

Ages at Death (Samoans), 1928.

			0-1 Day.	1-2 Days.	2-3 Days.	3-4 Days.	4-5 Days.	5-6 Days.	6-7 Days.	Total 0-1 Week.	1-2 Weeks.	2-3 Weeks.	3-4 Weeks.	Total 0-1 Month.	1-3 Months.	3-6 Months.	6-12 Months.	Total under 1 Year.	1-2 Years.	2-3 Years.	3-4 Years.	4-5 Years.	5-10 Years.	Over 10 Years	Total.	
UPOLU—																										
Males	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	3	2	..	7	..	4	10	21	6	1	1	2	2	36	69	
Females	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	7	1	5	4	17	3	2	2	1	2	44	71	
Total			..	1	2	1	1	..	..	1	6	3	2	3	14	1	9	14	38	9	3	3	3	4	80	140
SAVA'I'I—																										
Males	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	4	1	1	3	9	1	1	1	..	2	31	45	
Females	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	1	4	25	34	
Totals			..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	..	7	1	1	3	12	1	1	2	1	6	56	79	
TOTALS, W. SAMOA—																										
Males	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	4	4	3	..	11	1	5	13	30	7	2	2	2	4	67	114	
Females	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	5	2	..	3	10	1	5	4	20	3	2	3	2	6	69	105	
Total			..	3	3	1	1	..	1	9	6	3	3	21	2	10	17	50	10	4	5	4	10	136	219	

INFANT MORTALITY.

The infant-mortality rate for the year 1928 is 58 per 1,000 registered births, as against 101 for 1927, 106 for 1926, and 186 for 1925. It is not possible to credit these figures, as, if by any chance true, Western Samoa would be entitled to occupy a very high place among the nations of the world. As mentioned in last year's report, every effort has been made to obtain reliable information *re* registration, and there can be no doubt but that the figures quoted in the report are inaccurate, and it seems probable that more than 50 per cent. of births and deaths have been suppressed.

Percentage of Deaths at Different Ages to Total Deaths.

	Number of Deaths.			Percentage of Total Deaths.		
	1926.	1927.	1928.	1926.	1927.	1928.
Under 1 week ..	31	16	9	4.29	3.23	4.11
From 1 week to 1 month ..	22	15	12	3.04	3.03	5.48
From 1 month to 3 months ..	14	16	2	1.94	3.23	0.91
From 3 months to 6 months ..	37	27	10	5.12	5.46	4.57
From 6 months to 12 months ..	104	91	17	14.39	18.38	7.77
From 1 year to 2 years ..	93	55	10	12.86	11.11	4.57
From 2 years to 3 years ..	32	10	4	4.43	2.02	1.82
From 3 years to 4 years ..	17	8	5	2.35	1.62	2.28
From 4 years to 5 years ..	16	4	4	2.21	0.81	1.82
From 5 years to 10 years ..	27	18	10	3.73	3.63	4.57
Over 10 years ..	330	235	136	45.64	47.48	62.1
	723	495	219	100.00	100.00	100.00

TOTAL POPULATION OF WESTERN SAMOA.

	31st December, 1927.	31st December, 1928.	Increase.
Europeans and half-castes ..	2,564	2,770	206
Samoans ..	39,215	39,878	663
Chinese labourers ..	939	967	28
Melanesian labourers ..	147	147	..
Totals ..	42,865	43,762	897

In the above table—

“European” means any person other than a Samoan, with the exception of the Chinese and Melanesian labourers employed in Western Samoa, who are here shown under separate headings. Thirteen free Chinese and their Chinese-Samoan descendants are included.

“Samoan” means a person belonging to the Polynesian race, whether by pure or mixed descent, but does not include (a) persons registered as Europeans in accordance with any regulations or Ordinances in force in Western Samoa, or (b) the legitimate children of a father who is a European either by birth or by registration as aforesaid.

“Chinese labourers” means Chinese under contract to work for a term of years in Western Samoa, and includes also twenty-seven labourers who, by reason of long service in Samoa, have been permitted to remain here. (This refers to Chinese who were in Samoa prior to the British military occupation.)

“Melanesian labourers” means Solomon Islanders who were brought to Samoa during the German occupation of the Territory for work on the plantations. The 147 shown are all those remaining, most of them having been repatriated.