

Weekly Incomes of Families.

	Number.		Number.
£1 and under ..	42	Over £4 and up to £5 ..	41
Over £1 and up to £2 ..	162		
Over £2 and up to £3 ..	264		1,004
Over £3 and up to £4 ..	495		

COST OF ADMINISTRATION.

The cost of administration for the year amounted to £76,755, the principal items of expenditure being £35,863 for salaries of officers of the Department, who numbered 171 as at 31st March, 1930; £15,476 and £2,689 paid to the Postal Department respectively for payment of pensions and postage and telegrams; £6,756 for medical fees; £4,488 for salaries and other expenses of the War Pensions Appeal Board; and £2,357 for salaries of the War Pensions Board.

The percentage of cost of administration to the total payments made of £3,031,784 was 2·53.

WAR PENSIONS.

TOTAL CLAIMS LODGED AND ANNUAL VALUE OF ALL PENSIONS GRANTED TO DATE.

Year.	Claims lodged.		Pensions granted.		
	Soldiers.	Dependants.	Number.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
1915-16	798	681	1,214	£ 56,488	£ 46
1916-17	3,958	2,017	5,316	285,707	53
1917-18	8,148	3,754	10,587	780,057	73
1918-19	14,749	5,292	16,954	1,167,081	68
1919-20	11,493	3,990	15,183	872,627	57
1920-21	1,081	1,878	2,207	163,713	66
1921-22	367	891	945	63,685	67
1922-23	198	635	625	43,867	70
1923-24	160	550	551	40,836	74
1924-25	197	505	432	31,241	72
1925-26	161	379	353	26,046	74
1926-27	218	378	350	26,369	75
1927-28	180	368	330	24,502	74
1928-29	231	407	398	30,545	77
1929-30	223	411	347	26,633	77
Totals	42,162	22,136	55,792	3,639,397	65

NOTE.—The number of pensions granted as shown herein does not include children's pensions, the value of which, however, form part of the pensions payable to parents (or guardians), and are included in the annual value totals.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL LIABILITY AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1930.

Class of Pension.	Number of Pensioners.	Number of Children.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
			£	£
Soldiers (permanent)	9,285	13	472,864	51
Soldiers (temporary)	3,368	32	248,811	74
Dependants of disabled soldiers	1,102	2,260	101,543	92
Widows (without children)	740	..	67,210	91
Widows (with children)	657	996	96,550	147
Other dependants of deceased soldiers—				
Parents	4,920	6	176,437	36
Other adult dependants	116	8	4,074	35
Guardians of children	551	743	20,085	36
Totals, &c.	20,739	4,058	1,187,574	57