

Automobile Death Rate Increased in 1921 Over 1920

Total of 10,168 People Killed by Motor Vehicles—California Shows Highest Per Cent.

Washington, Nov. 2.—(By A. P.)—There were 10,168 deaths from accidents caused by automobiles and other motor vehicles, excluding motorcycles, during 1921 in the death registration area of the United States comprising 34 states and containing 82 per cent of the country's population, the census bureau announced today. That was an increase of 1,665 over 1920. The death rate per 100,000 population was 11.5, compared with 10.4 in 1920. California led all states in the death rate, while among the cities of 100,000 or more population, Los Angeles led.

There was about 28 per cent increase in the automobile death rate from 1917 to 1921, while the actual number of deaths in 27 states for which data is available, increased 41.2 per cent. Deaths in the registration area by years were announced as follows: 1917, 6,724; 1918, 7,525; 1919, 7,948; 1920, 9,103; and 1921, 10,168.

Increase Over 1920.
The rate per 100,000 in the cities was 15.8 last year, an increase of 3 over 1920. Total deaths in the cities numbered 4,415 last year, an increase of 599 over 1920. By years the deaths in these cities were as follows: 1917, 3,507; 1918, 3,609; 1919, 3,808; 1920, 4,116; and 1921, 4,415.

Of the 24 states in the registration area, California had the highest rate, with 24.4 per 100,000; Connecticut was second with 15.5 and New York third with 15.4. Mississippi has the smallest rate, 2.6, while South Carolina and Kentucky both had the next smallest with 4.3.

The largest increase in the rate per 100,000 for the states was in California, with 3.3 more than in 1920, while New Hampshire showed the highest decrease in the rate, with 2.8. Twenty-six of the states showed increases, seven decreases and one, Pennsylvania, showed no change.

New York state registered the largest number of deaths with 1,632, an increase of 222 over 1920, while Delaware had the smallest number with 17, a decrease of 52.

Death Rate Per 100,000.
The rate per 100,000 and the number increase or decrease in that rate, as compared with 1920, shows: California 24.4, increase 3.3; Colorado 12.5, increase 2; Montana 8.3, increase 1; Nebraska 7.9, decrease 1; Utah 11.5, increase 2; and Washington 14.5, increase 1.

In the 66 cities, 40 showed increases in the rate, while the remaining 26 showed decreases. Los Angeles had the highest rate with 27.1 per 100,000, an increase of 3 per 100,000 over 1920. The smallest rate was reported by New Bedford, Mass., with 7.2, a decrease of 1.8 from 1920.

Albany showed the largest increase in its rate over 1920 with 15.5 and Houston was second with 11.6. Memphis had the largest decrease, 11.2.

New York city had the largest number of deaths, 885, an increase of 112 over 1920; Chicago the second largest number, 569, an increase of 97, and Philadelphia third, 100, a decrease of 36.

Twentieth Amendment to Stop Child Labor Urged
Resolutions urging the adoption of a twentieth amendment to the constitution of the United States, which would prohibit child labor, were passed at a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Supreme Forest Woodmen circle.

Declaring that "1,500,000 American boys and girls are bent beneath the burden of premature toil in mill and factory," members of the organization pledged themselves to work for the eradication of "child slavery."

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How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS
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The Baby Census.
Once a year the census office takes stock in matters of baby welfare as shown by the birth rate and the baby death rate.

The information gained in this stock taking for 1921 has been available recently. The report shows that the birth rate in the registration area was 24.3. The birth rate of the individual states is not given, since the death rate in the same area was only 11.7. We are gaining population by reason of excess of births over deaths at the rate of 1.25 per cent yearly—a good margin.

The most striking and the most gratifying part of the report is that which deals with infant mortality. A few years ago Truby King came over here from New Zealand and told us that in his country the baby death rate was only 50. As ours at the time was twice as high, he set us a mark to shoot at that seemed unobtainable.

Well, we haven't hit the bull's eye yet, but we are striking every arrow in that target, and we have moved toward the New Zealand ringer just half the way. Our rate in 1921 was 76.

Let us hope that Truby King, back in New Zealand, knows that we are after him and he had better hump himself to make a new record. The states having the honors of low baby death rate are, in their order of merit:

Oregon, 51; Washington, 65; Nebraska, 59; and Minnesota, 59. All very close to the New Zealand mark.

At the other end of the line are: Delaware, 88; South Carolina, 96; Maryland, 94; and Rhode Island, 93. Of course, even these states have the honor of being in the registration area and, therefore, outrank in merit, the states below that level.

As birth registration becomes more of an accepted fact, the number of births registered increased. Even today, the registration of babies will be as carefully done as the registration of land now is.

There was an increase of 4 per cent in registration in 1921 as compared with 1920. The states leading the list of merit in this particular are: North Carolina, 8.7; California, 7.6; Kentucky, 7.1; and Vermont, 7.2. The states showing the highest decrease in death rate of babies in 1921 were: South Carolina, 20; Connecticut, 19; Vermont, 18; Massachusetts, 15; Michigan, 13.

Two cities had baby death rates of less than 30—East Hartford, Conn., 24; and Hoquiam, Wash., 29. Ten cities between 30 and 40: Pasadena, Cal., 31; Sanfordtown, Me., 32; Santa Cruz, Cal., 33; Salem, Ore., 35; Tonawanda, N. Y., 37; Portchester, N. Y., 38; West Orange, N. J., 38; Winchester, Mass., 38; Berkeley, Cal., 39; Hion, N. Y., 39.

Fifteen—or a total of 27—had rates under 50, the New Zealand mark at which we are aiming. The percentage of improvement in the five places making most improvement:

Augusta, Me., 90; Sanfordtown, Me., 82; Tonawanda, N. Y., 76; Florence, S. C., 77. The poor records were made by Lackawanna, N. Y., rate, 251; Dunmore, Pa., 190; Spartanburg, S. C., 161; Shenandoah, Pa., 153; Petersburg, Va., 151.

Towns between 150 and 130 were: Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Jackson, Miss.; East Youngtown, O.; Goldboro, N. C.; Giphart, Pa.; Rocky Mount, N. C.; New Philadelphia, O.

It will be noted that both the best and poorest records are made by towns and small cities. The places showing the greatest loss in baby care, when the baby death rate of 1921 is compared with that of 1920, are:

New Philadelphia, O., 81%
Lawrence, Kan., 47%
Stonington, Conn., 40%
Knee Tapping Test.
Mrs. B. H. writes: "I will you kindly tell me what the test is for of tapping the knee with a hammer?"

"If the limb is normal, should it jerk or remain quiet when so tapped?"
"Is 16 grams of sugar to a quart of urine excessive or little?"
REPLY:
1. It is a means of testing the reflexes. It shows whether there is a break in the nerve chain from the in-

going nerves around the knee through a part of the spinal cord, and, finally, through the outgoing nerves to the muscles which move the lower leg and foot.

2. When the spinal cord and nerves indicated are normal there should be a moderate jerk. The jerk can be at fault by being overdone or by being underdone. No jerk is rather worse than too much jerk.

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Just So You Keep Warm.
A. W. D. writes: "I would like to have your advice as to which is the proper thing to do. I have been wearing summer underwear all the year round and some people warn me I am doing the wrong thing."
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Prayer Each Day

Jesus departed into a solitary place and there prayed—Mark 1:35.

O God, our Father, in the opening of the new day we look up into Thy face to thank Thee for the care of the night and for the joy of another morning.

The new day will bring its blessings; may we be able to see and seize them. In the new day we shall have opportunity—opportunity to be kind—may we remember that kind words can never die.

We shall have opportunity to hear or share another's burden; may we like the Great Burden Bearer, tenderly, tactfully enter into and share the needs of others.

Uncle Sam Says

Teach us to thank Thee for the joys to remember, when we must weep, that "Jesus Wept," and to trust all the unex-pected—the surprise—to Him Who doeth all things well, and to radiantly hope for the day when "we shall know, even as we are known." Amen
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Use of Lamb and Mutton.
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