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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE  
MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1927.**

**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 398 (357 General, 3 Kandyan, and 38 Muslim), as against 382 in the preceding month and 419 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 132 (102 General and 30 Muslim), as against 153 in the preceding month and 167 in the corresponding month of last year.

**Births.**

3. The births registered numbered 1,747 (908 males and 839 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 35·79 per 1,000 of the population, as against 36·08 in the preceding month, 36·42 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·72 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate, exclusive of the small towns Vavuniya and Lunugala, ranged from 13·09 in Ambalangoda to 69·52 in Nawalapitiya. There were 1,557 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 31·90, as against 32·38 in the preceding month.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 792 (416 males and 376 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 39·44, as against 35·71 in the preceding month, 31·47 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·75 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 10·24 in Kollupitiya to 37·21 in Slave Island. There were 6·3 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 33·51, as against 31·30 in the preceding month.

**Deaths.**

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,505 (793 males and 712 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 30·83 as against 32·42 in the preceding month. There were 1,128 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 24·99, as against 26·90 in the preceding month, 30·67 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·80 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The standardized death rate ranged from 64·74 in Kalpitiya to 8·71 in Nuwara Eliya.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 5·8 (322 males and 276 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·78 as against 29·88 in the preceding month. There were 470 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 2·95, as against 27·45 in the preceding month, 28·70 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·04 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 28·13 in New Bazaar to 8·19 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 130 (70 males and 60 females), as against 128 in the preceding month.

**Infant Mortality.**

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 311 and corresponded to a rate of 187 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 178, as against 203 in the preceding month, 225 in the corresponding month of last year, and 243 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 281 deaths of children under one year, whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 180, as against 206 in the preceding month.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 123, and corresponded to a rate of 195 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 155, as against 184 in the preceding month, 213 in the corresponding month of last year, and 238 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 111 deaths of children under one year, whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 165, as against 188 in the preceding month.

**Causes of Death.**

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 11 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Convulsions and Debility* (of children under one year), each caused 7 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 6 per cent.; *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, 5 per cent.; *Diarrhoea, Bright's Disease and Nephritis*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 4 per cent.; *Dysentery, Enteritis, and Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis, Influenza, and Enteric Fever*, each 2 per cent.; *Cancer and Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 1 per cent.

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

12. Seven deaths (5 males and 2 females) from *Plague* (in Colombo) were registered, as against 6 in the previous month and 4 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 205 cases were reported (142 in Colombo, 27 in Jaffna); *Phthisis*, followed with 93 (74 in Colombo, 7 in Galle); *Enteric Fever* 43 (21 in Colombo, 7 in Weligama); *Measles* 26 (12 in Kandy, 6 in Colombo); *Continued Fever* 21 (17 in Colombo); *Plague* 12 (in Colombo); *Dysentery* 8 (2 each in Moratuwa, Tangalla, Batticaloa, and Kurunegala); *Mumps* 2 (1 each in Matale and Anuradhapura); *Smallpox* 1 (in Galle); *Diphtheria* 1 (in Colombo); *Whooping Cough* 1 (in Colombo).

**Meteorology.**

14. *Rainfall*.—Ratnapura recorded the highest rainfall (7·58 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 7·55 in. in Galle to 1·13 in. in Kalpitiya. Colombo recorded 3·6 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 82·0° in Ratnapura to 58·8° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 80·2° 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, March 29, 1927.

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Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during February, 1927, 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 their 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.

Mortality of Children under One Year.											
Kerala in India.											
Mean Temperature, *.											
Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) estimated to the middle of 1927 by Intercessional Increase.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Deaths.	Still-births.	Deaths of Non-resident registered in Towns, Hospitals and Jails.	Average Birth-rate, 1926-1927.	Its proportion per annum to the number of births during the year ended the last day of Feb., 1927.	Its proportion per annum to the number of deaths during the year ended the last day of Feb., 1927.	Its proportion per annum to the number of still-births during the year ended the last day of Feb., 1927.	Mean Temperature, *.
Estimated population of the country as at the Census of March 18, 1921.	357	3	38	398	908	839	1,747	733	712	1,505	70
All 33 Towns	..	..	..	597,867	636,332	597,867	..	30	132	416	376
Western.	..	..	..	244,163	261,793	102	..	276	276	598	35
Colombo	..	..	..	27,639	28,934	36	40	34	27	56	1
Negombo	..	..	..	41,504	44,504	45	55	58	31	70	3
Moratuwa	..	..	..	13,886	13,981	10	20	21	14	17	2
Kalutara	..	..	..	10,747	11,672	4	14	14	8	11	2
Panadure	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
General.	..	..	..	32,582	34,334	6	1	9	52	35	87
Kandy	..	..	..	6,222	6,672	—	1	1	12	8	20
Gampola	..	..	..	3,221	3,750	3	3	3	12	8	20
Nawalapitiya	..	..	..	2,940	2,993	1	—	—	—	—	—
Hatton-Dikoya	..	..	..	7,865	9,023	5	—	5	16	12	28
Matale	..	..	..	7,625	8,257	6	16	16	16	4	3
Nuwara Eliya	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Southern.	..	..	..	39,073	39,628	31	—	33	64	54	118
Galle	..	..	..	3,347	3,983	9	—	—	9	2	58
Amambalangoda	..	..	..	16,799	17,108	16	22	18	40	15	—
Matale	..	..	..	9,104	9,386	6	6	18	12	30	10
Wellawaya	..	..	..	2,849	2,899	—	1	1	4	5	6
Hambantota	..	..	..	4,896	5,005	5	—	5	5	8	13
Tangalla	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northern.	..	..	..	42,436	43,740	33	45	66	101	52	105
Jaffna	..	..	..	3,705	3,750	4	6	5	11	7	14
Mannar	..	..	..	1,563	1,681	2	—	2	—	—	—
Mullaitivu	..	..	..	936	1,027	—	—	1	—	—	—
Vavuniya	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Batticaloa	..	..	..	10,584	10,818	5	—	5	9	12	21
Kakkinamai	..	..	..	2,616	2,616	—	—	5	2	1	1
Trincomalee	..	..	..	9,414	9,916	10	—	10	9	5	14
North-Western.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kurunegala	..	..	..	10,187	11,878	7	13	18	31	18	21
Puttalam	..	..	..	6,805	7,650	1	3	4	11	9	20
Kahitiy.	..	..	..	1,608	1,619	—	—	5	2	7	—
Chilaw	..	..	..	6,642	7,520	3	—	3	6	13	10
North-Central.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Anuradhapura	..	..	..	7,781	9,834	2	—	2	3	16	15
Uva.	..	..	..	8,126	9,061	3	—	3	12	11	23
Badulla	..	..	..	526	633	—	—	—	5	3	8
Lunugala	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sabaragamuwa.	..	..	..	7,014	7,851	1	—	—	—	—	—
Ratnapura	..	..	..	3,508	3,836	1	—	—	—	—	—
Kegalle	..	..	..	211	244	18	37,38	41,58	18	73,17	18
..	..	..	..	211	244	11	32,37	34,93	19	61,34	11
..	..	..	..	211	244	11	17,5	21,12	10	56,88	11
..	..	..	..	211	244	11	—	—	—	—	—

Blanks indicate that there are no observations or rain gauges.

Table II.—Births, Deaths, and Infant Mortality of Residents with their Corresponding Rates for February, 1927.

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth-rate for February, 1927.	Deaths.			Death-rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality.	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	February, 1927.	Average for February, 1917-1926.	Deaths of Children under 1 Year.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during Feb., 1927.
All 33 Towns ..	818	739	1,557	31·90	585	543	1,128	24·99	32·80	281	180
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	355	318	673	33·51	247	223	470	26·95	31·04	111	165
Negombo ..	34	27	61	27·48	23	28	50	23·06	32·83	18	295
Moratuwa ..	55	54	109	31·93	30	38	68	20·29	38·69	16	147
Kalutara ..	16	19	35	32·63	16	15	31	28·75	25·78	11	314
Panadure ..	14	13	27	30·41	3	5	8	9·59	23·42	2	74
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	50	31	81	30·75	22	25	47	19·54	31·75	12	148
Gampola ..	11	8	19	37·12	4	4	8	16·16	31·02	4	210
Newalapitiya ..	12	6	18	62·57	7	4	11	41·52	35·96	6	333
Hatton-Dikoya ..	—	5	5	21·78	5	3	8	40·98	36·50	—	—
Matale ..	16	12	28	40·45	3	5	8	12·34	44·78	—	—
Nuwara Eliya ..	16	10	26	41·05	3	2	5	8·71	15·06	—	—
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	61	49	110	36·18	49	44	93	29·93	32·44	18	164
Ambalangoda ..	2	2	4	13·09	—	3	3	9·76	—‡	1	250
Matara ..	21	16	37	28·19	11	12	23	17·20	27·81	6	162
Weligama ..	18	12	30	41·66	10	1	11	14·14	21·98	3	100
Hambantota ..	3	2	5	21·73	5	4	9	38·87	34·17	2	400
Tangalla ..	5	8	13	33·86	4	3	7	18·10	28·72	2	154
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	45	54	99	29·50	46	51	97	29·95	38·34	22	222
Mannar ..	5	4	9	31·29	5	5	10	35·45	38·04	4	444
Mullaithivu ..	2	—	2	15·51	—	—	—	—	54·16	—	—
Vavuniya ..	1	—	1	12·70	—	1	1	14·86	62·45	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	9	12	21	25·31	16	10	26	32·66	32·10	14	666
Kalmunai ..	2	1	3	14·95	1	2	3	15·06	—‡	—	—
Trincomalee ..	9	5	14	18·63	10	9	19	26·45	35·61	2	143
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	7	16	23	26·35	7	10	17	22·63	35·01	3	130
Puttalam ..	11	8	19	32·80	14	4	18	33·70	63·33	6	316
Kalpitiya ..	5	2	7	56·37	4	3	7	64·74	—‡	2	286
Chilaw ..	5	11	16	27·74	11	4	15	29·95	48·92	5	313
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura ..	3	14	17	22·54	13	10	23	36·50	80·98	4	235
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	12	10	22	31·65	6	4	10	14·67	32·77	2	91
Lunugala ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—‡	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	10	8	18	30·67	8	9	17	31·58	26·11	4	222
Kegalla ..	3	2	5	16·99	3	2	5	19·02	19·83	1	200

\* 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 February, 1927, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	Western Province.		Central Province.		Southern Province.	
	All 33 Towns	All 33 Towns	All 33 Towns	All 33 Towns	All 33 Towns	All 33 Towns
All Causes	793	712	1,505	322	276	29
1.—Infantile Mortality	159	152	311	60	63	8
A.—One Week and under.						
1. Prematurity	20	16	36	5	1	2
2. Debility	25	25	50	6	2	3
3. Convulsions	12	12	24	4	1	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	3*	2†	5	3	2	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.						
1. Prematurity	5	2	7	3	2	—
2. Debility	20	34	54	8	14	5
3. Convulsions	27	25	52	8	12	2
4. Diarrhoea	8	5	13	2	1	—
4a Enteritis	8	8	16	4	3	—
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	1	—
6. Bronchitis	2	6	8	—	2	—
7. Pneumonia	8	6	14	4	5	2
8. Other Causes	—	20†	108	30	10	6

\* One death each from Cerebral Haemorrhage, Hyperpyrexia, and Toxæmia (in Colombo).

† One death each from Cerebral Haemorrhage and Fracture of base of skull caused by labour (in Colombo).

‡ Besides 10 deaths mentioned in Table V, footnote †, 2 deaths from Verres (1 each in Moratuwa and Pottalam), 1 each from Rickets (in Moratuwa), Burns (in Matale), Nephritis (in Galle), Drowning (in Jaffna), Malaria, Fever (in Mannar) Dysentery (in Batticaloa), Influenza (in Galle), and Congenital Syphilis (in Badulla).

§ Besides 6 deaths mentioned in Table V, footnote §, 2 deaths from Influenza (1 each in Galle and Chilaw), 1 each from Dropsey (in Batticaloa) and Verres (in Ratnapura).

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1927, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Northern Province.		Eastern Province.		North-Western Province.		North-Central Provinces.		Province of Uva.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races			
Causes of Death.															
Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Others.	
Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	
All Causes ..	53	52	7	7	—	2	2	29	18	4	14	10	18	21	15
All Causes ..	53	52	7	7	—	2	2	29	18	4	14	10	18	21	15
I.—Infantile Mortality..	8	14	4	—	—	—	—	7	7	—	1	1	1	2	1
A.—One Week and under.															
1. Prematurity ..	1	1													
2. Debility ..	2	5	2												
3. Convulsions ..															
4. Diarrhoea ..															
4a. Enteritis ..															
5. Tetanus ..															
6. Bronchitis ..															
7. Pneumonia ..															
8. Other Causes ..															
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.															
1. Prematurity ..	1	2	1												
2. Debility ..		2													
3. Convulsions ..		2													
4. Diarrhoea ..															
4a. Enteritis ..															
5. Tetanus ..															
6. Bronchitis ..		2													
7. Pneumonia ..															
8. Other Causes ..		1													

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1927, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*continued*.

Causes of Death.		All 33 Towns.											
		M	F	Total	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	..	634	560	1,194	262	19	22	32	11	13	2	7	327
1. Plague ..	..	5	2	7	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza ..	..	13	6	19	11	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	..	2	3	5	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever ..	..	12	13	25	5	6	1	1	2	1	—	—	—
8. Malaria ..	..	32	25	57	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malaria Cachexia ..	..	8	8	16	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea ..	..	25	22	47	7	6	1	2	1	1	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis ..	..	11	19	30	6	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery ..	..	26	21	47	8	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Ankylostomiasis or Doctenius Duodenalis ..	..	26	30	56	2	8	1	2	1	1	2	2	—
14. Cancer ..	..	9	9	18	4	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	—
15. Phthisis ..	..	36	84	25	23	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	..	3	5	8	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia ..	..	4	—	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	..	4	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions ..	..	13	18	31	4	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus ..	..	10	2	12	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis ..	..	16	12	28	11	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia ..	..	97	61	158	23	5	3	—	—	—	3	2	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	..	4	4	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	..	28	30	58	11	5	—	—	—	—	4	2	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	..	—	5	5	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	2	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..	..	—	22	22	—	8	—	—	—	—	2	1	—
27. Miscarriage ..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	..	—	18	18	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	2	—
29. Starvation ..	..	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence ..	..	23	13	36	10	5	1	—	—	—	2	1	—
31. Homicide ..	..	5	1	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	2	—
32. Suicide ..	..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—
33. Execution ..	..	—	208*	208*	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—
34. All Other Causes ..	..	—	173†	173†	—	—	95	70	5	10	15	20	—

\* Here are included 40 deaths from Senility, 18 from Worms, 17 from Debility, 15 from Heart Disease, 13 from Paralysis, and 11 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.  
 † Here are included 56 deaths from Senility, 20 from Debility, 15 from Worms, 12 from Paralysis, 9 from Heart Disease, and 3 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1927, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*continued*.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of February, 1927, 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 1922–1926, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) estimated to the middle of 1927 by Intercessional Increases.	Population of March 15, 1922.	Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.	Stillbirths.				Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Non-residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Residents.	Mortality of Children under one Year.										
				Births.		Persons.	Persons.				Death-rate.	Standardized Death-rate, February, 1927.*	Number registered during Feb., 1927.	Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the year ended Feb., 1927.							
				Males.	Females.																
City of Colombo ..	244,163	261,793	416	376	792	35	30	65	322	276	598	113	470	39·44†	32·83	23·40†	28·87	26·95	123	155	195
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,885	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	—	0·96	4·52	9·31	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,150	1	1	2	—	—	—	3	2	6	—	2	3·20	4·26	3·20	10·92	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,084	17	23	40	—	5	5	14	21	35	—	32	20·79	21·77	16·63	26·19	—	11	275	281
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,322	10	9	19	1	—	1	10	5	15	—	12	20·10	24·56	12·70	27·18	—	2	105	96
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,034	28	17	45	1	1	2	16	18	34	—	34	29·28	25·44	22·12	26·01	—	11	244	299
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,473	37	35	72	1	2	3	27	29	56	—	56	31·85	27·35	24·77	28·14	—	13	181	246
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,027	36	26	62	3	1	4	26	28	54	—	54	32·29	25·23	28·13	27·27	—	17	274	330
Maradana Hospitals —	—	152	139	291	18	13	31	136	96	232	112	120	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,593	38	37	75	3	1	4	24	24	48	—	46	30·00	24·16	18·40	20·67	—	12	160	193
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,214	9	7	16	—	—	—	5	5	10	1	9	22·64	25·76	12·73	23·20	—	2	125	103
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals) Slave Island ..	18,531	19,870	8	13	21	2	2	4	12	14	26	—	26	13·78	17·92	17·06	17·22	—	5	238	201
Kollupitiya ..	21,584	23,121	38	28	66	3	1	4	22	10	32	—	31	37·21	24·06	17·48	25·22	—	6	91	131
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	16,958	19	22	41	1	1	2	8	6	14	—	14	31·52	25·33	10·76	21·64	—	5	122	149
Wellawatta South ..	10,813	11,594	12	10	22	—	1	1	7	10	17	—	17	24·74	26·35	19·11	16·40	—	4	182	172

\* Standardized death-rates for the wards of the city are not available.

+ The city-rate is worked differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account events in hospitals, &c., of residents not assigned to wards.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1927, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.															
				Fort and Galle Face.		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	M	F	M	F
All Causes	322	276	598	4	—	3	2	14	21	10	5	16	18	27	29				
I.—Infantile Mortality	60	63	123	—	—	—	—	4	7	1	1	5	6	7	6				
A.—One Week and under.				6	5	11	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3				
1. Prematurity	..	..	..	8	6	14	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3				
2. Debility	..	..	..	4	4	8	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	2				
3. Convulsions	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
4. Diarrhoea	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
4a. Enteritis	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
5. Tetanus	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
6. Bronchitis	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
7. Pneumonia	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
8. Other Causes	..	..	..	3*	2†	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.				3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1				
1. Prematurity	..	..	..	8	14	22	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Debility	..	..	..	8	12	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	1
3. Convulsions	..	..	..	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1
4. Diarrhoea	..	..	..	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1
4a. Enteritis	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	..	..	..	4	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	..	..	..	10‡	6§	16	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	262	213	475	4	—	3	2	10	14	9	4	11	12	20	23				
1. Plague	..	..	..	5	2	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1				
2. Smallpox	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
3. Chickenpox	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
4. Measles	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
5. Influenza	..	..	..	11	2	13	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	—				
6. Pyrexia or Fever	..	..	..	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—				
7. Enteric Fever	..	..	..	5	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
8. Malaria	..	..	..	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
9. Malarial Cachexia	..	..	..	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
10. Cholera	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
11. Diarrhoea	..	..	..	7	6	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	..	..	..	6	8	14	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	1	1	1	1
12. Dysentery	..	..	..	8	4	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Ankylostomiasis or Dochmiasis Duodenalis	..	..	..	2	8	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	..	..	..	4	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	..	..	..	25	23	48	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	1	2	6
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	..	..	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	..	..	..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	..	..	..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	..	..	..	4	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	..	..	..	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	..	..	..	11	8	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	1
22. Pneumonia	..	..	..	33	23	56	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	..	..	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	..	..	11	5	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	..	..	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	..	..	..	—	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	..	..	..	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	..	..	..	10	5	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	..	..	..	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	..	..	..	95	70	165	2	—	—	—	—	5	3	4	—	3	3	7	10

\* One death each from Cerebral Haemorrhage, Hyper-pyrexia and Toxaemia.

† One death each from Cerebral Haemorrhage and Fracture of Base of Skull caused by labour.

‡ Three deaths from Syphilis and 1 each from Influenza, Colitis, Morbus Cordis, Paresis of Bowel, Nephritis, Extreme Condition of Hare-lip and Meningitis.

§ Three deaths from Influenza, 2 from Syphilis, and 1 from Infantile Scurvy.

|| Here are included 18 deaths from Senility, 8 from Heart Disease and 6 each from Debility, Paralysis, and Cerebral Haemorrhage.

¶ Here are included 19 deaths from Senility, 9 from Debility, 8 from Paralysis, and 5 from Heart Disease.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1927, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—continued.

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Marsdana 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	28	136	96	24	24	5	5	12	14	22	10	8	8	8	6
I.—Infantile Mortality .....	10	7	16	16	4	8	1	1	2	3	5	1	—	3	3	2
A.—One Week and under.																
1. Prematurity .....			2	1												1
2. Debility .....			2	2												1
3. Convulsions .....			1	1												1
4. Diarrhoea .....			1	1												1
4a. Enteritis .....			1	1												1
5. Tetanus .....			1	1												1
6. Bronchitis .....			1	1												1
7. Pneumonia .....			1	1												1
8. Other Causes .....			1	1												1
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																
1. Prematurity .....			2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Debility .....			2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3. Convulsions .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4. Diarrhoea .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4a. Enteritis .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5. Tetanus .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6. Bronchitis .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7. Pneumonia .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8. Other Causes .....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) .....	16	21	129	80	20	16	4	4	10	11	17	9	8	5	5	4
1. Plague .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchyllostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis .....	2	1	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
14. Cancer .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .....	2	5	13	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution .....			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes .....	8	4	40	23	7	10	1	1	4	7	9	4	2	3	1	1

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1927, 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.	
			M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes .. ..	7	10	4	3	11	12	170	162	54	45	49	48	9	4	25	2				
I.—Infantile Mortality .. ..	2	2	—	—	2	2	41	35	6	8	9	15	1	1	1	2				
A.—One Week and under.																				
1. Prematurity .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																				
1. Prematurity .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility .. ..	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) .. ..	5	8	4	3	9	10	129	127	48	37	40	33	8	3	24					
1. Plague .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duodenalis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—