

# Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Births - 1984

**Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department**

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## Identification

### SURVEY ID NUMBER

LKA-RGD-GB-1984-v1.0

### TITLE

Vital Statistics - Births - 1984

### 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.

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Births are registered at the place of occurrence and not in the area of residence of the mother..

### 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.

Births are registered at the place of occurrence and not in the area of residence of the mother.

### 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 1984 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	<a href="#">Link</a>

## 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

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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
1984-01-01	1984-12-31

## 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

## Access policy

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**Data Dictionary**

Data file	Cases	Variables
<b>Births 1984</b> The file contains the data related to Return of Births form 1984.	391064	23



**Data file: Births 1984**

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Cases: 391064

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 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391064   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	192383	49.2%
2	Rural	175001	44.7%
3	Estate	23680	6.1%

**DISTRICT: District****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391064   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	44660	11.4%
2	Negombo	8445	2.2%
3	Kalutara	19090	4.9%
4	Kandy	34208	8.7%
5	Matale	10466	2.7%
6	Nuwara Eliya	11896	3%
7	Galle	19253	4.9%
8	Matara	19180	4.9%
9	Hambantota	11748	3%
10	Jaffna	22601	5.8%
11	Mannar	3366	0.9%
12	Vavuniya	2705	0.7%
13	Batticaloa	11918	3%
14	Ampara	12637	3.2%
15	Trincomalee	8477	2.2%

16	Kurunegala	29630	7.6%
17	Puttalam	5331	1.4%
18	Chillaw	7945	2%
19	Anuradhapura	15750	4%
20	Polonnaruwa	7137	1.8%
21	Badulla	19734	5%
22	Monaragala	8905	2.3%
23	Ratnapura	24565	6.3%
24	Kegalle	14727	3.8%
25	Mullativu	2099	0.5%
26	Gampaha	14591	3.7%

## DRO\_DIVISION: AGA Division

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 17  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 23    Format: Numeric

## REGISTRARS\_DIV: Registration Division

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 69  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 0 - 79    Format: Numeric

## TOWN: Town

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 192498    Invalid: 198566    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 30  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 60    Format: Numeric

## MONTH\_REGISTER: Registered Month

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391064    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	33759	8.6%
2	February	34633	8.9%
3	March	35005	9%
4	April	31080	7.9%
5	May	31709	8.1%
6	June	33700	8.6%
7	July	31230	8%
8	August	30055	7.7%
9	September	29904	7.6%
10	October	32391	8.3%
11	November	32394	8.3%
12	December	35204	9%

## YEAR\_REGISTER: Registered Year

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 84    Maximum: 84  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 84 - 84    Format: Numeric

## Questions and instructions

### CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
84		391064	100%

## SEX: Sex

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391064    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	199834	51.1%
2	Female	191230	48.9%

### COL1\_ENTRY\_NO: No. of Registration Entry

Data file: Births 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 391040    Invalid: 24    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 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 31  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 0 - 31    Format: Numeric

### COL22\_BIRTH\_MONT: Date of Birth - Month

Data file: Births 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 12  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 0 - 12    Format: Numeric

### Questions and instructions

#### CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		7	0%
1	January	33656	8.6%
2	February	29916	7.6%
3	March	32694	8.4%
4	April	30916	7.9%
5	May	31284	8%
6	June	30162	7.7%
7	July	31414	8%
8	August	30879	7.9%
9	September	32097	8.2%
10	October	35507	9.1%

11	November	36013	9.2%
12	December	36519	9.3%

### COL23\_BIRTH\_YEAR: Date of Birth - Year

Data file: Births 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 391064    Invalid: 0    Minimum: 4    Maximum: 84  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 90    Format: Numeric

### COL3\_TOWN: Mother's Living Town

Data file: Births 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 27    Invalid: 391037    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 7  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 0 - 88    Format: Numeric

### COL5\_DIST\_RESIDE: District of Mother's Resident

Data file: Births 1984

#### Overview

Valid: 391062    Invalid: 2    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 98  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 98    Format: Numeric

#### Questions and instructions

#### CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	34635	8.9%
2	Negombo	8885	2.3%
3	Kalutara	18962	4.8%
4	Kandy	32783	8.4%
5	Matale	9586	2.5%
6	Nuwara Eliya	13143	3.4%
7	Galle	20338	5.2%
8	Matara	17964	4.6%
9	Hambantota	12488	3.2%
10	Jaffna	22386	5.7%
11	Mannar	3400	0.9%
12	Vavuniya	2714	0.7%

13	Batticaloa	11697	3%
14	Ampara	13435	3.4%
15	Trincomalee	8690	2.2%
16	Kurunegala	29663	7.6%
17	Puttalam	5250	1.3%
18	Chillaw	8373	2.1%
19	Anuradhapura	16047	4.1%
20	Polonnaruwa	7526	1.9%
21	Badulla	19541	5%
22	Monaragala	9071	2.3%
23	Ratnapura	24289	6.2%
24	Kegalle	16779	4.3%
25	Mullativu	2197	0.6%
26	Gampaha	21217	5.4%
98		3	0%
Sysmiss		2	

## COL6\_OUTSIDE\_DIV: Within the Registrars Division

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 391062    Invalid: 2    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 1  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 1    Range: 0 - 1    Format: Numeric

### Questions and instructions

#### CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	Out	161243	41.2%
1	In	229819	58.8%
Sysmiss		2	

## COL7\_DISTIN\_LETR: Distinguishing Letters

Data file: Births 1984

### Overview

Valid: 332782    Invalid: 58282    Minimum: 0    Maximum: 9  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 1    Range: 0 - 9    Format: Numeric

**COL8\_RACE: Race****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391062   Invalid: 2   Minimum: 1   Maximum: 14  
 Type: Discrete   Decimal: 0   Width: 2   Range: 1 - 14   Format: Numeric

**Questions and instructions**

## CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	281518	72%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	48044	12.3%
3	Sri Lanka Moors	31395	8%
4	Burghers Eurasia	780	0.2%
5	Malays	773	0.2%
6	Veddah	59	0%
7	Indian Tamil	28041	7.2%
8	Indian Moors	125	0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	14	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	22	0%
11	Europeans	25	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	36	0%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	13	0%
14	Unknown Race	217	0.1%
Sysmiss		2	

**COL9\_16\_AGE\_MOTH: Mother's Age****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391062   Invalid: 2   Minimum: 12   Maximum: 52  
 Type: Discrete   Decimal: 0   Width: 2   Range: 0 - 57   Format: Numeric

**Questions and instructions**

## CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
12		12	0%
13		11	0%
14		74	0%



15		317	0.1%
16		1411	0.4%
17		3871	1%
18		10020	2.6%
19		13838	3.5%
20		21406	5.5%
21		19324	4.9%
22		27226	7%
23		27313	7%
24		30729	7.9%
25		25455	6.5%
26		24710	6.3%
27		22360	5.7%
28		23611	6%
29		17968	4.6%
30		22337	5.7%
31		13939	3.6%
32		16221	4.1%
33		12662	3.2%
34		12426	3.2%
35		11257	2.9%
36		8059	2.1%
37		5989	1.5%
38		5867	1.5%
39		3544	0.9%
40		3368	0.9%
41		1583	0.4%
42		1735	0.4%
43		843	0.2%
44		668	0.2%
45		434	0.1%
46		184	0%
47		115	0%
48		92	0%
49		49	0%
50		28	0%
51		4	0%
52		2	0%
Sysmiss		2	

**COL17\_PARENT\_MAR: Marital Status****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391062    Invalid: 2    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 2  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 1    Range: 1 - 2    Format: Numeric

**Questions and instructions**

## CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Yes	372588	95.3%
2	No	18474	4.7%
Sysmiss		2	

**COL18\_TWIN\_TRIPL: Type of birth****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 4388    Invalid: 386676    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 9  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 1    Range: 1 - 9    Format: Numeric

**Questions and instructions**

## CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Single	2920	66.5%
2	Twins	1453	33.1%
3	Triple	9	0.2%
4	Quard	2	0%
5		3	0.1%
9		1	0%
Sysmiss		386676	

**AGA\_DIV\_RESIDENC: Mother's AGA Division****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 391062    Invalid: 2    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 98  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 98    Format: Numeric

**ORDER\_BIRTH: Live Birth Order****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 374367    Invalid: 16697    Minimum: 1    Maximum: 20  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: 1 - 20    Format: Numeric

**Questions and instructions**

## CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1		128720	34.4%
2		100250	26.8%
3		69276	18.5%
4		36537	9.8%
5		18884	5%
6		9972	2.7%
7		5356	1.4%
8		2714	0.7%
9		1373	0.4%
10		761	0.2%
11		281	0.1%
12		144	0%
13		43	0%
14		27	0%
15		4	0%
16		5	0%
19		4	0%
20		16	0%
Sysmiss		16697	

**CLASS\_RECORD: Programmer Defined Variable****Data file: Births 1984****Overview**

Valid: 0    Invalid: 391064  
 Type: Discrete    Decimal: 0    Width: 2    Range: -    Format: Numeric

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### CATEGORIES

Value	Category
Sysmiss	

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## Questionnaires

### Return of Birth - Form 1984

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Filename Return of Birth - Form 1984.pdf

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## Reports

### Study Documentation RGB 1984 Project

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Title      Study Documentation RGB 1984 Project  
Country   Sri Lanka  
Filename Study Documentation RGB 1984 Project.pdf

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## Technical documents

### Data Dictionary

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