

**THE IMPACT OF OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE  
ON FINANCIAL  
PERFORMANCE OF PUBLIC LISTED COMPANIES IN  
COLOMBO STOCK EXCHANGE**



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## ABSTRACT

This study investigates the impact of Ownership Structure on financial performance of public listed companies in Colombo Stock exchange. For this purpose, a sample of 167 top listed companies as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 were selected. Accounting based performance measures of Return on Assets and Return on Equity are used to find the impact of Ownership structure. Ordinary Least Square (OLS) linear Regression model is used to analyze data in relation to measure the impact. The results of the study reveals that Institutional Ownership, Individual Ownership and Foreign Ownership significant impact with financial performance measures as Return on Assets and Return on equity.

The researcher can conclude that All the Ownership ratios have significant impact to the Return on Assets and Return on Equity.

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