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Ethnic group, sex and sector	Population aged 10 years & over	Ability to speak						Ability to read and write					
		Sinhala		Tamil		English		Sinhala		Tamil		English	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>Trincomalee</b>													
<b>All Sectors</b>													
<b>Both Sexes</b>													
Total	298,882	134,393	45	228,935	77	45,374	15	104,776	35	206,748	69	65,652	22
Sinhala	82,124	81,236	99	13,856	17	11,718	14	78,721	96	6,208	8	16,204	20
Sri Lanka Tamil	94,915	24,890	26	94,022	99	19,952	21	11,831	12	88,503	93	24,278	26
Indian Tamil	1,526	559	37	1,510	99	253	17	234	15	1,396	91	343	22
Sri Lanka Moor	118,975	26,773	23	118,299	99	12,748	11	13,408	11	109,525	92	23,728	20
Burgher	943	596	63	889	94	511	54	364	39	763	81	903	96
Malay	310	286	92	287	93	131	42	179	58	301	97	116	37
All Other	89	53	60	72	81	61	69	39	44	52	58	80	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Male</b>													
Total	146,851	78,986	54	113,555	77	25,291	17	56,159	38	102,745	70	34,004	23
Sinhala	41,704	41,288	99	9,162	22	6,102	15	40,440	97	3,131	8	7,933	19
Sri Lanka Tamil	44,302	16,073	36	43,908	99	10,531	24	6,525	15	41,884	95	11,856	27
Indian Tamil	733	327	45	727	99	140	19	126	17	693	95	170	23
Sri Lanka Moor	59,451	20,809	35	59,144	99	8,149	14	8,759	15	56,494	95	13,490	23
Burgher	457	319	70	430	94	260	57	193	42	368	81	442	97
Malay	141	130	92	132	94	65	46	86	61	136	96	56	40
All Other	63	40	63	52	83	44	70	30	48	39	62	57	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<b>Trincomalee</b>													
<b>Female</b>													
Total	152,031	55,407	36	115,380	76	20,083	13	48,617	32	104,003	68	31,648	21
Sinhala	40,420	39,948	99	4,694	12	5,616	14	38,281	95	3,077	8	8,271	20
Sri Lanka Tamil	50,613	8,817	17	50,114	99	9,421	19	5,306	10	46,619	92	12,422	25
Indian Tamil	793	232	29	783	99	113	14	108	14	703	89	173	22
Sri Lanka Moor	59,524	5,964	10	59,155	99	4,599	8	4,649	8	53,031	89	10,238	17
Burgher	486	277	57	459	94	251	52	171	35	395	81	461	95
Malay	169	156	92	155	92	66	39	93	55	165	98	60	36
All Other	26	13	50	20	77	17	65	9	35	13	50	23	88
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Urban</b>													
<b>Both Sexes</b>													
Total	68,699	25,844	38	63,893	93	20,724	30	18,490	27	59,905	87	26,393	38
Sinhala	6,948	6,881	99	2,528	36	1,946	28	6,803	98	1,214	17	2,374	34
Sri Lanka Tamil	30,291	11,185	37	30,077	99	12,327	41	6,729	22	29,724	98	14,352	47
Indian Tamil	298	125	42	295	99	120	40	93	31	277	93	155	52
Sri Lanka Moor	30,915	7,474	24	30,765	100	6,152	20	4,743	15	28,501	92	9,278	30
Burgher	195	143	73	184	94	138	71	96	49	157	81	191	98
Malay	17	15	88	17	100	13	76	11	65	17	100	10	59
All Other	35	21	60	27	77	28	80	15	43	15	43	33	94
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<b>Trincomalee</b>													
<b>Male</b>													
Total	33,388	16,543	50	31,202	93	11,297	34	10,459	31	29,439	88	13,663	41
Sinhala	3,611	3,582	99	1,589	44	1,034	29	3,548	98	587	16	1,204	33
Sri Lanka Tamil	13,924	7,044	51	13,820	99	6,290	45	3,665	26	13,753	99	7,010	50
Indian Tamil	127	69	54	127	100	59	46	43	34	121	95	71	56
Sri Lanka Moor	15,612	5,759	37	15,560	100	3,826	25	3,142	20	14,892	95	5,267	34
Burgher	87	70	80	83	95	66	76	48	55	69	79	87	100
Malay	6	6	100	6	100	5	83	4	67	6	100	4	67
All Other	21	13	62	17	81	17	81	9	43	11	52	20	95
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Female</b>													
Total	35,311	9,301	26	32,691	93	9,427	27	8,031	23	30,466	86	12,730	36
Sinhala	3,337	3,299	99	939	28	912	27	3,255	98	627	19	1,170	35
Sri Lanka Tamil	16,367	4,141	25	16,257	99	6,037	37	3,064	19	15,971	98	7,342	45
Indian Tamil	171	56	33	168	98	61	36	50	29	156	91	84	49
Sri Lanka Moor	15,303	1,715	11	15,205	99	2,326	15	1,601	10	13,609	89	4,011	26
Burgher	108	73	68	101	94	72	67	48	44	88	81	104	96
Malay	11	9	82	11	100	8	73	7	64	11	100	6	55
All Other	14	8	57	10	71	11	79	6	43	4	29	13	93
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Trincomalee													
Rural													
Both Sexes													
Total	230,183	108,549	47	165,042	72	24,650	11	86,286	37	146,843	64	39,259	17
Sinhala	75,176	74,355	99	11,328	15	9,772	13	71,918	96	4,994	7	13,830	18
Sri Lanka Tamil	64,624	13,705	21	63,945	99	7,625	12	5,102	8	58,779	91	9,926	15
Indian Tamil	1,228	434	35	1,215	99	133	11	141	11	1,119	91	188	15
Sri Lanka Moor	88,060	19,299	22	87,534	99	6,596	7	8,665	10	81,024	92	14,450	16
Burgher	748	453	61	705	94	373	50	268	36	606	81	712	95
Malay	293	271	92	270	92	118	40	168	57	284	97	106	36
All Other	54	32	59	45	83	33	61	24	44	37	69	47	87
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
Total	113,463	62,443	55	82,353	73	13,994	12	45,700	40	73,306	65	20,341	18
Sinhala	38,093	37,706	99	7,573	20	5,068	13	36,892	97	2,544	7	6,729	18
Sri Lanka Tamil	30,378	9,029	30	30,088	99	4,241	14	2,860	9	28,131	93	4,846	16
Indian Tamil	606	258	43	600	99	81	13	83	14	572	94	99	16
Sri Lanka Moor	43,839	15,050	34	43,584	99	4,323	10	5,617	13	41,602	95	8,223	19
Burgher	370	249	67	347	94	194	52	145	39	299	81	355	96
Malay	135	124	92	126	93	60	44	82	61	130	96	52	39
All Other	42	27	64	35	83	27	64	21	50	28	67	37	88
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Trincomalee													
Female													
Total	116,720	46,106	40	82,689	71	10,656	9	40,586	35	73,537	63	18,918	16
Sinhala	37,083	36,649	99	3,755	10	4,704	13	35,026	94	2,450	7	7,101	19
Sri Lanka Tamil	34,246	4,676	14	33,857	99	3,384	10	2,242	7	30,648	89	5,080	15
Indian Tamil	622	176	28	615	99	52	8	58	9	547	88	89	14
Sri Lanka Moor	44,221	4,249	10	43,950	99	2,273	5	3,048	7	39,422	89	6,227	14
Burgher	378	204	54	358	95	179	47	123	33	307	81	357	94
Malay	158	147	93	144	91	58	37	86	54	154	97	54	34
All Other	12	5	42	10	83	6	50	3	25	9	75	10	83
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Census of population and housing -2012