

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Births - 1998

Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department

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TITLE

Vital Statistics - Births - 1998

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.

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

ABSTRACT

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 from the date of occurrence.

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

2008-06-17

Scope

NOTES

The scope of the Registration of Birth 1998 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
1998-01-01	1998-12-31

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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"Registrar General's Department, Vital Statistics (Births) - 1998, Version 1.0 of the public use dataset (April 2008)"

ACCESS AUTHORITY

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Registrar General's Department	RGD	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs	Data Collection

DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION

2008-06-17

DDI DOCUMENT VERSION
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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Birth 1998 The file contains the data related to Return of Births form 1998.	322672	26

Data file: Birth 1998

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Cases: 322672

Variables: 26

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V210	d_r		
V211	sector	Sector	
V212	sex	Sex	
V213	district	District	
V214	agad	AGA Division	
V215	rgadv	Registration Division	
V216	town	Town	
V217	month	Month	
V218	year	Year	
V219	sheetno	Sheet Number	
V220	entno	No. Of Registration Entry	
V221	bday	Date of Birth - Day	
V222	bmonth	Date of Birth - Month	
V223	byear	Date of Birth - Year	
V224	mrtwvl		
V225	mrage	Mother's AGA Division	
V226	mrdistri	District of Mother's Residence	
V227	inout	Within the Registrars Division	
V228	plbrt	Place of birth	
V229	brord	Live Birth Oder	
V230	distin	Distinguishing Letters	
V231	race	Race	
V232	mrage	Mother's Age	
V233	mari	Marital status	
V234	brtp	Type of Birth	
V235	bytp	Type of Birth Oder	

Total: 26

D_R:**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

SECTER: Sector**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Urban	233545	72.4%
2	Rural	83077	25.7%
3	Estate	6050	1.9%

SEX: Sex**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0

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

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Male	165078	51.2%
2	Female	157594	48.8%

DISTRICT: District**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 27

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 27 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	52827	16.4%
2	Gampaha	23208	7.2%
3	Kalutara	15395	4.8%
4	Kandy	26934	8.3%
5	Matale	8688	2.7%
6	Nuwara Eliya	10384	3.2%
7	Galle	18319	5.7%
8	Matara	14505	4.5%
9	Hambantota	6411	2%
10	Jaffna	7621	2.4%
11	Mannar	2360	0.7%
12	Vavuniya	2491	0.8%
13	Batticaloa	10254	3.2%
14	Ampara	9697	3%
15	Trincomalee	7620	2.4%
16	Kurunegala	20398	6.3%
17	Puttalam	13265	4.1%
19	Anuradhapura	13738	4.3%
20	Polonnaruwa	6367	2%
21	Badulla	15508	4.8%
22	Monaragala	5515	1.7%
23	Ratnapura	15403	4.8%
24	Kegalle	8294	2.6%
25	Mullativu	4638	1.4%
27	Kilinochchi	2832	0.9%

AGAD: AGA Division

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 26 Mean: 4.332 Standard deviation: 4.702
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 26 Format: Numeric

RGADV: Registration Division**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 79 Mean: 12.517 Standard deviation: 15.045
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 79 Format: Numeric

TOWN: Town**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 233545 Invalid: 89127
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 15 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1		154018	65.9%
2		20280	8.7%
3		9188	3.9%
4		7664	3.3%
5		9215	3.9%
6		12345	5.3%
7		4363	1.9%
8		6245	2.7%
9		121	0.1%
10		398	0.2%
11		33	0%
12		3919	1.7%
13		5514	2.4%
14		30	0%
15		212	0.1%
Sysmiss		89127	

MONTH: Month**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	January	26984	8.4%
2	February	26318	8.2%
3	March	28106	8.7%
4	April	24600	7.6%
5	May	26160	8.1%
6	June	27587	8.5%
7	July	27687	8.6%
8	August	27035	8.4%
9	September	27504	8.5%
10	October	27725	8.6%
11	November	26771	8.3%
12	December	26195	8.1%

YEAR: Year

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 98 - 98 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
98		322672	100%

SHEETNO: Sheet Number

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322667 Invalid: 5 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 99 Mean: 21.18 Standard deviation: 18.549
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

ENTNO: No. Of Registration Entry

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322665 Invalid: 7 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9999 Mean: 4765.303 Standard deviation: 2933.284
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 0 - 9999 Format: Numeric

BDAY: Date of Birth - Day

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 31 Mean: 15.635 Standard deviation: 8.792
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 31 Format: Numeric

BMONTH: Date of Birth - Month

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	January	28507	8.8%
2	February	23888	7.4%
3	March	27598	8.6%
4	April	26601	8.2%
5	May	26671	8.3%
6	June	25887	8%
7	July	27606	8.6%
8	August	27257	8.4%
9	September	26298	8.2%
10	October	27950	8.7%
11	November	26591	8.2%
12	December	27818	8.6%

BYEAR: Date of Birth - Year

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 32 Maximum: 98 Mean: 97.821 Standard deviation: 1.277
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 32 - 98 Format: Numeric

MRTWVL:**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 322672
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: - Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
Sysmiss	

MRAGA: Mother's AGA Division**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 98 Mean: 6.255 Standard deviation: 4.932
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 98 Format: Numeric

MRDISTRI: District of Mother's Residence**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 98
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 98 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	36611	11.3%
2	Gampaha	29993	9.3%
3	Kalutara	17171	5.3%
4	Kandy	23912	7.4%
5	Matale	7572	2.3%
6	Nuwara Eliya	12446	3.9%
7	Galle	17592	5.5%
8	Matara	13565	4.2%
9	Hambantota	8736	2.7%

10	Jaffna	8962	2.8%
11	Mannar	2471	0.8%
12	Vavuniya	2584	0.8%
13	Batticaloa	9934	3.1%
14	Ampara	10763	3.3%
15	Trincomalee	7874	2.4%
16	Kurunegala	22064	6.8%
17	Puttalam	14046	4.4%
19	Anuradhapura	13574	4.2%
20	Polonnaruwa	7126	2.2%
21	Badulla	14488	4.5%
22	Monaragala	7044	2.2%
23	Ratnapura	16451	5.1%
24	Kegalle	11532	3.6%
25	Mullativu	3184	1%
27	Kilinochchi	2967	0.9%

INOUT: Within the Registrars Division

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	Out	196979	61%
1	In	125693	39%

PLBRT: Place of birth

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Hospital	311099	96.4%
2	Other	11573	3.6%

BRORD: Live Birth Oder

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 15 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1		153958	47.7%
2		92302	28.6%
3		47901	14.8%
4		16715	5.2%
5		6648	2.1%
6		2775	0.9%
7		1224	0.4%
8		536	0.2%
9		191	0.1%
10		370	0.1%
11		35	0%
12		10	0%
13		4	0%
14		1	0%
15		2	0%

DISTIN: Distinguishing Letters

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Estate labour	10397	3.2%
2	Estate other	1246	0.4%
3	Non Estate	311029	96.4%

RACE: Race

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	225280	69.8%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	42471	13.2%
3	Sri lanka Moors	38874	12%
4	Burghers Eurasia	693	0.2%
5	Malays	978	0.3%
6	Veddah	6	0%
7	Indian Tamil	13910	4.3%
8	Indian Moors	50	0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	5	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	19	0%
11	Europeans	38	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	128	0%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	185	0.1%
14	Unknown Race	35	0%

MRAGE: Mother's Age

Data file: Birth 1998

Overview

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 10 Maximum: 59 Mean: 27.565 Standard deviation: 6
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 10 - 59 Format: Numeric

MARI: Marital status**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 322672 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Yes	319442	99%
2	No	3230	1%

BRTP: Type of Birth**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 3115 Invalid: 319557
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Single	0	0%
2	Twins	2966	95.2%
3	Triple	149	4.8%
4	Quard	0	0%
Sysmiss		319557	

BYTP: Type of Birth Oder**Data file: Birth 1998****Overview**

Valid: 3012 Invalid: 319660
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	First baby	1559	51.8%
2	Second baby	1405	46.6%
3	Third baby	48	1.6%
4	Forth baby	0	0%
Sysmiss		319660	

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Questionnaires

Return of Birth - Form 1998

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Reports

Study Documentation RGB 1998 Project

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Other materials

Table 2.1 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY DISTRICT, SECTOR AND SEX - 1998

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 Filename Table 2.1.pdf

Table 2.2 : LIVE BIRTHS BY DISTRICT OF USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER AND SEX OF CHILD - 1998

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Table 2.2a : LIVE BIRTHS BY DISTRICT OF USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER AND MONTH - 1998

Title Table 2.2a : LIVE BIRTHS BY DISTRICT OF USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER AND MONTH - 1998
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Table 2.3 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY LIVE BIRTH ORDER, SEX AND DISTRICT - 1998

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Table 2.4 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER AND DISTRICT - 1998

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Table 2.5 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY AGE OF MOTHER AND RACE - 1998

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Table 2.6 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY MONTH, SEX AND DISTRICT - 1998

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Table 2.7 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY AGE OF MOTHER AND DISTRICT - 1998

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Table 2.8 : SEX RATIO AT BIRTH AND LIVE BIRTHS OCCURRED IN HOSPITAL AND HOME BY DISTRICT - 1998

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Table 2.9 : PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY SECTOR AND AGE OF MOTHER - 1998

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Table 2.10 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY AGE OF MOTHER, SEX, LEGITIMACY AND SECTORS - 1998

Title Table 2.10 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY AGE OF MOTHER, SEX, LEGITIMACY AND SECTORS - 1998
 Filename Table 2.10.pdf

Table 2.11 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY MONTH, RACE AND SEX - 1998

Title Table 2.11 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY MONTH, RACE AND SEX - 1998
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Table 2.12 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR BY DISTRICT, SEX AND YEAR OF OCCURANCE - 1998

Title Table 2.12 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR BY DISTRICT, SEX AND YEAR OF OCCURANCE - 1998
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