

TABLE 12.—*Fracture management in relation to level of tibial injury in 621 compound fractures of tibia and fibula*<sup>1</sup>

Technique	Level of tibial fracture			Total
	Proximal third	Mid third	Distal third	
Cast.....	143	146	154	443
Cast traction.....	11	9	27	47
Two-pin fixation in cast.....	2	6	4	12
Internal fixation tibia.....	11	48	34	93
Plating.....	<sup>2</sup> (4)	(36)	(25)	(65)
Screws.....	(7)	(11)	(7)	(25)
Wire.....		(1)	(2)	(3)
Plating fibula.....	2	2	5	9
External fixation.....	1	11	1	13
Amputation.....	1		3	4
Total.....	171	222	228	621

<sup>1</sup> Data were secured from proceedings of disposition boards on file in the Office of the Surgeon, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. The level of the tibial fracture was not stated in 33 other cases studied.

<sup>2</sup> Figures in parentheses are subtotals.