Canadian Mortality.—Since 1931, the Canadian death rate has fluctuated between 10.3 and 9.3 per 1,000. It has been more or less stable in Ontario, has been falling in the Maritimes and Quebec and has been rising slightly in the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia. The generally low rates in the Prairie Provinces are partly due to their younger average population and the slow rise in these provinces during the last few years is due to the increasing proportion of people in the older age groups.

Throughout Table 23, with one exception (Prince Edward Island death rates for 1945 and 1948) the death rates are higher for males than for females.

| Province and Year | Total Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Popula- lation | Males | | Females | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|------------------------------|
| | | | Number of Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Males | Number of Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Females |
| Prince Edward IslandAv. 1941-45 | 967 | 10.5 | 510 | 10.7 | 457 | 10.4 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | 888 874 1,020 887 | 9.7 9.3 10.9 9.5 | 455 476 543 455 | 9.5 9.8 11.3 9.5 | 433 398 477 432 | 9.8 8.7 10.4 9.6 |
| Nova ScotiaAv. 1941-45 | 6,313 | 10.5 | 3,438 | 11.2 | 2,875 | 9.8 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | 5,625 6,046 6,009 6,097 | 9·1 9·9 9·7 9·6 | 3,090 3,266 3,287 3,331 | $9.8 \\ 10.5 \\ 10.4 \\ 10.3$ | $2,535 \\ 2,780 \\ 2,722 \\ 2,766$ | 8-3 9-3 8-9 8-9 |
| New BrunswickAv. 1941-45 | 5,009 | 10.8 | 2,704 | 11.4 | 2,304 | 10.2 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | 4,865 4,866 4,832 4,959 | 10·4 10·1 9·8 9·9 | $2,635 \\ 2,611 \\ 2,696 \\ 2,668$ | $ \begin{array}{r} 11 \cdot 0 \\ 10 \cdot 7 \\ 10 \cdot 8 \\ 10 \cdot 4 \end{array} $ | $2,230 \\ 2,255 \\ 2,136 \\ 2,291$ | 9.8 9.6 8.8 9.3 |
| QuebecAv. 1941-45 | 34,312 | 10.0 | 18,435 | 10.6 | 15,877 | 9.2 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1947 | $33,348 \\ 33,690 \\ 33,708 \\ 33,603$ | $9.4 \\ 9.3 \\ 9.1 \\ 8.9$ | $18,002 \\ 18,062 \\ 18,566 \\ 18,358$ | $10.1 \\ 9.9 \\ 10.0 \\ 9.7$ | $15,346 \\ 15,628 \\ 15,142 \\ 15,245$ | 8.6 8.6 8.2 8.1 |
| OntarioAv. 1941-45 | 39,715 | 10.2 | 21,632 | 10.9 | 18,083 | 9.4 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | $39,499 \\ 39,758 \\ 41,619 \\ 42,364$ | 9.9 9.7 9.9 9.9 | $\begin{array}{r} 21,563\\ 21,849\\ 22,891\\ 23,394 \end{array}$ | 10-7 10-6 10-8 10-8 | 17,936 17,909 18,728 18,970 | 9.0 8.8 9.0 8.9 |
| ManitobaAv. 1941-45 | 6,601 | 9.0 | 3,802 | 10.1 | 2,799 | 8.0 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | 6,550 6,537 6,750 6,675 | $ \begin{array}{r} 8 \cdot 9 \\ 9 \cdot 0 \\ 9 \cdot 1 \\ 8 \cdot 8 \end{array} $ | 3,775 3,735 3,924 3,900 | $ \begin{array}{r} 9.9\\ 10.0\\ 10.3\\ 10.1 \end{array} $ | 2,775 2,802 2,826 2,775 | 7.8 7.9 7.8 7.5 |
| SaskatchewanAv. 1941-45 | 6,504 | 7.6 | 3,879 | 8.5 | 2,625 | 6.6 |
| 1945 1946 1947 1948 | 6,429 6,422 6,610 6,496 | 7.6 7.7 7.9 7.6 | 3,867 3,866 3,989 4,012 | 8.5 8.7 8.9 8.9 | $2,562 \\ 2,556 \\ 2,621 \\ 2,484$ | 6.5 6.5 6.6 6.2 |

23.—Deaths and Death Bates per 1,000 Population, by Sex and by Provinces, 1945-48, with Averages, 1941-45