

Number of schools by type of school and district, 1972 - 2002

Table 1

District	1972							1973						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,426	8,551	53	37	-	-	785	9,660	8,571	12	33	-	270	774
Colombo	1,116	1,061	28	21	-	-	6	1,131	1,055	7	16	-	52	1
Kalutara	487	441	2	2	-	-	42	498	438	-	2	-	17	41
Kandy	762	624	3	2	-	-	133	798	627	3	2	-	34	132
Matale	269	243	-	1	-	-	25	279	247	-	1	-	5	26
Nuwara Eliya	556	249	5	-	-	-	302	562	255	1	-	-	6	300
Galle	541	521	3	1	-	-	16	565	519	-	1	-	36	9
Matara	422	415	-	1	-	-	6	439	406	-	1	-	29	3
Hambantota	269	264	5	-	-	-	-	268	264	-	-	-	4	-
Jaffna	564	557	-	7	-	-	-	567	559	-	8	-	-	-
Mannar	104	104	-	-	-	-	-	104	104	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	178	178	-	-	-	-	-	180	180	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	233	233	-	-	-	-	-	231	231	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	231	231	-	-	-	-	-	310	310	-	-	-	-	-
Trincomalee	157	157	-	-	-	-	-	83	83	-	-	-	-	-
Kurunegala	702	697	2	1	-	-	2	731	697	-	1	-	31	2
Puttalam	476	473	1	1	-	-	1	483	477	-	1	-	4	1
Anuradhapura	487	487	-	-	-	-	-	491	488	-	-	-	3	-
Polonnaruwa	120	120	-	-	-	-	-	125	122	-	-	-	3	-
Badulla	412	283	4	-	-	-	125	418	286	1	-	-	11	120
Moneragala	166	161	-	-	-	-	5	173	164	-	-	-	1	8
Ratnapura	575	494	-	-	-	-	81	595	499	-	-	-	18	78
Kegalle	599	558	-	-	-	-	41	629	560	-	-	-	16	53

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District	1974							1975						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	8,875	8,571	12	32	-	260	-	9,675	8,622	13	31	-	289	720
Colombo	1,113	1,044	7	16	-	46	-	1,110	1,037	8	15	-	49	1
Kalutara	451	433	-	2	-	16	-	489	431	-	2	-	19	37
Kandy	667	628	3	2	-	34	-	780	632	3	2	-	35	108
Matale	258	252	-	1	-	5	-	282	257	-	1	-	6	18
Nuwara Eliya	263	256	1	-	-	6	-	551	259	1	-	-	5	286
Galle	549	514	-	1	-	34	-	551	508	-	1	-	35	7
Matara	437	408	-	1	-	28	-	456	417	-	1	-	35	3
Hambantota	272	268	-	-	-	4	-	278	274	-	-	-	4	-
Jaffna	569	561	-	8	-	-	-	574	566	-	8	-	-	-
Mannar	104	104	-	-	-	-	-	105	105	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	180	180	-	-	-	-	-	181	181	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	231	231	-	-	-	-	-	237	237	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	229	229	-	-	-	-	-	231	230	-	-	-	1	-
Trincomalee	162	162	-	-	-	-	-	166	165	-	-	-	1	-
Kurunegala	736	704	-	1	-	31	-	743	709	-	1	-	31	2
Puttalam	484	480	-	-	-	4	-	485	479	-	-	-	5	1
Anuradhapura	494	491	-	-	-	3	-	502	497	-	-	-	5	-
Polonnaruwa	126	123	-	-	-	3	-	130	126	-	-	-	4	-
Badulla	292	280	1	-	-	11	-	414	284	1	-	-	12	117
Moneragala	166	165	-	-	-	1	-	173	171	-	-	-	1	1
Ratnapura	519	501	-	-	-	18	-	591	500	-	-	-	19	72
Kegalle	573	557	-	-	-	16	-	646	557	-	-	-	22	67

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District	1976							1977						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,683	8,655	13	31	-	259	725	9,648	8,673	11	27	-	243	694
Colombo	1,105	1,033	8	15	-	43	6	1,107	1,036	7	15	-	42	7
Kalutara	491	433		2	-	16	40	487	429	-	2	-	16	40
Kandy	774	634	3	2	-	34	101	747	637	3	2	-	32	73
Matale	287	264	-	1	-	5	17	293	270	-	1	-	5	17
Nuwara Eliya	554	262	1	-	-	6	285	554	267	-	-	-	6	281
Galle	550	508	-	1	-	33	8	547	508	-	1	-	30	8
Matara	450	416	-	1	-	29	4	436	412	-	1	-	19	4
Hambantota	280	275	-	-	-	5	-	280	276	-	-	-	4	-
Jaffna	572	564	-	8	-	-	-	573	568	-	5	-	-	-
Mannar	107	107	-	-	-	-	-	107	107	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	184	184	-	-	-	-	-	184	184	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	241	241	-	-	-	-	-	239	239	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	232	232	-	-	-	-	-	235	235	-	-	-	-	-
Trincomalee	168	168	-	-	-	-	-	175	175	-	-	-	-	-
Kurunegala	742	708	-	1	-	31	2	742	709	-	-	-	31	2
Puttalam	483	479	-	-	-	3	1	481	478	-	-	-	3	-
Anuradhapura	509	504	-	-	-	5	-	505	500	-	-	-	5	-
Polonnaruwa	132	129	-	-	-	3	-	138	135	-	-	-	3	-
Badulla	408	280	1	-	-	11	116	418	290	1	-	-	11	116
Moneragala	181	174	-	-	-	1	6	176	169	-	-	-	1	6
Ratnapura	592	503	-	-	-	17	72	580	490	-	-	-	17	73
Kegalle	641	557	-	-	-	17	67	644	559	-	-	-	18	67

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District	1978							1979						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,693	9,072	12	28	-	245	336+	9,632	9,052	12	25	-	297	246
Colombo	492	454	7	11	-	20	-	496	450	7	14	-	25	-
Gampaha	623	599	-	5	-	19	-	624	596	-	1	-	27	-
Kalutara	484	465	-	2	-	17	-	486	465	-	2	-	19	-
Kandy	774	688	3	1	-	34	48	780	708	3	1	-	38	30
Matale	300	279	-	1	-	5	15	290	284	-	1	-	5	-
Nuwara Eliya	386	254	-	-	-	5	127	461	327	-	-	-	7	127
Galle	550	518	-	1	-	31	-	549	515	-	-	-	34	-
Matara	454	428	-	1	-	25	-	451	418	-	1	-	32	-
Hambantota	287	283	-	-	-	4	-	291	284	-	-	-	7	-
Jaffna	562	556	-	6	-	-	-	562	557	-	5	-	-	-
Mannar	96	96	-	-	-	-	-	97	97	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	212	212	-	-	-	-	-	213	213	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	243	243	-	-	-	-	-	241	241	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	241	241	-	-	-	-	-	243	242	-	-	-	1	-
Trincomalee	190	190	-	-	-	-	-	190	190	-	-	-	-	-
Kurunegala	915	885	-	-	-	30	-	925	892	-	-	-	33	-
Puttalam	312	308	-	-	-	4	-	312	309	-	-	-	3	-
Anuradhapura	513	508	-	-	-	5	-	502	498	-	-	-	4	-
Polonnaruwa	143	140	-	-	-	3	-	145	141	-	-	-	4	-
Badulla	486	407	2	-	-	12	65	413	335	2	-	-	12	64
Moneragala	171	171	-	-	-	-	-	180	174	-	-	-	1	5
Ratnapura	634	575	-	-	-	16	43	592	545	-	-	-	27	20
Kegalle	625	572	-	-	-	15	38	589	571	-	-	-	18	-

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District	1980							1981						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,794	9,117	12	25	-	282	358	9,879	9,521	12	25	-	287	34
Colombo	491	451	7	11	-	22	-	495	452	7	14	-	22	-
Gampaha	625	594	-	4	-	27	-	624	596	-	1	-	27	-
Kalutara	482	462	-	2	-	18	-	486	466	-	2	-	18	-
Kandy	798	706	3	1	-	37	51	803	759	3	1	-	36	4
Matale	312	287	-	1	-	6	18	312	300	-	1	-	6	5
Nuwara Eliya	477	326	-	-	-	7	144	381	377	-	-	-	2	2
Galle	542	511	-	-	-	31	-	542	510	-	-	-	32	-
Matara	449	418	-	1	-	30	-	450	418	-	1	-	31	-
Hambantota	285	279	-	-	-	6	-	287	280	-	-	-	7	-
Jaffna	564	559	-	5	-	-	-	566	561	-	5	-	-	-
Mannar	97	97	-	-	-	-	-	100	100	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	213	213	-	-	-	-	-	128	128	-	-	-	-	-
Mullaitivu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	86	86	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	246	246	-	-	-	-	-	251	251	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	260	258	-	-	-	2	-	276	275	-	-	-	1	-
Trincomalee	197	195	-	-	-	2	-	206	204	-	-	-	2	-
Kurunegala	950	917	-	-	-	32	1	957	924	-	-	-	33	-
Puttalam	316	313	-	-	-	3	-	324	321	-	-	-	3	-
Anuradhapura	513	507	-	-	-	6	-	516	509	-	-	-	7	-
Polonnaruwa	151	146	-	-	-	5	-	155	150	-	-	-	5	-
Badulla	427	342	2	-	-	11	72	527	495	2	-	-	18	12
Moneragala	177	175	-	-	-	2	-	184	183	-	-	-	1	-
Ratnapura	594	546	-	-	-	15	33	596	580	-	-	-	16	-
Kegalle	628	569	-	-	-	20	39	627	596	-	-	-	20	11

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District	1982							1983						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,932	9,243	12	25	-	282	370	9,957	9,585	12	25	-	314	21
Colombo	494	454	7	11	-	22	-	499	464	7	11	-	17	-
Gampaha	625	594	-	4	-	27	-	631	596	-	4	-	31	-
Kalutara	482	462	-	2	-	18	-	488	466	-	2	-	20	-
Kandy	798	706	3	1	-	37	51	790	749	3	1	-	36	1
Matale	312	287	-	1	-	6	18	312	303	-	1	-	5	3
Nuwara Eliya	477	326	-	-	-	7	144	378	375	-	-	-	2	1
Galle	542	511	-	-	-	31	-	544	509	-	-	-	35	-
Matara	449	418	-	1	-	30	-	453	417	-	1	-	35	-
Hambantota	285	279	-	-	-	6	-	296	286	-	-	-	10	-
Jaffna	564	559	-	5	-	-	-	560	555	-	5	-	-	-
Mannar	97	97	-	-	-	-	-	105	105	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	128	128	-	-	-	-	-	124	124	-	-	-	-	-
Mullaitivu	213	213	-	-	-	-	-	87	87	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	253	253	-	-	-	-	-	211	255	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	248	246	-	-	-	2	-	255	277	-	-	-	2	-
Trincomalee	197	195	-	-	-	2	-	279	208	-	-	-	3	-
Kurunegala	950	917	-	-	-	32	1	970	929	-	-	-	41	-
Puttalam	316	313	-	-	-	3	-	332	329	-	-	-	3	-
Anuradhapura	513	507	-	-	-	6	-	525	517	-	-	-	8	-
Polonnaruwa	151	146	-	-	-	5	-	159	153	-	-	-	6	-
Badulla	427	342	2	-	-	11	72	191	510	2	-	-	18	8
Moneragala	189	175	-	-	-	2	12	538	188	-	-	-	3	-
Ratnapura	594	546	-	-	-	15	33	603	586	-	-	-	17	-
Kegalle	628	569	-	-	-	20	39	627	597	-	-	-	22	8

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District	1984							1985						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	9,915	9,557	12	25	-	307	14	10,072	9,634	12	25	21	368	12
Colombo	486	454	7	11	-	14	-	501	455	7	11	9	19	-
Gampaha	632	594	-	4	-	34	-	636	593	-	4	5	34	-
Kalutara	482	461	-	2	-	19	-	489	464	-	2	2	21	-
Kandy	783	743	3	1	-	36	-	720	675	3	1	-	41	-
Matale	314	307	-	1	-	5	1	316	307	-	1	-	7	1
Nuwara Eliya	387	384	-	-	-	2	1	456	450	-	-	1	4	1
Galle	543	509	-	-	-	34	-	549	508	-	-	-	41	-
Matara	432	396	-	1	-	35	-	441	397	-	1	3	40	-
Hambantota	299	291	-	-	-	8	-	300	292	-	-	-	8	-
Jaffna	483	478	-	5	-	-	-	483	478	-	5	-	-	-
Kilinochchi	74	74	-	-	-	-	-	74	74	-	-	-	-	-
Mannar	105	105	-	-	-	-	-	105	105	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	126	126	-	-	-	-	-	81	81	-	-	-	-	-
Mullaitivu	88	88	-	-	-	-	-	122	122	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	255	255	-	-	-	-	-	254	254	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	284	282	-	-	-	2	-	307	306	-	-	-	1	-
Trincomalee	211	208	-	-	-	3	-	213	209	-	-	-	4	-
Kurunegala	975	934	-	-	-	41	-	985	936	-	-	-	49	-
Puttalam	328	325	-	-	-	3	-	332	327	-	-	-	5	-
Anuradhapura	530	522	-	-	-	8	-	546	534	-	-	-	12	-
Polonnaruwa	162	156	-	-	-	6	-	170	162	-	-	-	8	-
Badulla	531	503	2	-	-	18	8	555	530	2	-	1	19	3
Moneragala	198	196	-	-	-	2	-	205	198	-	-	-	7	-
Ratnapura	593	578	-	-	-	15	-	606	581	-	-	-	25	-
Kegalle	614	588	-	-	-	22	4	626	596	-	-	-	23	7

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District	1986							1987						
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Estate
Sri Lanka	10,100	9,657	12	25	22	372	12	10,201	9,709	12	20	22	427	11
Colombo	504	453	7	11	9	24	-	507	452	7	11	9	28	-
Gampaha	638	593	-	4	5	36	-	632	585	-	4	5	38	-
Kalutara	482	459	-	2	2	19	-	481	455	-	2	2	22	-
Kandy	720	674	3	1	-	42	-	733	680	3	1	-	49	-
Matale	317	308	-	1	-	7	1	321	310	-	1	-	9	1
Nuwara Eliya	457	452	-	-	1	3	1	460	456	-	-	1	3	-
Galle	546	505	-	-	-	41	-	548	504	-	-	-	44	-
Matara	442	397	-	1	4	40	-	445	397	-	1	4	43	-
Hambantota	308	300	-	-	-	8	-	319	307	-	-	-	12	-
Jaffna	485	480	-	5	-	-	-	480	480	-	-	-	-	-
Kilinochchi	75	75	-	-	-	-	-	75	75	-	-	-	-	-
Mannar	103	103	-	-	-	-	-	103	103	-	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	83	83	-	-	-	-	-	127	126	-	-	-	1	-
Mullaitivu	114	114	-	-	-	-	-	85	85	-	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	252	252	-	-	-	-	-	248	248	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	312	311	-	-	-	1	-	320	318	-	-	-	2	-
Trincomalee	208	204	-	-	-	4	-	208	204	-	-	-	4	-
Kurunegala	991	942	-	-	-	49	-	1,006	946	-	-	-	60	-
Puttalam	336	331	-	-	-	5	-	338	329	-	-	-	9	-
Anuradhapura	547	536	-	-	-	11	-	554	540	-	-	-	14	-
Polonnaruwa	185	177	-	-	-	8	-	196	188	-	-	-	8	-
Badulla	557	532	2	-	1	19	3	561	534	2	-	1	21	3
Moneragala	205	198	-	-	-	7	-	211	203	-	-	-	8	-
Ratnapura	611	586	-	-	-	25	-	613	587	-	-	-	26	-
Kegalle	622	592	-	-	-	23	7	630	597	-	-	-	26	7

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District	1988						1989					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,231	9,741	12	25	22	431	10,296	9,805	12	25	24	430
Colombo	508	453	7	11	9	28	508	453	7	11	9	28
Gampaha	633	586	-	4	5	38	634	587	-	4	5	38
Kalutara	482	456	-	2	2	22	484	458	-	2	2	22
Kandy	734	682	3	1	-	48	741	689	3	1	-	48
Matale	321	310	-	1	-	10	321	310	-	1	-	10
Nuwara Eliya	460	454	-	-	1	5	476	469	-	-	2	5
Galle	547	504	-	-	-	43	548	505	-	-	-	43
Matara	444	397	-	1	4	42	445	397	-	1	5	42
Hambantota	322	310	-	-	-	12	322	310	-	-	-	12
Jaffna	485	480	-	5	-	-	486	481	-	5	-	-
Kilinochchi	75	75	-	-	-	-	76	76	-	-	-	-
Mannar	103	103	-	-	-	-	103	103	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	126	125	-	-	-	1	130	129	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	84	84	-	-	-	-	86	86	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	244	244	-	-	-	-	245	245	-	-	-	-
Ampara	325	322	-	-	-	3	327	324	-	-	-	3
Trincomalee	207	204	-	-	-	3	210	207	-	-	-	3
Kurunegala	1,008	947	-	-	-	61	1,012	952	-	-	-	60
Puttalam	339	330	-	-	-	9	345	336	-	-	-	9
Anuradhapura	558	543	-	-	-	15	558	543	-	-	-	15
Polonnaruwa	203	195	-	-	-	8	202	194	-	-	-	8
Badulla	567	543	2	-	1	21	574	550	2	-	1	21
Moneragala	212	203	-	-	-	9	212	203	-	-	-	9
Ratnapura	613	586	-	-	-	27	617	590	-	-	-	27
Kegalle	631	605	-	-	-	26	634	608	-	-	-	26

Table 1(Contd.)

District	1990						1991					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,382	9,864	12	25	24	457	10,520	9,998	14	25	24	459
Colombo	505	449	7	11	9	29	506	449	8	11	9	29
Gampaha	633	585	-	4	5	39	637	589	-	4	5	39
Kalutara	494	465	-	2	2	25	494	465	-	2	2	25
Kandy	742	687	3	1	-	51	741	685	3	1	-	52
Matale	326	312	-	1	-	13	324	311	-	1	-	12
Nuwara Eliya	492	485	-	-	2	5	463	456	-	-	2	5
Galle	552	505	-	-	-	47	555	508	-	-	-	47
Matara	444	395	-	1	5	43	443	395	-	1	5	42
Hambantota	327	314	-	-	-	13	336	323	-	-	-	13
Jaffna	486	481	-	5	-	-	486	481	-	5	-	-
Kilinochchi	76	76	-	-	-	-	82	82	-	-	-	-
Mannar	103	103	-	-	-	-	103	103	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	130	129	-	-	-	1	185	184	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	86	86	-	-	-	-	98	98	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	245	245	-	-	-	-	263	263	-	-	-	-
Ampara	332	329	-	-	-	3	350	347	-	-	-	3
Trincomalee	210	207	-	-	-	3	223	220	-	-	-	3
Kurunegala	1,018	954	-	-	-	64	1,015	951	-	-	-	64
Puttalam	345	336	-	-	-	9	350	341	-	-	-	9
Anuradhapura	564	548	-	-	-	16	564	547	-	-	-	17
Polonnaruwa	210	202	-	-	-	8	212	203	-	-	-	9
Badulla	584	559	2	-	1	22	591	564	3	-	1	23
Moneragala	220	210	-	-	-	10	241	231	-	-	-	10
Ratnapura	620	591	-	-	-	29	619	590	-	-	-	29
Kegalle	638	611	-	-	-	27	639	612	-	-	-	27

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District	1992						1993					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,586	10,042	21	24	21	478	10,713	10,160	21	24	21	487
Colombo	511	448	10	15	8	30	512	447	10	15	8	32
Gampaha	630	582	-	4	4	40	631	583	-	4	4	40
Kalutara	498	466	-	2	2	28	496	464	-	2	2	28
Kandy	742	685	3	1	1	52	746	686	3	1	1	55
Matale	327	313	-	1	-	13	330	316	-	1	-	13
Nuwara Eliya	467	460	-	-	2	5	501	494	-	-	2	5
Galle	556	506	-	-	-	50	556	506	-	-	-	50
Matara	444	395	1	-	3	45	448	397	1	-	3	47
Hambantota	341	326	-	-	-	15	346	331	-	-	-	15
Jaffna	486	481	5	-	-	-	484	479	5	-	-	-
Kilinochchi	83	83	-	-	-	-	85	85	-	-	-	-
Mannar	104	104	-	-	-	-	105	105	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	185	184	-	-	-	1	178	177	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	99	99	-	-	-	-	100	100	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	276	276	-	-	-	-	297	297	-	-	-	-
Ampara	364	361	-	-	-	3	380	377	-	-	-	3
Trincomalee	207	204	-	-	-	3	226	223	-	-	-	3
Kurunegala	1,019	955	-	-	-	64	1,029	965	-	-	-	64
Puttalam	354	345	-	-	-	9	360	351	-	-	-	9
Anuradhapura	585	565	-	-	-	20	577	556	-	-	-	21
Polonnaruwa	217	207	-	-	-	10	220	210	-	-	-	10
Badulla	587	560	2	1	1	23	592	565	2	1	1	23
Moneragala	249	238	-	-	-	11	255	244	-	-	-	11
Ratnapura	618	589	-	-	-	29	621	592	-	-	-	29
Kegalle	637	610	-	-	-	27	638	610	-	-	-	28

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District	1994						1995					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,779	10,191	16	52	11	509	10,888	10,283	16	53	10	526
Colombo	513	447	9	19	5	33	512	446	10	18	4	34
Gampaha	631	581	-	7	-	43	632	581	-	7	-	44
Kalutara	499	463	-	5	1	30	501	463	-	5	1	32
Kandy	753	690	3	2	2	56	756	692	3	2	2	57
Matale	332	316	-	2	-	14	334	318	-	2	-	14
Nuwara Eliya	500	493	-	2	-	5	531	524	-	2	-	5
Galle	561	504	-	2	-	55	562	503	-	2	-	57
Matara	450	395	1	2	3	49	454	396	-	3	2	53
Hambantota	349	333	-	-	-	16	350	333	-	-	1	16
Jaffna	479	473	-	6	-	-	491	485	-	6	-	-
Kilinochchi	81	81	-	-	-	-	89	89	-	-	-	-
Mannar	105	105	-	-	-	-	105	105	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	187	186	-	-	-	1	190	189	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	101	101	-	-	-	-	103	103	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	295	295	-	-	-	-	303	303	-	-	-	-
Ampara	383	379	-	-	-	4	397	393	-	-	-	4
Trincomalee	238	235	-	-	-	3	242	239	-	-	-	3
Kurunegala	1,028	962	-	1	-	65	1,031	962	-	1	-	68
Puttalam	361	351	-	1	-	9	362	353	-	1	-	8
Anuradhapura	584	559	-	1	-	24	590	564	-	1	-	25
Polonnaruwa	225	215	-	-	-	10	223	213	-	-	-	10
Badulla	598	571	3	1	-	23	599	570	3	1	-	25
Moneragala	265	253	-	-	-	12	265	253	-	-	-	12
Ratnapura	624	594	-	1	-	29	628	598	-	1	-	29
Kegalle	637	609	-	-	-	28	638	608	-	1	-	29

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District	1996						1997					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,937	10,312	15	53	12	545	10,983	10,358	14	54	9	550
Colombo	511	445	9	18	6	33	507	445	9	18	2	33
Gampaha	633	580	-	8	-	45	633	580	-	7	-	46
Kalutara	500	462	-	4	1	33	502	462	-	5	1	34
Kandy	755	689	3	2	2	59	755	689	2	2	3	59
Matale	335	318	-	2	-	15	337	320	-	2	-	15
Nuwara Eliya	530	521	-	2	-	7	531	522	-	2	-	7
Galle	559	499	-	2	-	58	554	494	-	2	-	58
Matara	454	395	-	3	2	54	452	394	-	4	-	54
Hambantota	348	331	-	-	1	16	350	333	-	-	1	16
Jaffna	491	485	-	6	-	-	491	485	-	6	-	-
Kilinochchi	91	91	-	-	-	-	92	92	-	-	-	-
Mannar	108	108	-	-	-	-	109	109	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	190	189	-	-	-	1	190	189	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	103	103	-	-	-	-	106	106	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	316	316	-	-	-	-	320	320	-	-	-	-
Ampara	397	392	-	-	-	5	406	401	-	-	-	5
Trincomalee	256	253	-	-	-	3	267	264	-	-	-	3
Kurunegala	1,038	966	-	1	-	71	1,042	969	-	1	-	72
Puttalam	361	352	-	1	-	8	366	357	-	1	-	8
Anuradhapura	592	563	-	1	-	28	598	569	-	1	-	28
Polonnaruwa	226	215	-	-	-	11	230	219	-	-	-	11
Badulla	606	576	3	1	-	26	607	577	3	1	2	26
Moneragala	272	260	-	-	-	12	275	263	-	-	-	12
Ratnapura	630	598	-	1	-	31	630	596	-	1	-	33
Kegalle	635	605	-	1	-	29	633	603	-	1	-	29

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District	1998						1999					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,952	10,318	15	53	11	555	10,694	10,057	15	52	10	560
Colombo	510	444	9	18	5	34	503	439	9	18	3	34
Gampaha	628	573	-	7	-	48	619	564	-	7	-	48
Kalutara	498	458	-	5	1	34	491	452	-	5	1	33
Kandy	750	685	3	2	2	58	742	677	3	2	2	58
Matale	341	322	-	2	-	17	341	322	-	2	-	17
Nuwara Eliya	529	521	-	1	-	7	529	520	-	2	-	7
Galle	549	487	-	2	-	60	541	479	-	2	-	60
Matara	454	393	-	4	2	55	446	386	-	2	3	55
Hambantota	345	329	-	-	1	15	343	327	-	-	1	15
Jaffna	491	485	-	6	-	-	416	410	-	6	-	-
Kilinochchi	92	92	-	-	-	-	89	89	-	-	-	-
Mannar	109	109	-	-	-	-	94	94	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	190	189	-	-	-	1	182	181	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	106	106	-	-	-	-	94	94	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	322	322	-	-	-	-	308	308	-	-	-	-
Ampara	405	399	-	-	-	6	405	398	-	-	-	7
Trincomalee	270	267	-	-	-	3	248	244	-	-	-	4
Kurunegala	1,029	958	-	1	-	70	1,002	931	-	1	-	70
Puttalam	362	353	-	1	-	8	358	349	-	1	-	8
Anuradhapura	599	570	-	1	-	28	592	561	-	1	-	30
Polonnaruwa	229	218	-	-	-	11	224	213	-	-	-	11
Badulla	608	578	3	1	-	26	604	574	3	1	-	26
Moneragala	276	264	-	-	-	12	274	262	-	-	-	12
Ratnapura	631	597	-	1	-	33	632	598	-	1	-	33
Kegalle	629	599	-	1	-	29	617	585	-	1	-	31

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District	2000						2001					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,615	9,976	22	46	10	561	10,552	9,891	18	50	10	583
Colombo	500	435	10	17	4	34	491	422	10	17	4	38
Gampaha	616	561	-	7	-	48	612	554	-	7	-	51
Kalutara	490	451	1	3	2	33	477	436	1	3	2	35
Kandy	732	667	3	2	2	58	723	656	3	2	2	60
Matale	338	319	1	1	-	17	337	318	1	1	-	17
Nuwara Eliya	526	517	-	2	-	7	525	516	-	2	-	7
Galle	529	466	2	-	-	61	521	458	-	2	-	61
Matara	444	384	-	3	2	55	442	382	-	3	2	55
Hambantota	343	327	-	1	-	15	340	321	-	1	-	18
Jaffna	409	403	-	6	-	-	413	407	-	6	-	-
Kilinochchi	90	90	-	-	-	-	91	91	-	-	-	-
Mannar	94	94	-	-	-	-	94	94	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	182	181	-	-	-	1	179	178	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	96	96	-	-	-	-	99	99	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	306	306	-	-	-	-	306	306	-	-	-	-
Ampara	407	400	-	-	-	7	408	399	-	-	-	9
Trincomalee	251	247	-	-	-	4	250	246	-	-	-	4
Kurunegala	991	920	-	1	-	70	984	912	-	1	-	71
Puttalam	356	347	1	-	-	8	352	343	-	1	-	8
Anuradhapura	586	555	1	-	-	30	591	557	-	1	-	33
Polonnaruwa	224	213	-	-	-	11	223	212	-	-	-	11
Badulla	604	574	3	1	-	26	603	572	3	1	-	27
Moneragala	274	262	-	-	-	12	272	260	-	-	-	12
Ratnapura	627	593	-	1	-	33	629	595	-	1	-	33
Kegalle	600	568	-	1	-	31	590	557	-	1	-	32

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District	2002*					
	Total	Govt. schools	Private fee levying schools	Private non fee levying schools	Approved/ Certified schools	Pirivenas
Sri Lanka	10,505	9,826	18	52	10	599
Colombo	487	418	10	17	4	38
Gampaha	601	543	-	7	-	51
Kalutara	474	432	1	3	2	36
Kandy	723	652	3	2	2	64
Matale	336	317	1	1	-	17
Nuwara Eliya	523	514	-	2	-	7
Galle	512	449	-	2	-	61
Matara	442	381	-	3	2	56
Hambantota	341	321	-	1	-	19
Jaffna	412	406	-	6	-	-
Kilinochchi	93	93	-	-	-	-
Mannar	90	90	-	-	-	-
Vavuniya	178	177	-	-	-	1
Mullaitivu	100	100	-	-	-	-
Batticaloa	306	306	-	-	-	-
Ampara	393	381	-	-	-	12
Trincomalee	253	249	-	-	-	4
Kurunegala	981	907	-	2	-	72
Puttalam	352	343	-	1	-	8
Anuradhapura	589	553	-	1	-	35
Polonnaruwa	242	230	-	-	-	12
Badulla	601	570	3	1	-	27
Moneragala	273	259	-	1	-	13
Ratnapura	627	593	-	1	-	33
Kegalle	576	542	-	1	-	33

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