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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 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 642 (567 General, 1 Kandyan, and 74 Muslim), as against 565 in the preceding month and 349 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 311 (265 General and 46 Muslim), as against 254 in the preceding month and 137 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,617 (819 males and 798 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 30·92 per 1,000 of the population, as against 32·25 in the preceding month, 35·62 in the corresponding month of last year, and 29·65 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate exclusive of the towns Mullaittivu, Vavuniya, and Lunugala, ranged from 20·63 in Nuwara Eliya to 56·79 in Hambantota. There were 1,464 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 27·99, as against 28·66 in the preceding month and 32·84 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 620 (316 males and 304 females) and were equivalent to an annual rate of 28·81, as against 29·37 in the preceding month 29·65 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·18 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 10·03 in Kollupitiya to 25·11 in Wellawatta North. There were 539 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 25·05, as against 24·92 in the preceding month and 26·41 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,433 (735 males and 698 females). The number was equivalent to an annual rate of 27·40, as against 31·60 in the preceding month and 31·47 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,077 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 22·27, as against 26·30 in the preceding month, 25·79 in the corresponding month of last year, and 26·76 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The standardized death rate ranged from 90·84 in Hatton-Dikoya to 3·55 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 526 (270 males and 256 females), equivalent to an annual rate of 24·45, as against 28·78 in the preceding month and 25·80 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 427 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 22·85, as against 26·10 in the preceding month, 23·21 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·87 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 21·88 in New Bazaar to 9·08 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 135 (81 males and 54 females), as against 138 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 312 and corresponded to a rate of 175 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended September, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 196, as against 191 in the preceding month, 190 in the corresponding month of last year, and 216 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 285 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 195 as against 198 in the preceding month and 191 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year amounted to 104 and corresponded to a rate of 148 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended September, 1927. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 168, as against 189 in the preceding month, 178 in the corresponding month of last year, and 215 the average for the corresponding months since 1917. There were 100 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 186, as against 202 in the preceding month and 183 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 12 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 8 per cent.; *Convulsions*, 7 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 6 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Diarrhoea*, and *Enteritis*, each 4 per cent.; *Dysentery*, *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Accidents*, each 3 per cent.; *Enteric Fever*, *Influenza*, *Prematurity*, *Puerperal Septicaemia*, and *Bronchitis*, each 2 per cent.; *Tetanus* and *Cancer*, each 1 per cent.

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

12. Two deaths of females from *Plague* were registered in Colombo as in the preceding month.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 78 cases were reported (67 in Colombo); *Enteric Fever* followed with 50 (21 in Colombo, 7 in Galle, 6 in Kalutara); *Chicken-pox*, 48 (34 in Colombo); *Measles*, 30 (25 in Colombo); *Continued Fever*, 15 (12 in Colombo); *Dysentery*, 8 (3 in Kurunegala); *Plague*, 4 (in Colombo); *Diphtheria*, 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (27·71 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 16·30 in. in Ratnapura to 0·25 in. in Mannar. Colombo recorded 9·18 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 84·3° in Trincomalee to 59·6° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 81·0° 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, November 1, 1927.

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Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during September, 1927, the Proportion of Births 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 the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the Month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Provinces and Towns.	Population (exclusive of the estimated Military and Ship- pantle Census of March 18, 1921.)	Marriages.			Births.			Deaths.			Stillbirths.			Mortality of Children under One Year.			Mean Temperature, last day of Sept., 1927.	Rainfall in Inches. * * *							
		Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Sept., 1927.	Sept., 1926.	Sept., 1925.	Sept., 1924.								
All 33 Towns	597,887	636,332	567	1	74	642	819	788	1617	735	698	1433	81	54	135	349	30	92	28	65	27	40	312	196	175
Western.																									
Colombo	244,163	261,793	265	46	311	316	304	620	270	256	526	30	26	56	96	28	81	27	18	24	45	104	168	148	
Negombo	27,639	28,934	90	90	42	32	74	36	31	67	4	8	15	31	12	35	46	28	17	14	189	169	159		
Marawila	41,855	44,504	36	36	65	50	115	37	37	74	2	3	1	31	44	36	60	20	23	13	113	120	113		
Kalutara	13,596	13,981	11	—	11	22	19	41	14	17	31	2	3	5	9	35	40	26	93	9	220	219	219		
Panadure	10,747	11,572	9	—	9	17	18	35	16	9	25	3	3	5	5	36	80	26	28	4	114	127	127		
Kandy	32,562	34,334	13	1	8	.22	36	32	.63	48	42	90	7	1	8	24	24	10	28	91	31	89	20	294	
Gampola	6,202	6,672	2	—	2	—	2	10	11	21	9	12	—	3	14	28	56	38	29	2	95	184	184		
Navalapitiya	3,221	3,750	—	—	8	3	11	13	7	—	—	—	15	35	69	30	16	64	89	5	455	327	327		
Hatton-Dikoya	2,940	2,993	—	—	4	9	13	12	14	26	3	—	3	7	52	85	29	78	105	70	3	231	380	380	
Matale	7,865	9,023	1	—	1	18	17	35	20	17	37	—	1	1	19	47	19	34	53	49	89	8	229	245	245
Nuwara Eliya	7,525	8,257	2	—	2	8	6	14	7	6	13	2	—	2	5	20	63	24	29	19	16	6	429	252	252
Galle	39,073	39,628	28	4	32	46	48	94	51	49	100	7	4	11	27	28	86	27	84	30	70	23	245	187	187
Ambalangoda	3,347	3,983	4	—	4	6	6	12	3	4	7	—	—	—	7	36	66	21	38	3	3	361	361	361	
Matale	16,779	17,108	4	2	6	33	22	55	14	17	31	1	1	2	7	39	11	30	73	22	05	7	127	134	134
Welligama	9,104	9,386	9	—	9	21	8	29	14	1	5	2	—	—	7	37	59	30	73	6	48	—	—	—	
Hambantota	2,849	2,999	1	—	1	7	7	14	7	3	10	1	—	1	2	56	79	40	62	40	56	2	143	168	168
Tangalla	4,886	5,005	5	—	5	6	10	16	6	3	9	—	—	1	1	38	90	30	49	21	88	3	188	186	186
Jaffna	42,436	43,740	44	6	50	41	46	87	45	39	84	2	4	4	3	24	20	34	86	23	37	29	333	247	247
Mannar	3,705	3,750	1	—	1	6	6	11	5	11	16	—	1	1	5	35	69	37	95	51	91	6	645	487	487
Mullaithivu	1,563	1,681	2	—	2	4	4	5	1	3	4	—	—	—	2	38	19	37	40	28	95	—	—	2,38	2,38
Vavuniya	936	1,027	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	2	16	92	23	70	—	—	—	—	3,66	3,66
Eastern.																									
Batticaloa	10,564	10,818	13	—	13	20	19	39	19	8	27	2	—	2	5	43	36	46	63	30	37	10	256	284	284
Kalmunai	2,586	2,616	1	—	1	5	7	12	2	5	7	—	2	2	2	55	81	46	44	32	56	4	333	360	360
Trincomalee	9,414	9,796	13	—	13	8	16	24	8	11	19	2	—	2	2	29	81	28	37	23	60	6	250	269	269
Kurunegala	10,187	11,378	4	—	4	13	19	32	16	20	36	2	—	2	18	34	22	28	65	38	50	8	250	261	261
Futalam	6,905	7,550	—	6	6	8	13	21	9	12	21	1	3	4	—	33	84	27	81	34	84	3	143	167	167
Kalpitiya	1,608	1,619	2	—	2	1	3	4	4	2	6	—	—	—	7	37	21	28	61	42	07	4	174	183	183
Chilaw	6,632	7,620	3	—	3	10	13	23	12	14	26	—	—	—	2	16	92	23	70	—	—	—	—	7,21	7,21
Anuradhapura	7,781	9,834	2	—	2	7	14	21	6	8	14	2	—	2	—	25	98	23	82	17	32	4	190	222	222
Eddukal	8,126	9,061	—	—	17	22	39	5	9	14	2	1	3	7	52	37	36	79	18	80	5	128	179	179	
Iunugala	526	533	—	—	17	2	2	4	7	5	12	1	1	1	11	91	30	30	60	27	90	1	250	392	392
Ratnapura	7,014	7,651	2	—	8	10	18	20	15	35	1	—	1	24	28	62	28	15	55	66	2	111	89	89	
Kegalle	3,508	3,836	—	—	8	2	10	9	9	18	3	—	3	17	31	72	31	97	57	09	2	200	154	154	

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

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

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. September, 1927.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality.†	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	September, 1927.	Average for September, 1917-1926.	Number registered during September, 1927.	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during September, 1927.
All 88 Towns	750	714	1,464	27.99	534	543	1,077	22.27	26.76	285	195
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	278	261	539	25.05	207	220	427	22.85	25.87	100	186
Negombo	37	32	69	29.01	26	25	51	21.95	26.91	13	188
Moreatuwa	63	47	110	30.07	36	37	73	20.32	33.01	13	118
Kalutara	22	15	37	32.20	13	9	22	19.05	27.94	6	162
Panadure	16	17	33	34.70	12	8	20	22.37	22.31	4	121
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	36	32	68	24.10	39	27	66	25.61	28.14	19	279
Gampola	8	9	17	31.00	3	4	7	13.19	24.03	1	59
Nawalapitiya	7	1	8	25.95	3	2	5	17.61	26.06	3	375
Hatton-Dikoya	4	9	13	52.85	7	12	19	90.84	35.38	3	231
Matale	16	15	31	41.80	6	12	18	25.91	32.62	8	258
Nuwara Eliya	8	5	13	19.16	5	3	8	13.01	16.28	5	385
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	42	43	85	26.10	31	40	71	21.33	23.96	20	235
Ambalangoda	6	6	12	36.66	3	4	7	21.26	—‡	3	250
Matara	32	22	54	38.40	10	14	24	16.75	24.03	7	130
Weligama	21	8	29	37.59	4	1	5	6.43	17.83	—	—
Hambantota	7	7	14	56.79	6	2	8	32.25	30.85	2	143
Tangalla	6	10	16	38.90	5	3	8	19.30	20.14	3	188
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	41	45	86	23.92	44	37	81	23.34	28.77	29	337
Mannar	4	5	9	29.20	2	9	11	36.39	23.61	6	667
Mullaithivu	1	4	5	36.19	1	3	4	30.17	30.60	—	—
Vavuniya	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34.43	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	20	19	39	43.86	16	6	22	25.80	37.42	10	256
Kalmunai	5	7	12	55.81	1	4	5	23.43	—‡	4	333
Trincomalee	8	16	24	29.81	7	10	17	22.09	31.11	6	250
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	10	12	22	23.53	7	11	18	22.37	32.23	6	273
Puttalam	8	12	20	32.23	9	12	21	36.70	35.31	—	—
Kalpitiya	1	3	4	30.06	4	2	6	51.80	—‡	2	500
Chilaw	8	12	20	32.36	8	11	19	35.41	27.70	3	150
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	7	14	21	25.98	6	8	14	20.73	37.56	4	190
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	16	18	34	45.65	4	3	7	9.59	34.97	4	118
Lunugala	2	—	2	45.65	1	—	1	25.73	—	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	8	8	16	25.44	7	4	11	19.07	22.23	1	63
Kegalla	2	—	2	6.34	1	—	1	3.55	21.96	—	—

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

Causes of Death.	All 33 Towns.			Western Province.			Central Province.			Southern Province.		
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	735	698	1,433	270	256	36	31	37	14	17	16	9
I.—Infantile Mortality	165	157	312	49	55	8	6	8	5	3	12	8
A.—One Week and under.												
1. Prematurity	12	12	24	1	4	1	1	1	2	2	—	—
2. Debility	32	26	58	10	7	1	1	1	—	3	1	1
3. Convulsions	12	9	21	1	3	1	1	1	—	2	1	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4.a. Enteritis	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other causes	2*	3†	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.												
1. Prematurity	3	2	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	27	31	58	5	7	2	2	—	—	—	1	1
3. Convulsions	21	26	47	5	11	2	1	—	—	2	2	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4.a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	15	21	36	10	11	1	1	1	—	—	1	1
8. Other Causes	16‡	11§	27	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	2	1

* Besides 1 death mentioned in Table V., footnote *, 1 death from Anencephalic (in Moratuwa).

† Besides 1 death mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death each from Starvation (in Puttalam), and Purpura (in Badulla).

‡ Besides 6 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote ‡, 2 deaths from Meningitis (in Badulla), 2 from Congenital Syphilis (1) each in Jaffna and Kalutara; 1 each from Influenza (in Kandy), Imperforate Anus (in Nawalapitiya), Dysentery (in Jaffna), and Nephritis (in Jaffna).

§ Besides 7 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote §, 1 death each from Asphyxia from drowning and Congenital Syphilis (in Kalutara), Intestinal obstruction (in Panadure), and Heart failure due to infected wounds (in Nuwara Eliya).

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during September, 1927, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1896—continued.

		Deaths among all Races.											
		Province of Sabaragamuwa.											
		North-Central Province.						Province of Uva.					
Causes of Death.		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes ..	45	39	5	11	1	8	—	2	19	8	2	5	8
I. Infantile Mortality ..	17	12	1	5	—	—	—	8	2	1	3	3	3
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>													
1. Prematurity ..	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>													
1. Prematurity ..	2	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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I. Infantile Mortality ..

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 ..

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

Causes of Death.	Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.					
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)																		
1. Plague	580	541	2	1,121	221	201	28	25	29	82	11	15	6	38	34	7
2. Smallpox
3. Chickenpox
4. Measles
5. Influenza
6. Pyrexia or Fever
7. Enteric Fever
8. Malaria
9. Malaria. Cachexia
10. Cholera
11. Diarrhoea
11a. Enteritis
12. Dysentery
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmiasis
14. Cancer
15. Pithisis
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
All 33 Towns.	177*	176†	353	77	77	13	8	10	15	6	7	2	3	12	8	1	4	2
																6	1	3
																6	1	1
																6	1	1

* Here are included 47 deaths from Senility, 13 each from Paralysis, and Heart disease, 9 each from Worms, and Cerebral Haemorrhage.

† Here are included 68 deaths from Senility, 20 from Worms, 8 from Heart disease, 7 from Debility, 6 from Paralysis, and 2 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during September, 1927, 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.		Provinces of Sri Lanka.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		North- Central Province.		Provinces of Uva.		Deaths among all Races.						
II.—General Mortality	(1 Year and Over)	28	27	4	6	1	3	—	2	11	6	1	2	5	8	13	15	9	9	7	9	6
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 Dochimus Duo- denalis	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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 Acci- dents of Childbirth	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		28	27	4	6	1	3	—	2	11	6	1	2	5	8	13	15	9	9	7	9	6

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of September, 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 18, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1927 by Intercensal Increase.	Births.				Stillbirths.				Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.				Deaths of Non- Residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.				Deaths of Residents.				Per Mille per Annum.				Mortality of Children under One Year.	
			Males.		Females.		Males.		Females.		Males.		Females.		Males.		Females.		Sept., 1927.		Average for Sept., 1922–26.		Death Rate.		Standard- ized Death Rate, Sept., 1927.*			
			
City of Colombo ..	244,163	281,793	316	304	620	30	28	56	270	256	526	95	427	28	81†	28·94	19·84†	23·30	22·85	104	168	148	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,885	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	4·22	1·73	8·44	5·20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,150	—	3	—	—	—	—	3	3	6	—	6	—	6	—	4·48	0·92	8·96	6·47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,084	17	16	33	.3	.2	.5	17	19	36	—	—	36	16·01	18·73	17·46	21·49	—	—	12	364	279	—	—	—	—	—
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,322	14	5	19	1	—	—	1	8	13	21	—	21	18·76	18·54	20·74	17·66	—	—	6	263	225	—	—	—	—	—
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,034	18	17	35	1	2	3	7	16	23	—	—	23	21·26	21·65	13·97	19·11	—	—	7	200	161	—	—	—	—	—
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,473	21	22	43	2	1	3	17	22	39	—	—	38	17·75	21·01	15·69	17·13	—	—	9	209	164	—	—	—	—	—
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,027	27	24	51	3	1	4	22	24	46	—	—	45	24·79	20·90	21·88	23·73	—	—	7	137	125	—	—	—	—	—
Maredana Hospitals ..	—	—	115	109	224	15	13	28	107	89	196	93	103	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,593	26	26	52	—	2	2	13	17	30	—	—	30	19·41	19·22	11·23	17·87	—	—	9	173	136	—	—	—	—	—
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,214	9	8	17	—	2	2	12	6	18	2	—	16	22·45	18·83	21·13	23·50	—	—	4	235	213	—	—	—	—	—
Maradana South (ex- clusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,870	13	11	24	1	—	1	18	9	27	—	—	25	14·70	18·59	16·31	16·73	—	—	9	375	347	—	—	—	—	—
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,121	24	23	47	.2	2	4	12	12	24	—	—	24	24·73	21·30	12·63	21·47	—	—	6	128	111	—	—	—	—	—
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,468	13	8	21	2	—	2	11	8	19	—	—	19	10·03	12·77	9·08	9·61	—	—	6	286	213	—	—	—	—	—
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	16,958	13	22	35	—	—	—	12	10	22	—	—	22	26·11	21·67	15·78	16·63	—	—	8	229	236	—	—	—	—	—
Wellawatta South ..	10,813	11,594	6	9	15	—	1	1	9	8	17	—	—	17	15·74	24·33	17·84	14·13	—	—	4	267	173	—	—	—	—	—

* 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 September, 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
All Causes	270	256	526	2	—	3	3	17	19	8	13	7	16	17	22		
I.—Infantile Mortality	49	55	104	—	—	—	—	6	6	3	2	3	4	5	4		
A.—One Week and under.																	
1. Prematurity	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility	10	7	17	—	—	—	—	3	3	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	1
3. Convulsions	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	1*	1†	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																	
1. Prematurity	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	5	7	12	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	1
3. Convulsions	5	11	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	4	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	5	—	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	10	11	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	6‡	7§	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	221	201	422	2	3	3	11	13	5	11	4	12	12	12	18		
1. Plague	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	7	8	15	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	4
6. Pyrexia or Fever	3	4	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—
7. Enteric Fever	3	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	9	10	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	1
11a. Enteritis	7	7	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	1	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenitis	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	4	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
15. Phthisis	27	24	51	—	—	—	—	2	4	1	2	1	2	1	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
20. Tetanus	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	22	11	33	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	18	9	27	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	13	—	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	77	77¶	154	2	—	—	2	6	5	1	2	2	3	3	9		

* From Influenza.

† From Maldevelopment.

‡ Two deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Nephritis, Intestinal Obstruction, Meningitis, and Rickets.

§ Three deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Thrush, Meningitis, Improper feeding, and Syphilis.

|| Here are included 18 deaths from Senility, 9 from Heart disease, and 6 from Debility.

¶ Here are included 33 deaths from Senility and 5 from Worms.

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.																Kollupitiya.				Wellawatta North.							
	New Bazaar.				Mardana Hos-pitals.				Mardana North.				Mardana East.				Mardana South (exclusive of Hospitals).				Slave Island.				Kollupitiya.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
All Causes ..	22	24	107	89	13	17	12	6	18	9	12	12	11	8	12	10	1	1	5	3	12	10	7	7	12	10		
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	3	4	3	15	3	6	3	1	6	3	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	5	3			
A.—One Week and under.																												
1. Prematurity ..																										1		
2. Debility ..																										1		
3. Convulsions ..																										1		
4. Diarrhoea ..																										1		
4.a Enteritis ..																										1		
5. Tetanus ..																										1		
6. Bronchitis ..																										1		
7. Pneumonia ..																										1		
8. Other Causes ..																										1		
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																												
1. Prematurity ..																												
2. Debility ..																												
3. Convulsions ..																												
4. Diarrhoea ..																												
4.a Enteritis ..																												
5. Tetanus ..																												
6. Bronchitis ..																												
7. Pneumonia ..																												
8. Other Causes ..																												
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..	19	20	104	74	10	11	9	5	12	6	8	10	9	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
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 ..																												
11.a Enteritis ..																												
12. Dysentery ..																												
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis ..																												
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 ..	9	8	35	27	3	6	4	3	4	2	4	3	4	2	4	2	4	5	2	4	5	2	2	2	2			

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of September, 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.		
All Causes	9	8	2	—	14	12	125	156	58	46	51	29	11	6	9	7	
I.—Infantile Mortality	8	1	—	—	2	1	19	33	9	14	18	6	5	—	—	1	1
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)	6	7	2	—	12	11	106	128	49	32	38	23	6	6	8	6	
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 Duo-denalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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