



Profile of
Adolescents and
Youth in India

Rural-Urban Distribution of
Adolescent and Youth Population



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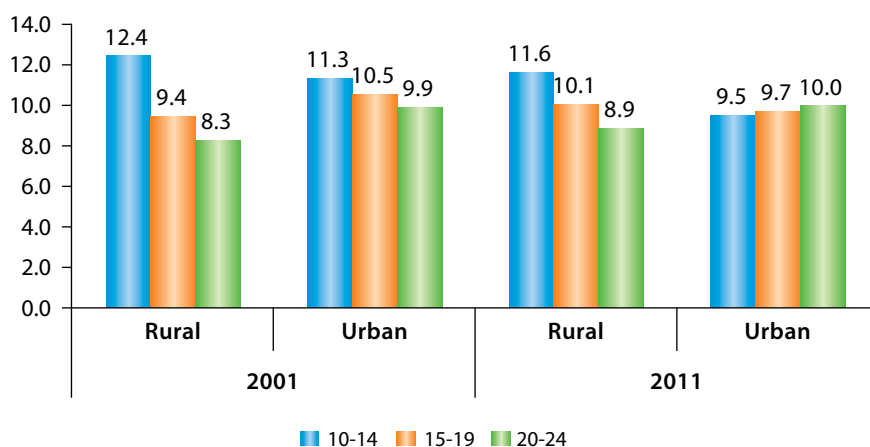


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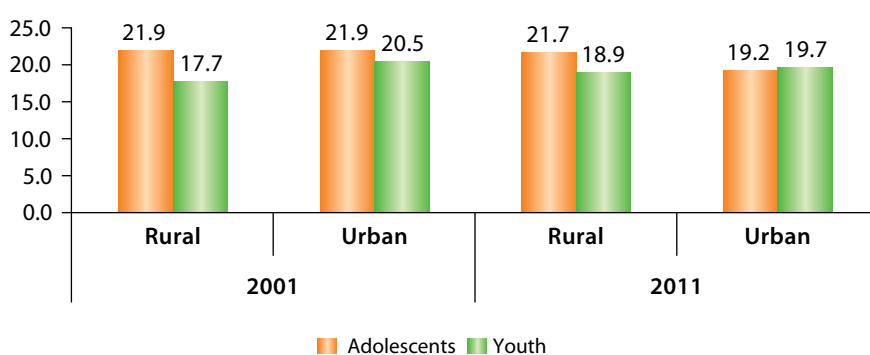
Adolescent and Youth Population in India by Residence, 2001 and 2011

Age categories/ adolescent and youth population	2001					2011				
	Total	Rural	Urban	% in Rural	% in Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	% in Rural	% in Urban
All Ages	1,02,86,10,328	74,24,90,639	28,61,19,689	-	-	1,21,08,54,977	83,37,48,852	37,71,06,125	-	-
10-14	12,48,46,858	9,23,82,322	3,24,64,536	12.4	11.3	13,27,09,212	9,68,04,494	3,59,04,718	11.6	9.5
15-19	10,02,15,890	7,00,61,823	3,01,54,067	9.4	10.5	12,05,26,449	8,39,02,472	3,66,23,977	10.1	9.7
20-24	8,97,64,132	6,13,98,904	2,83,65,228	8.3	9.9	11,14,24,222	7,38,35,046	3,75,89,176	8.9	10.0
Adolescent (10-19)	22,50,62,748	16,24,44,145	6,26,18,603	21.9	21.9	25,32,35,661	18,07,06,966	7,25,28,695	21.7	19.2
Youth (15-24)	18,99,80,022	13,14,60,727	5,85,19,295	17.7	20.5	23,19,50,671	15,77,37,518	7,42,13,153	18.9	19.7

**Percentage of Population in Three Age Categories in India
by Residence, 2001 and 2011**



**Percentage of Adolescent and Youth Population in India
by Residence, 2001 and 2011**



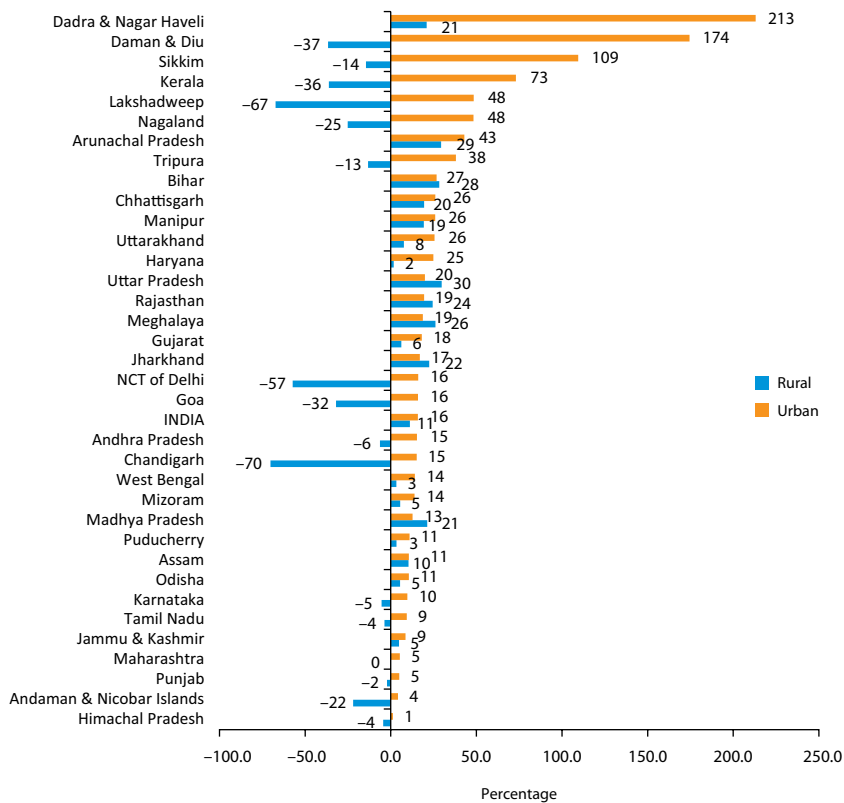
Size and Percentage of Adolescent and Youth Population ('000) in India by Residence and States and Union Territories, 2011

Sl.No.	India/States/UTs	Adolescent population				Youth population			
		Rural		Urban		Rural		Urban	
		Numbers	%	Numbers	%	Numbers	%	Numbers	%
	INDIA	1,80,707	21.7	72,529	19.2	1,57,738	18.9	74,213	19.7
1	Jammu & Kashmir	2,023	22.2	628	18.3	1,753	19.3	645	18.8
2	Himachal Pradesh	1,156	18.7	123	17.9	1,149	18.6	135	19.6
3	Punjab	3,483	20.1	1,918	18.4	3,521	20.3	2,073	19.9
4	Chandigarh	5	18.3	193	18.8	6	21.9	219	21.4
5	Uttarakhand	1,628	23.1	641	21.0	1,441	20.5	653	21.4
6	Haryana	3,613	21.9	1,733	19.6	3,459	20.9	1,786	20.2
7	NCT of Delhi	90	21.5	3,225	19.7	89	21.2	3,343	20.4
8	Rajasthan	12,034	23.4	3,660	21.5	10,180	19.8	3,561	20.9
9	Uttar Pradesh	38,553	24.8	10,357	23.3	30,768	19.8	9,851	22.1
10	Bihar	20,717	22.4	2,676	22.8	15,255	16.5	2,283	19.4
11	Sikkim	103	22.5	31	20.1	101	22.0	34	21.9
12	Arunachal Pradesh	256	24.0	79	25.0	214	20.1	74	23.2
13	Nagaland	343	24.4	135	23.7	302	21.4	132	23.2
14	Manipur	444	22.0	157	18.8	418	20.7	151	18.1
15	Mizoram	110	21.0	117	20.5	101	19.3	121	21.1
16	Tripura	558	20.6	158	16.4	556	20.5	175	18.2
17	Meghalaya	569	24.0	139	23.4	472	19.9	139	23.4
18	Assam	5,764	21.5	796	18.1	5,142	19.2	836	19.0
19	West Bengal	13,120	21.1	5,095	17.5	12,485	20.1	5,331	18.3
20	Jharkhand	5,597	22.3	1,713	21.6	4,412	17.6	1,621	20.4
21	Odisha	6,946	19.9	1,328	19.0	6,319	18.1	1,390	19.8
22	Chhattisgarh	4,288	21.9	1,196	20.1	3,772	19.2	1,217	20.5
23	Madhya Pradesh	11,841	22.5	4,171	20.8	10,038	19.1	4,136	20.6
24	Gujarat	7,194	20.7	4,821	18.7	6,536	18.8	5,111	19.9
25	Daman & Diu	13	21.5	31	16.8	14	22.6	51	28.0
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	41	22.6	27	16.7	41	22.4	36	22.7
27	Maharashtra	12,236	19.9	9,126	18.0	11,745	19.1	9,974	19.6
28	Andhra Pradesh	10,899	19.3	5,396	19.1	10,597	18.8	5,628	19.9
29	Karnataka	7,321	19.5	4,243	18.0	7,208	19.2	4,672	19.8
30	Goa	84	15.2	141	15.5	90	16.3	155	17.1
31	Lakshadweep	3	17.9	9	18.1	2	17.2	9	17.9
32	Kerala	2,865	16.4	2,568	16.1	2,752	15.8	2,524	15.8
33	Tamil Nadu	6,698	18.0	5,733	16.4	6,688	18.0	5,977	17.1
34	Puducherry	69	17.6	139	16.3	70	17.8	141	16.5
35	A&N Islands	42	17.5	25	17.4	43	18.1	27	19.0

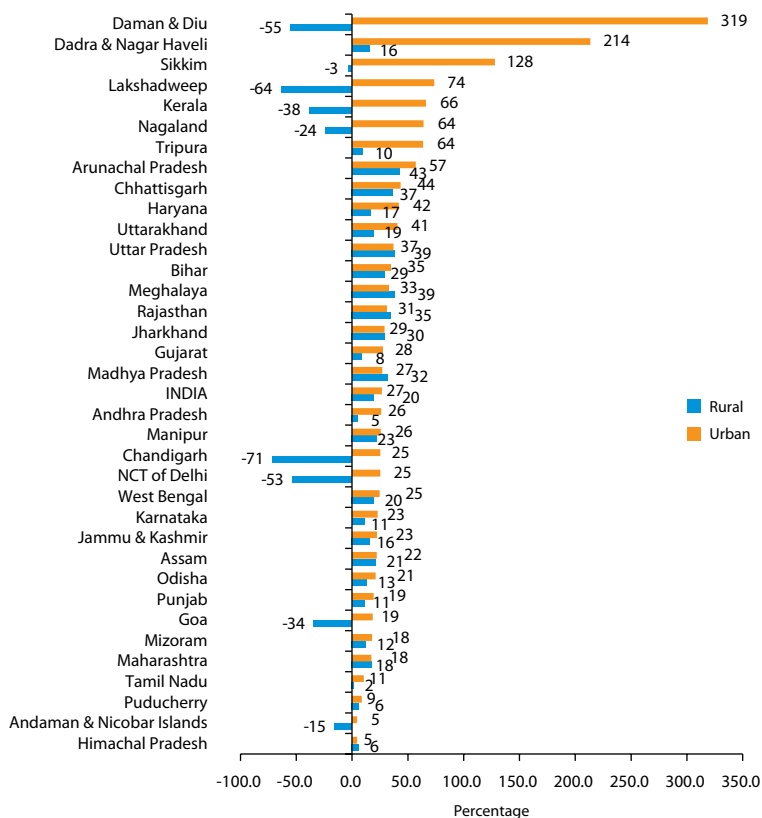
Percentage Decadal Growth Rate of Adolescent and Youth Population in India by States and Union Territories, 2001-2011

Sl.No.	India/States/UTs	Percentage decadal growth of adolescent population		Percentage decadal growth of youth population	
		Rural	Urban	Rural	Urban
	INDIA	11.2	15.8	19.9	26.8
1	Jammu & Kashmir	4.9	8.6	16.1	22.6
2	Himachal Pradesh	-4.4	1.3	6.4	4.6
3	Punjab	-2.2	5.0	11.4	19.5
4	Chandigarh	-70.2	15.1	-71.1	25.5
5	Uttarakhand	7.6	25.5	19.2	40.9
6	Haryana	1.7	24.9	17.0	42.0
7	NCT of Delhi	-57.3	16.0	-53.3	25.4
8	Rajasthan	24.5	19.5	35.2	31.5
9	Uttar Pradesh	29.7	20.0	38.7	37.4
10	Bihar	28.3	26.8	29.0	35.0
11	Sikkim	-14.5	109.4	-3.1	128.1
12	Arunachal Pradesh	29.4	43.0	42.9	57.3
13	Nagaland	-25.1	48.3	-23.7	64.3
14	Manipur	19.3	26.0	22.7	25.9
15	Mizoram	5.5	13.9	12.4	18.1
16	Tripura	-13.3	38.0	9.7	63.8
17	Meghalaya	26.1	18.8	38.6	33.3
18	Assam	10.4	10.6	21.2	22.3
19	West Bengal	3.3	14.1	19.7	24.8
20	Jharkhand	22.4	17.0	29.9	29.4
21	Odisha	5.5	10.5	13.3	21.2
22	Chhattisgarh	19.5	26.0	36.9	43.7
23	Madhya Pradesh	21.3	12.7	31.9	27.3
24	Gujarat	6.2	18.1	8.5	27.8
25	Daman & Diu	-36.6	174.4	-54.8	319.0
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	21.0	213.1	15.7	213.8
27	Maharashtra	0.0	5.3	18.1	17.6
28	Andhra Pradesh	-6.3	15.3	5.3	26.3
29	Karnataka	-5.4	9.7	11.4	23.0
30	Goa	-32.0	15.9	-34.3	18.7
31	Lakshadweep	-67.3	48.4	-63.6	73.8
32	Kerala	-36.2	73.1	-38.2	66.4
33	Tamil Nadu	-3.7	9.4	1.6	10.6
34	Puducherry	3.3	11.0	6.3	9.0
35	A&N Islands	-22.0	4.2	-15.4	4.7

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



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



Percentage of Adolescent and Youth Population in India by Gender, Residence and States and Union Territories, 2001 and 2011

Sl. No.	India/States/UTs	2001								2011							
		Rural				Urban				Rural				Urban			
		Adolescents (10-19)		Youth (15-24)		Adolescents (10-19)		Youth (15-24)		Adolescents (10-19)		Youth (15-24)		Adolescents (10-19)		Youth (15-24)	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	INDIA	22.6	21.1	18.0	17.3	22.1	21.7	20.8	20.0	22.2	21.1	19.3	18.5	19.6	18.8	19.9	19.5
1	Jammu & Kashmir	24.9	25.7	19.7	19.9	22.0	24.2	20.6	21.3	22.0	22.4	18.9	19.7	17.8	18.8	18.4	19.2
2	Himachal Pradesh	22.4	21.7	19.8	19.6	20.2	20.8	22.4	20.7	19.5	17.9	18.8	18.4	18.5	17.2	20.1	19.0
3	Punjab	22.5	21.7	19.9	19.4	22.5	21.7	21.4	20.5	21.3	18.8	20.8	19.7	19.5	17.3	20.6	19.2
4	Chandigarh	19.7	18.8	26.1	20.2	20.8	20.5	22.4	20.7	18.7	17.7	23.6	19.6	19.4	18.0	22.2	20.4
5	Uttarakhand	24.6	23.3	19.0	19.3	23.5	23.3	22.0	20.4	23.9	22.4	20.4	20.5	21.6	20.3	21.8	20.9
6	Haryana	24.2	23.0	20.5	18.7	23.0	22.3	21.0	20.0	22.7	21.0	21.5	20.4	20.6	18.5	20.7	19.7
7	NCT of Delhi	22.7	21.9	21.1	18.9	21.7	21.4	21.5	19.7	22.3	20.7	21.5	20.8	20.2	19.1	20.9	19.9
8	Rajasthan	23.1	21.5	17.8	17.0	23.5	22.8	21.0	19.9	23.9	22.8	20.2	19.3	22.0	20.9	21.1	20.7
9	Uttar Pradesh	23.6	21.5	17.4	16.3	25.3	24.7	21.5	20.0	25.3	24.3	20.3	19.3	23.5	23.0	22.5	21.7
10	Bihar	22.9	20.4	16.2	15.6	24.8	23.7	20.4	18.4	23.3	21.5	17.2	15.8	23.0	22.5	19.9	18.9
11	Sikkim	24.1	26.1	21.2	22.1	23.3	26.3	24.5	24.7	21.6	23.5	21.5	22.6	19.2	21.1	21.1	22.8
12	Arunachal Pradesh	22.4	23.1	16.9	17.5	22.8	26.2	20.0	21.2	23.8	24.2	19.8	20.4	23.3	26.8	21.9	24.7
13	Nagaland	27.9	27.7	24.1	23.9	25.4	28.0	22.8	24.4	24.5	24.2	21.3	21.6	23.1	24.3	22.5	23.9
14	Manipur	23.3	23.5	21.0	21.8	21.7	21.5	20.5	21.1	22.1	21.8	20.5	20.9	19.1	18.6	18.0	18.2
15	Mizoram	23.1	23.7	19.9	20.3	22.7	23.9	22.8	23.6	21.1	20.9	19.1	19.5	20.5	20.4	21.0	21.3
16	Tripura	24.3	24.2	18.8	19.4	20.5	21.3	18.9	20.3	20.5	20.6	20.0	21.0	16.4	16.4	17.9	18.6
17	Meghalaya	24.4	24.1	18.0	18.5	25.2	26.4	22.3	23.8	24.2	23.8	19.6	20.2	23.3	23.5	23.3	23.5
18	Assam	22.7	22.2	18.2	18.4	20.2	21.8	19.4	20.4	21.8	21.2	18.9	19.4	18.1	18.1	18.6	19.5
19	West Bengal	22.5	21.5	18.2	17.9	19.7	20.2	19.0	19.1	21.2	21.0	20.2	20.0	17.5	17.5	18.1	18.6
20	Jharkhand	22.7	20.9	16.4	16.0	24.4	24.4	21.5	20.3	22.9	21.7	18.0	17.2	21.6	21.6	20.4	20.5
21	Odisha	21.0	21.1	17.5	18.2	21.5	22.1	20.9	20.7	19.8	19.9	17.8	18.3	18.9	19.0	19.7	20.0
22	Chhattisgarh	22.2	20.9	16.7	16.4	22.8	22.6	20.6	19.9	22.1	21.6	19.3	19.1	20.3	20.0	20.4	20.6
23	Madhya Pradesh	23.0	20.9	17.7	16.5	23.6	22.7	21.0	19.6	22.8	22.2	19.7	18.5	21.2	20.3	20.9	20.3
24	Gujarat	21.8	20.8	19.1	18.9	21.9	21.1	21.7	20.5	21.2	20.3	19.1	18.6	19.4	17.9	20.4	19.2
25	Daman & Diu	20.0	20.8	35.2	21.3	19.8	19.1	22.0	20.6	21.8	21.1	24.3	20.7	17.4	15.7	32.5	19.9
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	19.9	20.4	22.5	18.9	16.7	17.3	24.9	20.2	22.7	22.4	24.3	20.2	16.8	16.5	24.9	19.5
27	Maharashtra	23.0	20.9	18.8	16.8	21.3	20.8	21.4	19.7	20.6	19.1	19.7	18.4	18.3	17.6	20.0	19.3
28	Andhra Pradesh	21.8	20.2	18.5	17.8	22.5	22.5	21.3	21.5	20.0	18.6	19.4	18.2	19.3	18.9	19.5	20.4
29	Karnataka	22.8	21.5	19.3	17.8	21.6	21.5	21.4	20.8	20.2	18.9	20.0	18.5	18.1	17.9	19.7	19.9
30	Goa	18.4	18.0	20.7	19.7	18.3	17.9	20.3	18.6	15.7	14.7	16.9	15.6	16.0	15.0	18.1	16.0
31	Lakshadweep	22.9	23.1	19.4	20.2	23.3	22.0	18.9	19.7	15.7	20.3	16.6	17.7	17.5	18.7	18.1	17.8
32	Kerala	19.8	18.4	19.1	18.7	18.6	17.3	18.5	18.2	17.4	15.5	16.4	15.2	17.2	15.2	16.4	15.3
33	Tamil Nadu	20.3	19.5	18.9	18.7	19.2	19.0	19.4	20.0	18.7	17.3	18.3	17.6	16.8	16.1	17.0	17.3
34	Puducherry	20.9	20.3	20.4	20.2	19.6	19.0	19.8	20.1	18.1	17.0	17.7	17.8	17.0	15.6	16.5	16.5
35	A&N Islands	21.7	22.8	21.1	21.2	19.8	21.5	22.8	21.9	16.9	18.2	17.7	18.6	17.0	17.8	18.9	19.0

Sex Ratio among Adolescent and Youth Population in India by Residence and States and Union Territories, 2001 and 2011

Sl. No.	India/States/UTs	2001				2011			
		Rural		Urban		Rural		Urban	
		Adolescent (10-19)	Youth (15-24)	Adolescent (10-19)	Youth (15-24)	Adolescent (10-19)	Youth (15-24)	Adolescent (10-19)	Youth (15-24)
	INDIA	881	909	885	865	901	907	892	910
1	Jammu & Kashmir	946	927	903	849	922	947	888	877
2	Himachal Pradesh	956	981	816	732	908	962	791	805
3	Punjab	862	867	820	814	800	861	775	813
4	Chandigarh	594	481	783	738	653	573	759	755
5	Uttarakhand	954	1,022	837	785	935	1,003	831	847
6	Haryana	826	792	819	805	815	836	785	830
7	NCT of Delhi	783	726	811	752	791	822	822	829
8	Rajasthan	863	889	862	841	891	889	872	896
9	Uttar Pradesh	822	849	856	816	885	874	873	861
10	Bihar	825	888	830	784	852	845	874	850
11	Sikkim	956	917	938	838	960	926	1,003	990
12	Arunachal Pradesh	944	945	944	869	971	981	1,023	1,007
13	Nagaland	909	906	913	889	927	954	954	964
14	Manipur	976	1,001	1,000	1,041	954	988	998	1,042
15	Mizoram	949	941	995	978	941	973	996	1,010
16	Tripura	943	973	996	1,031	962	1,000	974	1,013
17	Meghalaya	958	1,000	1,029	1,046	971	1,012	1,011	1,011
18	Assam	923	956	945	915	937	984	949	994
19	West Bengal	910	935	915	899	941	944	945	972
20	Jharkhand	889	940	869	823	910	919	910	915
21	Odisha	992	1,024	923	888	990	1,018	935	949
22	Chhattisgarh	942	983	924	898	981	991	941	969
23	Madhya Pradesh	845	865	861	837	910	878	880	888
24	Gujarat	902	934	848	834	908	925	813	827
25	Daman & Diu	609	354	950	923	838	735	497	338
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	871	715	718	561	852	717	669	536
27	Maharashtra	874	862	853	804	883	886	872	872
28	Andhra Pradesh	913	944	966	974	926	933	965	1,032
29	Karnataka	919	904	935	915	915	905	952	973
30	Goa	967	940	914	858	941	924	898	843
31	Lakshadweep	969	997	883	974	1,230	1,014	1,008	931
32	Kerala	984	1,039	987	1,046	964	999	963	1,019
33	Tamil Nadu	952	981	971	1,011	919	953	958	1,019
34	Puducherry	964	977	974	1,020	961	1,035	959	1,042
35	A&N Islands	901	868	884	782	946	924	914	879

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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