# Profile of Adolescents and Youth in India 

## Gender Composition of Adolescent and Youth Population

Sex Ratio of Adolescent and Youth Population in Select Countries, 2000 and 2010

| SI. | Countries | Sex ratio among adolescent population |  | Sex ratio among youth population |  | Overall sex ratio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2000 | 2010 | 2000 | 2010 | 2000 | 2010 |
| 1 | China | 926 | 881 | 941 | 905 | 936 | 931 |
| 2 | India | 925 | 907 | 924 | 916 | 929 | 933 |
| 3 | United States of America | 948 | 952 | 949 | 954 | 1038 | 1034 |
| 4 | Indonesia | 971 | 954 | 976 | 989 | 1000 | 988 |
| 5 | Brazil | 971 | 967 | 986 | 976 | 1023 | 1031 |
| 6 | Pakistan | 944 | 940 | 944 | 953 | 937 | 947 |
| 7 | Nigeria | 958 | 953 | 959 | 953 | 975 | 967 |
| 8 | Bangladesh | 957 | 960 | 963 | 982 | 938 | 969 |
| 9 | Russian Federation | 965 | 959 | 974 | 970 | 1141 | 1164 |
| 10 | Japan | 953 | 953 | 954 | 952 | 1044 | 1053 |
|  | World | 952 | 939 | 959 | 948 | 985 | 984 |

Source: World Population Prospects, The 2012 Revision, United Nations, New York, 2013
Note: Top ten most populous countries




## INDIA




Adolescent and Youth Population in India by Sex and States and Union Territories, 2011

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sl. } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | India/States/UTs | Adolescent population |  | Youth population |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Males | Females | Males | Females |
|  | INDIA | 13,34,01,231 | 11,98,34,430 | 12,15,67,089 | 11,03,83,582 |
| 1 | Jammu \& Kashmir | 13,85,217 | 12,66,098 | 12,43,940 | 11,54,435 |
| 2 | Himachal Pradesh | 6,74,969 | 6,04,716 | 6,60,449 | 6,23,878 |
| 3 | Punjab | 30,15,710 | 23,85,375 | 30,35,711 | 25,58,608 |
| 4 | Chandigarh | 1,12,661 | 85,221 | 1,28,988 | 96,674 |
| 5 | Uttarakhand | 11,91,757 | 10,77,696 | 10,73,097 | 10,21,081 |
| 6 | Haryana | 29,61,684 | 23,84,384 | 28,60,347 | 23,84,529 |
| 7 | NCT of Delhi | 18,20,564 | 14,94,958 | 18,76,529 | 15,54,906 |
| 8 | Rajasthan | 83,20,570 | 73,73,965 | 72,67,357 | 64,73,154 |
| 9 | Uttar Pradesh | 2,59,86,727 | 2,29,23,534 | 2,17,13,058 | 1,89,05,970 |
| 10 | Bihar | 1,26,14,412 | 1,07,78,165 | 95,01,166 | 80,36,264 |
| 11 | Sikkim | 67,963 | 65,897 | 69,144 | 65,090 |
| 12 | Arunachal Pradesh | 1,69,112 | 1,66,215 | 1,44,706 | 1,42,958 |
| 13 | Nagaland | 2,47,231 | 2,31,062 | 2,21,763 | 2,12,222 |
| 14 | Manipur | 3,05,641 | 2,95,130 | 2,84,082 | 2,84,708 |
| 15 | Mizoram | 1,15,433 | 1,11,891 | 1,11,419 | 1,10,632 |
| 16 | Tripura | 3,64,137 | 3,51,382 | 3,64,915 | 3,66,091 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 3,58,189 | 3,50,605 | 3,03,856 | 3,07,344 |
| 18 | Assam | 33,84,870 | 31,75,438 | 30,11,069 | 29,66,917 |
| 19 | West Bengal | 93,79,831 | 88,34,723 | 91,24,955 | 86,91,398 |
| 20 | Jharkhand | 38,27,514 | 34,82,150 | 31,46,150 | 28,86,740 |
| 21 | Odisha | 41,76,219 | 40,97,804 | 38,43,623 | 38,65,302 |
| 22 | Chhattisgarh | 27,80,636 | 27,03,219 | 25,12,829 | 24,76,510 |
| 23 | Madhya Pradesh | 84,19,401 | 75,91,889 | 75,34,160 | 66,40,208 |
| 24 | Gujarat | 64,29,944 | 55,85,261 | 61,92,237 | 54,54,245 |
| 25 | Daman \& Diu | 27,539 | 16,096 | 46,164 | 18,734 |
| 26 | Dadra \& Nagar Haveli | 38,364 | 29,743 | 47,574 | 29,831 |
| 27 | Maharashtra | 1,13,72,661 | 99,89,141 | 1,15,55,514 | 1,01,62,719 |
| 28 | Andhra Pradesh | 84,05,191 | 78,90,151 | 82,52,004 | 79,73,837 |
| 29 | Karnataka | 59,97,335 | 55,66,588 | 61,51,634 | 57,28,201 |
| 30 | Goa | 1,17,492 | 1,07,372 | 1,30,691 | 1,13,929 |
| 31 | Lakshadweep | 5,662 | 5,960 | 5,879 | 5,574 |
| 32 | Kerala | 27,67,216 | 26,66,106 | 26,27,125 | 26,49,236 |
| 33 | Tamil Nadu | 64,18,828 | 60,12,511 | 63,84,642 | 62,80,693 |
| 34 | Puducherry | 1,06,167 | 1,01,875 | 1,03,518 | 1,07,617 |
| 35 | A\&N Islands | 34,384 | 32,109 | 36,794 | 33,347 |

Trends in Sex Ratio of Adolescent and Youth Population in India by States and Union Territories, 2001 and 2011

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sl. } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | India/States/UTs | Sex Ratio |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Adolescent population |  | Youth population |  |
|  |  | 2001 | 2011 | 2001 | 2011 |
|  | INDIA | 882 | 898 | 895 | 908 |
| 1 | Jammu \& Kashmir | 936 | 914 | 906 | 928 |
| 2 | Himachal Pradesh | 942 | 896 | 951 | 945 |
| 3 | Punjab | 847 | 791 | 848 | 843 |
| 4 | Chandigarh | 763 | 756 | 705 | 749 |
| 5 | Uttarakhand | 923 | 904 | 950 | 952 |
| 6 | Haryana | 824 | 805 | 796 | 834 |
| 7 | NCT of Delhi | 809 | 821 | 750 | 829 |
| 8 | Rajasthan | 863 | 886 | 876 | 891 |
| 9 | Uttar Pradesh | 830 | 882 | 840 | 871 |
| 10 | Bihar | 826 | 854 | 875 | 846 |
| 11 | Sikkim | 954 | 970 | 907 | 941 |
| 12 | Arunachal Pradesh | 944 | 983 | 926 | 988 |
| 13 | Nagaland | 910 | 935 | 903 | 957 |
| 14 | Manipur | 982 | 966 | 1,011 | 1,002 |
| 15 | Mizoram | 971 | 969 | 961 | 993 |
| 16 | Tripura | 951 | 965 | 983 | 1,003 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 972 | 979 | 1,011 | 1,011 |
| 18 | Assam | 926 | 938 | 950 | 985 |
| 19 | West Bengal | 911 | 942 | 924 | 952 |
| 20 | Jharkhand | 884 | 910 | 907 | 918 |
| 21 | Odisha | 981 | 981 | 1,000 | 1,006 |
| 22 | Chhattisgarh | 938 | 972 | 962 | 986 |
| 23 | Madhya Pradesh | 849 | 902 | 856 | 881 |
| 24 | Gujarat | 881 | 869 | 893 | 881 |
| 25 | Daman \& Diu | 715 | 584 | 480 | 406 |
| 26 | Dadra \& Nagar Haveli | 838 | 775 | 674 | 627 |
| 27 | Maharashtra | 865 | 878 | 835 | 879 |
| 28 | Andhra Pradesh | 928 | 939 | 953 | 966 |
| 29 | Karnataka | 924 | 928 | 908 | 931 |
| 30 | Goa | 941 | 914 | 899 | 872 |
| 31 | Lakshadweep | 930 | 1,053 | 987 | 948 |
| 32 | Kerala | 985 | 963 | 1,040 | 1,008 |
| 33 | Tamil Nadu | 960 | 937 | 995 | 984 |
| 34 | Puducherry | 971 | 960 | 1,005 | 1,040 |
| 35 | A\&N Islands | 896 | 934 | 838 | 906 |

## 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. ${ }^{\dagger}$ 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:

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\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:

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

[^0]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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[^0]:    ${ }^{+}$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)

