



# Annual School Census of Sri Lanka

## Summary Report -2023 (2024)

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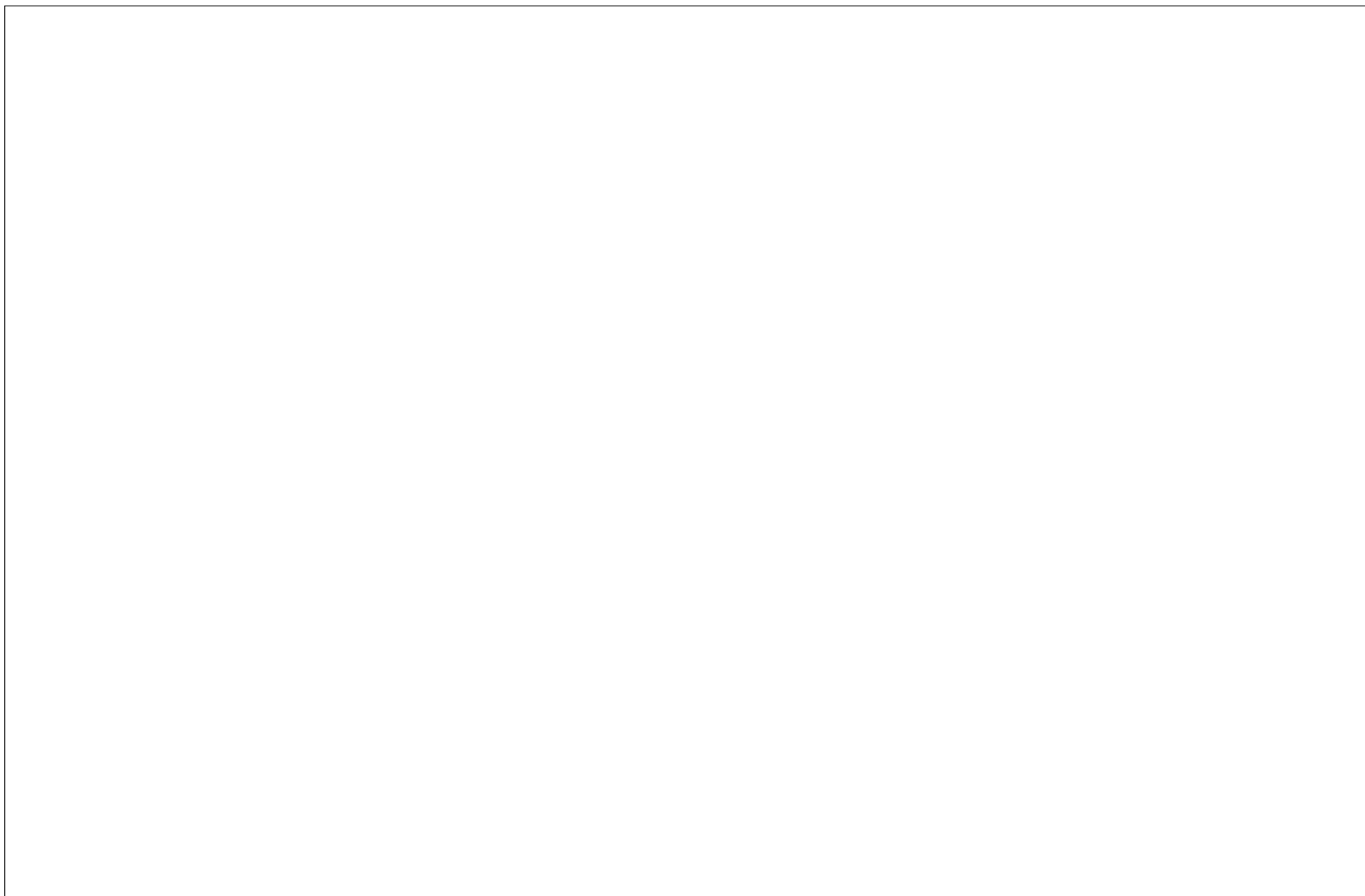
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# School Census -2023 (2024) Summary Statistics of All Government Schools





## 1. At a Glance - Basic Statistics of Government Schools -2023

Schools					
<b>All Government Schools</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>Schools by Language medium/s of Instruction</b>		<b>Schools by Student Population</b>	
National Schools	396	Sinhala Medium Only	6,247	1-50 Students	1,506
Provincial Schools	9,700	Tamil Medium Only	3,011	51-100 Students	1,638
<b>Type of School (Functional Type)</b>		Sinhala and Tamil Mediums	39	101-200 Students	2,128
1AB Schools	988	Sinhala and Bilingual(S/E) Mediums	581	201-500 Students	2,638
1C Schools	1,975	Tamil and Bilingual(T/E) Mediums	183	501-1,000 Students	1,309
Type 2 Schools	3,273	Trilingual (Sinhala, Tamil and Bilingual (S/E &/or T/E)) Mediums	35	1,001-1,500 Students	379
Type 3 Schools	3,860	<b>School by Functional Grade Span</b>		1,501-2,000 Students	200
<b>School by Gender of the School</b>		Grade 1-5	3,860	2,001-3,000 Students	198
Boys Schools	146	Grade 1-9	64	3,001-4,000 Students	67
Girls Schools	240	Grade 1-11	3,185	More than 4,000 Students	33
Mixed Schools	9,710	Grade 1-13	1,997		
		Grade 6-11	24		
		Grade 6-13	966		
Students					
<b>All Students</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>	<b>Students by Language medium/s study</b>			
Male Students	1,923,591	Sinhala Medium	2,827,538		
Female Students	1,959,097	Tamil Medium	934,579		
National Schools	830,021	Bilingual and English Medium	120,571		
Provincial Schools	3,052,667	<b>Students by Grade Cycle of Studying</b>			
<b>Students by Type of School</b>		Primary Cycle (Grd 1-5)	1,521,394		
1AB Schools	1,544,233	Junior Secondary Cycle (Grd 6-9)	1,291,066		
1C Schools	1,033,882	Senior Secondary O/L Cycle (Grd 10-11)	651,377		
Type 2 Schools	693,146	Senior Secondary A/L Cycle (Grd 12-13)	411,305		
Type 3 Schools	611,427	Special Education Units	7,546		
Grade 1 Admissions					
<b>Grade 1 Admissions</b>	<b>287,639</b>	<b>Grade 1 Admissions by Type of School</b>			
Male Students	146,314	Sinhala Medium	209,151	1AB Schools	45,467
Female Students	141,325	Tamil Medium	78,359	1C Schools	65,142
National Schools	26,794	Bilingual	129	Type 2 Schools	59,289
Provincial Schools	260,845			Type 3 Schools	117,741

### Teaching Staff (Teachers & Principals)

<b>All Teaching Staff</b>	<b>237,787</b>
Male Teaching Staff	56,570
Female Teaching Staff	181,217
<b>Principals*</b>	12,571
<b>All Teachers</b>	225,216
Male Teachers	49,521
Female Teachers	175,695
<i>* - Included SLEAS and SLPS Principals only</i>	
<b>Teachers by Type of School</b>	
1AB Schools	80,457
1C Schools	65,064
Type 2 Schools	57,899
Type 3 Schools	34,367

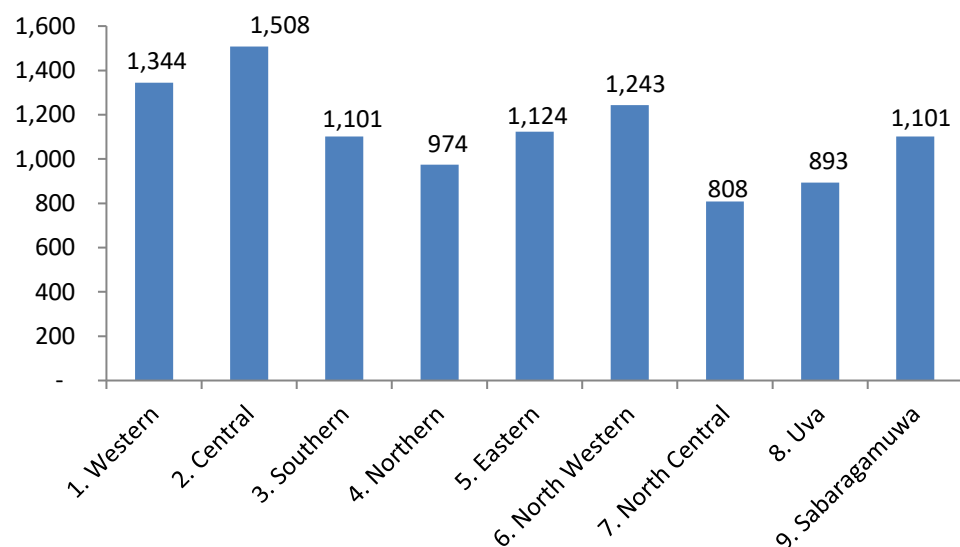
### 2.1: Administrative Structure of Education by Province -2023

Province	No. of Edu. Zones	No. of Edu. Divisions	All Govt. Schools	National Schools	Provincial Schools
1. Western	11	38	1,344	79	1,265
2. Central	15	40	1,508	56	1,452
3. Southern	11	39	1,101	70	1,031
4. Northern	13	35	974	24	950
5. Eastern	17	48	1,124	42	1,082
6. North Western	8	31	1,243	39	1,204
7. North Central	8	30	808	17	791
8. Uva	10	23	893	38	855
9. Sabaragamuwa	7	28	1,101	31	1,070
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>9,700</b>

### 2.2: Administrative Structure of Education by District -2023

Administrative District	No. of Edu. Zones	No. of Edu. Divisions	All Govt. Schools	National Schools	Provincial Schools
11. Colombo	4	14	393	39	354
12. Gampaha	4	13	535	20	515
13. Kalutara	3	11	416	20	396
21. Kandy	6	18	650	36	614
22. Matale	4	11	310	12	298
23. Nuwara Eliya	5	11	548	8	540
31. Galle	4	15	425	30	395
32. Matara	4	14	356	23	333
33. Hambantota	3	10	320	17	303
41. Jaffna	5	15	445	8	437
42. Mannar	2	5	131	5	126
43. Vavuniya	2	5	169	5	164
44. Mullaitivu	2	6	125	3	122
45. Kilinochchi	2	4	104	3	101
51. Batticaloa	5	14	366	13	353
52. Ampara	7	21	443	17	426
53. Trincomalee	5	13	315	12	303
61. Kurunegala	6	22	871	31	840
62. Puttalam	2	9	372	8	364
71. Anuradhapura	5	22	558	8	550
72. Polonnaruwa	3	8	250	9	241
81. Badulla	6	14	602	27	575
82. Moneragala	4	9	291	11	280
91. Ratnapura	4	16	591	16	575
92. Kegalle	3	12	510	15	495
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>9,700</b>

F1: No. of All Govt. Schools by Province -2023



Source : School Census 2023 (2024)

Govt. = Government

Edu. = Education

Reference Date: 2024-02-16

### 3. Summary Statistics of Government Schools -2023

Category	No. of Schools	%	No. of Students	%	No. of Teaching Staff	%
<b>All Government Schools</b>	<b>10,096</b>		<b>3,882,688</b>		<b>237,787</b>	
<b>Level of School</b>						
National Schools	396	3.9	830,021	21.4	43,300	18.2
Provincial Schools	9,700	96.1	3,052,667	78.6	194,487	81.8
<b>Type of School</b>						
1AB Schools	988	9.8	1,544,233	39.8	80,457	33.8
1C Schools	1,975	19.6	1,033,882	26.6	65,064	27.4
Type 2 Schools	3,273	32.4	693,146	17.9	57,899	24.3
Type 3 Schools	3,860	38.2	611,427	15.7	34,367	14.5
<b>School by Fuctional Grade Span</b>						
Grade 1-5	3,860	38.2	611,427	15.7	34,367	14.5
Grade 1-9	64	0.6	6,759	0.2	625	0.3
Grade 1-11	3,185	31.5	683,752	17.6	56,975	24.0
Grade 1-13	1,997	19.8	1,667,000	42.9	93,626	39.4
Grade 6-11	24	0.2	2,635	0.1	299	0.1
Grade 6-13	966	9.6	911,115	23.5	51,895	21.8

1AB - Schools having Science Stream classes in Advanced Level  
 1C - Schools having Advanced Level classes other than Science Stream  
 Type 2 - School Having classes only up to Grade 11  
 Type 3 - School Having classes up to Grade 5/ Primary Schools

Category	No. of Schools	%	No. of Students	%	No. of Teaching Staff	%
<b>School by Gender of the School</b>						
Boys Schools	146	1.4	240,265	6.2	12,477	5.2
Girls Schools	240	2.4	361,721	9.3	18,187	7.6
Mixed Schools	9,710	96.2	3,280,702	84.5	207,123	87.1
<b>Ethnicity of the School</b>						
Sinhala Schools	6,862	68.0	2,918,246	75.2	171,070	71.9
Tamil Schools	2,292	22.7	542,344	14.0	41,511	17.5
Muslim Schools	942	9.3	422,098	10.9	25,206	10.6
<b>Schools by Language medium/s of Instruction</b>						
Sinhala Medium	6,247	61.9				
Tamil Medium	3,011	29.8				
Sinhala and Tamil Mediums	39	0.4				
Sinhala and Bilingual(S/E) Mediums	581	5.8				
Tamil and Bilingual(T/E) Mediums	183	1.8				
Trilingual (Sinhala, Tamil and Bilingual (S/E and/or T/E) Mediums)	35	0.3				
<b>Plantation Estate Schools</b>						
Located Outside the Estate	30	0.3	24,021	0.6	1,412	0.6
Located Inside the Estate	833	8.3	175,577	4.5	12,809	5.4

Source : School Census 2023 (2024)

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### 3. Summary Statistics of Government Schools -2023

Category	No. of Schools	%	No. of Students	%	No. of Teaching Staff	%
<b>School by Local Government Area</b>						
Municipal Council	627	6.2	634,719	16.3	34,642	14.6
Urban Council (UC) Area	410	4.1	366,194	9.4	19,170	8.1
Pradesiya Sabha (PS) Area	9,059	89.7	2,881,775	74.2	183,975	77.4
<b>Schools by Student Population</b>						
1-50 Students	1,506	14.9	44,866	1.2	8,967	3.8
51-100 Students	1,638	16.2	121,732	3.1	15,902	6.7
101-200 Students	2,128	21.1	310,515	8.0	29,543	12.4
201-500 Students	2,638	26.1	837,351	21.6	55,592	23.4
501-1,000 Students	1,309	13.0	901,777	23.2	48,317	20.3
1,001-1,500 Students	379	3.8	459,603	11.8	23,242	9.8
1,501-2,000 Students	200	2.0	344,691	8.9	16,771	7.1
2,001-3,000 Students	198	2.0	475,852	12.3	22,435	9.4
3,001-4,000 Students	67	0.7	226,908	5.8	10,168	4.3
More than 4,000 Students	33	0.3	159,393	4.1	6,850	2.9

Category	No. of Schools	%	No. of Students	%	No. of Teaching Staff	%
<b>Schools by A/L Stream</b>						
Bio Science	966	32.6	52,492	12.8		
Physical Science	931	31.4	48,069	11.7		
Arts	2,944	99.4	158,092	38.4		
Commerce	1,856	62.6	85,769	20.9		
Technology	528	17.8	48,942	11.9		
Other*	489	16.5	17,941	4.4		
A/L Stream School % calculated by no of Schools conducted any A/L Subject stream divided by Total no' of schools have A/Ls						
<b>Schools by No. of Teaching Staff</b>						
Less than 10 Teaching Staff	3,117	30.9	215,283	5.5	19,248	8.1
10-25 Teaching Staff	4,339	43.0	988,898	25.5	73,876	31.1
26-50 Teaching Staff	1,678	16.6	977,585	25.2	58,632	24.7
51-100 Teaching Staff	684	6.8	907,204	23.4	47,364	19.9
More than 100 Teaching Staff	278	2.8	793,718	20.4	38,667	16.3

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Other\* - Included Common stream and vocational stream (13 years program)

\*\*\* A/L Students



#### 4. Summary Statistics of Government Schools by Students - 2023

Category	Total Students	%	Male	%	Female	%
<b>All Government Schools</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>		<b>1,923,591</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>1,959,097</b>	<b>50.5</b>
<b>Level of School</b>						
National Schools	830,021	21.4	422,906	51.0	407,115	49.0
Provincial Schools	3,052,667	78.6	1,500,685	49.2	1,551,982	50.8
<b>Students by Grade of Studying</b>						
Primary Cycle (Grade 1-5)	1,521,394	39.2	770,814	50.7	750,580	49.3
Junior Secondary Cycle (Grade 6-9)	1,291,066	33.3	647,364	50.1	643,702	49.9
Senior Secondary O/L Cycle (Grade 10-11)**	651,377	16.8	323,238	49.6	328,139	50.4
Senior Secondary A/L Cycle (Grade 12-13)	411,305	10.6	177,525	43.2	233,780	56.8
Special Edu. Units	7,546	0.2	4,650	61.6	2,896	38.4
<b>Ethnicity of the School Established</b>						
Sinhala Schools	2,918,246	75.2	1,449,968	49.7	1,468,278	50.3
Tamil Schools	542,344	14.0	269,485	49.7	272,859	50.3
Muslim Schools	422,098	10.9	204,138	48.4	217,960	51.6
<b>Plantation Estate Schools</b>						
Located outside the estate	24,021	0.6	12,099	50.4	11,922	49.6
Located inside the estate	175,577	4.5	86,465	49.2	89,112	50.8

Category	Total Students	%	Male	%	Female	%
<b>Type of School</b>						
1AB Schools	1,544,233	39.8	747,571	48.4	796,662	51.6
1C Schools	1,033,882	26.6	506,265	49.0	527,617	51.0
Type 2 Schools	693,146	17.9	355,460	51.3	337,686	48.7
Type 3 Schools	611,427	15.7	314,295	51.4	297,132	48.6
<b>Students by Language medium/s study</b>						
Sinhala Medium Only	2,827,538	72.8	1,408,908	49.8	1,418,630	50.2
Tamil Medium Only	934,579	24.1	461,755	49.4	472,824	50.6
Bilingual Medium ***	120,571	3.1	52,928	43.9	67,643	56.1
<b>Students by A/L Stream</b>						
Bio Science	52,492	12.8	13,917	26.5	38,575	73.5
Physical Science	48,069	11.7	29,436	61.2	18,633	38.8
Arts	158,092	38.4	48,957	31.0	109,135	69.0
Commerce	85,769	20.9	38,285	44.6	47,484	55.4
Technology	48,942	11.9	35,830	73.2	13,112	26.8
Other*	17,941	4.4	11,100	61.9	6,841	38.1

Remarks: Other\* - Included Common stream and vocational stream (13 years program),  
 \*\* - Grade 11 Repeaters are included, \*\*\*-Included both Sinhala-English & Tamil-English

### 5. Summary Statistics of Government Schools by Teaching Staff - 2023

Category	Total Teaching Staff	% of Total	Male	Male %	Female	Female %	Category	Total Teaching Staff	% of Total	Male	Male %	Female	Female %
<b>All Govt. Schools</b>	<b>237,787</b>		<b>56,570</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>181,217</b>	<b>76.2</b>	<b>Language Medium of the Appointment of the Teaching Staff</b>						
							Sinhala Medium	149,681	62.9	33,720	22.5	115,961	77.5
<b>Level of School</b>							Tamil Medium	59,963	25.2	18,198	30.3	41,765	69.7
National Schools	43,300	18.2	11,062	25.5	32,238	74.5	English Medium	8,470	3.6	1,383	16.3	7,087	83.7
Provincial Schools	194,487	81.8	45,508	23.4	148,979	76.6	No Medium**	19,673	8.3	3,269	16.6	16,404	83.4
							<b>School by Local Government Area</b>						
<b>Type of School</b>							MC Area	34,642	14.6	7,273	21.0	27,369	79.0
1AB Schools	80,457	33.8	21,232	26.4	59,225	73.6	UC Area	19,170	8.1	4,114	21.5	15,056	78.5
1C Schools	65,064	27.4	15,790	24.3	49,274	75.7	PS Area	183,975	77.4	45,183	24.6	138,792	75.4
Type 2 Schools	57,899	24.3	13,253	22.9	44,646	77.1							
Type 3 Schools	34,367	14.5	6,295	18.3	28,072	81.7	<b>Teaching Staff by Qualification Classification</b>						
<b>School by Gender of the School</b>							Graduate Trained	101,261	42.6	25,906	25.6	75,355	74.4
Boys Schools	12,477	5.2	3,658	29.3	8,819	70.7	Graduate	37,795	15.9	9,278	24.5	28,517	75.5
Girls Schools	18,187	7.6	2,605	14.3	15,582	85.7	Trained	93,929	39.5	20,466	21.8	73,463	78.2
Mixed Schools	207,123	87.1	50,307	24.3	156,816	75.7	Untrained	4,458	1.9	850	19.1	3,608	80.9
							Other	344	0.1	70	20.3	274	79.7
<b>Ethnicity of the School Established</b>							<b>Section of the Teaching of Major Subject/ Major Activity</b>						
Sinhala Schools	171,070	71.9	36,838	21.5	134,232	78.5	Primary (1-5) Grades	70,612	29.7	8,847	12.5	61,765	87.5
Tamil Schools	41,511	17.5	12,299	29.6	29,212	70.4	Secondary (6-11) Grades	112,555	47.3	27,201	24.2	85,354	75.8
Muslim Schools	25,206	10.6	7,433	29.5	17,773	70.5	A/L (12-13) Grades	33,138	13.9	10,503	31.7	22,635	68.3
							No Specific Section*	21,482	9.0	10,019	46.6	11,463	53.4
<b>Plantation Estate Schools</b>							<b>No Specific Section* - Academic staff involving in Administration and management activities and other activities such as Office works, Library, ICT lab, Student Counseling, Sports activities and Special education and etc.,</b>						
Outside the estate	1,412	0.6	354	25.1	1,058	74.9	<b>No Medium** - Teacher who are appointment as English (Primary English, Secondary English, English Literature, A/L English and A/L General English) and Other foreign language teachers are considered as No medium</b>						
Inside the estate	12,809	5.2	3,700	28.9	9,109	71.1							

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## 6. Comparison of Basic Statistics of National and Provincial Schools -2023

Subject	All Govt. Schools	National Schools						Provincial Schools					
		Total	% of Total	No. of Males	Male %	No. of Females	Female %	Total	% of Total	No. of Males	Male %	No. of Females	Female %
<b>All Government Schools</b>													
No. of Schools	10,096	396	3.9					9,700	96.1				
No. of Students	3,882,688	830,021	21.4	422,906	51.0	407,115	49.0	3,052,667	78.6	1,500,685	49.2	1,551,982	50.8
No. of Teaching Staff	237,787	43,300	18.2	11,062	25.5	32,238	74.5	194,487	81.8	45,508	23.4	148,979	76.6
Grade 1 Admissions	287,639	26,794	9.3	14,126	52.7	12,668	47.3	260,845	90.7	132,188	50.7	128,657	49.3
<b>Schools by Type of School</b>													
<b>1AB Schools</b>													
No. of Schools	988	362	36.6					626	63.4				
No. of Students	1,544,233	801,784	51.9	407,644	50.8	394,140	49.2	742,449	48.1	339,927	45.8	402,522	54.2
No. of Teaching Staff	80,457	41,437	51.5	10,597	25.6	30,840	74.4	39,020	48.5	10,635	27.3	28,385	72.7
Grade 1 Admissions	45,467	25,623	56.4	13,513	52.7	12,110	47.3	19,844	43.6	8,709	43.9	11,135	56.1
<b>1C Schools</b>													
No. of Schools	1,975	33	1.7					1,942					
No. of Students	1,033,882	28,227	2.7	15,252	54.0	12,975	46.0	1,005,655	97.3	491,013	48.8	514,642	51.2
No. of Teaching Staff	65,064	1,853	2.8	460	24.8	1,393	75.2	63,211	97.2	15,330	24.3	47,881	75.7
Grade 1 Admissions	65,142	1,171	1.8	613	52.3	558	47.7	63,971	98.2	32,064	50.1	31,907	49.9
<b>Type 2 Schools</b>													
No. of Schools	3,273	1	0.0					3,272					
No. of Students	693,146	10	0.0	10	100.0	-	-	693,136	100.0	355,450	51.3	337,686	48.7
No. of Teaching Staff	57,899	10	0.0	5	50.0	5	50.0	57,889	100.0	13,248	22.9	44,641	77.1
Grade 1 Admissions	59,289	-	-	-	-	-	-	59,289	100.0	30,640	51.7	28,649	48.3
<b>Type 3 Schools</b>													
No. of Schools	3,860	-	-					3,860					
No. of Students	611,427	-	-	-	-	-	-	611,427	100.0	314,295	51.4	297,132	48.6
No. of Teaching Staff	34,367	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,367	100.0	6,295	18.3	28,072	81.7
Grade 1 Admissions	117,741	-	-	-	-	-	-	117,741	100.0	60,775	51.6	56,966	48.4

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### 7. Grade 1 Admission Related Statistics of Government Schools -2023

Subject	Schools Have Grade 1	Grd 1 Students	% of Total	Grd 1 Male Students	Male %	Grd 1 Female Students	Female %	NO Grade 1 Applications/ Admissions
<b>All Government Schools</b>	<b>9,103</b>	<b>287,639</b>		<b>146,314</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>141,325</b>	<b>49.1</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Level of School</b>								
National Schools	184	26,794	9.3	14,126	52.7	12,668	47.3	0
Provincial Schools	8,919	260,845	90.7	132,188	50.7	128,657	49.3	98
<b>Type of School</b>								
1AB Schools	385	45,467	15.8	22,222	48.9	23,245	51.1	0
1C Schools	1,609	65,142	22.6	32,677	50.2	32,465	49.8	3
Type 2 Schools	3,249	59,289	20.6	30,640	51.7	28,649	48.3	23
Type 3 Schools	3,860	117,741	40.9	60,775	51.6	56,966	48.4	72
<b>Language medium of study</b>								
Sinhala Medium*	6,156	209,280	72.8	106,641	51.0	102,639	49.0	62
Tamil Medium	2,947	78,359	27.2	39,673	50.6	38,686	49.4	36
<b>Ethnicity of the School Established</b>								
Sinhala Schools	6,136	208,476	72.5	106,334	51.0	102,142	49.0	62
Tamil Schools	2,115	41,960	14.6	21,498	51.2	20,462	48.8	35
Muslim Schools	852	37,203	12.9	18,482	49.7	18,721	50.3	1
<b>School by Local Government Area</b>								
MC/UC Area	901	58,514	20.3	29,472	50.4	29,042	49.6	11
PS Area	8,202	229,125	79.7	116,842	51.0	112,283	49.0	87
<b>Schools by Student Population</b>								
1-50 Students	1,499	8,002	2.8	4,163	52.0	3,839	48.0	88
51-100 Students	1,614	18,026	6.3	9,342	51.8	8,684	48.2	9
101-200 Students	2,069	35,172	12.2	18,172	51.7	17,000	48.3	1
201-500 Students	2,378	78,554	27.3	40,644	51.7	37,910	48.3	
501-1,000 Students	993	73,177	25.4	37,027	50.6	36,150	49.4	
More than 1,000 Students	550	74,708	26.0	36,966	49.5	37,742	50.5	

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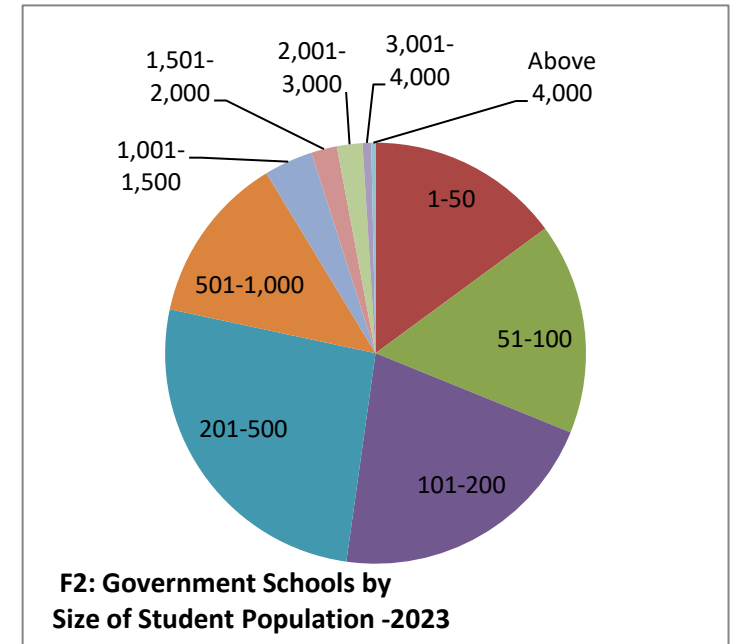
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### 8. Government Schools by Size of Student Population -2023

Student Population	Level of School		Type of School				Total	%
	National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3		
1-50	1	1,505			158	1,348	1,506	14.9
51-100		1,638		37	625	976	1,638	16.2
101-200		2,128	6	212	1,225	685	2,128	21.1
201-500	12	2,626	107	914	1,089	528	2,638	26.1
501-1,000	66	1,243	255	628	142	284	1,309	13.0
1,001-1,500	65	314	195	129	22	33	379	3.8
1,501-2,000	68	132	151	38	6	5	200	2.0
2,001-3,000	104	94	176	17	4	1	198	2.0
3,001-4,000	49	18	65		2		67	0.7
Above 4,000	31	2	33				33	0.3

Student Population	Grade Span						Total
	Grd 1-5	Grd 1-9	Grd 1-11	Grd 1-13	Grd 6-11	Grd 6-13	
1-50	1,348	17	134		7		1,506
51-100	976	23	591	24	11	13	1,638
101-200	685	16	1,205	163	4	55	2,128
201-500	528	7	1,081	763	1	258	2,638
501-1,000	284	1	140	568	1	315	1,309
1,001-1,500	33		22	173		151	379
1,501-2,000	5		6	108		81	200
2,001-3,000	1		4	121		72	198
3,001-4,000			2	49		16	67
Above 4,000				28		5	33

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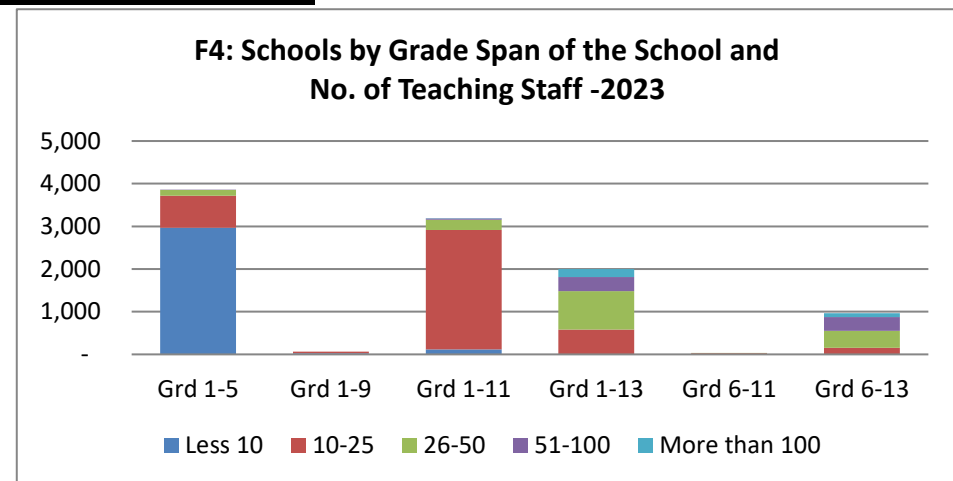
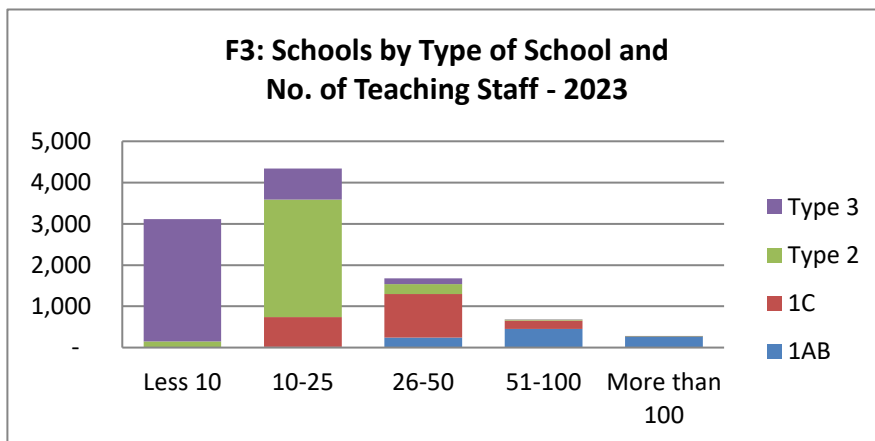


### 9. Government Schools by Size of Teaching Staff Population -2023

No of Teaching Staff	Level of School		Type of School				Total	%
	National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3		
Less 10		3,117		3	148	2,966	3,117	30.9
10-25	1	4,338	21	716	2,853	749	4,339	43.0
26-50	33	1,645	245	1,050	245	138	1,678	16.6
51-100	153	531	452	199	25	8	684	6.8
More than 100	209	69	270	7	1		278	2.8

No of Teaching Staff	Grade Span						Total
	Grd 1-5	Grd 1-9	Grd 1-11	Grd 1-13	Grd 6-11	Grd 6-13	
Less 10	2,966	28	113	1	7	2	3,117
10-25	749	36	2,801	582	16	155	4,339
26-50	138		244	902	1	393	1,678
51-100	8		25	324		327	684
More than 100			1	188		89	278

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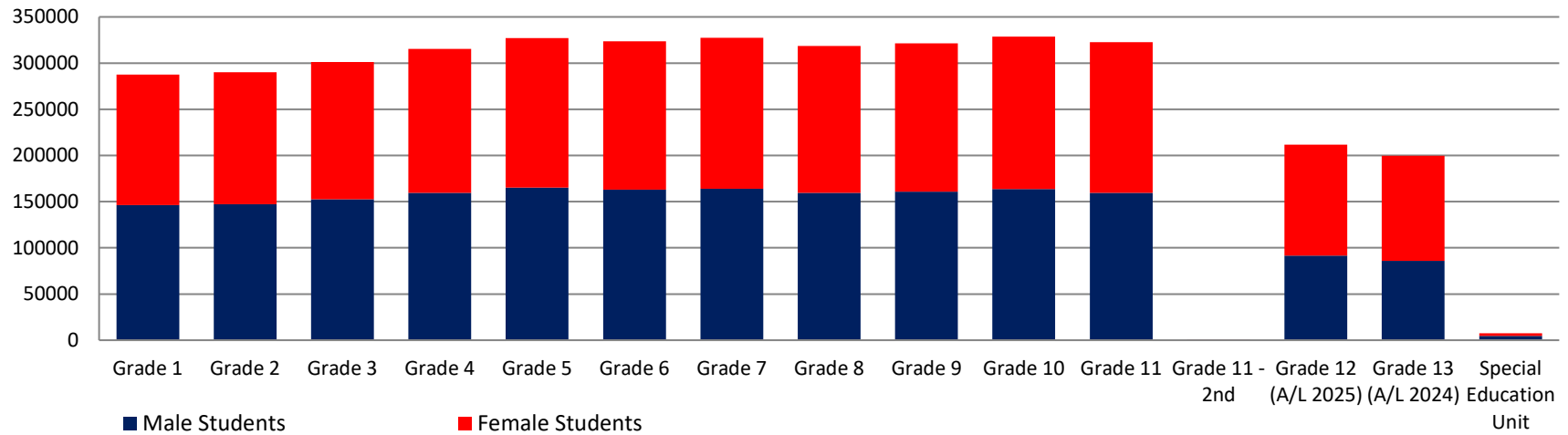
### 10. Grade-wise Students of Government Schools by Sex and Medium of Study -2023

Grade	Total Students	Male Students	%	Female Students	%	Sinhala Medium	%	Tamil Medium	%	Bilingual Medium	%
Grade 1	287,639	146,314	50.9	141,325	49.1	209,151	72.7	78,359	27.2	129	0.0
Grade 2	289,970	147,119	50.7	142,851	49.3	214,765	74.1	75,061	25.9	144	0.0
Grade 3	301,318	152,492	50.6	148,826	49.4	225,268	74.8	75,917	25.2	133	0.0
Grade 4	315,365	159,621	50.6	155,744	49.4	235,506	74.7	79,810	25.3	49	0.0
Grade 5	327,102	165,268	50.5	161,834	49.5	243,352	74.4	83,708	25.6	42	0.0
<b>Primary Cycle (Grd 1-5)</b>	<b>1,521,394</b>	<b>770,814</b>	<b>50.7</b>	<b>750,580</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>1,128,042</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>392,855</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Grade 6	323,682	162,934	50.3	160,748	49.7	221,715	68.5	77,835	24.0	24,132	7.5
Grade 7	327,263	163,959	50.1	163,304	49.9	227,095	69.4	78,883	24.1	21,285	6.5
Grade 8	318,586	159,685	50.1	158,901	49.9	223,146	70.0	76,710	24.1	18,730	5.9
Grade 9	321,535	160,786	50.0	160,749	50.0	229,762	71.5	75,164	23.4	16,609	5.2
<b>Junior Secondary Cycle (Grd 6-9)</b>	<b>1,291,066</b>	<b>647,364</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>643,702</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>901,718</b>	<b>69.8</b>	<b>308,592</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>80,756</b>	<b>6.3</b>
Grade 10	328,676	163,590	49.8	165,086	50.2	238,242	72.5	74,961	22.8	15,473	4.7
Grade 11	322,527	159,562	49.5	162,965	50.5	236,322	73.3	72,286	22.4	13,919	4.3
Grade 11 -2nd Attempt	174	86	49.4	88	50.6	67	38.5	107	61.5	-	-
<b>Senior Secondary O/L Cycle (Grd 10-11)*</b>	<b>651,377</b>	<b>323,238</b>	<b>49.6</b>	<b>328,139</b>	<b>50.4</b>	<b>474,631</b>	<b>72.9</b>	<b>147,354</b>	<b>22.6</b>	<b>29,392</b>	<b>4.5</b>
Grade 12 (A/L 2025)	211,647	91,568	43.3	120,079	56.7	162,343	76.7	44,030	20.8	5,274	2.5
Grade 13 (A/L 2024)	199,658	85,957	43.1	113,701	56.9	155,478	77.9	39,528	19.8	4,652	2.3
<b>Senior Secondary Upper Cycle (A/L/ Grd 12-13)</b>	<b>411,305</b>	<b>177,525</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>233,780</b>	<b>56.8</b>	<b>317,821</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>83,558</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>9,926</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>Special Education Unit</b>	<b>7,546</b>	<b>4,650</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>2,896</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>5,326</b>	<b>70.6</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>All Students</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>	<b>1,923,591</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>1,959,097</b>	<b>50.5</b>	<b>2,827,538</b>	<b>72.8</b>	<b>934,579</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>120,571</b>	<b>3.1</b>

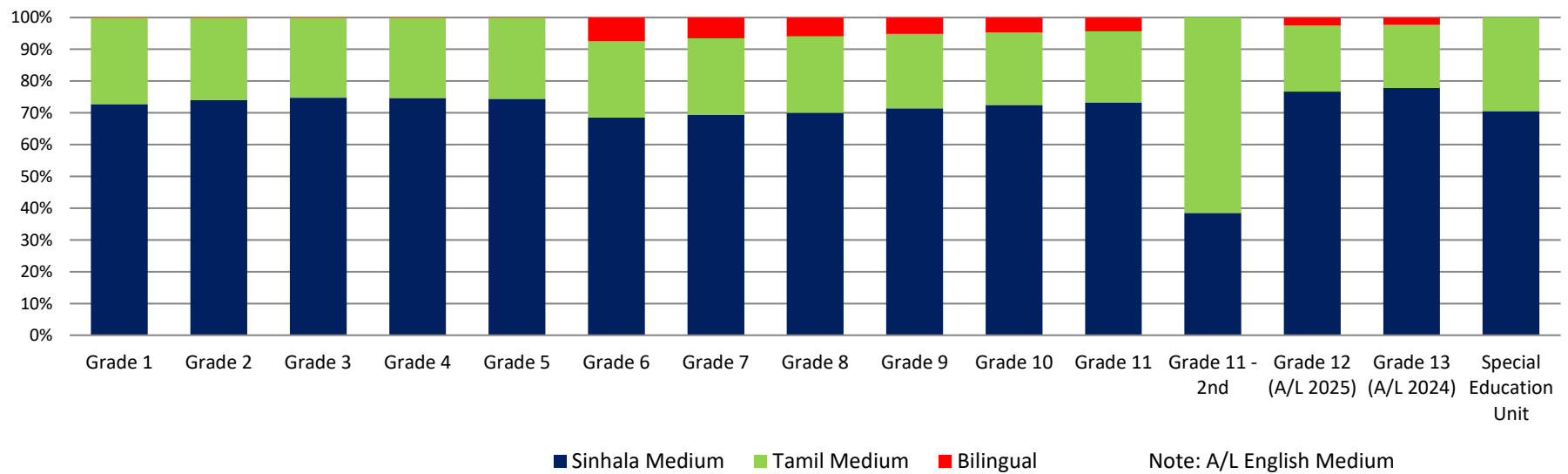
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**F5: Students of Government Schools by Grade and Sex -2023**



**F6: Students of Government Schools by Grade and Medium -2023**





### 11. Teaching Staff of Govt. Schools by Qualification Classification -2023

Level of School	Graduate Trained	Graduate	Trained	Untrained	Other	Total Teaching Staff
National	19,967	4,456	18,481	347	49	43,300
Provincial	81,294	33,339	75,448	4,111	295	194,487
<b>Total</b>	<b>101,261</b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>93,929</b>	<b>4,458</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>237,787</b>

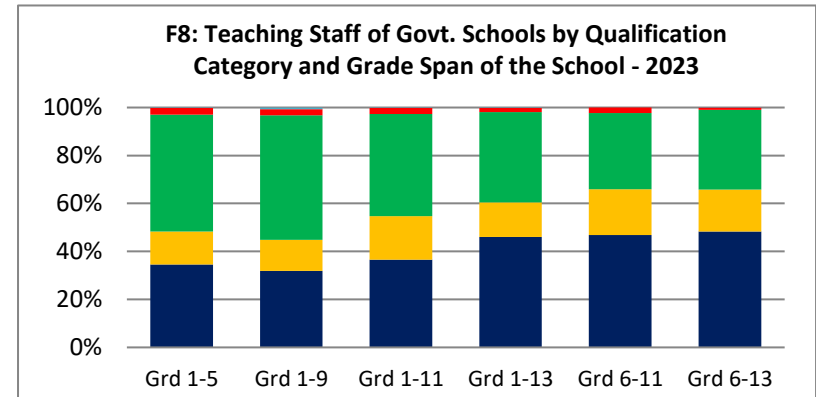
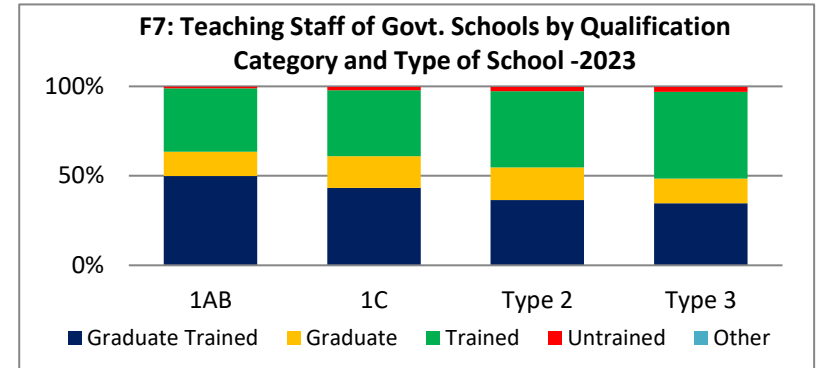
Type of School	Graduate Trained	Graduate	Trained	Untrained	Other	Total Teaching Staff
1AB	40,072	11,036	28,482	787	80	80,457
1C	28,134	11,502	24,057	1,279	92	65,064
Type 2	21,167	10,518	24,674	1,442	98	57,899
Type 3	11,888	4,739	16,716	950	74	34,367
<b>Total</b>	<b>101,261</b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>93,929</b>	<b>4,458</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>237,787</b>

Grade Span	Graduate Trained	Graduate	Trained	Untrained	Other	Total Teaching Staff
Grd 1-5	11,888	4,739	16,716	950	74	34,367
Grd 1-9	199	81	325	16	4	625
Grd 1-11	20,828	10,380	24,254	1,419	94	56,975
Grd 1-13	43,113	13,500	35,251	1,623	139	93,626
Grd 6-11	140	57	95	7		299
Grd 6-13	25,093	9,038	17,288	443	33	51,895
<b>Total</b>	<b>101,261</b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>93,929</b>	<b>4,458</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>237,787</b>

Source : School Census 2023 (2024)

1AB - Schools having Science Stream classes in Advanced Level  
 1C - Schools having Advanced Level classes Other than Science Stream  
 Type 2 - School Having classes only up to Grade 11  
 Type 3 - School Having classes up to Grade 5/ Primary Schools

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**Graduate Trained**- Teachers/ Principals who have basic degree or above as highest education qualification and have obtain professional qualifications such as BEd or higher degree or NCOE Diploma or Teacher training certificate or diploma or above qualification for appointment/ teaching subject

**Graduate** - Teachers/ Principals who have basic degree or above as highest education qualification but no any professional qualifications as mentioned above

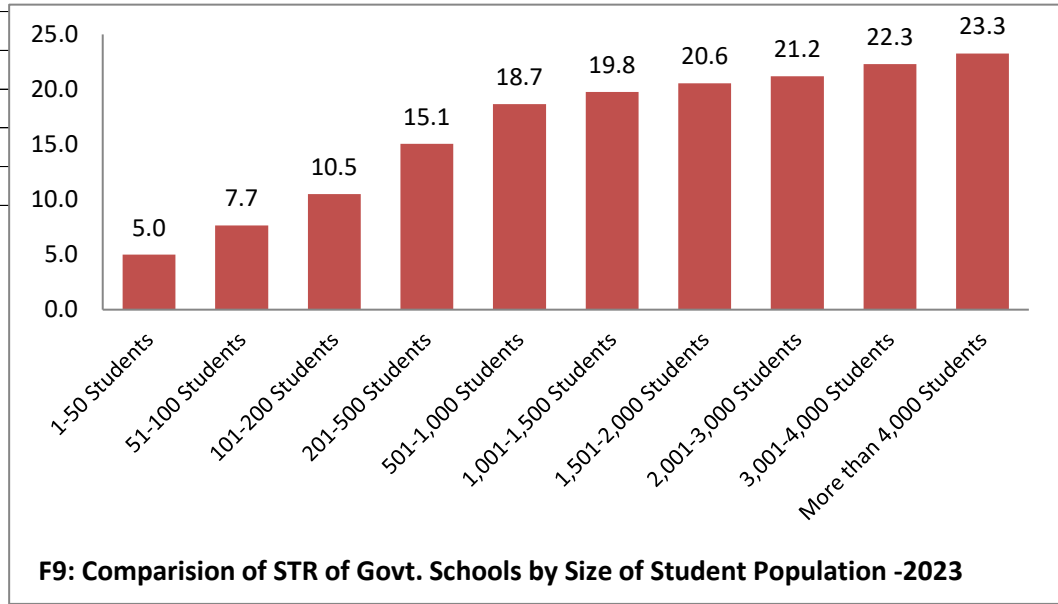
**Trained** - Teachers/ Principals who do not have basic degree or above as highest education qualification but have obtain above professional qualifications

**Untrained**- Teachers who do not have either basic degree or above as education qualification or any professional qualifications mentioned above but belongs to SLTS

**Other** - Teachers who do not have categorized above any category

## 12. Student Teacher Ratios (STRs) of Government Schools -2023

Category	No. of Schools	No. of Students	No. of Teaching Staff	STR		Category	No. of Schools	No. of Students	No. of Teaching Staff	STR
<b>All Government Schools</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>	<b>237,787</b>	<b>16.3</b>		<b>Schools by Student Population</b>				
<b>Level of School</b>						1-50 Students	1,506	44,866	8,967	5.0
National Schools	396	830,021	43,300	19.2		51-100 Students	1,638	121,732	15,902	7.7
Provincial Schools	9,700	3,052,667	194,487	15.7		101-200 Students	2,128	310,515	29,543	10.5
						201-500 Students	2,638	837,351	55,592	15.1
<b>Type of School</b>						501-1,000 Students	1,309	901,777	48,317	18.7
1AB Schools	988	1,544,233	80,457	19.2		1,001-1,500 Students	379	459,603	23,242	19.8
1C Schools	1,975	1,033,882	65,064	15.9		1,501-2,000 Students	200	344,691	16,771	20.6
Type 2 Schools	3,273	693,146	57,899	12.0		2,001-3,000 Students	198	475,852	22,435	21.2
Type 3 Schools	3,860	611,427	34,367	17.8		3,001-4,000 Students	67	226,908	10,168	22.3
						More than 4,000 Students	33	159,393	6,850	23.3
<b>Ethnicity of the School</b>										
Sinhala Schools	6,862	2,918,246	171,070	17.1						
Tamil Schools	2,292	542,344	41,511	13.1						
Muslim Schools	942	422,098	25,206	16.7						
<b>Plantation Estate Schools</b>										
Located outside the estate	30	24,021	1,412	17.0						
Located inside the estate	833	175,577	12,809	13.7						



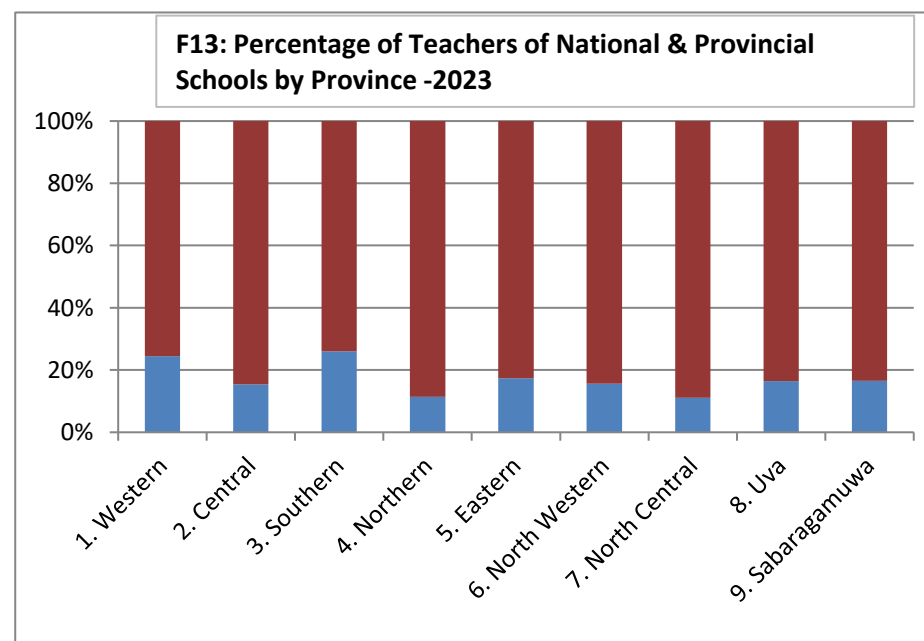
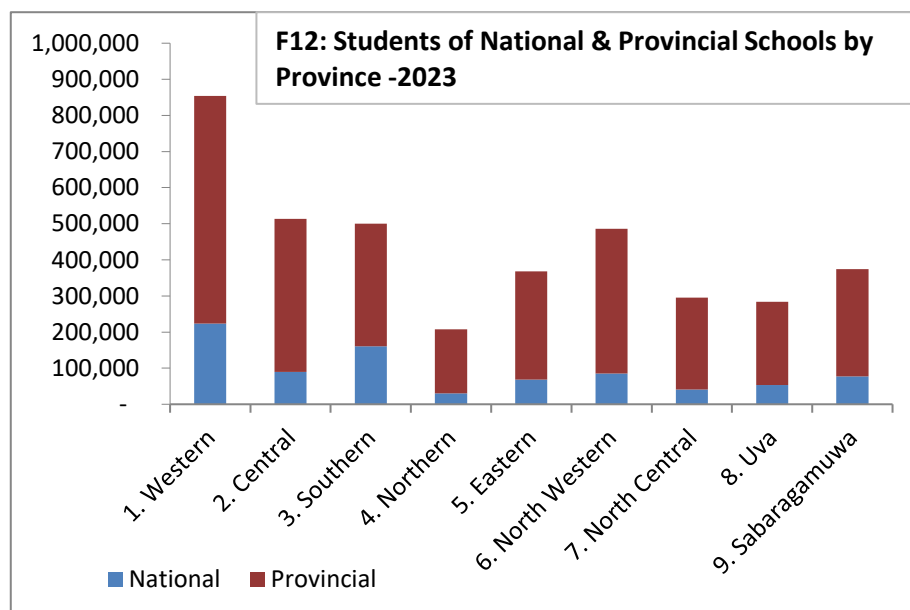
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1AB - Schools having Science Stream classes in Advanced Level  
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### 13. Basic Statistics of National and Provincial Schools by Province - 2023

Province	No. of Schools			No. of Students				No. of Teaching Staff			
	Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
1. Western	1,344	79	1,265	854,071	223,848	26.2	630,223	44,568	10,885	24.4	33,683
2. Central	1,508	56	1,452	513,899	89,867	17.5	424,032	33,094	5,086	15.4	28,008
3. Southern	1,101	70	1,031	499,921	160,344	32.1	339,577	29,224	7,599	26.0	21,625
4. Northern	974	24	950	207,568	30,559	14.7	177,009	18,396	2,103	11.4	16,293
5. Eastern	1,124	42	1,082	368,237	67,949	18.5	300,288	23,055	4,007	17.4	19,048
6. North Western	1,243	39	1,204	485,740	85,396	17.6	400,344	28,320	4,420	15.6	23,900
7. North Central	808	17	791	295,156	41,116	13.9	254,040	16,343	1,803	11.0	14,540
8. Uva	893	38	855	284,020	53,439	18.8	230,581	19,816	3,264	16.5	16,552
9. Sabaragamuwa	1,101	31	1,070	374,076	77,503	20.7	296,573	24,971	4,133	16.6	20,838
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>9,700</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>	<b>830,021</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>3,052,667</b>	<b>237,787</b>	<b>43,300</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>194,487</b>

Source : School Census 2023 (2024)



### 14. Basic Statistics of National and Provincial Schools by District - 2023

District	No. of Schools			No. of Students				No. of Teaching Staff			
	Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
11. Colombo	393	39	354	325,525	120,308	37.0	205,217	17,219	5,830	33.9	11,389
12. Gampaha	535	20	515	317,617	53,582	16.9	264,035	16,181	2,737	16.9	13,444
13. Kalutara	416	20	396	210,929	49,958	23.7	160,971	11,168	2,318	20.8	8,850
21. Kandy	650	36	614	263,951	58,159	22.0	205,792	16,820	3,298	19.6	13,522
22. Matale	310	12	298	100,508	22,700	22.6	77,808	6,254	1,231	19.7	5,023
23. Nuwara Eliya	548	8	540	149,440	9,008	6.0	140,432	10,020	557	5.6	9,463
31. Galle	425	30	395	206,839	75,631	36.6	131,208	11,544	3,497	30.3	8,047
32. Matara	356	23	333	156,180	50,842	32.6	105,338	9,833	2,553	26.0	7,280
33. Hambantota	320	17	303	136,902	33,871	24.7	103,031	7,847	1,549	19.7	6,298
41. Jaffna	445	8	437	95,176	13,651	14.3	81,525	8,869	901	10.2	7,968
42. Mannar	131	5	126	25,385	5,056	19.9	20,329	2,317	403	17.4	1,914
43. Vavuniya	169	5	164	34,087	6,668	19.6	27,419	2,849	422	14.8	2,427
44. Mullaitivu	125	3	122	25,282	2,310	9.1	22,972	2,156	164	7.6	1,992
45. Kilinochchi	104	3	101	27,638	2,874	10.4	24,764	2,205	213	9.7	1,992
51. Batticaloa	366	13	353	117,514	20,444	17.4	97,070	7,251	1,208	16.7	6,043
52. Ampara	443	17	426	157,241	29,379	18.7	127,862	10,135	1,796	17.7	8,339
53. Trincomalee	315	12	303	93,482	18,126	19.4	75,356	5,669	1,003	17.7	4,666
61. Kurunegala	871	31	840	327,009	66,873	20.4	260,136	19,650	3,499	17.8	16,151
62. Puttalam	372	8	364	158,731	18,523	11.7	140,208	8,670	921	10.6	7,749
71. Anuradhapura	558	8	550	203,907	21,421	10.5	182,486	11,752	1,009	8.6	10,743
72. Polonnaruwa	250	9	241	91,249	19,695	21.6	71,554	4,591	794	17.3	3,797
81. Badulla	602	27	575	172,618	33,047	19.1	139,571	13,336	2,233	16.7	11,103
82. Moneragala	291	11	280	111,402	20,392	18.3	91,010	6,480	1,031	15.9	5,449
91. Ratnapura	591	16	575	217,761	38,673	17.8	179,088	13,378	2,030	15.2	11,348
92. Kegalle	510	15	495	156,315	38,830	24.8	117,485	11,593	2,103	18.1	9,490
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>9,700</b>	<b>3,882,688</b>	<b>830,021</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>3,052,667</b>	<b>237,787</b>	<b>43,300</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>194,487</b>

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### 15. Basic Statistics of Government Schools by Zones -2023

District	Education Zone	All	Schools by Level		Schools by Type				Student Population (Size)					
			National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3	1--50	51-100	101-200	201- 500	501-1,000	Above 1,000
11. Colombo	Colombo	123	21	102	30	40	40	13	3	12	12	33	25	38
	Homagama	99	4	95	8	14	36	41	9	10	17	25	20	18
	Piliyandala	85	5	80	16	17	24	28	8	11	12	27	10	17
	Sri Jayawardanapura	86	9	77	20	16	24	26	5	6	8	27	16	24
12. Gampaha	Gampaha	145	7	138	19	26	50	50	8	12	34	39	26	26
	Kelaniya	115	6	109	18	30	31	36	2	7	16	31	35	24
	Minuwangoda	158	3	155	9	26	55	68	5	28	39	45	23	18
	Negombo	117	4	113	19	26	41	31	1	12	21	38	25	20
13. Kalutara	Horana	137	5	132	11	32	37	57	14	25	21	37	22	18
	Kalutara	150	12	138	29	28	60	33	8	12	30	33	30	37
	Matugama	129	3	126	8	19	47	55	23	21	39	23	15	8
21. Kandy	Denuwara	87	4	83	8	22	30	27	8	17	20	21	17	4
	Gampola	142	6	136	9	30	55	48	20	25	36	31	14	16
	Kandy	116	9	107	23	28	40	25	12	21	20	24	16	23
	Katugastota	121	10	111	7	37	32	45	16	17	27	37	17	7
	Teldeniya	97	3	94	3	20	29	45	27	12	16	26	11	5
	Wathagama	86	4	82	9	26	34	17	4	16	15	30	12	9
22. Matale	Galewela	107	2	105	5	23	30	49	17	14	23	36	12	5
	Matale	119	9	110	13	24	49	33	18	13	37	25	14	12
	Naula	39	1	38	1	9	16	13	6	12	10	8	2	1
	Wilgamuwa	45		45	1	7	9	28	13	11	3	13	4	1
23. Nuwara Eliya	Hanguranketha	68	2	66	6	10	24	28	12	13	12	20	6	5
	Hatton	150	1	149	10	29	43	68	16	33	28	47	19	7
	Kotmale	86	3	83	8	17	18	43	16	16	19	25	7	3
	Nuwara Eliya	156	1	155	8	22	50	76	24	45	26	35	20	6
	Walapane	89	1	88	4	16	13	56	24	19	14	18	12	2

District	Education Zone	All	Schools by Level		Schools by Type				Student Population (Size)					
			National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3	1--50	51-100	101-200	201- 500	501-1,000	Above 1,000
31. Galle	Ambalangoda	81	5	76	12	14	19	36	7	9	22	21	13	9
	Elpitiya	122	3	119	10	21	33	58	16	23	31	26	19	7
	Galle	144	19	125	28	38	26	52	16	22	26	29	18	33
	Udugama	78	3	75	6	16	18	38	9	16	18	20	9	6
32. Matara	Akuressa	77	2	75	4	21	27	25	15	8	17	22	9	6
	Deniyaya (Morawaka)	77	4	73	4	19	24	30	9	12	18	17	15	6
	Matara	111	13	98	22	28	27	34	5	15	26	30	18	17
	Mulatiyana (Hakmana)	91	4	87	9	17	29	36	12	22	16	23	11	7
33. Hambantota	Hambantota	122	7	115	13	30	48	31	3	14	26	47	14	18
	Tangalle	107	6	101	12	22	40	33	15	18	32	20	12	10
	Walasmulla	91	4	87	11	22	27	31	6	12	23	29	13	8
41. Jaffna	Islands	63		63	4	8	20	31	20	20	17	5	1	
	Jaffna	98	4	94	14	13	39	32	18	23	23	20	6	8
	Thenmarachchi	58	1	57	6	6	19	27	17	16	13	8	3	1
	Vadamarachchi	81	2	79	11	10	29	31	13	17	23	20	5	3
	Valikamam	145	1	144	15	13	38	79	38	42	30	21	11	3
42. Mannar	Madhu	49		49	4	8	11	26	18	10	11	10		
	Mannar	82	5	77	11	16	24	31	19	14	16	25	5	3
43. Vavuniya	Vavuniya North	72		72	4	8	17	43	39	11	12	7	3	
	Vavuniya South	97	5	92	11	17	22	47	29	14	17	21	12	4
44. Mullaitivu	Mullaitivu	66	2	64	7	12	23	24	11	12	12	19	11	1
	Thunukkai	59	1	58	7	4	13	35	25	9	14	9	2	
45. Kilinochchi	Kilinochchi North	38	1	37	3	5	12	18	12	7	8	9	2	
	Kilinochchi South	66	2	64	10	11	23	22	9	11	6	27	11	2
51. Batticaloa	Batticaloa	66	4	62	10	12	23	21	10	10	14	18	6	8
	Batticaloa Central	77	6	71	11	13	15	38	9	6	15	14	25	8
	Batticaloa West	68		68	5	10	19	34	17	11	17	18	5	
	Kalkudah	84	1	83	10	8	27	39	19	13	17	24	8	3

District	Education Zone	All	Schools by Level		Schools by Type				Student Population (Size)					
			National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3	1--50	51-100	101-200	201- 500	501-1,000	Above 1,000
51. Batticaloa	Paddrippu	70	2	68	9	16	15	30	15	5	12	26	10	2
52. Ampara	Akkaraipattu	72	3	69	9	5	21	37	10	9	11	21	15	6
	Ampara	103	3	100	5	22	44	32	10	17	32	30	6	8
	Dehiattakandiya	47	1	46	2	6	19	20	4	6	16	16	3	2
	Kalmunai	65	4	61	9	15	19	22	1	9	16	13	17	9
	Mahaoya	40	1	39	2	5	14	19	11	3	11	9	5	1
	Sammanthurai	71	3	68	7	13	23	28	7	13	16	21	9	5
	Thirukkivil	46	2	44	5	7	10	24	9	8	9	13	5	2
	53. Trincomalee	Kantale	44	1	43	5	9	16	14	3	6	8	20	5
	Kinniya	67	3	64	5	18	16	28	5	13	13	22	10	4
	Muttur	88	1	87	5	16	25	42	15	21	14	31	6	1
	Trincomalee	82	6	76	11	23	23	25	12	13	13	29	8	7
	Trincomalee North	34	1	33	2	3	18	11	5	12	7	8	2	
	61. Kurunegala	Giriulla	137	8	129	13	28	38	58	19	27	33	27	17
	Ibbagamuwa	109	2	107	10	21	28	50	10	17	30	28	14	10
	Kuliyapitiya	165	5	160	9	44	51	61	17	27	49	43	18	11
	Kurunegala	118	8	110	26	22	39	31	12	16	19	32	15	24
	Maho	188	5	183	8	39	66	75	30	31	40	55	23	9
	Nikaweratiya	154	3	151	10	31	56	57	31	33	35	37	11	7
	62. Puttalam	Chilaw	159	5	154	17	31	71	40	12	21	33	50	26
	Puttalam	213	3	210	11	60	84	58	11	21	45	81	35	20
71. Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	136	3	133	12	30	45	49	19	17	26	38	24	12
	Galenbindunuwewa	95		95	4	18	25	48	29	11	15	24	13	3
	Kebithigollewa	125	1	124	7	11	43	64	26	29	21	32	13	4
	Kekirawa	130	2	128	8	29	28	65	22	23	25	33	22	5
	Thambuttegama	72	2	70	7	13	25	27	4	6	16	23	13	10
72. Polonnaruwa	Dimbulagala	101	1	100	6	19	15	61	14	30	22	21	11	3
	Hingurakgoda	96	5	91	9	10	25	52	5	23	16	30	14	8

District	Education Zone	All	Schools by Level		Schools by Type				Student Population (Size)					
			National	Provincial	1AB	1C	Type 2	Type 3	1--50	51-100	101-200	201- 500	501-1,000	Above 1,000
72. Polonnaruwa	Polonnaruwa	53	3	50	9	12	11	21	6	3	9	17	12	6
81. Badulla	Badulla	112	6	106	14	28	33	37	24	20	22	27	12	7
	Bandarawela	140	10	130	13	27	40	60	29	29	33	26	13	10
	Mahiyanganaya	81	2	79	4	23	26	28	9	10	18	24	13	7
	Passara	88	2	86	2	16	27	43	25	19	21	14	8	1
	Viyaluwa	70	3	67	2	16	25	27	17	11	16	20	6	
	Welimada	111	4	107	7	30	40	34	17	16	25	35	13	5
82. Moneragala	Bibile	82	3	79	10	15	32	25	9	12	18	25	14	4
	Moneragala	109	4	105	11	20	45	33	19	13	22	35	14	6
	Thanamalwila	43	2	41	8	7	15	13	1	2	7	17	13	3
	Wellawaya	57	2	55	7	9	24	17	4	6	13	12	15	7
91. Ratnapura	Balangoda	133	2	131	11	18	68	36	28	23	31	28	13	10
	Embilipitiya	126	4	122	15	17	54	40	23	8	22	33	22	18
	Nivitigala	144	2	142	7	21	62	54	27	30	37	31	13	6
	Ratnapura	188	8	180	20	36	76	56	35	24	35	49	22	23
92. Kegalle	Dehiowita	218	4	214	14	36	87	81	53	31	63	50	11	10
	Kegalle	157	7	150	13	34	48	62	34	32	34	33	12	12
	Mawanella	135	4	131	12	30	49	44	23	25	24	36	16	11



### 16. Comparison of Basic Statistics of National and Provincial Schools by Zones - 2023

District	Education Zone	No. of Schools			No. of Students				No. of Teaching Staff			
		Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
11. Colombo	Colombo	123	21	102	132,007	73,994	56.1	58,013	6,891	3,463	50.3	3,428
	Homagama	99	4	95	61,840	10,624	17.2	51,216	3,045	548	18.0	2,497
	Piliyandala	85	5	80	52,999	12,896	24.3	40,103	3,073	628	20.4	2,445
	Sri Jayawardanapura	86	9	77	78,679	22,794	29.0	55,885	4,210	1,191	28.3	3,019
12. Gampaha	Gampaha	145	7	138	96,030	19,273	20.1	76,757	4,935	963	19.5	3,972
	Kelaniya	115	6	109	83,229	17,129	20.6	66,100	4,090	825	20.2	3,265
	Minuwangoda	158	3	155	69,193	6,341	9.2	62,852	3,518	392	11.1	3,126
	Negombo	117	4	113	69,165	10,839	15.7	58,326	3,638	557	15.3	3,081
13. Kalutara	Horana	137	5	132	66,128	14,989	22.7	51,139	3,706	714	19.3	2,992
	Kalutara	150	12	138	100,755	25,688	25.5	75,067	4,804	1,204	25.1	3,600
	Matugama	129	3	126	44,046	9,281	21.1	34,765	2,658	400	15.0	2,258
21. Kandy	Denuwara	87	4	83	28,805	3,748	13.0	25,057	2,149	301	14.0	1,848
	Gampola	142	6	136	50,518	9,342	18.5	41,176	3,066	540	17.6	2,526
	Kandy	116	9	107	80,645	24,205	30.0	56,440	4,940	1,267	25.6	3,673
	Katugastota	121	10	111	41,536	12,574	30.3	28,962	2,764	702	25.4	2,062
	Teldeniya	97	3	94	26,270	4,059	15.5	22,211	1,533	222	14.5	1,311
	Wattegama	86	4	82	35,971	4,231	11.8	31,740	2,351	266	11.3	2,085
22. Matale	Galewela	107	2	105	35,019	3,527	10.1	31,492	1,912	200	10.5	1,712
	Matale	119	9	110	47,925	17,378	36.3	30,547	3,125	956	30.6	2,169
	Naula	39	1	38	7,898	1,795	22.7	6,103	622	75	12.1	547
	Wilgamuwa	45		45	9,666		-	9,666	595		-	595
23. Nuwara Eliya	Hanguranketha	68	2	66	21,625	3,358	15.5	18,267	1,460	191	13.1	1,269
	Hatton	150	1	149	45,305	1,228	2.7	44,077	3,046	73	2.4	2,973
	Kotmale	86	3	83	20,667	2,170	10.5	18,497	1,391	142	10.2	1,249
	Nuwara Eliya	156	1	155	41,302	743	1.8	40,559	2,815	74	2.6	2,741
	Walapane	89	1	88	20,747	1,509	7.3	19,238	1,325	77	5.8	1,248
31. Galle	Ambalangoda	81	5	76	42,895	13,587	31.7	29,308	2,161	579	26.8	1,582

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		Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
	Elpitiya	122	3	119	41,431	8,181	19.7	33,250	2,467	356	14.4	2,111
	Galle	144	19	125	97,681	49,271	50.4	48,410	5,365	2,343	43.7	3,022
	Udugama	78	3	75	24,832	4,592	18.5	20,240	1,551	219	14.1	1,332
32. Matara	Akuressa	77	2	75	28,541	3,841	13.5	24,700	1,759	191	10.9	1,568
	Deniyaya (Morawaka)	77	4	73	31,498	8,724	27.7	22,774	1,879	395	21.0	1,484
	Matara	111	13	98	66,115	31,791	48.1	34,324	4,077	1,579	38.7	2,498
	Mulatiyana (Hakmana)	91	4	87	30,026	6,486	21.6	23,540	2,118	388	18.3	1,730
33. Hambantota	Hambantota	122	7	115	61,931	14,676	23.7	47,255	3,098	624	20.1	2,474
	Tangalle	107	6	101	36,273	8,269	22.8	28,004	2,430	460	18.9	1,970
	Walasmulla	91	4	87	38,698	10,926	28.2	27,772	2,319	465	20.1	1,854
41. Jaffna	Islands	63		63	6,539		-	6,539	866		-	866
	Jaffna	98	4	94	31,762	8,580	27.0	23,182	2,760	519	18.8	2,241
	Thenmarachchi	58	1	57	10,308	1,791	17.4	8,517	1,068	116	10.9	952
	Vadamarachchi	81	2	79	17,976	2,403	13.4	15,573	1,626	167	10.3	1,459
	Valikamam	145	1	144	28,591	877	3.1	27,714	2,549	99	3.9	2,450
42. Mannar	Madhu	49		49	5,561		-	5,561	665		-	665
	Mannar	82	5	77	19,824	5,056	25.5	14,768	1,652	403	24.4	1,249
43. Vavuniya	Vavuniya North	72		72	7,232		-	7,232	804		-	804
	Vavuniya South	97	5	92	26,855	6,668	24.8	20,187	2,045	422	20.6	1,623
44. Mullaitivu	Mullaitivu	66	2	64	18,141	1,692	9.3	16,449	1,387	109	7.9	1,278
	Thunukkai	59	1	58	7,141	618	8.7	6,523	769	55	7.2	714
45. Kilinochchi	Kilinochchi North	38	1	37	6,533	688	10.5	5,845	686	80	11.7	606
	Kilinochchi South	66	2	64	21,105	2,186	10.4	18,919	1,519	133	8.8	1,386
51. Batticaloa	Batticaloa	66	4	62	24,918	7,696	30.9	17,222	1,762	426	24.2	1,336
	Batticaloa Central	77	6	71	36,087	8,122	22.5	27,965	1,858	499	26.9	1,359
	Batticaloa West	68		68	12,550		-	12,550	854		-	854
	Kalkudah	84	1	83	23,218	1,037	4.5	22,181	1,277	62	4.9	1,215
	Paddrippu	70	2	68	20,243	3,589	17.7	16,654	1,473	221	15.0	1,252
52. Ampara	Akkaraipattu	72	3	69	27,982	3,771	13.5	24,211	1,669	300	18.0	1,369

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		Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
	Ampara	103	3	100	34,104	5,673	16.6	28,431	2,151	299	13.9	1,852
	Dehiattakandiya	47	1	46	13,857	2,657	19.2	11,200	762	108	14.2	654
	Kalmunai	65	4	61	36,764	9,736	26.5	27,028	2,480	579	23.3	1,901
	Mahaoya	40	1	39	9,332	944	10.1	8,388	587	55	9.4	532
	Sammanthurai	71	3	68	23,494	4,189	17.8	19,305	1,586	288	18.2	1,298
	Thirukkovil	46	2	44	12,206	2,409	19.7	9,797	927	167	18.0	760
53. Trincomalee	Kantale	44	1	43	15,233	2,703	17.7	12,530	855	109	12.7	746
	Kinniya	67	3	64	24,872	5,639	22.7	19,233	1,532	318	20.8	1,214
	Muttur	88	1	87	19,442	1,204	6.2	18,238	1,163	84	7.2	1,079
	Trincomalee	82	6	76	28,301	8,048	28.4	20,253	1,617	466	28.8	1,151
	Trincomalee North	34	1	33	5,634	532	9.4	5,102	502	26	5.2	476
61. Kurunegala	Giriulla	137	8	129	53,382	17,657	33.1	35,725	3,262	951	29.2	2,311
	Ibbagamuwa	109	2	107	40,922	4,238	10.4	36,684	2,321	212	9.1	2,109
	Kuliyapitiya	165	5	160	55,995	10,802	19.3	45,193	3,280	499	15.2	2,781
	Kurunegala	118	8	110	78,878	18,761	23.8	60,117	4,438	1,007	22.7	3,431
	Maho	188	5	183	55,986	8,426	15.1	47,560	3,460	470	13.6	2,990
	Nikaweratiya	154	3	151	41,846	6,989	16.7	34,857	2,889	360	12.5	2,529
62. Puttalam	Chilaw	159	5	154	72,412	14,112	19.5	58,300	3,831	669	17.5	3,162
	Puttalam	213	3	210	86,319	4,411	5.1	81,908	4,839	252	5.2	4,587
71. Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	136	3	133	66,618	9,297	14.0	57,321	3,769	441	11.7	3,328
	Galenbindunuwewa	95		95	26,636		-	26,636	1,643		-	1,643
	Kebithigollewa	125	1	124	30,918	1,856	6.0	29,062	1,788	105	5.9	1,683
	Kekirawa	130	2	128	42,005	4,981	11.9	37,024	2,611	201	7.7	2,410
	Thambuttegama	72	2	70	37,730	5,287	14.0	32,443	1,941	262	13.5	1,679
72. Polonnaruwa	Dimbulagala	101	1	100	24,804	1,833	7.4	22,971	1,384	83	6.0	1,301
	Hingurakgoda	96	5	91	37,327	8,528	22.8	28,799	1,824	386	21.2	1,438
	Polonnaruwa	53	3	50	29,118	9,334	32.1	19,784	1,383	325	23.5	1,058
81. Badulla	Badulla	112	6	106	36,561	10,585	29.0	25,976	3,248	692	21.3	2,556
81. Badulla	Bandarawela	140	10	130	42,678	11,977	28.1	30,701	3,493	840	24.0	2,653

District	Education Zone	No. of Schools			No. of Students				No. of Teaching Staff			
		Total	National	Provincial	Total	National	% of Students in National Schools	Provincial	Total	National	% of Teachers in National Schools	Provincial
	Mahiyanganaya	81	2	79	30,150	3,165	10.5	26,985	1,600	164	10.3	1,436
	Passara	88	2	86	16,115	1,929	12.0	14,186	1,350	141	10.4	1,209
	Viyaluwa	70	3	67	13,324	1,855	13.9	11,469	1,100	139	12.6	961
	Welimada	111	4	107	33,790	3,536	10.5	30,254	2,545	257	10.1	2,288
82. Moneragala	Bibile	82	3	79	27,394	4,447	16.2	22,947	1,683	217	12.9	1,466
	Moneragala	109	4	105	35,552	7,803	21.9	27,749	2,374	434	18.3	1,940
	Thanamalwila	43	2	41	21,004	3,191	15.2	17,813	984	153	15.5	831
	Wellawaya	57	2	55	27,452	4,951	18.0	22,501	1,439	227	15.8	1,212
91. Ratnapura	Balangoda	133	2	131	39,580	3,588	9.1	35,992	2,806	208	7.4	2,598
	Embilipitiya	126	4	122	58,006	9,431	16.3	48,575	3,201	446	13.9	2,755
	Nivitigala	144	2	142	34,938	3,255	9.3	31,683	2,307	200	8.7	2,107
	Ratnapura	188	8	180	85,237	22,399	26.3	62,838	5,064	1,176	23.2	3,888
92. Kegalle	Dehiowita	218	4	214	50,299	6,964	13.8	43,335	3,911	402	10.3	3,509
	Kegalle	157	7	150	57,081	21,433	37.5	35,648	4,209	1,121	26.6	3,088
	Mawanella	135	4	131	48,935	10,433	21.3	38,502	3,473	580	16.7	2,893



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## Summary Statistics of Other Schools (Private Schools, Special Schools and Pirivena)





## 17. Basic Statistics of Private Schools by Province and District -2023

Province/ District	Type of School			Total Schools	Students						Teaching Staff		
	1AB	1C	Type 2		Male	Female	Total	Sinhala Medium	Tamil Medium	English Medium	Male	Female	Total
<b>1. Western</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>52,036</b>	<b>48,269</b>	<b>100,305</b>	<b>61,892</b>	<b>7,183</b>	<b>31,230</b>	<b>1,081</b>	<b>4,839</b>	<b>5,920</b>
11. Colombo	22	4	4	30	29,364	27,671	57,035	30,187	7,183	19,665	622	2,949	3,571
12. Gampaha	16	2	3	21	19,282	15,249	34,531	25,760	-	8,771	393	1,444	1,837
13. Kalutara	4	4		8	3,390	5,349	8,739	5,945	-	2,794	66	446	512
<b>2. Central</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8,896</b>	<b>8,124</b>	<b>17,020</b>	<b>10,463</b>	<b>2,783</b>	<b>3,774</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>1,051</b>
21. Kandy	6	2	3	11	6,531	5,435	11,966	7,505	876	3,585	141	650	791
22. Matale		2		2	825	1,575	2,400	1,913	298	189	22	124	146
23. Nuwara Eliya		2		2	1,540	1,114	2,654	1,045	1,609	-	23	91	114
<b>3. Southern</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1,812</b>	<b>4,990</b>	<b>6,802</b>	<b>6,515</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>326</b>
31. Galle		2		2	122	330	452	376	-	76	8	26	34
32. Matara	2	3	1	6	1,587	4,558	6,145	5,934	-	211	41	218	259
33. Hambantota		1		1	103	102	205	205	-	-	5	28	33
<b>4. Northern</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>5</b>	<b>4,082</b>	<b>3,227</b>	<b>7,309</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,004</b>	<b>1,305</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>440</b>
41. Jaffna	5			5	4,082	3,227	7,309	-	6,004	1,305	179	261	440
<b>6. North Western</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>78</b>
61. Kurunegala	1		1	2	506	760	1,266	688	-	578	4	74	78
<b>7. North Central</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>97</b>
71. Anuradhapura	1			1	690	646	1,336	73	-	1,263	16	81	97
<b>8. Uva</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2,162</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>2,223</b>	<b>1,226</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>177</b>
81. Badulla	1		2	3	2,162	61	2,223	1,226	344	653	65	112	177
<b>9. Sabaragamuwa</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>1,608</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,554</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>81</b>
91. Ratnapura	1			1	795	813	1,608	54	-	1,554	13	68	81
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>70,979</b>	<b>66,890</b>	<b>137,869</b>	<b>80,911</b>	<b>16,314</b>	<b>40,644</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>6,572</b>	<b>8,170</b>

Source : School Census 2023 (2024)

### 18. Basic Statistics of Special Schools by Province and District -2023

Province/District	Schools	Students			Teachers		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
<b>1.Western</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>211</b>
11.Colombo	6	212	129	341	12	85	97
12.Gampaha	5	242	149	391	6	78	84
13.Kalutara	3	107	71	178		30	30
<b>2.Central</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>40</b>
21.Kandy	2	104	71	175	5	24	29
22.Matale	2	28	24	52	2	9	11
<b>3.Southern</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>68</b>
31.Galle	2	72	33	105	5	14	19
32.Matara	1	56	46	102	1	18	19
33.Hambantota	1	91	71	162	14	16	30
<b>4.Northern</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>
41.Jaffna	1	74	62	136	10	20	30
<b>5.Eastern</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
51.Batticaloa	1	26	9	35	1	8	9
<b>6.North Western</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>40</b>
61.Kurunegala	1	53	47	100	3	17	20
62.Puttalam	1	52	34	86	6	14	20
<b>7.North Central</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>
71.Anuradhapura	1	46	41	87	8	10	18
<b>8.Uva</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>37</b>
81.Badulla	1	35	40	75	8	16	24
82.Monaragala	1	30	17	47	6	7	13
<b>9.Sabaragamuwa</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>32</b>
91.Ratnapura	1	29	20	49	3	9	12
92.Kegalle	2	57	60	117	2	18	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,314</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>2,238</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>485</b>

**Note:**

There are 32 Special Schools purview under the Ministry of Education and those Special Schools are functioned as schools dedicated only for students with special needs. Out of these 32 schools 27 are government assisted special schools and administrated by board of management of those schools, other 5 schools are administrated by Provincial councils. Initially those schools provide education for general students and later has convered as special schools because of currently those schools provide education only for students with special needs.

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## 19. Basic Statistics of Piriven (Temple Schools) by District -2023

DISTRICT	No. of Pirivena					No. of Students			Approved Teaching Staff			Unapproved Teaching Staff			All Teaching Staff
	Mulika	Maha	Vidya-yathana	Seela-matha	Total	Clergy	Laity	Total	Clergy	Laity	Total	Clergy	Laity	Total	
11. Colombo	34	12	3	2	51	2,559	1,075	3,634	255	160	415	3	2	5	420
12. Gampaha	35	26	4	3	68	3,060	2,948	6,008	318	301	619	3	5	8	627
13. Kalutara	31	10	8	2	51	2,249	3,410	5,659	220	256	476	7	19	26	502
21. Kandy	46	26	8	2	82	4,702	3,459	8,161	369	342	711	6	6	12	723
22. Matale	10	12	1		23	1,129	877	2,006	106	85	191		2	2	193
23. Nuwara Eliya	6	4	1		11	746	398	1,144	54	47	101	1	2	3	104
31. Galle	50	20	3	1	74	2,707	2,023	4,730	264	278	542	8	8	16	558
32. Matara	48	13	7		68	2,717	2,528	5,245	226	356	582	4	4	8	590
33. Hambantota	27	11	1		39	1,302	912	2,214	115	176	291	3	3	6	297
43. Vavuniya	1		1		2	78	638	716	8	26	34				34
44. Mullaitivu	1				1	36	30	66	1	3	4	1	1	2	6
51. Batticaloa	1				1	41	14	55	2	2	4		2	2	6
52. Ampara	16	5			21	809	304	1,113	63	73	136	1	1	2	138
53. Trincomalee	3	3	2		8	256	576	832	29	43	72				72
61. Kurunegala	40	38	6	1	85	3,822	4,050	7,872	351	425	776	5	5	10	786
62. Puttalam	6	8			14	645	347	992	49	43	92	2	1	3	95
71. Anuradhapura	26	16	2		44	2,096	1,644	3,740	181	193	374	4		4	378
72. Polonnaruwa	8	6	1		15	790	573	1,363	58	66	124	4		4	128
81. Badulla	27	11	3	1	42	1,487	1,036	2,523	155	188	343	1	1	2	345
82. Moneragala	19	6	2		27	1,015	1,088	2,103	81	155	236	3		3	239
91. Ratnapura	37	10	5		52	1,975	2,398	4,373	183	253	436	6	7	13	449
92. Kegalle	17	19	7		43	2,344	2,215	4,559	191	234	425		3	3	428
<b>Total</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>36,565</b>	<b>32,543</b>	<b>69,108</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>3,705</b>	<b>6,984</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>7,118</b>

Source : School Census 2023 (2024)

Remark - 3 Special Pirivena (401903 - Vidyodaya Maha Pirivena , 402902 - Vidyalankara Maha Pirivena and, 407901 - Sri Gnanananda Pirivena-Wathurawila Aranya) included under Maha Piriven in this table

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