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Age (in years) and sex	Population aged 10 years and	Ability to speak								Ability to read and write							
		Sinhala		Tamil		English		None		Sinhala		Tamil		English		None	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>Jaffna District</b>																	
Both sexes																	
Age																	
<b>10 and over</b>	<b>493,024</b>	<b>33,208</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>488,805</b>	<b>99.1</b>	<b>81,951</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>2,466</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>20,048</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>482,654</b>	<b>97.9</b>	<b>102,540</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>9,013</b>	<b>1.8</b>
10 - 14	52,344	545	1.0	52,117	99.6	5,738	11.0	194	0.4	742	1.4	52,140	99.6	9,594	18.3	199	0.4
15 - 19	54,580	1,265	2.3	54,059	99.0	11,303	20.7	210	0.4	1,189	2.2	54,182	99.3	16,308	29.9	284	0.5
20 - 24	52,204	3,417	6.5	51,725	99.1	13,379	25.6	180	0.3	2,625	5.0	51,650	98.9	16,846	32.3	274	0.5
25 - 29	45,284	3,913	8.6	44,879	99.1	9,969	22.0	191	0.4	2,488	5.5	44,796	98.9	12,180	26.9	303	0.7
30 - 34	42,493	3,782	8.9	42,161	99.2	8,017	18.9	178	0.4	2,243	5.3	41,984	98.8	9,634	22.7	374	0.9
35 - 39	35,070	2,705	7.7	34,759	99.1	5,726	16.3	203	0.6	1,588	4.5	34,486	98.3	6,848	19.5	485	1.4
40 - 44	31,314	2,285	7.3	30,946	98.8	4,250	13.6	176	0.6	1,288	4.1	30,427	97.2	5,069	16.2	714	2.3
45 - 49	31,668	2,160	6.8	31,297	98.8	3,611	11.4	187	0.6	1,089	3.4	30,577	96.6	4,257	13.4	920	2.9
50 - 54	32,532	2,243	6.9	32,268	99.2	3,631	11.2	164	0.5	1,064	3.3	31,551	97.0	4,201	12.9	897	2.8
55 - 59	31,101	2,530	8.1	30,897	99.3	3,767	12.1	148	0.5	1,240	4.0	30,180	97.0	4,246	13.7	875	2.8
60 - 64	30,976	2,877	9.3	30,788	99.4	3,985	12.9	158	0.5	1,499	4.8	29,940	96.7	4,371	14.1	1,011	3.3
65 - 69	21,573	2,230	10.3	21,405	99.2	3,224	14.9	143	0.7	1,228	5.7	20,682	95.9	3,493	16.2	879	4.1
70 - 74	14,317	1,623	11.3	14,195	99.1	2,653	18.5	101	0.7	909	6.3	13,638	95.3	2,756	19.2	666	4.7
75 - 79	9,508	945	9.9	9,380	98.7	1,622	17.1	123	1.3	511	5.4	8,922	93.8	1,634	17.2	583	6.1
80 & over	8,060	688	8.5	7,929	98.4	1,076	13.3	110	1.4	345	4.3	7,499	93.0	1,103	13.7	549	6.8
Male																	
Age																	
<b>10 and over</b>	<b>228,670</b>	<b>24,699</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>226,287</b>	<b>99.0</b>	<b>41,242</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>12,893</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>223,923</b>	<b>97.9</b>	<b>49,158</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>3,659</b>	<b>1.6</b>
10 - 14	26,407	250	0.9	26,286	99.5	2,611	9.9	102	0.4	332	1.3	26,289	99.6	4,459	16.9	115	0.4
15 - 19	27,261	691	2.5	26,991	99.0	4,890	17.9	114	0.4	583	2.1	27,047	99.2	7,106	26.1	147	0.5
20 - 24	24,666	2,131	8.6	24,375	98.8	5,380	21.8	109	0.4	1,234	5.0	24,324	98.6	6,747	27.4	164	0.7
25 - 29	21,009	2,768	13.2	20,739	98.7	4,447	21.2	96	0.5	1,438	6.8	20,701	98.5	5,205	24.8	154	0.7
30 - 34	20,106	2,861	14.2	19,896	99.0	4,097	20.4	90	0.4	1,417	7.0	19,795	98.5	4,647	23.1	195	1.0
35 - 39	16,289	2,117	13.0	16,095	98.8	3,076	18.9	104	0.6	1,072	6.6	15,971	98.0	3,416	21.0	228	1.4
40 - 44	13,862	1,792	12.9	13,608	98.2	2,260	16.3	82	0.6	905	6.5	13,397	96.6	2,535	18.3	299	2.2
45 - 49	13,422	1,662	12.4	13,176	98.2	1,839	13.7	78	0.6	758	5.6	12,877	95.9	2,007	15.0	390	2.9
50 - 54	14,183	1,760	12.4	14,023	98.9	2,055	14.5	74	0.5	747	5.3	13,712	96.7	2,215	15.6	389	2.7
55 - 59	13,644	1,960	14.4	13,547	99.3	2,281	16.7	59	0.4	896	6.6	13,245	97.1	2,385	17.5	363	2.7
60 - 64	13,948	2,298	16.5	13,870	99.4	2,601	18.6	66	0.5	1,137	8.2	13,548	97.1	2,705	19.4	385	2.8
65 - 69	9,816	1,782	18.2	9,751	99.3	2,128	21.7	50	0.5	956	9.7	9,537	97.2	2,164	22.0	272	2.8
70 - 74	6,542	1,316	20.1	6,497	99.3	1,760	26.9	34	0.5	741	11.3	6,307	96.4	1,783	27.3	227	3.5
75 - 79	4,110	752	18.3	4,071	99.1	1,063	25.9	36	0.9	402	9.8	3,921	95.4	1,036	25.2	187	4.5
80 & over	3,405	559	16.4	3,362	98.7	754	22.1	28	0.8	275	8.1	3,252	95.5	748	22.0	144	4.2

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Female																	
Age																	
<b>10 and over</b>	<b>264,354</b>	<b>8,509</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>262,518</b>	<b>99.3</b>	<b>40,709</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>1,344</b>	0.5	<b>7,155</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>258,731</b>	<b>97.9</b>	<b>53,382</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>5,354</b>	<b>2.0</b>
10 - 14	25,937	295	1.1	25,831	99.6	3,127	12.1	92	0.4	410	1.6	25,851	99.7	5,135	19.8	84	0.3
15 - 19	27,319	574	2.1	27,068	99.1	6,413	23.5	96	0.4	606	2.2	27,135	99.3	9,202	33.7	137	0.5
20 - 24	27,538	1,286	4.7	27,350	99.3	7,999	29.0	71	0.3	1,391	5.1	27,326	99.2	10,099	36.7	110	0.4
25 - 29	24,275	1,145	4.7	24,140	99.4	5,522	22.7	95	0.4	1,050	4.3	24,095	99.3	6,975	28.7	149	0.6
30 - 34	22,387	921	4.1	22,265	99.5	3,920	17.5	88	0.4	826	3.7	22,189	99.1	4,987	22.3	179	0.8
35 - 39	18,781	588	3.1	18,664	99.4	2,650	14.1	99	0.5	516	2.7	18,515	98.6	3,432	18.3	257	1.4
40 - 44	17,452	493	2.8	17,338	99.3	1,990	11.4	94	0.5	383	2.2	17,030	97.6	2,534	14.5	415	2.4
45 - 49	18,246	498	2.7	18,121	99.3	1,772	9.7	109	0.6	331	1.8	17,700	97.0	2,250	12.3	530	2.9
50 - 54	18,349	483	2.6	18,245	99.4	1,576	8.6	90	0.5	317	1.7	17,839	97.2	1,986	10.8	508	2.8
55 - 59	17,457	570	3.3	17,350	99.4	1,486	8.5	89	0.5	344	2.0	16,935	97.0	1,861	10.7	512	2.9
60 - 64	17,028	579	3.4	16,918	99.4	1,384	8.1	92	0.5	362	2.1	16,392	96.3	1,666	9.8	626	3.7
65 - 69	11,757	448	3.8	11,654	99.1	1,096	9.3	93	0.8	272	2.3	11,145	94.8	1,329	11.3	607	5.2
70 - 74	7,775	307	3.9	7,698	99.0	893	11.5	67	0.9	168	2.2	7,331	94.3	973	12.5	439	5.6
75 - 79	5,398	193	3.6	5,309	98.4	559	10.4	87	1.6	109	2.0	5,001	92.6	598	11.1	396	7.3
80 & over	4,655	129	2.8	4,567	98.1	322	6.9	82	1.8	70	1.5	4,247	91.2	355	7.6	405	8.7

Source: Census of population and housing -2012