

SCARLET FEVER.

The number of deaths from scarlet fever in 1908 was 60. This is the greatest number shown in any one year with the exception of 1903, when there were 131 deaths from this complaint. The average annual mortality for the ten years 1893–1902 was 8·6.

WHOOPIING-COUGH.

There were 42 deaths in 1908, 307 in 1907, and 26 in 1906.

INFLUENZA.

This was less prevalent in 1908 than in any other year of the period shown, only 64 deaths being recorded.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Deaths from phthisis numbered 607 or 6·42 per 10,000 of the population, against 612 deaths or 6·66 per 10,000 in 1907, and 556 deaths or 6·21 per 10,000 in 1906. The average for the past ten years was 582, or 6·99 per 10,000.

| Year. | Deaths from Phthisis. | Rate per 10,000. | Year. | Deaths from Phthisis. | Rate per 10,000. |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1899 | 593 | 7·91 | 1904 | 598 | 7·08 |
| 1900 | 577 | 7·56 | 1905 | 496 | 5·70 |
| 1901 | 596 | 7·66 | 1906 | 556 | 6·21 |
| 1902 | 617 | 7·73 | 1907 | 612 | 6·66 |
| 1903 | 570 | 6·95 | 1908 | 607 | 6·42 |

Reference to the following table will show that 360 persons known to have been born in the Dominion died during 1908 from phthisis, a proportion of 5·58 per 10,000 of the estimated native-born white population, and 133 persons resident for fifteen years or over succumbed to the disease.

Deaths from Phthisis, 1908.

| Length of Residence in New Zealand. | | | Age at Death. | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|--------|
| | | | Under 5 Years. | 5 to 10. | 10 to 15. | 15 to 25. | 25 to 35. | 35 to 45. | 45 to 55. | 55 to 65. | 65 to 75. | 75 and up- wards. | Total. |
| <i>Males.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 month | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | |
| 1 to 6 months | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | |
| 6 to 12 months | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9 | |
| 1 to 2 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | |
| 2 to 3 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 9 | |
| 3 to 4 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | |
| 4 to 5 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | |
| 5 to 10 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 10 | |
| 10 to 15 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | |
| 15 to 20 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 11 | |
| 20 to 25 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | |
| 25 years and upwards | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 7 | 23 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 66 | |
| Not known | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 3 | 10 | 6 | ... | 3 | ... | 26 | |
| Born in Dominion | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 44 | 53 | 37 | 7 | 2 | 1 | ... | 147 |
| Totals | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 62 | 82 | 78 | 47 | 23 | 18 | 3 | 316 |
| <i>Females.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 month | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 1 to 6 months | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | |
| 6 to 12 months | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 1 to 2 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | |
| 2 to 3 years | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | |
| 3 to 4 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | |
| 4 to 5 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | |
| 5 to 10 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | |
| 10 to 15 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | |
| 15 to 20 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | |
| 20 to 25 years | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | 6 | |
| 25 years and upwards | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 8 | 15 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 39 | |
| Not known | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 7 | |
| Born in Dominion | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | 6 | 74 | 85 | 34 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 213 |
| Totals | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | 6 | 79 | 112 | 45 | 27 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 291 |
| Totals of both sexes | ... | ... | 6 | 3 | 7 | 141 | 194 | 123 | 74 | 30 | 23 | 6 | 607 |