

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

RETURN No. 2/1941. OUTBREAKS OF SCHEDULED (NOTIFIABLE) DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MINISTRY during the period 16th to 31st JANUARY, 1941.

Summary of Returns of outbreaks of certain scheduled (notifiable) diseases which have been confirmed by the Ministry during the period 16th to 31st January, 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.	
Period 16th to 31st January, 1941	27	29*	29	3,900	1	4	23	110	68	
Corresponding period in	1940 ... ..	34	42	1	66	1	3	13	152	77
	1939 ... ..	55	58	11	1,635	7	12	61	64	45
	1938 ... ..	38	40	43	5,341	10	10	22	22	12
Total 1st to 31st January, 1941	1941 ... ..	52	55	51	5,431	1	4	45	250	111
	1940 ... ..	55	64	5	624	5	9	36	342	184
	1939 ... ..	92	97	22	3,531	8	13	83	106	72
	1938 ... ..	89	91	75	9,981	16	20	52	38	23

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

\* 2 of these animals refer to an outbreak confirmed prior to 16th January, 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 costale 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 31st January, 1941, was as follows :—

ENGLAND.	WALES.	SCOTLAND.	TOTAL (GREAT BRITAIN).
3,830	9,283	3,218	16,331

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 31st January, 1941, in respect of 520 bovine animals.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,  
18th February, 1941.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICE of BRITISH CORN per Hundred-weight of 112 Imperial Pounds\*, as received from the INSPECTORS OF CORN RETURNS in the week ended the 15th February, 1941, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, and the Corn Sales Act, 1921 :—

British Corn.	Quantities Sold.	Average Price per Cwt.
	Cwt.	s. d.
WHEAT ... ..	152,671	14 8
BARLEY ... ..	282,994	20 10
OATS ... ..	56,759	15 5

\* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, as amended by Section 2 of the Corn Sales Act, 1921, provides that, in the weekly summary of quantities and prices, each sort of British Corn shall be computed with reference to the hundredweight of one hundred and twelve imperial standard pounds.

NOTE.—The prices in the statement above are based on returns received from Inspectors during the week ending 15th February, 1941, and represent on the whole the average prices ruling in the week ending 8th February, 1941.

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