

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 TO 1937, AND AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937 (PART IV.).

GREAT BRITAIN.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

RETURN No. 8/1941. OUTBREAKS OF SCHEDULED (NOTIFIABLE) DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MINISTRY during the period 16th to 30th APRIL 1941.

Summary of Returns of outbreaks of certain scheduled (notifiable) diseases which have been confirmed by the Ministry during the period 16th to 30th April 1941.

Period.	Anthrax.		Foot-and-Mouth Disease.		Parasitic Mange. §		Sheep Scab.	Swine Fever.	
	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals slaughtered as diseased or exposed to infection.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Swine slaughtered.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Period 16th to 30th April 1941	21	24*	14	1,963	—	—	15	40	21
Corresponding period in { 1940	31	37	1	31	—	1	4	170	108
{ 1939	34	36	—	—	4	10	2	87	58
{ 1938	43	46	7	942	1	1	3	23	23
Total 1st January to 30th April 1941	184	199	209	21,201	7	21	114	639	305
Corresponding period in { 1940	214	233	18	2,552	11	24	105	1,296	793
{ 1939	338	362	29	4,357	25	52	142	492	305
{ 1938	356	375	148	19,321	37	59	88	140	97

NOTE.—The figures for the current year are approximate only.

* 2 of these animals refer to outbreaks confirmed prior to 16th April 1941.

§ Excluding outbreaks in Army Horses.

NOTE.—The following diseases were eradicated from Great Britain in the years indicated:—Cattle plague, or rinder-pest (*pestis bovina*) 1877; pleuro-pneumonia (*peripneumonia contagiosa bovum*) 1898; sheep pox (*variola ovium*) 1850; rabies 1922; epizootic lymphangitis (*lymphangitis epizootica*) 1906; and glanders (including farcy) (*malleus*) 1928. Dourine (*exanthema cutiale paralyticum*) has never existed in Great Britain.

No case of Fowl Pest (*pestis avium*) has been confirmed in Great Britain since the 11th January 1937, the date as from which the disease was first notifiable. So far as is known, however, Fowl Pest has not existed in Great Britain since 1933.

TUBERCULOSIS (ATTESTED HERDS) SCHEMES.

The number of Attested Herds, i.e. herds officially certified as free from Tuberculosis as at 30th April 1941, was as follows:—

ENGLAND.	WALES.	SCOTLAND.	TOTAL (GREAT BRITAIN).
3,863	9,279	3,264	16,406

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1938.

Notices of Intended Slaughter have been issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Tuberculosis Order of 1938 during the period 16th to 30th April 1941 in respect of 663 bovine animals.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,
20th May 1941.