

Census of Population and Housing 2001

Labour force participation rates by district and sex

District	Total Employed Population aged 10 years and over	Labour Force Participation Rates (Usually Active Population aged 10 years and over)		
		Total	Male	Female
Total (18 districts)	5,941,574	46.6	65.5	28.1
Colombo	855,142	48.4	67.6	28.6
Gampaha	756,186	47.7	67.3	29.4
Kalutara	356,837	44.9	64.1	26.4
Kandy	407,554	42.9	62.0	25.0
Matale	156,179	46.8	67.0	26.9
Nuwara Eliya	281,546	53.2	63.5	43.1
Galle	318,680	44.0	61.8	27.5
Matara	242,175	43.8	61.4	27.7
Hambantota	164,923	43.5	63.8	23.3
Ampara	162,322	39.5	63.6	15.2
Kurunegala	514,553	46.2	66.6	26.4
Puttalam	229,425	43.7	67.0	20.9
Anuradhapura	285,806	50.4	68.7	31.3
Polonnaruwa	137,078	50.2	72.0	26.0
Badulla	294,223	50.7	65.2	36.6
Moneragala	144,600	49.2	67.1	30.6
Ratnapura	375,365	48.8	66.3	31.1
Kegalle	258,980	44.4	63.2	26.7