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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF MAY, 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 375 (322 General, 4 Kandyan, and 49 Muhammadan), as against 194 in the preceding month and 339 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 167 (135 General and 32 Muhammadan), as against 72 in the preceding month and 126 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,533 (842 males and 721 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·91 per 1,000 of the population, as against 29·72 in the preceding month, 33·20 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·13 the average for the corresponding months since 1914. The rate ranged from 13·43 in Anuradhapura to 48·18 in Kegalla.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 556 (312 males and 244 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 25·92 per 1,000, as against 25·78 in the preceding month, 23·96 in the corresponding month of last year, and 23·19 the average for the corresponding months since 1914. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 10·06 in Kollupitiya to 29·51 in Wellawatta North.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,668 (903 males and 765 females). There were 1,311 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 27·07 per 1,000, as against 26·73 in the preceding month, 30·43 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·03 the average for the month of May in each year since 1914. The rate ranged from 126·06 in Kalpitiya to 10·79 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 525 (291 males and 234 females). There were 435 deaths of town residents, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 23·35 per 1,000, as against 27·35 in the preceding month, 31·18 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·90 the average for the month of May in each year since 1914. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 23·76 in Slave Island to 8·63 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 91 (50 males and 41 females), as against 102 in the previous month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 337 and corresponded to a rate of 209 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May 31, 1924. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 216, as against 212 in the preceding month, 213 in the corresponding month of last year, and 228 the average for the corresponding months since 1914.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 116 and corresponded to a rate of 201 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May 31, 1924. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 209, same as in the previous month, and against 219 in the corresponding month of last year and 244 the average for the corresponding months since 1914.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 18 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Convulsions* caused 7 per cent. of the total deaths, *Debility* (of children under one year) and *Phthisis*, each 6 per cent., *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia* 5 per cent., *Dysentery* and *Diarrhœa*, each 4 per cent., *Anchylostomiasis*, *Enteric Fever*, *Enteritis*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, each 3 per cent., *Prematurity* and *Bronchitis*, each 2 per cent., *Puerperal Septicæmia*, *Influenza*, *Cancer*, and *Diabetes (Mellitus)* 1 per cent. each.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, which caused 12 per cent. of the total deaths. *Phthisis* caused 10 per cent. of the deaths, *Convulsions* 8 per cent., *Debility* (of children under one year) 6 per cent., *Enteric Fever* 5 per cent., *Enteritis* 4 per cent., *Bronchitis* 3 per cent., *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Diarrhœa*, *Influenza*, *Prematurity*, *Cancer*, and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, each 2 per cent., *Plague*, *Dysentery*, *Diabetes (Mellitus)*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia* 1 per cent. each.

12. Eight deaths from *Plague* (7 in Colombo and 1 in Kandy) were registered, as against 23 in the preceding month and 13 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Measles*, of which 85 cases were reported (69 in Colombo, 9 in Jaffna), *Phthisis* followed with 78 cases (65 in Colombo), *Enteric Fever* 66 (43 in Colombo, 11 in Galle), *Chickenpox* 45 (25 in Colombo, 6 in Moratuwa), *Continued Fever* 28 (21 in Colombo, 5 in Galle), *Plague* 12 (11 in Colombo and 1 in Negombo), *Mumps* 4 (2 each in Colombo and Galle), and *Diarrhœa* 2 (1 each in Colombo and Kurunegala). There were also reported 1 case of *Cholera* in Colombo Harbour, 1 of *Whooping Cough* in Badulla, 1 of *Dysentery* in Weligama, and 1 of *Diphtheria* in Colombo.

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall.*—Kalutara recorded the highest rainfall (25·37 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 24·78 in. in Nawalapitiya to 0·35 in. in Jaffna. Colombo recorded 21·74 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 86·5° in Trincomalee to 63·4° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 82·2° 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, June 27, 1924.

H. W. CODRINGTON,
Registrar-General.

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

Causes of Death.	All 38 Towns.			Western Province.												Central Province.												Southern Province.																										
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.			Negombo.			Moratuwa.			Kalutara.			Panadura.			Kandy.			Gampola.			Nawalapitiya.			Hatton-Dikoya.			Matale.			Nuwara Eliya.			Galle.			Ambalangoda.			Matale.			Weissama.			Hambantota.			Tangalle.		
				M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.	M	F	Total.												
All Causes	903	765	1,668	291	284	575	30	26	56	49	24	73	18	16	34	33	45	78	9	14	23	9	15	24	16	9	22	14	11	25	45	59	104	6	4	10	23	21	44	10	6	16	4	3	7									
I.—Infantile Mortality	166	171	337	60	56	116	8	6	14	6	19	25	3	1	4	4	10	14	4	4	8	4	4	8	4	—	—	3	5	8	12	2	3	5	5	3	8	1	2	3	4	3	7											
A.—One Week and under.																																																						
1. Prematurity	11	14	25	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
2. Debility	18	23	41	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
3. Convulsions	9	6	15	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
8. Other Causes	3*	2†	5	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																																						
1. Prematurity	8	1	9	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
2. Debility	31	36	67	14	12	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
3. Convulsions	27	33	60	11	12	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
4. Diarrhoea	5	8	13	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
4a. Enteritis	11	7	18	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—											
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
6. Bronchitis	5	3	8	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—											
7. Pneumonia	22	14	36	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—											
8. Other Causes	14†	22§	36	6	8	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—											

* One death each from Cerebral Compression and Atelectasis (in Colombo), and 1 from Septicæmia (in Matale).
 † One death from Intestinal Obstruction (in Colombo), and 1 from Thrush (in Galle).
 ‡ Besides 6 cases mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 1 death from Nephritis (in Negombo); 1 from Worms (in Kalutara); 2 from Dysentery (1 each in Hatton-Dikoya and Batticaloa); 1 from Asthma (in Galle); 1 from Whooping Cough (in Ambalangoda); and 2 from Malaria (1 each in Mannas and Puttalam).
 § Besides 8 cases mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 1 death from Fever (in Negombo); 1 death from Dysentery and Influenza (in Moratuwa); 1 from Enteric Fever (in Kalutara); 1 from Syphilis (in Matale); 1 from Scabies (in Galle); 3 from Whooping Cough (2 in Galle and 1 in Ambalangoda); 1 from Nephritis (in Jaffna); 1 from Malaria (in Mullaitivu); 2 from Peritonitis (1 each in Puttalam and Kalpitiya); and 1 from Pyæmic Abscess (in Ratnapura).

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

Causes of Deaths.	All 38 Towns.			Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.																						
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Pandure.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Navalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Walgama.		Hambantota.		Tagalla.		
				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	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	737	594	1,331	231	178	22	20	22	30	19	12	13	5	29	35	5	10	8	15	12	9	22	11	9	10	43	47	4	1	18	16	7	5	2	3	4	6	
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	7	1	8	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	11	8	19	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	3	5	8	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	32	21	53	14	10	2	1	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	39	19	58	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	19	7	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	23	28	51	6	4	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	16	14	30	5	5	1	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	41	30	71	4	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doohmius	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Duodenitis	21	35	56	2	10	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14. Cancer	8	9	17	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	60	41	101	30	21	—	—	5	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	4	1	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anemia	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	9	3	12	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19. Convulsions	16	22	38	6	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	5	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	13	6	19	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	155	110	265	36	14	5	4	1	8	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	10	5	15	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	19	29	48	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	24	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	30	6	36	9	1	1	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	7	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32. Suicide	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All Other Causes	181*	154†	335	66	4	5	4	8	2	3	2	5	2	6	11	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	5	4	6	13	23	2	4	4	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	

* Here are included 41 deaths from Old Age, 14 from Debility, 16 from Worms, and 12 from Paralysis.
 † Here are included 42 deaths from Old Age, 16 from Debility, 10 from Worms, 8 from Paralysis, and 3 from Whooping Cough.

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of May, 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) as per Census of March, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1924 by increase of 1921.	Total Births.			Stillbirths.			Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Non-residents.	Deaths of Residents.	Per Mille per Annum.				Mortality of Children under one Year.			
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			Birth-rate.*	Death-rate.*		Standard Death-rate, May, 1924.†	Number registered during May, 1924.	Its proportion per 1000 births registered during May, 1924.	Its proportion per annum per 1000 births registered during the Year ended last day of May, 1924.	
															May, 1924.	Average for May, 1922-23.					May, 1924.
City of Colombo ..	244,163	253,224	312	244	556	16	19	35	291	234	525	90	435	25.92	27.77	20.28	25.73	23.35	116	209	201
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,790	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,801	7,883	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	2	—	—	3.00	7.59	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,264	19	12	31	1	2	3	10	10	20	—	20	15.08	14.05	9.73	20.97	—	7	226	203
San Sebastian ..	11,492	11,918	4	8	12	—	1	1	8	8	16	—	16	11.89	15.07	15.85	20.09	—	4	333	238
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,378	28	16	44	—	—	—	15	14	29	—	29	26.81	22.25	17.67	23.17	—	11	250	315
Kotahena South ..	27,488	28,509	19	23	42	1	2	3	18	27	45	2	43	17.39	27.49	17.81	19.53	—	9	214	174
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,207	24	19	43	3	4	7	16	27	43	—	43	20.97	21.51	20.97	25.70	—	13	302	334
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	96	67	163	9	6	15	125	65	190	80	110	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	31,527	26	29	55	—	1	1	15	17	32	—	32	20.60	24.13	11.98	22.58	—	15	273	278
Maradana East ..	8,593	8,912	5	10	15	—	—	—	12	2	14	—	14	19.87	17.45	18.55	14.09	—	2	133	122
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,219	10	9	19	1	—	1	15	17	32	—	32	11.67	22.11	19.66	23.35	—	7	368	235
Slave Island ..	21,564	22,365	28	19	47	1	—	1	32	13	45	—	45	24.81	26.49	23.76	24.87	—	11	255	261
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	24,635	13	8	21	—	1	1	11	12	23	5	18	10.06	13.12	8.63	9.96	—	4	190	157
Wellawatta North..	15,316	16,403	25	16	41	—	—	—	10	15	25	3	22	29.51	19.69	15.83	18.96	—	8	195	243
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,214	14	8	22	—	2	2	2	7	9	—	9	23.16	23.60	9.47	13.88	—	4	182	190

* 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 May, 1924, in each Ward, and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.												
	M	F	Total.	Fort and Galle Face.		Fettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.		
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	291	234	525	—	—	2	—	10	10	8	8	15	14	18	27	
I.—Infantile Mortality	60	56	116	—	—	—	—	3	4	2	2	7	4	4	5	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	
3. Convulsions	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	2*	1†	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	14	12	26	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	2	—	—	
3. Convulsions	11	12	23	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	2	—	3	2	
4. Diarrhoea	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	
7. Pneumonia	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	6‡	8§	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	231	178	409	—	—	2	—	7	6	6	6	8	10	14	22	
1. Plague	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Measles	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Influenza	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	2	
6. Pyrexia or Fever	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Enteric Fever	14	10	24	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	
8. Malaria	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
11. Diarrhoea	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
11a. Enteritis	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	
12. Dysentery	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	2	10	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
14. Cancer	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	
15. Phthisis	30	21	51	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	1	2	2	
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
17. Anæmia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18. Diabetes Mellitus	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
19. Convulsions	6	8	14	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	
20. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
21. Bronchitis	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	
22. Pneumonia	36	14	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	2	
23. Other Disease of the Respiratory System	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
30. Accidents and Negligence	9	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
31. Homicide	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32. Suicide	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All Other Causes	65	66¶	131	—	—	—	—	3	4	1	2	3	3	6	8	

* One death each from Cerebral Compression and Atelectasis.

† From Intestinal Obstruction.

‡ One death each from Syphilis, Hydrocephalus, Rickets, Influenza, Pericarditis, and Spina Bifida.

§ Two deaths from Syphilis and 1 each from Nephritis, Influenza, Gastritis, Furunculosis Septicæmia and Worms.

|| Here are included 17 deaths from Old Age, 7 from Heart Disease, and 4 each from Paralysis and Cirrhosis of Liver.

¶ Here are included 18 deaths from Old Age, 7 from Paralysis, 6 from Marasmus and 4 from Debility.

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hospitals.		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	16	27	125	65	15	17	12	2	15	17	32	13	11	12	10	15
I.—Infantile Mortality	9	4	9	12	6	9	1	1	3	4	9	2	2	2	4	4
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1
3. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	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	—
2. Debility	2	1	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	1	1	—	—
3. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	2
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	3	—	5	2	2	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
8. Other Causes	—	1	2	2	2	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..	7	23	116	53	9	8	11	1	12	13	23	11	9	10	6	11
1. Plague	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	10	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	3
8. Malaria	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	1	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
15. Phthisis	—	3	22	7	—	1	—	—	—	3	3	1	2	1	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	2
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	2	24	5	—	—	2	—	1	—	5	—	—	1	—	2
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
32. Suicide	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	1	8	26	21	6	3	5	1	5	5	5	6	3	3	—	2

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 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.		Tamil.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	2	7	2	2	13	11	160	157	57	36	38	20	6	6	15	2
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	3	1	—	4	3	32	41	9	6	12	5	2	1	—	—
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	2	—	—	1	1	7	8	2	—	2	3	2	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	10	1	1	5	1	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	1	—	—	—	1	1	4	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	6	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	1	4	1	2	9	8	128	116	48	30	26	15	4	5	15	2
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	2	2	1	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	10	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doshmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
15. Phthisis	—	—	—	—	1	—	16	16	7	3	4	2	—	—	—	2
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	2	—	—	—	1	3	7	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	1
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	2	1	20	10	8	3	2	—	—	—	—	4
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	3	3	—	1	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	1	—	1	1	4	3	36	44	11	8	10	5	1	4	2	1