

Indicator : 01
Poverty head count ratio by province
district and sector - 2006/07

Background Characteristics		Poverty head count index (%)
Sri Lanka		15.2
Province	Western	8.2
	Central	22.3
	Southern	13.8
	Eastern	10.8
	North - western	14.6
	North - central	14.2
	Uva	27.0
	Sabaragamuwa	24.2
District	Colombo	5.4
	Gampaha	8.7
	Kalutara	13.0
	Kandy	17.0
	Matale	18.9
	Nuwara-eliya	33.8
	Galle	13.7
	Matara	14.7
	Hambantota	12.7
	Batticaloa	10.7
	Ampara	10.9
	Kurunegala	15.4
	Puttalam	13.1
	Anuradhapura	14.9
	Polonnaruwa	12.7
	Badulla	23.7
	Moneragala	33.2
	Ratnapura	26.6
	Kegalle	21.1
Sector	Urban	6.7
	Rural	15.7
	Estate	32.0

Definition

The poverty head count ratio is the proportion of the national population whose incomes are below the official threshold/s set by the national government.

Source : Household Income and Expenditure Survey - 2006/07

Note : Data excludes Northern province and Trincomalee district in Eastern province