ANNUAL REPORT

CORONER

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CALIFORNIA

E. A. Winstanley, Coroner

FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 1954 - JUNE 30, 1955

September 1, 1955.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
County of Los Angeles,
Los Angeles, California.

Gentlemen:

Presented herewith is the annual report of the Office of Coroner of Los Angeles County for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

This report contains departmental statistics and a summary of the year's accomplishments.

We are pleased to report no major disaster or epidemic during the fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. WINSTANLEY, Coroner.

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County of Los Angeles, California

Fiscal Year Ending

June 30, 1955

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DEPARTMENT OF CORONER - ANNUAL REPORT 1954-55

The Coroner's Department had a caseload of 8634 cases for the fiscal year 1954-55, which shows an increase of 95 over the previous year. a breakdown of this total is as follows:

Deaths due to natural causes	5490
Due to traffic	792
Due to suicides	741
Due to homicides	163
Due to industrial accidents	124
Due to miscellaneous accidents	1233

Of the 792 traffic fatalities 268 were pedestrian, 125 of which were over 65 years of age. 148 of these pedestrian deaths occured at an intersection.

There were 524 collision and non-collision accidental deaths in motor vehicles, 426 of which were over 20 years of age.

5 persons lost their lives through electric railway accidents and 15 through steam railway accidents.

Of the 163 homicides, 103 were in the age group of 20 to 45 years of age. 60 of the homicide deaths were the result of altercations.

Of the 741 suicides, 205 were the result of despondency and 172 due to ill health.

Of the miscellaneous accidental fatalities, 676 persons were 65 years of age and over, and falls of various types accounted for 606 deaths.

3897 autopsies were performed of the 8634 cases processed by the Coroner during the year. 10717 tests were made in the toxicological laboratory and 3193 microscopic examinations in the pathological laboratory.

305 inquests were held during the year.

The Department's total expenditure during 1954-55 was $341,869.44, comprised as follows: Salaries and Wages, $304,012.15; Maintenance and Operation, $36,269.59 and Capital Outlay $1587.70.

Revenues collected for the fiscal year 1954-55 were $74,567.53.

REPORT OF E. A. WINSTANLEY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER

FOR FISCAL YEAR 1954-55

JULY	1954		734	
AUGUST	1954		612	
SEPTEMBER	1954		595	
OCTOBER	1954		715	
NOVEMBER	1954		678	
DECEMBER	1954		840	
JANUARY	1955		836	
FEBRUARY	1955		732	
MARCH	1955		800	
APRIL	1955		695	
May	1955		731	
JUNE	1955		666	
		TOTAL	8634	8634

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MALE		5688	
FEMALE		2946	
	TOTAL	8634	8634
IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		4714	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S LOS ANGELES CITY		3920	
	TOTAL	8634	8634

CLASSIFICATIONS OF DEATHS

HANDLED BY CORONER

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS

AIRPLANE		11	
ASPHYXIATION		4	
BURNS		99	
CRUSHING		6	
DROWNING		62	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY		5	
ELECTROCUTION		3	
FALLS		606	
FIREARMS		14	
HEAD INJURIES		113	
INDUSTRIAL		124	
INFECTION		15	
MISCELLANEOUS		53	
MOTOR VEHICLES		792	
POISONING		186	
STEAM RAILWAY		15	
STRANGULATION		15	
SUFFOCATION		37	
	TOTAL	2160	2160

CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS

HANDLED BY CORONER

ABORTIONS	14	
HOMICIDES	163	
NATURAL CAUSES	5490	
STILLBIRTHS	46	
SUICIDES	741	
UNKNOWN	20	
TOTAL	6474	8634

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

		MOTOR VEHICLES	ELECTRIC RAILWAY	STEAM RAILWAY	TOTAL
JULY	1954	54	0	3	57
AUGUST	1954	43	0	2	45
SEPTEMBER	1954	49	2	2	53
OCTOBER	1954	68	0	1	69
NOVEMBER	1954	55	1	1	57
DECEMBER	1954	85	1	0	86
JANUARY	1955	69	0	2	71
FEBRUARY	1955	80	1	1	82
MARCH	1955	76	0	1	77
APRIL	1955	81	0	0	81
MAY	1955	69	0	1	70
JUNE	1955	63	0	1	64
	TOTAL	792	5	15	812

IN THE ABOVE CLASSIFICATION "MOTOR VEHICLES" INCLUDES ALL FATALITIES IN WHICH A MOTOR VEHICLE IS INVOLVED. "ELECTRIC AND STEAM RAILWAY" INCLUDES ONLY THOSE CASES IN WHICH A PEDESTRIAN, PASSENGER OR EMPLOYEE IS KILLED.

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

PEDESTRIAN

JULY	1954		16	
AUGUST	1954		14	
SEPTEMBER	1954		17	
OCTOBER	1954		22	
NOVEMBER	1954		22	
DECEMBER	1954		35	
JANUARY	1955		26	
FEBRUARY	1955		23	
MARCH	1955		32	
APRIL	1955		30	
MAY	1955		20	
JUNE	1955		11	
		TOTAL	268	268

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MALE		183	
FEMALE		85	
	TOTAL	268	268

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		135	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S LOS ANGELES CITY		133	
	TOTAL	268	268

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

PEDESTRIAN

AGES

1 to 2 years		8	
2 to 5 years		13	
5 to 10 years		18	
10 to 20 years		5	
20 to 45 years		30	
45 to 65 years		69	
65 years and over		125	
	TOTAL	268	268

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AT AN INTERSECTION		148	
NOT AT AN INTERSECTION		120	
	TOTAL	268	268

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A. M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)		68	
P. M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)		199	
UNKNOWN		1	
	TOTAL	268	268

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AUTO & AUTO & PEDESTRIAN		6	
AUTO & PEDESTRIAN		230	
AUTO & POLE & PEDESTRIAN		1	
AUTOETTE & PEDESTRIAN		1	
BUS & PEDESTRIAN		5	
MOTORCYCLE & PEDESTRIAN		3	
ROAD GRADER & PEDESTRIAN		2	
TRACTOR-TRAILER & PEDESTRIAN		1	
TRUCK & PEDESTRIAN		23	
TRUCK & TRUCK & PEDESTRIAN		1	
	TOTAL	268	268

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

PEDESTRIAN

CAUSES

ASSISTING INJURED DOG	1	
ATTEMPTING TO STOP RUNAWAY AUTO	4	
BACKING	8	
CHILDREN PUSHING AUTO	1	
CROSSING STREET CARELESSLY	51	
CROSSING STREET NOT AT INTERSECTION	32	
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	2	
DROVE THROUGH SAFETY ZONE	5	
DURING MOTORCYCLE RACE	1	
EXCESSIVE SPEED	1	
IMCOMPETENT HANDLING	3	
INTOXICATION	8	
LOST CONTROL	4	
PEDESTRIAN CONFUSED BY TRAFFIC	8	
PLAYING IN DRIVEWAY	3	
PLAYING IN STREET	9	
RAN SIGNAL	2	
RECKLESS DRIVING	34	
RIGHT OF WAY VIOLATED	63	
RUNAWAY CAR	1	
RUNNING IN STREET	11	
STANDING IN STREET	1	
UNKNOWN	8	
WALKING IN STREET	7	
TOTAL	268	268

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

PEDESTRIAN

HELD BY CORONER'S JURY			
MALE DRIVERS		44	
FEMALE DRIVERS		5	
UNDETERMINED DRIVERS		1	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS		12	
	TOTAL	62	62
NOT HELD BY CORONER'S JURY:			
MALE DRIVERS		41	
FEMALE DRIVERS		10	
	TOTAL	51	51
CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST WAS HELD:			
MALE DRIVERS		125	
FEMALE DRIVERS		21	
	TOTAL	146	146
DRIVERLESS CAR		6	
UNKNOWN DRIVER		3	
	TOTAL	9	9
			268

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HIT AND RUN CASES	22
HAD BEEN DRINKING	
PEDESTRIANS (REPORTED AS H. B. D.)	31

SEE LABORATORY REPORT ON "CHEMICAL ANALYSIS - ALCOHOL".

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

JULY	1954		38	
AUGUST	1954		29	
SEPTEMBER	1954		32	
OCTOBER	1954		46	
NOVEMBER	1954		33	
DECEMBER	1954		50	
JANUARY	1955		43	
FEBRUARY	1955		57	
MARCH	1955		44	
APRIL	1955		51	
MAY	1955		49	
JUNE	1955		52	
		TOTAL	524	524

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MALE		392	
FEMALE		132	
	TOTAL	524	524

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES		190	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S LOS ANGELES CITY		324	
	TOTAL	524	524

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

AGES

Less than one year		7	
1 to 2 years		2	
2 to 5 years		7	
5 to 10 years		15	
10 to 20 years		67	
20 to 45 years		249	
45 to 65 years		120	
65 years and over		57	
	TOTAL	524	524

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AT AN INTERSECTION		268	
NOT AT AN INTERSECTION		255	
UNKNOWN		1	
	TOTAL	524	524

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A. M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)		236	
P. M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)		285	
UNKNOWN		3	
	TOTAL	524	524

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

NATURE

AUTO & AUTOETTE	1
AUTO & ABUTMENT	3
AUTO & AUTO	192
AUTO, AUTO & AUTO	6
AUTO, AUTO, AUTO & AUTO	1
AUTO, AUTO, AUTO & AUTO & TRAILER	2
AUTO, AUTO, AUTO & TRUCK	1
AUTO, AUTO & STEAM RAILWAY	1
AUTO, AUTO & TRUCK	3
AUTO & BICYCLE	10
AUTO & BRIDGE	8
AUTO & BUILDING	6
AUTO, BUS & TRUCK	1
AUTO & CONCRETE PILLAR	2
AUTO & CULVERT	1
AUTO & CURB	5
AUTO & DIRT BANK	1
AUTO & DITCH DIGGER	1
AUTO & DIVIDER	3
AUTO & ELECTRIC RAILWAY	9
AUTO & FENCE	3
AUTO & GAS STATION	1
AUTO & HORSE	1
AUTO & MOTORCYCLE	17
AUTO & MOTOR SCOOTER	2
AUTO & PARKED AUTO	7
AUTO & PARKED TRAILER	1
AUTO & PARKED TRUCK	5
AUTO & POLE	40
AUTO & STEAM RAILWAY	16
AUTO & TREE	12
AUTO, TREE & TRUCK	1
AUTO & TROLLEY COACH	2
AUTO & TRUCK	48
AUTO, TRUCK & TRAILER	2
AUTO & WALL	2
AUTO & WHEEL CHAIR	3
BUS & MOTORCYCLE	1
FIRE TRUCK & TRUCK	1

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

NATURE (CONTINUED)

MOTORCYCLE & CURB	1	
MOTORCYCLE & POLE	1	
MOTORCYCLE & TRUCK	2	
MOTOR SCOOTER & POLE	1	
TOTAL	427	427

COLLISION

TRUCK & BICYCLE	3	
TRUCK & BRIDGE	1	
TRUCK & CARRYALLL	1	
TRUCK & ELECTRIC RAILWAY	1	
TRUCK & MOTORCYCLE	1	
TRUCK & POLE	1	
TRUCK & TAXI	1	
TRUCK, TRAILER & PARKED AUTO	1	
TRUCK & TRUCK	3	
TOTAL	13	13

NON-COLLISION

AUTO EXPLODED	1	
AUTO OFF HIGHWAY	1	
AUTO OVER CLIFF	2	
AUTO OVER EMBANKMENT	6	
AUTO OVERTURNED	42	
CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING	2	
FALL FROM VEHICLE	8	
MOTORCYCLE OVERTURNED	12	
SKIP LOADER OVERTURNED	1	
SUDDEN STOP	1	
THROWN FROM MOTORCYCLE	1	
TRUCK OVER EMBANKMENT	1	
TRUCK OVERTURNED	6	
TOTAL	84	84
		524

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

CAUSES

COLLISION:

BICYCLE WITHOUT LIGHTS	1	
CARELESS HANDLING OF BICYCLE	3	
CHILD RODE INTO SIDE OF TRUCK	1	
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	7	
DRIVER ASLEEP	7	
DRIVING ON WRONG SIDE OF ROAD	30	
DRIVING ON WRONG SIDE OF ROAD - ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE UNDETERMINED	1	
EMOTIONAL STRESS	1	
EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT	46	
HOUSE BEING MOVED	1	
ILL HEALTH	3	
ILLEGAL PARKING	2	
ILLEGAL "U" TURN	1	
INCOMPETENT HANDLING	14	
INTOXICATION	14	
LIGHTING CONDITIONS	1	
LOST CONTROL	57	
MOTORIST'S NEGLIGENCE AT RAILWAY CROSSING	20	
PASSING ON HILL	1	
PASSING ON WRONG SIDE	1	
RAN BOULEVARD STOP	18	
RAN SIGNAL	20	
REAR END COLLISION	11	
RECKLESS DRIVING	88	
RIGHT-OF WAY VIOLATED	77	
RODE BICYCLE INTO SIDE OF TRUCK	2	
RUNAWAY HORSE	1	
SKIDDING	2	
STALLED ON TRACKS	1	
UNKNOWN	14	
VISION OBSCURED	1	
WEATHER CONDITIONS	2	
TOTAL	440	440

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

NON-COLLISION:

AVOIDING COLLISION	4	
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	4	
DEFECTIVE MUFFLER	1	
DOOR FLEW OPEN	1	
DRIVER ASLEEP	1	
EXCESSIVE SPEED	6	
IMPROPER RIDING	4	
INTOXICATION	1	
LOST CONTROL	4	
RACING	1	
RECKLESS DRIVING	16	
UNKNOWN	4	
TOTAL	84	84
		524

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

HELD BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	44	
FEMALE DRIVERS	10	
UNDETERMINED DRIVERS	1	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	4	
TOTAL	59	59

NOT HELD BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS	50	
FEMALE DRIVERS	9	
UNDETERMINED DRIVERS	1	
TOTAL	60	60

CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST WAS HELD:

MALE DRIVERS	369	
FEMALE DRIVERS	36	
TOTAL	405	405
		524

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HIT AND RUN CASES	8

HAD BEEN DRINKING:

DRIVERS (REPORTED AS H.B.D.)	87

SEE LABORATORY REPORT ON "CHEMICAL ANALYSIS - ALCOHOL"

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

JULY	1954	0	
AUGUST	1954	0	
SEPTEMBER	1954	2	
OCTOBER	1954	0	
NOVEMBER	1954	1	
DECEMBER	1954	1	
JANUARY	1955	0	
FEBRUARY	1955	1	
MARCH	1955	0	
APRIL	1955	0	
MAY	1955	0	
JUNE	1955	0	
	TOTAL	5	5

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MALE	2	
FEMALE	3	
TOTAL	5	5

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In the City of LOS ANGELES	4	
In the County of LOS ANGELES Ø/S Los Angeles City	1	
TOTAL	5	5

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

AGES

10 to 20 years	1	
20 to 45 years	0	
45 to 65 years	2	
65 years and over	2	
TOTAL	5	5

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NATURE

ELECTRIC RAILWAY & PEDESTRIAN	5	5

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CAUSES

CROSSING TRACKS CARELESSLY	1	
LYING ON TRACKS	1	
RIGHT OF WAY VIOLATED	3	
TOTAL	5	5

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

STEAM RAILWAY

JULY	1954		3	
AUGUST	1954		2	
SEPTEMBER	1954		2	
OCTOBER	1954		1	
NOVEMBER	1954		1	
DECEMBER	1954		0	
JANUARY	1955		2	
FEBRUARY	1955		1	
MARCH	1955		1	
APRIL	1955		0	
MAY	1955		1	
JUNE	1955		1	
		TOTAL	15	15

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MALE		12	
FEMALE		3	
	TOTAL	15	15

In the City of Los Angeles		10	
In the County of Los Angeles O/S Los Angeles City		5	
	TOTAL	15	15

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AGES

20 to 45 years		7	
45 to 54 years		5	
65 and over		3	
	TOTAL	15	15

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

STEAM RAILWAY

NATURE

STEAM RAILWAY & EMPLOYEE	3	
STEAM RAILWAY & PASSENGER	1	
STEAM RAILWAY & PEDESTRIAN	11	
TOTAL	15	15

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CAUSES

CHILD PLAYING ON TRACKS	1	
CROSSING TRACKS CARELESSLY	5	
CROSSING TRACKS WHILE INTOXICATED	2	
FALL UNDER FREIGHT TRAIN	1	
FALL UNDER WHEELS	1	
FALL BETWEEN CARS WHILE SWITCHING	1	
FALL UNDER TRAIN WHILE STEALING RIDE	2	
IMPROPER RIDING	1	
LYING ON TRACKS	1	
RUNNING ACROSS TRACKS	1	
WALKING ACROSS TRACKS	1	
UNKNOWN	1	
TOTAL	15	15

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC FATALITIES

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
MOTOR VEHICLES	575	217	792
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	2	3	5
STEAM RAILWAY	12	3	15
TOTAL	589	223	812

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

JULY	1954		6	
AUGUST	1954		11	
SEPTEMBER	1954		13	
OCTOBER	1954		4	
NOVEMBER	1954		9	
DECEMBER	1954		7	
JANUARY	1955		12	
FEBRUARY	1955		14	
MARCH	1955		10	
APRIL	1955		16	
MAY	1955		11	
JUNE	1955		11	
		TOTAL	124	124

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MALE		122	
FEMALE		2	
	TOTAL	124	124

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In the City of LOS ANGELES		44	
In the County of LOS ANGELES O/S Los Angeles City		59	
Outside LOS ANGELES COUNTY		15	
UNKNOWN		6	
	TOTAL	124	124

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10 to 20 years		2	
20 to 45 years		47	
45 to 65 years		53	
65 YEARS AND OVER		22	
	TOTAL	124	124

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

NATURE

ASPHYXIATION	2	
BODILY INJURY	30	
BURNS	12	
CRUSHING	9	
DROWNING	3	
ELECTROCUTION	8	
FALLS	5	
HEAD INJURY	20	
INFECTION	25	
POISONING	5	
STRANGULATION	1	
SUFFOCATION	4	
TOTAL	124	124

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

CAUSES

ASPHYXIATION:			
FELL INTO TANK		1	
IN EXCAVATION		1	
	TOTAL	2	2
BODILY INJURY:			
CRANE OVERTURNED		1	
CRUSHED BY METAL TRAY		1	
CUT HAND ON SAW		1	
CRUSHED BETWEEN PIPES		1	
CRUSHED BY FALLING WALL		1	
FALL FROM BANK		1	
FALL FROM BUILDING		1	
FALL FROM ROOF		1	
FALL FROM TANK		1	
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD		2	
FALL DOWN STAIRS		2	
FALL OVER RAIL		1	
FALL TO FLOOR		3	
FALL TO GROUND		2	
FALL THROUGH ROOF		1	
FORK LIFT OVERTURNED		1	
HAYLOADER FELL		1	
ROOF CAVED IN		1	
STRUCK BY BEAM		1	
STRUCK BY FALLING MAGNET		1	
STRUCK BY FALLING STEEL		1	
STRUCK BY IRON DOOR		1	
STRUCK BY WEIGHT		1	
WEDGED IN ELEVATOR		1	
UNKNOWN		1	
	TOTAL	30	30
BURNS:			
ARCING ELECTRICITY		1	
CRANE CONTACTED HIGH TENSION WIRE		1	
CLOTHING AFIRE		1	
EXPLOSION OF DIESEL FUEL		1	
EXPLOSION OF FUEL TANK		1	
EXPLOSION OF GASOLINE TANK		1	
EXPLOSION OF GASOLINE VAPOR		1	
FALL INTO MOLTEN GLASS		1	
FLASH EXPLOSION		4	
	TOTAL	12	12

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

CRUSHING

BETWEEN PIPES	1	
BY CRANE	1	
BY EARTH RIG	1	
BY ELEVATOR	1	
BY FALLING TREE	1	
BY HYDRAULIC PRESS	1	
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD	1	
FALLING ROLL OF PAPER	1	
IN BALE OF METAL	1	
TOTAL	9	9

DROWNING

FALL FROM PIER	1	
FALL FROM SHIP	1	
FALL FROM TUG BOAT	1	
TOTAL	3	3

ELECTROCUTION

CONTACT WITH DEFECTIVE ELECTRIC CORD	2	
CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE	2	
CONTACTED CHARGED METAL	2	
CRANE IN CONTACT WITH HIGH TENSION WIRE	1	
INSTALLING EQUIPTMENT	1	
TOTAL	8	8

FALLS

FROM CRANE BOOM	1	
FROM LADDER	1	
FROM SCAFFOLD	1	
ON RAILROAD SIDING	1	
TO FLOOR	1	
TOTAL	5	5

HEAD INJURY

CAUGHT BETWEEN ELEVATOR AND FLOOR	1
CRUSHED BY HYDRAULIC RAM	1
FALL FROM BUILDING	1
FALL FROM CAT WALK	1
FALL FROM LADDER	4
FALL FROM ROOF	1
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD	2
FALL INTO HOLD OF SHIP	1

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

HEAD INJURY (Continued)

KICKED BY HORSE	1	
STRUCK BY BALING MACHINE	1	
STRUCK BY LUMBER HOIST	1	
STRUCK BY OIL WELL TONGS	1	
STRUCK BY PIPE	1	
STRUCK BY SIGN	1	
TOTAL	20	20

INFECTION

SEPTICEMA - FROM ROSE THORN	1	
SILICOSIS - INHALATION OF DUST	5	
SILICOSIS - INHALATION OF DUST IN MINES	8	
SILICOSIS - INHALATION OF DUST IN QUARRIES	5	
TETANUS - OBJECT DROPPED ON FOOT	3	
TETANUS - CUT HAND ON POWER TOOLS	2	
TETANUS - FINGER CRUSHED BY FALLING HOUSE	1	
TOTAL	25	25

POISONING

CARBON TETRACHLORIDE - CLEANING MOTOR	1	
HYDROGEN SULFIDE - CLEANING OIL LINES	3	
TRICHLORETHYLEN - INHALATION OF FUMES	1	
TOTAL	5	5

STRANGULATION

TIE CAUGHT IN MACHINE	1	
TOTAL	1	1

SUFFOCATION

BURIED IN SEWER EXCAVATION	1	
COVERED BY ROCK IN HOPPER	1	
PIT CAVE IN	2	
TOTAL	4	4
		124

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

JULY	1954		110	
AUGUST	1954		99	
SEPTEMBER	1954		80	
OCTOBER	1954		95	
NOVEMBER	1954		90	
DECEMBER	1954		100	
JANUARY	1955		114	
FEBRUARY	1955		98	
MARCH	1955		128	
APRIL	1955		111	
MAY	1955		103	
JUNE	1955		105	
		TOTAL	1233	1233

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MALE	581	
FEMALE	652	
	1233	1233

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In the City of LOS ANGELES	617	
In the County of LOS ANGELES O/S Los Angeles City	572	
Outside LOS ANGELES COUNTY	23	
LOCATION UNKNOWN	21	
		1233

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

AGES

LESS THAN ONE YEAR	47	
1 to 2 years	25	
2 to 5 years	35	
5 to 10 years	23	
10 to 20 years	28	
20 to 45 years	152	
45 to 65 years	244	
65 years and over	676	
Unknown	3	
TOTAL	1233	1233

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NATURE

ASPHYXIATION	4	
BURNS	99	
CRUSHING	2	
DROWNING	62	
ELECTROCUTION	3	
FALLS	606	
FIREARMS	14	
HEAD INJURIES	113	
INFECTIONS	15	
MISCELLANEOUS	53	
POISONING	186	
STRANGULATION	15	
SUFFOCATION	37	
UNKNOWN	20	
	1233	1233

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES

ASPHYXIATION

FUMES - HOUSE AFIRE	2	
INHALATION OF NATURAL GAS	2	
TOTAL	4	4

BURNS

BLANKET AFIRE FROM VAPORIZER	1	
BONFIRE - CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE	1	
CIGARETTE - CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE	4	
CIGARETTE - FELL ASLEEP WHILE SMOKING	3	
CIGARETTE - SMOKING IN BED	9	
CLOTHING AFIRE - FROM CLEANING FLUID	1	
CLOTHING AFIRE - FROM INCINERATOR	3	
CONFLAGRATION - AUTO AFIRE	2	
CONFLAGRATION - HOUSE AFIRE	28	
CONFLAGRATION - HOUSE TRAILER AFIRE	1	
GASOLINE - BASEMENT AFIRE	1	
GASOLINE - THROWN ON FIRE	1	
MATCHES - CLOTHING AFIRE	4	
MATCHES - PLAYING WITH MATCHES	5	
SCALDS - BURNED BY HOT WATER	2	
SCALDS - CHILD FELL IN BATH TUB	1	
SCALDS - CHILD PLAYING IN BATH TUB	1	
SCALDS - DEFECTIVE FAUCET	1	
SCALDS - HAIR RINSE EXPLODED	1	
SCALDS - IN HOME MADE STEAM BATH	1	
SCALDS - IN SHOWER	1	
SCALDS - STROKE WHILE BATHING	1	
STOVE - BUTANE STOVE EXPLODED	2	
STOVE - CLOTHING AFIRE FROM GAS HEATER	14	
STOVE - FELL ON HEATER	4	
STOVE - GAS HEATER EXPLODED	2	
THROWN INTO INCINERATOR - UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR HOMICIDE	1	
TOTAL	99	99

CRUSHING

CAUGHT BY OIL WELL WEIGHT	1	
CAVE IN OF ROAD BANK	1	
CEMENT BLOCK FELL	1	
FELL BETWEEN SHIP AND PIER	1	
OVERTURNED TRACTOR	1	
ROCK CRUSHED HOUSE	1	
TOTAL	6	6

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

DROWNING

BOAT OVERTURNED	4	
BOAT SANK	1	
CHILD FELL INTO FISH POND	1	
CHILD FELL INTO SWIMMING POOL	7	
CHILD IN BATH TUB	2	
EPILEPTIC SEIZURE IN BATH TUB	3	
FALL FROM BOAT	5	
FALL FROM CLIFF	1	
FALL FROM JETTY	1	
FALL FROM MOORING LINE	1	
FALL INTO BATH TUB	2	
FALL INTO BATH TUB WHILE INTOXICATED	3	
FALL INTO POOL	1	
FALL INTO RESERVOIR	2	
FALL INTO SWIMMING POOL	1	
FISHING ON BREAKWATER	1	
IN BATH TUB	2	
IN BATH TUB - UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1	
IN DISPOSAL DITCH	1	
IN SWIMMING POOL	3	
INTOXICATION	1	
INTOXICATION - UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1	
LEAK IN BOAT	1	
UNDETERMINED - ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	2	
UNKNOWN	11	
WHILE SKIN DIVING	3	
TOTAL	62	62

ELECTROCUTION

CONTACT WITH HEATER WHILE TAKING BATH	1	
DEFECTIVE WASHING MACHINE	1	
STRUCK BY LIGHTNING	1	
TOTAL	3	3

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

FALLS

AGAINST WALL - TRIPPED	1	
AGAINST FURNITURE - TRIPPED	2	
DOWN STAIRS - ILL HEALTH	3	
DOWN STAIRS - INTOXICATION	4	
DOWN STAIRS - OLD AGE	15	
DOWN STAIRS - UNKNOWN	1	
FROM BED - CHILD AT PLAY	1	
FROM BED - ILL HEALTH	8	
FROM BED - OLD AGE	18	
FROM BRIDGE - JUMPED OR FELL	1	
FROM BUILDING - INTOXICATION	1	
FROM BUILDING - LOST BALANCE	1	
FROM BUILDING - OLD AGE	1	
FROM BUILDING - JUMPED OR FELL	1	
FROM CHAIR - OLD AGE	2	
FROM COUCH - OLD AGE	1	
FROM LADDER - INTOXICATION	1	
FROM LADDER - OLD AGE	2	
FROM PORCH - OLD AGE	3	
FROM STRETCHER - OLD AGE	1	
FROM WHEEL CHAIR - ILL HEALTH	1	
FROM WINDOW - UNATTENDED CHILD	1	
IN BATH TUB - SLIPPED	1	
IN SHOWER - BAD DOOR	1	
ON BUS - UNKNOWN	1	
ON ESCALATOR - OLD AGE	1	
ON ROOF - ILL HEALTH	1	
ON ROOF - UNKNOWN	1	
TO FLOOR - CHAIR TIPPED OVER	1	
TO FLOOR - ILL HEALTH	28	
TO FLOOR - INTOXICATION	2	
TO FLOOR - LOST BALANCE	1	
TO FLOOR - OLD AGE	390	
TO FLOOR - SLIPPED	3	
TO FLOOR - UNKNOWN	8	
TO GROUND - ILL HEALTH	4	
TO GROUND - INTOXICATION	3	
TO GROUND - OLD AGE	48	
TO GROUND - UNKNOWN	2	
TO SIDEWALK - ILL HEALTH	3	
TO SIDEWALK - INTOXICATION	3	
TO SIDEWALK - OLD AGE	16	
TO SIDEWALK - SLIPPED	2	
TO STREET - INTOXICATION	4	
TO STREET - OLD AGE	12	
TOTAL	606	606

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

FIREARMS		
CARELESS HANDLING	6	
DISCHARGED GUN WHILE CLEANING	1	
GUN DROPPED AND DISCHARGED	1	
MEXICAN REVOLUTION GUNSHOT	1	
PLAYING WITH GUN	4	
RICOCHET BULLET	1	
TOTAL	14	14
HEAD INJURIES		
AUTO FELL FROM JACK	2	
BABY DROPPED BY SISTER	1	
CHILD FELL FROM BATHINETTE	1	
CHILD FELL FROM COUCH	1	
CHILD FELL FROM SINK	2	
CHILD FELL FROM WINDOW	2	
DURING UNATTENDED BIRTH	1	
FALL AGAINST AUTO	1	
FALL AGAINST FENCE	1	
FALL AGAINST FURNITURE	3	
FALL AGAINST HEATER	1	
FALL DOWN STAIRS	9	
FALL DURING ALTERCATION	1	
FALL DURING EPILEPTIC SEIZURE	3	
FALL DURING SPONTANEOUS DELIVERY	1	
FALL FROM BED	3	
FALL FROM BICYCLE	1	
FALL FROM CLIFF	1	
FALL FROM CRIB	3	
FALL FROM HORSE	2	
FALL FROM LADDER	2	
FALL FROM PORCH	2	
FALL FROM ROOF	2	
FALL FROM SEA WALL	3	
FALL FROM STOOL	3	
FALL FROM WINDOW	3	
FALL IN BATH TUB	1	
FALL INTO GRAVEL PIT	1	
FALL TO FLOOR	22	
FALL TO GROUND	7	
FALL TO STREET	8	
FALL THRU SKY LIGHT	1	
FALL UNKNOWN	1	
FELL OR JUMPED FROM BUILDING	1	

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

HEAD INJURIES (CONTINUED)

FELL WHILE INTOXICATED	4	
STRUCK BY FALLING WALL BED	1	
WATER SOFTNER FELL	1	
UNKNOWN	8	
TOTAL	113	113

INFECTION

PERITONITIS - ATTACKED BY DOG	1	
SEPSIS - CUT HAND	2	
TETANUS - CAUGHT FOOT IN FENCE	1	
TETANUS - CONTAMINATED HYPO NEEDLE	1	
TETANUS - CUT HEAD ON NAIL	1	
TETANUS - FOLLOWING SURGERY	1	
TETANUS - HIT FINGER WITH HAMMER	1	
TETANUS - SCRATCHED FOOT	2	
TETANUS - SPLINTER UNDER NAIL	1	
TETANUS - STEPPED ON NAIL	3	
TETANUS - UNKNOWN	1	
TOTAL	15	15

MISCELLANEOUS

BODILY INJURY - BICYCLE STRUCK POLE	1	
BODILY INJURY - CAUGHT IN OIL WELL	1	
BODILY INJURY - DURING MASSAGE	1	
BODILY INJURY - DURING SHOCK TREATMENT	1	
BODILY INJURY - EXERCISING IN BED	1	
BODILY INJURY - FALL AGAINST FURNITURE	2	
BODILY INJURY - FALL FROM CLIFF	1	
BODILY INJURY - FALL FROM HORSE	2	
BODILY INJURY - FALL FROM ROOF	1	
BODILY INJURY - FALL IN STREET	1	
BODILY INJURY - FALL IN WOOD PILE	1	
BODILY INJURY - FALL TO FLOOR	6	
BODILY INJURY - FALL TO GROUND	4	
BODILY INJURY - FALL WHILE INTOXICATED	5	
BODILY INJURY - LEG CAUGHT IN BED	2	
BODILY INJURY - OLD AGE	1	
BODILY INJURY - STRUCK BY FALLING TREE	1	
BODILY INJURY - WAR INJURY	1	
BODILY INJURY - WHILE ROLLER SKATING	1	
BODILY INJURY - WHILE SWIMMING	1	
BODILY INJURY - UNKNOWN	2	
BODILY INJURY - UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT HOMICIDE OR NATURAL DEATH	1	

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

MISCELLANEOUS (CONTINUED)

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION - ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE UNDETERMINED	1	
FREEZING - TRAPPED IN SNOW	1	
INGESTION OF GLASS - ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE UNDETERMINED	1	
INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION - SWALLOWED BONE	1	
LACERATED NECK - FELL ON BROKEN BOTTLE	1	
MAGNESIUM SULFATE - IMPROPER USE	11	
MALPRACTICE - MISMATCHED BLOOD	2	
RUPTURE OF STOMACH - UNKNOWN	1	
SEVERED ARTERY-- REMOVAL OF HYPODERMIC	1	
THROAT INJURY - SWALLOWED BONE	1	
TOTAL	53	53

POISONING

ACUTE ALCOHOLISM	16
ALCOHOL AND BARBITURATES - OVERDOSE UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1
AMOBARBITAL - OVERDOSE UNDITERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1
ARSENIC - CHILD ATE ANT PASTE	1
BARBITURATES AND ETHANOL - OVERDOSE	2
BARBITURATES AND PARALDEHYDE - OVERDOSE	1
BARBITURATES - OVERDOSE	21
BARBITURATES - OVERDOSE UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	38
BOTULISM - HOME CANNED FOOD	1
CARBON MONOXIDE - AUTO AFIRE	1
CARBON MONOXIDE - AUTO RUNNING IN CLOSED GARAGE	2
CARBON MONOXIDE - AUTO RUNNING IN CLOSED GARAGE *ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1
CARBON MONOXIDE - BED AFIRE	3
CARBON MONOXIDE - BURNING GAS STOVE	3
CARBON MONOXIDE - BOX CAR AFIRE	1
CARBON MONOXIDE - DEFECTIVE REFRIGERATOR	1
CARBON MONOXIDE - FURNITURE AFIRE	4
CARBON MONOXIDE - GAS HEATER BURNING IN CLOSED ROOM	12
UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	3
CARBON MONOXIDE - HOUSE AFIRE	25

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

POISONING (CONTINUED)

CARBON TETRACHLORIDE - INHALATION OF FIRE EXTINGUISHER FLUID	1	
CARBON TETRACHLORIED - UNKNOWN	2	
CHLORAL HYDRATE -- OVERDOSE	1	
CLEANING-FLUID - DRANK IN ERROR	1	
CYANIDE = UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1	
DEMEROL - OVERDOSE	1	
FORMALDEHYDE - DRANK IN ERROR	1	
HEROIN - OVERDOSE	1	
HYDROCARBON EXPOSURE - INSECT CONTROL	1	
INSULIN - OVERDOSE	1	
METHAPYRILENE - CHILD ATE TABCIN PILLS	1	
MORPHINE - OVERDOSE	1	
UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	1	
PARALDEHYDE - OVERDOSE	3	
PENTOBARBITAL - OVERDOSE	4	
UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	2	
PHENOBARBITAL - OVERDOSE	5	
SALICYLATE - CHILD ATE ASPIRIN	2	
SALICYLATE - OVERDOSE OF ASPIRIN	1	
SECOBARBITAL - OVERDOSE	6	
UNDETERMINED ACCIDENT OR SUICIDE	3	
SECONAL - OVERDOSE	3	
SECONAL - UNKNOWN	1	
SODIUM BROMIDE = OVERDOSE	1	
SODIUM NITRATE - GIVEN WRONG MEDICINE	1	
SODIUM PENTOTHAL - DURING SURGERY FOR REMOVAL OF BONE	1	
UNKNOWN - OVERDOSE	1	
TOTAL	186	186

STRANGULATION

ASPIRATION OF GASTRIC CONTENTS	3	
BY CLOTHING IN CRIB	1	
CAUGHT NECK IN BLEACHER STAND	1	
CAUGHT ON BED POST	1	
CHILD ENTANGLED IN CORD	2	
CHILD HUNG SELF WHILE PLAYING	3	
CHILD WEDGED BETWEEN CRIB AND WALL	1	
CHOKED ON FOOD	1	
HANGING IN SLEEPING HARNESS	1	
SWALLOWED CHALK	1	
TOTAL	15	15

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

CAUSES (CONTINUED)

SUFFOCATION

ASPIRATION OF ASPIRIN	1	
ASPIRATION OF FOOD PARTICLES	2	
ASPIRATION OF GASTRIC CONTENTS	8	
ASPIRATION OF REGURGITATED MILK	1	
ASPIRATION OF VOMITUS	1	
CAR FELL OFF JACK	1	
CHILD FELL BETWEEN BED AND WALL	1	
CHOKED ON FOOD	10	
HEAD CAUGHT IN BED SLATS	1	
PLAYING IN CAVE	1	
SMOTHERED IN BED CLOTHES	4	
SWALLOWED BALLOON	2	
TRAPPED IN REFRIGERATOR	2	
UNKNOWN - UNDETERMINED NATURAL OR ACCIDENT	2	
TOTAL	37	37

UNKNOWN

UNDETERMINED AFTER GROSS AND MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION	2	
UNDETERMINED AFTER GROSS MICROSCOPIC AND TOXICOLOGICAL EXAMINATION	5	
UNDETERMINED AFTER GROSS MICROSCOPIC TOXICOLOGICAL AND DECOMPOSITION OF BODY	1	
UNDETERMINED DUE TO ADVANCED STATE OF DECOMPOSITION	11	
UNKNOWN - BAG OF BONES	1	
TOTAL	20	20
		1230

SUICIDES

JULY	1954	59	
AUGUST	1954	46	
SEPTEMBER	1954	58	
OCTOBER	1954	60	
NOVEMBER	1954	59	
DECEMBER	1954	63	
JANUARY	1955	65	
FEBRUARY	1955	53	
MARCH	1955	80	
APRIL	1955	65	
MAY	1955	76	
JUNE	1955	57	
	TOTAL	741	741

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MALE	518	
FEMALE	223	
TOTAL	741	741

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In the City of Los Angeles	409	
In the County of Los Angeles O/S Los Angeles City	331	
Outside Los Angeles County	1	
TOTAL	741	741

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10 to 20 years	6	
20 to 45 years	222	
45 to 65 years	336	
65 YEARS AND OVER	176	
UNKNOWN	1	
TOTAL	741	741

SUICIDES

NATURE

BURNING	4	
CARBON MONOXIDE - AUTO EXHAUST	87	
CARBON MONOXIDE - BURNING ILLUM. GAS	2	
CUTTING	17	
DROWNING	8	
ELECTROCUTION	3	
ILLUMINATING GAS	17	
LYING ON RAILROAD TRACKS	2	
SHOOTING	235	
STRANGULATION	114	
SUFFOCATION	2	
TOTAL	491	491

JUMPING

FROM BRIDGE	13	
FROM BUILDING	25	
FROM CLIFF	2	
FROM TOP OF CELL	1	
IN FRONT OF STREET CAR	1	
IN FRONT OF TRAIN	1	
TOTAL	43	43

POISONING

AKROBARBITAL	1	
AMOBARBITAL	2	
ARSENIC	19	
BARBITURATES	103	
BICHLORIDE OF MERCURY	1	
CAUSTIC SODA	1	
CHLORAL HYDRATE	1	
CODEINE & ASPIRIN	1	
CORROSIVE TOXIC SUBSTANCE	1	
CYANIDE	12	
HYDROFLUORIC ACID	1	
LYSOL	1	
METHYL BROMIDE	1	
NEMBUTAL	6	
NICOTINE (BLACK LEAF 40)	5	
PENTOBARBITAL	23	
PERCODAN	2	
PHENOBARBITAL	3	
SALICYLATE	2	
SECOBARBITAL	12	
SECONAL	2	
STRYCHNINE	4	
TUINAL	2	
WHITE PHOSPHORUS	1	207
TOTAL	207	741

SUICIDES

CAUSES

AFTER COMMITTING MURDER	12	
AFTER DEATH OF WIFE	1	
ALCOHOLIC	2	
DESPONDENCY	205	
DESPONDENT OVER DEATH OF SON	1	
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES	33	
FAMILY DIFFICULTIES	5	
FEAR OF BLINDNESS	1	
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES	12	
ILL HEALTH	272	
LOVE AFFAIR	2	
MARITAL DIFFICULTIES	18	
MENTAL ILLNESS	35	
UNKNOWN	143	
UNWED MOTHER	1	
TOTAL	741	741

HOMICIDES

JULY	1954		16	
AUGUST	1954		8	
SEPTEMBER	1954		22	
OCTOBER	1954		12	
NOVEMBER	1954		10	
DECEMBER	1954		21	
JANUARY	1955		14	
FEBRUARY	1955		14	
MARCH	1955		13	
APRIL	1955		12	
MAY	1955		10	
JUNE	1955		11	
		TOTAL	163	163

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MALE	103	
FEMALE	60	
TOTAL	163	163

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In the City of LOS ANGELES	108	
In the County of LOS ANGELES O/S Los Angeles City	54	
Outside LOS ANGELES COUNTY	1	
TOTAL	163	163

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LESS THAN ONE YEAR	3	
1 to 2 years	2	
2 to 5 years	2	
5 to 10 years	3	
10 to 20 years	14	
20 to 45 years	103	
45 to 65 years	32	
65 years and over	4	
TOTAL	163	163

HOMICIDES

NATURE

BEATEN		5	
CUTTING		3	
FIGHTING		2	
POISONING		2	
RUPTURED BLOOD VESSEL		1	
SHOOTING		80	
STABBING		43	
STRANGULATION		7	
STRUCK WITH FIST		2	
STRUCK WITH OBJECT		16	
SUFFOCATION		1	
THROWN OR PUSHED FROM AUTO		1	
	TOTAL	163	163
EXCUSABLE		3	
JUSTIFIABLE		28	
UNJUSTIFIABLE		132	
	TOTAL	163	163
BY A KNOWN PERSON		96	
BY AN UNKNOWN PERSON		17	
BY FATHER		6	
BY HUSBAND		20	
BY MOTHER		4	
BY OFFICER		16	
BY SON		2	
BY WIFE		2	
	TOTAL	163	163
FOUND DEAD AT SCENE		91	
DIED UNDER OBSERVATION		72	
	TOTAL	163	163
HOMICIDE ABATED BY SUICIDE		28	

HOMICIDES

CAUSES

JUSTIFIABLE:			
ATTEMPTED BURGLARY		3	
ATTEMPTED ROBBERY		1	
DURING ALTERCATION		5	
DURING BURGLARY		2	
DURING HOLDUP		1	
DURING ROBBERY		3	
EVADING ARREST		2	
RESISTING ARREST		4	
SELF DEFENSE		7	
	TOTAL	28	28
UNJUSTIFIABLE:			
AFTER TRAFFIC ACCIDENT		1	
DESPONDENCY OF FATHER		1	
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES		12	
DURING ALTERCATION		56	
DURING ROBBERY		6	
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES		1	
GANG FIGHT		2	
ILL HEALTH OF VICTIM		1	
JEALOUSY		2	
MARITAL DIFFICULTIES		6	
MENTAL CONDITION		5	
MISTAKEN IDENTITY		1	
QUARREL		9	
RAPE		1	
REVENGE		4	
TO STOP BABY FROM CRYING		1	
UNKNOWN		22	
UNWANTED BABY		1	
	TOTAL	132	132
EXCUSABLE:			
DURING ALTERCATION		2	
RESULT OF QUARREL		1	
	TOTAL	3	3
			163

ABORTIONS

CRIMINAL - By Known Person	1	
CRIMINAL - By unknown person	4	
CRIMINAL OR SELF-INDUCED Undetermined	1	
SELF INDUCED	7	
SPONTANEOUS	1	
TOTAL	14	14

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IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES	11	
IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S LOS ANGELES CITY	3	
TOTAL	14	14

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MARRIED	9	
SINGLE	4	
WIDOWED	1	
TOTAL	14	14

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10 to 20 YEARS	2	
20 to 45 YEARS	12	
TOTAL	14	14

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FOUND DEAD AT SCENE	4	
DIED UNDER OBSERVATION	10	
TOTAL	14	14

AIRPLANE FATALITIES

JULY	1954	0	
AUGUST	1954	1	
SEPTEMBER	1954	0	
OCTOBER	1954	0	
NOVEMBER	1954	0	
DECEMBER	1954	1	
JANUARY	1955	0	
FEBRUARY	1955	3	
MARCH	1955	2	
APRIL	1955	3	
MAY	1955	1	
JUNE	1955	0	
	TOTAL	II	II

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In the City of LOS ANGELES	1	
In the COUNTY of LOS ANGELES O/S Los Angeles City	10	
TOTAL	II	II

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Co-Pilot	1	
Passenger	4	
Pilot	5	
Student or Pilot undetermined	1	
TOTAL	II	II

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Accidental	9	
Industrial	2	
TOTAL	II	II

AIRPLANE FATALITIES

(CONTINUED)

AGES

10 to 20 years		1	
20 to 45 years		9	
45 to 65 years		1	
	TOTAL	11	11

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TYPE OF PLANE

COMMERCIAL		2	
PLEASURE		9	
	TOTAL	11	11

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CAUSES

DURING TAKE OFF		2	
LOST CONTROL		1	
UNKNOWN		8	
	TOTAL	11	11

INQUESTS

		CORONER'S INQUEST ROOM	L. A. CITY & COUNTY OUTSIDE INQUEST ROOM	TOTALS
JULY	1954	17	8	25
AUGUST	1954	8	4	12
SEPTEMBER	1954	12	9	21
OCTOBER	1954	20	4	24
NOVEMBER	1954	15	8	23
DECEMBER	1954	9	27	36
JANUARY	1955	15	5	20
FEBRUARY	1955	11	16	27
MARCH	1955	20	3	23
APRIL	1955	14	8	22
MAY	1955	25	27	52
JUNE	1955	11	9	20
	TOTAL	177	128	305

AUTOPSIES

		CORONER'S MORTUARY	L.A. CITY & CO. O/S MORTUARY	GENERAL HOSPITAL	TOTALS
JULY	1954	127	179	15	321
AUGUST	1954	105	133	10	248
SEPTEMBER	1954	112	122	9	243
OCTOBER	1954	132	160	15	307
NOVEMBER	1954	126	149	10	285
DECEMBER	1954	144	185	12	341
JANUARY	1955	123	181	11	315
FEBRUARY	1955	144	174	6	324
MARCH	1955	124	188	14	326
APRIL	1955	135	215	16	366
MAY	1955	159	273	5	437
JUNE	1955	158	215	11	384
	TOTAL	1589	2174	134	3897

INVESTIGATIONS - NO AUTOPSIES 4737

TOTAL 8634

MISCELLANEOUS DATA

BODIES OF CHILDREN (UNDER 14 YEARS) EMBALMED: NO FEE	159
BODIES ASSIGNED TO COUNTY WELFARE: NO FEE	128
BODIES ASSIGNED TO CATHOLIC WELFARE: NO FEE	34
EMBALMING EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIGENT PERSONS UNDER SECTION 27471 OF GOVERNMENT CODE OF CALIFORNIA: NO FEE	20
BODY EMBALMED-REFERRED TO COUNTY COUNSEL FOR COLLECTION	1
TOTAL NUMBER EMBALMED FOR WHICH NO EMBALMING FEES WERE COLLECTED AT CORONER'S OFFICE	342
BODIES EMBALMED FOR WHICH FEES WERE COLLECTED	2754
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	3096
BODIES EMBALMED BY MORTICIANS BEFORE DELIVERY TO CORONER'S MORTUARY	350
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES PROCESSED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	5188
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES PROCESSED BY COUNTY CORONER JULY 1, 1954 to JUNE 30, 1955	8634

MILES TRAVELED TO CONDUCT INQUESTS AND INVESTIGATIONS	8040
MILES TRAVELED BY SURGEONS TO PERFORM AUTOPSIES AND APPEAR AS WITNESSES	72822
MILES TRAVELED BY AMBULANCES TO TRANSPORT BODIES	21565
TRANSCRIPTS SOLD	175
TRANSCRIPTS FURNISHED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES: NO FEE	11
TRANSCRIPTS FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK	305
TRANSCRIPTS FURNISHED DISTRICT ATTORNEY	305
TOTAL NUMBER OF COPIES OF TRANSCRIPTS PREPARED	1101
PAGES OF TESTIMONY PREPARED	6030
VERDICTS OF CORONER AND AUTOPSY FINDINGS	3897
VERDICTS OF JURIES	305
JURORS SUMMOND TO SERVE AT CORONER'S INQUESTS	2689
WITNESSES SUBPOENAED TO TESTIFY AT INQUESTS	1996
ESTATES DELIVERED TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR	157
CASES REPORTED TO CORONER, DEATH CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY PRIVATE PHYSICIAN. THESE CASES CLASSIFIED "NOT A CORONER'S CASE"	469
SUBPOENAS SERVED ON MEDICAL STAFF	504

CASE LOAD COMPARISON

TOTAL CASES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1953-1954	8539
TOTAL CASES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1954-1955	8634
INCREASE	95

REPORT OF TOXICOLOGICAL LABORATORY

NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED FOR TESTS 2832

TYPE AND NUMBER OF TESTS PERFORMED

	Chemicals Tested	Tests
ACETONE	1	1
ACETOPHENETIDIN	2	3
ACIDITY	1	1
ALCOHOL	2736	6490
ALKALOIDS	2	60
AMPHETAMINE	1	2
ANTIMONY	1	1
ANTROPINE	1	20
ARSENIC	30	47
BARBITURATE	295	1329
BORIC ACID	1	10
BROMIDE	2	2
CARBON TETRACHLORIDE	5	5
CARBROMAL	1	2
CARBOXYHEMOGLOBIN	3	3
CHLORAL	5	17
CHLORIDE	1	2
CHLORPROMAZINE	1	10
CODEINE	2	30
CREATININE	5	5
CYANIDE	20	32
DIGITALIS	1	1
FLUORINE	4	4
ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL	2	2
LEAD	8	10
LYSOL	3	6
MAGNESIUM	1	2
MEPERIDINE	3	180
MERCURY	11	17
METALS, (SPECTROGRAPH)	8	X
METHAPYRILENE	2	30
METHYL ACOHOL	2	2
MORPHINE (AND HEROIN)	16	640
NARCOTICS	11	870
NICOTINE	9	33
NITRITE	1	100
NOVOCAINE	1	10
PARALDEHYDE	8	14
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	2	3

REPORT OF TOXICOLOGICAL LABORATORY
(CONTINUED)

	CHEMICALS TESTED	TESTS
PHOSPHORUS	2	2
POISONS	10	551
PONTOCAINE	1	10
RESPERINE	1	10
SALICYLATE	14	31
SILICA	16	30
STRYCHNINE	5	77
SUGAR	4	4
TRICHLORETHYLENE	2	2
ZINC	1	2
TOTALS	3265	10717

SUMMARY OF SCIENTIFIC TESTS

NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED TO PATHOLOGICAL LABORATORY	1260
NUMBER OF MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATIONS	3193
NUMBER OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS	149
NUMBER OF BLOOD TESTS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE	210
NUMBER OF GROSS SPECIMENS PREPARED	28
NUMBER OF NEURO-PATHOLOGY BRAIN STUDIES	133
NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPH NEGATIVES MADE AND PROCESSED	686
NUMBER OF PRINTS MADE AND PROCESSED	1582

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS - ALCOHOL

If victim lives twenty-four or more hours after injury, tests for alcohol are not made, as the alcohol would be completely oxidized.

Each positive test is individually interpreted in terms of elapsed time and amount to show extent of influence of the alcohol.

	POSITIVE TESTS	NEGATIVE TESTS
AUTO - COLLISION and NON COLLISION	156	253
	35.6%	64.4%
AUTO - PEDESTRIAN	44	128
	25.5%	74.5%
HOMICIDES	88	92
	48.8%	51.2%
SUICIDES	203	459
	30.6%	69.4%

EXPENDITURES

FISCAL YEAR 1954-55

SALARIES AND WAGES	$304,012.15
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION	36,269.59
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1587.70
TOTAL	$341869.44

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REVENUES COLLECTED

FISCAL YEAR 1954-55

SALARY FUND:		
EMBALMING FEES	$70,200.00	
SALE OF TRANSCRIPTS	3,498.65	
TOTAL	$73,698.65	$73,698.65
GENERAL FUND:		
WITNESS FEES	$148.00	
REFUND OF TRANSPORTATION	$720.88	
	$868.88	$868.88
TOTAL		$74,567.53