

The following tables and remarks relating to the incidence of infectious disease in the Dominion during the year are taken from the annual reports of the Health Officers for the various districts :—

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Infectious-disease Notifications.

The cases of infectious disease occurring in this public health district during the departmental year, which I had to refer to in my last report as being largely in excess of those occurring during any of the preceding five years, are this year at something like their normal.

1904-5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	620
1905-6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	616
1906-7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	642
1907-8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,071
1908-9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	737

Compared with last departmental year, the following are the figures in cases notified :—

—	Enteric.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Tuberculosis.	Blood-poisoning.	Plague.	Total.
<i>Decreases.</i>							
Auckland City	22	35	18	2	7	2	86
Suburban boroughs	18	21	34	..	..	..	73
Road districts	26	25	9	9	..	..	49
Country districts	45	71	2	19	8	..	145
Hospital, shipping, &c.	1	3	1	..	..	..	5
	112	135	64	30	15	2	358
<i>Increases.</i>							
Suburban boroughs .. .. .	..	..	..	6	13	..	19
Road districts .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
Hospital, shipping, &c. .. .. .	..	..	..	2	1	..	3
	..	..	..	8	16	..	24
Net decrease .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	334

The following table exhibits the distribution of the cases :—

Summary of Notifications of Infectious Diseases from 1st April, 1908, to 31st March, 1909.

—	Enteric Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Tuberculosis.	Blood-poisoning.	Total.
Auckland City	66	35	25	45	27	198
Birkenhead Borough .. .. .	..	3	..	..	..	3
Devonport Borough .. .. .	..	4	1	..	2	7
Grey Lynn Borough	24	4	5	4	3	40
Mount Eden Borough	8	7	6	12	7	40
Newmarket Borough	7	2	..	..	3	12
Northcote Borough .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	1
Onehunga Borough	2	4	1	2	4	13
Parnell Borough .. .. .	..	14	4	7	3	28
Arch Hill Road District	1	1	..	2	2	6
Avondale Road District	2	..	1	2	3	8
Eden Terrace Road District	2	6	2	4	..	14
Epsom Road District	1	2	1	1	1	6
Mount Albert Road District	8	3	1	5	1	18
One-tree Hill Road District .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	2
Point Chevalier Road District	7	..	..	..	..	7
Remuera Road District .. .. .	..	1	1	1	2	5
Tamaki West Road District .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	1
Bay of Islands County	1	..	..	1	..	2
Coromandel County .. .. .	..	..	..	12	1	13
Hobson County	3	..	1	..	1	5
Hokianga County	3	1	1	7	1	13
Kawhia County	1	..	..	..	..	1
Manukau County	2	4	1	5	1	13