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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF MAY, 1922.

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.

Marriages.

2. The marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 312, viz., 309 General, 2 Kandyan, and 1 Muhamadan, as against 170 in the preceding month. In Colombo the marriages of residents numbered 113, viz., 112 General and 1 Muhamadan, as against 77 in the preceding month.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,609 (858 males and 751 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 31·32 per 1,000, against 31·16 in the preceding month, 31·75 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·35 the average for the corresponding months since 1912. The rate ranged from 12·71 in Kalpitiya to 74·06 in Vavuniya.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 559 (308 males and 251 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 26·58 per 1,000, against 28·74 in the preceding month, 28·70 in the corresponding month of last year, and 22·40 the average for the corresponding months since 1912. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 13·20 in Kollupitiya to 27·11 in Maradana North.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,701 (923 males and 778 females). There were 1,363 deaths of residents in towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 28·92 per 1,000, against 28·35 in the preceding month, 34·12 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·72 the average for the month of May in each year since 1912. The rate ranged from 68·87 in Mullaivivu to 9·07 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 593 (333 males and 260 females). There were 513 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 28·30 per 1,000, against 26·62 in the preceding month, 27·34 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·58 the average for the month of May in each year since 1912. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 24·85 in Kotahena North to 9·29 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered numbered 125 (63 males and 62 females), as against 117 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The mortality of infants under one year of age was equal to a rate of 201 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May 31, 1922. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 228, against 215 in the preceding month, 250 in the corresponding month of last year, and 248 the average for the corresponding months since 1912.

9. In the city of Colombo the mortality of infants was equal to a rate of 190 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May 31, 1922. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 247, against 222 in the preceding month, 249 in the corresponding month of last year, and 254 the average for the corresponding months since 1912.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 15 per cent. of the total deaths was due, *Debility* caused 9 per cent., *Convulsions* 7 per cent., *Diarrhœa* and *Phthisis* 5 per cent. each, *Enteritis*, *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis* 4 per cent. each, *Dysentery* 3 per cent., *Influenza*, *Prematurity*, *Bronchitis*, *Puerperal Septicæmia*, and *Enteric Fever* 2 per cent. each, and *Tetanus* 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 16 per cent. of the deaths was due, *Convulsions* caused 10 per cent., *Debility* 9 per cent., *Phthisis* 6 per cent., *Enteritis* 5 per cent., *Bronchitis* and *Bright's Disease*, and *Nephritis* 3 per cent. each, *Enteric Fever*, *Influenza*, *Diarrhœa*, *Dysentery*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia* 2 per cent. each, and *Plague* and *Puerperal Septicæmia* 1 per cent. each.

12. Seven deaths from *Plague* were registered (in Colombo), as against 2 in the preceding month and 4 in the corresponding month of last year. One death from *Measles* (in Moratuwa) was also registered.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 116 cases were reported (56 in Colombo, 18 in Nuwara Eliya, 12 in Kandy, 6 in Badulla, 6 in Lunugala, 5 in Galle), *Phthisis* followed with 114 cases (104 in Colombo), *Enteric Fever* 36 (31 in Colombo), *Measles* 29 (23 in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 11 (7 in Colombo), *Plague* 6 (in Colombo), *Mumps* 3 (2 in Colombo and 1 in Tangalla), *Dysentery* 3 (2 in Panadure and 1 in Puttalam), and *Smallpox* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. Colombo recorded the highest rainfall (22·66 in.), followed by Kalutara (22·19 in.). In the other towns it ranged from 19·61 in Nawalapitiya to 0·75 of an in. in Anuradhapura.

15. The mean temperature varied from 62·0° in Nuwara Eliya to 85·6° in Trincomalee, and was 82·2° in Colombo.

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

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered during May, 1922, the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and the Stillbirths and Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates in the corresponding Months since 1912, 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 exclusive of the Military and Shipping (at the Census of March, 18, 1921).			Total Marriages.			Total Deaths.			Total Stillbirths.			Deaths of Towns registered in Towns, Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths of Town Residents.		Birth-rate.		Death-rate excluding Non-residents.			Mortality of Children under One Year.			Mean Temperature.	Rainfall in Inches.	
	General.	Kandyan.	Muhammedan.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Average Birth-rate for May, 1922.	Average Birth-rate for May, 1912-1921.	Crude Birth-rate for May, 1922.	Standardized Birth-rate for May, 1922.	Average Death-rate for May, 1922.	Standardized Death-rate for May, 1922.	Number registered during May, 1922.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the year ended the last day of May, 1922.			Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the year ended the last day of May, 1922.
All 38 Towns..	597,589	694,845		1,292,434	888	751	1,509	923	778	1,701	63	62	125	385	1,868	31-32	27-35	26-53	27-72	368	228	201	82-2	22-66			
<i>Western.</i>																											
Colombo	244,140	247,642		491,782	113	308	251	333	260	593	24	26	50	80	513	26-58	22-40	24-39	28-30	139	247	190	82-2	22-66			
Negombo	27,639	27,899		55,538	22	44	59	37	33	70	4	2	6	11	59	43-47	34-31	24-90	26-04	16	155	176	82-2	22-66			
Moratuwa	41,858	42,386		84,244	31	70	61	39	54	93	4	1	5	6	93	36-39	41-81	25-83	28-49	42	321	291	82-2	22-66			
Kalutara	13,696	13,674		27,370	8	22	23	21	19	40	1	1	1	3	34	38-75	30-20	29-28	29-09	4	89	93	82-2	22-66			
Pansdure	10,747	10,813		21,560	4	11	12	6	11	17	—	—	—	3	14	25-05	20-38	15-25	18-87	6	261	190	82-2	22-66			
<i>Central.</i>																											
Kandy	32,561	32,916		65,477	11	61	39	55	43	98	7	3	10	25	73	35-77	32-42	26-11	28-46	21	210	216	78-6	3-60			
Gampola	6,202	6,295		12,497	4	6	9	11	8	19	—	—	—	6	13	28-06	31-21	24-31	25-23	3	200	144	78-6	3-60			
Nawalapitiya	3,222	3,287		6,509	—	5	3	10	10	20	—	—	—	8	12	28-05	28-52	42-98	40-72	4	500	432	78-6	3-60			
Hatton-Dikoya	2,939	2,950		5,889	1	5	5	7	8	15	—	—	—	9	6	39-91	23-43	23-95	27-97	1	100	128	78-6	3-60			
Makale	7,865	7,919		15,784	2	15	14	17	13	30	1	—	—	12	18	43-12	35-97	26-76	30-75	4	138	148	78-6	3-60			
Nuwara Eliya	7,029	7,173		14,202	—	15	7	22	9	19	2	1	3	6	13	36-11	11-91	21-34	24-33	3	136	124	78-6	3-60			
<i>Southern.</i>																											
Galle	39,073	39,186		78,259	17	63	62	50	49	99	5	—	—	16	83	37-56	30-28	24-94	24-42	14	112	111	81-2	14-91			
Ambalagoda	3,347	3,468		6,815	4	5	10	6	6	12	—	—	—	3	12	50-92	20-02	40-74	—	4	267	333	81-2	14-91			
Makara	16,779	16,846		33,625	16	30	24	23	13	36	3	3	3	8	28	37-74	30-24	19-57	19-17	9	167	169	81-2	14-91			
Weligama	9,066	9,118		18,184	6	15	10	25	2	7	9	1	—	—	9	32-28	34-37	11-62	10-47	2	80	59	81-2	14-91			
Hambantota	2,849	2,879		5,728	—	3	4	7	7	8	—	—	—	—	2	28-63	27-47	24-54	27-44	2	286	208	81-2	14-91			
Tangalle	4,896	4,896		9,792	—	10	6	16	11	7	—	—	—	5	13	38-43	38-99	31-26	31-95	2	125	129	81-2	14-91			
<i>Northern.</i>																											
Mafna	42,436	42,699		85,135	40	63	49	67	53	120	1	4	5	7	112	30-88	29-87	30-88	31-55	29	259	245	85-1	0-88			
Mannar	3,705	3,714		7,419	3	6	4	10	5	15	—	—	—	3	12	31-70	30-82	38-04	41-89	4	400	357	85-5	2-54			
Mullaitivu	1,563	1,586		3,149	1	3	2	5	3	8	—	—	—	1	7	37-11	40-22	51-95	68-87	1	200	207	85-5	2-54			
Vavuniya	936	954		1,890	—	3	3	6	5	3	8	1	1	6	2	74-06	8-04	24-69	33-52	2	333	—	85-5	2-54			
<i>Eastern.</i>																											
Baticaloa	10,563	10,615		21,178	4	11	18	22	24	46	2	4	6	6	40	32-17	35-51	44-37	43-76	16	562	500	84-2	6-26			
Kalmunai	2,686	2,692		5,378	—	2	4	6	2	2	—	—	—	2	2	27-25	44-63	9-08	—	1	167	125	84-2	6-26			
Trincomalee	9,442	9,523		18,965	—	13	9	22	21	18	39	1	6	2	37	27-20	27-17	45-75	50-22	7	318	338	84-2	6-26			
<i>North-Western.</i>																											
Kurunegala	10,187	10,420		20,607	8	11	18	29	43	28	71	3	3	41	30	32-77	20-52	33-90	34-83	8	276	250	83-3	7-50			
Puttalam	6,905	7,032		13,937	1	9	10	14	21	35	—	—	—	2	32	31-81	33-14	53-58	57-31	5	263	197	83-3	7-50			
Kalpitiya	1,821	1,853		3,674	—	—	—	2	3	2	5	—	—	—	5	12-71	20-58	31-77	—	—	—	—	—	83-3	7-50		
Chilaw	6,633	6,799		13,432	4	11	2	13	23	11	34	—	—	10	24	22-51	29-43	41-56	39-84	—	—	—	—	83-3	7-50		
<i>North-Central.</i>																											
Anuradhapura	7,781	8,163		15,944	3	7	4	11	26	15	41	2	1	11	29	15-87	24-35	41-83	51-26	8	727	498	84-0	0-75			
<i>Uva.</i>																											
Badulla	8,125	8,308		16,433	3	10	13	23	14	16	30	—	2	14	16	32-60	32-41	22-68	25-02	1	43	40	75-3	2-39			
Lunugala	526	527		1,053	1	1	1	2	4	—	—	—	—	2	2	44-65	31-51	44-65	—	—	—	—	—	75-3	2-39		
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																											
Ratnapura	7,014	7,140		14,154	3	13	6	19	16	14	30	1	—	19	11	31-33	27-59	18-14	20-57	3	168	139	81-7	12-47			
Kegalle	3,508	3,573		7,081	1	7	7	14	9	15	1	—	—	12	3	46-14	36-09	9-89	9-07	4	286	365	81-7	12-47			

† The factor applied for standardizing the crude death-rates is the same as that for the past decade as the age- and sex-distribution of the population at the Census of 1921 is not yet available.
 ‡ Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.
 § Standardized death-rates not available.
 ¶ Census population retained, the intercensal factor not being available.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1922, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	All 88 Towns.			Western Province												Central Province												Southern Province											
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kaltara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Welligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalla.			
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
All Causes	923	778	1,701	838	260	37	38	39	54	21	19	6	11	55	43	11	8	10	10	7	8	17	13	9	10	50	49	6	23	13	2	7	1	11	7				
I.—Infantile Mortality.	200	168	368	77	62	9	7	19	28	3	1	3	3	15	6	2	1	3	1	3	1	2	2	2	1	7	7	1	3	7	2	1	1	2	2				
A.—One Week and under.	14	11	25	3	2	1	3	1	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
1. Prematurity	24	19	43	8	7	3	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
2. Debility	14	9	23	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
5. Tetanus	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
8. Other Causes	3*	1†	4	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	6	5	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
1. Prematurity	34	34	68	12	15	1	1	2	5	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
2. Debility	41	29	70	21	14	1	1	1	4	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
3. Convulsions	11	3	14	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4. Diarrhoea	11	8	19	7	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4a. Enteritis	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
5. Tetanus	—	8	8	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
6. Bronchitis	21	11	32	10	4	1	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
7. Pneumonia	14†	27§	41	6	10	2	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				

* Two from Intra-cranial Haemorrhage (in Colombo); and 1 from Thrush (in Moratuwa).
 † One from Asphyxia Neonatorum (in Tangalla).
 ‡ This includes besides 6 cases mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 2 deaths from Worms (1 each in Negombo and Moratuwa); 1 from Abscess (in Negombo); 1 from Stomatitis (in Moratuwa); 2 from Pyæmia (in Matale); 1 from Nephritis (in Nuwara Eliya); and 1 from Influenza (in Galle).
 § This includes besides 10 cases mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 3 deaths from Worms (1 each in Moratuwa, Welligama, and Puttalam); 2 from Stomatitis, 1 from Whooping Cough, and 1 from Measles (in Moratuwa); 2 from Influenza (1 each in Panadura and Nawalapitiya); 3 deaths, one each from Constipation, Rickets, and drowning (in Galle); 2 from Nephritis (1 each in Galle and Jaffna); 2 from Malaria (1 each in Anuradhapura and Kegalla); and 1 from Abscess (in Kalmutai).

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1922, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Deaths	All 33 Towns.			Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.																								
	M		F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Pandure.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Welligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalla.			
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over).	723	610	1,333	256	198	28	26	20	31	18	18	3	8	3	40	37	9	7	7	7	7	7	15	11	7	9	43	42	5	3	16	11	1	6	5	1	11	5		
1. Plague ..	4	3	7	4	3																																			
2. Smallpox ..																																								
3. Chickenpox ..																																								
4. Measles ..																																								
5. Influenza ..	19	17	36	8	4																																			
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	5	5	10	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
7. Enteric Fever ..	20	10	30	9	5	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
8. Malaria ..	27	18	45	5	3	2	2																																	
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	6	10	16	1	1																																			
10. Cholera ..																																								
11. Diarrhoea ..	43	33	76	5	6	3	4																																	
11a. Enteritis ..	32	20	52	10	6	1	2																																	
12. Dysentery ..	28	30	58	6	7	1	1																																	
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duodenalis ..	25	36	61	4	6	1	4	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
14. Cancer ..	7	7	14	3	2																																			
15. Phthisis ..	47	35	82	21	16	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	4	2	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
16. Other Tubercular Diseases ..	5	6	11	4	1																																			
17. Anæmia ..	4	4	8																																					
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	5	2	7	2	1																																			
19. Convulsions ..	13	15	28	7	8	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
20. Tetanus ..	5	6	11	2	3																																			
21. Bronchitis ..	8	11	19	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
22. Pneumonia ..	136	95	231	48	33	4	1	1	6	3	4	1	1	1	7	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	6	5	5		
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	16	4	20	6	2	1	1																																	
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	32	23	55	7	8	1	1	2	3																															
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..		4	4		1																																			
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..		32	32		6																																			
27. Miscarriage ..		4	4		3																																			
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..		4	4		2																																			
29. Starvation ..	1	2	3																																					
30. Accidents or Negligence ..	20	10	30	3	2	4		3		1																														
31. Homicide ..	6		6	1																																				
32. Suicide ..	2		2	1																																				
33. Execution ..	2		2	1																																				
34. All Other Causes ..	205*	163†	368	89	63	5	6	8	11	4	4	2	3	12	10	4	3	2	3	2	3	2	4	1	2	1	18	16	1	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	1		

* Here are included 45 deaths from Old Age, 13 from Debility, 26 from Intestinal Parasites, and 13 from Paralysis.
 † Here are included 46 deaths from Old Age, 23 from Debility, 23 from Intestinal Parasites, and 11 from Paralysis.

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of May, 1922, 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 May, 1912 to 1921, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March, 1921.	Total Births.			Stillbirths.			Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Non-residents.	Deaths of Residents.	Per Mile per Annum.				Mortality of Children under one Year.				
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			Birth-rate.*		Death-rate.*		Number recorded during May, 1922.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during May, 1922.	Its proportion to annum to 1000 births registered during the Year ended last day of May, 1922.		
													Average for May, 1912, to 1921.	May, 1922.	Average for May, 1912, to 1921.	May, 1922.				Standardized Death-rate, May, 1922.†	
City of Colombo ..	244,140	308	251	559	24	26	50	333	260	593	80	513	26.58	22.40	24.39	22.19	28.30	139	247	190	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	1	—	1	—	—	—	4	1	5	—	5	1.53	3.25	7.64	7.54	—	1	—	346	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	15	12	27	2	1	3	25	19	44	—	44	13.39	15.17	21.83	18.39	—	15	556	392	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	9	7	16	1	—	1	13	8	21	—	21	16.16	17.33	21.21	16.95	—	4	250	205	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	21	19	40	1	—	1	24	16	40	—	40	24.85	21.57	24.85	19.05	—	8	200	193	
Kotahena South ..	27,483	31	27	58	1	3	4	21	25	46	—	46	24.50	19.43	19.43	—	—	13	224	—	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24	18	42	1	1	2	26	22	48	—	48	20.89	18.80	23.87	21.01	—	20	476	432	
Maradana Hospitals	—	74	63	137	12	14	26	104	82	186	71	115	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,398	40	31	71	2	3	5	35	21	56	—	56	27.11	16.68	21.38	17.51	—	24	338	285	
Maradana East ..	8,593	6	6	12	—	—	—	2	7	9	—	9	16.21	16.68	12.16	17.51	—	2	167	275	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,535	27	9	36	1	—	1	19	18	37	2	35	22.55	21.92	21.92	—	—	10	278	—	
Slave Island ..	21,564	28	19	47	2	1	3	19	21	40	—	40	25.30	21.41	21.53	19.78	—	2	265	128	
Kolupitiya ..	23,739	15	12	27	—	—	—	16	9	25	6	19	13.20	9.29	9.29	8.95	—	4	148	—	
Wellawatta North..	15,913	11	13	24	1	1	2	15	7	22	1	21	17.62	15.42	15.42	—	—	4	167	89	
Wellawatta South..	10,968	6	15	21	—	2	2	10	4	14	—	14	22.54	15.03	15.03	—	—	1	48	—	

* The city-rate is worked differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account events in hospitals, &c., not assignable to wards.
 † For explanation of the "Standardized death-rates," see note (a), 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.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 1922, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.												
	M	F	P.	Fort and Galle Face.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.		
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	333	260	593	—	—	4	1	25	19	13	8	24	16	21	25	
I.—Infantile Mortality	77	62	139	—	—	1	—	7	8	2	2	5	3	7	6	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	8	7	15	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	
3. Convulsions	5	2	7	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	2*	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	12	15	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	1	
3. Convulsions	21	14	35	—	—	1	—	3	6	1	1	—	—	4	1	
4. Diarrhoea	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	7	6	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	10	4	14	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	—	—	2	
8. Other Causes	6†	10‡	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	256	198	454	—	—	3	1	18	11	11	6	19	13	14	19	
1. Plague	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Influenza	8	4	12	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	
6. Pyrexia or Fever	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Enteric Fever	9	5	14	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	
8. Malaria	5	3	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
11. Diarrhoea	5	6	11	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	1	
11a. Enteritis	10	6	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	1	4	
12. Dysentery	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doohmius Duodenalis	4	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14. Cancer	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15. Phthisis	21	16	37	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	3	1	2	1	—	
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18. Diabetes Mellitus	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19. Convulsions	7	8	15	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	—	—	1	1	1	
20. Tetanus	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
21. Bronchitis	7	5	12	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	
22. Pneumonia	48	33	81	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	3	1	3	2	
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	6	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	7	8	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
27. Miscarriage	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
29. Starvation	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
30. Accidents or Negligence	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
31. Homicide	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32. Suicide	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33. Execution	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All Other Causes	89§	63	152	—	—	2	—	1	5	5	1	7	6	5	7	

* Two deaths from Intracranial Hæmorrhage.

† One death each from Septic Sores, Meningitis, Peritonitis, Nephritis, Syphilis, and Influenza.

‡ Three deaths from Syphilis, 2 from Pyelitis, and 1 each from Worms, Stomatitis, Influenza, Erysipelas, and Heart Disease.

§ Here are included 18 deaths from Old Age, 8 from Paralysis, 6 from Cerebral Hæmorrhage, 5 from Marasmus, and 4 from Debility.

|| Here are included 18 deaths from Old Age, 7 each from Heart Disease and Worms, and 5 from Debility.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 1922, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hos- pitals.		Maradana North.		Maradana East.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals).		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatta North.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	26	22	104	82	35	21	2	7	19	18	19	21	16	9	15	7
I.—Infantile Mortality	13	7	9	12	17	7	1	1	4	6	5	7	2	2	3	1
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	5	2	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	3	1	3	5	2	—	1	—	1	1	2	1	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	7	1	—	—	1	2	1	—	1	2	1	—	—	1	1	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	1	2	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—
8. Other Causes	1	1	1	4	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	13	15	95	70	18	14	1	6	15	12	14	14	14	7	12	6
1. Plague	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	1	1	2	4	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo- denalis	—	—	4	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	8	3	1	2	—	—	1	—	1	2	2	4	1	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
19. Convulsions	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	1	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	2	—	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	4	3	25	16	4	4	—	1	1	2	3	3	—	—	1	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents or Negligence	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	3	4	26	17	11	6	1	4	5	5	5	4	8	1	6	2

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 1922, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.															
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamil.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
All Causes	10	4	2	—	13	8	172	135	65	56	52	49	13	8	16	4		
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	—	—	—	2	2	40	28	12	13	17	16	4	3	2	—		
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																		
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	1	4	3	2	1	—	—		
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—		
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—		
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																		
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	7	1	3	3	4	1	1	1	—		
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	1	11	4	6	2	3	6	—	1	1	—		
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	5	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—		
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia	1	—	—	—	1	—	8	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	6	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	9	4	2	—	11	6	132	107	58	43	35	33	9	5	14	4		
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Influenza	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	4	—	3	1	—	1	—	—		
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Enteric Fever	1	—	1	—	3	—	1	5	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1		
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—		
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	4	2	—	—	—	—	—		
11a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	3	2	2	—	—	1	—	—		
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	1		
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—		
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
15. Phthisis	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	10	2	3	3	2	1	1	1	—		
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—		
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1		
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	3	—	2	1	2	—	1	—	—		
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	1	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	1		
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	1	1	—	—	2	1	28	15	11	10	2	7	1	—	4	—		
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—		
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2		
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—		
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—		
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—		
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
30. Accidents or Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—		
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—		
34. All Other Causes	4	1	—	—	4	1	47	38	13	10	18	11	3	1	4	2		