**3.2. Cases of Miners’ Nystagmus, United Kingdom, 1908-38.**

Note: Nystagmus is a disease of the eye caused by work in low light conditions and involves the involuntary oscillation of the eyeball, vertigo, headaches and nausea. It was added to the list of compensatable conditions under the Workmen’s Compensation legislation by an Act of 1906.

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| Year | Old cases | New cases | Total cases |
| 1908 | 74 | 386 | 460 |
| 1909 | 380 | 631 | 1,011 |
| 1910 | 662 | 956 | 1,618 |
| 1911 | 1,144 | 1,374 | 2,518 |
| 1912 | 1,819 | 1,376 | 3,195 |
| 1913 | 2,149 | 2,401 | 4,550 |
| 1914 | 3,218 | 2,774 | 5,992 |
| 1915 |  |  |  |
| 1916 |  |  |  |
| 1917 |  |  |  |
| 1918 |  |  |  |
| 1919 | 3,731 | 2,718 | 6,449 |
| 1920 | 4,163 | 2,865 | 7,028 |
| 1921 | 4,804 | 1,913 | 6,717 |
| 1922 | 5,063 | 4,092 | 9,155 |
| 1923 | 7,273 | 3,883 | 11,156 |
| 1924 | 7,635 | 3,271 | 10,906 |
| 1925 | 7,890 | 3,445 | 11,335 |
| 1926 | 8,270 | 1,771 | 10,041 |
| 1927 | 7,934 | 1,802 | 9,736 |
| 1928 | 7,265 | 2,555 | 9,820 |
| 1929 | 7,265 | 2,577 | 9,842 |
| 1930 | 7,572 | 3,066 | 10,638 |
| 1931 | 8,354 | 2,729 | 11,083 |
| 1932 | 8,523 | 1,962 | 10,485 |
| 1933 | 8,068 | 1,535 | 9,603 |
| 1934 | 7,174 | 1,745 | 8,919 |
| 1935 | 6,591 | 1,839 | 8,430 |
| 1936 | 6,202 | 1,522 | 7,724 |
| 1937 | 5,053 | 1,165 | 6,218 |
| 1938 | 4,182 | 1,020 | 5,202 |

Source: Statistics of compensation and proceedings under the Workmen's Compensation Acts, and the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, in Great Britain (annual series).