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Sri Lanka (2000)
Vital Statistics - Births - 2000 (RGB - 2000)

Overview	
Type	Administrative Records, Other (ad/oth]
Identification	LKA-RGD-RGB-2000-v1.0
Version	Production Date: 2008-06-19 v1.0: Full edited dataset, original version for internal DPD use.
Series	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..
<p><u>Abstract</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Although birth and death registrations are compulsory by law, few events are missed and not registered for various reasons.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Births are registered at the place of occurrence and not in the area of residence of the mother.</p>	
Kind of Data	Administrative records data [adm]
Unit of Analysis	Individual Birth

Scope & Coverage	
<u>Scope</u> The scope of the Registration of Birth 2000 include : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -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	DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION [14]
<u>Geographic Coverage</u> National coverage.	
<u>Universe</u> Records pertaining to Live births of Sri Lankan Nationals whose birth occurs in Sri Lanka	

Producers & Sponsors	
Primary Investigator(s)	Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department, Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs
Other Producer(s)	Divisional Secretariats , Data Collection
Funding Agency/ies	Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL)

Data Collection	
Data Collection Dates	start 2000-01-01 end 2000-12-31
Data Collection Mode	Other [oth]
<u>Data Collection Notes</u> 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 Collector(s)	Registrars of Berths & Deaths , Registrar General's Department Additional District Registrar , Registrar General's Department Statistical Division - Registrar General Office , Registrar General's Department

Other Processing

Data processing included the following steps.

1. Accepting the filled birth 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.

Accessibility

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Access Conditions

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Citation Requirements

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Files Description

Dataset contains 1 file(s)

Birth 2000	
# Cases	347749
# Variable(s)	24
<u>File Content</u> The file contains the data related to Return of Births form 2000.	
<u>Producer</u> Registrar General's Department	

Variables List

Dataset contains 24 variable(s)

File Birth 2000							
#	Name	Label	Type	Format	Valid	Invalid	Question
1	d_r	-	discrete	character-1	0	0	-
2	sector	Sector	discrete	numeric-1.0	347749	0	-
3	district	District	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
4	agad	AGA Division	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
5	rgadv	Registration Division	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
6	town	Town	discrete	numeric-2.0	258576	89173	-
7	month	Month	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
8	year	Year	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
9	sheetno	Sheet Number	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
10	entno	No. Of Registration Entry	continuous	numeric-4.0	347749	0	-
11	bday	Date of Birth - Day	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
12	bmonth	Date of Birth - Month	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
13	byear	Date of Birth - Year	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
14	sex	Sex	discrete	numeric-1.0	347749	0	-
15	mrage	Mother's AGA Division	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
16	mrdistri	MRDISTRICT	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
17	inout	Within the Registrars Division	discrete	numeric-1.0	347749	0	-
18	plbrt	Place of birth	discrete	numeric-1.0	347749	0	-
19	brord	Live Birth Oder	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
20	race	Race	discrete	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
21	mrage	Mother's Age	continuous	numeric-2.0	347749	0	-
22	mari	Marital status	discrete	numeric-1.0	347749	0	-
23	brtp	Type of Birth Oder	discrete	numeric-1.0	4355	343394	-
24	bytp	Type of Birth	discrete	numeric-1.0	4355	343394	-

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File Birth 2000

#1 d_r

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=character] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=0 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

#2 sector: Sector

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-3] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Urban	258576	74.4%
2	Rural	84503	24.3%
3	Estate	4670	1.3%

Warning: these figures indicate the number of cases found in the data file. They cannot be interpreted as summary statistics of the population of interest.

#3 district: District

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-25] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Colombo	57877	16.6%
2	Gampaha	26005	7.5%
3	Kalutara	15872	4.6%
4	Kandy	28425	8.2%
5	Matale	8909	2.6%
6	Nuwara Eliya	11592	3.3%
7	Galle	18343	5.3%
8	Matara	15028	4.3%
9	Hambantota	6647	1.9%
10	Jaffna	9233	2.7%
11	Kilinochchi	3165	0.9%
12	Mannar	2089	0.6%
13	Vavuniya	3092	0.9%
14	Mulativu	4065	1.2%
15	Bataloa	11934	3.4%
16	Ampara	12103	3.5%
17	Trincomalee	8903	2.6%
18	Kurunegala	23044	6.6%
19	Puttalm	12954	3.7%

File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#3 district: District (cont.)

Value (cont.)	Label	Cases	Percentage
20	Anuradapura	15112	4.3%
21	Polonnaruwa	6461	1.9%
22	Badulla	15968	4.6%
23	Monaragala	5658	1.6%
24	Ratnapura	16306	4.7%
25	Kegalle	8964	2.6%

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#4 agad: AGA Division

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-28] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=4.497 /-] [StdDev=4.754 /-]

#5 rgadv: Registration Division

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-79] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=13.105 /-] [StdDev=14.795 /-]

#6 town: Town

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-14] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=258576 /-] [Invalid=89173 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1		134465	52.0%
2		49129	19.0%
3		17263	6.7%
4		8198	3.2%
5		10759	4.2%
6		16452	6.4%
7		3468	1.3%
8		1073	0.4%
9		5991	2.3%
10		159	0.1%
11		218	0.1%
12		5609	2.2%
13		5575	2.2%
14		217	0.1%
Sysmiss		89173	

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File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#7 month: Month			
Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-12] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	January	30038	8.6%
2	February	27419	7.9%
3	March	29334	8.4%
4	April	27525	7.9%
5	May	30592	8.8%
6	June	28464	8.2%
7	July	28796	8.3%
8	August	29172	8.4%
9	September	28567	8.2%
10	October	28900	8.3%
11	November	30056	8.6%
12	December	28886	8.3%
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#8 year: Year			
Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-0] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
0		347749	100.0%
Warning: these figures indicate the number of cases found in the data file. They cannot be interpreted as summary statistics of the population of interest.			

#9 sheetno: Sheet Number			
Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-99] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=31.612 /-] [StdDev=24.265 /-]		

#10 entno: No. Of Registration Entry			
Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-9999] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=5019.939 /-] [StdDev=3036.599 /-]		

#11 bday: Date of Birth - Day			
Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-31] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=15.72 /-] [StdDev=8.809 /-]		

File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#12 bmonth: Date of Birth - Month

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-12] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	January	29903	8.6%
2	February	26602	7.6%
3	March	30428	8.7%
4	April	28998	8.3%
5	May	29122	8.4%
6	June	28236	8.1%
7	July	28449	8.2%
8	August	28573	8.2%
9	September	28967	8.3%
10	October	30469	8.8%
11	November	29547	8.5%
12	December	28455	8.2%

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#13 byear: Date of Birth - Year

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-99] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=9.386 /-] [StdDev=28.828 /-]

#14 sex: Sex

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Male	178254	51.3%
2	Female	169495	48.7%

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#15 mraga: Mother's AGA Division

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-98] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=6.547 /-] [StdDev=4.999 /-]

#16 mrdistri: MRDISTRICT

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-98] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#16 mrdistri: MRDISTRICT (cont.)

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Colombo	38706	11.1%
2	Gampaha	33736	9.7%
3	Kalutara	18190	5.2%
4	Kandy	25246	7.3%
5	Matale	8390	2.4%
6	Nuwara Eliya	14298	4.1%
7	Galle	17265	5.0%
8	Matara	14300	4.1%
9	Hambantota	9456	2.7%
10	Jaffna	10365	3.0%
11	Kilinochchi	3239	0.9%
12	Mannar	2420	0.7%
13	Vavuniya	3130	0.9%
14	Mulativu	2556	0.7%
15	Bataloa	12096	3.5%
16	Ampara	12957	3.7%
17	Trincomalee	9286	2.7%
18	Kurunegala	25329	7.3%
19	Puttalm	13956	4.0%
20	Anuradapura	14716	4.2%
21	Polonnaruwa	6383	1.8%
22	Badulla	14354	4.1%
23	Monaragala	7188	2.1%
24	Ratnapura	17080	4.9%
25	Kegalle	13096	3.8%

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#17 inout: Within the Registrars Division

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	In	109950	31.6%
2	Out	237799	68.4%

Warning: these figures indicate the number of cases found in the data file. They cannot be interpreted as summary statistics of the population of interest.

#18 plbrt: Place of birth

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]
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File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#18 plbrt: Place of birth (cont.)

Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Hospital	331043	95.2%
2	Other	16706	4.8%

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#19 brord: Live Birth Oder

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-14] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1		159882	46.0%
2		104466	30.0%
3		51399	14.8%
4		18771	5.4%
5		7808	2.2%
6		3011	0.9%
7		1352	0.4%
8		607	0.2%
9		232	0.1%
10		143	0.0%
11		56	0.0%
12		17	0.0%
13		2	0.0%
14		3	0.0%

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#20 race: Race

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-14] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Sinhalese	239920	69.0%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	47530	13.7%
3	Sri lanka Moors	42508	12.2%
4	Burghers Eurasia	667	0.2%
5	Malays	994	0.3%
6	Veddah	5	0.0%
7	Indian Tamil	15770	4.5%
8	Indian Moors	59	0.0%

File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#20 race: Race (cont.)

Value (cont.)	Label	Cases	Percentage
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0.0%
10	Pakistan Moors	41	0.0%
11	Europeans	30	0.0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	134	0.0%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	76	0.0%
14	Unknown Race	15	0.0%

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#21 mrage: Mother's Age

Information	[Type= continuous] [Format=numeric] [Range= 13-55] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-] [Mean=27.641 /-] [StdDev=6.017 /-]

#22 mari: Marital status

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=347749 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Yes	342880	98.6%
2	No	4869	1.4%

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#23 brtp: Type of Birth Oder

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-4] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=4355 /-] [Invalid=343394 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	First baby	2177	50.0%
2	Second baby	2149	49.3%
3	Third baby	29	0.7%
4	Forth baby	0	0.0%
Sysmiss		343394	

Warning: these figures indicate the number of cases found in the data file. They cannot be interpreted as summary statistics of the population of interest.

#24 bytp: Type of Birth

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-4] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=4355 /-] [Invalid=343394 /-]

File Birth 2000 (cont.)

#24 bytp: Type of Birth (cont.)

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Single	0	0.0%
2	Twin	4268	98.0%
3	Triple	87	2.0%
4	Quard	0	0.0%
Sysmiss		343394	

Warning: these figures indicate the number of cases found in the data file. They cannot be interpreted as summary statistics of the population of interest.

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Questionnaires

Return of Birth - Form 2000, "Documents\Forms\Return of Birth - Form 2000.pdf"

Table 2.1 : LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED BY DISTRICT, SECTOR AND SEX - 2000, "Documents\Tables\Table 2.1.pdf"

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