

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Births - 1981

Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department

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TITLE

Vital Statistics - Births - 1981

COUNTRY

Name	Country code
Sri Lanka	LKA

STUDY TYPE

Administrative Records, Other (ad/oth]

SERIES INFORMATION

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. According to the law every live birth has to be registered within 42 days and death within 5 days from the date of occurrence.

Although birth registrations are compulsory by law, few events are missed and not registered for various reasons.

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ABSTRACT

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Although birth and death registrations are compulsory by law, few events are missed and not registered for various reasons.

By the survey conducted in 1980, to assess the completeness of birth and death registrations, it was found that about 98.8 per cent of births and 94.0 per cent of deaths are being registered at any given time.

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KIND OF DATA

Administrative records data [adm]

UNIT OF ANALYSIS

Individual Birth

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION

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

VERSION DATE

2008-07-29

Scope

NOTES

The scope of the Registration of Birth 1981 include :

- District
- AGA Division
- Registrar's Division
- Month & Year

- Date of Birth
- If urban, assessment number, street and town
- If rural, Name of villahe
- AGA's Division
- District
- Whether outside division
- Whether in hospital
- Live birth order
- Distinguishing letters
- Race
- Age of mother in years
- Were parents married
- Whether Twin,triple & etc

TOPICS

Topic	Vocabulary	URI
DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION [14]	CESSDA	Link

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

National coverage.

UNIVERSE

Records pertaining to Live births of Sri Lankan Nationals whose birth occurs in Sri Lanka

Producers and sponsors

PRIMARY INVESTIGATORS

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

PRODUCERS

Name	Role
Divisional Secretariats	Data Collection

FUNDING AGENCY/SPONSOR

Name	Abbreviation
Government of Sri Lanka	GOSL

Data Collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

Start	End
1981-01-01	1981-12-31

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Other [oth]

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

The Registrars of Births and Deaths attached to the Divisional Secretariat Offices send a monthly return of Births to the Additional District Registrars who in turn collect all such returns and send them to the Statistical Division of the Registrar General's Office for Data Processing purposes.

DATA COLLECTORS

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

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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Births 1981 The file contains the data related to Return of Births form 1981.	423793	23

Data file: Births 1981

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Cases: 423793

Variables: 23

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V105	SECTOR	Sector	
V106	DISTRICT	District	
V107	DRO_DIVISION	AGA Division	
V108	REGISTRARS_DIV	Registration Division	
V109	TOWN	Town	
V110	MONTH_REGISTER	Registered Month	
V111	YEAR_REGISTER	Registered Year	
V112	SEX	Sex	
V113	COL1_ENTRY_NO	No. of Registration Entry	
V114	COL21_BIRTH_DAY	Date of Birth - Day	
V115	COL22_BIRTH_MONT	Date of Birth - Month	
V116	COL23_BIRTH_YEAR	Date of Birth - Year	
V117	COL3_TOWN	Mother's Living Town	
V118	COL5_DIST_RESIDE	District of Mother's Resident	
V119	COL6_OUTSIDE_DIV	Within the Registrars Division	
V120	COL7_DISTIN_LETR	Distinguishing Letters	
V121	COL8_RACE	Race	
V122	COL9_16_AGE_MOTH	Mother's Age	
V123	COL17_PARENT_MAR	Marital Status	
V124	COL18_TWIN_TRIPL	Type of birth	
V125	AGA_DIV_RESIDENC	Mother's AGA Division	
V126	ORDER_BIRTH	Live Birth Order	
V127	CLASS_RECORD	Programmer Defined Variable	

Total: 23

SECTOR: Sector**Data file: Births 1981****Overview**

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Urban	194712	45.9%
2	Rural	201246	47.5%
3	Estate	27835	6.6%

DISTRICT: District**Data file: Births 1981****Overview**

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 26
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 27 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	50796	12%
2	Negombo	9885	2.3%
3	Kalutara	22771	5.4%
4	Kandy	34936	8.2%
5	Matale	11470	2.7%
6	Nuwara Eliya	12702	3%
7	Galle	20587	4.9%
8	Matara	20335	4.8%
9	Hambantota	12992	3.1%
10	Jaffna	23150	5.5%
11	Mannar	3772	0.9%
12	Vavuniya	3646	0.9%
13	Batticaloa	11395	2.7%
14	Ampara	11351	2.7%
15	Trincomalee	9405	2.2%

16	Kurunegala	32345	7.6%
17	Puttalam	5928	1.4%
18	Chillaw	9691	2.3%
19	Anuradhapura	18476	4.4%
20	Polonnaruwa	7284	1.7%
21	Badulla	17724	4.2%
22	Monaragala	10109	2.4%
23	Ratnapura	26912	6.4%
24	Kegalle	16431	3.9%
25	Mullativu	2074	0.5%
26	Gampaha	17626	4.2%

DRO_DIVISION: AGA Division

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 17
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 23 Format: Numeric

REGISTRARS_DIV: Registration Division

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 67
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 79 Format: Numeric

TOWN: Town

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 197389 Invalid: 226404 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 62
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 60 Format: Numeric

MONTH_REGISTER: Registered Month

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	January	33611	7.9%
2	February	32642	7.7%
3	March	35731	8.4%
4	April	34205	8.1%
5	May	36889	8.7%
6	June	39094	9.2%
7	July	34761	8.2%
8	August	34560	8.2%
9	September	31064	7.3%
10	October	33606	7.9%
11	November	38399	9.1%
12	December	39231	9.3%

YEAR_REGISTER: Registered Year

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 81 Maximum: 81
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 81 - 81 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
81		423793	100%

SEX: Sex

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Male	217314	51.3%
2	Female	206479	48.7%

COL1_ENTRY_NO: No. of Registration Entry

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423766 Invalid: 27 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9999
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 0 - 9999 Format: Numeric

COL21_BIRTH_DAY: Date of Birth - Day

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 31
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 31 Format: Numeric

COL22_BIRTH_MONT: Date of Birth - Month

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 12
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	January	38674	9.1%
2	February	33371	7.9%
3	March	38582	9.1%
4	April	34957	8.2%
5	May	34187	8.1%
6	June	31480	7.4%
7	July	32393	7.6%
8	August	31593	7.5%
9	September	35053	8.3%
10	October	37974	9%
11	November	36837	8.7%

12	December	38692	9.1%
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COL23_BIRTH_YEAR: Date of Birth - Year

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 81
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 90 Format: Numeric

COL3_TOWN: Mother's Living Town

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 13472 Invalid: 410321 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 81
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 88 Format: Numeric

COL5_DIST_RESIDE: District of Mother's Resident

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 98
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 98 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	39009	9.2%
2	Negombo	9686	2.3%
3	Kalutara	23098	5.5%
4	Kandy	34462	8.1%
5	Matale	11094	2.6%
6	Nuwara Eliya	13502	3.2%
7	Galle	21803	5.1%
8	Matara	18431	4.3%
9	Hambantota	13409	3.2%
10	Jaffna	23582	5.6%
11	Mannar	3836	0.9%
12	Vavuniya	3707	0.9%
13	Batticaloa	11109	2.6%

14	Ampara	12399	2.9%
15	Trincomalee	9575	2.3%
16	Kurunegala	32646	7.7%
17	Puttalam	5820	1.4%
18	Chillaw	9956	2.3%
19	Anuradhapura	18895	4.5%
20	Polonnaruwa	7856	1.9%
21	Badulla	17486	4.1%
22	Monaragala	10133	2.4%
23	Ratnapura	27047	6.4%
24	Kegalle	18598	4.4%
25	Mullativu	1986	0.5%
26	Gampaha	24663	5.8%
98		5	0%

COL6_OUTSIDE_DIV: Within the Registrars Division

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	Out	182480	43.1%
1	In	241313	56.9%

COL7_DISTIN_LETR: Distinguishing Letters

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 345501 Invalid: 78292 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 9 Format: Numeric

COL8_RACE: Race

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 14
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	304336	71.8%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	52313	12.3%
3	Sri lanka Moors	33625	7.9%
4	Burghers Eurasia	953	0.2%
5	Malays	907	0.2%
6	Veddah	95	0%
7	Indian Tamil	30959	7.3%
8	Indian Moors	157	0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	20	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	39	0%
11	Europeans	37	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	229	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	83	0%
14	Unknown Race	40	0%

COL9_16_AGE_MOTH: Mother's Age

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 52
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 57 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		4	0%
12		14	0%
13		24	0%
14		67	0%
15		324	0.1%
16		1400	0.3%

17		3718	0.9%
18		10610	2.5%
19		14277	3.4%
20		23568	5.6%
21		24038	5.7%
22		27846	6.6%
23		28275	6.7%
24		28493	6.7%
25		27937	6.6%
26		27517	6.5%
27		23864	5.6%
28		27254	6.4%
29		20657	4.9%
30		26467	6.2%
31		17718	4.2%
32		17225	4.1%
33		13120	3.1%
34		10658	2.5%
35		12936	3.1%
36		8078	1.9%
37		6145	1.5%
38		7018	1.7%
39		4141	1%
40		3964	0.9%
41		1968	0.5%
42		1662	0.4%
43		941	0.2%
44		658	0.2%
45		680	0.2%
46		231	0.1%
47		115	0%
48		116	0%
49		34	0%
50		29	0%
51		1	0%
52		1	0%

COL17_PARENT_MAR: Marital Status**Data file: Births 1981****Overview**

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Yes	399858	94.4%
2	No	23935	5.6%

COL18_TWIN_TRIPL: Type of birth**Data file: Births 1981****Overview**

Valid: 10092 Invalid: 413701 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Single	8196	81.2%
2	Twins	1754	17.4%
3	Triple	41	0.4%
4	Quard	31	0.3%
5		22	0.2%
6		10	0.1%
7		9	0.1%
8		18	0.2%
9		11	0.1%
Sysmiss		413701	

AGA_DIV_RESIDENC: Mother's AGA Division**Data file: Births 1981****Overview**

Valid: 423793 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 98

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 98 Format: Numeric

ORDER_BIRTH: Live Birth Order

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

Valid: 316759 Invalid: 107034 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 20
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 20 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1		95336	30.1%
2		81519	25.7%
3		61274	19.3%
4		35583	11.2%
5		18975	6%
6		11253	3.6%
7		5922	1.9%
8		3296	1%
9		1798	0.6%
10		989	0.3%
11		432	0.1%
12		192	0.1%
13		71	0%
14		76	0%
15		14	0%
16		4	0%
17		1	0%
19		2	0%
20		22	0%
Sysmiss		107034	

CLASS_RECORD: Programmer Defined Variable

Data file: Births 1981

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: - Format: Numeric

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CATEGORIES

Value	Category
Sysmiss	

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