

SUPPLEMENT

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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1928.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

THIS report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 34 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 853 (801 General, 7 Kandyan, and 45 Muslim), as against 505 in the preceding month and 398 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 418 (389 General and 29 Muslim), as against 208 in the preceding month and 132 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 2,162 (1,097 males and 1,065 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 42·28 per 1,000 of the population, as against 39·77 in the preceding month, 35·79 in the corresponding month of last year, and 33·05 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate exclusive of the small towns Vavuniya and Lunugala ranged from 25·23 in Hatton-Dikoya to 62·95 in Nawalapitiya. There were 1,837 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 35·93, as against 35·04 in the preceding month and 31·90 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 951 (472 males and 479 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 45·34, as against 37·82 in the preceding month, 39·44 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·09 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards ranged from 15·70 in Maradana South to 37·90 in New Bazaar. There were 735 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 35·04, as against 32·16 in the preceding month and 33·51 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,740 (937 males and 803 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 34·03, as against 37·74 in the preceding month and 30·83 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,266 deaths of residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate 26·78, as against 30·45 in the preceding month, 24·99 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·40 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The standardized death rate ranged from 64·59 in Kurunegala to 7·26 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 626 (354 males and 272 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·85, as against 32·07 in the preceding month and 29·78 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 481 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 26·41, as against 29·02 in the preceding month, 26·95 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·83 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The death rate of residents exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards ranged from 27·11 in Kotahena South to 7·36 in Wellawatta North.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 143 (79 males and 64 females), as against 172 in the preceding month and 130 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 370 and corresponded to a rate of 208 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 171, as against 198 in the preceding month, 178 in the corresponding month of last year, and 238 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 330 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 179, as against 205 in the preceding month and 180 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year amounted to 131 and corresponded to a rate of 190 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 138, as against 173 in the preceding month, 155 in the corresponding month of last year, and 229 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 113 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 154, as against 187 in the preceding month and 165 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. *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 7 per cent.; *Phthisis* 6 per cent.; *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia* and *Convulsions*, each 5 per cent.; *Anchylostomiasis* and *Dysentery*, each 4 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Diarrhoea*, *Influenza*, *Enteritis*, Diseases due to *Intestinal Parasites* (other than *Anchylostomiasis*), *Accidents*, and *Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Enteric Fever*, *Bronchitis*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, each 2 per cent.; *Heart Disease*, *Paralysis*, *Tetanus*, and *Accidents of Childbirth*, 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. *Phthisis* caused 8 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year), 7 per cent.; *Influenza*, 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Dysentery*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Convulsions*, *Enteritis*, *Heart Disease*, and *Accidents*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Enteric Fever*, *Paralysis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Puerperal Septicaemia*, *Bronchitis*, and Diseases due to *Intestinal Parasites* (other than *Anchylostomiasis*), each 2 per cent.; diseases of the *Respiratory System* (other than *Bronchitis* and *Pneumonia*), *Accidents of Childbirth*, *Tetanus*, *Cancer*, *Syphilis*, and *Diabetes Mellitus*, each 1 per cent.

12. Ten deaths from *Plague* (6 in Colombo and 4 in Kandy) were registered during the month, as against 5 in the previous month.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 338 cases were reported (271 in Colombo, 20 in Ambalangoda); *Phthisis* followed with 102 (89 in Colombo, 5 in Galle); *Enteric Fever* 58 (30 in Colombo, 13 in Galle); *Continued Fever* 34 (21 in Colombo, 9 in Galle); *Measles* 32 (21 in Colombo, 10 in Matale); *Plague* 13 (10 in Colombo and 3 in Kandy); *Mumps* 12 (10 in Kandy and 2 in Colombo); *Smallpox* 8 (in Colombo); *Dysentery* 5 (2 each in Moratuwa and Hambantota and 1 in Ambalangoda); *Diphtheria* 5 (4 in Colombo); *Diarrhoea* 3 (in Galle); *Whooping Cough* 1 (in Colombo), and *Leprosy* 1 (in Ambalangoda).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Kegalla recorded the highest rainfall (8.32 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 6.75 in. in Trincomalee to 0.69 in. in Hambantota. Colombo recorded 2.78 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 82.2° in Ratnapura to 56.8° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 78.6° 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, April 3, 1928.

E. R. DE SILVA,
Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during February, 1928, 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 1918, 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.

Table with columns: Provinces and Towns, Population (exclusive of Military and Ship-boarding), Marriages (General, Kandyan, Muslim), Births (Total, Males, Females), Deaths (Males, Females, Persons), Stillbirths (Males, Females, Persons), Deaths of Non-residents, Birth Rate (Febr. 1928, Average for 1918-1927, Death Rate), Mortality of Children under One Year (Number registered, Its proportion to 1,000 births, etc.), Mean Temperature, and Rainfall in Inches.

* Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges. † Not available.

Table II.—Births, Deaths, and Infant Mortality of Residents with their Corresponding Rates for February, 1928.

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate, February, 1928.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality:	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	February, 1928.	Average for February, 1918-1927.	Number registered during February, 1928.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during February, 1928.
All 84 Towns	931	906	1,837	85.93	666	600	1,266	26.78	32.40	330	179
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	364	371	735	35.04	265	216	481	26.41	30.83	113	154
Negombo	30	35	65	28.15	26	30	56	24.82	31.98	12	185
Moratuwa	64	73	137	38.47	31	37	68	19.45	36.79	20	146
Kalutara	21	21	42	37.75	19	20	39	34.87	24.41	9	214
Panadura	21	17	38	41.25	7	9	16	18.48	21.20	6	158
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	69	62	131	47.75	36	22	58	23.15	31.55	8	61
Gampola	8	9	17	31.78	5	4	9	17.39	29.36	2	118
Nawalapitiya	3	12	15	49.70	6	3	9	32.38	38.34	3	200
Hatton-Dikoya	2	3	5	21.02	3	4	7	34.61	36.24	1	200
Matale	13	10	23	32.00	12	12	24	35.65	41.80	8	348
Nuwara Eliya	9	9	18	27.11	6	5	11	18.29	15.34	5	278
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	65	48	113	35.91	44	51	95	29.54	32.77	27	239
Ambalangoda	6	3	9	27.74	1	2	3	9.41	—	1	111
Matara	30	32	62	45.60	17	12	29	20.93	27.52	6	97
Weligama	17	17	34	45.49	9	8	17	21.06	21.65	4	118
Hambantota	9	5	14	58.43	5	1	6	24.89	35.37	2	143
Tangalla	10	15	25	62.83	2	7	9	22.45	29.13	2	80
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	53	54	107	30.73	39	46	85	25.23	38.71	33	308
Mannar	5	8	13	43.67	3	5	8	27.40	39.13	4	308
Mullaitivu	2	2	4	29.68	2	2	4	30.93	52.97	3	750
Vavuniya	—	1	1	12.11	1	2	3	42.52	60.44	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	15	7	22	25.57	12	10	22	26.66	31.10	6	273
Kalmunai	4	5	9	43.34	4	1	5	24.26	—	—	267
Trincomalee	14	16	30	38.41	13	15	28	37.50	35.00	8	—
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	15	18	28	30.52	29	22	51	64.59	34.59	10	357
Puttalam	26	11	37	60.97	19	13	32	57.19	61.02	9	243
Kalpitiya	3	1	4	31.15	—	1	1	8.96	—	—	348
Chilaw	9	14	23	37.86	14	11	25	47.40	48.17	8	—
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	10	14	24	29.68	13	17	30	44.40	79.72	6	250
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	15	8	23	31.48	5	6	11	15.36	32.44	9	391
Lunugala	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	12	4	16	26.03	14	6	20	35.47	24.35	3	188
Kegalla	5	1	6	19.46	2	—	2	7.26	19.04	—	286
Rambukkana	2	5	7	31.12	2	—	2	—	—	—	—

* Births of infants whose mothers were residents of the towns.

† Deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns.

‡ Not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1928, 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.		Kaltara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Weligama.		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	937	803	1,740	354	272	31	36	35	40	21	23	13	12	50	33	9	8	13	5	5	8	35	32	6	6	56	60	1	2	14	9	8	7	1	2	7	
I.—Infantile Mortality	199	171	370	71	60	6	6	10	11	4	7	4	3	7	4	2	1	3	—	2	6	5	2	3	15	13	1	5	2	3	1	2	—	1	1		
A.—One Week and under.																																					
1. Prematurity	21	17	38	10	4	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Debility	42	24	66	16	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	6	7	13	3	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Bronchitis	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Pneumonia	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Other causes	—	5*	7	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																					
1. Prematurity	3	3	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	30	28	58	12	9	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	31	24	55	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	5	4	9	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Enteritis	8	11	19	7	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Tetanus	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis	7	3	10	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Pneumonia	10	16	26	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Syphilis	3	5	8	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Other Causes	26†	22§	48	9	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

* Besides 2 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death each from Pulmonary Embolism (in Panadura), cause unknown (in Matara), and Asthma (in Anuradhapura).
 † Besides 1 death mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 death from Congenital Hydrocephalus (in Jaffna).
 ‡ Besides 9 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 4 deaths from Worms (1 each in Matale and Kandy and 2 in Puttalam) 2 from Influenza (1 each in Negombo and Galle), 1 each from Gastritis (in Ratnapura), Whooping Cough (in Moratuwa), Pyæmia (in Kaltara), Erysipelas (in Nawalapitiya), Meningitis (in Matara), and Convulsions due to Umbilical sepsis (in Galle), Dysentery, and Malarial fever (in Jaffna), Cephalic hæmorrhage and Septic absorption (in Badulla).
 § Besides 12 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 2 deaths from Nephritis (1 each in Panadura and Jaffna), 2 from Malarial Fever (1 each in Chilaw and Anuradhapura), 1 each from Thrush (in Moratuwa), Status Epilepticus (in Kandy), Malarial Fever and Convulsions (in Matale), Erysipelas (in Galle), Whooping Cough (in Ambalangoda), and Intestinal obstruction (in Ratnapura).

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1928, in each Town or the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1886—continued.

Causes of Death.	Northern Province.								Eastern Province.				North-Western Province.				North-Central Province.		Province of Uva.				Province of Sabaragamuwa.						Deaths among all Races.																				
	Jaina.		Mannar.		Mullaitivu.		Vavuniya.		Batticaloa.		Kalmunai.		Trincomealee.		Kurunegala.		Puttalam.		Kalpitiya.		Chilaw.		Anuradhapura.		Badulla.		Lunugala.		Katnapura.		Kegalla.		Rambukkana.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.		
	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	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M
All Causes ..	44	47	8	7	2	2	2	2	2	19	12	5	4	16	16	54	46	24	15	—	1	22	20	22	11	7	3	5	26	22	7	8	2	—	5	1	18	29	468	262	202	127	85	18	16	25	2	2	
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	13	20	1	4	2	1	1	—	3	3	—	5	3	5	6	8	1	—	6	2	—	2	2	5	4	—	1	4	1	—	2	—	—	—	5	6	417	98	45	42	29	19	1	4	2	2			
A.—One Week and under.	5	5	1	4	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	3	1	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
1. Prematurity ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
2. Debility ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
1. Prematurity ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Syphilis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
10. Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1928, 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.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara-Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matera.		Vilgamu.		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	M	F		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	738	632	1,370																																					
1. Plague	9	1	10																																					
2. Smallpox																																								
3. Chickenpox																																								
4. Measles																																								
5. Influenza	23	13	36																																					
6. Enteric Fever	21	12	33																																					
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	49	42	91																																					
8. Cholera																																								
9. Diarrhoea	15	30	45																																					
10. Enteritis	13	18	31																																					
11. Dysentery	42	22	64																																					
12. Anchylostomiasis or Doehmuis Duodenalis	33	36	69																																					
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	28	16	44																																					
14. Cancer	6	6	12																																					
15. Phthisis	49	55	104																																					
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	2	3																																					
17. Anaemia	1	6	7																																					
18. Diabetes Mellitus	9	2	11																																					
19. Paralysis	13	10	23																																					
20. Convulsions	7	10	17																																					
21. Tetanus	9	4	13																																					
22. Heart Disease	15	11	26																																					
23. Bronchitis	9	10	19																																					
24. Pneumonia	146	87	233																																					
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	8	8	16																																					
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	28	26	54																																					
27. Puerperal Eclampsia		2	2																																					
28. Puerperal Septicaemia		27	27																																					
29. Accidents of Childbirth		17	17																																					
30. Accidents and Negligence	36	14	50																																					
31. Homicide	2	2	4																																					
32. Suicide		4	4																																					
33. Execution	2		2																																					
34. All Other Causes	*164	†141	305																																					

* Here are included 44 deaths from Senility, 15 from Debility, 12 from Cerebral Haemorrhage, and 1 from Beri-Beri.
 † Here are included 53 deaths from Senility, 13 from Debility, and 4 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of February, 1928, 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 1922-1927, 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 1928 by Inter-censal 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.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			Birth Rate.	Death Rate.		Standardized Death-rate, February, 1928.*	Number registered during Feb., 1928.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the year ended Feb., the last day of Feb., 1928.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the year ended Feb., the last day of Feb., 1928.		
															Average for Feb., 1922-27.	February, 1928.					Average for Feb., 1922-27.	February, 1928.
City of Colombo ..	244,163	264,713	472	479	951	35	21	56	354	272	626	141	481	45.34†	33.94	22.98†	27.96	26.41	131	138	190	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,917	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	0.80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,241	3	4	7	—	—	—	4	—	4	—	4	10.72	4.08	6.13	9.63	—	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,364	21	24	45	3	1	4	23	20	43	—	42	22.39	21.60	20.90	24.60	—	10	222	249	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,459	13	14	27	—	—	—	14	8	22	—	22	27.35	23.82	22.29	24.77	—	4	148	171	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,257	17	23	40	3	1	4	8	19	27	—	27	24.92	26.08	16.86	25.36	—	10	250	247	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,802	29	37	66	—	1	1	31	34	65	—	64	27.95	28.11	27.11	27.58	—	18	273	329	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,306	41	35	76	1	2	3	26	17	43	—	43	37.90	26.41	21.45	27.42	—	10	132	189	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	214	210	424	22	10	32	166	101	267	138	129	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,957	42	39	81	1	1	2	23	23	46	—	46	31.02	25.14	17.62	20.12	—	9	111	138	
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,317	9	7	16	1	1	2	8	5	13	3	10	21.68	25.24	13.55	21.46	—	2	125	99	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	20,091	11	14	25	2	—	2	12	11	23	—	23	15.70	17.23	14.45	17.19	—	5	200	212	
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,379	27	27	54	1	2	3	21	16	37	—	35	29.15	26.25	18.89	23.93	—	10	185	191	
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,752	20	13	33	—	1	1	7	9	16	—	16	16.17	12.67	7.84	10.20	—	4	121	143	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	17,148	12	16	28	1	1	2	4	7	11	—	11	20.61	26.36	7.36	19.82	—	4	179	130	
Wellawatta South..	10,313	11,723	13	16	29	—	—	—	6	2	8	—	8	31.22	26.08	9.69	16.85	—	1	34	45	

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

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

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1928, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards												
	M	F	Total.	Fort and Gallis Face.		Fettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.		
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	354	272	626	1	—	4	—	23	20	14	8	8	19	31	34	
I.—Infantile Mortality	71	60	131	—	—	—	—	3	7	1	3	3	7	12	6	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	10	4	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	16	6	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
4. Tetanus	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Other Causes	2*	1†	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity*	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	12	9	21	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
3. Convulsions	4	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	
4. Diarrhoea	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	
5. Enteritis	7	5	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	
8. Pneumonia	1	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	
9. Syphilis	1	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
10. Other Causes	9‡	12§	21	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	1	—	2	3	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	298	212	495	1	—	4	—	20	13	13	5	5	12	19	28	
1. Plague	6	—	6	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Chickpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Influenza	13	10	23	—	—	1	—	7	3	1	—	—	1	1	2	
6. Enteric Fever	11	4	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Diarrhoea	7	9	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	4	1	
10. Enteritis	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	
11. Dysentery	12	8	20	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	3	1	
12. Anchylostomiasis or Doctemius Duodenalis	8	4	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	8	1	9	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	
14. Cancer	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	
15. Phthisis	22	26	48	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	1	5	
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
17. Anæmia	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18. Diabetes Mellitus	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19. Paralysis	8	5	13	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	
20. Convulsions	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
21. Tetanus	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
22. Heart Disease	12	6	18	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
23. Bronchitis	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	
24. Pneumonia	45	26	71	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	7	2	9	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	11	7	18	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
28. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
30. Accidents and Negligence	12	4	16	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All Other Causes	75	86¶	141	—	—	—	—	4	5	3	2	1	—	7	11	

* One death each from Asphyxia Neonatorum and Enteritis.

† From Asphyxia Pallida.

‡ Five deaths from Influenza, 2 from Nephritis, and 1 each from Morbus Cordis and Foreign body in Trachea.

§ Eleven deaths from Influenza and 1 from Worms.

|| Here are included 17 deaths from Senility, 7 from Cerebral Haemorrhage, 6 from Debility, and 1 from Beri-Beri.

¶ Here are included 25 deaths from Senility, and 5 from Debility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1928, in each Ward and of each Race in the City, 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	26	17	166	101	23	23	8	5	12	11	21	16	7	9	4	7
I.—Infantile Mortality	5	5	26	18	6	3	2	—	1	4	5	5	3	1	3	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	7	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	2	1	5	1	3	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	1	—	1	
3. Convulsions	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Other Causes	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	—	1	5	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Enteritis	1	—	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
9. Syphilis	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Other Causes	2	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	21	12	140	83	17	20	6	5	11	7	16	11	4	8	1	6
1. Plague	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	2	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	1	—	7	3	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	4	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	1	1	5	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis	—	—	6	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	3	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	1	15	7	—	6	—	—	—	1	4	—	1	2	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	1	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	2	1	3	3	2	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
23. Bronchitis	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	2	1	32	13	2	4	1	—	1	1	3	1	—	1	—	—
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	1	5	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	1	—	8	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	5	5	38	26	5	6	1	—	5	2	2	5	2	1	—	9

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1928, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.													
	Wallawatta 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	6	2	3	—	14	19	177	165	67	43	64	32	7	11	22	2
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	—	—	—	4	3	43	36	12	10	10	7	—	2	2	3
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	1	—	7	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5	5	—	4	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	—	—	1	6	3	2	2	3	3	—	—	—	1
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	1	1	6	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	—	7	7	—	2	1	2	—	—	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	5	2	3	—	10	16	134	129	55	33	54	25	7	9	20	—
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	1
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	3	2	6	3	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	2	7	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	2
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	8	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	3	1	3	3	2	—	—	—	2
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	—	—	1	3	11	13	6	5	1	3	2	2	1	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	1	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
19. Paralysis	—	—	—	—	2	—	4	5	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
22. Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	1	2	6	2	—	1	5	1	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	1	—	—	—	—	2	24	10	13	4	4	1	—	—	—	4
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	1
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	1	—	—	—	6	6	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	1	1	2	2	1	—	—	—	1
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	1	2	—	3	6	34	43	13	7	18	7	1	3	4	—