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Ethnic group, sex and sector	Population aged 10 years & over	Ability to speak						Ability to read and write					
		Sinhala		Tamil		English		Sinhala		Tamil		English	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Ampara													
All Sectors													
Both sexes													
All groups	518,108	252,411	49	325,135	63	70,440	14	228,303	44	297,989	58	121,611	23
Sinhalese	205,670	204,431	99	14,536	7	20,452	10	192,556	94	10,116	5	32,098	16
Sri Lanka Tami	91,191	12,856	14	90,735	99	11,433	13	7,024	8	85,277	94	18,403	20
Indian Tamil	1,088	341	31	1,078	99	235	22	245	23	996	92	337	31
Sri Lanka Moo	218,523	33,873	16	217,646	100	37,902	17	27,883	13	200,505	92	69,472	32
Burgher	888	264	30	847	95	218	25	181	20	786	89	837	94
Malay	155	151	97	118	76	83	54	141	91	152	98	76	49
All Other	593	495	83	175	30	117	20	273	46	157	26	388	65
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All groups	247,915	138,254	56	155,377	63	39,783	16	118,794	48	143,760	58	62,721	25
Sinhalese	101,613	101,061	99	9,941	10	10,345	10	96,823	95	4,834	5	15,319	15
Sri Lanka Tami	42,250	9,227	22	42,043	100	6,564	16	4,285	10	40,073	95	9,527	23
Indian Tamil	522	218	42	519	99	121	23	139	27	490	94	170	33
Sri Lanka Moo	102,719	27,254	27	102,312	100	22,508	22	17,225	17	97,822	95	37,045	36
Burgher	426	160	38	410	96	132	31	97	23	383	90	409	96
Malay	74	74	100	57	77	43	58	70	95	72	97	38	51
All Other	311	260	84	95	31	70	23	155	50	86	28	213	68
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All groups	270,193	114,157	42	169,758	63	30,657	11	109,509	41	154,229	57	58,890	22
Sinhalese	104,057	103,370	99	4,595	4	10,107	10	95,733	92	5,282	5	16,779	16
Sri Lanka Tami	48,941	3,629	7	48,692	99	4,869	10	2,739	6	45,204	92	8,876	18
Indian Tamil	566	123	22	559	99	114	20	106	19	506	89	167	30
Sri Lanka Moo	115,804	6,619	6	115,334	100	15,394	13	10,658	9	102,683	89	32,427	28
Burgher	462	104	23	437	95	86	19	84	18	403	87	428	93
Malay	81	77	95	61	75	40	49	71	88	80	99	38	47
All Other	282	235	83	80	28	47	17	118	42	71	25	175	62
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Ampara													
Urban Sector													
Both sexes													
All groups	121,933	37,039	30	106,218	87	26,698	22	33,689	28	99,813	82	41,255	34
Sinhalese	18,493	18,412	100	3,223	17	5,205	28	18,268	99	2,054	11	6,424	35
Sri Lanka Tami	21,901	3,952	18	21,810	100	4,198	19	2,433	11	21,040	96	5,623	26
Indian Tamil	323	104	32	320	99	74	23	68	21	306	95	111	34
Sri Lanka Moo	80,580	14,256	18	80,287	100	17,002	21	12,654	16	75,844	94	28,562	35
Burgher	476	165	35	455	96	135	28	125	26	414	87	452	95
Malay	146	145	99	111	76	77	53	135	92	143	98	70	48
All Other	14	5	36	12	86	7	50	6	43	12	86	13	93
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All groups	57,787	23,398	40	50,780	88	15,165	26	18,509	32	48,329	84	21,847	38
Sinhalese	8,970	8,927	100	2,162	24	2,626	29	8,885	99	1,017	11	3,111	35
Sri Lanka Tami	9,909	2,832	29	9,863	100	2,387	24	1,509	15	9,608	97	2,930	30
Indian Tamil	174	76	44	173	99	44	25	47	27	166	95	63	36
Sri Lanka Moo	38,425	11,396	30	38,296	100	9,986	26	7,934	21	37,257	97	15,477	40
Burgher	227	92	41	222	98	76	33	63	28	203	89	220	97
Malay	71	71	100	55	77	40	56	67	94	69	97	35	49
All Other	11	4	36	9	82	6	55	4	36	9	82	11	100
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All groups	64,146	13,641	21	55,438	86	11,533	18	15,180	24	51,484	80	19,408	30
Sinhalese	9,523	9,485	100	1,061	11	2,579	27	9,383	99	1,037	11	3,313	35
Sri Lanka Tami	11,992	1,120	9	11,947	100	1,811	15	924	8	11,432	95	2,693	22
Indian Tamil	149	28	19	147	99	30	20	21	14	140	94	48	32
Sri Lanka Moo	42,155	2,860	7	41,991	100	7,016	17	4,720	11	38,587	92	13,085	31
Burgher	249	73	29	233	94	59	24	62	25	211	85	232	93
Malay	75	74	99	56	75	37	49	68	91	74	99	35	47
All Other	3	1	33	3	100	1	33	2	67	3	100	2	67
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Ampara													
Rural Sector													
Both sexes													
All groups	396,175	215,372	54	218,917	55	43,742	11	194,614	49	198,176	50	80,356	20
Sinhalese	187,177	186,019	99	11,313	6	15,247	8	174,288	93	8,062	4	25,674	14
Sri Lanka Tami	69,290	8,904	13	68,925	99	7,235	10	4,591	7	64,237	93	12,780	18
Indian Tamil	765	237	31	758	99	161	21	177	23	690	90	226	30
Sri Lanka Moo	137,943	19,617	14	137,359	100	20,900	15	15,229	11	124,661	90	40,910	30
Burgher	412	99	24	392	95	83	20	56	14	372	90	385	93
Malay	9	6	67	7	78	6	67	6	67	9	100	6	67
All Other	579	490	85	163	28	110	19	267	46	145	25	375	65
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All groups	190,128	114,856	60	104,597	55	24,618	13	100,285	53	95,431	50	40,874	21
Sinhalese	92,643	92,134	99	7,779	8	7,719	8	87,938	95	3,817	4	12,208	13
Sri Lanka Tami	32,341	6,395	20	32,180	100	4,177	13	2,776	9	30,465	94	6,597	20
Indian Tamil	348	142	41	346	99	77	22	92	26	324	93	107	31
Sri Lanka Moo	64,294	15,858	25	64,016	100	12,522	19	9,291	14	60,565	94	21,568	34
Burgher	199	68	34	188	94	56	28	34	17	180	90	189	95
Malay	3	3	100	2	67	3	100	3	100	3	100	3	100
All Other	300	256	85	86	29	64	21	151	50	77	26	202	67
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All groups	206,047	100,516	49	114,320	55	19,124	9	94,329	46	102,745	50	39,482	19
Sinhalese	94,534	93,885	99	3,534	4	7,528	8	86,350	91	4,245	4	13,466	14
Sri Lanka Tami	36,949	2,509	7	36,745	99	3,058	8	1,815	5	33,772	91	6,183	17
Indian Tamil	417	95	23	412	99	84	20	85	20	366	88	119	29
Sri Lanka Moo	73,649	3,759	5	73,343	100	8,378	11	5,938	8	64,096	87	19,342	26
Burgher	213	31	15	204	96	27	13	22	10	192	90	196	92
Malay	6	3	50	5	83	3	50	3	50	6	100	3	50
All Other	279	234	84	77	28	46	16	116	42	68	24	173	62
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Census of population and housing -2012