

TABLE 52.—Nonbattle deaths in the Medical Department:¹ Actual, 7 December 1941–31 December 1946; estimated, 7 December 1941–30 September 1945

Group	Strength		All nonbattle deaths			Accidental deaths						Died of disease			Other causes			
						All accidental deaths				Aircraft								
	Median 7 December 1941–30 September 1945 ²	Number of months of exposure ³	Total ⁴	Ad- justed ⁵		Total ⁴	Number	Rate ⁶		Total ⁴	Ad- justed ⁵		Total ⁴	Number	Rate ⁶			
				Number	Rate ⁶						Number	Percent of ad- justed accidental				Number	Rate ⁶	
Total Army:																		
Worldwide -----	7, 444, 816	46	92, 656	82, 770	2. 9	56, 852	51, 155	1. 8	27, 628	26, 027	51	26, 518	23, 793	0. 8	9, 286	7, 822	0. 3	
Overseas -----	2, 526, 729	46	52, 758	47, 021	4. 9	31, 885	28, 102	2. 9	12, 835	11, 785	42	15, 290	14, 403	1. 5	5, 583	4, 516	. 5	
Officers:																		
Worldwide -----	684, 360	46	20, 950	18, 886	7. 2	17, 199	15, 987	6. 1	14, 940	14, 044	88	2, 831	2, 548	1. 0	920	773	. 3	
Overseas -----	206, 910	46	9, 984	9, 068	11. 4	8, 208	7, 473	9. 4	6, 892	6, 341	85	1, 201	1, 129	1. 4	575	446	. 6	
Enlisted:																		
Worldwide -----	6, 676, 698	46	71, 706	63, 884	2. 5	39, 653	35, 117	1. 4	12, 688	11, 927	34	23, 687	21, 318	. 8	8, 366	7, 027	. 3	
Overseas -----	2, 319, 819	46	42, 774	38, 019	4. 3	23, 667	20, 719	2. 3	5, 943	5, 468	26	14, 089	13, 244	1. 5	5, 008	4, 056	. 5	
Medical Department:																		
Worldwide -----	621, 731	46	3, 692	3, 215	1. 3	1, 552	1, 348	. 6	227	203	15	1, 668	1, 471	. 6	472	396	. 2	
Overseas -----	209, 414	46	1, 920	1, 690	2. 1	977	845	1. 1	175	158	19	714	658	. 8	229	187	. 2	
Officers:																		
Worldwide -----	110, 563	46	854	715	1. 7	325	276	. 7	142	123	45	425	352	. 8	104	87	. 2	
Overseas -----	37, 587	46	365	310	1. 1	201	173	. 6	99	88	51	123	102	. 4	41	35	. 2	
Medical Corps:																		
Worldwide -----	40, 983	46	463	400	2. 5	161	145	. 9	78	67	46	241	204	1. 3	61	51	. 3	
Overseas -----	14, 920	46	193	168	2. 9	94	84	1. 5	50	43	51	71	60	1. 0	28	24	. 4	

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 52.—Nonbattle deaths in the Medical Department:¹ Actual, 7 December 1941–31 December 1946; estimated, 7 December 1941–30 September 1945—Continued

Group	Strength		All nonbattle deaths			Accidental deaths						Died of disease			Other causes		
						All accidental deaths				Aircraft							
	Median 7 December 1941–30 September 1945 ²	Number of months of exposure ³	Total ⁴	Number	Ad- justed ⁵	Total ⁴	Number	Ad- justed ⁵		Total ⁴	Number	Ad- justed ⁵	Total ⁴	Number	Ad- justed ⁵		
																Rate ⁶	Rate ⁶
Medical Department—Con. Officers—Continued																	
Dental Corps:																	
Worldwide-----	13, 776	46	91	77	1. 5	25	18	0. 3	8	6	33	56	49	0. 9	10	10	0. 2
Overseas-----	2, 929	46	32	27	2. 4	13	10	. 9	6	5	50	16	14	1. 2	3	3	. 3
Sanitary Corps:																	
Worldwide-----	2, 178	46	6	5	. 6	3	3	. 4	2	2	68	3	2	. 2	0	0	. 0
Overseas-----	466	46	2	2	1. 1	2	2	1. 1	1	1	50	0	0	. 0	0	0	. 0
Veterinary Corps:																	
Worldwide-----	1, 963	46	13	12	1. 6	7	7	. 9	4	4	57	6	5	. 7	0	0	. 0
Overseas-----	405	46	6	6	3. 9	4	4	2. 6	2	2	50	2	2	1. 3	0	0	. 0
Medical Administra- tive Corps:																	
Worldwide-----	14, 385	46	76	59	1. 1	27	20	. 4	4	3	15	36	31	. 6	13	8	. 1
Overseas-----	3, 334	46	29	23	1. 8	13	10	. 8	2	2	20	12	10	. 8	4	3	. 2
Army Nurse Corps:																	
Worldwide-----	35, 381	46	199	159	1. 2	98	81	. 6	45	41	51	81	60	. 4	20	18	. 1
Overseas-----	15, 081	46	101	82	1. 4	73	61	1. 1	38	35	57	22	16	. 3	6	5	. 1
Physical Therapists:																	
Worldwide-----	783	30	5	3	1. 9	3	2	1. 0	0	0	0	2	1	. 5	0	0	. 0
Overseas-----	371	30	2	2	2. 2	2	2	2. 2	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	. 0

Enlisted:																	
Worldwide-----	511,061	46	2,838	2,500	1.3	1,227	1,072	.5	85	80	8	1,243	1,119	.6	368	309	.2
Overseas-----	171,828	46	1,555	1,380	2.1	776	672	1.0	76	70	10	591	556	.8	188	152	.2

¹ Basic data, unless otherwise specified, from "All Army Deaths by Duty Branch and Type of Deaths: 7 December 1941-31 December 1946," in Department of the Army, "Army Battle Casualties and Nonbattle Deaths in World War II. Final Report 7 December 1941-31 December 1946," pp. 112, 114. Hospital dietitians incurred but one nonbattle death. This occurred in the Zone of Interior and was caused by an aircraft accident.

² For the means of determining median strength, see table 48, footnote 2. Worldwide and overseas strength of the Army at large and the Medical Department based on data in table 31. Worldwide and overseas strength of Army officers at large determined from data in table 45, plus WAAC officers as shown in "Strength of the Army." Worldwide strength of Army enlisted men at large derived from data in table 56, plus WAAC and WAC enlisted personnel as reported in "Strength of the Army." Medical Department officer and enlisted strength, worldwide and overseas, based on strengths shown in tables 45 and 56.

³ Determined according to criteria stated in table 48, footnote 2.

⁴ Number of cases between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946.

⁵ Deaths from 7 December 1941 to 30 September 1945. Data are from basic source in the following instances: Total Army, worldwide and overseas for all types of deaths; total Army officers; total Army enlisted; Army Nurse Corps; and physical therapists, all worldwide, for the entire number of nonbattle deaths. In all other cases, the figures are estimates. In the case of Medical Department officer groups, the number in each worldwide category has been attained by subtracting from the number of deaths reported in such category in the basic source the number of deaths shown for the corresponding category during the period 1 October 1945-31 December 1946 in monthly reports both current and supplementary (OTM 53 and OTM 55) on file in the Statistics Section, Statistical and Accounting Branch, Office of The Adjutant General. For the overseas categories, the numbers shown in the basic source have been reduced by a percentage equal to the corresponding worldwide percentage as determined by the procedure just described. This results in a very conservative estimate of the number of deaths prior to 30 September 1945 since the reduction of overseas strength of Medical Department officers between that date and the end of 1946 was much more rapid than the worldwide reduction of the same group. However, knowledge available in the Office of The Surgeon General has been used to some extent in determining overseas deaths in the Veterinary Corps and among physical therapists. The total number of nonbattle deaths among Medical Department officers (and the number in the Medical Department as a whole) to 30 September 1945 must be increased by one, which occurred among the Hospital Dietitians in the Zone of Interior as a result of an aircraft accident. (Data from basic source.) In the case of Medical Department enlisted men, the estimates of worldwide losses between 7 December 1941 and 30 September 1945 have been attained by reducing the numbers reported in each category in the basic source by the percentage that losses in the same categories among all Army personnel from 1 October 1945 to 31 December 1946 constitute in relation to corresponding losses between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946 as shown in this table. Overseas losses have been estimated by using the equivalent overseas data. To estimate the nonbattle deaths of officers and enlisted men in the Army at large prior to 1 October 1945, the same procedures were utilized. However, while all adjustments pertaining to the Medical Department have been made consistent with the data from the basic source, this procedure has not been followed in the present cases. Nevertheless, no marked variation in rates shown would follow if the procedure were used. The total number of estimated officer nonbattle deaths is 19,308—or 7.4 per 1,000 per annum. The equivalent for enlisted men is 63,462 or 2.5 per 1,000 per annum.

⁶ Annual rate per 1,000 of median strength.