

**23.—Deaths in Urban Centres of 10,000 Population or Over, 1941-45, with
Five-Year Averages, 1936-45—concluded**

Province and Urban Centre	Census Populations		Average 1936-40	Average 1941-45	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
	1931	1941							
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Ontario—concluded									
Kitchener.....	30,793	35,657	386	331	307	330	358	329	333
London.....	71,148	78,264	1,123	930	852	903	1,002	948	946
Niagara Falls.....	19,046	20,589	216	217	205	248	195	222	217
North Bay.....	15,528	15,599	168	141	133	118	132	142	178
Oshawa.....	23,439	26,813	219	218	229	209	229	206	217
Ottawa.....	126,872	154,951	1,825	1,718	1,644	1,711	1,819	1,719	1,695
Owen Sound.....	12,339	14,002	197	185	176	179	206	181	182
Pembroke.....	9,368	11,159	178	127	121	130	115	126	142
Peterborough.....	22,327	25,350	367	317	303	286	334	325	335
Port Arthur.....	19,818	24,426	242	250	221	241	244	271	274
St. Catharines.....	24,753	30,275	323	314	287	308	349	306	319
St. Thomas.....	15,430	17,132	254	237	226	232	226	248	254
Sarnia.....	18,191	18,734	239	219	191	218	242	207	237
Sault Ste. Marie.....	23,082	25,794	247	252	244	258	260	262	236
Stratford.....	17,742	17,038	226	209	197	231	242	181	196
Sudbury.....	18,518	32,203	302	268	239	239	307	286	267
Timmins.....	14,200	28,790	196	181	205	176	166	174	182
Toronto.....	631,207	667,457	7,110	7,534	7,048	7,505	7,922	7,629	7,565
Welland.....	10,709	12,500	160	123	114	146	112	114	127
Windsor.....	98,179	105,311	903	953	872	925	1,077	936	954
Woodstock.....	11,395	12,461	217	174	183	159	185	172	169
Manitoba—									
Brandon.....	17,082	17,383	264	165	149	175	179	169	152
St. Boniface.....	16,305	18,157	536	187	151	202	191	195	195
Winnipeg.....	218,785	221,960	1,947	2,155	2,066	2,066	2,304	2,148	2,189
Saskatchewan—									
Moose Jaw.....	21,299	20,753	231	212	196	193	237	212	222
Prince Albert.....	9,905	12,508	195	114	99	109	108	134	121
Regina.....	53,209	58,245	564	439	387	413	468	463	462
Saskatoon.....	43,291	43,027	506	353	313	360	370	354	370
Alberta—									
Calgary.....	83,761	88,904	853	878	806	870	878	913	921
Edmonton.....	79,197	93,817	1,091	830	749	763	849	879	910
Lethbridge.....	13,489	14,612	201	144	133	147	151	132	159
Medicine Hat.....	10,300	10,571	148	123	118	90	97	143	168
British Columbia—									
New Westminster...	17,524	21,967	344	233	210	223	272	254	207
Vancouver.....	246,593	275,353	2,842	3,377	3,105	3,196	3,590	3,434	3,560
Victoria.....	39,082	44,068	730	688	591	633	718	782	716

Sex and Age Distribution of Deaths.—Despite reductions in infant mortality, more deaths still occur in the first year of life than in any other year. The number of children who die under five years of age has been reduced from an average of 25,174 in 1930-32 to 17,949 in 1940-42 and 17,572 in 1945. The proportion which deaths of young children are of the total has fallen from 23.8 p.c. in 1930-32 to 15.9 p.c. in 1940-42 and 15.5 p.c. in 1945. Only a small part of this reduction is due to the lower proportion of children under five years in the total population which fell from 10.4 p.c. in 1931 to 9.1 p.c. in 1941 and, because of the large number of births in recent years, rose again to 10.3 p.c. in 1945.

Table 24 shows that the percentage distribution of deaths has changed greatly since 1930-32. The percentages of deaths at all ages up to 50 years have declined, and the percentages at ages over 50 have increased. The average age at death has gradually risen. The reduction in mortality rates in the early and middle years of