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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 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 marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 485 (442 General, 7 Kandyan, and 36 Muslim), as against 490 in the preceding month and 564 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 204 (184 General and 20 Muslim), as against 206 in the preceding month and 254 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,934 (956 males and 978 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 35·33 per 1,000 of the population, as against 33·63 in the preceding month, 32·25 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·55 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate ranged from 12·48 in Rambukkana to 88·41 in Lunugala. There were 1,664 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 30·40, as against 29·76 in the preceding month and 28·66 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 762 (385 males and 377 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 33·99, as against 32·07 in the preceding month, 29·37 in the corresponding month of last year, and 24·52 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 11·02 in Wellawatta North to 32·22 in San Sebastian. There were 644 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 28·72, as against 27·03 in the preceding month and 24·92 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,919 (1,035 males and 884 females). The number was equivalent to an annual rate of 35·05, as against 33·43 in the preceding month and 31·60 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,394 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 27·54, as against 26·95 in the preceding month, 26·30 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·58 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The standardized death rate ranged from 124·56 in Lunugala to 7·00 in Tangalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 653 (342 males and 311 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·12, as against 28·86 in the preceding month and 28·78 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 496 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 25·47, as against 26·81 in the preceding month, 26·10 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·74 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 22·19 in Kotahena South to 9·17 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 165 (90 males and 75 females), as against 127 in the previous month and 138 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 395, and corresponded to a rate of 204 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was also 204, as against 194 in the preceding month, 191 in the corresponding month of last year, and 237 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 348 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 209, as against 200 in the preceding month and 198 in the corresponding month of the previous year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year amounted to 138, and corresponded to a rate of 180 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 181, as against 172 in the preceding month, 189 in the corresponding month of last year, and 254 the average for the corresponding months since 1918. There were 118 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 183, same as in the preceding month, and against 202 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), *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, *Senility*, and *Dysentery*, each caused 6 per cent.; *Convulsions*, and *Phthisis*, each 5 per cent.; *Enteritis*, *Intestinal Parasites* (other than *Anchylostomiasis*), *Diarrhoea*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 4 per cent.; *Bright's Disease and Nephritis* and *Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis*, *Enteric Fever*, *Accidents and Negligence*, and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 2 per cent.; and *Paralysis* and *Influenza*, each 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 14 per cent. of the total deaths were due, *Senility* caused 6 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year) and *Phthisis*, each 5 per cent.; *Enteritis*, *Diseases due to Intestinal Parasites* (other than *Anchylostomiasis*), and *Convulsions*, each 4 per cent.; *Prematurity*, *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, *Diarrhoea*, *Dysentery*, *Influenza*, *Bright's Disease and Nephritis*, and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, *Heart Disease*, *Cancer*, *Paralysis*, *Enteric Fever*, *Diseases of the Respiratory System* (other than *Bronchitis* and *Pneumonia*), and *Accidents and Negligence*, each 2 per cent.; and *Undefined Accidents of Childbirth* and *Tetanus*, each 1 per cent.

12. One death from *Plague* of a Sinhalese female was registered in Colombo during the month, as against nil in the previous month and 2 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Measles*, of which 125 cases were reported (92 in Colombo, 12 in Moratuwa, 10 in Galle). *Phthisis* followed with 116 cases (88 in Colombo, 7 in Lunugala); *Chickenpox* 97 (65 in Colombo, 10 in Kandy); *Enteric Fever* 48 (26 in Colombo, 10 in Galle); *Dysentery* 24 (9 in Kurunegala); *Continued Fever* 19 (14 in Colombo); *Mumps* 2 (1 each in Moratuwa and Jaffna); *Diphtheria* 2 (in Colombo); *Whooping Cough* 2 (in Colombo); and *Plague* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall.*—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (38·16 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 21·61 in. in Hatton to 0·10 in. in Puttalam. Colombo recorded 2·12 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 85·0° in Batticaloa to 59·6° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 81·4° in Colombo.

16. For detailed statistics, see Tables I., II., and III. for all towns, and IV. and V. for the city of Colombo.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, September 25, 1928.

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Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during August, 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 at the Census of March 18, 1921.)		Population estimated to the middle of 1928 by intercensal increase.		Marriages.		Births.		Deaths.		Stillbirths.		Deaths of Non-residents registered in Towns, Hospitals and Jails.		Birth Rate.		Mortality of Children under One Year.		Mean Temperature.*	Rainfall in Inches.*			
	General.	Kandyan.	Muslim.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Average for August, 1929.	Death Rate August, 1928.			Number registered during August, 1928.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during August, 1928.	Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended the last day of August, 1928.
All 35 Towns	600,812	442	7	36	485	956	978	1984	1035	884	1919	90	75	165	511	35.33	28.55	35.05	895	204	204	81.4	2.12
<i>Western.</i>	244,163	184	20	204	385	377	762	342	311	653	43	31	74	148	33.99	24.52	29.12	138	181	180	81.4	1.41	
Colombo	27,639	52	—	52	59	76	135	55	46	101	1	3	4	19	54.69	36.63	40.91	15	111	159	—	—	
Negombo	41,858	32	—	32	50	41	91	46	41	87	2	2	4	2	23.91	30.97	22.86	34	374	297	—	—	
Moratuwa	13,596	16	—	16	17	17	34	20	15	35	1	2	3	10	28.58	33.35	29.42	1	29	23	—	—	
Kalutara	10,747	9	—	9	11	12	23	11	6	17	—	—	—	3	23.36	28.49	17.36	3	130	98	—	—	
Panadura	32,562	6	5	13	69	76	145	65	60	125	5	5	10	37	49.44	30.82	42.62	30	207	270	75.6	8.89	
Kandy	637	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	15	24	—	—	—	24	23.47	—	23.58	3	—	—	—	—	
Teldeniya	6,202	2	—	2	6	15	21	6	16	22	1	4	5	9	36.73	23.36	38.48	3	143	136	—	—	
Gampola	3,221	1	—	1	6	9	15	12	13	25	1	—	1	20	46.49	30.78	77.49	3	200	183	—	—	
Navalapitiya	2,940	1	—	1	5	3	8	12	6	18	—	—	—	5	31.47	31.13	70.81	3	375	385	—	—	
Hatton-Dikoya	7,865	1	—	1	8	12	20	20	16	36	2	1	3	20	26.03	31.40	46.86	7	360	197	—	—	
Matale	7,525	5	—	5	12	23	35	9	14	23	1	—	1	5	49.31	25.76	32.41	6	171	221	59.6	8.44	
Nuwara Eliya	39,073	25	4	29	58	62	120	46	34	80	7	8	15	20	35.67	28.73	23.78	12	100	95	78.9	13.08	
Galle	3,847	2	—	2	5	5	10	6	4	10	—	—	—	—	28.83	24.14	28.33	1	100	96	—	—	
Ambalangoda	16,779	19	—	19	22	22	44	26	18	44	2	1	3	9	30.27	31.16	30.27	3	68	55	—	—	
Matara	9,104	7	—	7	10	15	25	5	9	14	1	1	2	—	31.29	31.03	17.52	3	120	93	—	—	
Weligama	2,849	3	—	3	2	7	9	12	8	20	1	—	—	3	35.14	43.41	78.08	6	667	489	—	—	
Hambantota	4,896	6	—	6	9	5	14	7	—	7	—	—	—	4	32.91	36.63	16.46	2	143	100	81.2	6.20	
Tangalla	42,436	35	1	36	74	67	141	62	61	123	5	7	12	5	37.88	33.14	33.04	42	298	321	82.0	1.85	
Jaffna	3,705	1	—	1	10	9	19	10	9	19	—	—	—	9	59.70	42.80	59.70	8	421	727	83.8	0.39	
Mannar	1,563	1	—	1	1	3	4	5	2	7	—	—	—	2	27.77	27.75	48.60	1	250	204	—	—	
Mullaitivu	936	1	—	1	2	—	2	3	1	4	1	—	—	1	22.66	14.21	45.33	—	—	—	—	—	
Vavuniya	10,564	5	—	5	24	19	43	22	24	46	1	2	3	2	46.75	48.44	50.01	13	302	359	85.0	0.86	
Batticaloa	2,586	—	—	—	7	2	9	9	6	15	—	—	—	7	40.54	45.97	67.57	3	333	283	—	—	
Kalmunai	9,414	4	—	4	16	11	27	10	16	26	4	—	4	1	32.34	28.33	31.14	5	185	189	83.5	7.43	
Trincomalee	10,187	2	—	2	4	11	17	60	30	90	4	2	6	37	28.55	27.26	91.76	12	429	321	80.2	3.99	
Kurunegala	6,905	1	—	1	9	13	22	29	19	48	—	—	—	8	33.92	31.40	74.00	8	364	315	81.8	0.10	
Puttalam	1,603	—	—	—	2	1	3	3	3	5	—	—	—	—	21.86	30.26	36.43	1	333	311	—	—	
Kalpitaya	6,642	2	—	2	12	14	26	25	14	39	1	1	2	20	40.04	34.13	60.06	5	192	189	—	—	
Chilaw	7,781	6	1	7	12	10	22	22	17	39	1	1	2	13	25.45	21.82	45.11	5	227	227	83.0	0.13	
Anuradhapura	8,126	10	—	10	18	13	31	14	7	21	1	3	4	7	39.70	36.01	26.89	4	129	134	74.2	0.44	
Badulla	526	—	—	—	3	1	4	10	7	17	—	—	—	12	88.41	43.13	75.75	3	750	—	—	—	
Lunugala	7,014	3	—	3	10	12	22	17	10	27	2	1	3	15	33.48	28.12	41.09	4	182	181	80.1	16.83	
Ratnapura	3,508	—	—	—	9	6	15	22	23	45	1	—	1	33	45.52	35.09	136.55	5	333	307	—	—	
Kegalle	2,308	—	—	—	2	1	3	3	4	7	—	—	—	—	12.48	—	29.11	3	1000	—	—	—	
Rambukkana																							

* Figures not available. † Figures indicate that there are no Observatories or Rain-gauges.

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

Principal Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. August, 1928.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality;	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	August, 1928.	Average for August, 1918-1927.	Number registered during August, 1928.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during August, 1928.
All 35 Towns ..	832	832	1,664	30.40	746	648	1,394	27.54	27.58	348	209
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	337	307	644	28.72	272	224	496	25.47	27.74	118	183
Negombo ..	41	53	94	38.08	42	40	82	34.00	26.71	13	138
Moratuwa ..	47	40	87	22.86	44	41	85	22.74	29.74	34	391
Kalutara ..	12	15	27	22.70	13	11	24	20.07	23.22	1	37
Panadure ..	10	11	21	21.32	8	6	14	15.13	24.07	2	95
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	52	60	112	38.19	43	45	88	32.86	28.89	29	259
Teldeniya ..	—	2	2	23.47	—	—	—	—†	—†	—	—
Gampola ..	6	12	18	31.48	4	9	13	23.50	24.10	3	167
Nawalapitiya ..	5	7	12	37.19	4	1	5	16.83	29.41	—	—
Hatton-Dikoya ..	5	3	8	31.47	7	5	12	55.51	40.75	3	375
Matale ..	8	12	20	26.03	9	7	16	22.23	30.53	6	300
Nuwara Eliya ..	10	22	32	45.09	8	10	18	28.00	16.24	6	188
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	52	58	110	32.70	36	24	60	17.45	22.32	10	91
Ambalangoda ..	5	5	10	28.83	6	4	10	28.67	—†	1	100
Matara ..	21	22	43	29.58	20	14	34	22.95	23.50	3	70
Weligama ..	10	15	25	31.29	5	9	14	16.22	18.22	3	120
Hambantota ..	2	7	9	35.14	9	7	16	62.08	64.55	6	667
Tangalla ..	9	5	14	32.91	3	—	3	7.00	21.47	2	143
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	74	65	139	37.34	58	60	118	32.83	29.01	42	302
Mannar ..	9	8	17	53.42	4	6	10	32.04	34.39	5	294
Mullaitivu ..	1	2	3	20.83	4	1	5	36.17	43.99	—	—
Vavuniya ..	1	—	1	11.33	2	—	2	26.52	24.20	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	23	18	41	44.58	20	24	44	49.87	40.39	13	317
Kalmunai ..	7	2	9	40.54	4	3	7	31.77	—†	3	333
Trincomalee ..	15	11	26	31.14	9	16	25	31.32	34.83	5	192
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	6	12	18	18.35	32	21	53	62.79	27.66	11	611
Puttalam ..	9	13	22	33.92	25	15	40	66.88	42.21	8	364
Kalpitiya ..	2	1	3	21.86	3	2	5	41.84	—†	1	333
Chilaw ..	11	9	20	30.80	10	9	19	33.70	29.90	4	200
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura ..	11	9	20	23.13	14	12	26	36.00	45.26	5	250
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	17	12	29	37.14	8	6	14	18.29	31.06	3	103
Lunugala ..	1	1	2	44.21	4	1	5	124.56	—†	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	8	10	18	27.39	7	5	12	19.91	18.95	2	111
Kegalla ..	3	2	5	15.17	6	6	12	40.77	14.08	3	600
Rambukkana ..	2	1	3	12.48	3	4	7	—†	—†	3	1,000

* 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 August, 1928, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	All 35 Towns.			Western Province.						Central Province.						Southern Province.																							
	M	F	Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Teldeniya.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Ehiya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Veligama.		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	1,085	884	1,919	342	311	55	46	41	20	15	11	6	65	60	9	15	6	16	12	13	12	6	20	16	9	14	46	34	6	4	28	18	5	9	12	8	7	—	
I.—Infantile Mortality	222	173	395	80	58	10	5	19	15	—	1	2	1	14	16	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	3	4	2	4	10	2	1	2	2	1	5	1	2	—		
A.—One Week and under.	30	22	52	9	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
1. Prematurity	38	22	60	12	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	8	2	10	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	1*	1†	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	3	6	9	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1. Prematurity	32	34	66	18	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	25	27	52	9	6	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	10	6	16	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	7	7	14	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	2	1	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	12	2	14	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	34	22	56	12	9	2	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	19†	1	188	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* From Imperforate Anus (in Colombo). † From Placenta Prævia (in Colombo).

‡ Besides 6 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 5 deaths from Malarial Fever (1 each in Kurunegala, Kalmunai, Jaffna, Lunugala, and Teldeniya), 3 from Dysentery (1 each in Jaffna, Anuradhapura, and Hambantota), 2 from Acute Nephritis (1 each in Kandy and Tangalla), and 1 death each from Verres (in Kalmunai), Stomatitis (in Negombo), and Peritonitis (in Moratuwa). § Besides 3 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 8 deaths from Malarial Fever (2 each in Kurunegala and Teldeniya and 1 each in Jaffna, Mannar, Anuradhapura, and Rambukkana), and 1 death each from Acute Nephritis (in Galle), Peritonitis (in Kandy), Worms (in Puttalam), Homicide (in Cftilaw), and Aphthae, Gastritis, and Rickets (in Moratuwa).

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during August, 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	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratuwa.	Kalutara.	Panadure.	Kandy.	Teldeniya.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hatton-Dikoya.	Matala.	Nuwara-Eliya.	Galle.	Ambalangoda.	Matara.	Welligama.	Hambantota.	Tangalle.	
	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) ..	813	711	1,524																		
1. Plague ..		1	1																		
2. Smallpox ..																					
3. Chickenpox ..																					
4. Measles ..		1	1																		
5. Influenza ..	10	9	19																		
6. Enteric Fever ..	25	10	35																		
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia ..	60	46	106																		
8. Cholera ..	24	30	54																		
9. Diarrhoea ..	30	30	60																		
10. Enteritis ..	60	46	106																		
11. Dysentery ..																					
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis ..	26	43	69																		
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites ..	36	31	67																		
14. Cancer ..	9	17	26																		
15. Phthisis ..	49	40	89																		
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	7	2	9																		
17. Anaemia ..	3	4	7																		
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	5	4	9																		
19. Paralysis ..	16	9	25																		
20. Convulsions ..	12	23	35																		
21. Tetanus ..	6	2	8																		
22. Heart Disease ..	11	7	18																		
23. Bronchitis ..	19	14	33																		
24. Pneumonia ..	155	83	238																		
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	9	6	15																		
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	29	31	60																		
27. Puerperal Eclampsia ..		7	7																		
28. Puerperal Septicaemia ..		33	33																		
29. Accidents of Childbirth ..		17	17																		
30. Accidents and Negligence ..	27	8	35																		
31. Homicide ..	7	3	10																		
32. Suicide ..	6	2	8																		
33. Execution ..	2	—	2																		
34. All Other Causes ..	171	160	331																		

†† Here are included 55 deaths from Senility, 14 from Debility, and 5 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.
 ¶¶ Here are included 63 deaths from Senility, 16 from Debility, and 3 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of August, 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) as the Census of March 15, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1928 by intercensal increase.			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 of Residents.		Standardized Death-rate, August, 1928.*	Number registered during August, 1928.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended August, 1928.	Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended August, 1928.				
											Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.					Females.	Persons.	August, 1928.	Average for August, 1922-27.
City of Colombo ..	244,168	284,713	385	377	762	43	31	74	342	311	653	148	496	33.99†	26.69	22.12†	26.21	25.47	138	181	180	
Fort and Galle Face	2,680	2,917	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Pettah ..	7,601	8,241	2	1	3	—	—	—	2	1	3	—	3	4.30	4.22	4.30	6.99	—	1	333	347	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,364	24	16	40	2	1	3	30	13	43	—	43	18.62	16.19	20.02	25.01	—	9	225	201	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,459	20	14	34	1	—	1	14	9	23	—	23	32.22	19.11	21.80	21.04	—	10	294	382	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,257	27	22	49	1	—	1	20	10	30	—	30	28.56	21.65	17.49	20.99	—	7	143	167	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	29,802	31	44	75	2	2	4	26	34	60	—	56	29.71	20.16	22.19	21.60	—	19	253	329	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,306	33	28	61	3	2	5	26	22	48	—	47	28.46	18.74	21.93	23.19	—	15	246	249	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	128	127	255	22	20	42	129	131	260	143	117	—	—	—	—	—	38	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	32,957	35	37	72	4	1	5	22	27	49	—	49	25.79	18.98	17.55	18.39	—	16	222	223	
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,317	8	14	22	1	1	2	12	8	20	5	15	27.88	19.17	19.01	21.88	—	4	182	180	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	20,091	17	15	32	—	—	—	12	14	26	—	26	18.82	17.18	15.28	19.02	—	5	156	177	
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,379	24	24	48	3	2	5	19	16	35	—	34	24.24	22.62	17.17	22.92	—	9	188	175	
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	25,752	10	16	26	—	2	2	12	9	21	—	20	11.92	12.85	9.17	12.23	—	2	77	66	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	17,148	8	8	16	1	—	1	12	7	19	—	19	11.02	22.90	13.08	18.38	—	1	63	32	
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,723	18	11	29	3	—	3	4	10	14	—	14	29.21	21.90	14.10	17.24	—	2	69	74	

* 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., not assigned to wards.

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

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.											
				Fort and Calle Face.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	342	311	653	2	—	2	1	30	13	14	9	20	10	26	34
I.—Infantile Mortality	80	58	138	—	—	1	—	6	3	8	2	7	—	9	10
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity	9	10	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1
2. Debility	12	8	20	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	1*	1†	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	18	15	33	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	2	2
3. Convulsions	9	6	15	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	1
4. Diarrhoea	2	1	3	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
8. Pneumonia	12	9	21	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	—	2	3
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	6‡	3§	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	262	253	515	2	—	1	1	24	10	6	7	13	10	17	24
1. Plague	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	7	5	12	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	1	1	—
6. Enteric Fever	6	4	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	10	10	20	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	5	10	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	9	12	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	2
11. Dysentery	9	9	18	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	2	2	—	—	2
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duodenalis	5	9	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	15	7	22	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	6	5	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
15. Phthisis	13	18	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	2
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	7	4	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
20. Convulsions	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2
21. Tetanus	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
22. Heart Disease	7	5	12	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
23. Bronchitis	6	6	12	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	42	26	68	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	4	2
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	8	2	10	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	6	11	17	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	17	17	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
30. Accidents and Negligence	9	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
31. Homicide	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
32. Suicide	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	68	68¶	136	—	—	—	1	5	2	1	2	1	2	7	5

* From Imperforate Anus.

† From Placenta Praevia.

‡ Four deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Chronic Gastritis and Worms.

§ One death each from Influenza, Whooping Cough, and Worms.

|| Here are included 18 deaths from Senility and 6 from Debility.

¶ Here are included 21 deaths from Senility and 5 from Debility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of August, 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
All Causes	26	22	129	131	22	27	12	8	12	14	19	16	12	9	12	7
I.—Infantile Mortality	8	7	20	18	7	9	2	2	4	1	6	3	1	1	1	—
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	1	4	3	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	4	3	4	3	2	3	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	1	1	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	3	1	—	1	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	1	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	1	1	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	18	15	109	113	15	18	10	6	8	13	13	13	11	8	11	7
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	5	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	1	1	4	7	—	1	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	1	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	1	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	1
11. Dysentery	1	1	2	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis	—	—	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	1	—	1	2	1	3	1	1	3	—	—	—	2	—	2	—
14. Cancer	—	—	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	—	9	6	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
19. Paralysis	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—
23. Bronchitis	1	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	3	2	24	9	1	3	1	1	1	4	2	2	2	1	—	—
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	2	2	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	—	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	9	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	1	—	6	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	1	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	7	5	28	29	5	5	3	1	2	6	1	4	3	1	5	5

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of August, 1928, 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	4	10	1	1	19	9	178	205	65	58	57	27	6	9	16	2
I.—Infantile Mortality	—	2	—	—	7	1	43	34	12	10	14	10	3	3	1	—
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	2	—	—	3	—	5	7	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	4	3	2	4	—	—	2	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	1	12	8	2	2	4	4	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	1	2	1	2	1	—	1	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	6	1	2	3	1	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	4	8	1	1	12	8	135	171	53	48	48	17	3	6	15	2
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	8	2	2	1	—	—	—	1	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	8	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	7	3	4	1	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	6	2	1	—	2	—	1	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	7	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	—	—	1	—	—	—	10	6	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	5	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	1	—	—	—	2	7	8	4	4	2	2	—	—	2	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	3	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	1	—	—	—	1	2	5	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	1
24. Pneumonia	—	2	—	—	1	1	19	19	9	3	9	2	1	1	3	—
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	3	—	—	—	2	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	6	1	2	2	1	—	1	1	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	1	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	—	—	—	1	5	1	30	45	16	10	13	9	—	1	4	1