

Deaths of Children (Causes)

	Year.						
	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Fifth.	Sixth.	Sixth to Tenth.
Pulmonary T.B.	..	..	..	2	..	..	4
T.B. meningitis	..	2	..	2	..	..	1
T.B. peritonitis	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
Encephalitis	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Gastro-enteritis	6	4	1	..	..	..	..
Toxæmia	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pneumonia	12	4	1	..	..	..	1
Whooping-cough	22	3	1	..	..	..	..
No cause given*	65	6	12	2	3	1	4
Hæmorrhage	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Accidental	1	..	2	..	..	..	1
Pyæmia	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Tetanus	3	..	1	..	..	..	..
Prematurity	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Convulsions	2	2	2	..	1	..	1
Ascariasis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Still-born	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
Malnutrition	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Dysentery	1	1	1	1	..	..	..
Toxic absorption filariasis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

* Forty-four of these children died during the whooping-cough months of April to July.

Infant Mortality (Comparative Table)

Year.	Total Number of Deaths under One Year.	Total Number of Births.	Death-rate per 1,000 Births.
1938-39	58	536	108·22
1939-40	50	504	99·2
1940-41	40	541	73·92
1941-42	74	553	123·27
1942-43	78	599	130·18
1943-44	68	525	129·45
1944-45	63	564	111·7
1945-46	65	567	114·59
1946-47	81	574	141·1
1947-48	171	635	269·29

15. POLICE FORCE

The conduct of the Force has been good. Statistics of criminal prosecutions appear in figures quoted earlier for actions in the High Court and in the separate following reports on the outer islands.

The Cook Islands Police Regulations made during the year provided for long-service and good-conduct medals for Police officers.