

Sri Lanka - Vital Statistics - Marriages - 2004

Statistics Division, Registrar General's Department

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TITLE

Vital Statistics - Marriages - 2004

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

2009-03-04

Scope

NOTES

The scope of the Registration of Marriage 2004

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
2004-01-01	2004-12-31

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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ACCESS AUTHORITY

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Registrar General	Registrar General's Department	rg@rgd.gov.lk	www.rgd.gov.lk

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

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2009-03-04

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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Marriages2004 The file contains the data related to Return of Marriages form 2004.	167324	19

Data file: Marriages2004

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Cases: 167324

Variables: 19

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V183	DIS	District	
V184	MON	Month	
V185	YER	Year	
V186	TYPMAR	Marriage Category	
V220	DSDIV	D.S. Division	
V187	SHEETN	Sheet Number	
V188	ENTNO	Entry Number	
V189	MDAY	Married - Day	
V190	MMON	Married - Month	
V191	MYER	Married - Year	
V192	RACEMAL	Race(Male)	
V193	MALST	Whether Bachelor,Widower or Divorcee(Male)	
V194	MALAGE	Age(Male)	
V195	MALMARK	Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male)	
V196	RACEFEM	Race(Female)	
V197	FEMST	Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Male)	
V198	FEMAGE	Age(Female)	
V199	FEMMARK	Register signed with a mark or in letters (Female)	
V200	OTH	OTH	

Total: 19

DIS: District**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 167324 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 11 Maximum: 92
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 11 - 92 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
11	Colombo	18767	11.2%
12	Gampaha	18481	11%
13	Kalutara	11451	6.8%
15		262	0.2%
21	Kandy	12228	7.3%
22	Matale	4660	2.8%
23	Nuwara Eliya	3816	2.3%
31	Galle	7868	4.7%
32	Matara	3160	1.9%
33	Hambantota	5689	3.4%
41	Jaffna	2905	1.7%
42	Mannar	751	0.4%
43	Vavuniya	1671	1%
44	Mulativu	1053	0.6%
45	Kilinochchi	1991	1.2%
51	Batticaloa	3897	2.3%
52	Ampara	4596	2.7%
53	Trincomalee	4134	2.5%
54		815	0.5%
61	Kurunegala	12999	7.8%
62	Puttalam	7115	4.3%
71	Anuradhapura	7745	4.6%
72	Polonnaruwa	3525	2.1%
81	Badulla	7048	4.2%
82	Moneragala	4059	2.4%
91	Ratnapura	9469	5.7%
92	Kegalle	7169	4.3%

MON: Month**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 167324 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	23036	13.8%
2	February	11486	6.9%
3	March	18280	10.9%
4	April	9695	5.8%
5	May	19049	11.4%
6	June	16651	10%
7	July	14449	8.6%
8	August	14052	8.4%
9	September	11303	6.8%
10	October	9334	5.6%
11	November	9104	5.4%
12	December	10885	6.5%

YER: Year**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 167324 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 4 Maximum: 7
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 4 - 7 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
4		165252	98.8%
5		102	0.1%
6		403	0.2%
7		1567	0.9%

TYPMAR: Marriage Category**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 166969 Invalid: 355 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	General	144286	86.4%
2	Kandyan	6286	3.8%
3	Muslim	16397	9.8%
Sysmiss		355	

DSDIV: D.S. Division**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 165845 Invalid: 1479
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: - Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		14	0%
1		46	0%
2		48	0%
3		18358	11.1%
4		32	0%
5		61	0%
6		12530	7.6%
7		13	0%
8		29	0%
9		11017	6.6%
10		559	0.3%
11		33	0%
12		12193	7.4%
13		30	0%

14		2	0%
15		13094	7.9%
16		48	0%
18		9511	5.7%
19		213	0.1%
20		4	0%
21		9424	5.7%
22		25	0%
23		36	0%
24		10711	6.5%
25		154	0.1%
26		19	0%
27		9073	5.5%
28		9	0%
29		70	0%
30		10260	6.2%
31		1092	0.7%
32		3	0%
33		10469	6.3%
34		147	0.1%
35		23	0%
36		6793	4.1%
37		26	0%
38		7	0%
39		6238	3.8%
42		4182	2.5%
44		8	0%
45		2677	1.6%
46		14	0%
48		3954	2.4%
49		14	0%
51		2371	1.4%
52		10	0%
53		5	0%
54		2765	1.7%
57		1280	0.8%
60		953	0.6%
61		16	0%
62		20	0%

63		1201	0.7%
66		473	0.3%
68		4	0%
69		67	0%
71		39	0%
72		531	0.3%
75		565	0.3%
78		880	0.5%
81		233	0.1%
83		15	0%
84		592	0.4%
87		562	0.3%
Sysmiss		1479	

SHEETN: Sheet Number

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 167275 Invalid: 49 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 99
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		119	0.1%
1		5083	3%
2		4761	2.8%
3		4661	2.8%
4		4836	2.9%
5		4146	2.5%
6		4206	2.5%
7		3888	2.3%
8		3926	2.3%
9		3843	2.3%
10		3956	2.4%
11		3618	2.2%
12		3434	2.1%
13		3390	2%

14		3208	1.9%
15		3076	1.8%
16		2962	1.8%
17		2819	1.7%
18		2935	1.8%
19		2734	1.6%
20		2455	1.5%
21		2535	1.5%
22		2442	1.5%
23		2290	1.4%
24		2382	1.4%
25		2296	1.4%
26		2145	1.3%
27		2130	1.3%
28		2089	1.2%
29		1942	1.2%
30		2091	1.3%
31		2086	1.2%
32		1983	1.2%
33		1932	1.2%
34		1883	1.1%
35		1889	1.1%
36		1688	1%
37		1774	1.1%
38		1610	1%
39		1734	1%
40		1649	1%
41		1755	1%
42		1495	0.9%
43		1485	0.9%
44		1435	0.9%
45		1685	1%
46		1373	0.8%
47		1258	0.8%
48		1289	0.8%
49		1345	0.8%
50		1273	0.8%
51		1363	0.8%
52		1232	0.7%

53		1293	0.8%
54		1172	0.7%
55		1106	0.7%
56		1202	0.7%
57		1204	0.7%
58		1081	0.6%
59		1219	0.7%
60		983	0.6%
61		1155	0.7%
62		1060	0.6%
63		1124	0.7%
64		954	0.6%
65		1009	0.6%
66		897	0.5%
67		872	0.5%
68		900	0.5%
69		835	0.5%
70		942	0.6%
71		792	0.5%
72		881	0.5%
73		783	0.5%
74		781	0.5%
75		754	0.5%
76		710	0.4%
77		754	0.5%
78		733	0.4%
79		642	0.4%
80		650	0.4%
81		725	0.4%
82		671	0.4%
83		566	0.3%
84		535	0.3%
85		490	0.3%
86		431	0.3%
87		521	0.3%
88		532	0.3%
89		494	0.3%
90		460	0.3%
91		462	0.3%

92		475	0.3%
93		468	0.3%
94		454	0.3%
95		398	0.2%
96		340	0.2%
97		413	0.2%
98		373	0.2%
99		365	0.2%
Sysmiss		49	

ENTNO: Entry Number

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 167268 Invalid: 56 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 9999
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 0 - 9999 Format: Numeric

MDAY: Married - Day

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166987 Invalid: 337 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 70
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 31 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1		4429	2.7%
2		4453	2.7%
3		5315	3.2%
4		6183	3.7%
5		5049	3%
6		5147	3.1%
7		4936	3%
8		5279	3.2%
9		4543	2.7%
10		4356	2.6%
11		5962	3.6%
12		4821	2.9%

13		3369	2%
14		5155	3.1%
15		4956	3%
16		5396	3.2%
17		4374	2.6%
18		6799	4.1%
19		4737	2.8%
20		6249	3.7%
21		7105	4.3%
22		9485	5.7%
23		6678	4%
24		5855	3.5%
25		4390	2.6%
26		8590	5.1%
27		5671	3.4%
28		6099	3.7%
29		4477	2.7%
30		4762	2.9%
31		2354	1.4%
33		2	0%
34		4	0%
35		2	0%
39		1	0%
48		1	0%
60		1	0%
70		2	0%
Sysmiss		337	

MMON: Married - Month**Data file: Marriages2004****Overview**

Valid: 167148 Invalid: 176 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 32
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
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1	January	21554	12.9%
2	February	11214	6.7%
3	March	18008	10.8%
4	April	9935	5.9%
5	May	20482	12.3%
6	June	16120	9.6%
7	July	13391	8%
8	August	13810	8.3%
9	September	12615	7.5%
10	October	10443	6.2%
11	November	9007	5.4%
12	December	10544	6.3%
13		1	0%
15		1	0%
16		1	0%
18		4	0%
20		4	0%
21		1	0%
22		1	0%
23		1	0%
26		4	0%
27		1	0%
28		4	0%
30		1	0%
32		1	0%
Sysmiss		176	

MYER: Married - Year

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 167173 Invalid: 151 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 99
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		7	0%

1		1	0%
2		14	0%
3		426	0.3%
4		166070	99.3%
5		509	0.3%
6		34	0%
7		83	0%
20		3	0%
22		1	0%
24		1	0%
26		1	0%
27		1	0%
28		2	0%
29		2	0%
30		2	0%
32		4	0%
34		1	0%
35		1	0%
39		2	0%
40		1	0%
43		1	0%
44		1	0%
60		1	0%
74		1	0%
88		1	0%
96		1	0%
99		1	0%
Sysmiss		151	

RACEMAL: Race(Male)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166712 Invalid: 612 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 29
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Sinhalese	123729	74.2%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	17983	10.8%
3	Indian Tamil	6650	4%
4	Sri Lankan Moor	16249	9.7%
5	Burghers	289	0.2%
6	Malays	286	0.2%
7	Sri Lankan Chetty	56	0%
8	Bharatha	19	0%
9	Indian Moors	27	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	124	0.1%
11	Other Foreigners	1246	0.7%
12	Other Sri Lankan	24	0%
13	Race Unknown	29	0%
29		1	0%
Sysmiss		612	

MALST: Whether Bachelor, Widower or Divorcee(Male)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166982 Invalid: 342 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 6
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Bachelor	163710	98%
2	Widower	1127	0.7%
3	Divorcee	2107	1.3%
4	Another Marriage	37	0%
6		1	0%
Sysmiss		342	

MALAGE: Age(Male)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166942 Invalid: 382 Minimum: 4 Maximum: 91
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 16 - 95 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
4		1	0%
10		1	0%
12		2	0%
13		1	0%
15		3	0%
16		2	0%
17		5	0%
18		996	0.6%
19		3105	1.9%
20		5654	3.4%
21		7672	4.6%
22		9501	5.7%
23		12026	7.2%
24		13449	8.1%
25		12728	7.6%
26		12856	7.7%
27		12559	7.5%
28		11867	7.1%
29		10063	6%
30		9296	5.6%
31		6956	4.2%
32		6663	4%
33		5286	3.2%
34		4423	2.6%
35		3257	2%
36		2786	1.7%
37		2088	1.3%
38		1952	1.2%
39		1502	0.9%
40		1451	0.9%
41		986	0.6%
42		1109	0.7%

43		883	0.5%
44		751	0.4%
45		618	0.4%
46		505	0.3%
47		480	0.3%
48		437	0.3%
49		353	0.2%
50		322	0.2%
51		242	0.1%
52		246	0.1%
53		236	0.1%
54		223	0.1%
55		190	0.1%
56		170	0.1%
57		125	0.1%
58		102	0.1%
59		94	0.1%
60		124	0.1%
61		58	0%
62		50	0%
63		68	0%
64		50	0%
65		54	0%
66		49	0%
67		45	0%
68		34	0%
69		26	0%
70		28	0%
71		15	0%
72		20	0%
73		14	0%
74		14	0%
75		19	0%
76		9	0%
77		5	0%
78		7	0%
79		9	0%
80		9	0%
81		1	0%

82		4	0%
83		2	0%
84		1	0%
86		3	0%
91		1	0%
Sysmiss		382	

MALMARK: Register signed with a mark or in letters (Male)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166275 Invalid: 1049 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		2	0%
1	Mark	165596	99.6%
2	Letters	676	0.4%
4		1	0%
Sysmiss		1049	

RACEFEM: Race(Female)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166526 Invalid: 798 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 13
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0		3	0%
1	Sinhalese	124124	74.5%
2	Sri Lanka Tamil	17871	10.7%
3	Indian Tamil	6576	3.9%
4	Sri Lankan Moor	15977	9.6%

5	Burghers	255	0.2%
6	Malays	257	0.2%
7	Sri Lankan Chetty	59	0%
8	Bharatha	14	0%
9	Indian Moors	12	0%
10	Pakistan Moors	70	0%
11	Other Foreigners	1248	0.7%
12	Other Sri Lankan	32	0%
13	Race Unknown	28	0%
Sysmiss		798	

FEMST: Whether Spinster,Widower or Divorcee(Male)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166833 Invalid: 491 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	Spinster	164165	98.4%
2	Widower	1016	0.6%
3	Divorcee	1622	1%
4		30	0%
Sysmiss		491	

FEMAGE: Age(Female)

Data file: Marriages2004

Overview

Valid: 166938 Invalid: 386 Minimum: 2 Maximum: 89
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 10 - 85 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
2		1	0%

9		1	0%
10		1	0%
12		55	0%
13		17	0%
14		21	0%
15		70	0%
16		263	0.2%
17		593	0.4%
18		17015	10.2%
19		14585	8.7%
20		13186	7.9%
21		12715	7.6%
22		13272	8%
23		14067	8.4%
24		12983	7.8%
25		11130	6.7%
26		9937	6%
27		8335	5%
28		6742	4%
29		5053	3%
30		4419	2.6%
31		3041	1.8%
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Data file: Marriages2004

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