

*Charitable-aid Expenditure.*

As compared with last year there is a decrease of £1,352 in charitable-aid expenditure, the figures for the last four years being as follows:—

Year.	Indoor Relief.	Outdoor Relief.	Total.
	£	£	£
1909-10 .. .. .	64,335	38,988	103,323
1910-11 .. .. .	62,848	33,051	95,899
1911-12 .. .. .	64,651	34,171	98,822
1912-13 .. .. .	66,378	31,092	97,470

*A Comparison of Hospital and Charitable-aid Expenditure for the past Ten Years, and Reasons of Increase.*

Year.	Hospital and Charitable-aid Expenditure.	Mean Population.	Cost per Head of Population.
	£		s. d.
1903-4 .. .. .	243,000	826,902	5 10½
1904-5 .. .. .	259,616	851,964	6 1
1905-6 .. .. .	270,710	877,469	6 2
1906-7 .. .. .	288,808	901,920	6 4½
1907-8 .. .. .	315,197	925,727	6 10
1908-9 .. .. .	359,941	945,063	7 7¼
1909-10 .. .. .	375,075	977,906	7 8
1910-11 .. .. .	416,384	997,974	8 4¼
1911-12 .. .. .	482,645	1,019,984	9 5½
1912-13 .. .. .	500,443	1,046,624	9 6¾

In the above the figures for the last three years include infectious disease, hospitals and consumptive sanatoria under Boards' control, also public health, subsidies to medical associations, and district nurses. In every year separate institutions have been included.

The number of persons availing themselves of treatment in the general hospitals for the last ten years was as follows:—

Year.	Total Number of Persons under Treatment.	Population.	Proportion under Treatment per 1,000 of Population.	Average Number of Occupied Beds per Diem.	Proportion of Population.
1903-4 .. .. .	15,033	826,902	18.2	1,233	1.49
1904-5 .. .. .	15,278	851,964	17.9	1,290	1.51
1905-6 .. .. .	16,216	877,469	18.5	1,354	1.54
1906-7 .. .. .	17,521	901,920	19.4	1,505	1.67
1907-8 .. .. .	19,160	925,727	20.7	1,511	1.66
1908-9 .. .. .	18,653	945,063	20.8	1,566	1.66
1909-10 .. .. .	21,108	977,906	21.6	1,709	1.75
1910-11 .. .. .	23,584	997,974	23.6	1,839	1.81
1911-12 .. .. .	24,681	1,019,984	24.1	1,900	1.83
1912-13 .. .. .	26,979	1,046,624	25.8	2,131	2.04

Year.	General Number of Hospitals.	Number of Beds.	Proportion of Beds per 1,000 of Population.
1903-4 .. .. .	47	1,988	2.40
1904-5 .. .. .	47	2,048	2.40
1905-6 .. .. .	52	2,186	2.49
1906-7 .. .. .	53	2,331	2.58
1907-8 .. .. .	53	2,347	2.54
1908-9 .. .. .	53	2,502	2.65
1909-10 .. .. .	56	2,689	2.75
1910-11 .. .. .	57	2,863	2.87
1911-12 .. .. .	60	3,057	3.00
1912-13 .. .. .	63	3,176	3.03