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## **Estimated Mid-Year Population (As of 1 July, 2025)**

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Births, deaths and migration are the main factors that affect the population change of a country. As births, deaths and migrations are a continuous process, the population of a country or any territory is constantly changing over time. Therefore, every country conducts a population census to count the population at any specific moment of time. Accordingly, the 15th Population and Housing Census of Sri Lanka was conducted by the Department of Census and Statistics on 18th December 2024.

During the inter-census period the mid-year population is estimated annually based on administrative data on births, deaths, and migration in the country and it is estimated as at July 01<sup>st</sup> in every year. The mid-year population estimate for a respective year is calculated by adding the difference between registered births and deaths from July 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year to June 30<sup>th</sup> of the respective year (Natural Increase) and net migration, to the mid-year population count of the previous year.

Natural increase = number of births - number of deaths

Net migration = Number of arrivals to the country - Number of departures from the country

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mid-year population of the relevant year} = & \text{Mid-year population of the previous year} \\ & + (\text{Number of births} - \text{Number of deaths}) \\ & + (\text{Number of arrivals} - \text{Number of Departures}) \end{aligned}$$

Time Period	Year	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change	Mid Year Population ('000)
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 to June 30 <sup>th</sup> 2025	2025	110,652	95,181	15,471	-41,002	-25,531	21,756

\*Provisional

Source: Department of Registrar General  
Department of Immigration and Emigration

The **2024/25 Mid-Year Population Estimates** were prepared based on the population enumerated in the **Census of Population and Housing 2024**. Accordingly, the estimates were derived by adding the net change in population resulting from live births, deaths, and migration recorded in Sri Lanka from **19th December 2024 to 30th June 2025** to the census population as at **18th December 2024**. The numbers of births, deaths, and migrations that occurred between **19th and 31st December 2024** were estimated proportionally to the totals recorded for that month.