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

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

THIS report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 35 principal towns in the Island proclaimed under sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Marriages.

2. The number of marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 582 (535 General, 2 Kandyan, and 45 Muslim), as against 292 in the preceding month, and 459 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 250 (222 General and 28 Muslim), as against 156 in the preceding month and 200 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,810 (920 males and 890 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 33·06 per 1,000 of the population, as against 33·35 in the preceding month, 32·34 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·02 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate ranged from 7·29 in Kalpitiya to 110·52 in Lunugala. There were 1,608 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 29·37, as against 29·54 in the preceding month and 29·61 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 717 (352 males and 365 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 31·98, as against 32·31 in the preceding month, 27·34 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·80 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 12·84 in Kollupitiya to 38·02 in Maradana East. There were 600 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 26·76, as against 27·15 in the preceding month, and 23·84 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered numbered 1,700 (935 males and 765 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 31·05, as against 27·58 in the preceding month, and 27·44 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,225 deaths of residents of the towns equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 24·20, as against 21·80 in the preceding month, 22·53 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·25 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The standardized death rate, exclusive of Lunugala where it was 74·74 ranged from 43·75 in Nawalapitiya to 10·19 in Kegalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 692 (375 males and 317 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 30·86, as against 23·50 in the preceding month and 26·13 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 526 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 27·01, as against 25·80 in the preceding month, 23·72 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·88 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The death rate of residents exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 25·19 in New Bazaar to 10·09 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 139 (78 males and 61 females), as against 127 in the preceding month and 107 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 334 and corresponded to a rate of 175 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 185, as against 171 in the preceding month, 174 in the corresponding month of last year, and 215 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 306 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 190, as against 172 in the preceding month, and 176 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year amounted to 145, and corresponded to a rate of 195 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 202, as against 158 in the preceding month, 192 in the corresponding month of last year, and 220 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 129 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 215, as against 165 in the preceding month and 202 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia* to which 17 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Debility* (of children under one year), *Senility* and *Phtisis*, each caused 6 per cent.; *Convulsions* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, each 5 per cent.; *Enteritis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Accidents* and *Negligence*, each 4 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Influenza*, *Enteric Fever*, *Dysentery*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis*, *Worms*, and *Heart Disease*, each 2 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Paralysis*, and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia* to which 16 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Phtisis* caused 9 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year) 8 per cent.; *Influenza*, 7 per cent.; *Senility*, 5 per cent.; *Enteritis*, 4 per cent.; *Convulsions*, *Bronchitis*, *Malaria*, and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Heart Disease*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, each 3 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Enteric Fever*, *Dysentery*, *Worms*, *Paralysis* and *Accidents*, and *Negligence*, each 2 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Cancer*, *Diabetes*, *Diseases of the Respiratory* (other than *Bronchitis* and *Pneumonia*), and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 1 per cent.

12. One death from *Plague* was registered in Colombo during the month as against nil in the previous month and 8 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 158 cases were reported (108 in Colombo, 10 in Nuwara Eliya); *Phtisis*, followed with 108 (96 in Colombo); *Measles* 98 (71 in Matale, 14 in Colombo); *Enteric Fever* 39 (20 in Colombo, 8 in Galle); *Continued Fever* 28 (12 in Colombo, 10 in Galle); *Mumps* 8 (5 in Colombo and 3 in Nuwara Eliya); *Plague* 4 (in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 4 (3 in Colombo and 1 in Panadure); *Dysentery* 3 (1 each in Moratuwa, Matara, and Kurunegala); and *Cholera* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (14·96 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 8·40 in. in Ratnapura to 0·14 in. each in Batticaloa and Puttalam. Colombo recorded 7·92 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 87·1° in Mannar to 63·2° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 82·8° 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, July 5, 1928.

C. COOMARASWAMY,
Registrar-General.

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

Principal Towns.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping population estimated to the middle of 1928 by Intercensal Increase. Census of March 16, 1921.)	All 35 Towns	Marriages.		Births.		Deaths.		Stillbirths.		Deaths of Non-resi- dents registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Mortality of Children under One Year.		Mean Temperature in degrees.									
			General.	Kandyan.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	May, 1928.	May, 1927.	May, 1928.	May, 1927.								
Colombo	244,163	264,713	222	—	28	250	362	375	692	28	57	155	31·98	25·80	30·86	145	202	195	82·8	7·92				
Negombo	27,639	29,146	36	—	1	37	41	43	84	29	6	9	34·03	32·08	26·74	11	131	118	—	2·69				
Moratuwa	41,858	44,941	47	—	47	56	42	98	31	52	83	9	3	25·75	33·63	21·81	21	214	184	—	—			
Katuwara	13,596	14,043	15	—	15	22	11	33	33	13	46	1	1	6	27·74	32·24	38·67	4	121	95	—	7·08		
Paradure	10,747	11,627	12	—	12	16	14	30	6	7	13	1	4	2	30·46	25·47	13·23	4	133	124	—	—		
Central.	32,562	34,625	12	—	5	17	50	63	113	61	49	110	4	2	6	32	38·53	37·84	37·51	19	168	171	80·4	3·20
Teldeniya	637	1,006	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	4	11·73	—†	58·66	—†	—	—	—	—	
Gampola	6,202	6,750	1	—	—	1	9	16	25	7	11	18	—	—	—	—	33·60	31·48	2	80	95	—	2·15	—
Nawalapitiya	3,221	3,809	—	—	—	12	5	17	13	10	23	—	—	—	—	10	52·69	41·18	71·29	2	118	120	—	14·96
Hatiyon-Dikoya	2,940	3,001	1	—	—	1	7	1	8	4	6	10	—	—	—	5	31·47	35·68	39·34	1	126	133	—	6·14
Matale	9,071	9,071	4	—	5	19	22	41	39	19	58	1	3	4	33	53·36	42·42	75·49	10	244	273	—	3·07	
Nuwara Eliya	8,380	8,380	8	—	8	10	13	23	8	4	12	2	4	2	32·41	28·67	16·91	2	87	81	63·2	2·80		
Galle	39,073	39,717	42	—	1	43	53	45	98	62	38	100	7	4	11	23	29·13	32·62	29·73	14	143	112	82·4	7·50
Ambalangoda	3,347	4,094	2	—	2	6	6	12	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	34·60	31·79	14·42	1	83	99	—	—
Meerawa	16,779	17,161	24	—	24	26	28	54	21	13	34	3	1	4	8	—	37·15	34·43	23·39	7	130	133	—	4·53
Welligama	9,104	9,432	13	—	13	13	17	30	5	6	11	1	—	1	—	—	37·55	34·38	13·77	3	100	92	—	—
Hambantota	2,849	3,024	1	—	1	2	3	6	9	3	3	6	—	—	3	35·14	38·51	23·42	3	333	239	82·8	3·73	
Tangalla	4,896	5,022	5	—	5	24	23	47	10	6	16	1	1	2	1	110·49	38·73	37·61	6	128	301	—	4·90	
Northern.	42,436	43,951	47	—	2	49	68	58	126	32	32	64	3	1	4	4	33·85	33·74	17·19	21	167	166	85·3	0·00
Jaffna	—	—	—	—	2	6	2	8	4	6	10	—	1	1	4	4	25·14	36·21	31·42	2	250	178	87·1	1·32
Mannar	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	5	2	1	3	—	—	1	1	34·71	35·66	20·88	—	—	—	—	1·43	
Mullaittivu	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	4	6	4	2	—	—	3	67·99	23·33	67·99	1	167	167	368	—		
Vavuniya	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4·65	
Eastern.	10,564	10,859	7	—	7	28	14	42	16	12	28	2	—	2	3	45·67	39·22	30·44	11	262	275	85·8	0·14	
Batticaloa	2,586	2,621	2	—	2	3	6	9	4	3	7	2	—	2	2	40·54	43·98	31·53	2	222	163	—	0·93	
Kalmunai	1,963	1,701	—	—	3	12	12	24	17	17	34	3	2	5	2	28·74	25·80	40·72	3	125	111	86·1	0·45	
Trincomalee	9,414	9,858	3	—	2	4	6	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	16	40·04	33·32	50·82	3	115	113	—	0·88
Kurunegala	10,187	11,580	5	1	6	16	15	31	14	45	—	1	1	20	31·61	28·41	45·88	7	185	185	83·4	2·11		
Putalam	6,905	7,658	1	6	7	9	10	19	12	13	25	1	2	2	7	29·29	36·86	38·54	6	316	239	84·7	0·14	
Kaluttiya	1,603	1,620	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	7·29	19·82	21·86	1	1000	281	—	—	
Chilaw	6,642	7,667	3	—	3	15	11	26	21	12	33	1	—	1	16	40·04	33·32	50·82	3	200	369	—	—	
North-Central.	7,581	10,207	6	—	6	5	6	11	19	17	36	1	2	3	12	12·72	20·37	41·64	4	364	185	84·4	3·20	
Anuradhapura	—	—	—	—	—	8	12	9	21	15	7	22	3	1	4	7	26·89	32·69	28·17	6	286	204	76·7	4·73
Uva.	8,126	9,219	8	—	—	3	2	5	13	2	15	15	—	—	—	12	110·62	35·56	331·54	1	200	369	—	—
Badulla	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	9	15	14	28	3	—	—	—	20	22·83	30·16	41·09	4	267	180	83·2	—
Lunugala	526	534	—	—	—	1	6	9	15	14	28	3	—	—	—	25	45·52	42·42	84·96	5	333	323	—	3·61
Sabaragamuwa.	7,014	7,758	3	1	4	9	6	15	11	27	—	—	—	—	—	24·95	—†	24·95	2	—	—	—	—	
Kegalla	3,508	3,891	1	—	1	6	9	15	14	28	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Rambukkana	2,308	2,839	—	—	—	3	3	6	6	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

* Blanks indicate that there are no Observatories or Rain-gauges.

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

Principal Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. May, 1928.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	May, 1928.	Average for May, 1918-1927.	Number registered during May, 1928.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during May, 1928.
All 35 Towns	815	793	1,608	29·37	630	595	1,225	24·20	27·25	306	190
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	295	305	600	26·76	279	247	526	27·01	25·88	129	215
Negombo	33	37	70	28·36	24	32	56	23·22	22·87	10	143
Moratuwa	55	42	97	25·48	30	50	80	21·40	28·41	21	216
Kalutara	17	10	27	22·70	6	11	17	14·22	25·72	4	148
Panadure	14	12	26	26·40	5	6	11	11·89	17·13	3	115
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	45	59	104	35·46	40	38	78	29·13	27·66	17	163
Teldeniya	1	—	1	11·73	—	1	1	—‡	—‡	—	—
Gampola	8	15	23	40·22	6	8	14	25·31	24·70	2	87
Nawalapitiya	7	4	11	34·00	8	5	13	43·75	28·00	2	182
Hatton-Dikoya	6	1	7	27·54	2	3	5	23·13	40·39	—	—
Matale	18	19	37	48·16	17	8	25	34·74	29·45	8	216
Nuwara Eliya	10	13	23	32·41	7	3	10	15·56	20·03	2	87
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	45	39	84	24·97	44	33	77	22·40	23·93	14	167
Ambalangoda	6	6	12	34·60	1	4	5	14·33	—‡	1	83
Matara	25	26	51	35·09	14	11	25	16·88	22·29	6	118
Welligama	13	17	30	37·55	5	6	11	12·75	19·09	3	100
Hambantota	3	6	9	35·14	—	3	3	11·64	28·51	3	333
Tangalla	24	23	47	110·49	9	6	15	35·00	27·57	6	128
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	67	58	125	33·58	28	31	59	16·42	30·30	21	168
Mannar	5	2	7	22·00	1	5	6	19·23	30·75	2	286
Mullaittivu	3	2	5	34·71	1	1	2	14·47	53·06	—	—
Vavuniya	2	4	6	67·99	2	1	3	30·78	39·00	1	167
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	28	14	42	45·67	14	11	25	28·34	43·92	11	262
Kalmunai	2	5	7	31·53	2	3	5	22·69	—‡	2	286
Trincomalee	12	12	24	28·74	15	17	32	40·09	61·65	3	125
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	14	12	26	26·51	13	12	25	29·62	28·93	7	269
Puttalam	9	9	18	27·75	9	9	18	30·10	47·32	6	333
Kalpitiya	—	1	1	7·29	1	2	3	25·10	—‡	1	1000
Chilaw	14	11	25	38·50	10	7	17	30·15	30·86	3	120
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	5	5	10	11·57	15	9	24	33·23	52·28	4	400
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	11	8	19	24·33	10	5	15	19·59	31·44	6	316
Lunugala	1	1	2	44·21	3	—	3	74·74	—‡	1	500
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	8	6	14	21·31	5	2	7	11·62	22·22	3	214
Kegalla	6	6	12	36·41	2	1	3	10·19	13·79	2	167
Rambukkana	3	3	6	24·95	2	4	6	—‡	—‡	2	333

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

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

‡ Figures not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1928, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Western Province.		Central Province.		Southern Province.	
All 35 Towns.					
M	F	Total.	M	F	M
935	765	1,700	375	317	29
All Causes	..	All Causes	..	31	52
1.	Prematurity	13	9	22	5
2.	Debility	26	20	46	7
3.	Convulsions	3	7	10	1
4.	Tetanus	2	1	3	—
5.	Bronchitis	—	—	—	—
6.	Pneumonia	29	1†	3	2
7.	Other causes
I.—Infantile Mortality					
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>					
1.	Prematurity	—	—	62	24
2.	Debility	27	28	50	7
3.	Convulsions	22	4	13	—
4.	Diarrhoea	—	—	4	2
5.	Enteritis	6	6	11	4
6.	Tetanus	5	1	1	—
7.	Bronchitis	5	4	9	4
8.	Pneumonia	31	26	57	13
9.	Syphilis	4	3	7	1
10.	Other Causes	164	258	40	8
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>					
1.	Prematurity	—	—	16	—
2.	Debility	—	—	8	3
3.	Convulsions	22	4	4	1
4.	Diarrhoea	—	—	2	1
5.	Enteritis	6	6	1	—
6.	Tetanus	5	1	—	—
7.	Bronchitis	5	1	—	—
8.	Pneumonia	31	26	12	1
9.	Syphilis	4	3	2	—
10.	Other Causes	164	258	15	1

One death from Imperforate Anus (in Patau's syndrome), one from imperforate rectum, one from imperforate rectum and recto-ureteral fistula.

[†] Besides 8 deaths mentioned in Table V, 5 more were known from impure areas (in Ratnapura).

Besides 3 dealing mentioned in Table V., footnote 1, Nemertines (in Jaffna) and Accidental fall of

[§] Besides 15 deaths mentioned in Table V, four others

⁸ Sources in crevans *Weltkarte III*, Table V., footnote 1.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1928, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Northern Province.		Eastern Province.		North-Western Province.		North-Central Province.		Province of Uva.		Province of Sabaragamwawa.		Deaths among all Races.																								
Causes of Death.		Jaffna.		Mannar.		Vavuniya.		Kalmunai.		Trincomalee.		Puttalam.		Kurundegala.		Hambantota.		Bogahattra.		European.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		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					
All Causes	32	4	6	2	1	4	2	16	12	4	3	17	17	31	14	12	13	1	2	21	12	19	17	15	7	13	2	16	14	14	2	4	6	6	22	245214332381841259910186
I.—Infantile Mortality	11	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
A.—One Week and under.																																				
1. Prematurity	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Disability	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4. Tetanus	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																				
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Disability	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Enteritis	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May 1928, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Death.	All 35 Towns.		Western Province.		Central Province.		Southern Province.		
	M	F	Total	M	F	M	F	M	F
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)									
1. Plague	..	599	1,366	298	249	26	29	38	30
2. Smallpox	..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	..	22	19	41	17	18	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	..	26	19	45	6	7	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	..	50	30	80	16	9	5	4	3
8. Cholera	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	..	18	24	42	5	2	1	3	2
10. Enteritis	..	31	21	52	11	13	1	1	2
11. Dysentery	..	28	15	43	5	7	2	1	1
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochminus Duodenalis	..	30	34	64	2	8	1	2	1
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	..	16	23	39	3	8	2	1	1
14. Cancer	..	9	7	16	5	5	1	1	1
15. Phthisis	..	61	44	105	32	27	2	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	5	2	7	4	2	1	1	1
17. Anaemia	..	3	3	6	1	1	1	1	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus	..	6	4	10	4	3	1	1	1
19. Paralysis	..	15	9	24	7	4	1	1	1
20. Convulsions	..	17	12	19	2	3	1	1	1
21. Tetanus	..	6	6	12	2	2	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease	..	13	14	27	9	9	1	2	1
23. Bronchitis	..	16	7	23	9	4	1	1	1
24. Pneumonia	..	141	95	236	54	33	6	4	10
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	10	—	10	7	—	1	1	1
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	35	20	55	16	6	3	1	2
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	—	6	6	—	—	2	1	1
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	..	—	25	25	—	8	2	1	1
29. Accidents of Childbirth	..	—	13	13	—	6	2	2	2
30. Accidents and Negligence	..	50	10	60	9	2	—	1	1
31. Homicide	..	7	—	7	3	—	2	1	1
32. Suicide	..	5	2	7	1	2	—	1	1
33. Execution	..	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
34. All Other Causes	..	165*	135†	290	68	57	1	6	2
Total									
Galle.	Matale.	Nuwara-Eliya.	Hatton-Dikoya.	Gampola.	Kandy.	Matale.	Nawalapitiya.	Telendive.	Colombo.
Wellawaya.	Matara.	Ambarangoda.	Galle.	Matale.	Nuwara-Eliya.	Hatton-Dikoya.	Matale.	Kandy.	Matale.
Hambantota.	Trincomalee.	Wellawaya.	Galle.	Matale.	Nuwara-Eliya.	Hatton-Dikoya.	Matale.	Kandy.	Colombo.
Southern Province.	Central Province.	Western Province.	All 35 Towns.						

* Here are included 46 deaths from Senility, 10 from Debility, and 3 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.
† Here are included 48 deaths from Senility, 12 from Debility, and 3 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during, May 1928, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-38 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*continued*.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of May, 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.

		Mortality of Children under One Year.									
Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.	Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.					Per Mille per Annum.				
		Births.	Stillbirths.	Females.	Males.	Persons.	Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Average for May, 1928.	Standardized Death-rate, May, 1928. [†]	Average for May, 1922-27.
City of Colombo ..	244,163	264,718	352	365	717	28	29	57	375	317	692
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,917	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	4·05	·71
Pettah ..	7,601	8,241	2	4	—	—	6	—	5·73	1·72	8·60
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,364	26	17	43	2	1	3	19	24	42
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,459	11	14	25	—	—	—	13	7	20
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,257	14	21	35	1	1	2	10	21	31
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,802	32	24	56	—	—	—	28	23	51
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,306	26	25	61	4	3	7	25	29	54
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	107	133	240	15	17	32	174	117	291
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,957	33	31	64	1	2	3	29	20	49
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,317	18	12	30	—	—	—	8	9	17
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	18,631	20,091	5	19	24	2	1	3	13	14	27
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,379	25	19	44	2	2	4	20	25	45
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,752	16	12	28	1	1	2	13	10	23
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	17,148	24	22	46	—	—	—	1	10	20
Wellawatta South ..	10,913	11,723	12	14	26	—	—	—	7	7	14
									20	31·67	22·85
									20	13·77	14·47
									14	26·19	22·67
									14	13·90	—

* 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 May, 1928, 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.		Sen Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	875	317	692	—	1	6	—	19	24	13	7	10	21	28	23
I.—Infantile Mortality	77	68	145	—	—	—	—	9	6	5	1	1	4	13	9
A.—One Week and under.															
1. Prematurity	5	3	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	7	7	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
3. Convulsions	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	2*	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.															
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	24	15	39	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	2	3
3. Convulsions	7	8	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	2	2
4. Diarrhoea	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
5. Enteritis	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
8. Pneumonia	13	12	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	—	1
9. Syphilis	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	5	—
10. Other Causes	8†	15§	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	298	249	547	—	1	6	—	10	18	8	6	9	17	15	14
1. Plague	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
5. Influenza	17	18	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	2	3	2	2	3
6. Enteric Fever	6	7	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	2	2
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	15	9	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	1
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	2	1
10. Enteritis	11	13	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	1	1
11. Dysentery	5	7	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenitis	2	8	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	3	8	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
14. Cancer	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	1	2
15. Phthisis	32	27	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	3	2
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	4	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
19. Paralysis	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1
20. Convulsions	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
21. Tetanus	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease	9	9	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	9	4	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
24. Pneumonia	54	33	87	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	3
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	7	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	16	6	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	2	2	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	9	2	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	2	2	2	2
34. All Other Causes	68	57	125	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2

* One death each from Imperforate Anus, Malformation of intestines, and Atelectasis.

† Five deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Chronic Constipation, Septicaemia from infected Navel, and Rickets.

§ Six deaths from Influenza, and 1 each from Rickets and Anaemia, Thrush, Vaccination, Worms, Meningo-myelococcal, Heart failure due to Hyperpyrexia, Abscess of leg, Starvation, and Maldevelopment.

|| Here are included 18 deaths from Senility and 4 from Debility.

¶ Here are included 18 deaths from Senility and 4 from Debility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 1928, 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	M	F
All Causes ..	25	29	174	117	29	20	8	9	13	14	20	25	13	10	10	10	10	10
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	7	7	16	13	10	5	2	3	2	1	4	7	1	1	4	4	4	4
A.—One Week and under.																		
1. Prematurity ..																		
2. Debility ..																		
3. Convulsions ..																		
4. Tetanus ..																		
5. Bronchitis ..																		
6. Pneumonia ..																		
7. Other Causes ..																		
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																		
1. Prematurity ..																		
2. Debility ..																		
3. Convulsions ..																		
4. Diarrhoea ..																		
5. Enteritis ..																		
6. Tetanus ..																		
7. Bronchitis ..																		
8. Pneumonia ..																		
9. Syphilis ..																		
10. Other Causes ..																		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..	18	22	158	104	19	15	6	6	8	16	18	12	9	6	6	6	6	6
1. Plague ..																		
2. Smallpox ..																		
3. Chickenpox ..																		
4. Measles ..																		
5. Influenza ..																		
6. Enteric Fever ..																		
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia ..																		
8. Cholera ..																		
9. Diarrhoea ..																		
10. Enteritis ..																		
11. Dysentery ..																		
12. Ankylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis ..																		
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites ..																		
14. Cancer ..																		
15. Phthisis ..																		
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..																		
17. Anaemia ..																		
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..																		
19. Paralysis ..																		
20. Convulsions ..																		
21. Tetanus ..																		
22. Heart Disease ..																		
23. Bronchitis ..																		
24. Pneumonia ..																		
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..																		
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..																		
27. Puerperal Eclampsia ..																		
28. Puerperal Septicaemia ..																		
29. Accidents of Childbirth ..																		
30. Accidents and Negligence ..																		
31. Homicide ..																		
32. Suicide ..																		
33. Execution ..																		
34. All Other Causes ..	2	4	38	23	5	7	1	1	3	5	6	5	4					

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.																Malaya.		Others.	
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.				Burghers.				Sinhalese.				Tamil.				Moors.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	7	7	4	5	15	20	211	695	71	34	55	49	7	9	12	5						
I.—Infantile Mortality	3	2	—	—	4	3	43	43	14	5	12	12	1	4	3	1	4	3	1	4	3	1
A.—One Week and under.																						
1. Prematurity			1																			
2. Debility																						
3. Convulsions																						
4. Tetanus																						
5. Bronchitis																						
6. Pneumonia																						
7. Other Causes																						
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																						
1. Prematurity			1																			
2. Debility			1																			
3. Convulsions																						
4. Diarrhoea																						
5. Enteritis																						
6. Tetanus																						
7. Bronchitis																						
8. Pneumonia																						
9. Syphilis																						
10. Other Causes																						
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	4	5	4	5	11	17	168	152	57	29	43	37	6	5	9	4						
1. Plague																						
2. Smallpox																						
3. Chickenpox																						
4. Measles																						
5. Influenza																						
6. Enteric Fever																						
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia																						
8. Cholera																						
9. Diarrhoea																						
10. Enteritis																						
11. Dysentery																						
12. Anchyllostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis																						
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites			1																			
14. Cancer					3	1	2	14	17	10	4	6	3	3	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	1
15. Phthisis					1	2	2	9	7	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases					1	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
17. Anaemia					2	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
19. Paralysis					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
20. Convulsions					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
21. Tetanus					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
23. Bronchitis					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
24. Pneumonia					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
28. Puerperal Septicaemia					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
29. Accidents of Childbirth					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
30. Accidents and Negligence					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
31. Homicide					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
32. Suicide					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
33. Execution					2	1	1	5	24	16	14	6	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
34. All Other Causes					2	1	1	4	3	4	40	34	12	2	10	9	2	4	1	1	1	1