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## I.—POPULATION.

1. *Island Population.*—In my last report, the population of the Island at the end of 1945 was estimated at 6,606,000. This estimate was based on the population returned at the census of March 19, 1946, and the births and deaths registered, and the migrations recorded, during the period from January 1 to March 19, 1946. Taking note, similarly, of the births and deaths and migrations after March 19, 1946, the population of the Island at mid-year, 1946, (July 1) is estimated at 6,695,000, and that at the end of the year at 6,784,000. The estimated increase during the year, therefore, amounts to 178,000, as compared with 203,200 in 1945, and represents an increase of 2.7 per cent. over the population at the end of 1945.

The mid-year population of 6,695,000 is estimated to have consisted of 3,514,000 males and 3,181,000 females. Estimates of population by certain age-groups appear in Table XIV; but much accuracy is not claimed for them, since they merely reflect the proportions of the age compositions evidenced at the 1921 census.

2. *Population by Race.*—The estimates of population by race at mid-year, 1946, appear in Table II of the Appendix. The racial distribution of the population of the city of Colombo and the rest of the Island on the census dates of 1931 and 1946 is shown in Table 1.

Table 1.—Population of Ceylon, Colombo Town, and the Rest of the Island, by race, as at the Census dates of 1931 and 1946.

Race.	As at February 26, 1931.			As at March 19, 1946.		
	Colombo Town.	Rest of the Island*.	Ceylon*.	Colombo Town.	Rest of the Island.	Ceylon.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
All Races ..	284,155 ..	5,022,716 ..	5,306,871 ..	355,374 ..	6,278,243 ..	6,633,617 ..
Europeans ..	3,340 ..	5,813 ..	9,153 ..	2,507 ..	2,785 ..	5,292 ..
Burghers and Eurasians ..	15,887 ..	16,428 ..	32,315 ..	15,800 ..	20,304 ..	36,104 ..
Sinhalese ..	127,927 ..	3,345,103 ..	3,473,030 ..	156,267 ..	4,358,931 ..	4,515,198 ..
Tamils ..	65,704 ..	1,351,773 ..	1,417,477 ..	78,803 ..	1,392,154 ..	1,470,957 ..
Moors ..	44,240 ..	281,673 ..	325,913 ..	59,689 ..	335,176 ..	394,865 ..
Malays ..	7,022 ..	8,955 ..	15,977 ..	11,130 ..	13,707 ..	24,837 ..
Others ..	20,035 ..	12,529 ..	32,564 ..	19,610 ..	17,546 ..	37,156 ..
Unclassified ..	— ..	442 ..	442 ..	11,568 ..	137,640 ..	149,208 ..

\* The figures in these columns for the different races are estimates only.

The entire estate population, the large majority of which consists of Indian labourers, at the 1946 census has been reported to be 849,569; but statistics of this population by race are not available at the time of writing this report.† According to returns furnished by Superintendents of estates the *Indian labour* population on estates at mid-year, 1946, was 708,830. The rest of the population on this date, belonging to all races and classes, is estimated roughly at 148,000.

3. *Natural Increase.*—The natural increase, representing the excess of births over deaths, amounted to 120,949 in 1946, as against 95,563 in 1945. Table 2 shows the increase during the period 1942-46 and the rate of increase. For the first time since 1943, the rate of increase has risen; and the substantial rise in 1946 is the result both of an increase in the number of births and of a decrease in the number of deaths.

Table 2.—Excess of Births over Deaths, and the Rate of Natural Increase, 1942-1946.

Year.	Natural Increase (Births minus Deaths).	Rate of Natural Increase per 1,000 of the Population.
1	2	3
1942 ..	109,020 ..	18.1 ..
1943 ..	117,759 ..	19.2 ..
1944 ..	98,842 ..	15.7 ..
1945 ..	95,563 ..	14.7 ..
1946 ..	120,949 ..	18.1 ..

† The estate population by race, according to the 1931 Census was shown in Table 2 at page 7 of the Vital Statistics Report for 1945.

The rates of natural increase in Ceylon and certain other countries are shown in Table 3. Ceylon's rate seems fairly high in comparison. This is chiefly due to the high birth-rate.\*

Table 3.—Rate of Natural Increase in Ceylon and certain other countries.

Country	Period.	Rate for Natural Increase.
1	2	3
Ceylon .. ..	1937-1941 ..	15.6
Do .. ..	1942-1946 ..	17.2
Madras Presidency .. ..	1933-1937 ..	13.3
Japan .. ..	1933-1937 ..	13.2
Italy .. ..	1934-1938 ..	9.4
U. S. A. (Registration area) .. ..	1934-1938 ..	6.0
England and Wales .. ..	1938-1942 ..	1.9
France .. ..	1934-1938 ..	-0.1 †

† Decrease.

4. *Migration.*—As in the years 1944 and 1945, the Island's population was increased though migrations in 1946, the gain in the year being 56,790. The traffic is very largely between India and Ceylon, 95.2 of the arrivals in 1946 being from India and 96.8 of the departures being also to that country.

Migration statistics of the period 1942-46, by each quarter, are given in Table 4. It will be seen that the greatest activity in this direction, both to and fro, was in the second quarter, while the smallest was in the fourth quarter.

Table 4.—Arrivals and Departures in each Quarter, 1942-1946.

Year.	Arrivals in Thousands.							
	Quarters.							
	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	Total.			
1942 ..	18.1	18.3	28.3	37.8	102.5			
1943 ..	35.1	50.3	56.4	52.2	194.0			
1944 ..	60.4	71.1	81.1	57.2	269.8			
1945 ..	64.1	91.7	98.4	78.9	333.1			
1946 ..	75.1	88.3	61.9	57.5	282.9			

Year.	Departures in Thousands.							
	Quarters.							
	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	Total.			
1942 ..	70.0	63.2	25.0	31.1	189.3			
1943 ..	49.4	55.2	46.5	46.8	197.9			
1944 ..	51.9	51.2	39.0	40.0	182.1			
1945 ..	55.3	63.3	56.0	50.8	225.4			
1946 ..	62.0	70.0	52.9	41.1	226.0			

\* See paragraph 19.

5. *Estate (Indian Labour) Population.*—The Indian labour population on estates, as reported by Superintendents of estates, was 654,611 at the end of 1945, 708,830 at mid-year 1946, and 716,712 at the end of 1946. The mean for the year 1946, therefore, amounted to about 693,400, which represents an increase of 7.1 per cent. over the mean for 1945, namely, 647,235. The increase of 62,101 during the year includes 17,081 on account of the excess of births over deaths; and the balance of 45,020 represents the gains through migration.

The population in 1946 is the largest on record since 1931, when these statistics were first compiled by this department.

6. *Urban Population.*—For the purposes of this report, only those areas which are brought under the operation of sections 30 to 36 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance are regarded as “urban”. Estimates of the population at mid-year, 1946, for each of these 43 separate areas are given at column 3 of Table XI of the Appendix. These 43 areas comprise the three Municipalities, 33 (out of 38) Urban Council towns, 5 (out of 24) Town Council areas, and 2 Sanitary Board towns. They include 4 Urban Council areas—namely, those of Avissawella, Gampaha, Horana, and Kuliyaipitiya—which were brought under operation of the aforementioned sections during 1945. It would appear that the total estimated population for all these areas is 1,025,600, which is equivalent to about 15.3 per cent. of the entire population of the Island.

## II.—MARRIAGES.

7. *Marriages (Island).*—The total number of marriages registered in 1946 was 42,997, and consisted of 32,182 “general” marriages, 6,397 Kandyan, and 4,418 Muslims. The total registered in 1946 is 3.0 per cent. less than the number registered in 1945, but higher than the annual average for the decade 1936-45 by 10 per cent. Continuing the decline that began in 1944, the rate has fallen to 12.3 per 1,000 of the population; but it is still higher than any of the yearly rates registered during the period 1929 to 1941.

A lowering of the marriage rate generally indicates less prosperous times; but it is not unlikely that the fall during the period 1944 to 1946 was partly due to the reduction of the marriageable proportion of the Island's population owing to the unprecedented number of marriages contracted during the years 1942 and 1943. So far as is known, Ceylon's marriage rate is higher than that of many other countries. For instance, during the period 1939-43, England and Wales had a marriage rate of 9.4, Australia 10.5, the Union of South Africa 11.1, and the United States of America 12.0.

8. *Marriages in Provinces and Districts.*—The regional distribution of marriages is set forth in columns 2 to 10 of Table III, and the corresponding rates in columns 2 to 7 of Table IV. Among the general community, marriage rates below the average (12.3 per 1,000) of the (non-Muslim) population were recorded in the Western, Southern, and North-Western Provinces. The highest marriage rate (16.3 per 1,000 of the population) was recorded in the Chilaw District. The Eastern, Uva, and Central Provinces recorded the lowest rates, the rate for the Batticaloa District (6.5 per 1,000 of the population) being the lowest. The Muslim marriage rates fluctuated between 13.1 in the Chilaw District and 25.5 in the Puttalam District, the rate for the Island being 20.1.

The rather wide gaps between the rates in different places is a usual feature in Ceylon and is, no doubt, largely the outcome of differences in living conditions and social customs of the people.

9. *Marriages by race.*—Statistics relating to the racial distribution of marriages among the general community registered in recent years are given in columns 3 to 8 of Table II, and the races of parties marrying in 1945 (according to Districts) in columns 14 to 26 of Table V. The general decline in

the Island's marriage-rate has been shared among all races, the greatest decrease being in the case of the Europeans, whose marriage rate fell from 70.8 in 1945 to 60.4 in 1946. This is perhaps explained by the fact that, with the return to more normal conditions, there has been a considerable reduction in the number of marriages of short-term visitors to the Island (such as Service personal), who are not included in the estimate of population against which the rate is calculated.

The low rate (5.7 in 1946) among the Tamils (inclusive of estate labour populations) is an index of the prevalence of unregistered unions, contracted according to customary or religious rites or otherwise. As usual, the Burghers' have maintained a comparatively high rate (17.5).

The marriage rate among Moors and Malays, who are almost entirely Muslims, taken together appear in columns 5, 6, and 7 of Table IV. In their case, too, the rate has continued to decline (from 21.7 in 1945 to 20.1 in 1946); and has come down to the pre-war level.

10. *Seasonal Distribution of Marriages.*—The quarterly statistics for the five years 1942 to 1946 given in Table 5 below indicate that in 1946, as in previous years, the largest number of marriages take place in the third quarter of the year. The reason for this preference is not quite clear, unless it is that the largest number of "auspicious" days fall within that period.

Table 5.—General and Kandyan Marriages registered according to quarters, 1942-1946.

Year.	January to March.	April to June.	July to September.	October to December.
1	2	3	4	5
1942 .. ..	8,335 ..	8,440 ..	12,921 ..	12,814
1943 .. ..	10,303 ..	10,528 ..	11,465 ..	11,661
1944 .. ..	9,681 ..	10,293 ..	10,559 ..	11,260
1945 .. ..	9,970 ..	9,889 ..	10,161 ..	9,664
1946 .. ..	9,810 ..	8,708 ..	10,560 ..	9,501

11. *Inter-racial Marriages.*—The number of inter-racial marriages registered in the general community in 1946 was 456, as against 460 in 1945. Of the 456 inter-racial marriages registered in 1946, the Sinhalese partners numbered 310, the Tamils 226, the Burghers 161, and the Europeans 23. A classification of such marriages registered during 1936 to 1946 is given in Table 6.

Table 6.—Number of inter-racial Marriages registered in the years 1945 and 1946 and the average for the decade 1936-1945.

Marriages between	Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.
1	2	3	4
Europeans and Burghers .. ..	18 ..	28 ..	16
Europeans and Sinhalese .. ..	5 ..	5 ..	4
Europeans and Tamils .. ..	2 ..	2 ..	3
Burghers and Sinhalese .. ..	122 ..	132 ..	114
Burghers and Tamils .. ..	24 ..	30 ..	31
Sinhalese and Tamils .. ..	149 ..	139 ..	192
Other Inter-racial Marriages..	89 ..	124 ..	96

12. *General Marriages.*—32,182 "general" marriages were registered in 1946, as against 33,683 in 1945 (showing a decrease of 4.5 per cent.), and an average

of 27,825 for the decade 1936-45. Table III shows the number registered in each Province and District in 1945 and 1946. Comparative figures for previous years are shown by Districts in Table VI.

13. *Kandyan Marriages.*—The number of Kandyan marriages registered in 1946 was 6,397, as against 6,001 in 1945, the increase amounting to 6.6 per cent. The number for 1946, however, is still less than the average for the decade 1936-45, namely, 6,909. On a long range view taken in relation to statistics of "general" marriages, it seems clear that marriage under the Kandyan law is becoming less popular, and more Kandyans than formerly are exercising the right to marry under the (General) Marriage Registration Ordinance. The regional distribution of Kandyan marriages during 1946 and the years immediately preceding is shown in Table III.

14. *Muslim Marriages.*—The Muslim marriages registered in 1946 numbered 4,418, as against 4,641 for 1945, and 4,370 for the decade 1936-1945. The Muslim marriage rate for 1946 was 20.1 per 1,000 of the Muslim population, as compared with 21.7 in 1945. The Muslim marriage rate is always higher than the rate for Kandyan and general marriages.

The figures for each district are shown in columns 8 to 10 of Table III and the rates in columns 5 to 7 of Table IV. The largest number of marriages continue to be registered in the Batticaloa and Colombo Districts.

15. *First Marriages and Re-marriages.*—The civil condition of parties who contracted marriages under the (General) Marriage Registration Ordinance during 1946 is shown in columns 3 to 13 of Table V. 97.5 per cent. of the bachelors married spinsters, and 2.0 per cent. married widows. 92.2 per cent. of the spinsters married bachelors, and 7.1 per cent. widowers. 59.3 per cent. of the widows married bachelors, and 39.6 per cent. widowers. 83.8 per cent. of the widowers married spinsters, and 15.1 per cent. widows.

Among the parties to the Kandyan marriages of 1946, 97.2 per cent. of the bachelors married spinsters, and 1.7 per cent. widows. 89.0 per cent. of the spinsters married bachelors, and 8.6 per cent. widowers. Of the widowers, 85.0 per cent. married spinsters, and 11.9 per cent. widows; while 53.9 per cent. of the widows married bachelors, and 41.6 per cent. widowers.

Table 7 indicates the civil condition of parties to Kandyan marriages contracted during the years 1945 and 1946.

Table 7.—Kandyan Marriages registered in 1945 and 1946 according to the civil condition of the Parties.

Civil Condition.	Number of Marriages.	
	1945.	1946.
1	2	3
Bachelors and Spinsters .. .. .	5,179	5,447
Bachelors and Widows .. .. .	96	96
Widowers and Spinsters .. .. .	426	527
Widowers and Widows .. .. .	62	74
Divorced men and Spinsters .. .. .	115	147
Divorced men and widows .. .. .	7	8
Divorced women and Bachelors .. .. .	84	63
Divorced women and Widowers .. .. .	19	19
Divorced men and Divorced women .. .. .	13	16

16. *Age at Marriage.*—Of those who contracted (general) marriages in 1946, the oldest bridegroom was 75 years old and the oldest bride was 65 years. The youngest bridegroom was 17 and the youngest bride 13.

Of the parties to Kandyan marriages, the oldest bridegroom was 75 years, the oldest bride 65, the youngest bridegroom 16, and the youngest bride 13.

Of the parties to Muslim marriages, the oldest bridegroom was 70 years old and the oldest bride was 50. The youngest bridegroom was 16 and the youngest bride 9. While the (General) Marriage Registration Ordinance and the Kandyan Marriage Ordinance prescribe a minimum age for marriage, the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Registration Ordinance does not; and marriages under the last-mentioned Ordinance, particularly of females, are sometimes contracted at very early ages.

The age statistics given below indicate that the upward trend of the age at marriage observed in the years prior to 1942 still continues to be generally maintained, more particularly in the case of females. Kandyans of both sexes marry at an earlier age than the average person of the general population, and Muslim females marry still younger.

Table 8.—Age at Marriage, 1942-1946.

Year.	Percentage of Persons marrying				Mean Male Age (Years).	Mean Female Age (Years).		
	under 21 Years of Age.		Males.	Females.				
	1	2					3	4
General Marriages.								
1942 ..	..	0.7	..	35.8	..	28.0	..	21.3
1943 ..	..	0.7	..	34.5	..	27.9	..	22.3
1944 ..	..	0.9	..	34.7	..	28.5	..	21.4
1945 ..	..	0.9	..	32.2	..	28.4	..	20.1
1946 ..	..	0.7	..	33.5	..	28.3	..	22.4
Kandyan Marriages.								
1942 ..	..	7.6	..	66.7	..	26.0	..	19.1
1943 ..	..	9.4	..	70.9	..	25.6	..	19.3
1944 ..	..	5.9	..	69.3	..	26.4	..	19.3
1945 ..	..	5.5	..	71.1	..	27.0	..	19.0
1946 ..	..	5.0	..	63.4	..	27.2	..	20.6
Muslim Marriages.								
1946 ..	..	2.8	..	77.8	..	27.8	..	19.3

17. *Divorces.*—457 “general” (non-Kandyan and non-Muslim) marriages (inclusive of unregistered marriages) were dissolved in 1946, as against 289 in 1945. The divorce rate for 1946, computed on the number of dissolution of registered marriages, was 14.2 per 1,000 marriages (registered in the same year). The corresponding rate for 1945 was 8.4.

The 457 divorces of 1946 are classified in detail in Table 9. In 254 cases the husband had initiated legal proceedings. About 77 per cent. of these divorces were allowed on the ground of malicious desertion by one party or the other. The largest number (181) was granted by the District Court of Colombo.

Table 9.—Causes of Divorce and the Race of Parties to whom Divorce was granted by the District Courts in 1946.

District Court.	Malicious Desertion and Adultery.										Adultery.				Cruelty.				Nullity of Marriage.				Total.				
	Malicious Desertion.				Malicious Desertion and Adultery.						Adultery.				Cruelty.				Nullity of Marriage.								
	European	Burgher	Sinhalese	Tamil	Others	European	Burgher	Sinhalese	Tamil	Others	European	Burgher	Sinhalese	Tamil	Others	European	Burgher	Sinhalese	Tamil	Others							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	5
Anuradhapura			2					1					2														11
Awissawella			9					1					1														23
Badulla			16	5									2														9
Balapitiya			6	1									1					1									16
Batticaloa		1	5	6								1	1										2				19
Chilaw			15	2									2														181
Colombo	5a.	22b	92c	14d	2		2	17	1	1e.	2	1	14f	3g			2	2	1			2	2				20
Galle			9		1			1					7														—
Hatton																											33
Jaffna			1h.	26					1					2					1				2				6
Kalutara		1	3										1										1				31
Kandy		3	25i	1									1								1						3
Kegalla			1	1																							21
Kurunegala		1j	18										2														1
Mannar									1																		13
Matara			8										5														22
Negombo			19										3														5
Nuwara Eliya			3	1									1														10
Panadure			6										4											1			14
Point Pedro				11										2													—
Puttalam																											3
Ratnapura			2																				1				1
Tangalla			1																								7
Trincomalee				3k.								1	1	2					1								3
Vavuniya				3																							—
CEYLON	5	28	241	74	3	—	2	21	3	1	2	2	48	9	—	—	3	3	3	—	1	—	6	5	—	—	457

a In one case the wife was a Burgher.  
 b In one case the wife was a European, and in one case Persian.  
 c In four cases the wife was a Burgher.  
 d In one case the wife was Sinhalese.  
 e The wife was Sinhalese.  
 f In one case the wife was a Burgher.  
 g In one case the wife was a Burgher.  
 h The wife was a Tamil.  
 i In one case the wife was a Burgher.  
 j The wife was Sinhalese.  
 k In one case the wife was a Burgher.

The Kandyan marriages dissolved in 1946 numbered 788 (652 diga and 136 binna), as against 520 (422 diga and 98 binna) in 1945. In the large majority of these cases, divorce was by mutual consent. Details of the divorces effected in 1946 are given in Table 10. The Kandyan divorce rate for 1946 was 12.3 per 100 marriages (registered that year), as against 8.7 for 1945. The divorce rate among persons marrying under the Kandyan Marriage Ordinance appears to be about nine times as high as among those marrying under the (General) Marriage Registration Ordinance.

(For Table 10 see Page 15)

During 1946, 816 divorces were registered among the Muslim community, representing a rate of 18.5 per 100 marriages of that year. The number registered in 1945 was 818, and the rate 17.6. The divorce rate among Muslims is always considerably higher than among either the Kandyans or the general community, one reason probably being the greater facilities for divorce available to them. The actual incidence may even be greater than that indicated by the above-mentioned rates, for cases of divorce effected outside the provisions of the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Registration Ordinance are not included in these calculations.

Table 11 indicates that all the divorce rates are on the increase. In each case, the rate for 1946 is the highest ever recorded. The unprecedentedly large number of marriages during the war years, many of which may have been contracted without the usual care and deliberation, appears to have produced its crop of divorces.

Table 11.—Divorce rates, per 1,000 marriages, 1940-46.

Period	General	Kandyan	Muslim
1940-44 ..	6.4 ..	70.7 ..	122.3 ..
1945 ..	8.4 ..	86.7 ..	176.3 ..
1946 ..	14.2 ..	123.2 ..	184.7 ..

18. *Literacy*.—9,216 parties to "general" marriages and 3,359 parties to Kandyan marriages were unable to sign the marriage registers in any language in 1946, as against 9,064 of the former and 4,597 of the latter in 1945. In 1946, the proportion of all such persons per 100 marriages (both "General" and Kandyan) registered was 32.6, as against 34.4 in 1945. Table 12 indicates that this proportion is greater among parties contracting Kandyan marriages, and that, in both cases, it has been progressively falling from the earliest times. A slight increase, however, in the proportion of illiterates among females in "General" marriages and among males in Kandyan marriages has been recorded in 1946.

Table 12.—Average Annual Number of Illiterates among parties married in each of the five-year periods beginning 1896 and ending 1945, and the number of illiterates in each of the years 1945 and 1946 with the proportionate number of illiterate parties per 100 Marriages.

Year	Number of illiterates.		Proportion of illiterates per 100 Marriages.	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
1	2	3	4	5
<i>General Marriages.</i>				
1896-1900 ..	3,893 ..	11,839 ..	25.2 ..	76.8 ..
1901-1905 ..	4,319 ..	12,209 ..	25.9 ..	73.2 ..
1906-1910 ..	2,979 ..	9,353 ..	20.2 ..	63.5 ..
1911-1915 ..	3,297 ..	10,612 ..	18.4 ..	59.3 ..
1916-1920 ..	2,683 ..	8,818 ..	15.8 ..	51.8 ..
1921-1925 ..	3,040 ..	9,350 ..	15.0 ..	46.0 ..
1926-1930 ..	2,757 ..	9,396 ..	12.1 ..	41.2 ..
1931-1935 ..	2,017 ..	7,170 ..	9.8 ..	35.0 ..
1936-1940 ..	1,848 ..	6,899 ..	9.7 ..	36.2 ..
1941-1945 ..	1,970 ..	8,006 ..	6.1 ..	24.6 ..
1945 ..	1,851 ..	7,213 ..	5.5 ..	21.4 ..
1946 ..	1,776 ..	7,440 ..	5.5 ..	23.1 ..

Year.	Number of illiterates.		Proportion of illiterates per 100 Marriages.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	2	3	4	5
<i>Kandyan Marriages.</i>				
1896-1900 .. ..	3,670 ..	9,494 ..	37.2 ..	96.2 ..
1901-1905 .. ..	2,520 ..	6,649 ..	36.2 ..	95.4 ..
1906-1910 .. ..	1,604 ..	4,967 ..	30.2 ..	93.6 ..
1911-1915 .. ..	1,746 ..	5,695 ..	28.3 ..	92.2 ..
1916-1920 .. ..	1,352 ..	4,895 ..	24.2 ..	87.7 ..
1921-1925 .. ..	1,138 ..	4,464 ..	20.6 ..	80.7 ..
1926-1930 .. ..	1,088 ..	4,424 ..	17.9 ..	72.7 ..
1931-1935 .. ..	712 ..	3,317 ..	13.9 ..	64.9 ..
1936-1940 .. ..	726 ..	3,786 ..	11.0 ..	57.2 ..
1941-1945 .. ..	651 ..	3,750 ..	9.4 ..	47.5 ..
1945 .. ..	329 ..	4,268 ..	7.7 ..	44.6 ..
1946 .. ..	540 ..	2,819 ..	8.4 ..	44.1 ..

In columns 36 to 41 of Table V will be found further statistics relating to the illiterate parties (in general marriages) by each district of the Island.

### III.—BIRTHS.

19. *Births in the Island.*—The number of births registered in 1946 was 256,886 (comprising 130,782 male and 126,104 females), as compared with 238,494 for 1945 and an annual average of 220,268 for the decade 1936-45. The number registered in 1946 is the largest ever registered in any year, and represents an increase of 7.7 per cent. over the number registered in 1945. The birth rate per 1,000 of the mid-year population rose from 36.7 in 1945 to 38.4 in 1946, which is the second highest rate since 1933. This increase is remarkable because it arrests a decline noticed after 1943, and has occurred despite a continuous decline in the marriage rate since that year. Possibly it has been assisted by the re-union of couples separated during war-time, and by a large number of second or subsequent births to the same spouses.

Table 13 indicates that Ceylon's birth-rate is high in comparison with certain other countries.

Table 13.—Birth-rates of Ceylon and certain other countries.

Country.	Period.	Birth-rate.
1	2	3
Egypt .. ..	1938-42 ..	41.2 ..
Federated Malay States .. ..	1936-40 ..	39.4 ..
Ceylon .. ..	1941-45 ..	37.5 ..
Do. .. ..	1946 ..	38.4 ..
Chile .. ..	1942-46 ..	32.8 ..
Japan .. ..	1942-46 ..	27.7 ..
India .. ..	1942-46 ..	27.2 ..
South Africa .. ..	1942-46 ..	26.2 ..
Canada .. ..	1941-45 ..	23.4 ..
New Zealand .. ..	1942-46 ..	22.3 ..
Australia .. ..	1942-46 ..	21.3 ..
United States of America .. ..	1942-46 ..	21.1 ..
Italy .. ..	1942-46 ..	20.1 ..
United Kingdom .. ..	1942-46 ..	18.9 ..
Germany .. ..	1939-43 ..	18.0 ..
France .. ..	1942-46 ..	16.8 ..

20. *Births by Race.*—Statistics relating to births by race in 1946 are given in Table VII, and those for recent years in columns 9 to 14 of Table II. As usual, the Malays recorded the highest birth-rate (42.3), and the Europeans the lowest (25.6). In comparison with past records, it would appear that the rate for Europeans has more than doubled in 1946; but, in actual fact, the increase was probably not as great, since the rates are calculated on estimated populations, and, in the case of Europeans, the estimate for 1946 and those for the earlier years were based on different data, the former very largely on the census of 1921 and the latter entirely on the census of 1946.

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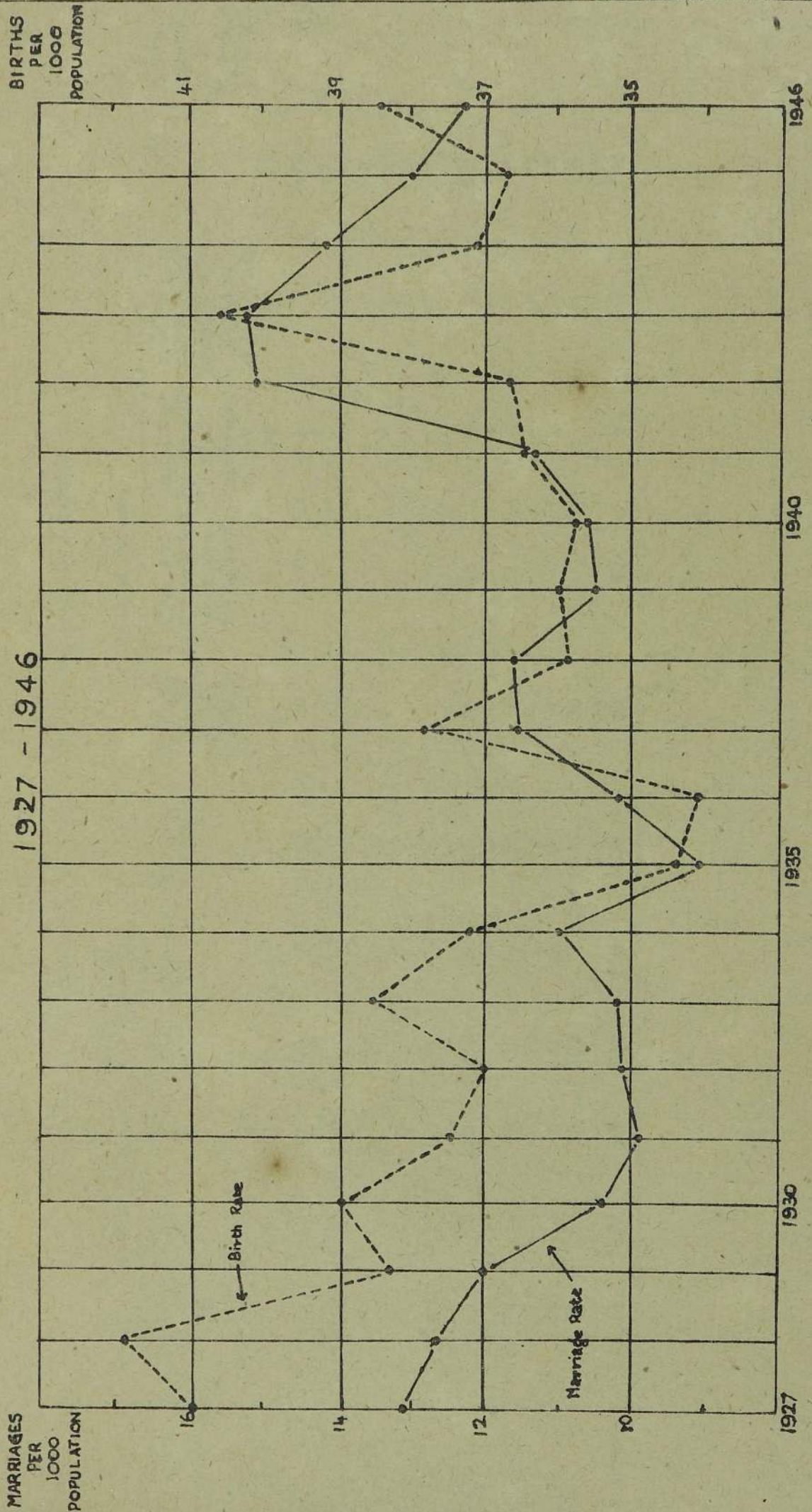




Table 10.—Kandyan Divorces, 1946, according to Districts.

District	Applicant for Dissolution				How Marriage was contracted				Cause of Divorce					Total.	Average Duration of Marriage (Years).
	Husband.		Wife.		Both.	Diga.	Binna.	Mutual consent.	Inability live to happily together.	Complete and continued by the wife after marriage.	Adultery by the husband coupled with incest or gross cruelty.	Adultery by the wife after marriage.	Complete desertion for 2 years.		
	2	3	4	5											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
Kandy	98	41	..	132	7	120	15	2	1	..	139	2.4			
Matale	27	12	3	30	12	32	9	..	1	..	42	3.6			
Nuwara Eliya	15	10	6	24	7	29	2	..	..	..	31	4.9			
Galle	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Matara	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Vavuniya	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Batticaloa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Trincomalee	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Kurunegala	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Puttalam	211	77	38	259	67	278	24	18	5	1	326	2.7			
Anuradhapura	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Badulla	16	6	4	12	14	20	5	1	..	..	26	5.3			
Ratnapura	10	5	..	12	3	14	..	1	..	..	15	7.5			
Kegalla	46	17	1	45	19	56	7	..	1	..	64	2.9			
	99	33	13	138	7	109	36	..	..	..	145	2.4			
CEYLON	522	201	65	652	136	658	98	22	8	2	788	3.9			

It is noteworthy that the Burghers, who always had a comparatively low birth-rate (29.4 in 1945), came second only to the Malays in 1946, when the rate for former community rose to 40.0. Possibly one reason is the very high marriage rate among the Burghers in 1945. In 1946, the average rate for the year (38.4) was recorded among the Sinhalese and the Tamils, while the Moors had a rate of 39.6.

21. *Births in Provinces and Districts.*—In columns 11 to 13 of Table III are shown the births registered in each province and district in recent years, and in columns 8 to 10 of Table IV the corresponding rates. In 1946 the local rates ranged from 30.1 in the Kurunegala District to 42.0 in the Galle and Batticaloa Districts. The gap between the lowest and the highest rates was somewhat less marked in 1946 than in previous years.

22. *Estate Births.*—The number of births registered in 1946 on estates scheduled for medical aid was 35,978 (18,237 males and 17,741 females), as against 33,906 in 1945. Statistics relating to regional distribution are shown in Tables IX and X, in the latter table being included figures by race for 1946.

The great majority of the population on estates consists of Indian labourers. Among them 28,799 births were registered in 1946, as against 26,835 in 1945. The birth-rate for 1946 is 41.6 per 1,000 of the mean population, as compared with a birth rate of 41.5 in 1945.

23. *Urban Births.*—Detailed statistics for 1946 (including rates for the years immediately preceding) in respect of all births occurring within each separate urban (proclaimed) area\* are given in Table XI, and those of events relating only to the resident population in Table XII. The influx of child-bearing women to town hospitals for their confinements affects the figures in the latter table, and largely explains the differences between the two tables and the local disparities between different towns in Table XII. Neither table takes into account births to town residents which have taken place outside a town.

56,461 births (including 22,565 births to non-resident mothers) were registered in 1946 in the forty-three (proclaimed) urban areas. This number comprises 22 per cent. of the total number of births registered for the whole Island in that year. The number registered in 1946 in the thirty-nine areas under proclamation in the earlier years was 52,337, as against 42,738 registered in them in 1945.

The birth-rate for the urban areas as a whole, computed on the births to *resident* mothers, was 33.0 in 1946, as compared with 28.1 in 1945. The birth-rate for the urban areas is usually much lower than that for the Island as a whole (which was 38.4 for 1946), possibly indicating that the fertility of women in towns is less than those living in the country. However, in 1946, the gap has been reduced, the differences between the two rates being 8.6 in 1945 and 5.4 in 1946.

24. *Sex Proportion at Birth.*—Of the births registered in 1946, 130,782 were males and 126,104 females, yielding a sex-ratio of 1,037 males to 1,000 females. The excess of males over females in every 1,000 births in 1946, in respect of each race, is as follows: Europeans, 246; Burghers, 80; Sinhalese, 41; Malays, 39; Tamils, 29; and Moors, 21.

Table 14 shows the numbers and the proportions of the sexes registered during the years 1942-46. The proportion of male births in Ceylon seems lower than that in the United Kingdom, where the excess of males over females is about 50 in every 1,000 cases.

Table 14.—Births by Sex in the total population and proportion of male births to 1,000 female births, 1942-46.

Year.	Number of Births.		Proportion of male Births to 1000 female Births.
	Males.	Females.	
1	2	3	4
1942	112,346	108,718	1,033
1943	126,343	122,477	1,032
1944	117,950	114,877	1,028
1945	121,378	117,116	1,036
1946	130,782	126,104	1,037

\* See paragraph 6.

25. *Plural Births.*—Statistics of plural (live) births for the period 1940-46 (excluding 1943 and 1944) are given in Table 15. In 1946 one out of every 198 mothers gave birth to more than one child at a confinement, as against one in 205 in 1945. The proportion of plural births to the total number of births in Ceylon appears to be somewhat lower than in the United Kingdom†.

Table 15.—Number of Cases of Plural Births, and their Ratio to Total Births, 1940 to 1946.

Year.	Total Births.	Total Cases of Births.	Cases of		Multiple Cases per 1,000 of Total Cases.
			Twins.	Triples.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1940	212,980	211,693	1,273	7	6.0
1941	219,864	218,390	1,442	16	6.7
1942 ..	221,064	219,630	1,412	11	6.5
1943 ..	248,820	—*	—*	—*	—*
1944 ..	232,827	—*	—*	—*	—*
1945 ..	238,494	237,330	1,150	7	4.9
1946 ..	256,886	255,585	1,277	12	5.0

\* Not available.

26. *Still Births.*—Still-births are registered only in the proclaimed areas. The number registered in 1946 was 3,093 as compared with 2,698 in 1945. The still-birth rate, however, fell from 63 per 1,000 live births in 1945 to 55 in 1946, which is one of the lowest on record.

The incidence of still-births in 1946 in each town is shown in columns 10 to 12 of Table XI. The total number of events, and the rate for all towns each year from 1942 to 1946, are given in Table 16.

So far as these limited statistics are a guide, Ceylon compares unfavourably with some countries. For instance, the rate for England and Wales in 1942 was 33, for Scotland in 1943 was 36, and for New Zealand in 1937 was 28.

Table 16.—Number of still births registered in the proclaimed areas and Ratio to 1,000 live births, 1942-46.

Year.	Number of still births.	Proportion of still births to 1,000 live births.
1	2	3
1942	2,072	63
1943	2,359	55
1944	2,357	57
1945	2,698	63
1946	3,093	55

27. *Seasonal Distribution of Births.*—The monthly distribution of the births registered in 1946, together with the quarterly totals, is shown in Table 17.

Table 17.—Births registered in each Month and each Quarter, 1946.

1st Quarter.		2nd Quarter.		3rd Quarter.		4th Quarter.	
January ..	23,795	April ..	24,342	July ..	20,905	October ..	18,492
February ..	24,282	May ..	23,228	August ..	20,612	November	18,858
March ..	24,417	June ..	21,386	September	17,050	December	19,519
Total ..	72,494	Total ..	68,956	Total ..	58,567	Total ..	56,869

† In England the rate was 11.9 in 1939 and Scotland it was 12.6 in 1943.

In Table 18 are given the quarterly birth-rates (per 1,000 of the population) for recent years. In 1946, the incidence of births, which was high in the earlier part of the year seems to have fallen as the year advanced.

Table 18.—Birth Rates by Quarters, 1936-46.

Quarter.	Average		
	1936-1945.	1945.	1946.
1.	2.	3.	4.
First ..	40·6 ..	43·0 ..	43·7
Second ..	35·8 ..	37·2 ..	41·2
Third ..	33·8 ..	32·4 ..	34·8
Fourth ..	36·5 ..	34·3 ..	33·5

IV.—DEATHS.

28. *Deaths in the Island.*—The deaths registered in 1946 numbered 135,937, of which 68,957 were males and 66,980 females. The total number registered in 1945 was 142,931, and the annual average for the decade 1936-45 was 125,388. Thus there were 6,994 fewer deaths registered in 1946 than in 1945—a decrease of 4.9 per cent. The course of the Island's death rate since 1871 is shown in column 9 of Table I. The rise during the period 1943-45 (from 18.6 to 22.0) has been checked, and the rate fell to 20.3 in 1946. This rate is lower than that of any of the earlier years except 1941 and 1942, when the rates were 18.8 and 18.6 respectively. The decline in the death rate soon after the end of the war may perhaps indicate that the peak effects of war-time rigours and economy on the incidence of mortality has been reached and passed; and, other conditions being equal, the decline in the death rate, which received set-backs during the malaria epidemic of 1935 and the later war-years, may be resumed.

Ceylon's death rate stands high in comparison with certain other countries, as will be seen from table 19.

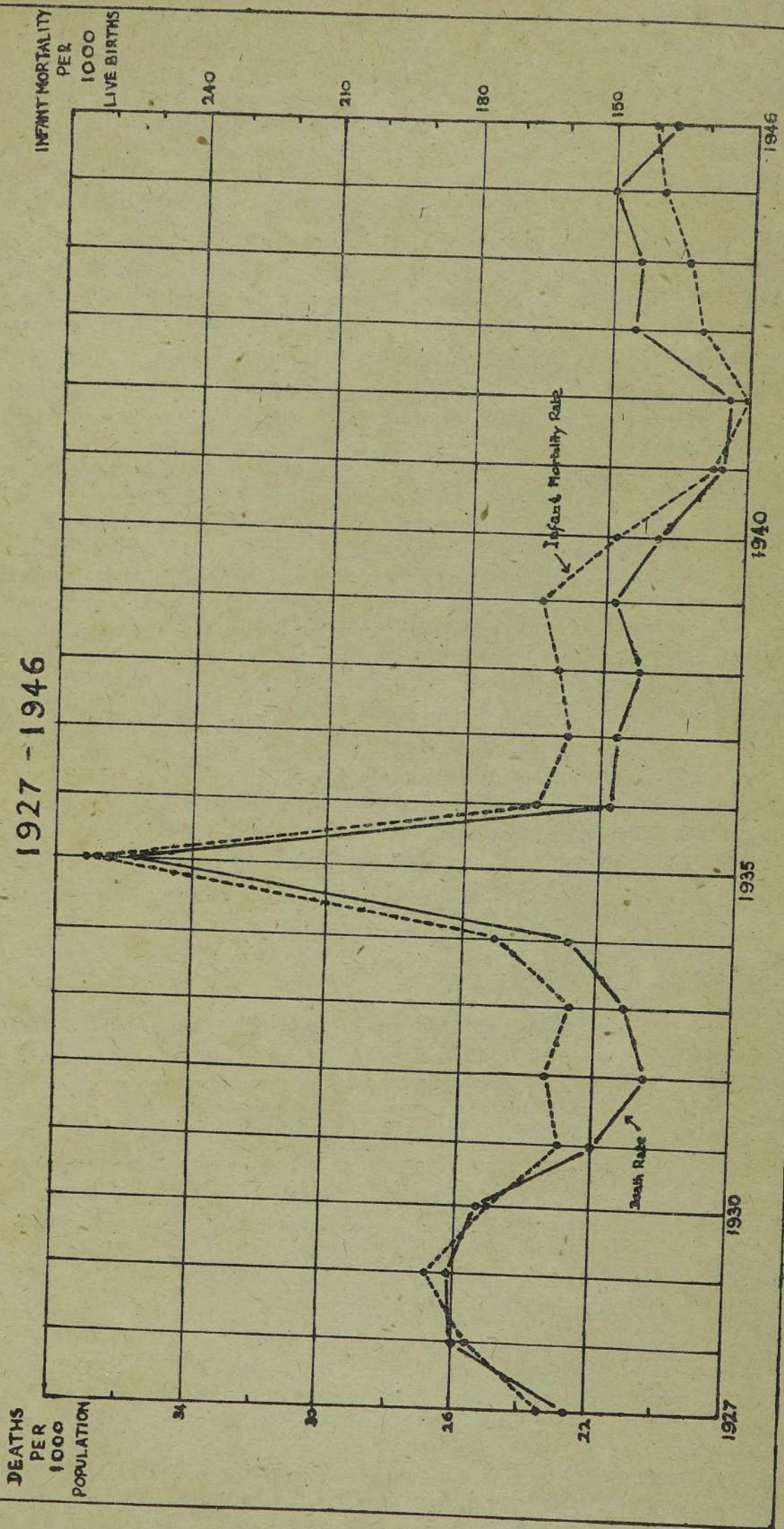
Table 19.—Death rates of Ceylon and certain other countries.

Country.	Period.	Average Rate per 1,000 of the Population.	Country.	Period.	Average Rate per 1,000 of the Population.
1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
South Africa	.. 1942-46 ..	9·3	Federated States	.. 1936-40 ..	18·9
Canada	.. 1941-45 ..	9·8	Chile	.. 1942-46 ..	19·3
Australia	.. 1942-46 ..	10·0	Ceylon	.. 1941-45 ..	20·4
New Zealand	.. 1942-46 ..	10·1	Do.	.. 1946 ..	20·3
U. S. A.	.. 1942-46 ..	10·5	India	.. 1942-46 ..	21·6
United Kingdom	.. 1942-46 ..	12·8	Burma	.. 1936-39 ..	22·5
Italy	.. 1942-46 ..	14·2	Egypt	.. 1938-42 ..	26·7
Japan	.. 1940-44 ..	16·1			
France	.. 1942-46 ..	16·8			

29. *Deaths by Race.*—Statistics of deaths according to race are given in Tables II and VIII, a detailed classification of the deaths registered in 1946 by sex and revenue division being presented in the latter table.

The death rates among all races except Europeans are shown to have declined in 1946. The apparent rise in the death rate among Europeans from 9.4 in

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1945 to 18.8 in 1946 is not necessarily due to an actual rise in the incidence of deaths among them. In their case, the rate for 1945 was calculated on an estimated population of 10,000, which was partly based on the census of 1921, while that for 1946 was calculated on a population of 5,000 estimated on the basis of census returns for 1946, which excluded Service personnel. In the case of the other races the order in the degree of incidence indicated in 1945 has been repeated. The decrease in the death rate was greatest in the case of the Malays, whose rate fell from 20.2 in 1945 to 15.8 in 1946.

30. *Deaths in Provinces and Districts.*—The incidence of mortality in the several districts in 1946 and recent years is shown in columns 14 to 16 of Table III and columns 11 to 13 of Table IV. Statistics for 1946 by race and revenue division are shown in Table VIII.

In 1946, the death rates in the different districts ranged between 14.7 in the Kalutara District and 41.3 in the Hambantota District. All Districts in the Western, Sabaragamuwa, and Uva Provinces and the Districts of Nuwara Eliya, Jaffna, Galle, Matara, Chilaw, and Kandy in the other provinces, recorded death rates below the average rate (20.3); while the Districts in the Eastern and North-Central Provinces, and those of Puttalam, Vavuniya, Matale, Kurunegala, Mannar, and Hambantota, recorded rates above the average. The general improvement in the death rate of the Island shown in 1946 has been shared by all Districts except those of Matale, Hambantota, Mannar, Batticaloa, and Trincomalee, where the rate, in each case, was greater than that of 1945. The largest rise has been in the Hambantota District, from 27.1 in 1945 to 41.3 in 1946. The Districts of Puttalam and Vavuniya have improved most, their rates being as follows: Puttalam, 35.6 in 1945 and 24.7 in 1946; Vavuniya, 35.1 in 1945 and 26.3 in 1946. In both the years 1945 and 1946 the Kalutara District returned the lowest death rates, the rate in each year being also lower than that of the preceding year.

31. *Estate Deaths.*—The number of deaths on estates scheduled for medical aid in each of the years 1942 to 1946 is given in Table 20. Comparative figures by districts are given in Table IX. The race and sex incidence during 1946 is shown in Table X.

Table 20.—Number of Deaths on Estates, 1942-46.

Year.	Number of Deaths.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
1.	2.	3.	4.
1942 ..	5,808 ..	5,707 ..	11,515
1943 ..	6,433 ..	6,307 ..	12,740
1944 ..	6,381 ..	6,399 ..	12,780
1945 ..	6,465 ..	6,806 ..	13,271
1946 ..	6,762 ..	7,176 ..	13,938

Among the Indian labourers who form the bulk of the estate population, there were 11,718 deaths in 1946, as against 11,055 in 1945, the increase being 6.0 per cent. The death rate was approximately 16.9 per 1,000 of the mean population, as against 17.1 in 1945. Table 21 affords comparison between the death rates among Indian labourers on estates and the entire population of the Island during the period 1942-46. The death rate among the estate labour classes has always remained lower than that for the Island as a whole. This may in some measure

be due to the fact that they are largely a migrant population, including comparatively few old and infirm persons. It should also be borne in mind that many persons of this class live in a good climate and under healthy conditions, with medical facilities readily available.

Table 21.—Death Rate (per 1,000 living) of the Island and of Indian Labourers on Estates, 1942-46.

Year.	Death Rate.	
	Island.	Indian Labourers on Estates.
1.	2.	3.
1942 .. ..	18.6	14.4
1943 .. ..	21.4	15.8
1944 .. ..	21.3	16.6
1945 .. ..	22.0	17.1
1946 .. ..	20.3	16.9

32. *Urban Deaths*\*.—The opening remarks in paragraph 23 applies, *mutatis mutandis*, to deaths in urban areas. The number of deaths registered in 1946 in the forty-three proclaimed areas amounted to 28,147, which represents about 21 per cent. of the total number of deaths registered for the whole Island. In the thirty-nine urban areas for which statistics were given in earlier reports, 27,012 deaths were registered in 1946 as against 29,079 in 1945.

The urban death rates in 1946 computed on (a) all deaths and (b) deaths of residents only, in each case against the same *resident* population, were (a) 27.4 and (b) 15.3, as compared with similar rates of (a) 29.2 and (b) 17.8 in 1945. As in past years, the death rate for residents in 1946 (15.3) compares favourably with that for the Island as a whole, which was 20.3. It will appear from Table XII that the "resident" death rates in 1946 ranged from 3.3 in Bandarawela to 36.7 in Avissawella.

33. *Seasonal Distribution of Deaths*.—The monthly incidence of deaths in 1946 by sex and district is shown in Table XXII. An abstract of the monthly and quarterly totals for the Island is given below.

Table 22.—Deaths registered in each month and each quarter, 1946.

1st Quarter.		2nd Quarter.		3rd Quarter.		4th Quarter.	
1.		2.		3.		4.	
January ..	19,392	April ..	11,598	July ..	10,410	October ..	7,961
February ..	16,197	May ..	11,884	August ..	9,565	November ..	8,415
March ..	14,138	June ..	10,484	September ..	7,747	December ..	8,146
Total ..	49,727	Total ..	33,966	Total ..	27,722	Total ..	24,522

The quarterly death rates relating to the period 1936-46 appear in Table 23. The first quarter usually records the highest incidence, followed closely by the fourth and third. In 1946, however, the death rate for each quarter was lower than that of the preceding quarter. It would thus appear that the improvement in the death rate began about the middle of the year.

\* See paragraph 6.

Table 23.—Death Rates by Quarters, 1936-1946.

Quarter.	Average.			
	1936-1945,	1945.	1946.	
1.	2.	3.	4.	
First	23·3	24·8	29·9	
Second	19·6	20·4	20·3	
Third	20·3	20·9	16·4	
Fourth	20·4	21·7	14·4	

34. *Ages at Death.*—The main classification of deaths in 1946 by age groups appears in Table XXIII, while in Table XIV are given the death rates for certain groups relating to the period 1936-46. The rates given in columns 14 to 19 of Table XIV are still calculated on estimates of population based on the 1921 census. On account of this, and of the fact that the accurate ages of deceased persons are not always supplied to the registrar, there is a considerable risk of error in these figures, especially for those of the higher age groups. The figures for 1946 present the usual features, the mortality rate being highest among those over 55 and under 5 years, and being lowest in the age-group 10 to 15 years. The deaths of 401 persons alleged to be centenarians were registered in 1946, as against 459 in 1945.

35. *Mortality by Sex and Age.*—The sex incidence of mortality is shown in tables XIV and XXIII. The death rate in females appears to be higher than in males in every age group given in Table XIV, except the group 45-55.

36. *Infant Mortality (Island).*—The number of infant deaths registered in 1946 was 36,096, as compared with 33,309 in 1945. The increase of 2,787 represented a rise of 8.4 per cent. over the figure for 1945. One out of every seven children died within twelve months of birth.

The infant death rate has been rising ever since 1943, and in 1946 it stood at 141 per 1,000 live births. This rate is the highest since 1940, but is lower than any rate registered till then. It is noteworthy that, while the general and maternal death rates both improved in 1946, the infant death rate alone increased. The following table shows that Ceylon's infant death rate is a high one in comparison with similar rates of certain other countries.

Table 24.—Infant Mortality Rates of Ceylon and certain other Countries.

Country:	Period.	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Births.	Country.	Period.	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Births.
1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
New Zealand	.. 1942-46 ..	29	Ceylon	.. 1941-45 ..	131
Australia	.. 1941-45 ..	35	Do.	.. 1946 ..	141
United States	.. 1942-46 ..	38	Federated Malay States	.. 1936-40 ..	139
South Africa	.. 1942-46 ..	43	British India	.. 1938-42 ..	161
United Kingdom	.. 1941-45 ..	53	Egypt	.. 1938-42 ..	161
Canada	.. 1941-45 ..	55	Chile	.. 1942-46 ..	183
France	.. 1941-45 ..	81	Burma	.. 1936-39 ..	206
Japan	.. 1939-43 ..	90			
Italy	.. 1942-46 ..	102			

Table 25 gives statistics of infant deaths by sex and age for each of the years 1942 to 1946. About 33.5 per cent. of the deaths in 1946 occurred in the first week of life. Male infants appear to die in greater numbers within the first three months, while the incidence is greater in females thereafter.

Table 25.—Deaths of Children under 1 year and their Proportion to 1,000 births, 1942-1946.

Year.	Sex.	Number of Deaths.						Total Births registered.	Proportion of Deaths to 1,000 Births of each sex.				
		7 Days and under.	Over one week and less than 3 months.	3 to less than 12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.	7 Days and under.	Over one week and less than 3 months.		3 to less than 12 months.	Total under 1 year.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
1942	Male	6,119	4,748	3,386	14,253	112,346	54.5	42.3	30.1	126.9			
	Female	4,847	4,135	3,401	12,383	108,718	44.6	38.0	31.3	113.9			
1943	Male	6,812	5,997	4,707	17,516	126,343	53.9	47.5	37.3	138.6			
	Female	5,512	5,249	4,565	15,326	122,477	45.0	42.9	37.5	125.1			
1944	Male	6,361	5,717	4,704	16,782	117,950	53.9	48.5	39.9	142.3			
	Female	5,039	5,006	4,630	14,675	114,877	43.9	43.6	40.3	127.7			
1945	Male	6,667	6,090	4,956	17,713	121,378	54.9	50.1	40.8	145.9			
	Female	5,102	5,376	5,118	15,596	117,116	43.6	45.9	43.7	133.2			
1946	Male	6,640	7,061	5,268	18,969	130,782	50.8	54.0	40.3	145.1			
	Female	5,448	6,276	5,403	17,127	126,104	43.2	49.8	42.8	135.8			

The quarterly infant death rates for each of the years 1944 to 1946 are shown in Table 26. As in the case of the birthrate and the general death rate the highest incidence has fallen (as usual) in the first quarter.

Table 26.—Infant Mortality Rate in each Quarter, 1945 and 1946.

Quarter.	1945	1946	Quarter.	1945	1946
1	2	3	1	2	3
First	149	197	Third	138	116
Second	122	124	Fourth	148	114

37. *Infant Mortality in Provinces and Districts.*—The regional incidence of infant mortality appears in Table XIII. While the average rate of the year stood at 141 per 1,000 live births in 1946, the Districts of the Western, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces and those of Kandy, Nuwara Eliya, Galle, Matara, and Jaffna, recorded rates below average. Rates over 200 were registered in the Districts of Matale, Hambantota, Mannar, Batticaloa, Trincomalee, Kurunegala, and Anuradhapura. The rates ranged from 90 in the Kalutara District to 322 in the Hambantota District, the malarial districts invariably recording the highest rates. Compared with the statistics of the previous year, the Puttalam District, where the rate fell from 294 to 192 has improved most, whilst the incidence has been increased in the Districts of Matale, Matara, Hambantota, Mannar, Batticaloa, Kurunegala, Badulla, and Ratnapura.

38. *Causes of Infant Mortality.*—Deaths from the principal causes of infant mortality in 1945 and 1946 are shown in Table 27. Convulsions, *rata*†, debility, and prematurity cause the largest number of deaths.

Table 27.—Principal causes of Infant Mortality in the Island in 1945 and 1946 and the Rate per 1,000 Births.

Causes.	1945.				1946.			
	Age.		Total	Rate	Age.		Total	Rate
	3 Months and under.	Over 3 Months and under 1 year.			3 Months and under.	Over 3 Months and under 1 year.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Convulsions	5,068	2,934	8,002	34	5,472	3,015	8,487	33
Tetanus	24	7	31	—	39	5	44	—
Diarrhoea	116	202	318	1	142	206	348	1
Bronchitis	132	139	271	1	136	129	265	1
Pneumonia (including Broncho-Pneumonia)	265	578	843	4	377	852	1,229	5
Enteritis	253	376	629	3	282	396	678	3
Debility	5,006	594	5,600	23	5,778	710	6,488	25
Rata	—*	—*	8,174	34	—*	—*	7,089	28
Prematurity	—*	—*	4,292	18	—*	—*	5,090	20
Other causes	—*	—*	5,149	22	—*	—*	6,378	25
ALL CAUSES..	23,235	10,074	33,309	140	25,425	10,671	36,096	141

\* Not available.

39. *Infant Mortality by Race.*—Comparative infant death rates among the different races in Ceylon are given below. The Europeans and Burghers, among whom the incidence of mortality is lowest, have registered the greatest decreases in 1946; and conditions among the Malays and Sinhalese have improved to some extent. The Tamils and the Moors, who generally have the highest rates, have registered further slight increases.

† "Rata" is supposed to be connected with some disease or diseases of the integumentary system. See in this connection the last paragraph but one at page 15 of Dr. M. W. M. de Silva's Report on the Investigation into Infant and Maternal Mortality in Ceylon—Sessional Paper XXIII. of 1943.

Table 28.—Death Rates of Infants under One year per 1,000 Births according to Race, 1936-46.

Race.	Average. 1936-1945	1945.	1946.
1	2	3	4
Europeans .. .. .	35	87	16
Burghers and Eurasians .. .. .	86	91	70
Sinhalese .. .. .	138	139	138
Tamils .. .. .	161	138	141
Moors .. .. .	179	163	170
Malays .. .. .	136	123	119
All races .. .. .	149	140	141

40. *Infant Mortality on Estates.*—The infant deaths on estates registered in 1946 numbered 4,706, yielding a rate of 131 per 1,000 live births. In 1945 the number was 4,105, and the rate was 121 per 1,000 live births.

The number of infant deaths among the Indian labourers on estates in 1946 was 3,870, as against 3,384 in 1945. The mortality rate was 134 per 1,000 live births, as against 126 in 1945. The rate for the Island as a whole was 140 in 1945 and 141 in 1946.

The principal causes of infant deaths (a) among all classes and races and (b) among Indian labourers only, and the corresponding rates per 1,000 live births, are given in Table 29.

Table 29.—Infant deaths on Estates among (a) all Races and Classes and (b) Indian Labourers only classified by cause, and the corresponding death rates, 1945 and 1946.

Causes.	1945.				1946.			
	All Races and Classes		Indian Labourers only.		All Races and Classes.		Indian Labourers only.	
	No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.	No. of Deaths.	Rate.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Convulsions .. .. .	550	16	403	15	678	19	521	18
Tetanus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..
Diarrhoea .. .. .	32	1	20	1	49	1	42	1
Bronchitis .. .. .	164	5	135	5	166	5	149	5
Pneumonia (including Broncho-pneumonia) .. .. .	386	11	242	9	386	11	299	10
Enteritis .. .. .	78	2	57	2	70	2	63	2
Debility .. .. .	1,264	37	1,058	39	1,623	45	1,388	43
Prematurity .. .. .	1,205	36	1,006	37	1,284	36	1,081	38
Other causes .. .. .	426	13	460	17	444	12	322	11
All causes .. .. .	4,105	121	3,384	126	4,706	131	3,870	134

41. *Infant Mortality in Towns.*—A total of 6,762 infant deaths occurring in the forty-three proclaimed areas were registered in 1946. In 1945 the number of such areas was thirty-nine, and the number of infant deaths registered was 6,120. The corresponding death rates were 143 (per 1,000 live births) in 1945, and 120 in 1946. The death rate for the urban areas has never been so low as in 1946, nor has the gap between it and the rate for the Island as a whole been so wide. The Island rates and the urban rates for recent years are given below.

Table 30.—Infant Mortality Rate in the Island and in the towns, 1941-46.

Year.	Island Rate.	Urban Rate.	Year.	Island Rate.	Urban Rate.
1	2	3	1	2	3
1941 .. .. .	129	130	1944 .. .. .	135	144
1942 .. .. .	120	124	1945 .. .. .	140	143
1943 .. .. .	132	130	1946 .. .. .	141	120

The infant mortality statistics of each town for 1946 are shown in columns 17 and 18 of Table XI., and corresponding figures in respect of town residents only in columns 10 and 11 of Table XII. The monthly distribution of deaths, by sex and age, is shown in Table 31. The largest number of deaths was registered in January, each succeeding month up to September registering less than the previous month. Each month in the last quarter registered an increase over the previous months figure.

Table 31.—Infant mortality in the 43 proclaimed Towns in 1946, according to month, sex, and age period.

Months.	1 Week and under		Over 1 week and under 1 month.		1-3 Months.		3-6 Months.		6-9 Months.		9-12 Months.		Total Number under 1 Year.		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Persons.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Total	1,431	1,086	645	593	540	487	498	456	306	281	226	213	3,646	3,116	6,762
January	197	157	75	97	53	49	42	42	28	33	16	19	411	397	808
February	182	149	68	55	49	42	34	34	27	27	24	19	384	326	710
March	139	138	49	58	39	46	44	40	16	19	24	10	311	311	622
April	126	62	81	69	59	41	38	25	26	24	23	17	353	238	591
May	103	74	45	37	45	46	54	64	17	29	16	20	280	270	550
June	99	60	50	35	48	43	57	44	27	18	20	17	301	217	518
July	85	72	41	36	44	34	56	51	34	17	20	17	280	227	507
August	84	63	43	28	36	47	27	43	34	29	17	15	241	225	466
September	85	63	39	40	38	24	34	29	23	22	15	22	234	200	434
October	105	79	38	34	36	37	29	28	26	13	18	16	252	207	459
November	93	76	49	55	41	35	38	24	18	23	16	16	255	229	484
December	133	93	67	49	52	43	45	32	30	27	17	25	344	269	613

Table 32 classifies the principal causes of infant mortality in 1946, by sex and age-groups, and indicates the percentage of deaths from each cause. Prematurity and debility take the highest toll during the earlier days of infancy, while enteritis and pneumonia do so in the later periods.

(For Table 32 see Page 27.)

42. *Mortality of Children under five years.*—Deaths of children under five years of age in each of the years 1942 to 1946 are classified by single ages in Table 33. The percentage of such deaths to deaths at all ages has been rising since 1943, and the figure for 1946, namely, 43.0, is a high one in comparison with the records after 1936. In relation to the estimated population under five years of age, the death rate of children under five years was 61.1 per 1,000 in 1946, as against 62.2 per 1,000 in 1945. Further details relating to these deaths can be obtained from Tables XIV and XXIII.

Table 33.—Mortality at each Year of Age under 5, and Percentage to Total Deaths, 1942-1946.

Year.	Under 1 year.	Between,				Total under 5 years.	Total Deaths at all Ages.	Percentage of Deaths under 5 years to Deaths at All Ages.
		1-2 Years.	2-3 Years.	3-4 Years.	4-5 Years.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1942	.. 26,636	.. 4,904	.. 4,224	.. 3,919	.. 2,465	.. 42,148	.. 112,044	.. 37.6
1943	.. 32,842	.. 6,747	.. 6,029	.. 5,340	.. 3,430	.. 54,388	.. 131,061	.. 41.5
1944	.. 31,457	.. 8,131	.. 7,390	.. 5,943	.. 3,929	.. 56,850	.. 133,985	.. 42.4
1945	.. 33,309	.. 7,594	.. 7,434	.. 5,799	.. 3,724	.. 57,850	.. 142,931	.. 40.5
1946	.. 36,096	.. 7,550	.. 6,638	.. 5,210	.. 3,010	.. 58,504	.. 135,937	.. 43.0

#### V.—CAUSES OF DEATH.

43. *Introductory.*—Causes of death are classified in accordance with the fifth revision of the International List, subject to certain modifications.\* The number given in parenthesis after the name of any cause of death in the paragraphs that follow is the number assigned to it in the statistical tables appended to this report.

44. *Ankylostomiasis (40).*—This disease, which is prevalent throughout the Island, caused 1,337 deaths (623 males and 714 females) in 1946, 1,819 deaths in 1945, and an annual average of 1,670 deaths in the period 1936-45. More females die every year from this cause than males. The death rates per million of the population were 298 for the decade 1936-45, 280 for the year 1945, and 200 for the year 1946. The fall in 1946 is remarkable, the rate for the year being also the lowest on record. The number of cases of this disease reported to have been treated in the Government hospitals and dispensaries of the Island was 261,290 in 1946.

45. *Cancer (45-55).*—The number of deaths from cancer registered in 1946 was 776, as against 811 in 1945, and an annual average of 693 for the decade 1936-45. The death rate, which reached the highest level on record in 1942, namely, 131 per million, dropped to 116 in 1946. The average rate for the decade 1936-45 was 115. The incidence of this disease in Ceylon is not so high as in many European countries, where the death rate often exceeds 1,500 per million of the population. 2,913 cases of cancer were treated in Government hospitals in 1946, as against 2,394 in 1945.

Deaths from cancer in the years 1945 and 1946 are classified by certain age-groups in Table 34. The largest number of deaths occur among those who have passed middle age.

\* The chief modifications and a statement relating to certain features peculiar to Ceylon were given in the Vital Statistics Report for 1945, paragraph 43.

Table 32.—Infant mortality in the 43 proclaimed Towns in 1946, according to cause, sex and age period.

Causes	1 Week and Under		Over 1 Week and under 1 Month		1-3 Months		3-6 Months		6-9 Months		9-12 Months		Total Number under 1 Year.				Percentage of Deaths to Total under 1 Year.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
Prematurity	742	620	153	150	20	36	1	4	1	3			917	813	1,730	25.1	26.1	25.6		
Debility	465	318	239	246	131	157	84	83	28	23	15	21	962	848	1,810	26.4	27.2	26.8		
Convulsions	69	49	71	62	72	60	59	57	26	30	22	18	319	276	595	8.7	8.9	8.8		
Diarrhoea	2	—	9	7	19	11	13	16	6	6	7	2	56	42	98	1.5	1.3	1.4		
Enteritis	4	1	46	39	105	84	92	84	65	50	42	32	354	290	644	9.7	9.3	9.5		
Tetanus	3	1	21	9	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	24	11	35	.7	.4	.5		
Bronchitis	1	1	4	1	14	8	10	10	7	6	10	2	46	28	74	1.3	.9	1.1		
Pneumonia	9	8	24	14	71	50	114	100	79	76	62	43	359	291	650	9.8	9.3	9.6		
Other Causes	136	88	78	65	108	81	125	101	94	87	68	95	609	517	1,126	16.7	16.6	16.7		
Total	1,431	1,086	645	593	540	487	498	456	306	281	226	213	3,646	3,116	6,762	—	—	—		

Table 34.—Deaths registered in 1945 and 1946 from Cancer according to sex and age.

Age in Years.	1945.			1946.		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0 to 5 ..	8	2	10	10	10	20
5 and under 10 ..	4	1	5	3	1	4
10 do 15 ..	2	3	5	4	1	5
15 do 20 ..	2	3	5	5	3	8
20 do 25 ..	7	8	15	6	11	17
25 do 35 ..	26	25	51	17	20	37
35 do 45 ..	69	84	153	39	76	115
45 do 55 ..	90	119	209	83	99	182
55 do 65 ..	104	88	192	97	79	176
65 do 75 ..	60	51	111	87	52	139
75 and over ..	33	22	55	44	29	73
All Ages	405	406	811	395	381	776

Statistics of deaths from cancer registered in 1946 in the proclaimed towns, classified according to the seat of the disease, are given in Table 35. These statistics, which are based on certifications by medical men, are more reliable than those given for the Island as a whole in Table 24. It should be noted that the number of deaths in towns is generally increased by patients from rural areas seeking treatment in town hospitals.

Table 35.—The deaths registered from Cancer in the 43 proclaimed Towns in 1946, according to sex and seat of disease.

Seat of Disease.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1	2	3	4
45 { Jaw ..	9	3	12
{ Mouth ..	3	4	7
{ Pharynx ..	2	2	4
{ Throat ..	1	3	4
{ Maxilla ..	—	1	1
{ Tonsil ..	2	—	2
{ Fauces ..	1	—	1
{ Tongue ..	6	1	7
{ Palate ..	1	—	1
{ Buccal Cavity (Unspecified) ..	8	2	10
{ Anus ..	—	1	1
{ Colon ..	7	6	13
{ Ilium ..	—	1	1
{ Intestines ..	2	6	8
{ Liver ..	20	9	29
46 { Oesophagus ..	7	2	9
{ Pancreas ..	3	—	3
{ Rectum ..	8	3	11
{ Stomach ..	16	6	22
{ Caecum ..	1	—	1
{ Pylorus ..	2	1	3
{ Bronchi ..	—	1	1
47 { Larynx ..	8	3	11
{ Lung ..	3	2	5
{ Mediastinum ..	—	2	2
48 { Cervix ..	—	57	57
{ Uterus ..	—	21	21
49 { Ovary ..	—	14	14
{ Vagina ..	—	1	1
50 { Breast ..	1	16	17
51 { Penis ..	6	—	6
{ Prostate ..	4	—	4
52 { Bladder ..	4	—	4
{ Kidney ..	2	—	2
{ Abdominal wall ..	1	—	1
53 { Skin ..	—	1	1
{ Cheek ..	23	11	34
{ Buttock ..	—	1	1
54 { Brain ..	—	—	—

Seat of Disease:		Males.	Females.	Persons.
1		2	3	4
55	Thyroid gland	2	3	5
	Bone	3	—	3
	Eye	—	1	1
	Groin	1	—	1
	Inguinal gland	1	—	1
	Hip	1	—	1
	Neck	2	2	4
	Leg	—	1	1
	Parotid gland	1	—	1
	Lymphatic gland	—	2	2
	Femur	—	1	1
	Spleen	1	1	2
	Unspecified	7	4	11
		170	196	366

46. *Cholera* (4).—There were 31 deaths from cholera in 1946, as against 5 deaths in 1945, and an annual average of 14 for the decade 1936-45. 22 of the deaths in 1946 occurred in the Anuradhapura District.

47. *Diarrhœa and Enteritis* (119 and 120)—The number of deaths from these causes registered in 1946 was 6,982. The number registered in 1945 was 7,325; and the annual average for the decade 1936-45 was 7,091. 15,985 cases of these diseases are reported to have been treated in 1946, in Government hospitals and dispensaries—13,718 cases in hospitals and 2,267 cases in dispensaries.

The death rate, which has been on the decline since 1944, dropped from 1,128 in 1945 to 1,043 in 1946, which is the lowest on record. The average rate for the period 1936-45 was 1,184.

Table 36 shows the mortality (classified according to two age-periods) and the mortality rates during the period 1942-46.

Table 36.—Deaths registered from Diarrhœa and Enteritis at ages 0-2 and 2 and over, 1942 to 1946.

Year.	Number of Deaths of Infants under 2 Years.	Number of Deaths of Persons 2 Years and over.	Total.	Death rate per Million of the Population.
1	2	3	4	5
1942	1,089	5,224	6,313	1,048
1943	1,645	6,449	8,094	1,319
1944	1,660	5,729	7,389	1,178
1945	1,407	5,918	7,325	1,128
1946	1,503	5,479	6,982	1,043

48. *Dysentery* (27).—Statistics relating to deaths from dysentery for each of the years 1942-46 are given in Table 37. The death rate from this cause, which was 482 per million of the population in 1940, has shown a progressive reduction since that year. The rate for 1946 was 272 per million, and is the lowest on record. The number of cases treated in the Government hospitals and dispensaries in 1946 was 48,822.

Table 37.—Reported mortality from Dysentery 1942-45 and Rate per million persons.

Year.	Number of Deaths.	Rate per Million.	Year.	Number of Deaths.	Rate per Million.
1	2	3	1	2	3
1942	2,275	378	1945	1,938	298
1943	2,217	363	1946	1,824	272
1944	1,925	307			

49. *Enteric Fever (Typhoid) (1 and 2).*—The only accurate statistics of deaths from enteric (typhoid) fever are those given for proclaimed areas and estate areas. In other cases, most of the deaths due to this cause are classified under pyrexia (200 (c) ), for want of accurate diagnosis. In 1946, the total number of deaths registered as due to enteric fever was 1,296, as against 1,478 in 1945. The death rate fell from 228 per million of the population to 194; but this rate is still higher than the average annual rate for the decade 1936-45, which was 179. The number of cases treated in the Government hospitals and dispensaries during 1946 is reported to have been 5,591.

50. *Influenza (33).*—1,564 deaths from influenza were registered in 1946, 315 cases of which were with specified respiratory complications. The number registered in 1945 was 1,679, and the annual average for the decade 1936-45 was 1,867. The 1946 death rate, namely, 234 per million of the population, is the lowest on record since 1918.

Yearly statistics of deaths from this cause during the period 1942-46 are subjoined.

Table 38.—Number of deaths from Influenza and Rate, 1942-46.

Year.	Total Deaths.	Death Rate per Million Persons.	Year.	Total Deaths.	Death Rate per Million Persons.
1	2	3	1	2	3
1942	1,645	273	1945	1,679	258
1943	2,153	351	1946	1,564	234
1944	2,228	355			

51. *Malaria (28).*—The deaths registered as due to all types of malaria in 1946 numbered 12,587, a figure higher than that for any of the past years except the epidemic year 1935. The increase over the number (8,539) registered in 1945 amounts to 47 per cent. However, it is possible that part of this formidable increase is more apparent than real. Table 39 gives statistics of deaths from malaria and pyrexia (including cases treated in Government hospitals and dispensaries) during the period 1942-46. It would appear from it that the increase of about 4,000 deaths under the head "malaria" is set off by a reduction by nearly 5,000 under the head "pyrexia". In the conditions prevailing in Ceylon, where there are no uniform methods of diagnosis and certification, it is not impossible that, to a greater or lesser degree, different standards have actually determined the causes of death in different years. There is no doubt, however, that malaria has taken a firm hold in large parts of the Island. The incidence of the disease in the several districts of the Island can be seen from the figures in Tables 16 and 24. In 1946, the local rates ranged from 543 (per million of the population) in the Trincomalee District to 5,859 in the Kurunegala District, the average for the year being 1,880. Apart from the two districts mentioned above rates below 1,000 have been recorded in the Nuwara Eliya, Jaffna, Kalutara, and Galle Districts; while rates above 3,000 have been recorded in the Mannar, Batticaloa, and Hambantota Districts.

Table 39.—The number of Deaths registered in the Island from Malaria and Pyrexia, and the number of Cases of Malaria treated in the Public Hospitals and Dispensaries, 1942-45.

Year.	Cases of Malaria treated.			Deaths registered.		
	In Hospitals.	In Dis-pensaries.	Total.	From Malaria.	From Pyrexia.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1942	51,484	3,173,993	3,225,477	5,143	10,914	16,057
1943	61,449	2,079,880	2,141,329	6,765	13,207	19,972
1944	55,597	1,616,881	1,672,478	5,604	13,783	19,387
1945	107,522	2,432,427	2,539,949	8,539	15,375	23,914
1946	101,281	2,667,104	2,768,385	12,587	10,456	23,043

52. "Parangi" (32A).—Table 40 gives the number of cases of parangi treated in the Government hospitals and dispensaries, and the deaths attributed to it, during each of the years 1937-1946.

Table 40.—Number of Cases of "Parangi" treated in the Public Hospitals and Dispensaries and the Mortality from the Disease registered in the Island, 1937-1946.

Year.	Cases treated.	Number of Deaths registered.	Year.	Cases treated.	Number of Deaths registered.
1	2	3	1	2	3
1937	9,998	9	1942	2,889	1
1938	7,858	12	1943	2,630	2
1939	6,292	7	1944	2,655	2
1940	4,692	1	1945	2,053	3
1941	4,546	8	1946	2,455	1

53. *Phthisis* (13).—The number of deaths registered from tuberculosis of the respiratory system amounted to 3,627 in 1946, as against 3,268 in 1945. The annual average registered during the decade 1936-45 was 3,215. More males than females die from this disease, the sex proportion for the year 1946 being 61 males to 39 females.

The mortality rate has risen rather markedly from 503 per million of the population in 1945 to 542 in 1946. The mortality rates in the several Districts are given in column 6 of Table XVI. The incidence in towns is shown in Table XIX, and that on estates in Table XVIII. The death rate in towns (*without* correction for "residence") in 1946 was 1,581; and the rate among Indian labourers on estates was 320. For several reasons, one of which is the absence of the same standard of diagnosis in different places, these figures are not, strictly speaking, comparable; but, in so far as they are a guide, the conditions in towns seem more favourable to this disease than those in other parts of the country.

8,458 cases of phthisis were treated in the Government hospitals and dispensaries in 1946.

54. *Plague* (3).—Since 1943 there have been no deaths from plague in the Island.

55. *Pneumonia* (107-109).—This disease caused 10,441 deaths in 1946 (broncho-pneumonia 2,453, lobar pneumonia 2,272, and unspecified cases 5,716), as against 9,313 in 1945. The annual average for the decade 1936-45 was 8,932. Both the total number of deaths and the death rate from this cause have steadily increased since 1943. The rate for 1946 is the highest recorded since 1939. Statistics of deaths from this cause for the years 1942 to 1946 are given in Table 41.

Table 41.—Deaths registered from Pneumonia, 1942 to 1946, and rates per million.

Year.	No of Deaths.	Death Rate per Million Persons.	Year.	No. of Deaths.	Death Rate per Million Persons.
1	2	3	1	2	3
1942	6,689	1,111	1945	9,313	1,434
1943	8,119	1,323	1946	10,441	1,560
1944	8,588	1,368			

The mortality from pneumonia in the proclaimed towns during the years 1942-46 are classified below by age.

Table 42.—Deaths registered in proclaimed towns from pneumonia, 1942-46, according to age groups, and proportion of the deaths at each age group to 100 of the Deaths from this cause at all ages.

Age Period.	1942.		1943.		1944.		1945.		1946.	
	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths at all Ages.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths at all Ages.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths at all Ages.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths at all Ages.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths at all Ages.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0-2	476	24.9	698	28.8	786	31.0	791	26.9	885	29.3
2-5	195	10.2	242	10.0	330	13.0	370	12.6	308	10.2
5-20	201	10.5	276	11.4	303	11.9	366	12.4	314	10.4
20-25	102	5.3	138	5.7	119	4.7	208	7.1	185	6.1
25-35	220	11.5	242	10.0	220	8.7	256	8.7	306	10.1
35-45	232	12.2	256	10.6	239	9.4	219	7.4	292	9.7
45-55	165	8.6	231	9.5	184	7.3	230	7.8	270	8.9
55 and over	317	16.6	337	13.9	356	14.0	501	17.0	465	15.4

56. *The Puerperal State (140-150).*—The number of deaths from causes connected with pregnancy and child-birth registered in 1946 was 3,987, as against 3,940 in 1945 and an annual average of 3,695 during the decade 1936-45. The death rate has come down from 16.5 (per 1,000 live births) in 1945 to 15.5 in 1946; but it is still higher than any of the rates recorded in the years 1941 to 1944. The maternal death rates in Ceylon seem unduly high in comparison with those of the countries given in Table 43.

Table 43.—Mortality Rate from Puerperal Causes in Ceylon and certain other Countries.

Country.	Period.	Death Rate from all Puerperal Causes.	Country.	Period.	Death Rate from all Puerperal Causes.
1	2	3	1	2	3
Canada	.. 1943	.. 2.7	United States	.. 1934-38	.. 5.7
Japan	.. 1934-38	.. 2.7	Scotland	.. 1934-38	.. 5.8
Italy	.. 1934-38	.. 2.9	Chile	.. 1934-38	.. 8.3
England and Wales	1934-38	.. 4.1	Ceylon	.. 1941-45	.. 14.6
New Zealand	.. 1933-37	.. 4.2	Do.	.. 1946	.. 15.5
Germany	.. 1934-38	.. 5.2			

The maternal mortality rates of the several races of the Island for the period 1936-46 are given in Table 44. Leaving aside the case of the Europeans, all the races have contributed to the general decrease of the Island's rate in 1946. As in previous years, the highest death rate was among the Moors.

Table 44.—Puerperal Mortality rate per 1,000 Births according to Race, 1936-46.

Race.	Average.	1945.	1946.
1	1936-45. 2	3	4
Europeans	.. 1.8	.. —	.. 7.8
Burghers and Eurasians	.. 11.2	.. 9.5	.. 4.7
Sinhalese	.. 16.3	.. 16.9	.. 15.8
Tamils	.. 17.2	.. 13.9	.. 13.3
Moors	.. 24.0	.. 23.6	.. 22.8
Malays	.. 13.2	.. 11.8	.. 9.1
All races	.. 16.9	.. 16.5	.. 15.5

The incidence of deaths in the several districts of the Island for 1946 is shown in Table 45. Generally it is higher in the malarial districts. In eight districts, namely, Matale, Matara, Hambantota, Mannar, Batticaloa, Trincomalee, Kurunegala, and Chilaw, the rates were higher than in 1945, while in the other districts reductions have been recorded.

Table 45.—Puerperal Deaths and Death Rates by Districts, 1946.

District.	Number of Deaths due to Puerperal Causes.	Death Rate per 1,000 Births.
1	2	3
Ceylon	.. 3,987	.. 15.5
Colombo	.. 598	.. 12.9
Negombo	.. 77	.. 10.5
Kalutara	.. 142	.. 8.1
Kandy	.. 381	.. 12.4
Matale	.. 176	.. 29.3
Nuwara Eliya	.. 71	.. 6.3
Galle	.. 201	.. 10.3
Matara	.. 168	.. 11.6
Hambantota	.. 141	.. 25.7
Jaffna	.. 182	.. 12.1
Mannar	.. 38	.. 39.3
Vavuniya	.. 37	.. 36.7

District. 1	Number of Deaths due to Puerperal Causes. 2	Death Rate per 1,000 Births. 3
Batticaloa .. ..	162 ..	18.8
Trincomalee .. ..	68 ..	30.8
Kurunegala .. ..	679 ..	46.0
Puttalam .. ..	65 ..	39.2
Chilaw .. ..	95 ..	20.3
Anuradhapura .. ..	233 ..	42.5
Badulla .. ..	151 ..	10.1
Ratnapura .. ..	127 ..	8.7
Kegalla .. ..	195 ..	13.6

Statistics relating to causes of maternal mortality in the several districts are published in Table XXIV. These figures, however, which are largely based on information given by private parties to lay registrars, are not to be taken at their face value. In Table 46 are given, for purposes of comparison, the mortality statistics from puerperal sepsis, puerperal convulsions, and other puerperal causes, and the death rate under each of these heads, for each of the years 1942-46.

Table 46.—Mortality from Puerperal Sepsis, Puerperal Convulsions, and other Puerperal Causes, and Rate per 1,000 Live Births, 1942-46.

Year. 1	Puerperal Sepsis. (147b).		Puerperal Convulsions. (144a and 148a)		Other Puerperal Causes.	
	Number		Number		Number	
	of Deaths. 2	Rate. 3	of Deaths. 4	Rate. 5	of Deaths. 6	Rate. 7
1942	901	4.1	1,508	6.8	785	3.6
1943	901	3.6	1,527	6.1	893	3.6
1944	763	3.3	1,461	6.3	955	4.1
1945	921	3.9	1,821	7.6	1,198	5.0
1946	908	3.5	1,824	7.1	1,255	4.9

More reliable statistics in respect of the proclaimed towns appear in Tables XIX (a) and XIX (b). The total number of deaths in such places in 1946 amounted to 1,149; and the rates were 20.3 per 1,000 live births and 19.3 per 1,000 live and still births.

57. *Smallpox (34).*—Table 47 gives the number of cases of smallpox treated in the Government hospitals, and the deaths from it registered, in each of the years 1942 to 1946. Of the 91 deaths registered in 1946, 54 were from Colombo District, 15 from Matale District, and 6 from Badulla District. The annual average number of deaths registered for the decade 1936-45 was 17. In comparison with past years, the number of deaths from smallpox in 1945 and 1946 was fairly high.

Table 47.—Number of cases of smallpox treated in Government Hospitals and deaths from it registered in 1942-46.

Year. 1	Cases treated. 2	Number of Deaths registered. 3	Year. 1	Cases treated. 2	Number of Deaths registered. 3
1942	9	2	1945	644	104
1943	907	25	1946	531*	91
1944	115	8			

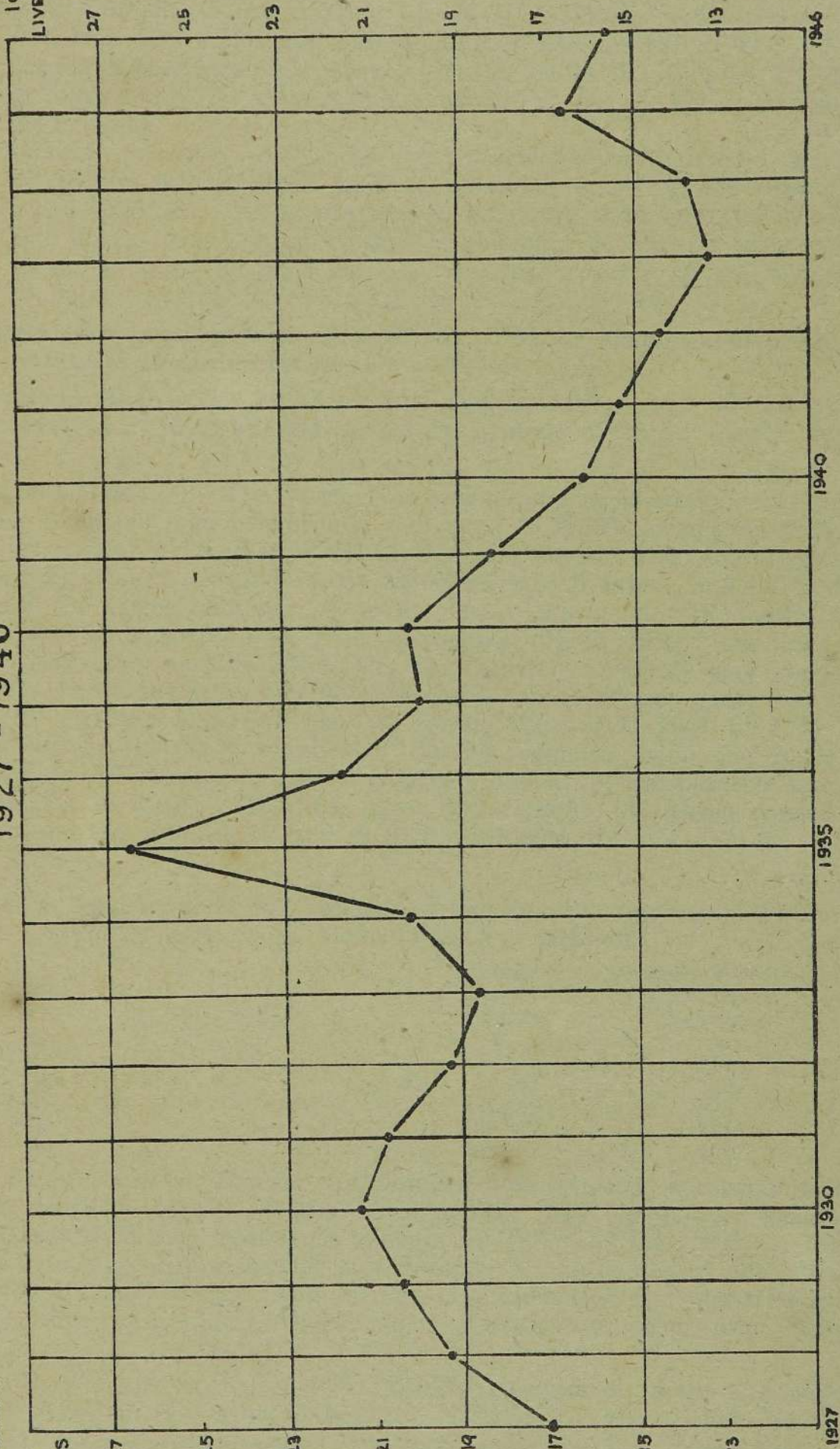
\*Inclusive of 8 cases treated in dispensaries.

# Maternal Mortality Rates

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58. *Violent and Accidental Deaths (163-198)*—3,392 deaths (2,527 males and 865 females) from violence and accidents were registered in 1946, as against 3,564 in 1945, and an annual average of 3,252 during the decade 1936-45. The principal types of cases under this head are discussed below.

(a) *Suicide (163-164)*.—The number of cases of suicide registered in 1946 was 392 (276 males and 116 females). The annual average for the decade 1936-45 yields the same figure, while the number registered in 1945 was 375. About half those registered in 1946 were caused by hanging.

(b) *Homicide (165-168)*.—407 cases of homicide were registered in 1946, as against 501 in 1945, and an annual average of 400 during the decade 1936-45. As in previous years, more than half the deaths,—230, to be exact—were caused by piercing or cutting instruments. As many as 60 people were killed by the use of firearms, as against an annual average of 52 during the decade 1936-45.

The number of cases of infanticide was 6 in 1946, as against 1 in 1945, and an annual average of 10 during the decade 1936-45.

(c) *Executions (198)*.—The number of judicial executions was 33 (all males) in 1946, as against 27 in 1945, and an annual average of 29 during the decade 1936-45.

(d) *Accidents (169-197)*.—The number of violent and accidental deaths (other than suicide, homicide, and executions) amounted to 2,560, as against 2,661 in 1945, and an annual average of 2,431 during the decade 1936-45. Drowning (580 cases), falls from trees (425 cases), snake-bites (316 cases), and burns (204 cases) caused the largest number of deaths under this head. 18 deaths were returned as due to starvation in 1946, as against 25 in 1945. For the first time since 1939, the number of deaths from motor accidents has shown a reduction, the figure for 1946, namely 204, being about 35 per cent. less than that for 1945. As the abnormal increase during the period 1941 to 1945 had been attributed to the large number of Service vehicles using the roads, it would seem that the decrease in 1946 was largely due to the comparative fewness of such vehicles in 1946. Table 48 shows the number of deaths caused by motor traffic and the number of *civilian* motor vehicles in use each year during the period 1942-46.

Table 48.—Number of Motor Vehicles in use and the number of Fatal Accidents from Motor Vehicles, 1942-46.

Year.		Number of motor Vehicles.	Number of Deaths from Motor Vehicles.
1		2	3
1942	.. ..	29,539	219
1943	.. ..	29,101	220
1944	.. ..	29,180	293
1945	.. ..	29,949	314
1946	.. ..	33,252	204

59. *Causes of death on Estates*.—A detailed classification, according to sex and district, of the causes of deaths, registered in 1946, on estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance appears in Table XVIII. Estate deaths are registered on reports furnished by superintendents and passed by the Government District Medical Officers; and, in the circumstances, the statistics given in this table are more reliable than similar statistics for other unproclaimed areas.

60. *Causes of death in Towns*.—The principal causes of infant and general mortality registered in the towns in 1946 are classified by sex in Table XIX. A few selected causes are classified by age and sex in Table XX. The statistics of causes of death in Tables XIX, XIX (a) and XIX (b) are all based on certifications by qualified medical practitioners or by persons possessing adequate medical knowledge, and are therefore more reliable than the statistics relating to causes of death given in other tables such as, for example, Table XXIV.

## VI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

61. *Unregistered Births and Deaths.*—5 births and 3 deaths were reported to have escaped registration in 1946, as against 11 births and 7 deaths in 1945. Unregistered events are not included in the published statistics.

62. *Registration of past Births.*—2,855 declarations were received during 1946 for the registration of births which had not been registered within a period of three months from the date of occurrence in each case. Their distribution according to the age of the subject of the declaration is shown below, with the corresponding figures for 1945.

	1945.	1946.
Children over 3 months and not over one year .. .. .	2,176 ..	2,389
Children over one year .. .. .	262 ..	466
Births prior to July 1, 1897 .. .. .	5 ..	—
	2,443 ..	2,855

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I.—Population, Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Migration Difference; their Corresponding Rates per 1,000 of the Population, and the Infant and Maternal Death Rates per 1,000 Live Births (1871–1946).

Years.	Population.*	Number of Marriages registered (excluding Muslim).†	Number of Births registered.‡	Number of Deaths registered.‡	Migration Difference.‡	Persons Married per 1,000 of the Population.	Increase by Births per 1,000 of the Population.	Decrease by Deaths per 1,000 of the Population.	Rate of Migration Difference per 1,000 of the Population.	Deaths of Children under One Year of Age per 1,000 Live Births registered.	Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births.‡
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1871–1880 ..	2,584,730	18,090	70,815	58,836	23,862	15.2	27.4	22.8	9.2	—	—
1881–1890 ..	2,888,104	14,561	83,664	69,238	10,398	11.0	28.9	24.0	3.6	158	—
1891–1900 ..	3,295,279	22,866	112,204	89,664	34,070	14.9	34.1	27.2	10.3	169	—
1901–1910 ..	3,838,750	21,836	145,962	110,347	17,735	12.2	38.0	28.7	4.6	180	—
1911–1920 ..	4,311,328	23,344	164,807	132,866	9,225	11.6	38.2	30.8	2.1	196	—
1921–1930 ..	4,920,028	27,307	194,611	128,916	14,880	11.1	39.5	26.2	3.0	182	—
1931–1940 ..	5,628,000	27,530	204,845	129,558	8,925	10.5	36.4	23.0	1.6	171	—
1921 ..	4,521,762	23,100	183,917	140,749	29,275	11.0	40.7	31.2	6.5	192	21.0
1922 ..	4,603,034	24,306	179,856	126,820	28,236	11.3	39.1	27.5	6.3	188	20.3
1923 ..	4,684,306	23,328	181,437	141,891	41,726	10.7	38.7	30.3	9.0	212	21.6
1924 ..	4,765,578	27,118	178,867	122,958	25,363	12.2	37.5	25.8	5.4	186	19.2
1925 ..	4,846,850	31,331	193,261	117,543	5,554	13.9	39.9	24.3	1.3	172	18.5
1926 ..	4,928,122	28,756	206,888	124,884	732	12.5	42.0	25.3	—	174	19.0
1927 ..	5,009,394	30,568	205,469	113,003	11,194	13.1	41.0	22.6	2.1	160	17.0
1928 ..	5,090,666	30,146	213,308	132,334	298	12.7	41.9	26.0	—	177	19.2
1929 ..	5,171,938	28,916	198,005	135,274	18,541	12.0	38.3	26.1	3.7	187	20.4
1930 ..	5,253,210	25,505	205,106	133,708	9,874	10.4	39.0	25.4	2.0	175	21.4
1931 ..	5,325,354	24,544	199,170	117,452	31,581	9.9	37.4	22.1	—	158	20.8
1932 ..	5,386,106	25,317	199,370	110,649	28,837	10.1	37.0	20.5	—	162	19.2
1933 ..	5,415,516	25,886	209,032	114,690	58,170	10.2	38.6	21.2	10.7	157	18.6
1934 ..	5,551,623	28,476	206,512	127,069	94,534	11.0	37.2	22.9	—	173	20.1
1935 ..	5,598,467	23,636	192,755	204,823	7,861	9.1	34.4	36.6	—	268	26.5
1936 ..	5,631,000	26,779	192,060	123,039	7,965	10.2	34.1	21.8	—	166	21.6
1937 ..	5,712,000	30,876	216,072	124,210	9,583	11.6	37.8	21.7	—	158	19.9
1938 ..	5,810,000	31,385	208,389	122,299	1,363	11.6	35.9	21.0	—	161	20.1
1939 ..	5,897,000	28,947	212,111	128,611	25,598	10.5	36.0	21.8	—	166	18.2
1940 ..	5,951,000	29,457	212,980	122,738	31,995	10.6	35.8	20.6	—	149	16.1
1941 ..	6,020,000	31,956	219,864	113,003	26,170	11.4	36.5	18.8	—	129	15.3
1942 ..	6,021,000	42,510	221,064	112,044	86,866	15.1	36.7	18.6	—	120	14.4
1943 ..	6,134,000	43,957	248,820	131,061	3,968	15.3	40.6	21.4	—	132	13.3
1944 ..	6,276,000	41,793	232,827	133,985	98,857	14.2	37.1	21.3	—	135	13.7
1945 ..	6,496,000§	39,684	238,494	142,931	107,677	13.0	36.7	22.0	—	140	16.5
1946 ..	6,695,000	38,579	256,886	135,937	56,790	12.3	38.4	20.3	—	141	15.5

\* The figure for each of the decades from 1871 to 1930 is the mean of the Census figures adjusted for the beginning and end of the decennial period; and the figure for each of the years 1921 to 1946 is the estimated population at mid-year, the average for 1931–1940 being based on the estimated mid-year population for each year of the decennium.

† The figure for each of the several decades is the mean of the figures for each year of the decade.

‡ The figures in this column (except those for the period 1931 to 1946 which are the actual migration differences) do not represent the actual excess of immigrants over emigrants recorded, but the migration difference which results when from the increase of the population is deducted the excess of births over deaths. The migration difference shown for each of the decades is the average calculated on the annual difference.

§ By an error this figure was reported as 6,512,000 in the Report for 1945.

The sign minus (—) indicates excess of emigration over immigration

II.—Estimated Population and the Number of Marriages (exclusive of Muslim Marriages), Births, and Deaths registered in the Island with their Rates per 1,000 Persons living according to Race in the years 1945 and 1946, and the corresponding Annual Averages for the Decennium 1936-1945.

Races.	Estimated Population on July 1, 1946.*	Marriages (exclusive of Muslim).				Births.				Deaths.									
		Number registered. †		Rate per 1,000 Persons.		Number registered.		Rate per 1,000 Persons.		Number registered.		Rate per 1,000 Persons.							
		Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946. ‡	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946. †						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
All races ..	6,695,000	34,734	39,684	38,579	12.4 †	13.0 †	12.3 †	220,268	238,494	256,886	36.7	36.7	38.4	125,388	142,931	135,937	20.9	22.0	20.3
Europeans ..	5,000	123	354	151	23.4	70.8	60.4	119	126	128	11.1	12.6	25.6	96	94	94	9.0	9.4	18.8
Burghers and Eurasians ..	37,000	354	393	324	18.3	21.8	17.5	1,116	1,057	1,479	29.0	29.4	40.0	552	630	545	14.4	17.5	14.7
Sinhalese ..	4,662,000	30,256	34,345	33,557	15.0	15.2	14.4	152,481	166,580	178,916	37.8	36.8	38.4	84,685	100,154	94,883	21.2	22.1	20.4
Tamils ..	1,519,000	3,850	4,412	4,359	5.1	6.0	5.7	51,567	53,939	58,292	34.9	36.6	38.4	30,168	31,134	29,499	20.5	21.1	19.4
Moors ..	408,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	13,292	14,976	16,174	35.1	37.8	39.6	8,896	9,880	9,938	23.6	24.9	24.4
Malays ..	26,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	885	1,017	1,099	48.1	40.7	42.3	448	506	411	24.4	20.2	15.8
Others ..	38,000	152	180	188	8.7	11.2	9.9	808	799	798	23.3	24.9	21.0	543	533	567	15.7	16.7	14.9

\* The population figures shown in this column for the several races should be regarded as approximate only. In the case of Europeans and Tamils whose numbers are largely influenced by migration the actual figures are possibly substantially less or more than the estimated figures here given.

† Calculated on the basis of the figures in column 2.

‡ Estimated per 1,000 of the non-Muslim Population.

§ In the case of marriages of parties belonging to different races, half the number of marriages is credited to one race and the other half to the other races represented in the marriages; e.g., the figure 151 against "Europeans" in column 5 has been arrived at as follows:—

- (1) Marriages in which both parties were Europeans: 139
- (2) Half the marriages between—

(a) Europeans and Burghers:	16
(b) Europeans and Sinhalese:	4
(c) Europeans and Tamils:	3

Total 151

III.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in each Province and District of the Island in the years 1945 and 1946, and the corresponding annual Averages for the decennium 1936-1945.

Provinces and Districts.	Marriages.						Births.			Deaths.				
	General.			Kandyan.			Muslim.			Annual Average, 1936-1945.				
	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.		
<b>CEYLON</b>	27,825	32,182	6,909	6,001	6,397	4,370	4,641	4,418	220,268	238,494	256,886	125,388	142,931	135,937
WESTERN PROVINCE	12,082	13,645	—	—	—	1,194	1,277	1,075	52,508	58,016	71,248	29,270	35,838	32,635
Colombo	7,539	8,663	—	—	—	856	895	756	32,297	35,791	46,288	19,271	23,809	21,892
Negombo	1,743	1,860	—	—	—	57	60	60	6,598	7,769	7,323	3,598	4,664	3,968
Kalutara	2,800	3,122	—	—	—	281	322	259	13,613	14,456	17,637	6,401	7,365	6,775
CENTRAL PROVINCE	1,772	2,298	2,211	2,189	2,139	666	705	635	43,147	46,180	48,017	20,456	23,903	22,499
Kandy	1,146	1,471	1,562	1,571	1,478	527	569	512	26,248	28,528	30,832	12,246	14,518	13,473
Matale	224	253	381	362	367	97	91	77	6,101	6,690	6,002	3,489	4,379	4,651
Nuwara Eliya	402	574	268	256	294	42	45	46	10,798	10,962	11,183	4,721	5,006	4,375
SOUTHERN PROVINCE	6,036	6,841	—	—	—	279	270	278	32,677	34,565	39,443	20,039	18,338	20,601
Galle	2,913	3,440	—	—	—	147	157	146	15,145	15,250	19,492	8,177	8,569	8,074
Matara	2,162	2,459	—	—	—	90	77	99	12,164	13,196	14,469	6,717	5,789	6,290
Hambantota	961	1,070	—	—	—	42	36	33	5,368	6,119	5,482	5,145	3,980	6,237
NORTHERN PROVINCE	2,208	2,485	3	3	24	183	195	178	14,507	15,242	17,000	10,394	11,098	8,912
Jaffna	1,984	2,252	—	—	—	59	71	44	12,786	13,414	15,026	8,805	9,321	7,278
Mannar	156	158	—	—	—	103	102	107	971	1,009	967	875	970	1,028
Vavuniya	68	75	3	3	24	21	22	27	750	819	1,007	714	807	606
EASTERN PROVINCE	359	434	62	62	133	1,148	1,252	1,264	9,436	10,656	10,811	7,179	6,790	8,123
Batticaloa	221	260	56	58	124	962	1,056	1,027	7,677	8,692	8,600	5,785	5,185	6,338
Trincomalee	138	174	6	4	9	186	196	237	1,759	1,964	2,211	1,394	1,605	1,785
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE	2,688	2,876	1,906	1,466	1,460	457	527	485	23,364	24,997	21,101	14,827	19,369	19,369
Kurunegala	1,509	1,592	1,840	1,437	1,420	226	251	265	17,879	18,650	14,768	11,294	15,388	15,689
Puttalam	176	185	66	29	40	189	234	180	1,358	1,398	1,659	1,305	1,497	1,061
Chilaw	1,003	1,099	—	—	—	42	42	40	4,127	4,949	4,674	2,228	2,935	2,619
NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE	213	420	396	279	474	139	126	151	4,390	4,029	5,482	4,064	4,393	3,829
Anuradhapura	213	420	396	279	474	139	126	151	4,390	4,029	5,482	4,064	4,393	3,829
PROVINCE OF UVA	614	938	595	437	550	95	105	131	14,690	16,797	14,940	7,568	7,891	6,626
Badulla	614	938	595	437	550	95	105	131	14,690	16,797	14,940	7,568	7,891	6,626
PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA	1,853	2,245	1,736	1,565	1,617	209	184	221	25,549	28,012	28,844	11,591	14,960	13,343
Ratnapura	857	1,019	623	582	578	41	47	47	12,005	13,285	14,517	5,832	6,551	6,376
Kegalla	996	1,212	1,113	983	1,039	168	137	174	13,544	14,727	14,327	5,759	8,309	6,967

IV.—Proportionate numbers of Persons married, and of Births and Deaths, per 1,000 Persons living in Ceylon, and in each Province and District, in the years 1945 and 1946, and the corresponding annual Averages for the decennium 1936-1945.

Province and District.	Persons Married (General and Kandyan) per 1,000 (Non-Muslim) Persons Living.			Persons Married (Muslim) per 1,000 Persons (Muslim) Living.			Births per 1,000 Persons Living.			Deaths per 1,000 Persons Living.		
	Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>CEYLON</b> ..	<b>12.4</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>20.3</b>
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>15.6</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>37.8</b>	<b>17.1</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>17.3</b>
Colombo ..	16.3	18.0	15.9	22.8	20.6	16.8	32.4	31.3	39.2	19.3	20.8	18.5
Negombo ..	15.7	18.2	15.7	22.4	21.8	21.1	29.0	32.9	30.3	15.9	19.8	16.4
Kalutara ..	14.9	14.8	14.4	24.7	25.6	20.0	34.1	32.3	38.3	16.0	16.5	14.7
<b>CENTRAL PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>7.4</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>39.1</b>	<b>41.6</b>	<b>42.1</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>19.7</b>
Kandy ..	8.2	10.0	9.0	18.8	20.7	18.1	36.8	41.6	43.2	17.2	20.9	18.9
Matale ..	9.2	8.8	8.4	21.3	19.2	15.7	43.4	43.7	38.2	24.8	28.6	29.6
Nuwara Eliya ..	4.8	5.6	6.6	14.6	17.7	17.7	37.2	41.6	41.4	16.3	19.0	16.2
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>14.7</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>21.2</b>
Galle ..	14.8	15.4	15.3	19.9	23.6	21.3	37.2	33.9	42.0	20.1	19.0	17.4
Matara ..	13.8	15.2	14.2	18.8	17.1	21.3	37.9	38.2	40.8	21.1	16.8	17.7
Hambantota ..	15.4	15.0	12.8	21.7	20.0	17.8	41.8	41.6	36.3	40.3	27.1	41.3
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>12.7</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>31.0</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>32.4</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>18.5</b>
Jaffna ..	10.6	12.4	10.7	28.3	24.9	15.2	34.1	32.2	35.1	23.5	22.4	17.0
Mannar ..	19.0	18.6	15.0	25.2	19.2	19.6	39.4	32.5	30.2	35.5	31.3	32.1
Vavuniya ..	8.4	6.8	9.5	39.4	20.0	24.5	41.6	35.6	43.8	39.7	35.1	26.3
<b>EASTERN PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>7.9</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>22.7</b>	<b>41.6</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>32.2</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>29.5</b>
Batticaloa ..	4.9	5.8	6.5	23.2	24.8	23.5	40.9	43.7	42.0	30.9	26.1	30.9
Trincomalee ..	10.9	9.4	8.0	23.7	17.0	19.7	42.3	29.3	31.6	33.4	24.0	25.5
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>18.3</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>38.2</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>28.7</b>
Kurunegala ..	16.2	13.4	12.8	22.5	24.4	25.0	41.3	39.2	30.1	27.8	32.3	32.0
Puttalam ..	22.0	15.2	15.6	31.1	34.2	25.5	39.5	33.3	38.6	37.9	35.6	24.7
Chilaw ..	16.7	18.2	16.3	16.7	14.2	13.1	34.0	36.1	33.1	17.8	21.4	18.6
<b>NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE</b> ..	<b>14.0</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>38.9</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>32.3</b>	<b>27.2</b>
Anuradhapura ..	14.0	9.4	14.1	23.0	19.0	21.9	44.4	29.6	38.9	40.9	32.3	27.2
<b>PROVINCE OF UVA</b> ..	<b>6.9</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>17.7</b>
Badulla ..	6.9	7.6	8.2	14.8	16.5	20.0	40.8	46.1	39.8	21.0	21.7	17.7
<b>PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA</b> ..	<b>11.0</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>17.7</b>
Ratnapura ..	9.5	9.8	10.1	12.6	16.0	15.4	37.9	39.5	41.8	18.5	19.5	18.4
Kegalla ..	12.4	11.6	11.0	22.4	18.1	22.3	38.0	37.6	35.4	16.2	21.2	17.2

Note.—The rates shown are approximations only.

7.—Marriages (other than Kandyan and Muslim Marriages) registered in the Year 1946 in the Provinces and Districts of Ceylon; the Civil Condition, Race, and Ages of Parties; Marriages solemnized by Ministers; Mode of Signature in Marriage Registers; and proportionate numbers of Illiterate Parties per 100 Marriages.

Province and District.	Marriages contracted between										Marriages of	
	Total Marriages.	Bachelors and Spinsters.	Bachelors and Widows.	Widowers and Spinsters.	Widowers and Widows.	Divorced Men and Spinsters.	Bachelors and Divorced Women.	Divorced Men and Widows.	Divorced Women and Widowers.	Divorced Men and Divorced Women.	Widowers.	Widows.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>CEYLON</b> ..	<b>32,182</b>	<b>28,582</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>2,215</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,644</b>	<b>1,009</b>
WESTERN PROVINCE ..	<b>13,645</b>	<b>12,172</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>425</b>
{ Colombo ..	8,663	7,729	159	530	111	73	43	4	8	6	649	274
{ Negombo ..	1,860	1,680	29	115	21	7	5	—	2	1	138	50
Kalutara ..	3,122	2,763	60	236	40	12	8	1	1	1	277	101
CENTRAL PROVINCE ..	<b>2,298</b>	<b>2,053</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>51</b>
Kandy ..	1,471	1,313	25	80	10	21	18	—	3	1	93	35
Matale ..	253	217	2	20	4	6	2	1	1	—	25	7
Nuwara Eliya ..	574	523	6	29	3	9	1	—	2	1	34	9
SOUTHERN PROVINCE ..	<b>6,841</b>	<b>6,045</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>221</b>
Galle ..	3,440	3,108	42	240	32	11	5	1	—	1	272	75
Matara ..	2,459	2,161	72	193	20	8	4	1	—	—	213	93
Hambantota ..	942	776	35	112	18	1	—	—	—	—	130	53
NORTHERN PROVINCE ..	<b>2,485</b>	<b>2,248</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>77</b>
Jaffna ..	2,252	2,067	18	117	35	8	6	—	1	—	153	53
Mannar ..	158	125	9	15	9	—	—	—	—	—	24	18
Vavuniya ..	75	56	2	13	4	—	—	—	—	—	17	6
EASTERN PROVINCE ..	<b>434</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>28</b>
Batticaloa ..	260	222	4	24	8	—	1	1	—	—	32	13
Trincomalee ..	174	140	8	13	7	3	2	—	—	1	20	15
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE ..	<b>2,876</b>	<b>2,465</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>119</b>
Kurunegala ..	1,592	1,350	32	163	22	12	8	—	2	3	187	54
{ Puttalam ..	185	137	13	23	11	—	1	—	—	—	34	24
{ Chilaw ..	1,099	978	23	71	18	3	5	—	—	1	89	41
NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE ..	<b>420</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>30</b>
Anuradhapura ..	420	350	18	38	12	—	—	—	1	1	51	30
PROVINCE OF UVA ..	<b>938</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>21</b>
Badulla ..	938	829	13	68	7	10	8	1	2	—	77	21
PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA ..	<b>2,245</b>	<b>2,058</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>37</b>
Ratnapura ..	1,148	1,057	16	60	5	2	8	—	—	—	65	21
Kegalla ..	1,097	1,001	12	55	3	11	8	1	6	—	64	16

V.—Marriages (other than Kandyan and Muslim Marriages) registered in the Year 1946 in the Provinces and Districts of Ceylon; the Civil Condition, Race, and Ages of Parties; Marriages solemnized by Ministers; Mode of Signature in Marriage Registers; and proportionate numbers of Illiterate Parties per 100 Marriages—*contd.*

Province and District.	Marriages contracted between							Marriages contracted between Persons of same Race.						Marriages of Persons not 21 years of Age.	
	European and Burgher.	European and Sinhalese.	European and Tamil.	Burgher and Sinhalese.	Burgher and Tamil.	Sinhalese and Tamil.	Other Mixed Marriages.	European.	Burgher.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Veddas.	Others.	Males.	Females.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>Ceylon</b> ..	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>27,005</b>	<b>4,247</b>	—	<b>92</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>10,783</b>
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>12,562</b>	<b>463</b>	—	<b>69</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3,298</b>
Colombo ..	14	2	3	82	16	52	60	92	184	7,736	377	—	45	28	2,112
Negombo ..	—	—	—	3	1	20	3	—	6	1,742	64	—	21	8	520
Kalutara ..	—	1	—	3	—	6	—	2	1	3,084	22	—	3	5	666
<b>CENTRAL PROVINCE.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	—	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1,702</b>	<b>497</b>	—	<b>4</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,062</b>
Kandy ..	—	1	—	5	8	20	6	15	18	1,082	314	—	2	8	652
Matale ..	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	191	55	—	2	1	111
Nuwara Eliya ..	1	—	—	2	—	6	—	6	2	429	128	—	—	10	299
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>1</b>	—	—	<b>7</b>	—	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6,769</b>	<b>33</b>	—	<b>2</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2,073</b>
Galle ..	1	—	—	4	—	7	3	3	6	3,393	22	—	1	20	952
Matara ..	—	—	—	3	—	5	3	1	—	2,438	8	—	1	23	780
Hambantota ..	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	938	3	—	—	21	341
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE.</b>	—	—	—	—	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2,450</b>	—	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1,384</b>
Jaffna ..	—	—	—	—	1	9	2	—	1	8	2,230	—	1	27	1,227
Mannar ..	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	3	151	—	—	3	117
Vavuniya ..	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	5	69	—	—	—	40
<b>EASTERN PROVINCE.</b>	—	—	—	<b>3</b>	—	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>337</b>	—	—	<b>1</b>	<b>211</b>
Batticaloa ..	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	14	16	226	—	—	1	136
Trincomalee ..	—	—	—	2	—	9	3	11	6	32	111	—	—	—	75
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.</b>	—	—	—	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	—	<b>2</b>	<b>2,657</b>	<b>166</b>	—	<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,116</b>
Kurunegala ..	—	—	—	1	2	4	4	—	2	1,533	46	—	—	16	640
Puttalam ..	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	—	116	53	—	1	3	69
Chilaw ..	—	—	—	2	—	11	4	—	—	1,008	67	—	7	5	407
<b>NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.</b>	—	—	—	—	—	<b>2</b>	—	—	—	<b>362</b>	<b>56</b>	—	—	<b>3</b>	<b>114</b>
Anuradhapura ..	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	362	56	—	—	3	114
<b>PROVINCE OF UVA.</b>	—	—	—	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>122</b>	—	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>505</b>
Badulla ..	—	—	—	1	1	9	3	7	1	792	122	—	2	22	505
<b>PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.</b>	—	—	—	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	—	<b>1</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>123</b>	—	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1,020</b>
Ratnapura ..	—	—	—	2	1	8	3	—	—	1,059	72	—	3	5	545
Kegalla ..	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	1	1,038	51	—	3	7	475

V.—Marriages (other than Kandyan and Muslim Marriages) registered in the Year 1946 in the Provinces and Districts of Ceylon; the Civil Condition, Race, and Ages of Parties; Marriages solemnized by Ministers; Mode of Signature in Marriage Registers; and proportionate numbers of Illiterate Parties per 100 Marriages—*contd.*

Province and District.	Highest Male Age.	Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.		Lowest Female Age.	Marriages Solemnized by Ministers.	Number whosigned the Register with Marks.		Proportionate number of Illiterate Parties per 100 Marriages.			
				32	33			Males.	Females.	Average, 1936-1945.		1946.	
										Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
29	30	31	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41			
<b>Ceylon .. .. .</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>28·3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>22·4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>1,776</b>	<b>7,440</b>	<b>6·9</b>	<b>27·0</b>	<b>5·5</b>	<b>23·1</b>
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>28·5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>23·0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2,409</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>2,359</b>	<b>5·7</b>	<b>20·8</b>	<b>4·3</b>	<b>17·3</b>
Colombo .. .. .	73	28·7	18	65	23·0	14	1,664	317	1,344	5·2	18·6	3·7	15·5
Negombo .. .. .	61	27·2	18	48	21·9	14	600	66	328	5·3	20·5	3·5	17·6
Kalutara .. .. .	75	28·7	20	65	23·3	14	145	202	687	7·2	27·1	6·5	22·0
<b>CENTRAL PROVINCE.</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>27·9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>21·4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>6·9</b>	<b>34·3</b>	<b>6·1</b>	<b>29·0</b>
Kandy .. .. .	60	28·1	17	56	21·7	14	197	83	380	6·5	32·1	5·6	25·8
Matale .. .. .	65	28·3	20	61	21·3	13	20	14	65	7·0	29·5	5·5	25·7
Nuwara Eliya .. .. .	60	27·4	18	55	20·8	14	67	43	221	8·4	42·7	7·5	38·5
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>29·3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>23·4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>2,157</b>	<b>9·7</b>	<b>36·2</b>	<b>8·0</b>	<b>31·5</b>
Galle .. .. .	75	29·6	18	65	23·6	14	22	219	768	8·0	26·4	6·4	22·3
Matara .. .. .	75	29·2	17	55	23·5	15	6	217	862	10·3	38·5	8·8	35·1
Hambantota .. .. .	75	28·3	17	50	22·2	14	1	114	527	13·8	60·9	12·1	55·9
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>27·7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>20·7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>3·1</b>	<b>10·5</b>	<b>1·2</b>	<b>4·0</b>
Jaffna .. .. .	65	27·7	17	60	20·8	13	452	24	83	2·8	9·2	1·1	3·7
Mannar .. .. .	57	27·3	20	38	19·4	14	133	3	6	5·8	21·2	1·9	3·8
Vavuniya .. .. .	46	27·3	21	30	20·3	15	28	4	10	7·1	24·8	5·3	13·3
<b>EASTERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>27·8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>20·9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>6·9</b>	<b>23·5</b>	<b>3·0</b>	<b>18·2</b>
Batticaloa .. .. .	55	27·9	20	39	20·4	13	68	5	53	7·2	25·5	1·9	20·4
Trincomalee .. .. .	53	27·4	21	46	21·7	13	40	8	26	6·6	19·8	4·6	14·9
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>27·0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>21·2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>7·1</b>	<b>27·6</b>	<b>5·7</b>	<b>21·8</b>
Kurunegala .. .. .	64	26·9	18	55	21·1	13	126	93	410	7·2	33·1	5·8	25·8
Puttalam .. .. .	57	28·3	19	46	21·7	14	87	18	53	12·4	37·8	9·7	28·6
Chilaw .. .. .	62	27·0	18	50	21·3	14	568	53	164	5·8	17·5	4·8	14·9
<b>NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>29·2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>22·7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>14·4</b>	<b>44·5</b>	<b>10·7</b>	<b>48·1</b>
Anuradhapura .. .. .	60	29·2	19	46	22·7	14	7	45	202	14·4	44·5	10·7	48·1
<b>PROVINCE OF UVA.</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>28·4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>21·2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>13·2</b>	<b>54·4</b>	<b>12·6</b>	<b>54·2</b>
Badulla .. .. .	62	28·4	18	48	21·2	14	52	118	508	13·2	54·4	12·6	54·2
<b>PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>27·3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>21·3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>7·6</b>	<b>39·3</b>	<b>5·8</b>	<b>33·1</b>
Ratnapura .. .. .	70	27·7	18	55	21·2	14	44	81	407	8·7	42·1	7·1	35·5
Kegalal .. .. .	63	26·8	18	52	21·2	14	35	49	336	6·6	37·2	4·5	30·6

VI.—Average Annual Number of Marriages (other than Kandyan and Muslim Marriages) registered in each District of Ceylon, in the decennial 1891-1900, 1901-1910, 1911-1920, 1921-1930, 1931-1940, and the number of Marriages in each of the years 1941 to 1946.

Year.	Ceylon.		WESTERN PROVINCE.		CENTRAL PROVINCE.		SOUTHERN PROVINCE.			NORTHERN PROVINCE.			EASTERN PROVINCE.		NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.			NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.	PROVINCE OF UVA.	PROVINCE OF SABARA-GAMUWA.			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1891-1900..	13,856	13,856	3,425	1,115	1,633	349	58	102	1,930	1,254	451	1,669	169	66	255	101	328	102	551	32	80	69	117
1901-1910..	15,698	15,698	3,839	1,196	1,660	351	68	126	1,811	1,867	716	1,766	162	47	208	104	448	107	722	60	121	162	157
1911-1920..	17,464	17,464	4,317	1,285	1,965	488	100	158	2,107	1,439	707	1,769	173	61	195	89	751	128	763	74	192	386	317
1921-1930..	21,520	21,520	5,304	1,507	2,264	649	147	296	2,462	1,817	932	2,026	162	50	214	94	1,106	149	865	114	343	485	534
1931-1940..	21,673	21,673	5,608	1,418	2,238	797	151	351	2,321	1,749	768	1,828	141	80	184	99	1,163	147	840	142	419	577	654
1941	..	25,168	6,762	1,457	2,699	1,039	218	390	2,528	1,794	840	1,803	148	60	207	140	1,446	162	813	207	554	871	1,030
1942	..	33,164	8,610	1,888	3,478	1,291	262	428	3,574	3,019	1,418	1,875	178	77	265	109	1,991	220	1,118	266	719	1,149	1,229
1943	..	36,613	10,500	2,130	3,620	1,451	305	450	4,065	3,079	1,344	2,225	182	68	272	172	1,899	221	1,161	269	827	1,053	1,320
1944	..	35,269	9,870	2,334	3,200	1,591	310	437	3,466	2,741	1,164	2,464	166	68	264	180	1,902	193	1,236	319	896	1,131	1,337
1945	..	33,633	9,454	2,101	3,120	1,609	275	457	3,382	2,537	1,070	2,536	189	68	270	201	1,603	187	1,196	303	894	1,019	1,212
1946	..	32,132	8,663	1,860	3,122	1,471	253	574	3,440	2,459	942	2,252	158	75	260	174	1,592	185	1,099	420	938	1,148	1,097

Name of Area.	Area in Square Miles †	Population at the Census of March 19, 1946.	All Races.						Euro-peans.		Bur-ghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamil.			Moors.			Malays.		Veddas.		Others.			
			Males		Females		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
<b>Ceylon</b>	25,033 <sup>173</sup> / <sub>240</sub>	6,633,617	130,782	126,104	256,886	71	57	768	711	91,263	87,653	13,275	12,820	16,285	15,912	7,872	7,728	560	539	52	59	336	350	174	189	141	150	
<b>COLOMBO DISTRICT</b>	553 <sup>57</sup> / <sub>120</sub>	1,168,279	23,639	22,649	46,288	52	44	550	505	19,634	18,890	809	745	700	670	1,273	1,153	332	355	—	—	174	189	—	—	—	—	
Colombo Municipality*	13	355,374	10,050	9,647	19,697	52	44	480	387	6,792	6,572	691	650	492	492	1,055	988	292	320	—	—	141	150	—	—	—	—	
Colombo Mudaliyar's Division (exclusive of Colombo Municipality)	28 <sup>97</sup> / <sub>120</sub>	132,346	2,145	1,996	4,141	—	—	83	66	1,915	1,823	39	28	57	34	22	21	17	16	—	—	10	8	—	—	—	—	
Salpiti Korale	42 <sup>11</sup> / <sub>12</sub>	102,307	1,810	1,794	3,604	—	—	6	8	1,770	1,756	2	10	13	6	10	9	3	1	—	—	6	4	—	—	—	—	
Hewagam Korale	165	149,480	2,857	2,702	5,559	—	—	9	4	2,709	2,555	21	21	105	105	9	9	3	3	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	
Alutkuru Korale South	62	159,885	2,783	2,639	5,422	—	—	14	33	2,685	2,520	34	25	22	21	10	12	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Siyane Korale West (Adikaripattu)	52	88,949	1,138	1,175	2,313	—	—	6	6	1,047	1,084	8	6	7	9	52	60	11	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Siyane Korale West (Meda pattu)	73 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	87,672	1,006	952	1,958	—	—	1	1	962	906	2	1	—	1	37	40	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Siyane Korale East	116 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	92,266	1,850	1,744	3,594	—	—	1	—	1,754	1,674	12	4	4	2	78	64	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>NEGOMBO DISTRICT</b>	238 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>410</sub>	241,133	3,716	3,607	7,323	—	—	9	12	3,418	3,309	127	101	26	24	118	142	4	4	—	—	8	10	—	—	—	—	
Negombo Town*	—	36,632	1,122	1,115	2,237	—	—	7	10	951	940	80	61	9	8	64	82	3	3	—	—	5	7	—	—	—	—	
Alutkuru Korale North (Exclusive of Negombo Town) (a)	51 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	61,598	811	775	1,586	—	—	1	—	731	706	42	33	13	12	21	22	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Alutkuru Korale North (b)	102	88,374	1,127	1,111	2,238	—	—	1	—	1,093	1,075	2	6	4	3	24	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Hapitigam Korale	81 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	54,529	656	606	1,262	—	—	—	2	643	588	3	1	—	1	9	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>KALUTARA DISTRICT</b>	620 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	456,979	9,007	8,630	17,637	—	—	11	11	7,744	7,410	65	60	590	554	583	581	6	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Kalutara Town*	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	18,844	658	599	1,257	—	—	4	7	573	520	10	9	5	6	64	56	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Kalutara Town* (exclusive of Kalutara Town)	47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	83,265	1,446	1,443	2,889	—	—	2	2	1,129	1,139	6	5	11	11	296	285	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Panadura Town*	36 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	90,703	1,688	1,708	3,396	—	—	1	1	1,539	1,551	3	5	5	8	136	137	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Raigam Korale	130	109,687	2,139	2,059	4,198	—	—	—	—	1,941	1,862	15	5	128	126	55	64	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Pasduw Korale West	123 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	70,471	1,369	1,248	2,617	—	—	2	—	1,117	1,007	7	8	224	212	15	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Pasduw Korale East	280 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	84,009	1,707	1,448	3,280	—	—	2	—	1,445	1,331	24	28	217	191	17	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>KANDY DISTRICT</b>	913 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>70</sub>	707,551	15,678	15,154	30,832	14	7	53	51	8,918	8,633	503	490	4,906	4,763	1,137	1,088	72	59	54	39	21	24	—	—	—	—	
Kandy Municipality*	8 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	50,767	1,670	1,559	3,229	5	1	27	25	1,351	1,252	110	94	19	32	133	143	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Kandy Gravets and Gangawatta (exclusive of Municipality)	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10,605	157	184	341	—	—	2	—	84	94	6	11	58	69	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Udunuwara and Yatinuwara	51 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	83,681	1,622	1,586	3,208	2	—	3	3	1,243	1,177	18	28	120	136	230	231	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Tumpane	40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	27,011	543	540	1,083	—	—	—	—	508	508	3	5	4	4	28	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Harispattu	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	76,273	1,541	1,524	3,065	—	—	2	1	1,219	1,193	10	11	74	79	232	237	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

	115 <sup>3</sup>	106,729	2,146 <sup>3</sup>	2,096	4,242	1,392 <sup>1</sup>	1,368	72	68	495	497	162	139	17	21	3	4	2
Pata Dumbara	241 <sup>3</sup>	40,736	849	807	1,656	590	586	14	20	222	182	13	16	10	3	—	—	—
Uda Dumbara	59	54,725	1,051	1,062	2,113	6	616	56	50	313	302	55	59	4	4	—	—	—
Pata Hewaheta	106	102,709	2,425	2,231	4,656	7	1,115	103	113	930	827	174	145	18	5	11	6	8
Uda Bulatgama	230	154,315	3,674	3,565	7,239	5	699	111	90	2,671	2,635	106	90	19	12	14	13	—
MATARA DISTRICT	902 <sup>1</sup>	155,995	3,011	2,991	6,002	8	2,018	80	101	661	682	169	163	9	14	5	4	1
Matara Town*	2	14,040	390	369	759	7	271	18	24	20	16	55	49	2	3	3	1	—
Matara South (exclusive of Matara Town)	93 <sup>1</sup>	69,307	1,170	1,243	2,413	1	669	44	50	373	386	74	74	5	5	2	2	—
Matara North	338	35,682	730	684	1,414	—	653	3	6	42	41	30	31	2	5	—	—	—
Matara East	469	36,966	721	695	1,416	2	469	15	21	226	239	10	9	—	1	—	—	—
NUWARA ELIYA DISTRICT	473 <sup>3</sup>	267,561	5,652	5,531	11,183	7	2,032	182	152	3,303	3,286	88	56	7	13	21	13	5
Nuwara Eliya Town*	5 <sup>3</sup>	10,839	272	290	562	2	159	33	41	51	56	15	9	—	—	10	6	—
Nuwara Eliya four Gravets (exclusive of Nuwara Eliya Town)	81 <sup>3</sup>	95,055	470	517	987	—	37	20	15	405	432	6	6	—	3	—	—	—
Kotmale	177	66,372	2,951	2,863	5,814	4	716	78	68	2,079	2,078	55	30	5	9	7	4	5
Walapone	107	41,761	908	862	1,770	—	478	29	13	391	392	4	5	1	1	—	—	—
Uda Hewaheta	102 <sup>3</sup>	53,534	1,051	939	2,050	1	642	22	15	377	328	8	6	—	—	—	—	—
GALLE DISTRICT	646 <sup>3</sup>	459,824	9,939	9,553	19,492	8	9,440	31	22	147	158	292	281	2	—	11	3	2
Galle Municipality*	6 <sup>1</sup>	49,038	1,382	1,305	2,687	6	1,154	7	4	7	6	192	190	1	—	11	3	1
Four Gravets (exclusive of Galle Municipality)	24 <sup>4</sup>	37,316	652	621	1,273	—	585	—	—	13	9	52	53	—	—	—	—	—
Wellaboda Pattu	79 <sup>3</sup>	112,612	2,363	2,326	4,689	—	2,353	3	2	5	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
Bentota	163	94,473	2,170	2,109	4,279	—	2,042	13	7	71	85	—	33	—	—	—	—	—
Bentota Korale	134	11,944	274	277	551	—	274	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Minidum Pattu	141 <sup>3</sup>	73,225	1,451	1,374	2,825	1	1,396	3	8	46	50	3	2	—	—	—	—	—
Gangaboda Pattu	97	81,216	1,647	1,541	3,188	—	1,636	5	1	5	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
Talpe Pattu	481 <sup>1</sup>	352,088	7,397	7,072	14,469	5	7,017	29	23	164	161	177	177	1	—	2	1	6
Matara Town*	2 <sup>2</sup>	23,434	740	746	1,486	2	690	5	3	4	2	38	41	—	—	—	—	3
Four Gravets and Wellaboda Pattu (exclusive of Matara Town)	50 <sup>3</sup>	84,217	1,715	1,563	3,278	2	1,680	1	—	—	—	33	39	—	—	—	—	—
Kandaboda Pattu	67	89,194	806	785	1,591	—	798	2	1	—	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	—
Gangaboda Pattu	76 <sup>3</sup>	58,433	1,156	1,155	2,311	—	1,298	2	2	6	2	18	13	—	—	—	—	—
Welligam Korale	110	95,923	1,790	1,790	3,682	—	1,799	1	1	11	8	80	75	—	—	—	—	—
Morawak Korale	175	50,887	1,088	1,033	2,121	—	922	18	16	143	147	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
HAMBANTOTA DISTRICT	1,001 <sup>4</sup>	149,622	2,779	2,703	5,482	—	2,691	4	5	2	4	39	45	—	—	—	—	—
Hambantota Town*	2 <sup>1</sup>	3,966	139	140	279	—	82	1	1	1	2	19	19	—	—	—	—	—
Magam Pattu (exclusive of Hambantota Town)	632 <sup>1</sup>	23,341	346	349	695	—	329	2	3	1	2	9	8	—	—	—	—	—
East Giruwa Pattu	175 <sup>4</sup>	25,331	437	396	833	—	435	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
West Giruwa Pattu	191	96,984	1,857	1,818	3,675	—	1,845	—	—	—	—	10	17	—	—	—	—	—

(a) This division was split up into the two Divisional Revenue Officer's divisions of (1) Siyane Korale West (Meda Pattu) and (2) Siyane Korale West (Adikari Pattu) from April 1, 1944.  
 (b) The division of Alutkuru Korale North was split up into the two Divisional Revenue Officers' divisions of (1) Alutkuru Korale North (A) and (2) Alutkuru Korale North (B) from April, 1944.  
 \* Area proclaimed under section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance.  
 † Exclusive of large water areas.

VII.—Births according to Sex and Race in each District and Divisional Revenue Officer's division (or principal Town of the District) of Ceylon in the year 1946—contd.

Name of area.	Area in Square Miles.†	Population at the Census of March 19, 1946.	All Races.			Euro-peans.			Bur-ghers.		hales e.		Tamils.				Moors.				Malays.		Veddas.		Others.		
			Persons		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.
			M.	F.																							
<b>JAFNA DISTRICT</b>	<b>96423/40</b>	<b>424,723</b>	<b>7,683</b>	<b>7,343</b>	<b>15,026</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,497</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>2,856</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>		
Jafna Town*	7 7/10	62,922	1,150	1,212	2,362	24	37	—	—	—	24	37	—	573	542	1,115	—	75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Jafna Town Division (exclusive of Jafna Town)	10 4/5	19,887	236	254	490	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,118	1,112	2,230	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Valikamam North.	34½	66,865	1,391	1,391	2,782	1	6	1	—	—	5	6	1	1,497	1,359	2,856	20	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Valikamam East.	38½	37,446	575	543	1,118	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	573	542	1,115	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Valikamam West.	38½	62,091	1,237	1,117	2,354	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	1,231	1,112	2,343	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Vadamaradchi	71	71,063	1,080	1,073	2,153	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1,075	1,068	2,143	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Penmaradchi	77	38,333	638	602	1,240	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	634	600	1,234	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Pachchilaipalli	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Karaichehi	257½	8,001	129	119	248	—	—	—	—	—	8	7	—	112	102	214	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Tunakarai-Tunukay	351	4,858	88	49	137	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	86	48	134	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Islands	59½	46,885	919	857	1,776	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	917	855	1,772	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Delft	18½	6,372	102	126	228	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	102	126	228	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>WASNAR DISTRICT</b>	<b>95717/24</b>	<b>31,798</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	
Mannar Town*	3 9/20	5,646	149	155	304	—	—	—	—	—	8	8	—	105	108	213	3	32	30	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Division (exclusive of Mannar Town)	74 3/10	11,033	124	83	207	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	54	36	90	1	65	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mantal	599½	5,493	91	93	184	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56	61	117	6	29	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Musali	280 11/24	9,626	129	143	272	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	61	76	137	7	58	54	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>VAVUNIYA DISTRICT</b>	<b>1,431½</b>	<b>23,314</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>30</b>	
Vavuniya Town*	3 1/5	2,606	86	84	170	43	41	1	46	24	43	41	—	33	35	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
South (Tamil) (exclusive of Vavuniya Town)	348 4/5	5,732	115	99	214	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	86	65	151	2	26	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Vavuniya South (Sinhalese)	101	2,942	46	25	71	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Vavuniya North	626½	2,922	56	53	109	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	54	50	104	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Maritime Pattus	352	9,112	220	223	443	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	194	202	396	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>BATTICALOA DISTRICT</b>	<b>2,701 5/60</b>	<b>202,987</b>	<b>4,253</b>	<b>4,347</b>	<b>8,600</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2,118</b>	<b>2,187</b>	<b>4,305</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1,778</b>	<b>1,808</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1</b>		
Batticaloa Town*	3	12,948	342	318	660	20	11	6	20	27	20	11	6	268	266	534	2	17	11	1	1	—	—	—	—		
Manmunai Pattu	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
North (exclusive of Batticaloa Town)	136	27,449	545	621	1,166	1	2	—	1	—	1	2	—	295	329	624	—	248	288	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Eccavur and Koralai Pattus	661	40,100	892	831	1,723	18	15	11	18	1	18	15	11	457	414	871	11	356	341	2	4	16	47	40	—	—	





	1954	87,683	1,808	1,700	3,508	—	—	—	2	1	1,155	1,125	36	29	591	518	5	7	10	9	1	—	—	—	8	11
Navadun Korale	214½	25,666	514	458	972	—	—	—	—	—	402	357	8	2	101	94	1	2	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kukul Korale	176½	50,520	1,170	1,117	2,287	—	—	—	1	1	790	771	26	13	323	300	19	19	8	10	—	—	—	—	3	3
Atakalan Korale	180	18,773	415	350	765	—	—	—	—	—	342	295	—	1	73	52	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kolonna Korale	272	67,538	1,466	1,334	2,800	—	—	—	3	3	989	899	26	31	419	378	23	18	2	1	—	—	—	—	4	8
Meds and Kadamata Korales	642	400,946	7,247	7,080	14,327	—	—	—	8	2	5,785	5,707	96	92	1,079	985	253	272	9	10	7	2	—	—	10	10
KEGALLA DISTRICT	1 3/10	4,922	493	514	1,007	—	—	—	2	1	462	495	11	4	7	6	8	7	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1
(Kegalla Town* Paranakuru Korale (exclusive of Kegalla town))	79 7/10	66,600	1,264	1,285	2,549	—	—	—	—	—	1,069	1,080	10	7	106	95	76	99	1	3	1	—	—	—	1	1
Galboda and Kintigoda Korales	95	82,139	1,125	1,101	2,226	—	—	—	1	—	995	963	4	9	46	46	79	82	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Edigal Korale	133	93,739	1,469	1,413	2,882	—	—	—	1	—	1,342	1,297	14	11	86	79	24	25	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Chigampal and Lower Bulatgama Korales	160	81,423	1,763	1,693	3,456	—	—	—	1	—	1,188	1,188	45	45	485	424	34	28	2	3	3	—	—	—	5	5
Atalugam and Panawal Korales	173	72,123	1,133	1,074	2,207	—	—	—	3	1	729	684	12	16	349	335	32	31	5	3	—	2	—	—	3	2

† Exclusive of large Water areas.  
\* Area proclaimed under section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance.

VIII.—Deaths according to Sex and Race in each District and Divisional Revenue Officer's division or principal Town (of the District) of Ceylon in the Year 1946.

Name of Area.	All Races.		Euro-peans.		Bur-ghers.		Sinhalese.		Tamils.				Moors.				M alays.		Veddas.		Others.		Infant Deaths (All Races).
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Ceylon.		Indian.		Ceylon.		Indian.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
									M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.							
<b>Ceylon</b>	<b>68,957</b>	<b>66,980</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>48,040</b>	<b>46,843</b>	<b>7,733</b>	<b>7,587</b>	<b>7,189</b>	<b>6,990</b>	<b>4,803</b>	<b>4,709</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>36,096</b>
COLOMBO DISTRICT	11,706	10,186	37	13	181	187	9,174	8,284	435	375	720	454	769	635	129	59	126	121	—	—	145	58	4,942
Colombo Municipality*	5,067	4,221	32	11	128	132	3,257	2,814	294	283	455	272	564	496	115	57	108	116	—	—	114	40	2,315
Division (exclusive of Municipality)	1,609	1,236	4	2	29	27	1,253	1,028	83	39	140	96	71	31	7	—	8	3	—	—	14	10	384
Sabiti Korale	805	877	—	—	1	4	771	855	9	6	12	3	9	7	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	482
Hewagam Korale	1,030	985	—	—	2	—	931	903	14	11	70	62	23	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	493
Aitukur Korale South	1,320	1,043	—	—	17	19	1,203	965	28	26	33	15	23	12	2	1	3	1	—	—	11	4	480
Siyane Korale West (Adikari Pattu)	486	484	—	—	2	3	450	443	2	7	1	3	23	28	2	—	5	—	—	—	1	—	215
Siyane Korale West (Meda Pattu)	558	539	—	—	—	2	531	517	—	—	3	2	22	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	248
Siyane Korale East	831	801	—	—	—	—	778	759	5	3	6	1	38	38	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	375
NEGOMBO DISTRICT	2,122	1,846	3	—	5	7	1,889	1,696	72	62	57	14	80	54	9	4	—	—	—	—	7	8	982
Negombo Town*	583	476	2	—	4	3	453	398	36	31	44	9	35	29	4	4	—	—	—	—	5	1	264
(Exclusive of Negombo Town)	489	468	1	—	1	1	432	426	29	23	9	5	16	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	224
Aitukur Korale North (B)	628	537	—	—	—	2	595	517	6	4	2	—	24	13	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	284
Hapitigam Korale	422	365	—	—	—	—	409	355	1	4	2	—	5	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	210
KALUTARA DISTRICT	3,468	3,307	2	—	1	3	2,910	2,797	36	26	241	212	274	264	3	1	4	1	—	—	7	3	1,579
(Kalutara Town*)	250	238	—	—	1	1	197	199	3	4	14	9	32	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	99
Kalutara Totamune (exclusive of Kalutara Town)	612	628	1	—	—	—	478	496	1	1	6	4	126	126	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	289
Panadure Totamune	764	709	—	—	—	2	673	642	3	—	12	5	69	60	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	375
Raigam Korale	796	684	—	—	—	—	719	595	4	2	45	52	28	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	264
Pasduun Korale West	487	469	—	—	—	—	381	396	3	3	90	59	11	11	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	313
Pasduun Korale East	559	579	1	—	—	—	462	469	12	16	74	83	8	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
KANDY DISTRICT	6,687	6,786	6	13	17	20	3,926	3,917	390	399	1,920	2,020	449	463	34	32	23	14	—	—	22	8	4,303
Kandy Municipality*	945	765	3	13	10	11	690	568	85	75	47	18	86	74	6	—	8	2	—	—	10	4	399
Kandy Gravets and Gangawate (exclusive of Kandy Municipality)	57	63	1	—	—	—	30	39	2	5	19	18	2	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	46
Udunuwara & Yatinuwara	647	642	—	—	—	1	500	474	8	14	57	67	77	83	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	451
Tumpane	285	293	—	—	—	—	267	270	—	1	5	4	12	17	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	209
Harispatu	620	658	—	—	—	—	491	514	—	—	35	35	89	98	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	409
Pata Dumbara	958	1,000	—	—	—	—	640	646	4	5	220	237	56	66	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	599
Uda Dumbara	378	560	—	—	—	—	377	441	14	11	79	98	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	308
Pata Hewaheta	440	499	—	—	—	—	255	291	21	20	127	158	36	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	274
Udupalata	933	936	—	—	—	—	438	440	50	60	354	366	64	55	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	590
Uda Bulatgama	1,334	1,375	—	—	—	—	238	234	78	73	977	1,019	21	33	13	9	3	—	—	—	—	—	1,018

MATALE DISTRICT	2,315	2,336	4,651	68	44	448	428	124	146	16	11	7	3	1	1	4	1,333
{ Matale Town*	330	268	598	8	9	76	57	32	37	4	—	5	2	—	—	—	116
{ Matale South (exclusive of Matale Town)	824	805	1,629	37	25	222	193	46	57	3	2	2	—	—	—	3	473
{ Matale North	739	770	1,509	13	5	52	62	40	49	8	9	—	—	—	—	1	460
{ Matale East	422	493	915	10	5	98	116	6	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	284
NUWARA ELIYA DISTRICT	2,181	2,194	4,375	102	91	1,182	1,307	23	18	5	2	2	1	3	—	—	1,420
{ Nuwara Eliya Town*	123	101	224	17	16	49	37	2	4	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	67
{ Four Gravets (exclusive of Nuwara Eliya Town)	182	192	374	7	7	151	161	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	128
{ Kottmale	1,046	1,075	2,121	64	55	729	824	15	9	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	755
{ Walapone	416	366	782	6	6	125	129	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	205
{ Uda Hewaheta	414	460	874	8	7	128	156	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	265
GALLE DISTRICT	4,035	4,039	8,074	13	8	71	70	161	132	1	—	3	2	4	—	—	2,034
{ Galle Municipality*	833	708	1,541	4	2	15	11	122	92	1	—	3	2	—	—	—	360
{ Four Gravets (exclusive of Galle Municipality)	274	237	511	—	—	8	—	23	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	137
{ Wellaboda Pattu	960	967	1,927	4	—	3	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	521
{ Bentota-Wellawiti Kottmale	720	794	1,514	3	3	28	30	15	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	392
{ Hindum Pattu	136	174	310	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	79
{ Gargaboda Pattu	530	530	1,078	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	259
{ Talpe Pattu	564	629	1,193	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	286
MADAYA DISTRICT	3,071	3,219	6,290	15	16	76	66	107	102	1	—	1	—	5	—	—	1,515
{ Madaya Town*	358	370	728	2	1	5	5	26	20	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	180
{ Four Gravets and Wellaboda Pattu (exclusive of Madaya Town)	687	679	1,366	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	354
{ Kandyboda Pattu	521	521	1,019	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	268
{ Gargaboda Pattu	534	556	1,090	3	2	7	8	24	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	261
{ Weligam Korale	593	675	1,268	1	—	10	10	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	296
{ Morawak Korale	401	418	819	6	12	54	42	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	206
HAMBANTOTA DISTRICT	3,077	3,160	6,237	17	8	15	3	36	26	—	—	23	23	2	—	—	1,763
{ Hambantota Town*	133	76	209	1	1	3	—	14	6	—	1	20	19	—	—	—	43
{ Magam Pattu (exclusive of Hambantota Town)	364	363	727	13	3	10	3	13	13	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	222
{ East Giruwa Pattu	502	521	1,023	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	293
{ West Giruwa Pattu	2,078	2,200	4,278	3	3	2	—	9	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1,205
JAFNA DISTRICT	3,701	3,577	7,278	3,582	3,495	30	19	48	41	4	—	—	1	4	2	—	1,598
{ Jafna Town*	690	584	1,274	599	525	10	14	46	39	3	—	—	1	3	—	—	333
{ Jafna Division (Exclusive of Jafna Town)	106	98	204	105	98	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
{ Valikamam East	270	249	519	269	247	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	110
{ Valikamam North	378	445	823	372	437	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	139
{ Valikamam West	540	532	1,072	537	529	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	213
{ Vadamaradchi	597	632	1,229	594	631	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	238
{ Tenmaradchi	449	373	822	446	372	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	193
{ Pachchilalpall-Karaichehi	101	82	183	94	77	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42
{ Punakari-Tunukkay Islands	70	59	129	69	58	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34
{ Delft	454	463	917	451	461	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	241
{ Delft	46	60	106	46	60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31

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	7,803	7,886	15,689	9	6	7,175	7,274	93	76	180	163	314	354	13	2	8	7	11	4	4,384
KURNEGALA DISTRICT																				
Kurnegala Town*	815	679	1,494	7	3	722	602	18	15	26	24	33	31	5	—	4	4	—	—	4,281
Weudawill Hatpattu (exclusive of Kurnegala Town)	1,331	1,434	2,765	1	1	1,162	1,236	15	17	86	100	56	74	6	2	—	—	—	—	759
Hiriyala Hatpattu	801	820	1,621	—	—	758	783	8	4	11	12	24	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	518
Wanni Hatpattu	935	930	1,865	—	1	868	872	18	21	11	6	34	30	2	—	—	—	—	—	557
Dewamedil Hatpattu	917	969	1,886	—	1	866	923	6	4	7	5	38	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	585
Katagampola Hatpattu	1,702	1,746	3,448	—	—	1,613	1,665	21	13	20	8	90	111	1	—	—	—	—	—	985
Dambadeni Hatpattu	1,302	1,308	2,610	—	—	1,234	1,245	7	2	19	8	39	52	1	—	—	—	—	—	699
PUTTALAM DISTRICT	520	541	1,061	—	—	245	276	71	85	15	4	176	168	4	1	4	3	5	3	318
Puttalam Town*	126	95	221	—	—	31	33	21	15	5	1	61	43	1	—	4	1	—	—	55
Puttalam Pattu and Gravets (exclusive of Puttalam Town)	110	132	242	—	—	47	56	26	41	4	1	32	32	1	—	—	—	—	—	79
Kalpitiya	117	134	251	—	—	17	17	16	27	5	2	75	85	2	—	—	—	—	—	85
Demala Hatpattu	167	180	347	—	—	150	170	8	2	1	—	8	19	1	—	—	—	—	—	99
CHILAW DISTRICT	1,340	1,279	2,619	6	2	1,135	1,130	57	74	74	24	54	40	5	—	—	—	—	—	671
Chilaw Town*	229	198	427	—	—	177	166	13	19	21	5	16	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	91
Pitigal Korale North (exclusive of Chilaw Town)	329	335	664	1	—	261	260	32	46	17	10	15	13	2	—	—	—	—	—	207
Pitigal Korale South	782	746	1,528	5	2	697	704	12	9	36	9	23	19	1	—	—	—	—	—	378
AFUGADHAPURA DISTRICT	1,941	1,888	3,829	—	—	1,516	1,463	123	136	67	33	222	254	7	1	—	—	—	—	1,133
Amuradhapura Town*	274	196	470	—	—	188	142	24	34	39	12	17	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	97
Nuwaragam Palata West (exclusive of Anuradhapura Town)	247	256	503	—	—	225	218	5	7	7	9	10	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	159
Nuwaragam Palata East	294	333	627	—	—	266	304	6	8	8	6	11	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	185
Kurulu Palata	459	443	902	—	—	404	395	8	2	4	—	43	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	307
Kisagani Palata	387	415	802	—	—	296	321	5	6	6	6	77	82	3	—	—	—	—	—	252
Tamankeaduwa Palata	280	245	525	—	—	137	83	75	79	3	—	64	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	133
BADULLA DISTRICT	3,377	3,249	6,626	4	3	2,243	2,032	78	72	940	1,002	77	64	13	3	3	2	10	13	1,846
Badulla Town*	284	205	489	—	—	197	128	11	9	59	53	12	13	3	—	—	—	—	—	87
Bakkinda (exclusive of Badulla Town)	790	739	1,529	—	—	342	287	17	18	412	426	15	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	472
Bakkinda	738	769	1,507	—	—	481	494	31	24	195	217	14	20	3	—	—	—	—	—	448
Viyaluwa	337	326	668	—	—	269	233	1	3	66	90	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	148
Ekkenna	210	240	450	—	—	194	216	1	1	3	6	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	112
Wellassa	451	385	836	—	—	422	368	2	1	4	7	21	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	235
Bulata	277	271	548	—	—	242	236	4	6	26	24	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	143
Weliwawa	290	314	604	—	—	96	121	4	11	175	179	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	201
Weliwawa	3,212	3,164	6,376	2	1	2,536	2,454	42	42	577	631	36	25	7	5	1	4	10	2	1,840
BADUNAPURA DISTRICT	253	211	464	—	—	220	172	5	1	23	31	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	91
Badunapura Town*	623	654	1,277	—	—	560	593	6	3	45	52	10	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	403
Kuruwiti Korale (exclusive of Ranapura Town)	612	640	1,252	—	—	538	416	14	13	148	203	7	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	426
Nawadun Korale	192	188	380	—	—	161	151	4	6	27	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	124
Kukul Korale	584	496	1,080	—	—	460	398	4	5	109	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	273
Atakalan Korale	235	245	480	—	—	214	218	1	1	20	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	137
Kolonna Korale	713	730	1,443	—	—	483	516	8	13	205	193	12	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	386
Meds & Kadawata Korales	3,516	3,451	6,967	2	1	2,818	2,725	44	41	445	483	191	185	9	6	3	2	3	4	1,776
Kegalla DISTRICT	261	230	491	—	—	224	202	8	3	14	16	12	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	102
Kegalla Town*	605	624	1,229	—	—	482	510	6	6	43	47	72	61	2	—	—	—	—	—	843
Paranakuru Korale (exclusive of Kegalla Town)	743	648	1,391	—	—	669	566	1	5	22	23	49	50	2	—	—	—	—	—	380
Galboda & Kinigoda Korales	719	727	1,446	—	—	656	661	3	1	36	41	23	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	364
Beligal Korale	733	775	1,508	—	—	505	530	21	21	181	194	22	25	1	3	—	—	—	—	888
Dehigampal and Lower Bulatgam Korales	455	447	902	—	—	282	256	5	5	149	162	13	19	4	2	—	—	—	—	249
Atulugam & Panawal Korales				—	—															

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† This Division was split up into the two Divisional Revenue Officers, divisions of

IX.—Births and Deaths registered on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176) in the Years 1945 and 1946, and the corresponding annual Averages for the decennium 1936-1945.

District.	Population at the Census of March 19, 1946.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.	Annual Average 1936-1945.	1945.	1946.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Kandy	239,491	9,623	9,865	11,441	4,157	4,019	4,596
Matale	38,407	1,466	1,652	1,582	645	753	905
Nuwara Eliya	166,739	7,004	6,694	7,114	2,898	2,584	2,679
Badulla	141,042	5,994	6,808	5,820	2,294	2,256	1,951
Ratnapura	85,781	3,158	3,449	3,983	1,338	1,365	1,354
Kegalla	64,089	2,212	2,447	2,736	824	953	1,082
Olorombo (including Negombo)	11,359	248	279	318	180	194	168
Kalutara	41,126	1,284	1,387	1,583	463	570	526
Galle	16,835	465	523	638	170	166	197
Matara	13,978	403	488	560	183	198	215
Kurunegala	17,008	287	314	203	173	213	265
Total	835,855	32,144	33,906	35,978	13,275	13,271	13,938

BIRTHS.

District.	All Races.				Europeans.		Burghers and Eurasians.		Sinhalese.		Ceylon Tamils.		Indian Tamils.		Ceylon Moors.		Indian Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
																						2
1	5,825	5,616	11,441	2	2	4	5	6	8	628	240	255	4,805	4,632	48	31	49	36	12	14	5	6
Kandy	766	816	1,582						12	93	35	48	639	664	4	3	3	4	2	2	3	3
Matale	3,584	3,530	7,114						2	189	115	79	3,239	3,214	12	11	8	9	1	1	7	7
Nuwara Eliya	2,883	2,937	5,820						3	208	115	79	2,589	2,633	18	17	11	14	3	3	5	1
Badulla	2,097	1,886	3,983						2	191	59	70	1,684	1,442	9	9	20	24	1	1	14	15
Ratnapura	1,412	1,324	2,736						3	356	61	47	1,064	969	4	12	6	7	4	1	7	6
Kegalla									1	260	55	68										
Colombo (including Negombo)	153	165	318						1	62	2	6	91	91			1	1				
Kalutara	808	775	1,583						3	202	37	32	569	536			1	1				
Galle	321	317	638							157	10	11	133	146								
Matara	289	271	560						1	174	20	10	161	159			1					
Kurunegala	99	104	203							104	20	10	48	54				2				
Ceylon	18,337	17,741	35,978	3	3	6	22	26	22	2,312	641	632	14,972	14,540	101	88	98	98	39	31	45	37

DEATHS.

District.	All Races.				Europeans.		Burghers and Eurasians.		Sinhalese.		Ceylon Tamils.		Indian Tamils.		Ceylon Moors.		Indian Moors.		Malays.		Others.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
																						2
1	2,244	2,352	4,596	3	2	5	1	2	223	157	154	157	1,819	1,938	20	17	16	23	5	2	4	3
Kandy	447	458	905						32	42	17	17	391	389	2	5	2	2	2	2	1	1
Matale	1,285	1,394	2,679						55	44	70	68	1,153	1,278	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1
Nuwara Eliya	1,928	1,023	2,951						30	39	27	32	860	947	3	3	4	2	2	2	1	1
Badulla	656	698	1,354						75	58	20	24	547	608			3	4	4	4	1	2
Ratnapura	517	695	1,212						62	67	29	24	419	461	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1
Kegalla																						
Colombo (including Negombo)	85	83	168						11	19	5	—	67	61			1	1	1	1	2	2
Kalutara	276	250	526						53	33	14	19	207	194	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Galle	88	109	197						33	44	3	4	52	61	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Matara	111	104	215						26	28	12	12	69	63	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Kurunegala	125	140	265						38	40	5	9	81	91	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Ceylon	6,762	7,176	13,938	10	3	13	1	2	638	366	356	366	5,665	6,091	32	36	32	39	9	4	18	10

**XI.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Still-births registered in the year 1946, with Birth and Death Rates, the Deaths of Children under One Year of Age, with Corresponding Death Rates, the Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births, and Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the year 1946 in the 43 Urban areas proclaimed under section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance (Cap. 94).**

Towns.	Population (exclusive of Military and Shipping) at the Census of March 19, 1946		Estimated population on July 1, 1946.†		Births.		Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.		Still-births.		Deaths of non-residents of proclaimed areas registered in Hospitals and Jails within the proclaimed areas.		Per 1,000 per Annum.		Deaths of Children under One Year of Age.		Maternal Death-rate per 1,000 Live Births.	Mean Temperature.	Rain-fall in Inches.	
	2		3		Males.		Females.		Males.		Females.		Annual Average 1936-1946.		1946.					Rate per 1,000 live births registered in 1946.
	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Number registered in 1946.	Rate per 1,000 live births registered in 1946.				
1	28,772	27,689	56,461	15,212	12,935	28,147	1,629	1,462	3,092*	12	13	12,089	42.6	27.4	6,762	120	19	20.3	—	
All Towns.	1,020,619	1,025,600	2,046,219	550,000	450,000	1,000,000	1,629	1,462	3,092*	12	13	12,089	42.6	27.4	6,762	120	20.3	—	—	
<b>Western Provinces.</b>																				
Colombo	355,374	356,700	711,674	5,067	4,221	9,288	412	354	766	3,510	766	3,510	40.5	25.9	2,315	118	19.4	95.83	—	
Negombo	36,741	36,900	73,641	583	476	1,059	70	68	140	445	140	445	55.0	28.7	264	118	12.5	100.04	—	
Moratuwa	50,093	50,400	100,493	522	575	1,097	41	35	76	82	76	82	31.1	21.8	342	169	11.9	85.38	—	
Dehliwala-Mount	56,503	56,900	113,403	253	259	512	26	20	46	—	46	—	20.1	9.0	132	90	4.1	112.02	—	
Lavinia	39,281	39,600	78,881	172	148	320	10	11	21	—	21	—	17.0	8.1	101	126	6.2	—	—	
Kotte	16,149	16,300	32,449	75	86	161	7	7	14	—	14	—	32.8	9.9	62	115	1.9	—	—	
Kolonnawa	2,633	2,900	5,533	234	213	447	45	36	81	348	81	348	—	165.5	109	81	20.1	—	—	
Avisswella	2,883	2,900	5,783	142	120	262	30	31	61	240	61	240	—	90.3	74	60	4.1	—	—	
Gampaha	18,801	18,900	37,701	250	238	488	58	41	99	228	99	228	59.2	25.8	99	79	14.3	103.40	—	
Kalutara	16,562	16,600	33,162	271	211	482	45	38	83	260	83	260	43.9	29.0	92	78	11.9	106.32	—	
Panadura	11,547	11,600	23,147	114	106	220	12	7	19	—	19	—	29.8	19.0	44	92	8.4	—	—	
Beruwala	3,654	3,700	7,354	33	41	74	36	33	69	24	69	24	—	20.0	29	30	5.2	—	—	
Horana	50,767	51,000	101,767	945	765	1,710	137	121	258	939	258	939	53.4	33.5	399	124	25.1	82.36	—	
<b>Central Provinces.</b>																				
Kandy	1,647	1,700	3,347	65	52	117	19	14	33	96	33	96	266.4	68.8	23	86	44.8	73.95	—	
Teideniya	9,194	9,200	18,394	157	158	315	17	15	32	164	32	164	54.9	34.2	74	120	21.0	105.43	—	
Gampola	7,700	7,700	15,400	159	134	293	25	19	44	216	44	216	52.6	38.0	88	128	21.9	149.95	—	
Nawalapitiya	5,391	5,400	10,791	49	40	89	11	7	18	48	18	48	37.8	16.5	27	179	53.0	125.30	—	
Hatton-Dikoya	14,046	14,100	28,146	330	268	598	40	32	72	364	72	364	44.8	42.4	116	153	34.3	77.37	—	
Matale	9,840	9,900	19,740	123	101	224	20	17	37	92	37	92	53.3	22.6	67	119	10.7	80.85	—	
Nuwara Eliya	49,038	49,200	98,238	833	708	1,541	98	100	198	655	198	655	51.0	31.3	360	134	19.7	113.79	—	
<b>Southern Province.</b>																				
Galle	9,952	10,000	19,952	65	51	116	4	4	8	—	8	—	24.5	11.6	32	106	19.8	99.05	—	
Ambalangoda	23,434	23,500	46,934	358	370	728	57	70	127	411	127	411	49.9	31.0	130	87	33.6	79.20	—	
Matara	11,916	12,000	23,916	81	80	161	10	4	14	—	14	—	35.1	13.4	46	93	6.1	86.56	—	
Weligama	3,966	4,000	7,966	133	76	209	15	7	22	114	22	114	69.7	52.3	43	154	17.9	86.03	—	
Hambantota	5,815	5,800	11,615	197	180	377	29	22	51	239	51	239	59.5	65.0	93	209	22.4	43.46	—	
Tangalla	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* In two cases, sex not ascertainable. † Calculated by applying the annual rate of increase computed for the period between the Censuses of 1931 and 1946. ‡ The dash (—) indicates that there were no observatories or rain gauge observations. § Annual Average for the period 1937-45. ¶ Annual Average for the period 1938-45.

**XI.—Number of Births, Deaths, and Still-births registered in the year 1946, with Birth and Death Rates, the Deaths of Children under One Year of Age, with Corresponding Death Rates, the Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births, and Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the year 1946 in the 43 urban areas proclaimed under section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance (Cap. 94).**

Towns.	1	2	3	Births.			Deaths, including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Still-births.			Deaths of non-residents of proclaimed area registered in Hospitals and Jails within the proclaimed areas.	Per 1,000 per Annum.			Deaths of Children under One Year of Age.	Maternal Death-rate per 1,000 Live Births.	Mean Temperature.	Rain-fall in Inches.								
				Males.		Females.		Total Persons.		Males.		Females.		Total Persons.		Annual Average 1936-1945.					1946.	1946.	17	18	19	20	21	
				4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		13	14													15
<b>Northern Province.</b>																												
Jaffna ..	..	62,922	63,200	1,150	1,212	2,362	690	584	1,274	14	17	31	184	31.5	37.4	20.2	383	141	14.8	82.0	57.26							
Mannar ..	..	5,646	5,700	149	155	304	143	115	258	12	8	20	104	47.0	53.3	45.3	59	194	52.6	82.3	37.44							
Mullaitivu ..	..	1,600	1,600	72	59	131	35	35	70	5	3	8	37	45.2	81.9	43.8	16	122	68.7	—	58.82							
Vavuniya ..	..	2,606	2,600	86	84	170	43	44	87	4	5	9	36	47.7	65.4	33.5	25	147	29.4	—	63.76							
<b>Eastern Province.</b>																												
Batticaloa ..	..	12,948	13,000	342	318	660	229	163	392	25	29	54	118	35.6	50.8	30.1	89	135	30.3	81.5	73.93							
Kalmunai ..	..	10,458	10,600	89	89	178	87	69	156	12	7	19	78	29.5	16.8	14.7	27	152	39.3	—	64.35							
Trincomalee ..	..	29,146	29,500	443	422	865	270	218	488	21	22	43	—	39.2	29.3	16.5	150	173	16.2	82.3	91.98							
<b>North-Western Province.</b>																												
Kurunegala ..	..	13,510	13,600	697	688	1,385	815	679	1,494	86	74	160	1,156	118.4	98.1	109.8	281	211	62.9	80.9	86.44							
Kuliyapitiya ..	..	2,159	2,200	301	291	592	192	160	352	27	24	51	316	—	269.0	160.0	70	118	37.2	—	—							
Puttalam ..	..	7,764	7,800	232	220	452	126	95	221	13	14	27	61	52.4	57.9	28.3	55	122	13.3	81.3	45.05							
Kalpitiya ..	..	1,368	1,400	26	27	53	19	26	45	1	1	2	—	32.5	37.9	32.1	7	132	37.7	—	44.31							
Chilaw ..	..	9,041	9,100	364	393	757	229	198	427	33	31	64	221	79.3	83.2	46.9	91	120	38.3	—	73.23							
<b>North-Central Province.</b>																												
Anuradhapura ..	..	12,287	12,300	373	367	740	274	196	470	20	25	45	249	39.5	60.2	38.2	97	131	35.1	81.6	64.06							
<b>Province of Uva.</b>																												
Badulla ..	..	13,213	13,300	378	351	729	284	205	489	21	17	38	286	48.4	54.8	36.8	87	119	21.9	73.6	73.24							
Bandarawela ..	..	3,005	3,000	23	26	49	6	5	11	—	—	—	—	22.8	16.3	3.7	3	61	—	—	117.74							
<b>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</b>																												
Ratnapura ..	..	12,367	12,400	425	414	839	253	211	464	28	26	54	321	58.2	67.7	37.4	91	108	28.6	81.2	143.34							
Kegalla ..	..	4,922	4,900	493	514	1,007	261	230	491	30	39	69	424	203.9	205.5	100.2	102	101	24.8	—	118.19							
Rambukkana ..	..	2,730	2,700	34	32	66	45	25	70	3	1	4	23	27.9	24.4	25.9	18	273	30.3	—	117.28							

\* Calculated by applying the annual rate of increase computed for the period between the Censuses of 1931 and 1946.  
 † The dash (—) indicates that there were no observatories or rain gauge observations.

XII.—Births, total Deaths, and Infant Deaths (residents only) in the 43 Urban areas proclaimed under section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance (Cap. 94), with the Corresponding Birth, Death, and Infant Death Rates for the Year 1946.

Towns.	Births.*			Birth Rate.	Deaths.			Death Rate.	Infant Deaths.	
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.		Number registered during 1946.†	Rate per 1,000 Live Births registered during 1946.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>All Forty-three Towns</b>	<b>17,234</b>	<b>16,662</b>	<b>33,896</b>	<b>33·0</b>	<b>8,313</b>	<b>7,433</b>	<b>15,746</b>	<b>15·3</b>	<b>4,366</b>	<b>129</b>
<i>Western Province.</i>										
Colombo ..	6,359	6,106	12,465	34·8	3,045	2,580	5,625	15·7	1,522	122
Negombo ..	598	591	1,189	32·2	315	291	606	16·4	167	140
Moratuwa ..	927	913	1,840	36·5	440	473	913	18·1	228	124
Dehiwala-Mt. Lavinia ..	759	704	1,463	25·7	253	259	512	9·0	132	90
Kotte ..	432	371	803	20·3	172	148	320	8·1	101	126
Kolonnawa ..	289	242	531	32·6	75	86	161	9·9	62	117
Avissawella ..	61	50	111	41·1	52	47	99	36·7	48	432
Gampaha ..	48	37	85	29·3	9	13	22	7·6	6	71
Kalutara ..	347	326	673	35·6	134	126	260	13·8	64	95
Panadure ..	244	283	527	31·7	117	105	222	13·4	35	66
Beruwala ..	249	227	476	41·0	114	106	220	19·0	44	92
Horana ..	78	83	161	43·5	22	27	49	13·2	12	75
<i>Central Province.</i>										
Kandy ..	931	874	1,805	35·4	409	352	761	14·9	248	137
Teldeniya ..	18	20	38	22·4	15	6	21	12·4	4	105
Gampola ..	173	160	333	36·2	68	81	149	16·2	46	138
Nawalapitiya ..	128	115	243	31·6	39	38	77	10·0	17	70
Hatton-Dikoya ..	55	57	112	20·7	22	16	38	7·0	16	143
Matale ..	233	212	445	31·6	120	112	232	16·5	62	139
Nuwara Eliya ..	194	199	393	39·7	73	58	131	13·2	54	137
<i>Southern Province.</i>										
Galle ..	854	841	1,695	34·5	468	414	882	17·9	233	137
Ambalangoda ..	147	153	300	30·0	65	51	116	11·6	32	107
Matara ..	422	443	865	36·8	154	162	316	13·4	81	94
Weligama ..	264	231	495	41·3	80	80	160	13·3	45	91
Hambantota ..	82	80	162	40·5	53	42	95	23·8	39	241
Tangalla ..	106	99	205	35·3	70	68	138	23·8	57	278
<i>Northern Province.</i>										
Jaffna ..	983	1,038	2,021	32·0	560	523	1,083	17·1	306	151
Mannar ..	83	99	182	31·9	80	74	154	27·0	36	198
Mullaittivu ..	38	27	65	40·6	16	17	33	20·6	11	169
Vavuniya ..	41	34	75	28·8	25	26	51	19·6	20	267
<i>Eastern Province.</i>										
Batticaloa ..	292	271	563	43·3	148	124	272	20·9	75	133
Kalmunai ..	37	55	92	8·7	44	34	78	7·4	20	217
Trincomalee ..	443	422	865	29·3	270	218	488	16·5	150	173
<i>North-Western Province.</i>										
Kurunegala ..	177	169	346	25·4	180	158	338	24·8	84	243
Kuliyapitiya ..	34	23	57	25·9	20	15	35	15·9	6	105
Puttalam ..	179	177	356	45·6	90	70	160	20·5	45	126
Kalpitiya ..	20	26	46	32·9	19	26	45	32·1	7	152
Chilaw ..	179	176	355	39·0	109	96	205	22·5	65	183
<i>North-Central Province.</i>										
Anuradhapura ..	198	201	399	32·4	121	97	218	17·7	59	148
<i>Province of Uva.</i>										
Badulla ..	234	227	461	34·7	114	87	201	15·1	52	113
Bandarawela ..	23	26	49	16·3	5	5	10	3·3	3	61
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>										
Ratnapura ..	175	175	350	28·2	73	68	141	11·4	44	120
Kegalla ..	71	72	143	29·2	28	34	62	12·7	15	105
Rambukkana ..	29	27	56	20·7	27	20	47	17·4	13	232

\* Births of infants whose mothers were resident within the proclaimed areas.

† Deaths of children under one year of age whose mothers were resident within the proclaimed area.

Note.—Births and deaths of residents occurring outside the proclaimed areas are excluded from this Table.

XIII.—Deaths of Children under one year of age, and the corresponding Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births in each Province and District of Ceylon in the years 1945 and 1946, the corresponding Annual Averages for the decennium 1936-1945, and the Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births in the years 1945 and 1946.

Provinces and Districts.	Annual Averages 1936-1945.				1945.				1946.			
	1	2	3	4	Births.	Deaths of Children under one year of Age.	Deaths of Children under one year of age per 1,000 Live Births.	Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births.	Births.	Deaths of Children under one year of Age.	Deaths of Children under one year of age per 1,000 Live Births.	Maternal Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Ceylon	220,268	31,920	146	238,494	33,309	140	16.5	256,886	36,096	141	15.5	
WESTERN PROVINCE.	52,508	6,248	120	58,016	6,957	120	14.5	71,248	7,503	105	11.5	
Colombo	32,297	4,104	128	35,791	4,611	126	15.9	46,288	4,942	107	12.9	
Negombo	6,598	866	131	7,769	1,025	136	12.6	7,323	982	134	10.5	
Kalutara	13,613	1,278	96	14,456	1,321	92	12.0	17,637	1,579	90	8.1	
CENTRAL PROVINCE.	43,147	6,370	151	46,180	6,703	145	15.0	48,017	7,056	147	13.1	
Kandy	26,248	3,714	145	28,528	4,009	141	14.4	30,832	4,303	140	12.4	
Matale	6,101	1,018	170	6,690	1,168	174	23.8	6,002	1,333	222	29.3	
Nuwara Eliya	10,798	1,638	154	10,982	1,526	139	11.4	11,183	1,420	127	6.3	
SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	32,677	4,487	137	34,565	3,890	113	12.3	39,443	5,312	135	12.9	
Galle	15,145	1,758	117	15,250	1,592	104	11.3	19,492	2,034	104	10.3	
Matara	12,164	1,491	121	13,196	1,272	96	10.0	14,469	1,515	105	11.6	
Hambantota	5,368	1,237	233	6,119	1,026	168	19.8	5,482	1,763	322	25.7	
NORTHERN PROVINCE.	14,507	2,379	167	15,242	2,196	144	18.0	17,000	2,084	123	15.1	
Jaffna	12,786	1,925	153	13,414	1,704	127	16.0	15,026	1,598	106	12.1	
Mannar	971	266	284	1,009	284	281	22.8	967	309	320	39.3	
Vavuniya	750	188	261	819	208	254	46.4	1,007	177	176	36.7	
EASTERN PROVINCE.	9,436	1,811	196	10,656	1,670	157	10.7	10,811	2,173	201	21.3	
Batticaloa	7,677	1,480	196	8,692	1,250	144	8.9	8,600	1,729	201	18.8	
Trincomalee	1,759	339	200	1,964	420	214	18.8	2,211	444	201	30.8	
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.	23,364	4,329	190	24,997	5,286	212	34.4	21,101	5,373	255	39.8	
Kurunegala	17,879	3,425	196	18,650	4,252	223	35.1	14,768	4,384	297	46.0	
Puttalam	1,358	381	286	1,398	411	294	47.2	1,659	318	192	39.2	
Chilaw	4,127	522	130	4,949	625	126	18.2	4,674	671	144	20.3	
NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.	4,390	1,162	274	4,029	1,094	272	48.4	5,482	1,133	207	42.5	
Anuradhapura	4,390	1,162	274	4,029	1,094	272	48.4	5,482	1,133	207	42.5	
PROVINCE OF UVA.	14,690	2,020	138	16,797	1,966	118	11.7	14,940	1,846	124	10.1	
Badulla	14,690	2,020	138	16,797	1,966	118	11.7	14,940	1,846	124	10.1	
PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.	25,549	3,108	123	28,012	3,525	126	13.8	28,844	3,616	125	11.2	
Katnapura	12,005	1,553	130	13,285	1,666	125	11.1	14,517	1,840	127	8.7	
Regalla	13,544	1,555	117	14,727	1,859	127	16.3	14,327	1,776	124	13.6	

XIV.—Estimated Population of Ceylon, Number of Deaths registered, and Mortality Rate per 1,000 Living by Sex, at different Age Periods, in the year 1946, and the corresponding Annual Averages for the decennium 1936-1945.

Age.	Population of Ceylon.						Number of Deaths registered.						Mortality Rate per 1,000 living.							
	Annual Averages 1936-1945.*			1946.*			Annual Averages 1936-1945.			1946.			Annual Averages 1936-1945.			1946.				
	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	All Deaths.	M.	F.	All Deaths.	M.	F.	All Deaths.	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
ALL AGES.	5,995,000	3,171,000	2,824,000	6,695,000	3,514,000	3,181,000	125,392	64,476	60,916	185,937	68,957	66,980	21.0	20.7	22.2	20.3	19.6	21.1		
Under 5 years	857,000	437,000	420,000	958,000	485,000	473,000	51,811	26,243	25,568	58,504	29,313	29,191	60.9	62.8	64.0	61.1	60.4	61.7		
5 years and under 10	766,000	390,000	376,000	856,000	433,000	423,000	5,774	2,717	3,057	5,696	2,682	3,014	7.6	7.8	8.4	6.7	6.2	7.1		
10 do.	737,000	393,000	344,000	822,000	435,000	387,000	2,789	1,379	1,410	2,750	1,384	1,366	3.8	3.6	4.1	3.3	3.2	3.5		
15 do.	551,000	285,000	266,000	616,000	316,000	300,000	3,378	1,587	1,791	3,447	1,615	1,832	6.1	5.5	6.9	5.6	5.1	6.1		
20 do.	589,000	295,000	294,000	658,000	327,000	331,000	5,082	2,046	3,036	4,524	2,127	3,397	8.7	7.0	10.7	6.7	6.5	10.3		
25 do.	994,000	524,000	470,000	1,109,000	580,000	529,000	9,880	4,318	5,562	10,173	4,268	5,905	10.1	8.5	12.5	9.1	7.4	11.2		
35 do.	685,000	388,000	297,000	765,000	430,000	335,000	9,324	5,055	4,239	9,509	5,030	4,479	13.7	13.3	15.0	12.4	11.7	13.3		
45 do.	428,000	232,000	196,000	479,000	257,000	222,000	8,290	5,018	3,272	8,854	5,343	3,511	19.4	21.7	17.1	18.5	20.8	15.8		
55 do.	388,000	227,000	161,000	432,000	251,000	181,000	29,064	16,083	12,981	31,480	17,195	14,285	74.4	70.1	80.5	72.9	68.5	78.9		

\* The figures in columns 2 to 7 are computed on the basis of the age distribution of the population at the Census of 1921.

N.B.—The figures in columns 2 to 19 may be substantially inaccurate owing to (1) mistakes made by informants in reporting ages, and (2) unknown factors vitiating the results of computation.

XV.—Statement of Deaths from Zymotic Diseases by Sex registered in Ceylon in each Month of the Year 1946.  
(The Number shown in column 1 against each disease is its number in the Detailed List of Causes of Death.—see Table XVII.)

Nos.	Causes of Death.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total for 1946.		
		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.	Persons
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
1 & 2	Enteric	58	45	57	34	58	34	62	46	91	61	62	66	49	57	75	42	64	60	55	42	42	37	61	38	734	562	1,296
34	Smallpox	4	3	7	5	26	9	8	5	3	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	8	1	2	2	1	57	34	91
33	Influenza	78	79	79	91	56	65	70	58	69	57	64	68	67	60	73	74	43	58	65	56	63	66	49	56	776	788	1,564
4	Cholera	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	13	5	—	—	2	1	1	—	2	2	—	—	21	10	31
27	Dysentery	148	132	107	69	145	104	126	91	107	63	100	61	81	55	56	43	52	27	56	27	57	36	47	34	1,082	742	1,824
3	Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Malaria and Malarial Cachexia	1034	1171	888	982	706	815	587	603	660	647	493	449	461	459	366	355	288	241	236	245	211	250	226	214	6,156	6,431	12,587
106	Bronchitis	88	91	69	67	56	55	73	69	74	67	49	64	56	63	58	59	69	60	61	50	61	63	42	40	764	748	1,512
107	Broncho-pneumonia	143	128	116	100	93	108	109	101	104	90	126	95	129	104	123	121	84	82	85	91	81	87	81	72	1,274	1,179	2,453
108 & 109	Pneumonia	411	358	357	361	376	339	360	289	438	354	427	350	429	327	384	314	291	255	280	236	295	245	265	247	4,313	3,675	7,988
119 & 120	Diarrhoea and Enteritis.	502	453	338	365	361	315	355	274	384	326	304	277	303	268	269	228	221	191	223	195	237	174	217	202	3,714	3,268	6,982
153 & 161E	Integumentary Diseases.	754	722	639	632	489	435	315	313	330	295	233	202	234	189	220	199	138	139	162	156	178	129	193	161	3,885	3,572	7,457
200c	Pyrexia	943	1068	838	860	651	645	409	432	405	389	330	372	344	353	299	308	246	250	227	247	202	217	206	220	5,100	5,356	10,456

N.B.—The figures may be substantially inaccurate owing to errors in diagnosis.

XVI.—Death Rates from the Principal Diseases per Million of the Estimated Population in each District of Ceylon for the Year 1946.

District.	Estimated population Mid Year 1946.	Enteric.	Influenza.	Dysentery.	Phthisis.	Malaria and Malarial Cachexia.	Ankylostomiasis.	Convulsions under 5 years.	Bronchitis.	Pneumonia and Bron- cho-pneumonia.	Diarrhoea and En- teritis.	Premature Birth.	Pyrexia.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Ceylon</b> ..	<b>6,695,000</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>1,880</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,926</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>1,562</b>
<i>Western Province.</i>													
Colombo ..	1,181,000	388	375	447	1,343	1,078	186	747	129	1,105	1611	724	522
Negombo ..	242,000	198	116	103	223	1,202	116	798	132	798	773	467	1,814
Kalutara ..	461,000	208	163	74	345	787	139	2,065	137	805	551	434	514
<i>Central Province.</i>													
Kandy ..	714,000	182	214	244	426	1,335	333	1,188	255	1,374	993	1,165	1,190
Matale ..	157,000	102	102	382	299	2,739	159	2,828	357	1,631	1592	975	4,025
Nuwara Eliya ..	270,000	204	374	304	85	674	348	1,022	767	1,841	1341	1,441	356
<i>Southern Province.</i>													
Galle ..	464,000	239	110	93	427	888	254	4,022	71	761	728	392	586
Matara ..	355,000	118	45	225	341	1,893	113	4,631	82	963	425	293	1,445
Hambantota ..	151,000	132	2,854	821	543	5,298	113	9,179	471	2,338	3073	556	5,212
<i>Northern Province.</i>													
Jaffna ..	428,000	121	42	348	605	762	136	582	147	2,843	745	477	1,841
Mannar ..	32,000	94	63	906	469	3,063	63	938	313	2,906	1688	875	3,094
Vavuniya ..	23,000	—	—	174	478	1,522	43	1,174	261	6,913	1000	1,000	1,652
<i>Eastern Province.</i>													
Batticaloa ..	205,000	15	49	746	317	4,117	146	1,215	1,259	3,400	1410	585	1,961
Trincomalee ..	70,000	71	—	71	214	543	100	4,129	100	6,700	357	486	1,686
<i>North-Western Province.</i>													
Kurunegala ..	490,000	143	16	131	392	5,859	127	2,010	73	2,471	963	729	4,545
Puttalam ..	43,000	93	—	47	233	2,140	163	1,070	163	2,233	1744	767	3,651
Chilaw ..	141,000	85	28	312	262	1,298	369	1,255	57	2,284	688	440	1,043
<i>North-Central Province.</i>													
Anuradhapura ..	141,000	64	674	177	489	2,404	99	1,865	35	2,248	1270	1,199	4,972
<i>Province of Uva.</i>													
Badulla ..	375,000	123	200	229	240	1,432	277	2,563	435	1,283	851	1,493	1,483
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>													
Ratnapura ..	347,000	110	81	179	336	2,066	239	1,890	228	1,046	830	1,110	1,014
Kegalla ..	405,000	193	25	126	385	2,793	180	1,168	111	926	553	501	1,057

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon in the years 1945 and 1946 classified by Sex and Cause, and the corresponding Annual Averages for the Decennium 1936-1945.

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>All Causes.</b>	<b>125,392</b>	<b>72,965</b>	<b>69,966</b>	<b>142,931</b>	<b>68,957</b>	<b>66,980</b>	<b>135,937</b>
<b>I.—INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES.</b>	<b>22,933</b>	<b>13,802</b>	<b>12,480</b>	<b>26,282</b>	<b>14,837</b>	<b>13,836</b>	<b>28,673</b>
<i>Diseases due to Bacteria.</i>							
1. Typhoid fever	1,080	824	647	1,471	734	561	1,295
2. Paratyphoid fever	4	4	3	7	—	1	1
3. Plague—							
(a) Bubonic	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Pneumonic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Septicaemic	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Unspecified	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Cholera	14	1	4	5	21	10	31
5. Undulant fever (Brucellosis)	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
6. Cerebro-spinal meningococcal meningitis	9	16	6	22	15	4	19
7. Malignant pustule and anthrax (Bacillus anthracis)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Scarlet fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Whooping cough	95	43	53	96	23	45	68
10. Diphtheria	61	59	65	124	77	70	147
11. Erysipelas	62	28	19	47	24	19	43
12. Tetanus	303	245	108	353	226	158	384
13. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	3,215	2,047	1,221	3,268	2,228	1,399	3,627
14. Tuberculosis of the meninges and central nervous system	35	27	23	50	27	22	49
15. Tuberculosis of the intestines and peritoneum	61	25	29	54	35	33	68
16. Tuberculosis of the vertebral column	13	7	3	10	4	3	7
17. Tuberculosis of the bones and joints (excluding vertebral column)—							
(a) Bones (except vertebral column)	2	—	—	—	1	1	2
(b) Joints	4	1	3	4	4	1	5
18. Tuberculosis of the skin and subcutaneous cellular tissue	5	1	2	3	—	4	4
19. Tuberculosis of the lymphatic system	21	11	9	20	10	8	18
20. Tuberculosis of the genito-urinary system	3	—	—	—	1	—	1
21. Tuberculosis of other organs	229	143	94	237	125	93	218
22. Disseminated tuberculosis—							
(a) Acute generalized miliary tuberculosis	11	6	8	14	5	5	10
(b) Chronic generalized tuberculosis	1	3	3	6	2	1	3
(c) Unspecified	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
23. Leprosy	102	93	27	120	61	18	79
24. Septicaemia and purulent infection (non-puerperal)—							
(a) Septicaemia	105	52	28	80	93	46	139
(b) Pyaemia		21	13	34	14	8	22
(c) Gas gangrene		1	—	1	—	1	1
(d) Generalized infection by bacillus coli		1	5	6	—	—	—
25. Gonococcal infections	25	11	8	19	18	5	23
26. Other bacterial diseases (dysentery excepted)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Dysentery.</i>							
27. Dysentery—							
(a) Bacillary	266	322	181	503	260	199	459
(b) Amoebic	308	369	159	528	292	112	404
(c) Other and unspecified forms of dysentery	1,655	500	407	907	530	431	961
<i>Diseases due to Protozoa.</i>							
28. Malaria—							
(a) Benign tertian	6,545 <sup>a</sup>	53	48	101	39	52	91
(b) Quartan		1	3	4	—	2	2
(c) Tropical Malignant tertian		127	112	239	138	111	249
(d) Blackwater fever		13	8	10	18	7	9
(e) Malarial Cachexia	362	159	109	268	174	134	308
(f) Other or unspecified malaria	— <sup>b</sup>	4,018	3,891	7,909	5,798	6,130	11,928

<sup>a</sup> Inclusive of cases under 28 (f).

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<i>Diseases due to Protozoa—contd.</i>							
29. Other diseases due to parasitic protozoa (except spirochaetes) ..	4c ..	2 ..	1 ..	3 ..	— ..	1 ..	1
<i>Diseases due to Spirochaetes.</i>							
30. Syphilis—							
(a) Locomotor ataxia (tabes dorsalis) ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) General paralysis of the insane ..	5 ..	3 ..	— ..	3 ..	4 ..	— ..	4
(c) Other syphilis of the central nervous system ..	—d ..	5 ..	1 ..	6 ..	3 ..	5 ..	8
(d) Aneurysm of the aorta ..	—e ..	5 ..	1 ..	6 ..	3 ..	— ..	3
(e) Other syphilis of the circulatory system ..							
(f) Congenital syphilis ..	101f	29 ..	22 ..	51 ..	18 ..	23 ..	41
(g) Other and unspecified forms of syphilis ..		13 ..	17 ..	30 ..	12 ..	9 ..	21
31. Relapsing fever ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1
32. Other diseases due to spirochaetes—							
(a) Spirochaetosis ictero-haemorrhagica (Weil's disease) ..	—g ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	4 ..	1 ..	5
(b) Others ..	—h ..	3 ..	1 ..	4 ..	5 ..	— ..	5
32A. Parangi ..	6 ..	3 ..	— ..	3 ..	— ..	1 ..	1
<i>Diseases due to filterable Viruses.</i>							
33. Influenza—							
(a) With respiratory complications specified ..	249 ..	190 ..	203 ..	393 ..	165 ..	150 ..	315
(b) Without respiratory complications specified ..	1,618 ..	595 ..	691 ..	1,286 ..	611 ..	638 ..	1,249
34. Smallpox—							
(a) Haemorrhagic ..		1 ..	2 ..	3 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6
(b) Confluent ..		2 ..	1 ..	3 ..	2 ..	— ..	2
(c) Discrete ..	17	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1
(d) Unspecified ..		54 ..	44 ..	98 ..	50 ..	32 ..	82
35. Measles ..	38 ..	18 ..	22 ..	40 ..	6 ..	5 ..	11
36. Acute poliomyelitis and polio-encephalitis ..	10 ..	7 ..	7 ..	14 ..	10 ..	2 ..	12
37. Acute infectious encephalitis (lethargic)—							
(a) Acute lethargic (orepidemic) encephalitis ..	2i	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) Sequelae of encephalitis lethargica ..		1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) Encephalomyelitis excluding post-vaccinal encephalomyelitis ..	—j ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	2
(d) Others ..	—k ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1
38. Other diseases due to viruses—							
(a) Yellow fever ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) Rabies ..	69 ..	54 ..	14 ..	68 ..	52 ..	14 ..	66
(c) Varicella ..	13 ..	9 ..	11 ..	20 ..	4 ..	— ..	4
(d) Others ..	1 ..	2 ..	1 ..	3 ..	3 ..	2 ..	5
<i>Diseases due to Rickettsia.</i>							
39. Typhus and typhus-like diseases (Rickettsioses) ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	2 ..	3 ..	5
<i>Diseases due to Helminths.</i>							
40. Ankylostomiasis ..	1,670 ..	874 ..	945 ..	1,819 ..	623 ..	714 ..	1,337
41. Hydatid disease ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	3 ..	3
42. Other diseases due to helminths—							
(a) Round worm ..		76 ..	118 ..	194 ..	97 ..	102 ..	199
(b) Tape worm ..		— ..	2 ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) Filaria ..	3,428	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..	3
(d) Others ..		1,852 ..	2,242 ..	4,094 ..	1,632 ..	1,864 ..	3,496

c Inclusive of cases under 32 (a), and (b).  
 d See note f.  
 e See note (a), (b).  
 f Inclusive of cases under 30 (c).  
 g See note c.

h See note c.  
 i Inclusive of cases under 37 (d).  
 j See note x.  
 k See note i

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths. 1	Annual Averages, 1936-1945. 2	1945.			1946.		
		M. 3	F. 4	Total. 5	M. 6	F. 7	Total. 8
<i>Diseases due to Fungi.</i>							
<b>43. Mycoses—</b>							
(a) Thrush	.. 1,063 ..	755 ..	827 ..	1,582 ..	520 ..	565 ..	1,085 ..
(b) Others	.. 1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
<i>Other Infective or Parasitic Diseases.</i>							
<b>44. Other infective and parasitic (communicable) diseases—</b>							
(a) Venereal diseases (except gonorrhoea and syphilis)	— <sup>l</sup> ..	3 ..	1 ..	4 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
(b) Lymphogranulomatosis (Hodgkin's disease)	.. 5 ..	6 ..	— ..	6 ..	6 ..	1 ..	7 ..
(c) Mumps	.. 5 ..	5 ..	4 ..	9 ..	10 ..	5 ..	15 ..
(d) Other infectious and parasitic diseases	.. 4 <sup>m</sup> ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..
<b>II.—CANCER AND OTHER TUMOURS...</b>							
<i>Cancer and other Malignant Tumours.</i>							
<b>45. Cancer of the buccal cavity and pharynx—</b>							
(a) Lips	..	3 ..	— ..	3 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..
(b) Tongue	..	20 ..	12 ..	32 ..	16 ..	1 ..	17 ..
(c) Other and unspecified sites	257	149 ..	86 ..	235 ..	144 ..	81 ..	225 ..
<b>46. Cancer of the digestive organs and peritoneum—</b>							
(a) Oesophagus	..	9 ..	7 ..	16 ..	9 ..	3 ..	12 ..
(b) Stomach and duodenum	..	29 ..	56 ..	85 ..	41 ..	46 ..	87 ..
(c) Intestines other than duodenum or rectum	..	5 ..	1 ..	6 ..	6 ..	7 ..	13 ..
(d) Rectum	..	11 ..	6 ..	17 ..	11 ..	5 ..	16 ..
(e) Liver and biliary passages	156	39 ..	19 ..	58 ..	30 ..	18 ..	48 ..
(f) Pancreas	..	5 ..	— ..	5 ..	5 ..	— ..	5 ..
(g) Peritoneum	..	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..
(h) Other or unspecified digestive organs	..	4 ..	1 ..	5 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..
<b>47. Cancer of the respiratory system—</b>							
(a) Larynx and trachea	..	9 ..	1 ..	10 ..	8 ..	4 ..	12 ..
(b) Bronchi, lungs and pleura	19	8 ..	6 ..	14 ..	7 ..	3 ..	10 ..
(c) Unspecified respiratory organs	..	8 ..	3 ..	11 ..	1 ..	3 ..	4 ..
<b>48. Cancer of the uterus—</b>							
(a) Cervix uteri	..	— ..	62 ..	62 ..	— ..	72 ..	72 ..
(b) Other or unspecified sites	87	— ..	32 ..	32 ..	— ..	26 ..	26 ..
<b>49. Cancer of other female genital organs</b> .. 13 ..							
<b>50. Cancer of the breast</b> .. 31 ..							
<b>51. Cancer of the male genital organs—</b>							
(a) Scrotum	..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
(b) Prostate	..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	5 ..	— ..	5 ..
(c) Other or unspecified male genital organs	— <sup>n</sup>	18 ..	— ..	18 ..	9 ..	— ..	9 ..
<b>52. Cancer of the male and female urinary organs</b> .. 0 ..							
<b>53. Cancer of the skin (scrotum excepted)</b> .. 20 ..							
<b>54. Cancer of the brain and other parts of the nervous system</b> .. 2 ..							
<b>55. Cancer of other and unspecified organs—</b>							
(a) Adrenal glands	110 <sup>p</sup>	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..
(b) Bones	..	5 ..	3 ..	8 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6 ..
(c) Thyroid gland	..	— ..	6 ..	6 ..	4 ..	4 ..	8 ..
(d) Other and unspecified organs	..	49 ..	29 ..	78 ..	52 ..	35 ..	87 ..

<sup>l</sup> See note m.<sup>m</sup> Inclusive of cases under 44 (a)<sup>n</sup> See note p.<sup>o</sup> See note p.<sup>p</sup> Inclusive of cases under 51 (a), (b), (c) and 52.

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<i>Non-malignant Tumours and Tumours of unspecified nature.</i>							
56. Non-malignant tumours (including dermoid cysts) —							
(a) Ovary	6	—	5	5	—	11	11
(b) Uterus		—	4	4	—	2	2
(c) Other female genital organs		—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Brain and other parts of the central nervous system	10	3	1	4	3	3	6
(e) Other and unspecified organs		3	2	5	6	3	9
57. Tumours of unspecified nature—							
(a) Ovary	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
(b) Uterus		—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other female genital organs		—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Brain and other parts of the central nervous system	22	3	2	5	7	3	10
(e) Other and unspecified organs		6	7	13	9	5	14
<b>III.—RHEUMATISM, DISEASES OF NUTRITION AND OF THE ENDOCRINE GLANDS, OTHER GENERAL DISEASES AND VITAMIN DEFICIENCY DISEASES.</b>							
	7,854	5,207	5,819	11,026	4,353	4,688	9,041
58. Rheumatic fever—							
(a) Acute rheumatic pericarditis	2,202 <sup>q</sup>	2	—	2	—	—	—
(b) Acute rheumatic endocarditis		9	7	16	6	—	6
(c) Acute rheumatic myocarditis		2	5	7	4	1	5
(d) Other forms, including acute articular rheumatism and rheumatic pleurisy		19	9	28	5	14	19
(e) Rheumatic chorea		3	1	4	2	—	2
(f) Others		— <sup>r</sup>	1,175	1,108	2,283	1,197	1,070
59. Chronic reumatism and other rheumatic diseases—							
(a) Rheumatoid arthritis	128	6	6	12	7	4	11
(b) Other chronic articular rheumatism		7	3	10	4	2	6
(c) Other forms of chronic rheumatism		139	115	254	8	12	20
60. Gout	—	—	—	—	2	—	2
61. Diabetes mellitus	667	441	191	632	374	173	547
62. Diseases of the pituitary glands	1	7	1	8	1	—	1
63. Diseases of the thyroid and parathyroid glands—							
(a) Simple goitre	4	1	1	2	—	2	2
(b) Exophthalmic goitre	4	—	4	4	2	5	7
(c) Myxoedema and cretinism	2	—	1	1	—	1	1
(d) Other diseases of the thyroid gland	4	1	4	5	1	6	7
(e) Diseases of the parathyroid glands	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
64. Diseases of the thymus gland	2	—	1	1	2	4	6
65. Diseases of the adrenal glands (not specified as tuberculous)	1	—	—	—	2	—	2
66. Other general diseases—							
(a) Osteomalacia	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
(b) Sprue	11	10	9	19	15	14	29
(c) Others	11	2	4	6	1	—	1
<i>Vitamin Deficiency Diseases.</i>							
67. Scurvy	2	1	1	2	1	4	6
68. Beri-beri	1	2	—	2	—	2	2
69. Pellagra (except alcoholic)	2	6	4	10	1	3	4
70. Rickets	—	269	319	588	198	225	423
71. Other vitamin deficiency diseases—							
(a) Mandama	4,812	3,063	3,988	7,051	2,507	3,134	5,641
(b) Others	—	40	37	77	13	12	25

<sup>q</sup> Inclusive of cases under 58 (f) and 93 (b)  
<sup>r</sup> See note z.

<sup>s</sup> See note q.

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>IV.—DISEASES OF THE BLOOD AND BLOOD-FORMING ORGANS</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>1,675</b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>1,297</b>	<b>2,833</b>
72. Haemorrhagic conditions—							
(a) Primary purpuras	174	51	47	98	59	36	95
(b) Other haemorrhagic conditions	10	4	—	4	—	2	2
73. Anaemias (except splenic anaemia)—							
(a) Pernicious	25 <sup>t</sup>	25	27	52	9	25	34
(b) Others (excluding Hookworm anaemia and malarial cachexia)	2,202	1,582	1,217	2,799	1,442	1,222	2,664
74. Leukaemias and aleukaemias—							
(a) Leukaemia	14	5	5	10	10	3	13
(b) Aleukaemia		—	—	—	—	—	—
75. Diseases of the spleen—							
(a) Splenic anaemia	13	7	2	9	14	7	21
(b) Others		—	—	—	—	—	—
76. Other diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs—							
(a) Agranulocytosis	— <sup>u</sup>	—	—	—	1	2	3
(b) Aplastic anaemia	— <sup>v</sup>	1	—	1	—	—	—
(c) Others	1 <sup>w</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>V.—CHRONIC POISONING AND INTOXICATION</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4</b>
77. Alcoholism (ethylism)	6	2	—	2	4	—	4
78. Lead poisoning—							
(a) Specified as occupational	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Not specified as occupational		—	—	—	—	—	—
79. Chronic poisoning by other mineral and organic substances—							
(a) Occupational poisoning	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Poisoning by narcotic and soporific drugs		—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other non-occupational poisoning		—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Unspecified poisoning		—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>VI.—DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AND SENSE ORGANS</b>	<b>15,390</b>	<b>8,568</b>	<b>8,142</b>	<b>16,710</b>	<b>8,457</b>	<b>7,985</b>	<b>16,442</b>
80. Encephalitis (non-epidemic)—							
(a) Intra-cranial abscess	40 <sup>x</sup>	9	2	11	9	2	11
(b) Other forms		16	9	25	10	8	18
81. Meningitis, (nonmeningococcal, non-tuberculous)	158	138	85	223	168	105	273
82. Diseases of the spinal cord (except locomotor ataxia and disseminated sclerosis)	17	14	4	18	12	5	17
83. Intra-cranial lesions of vascular origin—							
(a) Cerebral haemorrhage (not due to injury at birth)	327	180	99	279	186	92	278
(b) Cerebral embolism and thrombosis	167	89	75	164	83	78	161
(c) Softening of the brain	1	—	1	1	—	—	—
(d) Hemiplegia and other paralyzes of un stated origin	1,670	1,022	843	1,865	867	706	1,573

<sup>t</sup> Inclusive of cases under 76 (b).  
<sup>u</sup> Inclusive of cases under 76 (c).  
<sup>v</sup> See note t.  
<sup>w</sup> See note u.  
<sup>x</sup> Inclusive of cases under 37 (c).

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
84. Mental diseases and deficiency (except general paralysis of the insane)—							
(a) Mental deficiency	49	8	5	13	5	1	6
(b) Schizophrenia (dementia praecox)		—	1	1	3	—	3
(c) Manic-depressive psychosis		1	—	1	1	1	2
(d) Other mental disorders		27	24	51	34	25	59
85. Epilepsy	189	124	104	228	114	72	186
86. Convulsions in children under 5 years of age	11,852	6,490	6,345	12,835	6,510	6,386	12,896
87. Other diseases of the nervous system—							
(a) Chorea (non-rheumatic)	y	1	—	1	—	—	1
(b) Neuritis	13	8	7	15	4	3	7
(c) Paralysis agitans (Parkinson's disease)	861z	8	4	12	1	—	1
(d) Disseminated sclerosis		3	2	5	2	—	2
(e) Others		400	519	919	417	487	904
88. Diseases of the organs of vision	16	13	6	19	11	5	16
89. Diseases of the ear and of the mastoid process—							
(a) Otitis and other diseases of the ear	19	10	3	13	12	4	16
(b) Diseases of the mastoid process	11	7	4	11	8	5	13
<b>VII.—DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>2,430</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>4,028</b>	<b>2,056</b>	<b>1,324</b>	<b>3,380</b>
90. Pericarditis (including chronic rheumatic pericarditis)—							
(a) Chronic pericarditis specified as rheumatic	29	1	—	1	1	—	1
(b) Others		18	7	25	19	6	25
91. Acute endocarditis (excluding rheumatic endocarditis)—							
(a) Acute bacterial endocarditis	23	8	1	9	1	3	4
(b) Sub-acute bacterial endocarditis		2	1	3	1	2	3
(c) Others forms of acute or sub-acute endocarditis (excluding arteriosclerotic endocarditis)		18	10	28	7	6	13
92. Chronic affections of the valves and endocardium—							
(a) Diseases of the aortic valve	224	7	1	8	8	2	10
(b) Diseases of the aortic valve combined with diseases of the mitral valve		26	23	49	16	38	54
(c) Diseases of the mitral valve		44	49	93	17	20	37
(d) Others		28	33	61	27	22	49
93. Diseases of the myocardium, including aneurism of the heart—							
(a) Acute myocarditis	12	14	17	31	10	12	22
(b) Chronic myocarditis specified as rheumatic	—aa	25	16	41	18	7	25
(c) Myocardial degeneration, infarction and sclerosis, and other chronic myocarditis, not specified as rheumatic	635	568	486	1,054	434	344	778
(d) Myocarditis not specified as acute or chronic	473	477	474	951	472	450	922

y See note z.

z Inclusive of cases under 58 (e) and 87 (a).

aa See note q.

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
94. Diseases of the coronary arteries and angina pectoris—							
(a) Diseases of the coronary arteries	167	185 ..	38 ..	223 ..	204 ..	37 ..	241
(b) Angina pectoris without mention of coronary arteries ..		29 ..	5 ..	34 ..	18 ..	6 ..	24
95. Other diseases of the heart—							
(a) Disturbance of rate and rhythm ( <i>e.g.</i> , auricular fibrillation, auricular flutter, tachy cardia, heart block, &c.)	440	15 ..	17 ..	32 ..	14 ..	8 ..	22
(b) Other unspecified diseases of the heart		321 ..	186 ..	507 ..	270 ..	171 ..	441
96. Aneurism (except of heart and aorta)	8ab..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..	1 ..	— ..	1
97. Arteriosclerosis (except coronary or renal sclerosis)	16 ..	14 ..	7 ..	21 ..	4 ..	3 ..	7
98. Gangrene	185 ..	162 ..	88 ..	240 ..	117 ..	71 ..	188
99. Other diseases of the arteries	9 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	6 ..	3 ..	9
100. Diseases of the veins—							
(a) Varices	395	401 ..	100 ..	501 ..	324 ..	89 ..	413
(b) Septic thrombo-phlebitis		3 ..	4 ..	7 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6
(c) Others		2 ..	3 ..	5 ..	3 ..	— ..	3
101. Diseases of the lymphatic system	10 ..	6 ..	5 ..	11 ..	11 ..	3 ..	14
102. High blood pressure (idiopathic)	40 ..	56 ..	21 ..	77 ..	45 ..	17 ..	62
103. Other diseases of the circulatory system	9 ..	7 ..	5 ..	12 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6
VIII.—DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM	13,761 ..	7,803 ..	6,239 ..	14,062 ..	7,743 ..	6,751 ..	14,494
104. Diseases of the nasal fossae and annexe	19 ..	11 ..	7 ..	18 ..	10 ..	4 ..	14
105. Diseases of the larynx	23 ..	22 ..	9 ..	31 ..	21 ..	14 ..	35
106. Bronchitis—							
(a) Acute	178 ..	102 ..	83 ..	185 ..	97 ..	65 ..	162
(b) Chronic	452	244 ..	210 ..	454 ..	232 ..	231 ..	463
(c) Bronchiectasis		18 ..	14 ..	32 ..	9 ..	5 ..	14
(d) Unspecified ..	897 ..	407 ..	370 ..	777 ..	426 ..	447 ..	873
107. Broncho-pneumonia, including capillary bronchitis	2,182 ..	1,282 ..	1,077 ..	2,359 ..	1,274 ..	1,179 ..	2,453
108. Lobar pneumonia	1,826 ..	1,392 ..	819 ..	2,211 ..	1,328 ..	944 ..	2,272
109. Pneumonia (unspecified)	4,924 ..	2,497 ..	2,246 ..	4,743 ..	2,985 ..	2,731 ..	5,716
110. Pleurisy—							
(a) Empyema	59 ..	50 ..	18 ..	68 ..	39 ..	10 ..	49
(b) Other or unspecified forms of pleurisy	62 ..	33 ..	11 ..	44 ..	32 ..	13 ..	45
111. Haemorrhagic infarction, thrombosis, oedema and chronic congestion of the lungs—							
(a) Haemorrhagic infarction and thrombosis of the lungs	19 ..	5 ..	15 ..	20 ..	4 ..	12 ..	16
(b) Acute oedema of the lungs	55	21 ..	15 ..	36 ..	17 ..	11 ..	28
(c) Chronic and unspecified congestion of the lungs		13 ..	6 ..	19 ..	11 ..	9 ..	20
112. Asthma	501 ..	273 ..	353 ..	626 ..	276 ..	302 ..	578
113. Pulmonary emphysema	3 ..	1 ..	3 ..	4 ..	3 ..	1 ..	4
114. Other diseases of the respiratory system (except tuberculosis)—							
(a) Occupational diseases	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) Gangrene	2,559	7 ..	1 ..	8 ..	1 ..	2 ..	3
(c) Abscess		54 ..	11 ..	65 ..	25 ..	12 ..	37
(d) Other diseases of the respiratory system		1,371 ..	991 ..	2,362 ..	953 ..	759 ..	1,712

ab Inclusive of cases under 30 (d).

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>IX.—DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM</b>	<b>8,819</b>	<b>4,918</b>	<b>4,088</b>	<b>9,006</b>	<b>4,837</b>	<b>3,922</b>	<b>8,759</b>
115. Diseases of the buccal cavity, pharynx, tonsils and annexa—							
(a) Diseases of the teeth and gums	86 <sup>ac</sup>	9	7	16	4	1	5
(b) Septic sore throat		27	12	39	17	15	32
(c) Diseases of the pharynx and tonsils	171	48	39	87	92	49	141
(d) Diseases of other and unspecified parts of the buccal cavity and annexa	— <sup>ad</sup>	35	28	63	49	41	90
116. Diseases of the oesophagus	4	1	—	1	2	1	3
117. Ulcer of the stomach or duodenum							
(a) Stomach	41	23	5	28	25	7	32
(b) Duodenum	10	13	2	15	8	1	9
118. Other diseases of the stomach (except cancer)	475	245	264	509	267	296	563
119. Diarrhoea, enteritis and ulceration of the intestines (under 2 years of age)—							
(a) Diarrhoea and enteritis		706	697	1,403	805	692	1,497
(b) Ulceration of the intestines (except duodenum)	1,471	2	2	4	4	2	6
120. Diarrhoea, enteritis and ulceration of the intestines (2 years of age and over)—							
(a) Diarrhoea and enteritis		3,108	2,765	5,873	2,890	2,562	5,452
(b) Ulceration of the intestines (except duodenum)	5,620	31	14	45	15	12	27
121. Appendicitis	73	61	30	91	59	21	80
122. Hernia, intestinal obstruction—							
(a) Hernia	145	129	17	146	121	10	131
(b) Intestinal obstruction	141	94	34	128	95	56	151
123. Other diseases of the intestines	33	17	6	23	28	4	32
124. Cirrhosis of the liver—							
(a) With mention of alcoholism	17	25	1	26	19	1	20
(b) Without mention of alcoholism	187	116	43	159	118	36	154
125. Other diseases of the liver—							
(a) Acute yellow atrophy (non-puerperal)	24	33	22	55	13	13	26
(b) Other diseases of the liver	213	132	53	185	131	51	182
126. Biliary calculi	2	1	—	1	1	1	2
127. Other diseases of the gallbladder and bile-ducts—							
(a) Cholecystitis without record of biliary calculi		8	1	9	4	5	9
(b) Others	21	9	5	14	5	2	7
128. Diseases of the pancreas (other than diabetes)	7	3	3	6	3	—	3
129. Peritonitis without stated cause	78	42	38	80	62	43	105
<b>X.—DISEASES OF THE GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM</b>	<b>1,927</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>2,128</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>1,769</b>
130. Acute nephritis—							
(a) Acute nephritis		155	181	336	112	134	246
(b) Sub-acute nephritis		28	26	54	25	16	41
(c) Unspecified nephritis (under 10 years of age)	396	67	64	131	66	69	135
131. Chronic nephritis	715	474	519	993	311	369	680
132. Nephritis unspecified (10 years of age and over)	499	141	182	323	163	204	367
133. Other diseases of the kidneys and ureters (not connected with pregnancy)	84	38	35	73	35	33	68
134. Calculi of the urinary passage	7	11	1	12	13	3	16
135. Diseases of the bladder	87	57	21	78	59	28	87

ac Inclusive of cases under 115 (d).

ad See note ac.

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.			
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
136. Diseases of the urethra (except calculus)—								
(a) Stricture of the urethra ..	11 ..	15 ..	1 ..	16 ..	9 ..	— ..	9	
(b) Others ..	15 ..	17 ..	3 ..	20 ..	11 ..	3 ..	14	
137. Diseases of the prostate ..	24 ..	29 ..	1 ..	30 ..	32 ..	— ..	32	
138. Diseases of the male genital organs (not specified as venereal) ..	18 ..	14 ..	— ..	14 ..	10 ..	— ..	10	
139. Diseases of the female genital organs—								
(a) Ovaries, fallopian tubes, parametria ..	18 ..	— ..	5 ..	5 ..	— ..	10 ..	10	
(b) Uterus ..	42 ..	— ..	37 ..	37 ..	— ..	35 ..	35	
(c) Breast ..	6 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	11 ..	11	
(d) Other and unspecified female genital organs ..	5 ..	— ..	5 ..	5 ..	— ..	8 ..	8	
XI.—DISEASES OF PREGNANCY, CHILD BIRTH AND THE PUERPERIUM ..								
	3,705 ..	— ..	3,940 ..	3,940 ..	— ..	3,987 ..	3,987	
140. Post-abortive infection—								
(a) Spontaneous therapeutic or origin of unspecified ..	10	{	— ..	14 ..	14 ..	— ..	7 ..	7
(b) Abortion induced for reasons other than therapeutic ..			— ..	11 ..	11 ..	— ..	3 ..	3
141. Abortion without mention of septic conditions—								
(a) Spontaneous, therapeutic or origin of unspecified ..	41 <sup>ae</sup>	{	— ..	15 ..	15 ..	— ..	44 ..	44
(b) Abortion induced for reasons other than therapeutic ..			— ..	14 ..	14 ..	— ..	8 ..	8
142. Ectopic gestation ..	10 ..	— ..	10 ..	10 ..	— ..	11 ..	11	
143. Haemorrhage of pregnancy (death before delivery)—								
(a) Placenta praevia ..	53 <sup>af</sup> ..	— ..	14 ..	14 ..	— ..	26 ..	26	
(b) Premature separation of placenta ..	205 <sup>ag</sup> ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
(c) Other and unspecified haemorrhages of pregnancy ..	— <sup>ah</sup> ..	— ..	16 ..	16 ..	— ..	17 ..	17	
144. Toxaemias of pregnancy—								
(a) Eclampsia of pregnancy ..	— <sup>ai</sup> ..	— ..	121 ..	121 ..	— ..	196 ..	196	
(b) Albuminuria and nephritis of pregnancy ..	— <sup>aj</sup> ..	— ..	16 ..	16 ..	— ..	10 ..	10	
(c) Acute yellow atrophy of liver associated with pregnancy ..	42 <sup>ak</sup>	{	— ..	3 ..	3 ..	— ..	— ..	—
(d) Hyperemesis gravidarum ..			— ..	12 ..	12 ..	— ..	10 ..	10
(e) Other toxaemias ..			— ..	49 ..	49 ..	— ..	33 ..	33
145. Other diseases and accidents of pregnancy (death before delivery) ..	55 ..	— ..	126 ..	126 ..	— ..	139 ..	139	
146. Haemorrhage of childbirth and the puerperium—								
(a) Placenta praevia (with childbirth) ..	— <sup>al</sup> ..	— ..	29 ..	29 ..	— ..	35 ..	35	
(b) Premature separation of placenta (with childbirth) ..	— <sup>am</sup>	{	— ..	7 ..	7 ..	— ..	5 ..	5
(c) Other and unspecified haemorrhages of childbirth and the puerperium ..			— ..	266 ..	266 ..	— ..	259 ..	259

ae Inclusive of cases under 143 (c).  
 af Inclusive of cases under 146 (a).  
 ag Inclusive of cases under 146 (b) & (c).  
 ah See note ae.  
 ai See note an.

aj See note ao.  
 ak Inclusive of cases under 148 (c) & (d).  
 al See note af.  
 am See note ag.

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>147. Infection during childbirth and the puerperium—</b>							
(a) puerperal pyelitis and pyelonephritis ..	<i>am1</i> ..	—	20	20	—	7	7
(b) General or local puerperal infection (except pyelitis)	1,133	—	921	921	—	908	908
(c) Puerperal thrombophlebitis ..	16	—	5	5	—	3	3
(d) Puerperal embolism and sudden death		—	46	46	—	5	5
<b>148. Puerperal toxæmias (excluding death before delivery)—</b>							
(a) Puerperal eclampsia ..	1,654 <i>an</i> ..	—	1,700	1,700	—	1,628	1,628
(b) Puerperal albuminuria and nephritis	32 <i>ao</i> ..	—	29	29	—	13	13
(c) Acute yellow atrophy of liver (puerperal)	—	—	2	2	—	—	—
(d) Other puerperal toxæmias ..	<i>ap</i>	—	7	7	—	9	9
<b>149. Other accidents and specified conditions of childbirth—</b>							
(a) Laceration, rupture or other trauma of pelvic organs and tissues	399	—	5	5	—	10	10
(b) Other specified conditions of childbirth ..		—	396	396	—	372	372
<b>150. Other and unspecified conditions of childbirth and the puerperium—</b>							
(a) Infection of the breast during lactation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Psychosis of the puerperium ..	6	—	3	3	—	16	16
(c) Other and unspecified conditions of childbirth and the puerperium ..	49	—	182	182	—	213	213
<b>XII.—DISEASES OF THE SKIN AND CELLULAR TISSUE</b>	<b>9,018</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>1,578</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>1,088</b>
151. Carbuncle, boils ..	47	20	7	27	21	19	40
152. Cellulitis, acute abscess ..	560	553	301	854	435	245	680
153. Other diseases of the skin and annexa, and of the cellular tissue ..	8,411 <i>aq</i> ..	377	320	697	182	186	368
<b>XIII.—DISEASES OF THE BONES AND ORGANS OF MOVEMENT</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>154. Osteomyelitis and periostitis—</b>							
(a) Acute ..	21	—	4	4	1	—	1
(b) Chronic ..		12	2	14	2	3	5
(c) Unspecified ..		13	4	17	8	2	10
155. Other diseases of the bones, except tuberculosis	3	2	1	3	1	—	1
156. Diseases of the joints and other organs of movement ..	14	9	4	13	12	2	14
<b>XIV.—CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS.</b> (This title applies only to children born alive)	<b>79</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>157. Congenital malformations—</b>							
<b>Congenital malformations of the central nervous system—</b>							
(a) Congenital hydrocephalus ..	10	7	7	14	4	2	6
(b) Spina bifida and meningocele ..	— <i>ar</i> ..	9	8	17	12	7	19
(c) Anencephalus ..		1	4	5	3	—	3
(d) Other congenital malformations of the central nervous system	57 <i>as</i>	1	3	4	7	1	11

*am 1* See Note *ao*.

*an* Inclusive of cases under 144 (a).

*ao* Inclusive of cases under 144 (b) and 147 (a).

*ap* See note *ak*.

*aq* Inclusive of cases under 161 (e).

*ar* See note *at*.

*as* Inclusive of cases under 157 (g), (h) & (i).

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Congenital malformations of the cardiovascular system—</b>							
(e) Congenital malformations of the heart	12 <i>at</i>	6 ..	5 ..	11 ..	6 ..	2 ..	8
(f) Other congenital malformations of the cardiovascular system		1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1
<b>Other congenital malformations—</b>							
(g) Congenital malformations of the digestive system	— <i>av</i>	15 ..	9 ..	24 ..	14 ..	7 ..	21
(h) Congenital malformations of the genito-urinary system		— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	1
(i) Other and unspecified congenital malformations		17 ..	27 ..	44 ..	22 ..	30 ..	52
<b>XV.—DISEASES PECULIAR TO THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE</b>							
..	9,527 ..	9,781 ..	8,509 ..	18,290 ..	10,097 ..	8,851 ..	18,948
158. Congenital debility (cause not stated)	6,133 ..	3,054 ..	2,546 ..	5,600 ..	3,499 ..	2,989 ..	6,488
159. Premature birth (cause not stated)	3,153 ..	2,346 ..	1,946 ..	4,292 ..	2,728 ..	2,362 ..	5,090
160. Injury at birth—							
(a) Intracranial or spinal haemorrhage	91	10 ..	7 ..	17 ..	27 ..	12 ..	39
(b) Other intracranial or spinal injuries		— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) Other injuries at birth		27 ..	24 ..	51 ..	31 ..	11 ..	42
61. Other diseases peculiar to the first year of life—							
(a) Asphyxia during or after birth, atelectasis	47 ..	54 ..	36 ..	90 ..	71 ..	46 ..	117
(b) Intoxication due to maternal toxæmia	— <i>av</i>	10 ..	7 ..	17 ..	7 ..	10 ..	17
(c) Infections of the new-born, including non-syphilitic pemphigus		15 ..	9 ..	24 ..	14 ..	21 ..	35
(d) Haemorrhagic diseases of the new-born		6 ..	4 ..	10 ..	7 ..	5 ..	12
(e) Rata	— <i>av</i> ..	4,252 ..	3,922 ..	8,174 ..	3,703 ..	3,386 ..	7,089
(f) Other specified diseases (including gangrene or haemorrhage of umbilicus, icterus neonatorum, acute catarrhal hepatitis)	103 <i>ax</i> ..	7 ..	7 ..	14 ..	10 ..	9 ..	19
<b>XVI.—SENILITY, OLD AGE</b>							
..	7,252 ..	4,253 ..	5,071 ..	9,324 ..	3,842 ..	4,544 ..	8,386
162. Senility, Old age	7,252 ..	4,253 ..	5,071 ..	9,324 ..	3,842 ..	4,544 ..	8,386
<b>XVII.—VIOLENT OR ACCIDENTAL DEATHS</b>							
..	3,252 ..	2,714 ..	850 ..	3,564 ..	2,527 ..	865 ..	3,392
<b>Suicide.</b>							
<b>163. Suicide by poisoning—</b>							
(a) Suicide by solid or liquid toxic or corrosive substances	49 ..	23 ..	27 ..	50 ..	35 ..	21 ..	56
(b) Suicide by poisonous gases	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
<b>164. Suicide by other means—</b>							
(a) Suicide by hanging or strangulation	215 ..	156 ..	64 ..	220 ..	152 ..	45 ..	197
(b) Suicide by drowning	63 ..	21 ..	19 ..	40 ..	31 ..	33 ..	64
(c) Suicide by firearms and explosives	21 ..	15 ..	1 ..	16 ..	18 ..	3 ..	21
(d) Suicide by cutting or piercing instruments	14 ..	10 ..	3 ..	13 ..	12 ..	2 ..	14
(e) Suicide by jumping from high places	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	2 ..	3 ..	3 ..	6
(f) Suicide by crushing	20 ..	10 ..	2 ..	12 ..	14 ..	2 ..	16
(g) Suicide by other or unspecified means	8 ..	17 ..	5 ..	22 ..	11 ..	7 ..	18

*at* Inclusive of cases under 157 (b).*av* See note *as*.*ax* See note *ax**aw* See note *aq*.*ax* Inclusive of cases under 161 (b), (c), & (d)

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.			
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
<i>Homicide.</i>								
165. Infanticide (infants under 1 year) ..	10 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	5 ..	6	
166. Homicide by firearms ..	52 ..	49 ..	3 ..	52 ..	56 ..	4 ..	60	
167. Homicide by cutting or piercing instruments ..	228 ..	237 ..	54 ..	291 ..	198 ..	32 ..	230	
168. Homicide by other means ..	110 ..	133 ..	24 ..	157 ..	87 ..	24 ..	111	
<i>Accidental Deaths.</i>								
169. Railway accidents (except collisions with motor vehicles) ..	58 ..	54 ..	8 ..	62 ..	66 ..	13 ..	79	
170. Motor vehicle accidents—								
(a) Collisions with rains	188	17 ..	3 ..	20 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
(b) Collisions with trams		— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) Other automobile accidents—								
(1) Cars		60 ..	11 ..	71 ..	47 ..	14 ..	61	
(2) Omnibuses and lorries		169 ..	27 ..	196 ..	110 ..	13 ..	123	
(3) Motor-Bicycles	9 ..	— ..	9 ..	9 ..	2 ..	11		
(4) Other vehicles	14 ..	4 ..	18 ..	9 ..	— ..	9		
171. Other road transport accidents	— <i>ay</i>	39 ..	2 ..	41 ..	41 ..	5 ..	46	
172. Water transport accidents		2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
173. Air transport accidents		3 ..	— ..	3 ..	4 ..	— ..	4	
174. Accidents in mines and quarries ..	— <i>az</i>	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	2	
175. Agricultural and forestry accidents (excluding accidents in the course of private gardening)—								
(a) Accidents from farm machinery and vehicles ..	— <i>ba</i>	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
(b) Injuries by venomous animals—								
(1) Snake bites	— <i>bb</i>	22 ..	5 ..	27 ..	9 ..	2 ..	11	
(2) Insect stings	— <i>bb1</i>	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1	
(3) Other animals	— <i>bb2</i>	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—	
(c) Injuries by non-venomous animals—								
(1) Elephants	— <i>bc</i>	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1	
(2) Cattle		— ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1	
(3) Other animals		— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1	
(d) Other agricultural and forestry accidents ..	— <i>bc1</i>	1 ..	2 ..	3 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
176. Other accidents involving machinery ..	— <i>bd</i>	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	3 ..	— ..	3	
177. Food poisoning ..	18 ..	19 ..	14 ..	33 ..	27 ..	12 ..	39	
178. Accidental absorption of poisonous gases ..	4 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—	
179. Acute accidental poisoning by solids or liquids ..	30 ..	20 ..	18 ..	38 ..	17 ..	10 ..	27	
180. Conflagration ..	5 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	—	
181. Accidental burns (conflagration excepted)—								
(a) Bottle lamps	224	17 ..	38 ..	55 ..	17 ..	41 ..	58	
(b) Other accidental burns		95 ..	97 ..	192 ..	96 ..	108 ..	204	
182. Accidental mechanical suffocation	9 ..	5 ..	2 ..	7 ..	1 ..	2 ..	3	
183. Accidental drowning—								
(a) Wells	564	102 ..	97 ..	199 ..	116 ..	124 ..	240	
(b) Pits		16 ..	7 ..	23 ..	23 ..	14 ..	37	
(c) Other accidental drownings		204 ..	84 ..	288 ..	234 ..	69 ..	303	
184. Accidental injury by firearms ..	40 ..	33 ..	4 ..	37 ..	49 ..	4 ..	53	
185. Accidental injury by cutting or piercing instruments ..	12 <i>be</i>	10 ..	4 ..	14 ..	9 ..	6 ..	1	

*ay* See note *bf*.*az* See note *bf*.*ba* See note *bf*.*bb* See note *bh*.*bb1* See note *bh1*.*bb2* See note *bh2*.*bc* See note *bg*.*bc1* See note *bf*.*bd* See note *bf*.*be* Inclusive of cases under 195 (d).

XVII.—Deaths registered in Ceylon—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Annual Averages. 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		M.	F.	Total	M.	F.	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
186. Accidental injury by fall, crushing, land slide, &c.—							
(a) Fall from trees ..	466 ..	471 ..	6 ..	477 ..	418 ..	7 ..	425
(b) Fall from heights other than trees ..	67 ..	53 ..	8 ..	61 ..	53 ..	10 ..	63
(c) Other accidental falls ..	88 ..	80 ..	28 ..	108 ..	81 ..	23 ..	104
(d) Land slides ..	9 ..	6 ..	1 ..	7 ..	— ..	1 ..	1
(e) Fall of heavy substances ..	180bf ..	106 ..	31 ..	137 ..	77 ..	38 ..	115
187. Cataclysms (all deaths whatever their cause) ..	2 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	—
188. Injury by animals (not specified as venomous or occurring in the course of agricultural and forestry operations)—							
(a) Elephants ..	49bg	19 ..	2 ..	21 ..	12 ..	1 ..	13
(b) Cattle ..		14 ..	— ..	14 ..	4 ..	4 ..	8
(c) Other animals ..		10 ..	4 ..	14 ..	16 ..	3 ..	19
189. Hunger or thirst ..	16 ..	22 ..	3 ..	25 ..	13 ..	5 ..	18
190. Excessive cold ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
191. Excessive heat ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
192. Lightning ..	20 ..	7 ..	6 ..	13 ..	6 ..	7 ..	13
193. Other accidents due to electric currents ..	7 ..	10 ..	— ..	10 ..	5 ..	2 ..	7
194. Attack by venomous animals (except in the course of agriculture and forestry)							
(a) Snake bites ..	264bh ..	153 ..	79 ..	232 ..	197 ..	108 ..	305
(b) Insect stings ..	12bh1 ..	6 ..	8 ..	14 ..	3 ..	3 ..	6
(c) Other animals ..	4bh2 ..	9 ..	— ..	9 ..	3 ..	1 ..	4
195. Other accidents—							
(a) Sequelae of preventive immunization, inoculation, or vaccination including post-vaccinal encephalites ..	4 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6 ..	2 ..	4 ..	6
(b) Other accidents due to medical or surgical intervention ..	—bi ..	5 ..	2 ..	7 ..	1 ..	— ..	1
(c) Lack of care of the newborn ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	2
(d) Obstruction, suffocation or puncture by ingested objects ..	88bj	9 ..	1 ..	10 ..	12 ..	4 ..	16
(e) Other and unspecified accidents ..		110 ..	36 ..	146 ..	78 ..	24 ..	102
196. Deaths of persons in military service during operations of war—							
(a) From poison gas ..	—	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) From wounds ..		— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) From other or unspecified causes ..		1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	—
197. Deaths of civilians due to operations of war—	—	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(a) From poison gas ..		— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(b) From wounds ..		— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
(c) From other or unspecified causes ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	—
198. Legal executions ..	29 ..	27 ..	— ..	27 ..	33 ..	— ..	33
XVIII.—ILL-DEFINED AND UNKNOWN CAUSES OF DEATH	15,983 ..	9,303 ..	9,697 ..	19,000 ..	6,671 ..	7,088 ..	13,759
199. Sudden death ..	3 ..	4 ..	1 ..	5 ..	1 ..	— ..	1
200. Ill-defined and unknown causes—							
(a) Dropsy ..	1,988 ..	1,085 ..	1,332 ..	2,417 ..	860 ..	1,061 ..	1,921
(b) Heart failure ..	304 ..	184 ..	115 ..	299 ..	237 ..	116 ..	353
(c) Pyrexia ..	12,726 ..	7,613 ..	7,762 ..	15,375 ..	5,100 ..	5,356 ..	10,456
(d) Other ill-defined causes ..	946 ..	406 ..	481 ..	887 ..	457 ..	544 ..	1,001
(e) Not specified or unknown ..	16 ..	11 ..	6 ..	17 ..	16 ..	11 ..	27

bf Inclusive of cases under 171, 172, 173, 175 (a) and 176.  
 bg Inclusive of cases under 175 (c).  
 bh Inclusive of cases under 175 (d) (1).  
 bh1 Inclusive of cases under 175 (b) (2).

bh2 Inclusive of cases under 175 (b) (3).  
 bi See note be.  
 bj Inclusive of cases under and 174 175 (d).

The figures in the Table may be substantially inaccurate owing to errors in diagnosis.

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
All Causes ..	13,938	6,762	7,176	2,244	2,352	447	458	1,285	1,394	928	1,023	656	698	517	565	83	276	250	88	109	111	104	125	140	
I.—INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES.	2,386	1,144	1,242	356	384	109	102	142	174	141	155	118	152	119	138	24	52	45	27	10	14	17	42	48	
<i>Diseases due to Bacteria.</i>																									
1. Typhoid fever	101	61	40	25	16	1	—	22	13	7	6	1	1	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Paratyphoid fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Plague—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(a) Bubonic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(b) Pneumonic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(c) Septicaemic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(d) Unspecified	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Undulant fever (Brucellosis)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Cerebro-spinal meningococcal meningitis	7	5	2	3	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Malignant pustule and anthrax (Bacillus anthracis)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Scarlet fever	29	8	21	4	11	2	—	1	6	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
9. Whooping cough	8	3	5	1	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Diphtheria	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
11. Erysipelas	38	25	13	8	4	1	—	4	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
12. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
13. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	226	114	112	31	41	6	2	6	12	15	18	14	8	20	19	6	3	6	3	2	1	—	—	—	
14. Tuberculosis of the meninges and central nervous system	3	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15. Tuberculosis of the intestines and peritoneum	4	2	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
16. Tuberculosis of the vertebral column	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	



CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo)		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Total.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<i>Diseases due to Spirochaetes.</i>																								
30. Syphilis—																								
(a) Locomotor ataxia (tabes dorsalis)																								
(b) General paralysis of the insane																								
(c) Other syphilis of the central nervous system																								
(d) Aneurysm of the aorta	1		1																					
(e) Other syphilis of the circulatory system																								
(f) Congenital syphilis	20	15	2	4				3	4			3												
(g) Other and unspecified forms of syphilis	2	1	1	1																				
31. Relapsing fever																								
32. Other diseases due to spirochaetes																								
(a) Spirochaetosis icterohaemorrhagica (Well's disease)																								
(b) Others	1																							
32A. Parangi																								
<i>Diseases due to filterable Viruses.</i>																								
33. Influenza—																								
(a) With respiratory complications specified	23	8	15	4	13		3	1	1															
(b) Without respiratory complications specified	170	85	85	22	29	7	4	22	26	18	3	3	5	3	1	6	6				1			
34. Smallpox—																								
(a) Haemorrhagic																								
(b) Confluent																								
(c) Discrete	1							1																
(d) Unspecified	4	2			1			2																
35. Measles																								
36. Acute poliomyelitis and polioencephalitis	2	1						1																



XVIII.—Deaths registered in the year 1946 on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176) classified by District, Sex and Cause—*contd.*

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
11.—Cancer and other Tumours.	101	50	51	15	14	1	3	6	8	4	7	8	7	7	5	1	1	2	3	4	1	1	1	1	
<i>Cancer and other Malignant Tumours.</i>																									
45. Cancer of the buccal cavity and pharynx—																									
(a) Lips	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
(b) Tongue	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(c) Other and unspecified sites	22	10	12	1	3	—	2	2	—	—	1	3	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	
46. Cancer of the digestive organs and peritoneum—																									
(a) Oesophagus	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(b) Stomach and duodenum	6	4	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(c) Intestines other than duodenum or rectum	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(d) Rectum	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(e) Liver and biliary passages	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(f) Pancreas	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(g) Peritoneum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(h) Other or unspecified digestive organs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
47. Cancer of the respiratory system—																									
(a) Larynx and trachea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(b) Bronchi, lungs and pleura	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(c) Unspecified respiratory organs	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
48. Cancer of the uterus—																									
(a) Cervix uteri	13	—	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(b) Other or unspecified sites	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	



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CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Karungala.			
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
III.—Rheumatism, Diseases of Nutrition and of the Endocrine Glands, Other General Diseases and Vitamin Deficiency Diseases.	268	124	144	44	45	5	10	14	23	26	25	14	16	13	13	1	5	4	3	2	1	1	—	—	3	
58. Rheumatic fever—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(a) Acute rheumatic pericarditis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Acute rheumatic endocarditis ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Acute rheumatic myocarditis ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Other forms, including acute articular rheumatism and rheumatic pleurisy ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Rheumatic chorea ..	—	15	8	4	3	—	—	1	3	3	1	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(f) Others ..	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
59. Chronic rheumatism and other rheumatic diseases—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Rheumatoid arthritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Other chronic articular rheumatism ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other forms of chronic rheumatism ..	8	3	5	—	4	2	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
60. Gout ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
61. Diabetes mellitus ..	20	12	8	5	4	—	—	4	2	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
62. Diseases of the pituitary glands ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
63. Diseases of the thyroid and parathyroid glands—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Simple goitre ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Exophthalmic goitre ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Myxoedema and cretinism ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Other diseases of the thyroid gland ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Diseases of the parathyroid glands ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



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CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
79. Chronic poisoning by other mineral and organic substances—																									
(a) Occupational poisoning.																									
(b) Poisoning by narcotic and soporific drugs																									
(c) Other non-occupational poisoning																									
(d) Unspecified poisoning																									
<b>VI.—Diseases of the Nervous System and Sense Organs.</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>
80. Encephalitis (non-epidemic)—																									
(a) Intra-cranial abscess	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Other forms	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
81. Meningitis (non-meningococcal non-tuberculous)	28	12	16	3	3	—	2	4	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—
82. Diseases of the spinal cord (except locomotor ataxia and disseminated sclerosis)	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
83. Intra-cranial lesions of vascular origin—																									
(a) Cerebral haemorrhage (not due to injury at birth)	33	22	11	3	4	2	—	11	4	2	—	3	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Cerebral embolism and thrombosis	35	10	25	2	4	—	2	5	14	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Softening of the brain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Hemiplegia and other paralyzes of unstated origin	123	60	63	27	28	2	2	19	20	2	2	5	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—



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	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
Total.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
92. Chronic affections of the valves and endocardium—																									
(a) Diseases of the aortic valve	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
(b) Diseases of the aortic valve combined with diseases of the mitral valve	9	8	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
(c) Diseases of the mitral valve	5	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
(d) Others	15	6	7	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
93. Diseases of the myocardium including aneurism of the heart—																									
(a) Acute myocarditis	6	4	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
(b) Chronic myocarditis specified as rheumatic	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(c) Myocardial degeneration, infarction and sclerosis, and other chronic myocarditis, not specified as rheumatic	140	74	66	38	26	1	2	19	21	8	9	3	1	4	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
(d) Myocarditis not specified as acute or chronic	112	60	52	33	19	3	10	16	16	7	5	3	1	1	2	3	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	
94. Diseases of the coronary arteries and angina pectoris—																									
(a) Diseases of the coronary arteries	8	7	1	2	1	—	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
(b) Angina pectoris without mention of coronary arteries	6	6	—	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

	4	2	19	1,216	399	415	91	72	291	342	154	166	94	83	70	64	5	5	37	34	4	10	14	9	20	16
95. Other diseases of the heart— (a) Disturbance of rate and rhythm (e.g., auricular fibrillation, auricular flutter, tachycardia, heart block, &c.)	4	2	19	2	4	5	1	2	6	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1
(b) Other unspecified diseases of the heart (except coronary or renal sclerosis)	38	19	19	19	4	5	1	2	6	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1
96. Aneurism (except of heart and aorta)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
97. Arteriosclerosis (except coronary or renal sclerosis)	4	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
98. Gangrene	17	9	8	8	8	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
99. Other diseases of the arteries	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100. Diseases of the veins— (a) Varices	5	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Septic thrombophlebitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
01. Diseases of the lymphatic system	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
102. High blood pressure (idiopathic)	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
103. Other diseases of the circulatory system	2	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>II.—Diseases of the Respiratory System</b>	<b>2,395</b>	<b>1,179</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16</b>	
104. Diseases of the nasal fossae and annexa	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
105. Diseases of the larynx	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
106. Bronchitis— (a) Acute	70	38	32	10	3	10	4	11	18	4	5	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Chronic	244	106	138	31	43	3	2	25	40	14	19	10	13	15	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Bronchiectasis	6	4	2	1	2	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Unspecified	288	147	141	34	31	8	5	44	56	27	28	16	9	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
107. Broncho-pneumonia, including capillary bronchitis	942	471	471	181	190	32	14	139	141	63	65	34	27	8	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
108. Lobar pneumonia	416	195	221	80	82	27	39	29	47	22	25	8	10	10	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
109. Pneumonia (unspecified)	288	149	134	40	36	1	1	30	29	15	17	17	16	22	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
110. Pleurisy— (a) Empyema	6	4	2	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Other or unspecified forms of pleurisy	6	4	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Haemorrhagic infraction, thrombosis, oedema and chronic congestion of the lungs— (a) Haemorrhagic infarction and thrombosis of the lungs	3	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Acute oedema of the lungs	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Chronic and unspecified congestion of the lungs	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (Including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
112. Asthma ..	121	65	18	24	9	7	10	10	5	6	5	6	6	6	—	—	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	—
113. Pulmonary emphysema ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
114. Other diseases of the respiratory system (except tuberculosis)—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Occupational diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Gangrene ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Abscess ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Other diseases of the respiratory system ..	6	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<b>IX.—Diseases of the Digestive System</b>	<b>1,072</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>
115. Diseases of the buccal cavity, pharynx, tonsils and annexa.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Diseases of the teeth and gums ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Septic sore throat ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Diseases of the pharynx and tonsils, ..	6	5	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
(d) Diseases of other and unspecified parts of the buccal cavity and annexa.	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
116. Diseases of the oesophagus ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
117. Ulcer of the stomach or duodenum—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Stomach ..	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Duodenum ..	3	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
118. Other diseases of the stomach (except cancer) ..	27	17	1	1	—	—	6	7	2	—	1	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



XVIII.—Deaths registered in the year 1946 on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176), classified by District, Sex and cause—*contd.*

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	2	4	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	6	2	2	4	—	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
133. Other diseases of the kidneys and ureters (not connected with pregnancy) ..	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
134. Calculi of the urinary passage ..	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
135. Diseases of the bladder ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
136. Diseases of the urethra (except calculus)— (a) Stricture of the urethra .. (b) Others ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
137. Diseases of the prostate ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
138. Diseases of the male genital organs (not specified as venereal) ..	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
139. Diseases of the female genital organs— (a) Ovaries, fallopian tubes, and parametria .. (b) Uterus .. (c) Breast .. (d) Other and unspecified female genital organs ..	3	3	—	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
XI.—Diseases of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium.	311	311	112	16	30	30	39	33	2	13	13	6	13	13	2	13	6	13	13	13	6	13	13	13
140. Post-abortive infection— (a) Spontaneous, therapeutic or of unspecified origin .. (b) Abortion induced for reasons other than therapeutic ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



XVIII.—Deaths registered in the year 1946 on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176) classified by District, Sex and Cause—*contd.*

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
143. Puerperal toxæmias (excluding death before delivery)— (a) Puerperal eclampsia .. (b) Puerperal albuminuria and nephritis .. (c) Acute yellow atrophy of liver (puerperal) .. (d) Other puerperal toxæmias ..	39	—	39	—	12	—	3	2	2	—	2	—	5	—	7	—	1	—	3	—	3	—	—	—	1
149. Other accidents and specified conditions of childbirth— (a) Laceration, rupture or other trauma of pelvic organs and tissues .. (b) Other specified conditions of childbirth .. 150. Other and unspecified conditions of childbirth and the puerperium— (a) Infection of the breast during lactation .. (b) Psychosis of the puerperium .. (c) Other and unspecified conditions of childbirth and the puerperium ..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	72	—	72	—	21	—	4	8	8	—	10	—	10	—	10	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	—
XIX.—Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue ..	4	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	19	—	19	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	83	43	40	13	8	4	1	7	8	9	8	4	5	2	3	1	3	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	4	1	3	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	63	35	28	10	5	2	4	4	6	9	7	4	3	2	3	1	2	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
151. Carbuncle, boils .. 152. Cellulitis, acute abscess .. 153. Other diseases, of the skin and annæxa and of the cellular tissue ..	16	7	9	3	3	1	3	3	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



XVIII.—Deaths registered in the year 1946 on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176) classified by District, Sex and Cause—*contd.*

CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo)		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
160. Injury at birth—																									
(a) Intracranial or spinal haemorrhage	3	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Other intracranial or spinal injuries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other injuries at birth	2	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
161. Other diseases peculiar to the first year of life—																									
(a) Asphyxia during or after birth, atelectasis	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Intoxication due to maternal toxæmia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Infections of the new-born, including non-syphilitic pemphigus	5	2	3	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Haemorrhagic diseases of the new-born	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Rata	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(f) Other specified diseases (including gangrene or haemorrhage of umbilicus, icterus neonatorum, acute catarrhal hepatitis)	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
XVI.—Senility, Old Age	1,034	407	627	118	172	29	35	44	87	69	97	39	83	47	66	3	11	35	42	4	15	11	10	8	9
162. Senility, Old age	1,084	407	627	118	172	29	35	44	87	69	97	39	83	47	66	3	11	35	42	4	15	11	10	8	9



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CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Total	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
175. Agricultural and forestry accidents (excluding accidents in the course of private gardening)—																								
(a) Accidents from farm machinery and vehicles ..																								
(b) Injuries by venomous animals—																								
(1) Snake-bites ..																								
(2) Insect-stings ..																								
(3) Other animals ..																								
(c) Injuries by nonvenomous animals—																								
(1) Elephants ..																								
(2) Cattle ..																								
(3) Other animals ..																								
(d) Other agricultural and forestry accidents involving																								
176. Other accidents involving machinery ..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
177. Food poisoning ..	14	6	9	4	4	8	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
178. Accidental absorption of poisonous gases ..																								
179. Acute accidental poisoning by solids or liquids ..	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
180. Conflagration ..																								
181. Accidental burns (conflagration excepted)—	7	15	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
(a) Bottle lamps ..	33	18	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
(b) Other accidental burns ..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
182. Accidental mechanical suffocation ..	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
183. Accidental drowning—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
(a) Wells ..	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
(b) Pits ..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
(c) Other accidental drownings ..	22	16	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
184. Accidental injury by firearms ..	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1



XVIII.—Deaths registered in the year 1946 on Estates scheduled under the Medical Wants Ordinance (Cap. 176) classified by District, Sex and Cause—*contd.*

CAUSES OF DEATHS,	Ceylon.		Kandy.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.		Ratnapura.		Kegalla.		Colombo (including Negombo).		Kalutara.		Galle.		Matara.		Kurunegala.		
	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
196. Deaths of persons in military service during operations of war—																									
(a) From poison gas																									
(b) From wounds																									
(c) From other or unspecified causes																									
197. Deaths of civilians due to operations of war—																									
(a) From poison gas																									
(b) From wounds																									
(c) From other or unspecified causes																									
198. Legal executions	3	3		3																					
XVIII.—Ill-defined and Unknown Causes of Death	505	240	265	87	96	16	10	34	38	52	49	22	24	10	20	3	4	10	11	1	5	3	4	2	4
199. Sudden death																									
200. Ill-defined and unknown causes—																									
(a) Dropsy	38	14	24	8	10	1	1	2	2	2	3	1	2		4	3		1	1					2	
(b) Heart failure	103	68	35	31	18	2	1	14	5	10	3	4	2		2	2		1	1				1	1	
(c) Pyrexia	35	19	16	8	4	2	2	1	2	4	2	1	1		1	1		1	1			3	3	1	
(d) Other ill-defined causes	326	139	187	40	63	11	6	17	27	36	41	16	19		6	12		8	8		3	3	1	2	
(e) Not specified or unknown	3		3		1				2																

XIX.—Deaths registered during the Year 1946 in each Urban area proclaimed under Section 30 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance (Cap. 94) classified by Race, Sex, and Cause.

Table with columns for Province (Western, Central, Southern, Northern), Towns, Causes of Death, and Mortality counts (M, F, Total). Rows include All Causes, Infantile Mortality (One Week and over), General Mortality (One Year and over), and various specific diseases like Plague, Smallpox, Cholera, etc.









XXI.—Violent Deaths in Ceylon in the Years 1945 and 1946 classified by Sex, and the corresponding Annual Averages for the Decennium 1936-1945.

Cause of Death.	Annual Average, 1936-1945.	1945.			1946.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>3,352 ..</b>	<b>2,714 ..</b>	<b>850 ..</b>	<b>3,564 ..</b>	<b>2,527 ..</b>	<b>865 ..</b>	<b>3,392 ..</b>
<b>Suicide.</b>							
Poison ..	49 ..	23 ..	27 ..	50 ..	35 ..	21 ..	56 ..
Hanging ..	215 ..	156 ..	64 ..	220 ..	152 ..	45 ..	197 ..
Drowning ..	63 ..	21 ..	19 ..	40 ..	31 ..	33 ..	64 ..
Firearms ..	21 ..	15 ..	1 ..	16 ..	18 ..	3 ..	21 ..
Cutting or piercing instruments ..	14 ..	10 ..	3 ..	13 ..	12 ..	2 ..	14 ..
Otherwise ..	30 ..	27 ..	9 ..	36 ..	28 ..	12 ..	40 ..
<b>Homicide.</b>							
Firearms ..	52 ..	49 ..	3 ..	52 ..	56 ..	4 ..	60 ..
Cutting or piercing instruments ..	228 ..	237 ..	54 ..	291 ..	198 ..	32 ..	230 ..
Other means ..	110 ..	133 ..	24 ..	157 ..	87 ..	24 ..	111 ..
Infanticide ..	10 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	5 ..	6 ..
<b>Poisonings.</b>							
<b>Venomous bites and stings :—</b>							
(a) Snakes ..	264 ..	175 ..	84 ..	259 ..	206 ..	110 ..	316 ..
(b) Wasps ..	3 ..	4 ..	5 ..	9 ..	2 ..	2 ..	4 ..
(c) Hornets ..	7 ..	4 ..	3 ..	7 ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..
(d) Bees ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..
(e) Brahmin lizards ..	3 ..	6 ..	— ..	6 ..	3 ..	1 ..	4 ..
(f) Centipedes ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
(g) Water-leach ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
(h) Tarantula ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
(i) Unknown insects ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
By food ..	18 ..	19 ..	14 ..	33 ..	27 ..	12 ..	39 ..
Other acute poisonings ..	34 ..	20 ..	18 ..	38 ..	17 ..	10 ..	27 ..
<b>Burns, Scalds, and Explosions.</b>							
Conflagration ..	5 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Bottle lamps ..	45 ..	17 ..	38 ..	55 ..	17 ..	41 ..	58 ..
Other burns ..	179 ..	95 ..	97 ..	192 ..	96 ..	108 ..	204 ..
Explosions ..	12 ..	24 ..	4 ..	28 ..	14 ..	1 ..	15 ..
<b>Asphyxia.</b>							
Drowning in pits ..	38 ..	16 ..	7 ..	23 ..	23 ..	14 ..	37 ..
Drowning in wells ..	204 ..	102 ..	97 ..	199 ..	116 ..	124 ..	204 ..
Other drownings ..	322 ..	204 ..	84 ..	288 ..	234 ..	69 ..	303 ..
Foreign body in air passage ..	11 ..	9 ..	1 ..	10 ..	12 ..	4 ..	16 ..
Mother overlying child ..	1 ..	4 ..	1 ..	5 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..
Other suffocations ..	8 ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	2 ..
<b>Weapons and Implements.</b>							
Firearms ..	40 ..	33 ..	4 ..	37 ..	49 ..	4 ..	53 ..
Cutting or piercing instruments ..	12 ..	10 ..	4 ..	14 ..	9 ..	6 ..	15 ..
<b>Falls.</b>							
From trees ..	466 ..	471 ..	6 ..	477 ..	418 ..	7 ..	425 ..
From heights other than trees ..	67 ..	53 ..	8 ..	61 ..	53 ..	10 ..	63 ..
Other falls ..	88 ..	80 ..	28 ..	108 ..	81 ..	23 ..	104 ..
<b>Crushings.</b>							
Cart or carriage ..	23 ..	25 ..	1 ..	26 ..	22 ..	3 ..	25 ..
Motor cars ..	67 ..	77 ..	14 ..	91 ..	47 ..	14 ..	61 ..
Motor cycles ..	7 ..	9 ..	— ..	9 ..	9 ..	2 ..	11 ..
Motor lorries and omnibuses ..	111 ..	169 ..	27 ..	196 ..	110 ..	13 ..	123 ..
Other motor vehicles ..	3 ..	14 ..	4 ..	18 ..	9 ..	— ..	9 ..
Railways ..	58 ..	54 ..	8 ..	62 ..	66 ..	13 ..	79 ..
Landslides ..	9 ..	6 ..	1 ..	7 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..
Bicycles ..	13 ..	4 ..	— ..	4 ..	12 ..	1 ..	13 ..
Fall of heavy substances ..	183 ..	106 ..	31 ..	137 ..	77 ..	38 ..	115 ..
Cranes ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Machinery ..	4 ..	4 ..	— ..	4 ..	3 ..	— ..	3 ..
Tram Cars ..	2 ..	10 ..	1 ..	11 ..	7 ..	1 ..	8 ..
Aeroplanes ..	4 ..	3 ..	— ..	3 ..	4 ..	— ..	4 ..
Collision of Boats ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
<b>Injuries by Animals.</b>							
Bears ..	2 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..
Buffaloes ..	7 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..	9 ..	— ..	9 ..
Leopards ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..
Cattle ..	11 ..	13 ..	1 ..	14 ..	5 ..	4 ..	9 ..
Crocodiles ..	3 ..	6 ..	1 ..	7 ..	4 ..	1 ..	5 ..
Dogs ..	3 ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..
Elephants ..	18 ..	19 ..	2 ..	21 ..	13 ..	1 ..	14 ..
Kabaragoyas ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Fishes ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Pigs ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..
Goats ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Wild boars ..	2 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..

XXI.—Violent Deaths in Ceylon in the Years 1945 and 1946 classified by Sex, and the corresponding Annual Averages for the Decennium 1936-1945—*contd.*

Cause of Death. 1	Annual Average, 1936-1945. 2	1945.			1946.		
		Males. 3	Females. 4	Total. 5	Males. 6	Females. 7	Total. 8
<i>Weather Agencies.</i>							
Excessive cold ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Excessive heat ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Lightning ..	20 ..	7 ..	6 ..	13 ..	6 ..	7 ..	13 ..
<i>Other Accidents.</i>							
Mine and quarry accidents ..	7 ..	1 ..	— ..	1 ..	2 ..	— ..	2 ..
Wire shoot accidents ..	2 ..	2 ..	3 ..	5 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Electricity ..	7 ..	10 ..	— ..	10 ..	5 ..	2 ..	7 ..
Other external violences ..	42 ..	92 ..	33 ..	125 ..	61 ..	20 ..	81 ..
Violent deaths of unknown causation ..	15 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	6 ..	3 ..	9 ..
Hunger or thirst ..	16 ..	22 ..	3 ..	25 ..	13 ..	5 ..	18 ..
Cataclysms ..	2 ..	— ..	1 ..	1 ..	— ..	— ..	— ..
Sequelæ of preventive immunization, inoculation, or vaccination including post-vaccinal encephalitis ..	4 ..	4 ..	2 ..	6 ..	2 ..	4 ..	6 ..
<i>Execution.</i>							
Hanging ..	29 ..	27 ..	— ..	27 ..	33 ..	— ..	33 ..

XXII.—Deaths registered in each month of the Year 1946 in each District of Ceylon, classified by Sex.

District.	January.			February.			March.			April.			May.			June.		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Colombo ..	1409	1342	2,751	1143	1058	2,201	1272	1030	2,302	1057	900	1,957	978	896	1,874	918	784	1,702
Negombo ..	293	333	626	248	228	476	228	219	447	193	156	349	183	140	323	188	123	311
Kalutara ..	422	366	788	353	317	670	313	331	644	304	278	582	293	284	577	266	249	515
Kandy ..	954	1063	2,017	772	872	1,644	628	649	1,277	593	523	1,116	564	518	1,082	460	491	951
Matale ..	440	498	938	367	412	779	243	274	517	165	160	325	201	188	389	155	141	296
Nuwara Eliya ..	285	317	602	167	136	303	243	234	477	172	164	336	218	202	420	217	192	409
Galle ..	461	451	912	383	384	767	357	365	722	352	350	702	340	297	637	333	348	681
Matara ..	361	374	735	301	339	640	232	298	530	233	285	518	311	358	669	299	280	579
Hambantota ..	461	486	947	441	527	968	338	428	816	263	288	551	316	273	589	236	229	465
Jaffna ..	413	437	850	414	419	833	332	320	652	262	281	543	309	316	625	327	287	614
Mannar ..	64	56	120	98	75	173	80	81	161	64	46	110	40	32	72	44	29	73
Vavuniya ..	40	42	82	37	27	64	31	34	65	30	26	56	28	32	60	22	27	49
Batticaloa ..	403	408	811	344	428	772	264	237	551	269	324	593	292	330	622	279	284	563
Trincomalee ..	143	122	265	101	112	213	91	73	164	71	99	170	71	81	152	93	72	165
Kurunegala ..	1330	1518	2,848	1114	1308	2,422	915	986	1,901	720	745	1,465	770	696	1,466	591	544	1,135
Puttalam ..	68	68	136	67	77	144	65	61	126	43	61	104	54	54	108	27	31	58
Chilaw ..	191	238	429	174	184	358	168	161	329	119	102	221	121	99	220	89	79	168
Anuradhapura ..	254	252	506	261	266	527	182	218	400	147	167	314	175	170	345	146	148	294
Badulla ..	482	475	957	345	361	706	322	293	615	287	237	524	236	248	484	251	247	498
Ratnapura ..	421	425	846	337	350	687	315	355	670	274	240	514	295	263	558	206	233	439
Kegalla ..	602	624	1,226	390	460	850	346	376	722	274	274	548	322	290	612	269	250	519
Total..	9497	9895	19392	7857	8340	16197	7065	7073	14138	5892	5706	11598	6117	5767	11884	5416	5068	10484

District.	July.			August.			September.			October.			November.			December.		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
Colombo ..	939	782	1,721	805	639	1,494	763	611	1,374	751	685	1,436	790	709	1,499	881	700	1581
Negombo ..	168	117	285	155	115	270	107	108	215	125	108	233	122	101	223	112	98	210
Kalutara ..	274	259	533	263	257	520	212	199	411	232	262	494	224	229	453	312	276	588
Kandy ..	530	520	1,050	489	480	969	438	415	853	414	424	838	414	424	838	431	407	838
Matale ..	133	126	259	145	130	275	123	96	219	114	101	215	123	100	223	106	110	216
Nuwara Eliya ..	151	170	321	206	196	402	110	107	217	90	106	196	212	264	476	110	106	216
Galle ..	314	309	623	310	304	614	222	263	485	292	301	593	322	332	654	349	335	684
Matara ..	272	277	549	220	249	469	178	195	373	227	193	420	187	173	360	200	198	398
Hambantota ..	192	171	363	175	197	372	145	142	287	164	131	295	182	151	333	114	137	251
Jaffna ..	303	267	570	295	251	546	225	214	439	251	253	504	271	267	538	299	265	564
Mannar ..	35	27	62	26	32	58	16	18	34	25	19	44	38	27	65	36	20	56
Vavuniya ..	30	13	43	21	17	38	18	26	44	13	12	25	23	16	39	22	19	41
Batticaloa ..	273	246	519	286	244	530	185	183	368	160	159	319	167	168	335	183	172	355
Trincomalee ..	51	56	107	58	73	131	48	46	94	55	51	106	61	53	114	56	48	104
Kurunegala ..	628	548	1,176	482	409	891	330	308	638	345	295	640	290	251	541	288	278	566
Puttalam ..	37	27	64	26	46	72	34	29	63	23	24	47	40	27	67	36	36	72
Chilaw ..	98	86	184	85	80	165	71	64	135	59	56	115	83	73	156	82	57	139
Anuradhapura ..	192	155	347	152	106	258	108	103	211	90	90	180	119	102	221	115	111	226
Badulla ..	247	253	500	279	267	546	255	230	485	259	236	495	248	247	495	166	155	321
Ratnapura ..	296	298	594	264	238	502	183	216	399	189	167	356	212	186	398	220	193	413
Kegalla ..	281	259	540	236	207	443	200	203	403	233	177	410	209	178	387	154	153	307
Total..	5444	4966	10410	4978	4587	9565	3971	3776	7747	4111	3850	7961	4337	4078	8415	4272	3874	8146



