

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1977

Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department

Report generated on: January 20, 2023

Visit our data catalog at: <http://10.10.106.183/index.php>

Identification

SURVEY ID NUMBER

LKA-RGO-RGM-1977-v1.0

TITLE

Vital Statistics - Marriages - 1977

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 1977 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
1977-01-01	1977-12-31

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

CONTACTS

Name	Affiliation	Email	URL
Statistics Division	Registrar General's Department	ddstat@rgd.gov.lk	www.rgd.gov.lk

CONFIDENTIALITY

The degree of confidentiality of this microdata set is determined by the Access Authority. Please refer to the Access Authority for further details.

ACCESS CONDITIONS

Please contact the Access Authority for Access Terms and Conditions.

CITATION REQUIREMENTS

"Registrar General's Department,Vital Statistics (Marriages) - 1977, 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

Disclaimer and copyrights

DISCLAIMER

The Registrar General's Department bears no responsibility for any results or interpretations arising from the secondary use of data.

COPYRIGHT

(C) 2008, Registrar General's Department

Metadata production

DDI DOCUMENT ID

DDI-LKA-RGO-RGM-1977-v1.0

PRODUCERS

Name	Abbreviation	Affiliation	Role
Registrar General's Department	RGO	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs	Data Collection

DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION
2008-08-13

DDI DOCUMENT VERSION
Version 1.0 (August 2008).

Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Marriages 1977 The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 1977.	106318	18

Data file: Marriages 1977

The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 1977.

Cases: 106318

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 1977****Overview**

Valid: 106318 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	20747	19.5%
2	Negombo	2950	2.8%
3	Kalutara	6292	5.9%
4	Kandy	9419	8.9%
5	Matale	2594	2.4%
6	Nuwara Eliya	3681	3.5%
7	Galle	5683	5.3%
8	Matara	4350	4.1%
9	Hambantota	2719	2.6%
10	Jaffna	4749	4.5%
11	Mannar	633	0.6%
12	Vavuniya	766	0.7%
13	Batticaloa	1330	1.3%
14	Ampara	2415	2.3%
15	Trincomalee	1824	1.7%
16	Kurunegala	9155	8.6%
17	Puttalam	1675	1.6%
18	Chillaw	2505	2.4%
19	Anuradhapura	4206	4%
20	Polonnaruwa	1451	1.4%
21	Badulla	4958	4.7%
22	Monaragala	1785	1.7%
23	Ratnapura	5474	5.1%
24	Kegalle	4957	4.7%

YEAR: Year**Data file: Marriages 1977**

Overview

Valid: 106318 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 75 Maximum: 77
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 75 - 77 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
75		4	0%
77		106314	100%

MONTH: Month

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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	8297	7.8%
2	February	6896	6.5%
3	March	10209	9.6%
4	April	6915	6.5%
5	May	10168	9.6%
6	June	9995	9.4%
7	July	7912	7.4%
8	August	9130	8.6%
9	September	8944	8.4%
10	October	9664	9.1%
11	November	8706	8.2%
12	December	9482	8.9%

GENR_KAND_MUSL: Marriage Category

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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	85225	80.2%
2	Kandyan	12020	11.3%
3	Muslim	9073	8.5%

REGISTRATION_DIV: Registrar's Division

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 48
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 39 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		3813	3.6%
1		40749	38.3%
2		10104	9.5%
3		11574	10.9%
4		8629	8.1%
5		7159	6.7%
6		4708	4.4%
7		5690	5.4%
8		3408	3.2%
9		2345	2.2%
10		1729	1.6%
11		1639	1.5%
12		1135	1.1%
13		132	0.1%
14		382	0.4%
15		223	0.2%
16		1636	1.5%
18		1170	1.1%
19		57	0.1%
20		8	0%

22		11	0%
26		6	0%
27		6	0%
35		3	0%
48		2	0%

CODE_OF_REGISTRA: Code of Registrar

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 74
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 67 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		1284	1.2%
1		13815	13%
2		9845	9.3%
3		7186	6.8%
4		5933	5.6%
5		2514	2.4%
6		3279	3.1%
7		4499	4.2%
8		2705	2.5%
9		2198	2.1%
10		2789	2.6%
11		2049	1.9%
12		1800	1.7%
13		2183	2.1%
14		1830	1.7%
15		1914	1.8%
16		1764	1.7%
17		1332	1.3%
18		1646	1.5%
19		1538	1.4%
20		1751	1.6%
21		1772	1.7%

22		1526	1.4%
23		1499	1.4%
24		1196	1.1%
25		1262	1.2%
26		1488	1.4%
27		946	0.9%
28		1314	1.2%
29		1190	1.1%
30		1007	0.9%
31		873	0.8%
32		1390	1.3%
33		766	0.7%
34		938	0.9%
35		657	0.6%
36		444	0.4%
37		643	0.6%
38		840	0.8%
39		794	0.7%
40		602	0.6%
41		592	0.6%
42		638	0.6%
43		586	0.6%
44		526	0.5%
45		601	0.6%
46		454	0.4%
47		481	0.5%
48		341	0.3%
49		251	0.2%
50		341	0.3%
51		366	0.3%
52		449	0.4%
53		202	0.2%
54		350	0.3%
55		268	0.3%
56		188	0.2%
57		171	0.2%
58		507	0.5%
59		264	0.2%
60		258	0.2%

61		633	0.6%
62		809	0.8%
63		766	0.7%
64		191	0.2%
65		167	0.2%
66		142	0.1%
67		209	0.2%
68		124	0.1%
69		125	0.1%
70		121	0.1%
71		63	0.1%
72		88	0.1%
73		3	0%
74		42	0%

ENTRY_NUMBER: 1. No. of Registration Entry

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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	78825	74.1%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	8758	8.2%
3	Sri lanka Moors	8777	8.3%
4	Burghers Eurasia	363	0.3%
5	Malays	363	0.3%
6	Veddah	0	0%
7	Indian Tamil	8986	8.5%

8	Indian Moors	19	0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	46	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	110	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	69	0.1%
14	Unknown Race	2	0%

M2_CIVIL_CONDITI: 4. Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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	104425	98.2%
2	Widower	1120	1.1%
3	Divorcee	773	0.7%

M3_AGE: 5. Age(Male)

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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		4	0%
17		11	0%
18		91	0.1%
19		268	0.3%
20		1269	1.2%
21		3745	3.5%

22		9049	8.5%
23		10659	10%
24		11560	10.9%
25		9755	9.2%
26		10049	9.5%
27		9256	8.7%
28		8979	8.4%
29		6044	5.7%
30		6428	6%
31		3314	3.1%
32		3367	3.2%
33		2188	2.1%
34		1772	1.7%
35		1980	1.9%
36		1061	1%
37		769	0.7%
38		958	0.9%
39		479	0.5%
40		595	0.6%
41		242	0.2%
42		322	0.3%
43		195	0.2%
44		158	0.1%
45		290	0.3%
46		131	0.1%
47		120	0.1%
48		156	0.1%
49		91	0.1%
50		128	0.1%
51		79	0.1%
52		95	0.1%
53		51	0%
54		56	0.1%
55		113	0.1%
56		40	0%
57		36	0%
58		53	0%
59		16	0%
60		76	0.1%

61		7	0%
62		25	0%
63		16	0%
64		10	0%
65		44	0%
66		8	0%
67		13	0%
68		9	0%
69		5	0%
70		23	0%
71		3	0%
72		11	0%
73		4	0%
74		7	0%
75		10	0%
76		6	0%
77		4	0%
78		3	0%
79		2	0%
80		4	0%
82		1	0%
85		2	0%
86		1	0%
90		2	0%

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

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 106318 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	1858	1.7%
2	Letters	104460	98.3%

F1_RACE: 8. Race(Female)**Data file: Marriages 1977****Overview**

Valid: 106318 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	79228	74.5%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	8597	8.1%
3	Sri lanka Moors	8723	8.2%
4	Burghers Eurasia	409	0.4%
5	Malays	401	0.4%
6	Veddah	0	0%
7	Indian Tamil	8743	8.2%
8	Indian Moors	24	0%
9	Pakistan Tamil	0	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	0	0%
11	Europeans	19	0%
12	Other - Ind - Pak	123	0.1%
13	Other Non Ind - Pak	45	0%
14	Unknown Race	6	0%

F2_CIVIL_CONDITI: 9. Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Female)**Data file: Marriages 1977****Overview**

Valid: 106318 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	105000	98.8%
2	Widower	701	0.7%
3	Divorcee	617	0.6%

F3_AGE: 10. Age(Female)**Data file: Marriages 1977****Overview**

Valid: 106318 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		9	0%
14		118	0.1%
15		297	0.3%
16		1265	1.2%
17		2580	2.4%
18		8468	8%
19		7073	6.7%
20		9344	8.8%
21		15618	14.7%
22		17048	16%
23		9684	9.1%
24		7691	7.2%
25		5775	5.4%
26		4907	4.6%
27		3690	3.5%
28		3407	3.2%
29		1842	1.7%
30		2041	1.9%
31		919	0.9%
32		973	0.9%
33		639	0.6%
34		481	0.5%
35		545	0.5%
36		238	0.2%
37		213	0.2%
38		269	0.3%
39		112	0.1%

40		226	0.2%
41		47	0%
42		102	0.1%
43		46	0%
44		35	0%
45		129	0.1%
46		39	0%
47		34	0%
48		78	0.1%
49		20	0%
50		81	0.1%
51		17	0%
52		34	0%
53		16	0%
54		14	0%
55		51	0%
56		12	0%
57		5	0%
58		15	0%
59		5	0%
60		15	0%
61		6	0%
62		7	0%
63		3	0%
64		2	0%
65		14	0%
66		1	0%
68		3	0%
70		4	0%
71		2	0%
72		1	0%
75		2	0%
82		2	0%
92		1	0%

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

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 97245 Invalid: 9073 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Mark	4570	4.7%
2	Letters	92675	95.3%
Sysmiss		9073	

SOLEMNI_REG_MINI: 12. Solemnized by Registrar or Minister

Data file: Marriages 1977

Overview

Valid: 97245 Invalid: 9073 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Registrar	92350	95%
2	Minister	4895	5%
Sysmiss		9073	

RMTAPE: RMTAPE

Data file: Marriages 1977

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 1977****Overview**

Valid: 106318 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
M		106318	100%

Download related resources

Questionnaires

Return of Marriages - Form 1970

Title Return of Marriages - Form 1970
Filename Marriages_Form.pdf

Reports

Study Documentation RGM 1977 Project

Title Study Documentation RGM 1977 Project
Country Sri Lanka
Filename Study Documentation RGM 1977 Project.pdf

Technical documents

Data Dictionary

Title Data Dictionary
Filename Data Dictionary Marriages 1970-1990.pdf
