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## VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1924.

### 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 340 (273 General, 7 Kandyan, and 60 Muhammadan), as against 299 in the previous month, and 314 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 120 (79 General and 41 Muhammadan), as against 101 in the previous month, and 145 in the corresponding month of last year.

#### Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,736 (852 males and 884 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 33·25 per 1,000, as against 30·77 in the previous month, 37·47 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·32 the average for the corresponding months since 1914. The rate ranged from 8·06 in Anuradhapura to 63·33 in Mannar.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 641 (315 males and 326 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 29·89 per 1,000, as against 28·54 in the previous month, 35·78 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·09 the average for the corresponding months since 1914. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and Pettah Wards, ranged from 12·94 in Kollupitiya to 29·82 in Kotahena-South.

#### Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 2,055 (1,119 males and 936 females). There were 1,683 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 34·86 per 1,000, as against 34·39 in the preceding month, 41·31 in the corresponding month of last year, and 34·51 the average for the month of January in each year since 1914. The rate ranged from 109·25 in Kalpitiya to 13·26 in Gampola.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 748 (420 males and 328 females). There were 650 deaths of town residents, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 34·90 per 1,000, as against 37·46 in the preceding month, 42·82 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·84 the average for the month of January in each year since 1914. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and Pettah Wards, ranged from 40·62 in San Sebastian to 10·53 in Wellawatta South.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 116 (68 males and 48 females), as against 144 in the preceding month.

#### Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 433 and corresponded to a rate of 263 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January 31, 1924. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 249, as against 287 in the preceding month, 275 in the corresponding month of last year, and 269 the average for the corresponding months since 1914.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 150 and corresponded to a rate of 253 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January 31, 1924. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 234, as against 290 in the preceding month, 227 in the corresponding month of last year, and 269 the average for the corresponding months since 1914.

#### Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 14 per cent. of the total deaths were due, *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 8 per cent. of the deaths; *Convulsions* 7 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Dysentery*, and *Phthisis*, each 5 per cent.; *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 4 per cent.; *Enteritis*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Bronchitis*, *Plague*, *Influenza*, and *Enteric Fever*, each 2 per cent.; and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, which caused 11 per cent. of the total deaths. *Convulsions* and *Phthisis*, each caused 8 per cent. of the deaths; *Debility* and *Plague*, each 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Influenza*, and *Dysentery*, each 4 per cent.; *Enteritis* and *Enteric Fever*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Bronchitis*, *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, each 2 per cent.; *Cancer*, *Tetanus*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, each 1 per cent.

12. Forty-two deaths from *Plague* (40 males and 2 females) were registered in Colombo, as against 21 in the preceding month, and 26 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 151 cases were reported (137 in Colombo, 4 in Galle, 3 each in Kurunegala and Chilaw, 2 in Batticaloa). *Chickenpox* followed with 137 cases (112 in Colombo, 9 in Moratuwa, 6 in Panadure, 4 each in Nuwara Eliya and Galle), *Enteric Fever* 108 (83 in Colombo, 11 in Galle, 5 in Panadure), *Plague* 46 (in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 33 (24 in Colombo, 5 in Moratuwa, 2 in Galle), *Measles* 26 (17 in Colombo, 4 in Hambantota, 3 in Nawalapitiya), *Dysentery* 8 (3 each in Weligama and Kalutara), and *Mumps* 7 (4 in Colombo, 2 in Nuwara Eliya).

#### Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Batticaloa recorded the highest rainfall (13·15 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 11·41 in. in Kalmunai to 0·74 in. in Gampola. Colombo recorded 2·56 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 81·6° in Ratnapura to 59·2° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 80·1° in Colombo.

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

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, February 27, 1924.

E. T. MILLINGTON,  
Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered during January 1, 1924, 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 1914, 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.	Marriages.			Births.			Deaths.			Stillbirths.			Deaths of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and wells.			Birth-rate.			Death-rate excluding Non-residents.			Mortality of Children under One Year.	Mean Temperature.*	Rainfall in Inches.*	
		General.	Kandyan.	Muhannadan.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Deaths of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and wells.	Average Birth-rate for January 1924.	Crude Birth-rate for January 1914-1923.	Crude Birth-rate for January 1924.	Average Death-rate for Jan. 1914-1923.	Standardized.	Number registered during Jan., 1924.	Its proportion to 1,000 Births registered during Jan., 1924.				Its proportion per annum to 1,000 Births registered during the last day of January, 1924.
All 33 Towns..	597,371	273	7	60	340	852	884	1,736	1,119	936	2,055	68	48	116	369	1,683	33-25	32-32	34-86	34-51	433	249	263	80-1	2-56	
<i>Western.</i>																										
Colombo ..	244,163	79	—	41	120	315	326	641	420	328	748	26	19	45	98	650	29-89	27-09	30-31	34-90	150	234	253	80-1	2-56	
Negombo ..	27,639	23	—	—	23	46	54	100	47	39	86	5	—	5	13	73	41-71	42-18	30-45	31-17	16	160	179	—	1-55	
Moratuwa ..	41,858	21	—	—	21	56	57	113	47	75	122	2	5	7	5	117	30-87	52-08	31-96	32-55	34	301	284	—	—	
Kalutara ..	13,596	3	—	—	3	21	23	44	33	27	60	3	1	4	14	46	37-65	40-06	39-37	39-16	17	386	369	—	3-87	
Panadura ..	10,747	12	—	—	12	16	14	30	21	17	38	3	1	4	12	26	32-45	27-89	28-12	29-92	9	300	284	—	—	
<i>Central.</i>																										
Kandy ..	32,562	18	5	5	28	45	60	105	54	48	102	2	1	3	35	67	37-03	36-21	23-63	25-88	15	143	149	76-2	2-43	
Gampola ..	6,202	1	—	—	1	10	14	24	8	10	18	2	1	3	11	7	43-97	38-18	12-83	13-26	4	167	198	—	0-74	
Newalapitiya ..	3,221	—	—	—	—	6	5	11	10	8	18	—	—	—	10	8	36-29	39-36	26-40	28-66	4	364	278	—	2-71	
Hattori-Dikoya ..	2,940	—	—	—	—	2	2	10	12	8	20	1	—	—	6	14	39-79	29-18	55-71	26-34	4	400	513	—	2-74	
Matale ..	7,865	1	—	—	1	13	13	26	19	19	38	1	—	—	17	20	38-35	33-97	29-50	31-50	3	115	114	—	3-54	
Nuwara Eliya ..	7,029	3	—	—	3	15	9	24	12	11	23	—	—	—	7	16	38-27	20-82	25-61	28-17	4	167	169	—	3-56	
<i>Southern.</i>																										
Galle ..	39,073	21	—	—	22	75	79	154	68	76	144	9	4	13	25	119	46-19	38-08	35-69	34-92	39	253	307	79-2	2-10	
Ambalanga ..	3,347	5	—	—	5	5	6	11	9	4	13	—	—	—	13	35-43	37-81	41-87	41-63	13-13	2	182	227	—	—	
Makara ..	16,779	12	—	—	12	24	31	55	29	25	54	1	3	4	9	45	38-31	41-81	31-34	30-76	11	200	211	—	5-43	
Welligama ..	9,104	3	—	—	3	4	27	18	45	8	7	15	—	—	15	57-43	42-62	19-14	17-72	20-84	4	89	127	—	—	
Hambantota ..	2,849	2	—	—	2	3	7	10	8	7	15	1	—	—	2	13	40-34	32-20	52-44	52-12	2	200	148	—	5-35	
Tangalla ..	4,952	5	—	—	5	5	4	9	9	4	13	1	—	—	4	9	21-46	33-23	21-46	21-29	1	111	58	—	1-51	
<i>Northern.</i>																										
Jafna ..	42,436	19	—	—	25	60	70	130	68	63	131	2	6	8	4	126	35-60	30-25	34-51	36-74	43	331	358	77-8	2-99	
Mannar ..	3,705	2	—	—	2	8	12	20	4	9	13	1	—	—	3	10	63-33	37-82	31-67	32-29	3	160	216	79-2	2-91	
Mullaitivu ..	1,563	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	43-63	30-79	43-63	45-46	4	667	891	—	3-22	
Varuniya ..	936	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	12-02	22-97	60-09	70-31	—	—	—	—	5-65	
<i>Eastern.</i>																										
Batticaloa ..	10,564	6	—	—	6	12	12	24	20	11	31	—	—	—	2	29	28-49	25-58	32-01	33-37	9	375	286	78-2	13-15	
Kalmunai ..	2,556	—	—	—	—	5	5	10	9	5	14	—	—	—	6	8	45-38	45-00	36-30	36-58	1	100	100	—	11-41	
Trincomalee ..	9,414	3	—	—	3	7	4	11	20	14	34	1	—	—	—	33	13-51	24-12	40-54	42-40	4	364	220	78-0	7-83	
<i>North-Western.</i>																										
Kurunegala ..	10,187	3	1	2	6	9	6	15	34	22	56	1	—	—	23	33	16-41	34-39	36-10	41-95	12	800	440	78-2	0-87	
Puttalam ..	6,905	4	—	—	4	5	6	11	7	21	22	43	—	—	5	38	11-42	43-02	62-01	67-25	5	714	288	78-4	2-69	
Kalpitiya ..	1,608	—	—	—	—	5	2	1	3	8	5	13	—	—	—	13	21-95	35-55	95-12	109-25	5	—	—	—	1-16	
Chilaw ..	6,642	12	—	—	12	13	13	26	23	12	35	1	—	—	11	24	43-36	33-88	40-03	46-10	9	346	492	—	1-74	
<i>North-Central.</i>																										
Anuradhapura ..	7,781	4	—	—	4	3	3	6	27	6	33	—	—	—	—	33	8-06	25-49	44-30	53-04	3	500	264	76-3	4-65	
<i>Uva.</i>																										
Badulla ..	8,126	2	—	—	2	11	12	23	24	23	47	—	—	—	—	47	31-57	42-77	64-51	65-80	11	478	562	71-3	5-59	
Lunugala ..	526	1	—	—	1	1	1	2	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	44-58	29-44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>Sabaregamuwa.</i>																										
Ratnapura ..	7,014	1	—	—	1	12	17	29	21	10	31	4	—	—	15	16	46-65	36-10	25-74	28-06	2	69	107	81-6	5-05	
Kegalle ..	3,508	—	—	—	—	8	3	11	14	12	26	—	—	—	22	4	35-33	36-56	12-85	14-38	3	273	322	—	5-64	

\* Blanks indicate that there are no observations or rain gauges.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during January, 1924, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	All 38 Towns.			Western Province.												Central Province.												Southern Province.											
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Ranature.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalpitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Wellgama.		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	1,119	936	2,055	420	328	47	39	47	75	33	27	21	47	54	48	8	10	8	10	8	12	8	19	19	12	11	68	76	9	4	29	25	8	7	8	7	9	4	
I.—Infantile Mortality	236	197	433	84	66	12	4	17	17	10	7	5	4	11	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	3	3	1	17	22	1	1	5	6	2	2	1	1	1	1	—	
A.—One Week and under.																																							
1. Prematurity	19	15	34	3	8	1	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	48	26	74	12	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	21	14	35	8	3	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	3*	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																							
1. Prematurity	5	7	12	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	38	47	85	14	10	4	3	8	7	—	2	1	—	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	36	36	72	18	16	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	8	8	16	3	1	2	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	9	10	19	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	15	12	27	7	3	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	25†	14†	39	8	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

\* From Cerebral Haemorrhage (in Colombo).  
 † This includes besides 8 cases mentioned in Table IV, footnote †, 1 death from Erysipelas (in Jaffna); 4 from Malaria (1 each in Kegalla and Negombo and 2 in Kalpitiya); 1 from Syphilis (in Badulla); 1 each from Thrush and Abscess (in Negombo); 1 from Gastritis (in Moratuwa); 1 each from Dysentery and Stomatitis (in Kalutara); 1 from Nephritis (in Kandy); 1 from Influenza (in Gampola); 1 from Worms and 2 from Whooping Cough (in Galle); and 1 from Septicæmia (in Matara).  
 ‡ This includes besides 5 cases mentioned in Table IV, footnote †, 1 death from Burns (in Hatton-Dikoya); 1 from Syphilis (in Matale); 2 from Influenza and 1 each from Worms and Abscess (in Galle); 1 from Dysentery (in Trincomalee); and 2 from Malaria (1 each in Kalpitiya and Chilaw).



Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during January, 1924, 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.		Kalturata.		Pandure.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hakton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Ehiya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matale.		Veligama.		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								
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	883	739	1,622	386	262	35	35	30	58	23	20	16	18	43	44	6	8	8	8	6	9	7	19	16	9	10	51	54	8	3	24	19	6	5	7	6	8	4					
1. Plague ..	40	2	42	40	2																																						
2. Smallpox ..	1		1																																								
3. Chickenpox ..																																											
4. Measles ..	1		1																																								
5. Influenza ..	20	21	41	19	12																																						
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	6	7	13	1	3	3	1	1																																			
7. Enteric Fever ..	27	22	49	15	11	3	2	5																																			
8. Malaria ..	40	30	70	9	4	2	2																																				
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	9	9	18			2																																					
10. Cholera ..																																											
11. Diarrhoea ..	55	30	85	16	8	4	2	2																																			
11a. Enteritis ..	29	19	48	8	7	3	1	1																																			
12. Dysentery ..	63	42	105	19	10	4	3																																				
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doehmuis ..																																											
14. Duodenitis ..	40	38	78	6	11	1	3	2																																			
15. Cancer ..	7	3	10	4	3																																						
16. Phthisis ..	52	60	112	27	34	1		1																																			
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	3	2	5	2																																							
17. Anemia ..	2	2	4	1	1																																						
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	8	3	11	4	1																																						
19. Convulsions ..	14	21	35	6	8																																						
20. Tetanus ..	11	2	13	5	2																																						
21. Bronchitis ..	16	7	23	7	4																																						
22. Pneumonia ..	156	94	250	40	32	6	3	9	5	6	2	1	1	9	4	2	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	3	5	4	1	5	2	4	4	3	2	4	3	5	1	3					
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	7	6	13	3	3																																						
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	29	27	56	11	7			1	2	1				2	5	1	1																										
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..		6	6	2	2																																						
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..		28	28	7	7																																						
27. Miscarriage ..																																											
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..		14	14	3				2																																			
29. Starvation ..																																											
30. Accidents and Negligence ..	20	10	30	5	3			2																																			
31. Homicide ..	3	1	4	1																																							
32. Suicide ..	6		6																																								
33. Execution ..	2		2																																								
34. All Other Causes ..	210*	23†	443	85	84	8	12	9	36	8	5	4	5	16	10	1	1										24	28	3	3	5	9	3	1									

\* Here are included 59 deaths from Senility, 11 from Debility, 26 from Worms, and 12 from Paralysis.

† Here are included 64 deaths from Senility, 31 from Debility, 31 from Worms, and 8 from Paralysis.



Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1924, 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 the corresponding Months of 1922 and 1923, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1924 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births.			Stillbirths.			Total Deaths (including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails).			Per Mile per Annum.			Mortality of Children under one Year.						
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Birth-rate.*	Death-rate.*		Number registered during Jan., 1924.	Its proportion per 1000 births registered during Jan., 1924.	Its proportion per 1000 births registered during the Year ended last day of Jan., 1924.				
													Average for Jan., 1922-23.	Jan., 1924.				Average for Jan., 1922-23.	Jan., 1924.	Standardized Death-rate, Jan., 1924.†	
City of Colombo ..	244,163	253,224	315	326	641	26	19	45	420	328	748	98	650	33.46	30.31	34.28	34.90	150	234	253	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,790	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	4.23	10.71	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,801	7,883	1	2	3	—	—	—	7	1	8	—	8	5.82	11.98	12.11	—	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,264	18	25	43	1	2	3	34	34	68	—	68	21.20	33.09	27.88	—	20	465	589	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	11,918	11	13	24	—	—	—	26	15	41	—	41	26.64	40.62	28.12	—	7	292	424	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,378	18	21	39	1	1	2	17	15	32	—	32	27.80	19.50	35.79	—	12	308	339	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	28,509	41	31	72	1	2	3	34	33	67	—	67	30.42	27.75	39.46	—	22	306	409	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,207	18	26	44	2	—	2	28	23	51	—	51	26.69	24.88	37.32	—	17	386	416	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	79	79	158	14	11	25	136	102	238	87	151	—	—	—	—	32	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	31,627	31	22	53	1	—	1	20	24	44	—	44	25.06	16.48	25.62	—	7	132	131	
Maradana East ..	8,593	8,912	6	12	18	1	—	1	9	8	17	—	17	16.11	22.52	16.10	—	3	167	192	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,219	23	18	41	—	—	—	19	13	32	—	32	18.07	19.66	22.39	—	7	171	223	
Slave Island ..	21,564	22,365	22	34	56	2	2	4	32	22	54	—	54	26.74	28.51	33.72	—	8	143	183	
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	24,635	13	14	27	—	—	—	17	19	36	8	28	16.77	13.42	12.38	—	6	222	225	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	16,408	18	23	41	—	—	—	36	13	49	3	46	26.63	33.11	21.15	—	7	171	235	
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,214	16	6	22	3	1	4	4	6	10	—	10	29.31	10.53	14.94	—	2	91	98	

\* The city-rate is worked differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account events in hospitals, &c., not assignable to wards.  
 † Standardized death-rates for the wards of the city are not available.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1924, in each Ward, and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.												
				Fort and Galle Race.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.		
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes .. .. .	420	328	748	1	—	7	1	34	34	26	15	17	15	34	33	
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b> .. .. .	<b>84</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>150</b>	—	—	—	—	9	11	5	2	7	5	12	10	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	3	8	11	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility .. .. .	12	9	21	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	3	
3. Convulsions .. .. .	8	3	11	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	2		
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes .. .. .	3*	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility .. .. .	14	10	24	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	1	1	3	2	
3. Convulsions .. .. .	18	16	34	—	—	—	—	4	3	1	1	3	1	1	3	
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	2		
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	3	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1		
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2		
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	7	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—		
8. Other Causes .. .. .	8†	5‡	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1		
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)</b> .. .. .	<b>336</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	
1. Plague .. .. .	40	2	42	—	—	3	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Smallpox .. .. .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Chickenpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Measles .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Influenza .. .. .	19	12	31	—	—	2	—	3	5	8	5	—	—	—	—	
6. Pyrexia or Fever .. .. .	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Enteric Fever .. .. .	15	11	26	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Malaria .. .. .	9	4	13	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Cholera .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	16	8	24	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	1	2		
11a. Enteritis .. .. .	8	7	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1		
12. Dysentery .. .. .	19	10	29	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	1	—	1		
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis .. .. .	6	11	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14. Cancer .. .. .	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15. Phthisis .. .. .	27	34	61	—	—	—	—	4	2	2	3	—	1	—	1	
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
17. Anæmia .. .. .	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19. Convulsions .. .. .	6	8	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	
20. Tetanus .. .. .	5	2	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2		
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	—	1		
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	40	32	72	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	—	1	3	4		
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. .. .	3	3	6	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	11	7	18	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. .. .	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26. Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	—	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	
27. Miscarriage .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth .. .. .	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
29. Starvation .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
30. Accidents and Negligence .. .. .	5	3	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
31. Homicide .. .. .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	
32. Suicide .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33. Execution .. .. .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All Other Causes .. .. .	85§	84	169	1	—	—	—	5	5	4	3	4	3	12	8	

\* From Cerebral Hæmorrhage.

† One death each from Rickets, Inflammation of the Intestines, Starvation, Dysentery, Syphilis, Peritonitis, and Influenza, the cause of 1 death was not known.

‡ One death each from Influenza, Improper feeding, Anæmia, Syphilis, and Worms.

§ Here are included 15 deaths from Old Age, 10 from Heart Disease, 7 from Paralysis, 6 from Cirrhosis of Liver and 4 from Debility.

|| Here are included 28 deaths from Old Age, 7 each from Marasmus, Debility, and Paralysis, and 5 from Worms.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1924, in each Ward, and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maredana Hos- pitals.		Maredana North.		Maredana East.		Maredana 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 .. .. .	28	23	136	102	20	24	9	8	19	13	32	22	17	19	36	13
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b> .. .. .	11	6	16	16	5	2	2	1	6	1	3	5	4	2	3	4
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	—	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1
2. Debility .. .. .	—	—	3	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
3. Convulsions .. .. .	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. .. .	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility .. .. .	2	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
3. Convulsions .. .. .	3	4	—	—	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	1	1	2	—	1
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	2	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. .. .	—	—	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)</b> ..	17	17	120	86	15	22	7	7	13	12	29	17	13	17	33	9
1. Plague .. .. .	2	—	4	1	2	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	21	1
2. Smallpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
3. Chickenpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza .. .. .	1	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever .. .. .	1	—	8	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	3
8. Malaria .. .. .	1	—	6	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	—	1	—
11a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	—	4	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	1	—	—
12. Dysentery .. .. .	1	1	10	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	1	1
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis .. .. .	—	—	6	9	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer .. .. .	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
15. Phthisis .. .. .	1	4	13	13	3	1	—	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia .. .. .	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
19. Convulsions .. .. .	1	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
20. Tetanus .. .. .	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	1	—	23	12	—	1	2	—	1	—	5	4	1	5	2	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. .. .	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	2	2	3	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. .. .	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence .. .. .	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
31. Homicide .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes .. .. .	5	4	25	22	4	16	2	3	6	7	7	5	5	5	3	2

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1924, 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.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	4	6	2	4	20	14	198	187	93	57	72	52	8	8	27	6
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b>	1	1	—	3	7	5	46	40	12	10	13	6	2	1	4	1
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	5	1	1	2	2	—	—	—	1
3. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	1	—	4	1	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	1	—	1	—	—	8	5	3	1	2	2	—	1	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	1	1	1	10	9	2	3	5	1	—	—	—	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	1	1	1	3	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	4	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)</b>	3	5	2	1	13	9	152	147	81	47	59	46	6	7	23	5
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	1	18	1	7	—	—	—	4	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	5	4	8	5	—	—	3	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	1	—	1	2	5	6	2	1	2	—	—	2	4	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	1	1	3	—	—	—	1	1
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	5	1	2	2	1	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	4	1	2	2	1	—	—	1	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	5	10	3	1	1	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	8	—	—	2	—	10	19	8	6	3	7	1	1	3	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	1	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	1	2	1	18	21	13	6	5	1	—	1	2	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	3	2	4	3	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	1	1	—	3	3	47	44	14	13	14	19	4	3	2	2