

KIDNEY OR BRIGHT'S DISEASE, 567.

Since 1900, unlike heart-disease, apoplexy, and diseases of the arteries, the death-rate from which have greatly increased, that from kidney or Bright's disease has shown little variation.

DIABETES, 223.

There has been little variation in the death-rate from diabetes in recent years.

MATERNAL MORTALITY.

The questions of maternal mortality and diseases and accidents of childbirth are dealt with fully in the report on maternal welfare by my colleague, Dr. Paget.

SECTION 2.—THE COMMON INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

INFLUENZA (ALL FORMS), 131.

Number of Deaths from Influenza in New Zealand, 1925–30.

Year	Number.	Year.	Number.
1925	86	1928	242
1926	288	1929	297
1927	131	1930	131

PNEUMONIC INFLUENZA.

Pneumonic influenza, the deaths from which are included in “Influenza (all forms),” is a form of influenza which is compulsorily notifiable.

Pneumonic Influenza in New Zealand, 1926–30.

Year.	Deaths.	
	Number.	Rate per 10,000 of Mean Population.
1926	132	0·98
1927	43	0·31
1928	100	0·72
1929	120	0·85
1930	66	0·46

DIPHTHERIA, 58.

Diphtheria in New Zealand, 1926–30.

Year.	Notifications.		Deaths.*	
	Number.	Rate per 10,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 10,000 of Mean Population.
1926	1,975	14·59	66	0·49
1927	1,446	10·52	58	0·42
1928	1,600	11·51	72	0·52
1929	1,687	11·99	92	0·65
1930	1,440	10·10	58	0·41

* Figures include deaths from croup.

SCARLET FEVER, 16.

The course of scarlet fever in New Zealand is briefly shown in the table below.

Scarlet Fever in New Zealand, 1926–30.

Year.	Notifications.		Deaths.	
	Number.	Rate per 10,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 10,000 of Mean Population.
1926	1,583	11·70	8	0·06
1927	2,185	15·89	16	0·12
1928	6,127	44·06	55	0·40
1929	4,848	34·46	27	0·19
1930	2,244	15·75	16	0·11