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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF AUGUST, 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 marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 565 (544 General, 7 Kandyan, and 14 Muslim), as against 384 in the preceding month and 348 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 254 (245 General and 9 Muslim), as against 191 in the preceding month and 127 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,743 (924 males and 819 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 32·25 per 1,000 of the population, as against 32·20 in the preceding month, 32·19 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·57 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate, exclusive of the towns Mullaittivu, Vavuniya, and Lunugala, ranged from 18·47 in Ratnapura to 90·02 in Kalmunai. There were 1,549 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 28·66, as against 29·03 in the preceding month and 29·80 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 653 (348 males and 305 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·37, as against 28·42 in the preceding month, 29·11 in the corresponding month of last year, and 23·75 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 12·95 in Kollupitiya to 29·54 in Slave Island. There were 554 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 24·92, as against 24·24 in the preceding month and 25·79 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,708 (928 males and 780 females). The number was equivalent to an annual rate of 31·60, as against 33·08 in the preceding month and 34·82 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,314 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 26·30, as against 26·72 in the preceding month, 28·73 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·61 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The standardized death rate, exclusive of the towns Mullaittivu, Vavuniya, and Lunugala, ranged from 58·48 in Kalpitiya to 13·75 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 640 (373 males and 267 females), equivalent to an annual rate of 28·78, as against 30·18 in the preceding month and 30·65 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 504 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 26·10, as against 27·29 in the preceding month, 28·91 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·22 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 23·05 in New Bazaar to 8·78 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 138 (77 males and 61 females), as against 131 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 333, and corresponded to a rate of 179 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 191, as against 220 in the preceding month, 244 in the corresponding month of last year, and 241 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 306 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 198, as against 224 in the preceding month and 244 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year amounted to 124 and corresponded to a rate of 171 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 189, as against 255 in the preceding month, 253 in the corresponding month of last year, and 256 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 112 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 202, as against 273 in the preceding month and 256 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 15 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Phthisis* and *Debility* (of children under one year), each caused 7 per cent.; *Dysentery* and *Enteritis*, each 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea* and *Convulsions*, each 5 per cent.; *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 3 per cent.; *Puerperal Septicaemia*, *Prematurity*, *Influenza*, *Enteric Fever*, and *Bronchitis*, each 2 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 13 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Phthisis* caused 9 per cent.; *Enteritis*, 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year), 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, 5 per cent.; *Influenza*, *Dysentery*, and *Convulsions*, each 4 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis*, *Enteric Fever*, *Puerperal Septicaemia*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 2 per cent.; *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, and *Prematurity*, each 1 per cent.

12. Two deaths from *Plague* (1 male and 1 female) were registered, as against 1 in the preceding month.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 105 cases were reported (84 in Colombo, 5 in Matara); *Enteric Fever* followed with 53 (27 in Colombo, 6 in Galle); *Chicken-pox* 44 (34 in Colombo, 4 in Ratnapura); *Dysentery* 19 (15 in Moratuwa); *Measles* 18 (15 in Colombo); *Continued Fever* 16 (14 in Colombo); *Plague* 3 (2 in Colombo and 1 in Anuradhapura); *Mumps* 1 (in Kandy); *Smallpox* 1 (in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall.*—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (8·83 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 5·92 in. in Matara to 0·22 in. in Kalmunai. There was no rainfall in Jaffna, Mannar, Puttalam, and Kalpitiya. Colombo recorded 0·52 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 85·3° in Trincomalee to 60·7° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 82·0° 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, September 30, 1927.

C. COOMARASWAMY,
Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during August, 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 1917, 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.

Provinces and Towns.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Ship- ping) at the Census 1927 by Inter-censal Increase, 1917, 1921.	Marriages.			Births.		Deaths.		Stillbirths.			Deaths of Non-residents registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Birth Rate.		Death-rate for August, 1927.	Number registered during August, 1927.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended the last day of August, 1927.	Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended the last day of August, 1927.	Mean Temperature.	Rainfall in Inches.*			
		General.	Kandyan.	Muslim.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	August, 1927.							Average for August, 1917-1926.		
All 33 Towns	597,867	544	7	14	565	924	819	1743	928	780	1708	77	61	138	386	32.25	27.57	31.60	333	191	179	82.0	0.52	
<i>Western.</i>																								
Colombo	244,163	245	—	9	254	348	305	653	373	267	640	35	14	49	132	29.37	23.75	28.78	124	189	171	82.0	0.23	
Negombo	27,639	79	—	—	79	60	49	109	38	38	76	4	1	5	5	44.36	35.59	30.93	17	166	185	—	—	
Noratuwa	41,888	55	—	—	55	49	39	88	44	34	78	1	9	10	3	23.28	31.76	20.64	20	227	171	—	—	
Kalutara	13,596	7	—	—	7	21	12	33	21	20	44	—	—	—	3	27.79	33.50	37.05	8	243	180	—	—	
Panadura	10,747	13	—	—	13	14	19	33	14	16	30	2	—	2	3	33.58	27.06	30.52	7	212	213	—	—	
<i>Central.</i>																								
Kandy	32,562	10	3	1	14	67	49	116	53	36	89	6	2	8	24	39.78	29.10	30.52	14	121	120	—	—	
Gampola	6,202	—	—	—	—	8	5	13	7	15	22	2	—	—	12	22.94	22.73	38.82	6	462	320	—	—	
Nawalapitiya	3,221	2	—	—	2	9	5	14	11	11	22	2	3	5	16	43.96	28.15	69.07	2	143	132	—	—	
Hetton-Dikoya	2,940	1	—	—	1	4	4	8	5	3	8	—	—	—	1	31.47	30.22	31.47	2	250	248	—	—	
Madala	7,865	4	3	—	7	13	19	32	21	18	39	3	1	4	24	41.76	29.64	50.89	7	219	209	—	—	
Nuwara Eliya	7,525	6	—	—	6	9	6	15	7	12	19	1	4	5	2	21.39	21.41	27.09	6	400	231	—	—	
<i>Southern.</i>																								
Galle	39,073	22	2	—	24	50	64	114	39	43	82	2	7	9	17	33.87	27.46	24.36	12	105	93	—	—	
Ambalangoda	3,347	3	—	—	3	4	6	10	4	2	6	—	—	—	6	29.56	22.80	17.74	2	200	229	—	—	
Matara	16,779	16	—	—	16	22	16	38	14	18	32	—	—	—	6	26.15	30.86	22.02	5	132	94	—	—	
Weligama	9,104	15	—	—	15	17	35	52	11	7	18	—	—	—	4	43.90	29.01	22.59	3	86	92	—	—	
Hambantota	2,849	2	—	—	2	7	4	11	5	4	9	—	—	—	4	43.18	43.06	35.33	1	91	81	—	—	
Tangalla	4,896	3	—	—	3	15	7	22	10	6	16	—	—	—	1	51.76	34.75	37.64	5	227	307	—	—	
<i>Northern.</i>																								
Jaffna	42,436	26	—	—	26	65	66	131	62	70	132	5	1	6	6	35.26	32.58	35.53	36	275	285	—	—	
Meamar	3,705	3	—	—	3	7	5	12	13	10	23	1	—	1	6	37.68	43.93	72.21	6	500	462	—	—	
Mullaitivu	1,563	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	6	6	12	—	—	—	1	7.00	31.87	34.05	—	—	—	—	—	
Vavuniya	936	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	2	22.94	15.41	22.94	1	500	589	—	—	
<i>Eastern.</i>																								
Batticaloa	10,564	8	—	—	8	26	22	48	18	24	42	2	1	3	7	52.24	49.18	45.71	10	208	252	—	—	
Kalmunai	2,586	1	—	—	1	10	10	20	7	5	12	—	—	—	4	90.02	41.50	54.01	3	150	258	—	—	
Trincomealee	9,414	8	—	—	8	10	15	25	13	13	26	2	1	3	1	30.05	28.41	31.25	8	320	339	—	—	
<i>North-Western.</i>																								
Kurunegala	10,187	7	—	—	7	13	16	29	16	15	31	1	—	1	16	30.01	27.85	32.08	4	138	130	—	—	
Purtisalam	6,905	1	—	—	1	9	10	19	18	34	34	—	—	—	5	29.63	31.11	53.02	5	253	276	—	—	
Kalpitiya	1,608	2	—	—	2	4	1	5	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	36.37	30.86	50.91	2	400	535	—	—	
Chilaw	6,642	4	—	—	4	15	14	29	15	14	29	1	3	4	7	45.41	32.29	45.41	4	138	177	—	—	
<i>North-Central.</i>																								
Anuradhapura	7,781	4	—	—	4	16	8	24	16	13	29	1	—	1	—	23.74	21.03	34.72	5	208	266	—	—	
<i>Uva.</i>																								
Badulla	8,126	4	—	—	4	13	12	25	13	7	20	2	2	4	5	32.49	36.84	25.99	3	120	109	—	—	
Eunigala	526	—	—	—	—	3	1	4	14	5	19	—	—	—	19	86.36	34.30	419.70	1	250	406	—	—	
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																								
Ratnapura	7,014	1	—	—	1	4	8	12	21	20	41	2	3	5	31	18.47	29.22	63.10	3	250	119	—	—	
Kegalla	3,508	—	—	—	—	8	5	13	11	8	19	—	—	—	15	39.90	35.51	58.32	1	77	70	—	—	

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

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

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. August, 1927.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality.†	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	August, 1927.	Average for August, 1917-1926.	Number registered during August, 1927.	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during August, 1927.
All 33 Towns ..	822	727	1,549	28·66	689	625	1,314	26·30	25·61	306	198
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	293	261	554	24·92	290	214	504	26·10	27·22	112	202
Negombo ..	51	43	94	38·25	34	37	71	29·58	26·65	17	181
Moratuwa ..	48	37	85	22·49	41	34	75	20·21	30·53	20	235
Kalutara ..	19	9	28	23·58	17	16	33	27·65	22·37	8	286
Panadura ..	12	18	30	30·52	13	14	27	29·23	23·15	6	200
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	63	45	108	37·04	39	26	65	30·73	29·30	13	120
Gampola ..	7	3	10	17·65	2	8	10	18·24	25·59	3	300
Nawalapitiya ..	5	3	8	25·12	5	1	6	20·45	32·50	1	125
Hattōn-Dikoya ..	4	4	8	31·47	4	3	7	32·39	40·17	2	250
Matale ..	9	16	25	32·62	7	8	15	20·90	32·59	5	200
Nuwara Eliya ..	9	6	15	21·39	7	10	17	26·76	14·45	6	400
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	48	55	103	30·60	26	38	64	18·61	23·19	11	107
Ambalangoda ..	4	6	10	29·56	4	2	6	17·63	—†	2	200
Matara ..	21	15	36	24·78	10	16	26	17·56	24·54	5	139
Weligama ..	18	17	35	43·90	11	7	18	22·40	17·44	3	86
Hambantota ..	7	4	11	43·18	3	2	5	19·51	27·82	1	91
Tangalla ..	15	7	22	51·76	9	6	15	35·02	20·07	5	227
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	64	66	130	34·99	56	70	126	35·13	28·45	36	277
Mannar ..	6	5	11	34·54	9	8	17	54·43	30·85	6	545
Mullaittivu ..	1	—	1	7·00	5	6	11	80·28	39·20	—	—
Vavuniya ..	2	—	2	22·94	—	—	—	—	27·36	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	25	22	47	51·16	12	23	35	39·71	39·34	10	213
Kalmunai ..	7	8	15	67·51	5	2	7	31·74	—†	2	133
Trincomalee ..	10	14	24	28·85	13	12	25	31·43	33·65	8	333
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	11	14	25	25·87	7	8	15	18·03	28·54	4	160
Puttalam ..	7	10	17	26·51	12	17	29	49·05	40·54	5	294
Kalpitiya ..	4	1	5	36·37	6	1	7	58·48	—†	2	400
Chilaw ..	14	13	27	42·28	11	11	22	39·68	26·93	4	148
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anurādhapura ..	16	8	24	28·74	14	13	27	38·69	45·41	5	208
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	12	11	23	29·89	11	4	15	19·88	30·69	3	130
Lunugala ..	2	—	2	44·18	—	—	—	—	—†	—	—
<i>Sābaragāmūwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	3	4	7	10·77	4	6	10	16·78	19·31	1	143
Kegalla ..	5	2	7	21·49	2	2	4	13·75	18·78	—	—

* 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 August, 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.			Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.																					
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalinara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dickoya.		Matale.		Nuwara-Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Mataira.		Weligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalle.	
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	745	680	1,375	304	212	28	31	36	22	19	17	11	12	42	33	4	12	9	11	4	2	17	15	3	10	33	2	11	16	9	6	4	7	4			
1. Plague	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Smallpox	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Influenza	13	15	28	10	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
6. Pyrexia or Fever	3	5	8	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
7. Enteric Fever	20	10	30	11	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
8. Malaria	21	12	33	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
9. Malarial Cachexia	14	5	19	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
10. Cholera	—	40	40	10	14	1	3	4	2	1	1	2	1	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
11. Diarrhoea	32	40	72	10	14	1	3	4	2	1	1	2	1	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
11a. Enteritis	34	34	68	16	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
12. Dysentery	55	38	93	19	6	4	5	3	1	1	1	1	2	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	22	28	50	4	7	3	2	—	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
14. Cancer	4	7	11	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
15. Eithasis	62	55	117	35	25	—	—	3	2	1	1	2	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	8	1	9	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
17. Anaemia	3	9	12	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
18. Diabetes Mellitus	8	1	9	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
19. Convulsions	9	14	23	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
20. Tetanus	3	2	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
21. Bronchitis	13	6	19	9	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
22. Pneumonia	127	93	220	36	27	1	6	6	5	4	—	—	—	3	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	10	2	12	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	31	21	52	12	7	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	3	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	37	37	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	11	11	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
30. Accidents and Negligence	22	7	29	6	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
31. Homicide	8	—	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
32. Suicide	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
33. Execution	8	—	8	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
34. All Other Causes	212*	171†	383	102	60	14	6	9	7	5	7	4	7	9	9	1	5	6	1	1	—	6	2	—	2	3	12	18	1	—	—	—	—	—			

* Here are included 43 deaths from Senility, 17 from Heart Disease, 16 from Paralysis, 15 from Worms, 13 from Debility, and 10 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.
 † Here are included 48 deaths from Senility, 20 from Worms, 14 from Heart Disease, 12 from Debility, 9 from Paralysis, and 5 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of August, 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) at the Census of March 13, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1927 by Inter-censal Increase.	Births.			Stillbirths.			Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Non-Residents in Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Residents.	Per Mille per Annum.			Mortality of Children under One Year.			
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			August, 1927.	Average for Aug., 1922-26.	Standardized Death-rate, Aug., 1927.*	Number registered during Aug., 1927.	Its proportion per 1,000 births registered during the Year ended last day of Aug., 1927.	190	168
City of Colombo ..	244,163	261,793	348	305	653	35	14	49	373	267	640	132	504	29.37†	26.15	22.67†	26.10	190	168	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,885	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Pettah ..	7,601	8,150	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	3	1.45	4.77	4.33	—	—	—	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,084	24	20	44	2	1	3	25	11	36	—	36	20.65	15.30	16.90	—	11	250	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,322	18	11	29	—	—	—	9	6	15	—	15	27.71	17.38	14.33	—	10	345	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,034	25	18	43	3	1	4	20	10	30	—	30	25.27	20.93	17.63	—	11	256	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,473	30	22	52	2	3	5	28	25	53	—	52	20.77	20.03	20.77	—	17	327	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,027	16	21	37	2	1	3	28	21	49	—	49	17.41	19.00	23.05	—	8	216	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	107	90	197	15	5	20	166	97	263	124	139	—	—	—	—	24	—	
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,593	30	26	56	2	1	3	30	26	56	—	55	20.23	18.73	19.86	—	11	196	
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,214	9	12	21	—	—	1	14	8	22	7	15	26.84	17.63	19.17	—	4	190	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,870	16	12	28	—	—	—	13	16	29	—	29	16.59	17.29	17.19	—	7	250	
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,121	27	31	58	4	—	4	16	18	34	—	34	29.54	21.23	17.31	—	8	138	
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,468	13	15	28	3	—	3	10	10	20	1	19	12.95	12.83	8.78	—	6	214	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	16,958	19	21	40	2	1	3	5	11	16	—	15	27.77	21.92	10.41	—	6	150	
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,594	13	6	19	—	—	—	5	8	13	—	13	19.30	22.42	13.20	—	1	53	

* 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 August, 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		
All Causes	373	267	640	1	—	3	—	25	11	9	6	20	10	28	25
I.—Infantile Mortality	69	55	124	—	—	—	—	7	4	6	4	7	4	11	6
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	9	4	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
3. Convulsions	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	1*	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	3	—	1	1
2. Debility	15	12	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1
3. Convulsions	4	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
4. Diarrhoea	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
4a. Enteritis	10	7	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
6. Bronchitis	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	2	1
7. Pneumonia	11	6	17	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	2	1	3	—
8. Other Causes	10†	5‡	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	304	212	516	1	—	3	—	18	7	3	2	13	6	17	19
1. Plague	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	2
5. Influenza	10	8	18	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
6. Pyrexia or Fever	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
7. Enteric Fever	11	3	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
8. Malaria	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	2	6
11. Diarrhoea	10	14	24	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
11a. Enteritis	16	13	29	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
12. Dysentery	19	6	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	4	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
15. Phthisis	35	25	60	—	—	1	—	3	1	2	—	—	2	2	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	9	2	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	36	27	63	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	12	7	19	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	6	2	8	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	102§	60	162	—	—	2	—	5	1	—	—	5	2	6	8

* From Cerebral Haemorrhage.

† Four deaths from Influenza, 2 from Syphilis, and 1 each from Thrush, Peritonitis from infection of the Umbilicus, Nephritis, and Pyaemia.

‡ Three deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Meningocele and Ricketts.

§ Here are included 20 deaths from Senility, 14 from Heart Disease, 6 from Debility, and 5 from Paralysis.

|| Here are included 15 deaths from Senility, 8 from Heart Disease, 6 from Paralysis, and 5 from Debility.

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hospitals.		Maradana North.		Maradana East.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals).		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatte North.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	28	21	166	97	30	26	14	8	13	16	16	18	10	10	5	11
I.—Infantile Mortality	6	2	12	12	8	3	1	3	3	4	4	4	2	4	1	5
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility	1	—	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	1	1	1	2	—	—	1	1	2	2	2	1	—	—	1
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
4a. Enteritis	2	1	2	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—
8. Other Causes	1	—	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	22	19	154	85	22	28	13	5	10	12	12	14	8	6	4	6
1. Plague	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	2	1	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	8	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	1	4	3	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
11a. Enteritis	1	2	6	3	2	1	1	2	—	1	2	1	2	1	—	—
12. Dysentery	1	—	11	4	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	4	6	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	2	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	4	3	17	13	1	3	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	6	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	1	4	21	8	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	—	2	3	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	1	7	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	1	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	1	—	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	9	5	48	24	11	7	2	—	6	5	5	4	3	1	—	2

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of August, 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.		Tamil.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	5	8	3	3	24	8	185	165	79	44	54	36	7	11	21	—
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	—	—	1	1	1	31	29	19	13	14	8	3	3	1	—
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	4	1	2	—	—	1	—	—
3. Convulsions	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	4	2	3	5	3	3	1	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	—	2	4	1	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	4	1	3	—	—	1	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	2	4	1	—	2	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	4	8	3	2	23	7	154	186	60	31	40	28	4	8	20	—
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	1	1	—	—	1	1	3	4	3	1	1	1	—	1	2	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	3	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	2	—	—	—	1	8	9	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	2	—	—	2	—	10	10	3	—	—	3	—	1	—	—
12. Dysentery	1	—	—	1	1	—	8	5	6	—	2	—	—	1	—	1
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doehmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	—	—	2	3	22	14	5	4	4	3	—	1	2	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	—
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	2	—	3	1	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	2	—	—	2	—	16	17	9	3	6	7	—	1	—	2
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	—	—	—	2	1	6	4	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	3	—	1	—	1	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
34. All Other Causes	—	1	3	1	8	1	54	43	16	6	16	6	1	3	4	—