

CAUSES OF DEATH.

A comparison of the causes of deaths in 1910 and 1911 arranged according to an abridged classification, the percentage of each group to the total deaths, and the proportion per 10,000 persons living, is given in the following table:—

Class.	Number of Deaths.		Proportion to Total Deaths.		Proportion per 10,000 living.	
	1910.	1911.	1910.	1911.	1910.	1911.
I. General diseases	Total. 2,393	Total. 2,288	Per Cent. 24·83	Per Cent. 24·00	24·10	22·54
II. Diseases of the nervous system and of the organs of special sense	1,008	940	10·46	9·86	10·15	9·26
III. Diseases of the circulatory system	1,412	1,444	14·65	15·15	14·22	14·23
IV. Diseases of the respiratory system	911	988	9·45	10·36	9·18	9·74
V. Diseases of the digestive system	1,026	918	10·64	9·63	10·34	9·05
VI. Diseases of the genito-urinary system and adnexa	436	461	4·52	4·83	4·39	4·54
VII. Puerperal condition	117	114	1·21	1·20	1·18	1·12
VIII. Diseases of the skin and of the cellular tissue	33	41	0·34	0·43	0·33	0·40
IX. Diseases of the organs of locomotion	18	23	0·19	0·24	0·18	0·23
X. Malformations	65	56	0·67	0·59	0·65	0·55
XI. Infancy	719	674	7·46	7·07	7·24	6·64
XII. Old-age	660	661	6·85	6·93	6·66	6·51
XIII. Violence	667	714	6·92	7·49	6·72	7·04
XIV. Ill-defined causes	174	212	1·81	2·22	1·75	2·09
Totals	9,639	9,534	100·00	100·00	97·09	93·94

The next table shows the number of deaths from each principal cause for the five years 1906–10, and the proportion per 10,000 of the population.

Cause.	Number of Deaths.					Proportion of 10,000 of Mean Population.				
	1907.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.	1907.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.
Typhoid fever	53	90	55	62	67	0·58	0·95	0·57	0·62	0·66
Measles	101	19	26	1	41	1·10	0·20	0·27	0·01	0·40
Scarlet fever	25	60	26	13	9	0·27	0·63	0·27	0·13	0·09
Whooping-cough	307	42	41	148	17	3·34	0·44	0·42	1·49	0·17
Influenza	223	64	47	141	63	2·43	0·68	0·48	1·42	0·62
Tuberculosis of the lungs	612	607	588	550	536	6·66	6·42	6·05	5·54	5·28
Other forms of tuberculosis	244	232	212	181	202	2·65	2·45	2·18	1·82	1·99
Cancer	674	657	711	742	809	7·33	6·95	7·32	7·47	7·97
Diabetes	87	100	104	123	129	0·95	1·06	1·07	1·24	1·27
Simple meningitis	130	136	131	142	138	1·41	1·44	1·35	1·43	1·36
Convulsions of children under 5 years of age	104	96	131	107	109	1·13	1·02	1·35	1·08	1·07
Apoplexy	330	341	316	389	352	3·59	3·61	3·25	3·92	3·47
Pneumonia	572	453	458	448	522	6·22	4·80	4·71	4·51	5·14
Gastritis and enteritis	518	478	362	457	374	5·64	5·06	3·73	4·60	3·69
Diarrhoeal diseases	314	198	102	164	94	3·42	2·20	1·05	1·65	0·93
Cirrhosis of liver	42	52	47	38	44	0·46	0·55	0·48	0·38	0·43
Appendicitis	86	81	66	98	103	0·93	0·86	0·68	0·99	1·01
Bright's disease and acute nephritis	268	263	261	256	277	2·92	2·78	2·69	2·58	2·73
Violence, suicide	102	103	118	100	124	1·11	1·09	1·21	1·01	1·22
„ accident	611	570	660	567	590	6·65	6·03	6·79	5·71	5·81
Other causes	4,663	4,401	4,497	4,912	4,934	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	10,066	9,043	8,959	9,639	9,534	109·52	95·69	92·19	97·09	93·94