Subdivision IV.—Pharmaceutical Benefits (commenced 5th May, 1941), (11 months)

Drugs supplied by—									
Chemists	..	..	261,845	530,695	716,080	933,490	1,082,342	1,389,638	1,507,521
Medical practitioners	..	..	1,527	5,891	6,092	6,231	6,030	5,879	5,973
Institutions	..	..	16,326	26,661	40,026	40,516	44,994	44,169	44,856
	..	..	279,968	563,247	762,198	980,237	1,133,366	1,439,686	1,558,350

Subdivision V.—Supplementary Benefits

Radiological services (commenced 11th August, 1941) ..	..	..	27,962	88,588	109,426	128,842	132,806	175,420	209,059
Laboratory services (commenced 1st April, 1946)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	61,453	90,306
Massage services (commenced 1st September, 1942) ..	..	..	..	8,836	27,331	32,152	35,569	43,028	47,510
Specialist services (neuro surgery)	..	..	..	..	1,066	1,324	2,260	1,485	121
District nursing services (commenced 1st September, 1944) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,717	58,880	68,614	82,756
Dental services	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	105,109
Domestic assistance (commenced 20th December, 1944) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	456	2,043	2,865
Ambulance benefits*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Artificial-aids benefits*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,067
	..	..	27,962	97,424	137,823	170,035	229,971	352,043	545,793
Grand totals	1,058,048	1,777,608	2,437,407	3,722,907	4,751,437	5,298,729	5,564,315	6,211,580	7,021,488
Recoveries†	1,350	923	1,819	1,728	24,757	64,015	27,751‡	20,384	47,630
Net totals	1,056,698	1,776,685	2,435,588	3,721,179	4,726,680	5,234,714	5,536,564	6,191,196	6,973,858

* £10,000 estimated for year ended 31st March, 1947, but not expended. † These are mainly in respect of hospital benefits. ‡ Prior to 1st April, 1945, these recoveries were treated as credits in reduction of expenditure. For 1945–46 they are included in Miscellaneous Receipts, Social Security Fund. This should be taken into account when comparing published figures relating to Social Security Fund expenditure.