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Sri Lanka (2002)
Vital Statistics - Births - 2002 (RGB - 2002)

Overview	
Type	Administrative Records, Other (ad/oth]
Identification	LKA-RGD-RGB-2002-v1.0
Version	Production Date: 2009-08-20 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 2002 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, Ministray 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 2002-01-01 end 2002-12-31
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)

Birth2002	
# Cases	367709
# Variable(s)	23
<u>File Content</u> The file contains the data related to Return of Births form 2002.	
<u>Producer</u> Registrar General Department.	

Variables List

Dataset contains 23 variable(s)

File Birth2002							
#	Name	Label	Type	Format	Valid	Invalid	Question
1	SECTER	Sector	discrete	numeric-1.0	367709	0	-
2	DISTRICT	District	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
3	AGAD	AGA Division	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
4	RGADV	Registration Division	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
5	TOWN	Town	discrete	numeric-2.0	236602	131107	-
6	MONTH	Month	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
7	YEAR	Year	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
8	SHEETNO	Sheet Number	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
9	ENTNO	No. Of Registration Entry	discrete	numeric-4.0	367709	0	-
10	BDAY	Date of Birth - Day	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
11	BMONTH	Date of Birth - Month	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
12	BYEAR	Date of Birth - Year	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
13	SEX	Sex	discrete	numeric-1.0	367709	0	-
14	MRAGA	Mother's AGA Division	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
15	MRDISTRI	MRDISTRICT	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
16	INOUT	Within the Registrars Division	discrete	numeric-1.0	367709	0	-
17	PLBRT	Place of birth	discrete	numeric-1.0	367709	0	-
18	BRORD	Live Birth Oder	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
19	RACE	Race	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
20	MRAGE	Mother's Age	discrete	numeric-2.0	367709	0	-
21	MARI	Marital status	discrete	numeric-1.0	367709	0	-
22	BRTP	Type of Birth Oder	discrete	numeric-1.0	4040	363669	-
23	BYTP	Type of Birth	discrete	numeric-1.0	4040	363669	-

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File Birth2002

#1 SECTER: Sector

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-3] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Urban	236602	64.3%
2	Rural	125855	34.2%
3	Estate	5252	1.4%

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.

#2 DISTRICT: District

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 11-92] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
11	Colombo	62773	17.1%
12	Gampaha	25616	7.0%
13	Kaluthrata	16190	4.4%
21	Kandy	29371	8.0%
22	Matale	9039	2.5%
23	N-Eliya	11704	3.2%
31	Galle	19190	5.2%
32	Matara	14273	3.9%
33	Hambantota	7085	1.9%
41	Jaffna	8748	2.4%
42	Mannar	2511	0.7%
43	Vavuniya	3283	0.9%
44	Mullaithivu	4421	1.2%
45	Killinochchi	3479	0.9%
51	Batticaloa	12132	3.3%
52	Ampara	11836	3.2%
53	Trincomalee	9346	2.5%
61	Kurunegala	25180	6.8%
62	Puttalam	14021	3.8%
71	Anuradhapura	15746	4.3%
72	Polonnaruwa	6853	1.9%
81	Badulla	18717	5.1%
82	Monaragala	6930	1.9%
91	Ratnapura	19438	5.3%

File Birth2002 (cont.)

#2 DISTRICT: District (cont.)

Value (cont.)	Label	Cases	Percentage
92	Kegalle	9827	2.7%

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#3 AGAD: AGA Division

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-28] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
Frequency table not shown (33 Modalities)	

#4 RGADV: Registration Division

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-79] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
Frequency table not shown (75 Modalities)	

#5 TOWN: Town

Information		[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-14] [Missing=*]	
Statistics [NW/ W]		[Valid=236602 /-] [Invalid=131107 /-]	
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
11		150650	<div></div> 63.7%
12		12454	<div></div> 5.3%
13		15	<div></div> 0.0%
14		5322	<div></div> 2.2%
21		33523	<div></div> 14.2%
22		19328	<div></div> 8.2%
23		10715	<div></div> 4.5%
24		4584	<div></div> 1.9%
25		7	<div></div> 0.0%
26		4	<div></div> 0.0%
Sysmiss		131107	

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.

#6 MONTH: Month

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-12] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

File Birth2002 (cont.)

#6 MONTH: Month (cont.)

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	January	32610	8.9%
2	February	27674	7.5%
3	March	29319	8.0%
4	April	28847	7.8%
5	May	30638	8.3%
6	June	30531	8.3%
7	July	31161	8.5%
8	August	31473	8.6%
9	September	29902	8.1%
10	October	33574	9.1%
11	November	31382	8.5%
12	December	30598	8.3%

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.

#7 YEAR: Year

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-1] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
2		367709	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.

#8 SHEETNO: Sheet Number

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-99] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Frequency table not shown (100 Modalities)			

#9 ENTNO: No. Of Registration Entry

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-9999] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		

#10 BDAY: Date of Birth - Day

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-31] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
Frequency table not shown (31 Modalities)	

File Birth2002 (cont.)

#11 BMONTH: Date of Birth - Month

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-12] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	January	30632	8.3%
2	February	25087	6.8%
3	March	30192	8.2%
4	April	30811	8.4%
5	May	31537	8.6%
6	June	29369	8.0%
7	July	30497	8.3%
8	August	29738	8.1%
9	September	30348	8.3%
10	October	34009	9.2%
11	November	33900	9.2%
12	December	31589	8.6%

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.

#12 BYEAR: Date of Birth - Year

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 0-99] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Frequency table not shown (64 Modalities)

#13 SEX: Sex

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Male	187561	51.0%
2	Female	180148	49.0%

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#14 MRAGA: Mother's AGA Division

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-98] [Missing=*]
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Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
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Frequency table not shown (37 Modalities)

File Birth2002 (cont.)

#15 MRDISTRI: MRDISTRICT

Information [Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 11-98] [Missing=*]

Statistics [NW/ W] [Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
11	Colombo	40595	11.0%
12	Gampaha	34136	9.3%
13	Kaluthrata	19617	5.3%
21	Kandy	26219	7.1%
22	Matale	8653	2.4%
23	N-Eliya	14851	4.0%
31	Galle	17855	4.9%
32	Matara	14361	3.9%
33	Hambantota	10333	2.8%
41	Jaffna	9705	2.6%
42	Mannar	2781	0.8%
43	Vavuniya	3434	0.9%
44	Mullaithivu	2703	0.7%
45	Killinochchi	3827	1.0%
51	Batticaloa	12241	3.3%
52	Ampara	13098	3.6%
53	Trincomalee	9726	2.6%
61	Kurunegala	28132	7.7%
62	Puttalam	15088	4.1%
71	Anuradhapura	15425	4.2%
72	Polonnaruwa	6798	1.8%
81	Badulla	16537	4.5%
82	Monaragala	8556	2.3%
91	Ratnapura	18812	5.1%
92	Kegalle	14217	3.9%
98		9	0.0%

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#16 INOUT: Within the Registrars Division

Information [Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]

Statistics [NW/ W] [Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	In	86868	23.6%
2	Out	280841	76.4%

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File Birth2002 (cont.)

#17 PLBRT: Place of birth

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Hospital	349204	95.0%
2	Other	18505	5.0%

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#18 BRORD: Live Birth Oder

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-13] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1		170291	46.3%
2		113347	30.8%
3		53949	14.7%
4		18613	5.1%
5		6787	1.8%
6		2711	0.7%
7		1165	0.3%
8		507	0.1%
9		175	0.0%
10		97	0.0%
11		46	0.0%
12		17	0.0%
13		4	0.0%

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#19 RACE: Race

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-14] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Sinhalese	255599	69.5%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	47324	12.9%
3	Sri Lanka Moors	19655	5.3%
4	Burghers Eurasia	43201	11.7%
5	Malays	595	0.2%
6	Veddah	923	0.3%
7	Indian Tamil	97	0.0%

File Birth2002 (cont.)

#19 RACE: Race (cont.)

Value (cont.)	Label	Cases	Percentage
8	Indian Moors	27	0.0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	52	0.0%
10	Pakistan Moors	24	0.0%
11	Europeans	98	0.0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	93	0.0%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	21	0.0%
14	Unknown Race	0	0.0%

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.

#20 MRAGE: Mother's Age

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 13-53] [Missing=*]
Statistics [NW/ W]	[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]
Frequency table not shown (41 Modalities)	

#21 MARI: Marital status

Information		[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-2] [Missing=*]		
Statistics [NW/ W]		[Valid=367709 /-] [Invalid=0 /-]		
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage	
1	Yes	363103	98.7%	
2	No	4606	1.3%	

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#22 BRTP: Type of Birth Oder

Information		[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-4] [Missing=*]	
Statistics [NW/ W]		[Valid=4040 /-] [Invalid=363669 /-]	
Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	First baby	2060	<div></div> 51.0%
2	Second baby	1950	<div></div> 48.3%
3	Third baby	30	<div></div> 0.7%
4	Forth baby	0	<div></div> 0.0%
Sysmiss		363669	

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#23 BYTP: Type of Birth

Information	[Type= discrete] [Format=numeric] [Range= 1-4] [Missing=*]
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File Birth2002 (cont.)

#23 BYTP: Type of Birth (cont.)

Statistics [NW/ W] [Valid=4040 /-] [Invalid=363669 /-]

Value	Label	Cases	Percentage
1	Single	0	0.0%
2	Twin	3948	97.7%
3	Triple	92	2.3%
4	Quard	0	0.0%
Sysmiss		363669	

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Questionnaires

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