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VITAL STATISTICS OF CEYLON.

**REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS FOR
THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1915.**

INTRODUCTORY.

The outstanding features in connection with the statistics embodied in this report are as follows:—

- (a) The number of marriages (10,138) is the highest recorded in any quarter during the preceding decennium.
- (b) The birth-rate (33·5) is lower than any in the past ten quarters.
- (c) The death-rate (22·6) is the lowest since 1895.
- (d) The number of judicial executions (38) is the highest on record since 1880.

I.—Population.

1. The estimated population on the last day of the quarter was 4,386,571, showing an increase of 32,153 on the previous quarter, due to an excess of 11,945 births over deaths and 20,208 arrivals over departures of Indian coolies. The births exceed the deaths in all the districts, except Mannar and Puttalam, and are more than double in Negombo and Kegalla.

2. *Indian Coolies.*—There were 33,705 arrivals and 13,497 departures of Indian coolies, as against averages of 32,430 and 16,530 in the corresponding quarters of the past decade.

II.—Marriages.

3. 10,138 marriages (5,952 General and 4,186 Kandyan) were registered, as against 6,335 in the preceding quarter, 6,573 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year, and 5,826 the mean of the ten preceding third quarters. This abnormal increase in marriages is more marked in the Kandyan community than in the General, and is partly explained by the fact that the people have heard that bachelors are to be taken for the war. Table I, in the Appendix gives their distribution by Provinces and Districts.

III.—Births.

4. The births registered during the quarter numbered 36,730, and corresponded to an annual rate of 33·5 per 1,000 of the estimated population. This rate is 3·7 below that of the previous quarter and .6 less than the average. The estate births correspond to a rate of 40·4 per 1,000 and the urban (including those of Colombo) to 24·47. The Colombo rate is 19·90. For detailed statistics see Tables I. to V. in the Appendix.

192 stillbirths were registered in the 33 towns, as against 200 in the previous quarter and 223 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year (see Table V.).

IV.—Deaths.

5. The number of deaths registered during the quarter was 24,785, corresponding to an annual rate of 22·6. This rate is .7 below that of the previous quarter, and is 7·5 less than the average. The improvement is shared by all Provinces, and is specially marked in the Province of Sabaragamuwa. Of the districts, Negombo was, as usual, the healthiest with a rate of 13·5, and Trincomalee was the unhealthiest with 34·0, followed by Mannar with 32·6. Nuwara Eliya—the sanatorium of Ceylon—ranks fourth in order of demerit with a rate of 29·4, which is 6·9 above that in the previous quarter, though only .4 in excess of the average. The rate of mortality on estates is 32·3, with the highest rate (59·7) recorded for the estates of Matara. The urban rate is 27·98, and ranges from 9·06 in Nuwara Eliya to 50·74 in Anuradhapura. Mullaittivu with a rate of 40·46 shows a decided improvement on the previous quarter, when the rate was 74·36. In the town of Colombo the death-rate is 28·86. See Tables I. to V. for detailed statistics.

V.—Infantile Mortality.

6. The infantile mortality measured by the proportion of deaths under one year to 1,000 births registered during the year ending the last day of the quarter under review is 158 for all races. The highest infantile mortality among the Sinhalese is 249 in Puttalam, among the Tamils 240 in Mannar, and among the Moors 216 in Batticaloa. The lowest rate among the Sinhalese is 86 in Kalutara, among the Tamils 147 in Mullaittivu, and among the Moors 139 in Puttalam. In the towns the infantile mortality is 225 per 1,000 births registered and is 255 in Colombo. Among the other towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala) the highest rate (500) is observed in Batticaloa, and the lowest (28) in Panadure. The estate infantile mortality rate is 222, ranging from 154 in Badulla and Kalutara to 273 in Nuwara Eliya.

VI.—Causes of Death.

7. Of the 24,785 deaths registered during the quarter, 14 per cent. were reported as due to Pyrexia. Other causes of deaths during the quarter were Diarrhoea and Enteritis, 11 per cent.; Infantile Convulsions, 9 per cent.; Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue, 7 per cent.; Debility, 6 per cent.; Pneumonia, Rickets, Phthisis, and Senility, 4 per cent. each; Dysentery, Anaemia, Diseases of Pregnancy, Intestinal Parasites, and Dropsy, 3 per cent. each; and Ankylostomiasis, 2 per cent. Thirty-eight deaths from Plague were registered (37 in Colombo and 1 in Kalutara), against 8 in the preceding quarter and 109 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. There were 62 deaths from Smallpox (58 in Colombo, 4 in Galle), against 26 in the preceding quarter and 44 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year (*vide Table VI.*).

8. Affections caused by external causes—

(a) *Suicide*.—Fifty-one deaths were due to suicide, against 47 in the preceding quarter and 57 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

(b) *Homicide*.—Ninety-six deaths were due to homicide, against 139 in the preceding quarter and 50 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Of these, 41 were caused by firearms and 35 by cutting or piercing instruments.

(c) *Executions*.—Thirty-eight judicial executions took place during the quarter, against 9 in the preceding quarter and 5 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

(d) Of the 454 deaths attributed to violence, 152 were due to drowning (42 in wells and 6 in pits), 89 to fall from trees, 32 to fall of heavy substances, and 27 to burns. Snake bite caused 54 deaths, and injuries by elephants 3. Trains were responsible for 2 deaths, carts for 6, and motor cars for 1.

9. *Causes of Deaths on the Estates*.—The highest mortality on the estates was from Debility, to which were due 20 per cent. of the total deaths; Diarrhoea and Enteritis accounted for 14 per cent.; Ankylostomiasis and Dysentery, 11 per cent. each; Pneumonia, 9 per cent.; Infantile Convulsions, 7 per cent.; Senility, 4 per cent.; Diseases of Pregnancy, Malaria and Malarial Cachexia, Dropsy, and Phthisis, 2 per cent. each. For detailed statistics see Table VII.

10. *Causes of Deaths in the Towns*.—In the 33 towns of the Island (inclusive of Colombo), 10 per cent. of the total deaths were due to Pneumonia; 8 per cent. to Phthisis; 7 per cent. each to Convulsions and Dysentery; 6 per cent. each to Diarrhoea and Debility; 4 per cent. each to Ankylostomiasis, Malaria and Malarial Cachexia, and Enteritis; 2 per cent. each to Enteric Fever, Bright's Disease and Nephritis, and Bronchitis; and 1 per cent. to Puerperal Septicæmia. For detailed statistics see Table VIII.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, December 31, 1915.

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APPENDIX.

Table I.—Area, Estimated Population, and the Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in the Third Quarter of 1915.

Province and District.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on July 1, 1915.	MARRIAGES.			BIRTHS.			DEATHS.		
			Total.	General.	Kandyans.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.
CEYLON ..	25,481	4,354,418	10,188	5,952	4,186	36,730	18,955	17,775	24,785	* 12,648	12,137
Western ..	1,432	1,155,838	1,970	1,970	—	8,372	4,363	4,009	5,809	3,103	2,706
Central ..	2,279	691,310	591	203	388	6,780	3,510	3,270	4,750	2,344	2,406
Southern ..	2,146 $\frac{1}{2}$	654,462	1,755	1,743	12	5,730	2,925	2,805	3,538	1,759	1,779
Northern ..	3,519	372,427	674	672	2	3,140	1,664	1,476	2,304	1,159	1,145
Eastern ..	3,848 $\frac{1}{2}$	188,220	127	78	49	2,098	1,126	972	1,531	797	734
North-Western ..	3,016	432,672	2,394	712	1,682	3,756	1,926	1,830	2,492	1,256	1,236
North-Central ..	4,068	83,628	326	13	313	748	377	371	585	327	258
Uva ..	3,271 $\frac{1}{2}$	216,827	577	67	510	2,081	1,023	1,058	1,568	805	763
Sabaragamuwa ..	1,901	406,842	1,724	494	1,230	4,025	2,041	1,984	2,208	1,098	1,110
Western.											
Colombo ..	560 $\frac{1}{2}$	680,680	1,084	1,084	—	4,533	2,365	2,168	3,649	1,976	1,673
Negombo ..	247 $\frac{1}{2}$	179,008	343	343	—	1,516	777	739	610	341	269
Kalutara ..	623 $\frac{1}{2}$	296,170	543	543	—	2,323	1,221	1,102	1,550	786	764
Central.											
Kandy ..	911	422,329	328	134	194	4,028	2,072	1,956	2,799	1,380	1,419
Matale ..	905 $\frac{1}{2}$	105,912	144	28	116	979	502	477	741	369	372
Nuwara Eliya ..	462 $\frac{1}{2}$	163,069	119	41	78	1,773	936	837	1,210	595	615
Southern.											
Galle ..	652 $\frac{1}{2}$	307,653	525	513	12	2,392	1,253	1,139	1,595	794	801
Matara ..	481 $\frac{1}{2}$	239,253	700	709	—	2,154	1,076	1,078	1,196	590	606
Hambantota ..	1,012 $\frac{1}{2}$	107,556	521	521	—	1,184	596	588	747	375	372
Northern.											
Jaffna ..	1,147 $\frac{1}{2}$	331,255	553	558	—	2,808	1,479	1,329	1,987	981	1,006
Mannar ..	904 $\frac{1}{2}$	24,445	57	57	—	176	96	80	201	105	96
Mullaithivu ..	1,466 $\frac{1}{2}$	16,727	59	57	2	156	89	67	116	73	43
Eastern.											
Batticaloa ..	2,800 $\frac{1}{2}$	158,802	99	52	47	1,792	974	818	1,279	676	603
Trincomalee ..	1,048	29,418	28	26	2	306	152	154	252	121	131
North-Western.											
Kurunegala ..	1,843 $\frac{1}{2}$	302,828	1915	286	1629	2,880	1,453	1,427	1,906	948	958
Puttalam ..	909 $\frac{1}{2}$	38,690	126	73	53	204	102	102	233	126	107
Chilaw ..	262 $\frac{1}{2}$	91,254	353	353	—	672	371	301	353	182	171
North-Central.											
Anuradhapura ..	4,068	83,628	326	13	313	748	377	371	585	327	258
Uva.											
Badulla ..	3,271 $\frac{1}{2}$	216,827	577	67	510	2,081	1,023	1,058	1,568	805	763
Sabaragamuwa.											
Ranapura ..	1,259	164,841	1,422	390	1,032	1,693	835	858	1,152	582	570
Kegalla ..	642	242,001	302	104	198	2,332	1,206	1,126	1,056	516	540

Table II.—Birth- and Death-rates in the Third Quarter of 1915, the corresponding Quarter of 1914, the Second Quarter of 1915, and the Mean Rates for the Third Quarters of 1905-1914.

Province and District.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			
	Third Quarter, 1915.	Second Quarter, 1915.	Third Quarter, 1914.	Average for 3rd Quarters, 1905-1914.	Third Quarter, 1915.	Second Quarter, 1915.	Third Quarter, 1914.	Average for 3rd Quarters 1905-1914.
Ceylon	33·5	37·2	34·2	34·1	22·6	23·3	27·4	30·1
Western	28·7	35·3	30·7	28·4	19·9	18·2	21·0	24·3
Central	38·9	41·2	40·0	36·0	27·3	24·1	32·3	33·6
Southern	34·7	41·8	38·2	35·4	21·5	21·7	27·6	27·6
Northern	33·5	32·2	36·1	38·3	24·5	32·3	27·4	24·7
Eastern	44·2	35·6	32·2	42·7	32·3	31·2	33·8	32·5
North-Western	34·4	39·3	31·8	35·3	22·9	30·1	29·9	35·8
North-Central	35·5	36·4	34·5	37·4	27·8	41·3	33·7	32·4
Uva	38·1	40·0	34·9	37·3	28·7	28·7	45·1	37·1
Sabaragamuwa	39·3	43·1	37·1	35·4	21·5	20·8	29·7	41·3
Western.								
Colombo	26·4	32·0	28·9	26·6	21·3	18·7	21·1	24·7
Negombo	33·6	41·5	34·0	30·6	13·5	16·0	16·9	23·2
Kalutara	31·1	39·0	33·1	31·1	20·8	18·4	23·1	24·3
Central.								
Kandy	37·8	42·4	41·1	35·4	26·3	23·2	31·5	32·8
Matale	36·7	44·9	33·6	37·4	27·8	30·3	35·9	44·1
Nuwara Eliya	43·1	35·7	41·0	36·7	29·4	22·5	32·2	29·0
Southern.								
Galle	30·9	37·9	33·9	33·2	20·6	21·0	24·5	25·0
Matara	35·7	44·0	41·9	36·6	19·8	20·2	28·9	26·8
Hambantota	43·7	48·1	42·0	38·8	27·6	27·1	33·8	36·1
Northern.								
Jaffna	33·6	32·0	36·0	37·5	23·8	31·3	26·1	23·2
Mannar	28·6	31·0	37·6	38·3	32·6	44·1	29·2	36·3
Mullaittivu	37·0	36·5	35·9	36·2	27·5	33·4	35·2	36·2
Eastern.								
Batticaloa	44·8	35·0	33·1	43·9	32·0	29·8	34·7	32·8
Trincomalee	41·3	38·8	27·6	36·7	34·0	38·9	28·9	27·6
North-Western.								
Kurunegala	37·7	41·6	32·4	37·7	25·0	32·3	33·3	39·9
Puttalam	21·0	30·3	26·8	29·5	24·0	36·9	29·0	33·5
Chilaw	29·2	35·3	31·9	29·9	15·4	20·2	19·1	22·7
North-Central.								
Anuradhapura	35·5	36·4	34·5	37·4	27·8	41·3	33·7	32·4
Uva.								
Badulla	38·1	40·0	34·9	37·3	28·7	28·7	46·1	37·1
Sabaragamuwa.								
Ratnapura	40·8	50·4	35·6	36·6	27·7	27·0	34·5	40·5
Kegalla	38·3	38·1	38·2	36·7	17·3	16·6	26·4	41·9

Table III.—Births and Deaths by Races which predominate in the respective Districts, their Rates per 1,000 of the estimated Population, and the Proportion of Infantile Deaths to 1,000 registered Births in the Third Quarter of 1915.

Sinhalese.		Tamils.		Moors.	
Provinces and Districts.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on July 1, 1915.	Births.	Deaths.	Births per Mile per Annum.
			Average for Third Quarter, 1905-14.	Average for Third Quarter, 1915.	Death-rate per Mile per Annum.
CEYLON.	25481	2822943	24223	14596	34.1
Western	1432	951773	6936	4347	28.9
Colombo	5602	541118	3725	2643	27.3
Negombo	2474	161169	1398	540	30.4
Kalutara	6234	249486	1833	1164	28.8
Central	2279	354425	3331	1955	37.3
Kandy	911	231013	2179	1223	37.4
Matale	9054	67895	631	426	36.9
Nuwara Eliya	4623	55617	521	306	37.2
Southern	21461	622191	5486	3235	35.0
Galle	6521	290055	2259	1417	30.9
Matara	4814	228637	2077	1103	36.0
Hambantota	10124	103499	1150	715	44.1
Northern	3519	—	—	—	—
Jaffna	11473	—	—	—	—
Manar	9043	—	—	—	—
Mullaitivu	14664	—	—	—	—
Eastern	38481	6933	100	84	57.2
Batticaloa	28004	5904	91	69	61.2
Trincomalee	1048	—	—	—	—
North-Western	3016	373017	3339	2082	35.5
Kurunegala	18437	276567	2658	1717	38.1
Puttalam	9097	17691	84	83	18.3
Chilaw	2624	78759	597	292	30.1
North-Central	4068	64238	589	427	36.4
Annadhapura	4068	64238	589	427	36.4
Uva	32714	135080	1333	950	39.2
Badulla	32714	135080	1333	950	39.2
Sabaragamuwa	1901	312549	3087	1459	39.2
Ratnapura	1259	136441	1282	734	37.3
Kegalla	642	176108	1805	725	40.7

Table IV.—Births, Deaths, and their Rates on Estates, Third Quarter, 1915, &c., and Average Rates, 1905–1914.

District.	Population at the Census of March 10, 1911.	Births registered during Third Quarter, 1915.	Deaths registered during Third Quarter, 1915.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			
				Third Quarter, 1915.	Second Quarter, 1915.	Third Quarter, 1914.	Average Third Quarters, 1905–1914.	Third Quarter, 1915.	Second Quarter, 1915.	Third Quarter, 1914.	Average Third Quarters, 1905–1914.
Kandy	147,262	1,534	1,300	41·3	35·9	43·2	33·5	35·0	27·5	41·2	32·2
Matale	31,186	274	247	34·9	26·1	32·1	32·1	31·4	36·5	48·6	43·8
Nuwara Eliya	100,393	1,230	902	48·6	35·6	42·2	37·2	35·7	25·3	35·3	31·1
Badulla	71,957	643	513	35·5	39·7	34·4	35·2	28·3	30·8	39·4	38·4
Ratnapura	30,455	397	391	51·7	47·4	38·9	32·8	50·9	48·5	76·3	71·3
Kegalla	62,518	443	281	28·1	26·5	30·3	33·1	17·8	18·5	36·7	50·2
Colombo	13,377	126	101	37·4	33·6	34·1	23·7	30·0	20·4	46·9	49·1
Kalutara	30,768	372	219	48·0	47·8	37·1	34·4	28·2	26·1	44·1	45·4
Galle	6,295	66	57	41·6	43·3	29·0	25·3	35·9	31·2	54·8	38·6
Matara	3,191	24	48	29·8	39·0	49·7	42·3	59·7	64·1	48·5	41·8
Kurunegala	9,787	50	69	20·3	29·5	13·0	17·1	28·4	36·9	47·0	39·4
Total	507,189	5,159	4,128	40·4	36·0	37·9	33·4	32·3	28·4	42·4	38·2

Table V.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Third Quarter of 1915, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum; the Stillbirths; the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births; and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall, observed in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Provinces and Towns.	Population estimated of the Military at the Census of March 10, 1911. [See Note A]	Total Births.		Total Deaths.		Total Stillbirths.		Deaths of Non-resi- dents of Towns registered in Town Resi- dents, Hospitals and Jails. Per 1,000 Persons. Males Females		Birth-rate. Average, Third Quarter, 1915, 1908-1914.	Death-rate. Standardized.*		Deaths of Children under One Year of Age to 1,000 Births, Third Quarter, 1915,† 1908-1914.		Mean Tem- per- ature,‡ 1908-1914.	Rainfall in Inches.						
		Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Male			Average, Third Quarter, 1915, 1908-1914.	Crude Third Quarter, 1915,											
		All 33 Towns	517,877	585,687	1,904	1,707	3,611	2,508	2,001	4,509	114	77	1928	693	3,789	24.47	26.81	25.67	27.98	29.68	225	273
Western Province.																						
Colombo	..	219,557	251,338	653	605	1,258	983	732	1,715	42	25	67	121	1,576	19.90	22.10	24.88	28.86	30.76	362	255	
Negombo	..	13,045	23,644	139	104	243	113	67	180	2	7	9	18	162	40.77	32.26	27.18	28.43	24.15	42	171	
Moratuwa	..	27,256	29,086	149	124	273	139	165	304	8	3	11	1	303	37.24	41.33	45.58	29.07	57	173	193	
Kalutara	..	13,005	13,700	50	37	87	57	48	105	2	3	5	22	83	25.19	28.27	24.04	23.88	25.05	23	222	
Panadura	..	5,709	6,776	16	10	26	21	19	40	4	—	4	13	27	15.22	22.46	15.81	18.82	30.58	1	28	
Central Province.																						
Kandy	..	30,149	31,575	103	103	206	147	112	259	8	3	11	68	188	26.01	26.13	23.62	25.75	31.66	48	216	
Gampola	..	6,521	6,496	30	23	53	34	31	65	1	—	1	19	46	32.37	30.10	28.09	29.15	35.14	10	187	
Nawalapitiya	..	3,767	3,920	17	11	28	30	37	67	1	—	1	52	14	28.34	27.36	14.17	1.540	25.97	11	328	
Hattan and Dikoya	..	3,025	3,112	10	9	19	35	27	62	—	—	—	42	20	24.22	19.90	25.50	29.78	30.03	6	322	
Matale	..	5,792	6,193	21	34	65	47	46	93	2	—	2	55	38	35.33	29.25	24.34	27.97	42.65	7	145	
Nuwara Eliya	..	14,910	14,976	20	18	38	19	18	37	1	2	2	7	30	10.97	15.38	7.95	9.06	12.71	12	262	
Southern Province.																						
Galle	..	39,936	41,212	117	91	208	155	126	281	11	8	19	32	249	20.02	25.13	23.97	23.47	24.56	38	128	
Anbalangoda	..	—	4,174	14	11	25	6	6	12	1	—	1	11	12	23.76	—	11.42	—	3	—	—	
Matara	..	13,851	14,807	48	59	107	42	37	79	—	1	1	11	68	28.97	32.45	18.22	17.85	22.03	22	191	
Weligama	..	8,672	9,181	42	43	85	43	22	29	51	—	2	—	51	36.73	29.06	22.04	19.86	9.12	13	161	
Hambantota	..	3,092	3,208	15	16	31	10	13	23	1	—	1	1	22	38.94	46.45	27.21	30.42	36.91	6	209	
Tangalle	..	3,505	4,178	17	14	31	19	13	32	—	1	1	9	23	29.44	35.23	21.84	22.33	29.70	8	262	
Northern Province.																						
Jaffna	..	40,441	43,656	158	141	299	184	169	353	8	9	17	20	329	27.17	36.20	29.90	30.54	30.87	96	361	
Mannar	..	3,777	3,988	14	12	26	17	10	27	—	1	1	4	23	23	25.87	44.84	22.88	25.20	39.22	6	183
Mullaithivu	..	1,392	1,430	4	5	9	9	3	12	2	—	2	1	11	24.97	41.40	30.52	40.46	38.76	—	—	
Vavuniya	..	808	943	5	1	6	7	3	10	—	—	—	4	6	25.25	23.37	25.25	34.29	44.95	—	364	
Eastern Province.																						
Batticaloa	..	10,671	10,987	56	54	110	78	55	133	1	1	2	5	128	39.72	37.10	46.22	45.58	39.59	43	500	
Kalmunai||	..	2,038	10	12	22	16	19	35	—	1	—	—	11	24	42.82	—	46.71	—	11.5	338	85.4	
Trincomalee	..	8,840	9,968	29	42	71	32	44	76	5	2	7	2	74	28.26	33.55	29.45	32.33	36.96	18	286	
N.-Western Province.																						
Kurunegala	..	8,167	9,052	41	26	67	70	22	92	3	1	4	47	45	29.36	29.09	19.72	20.26	39.47	7	111	
Puttalam	..	5,990	6,413	21	17	38	26	22	48	1	1	2	3	44	23.51	29.79	27.22	29.12	34.42	7	158	
Kapitiya	..	1,591	1,644	1	5	6	4	8	12	1	—	2	—	12	14.48	23.27	28.96	—	4	496	384	
Chilaw	..	5,033	5,458	15	11	26	21	9	30	—	2	2	3	27	18.90	28.54	19.62	18.81	31.42	5	117	
Anuradhapura	..	5,361	6,323	22	14	36	42	24	66	1	1	2	—	66	22.59	23.08	41.41	50.74	53.80	12	306	
Province of Uva.																						
Badulla	..	6,487	6,765	30	28	58	41	29	70	4	3	88	36	34	34.01	27.76	19.94	22.00	32.10	8	133	
Lunugala	..	515	574	1	2	3	17	16	32	—	—	—	28	4	20.72	35.41	27.63	—	1	283	289	
Prov. of Sabaragamuwa.																						
Ratnapura	..	5,476	6,246	25	15	40	42	29	71	3	—	3	33	38	25.41	23.63	24.14	27.37	42.63	5	110	
Kegalla	..	2,636	2,626	11	10	21	23	14	37	1	2	3	25	12	31.73	20.60	18.13	16.63	20.83	3	137	

* The standardized death-rates represent the crude death-rates multiplied by the respective standardizing factor in order to make correction for differences of sex- and age-constitution of the several populations in 1911 as compared with that of the Island. || See paragraph 6 in report. ¶ Blanks under these columns indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges. § Sex of one not known. || Ambalangoda proclaimed in January, 1915. Kalmunai proclaimed in January, 1914.

** Deaths of children under one year of age to 1,000 births.

† See paragraph 6 in report.

‡ Mean temperature.

§ Mean rainfall.

|| Ambalangoda proclaimed in January, 1915. Kalmunai proclaimed in January, 1914.

Table VI.—Causes of Deaths Registered in Ceylon and in each Province and District during the Third Quarter of 1915.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	PROVINCE.	DEATHS AMONG ALL RACES.																																	
		WESTERN PROVINCE.	CENTRAL PROVINCE.	SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	NORTHERN PROVINCE.	EASTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.	N.W. UVA PROV.	N.C. GAMUWA PROV.	SABARA-GAMUWA PROVINCE.	Other Provinces.	Veddara.	Melaye.	Moore.	Tamil.	Burgher.	Sinhalese.	Chinese.	Others.																
ALL CAUSES	CEYLON.	24,785	3,649	610	1,560	2,799	741	1,210	1,595	1,196	747	1987	201	116	1,279	252	1,906	233	353	585	1,668	1,152	10,562	23	151	14,696	7,931	1,833	80	24	147				
1. Enteric Fever																																			
2. Malaria and Malarial Oedema																																			
3. Smallpox																																			
4. Measles																																			
5. Whooping Cough																																			
6. Cholera																																			
7. Dysentery																																			
8. Plague																																			
9. Chickenpox																																			
10. Other Epidemic Diseases																																			
11. Septicæmia																																			
12. Other Septic Diseases																																			
13. Hydrocephilia																																			
14. Tetanus																																			
15. Phthisis																																			
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases																																			
17. Rickets																																			
18. Parang																																			
19. Cancer																																			
20. Acute Rheumatic Fever																																			
21. Diabetes																																			
22. Anaemia																																			
23. Alcoholism																																			
24. Other General Diseases																																			
25. Meningitis																																			
26. Cerebral Haemorrhage or Apoplexy																																			
27. Paralysis																																			
28. Epilepsy																																			
29. Convulsions (non-puerperal)																																			
30. Infantile Convulsions																																			
31. Other Diseases of the Nervous System																																			
32. Organic Diseases of the Heart																																			
33. Hemorrhoids																																			
34. Other Diseases of the Circulatory System																																			
35. Bronchitis																																			
36. Pneumonia																																			
37. Pulmonary Congestion																																			
38. Asthma																																			
39. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System																																			
40. Thrush, Stomatitis																																			
41. Infantile Diarrhoea																																			
42. Diarrhoea undefined																																			
43. Enteritis																																			
44. Ankylostomiasis																																			

Table VI.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	CEYLON.										SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE.										DIATHES AMONG ALL RACES.											
	WESTERN PROVINCE.	CENTRAL PROVINCE.	SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	NORTHERN PROVINCE.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.	PROVINCIAL.										
45. Intestinal Parasites	707	204	18	81	28	1	107	14	2	5	—	—	—	—	28	9	13	3	9	51	50	—	1	595	43	61	4	—	3			
46. Appendicitis and Typhilitis	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
47. Diseases of the Liver	76	6	—	4	7	—	1	3	2	—	15	5	3	9	10	—	3	—	—	1	4	—	—	20	47	8	—	—	—			
48. Peritonitis	25	6	—	1	2	1	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
49. Other Diseases of the Digestive System	228	38	3	4	25	5	4	9	8	3	43	7	1	1	1	31	10	6	6	1	3	15	1	7	16	1	—	—	—			
50. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	120	46	4	7	20	2	3	5	—	—	5	1	1	9	4	—	—	—	—	9	3	1	6	32	62	15	1	—	3			
51. Other Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	39	15	1	4	6	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	1	1	1	24	9	4	—	—			
52. Diseases or Accidents of Pregnancy or of Childbirth	811	64	27	39	78	15	14	25	26	22	110	11	10	48	23	120	17	21	30	49	27	35	—	5	438	277	86	3	—	2		
53. Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue	1697	124	98	37	209	84	9	4	8	7	83	2	2	203	14	399	10	66	97	10	81	150	—	—	1	1275	244	175	1	—	1	
54. Congenital Malformations	4	2	—	—	1	—	59	3	23	5	4	1	24	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
55. Premature Birth	273	35	2	1	59	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
56. Infantile Debility (under 3 months)	1163	77	23	35	242	52	217	10	22	55	80	35	9	18	12	20	8	2	1	77	20	4	—	—	—	127	134	13	—	—		
57. Senility	877	309	18	80	54	14	39	106	89	3	63	1	—	7	2	1	19	87	77	64	—	—	1	322	762	74	6	2
58. Suicide	51	8	1	3	10	1	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	25	43	28	—	—	—	11	550	239	61	9
59. Homicide	96	15	10	13	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
60. Execution	38	32	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
61. Accidents and other affections produced by external causes	454	44	16	32	58	10	14	34	22	15	53	4	3	20	5	45	1	7	5	18	23	26	3	2	284	136	28	—	—	2		
62. Dropsey	652	15	11	17	67	15	32	24	14	28	69	9	2	114	12	119	26	3	10	26	17	22	—	—	—	338	223	88	1	—	1	
63. Heart Failure	..	..	39	16	1	1	6	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
64. Debility (3 months and over)	426	70	1	27	87	14	46	36	7	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
65. Pyrexia	3866	207	89	145	128	129	30	140	148	270	489	20	17	374	38	623	41	57	151	165	126	179	—	3	108	277	29	4	—	5		
66. Diseases not specified or ill-defined	26	8	1	2	1	1	—	1	—	—	3	1	—	4	1	1	2	—	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	274	1	10	
67. Other causes	121	26	1	11	9	1	9	10	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	6	16	—	—	1	12	11	—	—	2		

Table VII.—Causes of Deaths Registered on Estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province, Galle and Matara of the Southern Province, and Kurunegala in the North-Western Province, during the Third Quarter of 1915.

Causes of Death.	Ceylon.	Central Province.		Province of Uva.	Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Western Province.		Southern Province.		North-Western Province.	
		Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Badulla.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Colombo.	Kalutara.	Galle.	Matara.	Kurunegala.
ALL CAUSES	4,128	1,300	247	902	513	391	281	101	219	57	48	69
1. Enteric Fever	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	79	19	12	1	14	9	9	2	5	3	1	4
3. Smallpox	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	27	1	1	17	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Whooping Cough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Dysentery	435	133	17	118	57	52	26	6	10	1	13	2
8. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Epidemic Diseases	12	5	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Septicæmia	5	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Other Septic Diseases	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Hydrophobia	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Tetanus	7	1	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	1	1	4
15. Phthisis	69	14	3	10	10	11	4	4	6	2	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	6	2	1	2	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	1
17. Rickets	9	3	—	2	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1
18. Parangi	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Cancer	10	4	—	3	1	1	1	—	2	—	—	—
20. Acute Rheumatic Fever	6	2	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	3
21. Diabetes	3	2	—	3	—	3	15	—	1	—	—	—
22. Anæmia	30	4	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
23. Alcoholism	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Other General Diseases	20	4	1	2	6	3	1	—	—	1	—	1
25. Meningitis	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
26. Cerebral Hæmorrhage or Apoplexy	10	4	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Paralysis	13	5	1	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
28. Epilepsy	17	9	—	2	3	—	1	—	—	1	—	1
29. Convulsions (non-puerperal)	25	3	1	4	3	5	2	2	3	2	—	9
30. Infantile Convulsions	308	107	12	47	24	39	27	9	24	10	—	—
31. Other Diseases of the Nervous System	8	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	1
32. Organic Diseases of the Heart	12	5	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
33. Hæmorrhoids	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. Other Diseases of the Circulatory System	10	3	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
35. Bronchitis	82	26	2	31	9	2	4	6	6	—	—	1
36. Pneumonia	383	115	41	101	59	16	10	6	16	3	—	13
37. Pulmonary Congestion	2	2	—	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
38. Asthma	19	6	3	3	4	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
39. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	5	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	1	2	—	—
40. Thrush, Stomatitis	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
41. Infantile Diarrhoea	27	7	—	13	—	1	3	—	1	—	1	1
42. Diarrhoea undefined	498	148	34	117	55	61	33	11	21	5	7	6
43. Enteritis	33	8	—	6	7	—	10	—	1	—	—	1
44. Anchylostomiasis	440	165	30	55	35	39	34	23	37	7	12	3
45. Intestinal Parasites	27	7	—	1	5	3	2	3	4	1	—	1
46. Appendicitis and Typhilitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
47. Diseases of the Liver	8	2	—	1	3	1	1	—	1	—	—	1
48. Peritonitis	11	—	1	3	3	3	—	—	1	—	—	—
49. Other Diseases of the Digestive System	31	13	1	3	11	—	2	—	—	—	—	1
50. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	32	19	—	2	6	1	1	—	3	—	—	—
51. Other Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	6	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
52. Diseases or Accidents of Pregnancy or of Childbirth	93	37	7	9	12	7	11	3	4	—	—	—
53. Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue	18	7	—	3	2	1	3	—	2	—	—	—
54. Congenital Malformations	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55. Premature Birth	85	38	3	17	7	8	3	4	1	3	1	7
56. Infantile Debility (under 3 months)	594	181	37	190	62	41	38	8	26	2	5	3
57. Senility	156	39	14	32	21	17	12	3	10	—	—	—
58. Suicide	10	4	1	3	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
59. Homicide	7	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
60. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
61. Accidents and other affections produced by external causes	42	13	2	11	6	5	1	—	4	—	—	2
62. Drowsy	72	28	2	19	11	4	3	2	—	1	—	—
63. Heart Failure	8	4	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	2
64. Debility (3 months and over)	250	72	9	44	42	30	22	3	5	19	5	3
65. Pyrexia	27	1	4	1	8	1	3	—	1	—	—	—
66. Diseases not specified or ill-defined	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
67. Other causes	1	—	—	—	3	3	2	1	2	—	1	—

Table VIII.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Third Quarter of 1915 in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance of No. 1 of 1895

Table VIII.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	All 33 Towns.	Western Province.			Central Province.			Southern Province.			Northern Province.			Eastern Province.			North-Western Province.			North-Central Provinces.			Province of Sabaragamuwa.			Deaths among all Races.			
		Colombo.	Negombo.	Gampola.	Moratuwa.	Panadura.	Kalutara.	Tangalle.	Vavuniya.	Mullaitivu.	Manner.	Batticaloa.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Lumgala.	Ratnapura.	Kegalle.	Europeans.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.		
10a. Enteritis	123	104	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	..	303	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylotomiasis or Dochmias Duodenalis	196	11	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Cancers	21	13	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Phthisis	..	342	200	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Other tubercular diseases	18	8	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Anæmias	26	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Diabetes Mellitus	18	3	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Convulsions	..	86	41	6	6	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Tetanus	..	17	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Bronchitis	..	61	29	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Pneumonia	..	361	88	10	34	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	30	14	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	91	42	3	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	17	5	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Septicemia	..	52	13	—	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Miscarriage	..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Other undefined accidents of Childbirth	..	20	7	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Starvation	..	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents or Negligence	..	73	13	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Homicide	..	16	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Suicide	..	15	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Execution	..	38	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. All other causes	..	1055	433	29	92	38	15	39	6	11	14	16	5	132	3	1921	6	8	65	4	1	10	21	8	1	6	15	2	9