

KEY SOCIAL INDICATORS

PHYSICAL FEATURES AND CLIMATE

Location

Between 5° 55' & 9° 50' North Latitude
 Between 79° 31' & 81° 53' East Longitude
 433 km (269 miles) North to South
 226 km (140 miles) West to East
 Highest elevation : 2,525 meters (8,284 ft.)

Area

Total area : 65,610 sq.km.
 Land area : 62,705 sq.km.
 Inland waters : 2,905 sq.km.

Climate

Low country : min. 24.3° C - max. 32.3°C
 Hill country : min. 18.0° C - max. 27.3°C
 Annual Rainfall (average) mm :
 (2011) 2,027 (2012) 1,634
 Number of Rainy days :
 (2011) 103 (2012) n.a.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS (a)

Mid-year population ('000) in 2012 (b): 20,328
 Age distribution ('000) 2011
 0 - 14 yrs : 5,488
 15-64 yrs : 14,065
 65 years and over : 1,316
 Population density (2012) (b) : 324 persons per sq.km.
 Crude birth rate (2011) : 17.4 per 1,000
 Crude death rate (2011) : 5.9 per 1,000
 Rate of natural increase (2011) : 11.5 per 1,000
 Infant mortality rate (2009) : 9.4 per 1,000 live births
 Dependency ratio (2011) : 48.4 %
 Average household size (2009/2010)(c) : 4.0

Expectation of life at birth (2012) : 75.1

Literacy rate (2011) (d)

Average : 92.2 %
 Male : 93.5 %
 Female : 91.1 %

Income distribution (c)

Gini coefficient of household income (2009/2010) : 0.49
 Mean household income (2009/2010) : Rs. 36,451 per month
 Median household income (2009/2010) : Rs. 23,746 per month

Poverty

Average daily kilo calorie intake (2009/2010) (c) : 2,094
 Poverty Head Count Index:
 (2002) 22.7 (2006/2007) 15.2 (2009/2010) 8.9 (c)

Human Development Index (2012) : 0.715

Rank among 186 countries : 92

Employment (2012) (e) (f)

Employed persons ('000) : 8,129
 Agriculture : 31.0 %
 Industry : 26.1 %
 Services : 42.9 %

Government employees ('000) (2012) : 1,244
 State sector : 52.9 %
 Provincial public sector : 26.9 %
 Semi government sector : 20.2 %

PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES

Transport

Length of national roads (A & B) : 12,165 km
 Length of railway route : 1,640 km

	Unit	2012
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Water Supply & Sanitation

Access to safe drinking water (c)	per cent	87.7
Access to pipe borne water	per cent	43.5

Electricity

Electrification Level	per cent	93.0
Per capita electricity consumption	kWh	515.3

Communications

Telephone density		
Fixed lines	per 100 persons	17.0
Including cellular phones	per 100 persons	116.9
Internet and e-mail (g)	per 1,000 persons	67.2
Average population served by a post office	number	4,290

Public Health

Hospital beds	per 1,000 persons	3.6
Persons per doctor	number	1,187
Nurses	per 10,000 persons	14.7
Government expenditure on health	per cent of GDP	1.3

General Education (2011) (h)

School density (area covered by a school)	sq. km.	6.8
Student/teacher ratio (government schools)	number	18
Age specific enrolment ratio	per cent	81.2
Primary net enrolment ratio (2010)	per cent	90.3

University Education

Student/teacher ratio	number	17
Age specific enrolment ratio (age 20-24 yrs)	per cent	4.5
Progression to university from GCE (A/L)		
Eligible for university admission	per cent	59.0
Admission as a percentage of eligible (i)	per cent	-
Government expenditure on education (i)	per cent of GDP	1.8

Financial Institutions

Banks		
Branches of LCBs	number	2,718
Branches of LSBs	number	625
Credit cards in use	per 100,000 persons	4,684
Banking density	no. of bank branches per 100,000 persons	16
Other Financial Institutions		
Branches of LFCs	number	844
Branches of SLCs	number	128
ATMs	per 100,000 persons	14

Sources: Relevant Institutions and Human Development Report 2013

(a) Registrar General's Department

(b) Based on Census of Population and Housing 2012, Department of Census and Statistics (DCS)

(c) Based on data of Household Income and Expenditure Survey 2009/2010, DCS

(d) Based on Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey 2011, DCS

(e) Data covers the entire island

(f) Based on Quarterly Labour Force Survey, DCS

(g) Including mobile broadband services

(h) Ministry of Education, DCS

(i) New intake was not admitted due to a pending court case relating to the z-score

(j) Government expenditure on general and higher education