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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.	%
Batticaloa													
All Sectors													
Both sexes													
All Groups	420,092	58,335	14	413,896	99	59,764	14	33,857	8	371,223	88	88,013	21
Sinhala	7,296	5,952	82	3,090	42	1,587	22	6,879	94	2,261	31	2,235	31
Sri Lanka Tami	306,103	34,276	11	304,624	100	44,504	15	19,097	6	274,600	90	57,659	19
Indian Tamil	5,234	1,127	22	5,202	99	711	14	474	9	4,848	93	1,238	24
Sri Lanka Moo	99,056	16,089	16	98,639	100	12,113	12	6,856	7	87,349	88	24,599	25
Burgher	2,316	861	37	2,279	98	805	35	528	23	2,103	91	2,216	96
Malay	26	10	38	25	96	9	35	9	35	26	100	10	38
All Other	61	20	33	37	61	35	57	14	23	36	59	56	92
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All Groups	197,025	44,152	22	193,407	98	32,573	17	21,289	11	176,861	90	43,980	22
Sinhala	4,761	4,142	87	2,092	44	1,107	23	4,597	97	1,377	29	1,509	32
Sri Lanka Tami	142,659	24,668	17	141,937	99	23,744	17	11,551	8	129,352	91	28,437	20
Indian Tamil	2,650	928	35	2,636	99	431	16	314	12	2,539	96	678	26
Sri Lanka Moo	45,795	13,899	30	45,612	100	6,864	15	4,542	10	42,531	93	12,245	27
Burgher	1,103	490	44	1,089	99	399	36	265	24	1,018	92	1,066	97
Malay	16	8	50	15	94	7	44	7	44	16	100	8	50
All Other	41	17	41	26	63	21	51	13	32	28	68	37	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All Groups	223,067	14,183	6	220,489	99	27,191	12	12,568	6	194,362	87	44,033	20
Sinhala	2,535	1,810	71	998	39	480	19	2,282	90	884	35	726	29
Sri Lanka Tami	163,444	9,608	6	162,687	100	20,760	13	7,546	5	145,248	89	29,222	18
Indian Tamil	2,584	199	8	2,566	99	280	11	160	6	2,309	89	560	22
Sri Lanka Moo	53,261	2,190	4	53,027	100	5,249	10	2,314	4	44,818	84	12,354	23
Burgher	1,213	371	31	1,190	98	406	33	263	22	1,085	89	1,150	95
Malay	10	2	20	10	100	2	20	2	20	10	100	2	20
All Other	20	3	15	11	55	14	70	1	5	8	40	19	95
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Batticaloa													
Urban Sector													
Both sexes													
All Groups	121,667	27,229	22	120,259	99	31,802	26	17,360	14	114,398	94	43,096	35
Sinhala	1,686	1,593	94	795	47	554	33	1,665	99	535	32	731	43
Sri Lanka Tami	66,399	16,169	24	66,162	100	22,999	35	10,895	16	64,632	97	26,541	40
Indian Tamil	3,440	761	22	3,419	99	531	15	365	11	3,227	94	895	26
Sri Lanka Moo	47,993	7,918	16	47,785	100	6,953	14	3,931	8	44,068	92	12,886	27
Burgher	2,096	773	37	2,062	98	741	35	492	23	1,900	91	2,006	96
Malay	21	7	33	20	95	7	33	6	29	21	100	7	33
All Other	32	8	25	16	50	17	53	6	19	15	47	30	94
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All Groups	56,030	20,090	36	55,060	98	16,907	30	10,778	19	53,455	95	21,414	38
Sinhala	1,355	1,307	96	626	46	404	30	1,345	99	396	29	547	40
Sri Lanka Tami	30,365	10,776	35	30,240	100	11,865	39	6,363	21	29,714	98	13,087	43
Indian Tamil	1,723	630	37	1,714	99	315	18	242	14	1,669	97	477	28
Sri Lanka Moo	21,568	6,931	32	21,485	100	3,950	18	2,575	12	20,743	96	6,325	29
Burgher	986	435	44	974	99	359	36	243	25	909	92	955	97
Malay	13	5	38	12	92	5	38	4	31	13	100	5	38
All Other	20	6	30	9	45	9	45	6	30	11	55	18	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All Groups	65,637	7,139	11	65,199	99	14,895	23	6,582	10	60,943	93	21,682	33
Sinhala	331	286	86	169	51	150	45	320	97	139	42	184	56
Sri Lanka Tami	36,034	5,393	15	35,922	100	11,134	31	4,532	13	34,918	97	13,454	37
Indian Tamil	1,717	131	8	1,705	99	216	13	123	7	1,558	91	418	24
Sri Lanka Moo	26,425	987	4	26,300	100	3,003	11	1,356	5	23,325	88	6,561	25
Burgher	1,110	338	30	1,088	98	382	34	249	22	991	89	1,051	95
Malay	8	2	25	8	100	2	25	2	25	8	100	2	25
All Other	12	2	17	7	58	8	67	-	-	4	33	12	100
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Batticaloa													
Rural Sector													
Both sexes													
All Groups	298,425	31,106	10	293,637	98	27,962	9	16,497	6	256,825	86	44,917	15
Sinhala	5,610	4,359	78	2,295	41	1,033	18	5,214	93	1,726	31	1,504	27
Sri Lanka Tami	239,704	18,107	8	238,462	99	21,505	9	8,202	3	209,968	88	31,118	13
Indian Tamil	1,794	366	20	1,783	99	180	10	109	6	1,621	90	343	19
Sri Lanka Moo	51,063	8,171	16	50,854	100	5,160	10	2,925	6	43,281	85	11,713	23
Burgher	220	88	40	217	99	64	29	36	16	203	92	210	95
Malay	5	3	60	5	100	2	40	3	60	5	100	3	60
All Other	29	12	41	21	72	18	62	8	28	21	72	26	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male													
All Groups	140,995	24,062	17	138,347	98	15,666	11	10,511	7	123,406	88	22,566	16
Sinhala	3,406	2,835	83	1,466	43	703	21	3,252	95	981	29	962	28
Sri Lanka Tami	112,294	13,892	12	111,697	99	11,879	11	5,188	5	99,638	89	15,350	14
Indian Tamil	927	298	32	922	99	116	13	72	8	870	94	201	22
Sri Lanka Moo	24,227	6,968	29	24,127	100	2,914	12	1,967	8	21,788	90	5,920	24
Burgher	117	55	47	115	98	40	34	22	19	109	93	111	95
Malay	3	3	100	3	100	2	67	3	100	3	100	3	100
All Other	21	11	52	17	81	12	57	7	33	17	81	19	90
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female													
All Groups	157,430	7,044	4	155,290	99	12,296	8	5,986	4	133,419	85	22,351	14
Sinhala	2,204	1,524	69	829	38	330	15	1,962	89	745	34	542	25
Sri Lanka Tami	127,410	4,215	3	126,765	99	9,626	8	3,014	2	110,330	87	15,768	12
Indian Tamil	867	68	8	861	99	64	7	37	4	751	87	142	16
Sri Lanka Moo	26,836	1,203	4	26,727	100	2,246	8	958	4	21,493	80	5,793	22
Burgher	103	33	32	102	99	24	23	14	14	94	91	99	96
Malay	2	-	-	2	100	-	-	-	-	2	100	-	-
All Other	8	1	13	4	50	6	75	1	13	4	50	7	88
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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