

KEY SOCIAL INDICATORS

PHYSICAL FEATURES AND CLIMATE

Location

Between 5° 55' & 9° 50' North Latitude
Between 79° 42' & 81° 53' East Longitude
432 km (270 miles) North to South
224 km (140 miles) West to East
Highest elevation : 2,524 meters (8,281 ft.)

Area

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

Climate

Low country : min. 24.4° C - max. 31.9°C
Hill country : min. 18.6° C - max. 27.0°C
Annual Rainfall (average) mm :
(2009) 1,711 (2010) 1,992
Number of Rainy days :
(2009) 85 (2010) 88

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS (a)

Mid-year population ('000) in 2010 : 20,653
Age distribution ('000) 2010
0 -14 yrs : 5,431
15-64 yrs : 13,921
65 years and over : 1,301
Population density (2010) : 329 persons per sq.km.
Crude birth rate (2010) : 17.6 per 1,000
Crude death rate (2010) : 6.2 per 1,000
Rate of natural increase (2010) : 11.4 per 1,000
Infant mortality rate (2007) : 8.5 per 1,000 live births
Dependency ratio (2010) : 48.4 %
Average household size (2009/2010)(b) : 4.0

Expectation of life at birth (2007)

Male : 70.3 years
Female : 77.9 years

Literacy rate (2009) (c)

Average : 91.4 %
Male : 92.8 %
Female : 90.0 %

Income distribution (b)

Gini coefficient of household income (2009/2010) : 0.47
Mean household income (2009/2010) : Rs. 35,495 per month
Median household income (2009/2010) : Rs. 24,106 per month

Poverty

Average daily calorie intake (2006/2007) (d) : 2,118
Poverty Head Count Index:
(2002) 22.7 (2006/2007) 15.2 (2009/2010) 7.6 (b)

Prosperity Index (2007) : 52.7

Human Development Index (2010) : 0.658

Rank among 169 countries : 91

Employment (e)

Employed persons ('000) (2010) : 7,707
Agriculture : 32.7%
Industry : 24.2%
Services : 43.1%

Government employees ('000) (2010) : 1,299
State sector : 55.8%
Provincial public sector : 23.3%
Semi government sector : 20.9%

PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES

Transport

Length of national roads (A & B) : 11,923 km
Length of railway route : 1,640 km

	Unit	2010
Water Supply & Sanitation		
Access to safe drinking water	per cent (b)	87.3
Access to pipe borne water	per cent	39
Electricity		
Electrification Level	per cent	90.0
Per capita electricity consumption	kWh	448.75
Communications		
Telephone density		
Fixed lines	per 100 persons	17.3
Including cellular phones	per 100 persons	100.8
Internet and e-mail (f)	per 1,000 persons	20.8
Average population served by a post office	number	4,355
Public Health		
Hospital beds	per 1,000 persons	3.4
Persons per doctor	number	1,462
Nurses	per 10,000 persons	13.3
Government expenditure on health	per cent of GDP (g)	1.3

General Education (h)

School density
(area covered by a school) (2010) : sq. km. 6.3
Student/teacher ratio
(government schools) (2010) : number 18
Age specific enrolment ratio
(2007) : per cent 71.5
Primary net enrolment ratio (2007) : per cent 89.9

University Education

Student/teacher ratio : number 16.1
Age specific enrolment ratio
(age 20-24 yrs) : per cent 4.2
Progression to university from GCE (A/L)
Eligible for university admission : per cent 61.0
Admission as a percentage of eligible : per cent 17.2
Government expenditure on education : per cent of GDP (g) (i) 1.9

Financial Institutions

Banks
Branches of LCBs : number 2,342
Branches of LSBs : number 569
Credit cards in use : per 100,000 persons 3,770
Banking density : no. of bank branches per 100,000 persons 14
Other Financial Institutions
Branches of RFCs : number 376
Branches of SLCs : number 224
ATMs : per 100,000 persons 11

- (a) Registrar General-DCS Statistical Branch
(b) Based on first three months data of Household Income and Expenditure Survey - 2009/2010 published by DCS.
(c) Based on Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey - 2009 conducted by the DCS.
(d) Based on Household Income and Expenditure Survey 2006/2007.

- Sources: Relevant Institutions and Human Development Report 2010
(e) Data excluding Northern Province.
(f) Including mobile broadband services
(g) Based on GDP estimates compiled by the DCS.
(h) Ministry of Education-DCS Statistical Branch
(i) Government expenditure on general and higher education