

to develop the existing system of tuberculosis dispensaries and to devote more attention to the after-care of patients discharged from sanatoria.

Cerebro-spinal Meningitis and Poliomyelitis.—There have been relatively few cases of these diseases during the past year.

More exact information concerning the incidence of infectious disease in 1919 is furnished by the next two tables, showing the number of cases of each disease notified (A) in hospital districts and (B) by months :—

TABLE A.—SHOWING DISEASES NOTIFIED IN HOSPITAL DISTRICTS DURING THE YEAR 1919.

Hospital District.	Estimated Population (excluding Maoris).	Estimated Maori Population.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Enteric Fever.	Tuberculosis.	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.	Poliomyelitis.	Puerperal Septicæmia.	Hydatids.	Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	Septicæmia (undclassified).	Erysipelas.	Measles.	Lethargic Encephalitis.	Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Trachoma.	Anthrax.	Totals.
North Auckland Health District.																				
Bay of Islands ..	11,985	9,711	..	2	16	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	26	5	1	..	58
Kaipara ..	10,017	1,284	3	10	4	6	6	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	43
Whangarei ..	12,640	1,095	2	7	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	33	3	..	..	52
Auckland Health District.																				
Auckland ..	168,410	1,716	150	320	101	145	15	2	14	4	4	4	16	55	13	770	223	3	1	1,840
Waikato ..	56,749	8,139	31	128	38	28	6	1	1	1	2	..	3	9	4	517	58	..	..	827
Thames ..	14,548	1,365	5	68	8	9	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	32	1	..	..	126
Waihi ..	4,961	..	5	19	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	46	6	..	..	81
Coromandel ..	2,344	300	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Tauranga ..	5,852	1,716	3	5	13	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	58	2	..	..	84
Bay of Plenty ..	6,139	4,201	2	24	47	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	51	..	..	..	129
Taumarunui ..	9,014	1,081	..	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	1	..	..	24
Wellington Health District.																				
Waiapu ..	2,156	2,714	1	1	50	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	..	..	65
Cook ..	21,127	1,755	4	80	29	24	3	..	..	1	3	..	1	1	..	11	6	..	..	163
Wairoa ..	4,013	2,555	1	10	8	33	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	65	30	..	..	151
Hawke's Bay ..	33,344	1,203	17	146	6	28	5	1	6	2	..	..	..	12	1	160	11	2	..	397
Waipawa ..	20,043	727	19	56	3	19	2	..	1	4	..	..	1	..	..	63	6	..	..	174
Taranaki ..	24,778	1,752	14	71	8	18	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	10	2	131	14	..	..	273
Stratford ..	9,614	19	1	52	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	59	3	..	..	119
Hawera ..	16,328	832	6	115	4	6	1	..	1	..	..	..	41	6	..	164	19	..	..	363
Patea ..	4,956	276	2	11	6	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	19	..	..	51
Wanganui ..	42,626	2,352	14	143	12	29	1	..	4	2	..	..	43	3	..	230	32	..	..	513
Palmerston North ..	44,380	1,778	18	209	4	11	2	2	4	..	3	..	4	6	4	37	50	..	..	354
Wellington ..	107,049	468	58	311	61	91	11	..	8	..	4	..	9	20	12	312	54	..	..	951
Wairarapa ..	32,243	881	26	76	7	15	4	1	3	..	1	..	2	7	2	84	6	..	..	234
Wairau ..	11,777	86	2	44	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	32	..	..	10	..	..	..	90
Pictou ..	3,246	287	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Nelson ..	25,533	138	2	199	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	12	6	..	..	235
Canterbury Health District.																				
Westland ..	7,502	56	..	14	11	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	8	..	..	38
Buller ..	10,124	25	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	2	..	..	16
Inangahua ..	4,249	..	2	5	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	2	..	..	17
Grey ..	12,739	..	2	86	1	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	..	7	3	..	..	115
North Canterbury ..	134,475	740	241	345	15	251	12	..	12	8	6	4	16	160	12	523	212	1	..	1,818
Ashburton ..	16,404	17	44	16	2	12	2	..	3	4	1	1	6	3	..	52	9	..	..	155
South Canterbury ..	37,813	217	185	194	2	22	3	..	3	3	..	2	2	2	3	71	28	..	..	520
Otago Health District.																				
Waitaki ..	15,636	37	60	41	..	16	3	..	4	1	..	..	3	..	2	9	6	..	..	145
Otago ..	108,792	123	420	356	2	134	8	..	1	7	1	2	7	48	5	64	34	..	..	1,089
Vincent ..	5,307	..	36	128	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	10	6	..	..	195
Maniototo ..	2,884	..	18	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	22
Southland ..	53,169	47	104	183	1	37	5	..	6	3	..	..	5	10	3	35	11	..	..	403
Wallace and Fiord ..	10,583	93	20	10	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	..	40
Totals	1,125,549	49,776	1,521	3,499	477	984	96	11	79	45	24	14	73	477	90	3,700	879	7	1	11,977

TABLE B.—MONTHLY INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACCORDING TO NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED UNDER SECTION 25 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1919.

Month.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Enteric Fever.	Tuberculosis.	C.S. Meningitis.	Poliomyelitis.	Puerperal Septicæmia.	Hydatids.	Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	Septicæmia (undclassified).	Erysipelas.	Measles.	Lethargic Encephalitis.	Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Trachoma.	Anthrax.	Totals.
January ..	79	159	20	74	16	1	3	3	2	..	4	21	..	366	..	1	..	749
February ..	69	166	26	84	2	2	8	2	3	..	4	6	..	76	..	..	..	448
March ..	80	249	41	107	2	..	6	4	4	2	8	16	..	133	..	..	..	652
April ..	145	333	47	70	7	1	5	3	2	3	5	5	..	395	..	..	..	1,021
May ..	172	409	46	71	13	1	2	1	1	1	4	23	6	284	..	..	..	1,039
June ..	172	381	37	75	9	3	5	6	2	1	7	10	39	136	29	..	..	912
July ..	152	353	58	83	10	..	9	2	2	3	8	13	20	200	80	..	..	993
August ..	148	330	43	95	12	..	9	4	1	1	11	18	7	316	113	..	..	1,108
September ..	138	291	44	71	9	2	5	5	..	2	8	62	13	256	154	2	..	1,062
October ..	126	305	60	88	9	..	4	6	2	..	2	76	3	197	118	..	..	996
November ..	153	265	30	95	4	..	11	4	1	1	6	113	2	528	199	4	1	1,417
December ..	87	258	25	71	3	1	12	5	4	..	6	109	..	813	186	..	..	1,580
Totals	1,521	3,499	477	984	96	11	79	45	24	14	73	477	90	3,700	879	7	1	11,977