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Scobie has used archeological facts for examining the living conditions of ancient Rome. The findings portrays the deplorable conditions due to thee haphazard buildings that followed no proper constructions. Poor living conditions had been the cause of high mortality rates in Roman empire. The author has criticized that irrespective of the glory of Rome the people were struggling due to lack of appropriate infrastructure. Sanitation was in very bad state that it was the cause of many diseases and poor health. Overcrowding was another prominent issue faced by the people in Rome (Blom). People were left with little privacy because houses were so closely built and roads were congested.

Romans had hardly adopted any mechanisms for improving the infrastructure or providing better and improved living conditions to the people. A large number of deaths and mortality was due to these issues. These facts highlights the social conflict that was faced by the poor Romans. There was essentially a division between the rich and the poor. Wealthy Romans enjoyed most of the resources while the poor struggled for their lives. The rulers neglected their duties towards the society such as by building proper sanitation and providing other facilities. Lack of latrines and sewers were also common issues of the poor (Koloski-Ostrow). Majority of the Roman population was victim of unhygienic lifestyles due to the selfish attitudes of the leaders. The dwellings were so congested and Roman families had to adjust even in single room houses. The archeological facts reveals the unjust system adopted by the Roman rules.

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