

## Sample allocation

Allocation of the number of Primary Sampling Units for the districts and sectors were done proportionately to the number of housing units and the standard deviation of the expenditure values reported in the respective domains in the Household Income and Expenditure survey 2002 (Neymann Allocation). The district sample was equally distributed among the 3 monthly rounds. Table 1.1 and Table 1.2 give the sample distributions by district and by sector respectively.

Table 1.1: Sample allocation (for 3 months) among districts.

District	Housing units	District	Housing units
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>4712</b>	Batticaloa	143
Colombo	586	Ampara	199
Gampaha	454	Kurunegala	257
Kalutara	285	Puttlam	168
Kandy	279	Anuradhapura	201
Matale	144	Polonnaruwa	137
Nuwara Eliya	179	Badulla	194
Galle	385	Moneragala	140
Matara	347	Ratnapura	222
Hambantota	217	Kegalle	175

Table 1.2: Sample allocation (for 3 months) among sectors

Sector	Housing unit
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>4,712</b>
Urban	1,151
Rural	3,180
Estate	381