

TABLE 8.—*Selection of methods of fracture management in 1,063 compound fractures of femoral shaft*

Source	Skeletal traction	Internal fixation	Plaster cast only	Russell traction	External skeletal fixation	Total
21st General Hospital	152	74				226
24th General Hospital	48	27	4		1	80
33d General Hospital	112	22			9	143
64th General Hospital	43	34		2		79
Proceedings, disposition boards ¹	325	149	52		9	535
Total	680	306	56	2	19	1,063
Percentage	64	28.8	5.2	.2	1.8	100

¹ From files, Office of the Surgeon, Mediterranean Theater of Operations.