

TABLE 37.—*Case fatality rates of visceral wounds in various recorded series of abdominal injuries*¹

Organ injured	Series	Cases	Deaths	Case fatality rate
Stomach.....	World War I, American.....	144	99	69
	World War II:			
	British.....	29	14	48
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group.....	416	169	41
Duodenum.....	World War I, American.....	10	8	80
	World War II:			
	British.....			
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group.....	118	67	57
Jejunum-Ileum.....	World War I, American.....	272	205	75
	World War II:			
	British.....	206	99	48
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group.....	1,168	345	30
Colon.....	World War I, American.....	222	171	77
	World War II:			
	British.....	160	86	54
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group.....	1,106	406	37

Organ injured	Series	Cases	Deaths	Case fatality rate
Rectum	World War I, American	102	48	47
	World War II:			
	British	47	17	36
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	155	47	30
Liver	World War I, American	258	173	67
	World War II:			
	British	78	32	41
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	829	224	27
Gallbladder	World War I, American	11	7	64
	World War II:			
	British	5	1	20
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	53	16	30
Pancreas	World War I, American	4	4	100
	World War II:			
	British			
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	62	35	57
Spleen	World War I, American	51	34	67
	World War II:			
	British	32	16	50
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	341	85	25
Kidney	World War I, American	129	75	58
	World War II:			
	British	30	15	50
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	427	155	36
Ureter	World War I, American	4	2	50
	World War II:			
	British			
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	27	11	41
Bladder	World War I, American	125	67	54
	World War II:			
	British	24	10	42
	2d Auxiliary Surgical Group	155	46	20

¹ The rates listed are not strictly comparable, since the statistics for the 2d Auxiliary Surgical Group cover only forward hospitals. The American figures for World War I are from *The Medical Department of the United States Army in the World War* (Washington: U. S. Government Printing Office, 1927, see vol. XI, pt. 1, p. 65). The British figures are from the Western Desert combined series (628 cases) reported by W. H. Ogilvie in *Abdominal Wounds in the Western Desert* (see *Surg., Gynec. & Obst.* 78: 225–238, March 1944).