

# Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1976

**Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department - Ministry of Public  
Administration and Home Affairs**

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## Overview

### Identification

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**ID NUMBER**

LKA-RGO-RGM-1976-v1.0

### Version

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**VERSION DESCRIPTION**

v1.0: Full edited dataset, original version for internal DPD use.

**PRODUCTION DATE**

2008-08-11

### Overview

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**ABSTRACT**

Vital Statistics cover Births, Deaths, Still births and Marriages which are called vital events. The source for the collection of data for the preparation of Vital statistics is the certificate issued to the respondent when the registration of the occurrence of the vital event is done. Maintaining Vital statistics is an Administrative record keeping operation and is a continuous process where the event by event data are collected on a monthly basis and the final outputs (reports) are produced annually for dissemination.

The computerization of vital statistics came into being after the arrival of computers to the Department of Census and Statistics in 1960's.

Registration of vital events commenced in 1867 with the enactment of civil registration laws which conferred the legal sanction for the registration of events namely, live births, deaths, still births and marriages.

**KIND OF DATA**

Administrative records data [adm]

**UNITS OF ANALYSIS**

Each marriage registered within the month

### Scope

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**NOTES**

The scope of the Registration of Marriage 1976 include :

- District
- Division
- Name of Registrar
- Month & Year
- Whether General, Kandyan or Muslim
- Registration Entry Number
- Village or Locality(Male)
- Race(Male)

-Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Male)

-Age(Male)

-Was Register signed with a Mark or in Letters(Male)

-Village or Locality(Female)

-Race(Female)

-Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Female)

-Age(Female)

-Was Register signed with a Mark or in Letters(Female)

-Remarks

## TOPICS

Topic	Vocabulary	URI
DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION [14]	CESSDA	<a href="http://www.nesstar.org/rdf/common">http://www.nesstar.org/rdf/common</a>

## Coverage

### GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

National coverage.

### UNIVERSE

Marriages and divorces recorded by the representatives of the Registrar Generals Office.

## Producers and Sponsors

### PRIMARY INVESTIGATOR(S)

Name	Affiliation
Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs

### OTHER PRODUCER(S)

Name	Affiliation	Role
Divisional Secretariats		Data Collection

### FUNDING

Name	Abbreviation	Role
Government of Sri Lanka	GOSL	

## Metadata Production

### METADATA PRODUCED BY

Name	Abbreviation	Affiliation	Role
Registrar General's Department	RGO	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs	Data Collection

### DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION

2008-08-13

**DDI DOCUMENT VERSION**

Version 1.0 ( August 2008 ).

**DDI DOCUMENT ID**

DDI-LKA-RGO-RGM-1976-v1.0

## Sampling

No content available

## Questionnaires

No content available

## Data Collection

### Data Collection Dates

Start	End	Cycle
1976-01-01	1976-12-31	N/A

### Data Collection Mode

Other [oth]

#### DATA COLLECTION NOTES

A respondent from the general public reports the event to a local representative - (a Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages in the case of deaths and marriages or an officer in a public or private maternity home) and obtains a certificate from him. The Registrar/officer produces a monthly return from the vital event records (different formats for each type of event) and send it to the collection centre of the Additional District Registrar who in turn channels the returns to the Statistics Division of the Registrar General's office for data processing purposes.

### Data Collectors

Name	Abbreviation	Affiliation
Registrars of Berths, Deaths & Marriages		Registrar General's Department
Additional District Registrar		Registrar General's Department
Statistical Division - Registrar General Office		Registrar General's Department

# Data Processing

## Other Processing

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Data processing included the following steps.

1. Accepting the filled return forms by the Statistical Division
2. Do a visual check for completeness
3. Coding of data
4. Entry of data
5. Run edit program for each District batch
6. Produce error report
7. Correction of errors on the report
8. Change incorrect data using the corrected error report
9. Re-run the edit program and repeat the error correction procedure
10. Produce final tables on clean data with a backup of clean data.



## Data Appraisal

No content available

## File Description

# Variable List

## Marriages 1976

Content	The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 1976.
Cases	104659
Variable(s)	18
Structure	Type: Keys: ()
Version	
Producer	Registrar General Department
Missing Data	

## Variables

ID	Name	Label	Type	Format	Question
V145	DISTRICT	District	discrete	numeric	
V146	YEAR	Year	discrete	numeric	
V147	MONTH	Month	discrete	numeric	
V148	GENR_KAND_MUSL	Marriage Category	discrete	numeric	
V149	REGISTRATION_DIV	Registrar's Division	discrete	numeric	
V150	CODE_OF_REGISTRA	Code of Registrar	discrete	numeric	
V151	ENTRY_NUMBER	1. No. of Registration Entry	discrete	numeric	
V152	M1_RACE	3. Race(Male)	discrete	numeric	
V153	M2_CIVIL_CONDITI	4. Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)	discrete	numeric	
V154	M3_AGE	5. Age(Male)	discrete	numeric	
V155	M4_SIGNED_MK_LT	6. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male)	discrete	numeric	
V156	F1_RACE	8. Race(Female)	discrete	numeric	
V157	F2_CIVIL_CONDITI	9. Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Female)	discrete	numeric	
V158	F3_AGE	10. Age(Female)	discrete	numeric	
V159	F4_SIGNED_MR_LT	11. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Female)	discrete	numeric	
V160	SOLEMNI_REG_MINI	12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister	discrete	numeric	
V161	RMTAPE	RMTAPE	discrete	character	
V162	CLASS_OF_RECORD	CLASS_OF_RECORD	discrete	character	



**District (DISTRICT)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 24
Range: 1-24	

**Year (YEAR)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 76
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 76
Range: 76-76	

**Month (MONTH)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 12
Range: 1-12	

**Marriage Category (GENR\_KAND\_MUSL)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 3
Range: 1-3	

**Registrar's Division (REGISTRATION\_DIV)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 0
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 23
Range: 0-39	

**Code of Registrar (CODE\_OF\_REGISTRA)**

File: Marriages 1976

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File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 0
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 72
Range: 0-67	

**1. No. of Registration Entry (ENTRY\_NUMBER)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 4	Minimum: 0
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 9999
Range: 0-9999	

**3. Race(Male) (M1\_RACE)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 14
Range: 1-14	

**4. Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)  
(M2\_CIVIL\_CONDITI)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 4
Range: 1-4	

**5. Age(Male) (M3\_AGE)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 16
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 90
Range: 16-90	

## 6. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male) (M4\_SIGNED\_MK\_LT)

File: Marriages 1976

### Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 2
Range: 1-2	

## 8. Race(Female) (F1\_RACE)

File: Marriages 1976

### Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 14
Range: 1-14	

## 9. Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Female) (F2\_CIVIL\_CONDITI)

File: Marriages 1976

### Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 3
Range: 1-3	

## 10. Age(Female) (F3\_AGE)

File: Marriages 1976

### Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	Minimum: 12
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 92
Range: 12-92	

## 11. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Female) (F4\_SIGNED\_MR\_LT)

File: Marriages 1976

### Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 95908
Format: numeric	Invalid: 8751
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 2
Range: 1-2	



**12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister (SOLEMNI\_REG\_MINI)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 95908
Format: numeric	Invalid: 8751
Width: 1	Minimum: 1
Decimals: 0	Maximum: 2
Range: 1-2	

**RMTAPE (RMTAPE)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: character	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	

**CLASS\_OF\_RECORD (CLASS\_OF\_RECORD)**

File: Marriages 1976

**Overview**

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 104659
Format: character	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	

## Related Materials

### Questionnaires

#### Return of Marriages - Form 1970

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Title Return of Marriages - Form 1970  
Filename Marriages\_Form.pdf

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### Reports

#### Study Documentation RGM 1976 Project

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Title Study Documentation RGM 1976 Project  
Country Sri Lanka  
Language English  
Filename Study Documentation RGM 1976 Project.pdf

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### Technical documents

#### Data Dictionary

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Title Data Dictionary  
Filename Data Dictionary Marriages 1970-1990.pdf

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