



STATISTICAL DATA SHEET

2024



Department of Census and Statistics
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Battaramulla
Sri Lanka

AREA, POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS					
AREA					
Total area	65,610 sq.km.				
Land area	62,705 sq.km.				
Inland water	2,905 sq.km.				
Maximum length	433 km.				
Maximum breadth	241 km.				
	2020*	2021*	2022*	2023*	
POPULATION					
Estimated mid year population					
Total ('000)	21,909	22,156	22,181	22,037	
Male ('000)	10,613	10,727	10,740	10,670	
Female ('000)	11,306	11,429	11,441	11,367	
Population density (per sq.km.)	350	353	354	351	
Population growth rate (%)	0.53	1.08	0.11	(0.6)	
Dependency ratio (%) (a)	49.4	49.4	49.5	49.4	
VITAL STATISTICS					
LIVE BIRTHS					
Total	301,706	284,848	275,321	247,900	
Male	154,068	145,045	139,301	126,368	
Female	147,638	139,803	136,020	121,532	
Sex ratio at birth (No. of male births per 100 female births)	104	104	102	104	
Crude Birth Rate (per 1000 population)	13.8	12.9	12.4	11.2	
DEATHS					
Total	132,431	163,936	179,792	181,239	
Male	72,874	90,836	98,144	98,889	
Female	59,557	73,100	81,648	82,350	
Crude Death Rate (per 1000 population)	6.0	7.4	8.1	8.2	
MARRIAGES					
Total	143,061	162,628	171,140	151,356	
General	126,873	139,015	149,466	131,876	
Kandyan	204	127	132	80	
Muslim	15,984	23,486	21,542	19,400	
MIGRATION					
Arrivals	875,909	598,885	1,602,945	2,967,267	
Departures	969,771	509,701	1,817,826	3,145,815	
Net Migration	(93,862)	89,184	(214,881)	(178,548)	
* Provisional					
Note : Estimated mid year population can be vary with census of population.					
(a) 65 or more years of population is considered as old population.					
Sources : Survey Department, Registrar General's Department, Department of Immigration & Emigration					

LABOUR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT				
	2020	2021	2022	2023
LABOUR FORCE				
Total	8,466,606	8,553,290	8,547,062	8,408,331
Employed	7,999,093	8,113,507	8,147,731	8,009,916
Unemployed	467,513	439,783	399,332	398,415
LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (%)				
Total	50.6	49.9	49.8	48.6
Male	71.9	71.0	70.5	68.6
Female	32.0	31.8	32.1	31.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
Total	5.5	5.1	4.7	4.7
Male	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.6
Female	8.5	7.9	6.5	7.0
Source : Department of Census and Statistics				
REGISTRATION WITH THE SLBFE FOR FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT				
	2020	2021	2022	2023*
Total	53,711	122,264	310,953	297,656
BY SEX				
Male	32,500	81,110	186,947	164,608
Female	21,211	41,154	124,006	133,048
BY MANPOWER LEVELS				
Professional level	2,957	8,373	207,369	208,586
Middle level	1,496	4,256		
Clerical & related	2,496	6,540		
Skilled	16,664	40,174	103,584	89,070
Semi-skilled	789	1,930		
Low skilled	13,987	31,676		
Domestic Housekeeping Assistant	15,322	29,315		
* Provisional				
Source : Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE				
	2012/13	2016	2019	
Mean household income per month (Rs.)	45,878	62,237	76,414	
Median household income per month (Rs.)	30,814	43,511	53,333	
Gini coefficient of household income	0.48	0.45	0.46	
Household size (No.)	3.9	3.8	3.7	
No. of income receivers per household	1.8	1.8	1.8	
Income receivers mean income per month (Rs.)	25,963	33,894	42,308	
Gini coefficient of income receivers income	0.53	0.51	0.52	
Monitory income per month per household (Rs.)	39,300	52,979	65,264	
Non monitory income per month per household (Rs.)	6,578	9,257	11,151	
Mean household expenditure per month (Rs.)	41,444	54,999	63,130	
Expenditure on food and drink per month (Rs.)	15,651	19,114	22,130	
Expenditure on non food items (Excluding liquor narcotic drugs & tobacco) (Rs.)	25,088	35,885	40,040	
Expenditure on liquor, narcotic drugs & tobacco (Rs.)	705	1,056	960	
Food ratio (Expenditure on foods as a percentage)	37.8	34.8	35.1	
Source : Department of Census and Statistics				

AGRICULTURE				
	2020	2021	2022	2023
CULTIVATED EXTENT (HEC.)				
Paddy - Total	1,208,454	1,271,707	1,257,515	1,317,677
Maha	752,248	770,240	775,846	812,601
Yala	456,206	501,467	481,669	505,076
Tea	266,354	266,509	267,187	268,829
Rubber	137,834	138,034	98,583*	98,393
Coconut	453,742	456,137	460,339	480,215
Cinnamon	35,462	37,028	38,007	35,134
Coffee	5,831	5,857	5,606	5,281
Pepper	48,274	46,235	48,179	46,600
PRODUCTION (MT.)				
Paddy - Total	5,120,924	5,149,596	3,392,905	4,513,431
Maha	3,196,752	3,061,394	1,931,230	2,696,040
Yala	1,924,172	2,088,202	1,461,675	1,817,391
Tea	278,852	299,488	251,499	256,040
Rubber	78,204	76,884	70,867	64,444
Coconut (million nuts)	2,792	3,120	3,391	3,170
Cinnamon	22,910	23,730	23,764	22,410
Coffee	6,725	5,306	4,828	4,750
Pepper	43,557	42,485	44,090	45,166
AVERAGE YIELD OF PADDY (KG. PER NET HECTARE)				
Maha	4,531	4,307	2,853	3,554
Yala	4,552	4,309	3,207	3,822
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
COST OF PRODUCTION (RS.)				
Tea (per kg.)	546.54	618.49	638.99	855.00*
Rubber (per kg.)	316.86	349.55	375.57	439.73*
Coconut (per 1,000 nuts)	21,813	26,958	27,209	28,067*
VOLUME INDEX OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION (2002=100)				
Tea	89.83	96.60	81.12	82.59
Rubber	86.39	84.94	78.29	71.19
Coconut	125.50	126.88	137.90	128.91
Paddy	179.05	180.06	118.63	157.81
Coarse Grain	981.90	1,473.93	838.08	717.78
Other Food Crops	153.38	179.71	162.11	155.94
Vegetables	215.97	200.37	185.51	178.94
Fruits	212.97	180.01	322.35	174.06
Livestock & Livestock products	173.96	180.12	175.23	165.11
Minor export crops	184.36	193.00	188.51	186.72
Overall Index	195.02	199.10	160.44	173.18
* Provisional # Revised				
Sources : Department of Census and Statistics, Sri Lanka Tea Board, Department of Rubber Development				

