

and that the old stock which settled New England had especially nonresistant teeth.

TABLE 63.—Grand total for defective and deficient teeth, with dental caries, with ratio per 1,000 men.

State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.	State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.
Vermont.....	400	47.53	Wisconsin.....	737	11.67
New Hampshire.....	372	43.66	Mississippi.....	438	11.63
Rhode Island.....	669	42.01	Illinois.....	1,954	10.90
Massachusetts.....	3,397	37.17	North Carolina.....	589	10.63
Maine.....	713	35.97	Iowa.....	699	10.19
New Jersey.....	2,185	28.78	Idaho.....	127	10.17
Alaska.....	27	22.17	Tennessee.....	621	10.14
Delaware.....	106	20.97	Wyoming.....	60	9.04
New York.....	5,233	20.30	Alabama.....	441	8.51
Connecticut.....	709	19.75	Indiana.....	593	8.29
Louisiana.....	939	18.15	West Virginia.....	321	8.25
Michigan.....	1,771	17.90	District of Columbia.....	94	8.15
Florida.....	418	17.33	Kentucky.....	494	7.73
Nevada.....	55	16.71	Ohio.....	1,013	7.09
Oregon.....	263	16.44	Colorado.....	152	6.76
Minnesota.....	1,146	15.93	Nebraska.....	183	6.21
Montana.....	434	15.83	Oklahoma.....	317	5.22
Washington.....	556	15.64	Texas.....	613	5.17
Georgia.....	941	14.74	Missouri.....	425	4.97
Utah.....	170	14.44	New Mexico.....	43	4.21
North Dakota.....	243	13.61	Arkansas.....	156	3.65
California.....	1,072	13.29	Arizona.....	28	3.38
Virginia.....	737	13.24	Kansas.....	121	3.15
Pennsylvania.....	2,662	13.16	State not specified.....	724	7.63
South Dakota.....	269	12.95			
South Carolina.....	496	12.59			
Maryland.....	435	11.69			
			Total.....	37,301	13.54

64. *Hernia*.—Hernia is one of the leading defects found in men of military age. There was a record made by local boards and mobilization camps of 57,372 cases. The distribution among the different States is shown in Table 64 and in Plate XXXIII, figure 1. Two principal centers of hernia seem to be shown in these tables. One is in the Northwest in the territory tributary to Camp Lewis, including Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Utah, Oregon, California, and Montana. A second center is in the South Atlantic States, which includes Florida, Mississippi, Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, Texas, and Oklahoma. However, it is to be stated that North Carolina, Arkansas, South Carolina, and Louisiana are in the lower half of the list. Among other States that fall in the upper third of the list are Vermont, Michigan, Minnesota, and Iowa, States that include a larger portion of the tall men of the Scandinavian and northern Germans, races which on account of their large statures are especially prone to develop hernia.

TABLE 64.—Grand total for hernia with ratio per 1,000 men.

State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.	State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.
Florida.....	709	29.39	Minnesota.....	1,715	23.84
Idaho.....	360	28.83	Montana.....	653	23.81
Nevada.....	91	27.64	Iowa.....	1,628	23.75
Vermont.....	227	26.98	Georgia.....	1,514	23.72
Mississippi.....	996	26.43	New Jersey.....	1,785	23.61
Wyoming.....	175	26.38	Alabama.....	1,207	23.28
Utah.....	303	25.75	Texas.....	2,715	22.90
Delaware.....	128	25.32	Oklahoma.....	1,381	22.73
Oregon.....	402	25.12	Rhode Island.....	327	22.56
Michigan.....	2,452	24.78	Alaska.....	27	22.17
Virginia.....	1,370	24.62	Colorado.....	496	22.05
California.....	1,934	23.98	Wisconsin.....	1,392	22.03

TABLE 64.—Grand total for hernia with ratio per 1,000 men—Continued.

State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.	State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.
Indiana.....	1,568	21.92	New York.....	4,859	18.84
Washington.....	778	21.88	South Dakota.....	390	18.77
Louisiana.....	1,113	21.51	North Carolina.....	1,026	18.53
South Carolina.....	825	20.94	Massachusetts.....	1,636	17.90
Pennsylvania.....	4,220	20.87	New Mexico.....	181	17.69
West Virginia.....	812	20.87	New Hampshire.....	139	16.31
Illinois.....	3,741	20.86	Ohio.....	2,314	16.20
Arkansas.....	880	20.61	Connecticut.....	580	16.15
North Dakota.....	364	20.38	Arizona.....	131	15.79
Nebraska.....	599	20.32	District of Columbia.....	168	14.56
Kansas.....	740	19.26	Maryland.....	479	12.87
Maine.....	381	19.22	State not specified.....	1,458	15.36
Tennessee.....	1,174	19.18			
Kentucky.....	1,210	18.93	Total.....	57,372	20.83
Missouri.....	1,619	18.91			

65. *Enlargement of inguinal rings.*—Potential hernia may be expected to follow the same rule of distribution as hernia itself, and accordingly we find a higher incidence in the Northwestern States of Oregon, California, Wyoming, and Nevada. However, Virginia and West Virginia stand high in this list, which fact must be partly attributed to the generous interpretation of the requirements made by the examiners at Camp Lee, since these two States, with Pennsylvania, were tributary to that camp. We see accordingly that little hernia was reported from Pennsylvania and West Virginia and relatively less of hernia from Virginia than of enlarged inguinal rings. It seems probable, therefore, that many cases which at other camps would have been classified as hernia were classified at Camp Lee as enlargement of inguinal rings, thus increasing the latter category at the expense of the former. Except for Florida, most of the Southern States stand low in the list of enlargement of inguinal rings, such as Louisiana, Arkansas, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Texas. Combining the list of hernia and enlargement of inguinal rings, it appears that on the whole the great Northwest is the region of maximum occurrence and the Southeast is the region of least recurrence, with the scattering Middle States occupying an intermediate position.

TABLE 65.—Grand total for enlargement of inguinal rings with ratio per 1,000 men.

State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.	State.	Number of cases.	Ratio per 1,000.
Oregon.....	1,456	90.99	Illinois.....	2,944	16.42
California.....	3,679	45.61	District of Columbia.....	187	16.21
Virginia.....	2,370	42.59	Delaware.....	78	15.43
West Virginia.....	1,548	39.78	Ohio.....	2,115	14.80
Wyoming.....	246	37.08	Texas.....	1,718	14.49
New Jersey.....	2,434	32.06	Washington.....	506	14.23
Nevada.....	103	31.29	North Dakota.....	254	14.22
Pennsylvania.....	5,736	28.36	Mississippi.....	468	12.42
Florida.....	680	28.19	Minnesota.....	889	12.36
Arizona.....	231	27.85	Alabama.....	582	11.23
New Hampshire.....	232	27.23	Georgia.....	678	10.62
Colorado.....	602	26.76	Iowa.....	628	9.16
Massachusetts.....	2,418	26.46	Indiana.....	650	9.09
Wisconsin.....	1,658	26.23	Tennessee.....	550	8.99
Vermont.....	198	23.53	North Carolina.....	470	8.49
Connecticut.....	812	22.61	Missouri.....	721	8.42
New York.....	5,714	22.16	Nebraska.....	232	7.87
Alaska.....	26	21.35	Kansas.....	279	7.26
Utah.....	249	21.16	South Carolina.....	283	7.18
Maine.....	398	20.08	South Dakota.....	147	7.08
Rhode Island.....	285	19.73	Arkansas.....	218	5.11
Montana.....	527	19.22	Louisiana.....	234	4.52
Michigan.....	1,895	19.15	Kentucky.....	166	2.60
Idaho.....	228	18.26	State not specified.....	1,704	17.95
New Mexico.....	177	17.30			
Maryland.....	641	17.23	Total.....	52,292	18.99
Oklahoma.....	1,047	17.23			