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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE  
MONTH OF JANUARY, 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 marriages of residents in the proclaimed towns numbered 311 (232 General, 5 Kandyan, and 74 Muslim), as against 314 in the preceding month and 405 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 147 (106 General and 41 Muslim), as against 133 in the preceding month and 157 in the corresponding month of last year.

**Births.**

3. The births registered numbered 2,115 (1,076 males and 1,039 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 39·51 per 1,000 of the population, as against 35·59 in the preceding month, 37·64 in the corresponding month of last year, and 33·28 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate ranged from 19·73 in Hatton-Dikoya to 69·83 in Vavuniya. There were 1,902 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 35·53, as against 31·72 in the preceding month.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 834 (423 males and 411 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 37·93 per 1,000, as against 32·37 in the preceding month, 37·94 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·77 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 13·09 in Kollupitiya to 32·35 in New Bazaar. There were 700 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 31·83, as against 27·31 in the preceding month.

**Deaths.**

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 2,217 (1,122 males and 1,095 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 41·42, as against 35·97 in the preceding month. There were 1,658 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 33·52, as against 30·29 in the preceding month, 31·77 in the corresponding month of last year, and 33·43 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The standardized rate ranged from 95·32 in Vavuniya to 9·09 in Kalmunai.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 824 (438 males and 386 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 27·47, as against 30·17 in the preceding month. There were 662 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 34·67, as against 27·54 in the preceding month, 34·37 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·35 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The death-rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 34·89 in Maradana East to 13·09 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 147 (86 males and 61 females), as against 163 in the preceding month.

**Infant Mortality.**

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 461 and corresponded to a rate of 264 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 218, as against 232 in the preceding month, 221 in the corresponding month of last year, and 248 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 422 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 222, as against 243 in the preceding month.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 179, and corresponded to a rate of 275 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 215, as against 182 in the preceding month, 208 in the corresponding month of last year, and 242 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 166 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 237, as against 200 in the preceding month.

**Causes of Death.**

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

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 12 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Phthisis* and *Convulsions*, each caused 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year) 6 per cent.; *Enteritis*, and *Influenza*, each 5 per cent.; *Enteric Fever*, 4 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Bronchitis*, *Dysentery*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia* and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 2 per cent.; *Cancer* 1 per cent.

12. One death from *Plague* (in Colombo) was registered, as against 2 in the preceding month and 6 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox* of which 200 cases were reported (137 in Colombo, 21 in Galle, 15 in Ratnapura, 11 in Kandy). *Phthisis*, followed with 149 cases (126 in Colombo, 10 in Galle); *Measles* 119 (86 in Colombo, 13 in Moratuwa, 11 in Kandy); *Enteric Fever* 78 (37 in Colombo, 17 in Moratuwa, 9 in Panadure); *Continued Fever* 35 (24 in Colombo); *Dysentery* 5 (in Moratuwa); *Mumps* 3 (in Colombo); *Smallpox* 3 (in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 2 (in Colombo); *Plague* 1 (in Colombo).

**Meteorology.**

14. *Rainfall.*—Kalunai recorded the highest rainfall (17·01 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 16·90 in Batticaloa to 1·89 in Matara. Colombo recorded 2·51 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 80·5° in Ratnapura to 58·0° in Nuwara Eliya and was 79·4° in Colombo.

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

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during January, 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.

Population (exclusive of the Military and Ship- ping) at the middle of 1926 by Census of March 18, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1926 by Intercensal Increase.	Marriages.		Births.		Deaths.		Still births.		Deaths of Non- residents of Towns registered in Town Hospitals, and Jails.		Persons. Persons. Males. Females.		Persons. Persons. Males. Females.		Persons. Persons. Males. Females.		Deaths.		Birth-rate.		Mean Temperature. ° Fahrenheit in Inches.							
		Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Musilm.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.	Total.	Kandyan.				
All 88 Towns ..	597,887	630,242	232	5	74	811	1076	1039	2,115	1,122	1095	2,217	86	61	147	551	39	51	33	28	41	42	461	218	264				
Western.																													
Colombo	..	244,163	258,905	106	—	41	147	423	411	834	386	824	30	29	59	160	37	93	28	77	37	47	179	216	275				
Negombo	..	27,639	28,724	13	—	15	80	58	45	138	40	67	93	2	3	5	20	56	57	41	71	41	40	17	123	186			
Moratuwa	..	41,858	44,072	13	—	13	85	93	40	78	54	29	50	1	1	12	1	47	55	46	29	25	91	23	129	207			
Kalutara	..	13,906	13,919	5	—	5	25	25	25	54	25	50	6	2	8	13	45	68	40	54	42	30	9	167	214	214			
Central.																													
Panadure	..	32,562	34,045	7	2	7	16	65	64	129	47	69	116	1	1	1	34	44	61	36	26	40	12	28	217	255			
Kandy	..	8,202	6,595	—	—	—	—	1	10	3	13	13	13	26	2	2	19	57	13	38	80	66	05	6	188	264	—		
Gampola	..	3,221	3,692	1	—	—	—	1	1	4	1	5	5	8	13	—	4	32	49	85	35	63	60	35	3	600	411	—	
Nawalapitiya	..	2,940	2,984	1	—	1	—	5	22	16	38	20	26	46	3	1	4	5	39	07	25	65	37	63	10	370	155	—	
Hatton-Dikoya	..	7,885	7,975	4	—	1	—	4	11	16	27	7	19	26	—	—	5	5	39	07	25	65	37	63	10	370	446	580	
Matale	..	8,136	8,136	4	—	4	—	4	11	16	27	7	19	26	—	—	5	5	39	07	25	65	37	63	10	370	446	580	
Nuwara Eliya	..	7,525	8,136	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Southern.																													
Galle	..	39,073	39,539	4	—	8	65	67	132	58	60	118	7	3	10	25	39	31	39	67	35	14	17	129	140	140			
Ambalangoda	..	3,347	3,874	—	—	—	—	—	9	4	13	4	7	11	—	—	—	3	39	61	35	26	33	43	2	164	235	—	
Matara	..	16,779	17,055	7	—	7	23	32	55	16	30	46	2	1	3	7	37	97	43	07	31	76	9	164	180	—			
Weligama	..	9,104	9,341	3	—	3	20	16	36	7	2	9	2	—	2	—	—	45	38	46	21	11	34	3	83	102	—		
Hambantota	..	2,849	2,975	1	—	1	7	6	13	9	4	13	—	1	1	—	—	51	45	36	72	51	45	2	154	154	787		
Tangalle	..	4,896	4,987	4	—	4	3	8	11	8	5	13	—	3	3	1	—	25	97	32	33	30	70	1	91	67	—		
Northern.																													
Jaffna	..	42,436	43,529	22	—	9	31	75	66	141	83	78	161	4	5	9	6	38	14	31	78	43	56	45	319	335	780		
Mannar	..	3,705	3,743	2	—	2	7	6	13	9	10	19	—	1	1	9	40	89	40	24	59	77	2	154	153	795			
Mullaithivu	..	1,563	1,662	2	—	1	3	1	4	5	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	35	43	29	36	35	43	2	400	399	832		
Vavuniya	..	936	1,012	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	6	5	5	10	2	—	3	69	83	20	20	116	38	2	333	736	953		
Eastern.																													
Batticaloa	..	10,564	10,777	2	—	2	19	11	30	12	18	30	2	—	2	4	32	78	25	79	32	78	7	233	218	1690			
Kalmunai	..	2,586	2,611	—	—	8	2	10	6	2	8	—	1	1	6	45	09	45	24	38	07	1	100	129	1701				
Trincomalee	..	9,414	9,734	5	—	5	16	7	23	21	16	37	1	2	4	27	82	22	11	44	75	12	522	587	794				
North-Western.																													
Kurunegala	..	10,187	11,179	3	—	1	4	16	12	28	52	41	93	1	—	1	6	29	49	36	29	97	95	18	643	584	776		
Puttalam	..	6,905	7,444	1	—	8	9	7	16	23	31	28	59	3	—	6	13	36	38	41	75	93	32	15	652	572	783		
Kalpitiya	..	1,608	1,617	1	—	1	2	1	3	1	5	6	—	—	—	—	21	84	35	67	43	69	1	333	318	216			
Chilaw	..	6,642	7,380	3	—	3	14	12	26	19	15	34	—	—	—	—	16	41	60	36	64	54	39	8	308	339	429		
North-General.																													
Anuradhapura	..	7,781	9,474	9	—	9	6	11	17	35	20	55	—	1	1	8	21	13	23	18	68	35	9	529	544	766			
Uva.	..	8,126	8,905	3	1	4	12	13	25	23	17	40	2	—	2	19	33	05	40	46	52	89	11	440	420	696			
BaAulla	..	526	532	1	—	1	—	—	—	15	8	23	—	—	—	22	—	34	31	50	91	2	—	—	—	184	184	789	
Lunugala	..	—	—	3	1	4	12	13	25	23	17	40	2	—	2	19	33	05	40	46	52	89	11	440	420	696	200		
Sabaragamawwa.	..	7,014	7,546	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	18	31	21	39	40	59	29	4	200	161	335
Kegnalla	..	3,508	3,782	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	31	13	40	60	87	17	2	200	161	335	

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

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

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth-rate, January, 1926.	Deaths.			Death-rate (Standardized).*		Infant Mortality.	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Average for January, 1916-1925.	Deaths of Children under 1 Year.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during Jan., 1926.	
All 33 Towns	968	934	1,902	35·53	802	856	1,658	33·52	33·48	422	222
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	350	350	700	31·83	344	318	662	34·67	32·35	166	237
Negombo	67	43	110	45·09	35	46	81	33·99	34·70	16	145
Moratuwa	85	93	178	47·55	40	55	95	25·85	39·86	23	129
Kalutara	25	27	52	43·99	16	21	37	31·14	30·97	9	173
Panadure	9	16	25	25·56	12	12	24	26·11	29·02	6	240
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	58	57	115	39·77	33	49	82	31·06	30·08	28	243
Gampola	13	18	31	55·34	8	10	18	33·22	30·50	5	161
Awalapitiya	8	2	10	31·89	3	4	7	24·24	31·85	—	—
Hatton-Dikoya	4	1	5	19·73	3	4	7	32·48	32·27	3	600
Matale	19	16	35	45·92	6	8	14	19·61	37·94	3	86
Nuwara Eliya	11	16	27	39·07	4	17	21	33·55	16·36	7	259
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	63	59	122	36·33	43	49	92	26·81	30·44	15	123
Ambalangoda	9	4	13	39·51	4	7	11	33·24	—‡	2	154
Matara	22	30	52	35·90	13	26	39	26·42	28·42	9	173
Weligama	20	16	36	45·38	7	2	9	10·50	19·72	3	83
Hambantota	7	6	13	51·45	8	4	12	47·20	30·67	2	154
Tangalla	3	8	11	25·97	7	5	12	28·12	23·53	1	91
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	75	64	139	37·60	79	77	156	43·71	38·03	45	324
Mannar	6	6	12	37·75	3	5	8	25·66	39·72	1	83
Mullaittivu	1	4	5	35·43	3	2	5	36·92	46·08	2	400
Vavuniya	3	2	5	58·19	2	5	7	95·32	41·69	1	200
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	19	11	30	32·78	9	17	26	29·61	32·51	7	233
Kalmunai	8	2	10	45·09	1	1	2	9·09	—‡	—	—
Trincomalee	16	7	23	27·82	17	16	33	41·75	35·06	12	522
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	16	12	28	29·49	17	13	30	36·72	43·13	10	357
Puttalam	7	16	23	36·38	21	25	46	78·91	60·06	15	652
Kalpitiya	2	1	3	21·84	1	5	6	50·18	—‡	1	333
Chilaw	12	11	23	36·80	8	10	18	33·17	43·16	7	304
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	6	11	17	21·13	29	17	46	68·43	90·44	8	471
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	12	13	25	33·05	13	8	21	28·32	38·31	10	400
Lunugala	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	24·95	—‡	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	10	7	17	26·53	10	10	20	34·02	28·84	3	176
Kegalla	2	5	7	21·79	2	8	10	34·86	28·07	2	286

\* Births of infants whose mothers were residents of the town.

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

‡ Not available.

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

\* Besides 2 deaths mentioned in Table V, footnote \*, 1 death from Erysipelas (in Jaffna), and 1 from Meningeal Haemorrhage (in Lunugala).

Beside 1 death mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death from Jaundice (in Negombo), and 1 from Fracture of Skull (in Ambalangoda).  
Besides 8 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote ‡, 2 deaths from Thrush (1 each in Negombo and Moratuwa), 1 from Whooping Cough (in Moratuwa), 1 each from Influenza and Cataract.

*Syphilis in Galle), 2 from Malaria 1 each in Puttalam and Anuradhapura, 4 from Worms, (3 in Puttalam and 1 in Ratnapura) and 1 from Dysentery (in Badulla). Besides 14 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote 3 deaths from Malaria (1 each in Hanhantota, Jaffna, and Anuradhapura), 2 from Rickets (1 each in Moratuwa and*

Besides 14 deatns mentioned in Table V., footnote 3, 3 deaths from Malaria (each in Narravota, Jamna, and Anuradhapura), 2 from riceets (each in Morawwa and Ceylon), 1 from Tonsilitis (in Jaffna), 1 each from Erysipelas and Scepticemia (in Galle), 1 from Tonsilitis (in Matara), 1 from Influenza (in Kurunegala) and 1 from Worms (in Puttalam).

Table III.—Causes of Death by Sex registered during January, 1926, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Death.		Northern Province.		Eastern Province.		North-Western Province.		North-Central Province.		Province of Uva.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races.		
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	83	78	9	10	3	2	5	6	12	18	6	2	21	16	52	41
I.—Infantile Mortality..	25	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
A.—One Week and under.	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1. Prematurity	..	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	..	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1. Prematurity	..	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	..	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	..	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	..	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	..	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table III.—Causes of Death by Sex registered during January, 1926, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Death.		All 38 Towns.		Western Province.		Central Province.		Southern Province.	
		M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)</b>									
1. Plague	..	894	872	1,756	347	298	37	47	29
2. Smallpox	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	..	24	12	36	10	22	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	..	4	3	7	2	5	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	..	32	24	56	20	11	2	2	—
8. Malaria	..	50	34	84	8	4	3	2	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	..	17	10	27	—	1	2	—	—
10. Cholera	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	..	40	54	94	9	14	1	2	—
11a. Enteritis	..	27	35	62	9	19	2	2	—
12. Dysentery	..	48	42	90	13	13	4	3	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmiasis	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	..	27	55	82	9	14	3	5	—
15. Phthisis	..	6	10	16	6	4	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	59	61	120	36	23	1	1	—
17. Ansema	..	4	5	6	—	1	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	..	7	3	10	—	3	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	..	16	20	36	6	9	1	1	—
20. Tetanus	..	6	1	7	3	—	1	1	—
21. Bronchitis	..	19	16	35	12	10	1	1	—
22. Pneumonia	..	164	110	274	46	35	6	4	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	9	8	17	3	3	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	..	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	..	—	21	—	8	1	2	—	—
29. Starvation	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	..	28	12	40	14	3	2	1	—
31. Homicide	..	9	—	9	4	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	..	7	1	8	5	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	..	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	..	241*	233†	474	102	89	11	12	18
									6
									10
									3
									1

\* Here are included 50 deaths from Senility, 23 from Worms, 17 from Paralysis, 16 from Heart Disease, and 14 from Debility.

† Here are included 79 deaths from Senility, 30 from Worms, 26 from Paralysis, 12 from Debility, 11 from Heart Disease.

Table III.—Causes of Death by Sex registered during January, 1926, 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 January, 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 estimated to the middle of 1926 by Intercessional Increase, of March 18, 1921.	Mortality of Children under one Year.													
		Per Mille per Annum.						Its proportion per annum per 1,000 births registered during the year ended last day of Jan., 1926.							
		Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Non-residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Residents.			Birth-rate.				
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Average for Jan., 1922–25.	Average for Jan., 1926.	Jan., 1926.		
City of Colombo ..	224,163	268,905	423	411	834	30	29	59	438	824	160	632	37·93*	33·69	
Port and Galle Face	2,690	2,853	—	1	1	—	—	2	1	3	—	3	4·13	—	
Pettah ..	7,601	8,060	1	—	1	—	—	4	1	5	—	5	1·46	3·78	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,808	12	21	33	3	5	8	27	54	—	64	15·66	21·47	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,186	9	12	21	—	—	10	8	18	—	18	20·29	22·93	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,813	25	20	45	1	1	2	22	34	56	—	66	26·74	25·25
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,149	36	44	80	1	—	1	24	29	53	—	52	32·32	30·43
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,751	27	41	68	3	2	5	23	26	49	—	49	32·35	26·05
Meradana Hospitals ..	—	—	161	150	311	18	15	33	184	144	328	149	179	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,233	39	30	69	1	—	1	33	30	63	—	63	25·20	25·53
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,112	9	14	23	1	1	2	18	9	27	—	27	29·72	18·27
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals) Slave Island ..	18,531	19,650	17	11	28	2	—	2	18	16	34	—	34	16·78	22·91
Kollupitiya ..	21,564	22,866	34	25	59	—	4	4	34	24	58	—	58	30·38	29·22
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	16,771	18	24	42	—	—	1	1	19	39	11	28	13·09	14·81
Wellawatta South ..	10,813	11,466	16	9	25	—	—	9	6	15	—	16	25·67	29·53	15·40
													32·18	30·11*	34·67
													179	215	275

\* 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 January, 1926, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.												Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
				Fort and Galle Face.				Pettah.				St. Paul's.				San Sebastian.			
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes ..	438	386	824	2	1	4	1	27	27	10	8	22	34	24	29				
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	91	88	179	—	—	—	—	3	10	5	3	5	10	8	6				
A.—One Week and under.																			
1. Prematurity ..	10	4	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	14	8	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
3. Convulsions ..	3	6	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	2*	1†	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																			
1. Prematurity ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	13	17	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	3
3. Convulsions ..	16	19	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	1
4. Diarrhoea ..	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	6	8	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
7. Pneumonia ..	9	5	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
8. Other Causes ..	8‡	14§	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..	347	298	645	2	1	4	1	24	17	5	5	17	24	16	23				
1. Plague ..	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles ..	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
5. Influenza ..	22	10	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever ..	20	11	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2
8. Malaria ..	8	4	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea ..	9	14	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	1	1
11a. Enteritis ..	9	19	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
12. Dysentery ..	13	13	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenitis ..	9	14	23	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer ..	6	4	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	3
15. Phthisis ..	36	23	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia ..	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions ..	6	9	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	2
20. Tetanus ..	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis ..	12	10	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	3
22. Pneumonia ..	46	35	81	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	3
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	9	13	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence ..	14	3	17	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
31. Homicide ..	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
32. Suicide ..	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution ..	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	9	8	8
34. All Other Causes ..	102	89	191	1	—	2	—	6	5	1	2	6	9	8	8	—	—	—	—

\* One death each from Imperforate Anus and Status Lymphaticus.

† One death from Recto-Vaginal fistula.

‡ Four deaths from Influenza, 2 from Improper Feeding, and 1 each from Rickets and Impetigo.

§ Four deaths each from Influenza and Rickets, 2 death each from Syphilis and Nephritis, and 1 each from Gastritis and Stomatitis.

|| Here are included 23 deaths from Senility, 10 from Heart Disease, 7 each from Debility, Paralysis, and Worms, 6 from Diseases of the Liver, and 4 each from Septicaemia and Gangrene.

¶ Here are included 31 deaths from Senility, 10 from Debility, 6 each from Paralysis and Worms, and 4 from Heart Disease.

Table V.--Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1926, 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.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals.)		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatta North.			
All Causes	23	26	184	144	33	30	18	9	18	16	34	24	19	20	11	11		
I.—Infantile Mortality	7	11	27	17	11	11	4	2	3	8	10	6	—	1	5	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																		
3. Convulsions																		
4. Diarrhoea																		
4a. Enteritis																		
5. Tetanus																		
6. Bronchitis																		
7. Pneumonia																		
8. Other Causes																		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	16	15	157	127	22	19	14	7	15	8	24	18	19	19	6	9		
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 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	4	7	35	26	10	8	3	2	8	3	6	7	7	8	4	2		

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1926, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—continued.

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races. <sup>a</sup>																Others.
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.				Burgers.				Sinhalese.				Tamils.				Malays.
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	..	..	9	6	4	3	17	14	226	232	82	64	65	55	10	11	34	7.	
I.—Infantile Mortality	..	..	3	1	—	—	1	4	3	51	43	13	19	17	17	4	5	2	—
A.—One Week and under.																			
1. Prematurity	..	..	1	1	—	—	—	—	8	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	..	..	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	..	..	6	5	4	2	13	11	175	189	69	45	48	38	6	6	32	7	
1. Plague	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	..	..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	..	..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenitis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	..	..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Fuerperal 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	..	..	1	2	3	2	5	5	49	51	14	9	17	18	1	3	13	1	