

Table 1. Administrative Divisions and Local Government Bodies, 2003 & 2004

Administrative Areas (Province/District)	Divisional Secretary		Grama Niladari Divisions	Pradesiya Saba	Villages	Local Government Bodies	
	Areas	Sub Office				MC	UC
Western Province							
Colombo	13	-	557	5	808	4	3
Gampaha	13	-	1,177	12	1,911	2	5
Kalutara	14	-	762	10	2,652	-	4
Central Province							
Kandy	20	-	1,188	17	2,987	1	4
Matale	11	-	545	11	1,355	1	-
Nuwara Eliya	5	-	491	5	1,421	1	2
Southern Province							
Galle	19	-	895	15	2,311	1	2
Matara	16	-	650	12	1,598	1	1
Hambantota	12	-	576	9	1,319	-	2
Northern Province							
Jaffna	15	-	435	12	954	1	3
Kilinochchi	3	1	95	3	258	-	-
Mannar	5	-	153	4	684	-	-
Vavuniya	4	-	102	4	527	-	1
Mullaitivu	4	1	127	4	516	-	-
Eastern Province							
Batticaloa	14	-	346	10	857	1	1
Ampara	20	-	503	14	876	1	1
Trincomalee	10	1	230	10	645	-	1
North-Western Province							
Kurunegala	27	3	1,610	18	4,509	1	1
Puttalam	16	-	548	10	1,284	-	2
North Central Province							
Anuradhapura	22	-	694	18	3,085	1	-
Polonnaruwa	7	-	295	6	657	-	-
Uva Province							
Badulla	15	-	567	14	2,229	1	2
Moneragala	11	-	319	10	1,198	-	-
Sabaragamuwa Province							
Ratnapura	17	-	575	13	1,941	1	1
Kegalle	11	-	573	10	1,677	-	1
Sri Lanka	324	6	14,013	256	38,259	18	37

Source : Department of Census and Statistics

Table 2. Population, Land Area and Density by Province and District

Administrative Area (Province/District)	Land Area (Sq. Km) As at 1998 ¹	Percentage Land Area	2004 Estimated Mid-year Population ² (‘000)	2005			Average Annual Growth Rate 1981-2001 ³
				Estimated Mid-year Population ² (‘000)	Percentage Distribution of Population	Density (Person per Sq.Km)	
Sri Lanka	62,705	100	19,462	19,668	100.0	313.7	1.1
Western Province	3,593	5.73	5,526	5,587	28.4	1555.0	
Colombo	676	1.08	2,342	2,382	12.1	3523.7	1.3
Gampaha	1,341	2.14	2,099	2,111	10.7	1574.2	1.9
Kalutara	1,576	2.51	1,085	1,094	5.6	694.2	1.2
Central Province	5,575	8.89	2,506	2,538	12.9	455.2	
Kandy	1,917	3.06	1,325	1,343	6.8	700.6	1.0
Matale	1,952	3.11	459	466	2.4	238.7	1.1
Nuwara Eliya	1,706	2.72	722	729	3.7	427.3	0.7
Southern Province	5,383	8.58	2,346	2,367	12.0	439.7	
Galle	1,617	2.58	1,020	1,030	5.2	637.0	1.0
Matara	1,270	2.03	788	795	4.0	626.0	0.8
Hambantota	2,496	3.98	538	542	2.8	217.1	1.1
Northern Province	8,290	13.22	1,122	1,133	5.8	136.7	
Jaffna	929	1.48	596	603	3.1	649.1	-2.0
Kilinochchi	1,205	1.92	143	145	0.7	120.3	1.6
Mannar	1,880	3.00	97	99	0.5	52.7	1.7
Vavuniya	1,861	2.97	142	145	0.7	77.9	2.2
Mullaitivu	2,415	3.85	144	141	0.7	58.4	2.2
Eastern Province	9,361	14.93	1,540	1,555	7.9	166.1	
Batticaloa	2,610	4.16	544	549	2.8	210.3	1.9
Ampara	4,222	6.73	613	618	3.1	146.4	2.0
Trincomalee	2,529	4.03	383	388	2.0	153.4	1.4
North-Western Province	7,506	11.97	2,214	2,235	11.4	297.8	
Kurunegala	4,624	7.37	1,486	1,498	7.6	324.0	0.9
Puttalam	2,882	4.60	728	737	3.7	255.7	1.8
North Central Province	9,741	15.53	1,145	1,159	5.9	119.0	
Anuradhapura	6,664	10.63	773	782	4.0	117.3	1.2
Polonnaruwa	3,077	4.91	372	377	1.9	122.5	1.6
Uva Province	8,335	13.29	1,223	1,240	6.3	148.8	
Badulla	2,827	4.51	813	825	4.2	291.8	0.9
Moneragala	5,508	8.78	410	415	2.1	75.3	1.8
Sabaragamuwa Province	4,921	7.85	1,840	1,854	9.4	376.8	
Ratnapura	3,236	5.16	1,049	1,060	5.4	327.6	1.2
Kegalle	1,685	2.69	791	794	4.0	471.2	0.6

Source : 1 : Survey General's Department
2 : Registrar General's Department
3 : Department of Census & Statistics

Table 3. Population by Five Year Age Groups and Sex - 2001 and 2005

Age Group	Year 2001 **				Year 2005 ***							
	Total		Male		Female		Total		Male		Female	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number (000)	%	Number (000)	%	Number (000)	%
All ages	16,867,681	100.0	8,344,842	100.0	8,522,839	100.0	19,668	100.0	9,718	100.0	9,950	100.0
0 - 4	1,457,653	8.6	745,084	8.9	712,570	8.4	1,701	8.6	865	8.9	836	8.4
5 - 9	1,501,027	8.9	762,013	9.1	739,014	8.7	1,750	8.9	884	9.1	866	8.7
10 - 14	1,536,126	9.1	785,155	9.4	750,972	8.8	1,789	9.1	913	9.4	876	8.8
15 - 19	1,647,319	9.8	838,164	10.0	809,154	9.5	1,917	9.7	982	10.1	935	9.4
20 - 24	1,561,563	9.3	772,831	9.3	788,732	9.3	1,809	9.2	894	9.2	915	9.2
25 - 29	1,318,902	7.8	638,297	7.6	680,605	8.0	1,535	7.8	739	7.6	796	8.0
30 - 34	1,270,065	7.5	620,140	7.4	649,925	7.6	1,475	7.5	719	7.4	756	7.6
35 - 39	1,243,602	7.4	606,609	7.3	636,993	7.5	1,455	7.4	709	7.3	746	7.5
40 - 44	1,157,605	6.9	568,927	6.8	588,677	6.9	1,348	6.9	661	6.8	687	6.9
45 - 49	1,015,078	6.0	500,036	6.0	515,042	6.0	1,190	6.1	583	6.0	607	6.1
50 - 54	916,270	5.4	448,524	5.4	467,747	5.5	1,072	5.5	525	5.4	547	5.5
55 - 59	669,045	4.0	322,094	3.9	346,950	4.1	787	4.0	379	3.9	408	4.1
60 - 64	500,769	3.0	240,931	2.9	259,837	3.0	580	2.9	282	2.9	298	3.0
65 - 69	408,502	2.4	191,271	2.3	217,230	2.5	483	2.5	224	2.3	259	2.6
70 - 74	303,234	1.8	139,347	1.7	163,887	1.9	354	1.8	165	1.7	189	1.9
75 & over	360,922	2.1	165,417	2.0	195,505	2.3	423	2.2	194	2.0	229	2.3

Source: ** : Based on Population Census 2001
 *** : sample estimates

Year 2001 Population Excludes :

Jaffna, Mannar, Vavuniya, Mullaitivu, Kilinochchi,
 Batticaloa & Trincomalee Districts.

*** : Registrar General's Department

Table 4. Vital Statistics by District

(By Place of Occurance)

District	Crude Birth Rate		Crude Death Rate		Maternal Mortality Rate, 2002 ¹ Per 100,000 Live Birth's	Infant Mortality Rate 2003 ¹	Neo-Natal Mortality Rate		Perinatal Mortality Rate	
	2004 ¹	2005 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹			2001	2002 ¹	2000	2001
	Per 1,000 Population						Per 1,000 Live Birth's			
Colombo	27.1	27.2	8.7	8.2	11.5	15.2	12.5	11.1	9.8	9.3
Gampaha	12.4	13.8	5.3	5.5	11.5	6.0	3.9	4.4	3.3	3.6
Kalutara	15.6	15.3	5.7	5.9	6.2	4.0	2.8	2.2	3.3	2.3
Kandy	22.8	22.4	6.9	6.6	10.2	15.3	14.0	12.0	11.7	11.4
Matale	20.4	16.7	5.3	5.0	..	10.4	6.1	5.0	5.9	5.8
Nuwara Eliya	15.2	14.5	5.3	5.1	52.1	15.6	13.7	10.8	10.1	9.6
Galle	19.3	18.1	7.0	9.2	10.5	10.9	10.1	8.1	6.3	7.5
Matara	18.2	18.0	6.3	7.2	13.9	8.3	5.4	5.2	10.7	4.8
Hambantota	14.2	14.1	4.6	9.3	14.8	7.0	4.7	2.8	2.1	3.3
Jaffna	17.8	17.2	4.8	6.8	39.9	4.4	2.3	3.3	1.5	2.0
Kilinochchi	18.1	19.8	3.1	4.5	..	1.2	2.6	1.4	4.3	1.9
Mannar	20.3	20.8	3.0	3.3	..	2.6	5.7	12.0	2.4	6.9
Vavuniya	27.1	23.9	5.2	4.6	..	6.8	5.6	9.8	1.2	5.3
Mullaitivu	15.4	13.9	5.1	26.1	..	1.7	11.6	1.4	6.4	11.2
Batticaloa	20.4	20.6	4.4	8.2	..	19.6	15.2	11.6	10.8	12.3
Ampara	19.6	21.4	3.9	11.0	17.4	6.3	3.1	3.4	2.0	1.8
Trincomalee	21.2	21.7	3.6	4.7	..	2.5	1.0	1.4	0.6	0.7
Kurunegala	15.7	18.4	5.7	6.2	20.0	14.0	10.9	9.7	12.6	8.1
Puttalam	16.9	17.3	4.8	4.5	21.1	5.9	5.1	4.5	5.5	4.2
Anuradhapura	19.9	19.3	6.0	5.1	19.2	19.4	18.0	14.2	10.1	13.0
Polonnaruwa	18.8	20.0	4.8	4.6	13.8	19.5	10.1	14.2	4.4	7.4
Badulla	22.0	21.8	5.4	5.6	27.5	9.9	17.4	12.9	11.0	14.0
Moneragala	15.6	15.1	3.3	3.4	14.5	2.0	1.9	0.9	0.5	0.9
Ratnapura	17.2	18.3	5.0	5.2	30.6	13.2	10.3	11.5	10.1	8.0
Kegalle	11.2	11.5	5.9	5.8	..	7.0	7.5	8.1	9.7	6.2
Sri Lanka	18.5	18.8	5.8	6.6	14.3	11.2	9.5	8.4	7.8	7.5

¹ Provisional.

Source : Registrar General's Department & Medical Statistics Unit.

Table 5. Sex Ratio of Population, 1871-2001

Year	Sex Ratio
1871	114.2
1901	113.5
1946	113
1981	103.9
1994	97.4
2001	97.9

Source : Department of Census & Statistics

Table 6. Expectancy of Life at Birth 1946-2001

Year	Male	Female
1946	43.9	41.6
1953	58.8	57.5
1963	61.9	61.4
1967	64.8	66.9
1971	64.2	67.1
1981	67.8	71.7
1991-1996	69.5	74.2
1996-2001	70.7	75.4
2001 - 2006	71.7	76.4

Source : Department of Census & Statistics

Table 7. Estimated Mid-Year Population 1945 - 2005

Year	Estimated Mid-year Population '000
1945	6,656
1950	7,678
1955	8,723
1960	9,896
1965	11,164
1970	12,516
1975	13,496
1980	14,747
1985	15,842
1990	17,015
1991	17,267
1992	17,426
1993	17,646
1994	17,891
1995	18,136
1996	18,336
1997	18,568
1998	18,787
1999	19,056
2000*	19,359
2001*	18,732
2002*	18,955
2003*	19,252
2004*	19,462
2005*	19,668

*Provisional

Source : RGO's Department

Table 8. Age Specific Sex Ratio, 1981, 1994 and 2001

Age Group in years	Sex Ratio		
	1981 ¹	1994 ²	2001 ¹
All Ages	103.9	97.4	97.9
Under 1	104.1	100.9	104.5
1 - 4	103.8	102.7	103.1
5 - 9	103.6	103.2	103.1
10 - 14	104.1	101.2	104.5
15 - 19	102.7	100.1	103.6
20 - 24	100.3	93	98
25 - 29	99.8	91.2	93.8
30 - 34	102	93.1	95.4
35 - 39	100.6	96	95.2
40 - 44	106	97.3	96.6
45 - 49	102	97.3	97.1
50 - 54	111.1	95.5	95.9
55 - 59	110.2	93.1	92.8
60 - 64	116.2	95	92.7
65 - 69	111	96.3	88
70 - 74	115.7	94.6	85
75 and over	107.3	101.9	84.6

Source ¹ Population Census² Demographic Survey**Table 9. Infant Mortality by Demographic Characteristics**

Demographic Characteristic		1993	2000
Mother's Age at Birth	< 20	32.9	21.5
	20-29	26.4	20.0
	30-34	22.5	15.0
	35 +	23.4	20.7
Birth Order	1	29.7	19.8
	2-3	20.8	17.0
	4-6	29.6	24.8
	7+	*	*
Previous Birth Interval ⁽¹⁾	<2 Yrs	26.7	34.5
	2-3 Yrs	21.4	9.3
	4 Years or more	15.8	13.4
Education Level of Mothers	No Schooling	44.7	25.5
	Primary	32.3	29.9
	Secondary	22.7	17.6
	G.C.E(O/L)	18.0	13.6
	G.C.E(A/L) & Higher	18.0	13.8
Sector	Urban	20.8	14.9
	Rural	24.0	17.4
	Estate	60.6	47.5

* Fewer than 100 exposed cases

(1) Based on birth order two and higher

Source : D.H.S Survey 1993 & 2000.

Table 10. Literacy Rate by Sex, 1881 - 2001

Year	Literacy Rate			Difference Between Male and Female Rate
	Total	Male	Female	
1881	17.4	29.8	3.1	26.7
1891	21.7	36.1	5.3	30.8
1901	26.4	42.0	8.5	33.5
1911	31.0	47.2	12.5	34.7
1921	39.9	56.3	21.2	35.1
1946	57.8	70.1	43.8	26.3
1953	65.4	75.9	53.6	22.3
1963	77.1	85.8	67.5	18.3
1971	78.5	85.6	70.9	14.7
1981	87.2 (87.8)	91.1 (91.7)	83.2 (83.6)	7.9 (8.1)
1994	(90.1)	(92.5)	(87.9)	(4.6)
2001	(90.7)	(92.2)	(89.2)	(3.0)

Source: Department of Census and Statistics.

() Excluding Northern and Eastern Provinces

Table 11. Percentage Distribution of Population (30 Years and Above) by Broad Education Groups, 2001

Educational Group	Total	Male	Female
No schooling	6.1	7.6	4.6
Below primary	22.3	21.4	23.5
Grade 6 to 10	39.6	37.8	41.3
GCE (O/L) / NCGE / SSC	18.9	19.4	18.3
GCE (A/L) /HNCE/ HSC	9.2	10.1	8.2
Degree/Postgraduate	1.2	1.0	1.3
Not Stated	2.8	2.7	2.8

Based on Census of Population and Housing, 2001

(Excludes Northern and Eastern Provinces)

Table 12. Nutritional Status of Children, 1993 & 2000

Background Characteristics	Height for Age		Weight for Height		Weight for Age		Number of Children	
	1993	2000	1993	2000	1993	2000	1993	2000
Sex - Male	22.7	11.9	15.6	15.1	34.8	29.0	1610	1,321
- Female	25.1	15.3	15.4	12.6	40.9	29.8	1458	1,210
<i>Child's age (in months)</i>								
03 - 05	4.9	3.9	3.1	1.3	5.8	0.7	117	152
06 - 11	11.8	5.7	6.8	10.3	17.9	20.2	375	282
12 - 23	25.7	16.2	18.2	18.2	36.3	28.8	686	549
24 - 35	23.8	12.4	15.1	13.3	42.4	34.0	585	526
36 - 47	27.5	13.4	18.2	13.9	46.7	30.7	681	531
48 - 59	28.7	19.1	17.6	15.9	43.0	37.9	622	491
<i>Sector</i>								
Colombo metro	19.7	7.4	12.2	10.1	31.2	18.2	349	336
Other urban	16.8	8.6	16.8	6.3	29.9	21.3	223	221
Rural	22.9	12.8	16.4	15.9	38.3	30.8	2,321	1,770
Estates	53.7	33.8	9.5	11.8	52.1	44.1	175	204
Total	23.8	13.5	15.5	14.0	37.7	29.4	3,067	2,531

Source: Sri Lanka Demographic and Health Survey 1993 & 2000

Table 13. Percentage Distribution of Housing Units by Source of Drinking Water, 2001
(Excludes Northern and Eastern Provinces.)

Province/ District	Total	Protected Well Within Premises	Protected Well Outside Premises	Unprotected Well	Tube Well	Tap Within Premises	Tap Outside Premises	Bowser	River/Tank /Stream etc.	Other	Not Stated
Sri Lanka	100.0	28.3	21.8	9.8	4.8	15.7	11.2	0.2	5.2	1.5	1.6
Western Province											
Colombo	100.0	25.0	6.2	1.2	0.9	42.5	21.2	0.0	0.4	0.2	2.4
Gampaha	100.0	47.6	14.0	6.7	5.3	14.7	9.2	0.1	0.1	0.5	1.9
Kalutara	100.0	38.2	25.4	11.5	2.4	12.9	5.4	0.0	2.1	0.5	1.6
Central Province											
Kandy	100.0	13.6	20.8	8.9	8.1	22.4	17.4	0.3	5.4	1.5	1.6
Matale	100.0	15.2	27.6	13.6	14.8	11.2	10.2	0.2	5.4	0.9	0.8
Nuwara Eliya	100.0	5.8	8.6	6.9	2.9	20.4	31.1	0.0	18.1	3.9	2.4
Southern Province											
Galle	100.0	34.7	25.1	14.0	2.7	11.6	7.7	0.0	2.5	0.9	0.8
Matara	100.0	30.5	17.8	12.0	0.8	19.8	9.3	-	4.8	3.6	1.3
Hambantota	100.0	16.1	32.0	9.1	7.8	16.2	11.6	2.1	3.6	0.6	0.8
North Western Province											
Kurunegala	100.0	42.6	34.7	11.6	4.5	1.7	2.4	0.0	0.9	0.6	1.1
Puttalam	100.0	35.2	30.6	4.5	14.1	5.9	5.3	1.4	0.2	1.8	1.1
North Central Province											
Anuradhapura	100.0	23.7	37.4	12.7	12.8	7.0	2.6	0.0	1.3	0.7	1.8
Polonnaruwa	100.0	28.1	26.1	17.9	11.6	3.5	7.4	0.0	3.8	0.5	1.1
Uva Province											
Badulla	100.0	10.9	18.0	11.2	3.1	17.8	18.8	0.0	15.7	2.5	2.1
Moneragala	100.0	17.8	25.5	18.8	6.9	7.2	7.2	0.0	13.2	1.2	2.1
Sabaragamuwa Province											
Ratnapura	100.0	11.8	19.3	11.0	0.9	12.0	14.6	0.0	22.6	6.7	1.1
Kegalle	100.0	24.9	26.9	17.1	0.3	9.1	8.6	0.0	9.5	2.0	1.5

Based on Census of Population and Housing, 2001

Table 14. Percentage Distribution of Housing Units by Type of Toilet, 2001
(Excludes : Northern and Eastern Provinces.)

Province / District	Total	Water Seal	Pour Flush	Pit	Bucket	Other	Not Using a Toilet	Not Stated
Sri Lanka	100.0	66.5	13.6	12.0	0.4	1.0	4.3	2.2
Western Province								
Colombo	100.0	78.0	16.7	1.6	0.5	0.1	0.2	2.9
Gampaha	100.0	78.2	13.1	5.2	0.1	0.2	0.8	2.4
Kalutara	100.0	77.6	13.5	4.2	0.0	0.5	2.1	2.1
Central Province								
Kandy	100.0	65.9	17.5	12.2	0.1	0.5	1.9	2.0
Matale	100.0	49.7	15.6	30.1	0.0	0.4	2.8	1.4
Nuwara Eliya	100.0	41.4	24.3	14.2	1.9	2.3	11.6	4.4
Southern Province								
Galle	100.0	73.7	13.2	7.5	0.6	0.9	2.8	1.3
Matara	100.0	81.7	6.2	8.6	0.1	0.4	1.4	1.6
Hambantota	100.0	56.5	8.7	29.9	0.1	0.7	2.5	1.6
North Western Province								
Kurunegala	100.0	69.1	10.2	10.9	0.4	1.7	6.0	1.7
Puttalam	100.0	65.9	11.7	3.3	0.9	2.1	13.7	2.4
North Central Province								
Anuradhapura	100.0	48.4	13.5	21.4	0.4	2.5	11.2	2.6
Polonnaruwa	100.0	56.3	11.1	25.0	0.1	0.8	5.0	1.7
Uva Province								
Badulla	100.0	55.1	20.9	16.3	0.4	1.6	3.2	2.5
Moneragala	100.0	44.1	9.0	35.5	0.0	2.0	6.5	2.8
Sabaragamuwa Province								
Ratnapura	100.0	66.4	8.2	20.1	0.1	1.1	3.1	1.0
Kegalle	100.0	63.2	16.0	15.4	0.1	0.6	2.4	2.3

Based on Census of Population and Housing, 2001