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NOTICE

THE Census of Population and Housing in Sri Lanka was conducted from October 2024 to December 2024 according to the Census Ordinance (Chapter 143). The population of Sri Lanka on district basis (Provisional) as per Census date 19th December 2024 is published herewith and district basis population taken from the Census conducted in 2012 is given for comparison purposes.

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<i>District</i>	<i>Census 2024 (Provisional)</i>	<i>Census 2012</i>	<i>Number increased 2012-2024</i>	<i>Percentage in- creased 2012-2024</i>	<i>Average annual growth rate 2012-2024</i>
Sri Lanka	21,763,170	20,359,439	1,403,731	6.9	0.52
Colombo	2,374,461	2,324,349	50,112	2.2	0.17
Gampaha	2,433,685	2,304,833	128,852	5.6	0.43



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Kalutara	1,305,552	1,221,948	83,604	6.8	0.52
Kandy	1,461,269	1,375,382	85,887	6.2	0.47
Matale	526,578	484,531	42,047	8.7	0.65
Nuwara Eliya	724,957	711,644	13,313	1.9	0.15
Galle	1,096,585	1,063,334	33,251	3.1	0.24
Matara	837,884	814,048	23,836	2.9	0.23
Hambantota	671,037	599,903	71,134	11.9	0.88
Jaffna	594,333	583,882	10,451	1.8	0.14
Mannar	123,674	99,570	24,104	24.2	1.70
Vavuniya	172,257	172,115	142	0.1	0.01
Mullaitivu	122,542	92,238	30,304	32.9	2.23
Kilinochchi	136,434	113,510	22,924	20.2	1.44
Batticaloa	595,435	526,567	68,868	13.1	0.96
Ampara	744,150	649,402	94,748	14.6	1.07
Trincomalee	442,465	379,541	62,924	16.6	1.20
Kurunegala	1,760,829	1,618,465	142,364	8.8	0.66
Puttalam	818,065	762,396	55,669	7.3	0.55
Anuradhapura	959,552	860,575	98,977	11.5	0.85
Polonnaruwa	447,338	406,088	41,250	10.2	0.76
Badulla	871,763	815,405	56,358	6.9	0.52
Moneragala	527,286	451,058	76,228	16.9	1.22
Ratnapura	1,145,138	1,088,007	57,131	5.3	0.40
Kegalle	869,901	840,648	29,253	3.5	0.19

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