

TABLE VIII.—TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITALIZATION AND MORTALITY IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country.	Population.		Tuberculosis Mortality.			Hospital and Sanatorium Beds.	Beds available for each Ten Deaths.
	Inhabitants.	Year.	Deaths.	Year.	Rate per 100,000.		
Denmark	3,267,831	1921	3,177	1922	95	3,458	11
Sweden	6,053,562	1925	8,252	1923	136	7,949	10
Scotland	4,882,497	1922	5,390	1925	110	4,170	7 to 8
Canada	9,215,000	1924	7,675	1924	83	5,238	7
United States	112,078,611	1924	99,579	1924	89	73,715	7
England and Wales	39,067,000	1926	37,525	1926	96	22,202	6
Netherlands	7,358,868	1925	7,263	1925	99	3,000	4
Germany	62,365,478	1925	83,000	1925	133	35,000	4
France	39,209,518	1921	66,824	1920	170	29,171	3 to 4
Northern Ireland	1,255,881	1926	2,100	1925	168	376	1 to 2
Italy	40,116,700	1924	65,000	..	162	7,000	1
Czecho-Slovakia	13,982,726	1921	40,000	1924	250	5,291	1
Japan	59,736,704	1925	120,719	1921	213	3,000	$\frac{1}{4}$
New Zealand	1,374,439	1927	668	1927	49	1,123	17

References.—(1) Ministry of Health (England): Annual Report of Chief Medical Officer, 1926 ; (2) Bulletins of L'Union Internationale Contre la Tuberculose ; (3) *Journal of Royal Sanitary Institute*, February, 1928 ; (4) League of Nations report on " Health Organization in Denmark."

TABLE IX.—TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITALIZATION AND MORTALITY IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES : BEDS AVAILABLE IN SANATORIA AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

Country.	Tuberculosis Mortality.			Beds available.			Beds available for each Ten Deaths.		
	Deaths.	Year.	Rate per 100,000.	Sanatoria.	Other Institutions.	Total.	Sanatoria.	Other Institutions.	Total.
New Zealand ..	668	1927	49	574	549	1,123	9	8	17
England and Wales	37,525	1926	96	14,458	7,744	22,202	4	2	6
Denmark ..	3,177	1922	95	1,382	2,076	3,458	4	7	11

This favourable position has been reached in the last twenty-five years, and reflects credit upon the Health Department and upon Hospital Boards. In Table X it is shown that since 1880, of the total number of deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis, the percentage that occur in hospital has steadily increased.

TABLE X.—DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS AND SANATORIA IN NEW ZEALAND.

Tuberculosis of Respiratory System.				All Forms of Tuberculosis.			
Year.	Total Deaths.	Deaths in Hospital.		Total Deaths.	Deaths in Hospital.		
		Number.	Percentage of Total Deaths.		Number.	Percentage of Total Deaths.	
1880	447	98	21·9	645	100	15·5	
1900	577	90	15·6	752	121	16·1	
1925	560	253	45·2	684	343	50·1	
1926	592	284	48·0	727	383	52·7	
1927	533	296	55·5	668	381	57·0	

NOTE.—Total deaths are exclusive of Maoris, but Maoris are included in hospital figures.

Effort should be made to still further increase this percentage. It has been stated that the endeavours to combat the disease by direct methods in this country have had little apparent influence upon the already declining death-rate. If this can be effected it will be done probably by segregating the indigent bedridden cases. These cases disseminate the disease, and are a menace to the country. They should receive especial attention. It is better to protect the mass than to cure the individual.