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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1917.**

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

This report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 33 principal towns in the Island proclaimed under sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Births.

2. The number of births registered was 1,498 (762 males and 736 females), and was equal to an annual rate of 28·52 per 1,000, against 22·27 in the preceding month, 28·02 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·84 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 15·54 in Anuradhapura to 65·05 in Mullaivittu.

3. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 514 (266 males and 248 females), and were equal to an annual rate* of 22·59 per 1,000, against 17·99 in the preceding month, 22·25 in the corresponding month of last year, and 23·60 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 10·86 in Kollupitiya to 31·77 in Wellawatta.

Deaths.

4. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,398 (733 males and 665 females). Of those 1,146 deaths were of residents in towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 23·76 per 1,000, against 21·90 in the preceding month, 27·36 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·68 the average for the month of October in each year since 1908. The rate ranged from 73·78 in Nawalapitiya to 11·20 in Nuwara Eliya.

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered were 435 (234 males and 201 females). Of those 374 deaths were of residents equivalent to an annual rate* of 19·07 per 1,000, against 17·28 in the preceding month, 27·08 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·24 the average for the month of October in each year since 1908. The rate ranged from 18·14 in Slave Island to 5·26 in Kollupitiya.

6. The stillbirths registered were 116 (65 males and 51 females), against 101 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

7. The mortality of infants was equal to a rate of 222 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ending October 31, 1917. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 221, against 217 in the preceding month, 212 in the corresponding month of last year, and 242 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

8. In the city of Colombo the mortality of infants was equal to a rate of 204 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ending October 31, 1917. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 202, against 210 in the preceding month, 215 in the corresponding month of last year, and 279 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

Causes of Death.

9. The highest death-rate was attributed to *Debility*, to which 10 per cent. of the total deaths was due, 9 per cent. was due to *Convulsions*, 8 per cent. each to *Phthisis* and *Pneumonia*, 6 per cent. to *Anchylostomiasis*, 5 per cent. to *Diarrhœa*, 4 per cent. each to *Enteritis* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, 3 per cent. each to *Dysentery*, *Prematurity*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, 2 per cent. each to *Enteric Fever*, *Bronchitis*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, and 1 per cent. each to *Tetanus* and *Anæmia*.

10. In Colombo the highest death-rate was from *Phthisis*, to which 15 per cent. of the total deaths was due, *Debility* and *Convulsions* caused 8 per cent. each, *Pneumonia* and *Enteritis* 6 per cent. each, *Dysentery*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Enteric Fever*, and *Prematurity* 3 per cent. each, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Diarrhœa*, and *Cancer* 2 per cent. each, and *Bronchitis* 1 per cent. Five deaths from *Plague* were registered, against 4 in the preceding month and 21 in the corresponding month of last year.

11. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 96 cases were reported (87 in Colombo, 7 in Galle), followed by *Measles*, 88 (43 in Colombo, 34 in Kandy), *Enteric Fever* 71 (40 in Colombo, 8 in Moratuwa, 7 in Galle), *Chickenpox* 47 (10 in Colombo, 7 in Ratnapura, 6 in Kandy), *Continued Fever* 23 (10 in Colombo), *Plague* 7 (in Colombo), *Mumps* 4 (in Colombo), *Dysentery* 3 (2 in Panadure), *Diphtheria* 1 (in Kandy), *Diarrhœa* 1 (in Galle), and *Smallpox* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

12. *Rainfall.*—Kegalla recorded the highest rainfall (14·59 inches), followed by Ratnapura (13·58 inches). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 12·79 inches in Hatton and Dikoya to 0·81 inch in Batticaloa. Colombo recorded 4·24 inches.

13. *Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 59·8° in Nuwara Eliya to 82·8° in Trincomalee, and was 79·8° in Colombo.

14. For detailed statistics, see Tables I. and II. for all towns, and Tables III. and IV. for the city of Colombo, in the Appendix.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, November 16, 1917.

N. W. MORGAN,
for Registrar-General.

* The city-rate is worked differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account hospital events, &c., not assignable to wards.

Table I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during October, 1917, their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and the Stillbirths and the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion in the corresponding months since 1908, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the Month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Provinces and Towns.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of March 10, 1911.	Population estimated to the Middle of 1917 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births.		Total Deaths.		Total Stillbirths.			Deaths of Town Residents.	Birth-rate.		Death-rate excluding non-residents ^d .			Number registered during Oct., 1917.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the year ended last Oct., 1917.	Its proportion per annum to 1000 births registered during the year ended last Oct., 1917.	Mean Temperature.	Rainfall in Inches.
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Persons.	Persons.	Crude, Oct., 1917.	Average, Oct., 1908-1916.	Crude, Oct., 1917.					
All 33 Towns ..	517,877	618,347	762,736	1498	733,665	1398	65	51	116	250	1,145	28.52	27.84	21.80	27.68	331	221	222	79.8	4.24
<i>Western.</i>																				
Colombo ..	219,557	267,888	269,248	514	234,201	435	31	14	45	60	374	23.59	23.60	16.44	28.24	104	202	204	79.8	4.24
Negombo ..	13,045	26,339	43 39	82	32 30	62	2	2	2	9	53	36.66	35.51	23.69	23.42	16	195	190	—	3.47
Moratuwa ..	27,256	29,980	56 46	102	25 46	71	8	2	10	4	67	40.06	39.15	26.31	31.11	24	235	206	—	—
Kalutara ..	13,005	14,039	20 25	45	23 18	41	—	3	3	2	39	37.74	33.65	32.71	33.50	5	111	122	—	9.50
Panadura ..	5,709	7,333	4 6	10	7 7	14	1	—	1	6	8	16.06	22.45	12.85	19.58	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Central.</i>																				
Kandy ..	30,149	32,376	48 54	102	38 47	85	3	2	5	23	61	37.09	25.10	22.19	29.03	15	147	174	74.5	9.07
Gampola ..	5,521	7,003	7 8	15	16 17	33	—	1	1	5	28	25.22	31.59	47.08	32.84	6	400	332	—	10.87
Nawalapitiya ..	3,767	3,990	8 6	14	10 13	23	1	1	1	—	23	41.31	27.54	67.87	26.53	1	71	95	—	—
Hatton and Dikoya ..	3,025	3,149	5 5	5	11 5	16	1	—	1	10	6	18.69	21.66	22.43	32.19	2	400	291	—	12.79
Matale ..	5,792	7,825 ^d	7 10	17	12 25	37	—	—	—	24	13	25.58	22.00	19.56	37.36	6	353	278	—	9.17
Nuwara Eliya ..	14,910	15,060 ^e	17 19	36	6 10	16	—	1	1	4	12	28.15	16.47	11.20	9.37	8	222	410	59.8	6.37
<i>Southern.</i>																				
Galle ..	39,936	41,810	65 49	114	59 47	106	3	7	10	15	91	32.10	25.92	25.63	23.05	25	225	244	78.7	7.33
Ambalangoda ..	13,851	15,276	17 30	47	16 13	29	1	2	3	1	4	24.17	—	10.74	—	2	222	210	—	—
Mabara ..	8,672	9,428	15 10	25	10 4	14	1	1	1	—	28	36.23	31.27	21.58	19.56	5	106	115	—	8.94
Welligama ..	3,092	3,263	3 10	13	4 3	7	1	—	1	—	14	31.22	32.24	17.48	8.55	6	240	214	—	—
Hambantota ..	3,505	5,704 ^h	4 5	9	7 4	11	1	—	1	—	7	46.92	45.82	25.26	32.93	1	77	88	80.6	1.11
Tangalla ..	40,441	45,229	62 62	124	65 54	119	6	4	10	2	116	32.28	35.44	30.20	31.34	41	331	326	81.6	2.61
<i>Northern.</i>																				
Jaffna ..	3,777	4,088	7 2	9	5 4	9	—	—	—	—	8	25.80	43.18	23.04	28.22	4	444	296	81.9	4.82
Mannar ..	1,392	1,448	4 4	8	3 4	7	—	—	—	—	6	65.05	23.04	48.79	32.53	1	125	155	—	1.96
Mullaitivu ..	808	1,012	2 2	4	2 2	2	—	—	—	—	1	46.52	21.55	11.63	34.00	1	—	585	—	2.51
Vavuniya ..	10,671	11,138	22 21	43	25 24	49	2	4	6	—	49	45.46	37.80	51.80	29.06	16	372	378	81.9	0.81
<i>Eastern.</i>																				
Batticaloa ..	2,081	2,537	6 4	10	8 6	14	1	—	1	8	6	56.58	71.00	33.95	—	3	300	285	—	—
Kalmunai ..	8,840	10,537	8 8	16	11 10	21	—	3	3	—	21	17.88	32.74	23.47	28.21	10	625	393	82.8	1.70
Trincomalee ..	8,167	9,482	10 16	26	28 17	45	1	1	2	19	26	32.29	27.95	32.29	37.84	8	308	318	79.4	10.45
<i>North-Western.</i>																				
Kurunegala ..	5,990	6,618	9 8	17	12 7	19	1	1	2	4	15	30.24	31.01	26.69	31.06	6	353	318	80.7	1.21
Purutalan ..	1,591	1,667	5 1	6	4 1	5	—	—	—	—	5	42.37	19.91	35.31	—	3	500	679	—	2.70
Kalpitiya ..	5,033	5,668	15 7	22	11 5	16	1	—	1	7	9	45.70	29.10	18.70	31.30	3	136	212	—	2.79
Chilaw ..	5,361	6,821	6 3	9	4 6	10	—	1	1	—	10	15.54	24.50	17.26	45.78	3	333	179	80.0	11.66
<i>North-Central.</i>																				
Anuradhapura ..	6,487	7,226 ^h	7 11	18	13 7	20	1	—	1	12	8	29.33	42.05	13.04	49.99	3	167	112	72.0	5.06
<i>Uva.</i>																				
Badulla ..	5,476	7,215 ^h	9 10	19	13 8	21	—	1	1	6	15	31.01	22.93	24.48	36.09	2	105	185	78.7	13.58
Lunugala ..	2,536	2,669	3 5	8	5 8	13	—	1	1	—	13	35.30	21.21	57.36	20.17	—	—	—	—	14.59
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																				
Ratnapura ..	5,476	7,215 ^h	9 10	19	13 8	21	—	1	1	6	15	31.01	22.93	24.48	36.09	2	105	185	78.7	13.58
Kegalla ..	2,536	2,669	3 5	8	5 8	13	—	1	1	—	13	35.30	21.21	57.36	20.17	—	—	—	—	14.59

^a 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.
^b Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.
^c Includes population of the Negombo Local Board and registration area.
^d This increase of population is due to the extension of the town limits as from July, 1915.
^e Estimated to the end of December, 1916, by natural increase method.
^f Population enumerated at the beginning of 1915.
^g Standardized death-rates for Kalpitiya and Lunugala towns not available, as the population of these towns has not been enumerated at the Census of 1911 by age and sex, while the town of Kalmunai was created a registration division only in January, 1914, and Ambalangoda in January, 1915. The death-rate given for "All Towns" is therefore independent of the towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.
^h Increase of population is due to the extension of the town limits.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during October, 1917, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	All 33 Towns.										Deaths among all Races.																																	
	Western Provinces.			Central Provinces.			Southern Province.				Northern Provinces.			Eastern Provinces.			North-Western Province.			North-Central Province.		Provinces of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races.																				
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratuwa.	Katutura.	Pandure.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hatton & Dikoya.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Galle.	Ambalangoda.	Matare.	Weligama.	Hambantota.	Tangalle.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Vavuniya.	Batticaloa.	Kalmunai.	Trincomalee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Lunugala.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.				
All Causes	1,398	485	71	41	14	85	33	16	37	16	106	429	14	711	119	9	7	2	49	14	21	45	19	5	16	5	16	10	20	24	21	13	6	43	639	485	190	25	20					
I.—Infantile Mortality	331	104	16	24	5	15	6	1	2	6	8	25	2	5	6	1	1	41	4	1	1	16	8	10	8	6	3	3	3	3	2	13	154	106	46	8	2							
A.—One Week and under.																																												
1. Prematurity ..	40	11	1	4	—	7	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Debility ..	56	13	4	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	1	5	—	—	—	—	8	3	—	—	4	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	26	10	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus ..	8	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes ..	3*	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																												
1. Prematurity ..	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	47	16	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	61	17	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis ..	15	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Tetanus ..	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis ..	10	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia ..	17	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes ..	29†	15	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	1,067	331	46	36	14	70	27	22	14	31	8	81	224	8	6	10	78	5	6	6	133	11	11	37	13	2	13	7	17	24	19	13	4	30	485	379	134	17	18					
1. Plague ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
1a. Smallpox ..	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Measles ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

* These are due to 1 each from Intestinal Obstruction (in Nawalapitiya), Erysipelas (in Jaffna), and Congestion of Brain (in Colombo).
 † This includes, besides 15 deaths mentioned in Table IV, footnote †, 4 deaths from Worms (in Galle), 2 deaths from Erysipelas (1 in Moratuwa and 1 in Jaffna), 1 from Intestinal Obstruction (in Moratuwa), 1 from Syphilis (in Gampola), 1 from Burns (in Matale), 1 from Peritonitis (in Jaffna), 1 from Dysentery (in Jaffna), 1 from Thrush (in Moratuwa), 1 from Gastritis (in Batticaloa), and 1 from Malarial Cachexia (in Trincomalee).

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during October, 1917, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Table with columns: Causes of Deaths, All 33 Towns, Western Province (Negombo, Moratuwa, Kalutara, Pandure), Central Province (Kandy, Gampola, Nawalapitaya, Hatton & Dikoya, Matale, Nuwara Eliya, Galle, Ambalangoda, Matara, Weligama, Hambantota, Tangalla), Northern Province (Jaffna, Mannar, Mullaitivu, Vavuniya, Batticaloa, Kaimnalai, Trincomalee), North-Western Province (Kurunegala, Puttalam, Kappitya, Chilaw), North-Central Province (Anuradhapura), Province of Uva (Badulla, Tangalla), Provinces of Sabaragamuwa (Ratnapura, Kegalla), Deaths among all Races (Europeans, Burghers, Sinhaleses, Tamils, Moors, Malays, Others).

* Here are included 81 deaths from Old Age (35 in Colombo, 11 in Jaffna), 40 from Debility (8 in Galle), 29 from Paralysis (6 in Negombo).

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of October, 1917, and the Deaths of Children under One Year, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates for October, 1908 to 1916, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (inclusive of Military) at Census of 1911.	Population estimated to Middle of 1917 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births Registered.			Stillbirths.			Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Per Mille per Annum.			Mortality of Children under one Year.									
			Males.		Females.		Persons.		Males.		Females.		Persons.		Deaths of Non-residents.		Deaths of Residents.		Birth-rate. Average for Oct. 1908 to 1916.	Death-rate. Average for Oct. 1908 to 1916.	Standardized Death-rate.	Number registered during Oct. 1917.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the year ended Oct. 1917.	Its proportion to annual number of 1000 births registered during the year ended Oct. 1917.
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	October, 1917.	Average for Oct. 1908 to 1916.	October, 1917.	Average for Oct. 1908 to 1916.						
City of Colombo ..	219,557	267,888†	266	248	514	31	14	45	284	201	485	61	374	22.59	23.60	16.44	24.98	19.07	104	202	204			
Fort and Galle Face	3,512	3,512†	1	—	1	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	3	3.35	3.01	10.06	9.55	—	—	—	—			
Pettah ..	7,974	7,974†	—	1	1	—	—	—	3	2	5	—	5	1.48	6.06	7.38	10.05	—	—	—	—	—		
San Sebastian ..	11,546	13,207	13	8	21	3	1	4	8	8	16	—	16	18.72	19.39	14.26	22.60	—	—	5	238	238		
St. Paul's ..	24,735	28,068	13	18	31	2	—	2	18	12	30	—	30	13.01	17.67	12.58	19.62	—	—	12	387	326		
Kotahena ..	40,771	46,274	45	46	91	4	—	4	26	29	55	—	55	23.15	21.29	13.99	22.12	—	—	15	165	165		
New Bazaar ..	22,309	25,055	31	18	49	4	—	4	18	14	32	—	32	22.14	23.27	14.46	23.84	—	—	13	265	291		
Maradana Hospitals			49	37	86	12	5	17	72	56	128	47	81	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—		
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	48,093	64,374	50	49	99	2	5	7	43	36	79	3	76	18.11	19.19	13.90	20.65	—	—	24	242	256		
Slave Island ..	21,984	24,958	26	31	57	1	—	1	23	18	41	1	40	25.85	21.41	18.14	20.77	—	—	11	193	221		
Kollupitiya ..	25,410	35,791	17	16	33	—	1	1	12	14	26	10	16	10.86	14.72	5.26	13.69	—	—	5	152	175		
Wellawatta ..	13,223	16,675§	21	24	45	3	2	5	8	12	20	—	20	31.77	32.25	14.12	38.69	—	—	7	156	160		

* For explanation of "standardized death-rate" see note *, Table I. The population of the several wards of the city not being available by age- and sex-constitution, their standardized death-rates cannot be calculated.

† Estimated partly on the intercensal increase method and partly on the natural increase method, i.e., population exclusive of Wellawatta Ward on the former method and that of Wellawatta added to the town on January 1, 1912, on the latter method (as it was not a separate division at the Census of 1901).

‡ The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their population cannot be estimated to the middle of 1917. Hence the Census figures are retained.

§ This population is estimated partly on the natural increase method and partly on the intercensal increase method, i.e., population of Wellawatta on the former method (as it was not a separate division at the Census of 1901) and that of the part of Kollupitiya taken over to Wellawatta on the latter method.

|| For five months, October, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of October, 1917, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Deaths.	Wards.											Deaths among all Races.							
	City of Colombo.	Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	San Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Wellawatta.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
All Causes ..	435	3	5	16	30	55	32	128	79	41	26	20	4	26	219	89	63	16	18
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	104	—	—	5	12	15	18	12	24	11	5	7	2	6	54	24	15	1	2
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																			
1. Prematurity ..	11	—	—	—	2	1	2	1	—	3	1	1	—	—	10	1	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	13	—	—	—	1	1	1	5	—	—	1	2	—	—	8	4	—	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	10	—	—	1	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	3	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	1*	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																			
1. Prematurity ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
2. Debility ..	16	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	7	—	1	1	—	2	5	6	2	—	1
3. Convulsions ..	17	—	—	2	4	4	4	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	10	1	4	1	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	1	4	—	1	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	10	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	7	2	1	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	15†	—	—	—	—	2	—	5	5	1	1	1	1	2	9	1	1	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) ..	331	3	5	11	18	40	19	116	55	30	21	13	2	20	165	65	48	15	16
1. Plague ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	3	1	—	—
2. Smallpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever ..	13	—	—	—	2	2	1	4	2	1	1	—	—	2	5	4	1	1	—
8. Malaria ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—
10. Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea ..	8	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	2	—	—	2	—	1	3	2	2	—	—
11a. Enteritis ..	20	—	1	1	1	1	4	7	3	1	1	—	—	—	11	5	3	—	1
12. Dysentery ..	15	—	—	—	1	1	—	5	1	—	7	—	—	—	9	5	1	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis ..	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	5	—	1	—
14. Cancer ..	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	1	—	—	6	—	—	1	—
15. Phthisis ..	66	—	2	1	5	12	2	16	16	10	—	2	—	8	30	8	12	4	4
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	—	—
19. Convulsions ..	7	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	5	1	—	1	—
20. Tetanus ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis ..	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
22. Pneumonia ..	18	—	1	1	2	1	1	7	2	3	—	—	—	—	6	5	3	2	2
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	1
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	14	—	—	—	—	1	1	9	—	1	2	—	—	2	6	3	1	—	2
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
29. Starvation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents or Negligence ..	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide ..	6	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
34. All other causes ..	108†	1	1	5	6	17	7	39	12	9	8	3	2	5	55	21	18	3	4

* This was due to Congestion of the Brain.

† This includes 2 each from Dysentery, Improper Feeding, Syphilis, Rickets, Nephritis, Worms, and 1 each from Tabes Mesenterica, Abscess, and Ulcers.

‡ Here are included 35 from Old Age, 6 from Debility, 5 from Rickets, 4 from Paralysis, and 4 from Worms.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS IN CEYLON DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1917.

Main meteorological data table for October 1917, covering stations 1-16. Columns include Station, Observer, Height above sea level, Rainfall (Total No. of inches, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours, No. of days on which registered), Barometer reduced to 32° (Mean Reading at 9 A.M. and 3 P.M., Mean Reading for the month, Highest Reading, Lowest Reading), and Temperature of the air and of evaporation (Maximum, Minimum, Mean Daily Minimum, and Mean Amount of cloud).

Table of rainfall observations from various senders, covering stations 17-106. Columns include Station, Name of sender, Height above sea level, Rainfall (Total No. of inches, No. of days on which registered, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours), and Date of observation.

