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## EXPERIENCE UNDER IND\VIDUAL MEDICAL EXPENSE POLICIES, 1968-70

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## SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUAL MEDICAL EXPENSE POLICIES, 1968-70

This report presents an analysis of morbidity experience under individual medical expense policies in force during the 1968, 1969, and 1970 calendar years. Results of data submitted by eighteen companies are presented for the following:

- 1. Hospital room and board benefit
- 2. Miscellaneous hospital expense benefit
- 3. Surgical expense benefit
- 4. Deductible amount
- 5. Maternity expense benefit
- 6. Major medical expense benefit

For the hospital room and board benefit, frequencies of hospitalization, average claims, and claim costs are shown by age and sex for maximum benefit periods of 31, 90, and 365 days. A comparison of the current experience with the previous 1966–67 experience shows the claim costs for the room and board benefit to be sharply higher above age 65, as a result

of an increase in both frequency and average claim. At younger ages the claim costs are about the same. For children both claim frequencies and average claims are lower, so that claim costs are only 93 per cent of the 1966-67 level. The average claim for the miscellaneous hospital expense benefit for a given maximum benefit in the current study continues to show an increase over the previous studies, the increase becoming greater as the maximum benefit increases.

Frequencies, average claims, and claim costs per \$100 of maximum surgical benefit for a standard schedule are shown. A comparison of the current experience with the previous 1966–67 experience indicates that the claim costs for adults have increased by ratios that tend to increase with age, with the increases again sharply higher above attained age 65. Those for children are about 4 per cent smaller.

A rather extensive analysis of the major medical experience is shown, subdivided by type and amount of deductible, maximum amounts, coinsurance, hospital room and board limit, and duration. A comparison of the current experience with the previous 1966–67 experience for all ages combined shows that the claim costs are about 69 per cent higher for the current three-year study period.

This report presents an analysis of morbidity experience under individual medical expense policies during the three calendar years 1968, 1969, and 1970. The four previous studies appear in the 1969 Reports, 1967 Reports, 1965 Reports, and 1963 Reports.

All of the previous studies covered two calendar years only. This report covers three years, because of the change made last year to a basis of publishing the individual policy disability and medical expense studies in alternate years. In the use of data from this present report, the fact that it spans three calendar years should be kept carefully in mind, especially in reference to rates of trend.

Studies were made of the following:

- 1. Hospital room and board benefit
- 2. Miscellaneous hospital expense benefit
- 3. Surgical expense benefit
- 4. Deductible amount
- 5. Maternity expense benefit
- Major medical expense benefit

The experience on lives covered under family and individual policies was combined. No differentiation was made by type of renewal provision. Payments made to the end of the calendar year following the year in which a claim was incurred are included; estimates of future payments

on claims pending at the end of this period are included on major medical claims only.

Where data for deductible policies are shown, experience was tabulated by amount of deductible. Data on policies with a deductible were submitted only if the deductible applied to all benefits under the policy except the maternity benefit. Only data on claims which were in excess of the deductible are included; claim data reflect amounts of eligible medical expenses *before* the application of the deductible, except in the study of major medical benefits.

Excluded from the investigation were the following:

- 1. Franchise and wholesale insurance.
- 2. Conversions from group insurance.
- 3. Policies issued with an extra premium unless such policies constituted a very small proportion of the contributing company's total business. (Policies issued with a medical impairment rider, but without an extra premium, were included in the study.)
- 4. Policies issued at senior ages on a mass-enrollment basis, without evidence of insurability.

In the sections on frequency of hospitalization and average amount of hospital claim, only inpatient claims are included. The section on miscellaneous hospital expense benefit includes data on both inpatient and outpatient hospital claims. The section on surgery combines data on surgery performed both in and out of the hospital, and the section on major medical insurance includes data on services performed both in and out of the hospital.

Maternity claims were excluded except in the section dealing specifically with maternity expense benefits.

Unless otherwise indicated, data shown are for all durations combined. The duration is a calendar-year duration rather than a policy-year duration and is determined by subtracting the calendar year of issue from the calendar year of experience. Companies were requested not to submit data for duration 0 (the calendar year in which a policy was issued).

### CONTRIBUTING COMPANIES

The following eighteen companies contributed data to one or more sections of this report:

Aetna Life Insurance Company Connecticut General Life Insurance Company Continental Assurance Company Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States General American Life Insurance Company Great-West Life Assurance Company
John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company
Life Insurance Company of Virginia
Lincoln National Life Insurance Company
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York
Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company
New York Life Insurance Company
Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company
Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company
Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia
Prudential Insurance Company of America
Western and Southern Life Insurance Company
Woodmen Accident and Life Company

#### HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD BENEFIT

Eleven companies contributed experience that was used in this section of the study. A distribution of claims by maximum benefit period is shown in the tabulation below.

The frequency of hospitalization is based on the combined experience for all maximum benefit periods and was obtained by dividing the amount of daily hospital benefit in force on hospitalization claims by the amount of daily hospital benefit exposed.

MAXIMUM DURATION OF DHB	DAILY HOSPITAL BENEFIT IN FORCE ON HOSPITALIZATION CLAIMS							
	No Deductible	\$25 Deductible	\$50 Deductible					
6	\$ 140,450	\$ 0	\$ 0					
8	14,801	0	0					
0	3,391,476	0	0					
1	7,436	657	0					
5	656,357	0	54,592					
0	1,918	661	0					
5	69,887	5,328	20,565					
0 [	1,035	13,602	0					
2	27,400	0	0					
0	700	42,081	133					
0	3,871,222	41,955	31,820					
00	435,685	7,720	3,424					
20	2,055,847	123,812	459,142					
50	63,257	0	0					
80	15,401	41,413	128,815					
65	1,340,817	330,540	321,104					
00	2,999,050	0	0					
Total	\$15,092,739	\$607,769	\$1,019,595					

The average claim per \$1 of daily hospital benefit was obtained by dividing the amount paid for hospital room and board by the amount of daily hospital benefit in force on hospitalization claims. In order to include in Table 1 all data and to show the effect of limiting the length of the benefit period, data for maximum benefit periods of 26-45 days were adjusted to a 31-day period, those for 50-180-day periods to a 90-day period, and those for periods over 180 days to a 365-day period. Table 2 was derived by adjusting all maximum benefit periods to a 90-day period. The adjustments were made on the basis of the conversion tables shown on page 137 of TSA, 1963 Reports.

Annual claim costs were obtained by multiplying the frequencies of hospitalization by the corresponding average amounts of claims.

Table 1 shows, for policies with no deductible, the frequency of hospitalization, the average claim, and the average claim cost per \$1 of daily hospital benefit for adjusted maximum benefit periods of 31, 90, and 365 days. Lack of homogeneous data results in values that are not smooth. In general, the claim costs increase as the adjusted maximum benefit period increases, and the claim costs for each adjusted maximum benefit period increase as the age increases. For ages 20–54 the claim costs for males are lower than those for females, while above age 54 the relation is reversed.

Table 2 shows, for policies with no deductible and those with \$25 or 850 deductible, data for an adjusted maximum benefit period of 90 days. If the data in Table 2 were completely homogeneous, the frequency of hospitalization would be expected to be smaller, the average claim larger, and the claim cost smaller on policies with a \$50 deductible than on policies with no deductible, and the experience on policies with a \$25 deductible would be expected to lie between the other two. This appears to hold true between the no-deductible and the \$50 deductible policies. However, 95 per cent of the experience on the \$25 deductible is based on the contributions of two companies, and the results do not seem to fit this pattern -particularly the female results. As an indication of the relation shown by homogeneous data, reference should be made to the experience of one large company, which appears in the 1963 Reports (p. 141, Table 3). Larger average amounts of coverage in the current study, however, would be expected to diminish the relationships between fixed-dollar deductibles.

Table 3 compares the experience shown in Table 2 for policies with no deductible with the 1966-67 intercompany experience and with the 1956 Intercompany Hospital Table.

TABLE 1

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
FREQUENCY OF HOSPITALIZATION, AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST
PER \$1 OF DAILY HOSPITAL BENEFIT FOR
ADJUSTED MAXIMUM BENEFIT PERIODS OF 31, 90, AND 365 DAYS
NO DEDUCTIBLE

ATTAINED Age	FREQUENCY		CLAIM FOR M BENEFIT P		1	Cost for Ai	
AGE	HOSPITAL- IZATION	31 Days	90 Days	365 Days	31 Days	90 Days	365 Days
				Male			
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.0947 .0698 .0661 .0722 .0824 .0933 .1059 .1208 .1413 .1625 .2216 .2346 .3014	\$ 3.93 4.99 5.14 5.73 5.99 6.99 7.53 8.53 9.38 10.05 11.35 12.21 13.52	\$ 7.03 6.27 6.14 6.56 7.22 7.94 8.62 9.52 10.18 11.26 12.16 13.73 15.12	\$ 7.06 6.59 6.67 6.98 7.47 8.28 8.79 9.72 10.39 11.28 12.07 13.25 15.05	\$0.372 0.348 0.340 0.414 0.494 0.652 0.797 1.030 1.325 1.633 2.515 2.864 4.075	\$0.666 0.438 0.406 0.474 0.595 0.741 0.913 1.150 1.438 1.830 2.695 3.221 4.557	\$0.669 0.460 0.441 0.504 0.616 0.773 0.931 1.174 1.468 1.833 2.675 3.108 4.536
			·	Female		<u>'                                    </u>	
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1144 .0926 .0998 .1143 .1325 .1454 .1472 .1419 .1368 .1400 .1763 .2023 .2392	\$ 4.14 4.96 5.66 6.34 6.59 7.34 7.74 8.19 9.26 9.85 11.55 12.57 13.84	\$ 5.28 5.69 6.14 6.84 7.44 7.95 8.39 9.15 10.00 10.81 12.42 14.15 15.43	\$ 5. 21 5. 62 6. 31 7. 00 7. 70 8. 22 8. 70 9. 28 9. 94 10. 61 12. 77 14. 25 15. 46	\$0.474 0.459 0.565 0.725 0.873 1.067 1.139 1.162 1.267 1.379 2.036 2.543 3.311	\$0.604 0.527 0.613 0.782 0.986 1.156 1.235 1.298 1.368 1.513 2.190 2.863 3.691	\$0.596 0.520 0.630 0.800 1.020 1.195 1.281 1.317 1.360 1.485 2.251 2.883 3.698
				Child			
All ages.	.0754	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.46	\$ 4.53	\$0.322	\$0.336	\$0.342

TABLE 2

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
FREQUENCY OF HOSPITALIZATION, AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST
PER \$1 OF DAILY HOSPITAL BENEFIT FOR
ADJUSTED MAXIMUM BENEFIT PERIOD OF 90 DAYS

	No	DEDUCTI	BLE	\$25	5 Деристі	BLE	<b>\$</b> 5	0 Deduct	IBLE
ATTAINED AGE	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
					Male				
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.0947 .0698 .0661 .0722 .0824 .0933 .1059 .1208 .1413 .1625 .2216 .2346 .3014	\$ 6.45 6.08 6.06 6.49 7.00 7.84 8.43 9.38 10.11 11.06 12.40 13.58 15.04	\$0.611 0.424 0.401 0.469 0.577 0.731 0.893 1.133 1.429 1.797 2.748 3.186 4.533	.0434 .0659 .0630 .0668 .0727 .0840 .1034 .1199 .1311 .1572 .1866 .2481 .2548	\$ 4.44 5.92 6.83 7.18 6.94 7.35 8.47 9.40 11.12 12.38 12.51 14.56 16.76	\$0.193 0.390 0.430 0.480 0.505 0.617 0.876 1.127 1.458 1.946 2.334 3.612 4.270	.0651 .0512 .0509 .0578 .0621 .0712 .0782 .0971 .1110 .1394 .1558 .1848 .2170	\$ 5.74 6.22 6.18 6.41 7.34 7.86 8.40 9.72 10.15 11.90 11.95 14.44 15.46	\$0.374 0.318 0.315 0.370 0.456 0.560 0.657 0.944 1.127 1.659 1.862 2.669 3.355
	-				Female				
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1144 .0926 .0998 .1143 .1325 .1454 .1472 .1419 .1368 .1400 .1763 .2023 .2392	\$ 4.99 5.50 6.07 6.77 7.32 7.89 8.34 8.96 9.83 10.56 12.51 13.87 15.16	\$0.571 0.509 0.606 0.774 0.970 1.147 1.228 1.271 1.345 1.478 2.206 2.806 3.626	.1168 .0963 .1015 .1216 .1358 .1542 .1543 .1453 .1371 .1465 .1587 .1910 .2191	\$ 5.04 5.06 5.69 7.29 7.67 7.73 8.93 8.97 10.10 11.82 12.06 13.65 15.07	\$0.589 0.487 0.578 0.886 1.042 1.192 1.378 1.303 1.385 1.732 1.914 2.607 3.302	.0799 .0816 .0829 .1038 .1163 .1248 .1264 .1179 .1091 .1172 .1353 .1586 .1690	\$ 4.45 5.37 6.15 6.51 7.46 7.70 8.56 8.63 10.62 11.16 12.42 14.32 16.00	\$0.356 0.438 0.510 0.676 0.868 0.961 1.082 1.017 1.159 1.308 1.680 2.271 2.704
,	<u> </u>				Child				
All ages	. 0754	\$ 4.42	\$0.333	. 0693	\$ 4.28	\$0.297	.0491	\$ 4.65	\$0.228

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES COMPARISON WITH 1966-67 INTERCOMPANY EXPERIENCE AND 1956 INTERCOMPANY HOSPITAL TABLE

## FREQUENCY OF HOSPITALIZATION, AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST PER \$1 OF DAILY HOSPITAL BENEFIT

## Adjusted Maximum Benefit Period of 90 Days No Deductible

Attained	1	70 Interco Experience		E,	IO OF 1968 OPERIENCE -67 EXPER	то	E	tio of 196 xperience 1956 Tabi	TO
Age	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
				·	Male				
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79.	.0947 .0698 .0661 .0722 .0824 .0933 .1059 .1208 .1413 .1625 .2216 .2346 .3014	\$ 6.45 6.08 6.06 6.49 7.00 7.84 8.43 9.38 10.11 11.06 12.40 13.58 15.04	\$0.611 0.424 0.401 0.469 0.577 0.731 0.893 1.133 1.429 1.797 2.748 3.186 4.533	.80 1.02 1.02 1.01 1.02 .98 1.01 1.03 1.12 1.09 1.13	1.07 .97 .97 .99 .98 1.01 1.01 1.02 1.04 1.05 1.09 1.08	.86 .98 .99 .99 1.00 .99 1.02 1.00 1.05 1.07 1.23 1.17 1.25	1.21 .90 .87 .97 1.03 1.05 1.06 1.05 1.06 1.33 1.36	.87 .82 .80 .81 .79 .75 .77 .80 .86 .90 .79 .64	1.048 .730 .699 .783 .820 .825 .792 .808 .849 .907 1.197 1.068
	1				Female				
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1144 .0926 .0998 .1143 .1325 .1454 .1472 .1419 .1368 .1400 .1763 .2023 .2392	\$ 4.99 5.50 6.07 7.32 7.89 8.34 8.96 9.83 10.56 12.51 13.87 15.16	\$0.571 0.509 0.606 0.774 0.970 1.147 1.228 1.271 1.345 1.478 2.206 2.806 3.626	.90 1.00 .99 .96 .99 1.01 1.00 .98 1.00 .99 1.07 1.11	. 99 1.00 . 99 . 99 . 98 . 99 1.02 1.00 1.07 1.06 1.03	.89 1.00 .97 .95 .98 .99 1.00 1.02 .99 1.15 1.18	1.22 .93 .89 .94 1.05 1.01 .93 .87 .86 1.05 1.17	.69 .75 .79 .82 .83 .84 .84 .84 .85 .92 .80	.841 .696 .702 .773 .846 .886 .787 .748 .732 .960 .941
					Child				<u>_</u> _
All ages	.0754	\$ 4.42	\$0.333	.95	. 98	.93	No	ot applica	able

The relation of the 1968-70 experience to the 1966-67 experience is as follows: Frequencies, average claims, and claim costs are distinctly higher at ages 65 and over for both males and females. This report, in fact, for the first time shows experience room and board claim costs for males over age 65 which are in excess of 100 per cent of the 1956 Intercompany Hospital Table values. It appears likely that the sharp upward trends indicated above age 65 in several sections of this report may be due indirectly to Medicare. One possible explanation would be antiselect lapsation among policyholders over age 65. For ages under 65, frequencies are slightly higher for males and slightly lower for females. The average claim pattern for males is lower at the younger ages and tends to be higher at the older ages. The female average claim pattern is at nearly the same level (slightly lower), with some tendency to be higher in the 50's. Claim costs for males are lower at the younger ages and higher at ages 45 and over. Female claim costs are generally lower except for ages in the 50's. Ratios of the 1968-70 experience to the 1966-67 experience for all ages combined (based on the 1968-70 distribution of exposures by age) are shown in the following tabulation.

	Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
Male.	102%	101%	103%
Female.	102	101	103
Child.	95	98	93

An analysis by duration was made of the 1968-70 experience on policies with no deductible. Ratios of experience by duration to that for duration 3 and later (where each duration is based on the same distribution of exposures by age) are shown in the following tabulation.

	Males			FEMALES			CHILDREN		
DURATION	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost
1 2 3 and later	84% 91 100	90% 92 100	76% 84 100	87% 94 100	92% 93 100	80% 89 100	118% 119 100	98% 100 100	116% 119 100
All	98€	96%	94%	100%	98%	96%	107%	100%	107%

Table 4 contains a graduation of the crude frequencies and average claims of Table 2 for policies with no deductible. Claim costs in Table 4 are derived as a product of these functions.

#### MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT

Sixteen companies contributed to this section of the study. Many of the data lacked sufficient homogeneity to be incorporated into tables which would be meaningful and useful. The total number of claims actually employed in constructing one or more tables of this section of the study, however, was 615,311. It was deemed necessary to build the basic study around the \$200 maximum benefit as was done with the 1966–67 study.

Table 5 shows the average claim for a \$200 maximum benefit on policies with no deductible. Graduated average claims are also shown and are used as a basis of comparison in subsequent tables and analyses. The last column in this table shows the ratio of actual average claims to the corresponding averages for the 1966–67 study.

Table 6 shows the graduated frequencies of hospitalization, the graduated average claims, and the claim costs for a \$200 maximum benefit. The frequencies of hospitalization are the same as those shown in Table 4, and the average claims are the same as those shown in Table 5. The claim cost is the product of the frequency and the average claim.

Table 7 shows a comparison of the actual 1968–70 experience for a \$200 maximum benefit on policies with no deductible with the 1956 Intercompany Hospital Table. The 1956 table does not show average claim amounts for a \$200 maximum benefit, and therefore it was necessary to use the arithmetic mean of the values for a \$150 and a \$250 maximum benefit. The frequencies of hospitalization for the 1968–70 experience are the same as those shown in Table 3.

Table 8 shows the relationship of average claims for other maximum benefit amounts for which there were one thousand or more claims to those for the \$200 maximum benefit amount. It also indicates to what extent each experience cell consists of the experience of a single company and the number of companies contributing to each cell. The truncated claims from one contributor used to construct Table 10 are also included in Table 8 for each of the truncation levels. Thus there is duplication in the numbers of claims appearing in Table 8, since the claim counts shown opposite the \$1,225 maximum amount are also counted opposite the \$100, \$200, \$250, and \$300 maximums.

Table 9 indicates the range in the level of average claims experience for the \$200 maximum benefit amount among the contributing companies. The level of the ratios of actual to tabular varies considerably from one company to another.

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES

## GRADUATED FREQUENCY OF HOSPITALIZATION, GRADUATED AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST PER \$1 OF DAILY HOSPITAL BENEFIT

## NO DEDUCTIBLE MAXIMUM BENEFIT PERIOD OF 90 DAYS

Attained Age	Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
		Male	
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.0900 .0739 .0678 .0718 .0813 .0927 .1054 .1207 .1410 .1694 .2097 .2459 .2965	\$ 6.31 6.14 6.15 6.48 7.03 7.76 8.49 9.30 10.14 11.13 12.34 13.62 15.01	\$0.568 0.454 0.454 0.417 0.465 0.572 0.719 0.895 1.123 1.430 1.885 2.588 3.349 4.450
-		Female	
15-19	.1086 .0987 .1015 .1147 .1312 .1429 .1454 .1411 .1381 .1465 .1724 .2032 .2379	\$ 4.93 5.52 6.11 7.74 7.32 7.85 8.36 8.97 9.77 10.82 12.35 13.82 15.19	\$0.535 0.545 0.620 0.888 0.960 1.122 1.216 1.266 1.349 1.585 2.129 2.808 3.614
-		Child	
All ages	.0754	\$ 4.42	\$0.333

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES

## MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY

## AVERAGE AMOUNT OF CLAIM NO DEDUCTIBLE—\$200 MAXIMUM BENEFIT

Attained	Number	Averag	E CLAIM	RATIO ТО 1966-67				
Age	of Claims	Actual	Graduated	(ACTUAL CLAIMS)				
		Ma	ile	-				
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 66-69. 70-74. 75-79.	195 3,277 4,453 2,950 2,012 2,016 2,336 3,355 4,848 5,423 2,543 1,568 1,153	\$114.30 127.45 132.75 135.66 142.23 148.86 150.29 153.76 154.90 157.87 155.94 158.18 154.00	\$115.31 124.69 132.46 138.88 144.05 148.51 151.42 153.57 155.43 156.38 156.73 156.38	1.148 1.162 1.162 1.133 1.115 1.160 1.140 1.123 1.122 1.122 1.121 1.141 1.142				
	Female							
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79.	653 6,476 5,673 3,482 3,143 4,131 5,680 7,792 9,582 10,218 4,910 3,538 2,496	\$113.53 129.29 138.23 144.79 151.89 154.90 156.21 153.65 153.38 154.62 152.52 152.66 150.89	\$112.53 128.57 139.44 146.40 151.52 153.51 154.67 154.67 154.17 153.66 152.84 152.29 151.93	1.127 1.157 1.141 1.111 1.140 1.126 1.131 1.141 1.125 1.123 1.107 1.134 1.139				
		Ch	ild	<u> </u>				
All ages	21,794	\$106.74	\$106.74	1.210				

TABLE 6

# 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES GRADUATED FREQUENCY OF HOSPITALIZATION, GRADUATED AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST: \$200 MAXIMUM MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPLINES BENEFIT

HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY—NO DEDUCTIBLE

Attained Age	Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
		Male	
i5-19	. 0900	\$115.31	\$10.38
0-24	. 0739	124.69	9.22
5-29	.0678	132.46	8.91
0-34	.0718	138.88	9.97
5-39	.0813	144.05	11.71
0-44	. 0927	148.51	13.77
5-49	. 1054	151.42	15.96
0-54	. 1207	153.57	18.54
5-59	. 1410	155.43	21.92
0-64	. 1694	156.38	26.49
5–69 0–74	. 2097 . 2459	156.73 156.38	32.87 38.45
5-79	. 2965	155.68	36.43 46.16
3-79	. 2903	155.06	40.10
		Female	
5-19	. 1086	\$112.53	\$12.22
0-24	.0987	128.57	12.69
5-29	.1015	139.44	14.15
0-34	. 1147	146.40	16.79
5-39	. 1312	151.52	19.88
0-44	. 1429	153.51	21.94
5-49	. 1454	154.67	22.49
0–54	. 1411	154.67	21.82
55–59	. 1381	154.17	21.29
0-64	. 1465	153.66	22.51
5-69	1724	152.84	26.35
0-74	. 2032	152.29	30.95
5-79	. 2379	151.93	36.14
		Child	·
ill ages	.0754	\$106.74	\$ 8.05

TABLE 7

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
COMPARISON WITH 1956 INTERCOMPANY HOSPITAL TABLE
\$200 MAXIMUM MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
INPATIENT ONLY—NO DEDUCTIBLE

ATTAINED	1968-	-70 Interco		1956 Is	TER COMPAN	Y TABLE	RATIO OF 1968-70 EXPERIENCE TO 1956 TABLE		
Age	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost
					Male				
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.0947 .0698 .0661 .0722 .0824 .0933 .1059 .1208 .1413 .1625 .2216 .2346 .3014	\$114.30 127.45 132.75 135.66 142.23 148.86 150.29 153.76 154.90 157.87 155.94 158.18 154.00	\$10.82 8.90 8.77 9.79 11.72 13.89 15.92 18.57 21.89 25.65 34.56 37.11 46.42	.0783 .0779 .0758 .0747 .0797 .0889 .1003 .1150 .1339 .1536 .1665 .1728	\$ 85.55 87.77 93.32 98.87 104.42 109.97 115.52 121.07 126.62 132.17 137.72 143.27 148.82	\$ 6.70 6.84 7.07 7.39 8.32 9.78 11.59 13.92 16.95 20.30 22.93 24.76 26.06	1.21 .90 .87 .97 1.03 1.05 1.06 1.05 1.06 1.33 1.36	1.34 1.45 1.42 1.37 1.36 1.35 1.30 1.27 1.22 1.19 1.13 1.10	1.61 1.30 1.24 1.32 1.41 1.42 1.37 1.33 1.29 1.26 1.51 1.50 1.78
1		`			Female				
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79.	.1144 .0926 .0998 .1143 .1325 .1454 .1472 .1419 .1368 .1400 .1763 .2023 .2392	\$113 53 129 29 138 23 144 79 151 89 154 90 156 21 153 65 153 38 154 62 152 52 152 56 150 89	\$12.99 11.97 13.80 16.55 20.13 22.52 22.99 21.80 20.98 21.65 26.89 30.88 36.09	.0935 .0993 .1116 .1215 .1306 .1385 .1455 .1519 .1577 .1630 .1682 .1728	\$ 85.55 87.77 93.32 98.87 104.42 109.97 115.52 121.07 126.62 132.17 137.72 143.27 148.82	\$ 8.00 8.72 10.41 12.01 13.64 15.23 16.81 18.39 19.97 21.54 23.16 24.76 26.06	1.22 .93 .89 1.01 1.05 1.01 .93 .87 .86 1.05 1.17	1.33 1.47 1.48 1.46 1.45 1.35 1.27 1.21 1.17 1.11 1.07	1.62 1.37 1.33 1.38 1.48 1.48 1.37 1.19 1.05 1.01 1.16 1.25 1.38

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY

## VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM BY MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT NO DEDUCTIBLE

MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT		MBER OF CL	AIMS		Number of Con- tribu- tors with	Ratio of Actual to Tabular*			
	Male	Female	Child	PER CENT)	CLAIMS	Male	Female	Child	
\$ 50	12,193	18,882	1,966	80.9	7	.267	.282	. 421	
60	3,241	7,643	2.044	83 2	6	. 384	389	. 542	
75	6,142	10,187	1,149	62 3	3	.445	450	. 524	
80	208	349	2,417	78 9	10	. 511	497	. 692	
90	5,866	14,327	1,432	98.3	7	. 562	.571	754	
100	41,088	72,260	19,853	69.5	14	. 609	,609	.722	
120.	5,460	13,316	2.320	86.1	0	.738	.743	. 938	
125	2,142	3,247	589	57 6	2	.717	.711	. 860	
1.50	35,412	64,777	20.075	77 0	10 1	. 816	822	. 874	
160	1,566	2,977	1,102	92 5	8	909	.911	1 121	
1.80	566	1,060	690	50.4	6	922	. 919	1 076	
200	36,539	68,698	21,794	72.9	14 ;	1 000	1.000	1 000	
225	474	933	144	64.8	. + ,	1 135	1 115	1 269	
240	5,274	9,145	3.768	90.3	7	1 182	1 180	1 279	
250	29,155	53,649	17,301	92 5	ا بع	1.101	1 095	1.005	
300	42,802	81,687	29,298	60 2	11	1.224	1.224	1 130	
320	4,194	6,011	1.917	100.0	1	1.436	1 425	1 463	
400	4,335	6,925	2,652	81.5	8	1.554	1 556	1 428	
500	1,804	2,817	1,111	41.5	6	1.667	1.675	: 412	
600	5,206	7,818	2,597	73.8	j 3	1.879	1.897	1.607	
1,225	27,102	49,609	15,914	100.0	1	1.574	1.448	1 177	
9,280	305	635	290	100.0	1	1.670	1.627	1.563	

<sup>\*</sup> Tabular based on graduated average amount of claim for \$200 maximum benefit shown in Table 5.

### TABLE 9

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY

## VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM BY CONTRIBUTING COMPANY NO DEDUCTIBLE:—\$200 MAXIMUM BENEFIT

C	N	UMBER OF CLAI	MS	RATIO OF	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO TABULAR*			
Company	Male	Female	Child	Male	Female	Child		
<b>\</b>	541	887	0	1.166	1.124			
3 <sub>.</sub> [	4,384	10,017	2,554	1.120	1.115	1.273		
2	152	259	186	. 951	1.026	. 939		
o	1,603	3,514	1,511	1.051	1.062	1.206		
:	224	521	254	1.040	1.076	1.227		
	4	4	2	1.029	.982	1.678		
3	219	339	242	. 906	. 984	. 719		
	197	323	123	1.028	.975	1.018		
·	132	214	55	1.062	1.062	1.193		
	47	52	11	1.003	1.038	.978		
1	15	26	6	. 868	1.124	1.256		
	5	28	7	1.008	1.351	1.142		
) . <i>.</i>	1,914	2,905	929	1.008	. 993	1.037		
` <b></b>	27,102	49,609	15,914	.974	. 968	. 935		
Total	36,539	68,698	21,794	1.000	1.000	1.000		

<sup>\*</sup> Tabular based on graduated average amount of claim for \$200 maximum benefit shown in Table 5.

Table 10 shows the variation in average claims by maximum benefit and age. The average claim increases more rapidly by age as the maximum amount increases. The ratios in the table were derived from data obtained by truncating the claims of a single company at \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250, and \$300. The maximum benefit amount was \$1,225.

Table 11 presents the experience of one company and shows the variation in average claim by maximum benefit and deductible amount. The average claim is generally larger on policies with a deductible, and the difference becomes greater as the maximum benefit amount increases.

Table 12 compares the combined inpatient and outpatient experience of several companies which include an outpatient benefit with their corresponding experience limited to the inpatient benefit only. Comparisons are shown for \$100, \$200, and \$300 maximum benefit amounts. When outpatient claims are included, the average-size claims for children, under the combined experience, are considerably smaller because of the high proportion of outpatient claims. The reduction in average-size claim is the least for adult females.

Table 13 shows the ratios of average claim on all claims to average claim on inpatient-only claims for one company with an outpatient benefit. The ratios increase with age for plans with no deductible. This occurs because the proportion of inpatient-only claims to all claims increases by age and, therefore, the weighted effect of inpatient-only claims to all claims increases by age. The \$50 deductible shows no such trend. The proportion of outpatient claims on deductible policies is quite small, since the deductible eliminates many of the outpatient claims. Therefore, the ratios of the average claim on all claims to the average claim on inpatient-only claims are very close to 100 per cent.

Table 14 shows for all companies combined the annual rates of increase in average claims by maximum amount during the 1966–67 and 1968–70 study periods. The relatively small increases for the \$100 maximum benefit reflect the fact that the average claim for such benefits is very near the maximum.

A comparison of the average claim for a given maximum amount of miscellaneous hospital expense benefit in the current study with the previous studies indicates that there has been a steady increase by duration, the increase being much greater for larger maximums than for smaller maximums. This increase reflects the ever increasing cost of medical care which has occurred in the past and which will probably occur in the future. Thus the results for the current study do not adequately represent the experience as of the date this study is published, and, in order to estimate future costs of the benefit, appropriate projections must be made.

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY

## 'VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM BY MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT AND AGE NO DEDUCTIBLE

(Based on One Company's Claims, under a \$1,225 Maximum Benefit, Truncated at \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250, and \$300)

		Ratio (	OF ACTUAL	TO TABULAR	r* for Maxi	MUM BENEFI	T AMOUNT
ATTAINED AGE	NUMBER OF CLAIMS	<b>\$</b> 100	<b>\$</b> 150	\$200	<b>\$2</b> 50	<b>\$</b> 300	\$1,225 Maximum
				Male			
15-19	115	.683	.850	.949	1.012	1.055	1.280
20-24	2,439	.675	867	983	1.054	1.104	1.322
5-29	3,575	652	. 851	.971	1.047	1.099	1.308
0-34	2.262	.628	. 822	946	1.026	1.082	1.293
35-39	1,383	. 620	824	.958	1.052	1.117	1.356
0-44	1,352	. 604	. 818	.970	1.080	1.163	1.516
15-49	1,593	.601	808	.955	1.058	1.134	1.490
0-54	2,366	.597	. 812	.968	1.082	1.167	1.607
5-59	3,660	.590	. 805	.967	1.082	1.183	1.673
0-64	4,268	. 594	.819	.907	1.126	1.103	1.784
55–69	1,800	. 592	.819	.996	1.135	1.246	1.849
70–74	1,106	. 589	.812	.984	1.117	1.220	1.763
75–79	846	. 581	. 797	. 969	1.108	1.218	1.836
All ages	26,765	. 611	. 823	.973	1.082	1.165	1.570
			,	Female			
15-19	551	. 704	.878	.977	1.035	1.072	1.159
0-24	4,983	. 664	.854	.966	1.031	1.073	1.193
15-29	4,226	. 631	.827	. 949	1.031	1.086	1.265
30–34	2,371	. 609	.811	.949	1.042	1.105	1.331
5–39	2,065	. 607	.821	.969	1.073	1.150	1.412
0-44	2,584	600	.814	.970	1.083	1.164	1.459
5-49	3,707	. 596	.811	.965	1.077	1.159	1.457
0-54	5,385	. 594	. 805	.956	1.066	1.149	1.485
55–59,	7,316	. 595	.812	.970	1.086	1.173	1.555
0-64	7,900	. 598	.819	. 983	1.106	1.201	1.624
55-69	3,302	. 600	.818	. 982	1.105	1.198	1.643
70–74	2,506	. 598	. 815	.979	1.101	1.196	1.662
5-79	1,942	. 598	. 809	. 964	1.082	1.714	1.622
All ages	48,838	. 608	.819	. 968	1.076	1.155	1.484
				Child			
All ages	15,914	.714	. 860	.935	.978	1.006	1.117

<sup>\*</sup> Tabular based on graduated average amount of claim for \$200 maximum benefit shown in Table 5.

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY

## VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM BY MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT, POLICY DEDUCTIBLE, AND AGE

(Experience of One Company)

			Ratio	s of Actu	al to Tabi	JLAR*					
			М	aximum Be	enefit Amou	ınt					
ATTAINED Age	\$	150	\$2	200	\$2	140	\$320 Deductible				
	Ded	uctible	Dedu	ıctible	Dedu	ıctible					
ļ	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$50	\$0	<b>\$</b> 50	<b>\$</b> 0	<b>\$</b> 50			
	Male										
15-19 20-24 25-29	.970	(.952)†	1 . 193 1 . 157	(1.197)	1.160	1.314	(1.253)	(1.575)			
30–34 35–39 40–44	. 886 . 886	(.977) .946 .868	1.105 1.043 1.075	(1.186) (1.220) 1.097	1.198 1.201 1.176	1 300 1 257 1 269	1.389 1.448 1.425	1.441 1.556 1.426			
45-49 50-54 55-59	. 871 . 864 . 873	.901 .877 .874	1.102 1.095 1.137	1.174 1.122 1.168	1.187 1.220 1.179	1.272 1.295 1.216	1.449 1.422 1.480	1.465 1.523 1.569			
60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	. 841 . 866 . 876 . 876	.826 .923 .910 .886	1.104 1.126 1.157 1.187	1.157 1.136 1.189 1.140	1.243	(1.051)	1.550	(1.544)			
All ages	. 872	. 889	1 120	1.154	1.196	1.278	1.436	1.522			
	Female										
15-19 20-24	959		1.172	(1.338)	(1.121)		(1.551)				
25–29 30–34 35–39	. 897 . 863 . 869	(.920) .904 .881	1.115 1.089 1.090	1.182 1.200 1.133	1.167 1.188 1.181	1.367 1.233 1.254	1.349 1.357 1.414	1.705 1.556 1.577			
40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59	.851 .871 .875 .878	. 877 . 860 . 885 . 880	1.066 1.105 1.103 1.103	1.064 1.185 1.163 1.153	1.193 1.185 1.165 1.214	1.181 1.249 1.211 1.250	1.458 1.452 1.432	1.553 1.533 1.617 1.497			
60-64 65-69 70-74	. 874 . 886 . 898	. 890 . 924 . 911	1.105 1.106 1.141 1.159	1.157 1.098 1.146	1.214 1.216 1.187 (1.096)	1 230 1 231 1 075	1.454 1.459 1.328	1.567			
75-79All ages	. 881	.929	1.174	1.148	1.188	1.228	1.425	1.558			
		Child									
All ages	1.057	1.136	1.273	1.359	1,305	1.469	1.463	1.581			

 $<sup>\</sup>label{Note:power} Note: — For policies with a deductible, average claim reflects eligible medical expenses \textit{before} application of the deductible.$ 

<sup>\*</sup> Tabular based on graduated average claim for \$200 maximum benefit shown in Table 5.

<sup>†</sup> Parentheses indicate that the number of claims is 10-25.

# 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM INCLUDING AND EXCLUDING OUTPATIENT BENEFIT NO DEDUCTIBLE

Company		IBER OF CI		1	NTAGE OF Are Outi		RATIO OF AVERAGE CLAIM ON ALL CLAIMS TO AVERAGE CLAIM ON INPATIENT-ONLY CLAIMS					
	Male	Female	Child	Male	Female	Child	Male	Female	Child			
	\$100 Maximum Benefit											
A	6,378 2,222 271 273 4	10,058 4,801 399 639 11	749 1,479 265 452 123	16.0 18.0 15.9 24.2 25.0	12.8 17.2 9.3 21.8 9.1	45.7 56.6 35.8 52.4	.900 .877 .894 .830 .823	.920 .886 .930 .852 .962	.660 .581 .737 .596 1.000			
Total	9,148	15,908	3,068	16.7	14.4	49.3	. 892	.907	. 636			
			\$	200 Ma	ximum B	enefit						
ABCDFI	751 6,108 210 2,473 5 229	1,134 12,664 305 4,535 5 356 18,999	5,773 309 3,088 2 180 9,352	28.0 28.2 27.6 35.2 20.0 14.0	21.8 20.9 15.1 22.5 20.0 9.3	55.8 39.8 51.1 0 31.7	.783 .767 .770 .712 .852 .905	. 823 . 831 . 876 . 821 . 831 . 927	. 542 . 686 . 580 1 . 000 . 752			
		[	\$3	00 <b>Max</b> i	imum Bei	nefit	<u> </u>	<u>[</u>	<u> </u>			
A	2,276 24,017 272 2,221 143 292	3,234 39,488 378 3,541 251 467	28,883 350 2,361 170 303	35.9 49.3 24.6 46.0 32.9 20.9	22.1 35.2 12.4 28.6 19.5 10.7	59.5 39.7 54.9 47.1 30.7	.706 .561 .794 .603 .712 .839	.816 .684 .898 .755 .836	.484 .690 .534 .615			
Total	29,221	47,359	32,067	47.4	33.3	58.6	. 581	. 703	. 493			

TABLE 13

# 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT VARIATION IN AVERAGE CLAIM

## INCLUDING AND EXCLUDING OUTPATIENT BENEFIT BY MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT, DEDUCTIBLE, AND AGE

(Experience of One Company)

		т	Ratios of o Average	Average C Claim on I	LAIM ON A NPATIENT-0	el Claims Only Clai	<b>k</b> s						
Attained		\$0 De	ductible		\$50 Deductible								
AGE	М	aximum B	enefit Amo	ount	Maximum Benefit Amount								
	<b>\$</b> 150	\$200	\$240	\$320	\$150	\$200	\$240	\$320					
	Male												
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	635 648 657 667 762 826 817 846 876 910 921 943	596 617 636 704 715 740 827 840 879 876 911	.651 .704 .740 .775 .829 .836 .857 .892 .860	(.630)* .665 .661 .709 .754 .814 .848 .885 .887	(.957) (.927) 912 926 .962 .947 .969 .979 .989 1.000	(1.000) (1.000) (1.000) (.908) .953 .952 .966 .946 .952 .994 .972 (1.000)	911 953 968 928 954 969 958 956 (1.000)	(1.000) 912 952 949 945 952 966 948 (.879)					
	Female												
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 73-79	776 761 804 857 847 842 838 843 878 912 902	768 777 805 820 818 825 821 825 828 892 902	(.704) .812 .834 .857 .866 .883 .875 .873 .873 .873 .894	(796) 792 795 826 830 844 841 837 878 896	(.987) .951 .986 .987 .961 .960 .935 .945 .983 .977 .969	( 951) 981 968 966 973 982 919 947 946 957 970 ( 940)	1 000 991 956 980 980 977 965 955	995 969 963 973 954 948 925 948 (931)					
				Chi	ld								
All ages	. 566	. 542	. 566	. 553	. 902	.900	. 906	. 920					

Note.—For policies with a deductible, average claim reflects eligible medical expenses before application of the deductible.

<sup>\*</sup> Parentheses indicate that the number of inpatient-only claims is 10-25.

## SURGICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT

Fourteen companies submitted experience covering in excess of \$63 million in paid claims to this section of the study. A description of the data used, methods of calculation, and techniques used in standardizing heterogeneous surgical schedules was presented with the 1960-61 study (1963 Reports, pp. 150-60).

Table 15 shows ungraduated frequencies, average claims, and claim

TABLE 14

# EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MISCELLANEOUS HOSPITAL EXPENSE BENEFIT INPATIENT ONLY—NO DEDUCTIBLE ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE IN AVERAGE CLAIM WITHIN PERIOD STUDIED

	STUDY	Period
	1966-67	1968-78
	\$100 Maxin	num Benefit
fale emale hild	3.4% 3.0 4.1	2.2% 2.3 4.8
Total	3.3%	2.5%
	\$200 Maxim	num Benefit
alemale	5.6° c 5.0 7.1	5.1% 5.0 7.9
Total	5.5%	5.4%
	\$300 Maxin	num Benefit
ale	6.9% 6.6 8.6	8.0% 8.2 12.0
Total	6.7%	8.7%

# 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES COMPARISON WITH 1966-67 INTERCOMPANY EXPERIENCE AND 1956 INTERCOMPANY SURGICAL TABLE FREQUENCY OF SURGERY, AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST

PER \$100 OF MAXIMUM SURGICAL BENEFIT STANDARD SCHEDULE—NO DEDUCTIBLE

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Age	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Aver- age Claim	Claim Cost	
					Male					
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-41 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1530 .0762 .0758 .0783 .0829 .0852 .0909 .0943 .1040 .1139 .1348 .1359 .1494	\$12.23 13.99 14.34 15.82 16.72 18.07 20.76 23.61 26.74 31.85 37.18 40.99 41.47	\$1.87 1.07 1.09 1.24 1.39 1.54 1.89 2.23 2.78 3.63 5.01 5.57 6.20	.96 .87 .94 .96 .95 1.00 .97 1.00 1.04 1.08 1.08	1.03 1.08 1.06 1.11 1.10 1.04 1.07 1.06 1.05 1.07 1.10	.98 .95 1.00 1.06 1.06 1.07 1.02 1.07 1.09 1.15 1.19	1.89 .97 1.02 1.06 1.12 1.14 1.17 1.14 1.15 1.17 1.37 1.38 1.53	.72 .81 .81 .88 .90 .94 .98 .98 1.05 1.09 1.26 1.39	1.36 .79 .83 .93 1.01 1.07 1.15 1.12 1.21 1.28 1.73 1.92 2.14	
	Female									
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79.	.1198 .0875 .0969 .1078 .1171 .1263 .1257 .1179 .1079 .1053 .1123 .1175 .1196	\$14.01 15.97 18.54 22.58 24.84 26.90 26.85 26.24 26.72 28.93 31.94 33.43 36.73	\$1.68 1.40 1.80 2.43 2.91 3.40 3.38 3.09 2.88 3.05 3.59 3.93 4.39	.99 .92 .95 .94 .96 .98 .99 1.00 1.02 1.01 1.05 1.09	.99 1.08 1.08 1.07 1.06 1.05 1.04 1.03 1.07 1.06 1.08	.97 1.00 1.03 1.00 1.02 1.03 1.03 1.02 1.09 1.107 1.13 1.17	1.43 .94 .91 .97 1.05 1.12 1.14 1.12 1.06 1.06 1.14 1.20 1.22	.68 .76 .82 .90 .91 .92 .93 .92 .96 1.02 1.14 1.19	.97 .72 .74 .87 .95 1.04 1.06 1.04 1.02 1.09 1.31 1.43	
	Child									
All ages	.0913	\$12.84	\$1.17	. 88	1.09	.96	Not	applica	ıble	

<sup>\*</sup> Average claims and claim costs of the 1956 Intercompany Surgical Table adjusted to a standardized basis, as shown in the 1963 Reports (p. 155, Table 15).

costs per \$100 of maximum surgical benefit for "no-deductible" forms. Also indicated is a comparison with similar data previously published for the 1966-67 experience and the 1956 Intercompany Surgical Table adjusted to a standardized basis as shown on page 155 of the 1963 Reports.

Frequencies for both males and females at ages less than 60 are generally lower than in the 1966-67 experience. At ages 65 and over, frequencies increased an average of about 8 per cent.

For adults a fairly consistent increase in average claim will be noted: the 1968-70 experience exceeds the 1966-67 experience by an average of about 7 per cent. For children the increase in average claim is 9 per cent.

Although the study does not examine surgical claims by type of procedure, the decrease noted for children's frequencies (and the increase in average claim) may be partially attributable to current changes in medical practice, for example, the decrease in relatively low-cost operations such as tonsillectomies.

A graduation of the crude 1968–70 data is shown in Table 16. In Table 17 ungraduated data are shown for policies with a deductible provision (\$25 and \$50) as compared with data for "no-deductible" policies. Although the volume of paid claims for all policies with a deductible is less than 20 per cent of the total, and there are apparent statistical irregularities for certain data cells, the over-all pattern conforms rather closely to that exhibited for the 1966–67 experience. This fact is underlined by the data presented in Table 18, in which experience for the 1966–67 and 1968–70 periods is combined. As anticipated, the general pattern is one of decreasing frequency and increasing average claim as the deductible increases, although this relationship is much less definite in the female data than in the male data.

An analysis by duration was made of "no-deductible" policies. The effect of selection on early claim costs compared with claim costs for durations 3 and later is seen in the following tabulation.

Duration	Males	Females	All Adults	Children	Total
1	85% 91 100	89% 97 100	87% 95 100	93% 107 100	88% 96 100
All	98%	99%	98%	99%	98%

TABLE 16

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES

## GRADUATED FREQUENCY OF SURGERY,

## GRADUATED AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST PER \$100 OF MAXIMUM SURGICAL BENEFIT—STANDARD SCHEDULE NO DEDUCTIBLE

Attained Age	Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
		Male	
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1309 .0852 .0788 .0769 .0800 .0846 .0895 .0956 .1053 .1174 .1299 .1369 .1495	\$12.68 13.19 14.08 15.35 17.00 19.04 21.46 24.26 27.44 31.01 34.96 39.29 41.47	\$1.66 1.12 1.11 1.18 1.36 1.61 1.92 2.32 2.89 3.64 4.54 5.38 6.20
		Female	
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1111 .0968 .0983 .1063 .1162 .1230 .1230 .1173 .1106 .1087 .1111 .1156 .1197	\$13.85 16.22 19.02 22.12 24.62 26.15 26.55 26.55 27.21 28.93 31.30 33.75 36.46	\$1.54 1.57 1.87 2.35 2.86 3.22 3.27 3.11 3.01 3.14 3.48 3.90 4.36
		Child	
All ages	. 0913	\$12.84	\$1.17

TABLE 17

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
FREQUENCY OF SURGERY, AVERAGE CLAIM, AND CLAIM COST
PER \$100 OF MAXIMUM SURGICAL BENEFIT
STANDARD SCHEDULE

	No	DEDUCTIE	LE	\$25	DEDUCTII	3LE	\$50	DEDUCTII	BLE
Attained Age	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
					Male				
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	.1530 .0762 .0758 .0783 .0829 .0852 .0909 .0943 .1040 .1139 .1348 .1359 .1494	\$12.23 13.99 14.34 15.82 16.72 18.07 20.76 23.61 26.74 31.85 37.18 40.99 41.47	\$1.87 1.07 1.09 1.24 1.39 1.54 1.89 2.23 2.78 3.63 5.01 5.57 6.20	.0408 .0465 .0454 .0481 .0481 .0545 .0625 .0684 .0751 .0954 .1227 .1202	\$19.96 17.89 19.96 20.82 22.66 23.35 27.40 29.76 30.96 37.97 38.95 42.46 45.84	\$0.81 0.83 0.91 1.00 1.13 1.10 1.49 1.86 2.12 2.85 3.72 5.21 5.51	0395 0366 0383 0421 0445 0523 0542 0593 0710 0822 0921 1114	\$20.14 21.87 21.34 22.38 23.75 24.13 27.38 31.06 33.54 40.24 45.66 48.03 47.68	\$0.80 0.80 0.82 0.94 1.06 1.26 1.48 1.84 2.38 3.31 4.21 5.35 5.04
			•		Female				
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79.	.1198 .0875 .0969 .1078 .1171 .1263 .1257 .1179 .1079 .1053 .1123 .1175 .1196	\$14.01 15.97 18.54 22.58 24.84 26.90 26.85 26.24 26.72 28.93 31.94 33.43 36.73	\$1.68 1.40 1.80 2.43 2.91 3.40 3.38 3.09 2.88 3.05 3.93 4.39	.0738 .0637 .0661 .0807 .0907 .0999 .0973 .0821 .0713 .0757 .0814 .0810	\$19.56 20.97 23.19 29.06 30.81 32.14 31.75 31.98 33.10 35.99 38.41 42.70 43.15	\$1.44 1.34 1.53 2.35 2.79 3.21 3.09 2.63 2.36 2.72 3.34 3.46 3.93	0433 0527 0606 0787 0843 0864 0922 0817 0751 0743 0775 0890 0833	\$21.51 22.16 23.84 27.71 31.50 33.39 33.94 31.63 34.13 35.04 37.47 40.19 43.03	\$0.93 1.17 1.44 2.18 2.66 2.88 3.13 2.58 2.56 2.60 2.90 3.58 3.58
					Child			1	1
All ages	. 0913	\$12.84	\$1.17	.0540	\$18.25	<b>\$</b> 0.99	.0416	\$19.81	\$0.82

Note.—For policies with a deductible, average claim and claim cost reflect eligible expenses before application of the deductible; frequency involves only claims where the total eligible medical expenses exceed the policy deductible.

## 1966-70 (FIVE-YEAR PERIOD) EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES COMPARISON OF FREQUENCY OF SURGERY AND AVERAGE CLAIM PER \$100 OF MAXIMUM SURGICAL BENEFIT

## STANDARD SCHEDULE

### DEDUCTIBLE POLICIES AS A PERCENTAGE OF NO-DEDUCTIBLE POLICIES

<b>^</b>		FREQUENCY		A	VERAGE CLAI	M				
ATTAINED AGE	No Deductible	\$25 Deductible	\$50 Deductible	No Deductible	\$25 Deductible	\$50 Deductible				
			M	ale	•					
15-19	100% 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	30% 57 58 59 57 58 61 65 70 71	30% 47 48 52 51 58 61 66 71 69	100% 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	167% 136 142 137 139 134 134 131 120 125	181% 162 154 147 147 138 135 134 128 126 125				
70–74 75–79	100   91   76   100   110   122   100   116   122   100   116   122   100   116   122   100   116   122   100   10									
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	100% 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	51% 69 66 74 75 77 78 71 69 74 79 77	43% 57 61 71 69 68 72 68 69 70 71 74	100% 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	139% 135 130 129 125 120 117 124 129 128 122 133 124	139% 141 134 127 129 125 127 122 131 125 122 125 124				
			Ch		***************************************					
All ages	100%	57%	44%	100%	146%	157%				

Note.—For policies with a deductible, average claim reflects eligible expenses  $\it before$  the application of the deductible; frequency involves only claims where the total eligible medical expenses exceed the policy deductible.

#### DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNTS

Ten companies contributed data to this section of the study, which covers experience under individually underwritten policies with deductible amounts of \$25, \$50, and \$100.

In hospital and surgical expense policies, any deductible amount is generally subtracted from the sum of all benefits (except maternity) otherwise payable at the time of a claim. This eliminates those claims for total amounts less than the deductible and reduces the other claims to the extent of the deductible amount.

Number of claims and annual claim frequencies by attained age are shown in Table 19. Claim frequencies were obtained by dividing the number of claims in excess of the deductible by the number of lives exposed. For homogeneous data we would expect the claim frequencies to decrease as the deductible amount increases.

Since it is easier to satisfy a given deductible under a policy providing large rather than small benefits, claim frequencies for a given deductible tend to vary with the amount of the benefit provided. We might expect that for homogeneous data the claim frequencies in Table 19, which are for all benefits combined, will exceed the corresponding frequencies of hospitalization, which do not include nonhospitalized surgical benefits and outpatient nonsurgical benefits. The single exception to this relation between corresponding frequencies in Table 19 and Table 2 (female, ages 70–74, S25 deductible) is probably due to statistical fluctuation and heterogeneous data and also may be due to the fact that Table 2 is based on amounts of benefit while Table 19 is based on number of claims and lives exposed.

To obtain the claim cost for a particular combination of benefits involving a deductible, it is necessary to reflect the savings resulting from the deductible amount. The technique used to obtain the claim cost is shown on page 101 of the 1967 Reports.

#### MATERNITY EXPENSE BENEFIT

Nine companies contributed data on 61,260 claims to this section of the study, which covers experience under basic hospital-surgical policies that provide benefits for childbirth or miscarriage. The policies included in the experience covered pregnancy which commenced after thirty days from date of issue or maternities which occurred after ten months from date of issue. Maternity benefits provided by the policies varied considerably, as shown by the table at the top of page 193.

TABLE 19

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
CLAIM FREQUENCY OF HOSPITAL AND SURGICAL EXPENSE POLICIES
WITH A DEDUCTIBLE

	\$25 DED	UCTIBLE	\$50 Dep	CCTIBLE	\$100 De	DUCTIBLE						
ATTAINED AGE	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency						
	Male											
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-79. Total.	39 944 1,460 1,216 960 1,033 1,152 1,386 1,523 1,347 937 855 955	.056 .084 .077 .081 .087 .099 .114 .134 .149 .165 .192 .249 .277	95 1,230 1,824 1,516 1,291 1,462 1,538 1,733 1,795 1,616 840 596 555	.075 .060 .060 .065 .069 .080 .086 .104 .117 .142 .160 .190 .226	3 64 126 85 107 114 152 188 192 142 62 45 39	.027 .041 .045 .042 .058 .065 .083 .107 .114 .123 .133 .168 .277						
		Female										
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79	138 1,652 2,015 1,727 1,594 1,898 2,376 2,571 2,538 2,368 1,557 1,327 1,601 23,362	.128 .109 .111 .131 .147 .164 .168 .157 .149 .161 .171 .188 .239	137 2,442 2,769 2,368 2,339 2,718 3,229 3,258 2,930 2,430 1,255 946 997	.081 .087 .088 .109 .120 .131 .134 .126 .118 .126 .143 .163 .181	11 145 190 171 188 213 241 343 283 176 121 81 62	.083 .066 .070 .099 .111 .107 .108 .134 .101 .103 .142 .154 .187						
			Chi	ld								
All ages	9,827	. 083	13,456	. 055	872	.050						

Note.—These frequencies involve only claims where the total eligible medical expenses exceed the policy deductible.

TABLE 20

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MATERNITY CLAIM FREQUENCY
EXPERIENCE BY CALENDAR-YEAR DURATION

Attained	DURATION I		DURATION 2		Durati	Duration 3		DURATION 4		DURATION 5 AND LATER		ALL DURATIONS	
Age	Number of Claims	Fre- quency	Number of Claims	Fre- quency	Number of Claims	Fre- quency	Number of Claims	quency	Number of Claims	Fre- quency	Number of Claims		Hospital Table Frequence
20-24	8,686	. 282	6,494	312	4,044	293	2,490	. 275	2,123	. 257	23,837	. 288	. 285
25 -29	5,291 1,343	. 211 . 108	4,990 1,277	. 249 . 125	3,842 1,154	. 229 . 124	3,202 1,023	. 225	6,566 4,297	. 164 . 084	23,891 9,094	. 206 . 099	.196
35-39	449	. 051	406	.056	343	.053	323	. 053	1,837	. 037	3,358	.043	.060
10-44	106 24	.013	118 21	.017	108 14	.017 .002	17	.013	504 91	. 009 . 001	913 167	.011	.016
Total	15,899		13,306		9,505		7,132		15,418		61,260		

#### ANALYSIS OF DATA BY TYPE OF MATERNITY BENEFIT

Maternity Benefit Provided in Policy	No. Claims in Study (All Durations)
10 times daily hospital benefit	27,325
5 times combined daily hospital benefit of husband and wife	24,856
8 times daily hospital benefit	3,407
Full hospital and surgical benefits	
12 times daily hospital benefit after second policy year	2,133
6 times daily hospital benefit	1,242
Flat \$50	224
15 times daily hospital benefit after second policy year	1.389
10 times daily hospital benefit but not more than \$100	249
Total	61,260

Frequencies of maternity by attained age and duration are shown in Table 20. The maternity claim frequencies of the 1956 Intercompany Hospital Table are shown for comparative purposes. The frequencies for all durations combined are close to those of the 1956 table. Frequencies of 1968–70 are slightly higher in the earlier ages than those reported for the 1966-67 experience.

As expected, claim frequencies on the maternity benefit are highest in the second policy year, after which they consistently decrease by duration. The lower claim frequencies for duration 1 as compared with duration 2 can be attributed to the initial waiting period of ten months following date of issue. On the assumption that issues are spread uniformly throughout the year, the effect of the ten-month waiting period on the frequencies for calendar-year duration 1 can be approximately offset by multiplying the frequencies shown by 1.53.

#### MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFITS

Twelve companies contributed data on 66,280 claims to this section of the study. The volume of claims is almost twice as large as that in the 1966-67 experience. Data were submitted in a format slightly different from that of the previous studies. Data for this section of the study were submitted in five-year attained-age groups by sex (male, female, and child) and duration (1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 and later) for each combination of the following variables:

- 1. Calendar year of experience
- 2. Renewal provision (guaranteed renewable or cancellable)
- 3. Type (family or individual)
- 4. Coinsurance percentage
- 5. Deductible amount

- 6. Deductible type (fixed or variable)
- 7. Maximum benefit
- 8. Surgical schedule maximum
- 9. Hospital room and board limit
- 10. Intensive-care room and board limit
- 11. Period to satisfy deductible
- 12. Benefit period

The data submitted were number of lives exposed, number of claims incurred, and amount paid on claims incurred. The amount paid was reported in two categories: eligible expenses which are subject to coinsurance and eligible expenses which are not subject to coinsurance.

Amounts paid on policies with coinsurance percentages other than 75 per cent were adjusted to the amount which would have been paid had the coinsurance percentage been 75 per cent by multiplying amounts paid subject to coinsurance on the "other percentage" policies by the ratio of 75 to the specified other percentage and adding this adjusted amount to the amount paid not subject to coinsurance. Data for these policies were then combined with data for the 75 per cent coinsurance policies. This represents a change from the method used in previous studies to adjust amounts paid to a 75 per cent coinsurance basis. However, because of the characteristics of the policies included in the experience tables constructed, the effect of this change on the amounts paid as adjusted would be insignificant.

In all tables in this section of the report, average claims and claim costs reflect eligible expenses *after* application of the deductible, coinsurance factor, and maximum benefit. Claim frequencies involve only claims where the total eligible expenses exceed the deductible.

The three years of experience provided a sufficient quantity of data so that useful experience tables could be constructed for seven categories:

- \$500 fixed deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.
- \$500 variable deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.
- 3. \$500 fixed deductible and \$25 room and board limit.
- \$750 fixed deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.
- \$750 variable deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.
- \$1,000 fixed deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.
- \$1,000 variable deductible, no room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum.

The data in categories 4–7 were very sparse, and this severely limits their value. The committee nevertheless decided that publication of this information was useful.

All data in these tables are 75 per cent coinsurance or were adjusted to a 75 per cent coinsurance basis. An analysis showed that experience on cancellable policies was sufficiently similar to experience on guaranteed renewable policies to allow the combiantion of both sets of data to be used in constructing all the tables. Cancellable experience was a small percentage of the total experience, as noted in the table descriptions below.

Table 21 shows the combined experience of durations 3 and later for plans with \$500 fixed deductible, no hospital room and board limit, no surgical schedule maximum, and 75 per cent coinsurance (including adjusted data for plans with other coinsurance percentages).

This table was contructed on the same basis as the corresponding table in the 1966-67 experience study. The data included in the 1966-67 table were on a fixed deductible basis. All data submitted on policies with a \$500 fixed deductible and no room and board limit were also on policies with no surgical schedule maximum. "No Surgical Schedule Maximum" is indicated for information only and does not imply that any data have been excluded from this category.

About 94 per cent of the claims in this experience are on guaranteed renewable policies. Approximately 76 per cent of the claims in the data are on policies with a \$10,000 maximum benefit, while about 20 per cent are on policies with a \$7,500 maximum benefit, and the other 4 per cent are on policies with a \$5,000 maximum benefit.

The 1968-70 experience is compared with the 1966-67 experience (1969 Reports, pp. 114-15) and with the 1964-65 experience (1967 Reports, pp. 104-5). Claim costs have increased, on the average, about 69 per cent for males, 37 per cent for females, and 55 per cent for children since the previous (1966-67) study. Claim frequencies have shown larger increases than average claim sizes for all ages combined and are 36 per cent higher for males, 23 per cent higher for females, and 44 per cent higher for children, levels which are one-half to three-quarters of the increases shown for claim costs.

At ages under 50 male claim costs are generally less than female claim costs, with an exception to this rule in the age range 35-44. For ages above 49, male claim costs average 40 per cent higher than female claim costs.

A graduation of the crude claim costs shown in Table 21 is presented in Table 22.

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#### TABLE 21

# 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT | \$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\* NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM

DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

ATTAINED Age	Number of Lives Exposed		Amount Paid	Claim Fre- QUENCY	Average Claim	CLAIM Cost	Rario то 1966-67			Ratio то 1964-65		
		Number of Claims					Claim Fre quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
	Maic											
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75 and over.	19 1,069 2,749 4,086 5,842 8,377 9,536 10,090 11,039 11,541 6,911 5,310 5,127	0 41 75 135 245 409 557 725 1,191 1,395 1,074 966 1,183	\$ 0 30,069 55,753 101,284 237,832 524,154 567,090 911,329 1,598,044 2,056,163 1,479,684 1,384,012 1,785,321	.00000 .03835 .02728 .03304 .04194 .04882 .05841 .07185 .10789 .12087 .15540 .18192 .23074	\$ 0.00 733.39 743.37 750.25 970.74 1,281.55 1,018.11 1,257.01 1,341.77 1,473.95 1,377.73 1,432.72 1,509.15	\$ 0.00 28.13 20.28 24.79 40.71 62.57 59.47 90.32 144.76 178.16 214.11 260.64 348.22	2.00 1.95 1.57 1.61 1.37 1.34 1.19 1.43 1.19 1.28 1.24 1.31	1.14 1.04 1.98 1.36 1.62 1.19 1.24 1.26 1.28 1.18 1.11	2.28 2.02 1.54 2.18 2.23 1.59 1.47 1.79 1.53 1.51 1.37	2.22 1.58 1.90 1.93 1.57 1.57 1.41 1.68 1.41 1.47 1.39 1.53	1.60 1.38 1.54 1.29 1.80 1.06 1.37 1.24 1.34 1.34 1.17	3.53 2.18 2.91 2.49 2.83 1.67 1.93 2.08 1.90 1.77 1.77
All ages	81,696	7,996	\$10,730,735	. 09788	\$1,342.01	\$131,35	1.36	1.24	1.69	1.54	1.33	2.08

<sup>\*</sup>Includes policies with other coinsurance factors for which the following adjustment has been made: Amount paid (adjusted) = (Amount paid not subject to coinsurance) + (Amount paid subject to coinsurance × 0.75 ÷ Other factor)

Note 1. Average claim and claim cost reflect eligible expenses after application of the deductible, coinsurance factor, and the maximum benefit provision: claim frequency involves only claims where the total eligible expenses exceed the deductible.

Norre 2.—Ratios for all ages are weighted averages of ratios for each age range; weight is number of lives exposed.

TABLE 21-Continued

ATTAINED Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Number of Claims		CLAIM FRE- QUENCY	Average Claim	CLAIM COST	Ratio то 1966~67			Ratio то 1964-65		
			Amount Paid				Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
	Female											
15–19	38 1,025 3,099 4,796 6,768 9,345 10,954 12,693 16,296 19,321 13,776 10,790 12,087	0 34 126 200 300 524 778 992 1,495 1,887 1,508 1,507 2,115	\$ 0 29,851 102,206 156,085 251,623 491,753 842,252 1,062,187 1,876,730 2,365,139 1,826,659 2,075,000 2,665,239 \$13,744,724	.00000 .03317 .04066 .04170 .04433 .05607 .07102 .07815 .09174 .09767 .10947 .13967 .17498	\$ 0.00 877.97 811.16 780.43 838.74 938.46 1,082.59 1,070.75 1,255.34 1,253.39 1,211.31 1,376.91 1,260.16	\$ 0.00 29.12 32.98 32.54 37.18 52.62 76.89 83.68 115.17 122.41 132.60 192.31 220.50	1.40 1.65 1.34 1.17 1.08 1.19 1.28 1.20 1.28 1.20 1.25 1.19	1.27 .96 .90 .82 1.14 1.28 1.17 1.21 1.19 1.08 1.14 .97	1.77 1.59 1.20 .96 1.22 1.52 1.50 1.45 1.29 1.42 1.16	1.73 1.45 1.32 1.22 1.34 1.39 1.26 1.48 1.59 1.32 1.56 1.29	1 . 35 1 . 01 1 . 20 1 . 18 1 . 23 1 . 33 1 . 25 1 . 30 1 . 39 1 . 26 1 . 37 . 95	2.34 1.47 1.59 1.43 1.65 1.84 1.57 1.93 2.21 1.66 2.14 1.22
	Child											
All ages	64,407	1,030	\$ 756,983	. 01599	\$ 734.93	\$ 11.75	1.44	1.08	1.55	1.74	1.07	1.85

Table 23 compares the experience of durations 1 and 2 with that for durations 3 and later.

The variation in experience for each company which contributed data for Table 21 is indicated in Table 24. It should be noted that the contribution of Company E accounted for 100 per cent of the data for the \$10,000 maximum benefit. Also, the average adult attained age for durations 3 and later in the data contributed by Company E was 59.0, while for the other companies the average ranged from 44.1 to 48.8.

### TABLE 22

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
GRADUATED CLAIM COSTS FOR
DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age Male	(Taim Cost
	3. 30. 00.
20-24	
25–29	21.82
30-34	. 27.83
35-39	
40-44	
45–49	
50-54	
55–59	
60-64	
65–69	
70-74	
75 and over	. 342.08
Female	
	. \$ 29.61
20-24	т —
25–29	
30–34	
35–39	
40-44	. 53.00
45-49	
50-54	
55-59	114.34
60-64	
65-69	
70-74	
75 and over	. 220.93
Child	
All ages	\$ 11.75
+ C (++- T-1)- 31	

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

Table 25 shows the combined experience of durations 3 and later for plans with a \$500 "variable" deductible, no hospital room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum. "Variable" deductible means that the actual deductible for any claim is the greater of the stated deductible (\$500 in this case) or the actual benefits paid under other medical

#### TABLE 23

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2

		ACTUAL	RATIO O	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED				
SEX	DURATION	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost			
Male	{1 2	677 518	. 58 . 68	. 54	.31			
Female	$\begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{Bmatrix}$	8 <b>2</b> 3 751	. 58 . 75	. 61 . 73	. 35 . 55			
All adults	$\begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{Bmatrix}$	1,500 1,269	. 58 . 72	. 58 . 71	. 33 . 51			
Children	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	223 150	1.11 1.32	. 70 . 84	.78 1.10			

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

expense insurance covering the total loss. The table represents the experience of one company, about 66 per cent on policies with a \$10,000 maximum benefit, 26 per cent on policies with a \$15,000 maximum, and the rest on policies with a \$20,000 maximum. All of the data are guaranteed renewable.

In comparison to the fixed deductible experience in Table 21, the average claim sizes for all ages combined are comparable, but the claim frequencies and claim costs for males and females are less than half those for the fixed deductible benefit.

Table 26 compares the experience of durations 1 and 2 with that for durations 3 and later for the \$500 variable deductible.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

Table 27 shows the combined experience of durations 3 and later for plans with \$500 fixed deductible, a \$25 room and board limit, and 75 per cent coinsurance (including adjusted data for plans with other coinsurance percentages). Some of these policies also incorporate surgical schedule limits.

About 45 per cent of the claims in this experience were on policies with a \$10,000 maximum benefit, while about 39 per cent represented a \$7,500

TABLE 24

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
DURATIONS 3 AND LATER
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
BY CONTRIBUTING COMPANY

RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED ! ACTUAL Sex COMPANY NUMBER OF CLAIMS Claim Average Claim Frequency Claim Cost 710 1.14 . 93 В 366 .74 .95 .70 Male.... C 161 1.13 .72 . 81 D 414 1.13 87 77 .97 6.345 1.08 1.05 E 793 ſΑ .90 1.12 1.01 391 B .76 1.00 .76 1.19 Female... łС 184 .81 96 D 501 .89 1.15 1.02  $|\mathbf{E}|$ 9,597 1.03 .981.01 .86 1,503 .97 ſΑ 1.13 .97.73 В 757 .75 All adults.... C .77 . 88 345 1.15 D 915 .83 1.13 .94 E15,942 1.05 .98 1.03 .97 1.07 248 1.10 (A В 96 .65 .96 . 63 Children.. 61 .79 .91 . 73 D 162 . 96 1.01.97  $\mathbf{E}$ 463 1.21 .99 1.19

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience of all companies combined.

Note.—Company codes in this table do not correspond to those used in Table 30,

TABLE 25

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT--\$500 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM

### DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Number of Claims	Amount Paid	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
			N	fale		
15–19. 20–24. 25–29. 30–34. 35–39. 40–44. 45–49. 50–54. 55–59. 60–64. 65–69. 70–74. 75 and over. All ages.	4 419 1,276 1,791 2,427 3,294 3,225 2,776 2,836 2,713 2,151 750 0	0 9 19 20 53 75 108 117 176 233 166 47 0	\$ 0 3,551 22,670 13,282 50,009 75,650 114,229 152,161 270,900 329,892 142,554 66,758 0	.00000 .02148 .01489 .01117 .02184 .02277 .03349 .04215 .06206 .08588 .07717 .006267 .00000	\$ 0.00 394.56 1,193.16 664.10 943.57 1,008.67 1,057.68 1,300.52 1,539.20 1,415.85 858.76 1,420.38 0.00	\$ 0.00 8.47 17.77 7.42 20.61 22.97 35.42 54.81 95.52 121.60 66.27 89.01 0.00
				male		
			r e	male 1		1
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75 and over	3 609 1,795 2,395 2,864 3,503 3,577 3,418 3,829 3,865 2,709 763 0	0 14 45 69 89 152 165 178 227 254 145 32 0	\$ 0 10,150 32,686 52,595 66,121 153,838 170,948 192,266 436,106 329,670 144,358 52,118 0	.00000 .02299 .02507 .02882 .03108 .04339 .04613 .05208 .05928 .06572 .05353 .04194 .00000	\$ 0.00 725.00 726.36 762.25 742.93 1,012.09 1,036.05 1,080.15 1,921.17 1,297.91 995.57 1,628.69 0.00	\$ 0.00 16.67 18.21 21.97 23.09 43.92 47.79 56.25 113.90 85.30 53.29 68.31 0.00
All ages	29,329	1,370	\$1,040,830	.04671	\$1,197.71	\$ 55.95
			С	hild		
All ages	36,950	382	\$ 352,820	.01034	\$ 923.61	\$ 9.55

maximum benefit and 16 per cent corresponded to a \$12,500 maximum benefit. Guaranteed renewable policies account for 85 per cent of the claims. The 1968-70 experience is compared with the 1966-67 experience (1969 Reports, p. 119) and with the 1964-65 experience (1967 Reports, p. 109). The 1966-67 study did not include experience on cancellable policies, while the other two studies did. For both males and females,

#### TABLE 26

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2

ļ		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*				
Sex	DURATION	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	{1 2	171 138	. 59 . 67	. 79 . 88	.46 .59		
Female	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	305 263	. 86 1 . 02	. 87 . 86	. 74 . 88		
All adults	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	476 401	.74 .86	. 82 . 86	. <b>60</b> . 75		
Children	$\{rac{1}{2}$	93 64	. 83 . 78	.79 1.36	. 66 1 . 06		

<sup>\*</sup>Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

average claim sizes are down 3-6 per cent from those in the previous study. Both claim frequencies and claim costs have increased, for males 16-18 per cent and for females 4-10 per cent.

A graduation of crude claim costs shown in Table 27 is presented in Table 28. Table 29 compares the experience of durations 1 and 2 with that for durations 3 and later.

Variations in experience for each company which contributed data for Table 27 are shown in Table 30. The average adult age in this experience for each company ranged from 41.6 to 47.6.

Enough experience was submitted for policies with \$750 and \$1,000

# TABLE 27 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT \$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE, \$25 HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\* DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

							RATI	о то 1966	-67†	RATI	о то 1964	-65‡
Attained Age	NUMBER OF LIVES EXPOSED	Number OF Claims	Amount Paid	CLAIM FRE- QUENCY	Average Claim	CLAIM COST	Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
					]	Male						
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75 and over.	21 1,423 4,650 7,203 9,655 12,160 11,917 10,304 9,647 6,613 1,334 59	1 41 93 150 247 427 499 560 653 608 80 5	\$ 720 21,228 55,915 94,368 192,344 319,288 358,946 533,137 620,852 686,580 108,571 10,584	.04762 .02881 .02000 .02082 .02558 .03512 .04187 .05435 .06769 .09194 .05997 .08475 .00000	\$ 720.00 517.76 601.24 629.12 778.72 747.75 719.33 952.03 950.77 1,129.24 1,357.14 2,116.80 0.00	\$ 34, 29 14, 92 12, 02 13, 10 19, 92 26, 26 30, 12 51, 74 64, 36 103, 82 81, 39 179, 39 0, 00	1.35 .93 1.33 1.16 1.10 1.21 1.08 1.27 1.18 2.01	1.04 .57 1.29 .87 1.11 .90 .87 .88 .93 2.50	1.41 .53 1.72 1.00 1.22 1.09 .94 1.11 1.10 5.02	5.05 3.08 .98 .88 1.37 .93 1.28 1.03 1.09 .57	3.95 91 1.40 1.17 .84 .86 .84 .81 .90	19.89 2.80 1.37 1.04 1.15 .81 1.08 .84 .98 .39
All ages	74,988	3,364	\$3,002,533	. 04486	\$ 892.55	\$ 40.04	1.16	.97	1.18	1.15	1.00	1.48

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

<sup>† 1966-67</sup> data contained experience on guaranteed renewable policies only.

<sup>‡ 1964-65</sup> data contained experience on cancellable policies and on guaranteed renewable policies.

TABLE 27 - Continued

							Rati	ю то 1966	i-67†	RATI	το το 1 <b>964</b>	-65‡
Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	NUMBER OF CLAIMS	Amount Paid	CLAIM Fre- quency	Average Claim	CLAIM COST	Claim Fre quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	Claim Fre- quency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
		<u>:                                     </u>	<u>'                                    </u>		F-	emale						
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75-and over. All ages.	27 1,656 5,836 8,297 10,665 12,628 12,484 11,431 10,575 6,900 1,272 53 1	0 38 179 288 426 607 730 712 720 461 65 1 0	\$ 0 17,250 103,180 188,579 283,962 445,320 532,655 656,425 749,595 463,157 82,656 443 0	.00000 .02295 .03067 .03471 .03994 .04807 .05847 .06229 .06809 .06681 .05110 .01887 .00000	\$ 0.00 453.95 576.42 654.79 666.58 733.64 729.66 921.95 1,041.10 1,004.68 1,271.63 443.00 0,00 \$ 883.50	\$ 0.00 10.42 17.68 22.73 26.63 35.26 42.67 57.42 70.88 67.12 64.98 8.36 0.00 8.43.06	.61 1.22 1.22 99 1.15 1.08 1.06 1.09 1.20 1.25	1.11 1.58 .67 .85 .83 .88 1.14 .93 .78 1.49	.67 1.94 .82 .84 .96 .91 1.21 1.01 .94 1.87	80 1.08 1.06 .96 .96 1.16 1.09 1.31 1.23 1.26	36 1.31 1.32 94 1.17 99 1.03 1.13 1.12 .64	29 1.42 1.39 90 1.12 1.15 1.12 1.48 1.37 81
		<u> </u>			1	hild		1		1	<u> </u>	: 
All ages	140,080	1,394	\$ 874,537	.00995	\$ 627.36	\$ 6.24	1.01	1.09	1.10	.99	1.08	1.06

<sup>† 1966-67</sup> data contained experience on guaranteed renewable policies only.

<sup>‡ 1961-65</sup> data contained experience on cancellable policies and on guaranteed renewable policies.

1968 70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
\$25 HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
GRADUATED CLAIM COSTS FOR
DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age Male	Claim Cost
20-24	\$ 12.20
25–29	12.26
30-34	14.16
35–39	19.21
40-44	25.10
45–49	32.72
50-54	49.75
55–59	69.07
60-64	93.32
65-69	103.52
Female	
20-24	\$ 11.43
25–29	17.01
30-34	22.11
35-39	27.39
40-44	34.93
45–49	44.56
50-54	57.22
55–59	67.18
60-64	69.33
65-69	69.74
Child	
All ages	\$ 6.24

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

fixed deductibles and \$750 and \$1,000 variable deductibles, no hospital room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum, so that Tables 31, 33, 35, and 37 could be constructed. Each of Tables 31, 33, and 37 represents the experience of one company. Table 35 represents the experience of two companies. All policies included in these tables have a 75 per cent coinsurance percentage, or amounts paid have been adjusted to a 75 per cent coinsurance basis. As in Tables 21, 25, and 27, the experi-

TABLE 29

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
\$25 HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2

			RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED!				
Sex	DURATION	ACTUAL Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	{1 2	342 370	.93	1.03	.95 .82		
Pemale	$\left\{ egin{array}{l} 1 \ 2 \end{array}  ight.$	551 641	1.05 1.08	. 81 . 83	. 85 . 90		
<b>A</b> ll adults	$\{rac{1}{2}$	893 1,011	1.00 1.01	. 89 . 85	. 89 . 86		
Children	$\left\{ rac{1}{2}  ight.$	252 251	1.07 .94	. 44 . 54	. 47 . 51		

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

ence for durations 3 and later has been combined. All experience is on policies which are guaranteed renewable.

Table 32, 34, 36, and 38 compare for the \$750 and \$1,000 fixed and variable deductibles, respectively, the experience of durations 1 and 2 with that for durations 3 and later.

The scantiness of the data underlying these \$750 and \$1,000 deductible tables will severely limit their value. It must also be recognized that only one or two companies contributed to each table. The tables should, however, prove useful in comparison with each other or in demonstrating

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

### 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES

### MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT

S500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE

\$25 HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*

DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
BY CONTRIBUTING COMPANY

		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED†				
Sex	COMPANY	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	(A B C D E F G	1,071 389 353 575 48 524 404	1 . 03 . 92 1 . 21 1 . 08 . 83 . 93 . 89	1.01 1.16 .98 1.06 .89 1.04	1.04 1.07 1.19 1.15 .74 .97		
Female	$\begin{cases} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{D} \\ \mathbf{E} \\ \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{G} \end{cases}$	1,373 515 398 591 70 658 622	1.07 .92 1.03 .99 1.08 .91 1.02	. 96 1.19 1.00 1.16 1.11 1.09	1.02 1.10 1.02 1.15 1.20 .99		
All adults	$\begin{cases} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{D} \\ \mathbf{E} \\ \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{G} \end{cases}$	2,444 904 751 1,166 118 1,182 1,026	1.05 .92 1.11 1.03 .96 .92	.98 1.18 .99 1.11 1.01 1.07	1.03 1.09 1.09 1.15 .97 .98		
Children	(A B C D E F G	401 174 159 172 20 300 168	1.22 1.19 1.47 1.24 1.43 .59	1.06 .89 .96 1.06 .76 1.19	1.29 1.06 1.41 1.31 1.09 .71		

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience of all companies combined.

Note.—Company codes in this table do not correspond to those used in Table 24.

TABLE 31

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT—\$750 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM

DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Num- ber of Claims	Amount Paid	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
				Male		
15–19	1	0	<b>s</b> 0	.00000	S 0.00	\$ 0.00
0–24	51	0	0	.00000	0.00	0.00
5-29	149	10	6.695	.06711	669.50	44.93
0-34	112	1	7.5	.00893	75.00	0.67
5-39	162	7	5,782	.04321	826.00	15.69
0-44 5-49	205 263	7 8	3,592	.03415	513.14 1.457.50	17.52 44.33
0 - 54	265 265	16	$\frac{11,660}{17,866}$	.06038	1.116 63	67.42
5-59	440	36	59,932	.08182	1.664.78	136 21
0-64.	638	51	60,097	.07994	1,178.37	94.20
5-69	536	52	79,308	.09701	1,525.15	147.96
0.74	415	46	76,605	11084	1,665.33	184.59
5 and over	363	56	82,880	.15427	1,480.00	228.32
All ages	3,600	290	\$404,492	.08056	\$1,394.80	\$112.36
				Female		
5-19	0	0	s 0	.00000	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20-24	80	3	6,250	.03750	2.083.33	78.13
5-29.	116	5	1,278	.04310	255.60	11.02
0-34	140	2	1,005	.01429	502.50	7.18
5-39	162	3	1,154	.01852	384.67	7.12
0-44	214	13	6,381	. 0607.5	490.85	29.82
5–49	335	13	8,046	. 03881	618.92	24.02
60-54	421	28	24,271	. 06651	866.82	57.65
55 - 59	722	30	26,011	. 04155	867.03	36.03
0-64	1,134	80	133,517	.07055	1,668.96	117.74
5-69	774	54	56,439	.06977	1,045.17	72.92
0-74	566	65	87,190	.11484	1,341.38	154.05
5 and over	723	102	149,508	. 14108	1,465.76	206.79
All ages	5,387	398	\$501,050	.07388	\$1,258.92	\$ 93.01
				Child		

TABLE 32

1968-70 Experience under Individually
Underwritten Policies
Major Medical Expense Benefit
\$750 Fixed Deductible
75 Per Cent Coinsurance
No Hospital Room and Board Limit
No Surgical Schedule Maximum
Ratios of Actual to Expected Experience
for Durations 1 and 2

		ACTUAL.	Катіо о	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*				
Sex	DURATION	NUMBER OF CLAIMS	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost			
Male	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	30 33	.35 .64	.33	. 12			
Female	$\begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{Bmatrix}$	41 45	. <del>44</del> . 76	.53 .39	. 23 . 29			
All adults	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	71 78	.40 .71	. 44 . 58	. 17 . 41			
Children	$\left\{ egin{matrix} 1 \ 2 \end{smallmatrix}  ight.$	4 7	.36 .99	1.95 3.75	. 71 3 . 72			

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

TABLE 33

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT—\$750 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM

### DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Number of Claims	Amount Paid	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
		·	N	Iale		
5-19 .	5	0	\$ 0	.00000	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
0-24 .	296	6	9,507	. 02027	1,584.50	32.12
5-29 .	934	10	16,141	.01071	1,614.10	17.28
0-34	1.334	15	9,382	.01124	625.47	7.03
539.	1,935	34	14,997	.01757	441.09 892.95	7.75 18.49
0-44 5-49	2,801 3,183	58 78	51,791 70,297	02071	901.24	22.09
0-54	3,152	115	159,536	.03648	1,387.27	50.61
5-59	3,207	164	203,035	.05114	1,238.02	63.31
0-64	3,310	234	330,423	. 07069	1,412.06	99.83
5-69	2,562	153	207,148	.05972	1,353.91	80.83
0-74	760	29	45,980	.03816	1,585.52	60.50
5 and over,	0	0	0	.00000	0.00	0.00
All ages	23,479	896	\$1,118,237	.03816	\$1,248.03	\$ 47.63
			Fe	male		
5-19	8	1	\$ 1,773	. 12500	\$1,773.00	\$221.63
0-24	399	6	2,456	. 01504	409.33	6.10
5–29	1,373	19	11,867	.01384	624.58	8.6
0-34	1,856	35	30,957	.01886	884.49	16.6
539 044	2,418	48	44,726	.01985	931.79 787.33	18.50 25.3
5-44 5-49	3,326	107	84,244 185,036	.03217	1,340.84	50.9
0-54	3,700	151	156,720	.04081	1.037.88	42.30
5-59	4,082	186	321,261	.04557	1,727.21	78.70
0-64	4,087	205	282,783	. 05016	1,379.43	69.19
5-69,	2,530	110	87,966	. 04348	799.69	34.7
0–74	599	19	25,680	.03172	1,351.58	42.8
5 and over .	0	0	0	.00000	0.00	0.0
All ages	28,011	1,025	\$1,235,469	. 03659	\$1,205.34	\$ 44.1
		<u> </u>	C	hild		<u></u>
ll ages	35,712	251	\$ 288,273	.00703	\$1,148.50	\$ 8.0

TABLE 34

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$750 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2

Sex		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*				
	DURATION	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	${1 \choose 2}$	127 125	. 62	. 80 1 . 06	. 50 . 81		
Female	$\left\{ egin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{smallmatrix}  ight.$	198 158	. 89 . 88	. 69 . 65	. 61 . 58		
All adults	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	325 283	.76 .82	. 73 . 84	. 56 . 69		
Children	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	46 46	.79 .93	. 81 . 59	. 63 . 55		

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

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### DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

(Experience of Two Companies)

Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Num- ber of Claims	Amount Paid	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
				Male		,
15-19.	3	0	s o	. 00000	s 0.00	s 0.00
20-24.	69	2	849	.02899	424 50	12.30
25-29	290	4	4,501	01379	1,125 25	15.52
80-34 85-39	284 324	5 9	3,217	.01761	643 . 40 938 . 1 1	$\frac{11.33}{26.06}$
55 39	508	11	8,443 $21,635$	.02778	1.966.82	42.59
15-49.	641	16	18,654	02496	1,165 88	29.10
50 54	655	16	18,965	02443	1.185.31	28.95
5559	855	43	58,033	1 .05029	1.349.60	67.87
50-64	1,037	60	107.981	. 05786	1,799.68	104.13
55-69	773	83	141,510	. 10737	1,704.94	183.07
70-74	606	61	101,530	. 10066	1,664.43	167.54
75 and over	598	84	135, 261	. 14047	1,610.25	226.19
All ages	6,643	394	\$620,579	.05931	\$1,575.07	\$ 93.42
				Female		
5-19	4	0	s 0	.00000	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20-24	148	2	282	01351	141.00	1.91
25-29	296	5	1,776	01689	355.20	6.00
30-34	304	8	6,304	.02632	788.00	20.74
35–39	371	11	15,951	.02965	1,450.09	42.99
10-44	574	17	13,967	. 02962	821.59	24.33
5-49.	725	22	26,126	.03034	1,187.55	36.04
50-54.	865	27	49,130	03121	1,819.63	56.80
55-59	1.189	64	89,346	.05383	1,396.03	75.14
60-64	1,576	94	124,708	.05964	1,326.68	79.13
55-69	1,060 811	65 52	80,625 68,192	.06132	1,240.38 1,311.38	76.06 84.08
5 and over	990	121	159,933	12222	1,321.76	161.55
All ages	8,913	488	\$636,340	.05475	\$1,303.98	\$ 71.39
		I		Child	<u> </u>	1

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UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$1,000 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2

(Experience of Two Companies)

		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*				
Sex	DURATION	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	$\left\{ rac{1}{2}  ight.$	55 35	.36	. 52 . 56	.19		
Fernale	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	78 58	.48 .66	.48 .78	. 23		
All adults	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	133 93	. 43 . 56	. 50 . 68	.21		
Children	$\begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases}$	16 11	1.37 1.66	1.05 .45	1.43 .74		

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

TABLE 37

### 1968-70 ENPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT- \$1,000 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT, 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM

### DURATIONS 3 AND LATER

Attained Age	Number of Lives Exposed	Num- ber of Claims	Amount Paid	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost
				Male		
15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74	0 16 57 180 392 806 1,088 1,109 1,119 1,215 966 268	0 0 0 3 2 13 24 29 27 71 52 15	S 0 0 0 2,198 3,456 12,321 22,797 28,685 42,234 150,735 71,995 20,104	.00000 .00000 .00000 .01667 .00510 .01613 .02206 .02615 .02413 .05844 .05383 .05597	\$ 0.00 0.00 0.00 732.67 1.728.00 947.77 949.88 989.14 1,564.22 2.123.03 1,384.52 1.340.27	\$ 0.00 0.00 0.00 12.21 8.82 15.29 20.95 25.87 77.74 124.06 74.53 75.01
75 and over	7,216	236	\$354,525	.00000	\$1,502.22	\$ 49.13
				Female		
15-19. 20-24. 25-29. 30-34. 35-39. 40-44. 45-49. 50-54. 55-59. 60-64. 65-69. 70-74. 75 and over.	1 21 142 328 654 1,041 1,147 1,153 1,115 1,021 513 111 0	0 0 0 2 7 14 25 37 28 35 46 11 3 0 208	\$ 0 2,592 4,672 10,468 25,487 60,546 59,894 77,825 175,811 40,628 6,236 0 \$464,159	.00000 .00000 .01408 .02134 .02141 .02402 .03226 .02428 .03139 .04505 .02144 .02703 .00000	\$\ \ 0.00 \\ 0.00 \\ 1,296.00 \\ 667.43 \\ 747.71 \\ 1,019.48 \\ 1,636.38 \\ 2,139.07 \\ 2,223.57 \\ 3,821.98 \\ 3,693.45 \\ 2,078.67 \\ 0.00 \\ \$2,231.53	\$ 0.00 0.00 18.25 14.24 16.01 24.48 52.79 51.95 69.80 172.19 79.20 56.18 0.00
		1	,	Child	,	<u>,                                     </u>
All ages	10,786	46	\$113,067	.00426	\$2,457.98	\$ 10.48

general variations in experience when they are compared with the \$500 deductible tables.

In addition to the experience tables, analyses in the form of actual-to-expected ratios were made for each of the following variables: fixed deductible (Table 39); variable deductible (Table 40); hospital room and board limit (Table 41); maximum benefit, fixed deductible (Table 42); maximum benefit, variable deductible (Table 43); and calendar year of experience (Table 44).

#### TABLE 38

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$750 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR DURATIONS 1 AND 2
(Experience of One Company)

Sex		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*				
	DURATION	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	$\begin{cases} 1\\2 \end{cases}$	44 34	. 77 . 76	. 68 . 76	. 53 . 58		
Female	$\left\{ _{2}^{1}\right.$	45 33	. 88 . 84	. 41 . 72	.36 .60		
All adults	$\begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{Bmatrix}$	89 67	. 82 . 80	. 53 . 74	. 43 . 59		
Children	$\left\{ egin{smallmatrix} 1 \ 2 \end{smallmatrix}  ight.$	12 10	.97 1.03	. 29 1 . 22	.28 1.26		

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience for durations 3 and later.

It should be noted that, unless otherwise specified in the table heading, the analysis of each variable ignored the effects of the other variables. Variations in experience among companies have probably also affected the relationships shown in Tables 39–44. Categories were chosen for these tables which would organize the data into meaningful homogeneous cells but which would not so divide the data as to introduce a large amount of statistical fluctuation. However, in interpreting these tables, the effects of statistical fluctuation must be considered.

TABLE 39

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
ON POLICIES WITH FIXED DEDUCTIBLES OF
\$300, \$750, AND \$1,000

		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED!			
Sex	Deductible	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	
Male	$ \begin{cases} \$ & 300 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{cases} $	133 353 484	.99 .67 .51	.98 .03 1.18	. 97 . 69 . 61	
Female	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 300 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{array}\right.$	169 484 624	1.15 .72 .56	.89 1.00 1.09	1.02 .72 .61	
All adults	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 300 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{array}\right.$	302 837 1,108	1.07 .69 .54	.93 1.01 1.13	1.00 .70 .61	
Children	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 300 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{array}\right.$	68 33 55	1.84 .61 .42	.97 1.50 1.37	1.79 .92 .58	

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience on policies with \$500 fixed deductible.

TABLE 40

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
ON POLICIES WITH VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLES OF
\$250, \$750, AND \$1,000

		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*			
Sex	DEDUCTIBLE	Number of Claims	Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	
Male	$ \begin{cases} \$ & 250 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{cases} $	939 1,148 314	1.66 .82 .65	1.16 1.04 1.16	1.93 .85 .76	
Female	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 250 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{array}\right.$	1,671 1,380 286	1.58 .75 .56	1.01 .94 1.64	1.59 .70 .92	
All adults	$   \left\{     \begin{array}{c}       250 \\       750 \\       1,000     \end{array}   \right. $	2,610 2,528 600	1.61 .78 .61	1.06 .98 .93	1.71 .77 .56	
Children	$ \begin{cases} 250 \\ 750 \\ 1,000 \end{cases} $	962 343 68	2.72 .69 .44	.67 1.13 2.39	1.81 .78 1.05	

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience on policies with \$500 variable deductible.

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### MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*

### \$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE

RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE ON POLICIES WITH HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMITS OF \$25 AND \$30

Sex	Hospital Room and Board Limit	ACTUAL Number of Claims	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED †			
			Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	
Male	<b>\$25</b> 30	3,364 1,275	. 67 . 61	.75 .90	. 50 . 55	
Female	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 25\\30\end{array}\right.$	4,227 2,014	.76 .75	. 79 . 84	. 60 . 63	
All adults	{ 25 30	7,591 3,289	. 72 . 69	.77 .86	. 55 . 59	
Children	{ 25 30	1,394 506	.59	.93 .97	. 55 . 51	

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

Note.—This table is derived from experience in durations 3 and later only.

### TABLE 42

## 1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT \$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE

NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT 75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\* RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE ON POLICIES WITH MAXIMUM BENEFITS OF \$5,000, \$7,500, AND \$10,000

		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED			
Sex	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CLAIMS		Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	
Male	\$ 5,000 7,500 10,000	367 1,615 7,209	.97 .78 1.07	.86 1.10 .99	. 83 . 86 1.05	
Female	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 5,000\\ 7,500\\ 10,000 \end{array}\right.$	549 1,880 10,611	1.02 .88 1.02	.86 1.11 .99	. 88 . 97 1 . 01	
All adults	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 5,000\\ 7,500\\ 10,000 \end{array}\right.$	916 3,495 17,820	1.00 .83 1.04	.86 1.10 .99	. 86 . 91 1 . 03	
Children	$ \begin{cases} 5,000 \\ 7,500 \\ 10,000 \end{cases} $	73 546 784	1.07 .87 1.11	.77 1.06 1.00	. 83 . 92 1 . 11	

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience on policies with no hospital room and board limit.

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience of all maximum benefits combined.

The basis of expected experience is shown with each table. Expected results were calculated using separate factors for each combination of duration, five-year attained-age group, and sex. This method will adjust for variations in distribution of experience by duration, age, and sex between the actual and the expected basis.

TABLE 43

1968-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 VARIABLE DEDUCTIBLE
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
ON POLICIES WITH MAXIMUM BENEFITS OF
\$10,000, \$15,000, AND \$20,000
(Experience of One Company)

Sex		ACTUAL	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED*			
	MAXIMUM BENEFIT CLAIMS		Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost	
	(\$10,000	797	.96	.96	.92	
Male	15,000	420	1.09	1.09	1.19	
	( 20,000	115	.97	1.03	1.00	
	10,000	1,281	.98	.97	. 95	
Female	15,000	494	1.00	.95	.95	
	20,000	163	1.15	1.40	. 61	
	( 10,000	2,078	.97	.96	. 94	
All adults	15,000	914	1.04	1.02	1.06	
waares	20,000	278	1.07	1.24	1.33	
	( 10,000	322	.96	.88	. 85	
Children	15,000	170	1.06	1.27	1.35	
·	20,000	47	1.09	. 84	. 92	

<sup>\*</sup> Expected based on experience of all maximum benefits combined.

In Table 39 the experience for various fixed deductible amounts is compared. In general, claim costs decrease with increasing deductibles. For the \$750 and \$1,000 fixed deductible experience 93 per cent of the policies, and for the \$500 fixed deductible expected basis 76 per cent of the policies, had maximum benefits of \$10,000 or greater. The \$300 fixed deductible experience was all on policies of one company with a \$5,000 maximum benefit, and the policies were cancellable.

Table 40 makes the same comparisons as does Table 35 for the variable deductibles. All of this experience is contributed by one company (including the experience for the expected basis), and all of it is on policies having a maximum benefit of \$10,000 or greater. The average age for the \$250 variable deductible experience was 38.2. This corresponds to an average age of 48.1 for the \$750 and 50.1 for the \$1,000 variable deductibles.

TABLE 44

1969-70 EXPERIENCE UNDER INDIVIDUALLY
UNDERWRITTEN POLICIES
MAJOR MEDICAL EXPENSE BENEFIT
\$500 FIXED DEDUCTIBLE
75 PER CENT COINSURANCE (ADJUSTED)\*
NO HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD LIMIT
NO SURGICAL SCHEDULE MAXIMUM
RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED EXPERIENCE
FOR YEARS OF EXPERIENCE 1969 AND 1970

		ACTUAL Number of Claims	RATIO OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED!				
SEX	YEAR OF EXPERIENCE		Claim Frequency	Average Claim	Claim Cost		
Male	{1969 1970	3,317 2,662	1.10 1.87	1.02	1.12		
Female	{1969 1970	4,620 3,564	1.04 1.76	1.06 1.05	1.11 1.84		
All adults	\\ \begin{pmatrix} 1969 \\ 1970 \end{pmatrix}	7,937 6,226	1.07 1.80	1.04 1.02	1.11 1.84		
Children	{1969 1970	497 484	1.18 2.05	1.03 .98	1.22 2.00		

<sup>\*</sup> See footnotes to Table 21.

Table 41 compares experience on policies with different hospital room and board limits. Increasing the limit from \$25 to \$30 has a small downward effect on the claim frequencies of about 1–10 per cent, while average claim size increases 6–20 per cent for adults. As in the previous study, claim frequencies appear to be considerably lower on policies containing hospital room and board limits than on policies with no such limit. Average claim sizes on policies with an inside limit for hospital room and board also appear to be significantly lower than on policies with no limit, in contrast to the results of the previous study. These effects are expected,

<sup>†</sup> Expected based on experience in calendar year 1968.

since it is more difficult to reach the deductible with the limit present, and the limit tends to reduce the average claim size, since not all the hospital charges would be eligible expenses.

Table 42 compares experience on policies with different maximum benefits and a \$500 fixed deductible. Average claims for the \$7,500 maximum benefit are considerably higher than those for the \$5,000 maximum benefit. The results for the \$10,000 maximum do not appear to be consistent with the other maximums; this was also the case in the previous study. It should be noted that all the data for the \$10,000 maximum were contributed by one company, and that company's policy forms specify a two-year benefit period which cannot be renewed by repeated satisfaction of the deductible unless a six-month period elapses in which the covered person incurs no expenses in connection with the disability that caused the original claim. One would not normally expect claim frequency to be affected by the maximum benefit. The results shown in Table 42 with respect to claim frequency probably result from variations in company experience or statistical fluctuation. The average adult age for policies with a \$10,000 maximum was 55.1, as compared with 47.1 for the \$7,500 maximum and 50.9 for the \$5,000 maximum benefit, and this would also be expected to influence the relative claim frequency.

In Table 43 maximum benefits are compared for policies with a \$500 variable deductible. This is, again, the experience of one company.

Experience during calendar years 1969 and 1970 on policies with a \$500 fixed deductible, no hospital room and board limit, and no surgical schedule maximum is compared in Table 44 with experience on the same policies during 1968. Adult claim costs in 1970 average 84 per cent higher than 1968 levels. Claim costs increased slightly in 1969. This large increase in claim costs results from a dramatic increase in claim frequency during 1970 to about 180 per cent of the 1968 level for adults. Again, the claim frequency ratios for 1969 show a slight increase over those for 1968. For children, claim frequency and claim cost have both doubled in 1970 over 1968 levels, while average claim size has remained relatively stable.