



Profile of
Adolescents and
Youth in India

Size, Growth Rate and
Distribution of Adolescent
and Youth Population



2011

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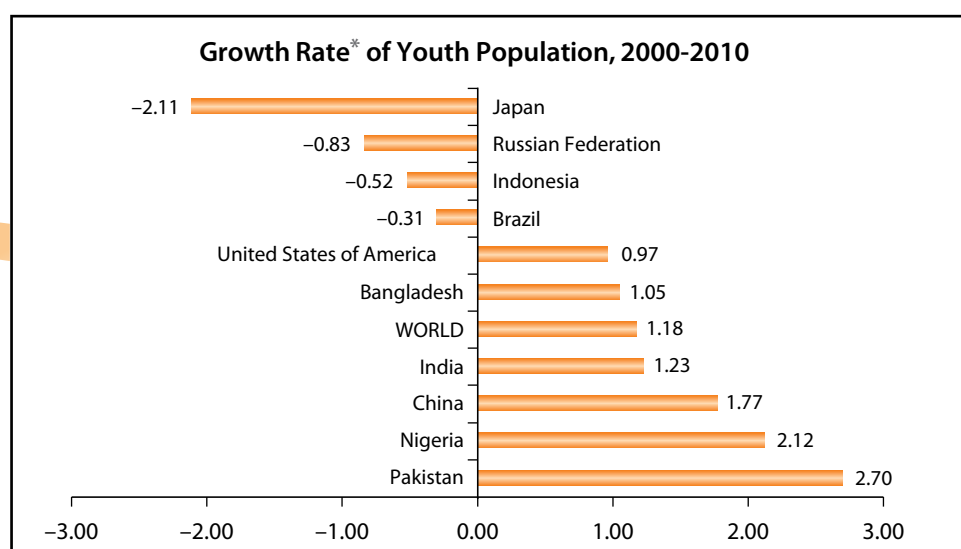
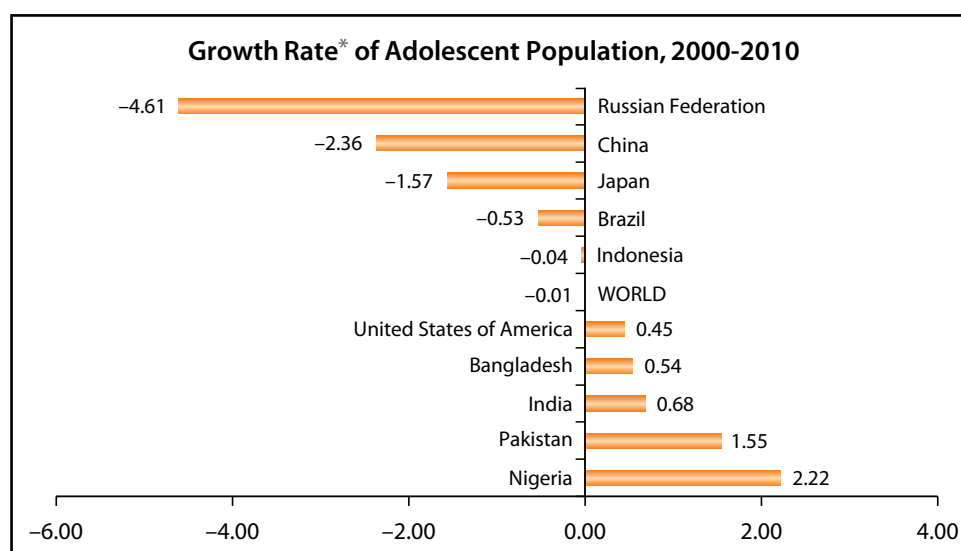
Adolescent and Youth Population in the Age Group 10-24 Years in Select Countries, 2010

Sl. No.	Country	Population ('000)	Adolescents [Population in the age group 10-19 years ('000)]	Proportion of adolescents population (10-19) to total population (%)	Youth [Population in the age group 15-24 years ('000)]	Proportion of youth population (15-24) to total population (%)
1	China	13,59,821	1,91,264	14.1	2,42,244	17.8
2	India	12,05,625	2,36,567	19.6	2,29,032	19.0
3	United States of America	3,12,247	43,052	13.8	43,950	14.1
4	Indonesia	2,40,676	43,432	18.0	40,530	16.8
5	Brazil	1,95,210	33,832	17.3	33,646	17.2
6	Pakistan	1,73,149	39,962	23.1	37,271	21.5
7	Nigeria	1,59,708	35,604	22.3	30,601	19.2
8	Bangladesh	1,51,125	32,243	21.3	30,703	20.3
9	Russian Federation	1,43,618	15,269	10.6	21,306	14.8
10	Japan	1,27,353	11,984	9.4	12,851	10.1
	Other countries	28,47,650	5,15,543	18.1	5,01,317	17.6
	World	69,16,183	11,98,752	17.3	12,23,450	17.7

Source: World Population Prospects, The 2012 Revision, United Nations New York, 2013

Note: Selected countries are top ten populous countries in the World

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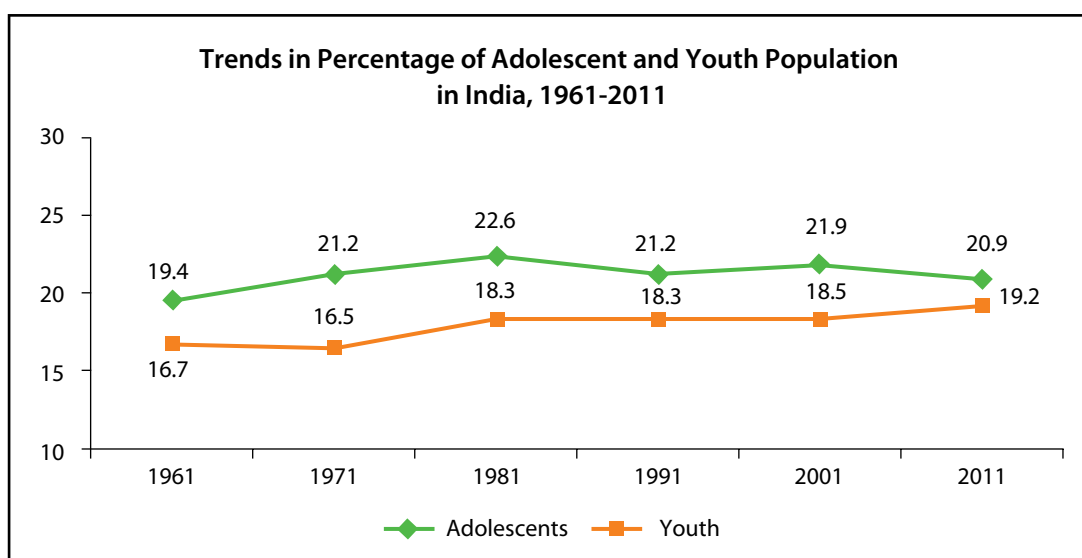


*Average Annual Exponential Growth Rate (Percent)

Trends in Adolescent and Youth Population in India, 1961-2011

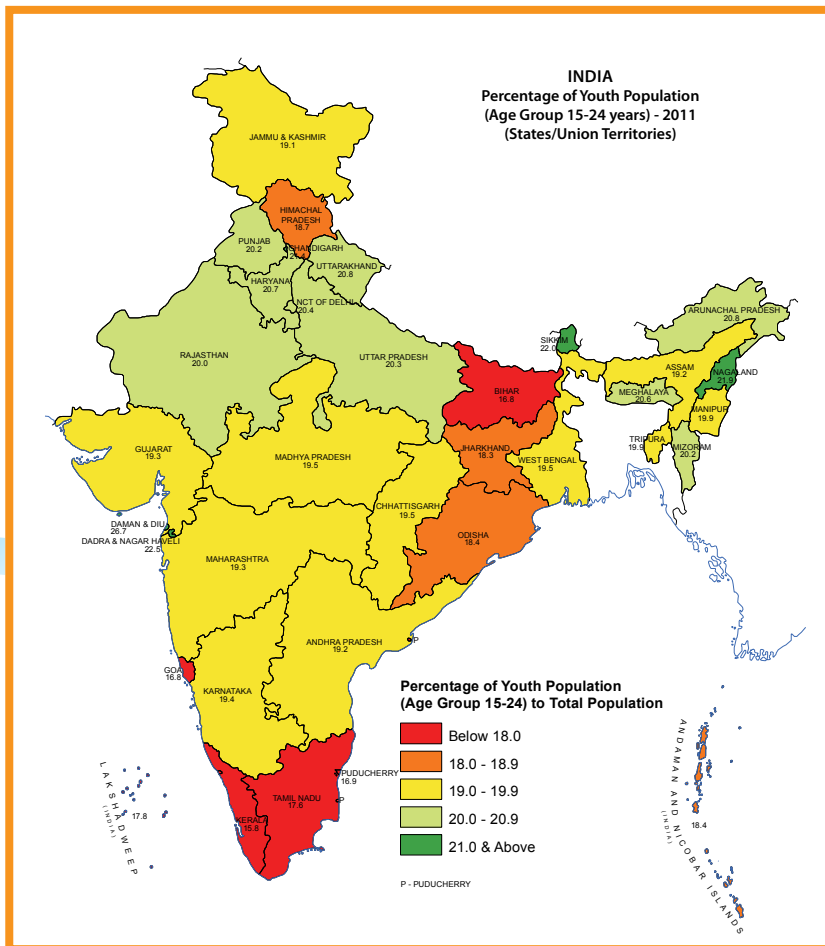
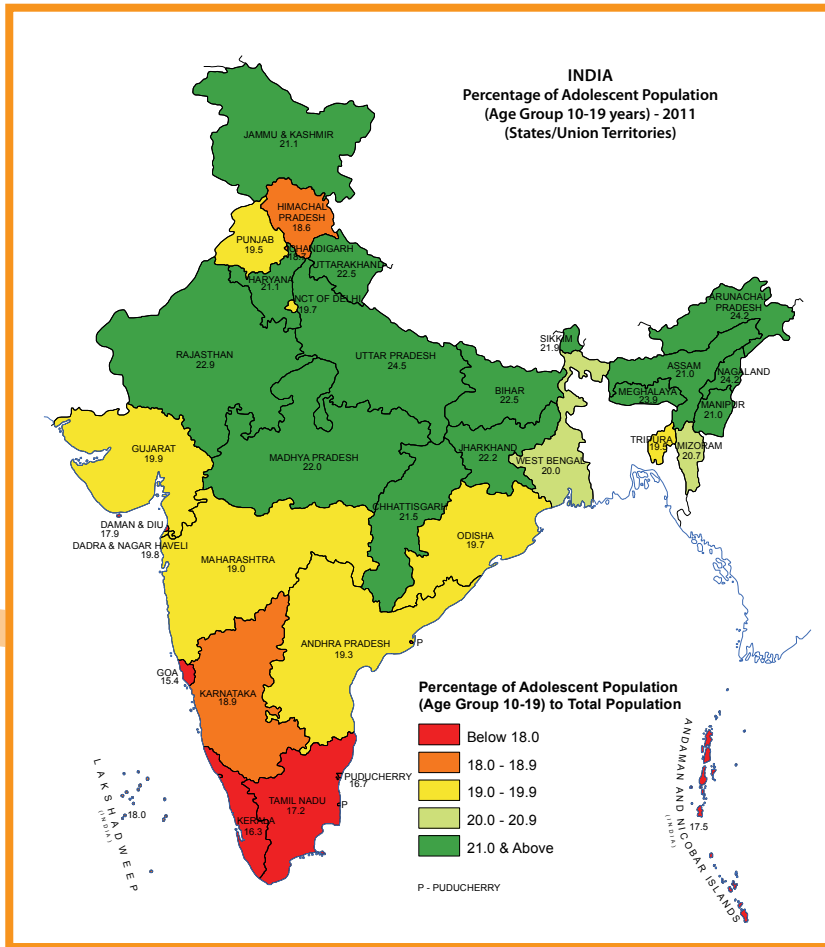
Census year	Population (All ages)	Population in age group					Proportion of adolescents and youth to total population (%)				
		10-14	15-19	20-24	Adolescents (10-19)	Youth (15-24)	10-14	15-19	20-24	Adolescents (10-19)	Youth (15-24)
1961	43,92,34,771	4,93,06,185	3,58,82,536	3,73,32,553	8,51,88,721	7,32,15,089	11.2	8.2	8.5	19.4	16.7
1971	54,81,59,652	6,87,73,707	4,74,68,232	4,31,01,354	11,62,41,939	9,05,69,586	12.5	8.7	7.9	21.2	16.5
1981	66,52,87,849	8,59,11,367	6,41,38,807	5,73,37,858	15,00,50,174	12,14,76,665	12.9	9.6	8.6	22.6	18.3
1991	83,85,67,936	9,86,91,898	7,90,34,929	7,44,72,704	17,77,26,827	15,35,07,633	11.8	9.4	8.9	21.2	18.3
2001	1,02,86,10,328	12,48,46,858	10,02,15,890	8,97,64,132	22,50,62,748	18,99,80,022	12.1	9.7	8.7	21.9	18.5
2011	1,21,08,54,977	13,27,09,212	12,05,26,449	11,14,24,222	25,32,35,661	23,19,50,671	11.0	10.0	9.2	20.9	19.2

Trends in Percentage of Adolescent and Youth Population in India, 1961-2011



Adolescent and Youth Population ('000) in India by States and Union Territories, 2001 and 2011

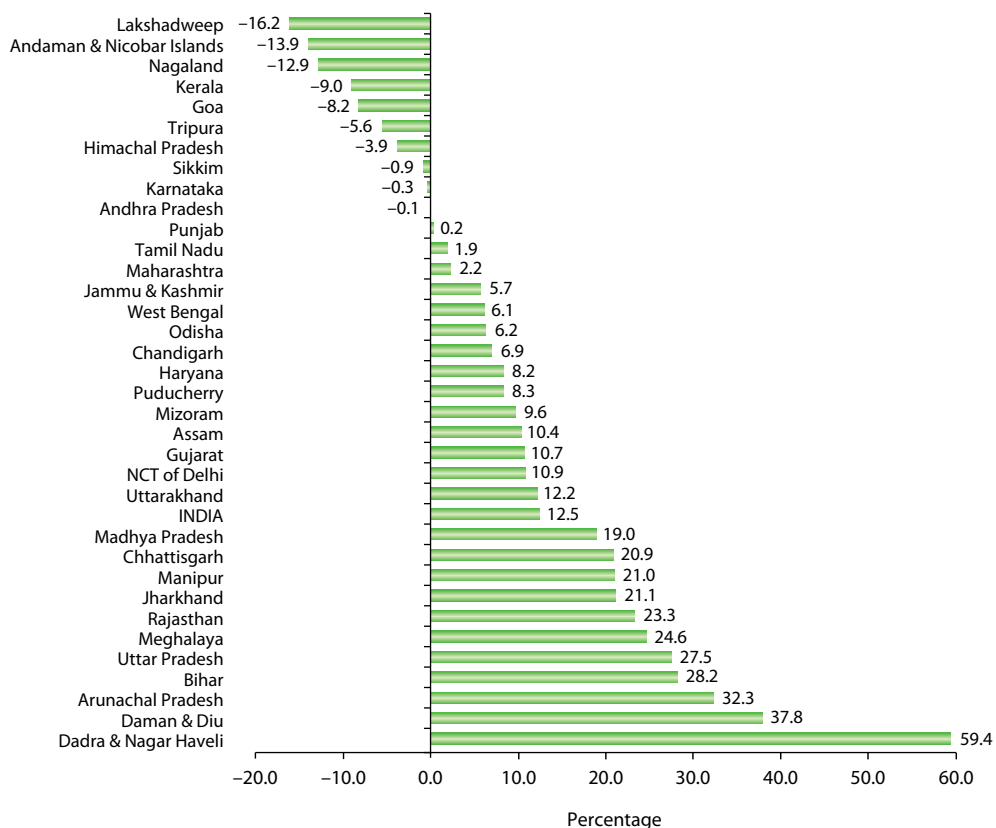
Sl. No.	India/States/ Union Territory	2001					2011				
		10-14	15-19	20-24	Adolescents (10-19)	Youth (15-24)	10-14	15-19	20-24	Adolescents (10-19)	Youth (15-24)
	INDIA	1,24,847	1,00,216	89,764	2,25,063	1,89,980	1,32,709	1,20,526	1,11,424	2,53,236	2,31,951
1	Jammu & Kashmir	1,361	1,147	890	2,508	2,037	1,414	1,237	1,161	2,651	2,398
2	Himachal Pradesh	705	627	583	1,332	1,210	639	640	644	1,280	1,284
3	Punjab	2,832	2,556	2,339	5,388	4,895	2,583	2,818	2,777	5,401	5,594
4	Chandigarh	92	93	104	185	197	93	104	121	198	226
5	Uttarakhand	1,094	930	743	2,023	1,672	1,145	1,124	970	2,269	2,094
6	Haryana	2,683	2,257	1,957	4,940	4,214	2,669	2,677	2,567	5,346	5,245
7	NCT of Delhi	1,563	1,428	1,427	2,991	2,855	1,648	1,667	1,764	3,316	3,431
8	Rajasthan	7,242	5,490	4,749	12,732	10,240	8,381	7,314	6,426	15,695	13,741
9	Uttar Pradesh	22,310	16,045	13,312	38,355	29,357	25,870	23,040	17,579	48,910	40,619
10	Bihar	11,064	7,190	6,323	18,254	13,513	13,920	9,473	8,065	23,393	17,537
11	Sikkim	72	63	55	135	119	67	67	67	134	134
12	Arunachal Pradesh	143	111	86	253	197	179	156	132	335	288
13	Nagaland	283	266	210	549	476	249	230	204	478	434
14	Manipur	259	238	222	496	460	314	287	282	601	569
15	Mizoram	109	99	94	207	192	117	110	112	227	222
16	Tripura	418	339	274	758	614	358	358	373	716	731
17	Meghalaya	319	250	195	569	445	383	326	285	709	611
18	Assam	3,333	2,611	2,315	5,943	4,926	3,492	3,069	2,909	6,560	5,978
19	West Bengal	9,539	7,634	7,066	17,172	14,700	9,157	9,058	8,758	18,215	17,816
20	Jharkhand	3,535	2,500	2,150	6,035	4,649	4,104	3,205	2,828	7,310	6,033
21	Odisha	4,257	3,531	3,190	7,788	6,722	4,349	3,925	3,784	8,274	7,709
22	Chhattisgarh	2,605	1,932	1,671	4,537	3,603	2,884	2,600	2,389	5,484	4,989
23	Madhya Pradesh	7,769	5,691	5,168	13,460	10,859	8,565	7,447	6,728	16,011	14,174
24	Gujarat	5,673	5,184	4,839	10,857	10,023	6,149	5,866	5,781	12,015	11,646
25	Daman & Diu	14	18	25	32	43	17	26	39	44	65
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	23	20	27	43	47	35	33	44	68	77
27	Maharashtra	11,337	9,571	8,857	20,908	18,427	10,735	10,627	11,091	21,362	21,718
28	Andhra Pradesh	8,733	7,580	6,937	16,313	14,517	8,202	8,094	8,132	16,295	16,226
29	Karnataka	6,222	5,382	4,886	11,603	10,268	5,737	5,827	6,053	11,564	11,880
30	Goa	120	125	142	245	267	111	114	131	225	245
31	Lakshadweep	8	6	6	14	12	6	6	6	12	11
32	Kerala	2,987	2,985	2,984	5,972	5,968	2,823	2,611	2,666	5,433	5,276
33	Tamil Nadu	6,012	6,184	5,801	12,196	11,985	6,178	6,254	6,412	12,431	12,665
34	Puducherry	94	98	98	192	195	106	102	109	208	211
35	A&N Islands	39	38	38	77	77	33	33	37	66	70



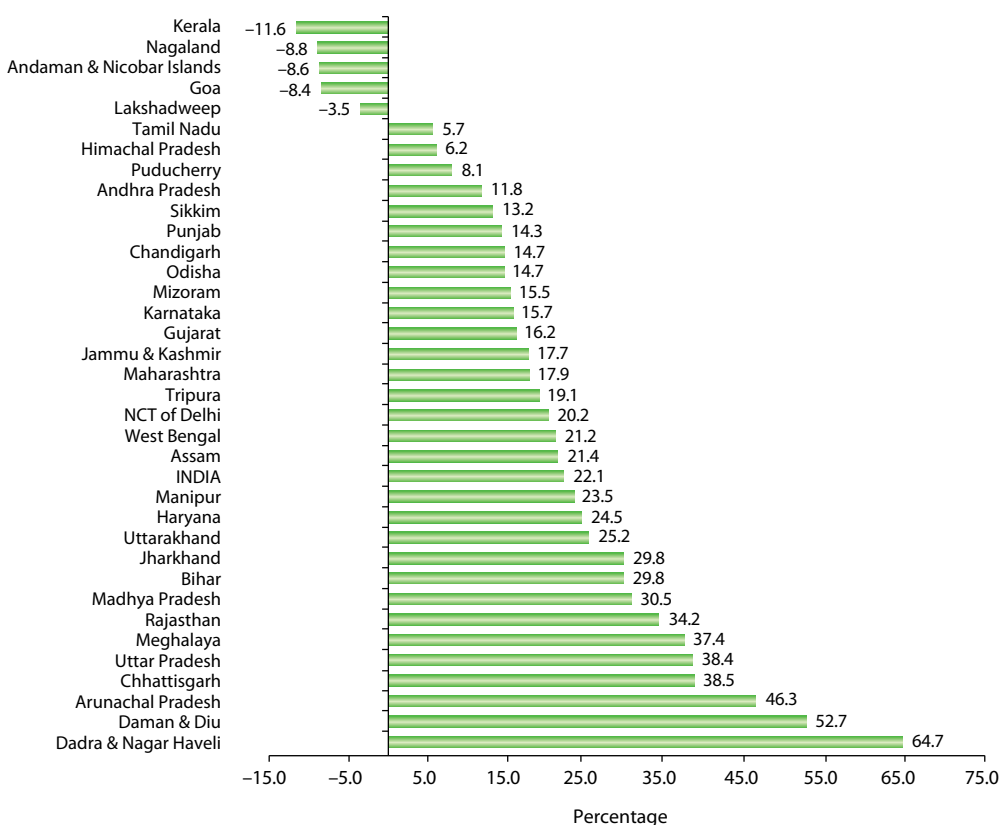
Percentage Decadal Growth Rate of Adolescent and Youth Population in India by States and Union Territories, 2001-2011

Sl. No.	India/States/UTs	Percentage decadal growth rate	
		Adolescent population	Youth population
	INDIA	12.5	22.1
1	Jammu & Kashmir	5.7	17.7
2	Himachal Pradesh	-3.9	6.2
3	Punjab	0.2	14.3
4	Chandigarh	6.9	14.7
5	Uttarakhand	12.2	25.2
6	Haryana	8.2	24.5
7	NCT of Delhi	10.9	20.2
8	Rajasthan	23.3	34.2
9	Uttar Pradesh	27.5	38.4
10	Bihar	28.2	29.8
11	Sikkim	-0.9	13.2
12	Arunachal Pradesh	32.3	46.3
13	Nagaland	-12.9	-8.8
14	Manipur	21.0	23.5
15	Mizoram	9.6	15.5
16	Tripura	-5.6	19.1
17	Meghalaya	24.6	37.4
18	Assam	10.4	21.4
19	West Bengal	6.1	21.2
20	Jharkhand	21.1	29.8
21	Odisha	6.2	14.7
22	Chhattisgarh	20.9	38.5
23	Madhya Pradesh	19.0	30.5
24	Gujarat	10.7	16.2
25	Daman & Diu	37.8	52.7
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	59.4	64.7
27	Maharashtra	2.2	17.9
28	Andhra Pradesh	-0.1	11.8
29	Karnataka	-0.3	15.7
30	Goa	-8.2	-8.4
31	Lakshadweep	-16.2	-3.5
32	Kerala	-9.0	-11.6
33	Tamil Nadu	1.9	5.7
34	Puducherry	8.3	8.1
35	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	-13.9	-8.6

Decadal Growth Rate of Adolescent Population in India by States and Union Territories, 2001-2011



Decadal Growth Rate of Youth Population in India by States and Union Territories, 2001-2011



Concepts and Definitions

Indian Census is the largest single source of a variety of statistical information on different characteristics of the people of India. With a history of more than 130 years, this reliable, time tested exercise has been bringing out a veritable wealth of statistics every 10 years, beginning from 1872 when the first census was conducted in India non-synchronously in different parts. The recently concluded Census 2011 is the fifteenth Census of the Country.

Population

Population refers to the total number of persons who were found to be residing in India at the Census Moment of 00:00 hours of Census Reference Day. For Census 2011 it was 00:00 hours of 1st March 2011.

Adolescents and Youth

The United Nations considers persons aged 10-19 years as adolescents and those between 15-24 years as youth for statistical purposes without prejudice to other definitions by Member States.[†] In the present Data Highlights on Adolescents and Youth, the population in the age group 10-19 years are referred as Adolescents and those in the age group 15-24 are termed as Youth. There is an overlapping age category (e.g. 15-19) while distinguishing Adolescent and Youth population.

Sex Ratio

Sex ratio is defined as the number of females per thousand males in a given population and is computed as:

$$\text{Sex ratio} = (\text{Number of females} \div \text{number of males}) \times 1000$$

Urban Areas

Urban areas comprised of two types of administrative units – (a) Statutory Towns and (b) Census Towns.

Statutory Towns: All Administrative Units that have been defined by statute as urban, like Municipal Corporation, Municipality, Cantonment Board, Notified Town Area Committee, Town Panchayat, Nagar Palika, etc. are known as Statutory Towns.

Census Towns: All Administrative Units satisfying the following three criteria simultaneously are treated as Census Towns –

- i. It should have minimum population of 5,000;
- ii. At least 75 per cent of the male main working population should have been engaged in non-agricultural pursuits; and
- iii. It should have a density of population of at least 400 persons per sq.km. (1000 per sq. mile)

Rural Area

Any administrative area that is not classified as Urban (Statutory/Census Town) is treated as rural area.

Literacy Rate

A person aged 7 and above who can both read and write with understanding in any language is considered as a literate.

Literacy Rate is defined as the percentage of literates to the total population of age 7 years and above and is computed as:

$$\text{Literacy rate} = (\text{Number of Literates} \div \text{Population age 7+}) \times 100$$

Worker

Work is defined as participation in any economically productive activity with or without compensation, wages or profit. Such participation may be physical and/or mental in nature. All persons engaged in work as defined above are workers.

Main Worker

Any person who had participated in any economically productive activity for 6 months or more during the last one year preceding the date of enumeration is defined as main worker.

Marginal Worker

A person who had participated in any economically productive activity for less than 6 months during the last one year preceding the date of enumeration is defined as marginal worker.

Work Participation Rate

Work Participation Rate is defined as the percentage of total workers (main and marginal) to the total population and is computed as:

$$\text{Work participation rate} = [\text{Total workers (Main + Marginal)} \div \text{Total population}] \times 100$$

[†] Report of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year (A/36/215 annex) and Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Adolescents, Youth and Development UN-DESA (ESA/P/WP/225)

Source: Special Tables on Adolescents and Youth, Census of India, 2001 and 2011; Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner, India

Note: The figures for India and Manipur for Census 2001 exclude the population of Mao Maram, Paomata and Purul sub-divisions of Senapati District of Manipur due to administrative reasons. The figures for India in Census 1991 and 1981 do not include population of Jammu & Kashmir and Assam respectively as Census could not be held.



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