

RAINFALL, CROPS AND EXPORTS STATISTICS

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TABLE I

Rainfall—First Quarter 1953 and 1954

Place	January		February		March		Total First Quarter	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
	(ins.)		(ins.)		(ins.)		(ins.)	
Lunuwila (Bandirippuwa Estate) ...	4.24	4.84	3.16	2.06	6.28	12.82	13.68	19.72
Madampe (Ratmalagara Estate) ..	1.93	6.70	7.94	1.12	8.84	8.30	18.71	16.12
Giriulla	0.86	10.57	3.52	3.75	5.25	13.89	9.63	28.21
Kudawewa	2.34	7.42	4.71	0.48	9.08	7.49	16.13	15.39
Tirrukkovil	16.62	4.41	10.84	5.82	2.50	5.42	29.96	15.65

TABLE II

Crops—First Quarter 1953 and 1954

Place	Crop per palm (nuts)						Crop per acre (nuts)					
	1st Crop		2nd Crop		Total 1 & 2		1st Crop		2nd Crop		Total 1 & 2	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Lunuwila	5.6	10.7	7.6	8.8	13.2	19.5	353	707	478	579	831	1,286
Madampe... ..	6.9	9.3	8.3	11.2	15.2	20.5	431	574	515	677	946	1,251
Giriulla	6.1	6.3	7.2	9.2	13.3	15.5	360	373	424	545	784	918
Kudawewa	6.6	7.6	8.1	7.7	14.7	15.3	409	465	501	467	910	932
Tirrukkovil	3.6	4.2	3.8	2.1	7.4	6.3	249	290	265	146	514	436

TABLE III

Exports of Coconut Products—First Quarter 1953 and 1954

Product	Total 1st Quarter, 1953		Total 1st Quarter, 1954	
	Cwt.	Nut Equivalent	Cwt.	Nut Equivalent
Copra	49,835	12,458,750	99,434	24,858,500
Coconut oil	552,204	224,332,875	278,087	112,972,844
Desiccated coconut	197,130	68,009,850	168,692	58,198,740
Fresh coconuts	—	1,346,502	—	1,231,210
Total in nuts	—	306,147,977	—	197,261,294

% decrease of exports in 1954 as against 1953 = 35.6%.

Conversion Factors used :—1 ton copra = 5,000 nuts (1,250 nuts per candy)
 1 ton of oil = 8,125 nuts (61.5% oil expression)
 1 ton of D.C. = 6,900 nuts (325 lbs. D.C.N. per 1,000 nuts).