

Gaols

Inspections are carried out monthly. The health of the prisoners is particularly good and, except for new prisoners, they are free from contagious diseases.

INFANT MORTALITY
Deaths (Samoans) at Different Ages

	Number of Deaths.					Percentage of Total Deaths.				
	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1947.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1947.
Under 1 week	35	23	12	47	26	2.73	3.56	2.35	7.17	4.24
1 week to 1 month ..	19	11	4	23	17	1.49	1.70	0.77	3.50	2.77
1 month to 3 months ..	43	22	17	25	9	3.36	3.39	3.33	3.81	1.47
3 months to 6 months ..	55	22	11	25	20	4.30	3.39	2.15	3.81	3.26
6 months to 12 months ..	143	86	65	56	67	11.18	13.32	12.72	8.54	10.92
1 year to 2 years ..	173	71	70	66	74	13.53	10.98	13.70	10.06	12.07
2 years to 3 years ..	67	18	24	32	24	5.24	2.78	4.70	4.88	3.92
3 years to 4 years ..	47	19	16	18	12	3.67	2.93	3.13	2.75	1.96
4 years to 5 years ..	19	9	5	16	7	1.49	1.38	0.98	2.44	1.14
5 years to 10 years ..	74	48	31	40	33	5.79	7.42	6.07	6.09	5.39
Over 10 years	604	318	256	308	324	47.22	49.15	50.10	46.95	52.86
Totals	1,279	647	511	656	613	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

The infant-mortality rate was 56.94 per 1,000 births. A table setting out the rate of deaths under one year per 1,000 registered births during the last twenty years is set out below :—

1927	101	1934	104.8	1941	69.59
1928	58	1935	97.0	1942	72.69
1929	70	1936	291.77*	1943	124.42
1930	61	1937	89.30	1944	75.8
1931	111	1938	73.79	1945	53.8
1932	121	1939	83.56	1946	64.05
1933	114	1940	73.80	1947	56.94

* Due to epidemics of whooping-cough and measles ; see report for 1936-37, page 22.

ALCOHOL AND SPIRITS

The Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of Western Samoa approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations provides that the Administering Authority shall control, in the interest of the inhabitants, the manufacture, importation, and distribution of intoxicating spirits and beverages.

The importation and manufacture of liquor containing more than 3 per cent. of proof spirit is prohibited by the Samoa Act of 1921, sections 336 to 341, except importation by the Administration for medical, sacramental, or industrial purposes (as provided by section 340). Importation and the disposal of liquors so imported are controlled by the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor Regulations 1920. Sale to both Europeans and Samoans is prohibited except where prescribed by a duly qualified Government Medical Officer, and for medicinal purposes only (see also Board of Health Regulations, No. 1).