

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1971

Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department

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TITLE

Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1971

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.

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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

2008-08-13

Scope

NOTES

The scope of the Registration of Marriage 1971 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'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
1971-01-01	1971-12-31

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) - 1971, Version 1.0 of the public use dataset (August 2008)"

ACCESS AUTHORITY

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

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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Marriages 1971 The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 1971.	86095	18

Data file: Marriages 1971

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Cases: 86095

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 1971****Overview**

Valid: 86095 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	16615	19.3%
2	Negombo	2727	3.2%
3	Kalutara	5350	6.2%
4	Kandy	8095	9.4%
5	Matale	1922	2.2%
6	Nuwara Eliya	2891	3.4%
7	Galle	4614	5.4%
8	Matara	3318	3.9%
9	Hambantota	2070	2.4%
10	Jaffna	4148	4.8%
11	Mannar	485	0.6%
12	Vavuniya	540	0.6%
13	Batticaloa	3992	4.6%
14	Ampara	1748	2%
15	Trincomalee	1242	1.4%
16	Kurunegala	6958	8.1%
17	Puttalam	1102	1.3%
18	Chillaw	1914	2.2%
19	Anuradhapura	2506	2.9%
20	Polonnaruwa	1053	1.2%
21	Badulla	3778	4.4%
22	Monaragala	1050	1.2%
23	Ratnapura	4227	4.9%
24	Kegalle	3750	4.4%

YEAR: Year**Data file: Marriages 1971**

Overview

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 71 Maximum: 71
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 71 - 71 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
71		86095	100%

MONTH: Month

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	6809	7.9%
2	February	5872	6.8%
3	March	7300	8.5%
4	April	3402	4%
5	May	6828	7.9%
6	June	8202	9.5%
7	July	7804	9.1%
8	August	7841	9.1%
9	September	9064	10.5%
10	October	7843	9.1%
11	November	7272	8.4%
12	December	7858	9.1%

GENR_KAND_MUSL: Marriage Category

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	68890	80%
2	Kandyan	10466	12.2%
3	Muslim	6739	7.8%

REGISTRATION_DIV: Registrar's Division

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 24
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 39 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		5338	6.2%
1		24165	28.1%
2		9451	11%
3		11370	13.2%
4		9689	11.3%
5		7296	8.5%
6		4661	5.4%
7		3646	4.2%
8		2363	2.7%
9		1429	1.7%
10		1177	1.4%
11		1719	2%
12		132	0.2%
16		868	1%
17		273	0.3%
18		801	0.9%
19		20	0%
20		2	0%
21		389	0.5%
22		29	0%

23		623	0.7%
24		654	0.8%

CODE_OF_REGISTRA: Code of Registrar

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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		91	0.1%
1		10131	11.8%
2		7279	8.5%
3		5632	6.5%
4		2350	2.7%
5		3299	3.8%
6		2358	2.7%
7		2540	3%
8		3682	4.3%
9		2270	2.6%
10		1796	2.1%
11		2197	2.6%
12		1805	2.1%
13		1599	1.9%
14		1857	2.2%
15		1655	1.9%
16		1867	2.2%
17		1116	1.3%
18		1825	2.1%
19		1665	1.9%
20		1773	2.1%
21		2590	3%
22		1638	1.9%
23		1178	1.4%
24		1162	1.3%

25		1303	1.5%
26		1319	1.5%
27		1254	1.5%
28		828	1%
29		730	0.8%
30		720	0.8%
31		703	0.8%
32		758	0.9%
33		786	0.9%
34		612	0.7%
35		482	0.6%
36		626	0.7%
37		499	0.6%
38		491	0.6%
39		646	0.8%
40		604	0.7%
41		695	0.8%
42		568	0.7%
43		614	0.7%
44		540	0.6%
45		338	0.4%
46		406	0.5%
47		496	0.6%
48		506	0.6%
49		377	0.4%
50		402	0.5%
51		697	0.8%
52		705	0.8%
53		311	0.4%
54		235	0.3%
55		274	0.3%
56		157	0.2%
57		184	0.2%
58		210	0.2%
59		141	0.2%
60		113	0.1%
61		33	0%
62		44	0.1%
63		113	0.1%

64		43	0%
65		60	0.1%
66		96	0.1%
67		21	0%

ENTRY_NUMBER: 1. No. of Registration Entry

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9909
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 0 - 9999 Format: Numeric

M1_RACE: 3. Race(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	60949	70.8%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	10154	11.8%
3	Sri lanka Moors	6427	7.5%
4	Burghers Eurasia	355	0.4%
5	Malays	310	0.4%
6	Veddah	0	0%
7	Indian Tamil	7725	9%
8	Indian Moors	59	0.1%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	15	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	73	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	23	0%
14	Unknown Race	5	0%

M2_CIVIL_CONDITI: 4. Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Male)**Data file: Marriages 1971****Overview**

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Bachelor	83556	97.1%
2	Widower	1461	1.7%
3	Divorcee	1078	1.3%

M3_AGE: 5. Age(Male)**Data file: Marriages 1971****Overview**

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 16 Maximum: 95
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 16 - 90 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
16		3	0%
17		9	0%
18		95	0.1%
19		224	0.3%
20		1163	1.4%
21		2994	3.5%
22		7012	8.1%
23		8357	9.7%
24		9105	10.6%
25		7804	9.1%
26		7406	8.6%
27		6048	7%
28		6872	8%
29		4135	4.8%
30		5196	6%

31		2774	3.2%
32		2885	3.4%
33		1761	2%
34		1452	1.7%
35		2015	2.3%
36		963	1.1%
37		728	0.8%
38		1039	1.2%
39		430	0.5%
40		874	1%
41		263	0.3%
42		435	0.5%
43		243	0.3%
44		162	0.2%
45		563	0.7%
46		173	0.2%
47		157	0.2%
48		304	0.4%
49		126	0.1%
50		359	0.4%
51		126	0.1%
52		164	0.2%
53		107	0.1%
54		102	0.1%
55		290	0.3%
56		102	0.1%
57		76	0.1%
58		95	0.1%
59		35	0%
60		254	0.3%
61		45	0.1%
62		54	0.1%
63		42	0%
64		28	0%
65		158	0.2%
66		13	0%
67		15	0%
68		40	0%
69		17	0%

70		90	0.1%
71		10	0%
72		16	0%
73		9	0%
74		7	0%
75		27	0%
76		3	0%
77		2	0%
78		7	0%
79		5	0%
80		15	0%
81		2	0%
82		1	0%
83		2	0%
85		4	0%
87		1	0%
89		1	0%
95		1	0%

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

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	1928	2.2%
2	Letters	84167	97.8%

F1_RACE: 8. Race(Female)

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	61138	71%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	10127	11.8%
3	Sri lanka Moors	6403	7.4%
4	Burghers Eurasia	448	0.5%
5	Malays	293	0.3%
6	Veddah	0	0%
7	Indian Tamil	7527	8.7%
8	Indian Moors	49	0.1%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	12	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	67	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	27	0%
14	Unknown Race	4	0%

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

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 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	84396	98%
2	Widower	864	1%
3	Divorcee	835	1%

F3_AGE: 10. Age(Female)

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 12 Maximum: 80
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 12 - 92 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
12		3	0%
13		28	0%
14		308	0.4%
15		511	0.6%
16		1498	1.7%
17		2621	3%
18		7257	8.4%
19		6044	7%
20		8797	10.2%
21		12360	14.4%
22		12676	14.7%
23		7374	8.6%
24		5463	6.3%
25		3973	4.6%
26		3248	3.8%
27		2148	2.5%
28		2423	2.8%
29		1179	1.4%
30		1606	1.9%
31		639	0.7%
32		808	0.9%
33		424	0.5%
34		346	0.4%
35		792	0.9%
36		298	0.3%
37		228	0.3%
38		401	0.5%
39		142	0.2%
40		546	0.6%
41		60	0.1%
42		182	0.2%
43		100	0.1%
44		48	0.1%
45		436	0.5%
46		81	0.1%

47		60	0.1%
48		144	0.2%
49		46	0.1%
50		240	0.3%
51		30	0%
52		79	0.1%
53		47	0.1%
54		18	0%
55		126	0.1%
56		34	0%
57		12	0%
58		37	0%
59		11	0%
60		72	0.1%
61		3	0%
62		15	0%
63		4	0%
64		4	0%
65		36	0%
66		4	0%
68		7	0%
69		2	0%
70		12	0%
75		1	0%
76		1	0%
79		1	0%
80		1	0%

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

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 79356 Invalid: 6739 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
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1	Mark	6711	8.5%
2	Letters	72645	91.5%
Sysmiss		6739	

SOLEMNI_REG_MINI: 12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister

Data file: Marriages 1971

Overview

Valid: 79356 Invalid: 6739 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Registrar	74528	93.9%
2	Minister	4828	6.1%
Sysmiss		6739	

RMTAPE: RMTAPE

Data file: Marriages 1971

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 1971

Overview

Valid: 86095 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
M		86095	100%

Download related resources

Questionnaires

Return of Marriages - Form 1971

Title Return of Marriages - Form 1971
Filename Marriages_Form.pdf

Reports

Study Documentation RGM 1971 Project

Title Study Documentation RGM 1971 Project
Country Sri Lanka
Filename Study Documentation RGM 1971 Project.pdf

Technical documents

Data Dictionary

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Filename Data Dictionary Marriages 1970-1990.pdf
