty in the previous year and at 31st December there were nineteen private houses in the course of construction.

The year 1970, therefore, shows another increase in the number of private houses built, over the figures for the preceding year.

Unfit Houses Suitable for Clearance or Demolition -

No action was taken during the year.

Grants for Conversion or Improvement -

Seven applications for grants for the provision of Standard Amenities were approved as against three the previous year.

Nineteen applications for Improvement Grants were approved, seventeen being in respect of the modernisation of Council owned properties, the improvement of which was nearing completion at the year end.

Work in respect of one private application was commenced and completed during the year, the remaining one being approved near the year end.

SECTION E.

Inspection and Supervision of Food.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955.-

Milk Supply.- There are no producer-retailers of milk within the Urban District.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963.- There are no pasteurisation plants within the Urban District.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.-

Number of food premises subject to these Regulations

34

Premises	No. Complying with Reg.16.	No. to which Reg. 19 applies.	No. Complying with Reg. 19.	No. of Premises
Butchers	4	4	4	4
Bakers	1	1	1	1
Confectioners	2	2	2	2
Fish	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers	2	2	2	3
Grocers, Provisions and 'General'	11	11	11	11
Hotels, Caterers and Licensed premises	11	11	11	11

Poultry Inspection.- There are no poultry processing premises within the District.

Meat Inspection.- There are no slaughterhouses within the District.

Food Inspection.- Visits were made to the premises listed above, particularly during the Summer months and the co-operation of food traders generally in maintaining a high standard of equipment, cleanliness and hygiene was appreciated.

During the year the following amounts of food were voluntarily surrendered as being unfit for human consumption:-

Corned Beef	2 tins
Ox Tongue	2 tins (each 6 lbs.)
Corned Beef	19 tins (each 12 oz.)

Food Samples:- I am indebted to the Chief Inspector, Weights and Measures Department, Northamptonshire County Council for the following report upon samples taken in Oundle by his Inspectors during the twelve months ended 31st March 1971.

THE PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

" Sample	No.
Milk	18
Cream	4
Dried Fruit	1
Evaporated Milk	1
Fish products	2
Fresh Fruit	1
Ice Cream	1
Jam	1
Lard, Cooking Oil	2
Meat Products	10
Total:	41

Remarks:- All the samples which were procured in the Urban District during the period under review were found to be satisfactory by the Public Analyst and call for no particular comment. Samples of untreated and pasteurised milk which were sent to the Public Health Laboratory for examination were reported to have satisfied the methylene blue and phosphatase tests.

Weights and Measures Act, 1963:- All the 1,600 articles which were checked for weight or measure during the year were found to be correct. The result again reflects a very high standard of conduct by traders in the Urban District. "

General:- This Report refers briefly to those aspects of the year's work carried out by my predecessor upon which Annual Reports are required by the Department of Health and Social Security, i.e. those duties normally carried out by Public Health Inspectors, in addition to which he undertook all the duties of Surveyor in a combined department.

I would like to take this opportunity of recording my thanks to Mr. Chinnery for his generous assistance to me, both prior to and following his retirement, without which I would often have been at a loss, to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their support and encouragement and to the Foreman and outdoor staff for their co-operation in the always difficult transition period.

SECTION F

THE PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968
Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations
Notification of food poisoning and infectious diseases

All provisions governing the notification of infectious disease and food poisoning are in Sections 47 to 49 of the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 and the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1968.

The infectious diseases to be notified to the Medical Officer of Health are:-

Acute encephalitis	Ophthalmia neonatorum
Acute meningitis	Paratyphoid Fever
Acute poliomyelitis	Plague
Anthrax	Relapsing fever
Cholera	Scarlet fever
Diphtheria	Smallpox
Dysentery (amoebic or bacillary)	Tetanus
Infective jaundice	Tuberculosis
Leprosy	Typhoid fever
Leptospirosis	Typhus
Malaria	Whooping cough
Measles	Yellow fever

Since 1968 notification of the diseases listed below is no longer required:-

Acute influenzal pneumonia	Erysipelas
Acute primary pneumonia	Membranous croup
Acute rheumatism	Puerperal pyrexia

Responsibility for notifying a case or suspected case of food poisoning or infectious disease rests exclusively on the medical practitioner attending the patient unless he believes that another practitioner has already notified the case.

Three cases of infectious disease were notified during the year, a decrease of thirty-five on last year's figure.

Measles:- Three cases were notified compared with thirty-four cases in 1969.

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus:- Routine immunisation of infants under one year of age with Triple Antigen has again shown its efficacy in preventing these diseases.

Immunisation is carried out either by the Family Doctor or at the County Health Department's clinics. No cases occurred.

Poliomyelitis:- This is the fourth disease which is prevented by routine immunisation in infancy. This is again done either by the Family Doctor or at the Health Department's clinics. No cases occurred.

Scarlet Fever:- No cases were reported; there was one notification in the previous year.

Gastro-Intestinal Diseases:- There have been no cases of Gastro-Intestinal diseases due to Dysenteric organisms or Salmonellosis. In 1969 two cases of Dysentery and one case of Food Poisoning were recorded.

Infectious Hepatitis:- No cases were reported.

Leprosy:- The Public Health (Leprosy) Regulations, 1966 came into force on 1st March 1966.

Under these Regulations, cases of Leprosy are now notifiable to the District Medical Officer of Health and not as heretofore to the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security. No notifications of Leprosy were received.

Smallpox:- There were no cases. The vaccination of children is still necessary and should be carried out some time during the first two years of life, preferably between the first and second year.

Tuberculosis:- There were no notifications of Tuberculosis during 1970 and no deaths were classed to this cause.

SECTION G

Factories Act, 1961. Part 1

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	20	17	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	1	1	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' premises).	-	-	-	-
Totals	21	18	-	-

Part VIII of the Act

No outworkers premises are registered with the authority.

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

TABLE A
REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Class of Premises	Number of premises newly registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving one or more general inspections during the year
Offices	-	19	19
Retail Shops	-	39	39
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	-	4	4
Fuel storage depots	-	3	3
Totals	-	65	65

TABLE B

Number of visits of all kinds (including general inspections) to registered premises

70

TABLE C

ANALYSIS BY WORKPLACE OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES AT END OF YEAR

Class of Workplace	Number of Persons Employed
Offices	115
Retail shops	136
Wholesale department, warehouses	-
Catering establishments open to the public	17
Canteens	4
Fuel storage depots	14
Total	286
Total Males	147
Total Females	139



