

There is no doubt that the increased number of people seeking admission as voluntary boarders is in part due to the knowledge that such treatment is available and is likely in suitable cases to have surprisingly favourable results.

Year.	First Admission.			Not First Admission.			Total Admissions.			Transferred to Register of Patients.			Died.	Discharged.			Remaining on 31st December.		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	
1912	6	17	23	0	0	0	6	17	23	1	3	4	0	0	0	4	3	7	
1913	18	19	37	0	2	2	18	21	39	2	5	7	0	1	1	12	12	24	
1914	17	19	36	3	2	5	20	21	41	7	5	12	1	1	2	11	15	26	
1915	15	17	32	1	2	3	16	19	35	3	4	7	0	1	1	8	14	22	
1916	13	23	36	5	8	13	18	31	49	4	4	8	1	2	3	14	14	28	
1917	14	21	35	1	13	14	15	34	49	6	6	12	0	1	1	10	23	33	
1918	23	38	61	5	11	16	28	49	77	1	4	5	2	2	4	15	30	45	
1919	31	39	70	5	19	24	36	58	94	3	3	6	0	2	2	26	42	68	
1920	26	38	64	16	12	28	42	50	92	3	4	7	1	2	3	33	33	66	
1921	39	39	78	11	15	26	50	54	104	2	3	5	5	1	6	38	41	79	
1922	47	38	85	10	16	26	57	54	111	6	5	11	4	4	8	40	48	88	
1923	44	50	94	15	21	36	59	71	130	3	6	9	3	3	6	47	47	94	
1924	38	44	82	16	20	36	54	64	118	4	8	12	6	3	9	39	48	87	
1925	64	59	123	15	34	49	79	93	172	10	15	25	6	3	9	60	63	123	
1926	71	60	131	11	29	40	82	89	171	10	11	21	7	2	9	49	71	120	
1927	70	70	140	25	32	57	95	102	197	8	6	14	5	12	17	75	58	133	
1928	120	94	214	37	39	76	157	133	290	8	10	18	10	8	18	102	97	199	
1929	102	63	165	50	43	93	152	106	258	11	3	14	9	9	18	119	110	229	
1930	152	84	236	41	35	76	193	119	312	15	9	24	8	6	14	130	79	209	
1931	166	98	264	43	36	79	209	134	343	14	15	25	11	7	18	159	102	261	
1932	150	85	235	50	40	90	200	125	325	24	32	56	14	5	19	190	108	298	
1933	112	109	221	53	32	85	165	141	306	11	14	25	5	4	9	121	107	228	
1934	132	90	221	56	33	89	188	123	311	7	11	18	10	6	16	152	99	251	
1935	130	87	217	40	55	95	170	142	312	18	20	38	19	10	29	151	116	267	
1936	98	99	197	62	44	106	160	143	303	21	20	41	7	10	17	137	111	248	
1937	103	91	194	64	45	109	167	136	303	14	7	21	6	10	16	163	122	285	
1938	111	105	216	60	53	113	171	158	329	11	15	26	11	8	19	144	125	269	
1939	131	103	234	63	72	135	194	175	369	22	21	43	16	15	31	157	130	287	
1940	128	124	252	65	63	128	193	187	380	18	18	36	10	12	22	176	167	343	
1941	93	104	197	48	58	106	141	162	303	11	9	20	10	13	23	140	151	291	
1942	88	108	196	44	74	118	132	182	314	14	15	29	15	8	23	124	160	284	
1943	95	126	221	66	87	153	161	213	374	2	8	10	13	14	27	115	159	274	
1944	146	168	314	70	104	174	216	272	488	4	7	11	11	10	21	172	243	415	
1945	178	181	359	90	112	202	268	293	561	9	8	17	20	8	28	244	272	516	

#### ACCOMMODATION

The position in regard to accommodation was dealt with in some detail in my last annual report, which disclosed a deficiency of 751 beds, not taking into account the 265 patients then accommodated temporarily at The Chateau and Wairakei.

Towards the end of the year the essential services of water-supply, sewerage, and lighting at The Chateau were put out of action by the deposit of ash from the active eruption of Mount Ruapehu, and the matter of evacuation became an urgent necessity. It was indeed fortunate that at the moment when we required the accommodation the military convalescent depot at Raventhorpe, near Auckland, became available, and our patients were transferred there at a few hours' notice.

A few weeks later we had similarly to evacuate Wairakei, which was situated in the centre of the extensive bush fires which swept the thermal area of the North Island, and our patients went to Raventhorpe, which now has approximately 300 of a patient population in addition to staff. It is unlikely that Raventhorpe can be adapted as a permanent mental hospital for adult patients, but it would be suitable, after the necessary alterations and repairs and additions, for housing cases of congenital mental deficiency, and in this regard it will meet a pressing need.