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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON FOR THE
MONTH OF AUGUST, 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 351 (309 General, 6 Kandyan, and 36 Muslim), as against 477 in the preceding month and 485 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,791 (951 males and 840 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 32·31 per 1,000 of the population, as against 33·91 in the preceding month, 35·33 in the corresponding month of last year, and 29·40 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate ranged from 8·39 in Ambalangoda to 70·21 in Batticaloa. There were 1,585 births of children whose mothers were residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 28·59, as against 29·64 in the preceding month, and 30·40 in the corresponding month of last year.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 694 (372 males and 322 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 30·53, as against 31·36 in the preceding month, 33·99 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·75 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 12·21 in Kollupitiya to 28·89 in Slave Island. There were 582 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 25·60, as against 27·40 in the preceding month and 28·72 in the corresponding month of last year.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,864 (971 males and 893 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 33·63, as against 35·74 in the preceding month and 35·05 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 1,416 deaths of residents of the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 27·63, as against 28·95 in the preceding month, 27·54 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·79 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The standardized death rate ranged from 60·81 in Batticaloa to 7·13 in Mullaitivu.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 719 (379 males and 340 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 31·63, as against 32·82 in the preceding month and 29·12 in the corresponding month of last year. There were 587 deaths of residents of the city, which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 29·73, as against 29·78 in the preceding month, 25·47 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·02 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. The death rate of residents, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 7·69 in Kollupitiya to 28·74 in Kotahena North.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 140 (77 males and 63 females), as against 113 in the preceding month and 165 in the corresponding month of last year.

Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 385, and corresponded to a rate of 195 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 215, as against 216 in the preceding month, 204 in the corresponding month of last year, and 236 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 223 as against 226 in the preceding month, and 209 in the corresponding month of last year.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year of age amounted to 171, and corresponded to a rate of 220 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended August, 1929. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 246, as against 244 in the preceding month, 181 in the corresponding month of last year, and 253 the average for the corresponding months since 1919. There were 159 deaths of children under one year of age whose mothers were residents of the city, which corresponded to a rate of 273, as against 247 in the preceding month and 183 in the corresponding month of last year.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 18 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Enteritis* caused 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year of age) and *Senility*, each 6 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 5 per cent.; *Convulsions*, *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, *Dysentery*, and *Bright's Disease and Nephritis*, each 4 per cent.; *Anchylostomiasis*, *Diarrhoea*, and *Diseases and Accidents of Childbirth*, each 3 per cent.; *Enteric Fever*, *Accidents and Negligence*, *Diseases due to Intestinal Parasites other than Anchylostomiasis*, *Influenza*, *Prematurity*, *Heart Disease*, and *Bronchitis*, each 2 per cent.; *Paralysis*, *Diabetes Mellitus*, *Tetanus*, *Anaemia*, and *Cancer*, 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; *Enteritis* caused 12 per cent.; *Senility*, 8 per cent.; *Phthisis*, 7 per cent.; *Debility* (of children under one year of age), and *Influenza*, each 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Heart Disease*, *Bright's Disease and Nephritis*, and *Convulsions*, each 3 per cent.; *Enteric Fever*, *Paralysis*, *Accidents of Childbirth*, *Dysentery*, *Diseases due to Intestinal Parasites other than Anchylostomiasis*, and *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia*, each 2 per cent.; *Accidents and Negligence*, *Diabetes Mellitus*, *Bronchitis*, *Other Diseases of the Respiratory System*, *Tetanus*, *Cancer*, and *Anaemia*, each 1 per cent.

12. One death from *Plague* was registered (in Colombo), as against two deaths in the previous month and one death in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Phthisis*, of which 119 cases were reported (100 in Colombo, 4 in Galle); *Chickenpox* followed with 111 cases (95 in Colombo, 5 in Matale); *Dysentery* 83 (56 in Colombo, 6 each in Moratuwa, Panadure, and Vavuniya); *Enteric Fever* 78 (49 in Colombo, 3 each in Panadure, Matara, and Kegalla); *Measles* 47 (41 in Colombo); *Continued Fever* 25 (20 in Colombo); *Mumps* 21 (6 in Colombo); *Diphtheria* 4 (in Colombo); *Whooping Cough* 4 (3 in Colombo); *Plague* 3 (2 in Kandy and 1 in Galle); *Diarrhoea* 2 (1 each in Moratuwa and Galle).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Nawalapitiya recorded the highest rainfall (9.46 in.). In other towns the rainfall ranged from 7.17 in. in Trincomalee to 0.02 in. in Puttalam. Colombo recorded 0.31 in.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 83.6° in Anuradhapura to 59.7° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 80.9° 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, September 27, 1929.

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Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during August, 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 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 Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 18, 1921.		Population estimated to the middle of 1929 by Inter-censal Increase.		Marriages.			Births.			Deaths.			Stillbirths.			Deaths of Non-registered Persons in Towns, Hospitals, and Jails.		Birth Rates.		Mortality of Children under One Year of Age.		Mean Temperature.*	Rainfall in Inches.*			
	General.	Kandyan.	Muslim.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Registered.	Non-Registered.	Average for August 1919-1928.	Death Rate August, 1929.	Number registered during Aug. 1929.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during Aug. 1929.			Its proportion per annum to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended last day of August, 1929.		
All 35 Towns	600,312	309	6	36	351	951	840	1,791	971	893	1,864	77	63	140	439	32	31	29	40	33	63	385	215	195	80.9	0.31	
<i>Western.</i>																											
Colombo	244,163	135	—	21	156	372	322	694	379	340	719	27	25	52	125	30	53	25	75	31	63	171	246	220	80.9	0.31	
Negombo	27,689	28	—	—	28	31	34	65	29	39	68	2	5	7	5	26	07	38	48	27	27	14	215	150	80.9	1.48	
Moratuwa	41,858	20	—	—	20	54	44	98	53	50	103	9	7	16	—	25	43	30	42	26	72	23	235	193	80.9	1.37	
Kalutara	13,596	8	—	—	8	15	26	41	18	18	36	2	1	3	11	34	22	33	80	30	05	6	146	136	80.9	0.58	
Panadura	10,747	6	—	—	6	14	14	28	24	11	35	4	—	4	9	28	22	29	44	35	28	7	250	185	80.9	0.78	
<i>Central.</i>																											
Kandy	32,562	7	3	—	10	86	75	161	61	44	105	7	4	11	34	54	29	32	58	35	41	13	81	113	76.5	1.66	
Teldeniya	637	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	7	11	—	—	—	11	10	99	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gampola	6,202	1	—	—	1	11	12	23	6	9	15	2	—	—	6	39	65	23	93	25	86	4	174	167	76.5	1.03	
Navalapitiya	3,221	1	—	—	1	9	5	14	6	11	17	—	—	—	12	42	60	34	55	51	73	4	286	198	76.5	9.46	
Hatton-Dikoya	2,940	2	—	—	2	4	4	8	8	6	14	—	—	—	4	31	29	30	19	54	78	4	500	491	76.5	6.22	
Matale	7,865	3	—	—	3	15	12	27	31	32	63	1	—	—	40	34	86	31	34	81	34	8	296	220	76.5	1.49	
Nuwara Eliya	7,525	3	—	—	3	14	13	27	13	14	27	2	—	—	4	37	38	29	06	37	38	4	148	148	76.5	3.08	
<i>Southern.</i>																											
Galle	39,073	22	—	3	25	60	45	105	45	63	108	4	—	—	27	31	06	30	04	31	94	16	152	108	79.2	2.48	
Ambalangoda	3,347	4	—	—	4	2	1	3	4	4	8	—	—	—	—	8	39	24	93	22	38	2	667	245	79.2	—	
Matare	16,779	10	—	—	10	17	22	49	23	23	48	—	—	—	5	33	52	30	71	31	46	6	122	103	79.2	—	
Welligama	9,104	1	—	—	1	14	13	27	8	4	12	2	—	—	1	33	54	31	45	14	91	2	74	61	79.2	1.61	
Hambantota	2,849	—	—	—	—	9	7	16	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	61	79	43	35	23	17	3	188	204	79.2	0.82	
Tangalla	4,896	6	—	—	6	9	6	15	5	11	16	—	—	—	4	35	04	36	35	37	38	3	200	144	79.2	1.07	
<i>Northern.</i>																											
Jaffna	42,436	24	—	3	27	60	51	111	57	48	105	5	—	—	6	29	59	33	29	27	99	17	153	132	82.3	0.12	
Mannar	3,705	—	—	—	—	2	7	9	4	6	10	—	—	—	3	28	15	45	07	31	28	2	222	162	82.3	0.00	
Mullaitivu	1,563	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	—	3	3	—	—	—	2	27	37	30	53	20	53	1	250	240	82.3	—	
Vavuniya	936	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	2	1	3	—	—	—	2	33	41	15	36	33	41	1	333	251	82.3	2.00	
<i>Eastern.</i>																											
Batticaloa	10,564	9	—	—	9	37	28	65	25	34	59	—	—	—	5	70	21	48	18	63	73	20	308	577	83.0	2.52	
Kalmunai	2,586	1	—	—	1	6	7	13	7	6	13	—	—	—	4	58	30	43	31	58	30	1	77	102	83.0	0.10	
Trincomelee	9,414	4	—	—	4	10	11	21	11	19	30	1	—	—	4	24	92	29	07	35	61	5	238	191	83.0	7.17	
<i>North-Western.</i>																											
Kurunegala	10,187	3	—	—	3	23	12	35	34	15	49	2	—	—	24	34	97	27	21	48	95	7	200	249	81.1	1.27	
Puttalam	6,905	—	—	—	—	8	4	12	14	11	25	—	—	—	3	18	19	30	94	37	89	4	333	210	81.1	0.02	
Kalpitiya	1,608	—	—	—	—	2	4	1	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	21	77	28	94	7	26	1	333	421	81.1	0.00	
Chilaw	6,642	2	—	—	2	5	12	17	18	8	26	1	—	—	17	25	60	34	47	39	16	5	194	269	81.1	0.20	
<i>North-Central.</i>																											
Anuradhapura	7,781	7	—	—	7	12	11	23	31	15	46	—	—	—	17	25	56	22	04	51	12	13	565	596	83.6	0.23	
<i>Uva.</i>																											
Badulla	8,126	3	—	—	3	13	17	30	11	9	20	3	—	—	8	37	65	32	72	25	10	5	167	157	74.9	2.49	
Lunugala	526	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	5	6	11	—	—	—	10	22	00	44	31	241	95	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																											
Ratnapura	7,014	—	—	—	—	9	8	17	12	11	23	1	—	—	9	25	45	29	40	34	43	7	412	313	81.2	1.67	
Kegalla	3,508	—	—	—	—	10	7	17	18	12	30	—	—	—	27	50	72	37	45	89	50	4	235	234	81.2	2.38	
Rambukkana	2,308	—	—	—	—	5	3	8	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	32	25	—	—	—	—	1	125	184	81.2	—	

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

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

Principal Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate. August, 1929.	Deaths.			Death Rate (Standardized).		Infant Mortality	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	August, 1929.	Average for August, 1919-1928.	Number registered during August, 1929.†	Rate per 1,000 Births registered during August, 1929.
All 35 Towns	843	742	1,585	28.59	714	702	1,416	27.63	27.79	354	228
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo	312	270	582	25.60	310	277	587	29.73	28.02	159	273
Negombo	29	33	62	24.86	24	39	63	25.86	26.90	13	210
Moratuwa	54	44	98	25.43	53	50	103	27.22	28.69	23	235
Kalutara	13	21	34	28.38	12	13	25	20.76	22.14	5	147
Panadure	14	13	27	27.21	19	7	26	27.88	22.51	7	259
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy	77	66	143	48.22	41	30	71	26.22	29.27	9	63
Teldeniya	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gampola	9	12	21	36.20	2	7	9	16.04	23.59	3	143
Nawalapitiya	5	4	9	27.39	2	3	5	16.52	29.85	3	333
Hatton-Dikoya	4	4	8	31.29	6	4	10	46.00	49.98	4	500
Matale	15	8	23	29.69	9	14	23	31.70	30.87	7	304
Nuwara Eliya	14	13	27	37.38	10	13	23	35.16	16.33	4	148
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle	53	37	90	26.62	29	51	80	23.15	22.80	16	178
Ambalangoda	2	1	3	8.39	4	4	8	22.25	—	2	667
Matara	27	20	47	32.15	22	18	40	26.85	23.98	6	128
Weligama	14	13	27	33.54	8	4	12	13.80	16.80	2	74
Hambantota	9	7	16	61.79	4	1	5	19.19	70.03	3	188
Tangalla	8	5	13	30.37	3	9	12	27.82	18.97	3	231
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna	58	50	108	28.79	51	48	99	27.34	28.71	17	157
Mannar	2	7	9	28.15	1	6	7	22.33	30.78	1	111
Mullaattivu	1	3	4	27.37	—	1	1	7.13	38.31	1	250
Vavuniya	2	1	3	33.41	1	—	1	13.03	23.81	1	333
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa	37	28	65	70.21	23	31	54	60.81	40.77	20	308
Kalmunai	6	7	13	58.30	4	5	9	40.66	—	1	77
Trincomalee	10	11	21	24.92	10	16	26	32.28	34.88	5	238
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala	15	9	24	23.98	18	7	25	29.02	32.69	6	250
Puttalam	8	4	12	18.19	12	10	22	36.17	45.04	4	333
Kalpitiya	1	2	3	21.77	—	1	1	8.34	—	1	333
Ohilaw	2	7	9	13.56	5	4	9	15.61	31.08	1	111
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura	12	10	22	24.45	15	14	29	38.58	42.79	13	591
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla	10	17	27	33.89	6	6	12	15.36	29.55	5	185
Lunugala	1	—	1	22.00	—	1	1	24.79	—	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura	8	6	14	20.96	8	6	14	22.85	19.18	6	429
Kegalla	6	6	12	35.80	1	2	3	10.02	16.74	2	167
Rambukkana	5	3	8	32.25	1	—	1	—	—	1	125

* 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 August, 1929, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31–36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Death.	All 85 Towns.												Western Province.												Central Province.												Southern Province.											
	M		F		Total	Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Teldeniya.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matara.		Welligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalla.								
	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F									
All Causes	971	893	1,864	379	340	29	39	53	50	18	18	24	11	61	44	4	7	6	9	6	11	8	6	31	32	13	14	45	63	4	23	23	8	4	4	2	5	11										
I.—Infantile Mortality	207	178	385	93	78	7	7	14	9	6	—	4	3	7	6	—	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	3	4	4	1	3	6	10	1	3	3	2	—	—	3											
A.—One Week and under.																																																
1. Prematurity	21	15	36	7	5	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—						
2. Debility	42	29	71	15	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
3. Convulsions	8	4	12	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
7. Other Causes	2*	1†	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																																
1. Prematurity	2	2	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
2. Debility	22	27	49	11	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
3. Convulsions	14	21	35	5	6	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
4. Diarrhoea	8	2	10	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
5. Enteritis	17	31	48	15	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
7. Bronchitis	4	4	8	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
8. Pneumonia	32	21	53	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
9. Syphilis	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
10. Other Causes	34†	20§	54	15	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					

* Two deaths from asphyxia neonatorum in (Colombo).

† One death from enteritis in (Moratuwa).

‡ Besides 15 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 5 deaths from malaria (4 in Anuradhapura and 1 in Hambantota), 4 from nephritis (2 in Galle and 1 each in Negombo and Matale), 2 from influenza (1 each in Moratuwa and Hatton-Dikoya), 2 from worms (1 each in Kurunegala and Badulla), and 1 each from meningitis (in Negombo), dysentery (in Kurunegala), status lymphaticus (in Kandy), rickets (in Negombo), intestinal obstructions (in Ratnapura), and cirrhosis of liver (in Kurunegala).
§ Besides 13 deaths mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 2 deaths from worms (1 each in Moratuwa and Gampola), 2 from malaria (1 each in Tangalla and Anuradhapura), and 1 each from influenza (in Kandy), and nephritis and septicaemia (in Batticaloa).

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

Causes of Death.	Northern Province.						Eastern Province.						North-Western Province.						North-Central Province.		Province of Uva.						Province of Sabaragamuwa.						Deaths among all Races.																		
	Jaffna.		Mannar.		Mullaitivu.		Vaunmya.		Batticaloa.		Kalunna.		Trincomealee.		Kurunegala.		Puttalam.		Kajpitaya.		Chilaw.		Anuradhapura.		Badulla.		Lunugala.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Rambukkana.		Europeans.		Burghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.				
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	49	39	3	5	2	1	1	17	22	6	6	9	16	29	13	8	15	6	20	13	7	8	5	6	9	7	16	10			12	19	44	406	238	210	69	68	15	10	15	2									
1. Plague																																																			
2. Smallpox																																																			
3. Chickenpox																																																			
4. Measles																																																			
5. Influenza																																																			
6. Enteric Fever																																																			
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	5	6	1																																																
8. Cholera	2		1																																																
9. Diarrhoea	1	2																																																	
10. Enteritis		3																																																	
11. Dysentery	3		1																																																
12. Anchylostomiasis & Docthinus Duodenalis																																																			
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites																																																			
14. Cancer	2																																																		
15. Phthisis	2																																																		
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1																																																		
17. Anaemia	4																																																		
18. Diabetes Mellitus	3																																																		
19. Paralysis																																																			
20. Convulsions	3	1																																																	
21. Tetanus	1																																																		
22. Heart Disease	2																																																		
23. Bronchitis	1																																																		
24. Pneumonia	13	4	1	2	1	1	2	7	3	1	1	2	10	2	3	1	4	2	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	2	75	82	65	31	15	9	1	1	3	1												
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System																																																			
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	1																																																		
27. Puerperal Eclampsia																																																			
28. Puerperal Septicaemia																																																			
29. Accidents of Childbirth																																																			
30. Accidents and Negligence																																																			
31. Homicide																																																			
32. Suicide	1																																																		
33. Execution																																																			
34. All Other Causes	11	6	1					3	2			1	2	4	3	1	4	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	3	3	4	3	87	96	47	32	12	15	4	2													

Table IV.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during the Month of August, 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.			Deaths of Non-residents in Town, Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths of Residents.			Per Mille per Annum.			Mortality of Children under One Year of Age.	
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Average for August, 1929.	Death Rate of Residents.		Standardized Death-rate, August, 1929.*	Number registered during August, 1929.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended August, the last day of August, 1929.	Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during the Year ended August, the last day of August, 1929.	
																Average for August, 1922-28.	Average for August, 1922-28.					
City of Colombo ..	244,163	267,667	372	322	694	27	25	52	379	340	719	125	587	30.53†	27.73	25.82†	25.62	29.73	171	246	220	
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,950	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	3.99	1.81	—	—	—	—	
Pettah ..	7,601	8,333	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	4.23	1.41	6.60	—	—	—	—	
St. Paul's ..	23,395	25,647	27	17	44	1	1	2	19	20	39	—	39	20.20	16.54	17.90	24.30	—	6	136	123	
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,598	13	7	20	—	—	—	13	8	21	—	21	18.69	20.98	19.63	21.15	—	8	400	327	
Kotahena North ..	18,683	20,483	17	18	35	—	—	—	21	29	50	—	50	20.12	22.64	28.74	20.49	—	17	486	403	
Kotahena South ..	27,488	30,135	20	28	48	—	2	2	34	30	64	—	63	18.75	21.52	24.62	21.68	—	16	333	259	
New Bazaar ..	23,341	25,588	25	22	47	4	1	5	26	28	54	—	54	21.63	20.12	24.85	23.01	—	17	362	295	
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	137	117	254	18	18	36	148	120	268	123	145	—	—	—	—	—	38	—	—	
Maradana North ..	30,404	33,325	32	28	60	1	—	1	27	36	63	—	63	21.20	19.95	22.26	18.27	—	22	367	336	
Maradana East ..	3,593	9,421	12	8	20	—	—	—	10	9	19	2	17	25.00	20.41	21.25	21.47	—	8	400	345	
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	20,315	18	10	28	1	—	1	21	14	35	—	35	16.23	17.41	20.29	18.49	—	12	429	410	
Slave Island ..	21,564	23,640	26	32	58	1	—	1	30	29	59	—	53	28.89	22.85	26.40	22.10	—	15	259	277	
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	26,039	16	11	27	—	—	—	9	8	17	—	17	12.21	12.72	7.69	11.80	—	4	148	130	
Wellawatta North..	15,816	17,339	18	13	31	—	—	2	13	5	18	—	18	21.05	21.20	12.22	17.62	—	6	194	163	
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,854	11	10	21	1	—	1	6	4	10	—	10	20.86	22.95	9.93	16.79	—	2	95	72	

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

† The city rate is calculated 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, 1929, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.												
	M	F	Total.	Fort and Gale Face.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.		
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
All Causes	379	340	719	1	—	1	—	19	20	13	8	21	29	34	30	
I.—Infantile Mortality	93	78	171	—	—	—	—	3	3	6	2	7	10	7	9	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	7	5	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1
2. Debility	15	4	19	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	2*	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	11	13	24	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	1	—	3	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	5	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—
5. Enteritis	15	19	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	—	—	5
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
8. Pneumonia	13	13	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	1
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	15†	13§	28	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	1	—	2
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	286	262	548	1	—	1	—	16	17	7	6	14	19	27	21	
1. Plague	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	16	13	29	—	—	—	—	3	4	2	2	1	1	3	—	1
6. Enteric Fever	12	5	17	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	5	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	8	8	16	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	4	2	—	1
10. Enteritis	16	35	51	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	2	—	4
11. Dysentery	7	7	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	9	3	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
14. Cancer	—	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	23	25	48	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	1	—	2	1	—	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1
19. Paralysis	8	9	17	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	3	—	—	1
20. Convulsions	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	4	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	14	6	20	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	1
23. Bronchitis	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
24. Pneumonia	42	32	74	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	3	1	—	1
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	3	4	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	12	7	19	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	8	2	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	70	67¶	137	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	2	3	2	9	—	7

* Two deaths from asphyxia neonatorum.

† Five deaths from influenza, 2 each from thrush, cellulitis, and rickets, and 1 each from improper feeding, asthma, injuries received during birth and dyspepsia.

§ Seven deaths from influenza, and 1 each from malarial fever, eczema, pemphigus, worms, starvation, and improper feeding.

|| Here are included 25 deaths from senility.

¶ Here are included 34 deaths from senility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of August, 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	26	28	148	120	27	36	10	9	21	14	30	29	9	8	13	5
I.—Infantile Mortality	8	9	24	14	11	11	4	4	5	7	9	6	2	2	5	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	2	—	5	1	2	—	2	—	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	1	4	1	—	2	1	1	2	1	—	1	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	1	1	4	3	1	2	1	1	—	2	3	2	—	—	—	1
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	1	—	4	4	1	3	—	—	1	2	—	—	2	1	2	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	3	4	3	2	2	3	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	18	19	124	106	16	25	6	5	16	7	21	23	7	6	8	4
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Enteric Fever	5	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	7	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Dysentery	1	1	8	15	2	4	2	2	—	1	—	5	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or <i>Dochmius Duo-</i> <i>denalis</i>	—	1	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	—	—	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	1	—	2	1	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	2	11	11	1	4	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—	1
17. Anaemia	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Convulsions	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Bronchitis	1	—	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	3	2	26	15	2	2	1	—	—	1	3	5	1	—	2	—
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	3	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	2	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	6	24	19	6	12	1	—	6	3	7	5	5	4	4	—

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of August, 1929, 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	6	4	—	—	12	19	194	207	88	60	56	44	12	7	17	8
I.—Infantile Mortality	2	—	—	—	4	6	47	46	21	13	17	12	2	—	2	1
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	2	5	—	5	2	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	1	2	6	6	1	3	2	2	—	—	1	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	1
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Enteritis	1	—	—	—	1	1	10	14	3	3	1	1	—	—	—	—
6. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
8. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	1	1	8	11	1	—	3	1	—	—	—	—
9. Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	1	2	5	5	2	3	5	3	1	—	1	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	4	4	—	—	8	13	147	161	67	47	39	32	10	7	15	2
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chicken pox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	6	4	5	5	—	1	2	—
6. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	1	1	7	3	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
8. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	5	5	—	—	2	1	—	—	—
10. Enteritis	1	—	—	—	1	3	11	19	2	10	—	1	1	2	1	—
11. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	4	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
13. Diseases due to other Intestinal Parasites	1	—	—	—	—	1	6	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	1	—	—	—	1	1	14	15	5	3	3	6	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
19. Paralysis	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	6	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—
20. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
22. Heart Disease	—	1	—	—	—	—	6	5	2	1	2	—	2	—	2	—
23. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
24. Pneumonia	—	1	—	—	—	—	23	28	10	1	6	2	—	—	3	1
25. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
26. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	5	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	1
27. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Puerperal Septicaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—
29. Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	2	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	—	2	—	—	4	2	36	44	18	11	7	9	3	1	2	—