

Household Income and Expenditure Survey-2005

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Preface

Household Income and Expenditure Survey – 2005 was conducted by the Department of Census and Statistics under the National Household Survey Programme. This is a special survey other than the series of Income and Expenditure Survey conducted generally once in every five years.

After Tsunami Catastrophe hit several coastal areas in Sri Lanka in December 2004, this survey was conducted in 3 monthly rounds from September 2005 to November 2005 to observe the patterns of the income, the expenditure and the consumption of the Tsunami affected area and unaffected area.

The Sample size of the survey was 5000 housing units distributed among all 25 districts in Sri Lanka. The data was published at sectoral level due to the limitation of the sample size. However provincial level data also published for some major variables.

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