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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1929.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

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

Marriages.

2. The marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 528 (503 General, 4 Kandyan, and 21 Muslim), as against 493 in the previous month and 853 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,742 (910 males and 832 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 34·79 per 1,000 of the population, as against 42·43 in the preceding month, 42·28 in the corresponding month of last year, and 34·18 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate, exclusive of Kalpitiya where no births were registered, ranged from 4·46 in Rambukkana to 94·34 in Nawalapitiya. There were 1,521 births of children, whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 30·38, as against 37·02 in the previous month and 35·93 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 666 (355 males and 311 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 32·44 as against 39·63 in the previous month, 45·34 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·00 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 14·52 in Kollupitiya to 29·06 in Maradana East. There were 554 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 26·98, as against 33·48 in the preceding month and 35·04 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,979 (1,072 males and 907 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 39·52, as against 45·60 in the preceding month and 34·03 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,444 deaths of residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 31·19, as against 37·81 in the preceding month, 26·78 in the corresponding month of last year and 32·33 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The standardized death rate ranged from 98·51 in Puttalam to 6·16 in Ambalangoda.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 612 (331 males and 281 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 29·81, as against 36·99 in the preceding month and 29·85 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 458 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 25·69, as against 34·09 in the preceding month, 26·41 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·00 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and Pettah Wards, ranged from 25·52 in Kotahena South to 6·51 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered numbered 154 (78 males and 76 females), as against 181 in the preceding month and 143 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 394, and corresponded to a rate of 220 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 226, as against 230 in the preceding month, 171 in the corresponding month of last year, and 232 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. There were 354 deaths of children under one year of age, whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 233, as against 242 in the preceding month and 179 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 135 and corresponded to a rate of 190 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 203, as against 198 in the preceding month, 138 in the corresponding month of last year and 221 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. There were 117 deaths of children under one year of age, whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 211, as against 209 in the preceding month and 154 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Deaths.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 14 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia* caused 8 per cent. ; *Debility* (of children under one year of age), 7 per cent. ; *Dysentery*, 6 per cent. ; *Senility*, *Convulsions*, and *Anchylostomiasis*, each 5 per cent. ; *Enteritis*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and *Phthisis*, each 4 per cent. ; *Worms*, *Accidents and Negligence*, and *Diarrhoea*, each 3 per cent. ; *Influenza*, *Prematurity*, *Enteric Fever*, *Puerperal Septicaemia*, and *Heart Disease*, each 2 per cent. ; and *Paralysis*, *Bronchitis*, and *Accidents of Childbirth*, 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. *Debility* (of children under one year of age) and *Enteritis* each caused 7 per cent. ; *Senility*, 6 per cent. ; *Anchylostomiasis* and *Phthisis*, each 5 per cent. ; *Convulsions*, *Influenza*, and *Accidents and Negligence*, each 4 per cent. ; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Heart Disease*, *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, and *Worms*, each 3 per cent. ; *Diarrhoea*, *Bronchitis*, *Enteric Fever*, and *Accidents of Childbirth*, each 2 per cent. ; and *Cancer*, *Paralysis*, *Dysentery*, and *Puerperal Septicaemia*, each 1 per cent.

12. Four deaths from *Plague* were registered (in Colombo), as against 3 in the previous month and 10 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 265 cases were reported (188 in Colombo, 39 in Matale, 17 in Kandy). *Measles* followed with 173 cases (135 in Colombo 12 in Galle, 8 in Moratuwa) ; *Phthisis* 86 (67 in Colombo, 5 in Galle) ; *Enteric Fever* 41 (16 in Colombo, 9 in Galle) ; *Continued Fever* 27 (17 in Colombo) ; *Mumps* 17 (9 in Colombo) ; *Whooping Cough* 11 (6 in Colombo) ; *Plague* 6 (in Colombo) ; *Smallpox* 2 (1 each in Colombo and Kandy) ; and *Diphtheria* 2 (1 each in Colombo and Kandy).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall.*—Ratnapura recorded the highest rainfall (10·23 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 8·13 in. in Nawalapitiya to 0·07 in. in Chilaw. Colombo recorded 1·78 in.

15. *Mean Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 81·0° in Ratnapura to 56·0° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 79·0° in Colombo.

Appendix.

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, March 27, 1929.

G. FURSE ROBERTS,
Registrar-General.

Table II.—Births, Deaths, and Infant Mortality of Residents with their Corresponding Rates for February, 1929.

Principal Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. February, 1929.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	February, 1929.	Average for February, 1919-1928.	Number registered during February 1929. †	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during February, 1929.
All 35 Towns ..	786	735	1,521	30·38	748	696	1,444	31·19	32·33	354	233
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	292	262	554	26·98	239	219	458	25·69	31·00	117	211
Negombo ..	34	28	62	27·53	38	36	74	33·63	31·96	10	161
Moratuwa ..	49	50	99	28·44	35	39	74	21·65	34·25	11	111
Kalutara ..	26	18	44	40·66	13	21	34	31·26	24·96	4	91
Panadure ..	15	12	27	30·13	7	6	13	15·44	22·24	5	185
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	38	53	91	33·97	32	31	63	25·76	30·83	14	154
Teldeniya ..	1	1	2	24·32	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Gampola ..	8	8	16	30·54	5	3	8	15·78	27·75	4	250
Nawalapitiya ..	13	9	22	74·12	3	2	5	18·29	31·02	3	136
Hatton-Dikoya ..	3	—	3	12·99	1	2	3	15·28	37·78	1	333
Matale ..	20	18	38	54·32	11	10	21	32·05	41·98	8	211
Nuwara Eliya ..	9	13	22	33·72	6	6	12	20·31	15·99	6	273
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	79	67	146	47·81	62	62	124	39·73	32·61	30	205
Ambalangoda ..	5	4	9	27·87	2	—	2	6·16	—	1	111
Matara ..	22	23	45	34·08	20	15	35	26·01	27·18	6	133
Weligama ..	12	12	24	33·01	6	10	16	20·37	22·28	5	208
Hambantota ..	11	2	13	55·58	6	4	10	42·49	36·09	5	385
Tangalla ..	9	15	24	62·08	4	12	16	41·07	27·56	6	250
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	57	48	105	30·99	93	82	175	53·51	38·20	52	495
Mannar ..	2	4	6	20·78	7	9	16	56·50	39·44	1	167
Mulleaittivu ..	—	—	—	—	3	4	7	55·27	52·51	1	—
Vavuniya ..	2	3	5	61·65	2	—	2	23·85	59·63	1	200
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	12	10	22	26·31	15	11	26	32·42	30·78	5	227
Kalmunai ..	2	3	5	24·82	2	2	4	20·01	—	1	200
Trincomealee ..	8	11	19	24·97	20	19	39	53·60	35·31	11	579
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	10	6	16	17·70	18	10	28	35·99	38·43	5	313
Puttalam ..	7	7	14	23·49	30	24	54	98·51	63·83	12	857
Kalpitiya ..	—	—	—	—	3	3	6	55·38	—	1	—
Chilaw ..	4	7	11	18·34	15	9	24	46·10	50·52	6	545
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura ..	12	15	27	33·22	21	26	47	69·23	71·70	13	481
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	12	15	27	37·52	11	5	16	22·68	30·23	4	148
Lunugala ..	1	1	2	48·71	1	1	2	54·90	—	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	4	7	11	18·23	11	7	18	32·52	26·30	3	273
Kegalla ..	6	3	9	29·73	3	6	9	33·28	17·55	2	222
Rambukkana ..	1	—	1	4·46	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.

‡ Figures not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1929, 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		Total.	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Teldeniya.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		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	1,072	907	1,979	331	281	47	41	37	44	19	25	9	9	52	44	5	5	12	6	11	5	2	3	29	23	10	7	83	76	2	27	19	6	10	7	5	6	16		
I.—Infantile Mortality	220	174	394	68	67	8	3	6	5	2	2	3	3	7	7	—	—	3	2	3	1	1	7	3	2	4	18	14	1	4	2	3	2	4	1	2	4			
A.—One Week and under.																																								
1. Prematurity	21	14	35	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	57	20	77	16	5	4	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	8	6	14	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	3*	2†	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																								
1. Prematurity	5	4	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	31	33	64	13	11	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	30	18	48	8	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	5	4	9	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Enteritis	11	14	25	5	9	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Tetanus	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Bronchitis	3	5	8	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Pneumonia	20	18	38	7	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
9. Syphilis	2	7	9	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
10. Other Causes	23†	26§	49	11	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

* One death each from Melema Neonatorum (in Kalutara), Asphyxia (in Mullaitivu), and Cerebral Haemorrhage (in Anuradhapura).
 † One death each from Aphthae (in Moratuwa), and Imperforate Anus (in Galle).
 ‡ Besides 11 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 6 deaths from Malaria (2 in Jaffna), and (1 each in Kurunegala, Puttalam, Kalpitiya, and Anuradhapura), 2 from Dysentery (1 each in Jaffna and Trincomalee), and 1 each from Rickets (in Galle), Nephritis (in Jaffna), Toxaemia (in Ratnapure), and Influenza (in Galle).
 § Besides 10 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote ‡, 4 deaths from Malaria (1 each in Tangalla, Mannar, Kurunegala, and Anuradhapura), 3 from Nephritis (2 in Galle and 1 in Weligama), 3 from Rickets (1 each in Galle, Tangalla, and Lunugala), 2 from Dysentery (in Jaffna), and 1 each from Diphtheria (in Kandy), Influenza (in Galle), Worms (in Puttalam), and Multiple abscesses (in Galle).

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1929, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-33 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Death.	Northern Provinces.						Eastern Province.						North-Western Province.						North-Central Province.						Province of Uva.						Province of Sabaragamuwa.						Deaths among all Races.																										
	Mannar.			Mullaitivu.			Vavuniya.			Batticaloa.			Kalmunai.			Trincomealee.			Kurunegala.		Puttalam.		Kalpitiya.		Chilaw.		Anuradhapura.			Badulla.		Lunugala.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Kambukkana.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.											
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total			
All Causes	96	82	178	5	5	10	2	20	22	13	5	18	5	2	7	21	24	45	43	23	66	4	26	30	4	3	7	15	38	53	8	12	20	18	8	26	12	17	29	11	12	23	2	2	4	5	1	6	19	285	304	497	344	841	139	121	260	21	14	35	15	4	19
I.—Infantile Mortality	29	24	53	1	1	2	3	2	5	2	1	3	5	6	11	1	1	2	4	2	6	4	1	5	8	7	15	3	1	4	1	3	4	3	1	4	1	1	2	2	7	9	1	1	2	8	54	62	39	25	64	8	5	13	4	4	8						
A.—One Week and under.	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—						
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
7. Other Causes.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—						
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
5. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of February, 1929, 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 1922-1928, 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 1929 by Inter-censal Increase.	Births.			Stillbirths.			Deaths, including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Per Mille per Annum.				Mortality of Children under One Year of Age.					
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Deaths of Residents.	Deaths of Non-residents in Town Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Residents.	Death Rate of Residents.		Standardized Death-rate, February, 1929.*	Number registered during Feb., 1929.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during February, 1929.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended February, the last day of Feb., 1929.	
															February, 1929.	Average for Feb., 1922-28.					February, 1929.
			355	311	666	26	22	48	331	281	612	147	458	32.44†	35.56	22.31†	27.24	25.69	135	203	190
City of Colombo ..	244,163	267,667	355	311	666	26	22	48	331	281	612	147	458	32.44†	35.56	22.31†	27.24	25.69	135	203	190
Fort and Galle Face ..	2,690	2,950	—	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	1	8.84	0.68	4.42	7.29	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,333	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	2	3.13	5.03	3.13	9.13	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,647	25	19	44	1	—	1	29	14	43	—	43	22.36	21.72	21.86	24.07	—	13	295	297
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,598	10	6	16	2	1	3	11	10	21	—	20	16.56	24.32	20.70	24.42	—	4	250	169
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,483	21	21	42	1	1	2	12	19	31	—	31	26.73	25.91	19.73	24.15	—	5	119	130
Kotahena South ..	27,488	30,135	28	28	56	1	5	6	24	35	59	—	59	24.23	28.08	25.52	27.51	—	17	304	296
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,538	32	24	56	1	—	1	19	18	37	—	37	28.53	28.05	18.85	26.56	—	15	268	275
Maradana Hospitals ..	—	—	116	96	212	16	12	28	141	107	249	144	104	—	—	—	—	—	33	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	33,325	37	29	66	1	2	3	24	21	45	—	45	25.82	25.98	17.60	19.91	—	16	242	253
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,421	9	12	21	—	—	—	7	6	13	3	10	29.06	24.73	13.84	20.33	—	3	143	148
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	18,531	20,315	15	8	23	—	—	—	23	13	35	—	34	14.76	17.01	-21.82	16.80	—	6	261	216
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,640	17	20	37	1	1	2	14	13	27	—	25	20.40	26.67	13.79	23.21	—	6	162	129
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	26,039	14	15	29	1	—	1	7	7	14	—	13	14.52	13.17	6.51	9.86	—	8	276	285
Wellawatta North..	15,816	17,339	21	17	38	1	—	1	11	14	25	—	25	28.57	25.64	18.80	18.04	—	7	184	222
Wellawatta South..	10,913	11,854	9	13	22	—	—	—	6	3	9	—	9	24.19	26.81	9.90	15.83	—	2	91	71

* 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 February, 1929, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.											
				Fort and Galle Faces.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
All Causes	331	281	612	2	—	1	1	29	14	11	10	12	19	24	35
I.—Infantile Mortality	68	67	135	—	—	—	—	6	7	2	2	1	4	5	12
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	16	5	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—
3. Convulsions	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	13	11	24	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	1	2
3. Convulsions	8	9	17	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
4. Diarrhoea	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	5	9	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
6. Tetanus	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
8. Pneumonia	7	9	16	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
9. Syphilis	2	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	11*	10†	21	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	1	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	263	214	477	2	—	1	1	23	7	9	8	11	15	19	23
1. Plague	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	13	9	22	—	—	—	—	6	1	3	2	—	—	1	2
6. Enteric Fever	6	5	11	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	12	4	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	5	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	17	12	29	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	3	3	3
11. Dysentery	2	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	2	3
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	11	12	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	5	11	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	1
14. Cancer	5	4	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	22	8	30	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	6	3	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	—
20. Convulsions	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
22. Heart Disease	8	10	18	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	7	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	44	27	71	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	3	2	4
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	9	11	20	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	1	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	10	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
30. Accidents and Negligence	20	2	22	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	49‡	56§	105	—	—	1	—	5	1	2	1	1	3	4	9

* Seven deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Ricketts, Malaria, Thrush and Pseudo Leukemic Anaemia.

† Four deaths from Influenza, 2 from Ricketts, and 1 each from Meningitis, Improper feeding, Worms, and Starvation.

‡ Here are included 15 deaths from Senility and 4 from Cerebral Haemorrhage.

§ Here are included 21 deaths from Senility and 7 from Debility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1929, 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	19	18	141	107	24	21	7	6	23	13	14	13	7	7	11	14
I.—Infantile Mortality	8	7	18	15	12	4	2	1	5	1	3	3	3	5	2	5
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility	2	—	6	2	3	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	2	1	1	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	2	2	1	1	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	1	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	—	3	2	2	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	2	1	1	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
9. Syphilis	—	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	2	2	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	11	11	123	92	12	17	5	5	18	12	11	10	4	2	9	9
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	10	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	10	4	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	2	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis	—	—	9	10	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	—	1	1	2	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
14. Cancer	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	3	10	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
22. Heart Disease	1	1	4	8	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
23. Bronchitis	—	—	3	3	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	2	1	19	11	1	4	1	1	4	3	3	1	—	—	1	—
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1	—	5	6	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	9	1	2	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
32. Suicide	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	3	3	23	20	—	5	1	2	2	2	3	6	2	—	2	3

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1929, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.													
	Wellawatte South.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	6	3	4	1	14	17	173	165	70	44	51	43	10	8	9	3
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	1	—	—	1	5	36	35	11	15	14	9	6	3	—	—
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	—	1	—	5	3	3	4	4	2	—	2	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	7	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	5	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	—	1	—	—	—	1	5	6	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	7	3	—	4	3	2	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	5	2	4	1	13	12	137	130	59	29	37	34	4	5	9	3
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	3	4	1	7	5	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	3	5	1	1	—	—	—	1	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	6	6	3	1	2	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	5	1	—	1	—	1	1	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	8	—	1	1	1	—	1	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	—	—	—	—	12	6	6	—	2	2	2	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	9	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	2	—	—	1	3	2	24	16	8	3	6	4	—	—	3	1
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	5	2	2	3	3	—	—	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	1	4	1	2	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	—	1	1	—	6	6	20	34	8	6	9	6	2	2	3	2