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Table A 30 :Population aged 10 years and over, by ability to speak, ability to read and write main languages, ethnic group, sex and sector

Ethnic group, sex and sector	Population aged 10 years & over	Ability to speak						Ability to read and write					
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Badulla District													
All Sectors													
Both sexes													
All groups	667,933	610,534	91.4	235,991	35.3	122,781	18.4	513,274	76.8	193,118	28.9	164,106	24.6
Sinhalese	487,864	485,365	99.5	63,243	13.0	88,434	18.1	452,926	92.8	34,208	7.0	117,657	24.1
Sri Lanka Tamil	23,644	20,173	85.3	18,373	77.7	6,856	29.0	13,057	55.2	21,285	90.0	7,710	32.6
Indian Tamil	118,904	72,247	60.8	118,058	99.3	14,777	12.4	25,008	21.0	102,836	86.5	23,240	19.5
Sri Lanka Moor	34,732	30,302	87.2	34,122	98.2	11,233	32.3	20,318	58.5	32,705	94.2	13,312	38.3
Burgher	1,108	979	88.4	814	73.5	536	48.4	759	68.5	663	59.8	1,020	92.1
Malay	1,154	1,112	96.4	1,016	88.0	689	59.7	933	80.8	1,120	97.1	700	60.7
All Other	527	356	67.6	365	69.3	256	48.6	273	51.8	301	57.1	467	88.6

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Badulla District													
Male													
All groups	317,853	299,136	94.1	118,453	37.3	61,174	19.2	252,108	79.3	95,102	29.9	78,913	24.8
Sinhalese	233,297	232,181	99.5	37,399	16.0	43,066	18.5	221,535	95.0	16,277	7.0	55,424	23.8
Sri Lanka Tamil	11,434	10,277	89.9	8,944	78.2	3,531	30.9	6,590	57.6	10,635	93.0	3,840	33.6
Indian Tamil	55,319	40,639	73.5	54,933	99.3	8,220	14.9	12,969	23.4	51,349	92.8	12,111	21.9
Sri Lanka Moor	16,476	14,916	90.5	16,176	98.2	5,622	34.1	10,080	61.2	15,891	96.4	6,472	39.3
Burgher	525	470	89.5	394	75.0	261	49.7	375	71.4	316	60.2	485	92.4
Malay	509	491	96.5	444	87.2	311	61.1	433	85.1	494	97.1	309	60.7
All Other	293	162	55.3	163	55.6	163	55.6	126	43.0	140	47.8	272	92.8

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Badulla District													
Female													
All groups	350,080	311,398	89.0	117,538	33.6	61,607	17.6	261,166	74.6	98,016	28.0	85,193	24.3
Sinhalese	254,567	253,184	99.5	25,844	10.2	45,368	17.8	231,391	90.9	17,931	7.0	62,233	24.4
Sri Lanka Tamil	12,210	9,896	81.0	9,429	77.2	3,325	27.2	6,467	53.0	10,650	87.2	3,870	31.7
Indian Tamil	63,585	31,608	49.7	63,125	99.3	6,557	10.3	12,039	18.9	51,487	81.0	11,129	17.5
Sri Lanka Moor	18,256	15,386	84.3	17,946	98.3	5,611	30.7	10,238	56.1	16,814	92.1	6,840	37.5
Burgher	583	509	87.3	420	72.0	275	47.2	384	65.9	347	59.5	535	91.8
Malay	645	621	96.3	572	88.7	378	58.6	500	77.5	626	97.1	391	60.6
All Other	234	194	82.9	202	86.3	93	39.7	147	62.8	161	68.8	195	83.3

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Badulla District													
Urban Sector													
Both sexes													
All groups	58,318	56,722	97.3	24,922	42.7	27,718	47.5	51,456	88.2	22,356	38.3	31,309	53.7
Sinhalese	41,648	41,501	99.6	8,904	21.4	18,909	45.4	40,778	97.9	6,412	15.4	21,901	52.6
Sri Lanka Tamil	5,463	4,892	89.5	5,230	95.7	3,035	55.6	3,258	59.6	5,213	95.4	3,132	57.3
Indian Tamil	2,581	2,248	87.1	2,543	98.5	1,264	49.0	1,291	50.0	2,481	96.1	1,298	50.3
Sri Lanka Moor	7,846	7,346	93.6	7,625	97.2	3,925	50.0	5,496	70.0	7,604	96.9	4,339	55.3
Burgher	201	180	89.6	131	65.2	152	75.6	151	75.1	98	48.8	189	94.0
Malay	509	497	97.6	437	85.9	382	75.0	435	85.5	507	99.6	384	75.4
All Other	70	58	82.9	52	74.3	51	72.9	47	67.1	41	58.6	66	94.3

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Badulla District													
Male													
All groups	27,239	26,725	98.1	12,583	46.2	13,428	49.3	24,333	89.3	10,548	38.7	14,809	54.4
Sinhalese	19,340	19,279	99.7	4,998	25.8	9,047	46.8	19,075	98.6	2,899	15.0	10,190	52.7
Sri Lanka Tamil	2,610	2,454	94.0	2,504	95.9	1,560	59.8	1,630	62.5	2,528	96.9	1,582	60.6
Indian Tamil	1,215	1,123	92.4	1,191	98.0	632	52.0	644	53.0	1,187	97.7	644	53.0
Sri Lanka Moor	3,743	3,563	95.2	3,631	97.0	1,933	51.6	2,709	72.4	3,655	97.6	2,119	56.6
Burgher	90	77	85.6	61	67.8	68	75.6	67	74.4	49	54.4	84	93.3
Malay	212	206	97.2	176	83.0	166	78.3	191	90.1	211	99.5	162	76.4
All Other	29	23	79.3	22	75.9	22	75.9	17	58.6	19	65.5	28	96.6

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Badulla District													
Female													
All groups	31,079	29,997	96.5	12,339	39.7	14,290	46.0	27,123	87.3	11,808	38.0	16,500	53.1
Sinhalese	22,308	22,222	99.6	3,906	17.5	9,862	44.2	21,703	97.3	3,513	15.7	11,711	52.5
Sri Lanka Tamil	2,853	2,438	85.5	2,726	95.5	1,475	51.7	1,628	57.1	2,685	94.1	1,550	54.3
Indian Tamil	1,366	1,125	82.4	1,352	99.0	632	46.3	647	47.4	1,294	94.7	654	47.9
Sri Lanka Moor	4,103	3,783	92.2	3,994	97.3	1,992	48.5	2,787	67.9	3,949	96.2	2,220	54.1
Burgher	111	103	92.8	70	63.1	84	75.7	84	75.7	49	44.1	105	94.6
Malay	297	291	98.0	261	87.9	216	72.7	244	82.2	296	99.7	222	74.7
All Other	41	35	85.4	30	73.2	29	70.7	30	73.2	22	53.7	38	92.7

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Badulla District													
Rural Sector													
Both sexes													
All groups	487,632	478,421	98.1	93,674	19.2	80,960	16.6	431,527	88.5	72,099	14.8	109,361	22.4
Sinhalese	436,529	434,274	99.5	48,510	11.1	67,401	15.4	403,472	92.4	25,902	5.9	92,844	21.3
Sri Lanka Tamil	13,422	12,109	90.2	8,464	63.1	3,168	23.6	8,565	63.8	11,925	88.8	3,665	27.3
Indian Tamil	10,836	8,686	80.2	10,648	98.3	2,477	22.9	3,896	36.0	9,530	87.9	2,879	26.6
Sri Lanka Moor	25,059	21,810	87.0	24,687	98.5	7,079	28.2	14,330	57.2	23,486	93.7	8,581	34.2
Burgher	797	716	89.8	582	73.0	349	43.8	576	72.3	474	59.5	737	92.5
Malay	594	572	96.3	530	89.2	293	49.3	479	80.6	566	95.3	301	50.7
All Other	395	254	64.3	253	64.1	193	48.9	209	52.9	216	54.7	354	89.6

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Badulla District													
Male													
All groups	233,918	230,507	98.5	51,072	21.8	39,907	17.1	212,309	90.8	35,170	15.0	51,990	22.2
Sinhalese	209,431	208,414	99.5	29,458	14.1	32,912	15.7	198,189	94.6	12,417	5.9	43,793	20.9
Sri Lanka Tamil	6,591	6,110	92.7	4,243	64.4	1,643	24.9	4,329	65.7	6,030	91.5	1,819	27.6
Indian Tamil	5,158	4,525	87.7	5,066	98.2	1,337	25.9	2,029	39.3	4,728	91.7	1,499	29.1
Sri Lanka Moor	11,857	10,734	90.5	11,674	98.5	3,569	30.1	7,140	60.2	11,423	96.3	4,172	35.2
Burgher	376	344	91.5	276	73.4	172	45.7	288	76.6	215	57.2	348	92.6
Malay	274	266	97.1	245	89.4	139	50.7	234	85.4	261	95.3	141	51.5
All Other	231	114	49.4	110	47.6	135	58.4	100	43.3	96	41.6	218	94.4

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Badulla District													
Female													
All groups	253,714	247,914	97.7	42,602	16.8	41,053	16.2	219,218	86.4	36,929	14.6	57,371	22.6
Sinhalese	227,098	225,860	99.5	19,052	8.4	34,489	15.2	205,283	90.4	13,485	5.9	49,051	21.6
Sri Lanka Tamil	6,831	5,999	87.8	4,221	61.8	1,525	22.3	4,236	62.0	5,895	86.3	1,846	27.0
Indian Tamil	5,678	4,161	73.3	5,582	98.3	1,140	20.1	1,867	32.9	4,802	84.6	1,380	24.3
Sri Lanka Moor	13,202	11,076	83.9	13,013	98.6	3,510	26.6	7,190	54.5	12,063	91.4	4,409	33.4
Burgher	421	372	88.4	306	72.7	177	42.0	288	68.4	259	61.5	389	92.4
Malay	320	306	95.6	285	89.1	154	48.1	245	76.6	305	95.3	160	50.0
All Other	164	140	85.4	143	87.2	58	35.4	109	66.5	120	73.2	136	82.9

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Badulla District													
Estate Sector													
Both sexes													
All groups	121,983	75,391	61.8	117,395	96.2	14,103	11.6	30,291	24.8	98,663	80.9	23,436	19.2
Sinhalese	9,687	9,590	99.0	5,829	60.2	2,124	21.9	8,676	89.6	1,894	19.6	2,912	30.1
Sri Lanka Tamil	4,759	3,172	66.7	4,679	98.3	653	13.7	1,234	25.9	4,147	87.1	913	19.2
Indian Tamil	105,487	61,313	58.1	104,867	99.4	11,036	10.5	19,821	18.8	90,825	86.1	19,063	18.1
Sri Lanka Moor	1,827	1,146	62.7	1,810	99.1	229	12.5	492	26.9	1,615	88.4	392	21.5
Burgher	110	83	75.5	101	91.8	35	31.8	32	29.1	91	82.7	94	85.5
Malay	51	43	84.3	49	96.1	14	27.5	19	37.3	47	92.2	15	29.4
All Other	62	44	71.0	60	96.8	12	19.4	17	27.4	44	71.0	47	75.8

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Badulla District													
Male													
All groups	56,696	41,904	73.9	54,798	96.7	7,839	13.8	15,466	27.3	49,384	87.1	12,114	21.4
Sinhalese	4,526	4,488	99.2	2,943	65.0	1,107	24.5	4,271	94.4	961	21.2	1,441	31.8
Sri Lanka Tamil	2,233	1,713	76.7	2,197	98.4	328	14.7	631	28.3	2,077	93.0	439	19.7
Indian Tamil	48,946	34,991	71.5	48,676	99.4	6,251	12.8	10,296	21.0	45,434	92.8	9,968	20.4
Sri Lanka Moor	876	619	70.7	871	99.4	120	13.7	231	26.4	813	92.8	181	20.7
Burgher	59	49	83.1	57	96.6	21	35.6	20	33.9	52	88.1	53	89.8
Malay	23	19	82.6	23	100.0	6	26.1	8	34.8	22	95.7	6	26.1
All Other	33	25	75.8	31	93.9	6	18.2	9	27.3	25	75.8	26	78.8

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Badulla District													
Female													
All groups	65,287	33,487	51.3	62,597	95.9	6,264	9.6	14,825	22.7	49,279	75.5	11,322	17.3
Sinhalese	5,161	5,102	98.9	2,886	55.9	1,017	19.7	4,405	85.4	933	18.1	1,471	28.5
Sri Lanka Tamil	2,526	1,459	57.8	2,482	98.3	325	12.9	603	23.9	2,070	81.9	474	18.8
Indian Tamil	56,541	26,322	46.6	56,191	99.4	4,785	8.5	9,525	16.8	45,391	80.3	9,095	16.1
Sri Lanka Moor	951	527	55.4	939	98.7	109	11.5	261	27.4	802	84.3	211	22.2
Burgher	51	34	66.7	44	86.3	14	27.5	12	23.5	39	76.5	41	80.4
Malay	28	24	85.7	26	92.9	8	28.6	11	39.3	25	89.3	9	32.1
All Other	29	19	65.5	29	100.0	6	20.7	8	27.6	19	65.5	21	72.4

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