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

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 was 601 (526 General, 7 Kandyans, and 68 Muslim), as against 295 in the preceding month and 582 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,873 (956 males and 917 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 33·79 per 1,000 of the population, as against 32·25 in the preceding month, 33·06 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·84 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate, exclusive of Kalpitiya where no births were registered, ranged from 8·06 in Rambukkana to 58·41 in Tangalla. There were 1,627 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 29·35, as against 28·76 in the preceding month and 29·37 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 732 (340 males and 392 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 32·20, as against 32·00 in the preceding month, 31·98 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·07 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards ranged from 12·66 in Kollupitiya to 31·79 in Wellawatta South. There were 597 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 26·26, as against 27·09 in the preceding month and 26·76 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,762 (978 males and 784 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 31·79, as against 30·03 in the preceding month and 31·05 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,337 deaths of residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 26·09, as against 24·58 in the preceding month, 24·20 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·58 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The standardized death rate ranged from 65·15 in Vavuniya to 7·13 in Mullaitivu.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 654 (361 males and 293 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 28·77, as against 25·50 in the preceding month and 30·86 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 515 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 26·09, as against 22·45 in the preceding month, 27·01 in the corresponding month of last year and 26·76 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 26·25 in Maradana East to 678 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 152 (69 males and 83 females), as against 135 in the preceding month and 139 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 342, and corresponded to a rate of 173 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 183, as against 199 in the preceding month, 185 in the corresponding month of last year and 211 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. There were 304 deaths of children under one year of age whose mothers were residents of the towns, which corresponded to a rate of 187, as against 202 in the preceding month, and 190 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 119, and corresponded to a rate of 152 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended May, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 163, as against 169 in the preceding month, 202 in the corresponding month of last year and 215 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. There were 103 deaths of children under one year of age whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 173, as against 178 in the preceding month and 215 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia* to which 16 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Debility* (of children under one year of age) caused 7 per cent.; *Senility*, 6 per cent.; *Convulsions, Enteritis, Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, and *Phthisis*, each 5 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis* and *Diseases and Accidents of Childbirth*, each 4 per cent.; *Prematurity, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Anchylostomiasis*, and *Worms*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis, Influenza, Enteric Fever, Heart Disease, Paralysis, Cancer, and Accidents and Negligence*, each 2 per cent.; and *Diabetes* 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 15 per cent. of the total deaths were due; *Enteritis* caused 8 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year of age), and *Senility*, each 6 per cent.; *Influenza*, 5 per cent.; *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, 4 per cent.; *Convulsions, Bronchitis, Anchylostomiasis, Heart Disease, and Accidents and Negligence*, each 3 per cent.; *Prematurity, Enteric Fever, Dysentery, Worms, Cancer, Paralysis, and Diseases and Accidents of Childbirth*, each 2 per cent.; and *Diarrhoea, Tetanus, Malaria, and Malarial Cachexia*, and *Diabetes*, each 1 per cent.

12. Two deaths from *Plague* were registered (in Colombo), as against 4 in the previous month and in 1 the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 150 cases were reported (122 in Colombo, 9 in Matale); *Phthisis* followed with 116 cases (98 in Colombo, 5 in Galle); *Enteric Fever* 56 (33 in Colombo, 5 in Matara); *Measles* 51 (31 in Colombo, 10 in Galle); *Dysentery* 37 (22 in Colombo); *Continued Fever* 21 (16 in Colombo); *Mumps* 21 (11 in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 9 (in Colombo); *Whooping Cough* 8 (in Colombo); *Plague* 6 (in Colombo); and *Cholera* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (23.93 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 17.41 in. in Moratuwa to .38 of an inch in Batticalao. Colombo recorded 15.46 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 85.6° in Mannar to 62.0° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 82.2° in Colombo.

Appendix.

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

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, June 28, 1929.

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Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during May, 1929, the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under One Year of Age and their Proportion per 1,000 registered Births, together with the Average Birth Rates in the corresponding Months since 1919 and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall 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 1929 by Intercensal Increase.		Marriages.		Births.		Deaths.		Stillbirths.		Deaths of Non-residents registered in Towns, Hospitals and Jails.		Mortality of Children under One Year of Age.				
					General.		Kandy.		Female.		Persons.		Males.		Persons.		Males.		
					General.		Kandy.		Female.		Persons.		Males.		Persons.		Males.		
All 35 Towns	600,812	652,700	526	7	68	601	956	917	1,873	978	784	1,762	69	83	152	406	3379
Colombo	244,163	267,667	231	—	34	265	340	32	732	361	293	654	24	38	62	126	32·20
Negombo	27,639	29,359	57	—	1	58	41	37	78	30	30	63	4	3	7	8	31·28
Matale	41,858	45,381	50	—	—	50	63	53	116	27	37	64	4	9	13	2	30·10
Kalutara	13,596	14,106	18	—	—	18	22	21	43	25	21	46	1	1	2	17	35·89
Panadura	10,747	11,682	8	—	—	8	19	8	27	6	13	19	—	1	1	6	27·21
Kandy	32,562	34,918	16	1	7	24	44	39	83	60	51	111	5	6	11	27	27·99
Teldeniya	637	1,072	—	—	—	—	2	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	9	64·93	
Gampola	6,202	6,829	2	—	—	2	14	12	26	17	8	25	—	1	8	44·83	
Newalapitiya	3,221	3,869	5	—	—	5	9	9	18	9	8	17	1	1	9	54·78	
Hatton-Dikoya	2,940	3,010	—	—	—	—	1	4	5	2	3	5	—	—	—	19·56	
Matale	7,865	9,120	1	4	—	5	19	17	36	12	13	26	2	2	1	7	46·48
Nuwara Eliya	7,525	8,504	9	—	—	9	13	13	28	13	11	24	—	1	8	36·00	
Galle	39,073	39,806	38	—	7	45	84	71	155	60	53	113	3	8	11	29	45·85
Ambalangoda	3,347	4,209	4	—	—	4	6	9	15	4	4	8	1	1	1	—	41·96
Matale	16,779	17,214	11	—	—	11	25	20	45	25	16	41	6	2	8	—	32·85
Welligama	9,104	9,478	10	—	2	12	17	16	33	13	9	22	—	—	—	—	30·78
Hambantota	2,849	3,049	—	—	—	—	6	7	13	9	3	12	—	—	4	40·99	
Tangalle	4,896	5,040	1	—	—	1	11	14	25	5	8	13	1	1	2	—	50·20
Northern.																			
Jaffna	42,436	44,163	35	—	8	43	73	57	130	75	44	119	3	2	5	9	34·66
Mannar	3,705	3,765	2	—	2	5	6	11	10	5	16	1	1	1	1	34·40	
Mullaitivu	1,563	1,720	1	—	1	—	1	3	2	1	3	—	—	2	2	20·53	
Vavuniya	936	1,057	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	4	6	10	—	5	5	33·41	
Batticaloa	10,564	10,900	8	—	—	8	20	14	34	22	21	43	1	1	2	11	36·73
Kalmunai	2,586	2,626	—	—	—	4	5	9	3	2	5	3	1	3	1	40·36	
Trincomalee	9,414	9,920	7	—	7	—	18	16	34	31	22	63	4	1	5	40·36	
North-Western.																			
Kurunegala	10,187	11,785	1	—	3	4	13	19	32	32	16	48	2	1	3	16	31·97
Puttalam	6,905	7,768	—	4	4	13	7	20	13	13	26	—	—	—	—	30·31	
Kapitiya	1,603	1,622	—	1	—	—	—	15	9	24	12	11	4	1	1	—	19·84
Chilaw	6,642	7,817	7	—	7	—	15	9	—	—	—	—	8	—	8	36·16	
Anuradhapura	7,781	10,594	1	—	—	—	12	2	14	24	17	41	—	1	1	14	15·56
Uva.	8,126	9,381	3	2	—	5	14	10	24	14	11	25	—	—	8	30·12	
Badulla	526	535	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	8	4	12	11	22·00	
Lunugala	7,014	7,966	—	—	—	—	21	13	34	25	20	45	4	4	4	26	
Sabaragamuwa.	3,508	3,947	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	7	17	3	1	1	50·90	
Ratnapura	2,308	2,921	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	4	14	3	1	4	59	
Kegalle	
Rambukkana	

* Figures not available.

* 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, 1929.

Principal Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).	Infant Mortality.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	May, 1929.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	May, 1929.	Average for May, 1919-1928.	Number registered during May, 1929.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during May, 1929.
All 35 Towns	839	788	1,627	29·35	718	619	1,337	26·09	27·58	304	187
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	276	321	597	26·26	277	238	515	26·09	26·76	103	173
Negombo	32	31	63	25·27	28	27	55	22·58	23·26	14	222
Moratuwa	60	46	106	27·50	26	36	62	16·38	27·18	17	160
Kalutara	19	14	33	27·55	15	13	28	23·25	25·82	6	182
Panadure	18	6	24	24·19	5	8	13	13·94	16·30	2	83
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	44	39	83	27·99	45	39	84	31·02	27·92	27	323
Teldeniya	—	3	3	32·96	1	—	1	—‡	—‡	—	—
Gampola	13	11	24	41·38	11	6	17	30·30	24·71	5	208
Awalapitiya	7	7	14	42·60	3	5	8	26·43	27·61	1	71
Hatton-Dikoya	1	4	5	19·56	2	3	5	23·00	40·52	1	200
Matale	17	15	32	41·31	9	9	18	24·81	29·86	4	125
Nuwara Eliya	13	13	26	36·00	9	7	16	24·46	21·14	2	77
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	75	63	138	40·82	44	39	83	24·02	23·96	19	138
Ambalangoda	6	9	15	41·96	4	4	8	22·25	—‡	2	133
Matale	24	20	44	30·10	17	10	27	18·12	22·11	8	182
Weligama	17	16	33	40·99	13	9	22	25·30	19·04	8	242
Hambantota	6	7	13	50·20	6	1	7	26·87	27·27	6	462
Tangalla	11	14	25	58·41	2	8	10	23·19	39·06	4	160
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	73	57	130	34·66	65	43	108	29·83	29·33	29	223
Mannar	5	5	10	31·28	7	4	11	35·08	27·66	4	400
Mullaittivu	2	1	3	20·53	1	—	1	7·13	53·44	—	—
Vavuniya	2	1	3	33·41	3	2	5	65·15	41·46	2	667
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	20	14	34	36·73	14	18	32	36·04	44·38	5	147
Kalmunai	3	4	7	31·39	2	2	4	18·07	—‡	—	—
Trincomalee	18	16	34	40·35	27	22	49	60·83	63·03	13	382
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	9	13	22	21·98	20	12	32	37·15	29·28	4	182
Puttalam	13	7	20	30·31	13	13	26	42·74	48·65	7	350
Kalpitiya	—	—	—	—	3	1	4	83·35	—‡	—	—
Chilaw	8	5	13	19·58	7	8	15	26·02	32·12	3	231
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	12	2	14	15·56	13	14	27	35·92	51·12	1	71
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	11	9	20	25·10	9	8	17	21·76	31·80	5	250
Lunugala	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	24·79	—‡	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	17	11	28	41·91	12	7	19	31·01	21·94	2	71
Kegalla	6	3	9	26·85	2	1	3	10·02	14·41	—	—
Rambukkana	1	1	2	8·06	2	2	4	—‡	—‡	—	—

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

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

‡ Figures not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1929, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	Western Province.			Central Province.			Southern Province.												
	All 35 Towns.	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratuwa.	Kalutara.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hattton-Dikoya.	Nuwara Eliya.	Galle.	Ambalanagoda.	Wellgama.	Hambantota.	Tengale.					
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	M	F	M	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	978	784	1,762	361	293	33	30	27	37	25	21	6	13	60	51	7	3	17	8
I.—Infantile Mortality	193	149	342	57	62	9	5	6	12	4	2	2	1	18	17	1	4	2	1
A.—One Week and under.																			
1. Prematurity	27	13	40	10	5	2	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
2. Debility	40	34	74	11	12	1	2	—	—	—	6	4	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
3. Convulsions	7	6	13	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	1*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																			
1. Prematurity	5	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	25	23	48	8	10	1	3	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	32	18	50	7	5	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	3	2	1	3
4. Diarrhoea	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	8	9	17	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	9	1	—	10	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	15	19	34	4	8	—	1	2	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	1	1	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	4	4	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	20†	15§	8	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	3	1	—	—

* One death from Influenza (in Colombo).

† Besides 8 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 4 deaths from malarial fever (1 each in Negombo, Gampola, Kurunegala, and Anuradhapura), 2 from rickets (1 each in Gampola and Galle), and 1 death each from thrush (in Negombo), worms (in Kalutara), tracheal obstruction (in Kandy), influenza (in Galle), nephritis (in Hambantota), and dysentery (in Galle).

‡ Besides 8 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote §, 2 deaths from influenza (1 each in Hattton-Dikoya and Galle), whooping cough (in Kandy), malaria (in Hambantota), nephritis (in Jaffna), and rickets (in Trincomalee).

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Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1929, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*continued*.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during May, 1929, 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	2	—	304	231	24	25	21	19	4
2. Smallpox	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	14	14	28	11	13	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	30	12	42	10	5	1	1	1	1
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	55	35	90	6	3	1	1	1	1
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	23	17	45	2	4	2	1	1	1
10. Enteritis	32	31	63	20	19	3	1	1	1
11. Dysentery	32	18	50	9	3	1	1	1	1
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmiasis	33	28	61	10	7	1	2	1	1
Duodenitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	21	22	43	6	7	2	2	2	2
Cancer	11	17	28	7	8	—	—	1	1
Phtisis	49	43	92	22	21	3	2	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	2	3	5	1	2	—	—	1	1
17. Anaemia	3	4	7	1	1	1	1	1	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus	10	4	14	7	2	1	2	1	1
19. Paralysis	16	14	30	6	8	1	2	1	1
20. Convulsions	15	15	30	3	2	2	1	1	1
21. Tetanus	4	3	7	2	2	1	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease	17	11	28	10	7	1	2	1	1
23. Bronchitis	15	16	30	9	5	1	5	3	1
24. Pneumonia	151	91	242	52	31	6	2	3	2
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	26	32	58	12	10	1	2	1	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	10	10	—	2	1	1	1	1
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	36	36	—	9	3	2	3	1
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	19	19	—	1	1	2	1	1
30. Accidents and Negligence	26	8	34	12	5	1	2	1	1
31. Homicide	6	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	5	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	4	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	168*	124†	292	75	48	3	5	5	4

* Here are included 46 deaths from senility, 11 from cerebral haemorrhage, and 5 from debility.

† Here are included 62 deaths from senility, 8 from debility, and 2 from cerebral haemorrhage.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during, May, 1929, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*continued*.

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of May, 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 Intercessal Increase.	Mortality of Children under One Year of Age.																			
			Deaths Including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.						Per Mille per Annum.													
			Births.			Stillbirths.			Deaths of Non-residents.			Death Rate of Residents.										
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	In Town Hospitals and Jails.	Hospitals and Jails.	Average for May, 1922–28.	May, 1929.	Average for May, 1922–28.	May, 1929.								
City of Colombo ..	244,163	267,667	340	392	732	24	38	62	361	293	654	126	515	32	20†	27·52	22·65†	22·81	26·09	119	163	152
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,950	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	8,333	1	—	1	—	—	—	7	7	—	1·41	2·30	9·89	6·54	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,647	16	22	38	—	1	1	18	13	31	—	30	17·45	15·21	13·77	17·57	—	9	237	186	—
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,598	12	8	20	—	1	1	11	9	20	—	20	18·69	15·59	18·69	17·76	—	2	100	81	—
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,483	19	24	43	1	—	1	12	17	29	—	29	24·72	22·86	16·67	18·36	—	7	163	159	—
Kotahena South ..	27,488	30,135	32	32	64	2	2	4	22	20	42	—	41	25·01	23·26	16·02	18·91	—	10	156	158	—
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,588	18	30	48	—	1	1	21	25	46	—	46	22·09	21·70	21·17	23·20	—	11	229	190	—
Maradana Hospitals ..	—	—	133	147	280	13	19	32	170	109	279	122	157	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	33,325	17	24	41	5	2	7	26	20	46	—	46	14·49	21·77	16·25	17·72	—	11	268	163	—
Maradana East ..	8,503	9,421	9	14	23	1	2	17	8	25	4	21	28·75	23·95	26·25	18·82	—	2	87	92	—	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	18,531	20,315	18	13	31	1	2	3	9	16	25	—	25	17·97	16·87	14·49	17·14	—	6	194	202	—
Sleve Island ..	21,564	23,640	21	25	46	—	4	4	22	22	44	—	37	22·91	23·40	18·43	21·18	—	7	152	135	—
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	26,039	11	17	28	1	2	3	6	11	17	—	15	12·66	11·89	6·78	9·20	—	3	107	98	—
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	17,339	17	20	37	—	1	1	13	13	26	—	25	25·12	24·11	16·98	14·37	—	7	189	193	—
Wellawatta South ..	10,813	11,864	16	16	32	—	2	2	6	10	16	—	16	31·79	23·17	15·89	13·93	—	5	156	176	—

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

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.												Wards.											
							Fort and Galle Face.			Petah.			St. Paul's.			San Sebastian.			Kottahena North.			Kottahena South.		
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	M	F	M	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	361	293	654	1	—	7	—	18	18	11	9	12	17	22	20									
I.—Infantile Mortality	57	62	119																		1	6	5	5
A.—One Week and under.																								
1. Prematurity	10	5	15																					
2. Debility	11	12	23																		1	1	1	1
3. Convulsions	—	3	3																					
4. Tetanus	—	—	—																					
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—																					
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—																					
7. Other Causes	1*	—	1																					
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																								
1. Prematurity	—	—	—																					
2. Debility	8	10	18																		1	2	1	1
3. Convulsions	7	5	12																					
4. Diarrhoea	—	1	1																					
5. Enteritis	5	6	11																					
6. Tetanus	—	—	—																					
7. Bronchitis	3	1	4																		1	1	1	1
8. Pneumonia	4	8	12																					
9. Syphilis	—	3	3																					
10. Other Causes	8†	8§	16																		2	1	1	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	304	231	535	1	—	7	—	14	8	9	9	11	11	17	15									
1. Plague	2	—	2			1	—	—																
2. Smallpox	—	—	—																					
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—																					
4. Measles	1	—	1			1	—	—																
5. Influenza	11	13	24			1	—	4	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
6. Enteric Fever	10	5	15			1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	6	3	9			—		—																
8. Cholera	2	4	6			—		—																
9. Diarrhoea	20	19	39			—		—																
10. Enteritis	9	3	12			—		—																
11. Dysentery	—	—	—			—		—																
12. Anchylostomiasis or Duodenitis	10	7	17			—		—																
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	6	7	13			—		—												1	1	1	1	1
14. Cancer	7	8	15			—		—												4	3	3	1	1
15. Phthisis	22	21	43			—		—																
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	2	3			—		—																
17. Anaemia	—	—	1			—		—																
18. Diabetes Mellitus	7	2	9			—		—																
19. Paralysis	6	8	14			—		—												2	3	1	1	1
20. Convulsions	3	2	5			—		—																
21. Tetanus	2	2	4			—		—												1	1	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease	10	7	17			—		2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
23. Bronchitis	9	5	14			—		—												1	1	1	1	1
24. Pneumonia	52	31	83			—		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	4
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	4	4	8			—		—												2	1	1	1	1
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	12	10	22			—		—												1	1	1	1	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	2	2			—		—																
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	9	9			—		—																
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	3	3			—		—																
30. Accidents and Negligence	12	5	17			—		1	—															
31. Homicide	1	—	1			—		—																
32. Suicide	1	—	1			—		—																
33. Execution	3	—	3			—		—												2	2	5	2	2
34. All Other Causes	75	48	123			—		—												4	2	5	2	2

* One death from influenza.

† Two deaths each from influenza and improper feeding and 1 each from acute nephritis, diphtheria, cleft palate, and intussusception.

§ Three deaths from influenza, 2 each from dysentery and acute nephritis, and 1 from vermin.

|| Here are included 14 deaths from senility.

¶ Here are included 25 deaths from senility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of May, 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.		Wellawata North.			
All Causes	M	F	21	25	170	109	26	20	17	8	9	16	22	22	6	11	13	13
I.—Infantile Mortality			6	5	19	20	7	4	2	—	2	4	2	5	2	1	2	5
A.—One Week and under.			1	1	4	6	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1. Prematurity			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Debility			1	1	6	6	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3. Convulsions			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4. Tetanus			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5. Bronchitis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6. Pneumonia			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7. Other Causes			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.			1	1	2	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1. Prematurity			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Debility			1	1	2	3	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3. Convulsions			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4. Diarrhoea			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5. Enteritis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6. Tetanus			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7. Bronchitis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8. Pneumonia			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9. Syphilis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
10. Other Causes			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)			15	20	151	89	19	16	15	8	7	12	20	17	4	10	11	8
1. Plague			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Smallpox			1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3. Chickenpox			1	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4. Measles			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5. Influenza			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6. Enteric Fever			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8. Cholera			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9. Diarrhoea			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
10. Enteritis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11. Dysentery			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12. Ankylostomiasis or Dochmiasis Duodenalis			9	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites			1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
14. Cancer			1	6	10	5	1	3	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2
15. Phthisis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
17. Anaemia			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus			1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
19. Paralysis			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
20. Convulsions			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
21. Tetanus			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
22. Heart Disease			1	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
23. Bronchitis			1	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
24. Pneumonia			1	1	35	14	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System			1	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis			1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
28. Puerperal Septicaemia			1	2	10	5	1	3	1	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	1
29. Accidents of Childbirth			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
30. Accidents and Negligence			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
31. Homicide			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
32. Suicide			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
33. Execution			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
34. All Other Causes			6	4	36	20	4	1	1	1	3	3	7	4	1	3	4	3

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.																		Others.	
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.				Burghers.				Sinhalese.				Tamils.				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	6	10	4	—	11	5	176	189	86	45	56	38	10	10	18	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
I.—Infantile Mortality	3	2	—	—	2	1	35	41	13	8	6	8	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	3	8	4	—	9	4	141	148	78	37	50	30	9	8	18	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochrniasis Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—