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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF MAY, 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 396 (315 General, 5 Kandyan, and 76 Muslim), as against 245 in the preceding month and 310 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 155 (115 General and 40 Muslim), as against 101 in the preceding month and 111 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,587 (811 males and 776 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·65 per 1,000 of the population, as against 32·45 in the preceding month, 31·72 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·98 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate ranged from 7·28 in Kalpitiya to 76·66 in Kalmunai. There were 1,436 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 26·83, as against 29·73 in the preceding month.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 519 (259 males and 260 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 23·60 per 1,000, as against 27·54 in the preceding month, 28·33 in the corresponding month of last year, and 24·35 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 5·80 in San Sebastian to 32·31 in Maradana East. There were 444 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 20·19, as against 24·39 in the preceding month.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,581 (834 males and 747 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·54 per 1,000 of the population, as against 32·26 in the preceding month. There were 1,152 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 23·23, as against 25·83 in the preceding month, 25·78 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·98 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The standardized death-rate ranged from 59·07 in Mullaittivu to 10·46 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 542 (275 males and 267 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 24·65, as against 26·69 in the preceding month. There were 428 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 22·41, as against 24·08 in the preceding month, 28·06 in the corresponding month of last year, and 26·25 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. The death-rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 31·01 in Maradana East to 7·02 in Wellawatta North.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 115 (58 males and 57 females), as against 128 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 348 and corresponded to a rate of 200 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 219, as against 196 in the preceding month, 211 in the corresponding month of last year, and 223 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 318 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 221, as against 199 in the preceding month.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 104 and corresponded to a rate of 166 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1926. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 200, as against 186 in the preceding month, 231 in the corresponding month of last year, and 236 the average for the corresponding months since 1916. There were 98 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 221, as against 202 in the preceding month.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 15 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Convulsions* caused 10 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year), 5 per cent.; *Enteritis* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, each 4 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Dysentery*, and *Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Puerperal Septicaemia*, *Bronchitis*, and *Enteric Fever*, each 2 per cent.; *Cancer* and *Influenza*, each 1 per cent.

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

12. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 115 cases were reported (95 in Colombo). *Chickenpox* followed with 101 (80 in Colombo, 7 in Moratuwa); *Measles* 47 (39 in Colombo); *Continued Fever* 20 (13 in Colombo); *Smallpox* 20 (19 in Galle and 1 in Colombo); *Enteric Fever* 19 (12 in Colombo); *Dysentery* 8 (in Kurunegala); *Mumps* 6 (5 in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 2 (in Panadura); *Whooping Cough* 2 (in Colombo); *Cholera* 1 (in Jaffna).

Meteorology.

13. *Rainfall.*—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (50·10 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 34·10 in. in Ratnapura to 1·88 in. in Jaffna; Colombo recorded 25·95 in.

14. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 85·8° in Mannar and Trincomalee to 63·4° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 82·4° in Colombo.

15. 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, July 1, 1926.

H. E. BEVEN,
Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during May, 1926; the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 registered Births, together with the Average Birth-rates in the corresponding Months since 1916, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the Month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Provinces and Towns.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1926 by the Inter-censal Increase.		Marriages.		Births.		Deaths.		Still births.		Deaths of Non-residents of Towns registered in Towns, Hospitals and Wells.		Birth-rate.		Number registered during May, 1926.	Its proportion to 1,000 Births registered during the Year ended the last day of May, 1926.	Mean Temperature.*	Rainfall in Inches.*						
		General.	Kandyan.	Muslim.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Average for May, 1926.					May, 1916.	Death-rate, May, 1926.				
All 33 Towns	597,867	680,242	315	5	76	398	811	776	1,587	894	747	1,581	58	57	115	420	29.65	28.98	29.54	348	219	200	82.4	25.95	
<i>Western.</i>																									
Colombo	244,163	258,905	115	—	40	155	259	260	519	275	267	542	22	18	40	108	23.60	24.35	24.65	104	200	166	82.4	25.95	
Negombo	27,639	28,724	21	—	2	23	40	35	75	27	27	54	3	1	4	10	30.74	32.60	22.14	8	107	86	—	21.24	
Moratuwa	41,858	44,072	26	—	—	26	59	54	113	30	36	66	5	5	10	5	30.19	35.85	17.63	21	186	182	—	—	
Kalutara	13,596	13,919	10	—	—	10	23	29	52	15	19	34	5	1	6	9	43.99	30.13	28.76	9	173	212	—	28.30	
Panadura	10,747	11,617	5	—	—	5	9	21	30	9	9	18	—	—	—	—	30.67	23.02	18.40	3	100	112	—	—	
<i>Central.</i>																									
Kandy	32,562	34,045	11	3	4	18	56	49	105	60	46	106	4	3	7	39	36.31	35.49	36.66	29	276	263	78.8	17.78	
Gampola	6,202	6,595	2	—	—	2	11	10	21	11	16	27	1	1	2	12	37.49	32.89	48.20	7	333	295	—	26.63	
Nawalapitiya	3,221	3,692	4	—	—	4	6	10	16	4	8	12	—	—	—	7	51.03	35.13	38.27	3	188	218	—	50.10	
Hatton-Dikoya	2,940	2,984	—	—	—	—	4	6	10	7	6	13	—	—	—	5	39.45	33.38	51.29	1	100	122	—	23.60	
Matale	7,865	8,975	3	—	—	3	19	15	34	36	22	58	—	—	—	40	44.61	37.22	76.09	8	235	251	—	13.65	
Nuwara Eliya	7,525	8,136	1	—	—	1	9	14	23	8	11	19	2	2	2	5	33.29	24.24	27.50	7	304	300	—	13.22	
<i>Southern.</i>																									
Galle	39,073	39,539	20	—	—	20	51	49	100	42	42	84	2	5	7	21	29.78	31.90	25.01	19	190	154	—	18.18	
Ambalangoda	3,347	3,874	3	—	—	3	6	8	14	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	42.55	25.11	15.20	3	214	333	—	16.97	
Matara	16,779	17,055	16	—	—	16	30	19	49	21	19	40	2	1	3	11	33.83	31.69	27.61	7	143	138	—	—	
Weligama	9,104	9,341	10	—	—	10	19	10	29	6	8	14	1	2	3	—	37.56	33.26	17.65	4	138	134	—	—	
Hambantota	2,849	2,975	—	—	—	—	1	4	3	7	6	6	—	—	—	2	27.70	36.62	47.49	5	714	398	—	5.78	
Tangalla	4,896	4,987	3	—	—	3	9	8	17	9	5	14	—	—	—	1	40.14	42.89	33.05	6	353	384	—	13.48	
<i>Northern.</i>																									
Jaffna	42,436	43,529	32	—	—	32	59	67	126	63	53	116	1	2	3	13	34.08	33.65	31.38	30	238	226	—	1.88	
Mannar	3,705	3,743	—	—	—	—	7	8	15	5	6	11	1	—	—	5	47.19	34.85	34.60	3	200	201	—	2.18	
Mullaitivu	1,563	1,662	2	—	—	2	4	4	5	6	3	9	—	—	—	1	35.43	42.06	63.77	2	400	380	—	4.07	
Vavuniya	936	1,012	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	2	1	3	—	—	—	3	34.92	18.69	34.92	1	333	420	—	5.46	
<i>Eastern.</i>																									
Batigalao	10,564	10,777	3	—	—	3	19	12	31	23	15	38	—	—	—	5	33.87	38.91	41.52	11	355	328	—	3.10	
Kalmunai	2,586	2,611	—	—	—	—	7	10	17	11	10	21	1	1	2	12	76.66	45.45	94.69	3	177	324	—	6.37	
Trincomealee	9,414	9,734	7	—	—	7	15	13	28	23	14	37	3	2	5	1	33.87	24.97	44.75	8	286	316	—	4.16	
<i>North-Western.</i>																									
Kurunegala	10,187	11,179	5	2	—	7	19	12	31	38	30	68	—	—	—	44	32.65	28.92	71.62	12	387	365	—	21.17	
Pukhiam	6,905	7,444	1	—	—	1	22	12	9	15	13	28	1	2	3	1	33.22	36.80	44.29	8	381	318	—	18.02	
Kalpitiya	1,608	1,617	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	7.28	21.89	14.56	2	—	736	—	—	
Chilaw	6,642	7,360	9	—	—	9	12	12	24	12	10	22	—	—	—	10	38.40	28.95	35.20	3	125	128	—	12.47	
<i>North-Central.</i>																									
Anuradhapura	7,781	9,474	2	—	—	2	7	8	15	23	16	39	2	2	4	10	18.64	21.80	48.47	7	467	432	—	83.6	
<i>Uva.</i>																									
Badulla	8,126	8,905	3	—	—	3	11	13	24	17	8	25	3	2	5	11	31.73	34.53	33.05	4	167	156	—	76.2	
Lunugala	528	532	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	4	2	6	—	—	—	5	44.27	40.79	32.81	1	500	620	—	8.42	
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																									
Ratnapura	7,014	7,546	1	—	—	1	16	7	23	16	14	30	—	—	—	19	35.89	29.33	46.81	7	304	309	—	82.0	
Kegalla	3,508	3,782	—	—	—	—	5	2	7	5	3	8	—	—	—	5	21.79	43.63	24.91	2	286	161	—	31.51	

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

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

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth-rate.	Deaths.			Death-rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality.	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	May, 1926.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	May, 1926.	Average for May, 1916-1925.	Deaths of Children under 1 Year.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during May, 1926.
All 33 Towns	730	706	1,436	26.83	582	570	1,152	23.28	27.98	318	221
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	222	222	444	20.19	206	222	428	22.41	26.25	98	221
Negombo	37	31	68	27.87	20	24	44	18.46	23.80	8	118
Moratuwa	58	53	111	29.65	27	34	61	16.60	31.90	21	190
Kalutara	18	25	43	36.37	11	14	25	21.04	26.47	6	140
Panadure	9	18	27	27.60	9	9	18	19.58	16.46	3	111
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	47	45	92	31.82	36	31	67	25.38	29.12	24	261
Gampola	9	10	19	33.92	8	7	15	27.68	25.44	6	316
Nawalapitiya	4	8	12	38.27	2	3	5	17.31	31.97	2	167
Hatton-Dikoya	4	6	10	39.45	5	3	8	37.12	36.94	1	100
Matale	19	15	34	44.61	12	6	18	25.21	34.60	7	206
Nuwara Eliya	9	14	23	33.29	6	8	14	22.37	18.04	7	304
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	49	46	95	28.29	30	33	63	18.36	24.93	19	200
Ambalangoda	6	8	14	42.55	3	2	5	15.11	—†	3	214
Matara	29	19	48	33.14	13	16	29	19.64	23.25	5	104
Weligama	19	10	29	36.55	6	8	14	16.34	18.90	4	138
Hambantota	4	3	7	27.70	4	3	7	27.53	28.26	5	714
Tangalla	9	8	17	40.14	8	5	13	30.46	27.93	6	353
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	59	66	125	33.81	51	52	103	28.86	30.24	30	240
Mannar	7	8	15	47.19	2	4	6	19.25	37.14	3	200
Mullaitivu	3	1	4	28.34	5	3	8	59.07	66.65	1	250
Vavuniya	2	—	2	23.28	—	—	—	—	44.10	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	19	12	31	33.87	18	15	33	37.59	45.88	11	355
Kalmunai	7	10	17	76.66	5	4	9	40.89	—†	2	118
Trincomalee	15	13	28	33.87	22	14	36	45.55	57.17	8	286
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	10	8	18	18.96	16	8	24	29.37	31.09	8	444
Puttalam	11	9	20	31.64	14	13	27	46.32	45.12	8	400
Kalpitiya	1	—	1	7.28	2	—	2	16.73	—†	2	—
Chilaw	11	11	22	35.20	8	4	12	22.11	31.66	3	136
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	7	8	15	18.64	17	12	29	43.14	52.32	7	466
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	9	13	22	29.09	9	5	14	18.88	35.24	3	136
Lunugala	1	—	1	22.14	1	—	1	24.95	—†	1	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	12	5	17	26.53	3	8	11	18.71	26.96	4	235
Kegalla	4	1	5	15.57	3	—	3	10.46	12.37	2	400

* 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 May, 1926, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	All 33 Towns.			Western Province.												Central Province.						Southern Province.															
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambangoda.		Matare.		Welligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalla.	
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes ..	834	747	1,581	275	267	27	30	38	15	19	9	9	60	46	11	16	4	8	7	6	36	22	8	11	42	42	2	21	19	6	8	6	6	9	5		
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	185	163	348	56	48	4	4	10	11	2	7	3	15	14	5	2	1	2	1	—	5	3	2	5	9	10	2	5	2	3	1	4	1	4	2		
A.—One Week and under.																																					
1. Prematurity ..	26	17	43	4	7	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	17	16	33	3	—	1	2	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	19	11	30	6	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus ..	2	3	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis ..	1	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes ..	4*	1†	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																					
1. Prematurity ..	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	24	22	46	6	7	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	27	38	65	7	12	1	4	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	4	7	11	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis ..	15	14	29	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus ..	—	4	4	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis ..	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia ..	19	12	31	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes ..	19†	16§	35	7	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

* Besides 3 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death from Dysentery (in Nawalapitiya).

† One death from Asphyxia (Ratnapura).

‡ Besides 7 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 3 deaths from Malaria (2 in Jaffna, 1 Anuradhapura), 2 from Rickets (in Galle), 2 from Worms (1 each in Puttalam and Ratnapura), 1 each from Dysentery (in Kandy), Intussusception (in Kandy), Influenza (in Kandy), Traumatic Synovitis (in Ratnapura).

§ Besides 6 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 2 deaths from Malaria (1 each in Trincomalee and Kurunegala), 2 deaths from Dysentery (1 each in Puttalam and Anuradhapura), 1 death each from Rickets (in Kalutara, Gangrene of Abdominal wall at Umbilicus (in Kandy), Worms (in Puttalam), Congenital Syphilis (in Badulla), Gastritis (in Badulla), and Septicæmia from Burns (in Ratnapura).

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of May, 1926, and the Deaths of Children under One Year, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates for the corresponding Months of 1922-1925, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1926 by Inter-censal Increase.	Births.			Stillbirths.			Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Non-residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.	Per Mille per Annum.				Mortality of Children under one Year.				
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Birth-rate.		Death-rate.		Number registered during May, 1926.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during May, 1926.	Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended last day of May, 1926.		
													May, 1926.	Average for May, 1922-25.	May, 1926.	Average for May, 1922-25.					
			Standard Death-rates, May, 1926.	Standard Death-rates, May, 1926.	Standard Death-rates, May, 1926.	Standard Death-rates, May, 1926.															
City of Colombo ..	244,163	258,905	259	260	519	22	18	40	275	267	542	108	428	23.60*	27.45	19.46*	24.03	22.41	104	200	166
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,853	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	4.13	1.06	—	1.07	—	1	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,060	1	—	1	—	—	1	2	3	—	—	3	1.46	1.50	4.38	6.76	—	1	—	561
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,808	7	10	17	—	—	—	14	15	29	—	29	8.07	15.72	13.76	18.20	—	6	353	155
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,186	1	5	6	2	—	2	3	7	10	—	10	5.80	14.17	9.66	19.38	—	1	167	49
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,813	14	20	34	1	3	4	10	14	24	—	23	20.21	23.39	13.67	20.81	—	4	118	111
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,149	25	28	53	1	—	1	21	25	46	—	46	21.41	23.51	18.58	18.61	—	17	321	289
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,751	24	15	39	1	1	2	22	11	33	—	33	18.55	20.69	15.70	25.67	—	6	154	130
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	87	83	170	14	11	25	113	98	211	108	103	—	—	—	—	—	19	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,233	22	31	53	1	1	2	26	24	50	—	49	19.36	22.11	17.90	18.26	—	15	283	246
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,112	15	10	25	—	—	—	15	9	24	—	24	32.31	17.62	31.01	16.91	—	8	320	410
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,650	7	14	21	2	—	2	10	15	25	—	25	12.58	20.19	14.98	19.77	—	2	95	83
Slave Island ..	21,564	22,866	24	9	33	—	2	2	22	22	44	—	43	16.99	25.05	22.14	22.67	—	11	333	246
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,187	11	7	18	—	—	—	11	9	20	—	20	8.41	12.15	9.35	9.98	—	7	389	296
Wellawatta North..	15,816	16,771	13	19	32	—	—	—	2	9	11	—	10	22.47	23.97	7.02	18.05	—	3	94	88
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,466	7	9	16	—	—	—	3	7	10	—	10	16.43	24.56	10.27	13.46	—	3	188	141

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

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.											
	M	F	Total.	Fort and Galle Face.		Petiah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	275	267	542	2	—	1	2	14	15	3	7	10	14	21	25
I.—Infantile Mortality	56	48	104	1	—	—	1	2	4	—	1	3	1	10	7
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity	4	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
2. Debility	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
3. Convulsions	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	3*	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	6	7	13	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—
3. Convulsions	7	12	19	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	2
4. Diarrhoea	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	9	5	14	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3
8. Other Causes	7†	6‡	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	219	219	438	1	—	1	1	12	11	3	6	7	13	11	18
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	9	3	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	5	7	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
8. Malaria	3	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	3	4	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
11a. Enteritis	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
12. Dysentery	6	6	12	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
13. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenalis	4	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
14. Cancer	4	8	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
15. Phthisis	18	30	48	—	—	—	1	1	3	—	—	1	2	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	8	1	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	17	13	30	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	1	1	—	2	4
20. Tetanus	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	4	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
22. Pneumonia	27	28	55	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	2	2
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	8	7	15	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	10	1	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. All Other Causes	77§	68	145	1	—	—	—	2	5	2	2	3	3	1	4

* One death each from Heart-disease, Heart-failure and Influenza.

† Two deaths from Influenza, and 1 each from Nephritis, Necrosis of bones of skull, Syphilis, Rickets, and Scabies.

‡ Four deaths from Syphilis, and 1 each from Influenza and Rickets.

§ Here are included 13 deaths from Senility, 8 from Paralysis, 6 from Heart-disease, 5 from Cerebral Haemorrhage, and 4 from Debility.

|| Here are included 21 deaths from Senility, 8 from Paralysis, 5 from Heart-disease, and 4 from Debility.

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hos- pitals.		Maradana North.		Maradana East.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals.)		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatta North.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	22	11	113	98	26	24	15	9	10	15	22	22	11	9	2	9
I.—Infantile Mortality	4	2	10	9	7	8	5	3	—	2	7	4	5	2	1	2
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	3	2	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	1	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	1	1	—	—	2	2	3	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	18	9	103	89	19	16	10	6	10	13	15	18	6	7	1	7
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	3	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	1	6	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	1	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis	—	1	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	2	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	—	4	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	2	1	11	12	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	6	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	4	2	—	—	5	2	1	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	5	—	11	10	3	1	2	—	—	3	3	3	—	—	—	—
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	9	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	3	41	23	6	5	2	2	5	6	5	8	5	3	1	1

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.													
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamil.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	3	7	3	4	14	9	147	171	53	41	40	31	5	7	13	4
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	2	1	—	2	2	28	25	14	12	8	7	2	—	1	2
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	4	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	5	2	3	1	4	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	2	—	3	1	—	—	—	1	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	1	—	—	—	1	—	3	3	1	2	2	—	1	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	2	1	2	2	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	2	5	2	4	12	7	119	146	39	29	32	24	3	7	12	2
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	3	1	2	2	—	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	7	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	2	2	1	2	—	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	7	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	1	—	—	1	1	10	18	3	6	3	3	—	1	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	8	6	1	4	3	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Pneumonia	1	—	—	—	—	1	13	19	5	5	5	1	—	1	4	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	2	—	1	—	3	3	1	1	2	—	1	1	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	1	3	2	2	8	1	41	44	11	7	7	10	2	4	6	—