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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1926.**

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 number of marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 445 (380 General, 9 Kandyan, and 56 Muslim), as against 395 in the preceding month and 314 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 173 (138 General and 35 Muslim), as against 161 in the preceding month and 133 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 2,020 (1,036 males and 984 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 37·74 per 1,000 of the population, as against 36·99 in the previous month, 35·59 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·14 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate ranged from 7·09 in Mullaittivu to 76·54 in Nawalapitiya. There were 1,808 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 33·78, as against 33·96 in the preceding month.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 844 (417 males and 427 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 38·38, as against 35·06 in the preceding month, 32·37 in the corresponding month of last year, and 26·94 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 16·83 in Kollupitiya to 36·25 in Kotahena North. There were 719 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 32·70, as against 31·20 in the preceding month.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,617 (857 males and 760 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 30·21, as against 31·72 in the preceding month. There were 1,246 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 25·17, as against 25·55 in the preceding month, 30·29 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·86 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The standardized death rate, exclusive of the towns Vavuniya and Lunugala, ranged from 58·54 in Kalpitiya to 6·93 in Nawalapitiya.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 610 (346 males and 264 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 27·74, as against 30·12 in the preceding month. There were 482 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 25·24, as against 27·17 in the preceding month, 27·54 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·87 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 24·74 in New Bazaar to 7·01 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 134 (78 males and 56 females), as against 137 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 373 and corresponded to a rate of 201 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended December, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 18, as against 190 in the preceding month, 232 in the corresponding month of last year, and 277 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 348 deaths of children under one year, whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 192, as against 188 in the preceding month.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 15, and corresponded to a rate of 228 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended December, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 186, as against 201 in the preceding month, 182 in the corresponding month of last year, and 290 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 143 deaths of children under one year, whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 199, as against 197 in the preceding month.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 12 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Convulsions* caused 9 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year) 8 per cent.; *Phthisis* 7 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, and *Dysentery*, each 4 per cent.; *Enteritis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*; and *Influenza*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Bronchitis*, and *Enteric Fever*, each 2 per cent.; *Puerperal Septicæmia* 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo the highest mortality was from *Convulsions*, to which 10 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Pneumonia* caused 9 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year) 8 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 7 per cent.; *Influenza* and *Dysentery*, each 5 per cent.; *Enteritis* 4 per cent.; *Anchylostomiasis* and *Bronchitis*, each 3 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Diarrhoea*, and *Prematurity*, each 2 per cent.; *Cancer*, *Tetanus*, and *Enteric Fever*, each 1 per cent.

12. Two death from *Plague* (in Colombo) were registered, as against 1 in the preceding month and 2 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 94 cases were reported (64 in Colombo, 10 in Galle); *Chickenpox* followed with 70 (52 in Colombo, 5 in Nuwara Eliya); *Enteric Fever* 39 (8 each in Colombo and Galle, 6 in Moratuwa); Measles 21 (10 in Colombo, 7 in Matale); *Continued Fever* 18 (13 in Colombo); *Dysentery* 5 (3 in Kurunegala); *Smallpox* 4 (2 each in Colombo and Galle); *Plague 2* (in Colombo); *Mumps* 1 (in Colombo); *Whooping Cough* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall.*—The highest rainfall was recorded in Kalmunai (12·48 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 12·29 in. in Badulla to 0·49 in. in Kalpitiya. Colombo recorded 5·61 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 81·2° in Ratnapura to 58·8° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 79·8° in Colombo.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, January 28, 1927.

H. E. BEVEN,
Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during December, 1926, the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 registered Births, together with the Average Birth-rates in the corresponding Months since 1916, 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) and Ship- ping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1926 by Inter-censal Increase.		Marriages.			Deaths.			Stillbirths.			Deaths of Non-residents registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Birth-rates.			Mortality of Children under One Year.			Mean Temperature.*	Rainfall in Inches.*	
		General.	Kandyan.	Muslim.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Deaths.	Parsons.	Average for Dec. 1926.	Average for 1916-1926.	Death-rate, Dec. 1926.	Number registered during Dec. 1926.			Its proportion per 1,000 Births registered during Dec. 1926.
All 33 Towns ..	597,867	380	9	56	445	1036	984	2,020	857	760	1,617	78	56	134	366	37.74	31.14	30.21	373	185	201	79.8	5.61
Western.																							
Colombo ..	244,163	138	—	36	173	417	427	844	346	264	610	32	19	51	126	38.38	26.94	27.74	157	186	228	79.8	1.32
Negombo ..	27,639	15	—	—	15	51	45	96	29	29	58	4	1	5	10	39.35	36.33	23.77	8	83	81	—	—
Moratwa ..	41,858	40	—	—	40	69	58	127	35	39	74	4	4	8	142	33.93	40.37	19.77	18	142	143	—	—
Kalutara ..	13,696	7	—	—	7	13	20	33	27	15	42	3	1	4	8	27.91	37.00	35.53	5	152	103	—	2.68
Panadura ..	10,747	7	—	—	7	26	23	49	15	17	32	1	1	2	3	50.09	32.74	32.71	12	245	353	—	—
Central.																							
Kandy ..	32,562	12	2	2	3	48	65	113	60	50	110	5	7	12	34	39.08	34.48	38.04	27	239	232	76.0	3.21
Gampola ..	6,202	1	—	—	1	11	7	18	5	3	8	—	—	4	4	32.13	35.63	14.28	2	111	92	—	4.20
Navalapatiya ..	3,221	3	—	—	3	15	9	24	3	10	13	—	—	—	11	78.54	31.47	41.46	2	83	154	—	4.40
Hatton-Dikoya ..	2,940	5	—	—	5	20	10	20	10	10	20	1	1	2	8	43.40	33.13	78.91	3	273	315	—	3.04
Matale ..	7,865	1	—	—	1	6	6	14	2	2	4	—	—	1	18	53.79	38.40	43.99	5	132	141	—	4.02
Nuwara Eliya ..	7,525	1	—	—	1	10	14	24	2	8	10	—	—	1	1	34.73	28.01	14.47	4	167	162	—	5.70
Southern.																							
Galle ..	39,073	44	2	2	46	64	64	128	53	63	116	7	3	10	25	28.12	29.61	34.54	20	186	163	79.4	4.56
Ambalangoda ..	3,347	6	—	—	6	1	4	5	3	4	7	—	—	—	—	15.20	29.26	21.27	1	200	99	—	—
Matara ..	16,779	15	—	—	15	34	33	67	20	21	41	—	—	1	9	46.25	41.43	28.31	6	89	111	—	3.15
Weligama ..	9,104	8	—	—	8	23	17	40	13	4	17	1	1	3	—	50.42	40.48	21.43	6	180	185	—	—
Hambantota ..	2,849	4	—	—	4	6	3	11	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	43.54	45.56	39.58	2	152	162	79.0	2.64
Tangalla ..	4,896	4	—	—	4	6	8	14	—	4	4	1	1	3	4	33.05	32.23	9.44	—	—	—	—	3.20
Northern.																							
Jaffna ..	42,436	32	4	4	36	64	61	125	59	37	96	2	1	3	3	33.81	31.41	25.97	36	288	279	78.5	4.06
Mannar ..	3,705	1	—	—	1	7	1	8	9	5	14	—	—	4	4	23.17	36.43	44.04	2	250	144	79.0	5.32
Mullaitivu ..	1,663	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	7.09	23.99	28.34	1	—	—	—	3.76
Vavuniya ..	936	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	5	—	—	1	4	11.64	16.12	58.19	—	—	—	—	10.06
Eastern.																							
Batticaloa ..	10,564	1	—	—	1	13	11	24	10	16	26	—	—	—	1	26.22	29.65	28.41	10	417	301	78.2	9.93
Kalmunai ..	2,586	—	—	—	—	4	5	9	6	8	14	—	—	1	4	40.58	43.87	63.13	3	333	280	—	12.48
Trincomalee ..	9,414	5	—	—	5	9	10	19	9	13	22	3	3	1	22.98	28.42	26.61	3	168	123	79.3	8.57	
North-Western.																							
Kurunegala ..	10,187	2	1	1	3	22	19	41	29	26	55	1	—	1	26	43.18	39.55	57.93	13	317	367	78.8	2.43
Puttalam ..	6,905	1	—	—	1	6	4	17	15	12	27	1	3	4	3	26.89	37.52	42.71	8	471	335	79.1	1.76
Kelipitiya ..	1,608	—	—	—	—	3	6	17	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	50.97	33.45	50.97	1	143	280	—	0.49
Chilaw ..	6,642	4	—	—	4	13	7	20	14	12	26	—	—	2	10	31.93	34.04	41.51	3	150	137	—	1.47
North-Central.																							
Anuredhapura ..	7,781	3	—	—	3	12	11	23	15	17	32	—	—	1	5	28.58	28.21	39.77	5	217	268	77.0	3.73
Uva.																							
Badulla ..	8,126	7	3	3	10	23	17	40	9	13	22	3	—	3	7	52.89	38.60	29.09	2	50	83	70.8	12.29
Lunugala ..	526	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	4	7	11	—	—	—	11	44.27	35.35	24.50	1	500	491	—	—
Sabaragamuwa.																							
Ratnapura ..	7,014	1	1	1	2	12	14	26	15	22	37	2	3	5	19	40.57	34.24	57.73	4	154	161	81.2	10.96
Kegalla ..	3,508	2	—	—	2	10	2	12	8	6	14	1	1	2	8	37.36	45.85	43.59	3	250	217	—	3.35

* Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.

Table II.—Births, Deaths, and Infant Mortality of Residents with their Corresponding Rates for December, 1926.

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth-rate, for December 1926.	Deaths.			Death-rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality.	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	December 1926.	Average for December 1916-1925.	Deaths of Children under 1 Year.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during Dec., 1926.
All 33 Towns ..	925	883	1,808	33.78	655	591	1,246	25.17	32.86	348	192
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	355	364	719	32.70	269	213	482	25.24	32.87	143	199
Negombo ..	46	38	84	34.43	25	23	48	20.14	32.82	8	95
Moratuwa ..	64	57	121	32.33	35	38	73	19.86	41.95	18	149
Kalutara ..	11	16	27	22.84	21	11	32	26.93	31.15	5	185
Panadure ..	24	21	45	46.00	13	16	29	31.55	22.87	12	267
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	43	58	101	34.93	42	34	76	28.78	30.35	24	237
Gampola ..	11	7	18	32.13	2	2	4	7.38	25.06	2	111
Nawalapitiya ..	13	8	21	66.97	—	2	2	6.93	37.52	—	—
Hatton-Dikoya ..	8	2	10	39.46	6	6	12	55.68	34.56	3	300
Matāle ..	18	21	39	51.16	6	9	15	21.01	41.71	4	103
Nuwara Eliya ..	10	14	24	34.73	2	7	9	14.38	16.86	4	167
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	55	61	116	34.54	38	53	91	26.51	26.99	20	172
Ambalangoda ..	1	4	5	15.20	3	4	7	21.15	—†	1	200
Matara ..	34	30	64	44.18	15	17	32	21.69	27.38	6	94
Weligama ..	23	17	40	50.42	13	4	17	19.84	24.01	6	150
Hambantota ..	8	3	11	43.54	4	5	9	35.40	43.47	2	182
Tangalla ..	6	8	14	33.05	—	3	3	7.03	26.68	—	—
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	63	60	123	33.27	57	36	93	26.06	32.07	36	293
Mannar ..	6	1	7	22.02	5	5	10	32.08	34.69	2	286
Mullaittivu ..	1	—	1	7.09	4	—	4	29.53	35.35	1	—
Vavuniya ..	1	—	1	11.64	1	—	1	13.62	68.54	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	13	11	24	26.22	10	15	25	28.47	32.33	10	417
Kalmunai ..	4	4	8	36.07	5	4	9	40.89	—†	3	375
Trincomalee ..	9	10	19	22.98	8	13	21	26.57	37.79	3	158
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	19	15	34	35.81	17	12	29	35.49	37.10	11	324
Puttalam ..	13	4	17	26.89	13	11	24	41.17	56.57	8	471
Kalpitiya ..	6	1	7	50.97	4	3	7	58.54	—†	1	143
Chilaw ..	8	7	15	23.95	8	8	16	29.42	42.95	3	200
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura ..	11	10	21	26.10	13	14	27	40.17	73.83	5	238
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	23	17	40	52.89	4	11	15	20.23	46.30	2	50
Lunugala ..	1	—	1	22.14	—	—	—	—	—†	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	11	13	24	37.45	9	9	18	30.62	24.44	4	167
Kegalla ..	6	1	7	21.79	3	3	6	20.91	25.81	1	143

* Births of infants whose mothers were residents of the towns.

† Deaths of children under 1 year whose mothers were residents of the towns.

‡ Not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during December, 1926, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	All 33 Towns.			Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.																						
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kaltara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Navalplitya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Wellagama.		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	857	780	1,637	346	264	29	29	35	39	27	15	15	17	60	50	5	3	3	10	10	10	18	15	2	8	53	63	3	4	20	21	13	4	5	5	4		
I.—Infantile Mortality	195	178	373	86	71	3	5	7	11	3	2	6	11	16	2	—	—	—	2	1	2	3	2	1	3	10	10	—	1	2	4	6	—	—	—	—		
A.—One Week and under.																																						
1. Prematurity	15	13	28	6	4	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	33	31	64	14	13	1	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	13	7	20	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	4	2	6	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	1*	6†	7	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																						
1. Prematurity	3	8	11	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	32	35	67	12	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	43	31	74	24	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	7	9	16	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	11	5	16	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	14	15	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	9‡	13§	22	8	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

* From Toxaemia (in Colombo).

† Besides 4 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death from Septicaemia and Abscess (in Kandy), and 1 from Icterus Neonatorum (in Lunugala).

‡ Besides 8 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death from Verres (in Ratnapura).

§ Besides 5 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote §, 3 deaths from Malarial Fever (2 in Trincomalee), and (1 in Mannar), 1 from Influenza (in Panadura) 1 from Bronchial Asthma (in Galle), 1 from Burns (in Jaffna), 1 from Abscess (in Kurunegala), and 1 from Verres (in Puttalam).

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of December, 1926, 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 1922-1925, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.	Population (exclusive of estimates) to the middle of 1926 by Interpersonal Increase.	Births.			Stillbirths.			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 in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths of Residents.		Standardized Death-rate, December, 1926.†	Number registered during Dec., 1926.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during December, 1926.	Its proportion to annum to 1,000 births registered during the last day of Dec., 1926.
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Deaths of Non-residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Residents.	Birth-rate.	Death-rate.	Per Mille per Annum.						
City of Colombo ..	244,168	358,905	417	427	844	82	19	51	348	264	610	126	482	38.38*	30.82	21.92*	29.96	25.21	157	186	228	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,853	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	4	—	3	—	—	—	6.39	—	—	—	—	
Pettah ..	7,601	8,060	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	8.32	—	—	—	—	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,808	26	28	54	3	—	3	19	18	37	—	37	25.63	18.70	17.56	29.92	—	7	130	169	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,186	5	13	18	3	1	4	11	6	17	—	17	17.39	19.60	16.43	20.64	—	8	444	341	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,813	25	36	61	1	—	1	15	14	29	—	29	36.25	23.82	17.23	21.85	—	14	230	365	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,149	41	35	76	2	2	4	28	28	56	—	56	30.67	24.75	22.62	26.53	—	18	237	303	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,751	30	33	63	5	3	8	28	24	52	—	52	29.97	21.04	24.74	33.44	—	15	238	271	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	170	165	335	15	9	24	143	101	244	119	125	—	—	—	—	—	39	—	—	
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,233	34	30	64	—	—	—	19	20	39	—	39	23.38	27.61	14.25	21.73	—	11	172	162	
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,112	10	11	21	—	2	2	12	11	23	7	16	27.14	25.30	20.68	24.90	—	5	238	226	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,650	13	16	29	—	—	—	15	9	24	—	24	17.38	17.58	14.38	22.21	—	9	310	336	
Slave Island	21,564	22,866	15	18	33	—	—	—	22	15	37	—	36	16.99	21.10	18.54	25.20	—	15	455	316	
Kollupitiya	23,752	25,187	20	16	36	2	1	3	7	8	15	—	15	16.83	12.65	7.01	12.04	—	5	139	190	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	16,771	16	14	30	1	1	2	15	9	24	—	24	21.06	19.69	16.85	21.73	—	9	300	240	
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,466	12	12	24	—	—	—	7	1	8	—	8	24.65	22.98	8.22	15.31	—	2	83	79	

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

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of December, 1926, 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.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	346	264	610	4	—	1	—	19	18	11	6	15	14	28	28
I.—Infantile Mortality	86	71	157	—	—	—	—	5	2	5	3	7	7	10	8
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity	6	4	10	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
2. Debility	14	13	27	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	1*	4†	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	12	11	23	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	—	—	1	2	—
3. Convulsions	24	13	37	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	1	2	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
4a. Enteritis	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	4	8	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	8‡	5§	13	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	2	1	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	260	193	453	4	—	1	—	14	16	6	3	8	7	18	20
1. Plague	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	17	12	29	—	—	1	—	3	1	2	1	2	1	3	3
6. Pyrexia or Fever	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	6	6	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
11a. Enteritis	10	5	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
12. Dysentery	17	14	31	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	1
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo- denalis	5	12	17	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
15. Phthisis	22	23	45	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	9	7	16	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	2
20. Tetanus	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	31	12	43	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	8	7	15	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	2	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	6	3	9	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	76¶	54¶	130	1	—	—	—	3	5	—	1	4	3	6	7

* One death from Toxaemia.

† Two deaths from Toxaemia and 1 each from Cerebral Haemorrhage and Asphyxia due to delayed labour.

‡ One death each from Stomatitis, Influenza, Gastritis, Mediastinal Abscess, Toxaemia, Syphilis, Rickets and Shock from burns.

§ Three deaths from Influenza, and 1 each from Constipation and Syphilis.

¶ Here are included 20 deaths from Senility, and 5 from Paralysis.

¶ Here are included 17 deaths from Senility and 4 from from Fear-disease.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of December, 1926, 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	28	24	143	101	19	20	12	11	15	9	22	15	7	8	15	9
I.—Infantile Mortality	8	7	20	19	6	5	—	5	5	4	10	5	2	3	6	3
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	1	5	5	1	1	—	2	1	2	1	—	1	1	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility	—	—	—	2	1	3	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	2	1
3. Convulsions	5	3	—	4	—	—	—	2	2	1	3	2	—	2	2	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	1	—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
6. Bronchitis	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
I.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..	20	17	123	82	13	15	12	6	10	5	12	10	5	5	9	6
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	2	2	1	1	2	2	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	1	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—
8. Malaria	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	1	4	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	3	1	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—
12. Dysentery	—	2	8	8	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis	—	—	4	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	2	4	11	7	—	3	—	2	3	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	4	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	2	—	1	—	2	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1
20. Tetanus	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	4	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	1	—	22	7	1	—	1	1	—	—	3	1	—	—	1	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth. Starvation	—	2	—	4	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents and Negligence	1	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Homicide	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Suicide	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. All Other Causes	7	4	36	17	3	6	1	—	3	2	5	2	4	3	1	3

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of December, 1926, 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	7	1	2	2	13	14	185	162	61	38	45	40	14	5	26	3
I.—Infantile Mortality	2	—	—	—	2	6	48	45	14	9	14	6	7	3	1	2
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	9	3	3	4	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	—	—	—	7	9	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	3	10	6	2	—	9	2	2	2	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	2	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	5	1	2	2	11	8	137	117	47	29	31	34	7	2	25	1
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	5	5	3	5	4	—	—	2	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	3	2	—	1	1	—	—	1	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	1	—	11	8	3	4	1	2	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dechmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	9	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	—	—	—	1	16	12	2	1	2	8	—	1	2	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	7	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	10	13	2	2	—	—	—	—	8
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	2	—	1	3	3	—	—	—	2
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	1	—	1	—	3	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	1	1	1	5	2	39	34	13	7	9	10	3	—	6	—