

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1970

Statistics Division, Registrar General Department

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TITLE

Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1970

COUNTRY

Name	Country code
Sri Lanka	LKA

STUDY TYPE

Administrative Records, Other (ad/oth]

SERIES INFORMATION

The computerization of marriage statistics is a continuous process where the event by event data are collected on a monthly basis and the final outputs (reports) are produced annually for dissemination.

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.

ABSTRACT

Vital Statistics cover Births, Deaths, Still births and Marriages which are called vital events. The source for the collection of data for the preparation of Vital statistics is the certificate issued to the respondent when the registration of the occurrence of the vital event is done. Maintaining Vital statistics is an Administrative record keeping operation and is a continuous process where the event by event data are collected on a monthly basis and the final outputs (reports) are produced annually for dissemination.

The computerization of vital statistics came into being after the arrival of computers to the Department of Census and Statistics in 1960's.

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.

KIND OF DATA

Administrative records data [adm]

UNIT OF ANALYSIS

Each marriage registered within the month

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION

v1.0: Full edited dataset, original version for internal DPD use.

VERSION DATE

2008-08-11

Scope

NOTES

The scope of the Registration of Marriage 1970 include :

- District
- Division

-Name of Registrar
 -Month & Year
 -Whether General, Kandyan or Muslim
 -Registration Entry Number
 -Village or Locality(Male)
 -Race(Male)
 -Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Male)
 -Age(Male)
 -Was Register signed with a Mark or in Letters(Male)
 -Village or Locality(Female)
 -Race(Female)
 -Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Female)
 -Age(Female)
 -Was Register signed with a Mark or in Letters(Female)
 -Remarks

TOPICS

Topic	Vocabulary	URI
DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION [14]	CESSDA	Link

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

National coverage.

UNIVERSE

Marriages and divorces recorded by the representatives of the Registrar Generals Office.

Producers and sponsors

PRIMARY INVESTIGATORS

Name	Affiliation
Statistics Division, Registrar General 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
1970-01-01	1970-12-31

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Other [oth]

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

A respondent from the general public reports the event to a local representative - (a Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages in the case of deaths and marriages or an officer in a public or private maternity home) and obtains a certificate from him. The Registrar/officer produces a monthly return from the vital event records (different formats for each type of event) and send it to the collection centre of the Additional District Registrar who in turn channels the returns to the Statistics Division of the Registrar General's office for data processing purposes.

DATA COLLECTORS

Name	Affiliation
Registrars of Berths, Deaths & Marriages	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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CITATION REQUIREMENTS

"Registrar General's Department,Vital Statistics (Marriages) - 1970, Version 1.0 of the public use dataset (August 2008)"

ACCESS AUTHORITY

Name	Affiliation	Email	URL
Registrar General	Registrar General's Department	rg@rgd.gov.lk	www.rgd.gov.lk

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Registrar General's Department	RGD	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs	Data Collection
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2008-08-11

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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Marriages 1970 The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 1970.	84716	18

Data file: Marriages 1970

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Cases: 84716

Variables: 18

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V145	DISTRICT	District	
V146	YEAR	Year	
V147	MONTH	Month	
V148	GENR_KAND_MUSL	Marriage Category	
V149	REGISTRATION_DIV	Registrar's Division	
V150	CODE_OF_REGISTRA	Code of Registrar	
V151	ENTRY_NUMBER	1. No. of Registration Entry	
V152	M1_RACE	3. Race(Male)	
V153	M2_CIVIL_CONDITI	4. Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)	
V154	M3_AGE	5. Age(Male)	
V155	M4_SIGNED_MK_LT	6. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male)	
V156	F1_RACE	8. Race(Female)	
V157	F2_CIVIL_CONDITI	9. Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Female)	
V158	F3_AGE	10. Age(Female)	
V159	F4_SIGNED_MR_LT	11. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Female)	
V160	SOLEMN_REG_MINI	12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister	
V161	RMTAPE	RMTAPE	
V162	CLASS_OF_RECORD	CLASS_OF_RECORD	

Total: 18

DISTRICT: District**Data file: Marriages 1970****Overview**

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 24
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 24 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Colombo	16695	19.7%
2	Negombo	2510	3%
3	Kalutara	4925	5.8%
4	Kandy	7937	9.4%
5	Matale	2099	2.5%
6	Nuwara Eliya	2717	3.2%
7	Galle	4685	5.5%
8	Matara	3634	4.3%
9	Hambantota	1991	2.4%
10	Jaffna	4224	5%
11	Mannar	594	0.7%
12	Vavuniya	509	0.6%
13	Batticaloa	2771	3.3%
14	Ampara	1663	2%
15	Trincomalee	1270	1.5%
16	Kurunegala	6721	7.9%
17	Puttalam	1180	1.4%
18	Chillaw	1762	2.1%
19	Anuradhapura	2441	2.9%
20	Polonnaruwa	1052	1.2%
21	Badulla	3842	4.5%
22	Monaragala	1024	1.2%
23	Ratnapura	4251	5%
24	Kegalle	4219	5%

YEAR: Year**Data file: Marriages 1970**

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 70 Maximum: 70
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 70 - 70 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
70		84716	100%

MONTH: Month**Data file: Marriages 1970****Overview**

Valid: 84716 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	6182	7.3%
2	February	6116	7.2%
3	March	6617	7.8%
4	April	6013	7.1%
5	May	6804	8%
6	June	7292	8.6%
7	July	7105	8.4%
8	August	7085	8.4%
9	September	8816	10.4%
10	October	7648	9%
11	November	6647	7.8%
12	December	8391	9.9%

GENR_KAND_MUSL: Marriage Category**Data file: Marriages 1970****Overview**

Valid: 84716 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	General	67580	79.8%
2	Kandyan	10420	12.3%
3	Muslim	6716	7.9%

REGISTRATION_DIV: Registrar's Division

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 39
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 39 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		5979	7.1%
1	Colombo	22164	26.2%
2	Negombo	8955	10.6%
3	Kalutara	9062	10.7%
4	Kandy	9733	11.5%
5	Matale	7682	9.1%
6	Nuwara Eliya	5242	6.2%
7	Galle	4211	5%
8	Matara	3219	3.8%
9	Hambantota	1538	1.8%
10	Jaffna	1096	1.3%
11	Mannar	1582	1.9%
12	Vavuniya	293	0.3%
13	Batticaloa	10	0%
14	Ampara	7	0%
15	Trincomalee	34	0%
16	Kurunegala	976	1.2%
17	Puttalam	222	0.3%
18	Chillaw	916	1.1%
19	Anuradhapura	55	0.1%

20	Polonnaruwa	4	0%
21	Badulla	340	0.4%
22	Monaragala	43	0.1%
23	Ratnapura	562	0.7%
24	Kegalle	790	0.9%
39		1	0%

CODE_OF_REGISTRA: Code of Registrar

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 67
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 67 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		61	0.1%
1		10242	12.1%
2		6602	7.8%
3		5394	6.4%
4		3383	4%
5		2950	3.5%
6		2129	2.5%
7		2484	2.9%
8		3076	3.6%
9		1915	2.3%
10		2285	2.7%
11		2100	2.5%
12		1833	2.2%
13		2595	3.1%
14		1835	2.2%
15		1806	2.1%
16		1652	2%
17		1314	1.6%
18		1543	1.8%
19		1588	1.9%
20		1231	1.5%

21		1959	2.3%
22		1215	1.4%
23		1108	1.3%
24		1135	1.3%
25		1498	1.8%
26		1272	1.5%
27		1199	1.4%
28		1106	1.3%
29		748	0.9%
30		750	0.9%
31		711	0.8%
32		727	0.9%
33		715	0.8%
34		549	0.6%
35		627	0.7%
36		613	0.7%
37		415	0.5%
38		576	0.7%
39		671	0.8%
40		374	0.4%
41		698	0.8%
42		616	0.7%
43		561	0.7%
44		562	0.7%
45		394	0.5%
46		569	0.7%
47		530	0.6%
48		452	0.5%
49		339	0.4%
50		329	0.4%
51		460	0.5%
52		264	0.3%
53		323	0.4%
54		570	0.7%
55		668	0.8%
56		226	0.3%
57		179	0.2%
58		257	0.3%
59		200	0.2%

60		114	0.1%
61		14	0%
62		54	0.1%
63		132	0.2%
64		41	0%
65		63	0.1%
66		87	0.1%
67		28	0%

ENTRY_NUMBER: 1. No. of Registration Entry

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9999
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 0 - 9999 Format: Numeric

M1_RACE: 3. Race(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 14
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	60676	71.6%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	9068	10.7%
3	Sri lanka Moors	6378	7.5%
4	Burghers Eurasia	343	0.4%
5	Malays	314	0.4%
6	Veddah	2	0%
7	Indian Tamil	7687	9.1%
8	Indian Moors	97	0.1%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	23	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	105	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	19	0%

14	Unknown Race	4	0%
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M2_CIVIL_CONDITI: 4. Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Bachelor	81966	96.8%
2	Widower	1691	2%
3	Divorcee	1058	1.2%
4	Another Marriage	1	0%

M3_AGE: 5. Age(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 16 Maximum: 90
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 16 - 90 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
16		1	0%
17		8	0%
18		66	0.1%
19		209	0.2%
20		1188	1.4%
21		2560	3%
22		7172	8.5%
23		7849	9.3%
24		8736	10.3%
25		7907	9.3%
26		7140	8.4%

27		6009	7.1%
28		6726	7.9%
29		4111	4.9%
30		5283	6.2%
31		2391	2.8%
32		2840	3.4%
33		1807	2.1%
34		1413	1.7%
35		2144	2.5%
36		1034	1.2%
37		768	0.9%
38		1056	1.2%
39		471	0.6%
40		904	1.1%
41		238	0.3%
42		418	0.5%
43		241	0.3%
44		175	0.2%
45		608	0.7%
46		175	0.2%
47		161	0.2%
48		335	0.4%
49		146	0.2%
50		377	0.4%
51		100	0.1%
52		214	0.3%
53		121	0.1%
54		86	0.1%
55		308	0.4%
56		92	0.1%
57		79	0.1%
58		123	0.1%
59		46	0.1%
60		235	0.3%
61		22	0%
62		61	0.1%
63		49	0.1%
64		25	0%
65		178	0.2%

66		19	0%
67		17	0%
68		44	0.1%
69		12	0%
70		89	0.1%
71		8	0%
72		16	0%
73		12	0%
74		4	0%
75		45	0.1%
76		6	0%
77		2	0%
78		5	0%
79		1	0%
80		17	0%
82		2	0%
83		1	0%
84		2	0%
85		4	0%
88		1	0%
90		3	0%

M4_SIGNED_MK_LT: 6. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 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	Mark	2222	2.6%
2	Letters	82494	97.4%

F1_RACE: 8. Race(Female)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 14
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	60901	71.9%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	9083	10.7%
3	Sri lanka Moors	6366	7.5%
4	Burghers Eurasia	404	0.5%
5	Malays	306	0.4%
6	Veddah	1	0%
7	Indian Tamil	7437	8.8%
8	Indian Moors	72	0.1%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	18	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	103	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	19	0%
14	Unknown Race	6	0%

F2_CIVIL_CONDITI: 9. Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Female)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 84716 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	Spinster	82829	97.8%
2	Widower	1012	1.2%
3	Divorcee	875	1%

F3_AGE: 10. Age(Female)**Data file: Marriages 1970****Overview**

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 12 Maximum: 92
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 12 - 92 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
12		3	0%
13		45	0.1%
14		378	0.4%
15		646	0.8%
16		1601	1.9%
17		2562	3%
18		7261	8.6%
19		6034	7.1%
20		8821	10.4%
21		11256	13.3%
22		13051	15.4%
23		7005	8.3%
24		5104	6%
25		3918	4.6%
26		2944	3.5%
27		2172	2.6%
28		2290	2.7%
29		1165	1.4%
30		1724	2%
31		528	0.6%
32		790	0.9%
33		524	0.6%
34		350	0.4%
35		895	1.1%
36		279	0.3%
37		228	0.3%
38		411	0.5%
39		130	0.2%
40		549	0.6%
41		70	0.1%

42		184	0.2%
43		89	0.1%
44		90	0.1%
45		445	0.5%
46		77	0.1%
47		72	0.1%
48		190	0.2%
49		61	0.1%
50		221	0.3%
51		20	0%
52		75	0.1%
53		40	0%
54		26	0%
55		138	0.2%
56		33	0%
57		15	0%
58		36	0%
59		10	0%
60		72	0.1%
61		3	0%
62		11	0%
63		6	0%
64		2	0%
65		37	0%
67		2	0%
68		7	0%
69		1	0%
70		9	0%
72		1	0%
73		2	0%
75		3	0%
80		2	0%
83		1	0%
92		1	0%

F4_SIGNED_MR_LT: 11. Register signed with a mark or in letters (Female)

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 78000 Invalid: 6716 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Mark	7370	9.4%
2	Letters	70630	90.6%
Sysmiss		6716	

SOLEMNI_REG_MINI: 12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 78000 Invalid: 6716 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Registrar	73027	93.6%
2	Minister	4973	6.4%
Sysmiss		6716	

RMTAPE: RMTAPE

Data file: Marriages 1970

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
R	RMTAPE

CLASS_OF_RECORD: CLASS_OF_RECORD**Data file: Marriages 1970****Overview**

Valid: 84716 Invalid: 0

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

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
M		84716	100%

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Questionnaires

Return of Marriages - Form 1970

Title Return of Marriages - Form 1970
Filename Marriages_Form.pdf

Reports

Study Documentation RGM 1970 Project

Title Study Documentation RGM 1970 Project
Country Sri Lanka
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Technical documents

Data Dictionary

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Filename Data Dictionary Marriages 1970-1990.pdf
