

Census of Population and Housing 2001

Number of households , average size of household and percentage of female headed households by district

	Total number of households in occupied housing units	Number of Households by Sector			Average size of household	Female headed households	
		Urban	Rural	Estate		No.	%
Total (18 districts)	4,054,186	511,717	3,320,198	222,271	4.2	814,725	20.1
Colombo	493,085	254,576	236,651	1,858	4.4	105,140	21.3
Gampaha	487,184	64,254	422,722	208	4.2	98,424	20.2
Kalutara	250,939	22,018	219,320	9,601	4.3	48,830	19.5
Kandy	299,870	31,683	244,976	23,211	4.3	66,914	22.3
Matale	110,886	7,460	97,769	5,657	4.0	23,014	20.8
Nuwara Eliya	169,540	9,545	71,496	88,499	4.3	30,810	18.2
Galle	233,027	21,256	207,441	4,330	4.3	50,163	21.5
Matara	177,613	13,176	159,718	4,719	4.4	39,188	22.1
Hambantota	128,008	4,523	123,398	87	4.2	25,504	19.9
Ampara	137,741	25,115	112,626	-	4.2	27,505	20.0
Kurunegala	380,213	6,511	371,906	1,796	3.9	79,141	20.8
Puttalam	176,544	14,208	161,713	623	4.1	35,162	19.9
Anuradhapura	189,699	11,030	178,427	242	3.9	36,560	19.3
Polonnaruwa	91,718	-	91,620	98	3.9	17,164	18.7
Badulla	189,925	10,849	139,571	39,505	4.2	34,959	18.4
Moneragala	96,598	-	94,295	2,303	4.2	14,556	15.1
Ratnapura	245,743	12,059	208,081	25,603	4.2	40,151	16.3
Kegalle	195,853	3,454	178,468	13,931	4.1	41,540	21.2