

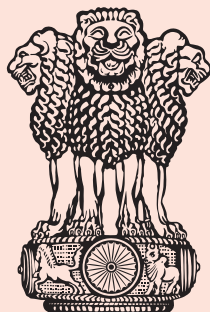


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The emotional, social and physical development of children has a direct impact on the overall development of the country. Understanding the status of children is thus of immense importance. In the Indian context, this assumes special significance as children (0-14 years) comprise around one third of the total population of the country.

Survival and Health; Childcare and Nutrition; Development and Education; Protection; Participation are some of the areas which are critical in evaluating the status of children. To ensure that India's children develop well, adequate investment in early childhood development is essential. Every child has a basic right to be born in a safe and non-discriminatory environment and to grow through her formative years of life in a healthy and dignified way. Unfortunately, our adverse sex ratio at birth, child mortality rates and the child sex ratio reflect the ensuing challenges. Reducing the level of malnutrition and micronutrient deficiency and increasing enrolment and retention rates in school, as well as achievement and completion rates are focus areas in child development. Safeguarding children from violence, exploitation and abuse is extremely crucial.

In an endeavour to provide suitable statistics for informed decision making, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has been bringing out various statistical publications on issues of concern. The present publication, '*Children in India 2018 – A Statistical Appraisal*' is the third such report on the state of children in India. It presents consolidated and updated statistics on the status of children in India and should serve as a useful reference tool to appraise the progress on various fronts.

I congratulate the Social Statistics Division of CSO, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation for bringing out this report. I hope this report will be beneficial to policy makers and other stakeholders

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PREFACE

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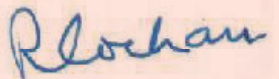
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The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation attaches considerable importance to the coverage and quality aspects of statistics released in the country. The statistics released are based on administrative sources, surveys and censuses conducted by the Central and State Governments and are in tune with the demand of time. Statistics on various aspects of childhood, analyzed and presented at one place, is of immense use for policy makers, administrators, social activists and various other stakeholders. In view of this, the Social Statistics Division of Central Statistics office has been bringing out a statistical publication on children in India based on the official statistics on various related sectors. The Ministry had earlier brought out statistical publications on the subject in the years 2008 and in 2012.

The present publication 'Children in India 2018 – A Statistical Appraisal', presents and analyses the statistics on the conditions of children on broad indicators such as child survival, child development and child protection, etc. covering demographic particulars such as status of child nutrition, health and education, children at work and in situations of crime, etc. The publication also provides useful information on Constitutional and legal provisions for children and important child oriented policies and programmes.

I wish to place on record my appreciation for the valuable services rendered by the team of officers of the Social Statistics Division of the Central Statistics Office in bringing out this Report.

I sincerely hope that the publication 'Children in India 2018 – A Statistical Appraisal' would be of immense help to all stakeholders. I solicit valuable feedback from users of this report, which will, in turn, help us in further improving the utility of the publication.


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HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ As per Census 2011, India, with a population of 121.1 Cr, has 16.45 Cr children in the age group 0-6 years and 37.24 Cr in the age group 0-14 years which constitute 13.59% and 30.76% of the total population respectively.
- ❖ 48% of the child population in the age group 0-14 years is female.
- ❖ 74% of the children (0-6 years) live in rural areas whereas the rural population constitute 69% of the total population of India.
- ❖ At all India level, the sex ratio in the age groups 0-6 years and 0-14 years are 918 and 916 respectively whereas it is 943 for all ages and also is not favourable to females in any of the States/UTs.
- ❖ The Sex Ratio for children aged 0-6 years is at 970 in Meghalaya and Mizoram and is relatively better as compared to lowest in Haryana at 834.
- ❖ As per Civil Registration System , Sex Ratio at Birth denoting the number of female live births to 1000 male live births has been reported as 881 in 2015 at all India level.
- ❖ Registration of births at 88.3% in 2015 at all India level with 15 States achieving cent percent registration is commendable.
- ❖ As per Sample Registration System (SRS) - 2016, Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) at all India level is 34 to 1000 live births. The IMR for female has been reported at 36 against 33 for male.
- ❖ There has been substantial reduction in the IMR at all India level from 46 in 2011 to 34 in 2016. Among the bigger States/UTs, IMR varies widely from 10 in Kerala to 47 in Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ Under-five Mortality Rate (U5MR) estimated at 39 for 2016 at all India level varies significantly in rural (43) and urban areas. Among the bigger States/UTs, U5MR varies from 11 in Kerala to 55 in Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ NFHS-4 (2015-16) shows that at all India level, 38% of children under age five years are stunted (too short height for their age) which is an improvement from 48% in 2005-06. It is higher among children in rural areas (41%) than that of urban areas (31%).
- ❖ Five states with higher prevalence of stunting in children under age five are Bihar (48%), Uttar Pradesh (46%), Jharkhand (45%), and Meghalaya (44%), whereas it is lowest in Kerala and Goa (20% in each).

- ❖ At all India level, 21% of children under age five years are wasted (too thin for their height). It varies in the range of 6% in Mizoram to 29% in Jharkhand.
- ❖ At all India level, 36% of children under age five years are underweight which varies in the range of 12% in Mizoram to 48% in Jharkhand.
- ❖ As per the NFHS- 4(2015-16), 18% of infants had a low birth weight of less than 2.5 kg.
- ❖ At all India level, 28% of children had mild anaemia, 29% had moderate anaemia, and 2% had severe anaemia in 2015-16.
- ❖ The prevalence of anaemia among children in age group 6-59 months is highest among children in Haryana (72%) and lowest in Mizoram(19%).
- ❖ At all India level, 79% of live births in the five years before the survey were delivered in a health facility.
- ❖ Almost all births in Puducherry, Kerala, Lakshadweep, and Tamil Nadu were delivered in a health facility.
- ❖ In the five years before the survey, 81% live births were delivered by a skilled health provider, majority were attended by doctors (56%), followed by ANMs, nurses, midwives, LHV's (25%), and dais (traditional birth attendant) (11%). The proportion of births assisted by a skilled health provider has increased from 47% in 2005-06 to 81% in 2015-16.
- ❖ At all India level, 90%of Births in urban areas were delivered by a skilled health provider whereas the corresponding figure for rural areas is 78%.
- ❖ At all India level, 79% of women in age group 15-49 years who had a live birth in the five years before the survey (NFHS 4) received antenatal care from a skilled provider at least once for their last birth.
- ❖ At all India level, only 27% of newborns had a first postnatal check within the first 2 days after birth.
- ❖ Regarding the awareness on HIV/ AIDS, at all India level, 62% of women know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted during pregnancy, 58% know that it can be transmitted during delivery, and 55% know that it can be transmitted by breastfeeding.
- ❖ At all India level, 62% of children age 12-23 months received all basic vaccinations at any time before the NFHS -4, and 54% received all basic vaccinations by age 12 months.
- ❖ The percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received all basic vaccinations increased from 44% in 2005-06 to 62% in 2015-16.

- ❖ The coverage of all basic vaccinations is highest in Puducherry, Punjab, Lakshadweep, and Goa (88%-91%) and lowest in Nagaland (35%) and Arunachal Pradesh (38%).
- ❖ During the year 2016, Sample Registration system reported Fertility Rate in the age group 15-19 years as 10.7, with rural fertility rate (12.3) in the same age group being almost double the rate in urban (6.7).
- ❖ Literacy rate among children (7-18 years) stands at 88.3% and the gender gap observed for this age group is 3% in 2011.
- ❖ As per census 2011, the highest literacy rate among the age group 7-19 years is in Kerala (97.9%) and the lowest in Arunachal Pradesh (78.8%).
- ❖ The UDISE 2015-16 enrolment data reveals that the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) at Primary level is 99.2% whereas at Upper Primary, Secondary and Senior Secondary levels, it is 92.8%, 80.0% and 56.2% respectively.
- ❖ The number of working children in the age group of 5-14 years was 1.27 crore in 2001 which was 5% of total children in the age group 5-14 years whereas in 2011, the child workers (1.01 Cr) constituted 4% of the age group 5-14 years.
- ❖ NCRB data reveals that rate of crime against children (below 18 years of age) has increased to 24 per lakh children in 2016 from 21.1 in 2015.
- ❖ Kidnapping and Abduction of children are the highest registered category of crime against children in 2016.
- ❖ Under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (POCSO) crimes reported areas high as 34.4% of total crime against children.
- ❖ 35,849 cases of juveniles in conflict with the law have been registered in the year 2016, showing an increase of 7.2 per cent over the 33,433 cases of 2015.
- ❖ The Census 2011 showed that, in India, 20.42 lakhs children aged 0-6 years are disabled which constitute 1.24% of all 0-6 years age group children.
- ❖ As per Census 2011, the number of disabled children in the age group 10-19 years is 46.2 lakhs.

INTRODUCTION

India is home to the largest child population in the world. The Constitution of India guarantees Fundamental Rights to all children in the country and empowers the State to make special provisions for children. The Directive Principles of State Policy specifically guide the State in securing the tender age of children from abuse and ensuring that children are given opportunities and facilities to develop in a healthy manner in conditions of freedom and dignity. The State is responsible for ensuring that childhood is protected from exploitation and moral and material abandonment.

The National Policy for Children, 2013 was adopted to affirm the Government's commitment to the rights based approach in addressing the continuing and emerging challenges in the situation of children.

The National Policy for Children, 2013

Recognises that:

- a child is any person below the age of eighteen years
- childhood is an integral part of life with a value of its own
- children are not a homogenous group and their different needs need different responses, especially the multi-dimensional vulnerabilities experienced by children in different circumstances
- a long term, sustainable, multi-sectoral, integrated and inclusive approach is necessary for the overall and harmonious development and protection of children

Reaffirms that:

- every child is unique and a supremely important national asset
- special measures and affirmative action are required to diminish or eliminate conditions that cause discrimination
- all children have the right to grow in a family environment, in an atmosphere of happiness, love and understanding
- Families are to be supported by a strong social safety net in caring for and nurturing their children.

Guiding Principles of the National Policy for children

- (i) Every child has universal, inalienable and indivisible human rights
- (ii) The rights of children are interrelated and interdependent, and each one of them is Equally important and fundamental to the well-being and dignity of the child

- (iii) Every child has the right to life, survival, development, education, protection and participation
- (iv) Right to life, survival and development goes beyond the physical existence of the child and also encompasses the right to identity and nationality
- (v) Mental, emotional, cognitive, social and cultural development of the child is to be addressed in totality
- (vi) All children have equal rights and no child shall be discriminated against on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth, class, language, and disability, social, economic or any other status
- (vii) The best interest of the child is a primary concern in all decisions and actions affecting the child, whether taken by legislative bodies, courts of law, administrative authorities, public, private, social, religious or cultural institutions
- (viii) Family or family environment is most conducive for the all-round development of children and they are not to be separated from their parents, except where such separation is necessary in their best interest
- (ix) Every child has the right to a dignified life, free from exploitation
- (x) Safety and security of all children is integral to their well-being and children are to be protected from all forms of harm, abuse, neglect, violence, maltreatment and exploitation in all settings including care institutions, schools, hospitals, crèches, families and communities
- (xi) Children are capable of forming views and must be provided a conducive environment and the opportunity to express their views in any way they are able to communicate, in matters affecting them
- (xii) Children's views are to be heard in all matters affecting them, in particular judicial and administrative proceedings and interactions, and their views given due consideration in accordance with their age, maturity and evolving capacities.

The issues of child survival, health & nutrition, education and protection are being cared by many Government agencies and thus data on indicators related to children are being collected and compiled by more than one agency for different reference time-periods. Though the comprehensive results of these surveys are readily available once the results are released, the availability of consolidated results at one place is required for a holistic view to facilitative targeted policy and programme initiatives. This publication on children in India is an attempt to present important statistical revelations related to status of children in India in various sectors based on official data sources like administrative statistics, census and surveys. The main data sources used for preparation of this publication are Office of Registrar General of India, M/o Health and Family Welfare, M/o Human Resource Development, National Sample Survey Office, National Crime Records Bureau etc.

This publication has attempted to cover various aspects of child life, starting from the survival in the world, mortality during their first few weeks/months, vaccination against various diseases, practises for improving nutritional status of infants etc. More focus has been given to the health of the children in the tender age-group 0-6 years. The issues relating to mothers health which have significant impact on children's health have also been discussed in the publication. Education plays a very vital role in the development of children. The chapter on education captures data on many education indicators like enrolment rates, drop-out rates, etc. Children are a vulnerable group who are prone to various social, economic and environmental hazards. Data on various types of crimes committed against children, children with disabilities of one or more type, street children, orphan children, and children who have committed some crime are discussed in the chapter on child protection.

The constitution and legal provisions which address to the needs and the welfare of the children have been collated and presented in the form of Annexure. The Government of India has been implementing policies and programmes to improve the health care, education status and protection of children in the country. Time to time interventions in the form of children specific schemes of the Government have also been included in the Publication. The Sustainable Development Goals and the targets related to children have also been listed in the annexure to give a fair idea about the importance given to children and also how the policy makers may plan adequate policies for the welfare of children to achieve the goals and targets in stipulated time frame. The statistical tables related to various indicators and all other relevant data have also been included in the Appendix.

Chapter 1:

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India is the second most populous nation in the world. The study of the demographic profile of its child population is important to understand the population dynamics of this group, which has vital role to play in shaping the future of the Country. Ensuring the healthy growth and development of children ought to be a prime concern of all societies. The early years of a child's life are very important for his or her health and development. Healthy development means that children of all abilities, including those with special health care needs, are able to grow up, fulfilling their social, emotional and educational needs. New-borns and children are vulnerable to malnutrition and infectious diseases, many of which can be effectively prevented or treated.

1.1 Child Population

As per Census 2011, India, with a population of 121.1 Cr, has 13.59% (16.45 Cr) of its population in the age group 0-6 years and 30.76% (37.24 Cr) in the age group 0-14 years.

Table 1.1.1 : Total Population and child population in India- census 2011

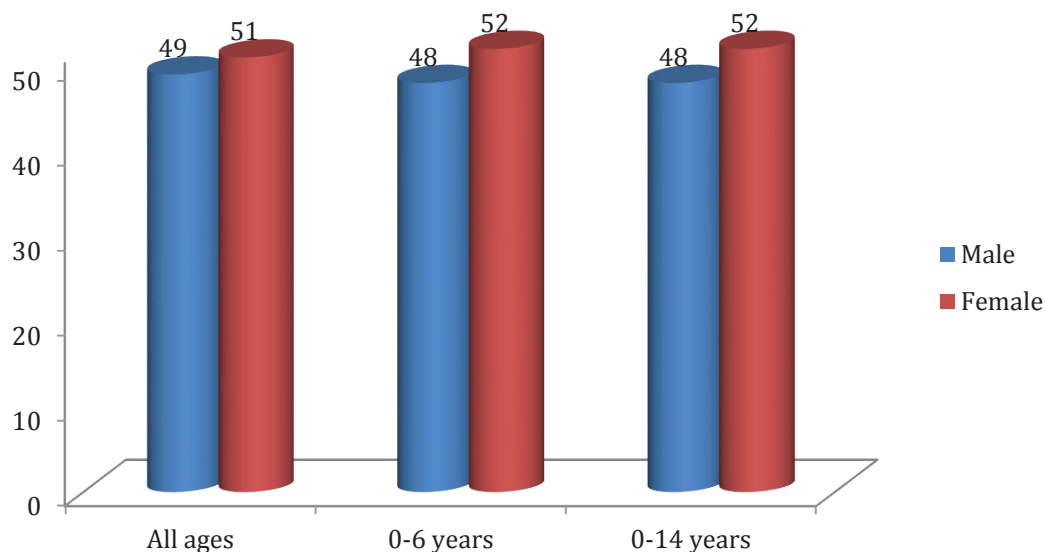
(In Crore)

| | Total | | | Rural | | | Urban | | |
|------------------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|
| | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females |
| Total population | 121.09 | 62.33 | 58.76 | 83.37 | 42.78 | 40.60 | 37.71 | 19.55 | 18.16 |
| 0-6 years | 16.45 | 8.58 | 7.88 | 12.13 | 6.31 | 5.82 | 4.32 | 2.27 | 2.05 |
| 0-14 years | 37.24 | 19.44 | 17.81 | 27.36 | 14.23 | 13.12 | 9.88 | 5.20 | 4.68 |

Source: Office of Registrar General of India

The Census 2011 revealed that, the gender wise composition of the child population is nearly the same as that of the total population. 48% of the child population (both 0-6 years and 0-14 years) is female which is slightly lower than the overall proportion of females in the country.

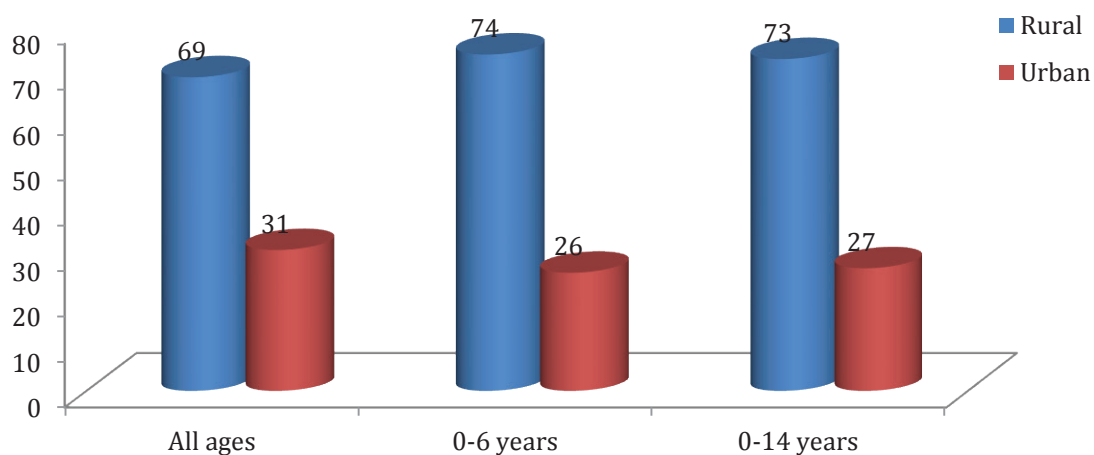
Fig 1.1.1 : Population distribution by sex, India, Census 2011



Source: Office of Registrar General of India

While 69% of the total population of India resides in rural areas, 74% of the children (0-6 years) live in rural areas.

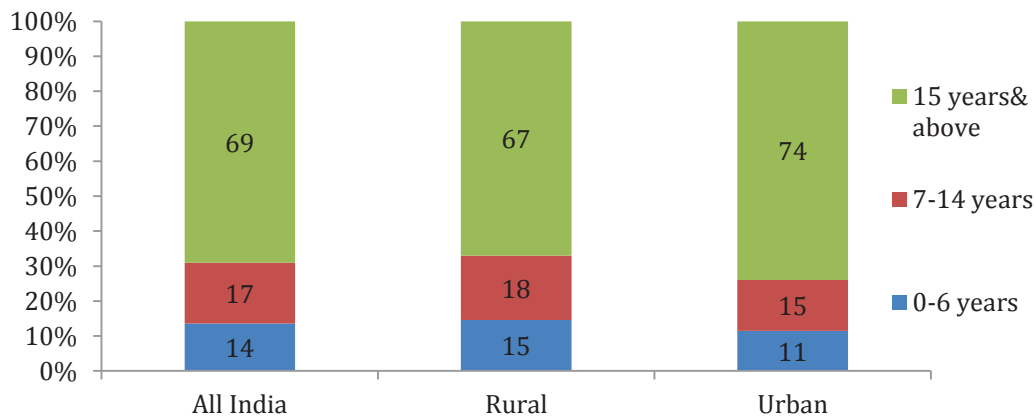
Fig 1.1.2 : Population distribution of various age-groups by place of residence, India, Census 2011



Source: Office of Registrar General of India

In rural India, 33% of its population belonged to the age group 0-14 years whereas in urban areas, 26% of the total population is in age group 0-14 years.

Fig 1.1.3 : Share of child population in total population by residence, India, Census 2011

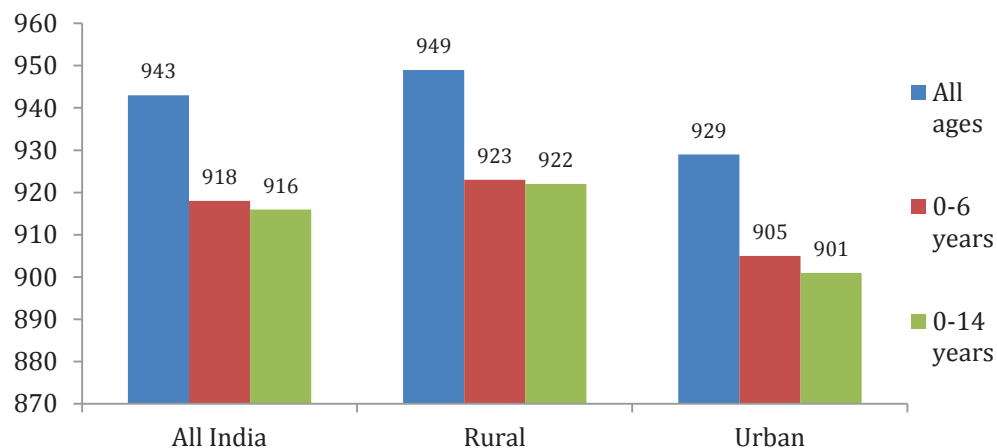


Source: Office of Registrar General of India

1.2 Child Sex Ratio (CSR)

The 'Sex Ratio', being the number of females per 1000 males, is an important demographic indicator. The Census 2011 data reveal that the child sex ratio is lower than overall sex ratio for all India as well as for rural and urban areas. At all India level, the sex ratio in the age group 0 -6 years is 918 and the same in 0-14 years age group is 916 whereas all age sex ratio is 943. The sex ratio in rural areas is better as compared to urban areas both for all ages and children.

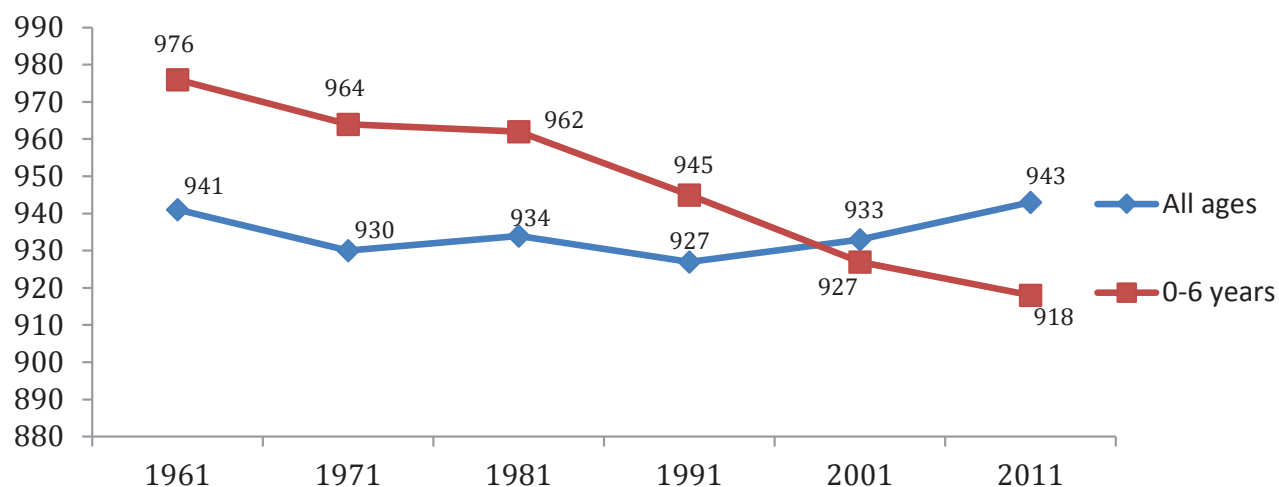
Fig 1.2.1 : Sex Ratio : Census 2011



Source: Office of Registrar General of India

An improvement has been observed in the sex ratio of population of all ages during 1961 to 2011, but the child sex ratio has ever been declining throughout the period with 1% decline over the last decade.

Fig 1.2.2 : Trend in Sex Ratio - All ages and Children (0-6 years) -India



Source: Office of Registrar General of India

During 1991-2011, child sex ratio declined in both rural and urban India. The decline in child sex ratio of 0-6 years age group during 1991-2011 in rural areas is by 25 points and in urban India, the same has dropped by 30 points. However, the gap in rural-urban child sex ratio has been reduced from 27 points in 2001 to 18 points in 2011.

Table 1.2.1 :Child (0-6 years) Sex Ratio: 1991-2011 – India

| Census year | Total | Rural | Urban |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1991 | 945 | 948 | 935 |
| 2001 | 927 | 933 | 906 |
| 2011 | 918 | 923 | 905 |

Source: Census, India, Office of Registrar General of India

As per Census 2011, the child sex ratio has been observed to vary significantly among States/UTs. The States/UTs with significantly low child sex ratio (<900) are Haryana (834), Punjab (846), Jammu & Kashmir (862), Delhi (871), Chandigarh (880), Rajasthan (888), Maharashtra (894), Uttarakhand (890), Gujarat (890). Though, the overall sex ratio is favourable to females in the State of Kerala (1084) and UT of Puducherry (1038); there are no such states where child sex ratio is favourable to girls. The States/

Table 1.2.2 : Number of Districts by ranges of Child Sex Ratio - India, Census 2001 & 2011

| Ranges of CSR | Census Year | |
|---------------|-------------|------|
| | 2001 | 2011 |
| Total | 640* | 640 |
| <800 | 18 | 6 |
| 800-849 | 36 | 52 |
| 850-899 | 71 | 135 |
| 900-949 | 224 | 266 |
| 950-999 | 279 | 178 |
| 1000+ | 12 | 3 |

*O/o RGI generated 2001 results for the 640 districts of Census 2011.

As per National Family Health Survey Reports, while overall child sex ratio has declined by 2 points during 2005-06 to 2015-16, an improvement of 2 points is observed in rural areas for this period, and a decline of 9 points were observed in urban areas.

Table 1.2.3 : Child (0-6 years) Sex Ratio as per NFHS

| Year | Total | Rural | Urban |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| NFHS 3 (2005-06) | 918 | 921 | 908 |
| NFHS 4 (2015-16) | 916 | 923 | 899 |

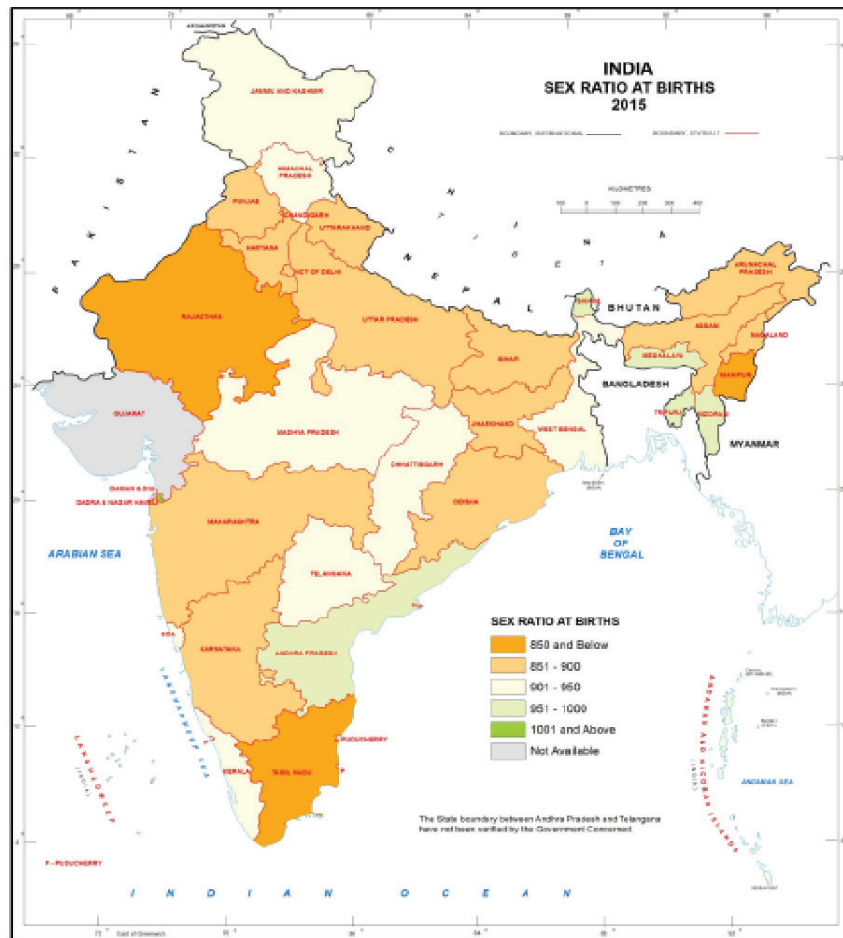
Source: National Family Health Survey

1.3 Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB)

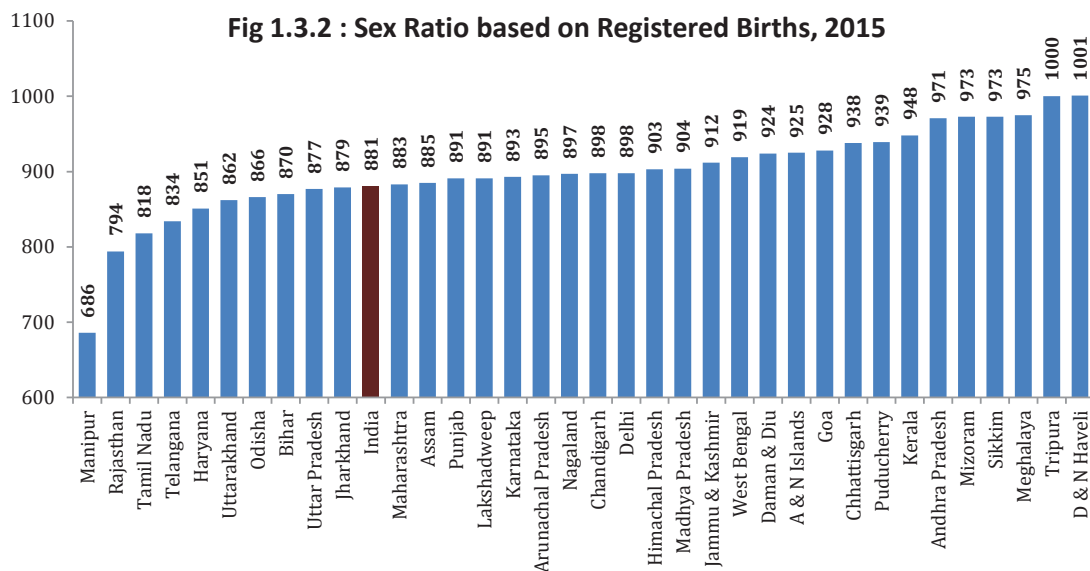
The Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) is an important indicator to analyse the sex differential of the population at the beginning of their life. SRB denotes the number of female live births to 1000 male live births.

As per the report of the Civil Registration System, the sex ratio at birth for the year 2015 is 881 showing a decline from 2014 which was at 887. Among the States/UTs, the highest SRB has been reported in Dadar & Nagar Haveli (1001), followed by Tripura (1000), Meghalaya (975) and Sikkim and Mizoram both with 973. The lowest SRB has been reported in Manipur (686) followed Rajasthan (794), Tamil Nadu (818) and Haryana (851).

Fig 1.3.1 : State-wise Sex Ratio at Birth -2015



Source: Civil Registration System Report 2015, Office of Registrar General of India



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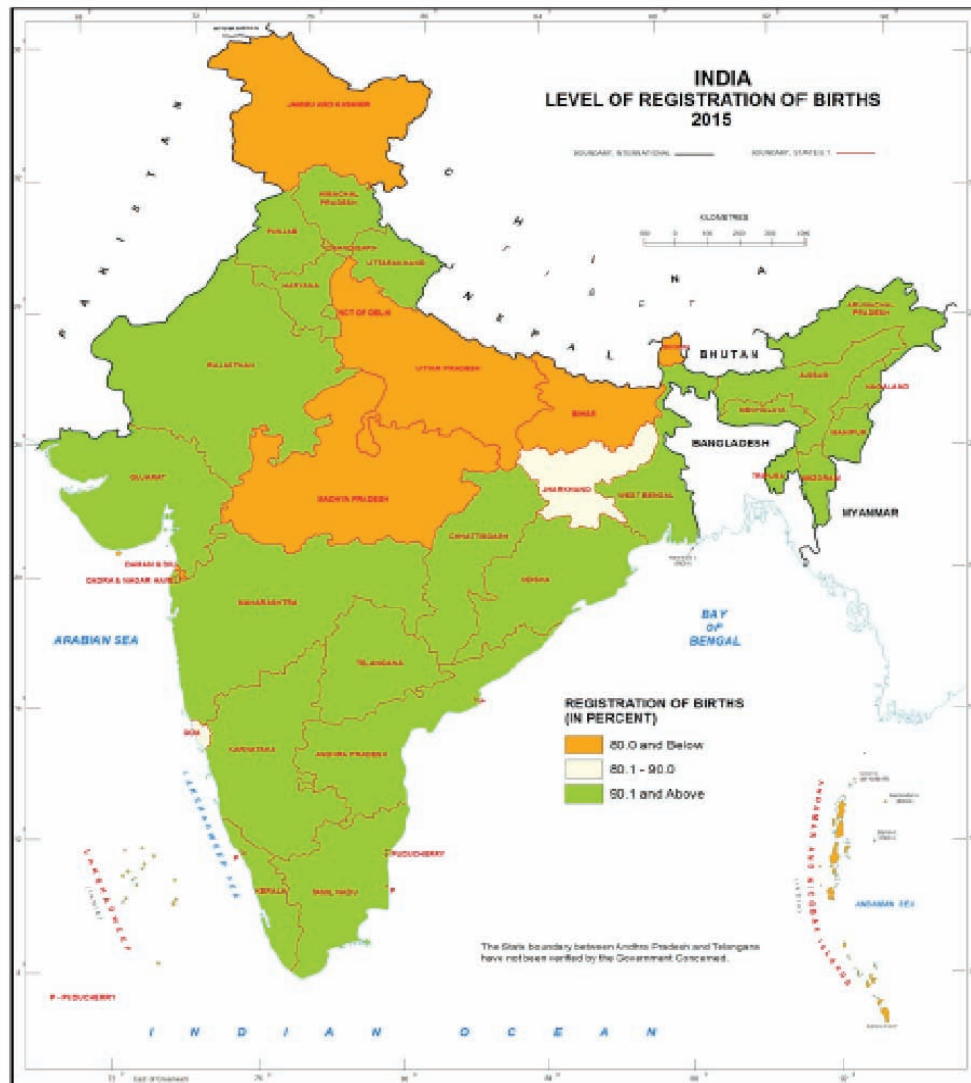
The SRS 2016 reported that during 2014-16, the sex ratio at birth at all India level is 898 (Rural: 902, Urban: 888) against 906 (Rural: 907, Urban: 905) during 2012-14. Among the bigger States, the sex ratio at birth varies from 959 in Kerala, 948 in Orissa to 837 in West Bengal, 832 in Haryana. In rural area, Kerala has the best SRB at 972 females born against 1000 male child; Haryana having lowest sex ratio at birth at 835. Among the urban area, Madhya Pradesh has recorded the highest sex ratio at birth as compared to other major States during 2014-16 and Gujarat having the lowest sex ratio at birth (820).

1.4 Birth Registration coverage

Registration of birth is a right of every child and is the first step towards establishing her/his legal identity. Civil Registration System (CRS) in India is the unified process of continuous, permanent, compulsory and universal recording of the vital events (births, deaths, still births) and characteristics thereof. The Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969 (Act No. 18 of 1969) provides for the compulsory registration of births and deaths. Civil Registration records are the best source of Vital Statistics. For the individual, records emanating from CRS provide her/his legal identity and access to the rights of a citizen including entitlements (social benefits provided by the Government).

Births are registered only at the place of occurrence. For births occurring in the house, head of the household is responsible to report the same to the Registrar of Births of the concerned area. It is the responsibility of the officer in-charge or any person authorised by her/him to report the births and deaths that occur in hospitals, nursing homes, health centres etc. to the Registrar of Births and Deaths of the concerned area.

Fig 1.4.1 : State-wise Level of Registration of Births -2015

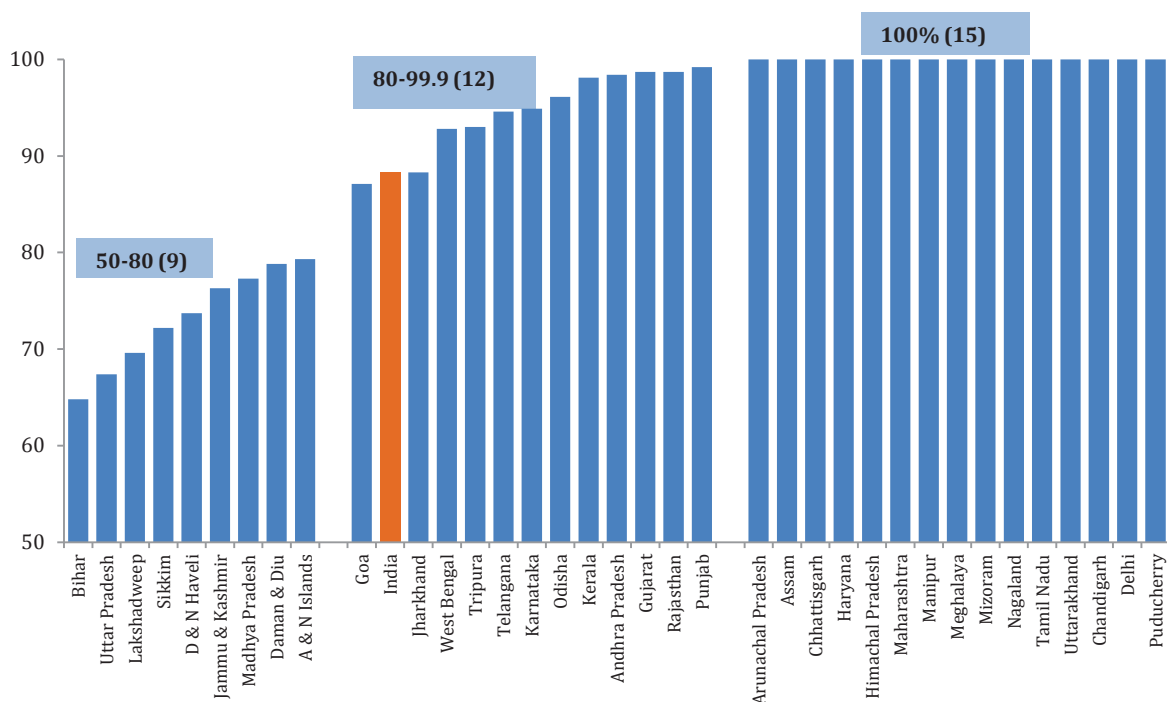


Source: Civil Registration System Report 2015, Office of Registrar General of India

The number of registered births has reached to 23.1 million in 2015 as compared to 23.0 million in 2014. There has been a gradual improvement in birth registration as the share of registered births to total estimated births is increasing year by year. As per CRS 2015, 50.2% male births and 44.3% of female births got registered in India.

The level of registration of births has increased to 88.3% in 2015 from 69.0% in 2006 i.e. in last 10 years an increase of about 19.3%. 15 States/UTs have achieved the cent per cent level of registration of births. 15 out of the remaining 20 major States have crossed 90% level of registration of births.

Fig 1.4.2 : Level of Registration of Births of States/UTs, 2015



Source: Civil Registration System Report 2015, Office of Registrar General of India

1.5 Mortality among Children

The status of mortality related indicators for children in India reflects the extent of threats to the health of the children. India still has high child mortality rate. The problem has caught attention of policy makers and researchers for several decades and focussed initiatives are leading to declining mortality rates.

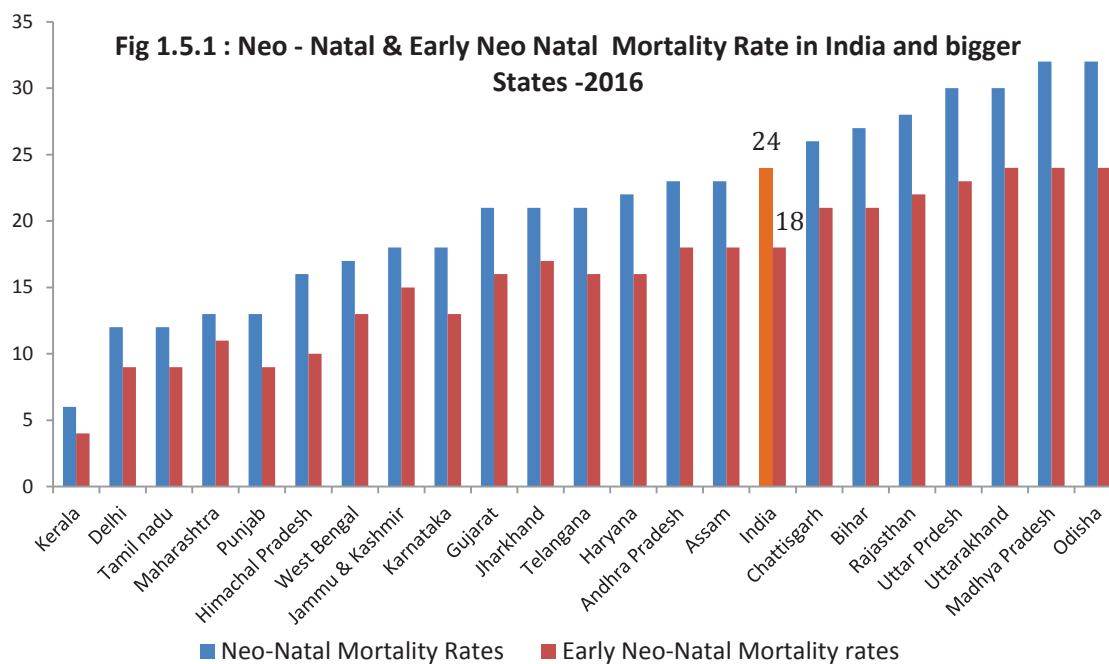
1.5.1 Peri-natal Mortality Rate and Still Birth Rate

Peri-natal Mortality Rate (PMR) is defined as the number of still births and infant deaths of less than 7 days per one thousand Live Births (LB) and Still Births (SB) taken together during the year. At the National level, SRS data estimates peri-natal mortality rate to be 23 and ranges from 26 in rural areas to 14 in urban areas. Among the bigger States/UTs, for PMR, Kerala (10) and Odisha (37) are the two extremes. The Still Birth Rate (SBR) is estimated as the ratio of the number of still births per one thousand live births and still births during the year. The estimate of Still Birth Rate for the year 2016, at the National level is 4. Among the bigger States/UTs, the highest level of still birth rate has been estimated for Himachal Pradesh (24) and the lowest for Jharkhand (0).

1.5.2 Neo-natal Mortality Rate

The Neo-natal Mortality rate is defined as the number of infant deaths less than 29 days of life per thousand live births. As per SRS 2016 report, the neo-natal mortality rate of the country is 24 and ranges from 14 in urban areas to 27 in rural areas in 2016. Among the bigger States/UTs, neo-natal mortality ranges from 32 in Odisha and Madhya Pradesh to 6 in Kerala. The percentage of neo-natal deaths to total infant deaths is 68.8 percent at the National level and varies from 60.4 percent in urban areas to 70.7 percent in rural areas. Among the bigger States/UTs, Uttarakhand (79.1) registered the highest percentage of neo-natal deaths to infant deaths and the lowest is in Assam (53.4).

Early neo-natal mortality rate i.e. number of infant deaths less than seven days of life per thousand live births forms an important component of infant mortality rate and more specifically of the neo-natal mortality rate. At the National level, the early neo-natal mortality rate for the year 2016 has been estimated at 18 and ranges from 21 in rural areas to 11 in urban areas. Among the bigger States/UTs, the early neo-natal mortality rate is lower in Kerala (4) and highest in Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Uttarakhand (24). The percentage of early neo-natal deaths to the total infant deaths during the year 2016, at the National level, has been 53.2 and it varies from 54.8 in rural areas to 45.8 in urban areas. Among the bigger States/UTs the percentage of early neo-natal deaths for total infant deaths, varies from 40.5 in Kerala to 62.9 in Uttarakhand.



Source: Sample Registration System Report 2016, Office of Registrar General of India

1.5.3 Infant deaths

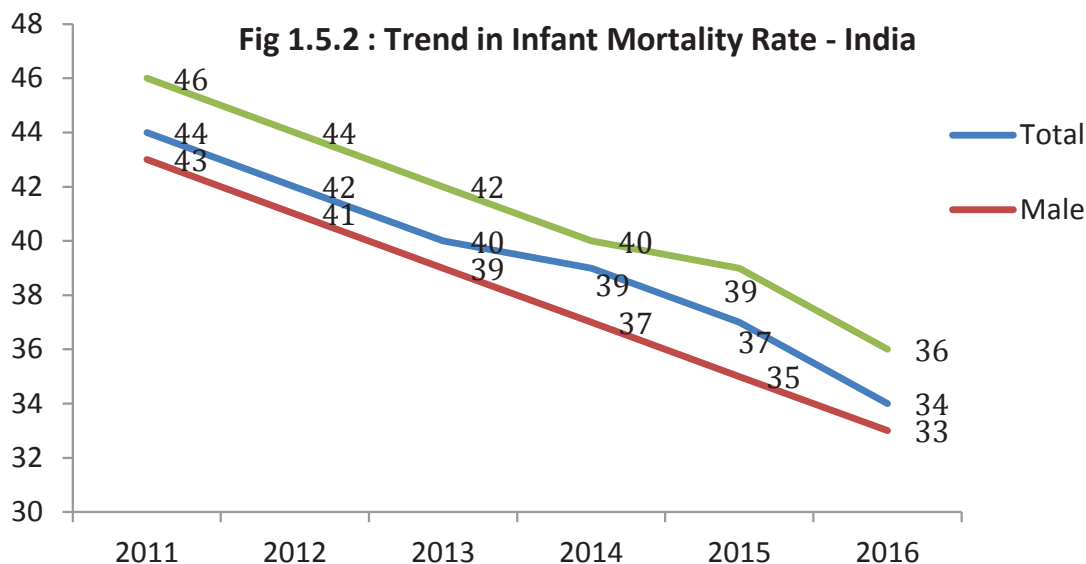
The infant deaths (death of a child less than one year old) get registered by place of occurrence (Rural /Urban) of the event. It may be observed that as per CRS 2015 data, the share of rural area is only 28.8% while that of urban area is 64.2% in total registered infant deaths during the year. Non-registration of infant deaths in rural area is a cause of concern which may be due to non-reporting of infant deaths to domiciliary events. The share of female infant deaths in total female deaths is 3.1% while the same for male is at 2.8%.

At the National level, the percentage share of infant deaths to total deaths in the year 2015 is 2.9 percent as compared to 3.1 in 2014 and varies from 1.6 percent in rural areas to 4.5 in urban areas.

1.5.4 Infant Mortality Rate

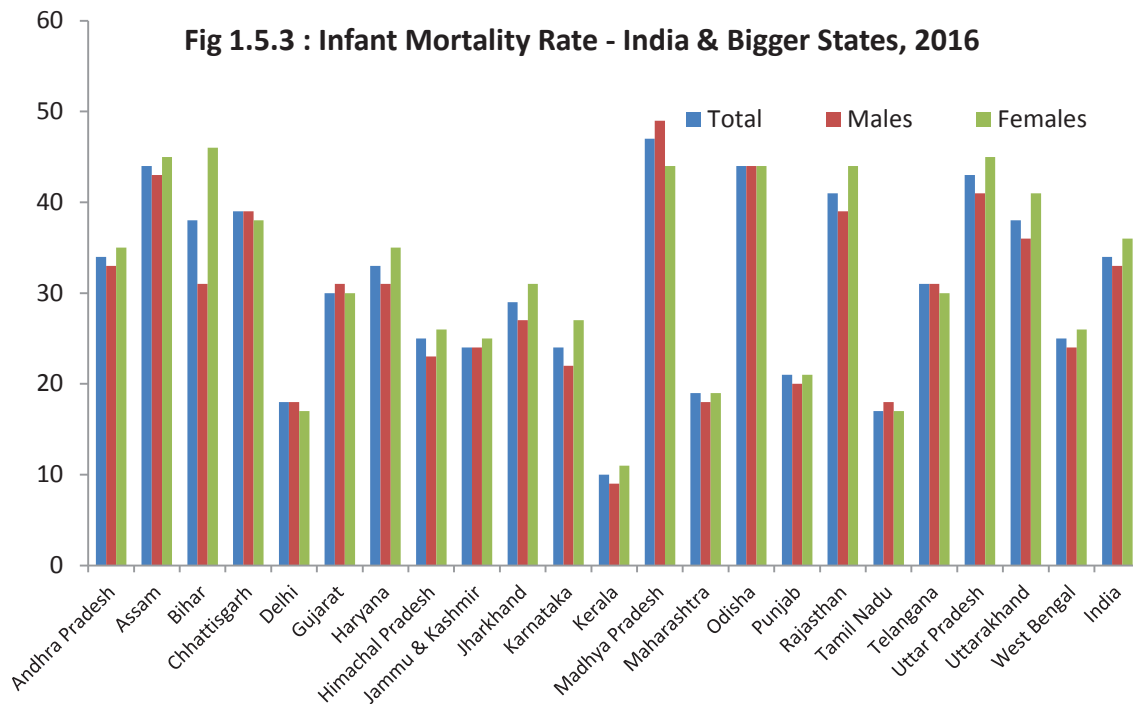
Infant Mortality Rate is defined as the infant deaths (less than one year) per thousand live births. SRS 2016 reported, at the National level, IMR is 34 and varies from 38 in rural areas to 23 in urban areas. Among the major States/UTs, IMR varies from 10 in Kerala to 47 in Madhya Pradesh in 2016.

The trend in IMR at all India level (2011-16) showed that, female infants usually experience a higher mortality than male infants and in 2016, IMR for females is 36 vis-à-vis 33 for males at all India level.



Source: Sample Registration System Report 2016, Office of Registrar General of India

The gender wise differential in the IMR is most prominent in Bihar where IMR for Rural female is 47 as compared to 31 for rural male. In urban area, Haryana females have higher IMR than their male counterpart. Assam, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh have been observed to have much higher IMR in rural area as compared to urban areas. Among the major States/UTs, IMR varies from 10 in Kerala to 47 in Madhya Pradesh in 2016.



Source: Sample Registration System Report 2016, Office of Registrar General of India

As per the National Family Health Survey (NFHS-4), IMR has been reported as 40.7 during 2015-16 with highest reported for the state of Uttar Pradesh (63.5) and lowest for Kerala as (5.6).

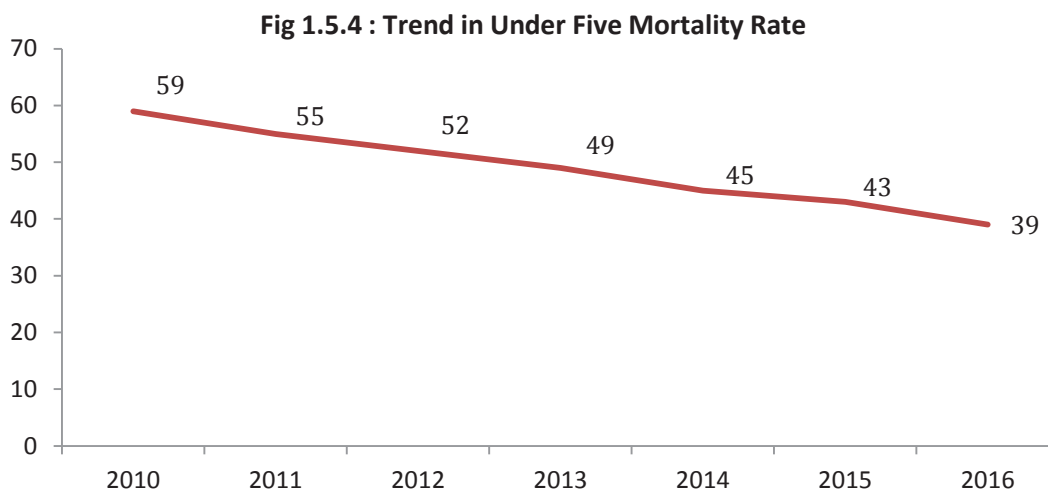
1.5.5 Child Mortality Rate

The SRS 2016 revealed that at the National level, child mortality rate (death rate for children aged 0-4 years) is estimated at 9.4 and it varies from 10.7 in rural areas to 6.0 in urban areas. Among the bigger States/UTs, this varies from 2.3 in Kerala to 14.2 in Madhya Pradesh. Higher death rates have been observed among female children as compared to male children in all States except in Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

1.5.6 Under-five Mortality Rate (U5MR)

At the National level, Under-five Mortality Rate (probability of dying between birth and the fifth birthday) is estimated at 39 and it varies from 43 in rural areas to 25 in urban areas in the year 2016 as

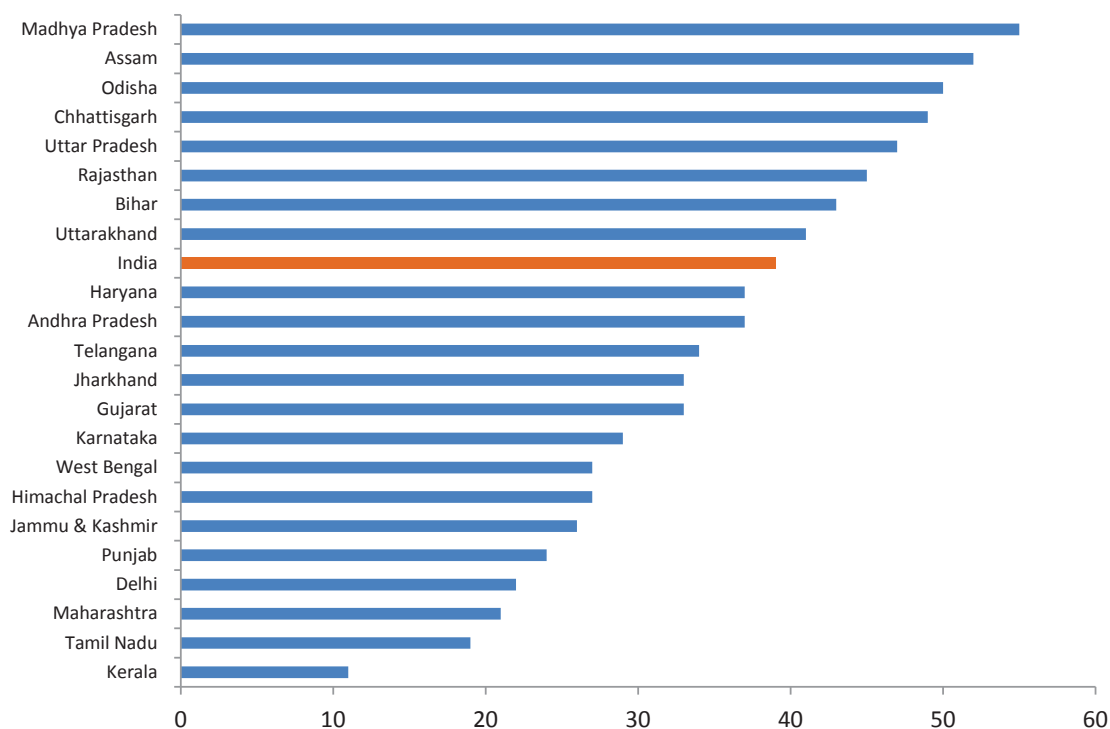
per Sample Registration System. Among the bigger States/UTs, it varies from 11 in Kerala to 55 in Madhya Pradesh.



Source: Sample Registration System Report 2016, Office of Registrar General of India

The SRS 2016 reported that at all India level, U5MR among females is at 41 vis-a-vis 37 for males. All the bigger States/UTs have higher Under-five Mortality Rates for female than that of male except Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. The gap in female – male U5MR is highest in Bihar (16 points).

Fig 1.5.5 : Under 5 Mortality rate, India & the bigger states, 2016



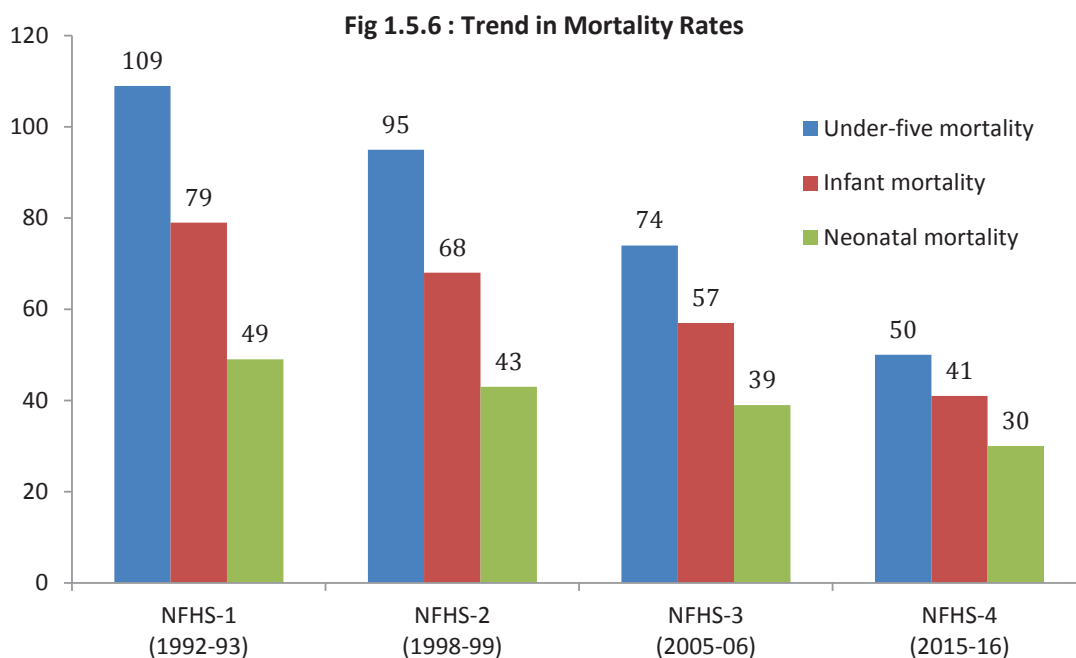
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1.5.7 Death Rate in 5-14 years age group

In 2016, SRS revealed that at the National level, the death rate for age group 5-14 years is estimated at 0.6. Rural-urban differentials exist with the urban areas registering lower death rates as compared to that in rural areas in majority of the States. Among the bigger States/UTs, the lowest death rate in this age group is registered in Kerala (0.2) and the highest in Jharkhand (1.4).

1.5.8 Trends in Infant and Child Mortality as reflected in NFHS-4

The NFHS-4 (2015-16) estimated that for the five-year period before the 2015-16, at all India level the neonatal mortality rate was 30 deaths per 1,000 live births. This means that one in 33 live births died during the neonatal period. The infant mortality rate was 41 deaths per 1,000 live births and the under-five mortality rate was 50 deaths per 1,000 live births. This indicates that one in 20 children in India die before their fifth birthday. More than four-fifths (82%) of these deaths occur during infancy.



Source: National Family Health Survey

The neonatal mortality rate declined from 49 deaths per 1,000 live births in the five years before the NFHS 1 (1992-93) to 30 deaths per 1,000 live births in the five years before the NFHS 4(2015-16). During the same period, the infant mortality rate declined from 79 deaths per 1,000 live births to 41 deaths per 1,000 live births and the under-five mortality rate declined from 109 deaths per 1,000 live births to 50 deaths per 1,000 live births. The decline in the under-five mortality rate (54%) is slightly higher than the decline in the infant mortality rate (48%) during 1992-93 to 2015-16.

Conclusion:

Vital statistics are conventional numerical records of births, sickness, deaths and marriages, which help the policy makers to assess the health and growth of a community. The analysis of demographical study of children is particularly important as it is an indication of the future composition of the population which has impact on various sectors like employment, health etc. Further, it throws light on the need for targeted policy and programme interventions.

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The health sector has a special role to play given its unique reach to families and caregivers during the first 1000 days starting from conception which is a most critical time period for brain development. Multi-sectoral interventions are essential for improved health, nutrition, education, social welfare and child protection of all the children in the country. Good nutrition is essential for survival, physical growth, mental development, performance, productivity, health and well-being across the entire life-span: from the earliest stages of foetal development, at birth, and through infancy, childhood, adolescence and on into adulthood. Breastfeeding and complementary feeding are a critical aspect of caring for infants and young children.

Under-nutrition affects the human life and it is particularly harmful in early age groups i.e. childhood. Adequate and appropriate food is essential to promote and maintain tissue growth, and to regulate body processes. Therefore, food supply with necessary nutrients in sufficient amount is necessary to meet the requirements for children's body.

There is a growing recognition that protecting, promoting and supporting children in their early years is essential for the transformation that the world seeks to achieve in the next 15 years guided by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

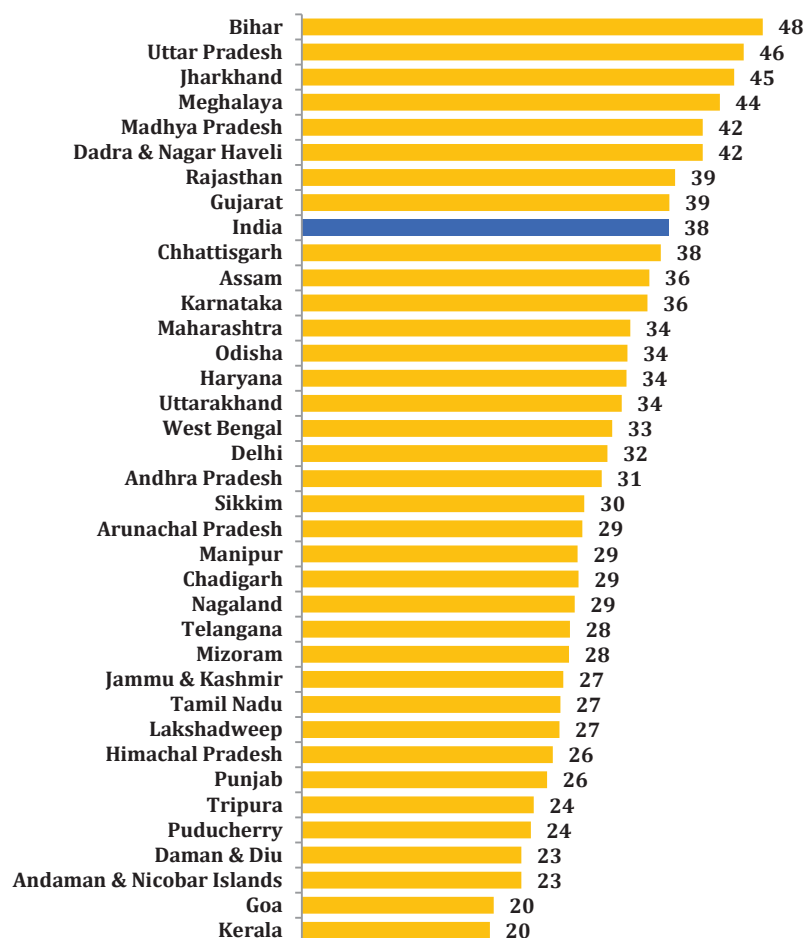
2.1 Stunting (height-for-age)

Height-for-age is a measure of linear growth retardation and cumulative growth deficits. Children whose height-for-age Z-score is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered short for their age (stunted), or chronically undernourished. Children who are below minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) are considered severely stunted.

In India, NFHS-4 (2015-16) estimates 38% of children under age five years as stunted (too short for their age) which signify chronic under-nutrition. The prevalence of stunting has decreased from 48% in 2005-06 to 38% in 2015-16. Stunting is observed to be higher among children in rural areas (41%) than urban areas (31%).

The prevalence of stunting in children under age five is the highest in Bihar (48%), Uttar Pradesh (46%), Jharkhand(45%), and Meghalaya (44%), and lowest in Kerala and Goa (20% each).

Fig 2.1.1 : Stunting in Children by State/UT
(Percentage of children age 0-59 months)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

2.2 Wasting (weight-for-height)

Weight-for-height index measures body mass in relation to body height or length and describes current nutritional status. Children with Z-score less than minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered thin (wasted), or acutely undernourished. Children with weight-for-height Z-score less than minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered severely wasted. Wasting may result from inadequate food intake or from a recent episode of illness causing weight loss.

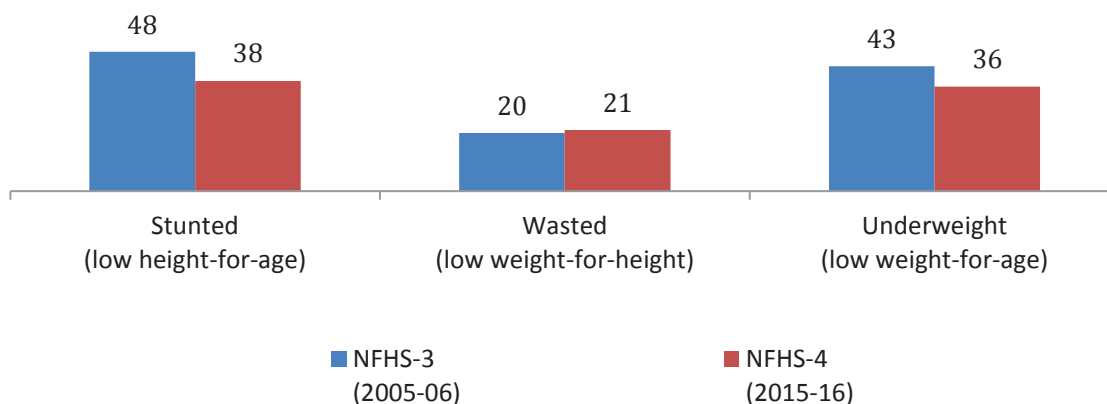
As per NFHS-4 (2015-16) survey, 21% of children under age five years are wasted (too thin for their height), which signify acute under-nutrition. The prevalence of wasting has remained the same since 2005-06 to 2015-16. Jharkhand has the highest levels of wasting (29%) among the States during the period 2015-16. The lowest levels of wasting are observed in Mizoram (6.1%) and Manipur (6.8%).

2.3 Underweight (weight-for-age)

Weight-for-age is a composite index of height-for-age and weight-for-height. It takes into account both acute and chronic under-nutrition. Children whose weight-for-age Z-score is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are classified as underweight. Children whose weight-for-age Z-score is below minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) from the median are considered severely underweight.

NFHS-4 results reveal that, 36% of children under age five years are underweight. Jharkhand has the highest levels of underweight (48%). The lowest level of underweight is observed in Mizoram (12%) and Manipur (14%).

**Fig 2.3.1 : Trend in Nutritional Status of Children in India
(Percentage of children age 0-59 months)**



Source: National Family Health Survey

2.4 Breastfeeding

Breastmilk is an uncontaminated nutritional source which contains all of the nutrients needed by children in the first six months of life. It is recommended that children be exclusively breastfed in the first six months of their life. Appropriate infant and young child feeding (IYCF) practices include exclusive breastfeeding in the first six months of life, continued breastfeeding through age two years, introduction of solid and semi-solid foods at age six months, and gradual increases in the amount of food given and the frequency of feeding as the child gets older. It is also important for young children to receive a diverse diet, i.e., eating food from different food groups to take care of the growing micronutrient needs.

2.4.1 Early breastfeeding

Early initiation of breastfeeding is important for both the mother and the child. The first breastmilk contains colostrum, which is highly nutritious and has antibodies that protect the newborn from diseases. Thus, it is recommended that children be put to the breast feed immediately or within one hour after birth.

NFHS – 4 (2015-16) results show that 95% of children born in the two years before the survey were breastfed at some time. More than two-fifths (42%) of last-born children in the two years before the survey who ever breastfed were breastfed within one hour of birth, and over four-fifths (81%) of children began breastfeeding within one day of birth. The data reveals that about two-fifths (42%) of children born in the last 5 years were breastfed within 1 hour of birth. Timely initiation of breastfeeding is particularly low for women with no schooling, for home deliveries, and for births delivered by a traditional birth attendant (dai).

NFHS 4 data reveals that the percentage of children who are breastfed within one hour of birth is very low in Uttar Pradesh (25%); the States in which more than two-thirds of children are breastfed within one hour of birth are Goa, Mizoram, Sikkim, and Odisha.

2.4.2 Exclusive Breastfeeding

Exclusive breastfeeding in first 6 months of life is essential to lay down the foundation stone of infants for future years with advantages of lower risk of diarrhoea, respiratory tract infections, sudden infant death syndrome, allergies (e.g. asthma), obesity, Type 1 & 2 diabetes in later life, etc.

As per NFHS-4 (2015-16), 55% of infants under age six months are exclusively breastfed. Contrary to the recommendation that children under age six months are to be exclusively breastfed, many children in that age group are given other liquids, such as plain water (18%), other milk (11%), or complementary foods (10%) in addition to breastmilk. Exclusive breastfeeding among children under six months increased from 46% in 2005-06 to 55% in 2015-16.

2.4.3 Complementary Feeding

After the first six months, breastmilk is no longer enough to meet the nutritional needs of the infant; therefore, appropriate complementary foods are recommended to be added to the diet of the child to meet the nutrients requirements including fruits and vegetables rich in vitamin A. The NFHS-4 (2015-16) indicates that 94% of Indian children age 6-23 months received breastmilk, milk, or milk products (2+ times) during the day or night before the interview. 20% of breastfed children had an adequately diverse diet since they had been given foods from the appropriate number of food groups, while 31% had been fed the minimum number of times appropriate for their age. The feeding practices of only 9% of breastfed children age 6-23 months meet the minimum standards for all IYCF feeding practices. 10% of all children age 6-23 months were fed the minimum acceptable diet.

The NFHS 4 data shows that breastfed children age 6-23 months are less likely to receive the minimum number of food groups than non-breastfed children age 6-23 months (20% and 34%, respectively). Children in urban areas (28%) are more likely than those in rural areas (20%) to have an

adequately diverse diet. Breastfed infants (9%) are less likely to meet the minimum acceptable diets than the non-breastfed infants (14%).

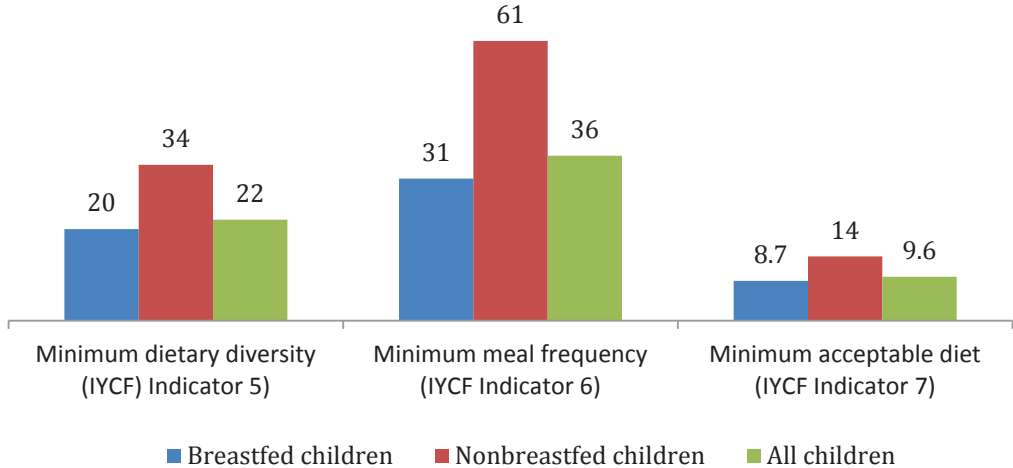
The proportion of children age 6-23 months who receive a minimum acceptable diet is highest in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry (31% each) and the lowest in Rajasthan, Chandigarh, and Dadra & Nagar Haveli (3% or less). The pattern is the same among breastfed and non-breastfed children.

2.4.4 Minimum Acceptable Diet

Infants and young children should be fed a minimum acceptable diet (MAD) to ensure appropriate growth and development. Without adequate diversity and meal frequency, infants and young children are vulnerable to under-nutrition, especially stunting and micronutrient deficiencies, and to increased morbidity and mortality. The WHO minimum acceptable diet recommendation, which is a combination of dietary diversity and minimum meal frequency, is different for breastfed and non-breastfed children. Breastfed children are considered to be consuming a minimum meal frequency if they receive solid, semisolid, or soft foods at least twice a day for infants 6-8 months and at least three times a day for children 9-23 months. On-breastfed children ages 6-23 months are considered to be fed with a minimum meal frequency if they receive solid, semi-solid, or soft foods at least four times a day.

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Fig 2.4.1 : IYCF Indicators on Minimum Acceptable Diet (MAD)
(Percentage of children 6-23 months)



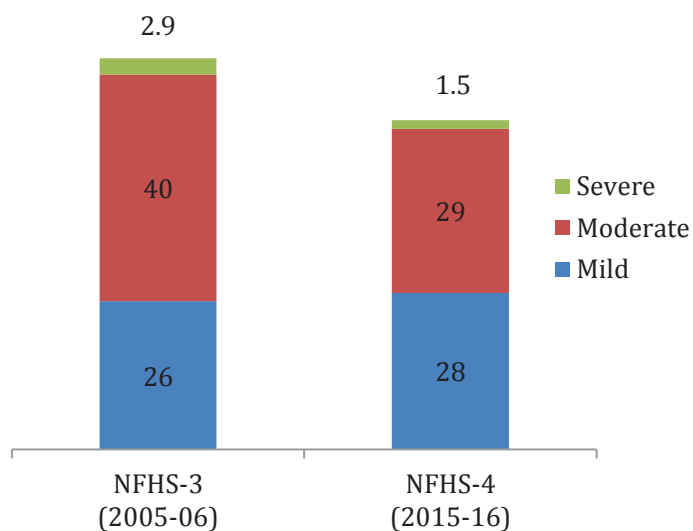
Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

2.5 Anaemia Prevalence in Children

Anaemia is a condition that is marked by low levels of haemoglobin in the blood. Iron is a key component of haemoglobin, and iron deficiency is estimated to be responsible for half of all anaemia globally. Other causes of anaemia include malaria, hookworms and other helminths, other nutritional deficiencies, chronic infections, and genetic conditions. Anaemia is a serious concern for children because it can impair cognitive development, stunt growth, and increase morbidity from infectious diseases.

Overall, 58% of children had some degree of anaemia (haemoglobin levels below 11.0 g/dl). 28% of children had mild anaemia, 29% had moderate anaemia, and 2% had severe anaemia. Between 2005-06 and 2015-16, the prevalence of anaemia among children age 6-59 months declined from 70% to 58%, but continued to be higher among rural children.

Fig 2.5.1 : Trends in Childhood Anaemia (Percentage of children age 6-59 months)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Table 2.5.1 : Trends in prevalence of anaemia in children
(Percentage of children age 6-59 months classified as having anaemia)

| Anaemia status by haemoglobin level | NFHS-4 (2015-16) | | | NFHS-3 (2005-06) | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|------------------|--------|--------|
| | Urban | Rural | Total | Urban | Rural | Total |
| Mild (10.0-10.9 g/dl) | 26.8 | 28.2 | 27.8 | 25.6 | 26.5 | 26.3 |
| Moderate (7.0-9.9 g/dl) | 27.5 | 29.7 | 29.1 | 34.2 | 42.1 | 40.2 |
| Severe (<7.0 g/dl) | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 |
| Any anaemia (<11.0 g/dl) | 55.9 | 59.4 | 58.4 | 63.0 | 71.5 | 69.5 |
| Number of children | 56,240 | 1,48,757 | 2,04,997 | 10,133 | 32,255 | 42,388 |

Note: Table is based on children who stayed in the household the night before the interview. Prevalence of anaemia, based on haemoglobin levels, is adjusted for altitude using the CDC formula (Centre for Disease Control (CDC). 1998. Recommendations to prevent and control iron deficiency in the United States. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 47 (RR-3): 1-29). Haemoglobin levels are shown in grams per decilitre (g/dl).

The NFHS 4 (2015-16) reveals that Anaemia is more prevalent among children under age 24 months than among older children, with a peak prevalence of 71% observed among children age 12-17 months. Anaemia prevalence increases with increasing birth order of children and is higher among the children of anaemic mothers than non-anaemic mothers.

The prevalence of anaemia among children age 6-59 months is highest among children in Haryana (72%), followed by Jharkhand (70%) and Madhya Pradesh (69%). Several Union Territories have even higher prevalence of anaemia (Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, and Chandigarh). The States with the lowest prevalence of anaemia among children are Mizoram (19%), Manipur (24%), and Nagaland (26%).

2.6 Presence of Iodized Salt in Households

Iodine is an essential micronutrient, and iodized salt prevents goitre or any other thyroid-related health problems among children and adults. It is recommended that household salt should be fortified with iodine to at least 15 parts per million (ppm). The NFHS-4 (2015-16) tested for the presence or absence of potassium iodate or potassium iodide in household salt. Among the households in which salt was tested, 93% had iodized salt. This is much higher than in NFHS-3 (2005-06), when only 76% of households were using iodized salt. There is steady increase in the use of iodized salt by household wealth quintiles, from 90% in the lowest wealth quintile to 98% in the highest wealth quintile. Among the States, the use of iodized salt is lowest in Dadra & Nagar Haveli (71%), Andhra Pradesh (82%) and Tamil Nadu (83%).

2.7 Micronutrient Intake and Supplementation among Children

Micronutrient deficiency is a major contributor to childhood morbidity and mortality. Micronutrients are available in foods and can also be provided through direct supplementation. Breastfeeding children benefit from supplements given to the mother. The information collected on food consumption among the youngest children under age two years is useful in assessing the extent to which children are consuming foods rich in two key micronutrients—vitamin A and iron in their daily diet.

Iron deficiency is one of the primary causes of anaemia, which has serious health consequences for both women and children. Vitamin A is an essential micronutrient for the immune system and plays an important role in maintaining the epithelial tissue in the body. Severe Vitamin A Deficiency (VAD) can cause eye damage and is the leading cause of childhood blindness. VAD also increases the severity of infections such as measles and diarrhoeal disease in children and slows recovery from illness. VAD is common in dry environments where fresh fruits and vegetables are not readily available. The intake of both vitamin A-rich and iron-rich foods increases as children are weaned.

NFHS 4 (2015-16) estimates that around 60% of children aged 6-59 months were given vitamin A supplements in the six months preceding the survey. 44% of children age 6-23 months consumed foods rich in vitamin A in the day or night before the interview and 18% consumed iron-rich foods. 31% were given de-worming medication. The percentage of children age 6-59 months given Vitamin A supplements in the last six months ranges from 29% in Nagaland and 31% in Manipur to 89% in Goa.

2.8 Role of mothers in improving the health status of children

Health care services during pregnancy and childbirth and after delivery are important for the survival and wellbeing of both the mother and the infant. Antenatal care (ANC) can reduce the health risks for mothers and their babies by monitoring pregnancies and screening for complications. Delivery at a health facility, with skilled medical attention and hygienic conditions, reduces the risk of complications and infections during labour and delivery.

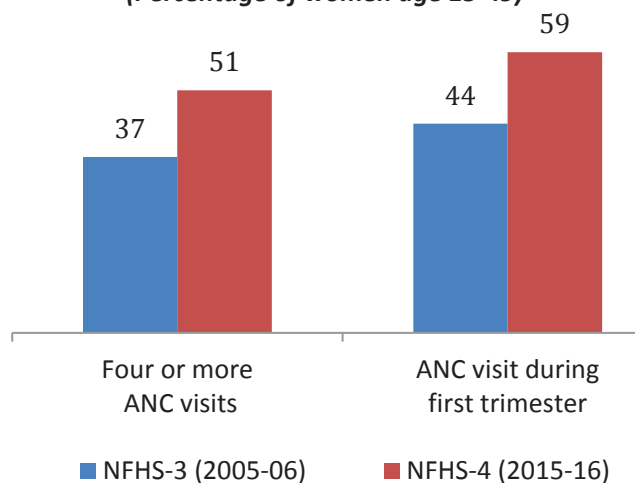
2.8.1 Antenatal care (ANC) from a skilled health provider

Antenatal care includes pregnancy care received from skilled providers, that is, doctors, auxiliary nurse midwives, nurses, midwives, and lady health visitors. As per NFHS-4 (2015-16), 79% of women age 15-49 who had a live birth in the five years before the survey received antenatal care from a skilled provider at least once for their last birth. The majority of women received antenatal care from doctors (59%), followed by auxiliary nurse midwives (ANMs), nurses, midwives, and lady health visitors (LHVs) (20%).

NFHS-4 results show that use of a skilled provider for ANC is low in Nagaland (44%) and Bihar (49%), and high in Kerala and Lakshadweep (more than 99%). Use of a skilled provider for ANC services is higher in urban areas (89%) than rural areas (75%).

Use of a skilled provider for ANC services increases with rising education. 61% of women with no schooling obtained ANC services from a skilled provider, compared with 93% of women with 12 or more years of schooling. Women in the younger ages (below 20 years) are more likely to receive ANC from a skilled provider than women in the older age group 35-49 years (81% versus 62%). Similarly, women with a first birth are more likely to receive ANC from a skilled provider than women with a birth of order 6 and above (87% versus 49%).

Fig 2.8.1 : Trends in Antenatal Coverage
(Percentage of women age 15-49)



Source: NFHS

WHO has recommended at least four ANC visits. NFHS 4 (2015-16) has revealed that, 51% of the women had at least four ANC visits during their last pregnancy and 17% of women had no ANC visits. Urban women are more likely to have had four or more ANC visits than rural women (66% and 45%, respectively). 59% of women had their first ANC visit during the first trimester. The median number of months pregnant at the time of the first visit for all women with at least one ANC visit is 3.5 months.

The proportion of women who had at least four ANC visits during their last pregnancy is lowest in Bihar (14%) and highest in Kerala (90%) and Andaman & Nicobar Islands (92%). The proportion of women who received the recommended four or more ANC visits increased from 37% in 2005-06 to 51% in 2015-16. Over the same time period, the proportion of women who received ANC in the first trimester increased from 44% to 59%.

2.8.2 Protection against Neonatal Tetanus

The number of tetanus toxoid injections needed to protect a baby from neonatal tetanus depends on the mother's vaccinations. A birth is protected against neonatal tetanus if the mother has received any of the following:

- Two tetanus toxoid injections during that pregnancy
- Two or more injections, the last one within three years of the birth
- Three or more injections, the last one within five years of the birth
- Four or more injections, the last one within ten years of the birth
- Five or more injections at any time prior to the birth

Neonatal tetanus, a major cause of early infant death in many developing countries, is often due to failure to observe hygienic procedures during delivery. NFHS-4 data shows that 89% of women's last births were protected against neonatal tetanus. About 9 in 10 women less than age 35 years had their last birth protected against neonatal tetanus, compared with 81% of older women age 35-49 years. The percentage of women whose last birth was protected against neonatal tetanus increased with education, from 84% among women with no schooling to 92% among those with 12 or more years of schooling.

Similarly, the percentage of women whose last birth was protected against neonatal tetanus increases with the wealth quintile, from 85% among women in households in the lowest wealth quintile to 93% among those in the highest wealth quintile.

2.8.3 Nutritional status of mother

The malnutrition status of adolescent women becomes the genesis of low birth weight. Poor prenatal nutrition compounds the health issues of the infants and hence high rates of disease. So adolescent nutrition, delay in the age of first marriage and pregnancy, maternal nutrition and nutrition during pregnancy are the keys to reduce low birth weight (including micro nutrient supplementation), essential newborn care, appropriate infant and young child feeding practices (including, early and exclusive breastfeeding), and community management of acute malnutrition. Malnourishment of adolescent girls contributes to poor maternal nutritional status and birth outcomes, including low birth weight. Anaemia varies by maternity status i.e. 58% of women who are breastfeeding are anaemic as compared with 50% of women who are pregnant.

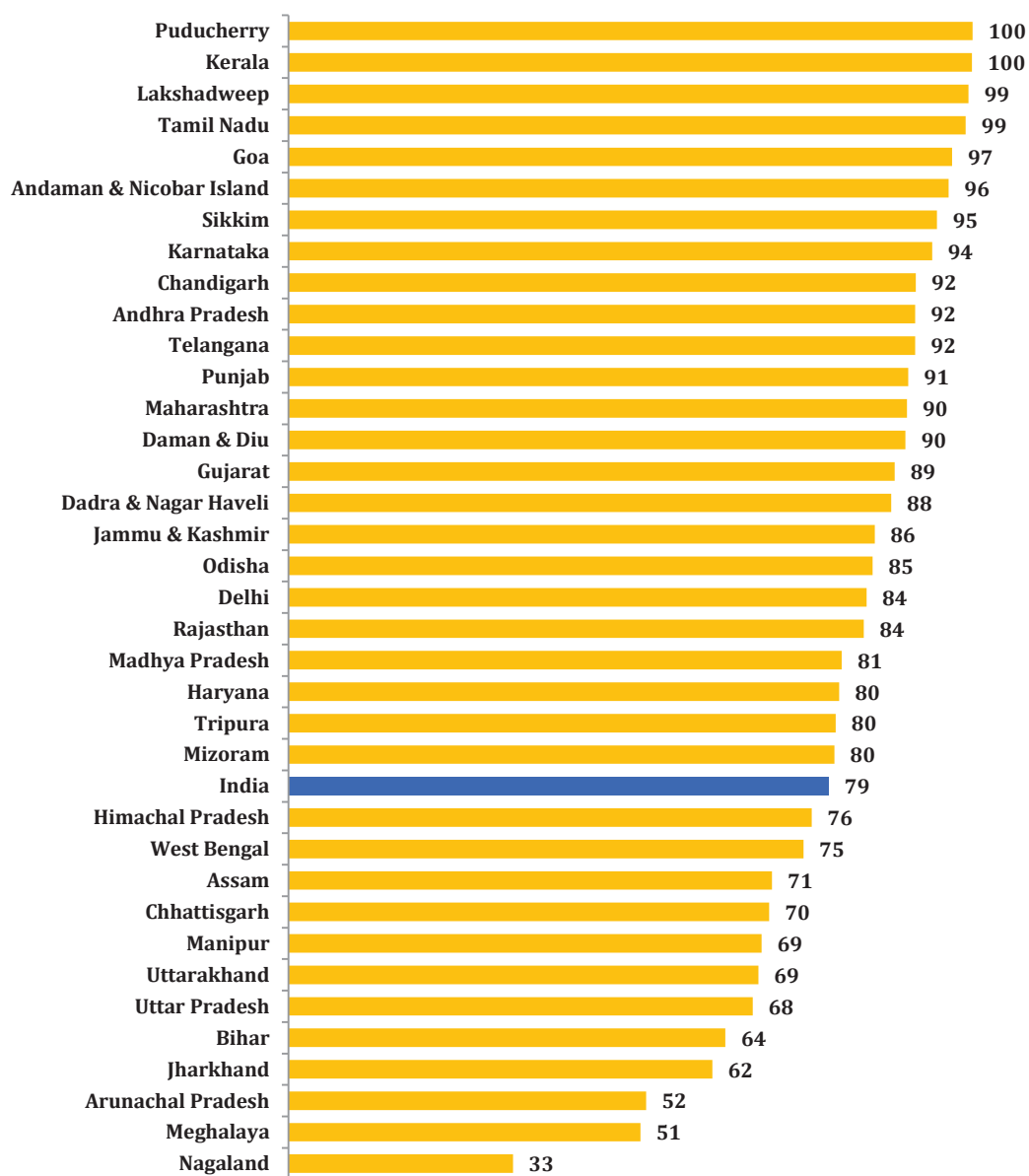
2.8.4 Institutional Deliveries

Increasing institutional deliveries (Deliveries that occur in a health facility) is an important factor in reducing neonatal mortality. As per NFHS-4 (2015-16), 79% of live births in the five years before the survey were delivered in a health facility. The most quoted reason for not delivering in a health facility was that the woman did not think it was necessary (40%), but 18% women sighted distance and transportation as the reason for non-institutional deliveries, 18% said that the husband or family did not allow them to have the delivery in a health facility, and 16% sighted cost as the reason.

Institutional deliveries doubled between 2005-06 and 2015-16, from 39% to 79%. Higher-order births are much less likely to be institutional deliveries; only 48% of sixth or higher order births occurred at a health facility, compared with 88% of first births. Antenatal care increases the likelihood of an institutional delivery. 91% of births to mothers who had four or more ANC visits were delivered in a health facility, compared with 57% of births to mothers who had no ANC visits. The mother's educational status is highly correlated with the place of delivery. 95% of births to mothers with 12 or more year of schooling were delivered in a health facility, compared with 62% of births to mothers with no schooling. 89% of births to urban women were delivered in a health facility, compared with 75% of births to rural women.

Almost cent per cent of births in Puducherry, Kerala, Lakshadweep, and Tamil Nadu were delivered in a health facility. 90% of births or more deliveries occurred in health facilities in 14 States and Union Territories. At the other end of the spectrum, only one-third of births in Nagaland and just over half of births in Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh were delivered in health facilities.

Fig 2.8.2 : Health Facility Births by State/UT
(Percentage of births in the five years before the survey)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

2.8.5 Skilled Assistance during Delivery

Childbirth with the assistance of doctors, auxiliary nurse midwives, nurses, midwives, and lady health visitors can influence the birth outcome and the health of the mother and the newborn. A skilled attendant can manage complications of pregnancy and delivery or refer the mother and/or the baby to the next level of care.

The NFHS-4 findings show that in the five years before the survey, 81% live births were delivered by a skilled provider, majority were attended by doctors (56%), followed by ANMs, nurses, midwives, LHV (25%), and dais (traditional birth attendant)(11%). Skilled assistance during deliveries in India has increased substantially; the proportion of births assisted by a skilled provider increased from 47% in 2005-06 to 81% in 2015-16.93% of births to mothers who had four or more ANC visits were delivered by a skilled attendant, compared with 60% of births to mothers with no ANC visits. Only 19% of births that took place at the woman's own home were delivered by a skilled provider.

Births to women in urban areas (90%) are more likely to be delivered by a skilled provider than births to women in rural areas (78%).The mothers' educational status is highly correlated with skilled delivery. 95% of births to mothers with 12 or more years of schooling were delivered by a skilled attendant, compared with 66% of births to mothers with no schooling.

2.8.6 Postnatal Health Check for Mothers

A large proportion of maternal and neonatal deaths occur during the first 24 hours after delivery. For both the mother and the infant, prompt postnatal care is important to treat complications that arise from delivery and to provide the mother with important information on caring for herself and her baby. All women who deliver in a health facility receive a postnatal health check within the first 24 hours after delivery and that women giving birth outside of a health facility should be referred to a health facility for a postnatal check within 12 hours after giving birth.

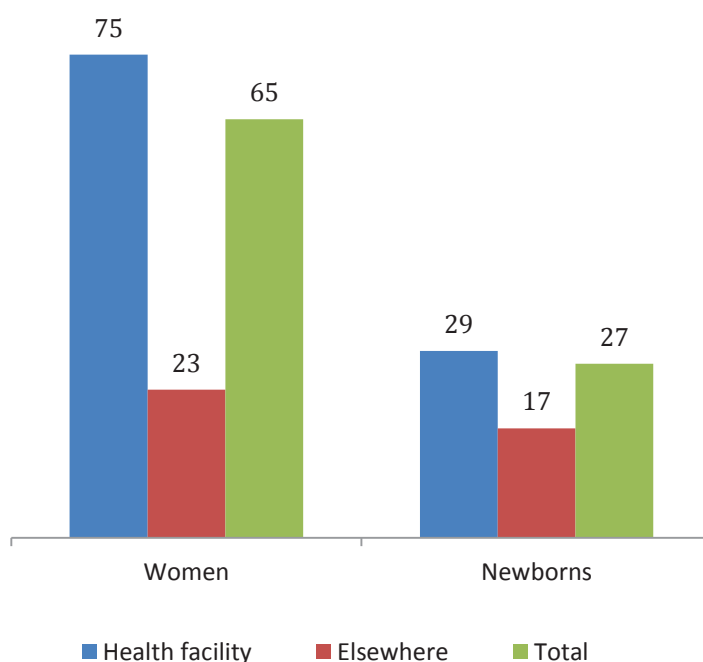
The first 48 hours of life is a critical phase in the lives of newborn babies and a period in which many neonatal deaths occur. Lack of postnatal health checks during this period can delay the identification of newborn complications and the initiation of appropriate care and treatment.

In India, as per NFHS-4 (2015-16) only 27% of newborns had a first postnatal check within the first 2 days after birth. 64% of newborns did not receive any postnatal health check.

Newborns delivered in a health facility were much more likely to receive a postnatal health check within two days of birth than those delivered elsewhere, particularly at their own home/parent's home. There is a positive relationship between the mother's level of education and a postnatal check in the first two days after birth. 31% of babies born to mothers with 12 or more years of schooling received a postnatal check within two days, compared with 22% of babies born to mothers with no schooling. 18% of newborns received a first postnatal check from a doctor, while 12% received a first postnatal check from an ANM, nurse, midwife, or LHV.

Fig 2.8.3 : Postnatal Care by Place of Delivery

(Percentage of last births in the five years before the survey for which women and newborns received a postnatal check during the first two days after birth)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

2.8.7 Adolescent birth rate

The adolescent fertility in India is a consequence of early marriage. The adolescent birth rate is the annual number of live births to adolescent women per 1,000 adolescent women. The adolescent birth rate is also referred to as the Age-Specific Fertility Rate for women aged 15–19 years. During the year 2016, Sample Registration system reported the Fertility Rate in the age group 15-19 years as 10.7, with rural fertility rate (12.3) in the same age group being almost double the rate in urban (6.7).

As per the NFHS-4, (2015-16), the level of teenage childbearing (Women aged 15-19 years giving birth or are pregnant with their first child) has declined from 2005-06 (16%) and 2015-16 (8%).

2.8.8 Birth Weight

Birth weight is an important indicator when assessing a child's health for early exposure to childhood morbidity and mortality. Children who weigh less than 2.5 kilograms (kg) at birth are considered to have a higher-than-average risk of early childhood death.

As per the NFHS 4, (2015-16), 18% of infants had a low birth weight of less than 2.5 kg. Low birth weight decreases with an increase in the mother's schooling and household wealth status. Only 15% of births to mothers having 12 or more years of schooling have a low birth weight, compared with 20% of births to mothers having no schooling.

Similarly, 15% of births to mothers in households in the highest wealth quintile have a low birth weight, compared with 20% of births to mothers in the lowest wealth quintile households. The pattern of birth weight by background characteristics may be affected by the availability of birth weight records or the mother's recall and should be interpreted with caution.

2.8.9 Knowledge of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS:

Increasing the level of general knowledge about transmission of HIV/AIDS from mother to child and reducing the risk of transmission using antiretroviral drugs are critical to reducing mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) of HIV/AIDS. As per NFHS-4 findings, 62% of women know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted during pregnancy, 58% know that it can be transmitted during delivery, and 55% know that it can be transmitted by breastfeeding. Among men, 69% men know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted during pregnancy, 64% know that it can be transmitted during delivery, and 56% men know that it can be transmitted by breastfeeding. Overall, 49% of both women and men know all three modes of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS.

2.9 Vaccination of Children

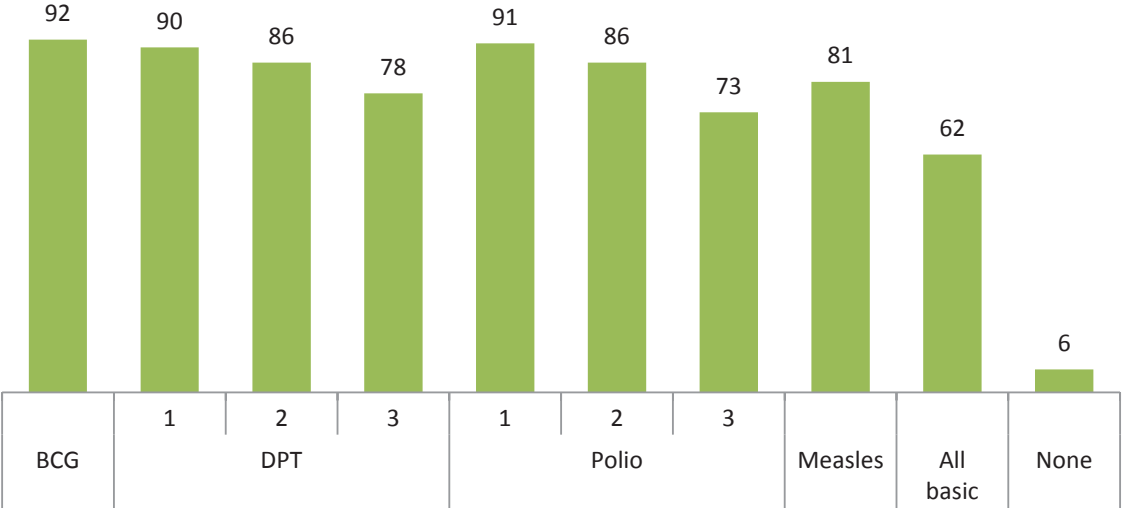
Immunizing children against vaccine preventable diseases can greatly reduce childhood morbidity and mortality. To have received all basic vaccinations, a child must receive at least:

- one dose of BCG vaccine, which protects against tuberculosis
- three doses of DPT vaccine, which protects against diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), and tetanus
- three doses of polio vaccine
- one dose of measles vaccine

NFHS-4(2015-16) reflects that 62% of children age 12-23 months received all basic vaccinations at any time before the survey, and 54% received all basic vaccinations by age 12 months.

Coverage was highest for the BCG vaccine (92%) and lowest for the third dose of polio vaccine (73%). Although more children received the first doses of the DPT and polio vaccines than the second or third doses, the dropout rates are higher for polio than for DPT. 90% of children age 12-23 months received the first DPT dose and 78% received the last dose. These percentages were 91% and 73% for the polio vaccine. 6% of children age 12-23 months received no vaccinations. 63% of children received three doses of hepatitis B vaccine.

Fig 2.9.1 : Childhood Vaccinations
(Percentage of children age 12-23 months)

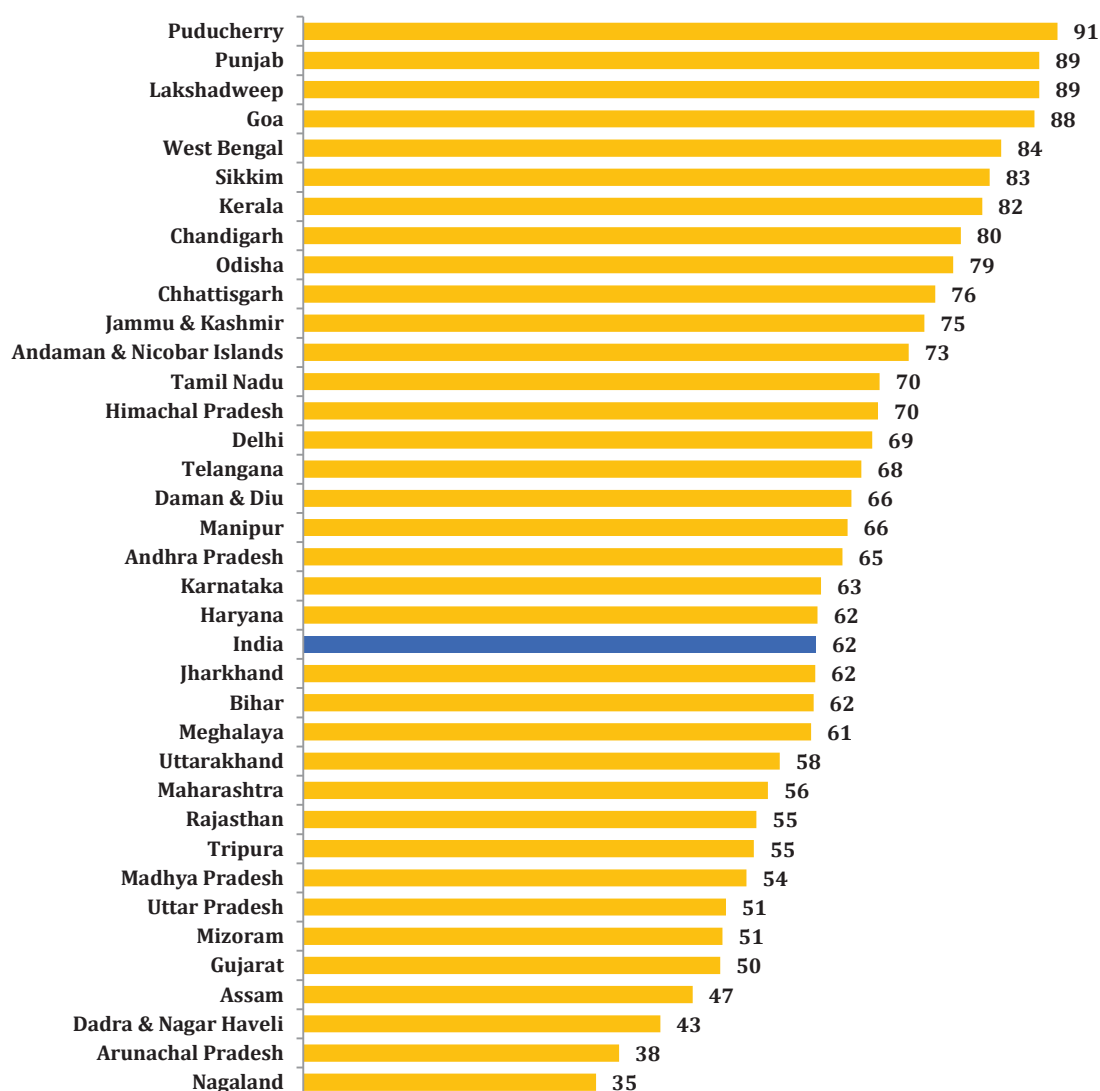


Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

The percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received all basic vaccinations increased from 44% in 2005-06 to 62% in 2015-16. Between 2005-06 and 2015-16, this percentage increased more in rural areas (from 39% to 61%) than in urban areas (from 58% to 64%). The proportion of children who received no vaccinations remained low in both surveys (5-6%). It has been observed in the NFHS-4 results that children age 12-23 months of first birth order are much more likely to receive all basic vaccinations than children of birth order 6 or more (67% versus 43%) and that Vaccination coverage increases with increasing mother’s schooling; 70% of children age 12-23 months whose mothers have 12 or more years of schooling have received all basic vaccinations, compared with 52% of children whose mothers have no schooling.

Coverage of all basic vaccinations varies considerably by State and Union Territory. The coverage is highest in Puducherry, Punjab, Lakshadweep, and Goa (88-91%) and lowest in Nagaland (35%) and Arunachal Pradesh (38%).

Fig 2.9.2 :Coverage with All Basic Vaccinations by State/UT
(Percentage of children age 12-23 months)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

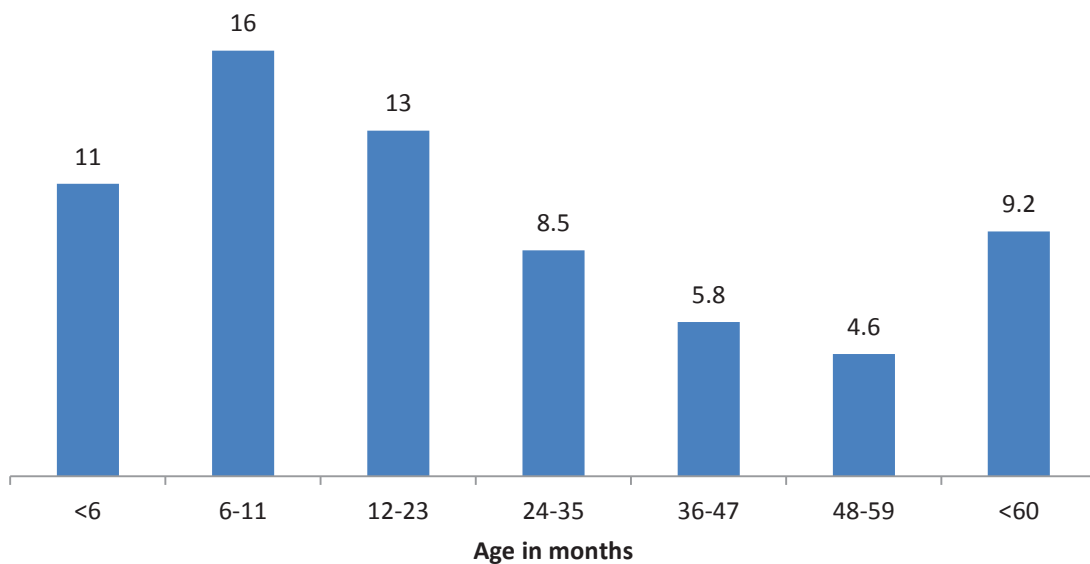
2.9.1 Prevalence of Diarrhoea

Diarrhoea is the third leading cause of childhood mortality in India, and is responsible for quite a large number of deaths of children under 5 years of age. Appropriate sanitary practices can help prevent and reduce the severity of diarrhoeal disease. In NFHS-4 survey, mothers reported that 9% of children under age five years had diarrhoea in the two weeks before the survey. Advice or treatment was sought for 68% of children under age five years who had diarrhoea in the two weeks before the survey. The prevalence of diarrhoea rises from 11% among children under age six months to 16% among those age 6-11 months, when complementary foods and other liquids are introduced. Prevalence remains high

(13%) at age 12-23 months, which is the time when children begin to walk and are at increased risk of contamination from the environment.

Children with diarrhoea are given increased fluids or a fluid made from a special packet of Oral Rehydration Salt (ORS) or gruel. It has been observed that 60% of children with diarrhoea received some form of Oral Rehydration Therapy (ORT)—ORS packets (51%) or gruel (28%) or increased fluids (7%). While 19% of children received antibiotics, 15% were given both zinc and ORS, which can reduce the duration and severity of diarrhoea. 38% received continued feeding and ORT, as recommended. However, 18% of children with diarrhoea did not receive any treatment.

Fig 2.9.3 : Prevalence of Diarrhoea by Age
(Percentage of children under age five years)



Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

2.9.2 Disposal of Children’s Stools

Proper disposal of children’s faeces is important to prevent the spread of disease. NFHS data reveals that in 2015-16, only 36% of youngest children under age five years living with their mother had their last stools disposed of safely. Children’s stools are more likely to be disposed of safely in households with an improved toilet facility that is not shared (59%) or a shared toilet (51%) than in households with an unimproved facility or no facility (12%). The data also reflects that children’s stools are much more likely to be disposed of safely in urban households (61%) than in rural households (26%).

The proportion of children whose stools are disposed of safely varies from 13% in Odisha and 17% in Bihar to 92% in Kerala and 98% in Sikkim.

2.10 Conclusion

Ensuring healthy lives and promoting the well-being for children is essential to sustainable development. Significant strides have been made in increasing life expectancy and reducing some of the common killers associated with child mortality. Major progress has been made on reducing malaria, tuberculosis, polio and the spread of HIV/AIDS. However, more focussed efforts are needed to fully eradicate a wide range of diseases and address many other persistent and emerging health issues.

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Education is the most powerful tool which can lead to positive changes in different sectors like economic development, improvement in health conditions, better environment, etc. School education lays the foundation stone for the child's future. An assessment of the level of education in India is important while examining the conditions of children in India.

3.1 Literacy Rates

Literacy rate is one of the most important indicators of social development and is closely related to the socio economic growth of any country. Literacy rate of population is defined as 'the percentage of literates to the total population age 7 years and above'. Literacy rate in India has been growing consistently over the years and stands at 73% as per 2011 census. Female literacy rate (64.6%) is still much lower than male literacy rate (80.9%). However, the increase in literacy rate is comparatively higher in case of females in all age groups and thus, the gender gap in literacy rate is gradually decreasing over years and it has come down from 21.6% in 2001 to 16.3% in 2011. However, literacy rate among -children (considering the age-group 7-18 years) stands at 88.3% and the gender gap observed for this age group is 2.9 percentage points in 2011.

Table 3.1.1 :Percentage of Literate by age and Sex

| Years ↓ | Age Group → | 7-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 | All ages [@] | 7& above |
|---------|-------------|------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 1991 | Male | 62.6 | 77.0 | 75.3 | 52.7 | 64.0 |
| | Female | 51.0 | 59.7 | 54.9 | 32.2 | 39.0 |
| | Person | 56.9 | 68.8 | 65.8 | 42.8 | 52.0 |
| 2001 | Male | 74.1 | 86.0 | 85.0 | 63.2 | 75.3 |
| | Female | 67.7 | 77.0 | 72.7 | 45.2 | 53.7 |
| | Person | 71.0 | 81.7 | 79.3 | 54.5 | 64.9 |
| 2011 | Male | 83.2 | 92.2 | 91.2 | 69.8 | 80.9 |
| | Female | 81.2 | 90.0 | 86.2 | 56.0 | 64.6 |
| | Person | 82.2 | 91.1 | 88.8 | 63.1 | 73.0 |

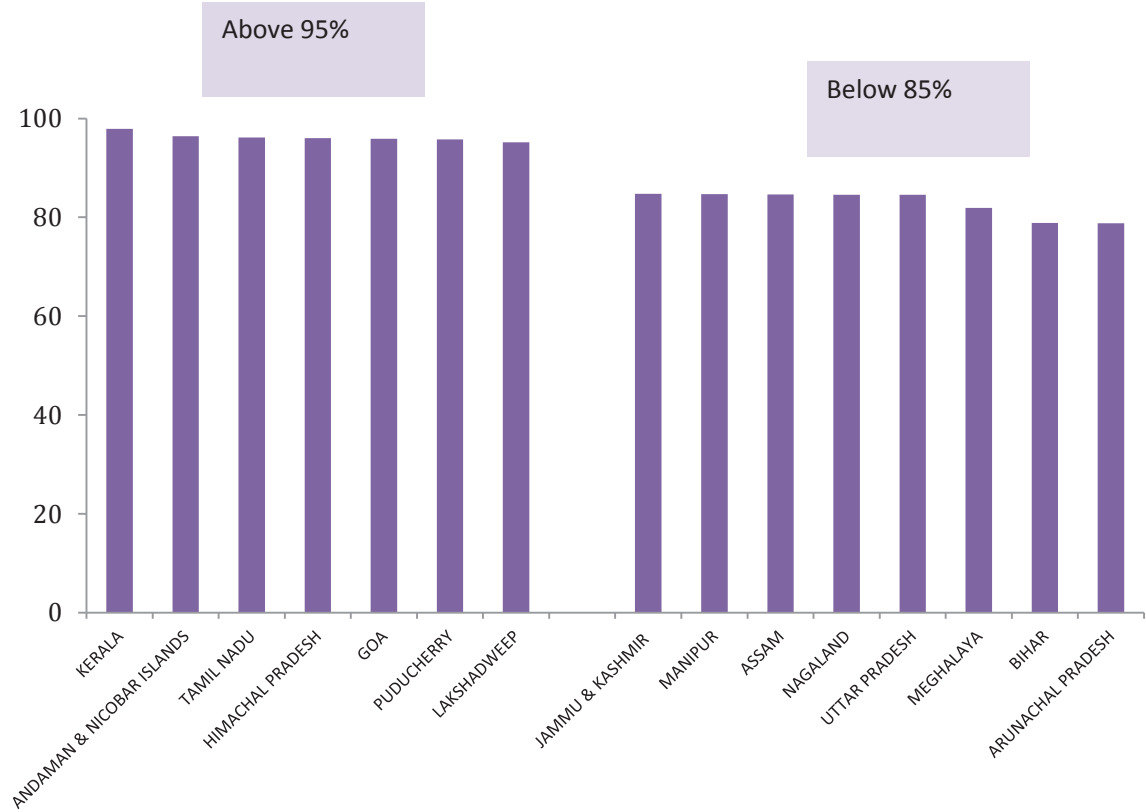
Source: Census of India

Note:

1. For 1991, figures exclude Jammu & Kashmir as the census was not held in that state.
2. For 2001, figures exclude three sub-divisions of Manipur viz. Mao Maram, Paomata and Purul of Senapati district, as census results in these three sub-division were cancelled due to technical and administrative reasons.
3. @ Based on population including 'age not stated'.

The highest recorded literacy rate among the age group 7-19 years is in Kerala (97.9%) and the lowest in Arunachal Pradesh (78.8%) as per census 2011. Many States have achieved above 95% literacy rate for population for the age group 7-19 years whereas, Arunachal Pradesh and Bihar have recorded literacy rates below 80% also.

Fig 3.1.1 : Literacy rate among 7-19 years : high & low performing State/UTs



Source: Census 2011

3.2 Educational institutions

Educational institutions play an important role in development of human resources for any country. Adequate number of institutions and related infrastructure is very much essential for the well-being of students. In India, the number of recognised educational institutions has shown an overall increasing trend over the years. However, the rate of increase is comparatively high among primary and upper primary institutions, thereby implying better infrastructure availability at elementary level. A total of 12,72,212 educational institutions have been reported in India at elementary levels in 2014-15.

Table 3.2.1 : Number of Educational Institutions by Type 2014-15

| Type | Number |
|------------------|----------------|
| Primary | 847118 |
| Upper Primary | 425094 |
| Secondary | 135335 |
| Senior Secondary | 109318 |
| Total | 1516865 |

Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016

3.3 Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR)

Pupil-Teacher Ratio gives the average number of pupils (students) per teacher at a specific level of education in a given school-year. In 2014-15, in Primary level, there is one teacher for 24 students and in Upper Primary level, there is 17 students for one teacher.

Table 3.3.1 :Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) by Type of Institution 2014-15

| Type of Institution | Pupil Teacher Ratio |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Primary | 24 |
| Upper Primary | 17 |
| Secondary | 27 |
| Senior Secondary | 38 |
| Higher Education# | 24 |

#Does not include Stand Alone Institutions

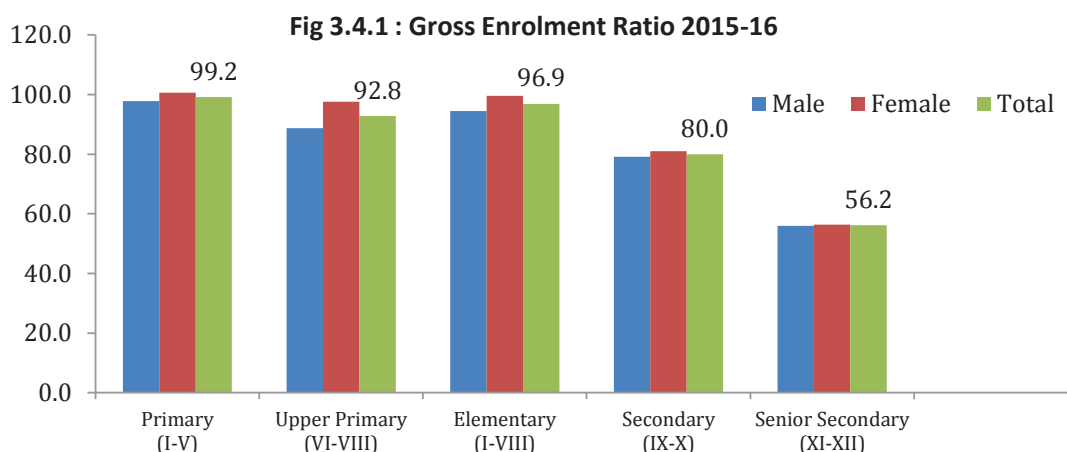
Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016

3.4 School Enrolment

Improvements in institutional and infrastructure facilities address many problems of access to schooling which get translated to better enrolment figures. In general, the enrolment figures show an increasing trend for all levels in India. At the primary level, 1291 Lakh students were enrolled in 2015-16. The enrolment figures for Upper primary, Secondary and Senior Secondary are 676 lakh, 391 lakh and 247 lakh respectively for 2014-15.

3.4.1 Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)

The Gross Enrolment Ratio is the number of individuals who are actually enrolled in a particular level of education per the number of children who are of the corresponding enrolment age. The 2015-16 enrolment data reveals that GER reduces with increase in level of education. The GER at Primary level is 99.2 and GER recorded at Upper Primary, Secondary and Senior Secondary level are 92.8, 80.0 and 56.2 respectively. In Primary, Upper Primary and Secondary levels, GER for females is more than GER for males.

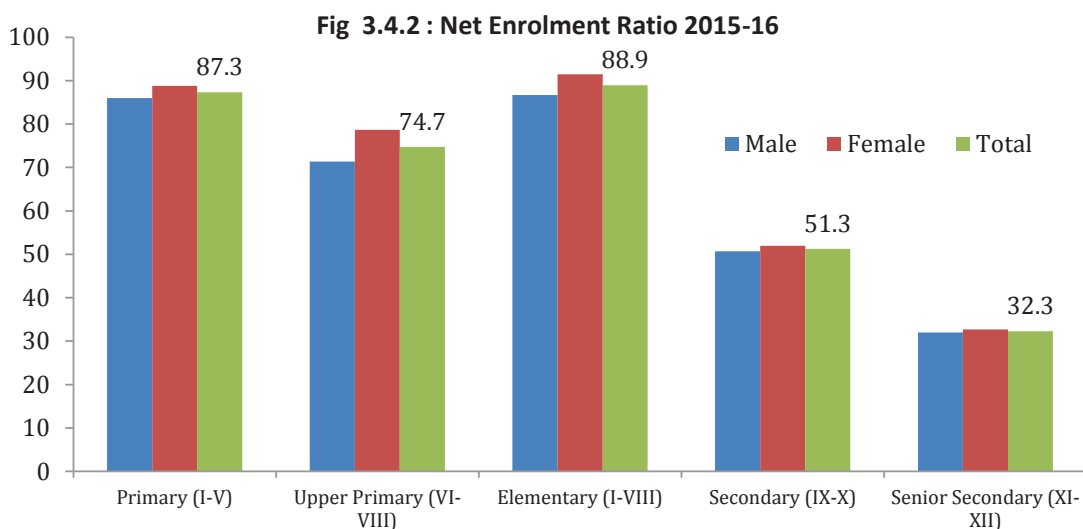


Source: School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

Considering the status of different States in India, GER at primary level is as high as 140.9 in Meghalaya whereas the observed GER at primary level in Andhra Pradesh is only 84.5.

3.4.2 Net Enrolment Ratio (NER)

The Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) is the total number of students in the official age group for a given level of education enrolled in that level, expressed as a percentage of the total population in that age group.



Source: School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

Out of the States in which NER data is available, the highest value of NER during 2015-16 at elementary level was observed in West Bengal (96.86) and lowest (71.32) in Jammu & Kashmir.

3.4.3 Number of female enrolled per hundred male

The number of female enrolled per hundred male enrolled is increasing over the years in all levels of education, more than 90 female children were enrolled against 100 male children in all levels of education up to senior secondary during 2015-16.

Table 3.4.2 : Number of Female per hundred Male Enrolled by Stages of Education

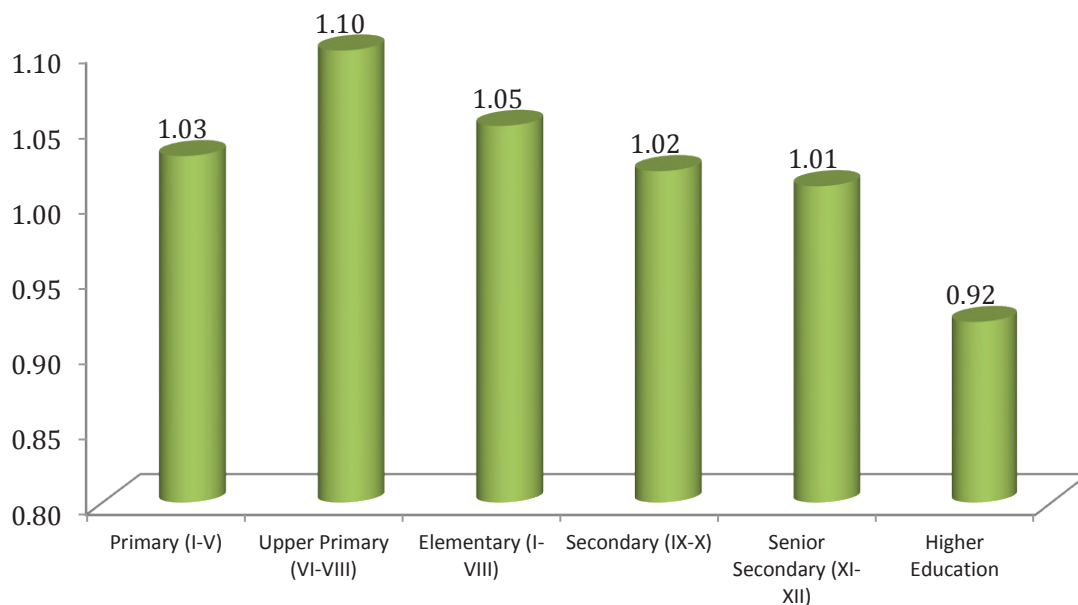
| Level/ Year | Primary (I-V) | Upper Primary (VI-VIII) | Secondary (IX-X) | Senior Secondary (XI-XII) | Higher Education |
|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2005-06 | 87 | 81 | 73 | 72 | 62 |
| 2009-10 | 92 | 88 | 82 | 80 | 67 |
| 2015-16 | 93 | 95 | 91 | 90 | 86 |

Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016, School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

3.4.4 Gender Parity Index (of GER)

The Gender Parity Index (GPI) is the ratio of GER of females to that of males at a particular level of education. The GPI has showed that, in the levels of Primary, Upper Primary and Secondary level, the gross enrolment has become favourable to females.

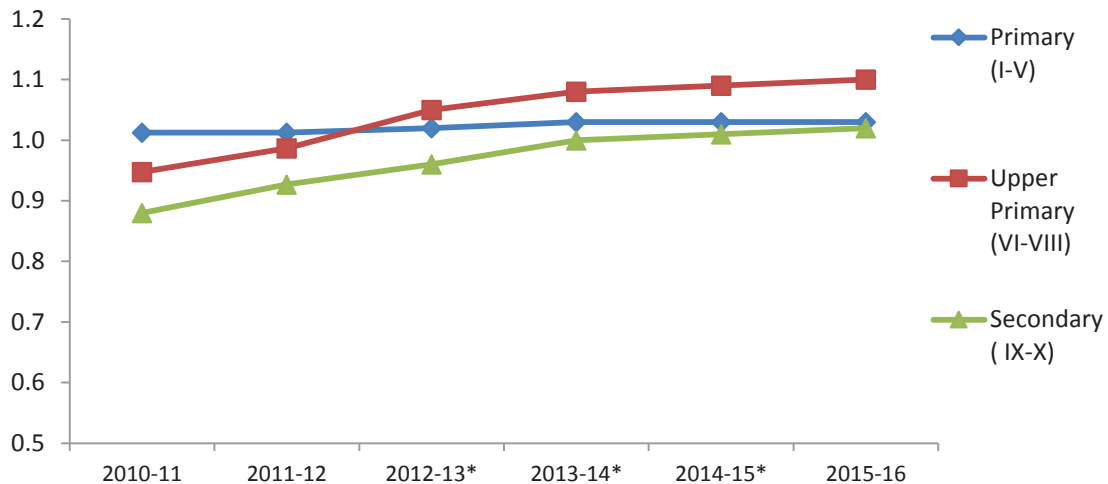
Fig 3.4.3 : Gender Parity Index 2015-16



Source: School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

During 2005-06 to 2015-16, Gender Parity Index has improved for all levels of school education. However, the improvement is more prominent in case of upper primary level. GPI has reached up to 1.03 and 1.10 in 2015-16 from 0.94 and 0.88 in 2005-06 for primary and upper primary levels respectively.

Fig 3.4.4 : Trend in Gender Parity Index (GPI)



Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016, School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

The highest value of GPI during 2015-16 at elementary level was 1.13 which was observed in Uttar Pradesh whereas States like Mizoram, Odisha, Sikkim and Rajasthan recorded GPI values less than 1.0.

3.4.5 Average Drop-out Rate

The Average Drop –out Rate presents the average of grade-specific drop-out rates in Primary Grades and is calculated by using the standard methods by considering grade-wise enrolment in previous year and the current year and grade-specific number of repeaters in the current year. The Average Annual Drop –Out rate for different levels of education is shown below.

Table 3.4.3 : Average Annual Drop-Out Rate in School Education

| Classes/ Year | Primary | | | Upper Primary | | | Secondary | | |
|------------------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|
| | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| 2012-13* | 4.68 | 4.66 | 4.67 | 2.30 | 4.01 | 3.13 | 14.54 | 14.54 | 14.54 |
| 2013-14* | 4.53 | 4.14 | 4.34 | 3.09 | 4.49 | 3.77 | 17.93 | 17.79 | 17.86 |
| 2014-15 | 4.36 | 3.88 | 4.13 | 3.49 | 4.60 | 4.03 | 17.21 | 16.88 | 17.06 |

Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016, School Education in India:U-DISE2015-16

* Figures related to School Education are provisional.

In the recent years, the average annual drop-out rate is decreasing for both boys and girls for the primary level of school education whereas it is on rise in upper primary level. At secondary level, average annual drop-out rate decreased slightly in 2014-15 compared to 2013-14.

3.5 Participation in Education

Attendance ratios are taken as important indicators for providing a surrogate measure for the proportion of a population currently attending educational institutions. Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR), Net Attendance Ratio (NAR) and Age-specific Attendance Ratio (AAR) are three such principal indicators.

3.5.1 Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR)

In the gross attendance ratio, for a particular level of education, the denominator consists of all persons in the official age-group for that level, whether attending or not, while the numerator consists of the persons who are studying in that particular level (including persons outside the official age-group). As per NSS 71st round (2014), for levels primary to higher secondary, GAR was 91% and 88% for rural males and females respectively, marginally lower as compared to 93% for both males and females in urban areas. It has been observed that with increase in level of education, there is a decrease in GAR. For above higher secondary level education, the GAR is as low as 9 for rural females against 12 for rural male whereas urban male and female have same GAR of 18 higher education.

Table 3.5.1 : Gross Attendance Ratio (%) for different levels of education

| Level of education | Rural | | Urban | | Rural + Urban | |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|---------------|--------|
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| Primary | 102 | 100 | 102 | 102 | 102 | 101 |
| Upper Primary | 91 | 88 | 93 | 88 | 92 | 88 |
| Secondary | 86 | 84 | 90 | 94 | 87 | 87 |
| Higher Secondary | 63 | 58 | 73 | 75 | 66 | 63 |
| Primary to Higher Secondary | 91 | 88 | 93 | 93 | 91 | 89 |
| Above Higher Secondary | 12 | 9 | 18 | 18 | 14 | 12 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

3.5.2 Net Attendance Ratio (NAR)

For each education class-group, NAR is the ratio of the number of persons in the official age-group attending a particular class-group to the total number of persons in the age-group.

For the country as a whole, 84% of male and 83% of female children in the age-group 6-10 years, the official age-group for Classes I-V, were reported to be attending primary classes. There were no major rural-urban or male-female differences observed in 2014 in India till elementary level (primary and upper primary). At secondary and above levels, rural-urban gap widens among females compared to males.

Table 3.5.2 :Net Attendance Ratio (%) for different levels of education

| Level of attendance | Rural | | Urban | | Rural + Urban | |
|------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|---------------|--------|
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| Primary | 84 | 82 | 85 | 84 | 84 | 83 |
| Upper Primary | 64 | 61 | 67 | 64 | 64 | 62 |
| Secondary | 51 | 49 | 56 | 59 | 52 | 51 |
| Higher Secondary | 36 | 33 | 45 | 47 | 38 | 37 |
| Above Higher Secondary | 12 | 8 | 18 | 17 | 14 | 11 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

NAR showed a continual increase with the movement towards higher quintile class of Usual Monthly Per Capita Consumer Expenditure (UMPCE) at each level of attendance in both rural and urban India. Variation in NAR across UMPCE was wider after elementary level. These ratios varied between the lowest and the highest quintile classes from nearly 1.5 times at secondary level for both the areas.

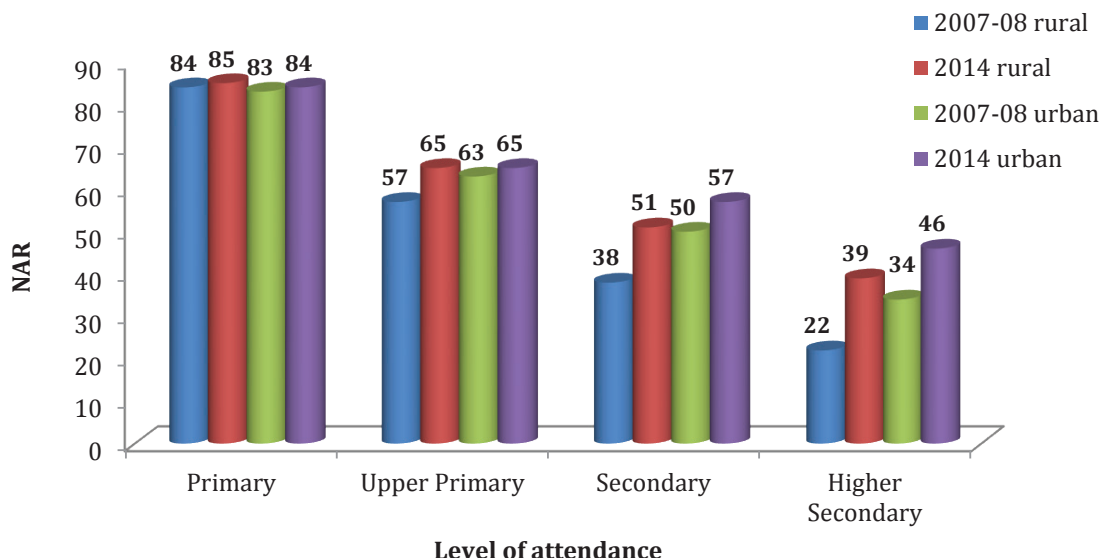
Table 3.5.3 :NAR for different levels of education for each quintile class of UMPCE

| Quintile class of UMPCE | Primary | Upper Primary | Secondary | Higher Secondary | Above Higher Secondary |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|------------------|------------------------|
| Rural | | | | | |
| 1 | 79 | 55 | 38 | 18 | 4 |
| 2 | 82 | 61 | 45 | 26 | 5 |
| 3 | 84 | 65 | 50 | 31 | 8 |
| 4 | 86 | 66 | 55 | 42 | 12 |
| 5 | 89 | 67 | 63 | 53 | 20 |
| All | 83 | 63 | 50 | 34 | 10 |
| Urban | | | | | |
| 1 | 78 | 54 | 39 | 23 | 6 |
| 2 | 85 | 64 | 56 | 38 | 10 |
| 3 | 88 | 69 | 62 | 47 | 15 |
| 4 | 89 | 73 | 67 | 60 | 23 |
| 5 | 89 | 74 | 72 | 66 | 31 |
| All | 84 | 65 | 57 | 46 | 17 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

A remarkable improvement is evident in NAR 2014 over 2007-08 from secondary level onwards in both rural and urban areas. Improvement was more rapid in the higher levels of current attendance. At secondary level, NAR has been reported as 50% in 2014 in rural areas. In 2014, at primary level. The highest value of NAR (96%) was observed in Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Puducherry and the lowest was in Arunachal Pradesh (70%).

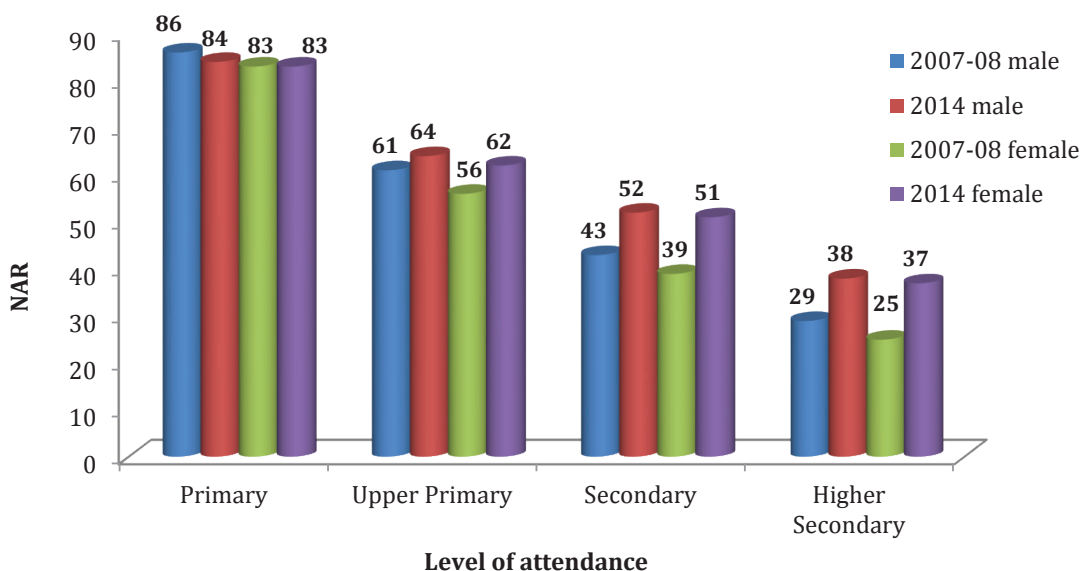
Fig 3.5.1 : Net Attendance Ratio (%) in rural and urban areas



Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

It is observed that male-female gaps in NARs were narrowing over the years. Improvement in NAR was more observed for females. At secondary level, NAR became 52% (in 2014) from 43% (2007-08) for males and for females NAR has increased to 51% from 39% during this period. In general, NAR at all India level is improving in all levels of education for both males and females.

Fig 3.5.2 : Net Attendance Ratio (%) for males and females



Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

3.53 Age-specific attendance ratio (AAR)

For each age-group AAR gives an idea of proportion of persons of a particular age-group currently attending educational institutions, irrespective of the level or class in which they are studying. The rural-urban gap in AAR is more prominent especially among the females in the higher age-groups.

Table 3.5.4 : Age Specific Attendance Ratio (%) for different age-groups

| Age Group (years) | Rural | | Urban | | Rural + Urban | | |
|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Person |
| 6-13 | 90 | 88 | 92 | 91 | 90 | 89 | 90 |
| 14-17 | 75 | 72 | 81 | 83 | 77 | 75 | 76 |
| 18-23 | 32 | 24 | 40 | 38 | 35 | 28 | 32 |
| 24-29 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

Conclusion:

Obtaining quality education is the foundation to improving people's lives and their sustainable development. Major progress has been made towards enhancing access to education at all levels and improving enrolment rates in schools particularly for girls. Basic literacy skills have improved tremendously, yet further efforts are needed to make even greater strides for achieving universal education goals. India has achieved equality in primary education between girls and boys, but still there is much more to be achieved regarding quality and coverage at all levels of education.

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Chapter 4:

Child Protection

Child Protection is about keeping children safe from a risk or perceived risk to their lives or childhood. It is about recognizing that children are vulnerable and hence reducing their vulnerability by protecting them from harm and harmful situations. Child protection is about ensuring that children have a security net to depend on, and if they happen to get trapped in the ill practises of the society or fall as victims of crimes the system has the responsibility to provide the child with the necessary care and rehabilitation to bring them back into the safety net and also to take adequate preventive measures.

It is the collective responsibility to protect children from abuse or neglect, prevent impairment of their health and development, and to ensure their growth in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care that enables children to have optimum life chances and enter adulthood successfully. Preventing and responding to violence, exploitation and abuse is essential to ensuring children's rights to survival, development and well-being. The development, care and protection of children needs to be ensured by facilitating access to learning, nutrition, institutional and legislative support for enabling them to grow and develop to their full potential into well-nurtured children with full opportunities for growth and development in a safe and protective environment.

The children form a very heterogeneous group with specific requirements for their development and growth, especially the girls, children from disadvantaged groups, marginalised communities, street children, children with disability, children hit by any kind of crime, children who committed the crime, etc., so everyone's requirement needs to be assessed and due consideration in accordance with their age, maturity and evolving capacities is required.

4.1 Child Labour

Children are a valuable asset for any society. The child's natural place is at school and the playground. However many children are unfortunately denied these basic development opportunities in childhood.

Child labour is the practice of engaging children in economic activity, on part-time or full-time basis. Child labour actually makes poverty worse and also deprives children of education, resulting in poverty passing down from generation to generation.

The ill effects of child labour are many like long hours of work, malnutrition, impaired vision, deformities caused from sitting long hours in cramped over crowded work places, diseases like serious respiratory diseases, T.B., Cancer, etc. They are often forced to lead solitary lives away from their families, deprived of meaningful education and training opportunities that could prepare them for a better future.

The following are some of the situations in which children are engaged in work:

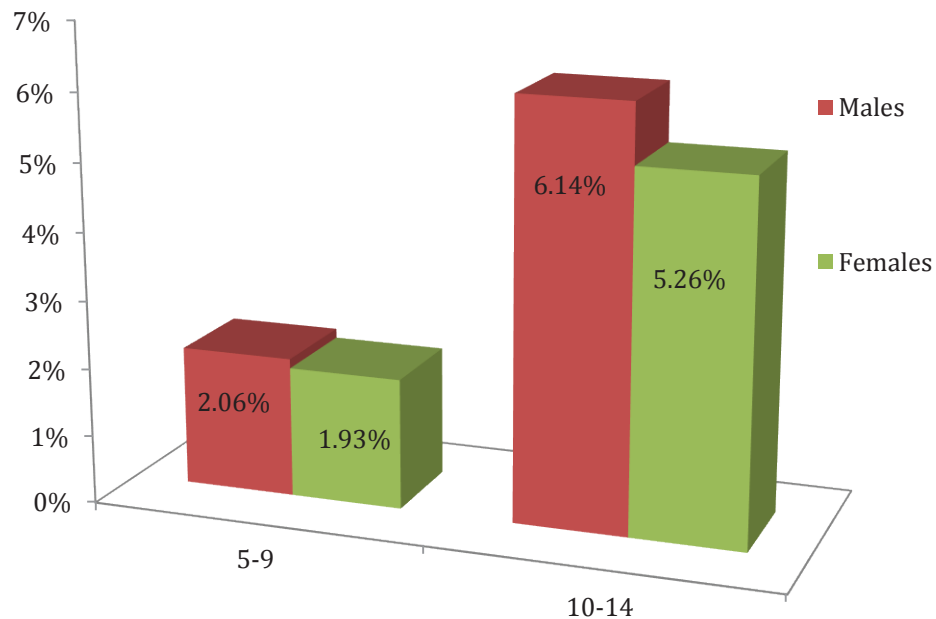
- *Agriculture- Children working long hours and under severe hardships on the fields including exposure to the hazards of working with modern machinery and chemicals.*
- *Hazardous Industries/ Occupations- Like glass making, mining, construction, carpet weaving, zari making, fireworks and others as listed under the Child Labour Act.*
- *Small industrial workshops and service establishments.*
- *On the streets- Rag pickers, porters, vendors etc.*
- *Domestic work- Largely invisible and silent and hence face higher degree of exploitation and abuse in the home of employees.*

Recognizing that child labour is the outcome of multiple causes and has multiple dimensions, Government of India enacted legislation (1986) and prepared the national policy on child labour (1987) to tackle the problem with a multi-pronged approach. The important pillars of the national policy on the elimination of child labour have been as under:

- *Legislative Action Plan--Strict and effective enforcement of legal provisions relating to child labour under various laws.*
- *Convergence of government developmental programmes – Focus on converging various developmental initiatives to alleviate poverty, provide access to social security, health and education, economic and social empowerment of the child workers and their families.*
- *Project based plan of action – Implementation of National Child Labour Project Scheme (NCLPS) in the areas of high concentration of child labour.*

Census 2011 reports 1.01croreworking children (main + marginal) in the age group of 5-14 years as compared to the child population of 25.96 crore in the same age group. It further revealed that 2% of the children aged 5-9 years, and 6% of the children aged 10 -14 years are working.4.15% of the boys and 3.63% girls of age group 5-14 years are workers. In 2011, among the child workers, 75% belonged to the age group 10-14 years and 25% were from the age group 5-9 years.

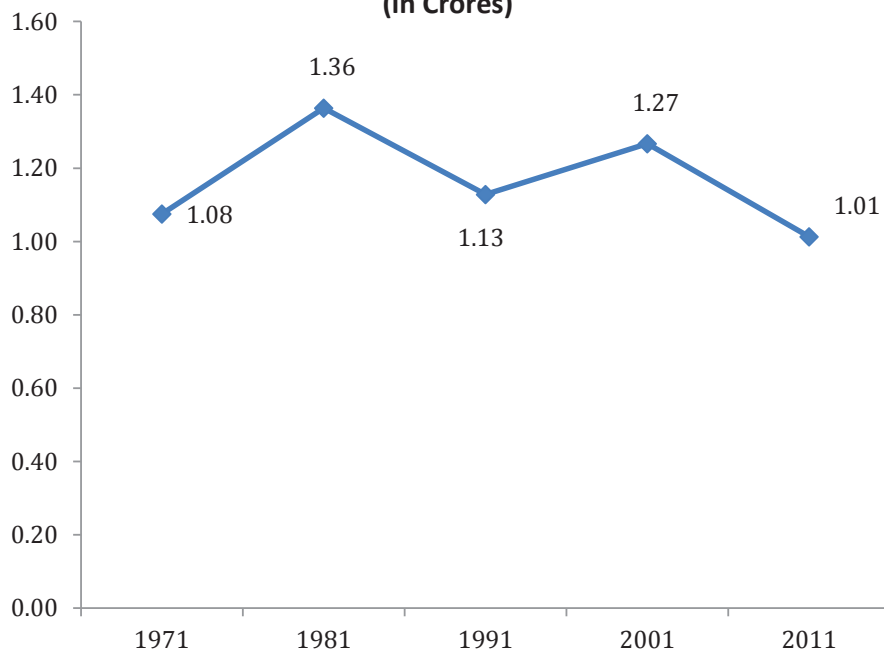
Fig 4.1.1 : Proportion of Child workers by age group, India - Census 2011



Source: Census 2011

As per Census, a fluctuating trend in the number of child workers has been observed during the last decades. The number of working children in the age group of 5-14 years was reported as 1.27crore in 2001 which was 5% of total children in the age group 5-14 years whereas in 2011, the child workers (1.01 Cr.) constitute 4% of the age group 5-14 years.

Fig 4.1.2 : Trend in number of Child Workers (in Crores)



Source: O/o Registrar General of India

The Census 2011 showed that, 56% of the child workers (0-14 years) are females as compared to 44% in 2001. There is a lot of variation in the proportion of children working among the States, Kerala with only 3% working children to 32% working children in Gujarat.

4.2 Violence/Crime against children

Violence against children includes physical and mental abuse and injury, neglect or negligent treatment, exploitation and sexual abuse. Violence may take place in homes, schools, orphanages, residential care facilities, on the streets, in the workplace, in prisons and in places of detention. Such violence can affect the normal development of a child impairing their mental, physical and social being. Any form of abuse; physical, emotional, sexual, neglect, exploitation are potentially harmful to a child's health, survival, dignity and development.

Crimes against children include physical and emotional abuse, neglect and exploitation, such as through child pornography or sex trafficking of minors. The children are vulnerable to different kinds of crimes like kidnapping, murder, rape or assault to the modesty of girl child, etc. The list of offences under the two broadly categorised offences under the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and the Special and Local Laws (SLL) is as given in Annexure III.

Crimes against children in India have been reportedly increasing over the years. The total number of crimes against children reported in 2016 as per NCRB is 106958, while 94172 crimes were recorded in 2015. The data suggest an upward trend with significant increase of crime rate from 21.1 in 2015 to 24.0 in 2016.

Kidnapping and Abduction of children are the highest registered category of crime against children, accounting for more than half of all crimes in 2016. Cases registered under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (POCSO) were reported as high as 34.4%. Rape is also a big category of crime against children amounting to more than 18% of all crimes against children.

Table 4.2.1 : Incidence and Rate of Crimes committed against Children

| Crime Head | Crime Incidence | | | Crime Rate | | | Percentage Variation in Incidence | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|------------|------|------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 |
| Total Crime against Children | 89423 | 94172 | 106958 | 20.1 | 21.1 | 24.0 | 5.3% | 13.6% |

| Crime Head | Total Cases Reported | Major States/UT during 2016 | | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Kidnapping & Abduction | 54723 | Uttar Pradesh (9657) | Maharashtra (7956) | Madhya Pradesh (6016) |
| Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 | 36022 | Uttar Pradesh (4954) | Maharashtra (4815) | Madhya Pradesh (4717) |

Source : Crime In India, 2016, NCRB

More than 50% of crimes against children have been recorded in just five States, namely Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Delhi UT and West Bengal. While Uttar Pradesh records the highest number of cases with 15% of recorded crimes against children, followed by Maharashtra (14%) and Madhya Pradesh (13%).

Rate of crime against children is defined as the number of crimes for every 1,00,000 population of children. States having the highest rate of crime in 2016 is given below:

Table 4.2.2 : Incidence of crime against children

| State | Number of Cases 2016 | Rate |
|------------|----------------------|-------|
| Delhi UT | 8178 | 146.0 |
| A&N Island | 86 | 61.4 |
| Chandigarh | 222 | 55.5 |
| Sikkim | 110 | 55.0 |
| Mizoram | 188 | 50.8 |
| India | 106958 | 24.0 |

Source : Crime In India, 2016, NCRB

A total of 96,900 cases reported under 'crime against children' were disposed of by police during 2016. The charge-sheeting rate under overall crimes against children (IPC & SLL) is 65.4% in 2016, which is lesser than charge-sheeting rate of 2015 (85.6%). The lowest charge sheet rate was found in cases of 'Exposure and Abandonment' (10.6%). Out of 22,763 cases in which trials were completed, 6,991 cases ended in conviction. Thus the conviction rate under crime against children at the national level stood at 30.7%.

The conviction rate under crime head 'buying of minor for prostitution' (100.0%) and Kidnapping for Ransom (60.7%) were highest during the year 2016. 98,865 male and 2,495 female persons were

arrested for these crimes and 81,003 males and 2,012 females were charge-sheeted by the police and correspondingly, only 8,973 males and 145 females were convicted, 20,149 males and 472 females were acquitted during 2016.

4.3 Missing Children

As per NCRB data, a total of 1,11,569 children below 18 years of age comprising 41,175 boys and 70,394 girls were reported missing by the year 2016. 41,067 boys and 22,340 girls were reported missing in the year 2016. The highest number of missing children were reported from West Bengal (16,881 children-4,595 males and 12,286 females) followed by Delhi UT (14,661 children-6,125 males and 8,536 females) and Madhya Pradesh (12,068 children-3,446 males and 8,622 females) by 2016. Out of total 1,11,569 missing children, a total of 55,944 children (20,364 males and 35,580 females) were traced in the year 2016 and 55,625 children (20,811 males and 34,814 females) were untraced at the end of the year.

4.4 Juveniles in Conflict with Law

‘Juveniles in Conflict with Law’ refers to any person below age of 18 years who comes into conflict with the justice system as a result of being suspected or accused of committing crimes. Data on juveniles in conflict with law is based on police recorded First Information Report (FIR) only irrespective of final order.

The Indian Penal Code and the various protective and preventive special and local laws specifically mention the offences wherein children are victims. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 allows for juveniles in conflict with Law in the age group of 16–18, involved in heinous offences, to be tried as adults.

In the year 2016, 35,849 cases of juveniles in conflict with the law have been registered, an increase of 7.2 per cent over the 33,433 cases of 2015. A total of 44,171 juveniles were apprehended in 35,849 cases, out of which 41,826 juveniles were apprehended under cases of IPC and 2,345 juveniles were apprehended under cases of SLL during 2016. The highest number of cases under juveniles in conflict with law were reported in Madhya Pradesh 20.6% (7,369 cases) followed by Maharashtra 18.4% (6,606 cases) and Delhi UT 7.0% (2,499 cases) during 2016. Majority of juveniles in conflict with law apprehended under IPC & SLL crimes were in the age group of 16 years to 18 years (73.8%) (32,577 out of 44,171) during 2016.

Table 4.4.1 : Incidence of Crimes committed by Juveniles

| Crime Head | Crime Incidence | | | Percentage Variation in Incidence | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 |
| Crime Incidence (IPC+SLL) | 38455 | 33433 | 35849 | -13.1% | 7.2% |

| Crime Head | Total Cases Reported | Major State/UT during 2016 | | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | |
| Theft | 7717 | Maharashtra (1673) | Tamil Nadu (667) | Uttar Pradesh (611) |
| Rape | 1903 | Madhya Pradesh (442) | Maharashtra (258) | Rajasthan (159) |
| Arms Act, 1959 | 228 | Bihar (79) | Madhya Pradesh (38) | Rajasthan (19) |
| Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of children) Act, 2000 | 224 | Tamil Nadu (209) | Chhattisgarh (6) | Maharashtra (5) |

Source : Crime In India, 2016, NCRB

4.5 Homeless children/orphans

NFHS-4 (2015-16) defines an orphan as a child with one or both parents who are dead. As per the NFHS-4 (2015-16), overall, 5% of children under age 18 years are orphans. The percentage of children who are orphans rises rapidly with age, from less than 1% among children under age 2 years to 9% among children age 15-17 years. The Northeast region has the highest percentage of children who are orphans (6% or more in every State except Tripura).

The percentage of children under age 18 years who do not live with a biological parent decreased only slightly and i.e. from 4% NFHS-3 (2005-06) to 3% NFHS-4 (2015-16). The percentage of children under age 18 years who are orphans did not change between 2005-06 and 2015-16 i.e. at (5%).

Table 4.5.1 :Age-wise distribution of orphans

| Age in years | Percentage with one or both parents dead |
|--------------|--|
| <2 | 0.6 |
| 2-4 | 1.5 |
| 5-9 | 3.3 |
| 10-14 | 6.3 |
| 15-17 | 9.2 |

Source : National Health & Family Survey-IV, 2015-16

Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), a Statutory Body under M/o Women and Child Development has been established for the welfare of the orphan and the abandoned children which functions as a nodal body at the national level for promoting and regulating adoption of Indian children.

Table No 4.5.2 : Year-wise number of adoptions within and outside the country

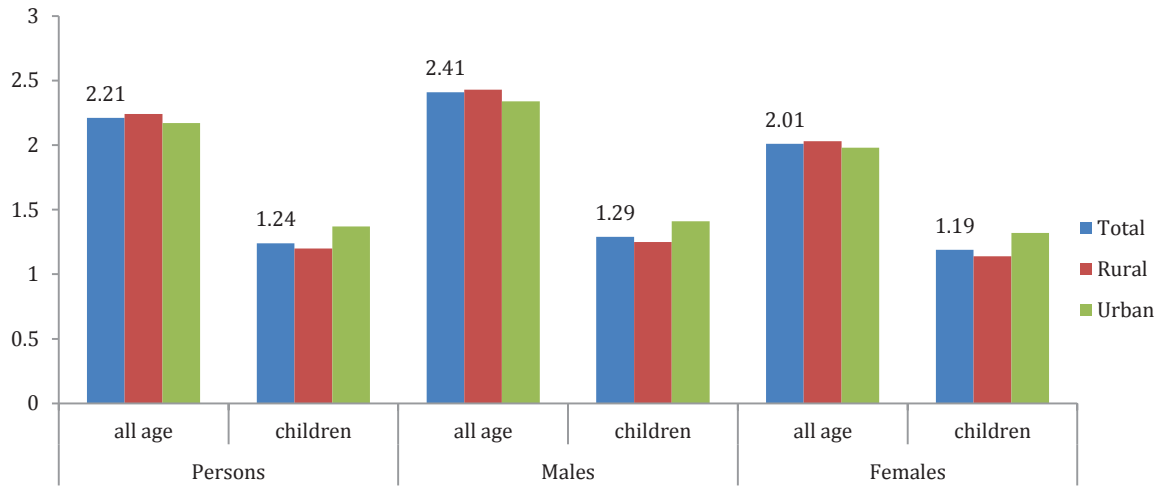
| Year | In-country Adoption | Inter-country Adoption |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 2013-2014 | 3924 | 430 |
| 2014-2015 | 3988 | 374 |
| 2015-2016 | 3011 | 666 |
| 2016-2017 | 3210 | 578 |
| 2017 - 2018 | 2595 | 516 |

Source : Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA)

4.6 Children with disability (mental and physical)

Disabled children are the most vulnerable group and they need special attention. The disability among children is a matter of serious concern as it has wider implications. The Census 2011 showed that in India, 20.42 lakhs children aged 0-6 years are disabled which constitute 1.24% of all 0-6 age group children. Thus, one in every 100 children in the age group 0-6 years suffered from some type of disability. The percentage of male disabled children to total male children is 1.29% and the corresponding figure for females is 1.19%.

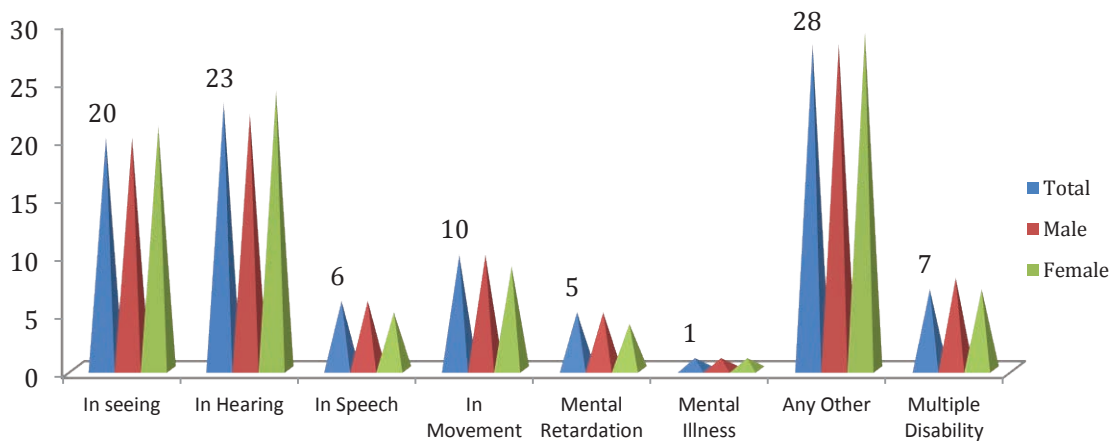
Fig 4.6.1 : Percentage of disabled population - all ages and children (0-6 years) to the respective total population in India - Census, 2011



Source :Census 2011

23% of the disabled children (0-6 years) are having disability in hearing, 30% in seeing and 10% in movement. 7% of the disabled children have multiple disabilities. A similar pattern is observed among male and female disabled children.

Fig 4.6.2 : Type of disabilities (in%) among children (0-6 yrs) in India - Census, 2011



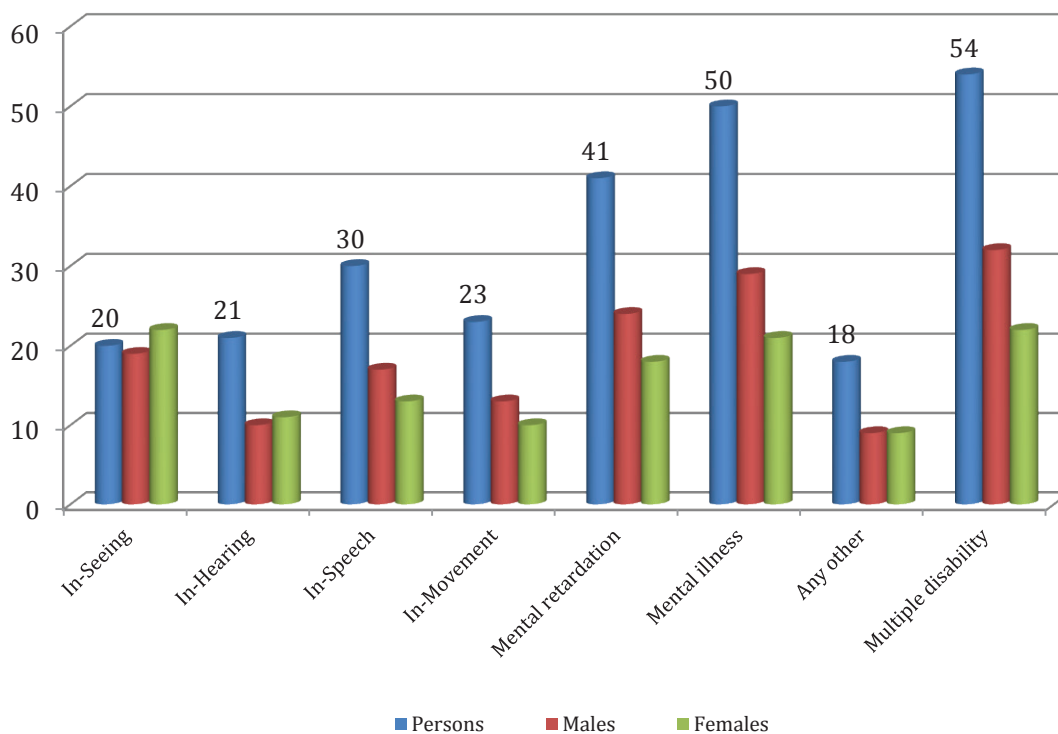
Source :Census 2011

As per Census 2011, the number of disabled persons is highest in the age group 10-19 years (46.2 lakhs). Out of the total disabled in the age group 0-19 years, 20% are having disability in hearing followed by 18% with disability in seeing. 9% has multiple disabilities.

The Census 2011 showed that, 61% of the disabled children aged 5-19 years are attending educational institutions and among the disabled children aged 5-19 years who were attending educational institutions, 57% are male children.

54% of the disabled children with multiple disabilities never attended educational institutions. Also, 50% of the children with mental illness never attended educational institution.

Fig 4.6.3 : Disabled children (5-19 years) never attended educational institution by type of disability & sex in India - Census, 2011



Source : Census 2011, O/o Registrar General of India

Bihar (12.48%) has the highest share of disabled children (0-6 years) in the population of disabled persons of the State followed by Meghalaya (11.41%). In Kerala, only 3.44% of the disabled persons belonged to the age group 0-6 years, which is the lowest among the State/ UTs. The State of Uttar Pradesh is home for the highest number of disabled children (0-6 years). Four States namely, Uttar Pradesh (20.31%), Bihar (14.24%), Maharashtra (10.64%), and West Bengal (6.48%) together have the burden of more than 50% of the disabled children.

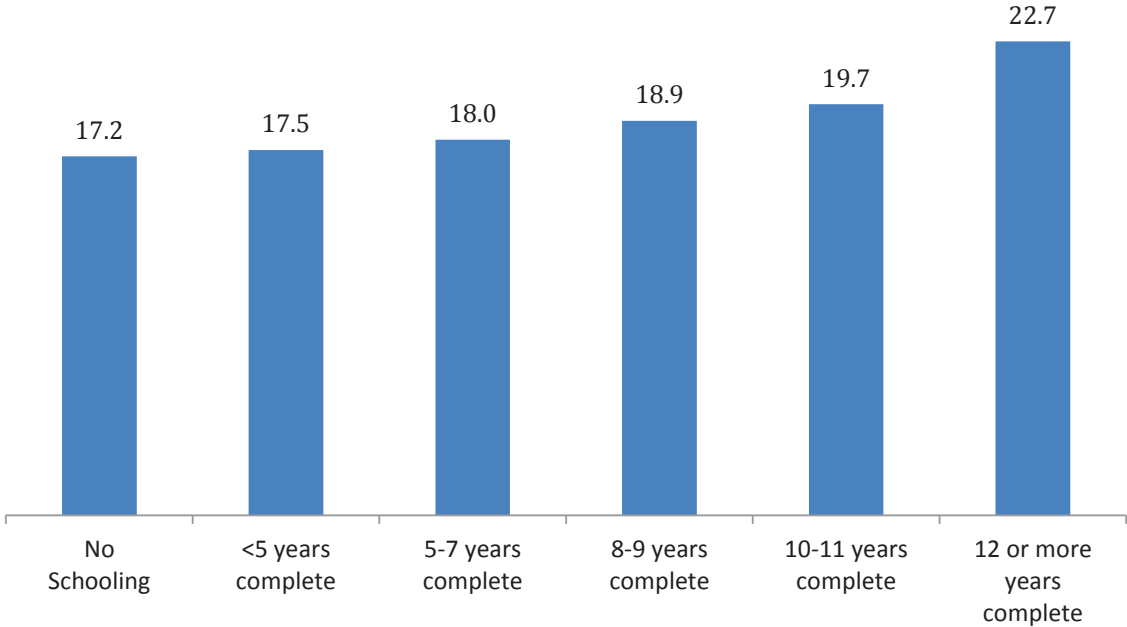
4.7 Child Marriage

Marriage at a young age has far reaching consequences for both girls and boys in terms of their overall development and in making important life decisions and securing basic freedoms, including

pursuing opportunities for education, earning a sustainable livelihood and accessing sexual health and rights. Child marriage has profound physical, intellectual, psychological and emotional impact on both boys and girls; it results in depriving childhood, educational opportunities, attainment of employment and curtails their productivity. For girls, it enlarges their fertility span, which almost certainly results in premature pregnancy and multiple pregnancies and is likely to lead to a lifetime of domestic and sexual subservience over which they have no control. The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act 2006 declared child marriages below the stipulated age as a cognizable offence.

Early marriage has been declining over time. As per NFHS-4 (2015-16), marriage before the legal age of 18 is 27% for women age 20-24 years, compared with 46% for women age 45-49 years. Similarly, for men, marriage before the legal age of 21 years is at 20% for men age 25-29 and at 29 % for men age 45-49 years to. The median age at first marriage for women age 20-49 years increased from 17.2 years in 2005-06 to 19.0 years in 2015-16. For men age 25-49 years, the median age at first marriage increased by almost two years between 2005-06 and 2015-16 (22.6 years and 24.5 years, respectively).The data suggests that urban women marry later than rural women. For women age 25-49 years, the median age at first marriage is 1.7 years more among urban women than rural women (19.8 years versus 18.1 years). Also, women having 12 or more years of schooling marry much later than other women. The median age at first marriage for women age 25-49 years increases from 17.2 years for women with no schooling to 22.7 years for women with 12 or more years of schooling.

Fig 4.7.1 : Women's Median Age at First Marriage by Schooling
(Among women age 25-49)



Source: NFHS-4

NFHS -4 showed that, 28% of women age 18-29 years and 17 % of men age 21-29 years married before reaching the legal minimum age at marriage (18 years for women and 21 years for men). About two-fifths of women (18- 29 years) married before reaching the legal minimum age at marriage in West Bengal (44%), Bihar (42%), Jharkhand (39%), and Andhra Pradesh (36%). About one-third of women (18- 29 years) in Rajasthan, Assam, Madhya Pradesh, and Tripura (33% each), as well as Dadra & Nagar Haveli (32%) and Telangana (31%) married before reaching the legal minimum age at marriage. The percentage of women (18- 29 years) married before reaching the legal minimum age of 18 years is lowest in Lakshadweep (5%), Jammu & Kashmir and Kerala (9% each), and Himachal Pradesh and Punjab (10% each). About one-fourth of men age 21-29 years in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh (28% each), Bihar and Jharkhand (27% each), Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Gujarat (26% each), and Arunachal Pradesh (24%) married before the minimum legal age. The lowest proportions of men (21-29 years) married below the legal age at marriage are in Kerala (2%), Chandigarh (4%), Puducherry and Goa (5% each), Himachal Pradesh (6%), and Tamil Nadu and Andaman & Nicobar Islands (7% each).

4.8 Conclusion

Child Protection Systems (including Justice and Police, child and family social services, health and education and communities) provide improved quality of life and better access to services for the prevention of and response to violence, abuse and exploitation of children at all times. Parents, caregivers, and children demonstrate skills, knowledge and behaviour enabling children to grow up in caring homes and communities, including schools that are free from violence, abuse and exploitation.

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Table 1.1: Child Population - Census 2011

| States/UTs | Total Population | | Child Population | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | | 0-6 years | | 0-14 years | | 0-18 years | |
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Males | Females | Males | Females |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 202871 | 177710 | 20770 | 20108 | 47271 | 45404 | 61135 | 58044 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 42442146 | 42138631 | 4714950 | 4427852 | 11205169 | 10585623 | 14632580 | 13729926 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 713912 | 669815 | 107624 | 104564 | 249602 | 243759 | 315516 | 308093 |
| Assam | 15939443 | 15266133 | 2363485 | 2274645 | 5230649 | 5018250 | 6559738 | 6208885 |
| Bihar | 54278157 | 49821295 | 9887239 | 9246725 | 21697061 | 20024127 | 26248868 | 23548209 |
| Chandigarh | 580663 | 474787 | 63536 | 55898 | 144742 | 121770 | 192392 | 156388 |
| Chhattisgarh | 12832895 | 12712303 | 1859935 | 1801754 | 4152234 | 4031602 | 5248688 | 5086376 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 193760 | 149949 | 26431 | 24464 | 56346 | 51467 | 71317 | 61966 |
| Daman and Diu | 150301 | 92946 | 14144 | 12790 | 29148 | 25837 | 42462 | 32059 |
| Delhi | 8987326 | 7800615 | 1075440 | 937014 | 2459269 | 2106050 | 3210942 | 2710408 |
| Goa | 739140 | 719405 | 74460 | 70151 | 164106 | 154054 | 210661 | 196312 |
| Gujarat | 31491260 | 28948432 | 4115384 | 3661878 | 9282125 | 8163488 | 11846335 | 10367677 |
| Haryana | 13494734 | 11856728 | 1843109 | 1537612 | 4129750 | 3400204 | 5353869 | 4373631 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 3481873 | 3382729 | 407459 | 370439 | 934708 | 840677 | 1206577 | 1083940 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 6640662 | 5900640 | 1084355 | 934550 | 2255174 | 1985536 | 2789004 | 2483574 |
| Jharkhand | 16930315 | 16057819 | 2767147 | 2622348 | 6101640 | 5789478 | 7565928 | 7034491 |
| Karnataka | 30966657 | 30128640 | 3675291 | 3485742 | 8233981 | 7790893 | 10705512 | 10024049 |
| Kerala | 16027412 | 17378649 | 1768244 | 1704711 | 3989641 | 3841333 | 5060037 | 4872718 |
| Lakshadweep | 33123 | 31350 | 3797 | 3458 | 8262 | 8195 | 10521 | 10520 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 37612306 | 35014503 | 5636172 | 5173223 | 12623269 | 11678973 | 15947178 | 14554582 |
| Maharashtra | 58243056 | 54131277 | 7035391 | 6291126 | 15780067 | 14137148 | 20396042 | 18092467 |
| Manipur | 1438586 | 1417208 | 194484 | 180873 | 444072 | 417616 | 563536 | 534843 |
| Meghalaya | 1491832 | 1475057 | 288646 | 279890 | 596904 | 581038 | 733567 | 713764 |
| Mizoram | 555339 | 541867 | 85561 | 82970 | 180955 | 175047 | 226257 | 218809 |
| Nagaland | 1024649 | 953853 | 149785 | 141286 | 351175 | 327857 | 448951 | 420286 |
| Odisha | 21212136 | 20762082 | 2716497 | 2556697 | 6167001 | 5909421 | 7799156 | 7520366 |
| Puducherry | 612511 | 635442 | 67527 | 65331 | 151966 | 146426 | 193607 | 185961 |
| Punjab | 14639465 | 13103873 | 1665994 | 1410225 | 3897168 | 3187782 | 5174159 | 4197215 |
| Rajasthan | 35550997 | 32997440 | 5639176 | 5010328 | 12548143 | 11177283 | 15845710 | 14048666 |
| Sikkim | 323070 | 287507 | 32761 | 31350 | 84338 | 81599 | 111851 | 108235 |
| Tamil Nadu | 36137975 | 36009055 | 3820276 | 3603556 | 8754861 | 8252642 | 11336945 | 10650138 |
| Tripura | 1874376 | 1799541 | 234008 | 224006 | 520047 | 497944 | 667426 | 638116 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 104480510 | 95331831 | 16185581 | 14605750 | 37589959 | 33718307 | 48064457 | 42864768 |
| Uttarakhand | 5137773 | 4948519 | 717199 | 638615 | 1652441 | 1476567 | 2137408 | 1917086 |
| West Bengal | 46809027 | 44467088 | 5410396 | 5171070 | 12638131 | 12099344 | 16511024 | 15609553 |
| India | 623270258 | 587584719 | 85752254 | 78762999 | 194351375 | 178092741 | 247489356 | 224622121 |

Source: Census of India 2011, Registrar General of India

Table 1.2: Percent Share of Child Population in Total Population - Census 2011

| States/UTs | 0-6 years | | | 0-14 years | | | 0-18 years | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Male | Female | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females | Total |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 10.2 | 11.3 | 10.7 | 23.3 | 25.5 | 24.4 | 30.1 | 32.7 | 31.3 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 11.1 | 10.5 | 10.8 | 26.4 | 25.1 | 25.8 | 34.5 | 32.6 | 33.5 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 15.1 | 15.6 | 15.3 | 35.0 | 36.4 | 35.7 | 44.2 | 46.0 | 45.1 |
| Assam | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 32.8 | 32.9 | 32.8 | 41.2 | 40.7 | 40.9 |
| Bihar | 18.2 | 18.6 | 18.4 | 40.0 | 40.2 | 40.1 | 48.4 | 47.3 | 47.8 |
| Chandigarh | 10.9 | 11.8 | 11.3 | 24.9 | 25.6 | 25.3 | 33.1 | 32.9 | 33.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 14.5 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 32.4 | 31.7 | 32.0 | 40.9 | 40.0 | 40.5 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 13.6 | 16.3 | 14.8 | 29.1 | 34.3 | 31.4 | 36.8 | 41.3 | 38.8 |
| Daman and Diu | 9.4 | 13.8 | 11.1 | 19.4 | 27.8 | 22.6 | 28.3 | 34.5 | 30.6 |
| Delhi | 12.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 27.4 | 27.0 | 27.2 | 35.7 | 34.7 | 35.3 |
| Goa | 10.1 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 22.2 | 21.4 | 21.8 | 28.5 | 27.3 | 27.9 |
| Gujarat | 13.1 | 12.6 | 12.9 | 29.5 | 28.2 | 28.9 | 37.6 | 35.8 | 36.8 |
| Haryana | 13.7 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 30.6 | 28.7 | 29.7 | 39.7 | 36.9 | 38.4 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 11.7 | 11.0 | 11.3 | 26.8 | 24.9 | 25.9 | 34.7 | 32.0 | 33.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 16.3 | 15.8 | 16.1 | 34.0 | 33.6 | 33.8 | 42.0 | 42.1 | 42.0 |
| Jharkhand | 16.3 | 16.3 | 16.3 | 36.0 | 36.1 | 36.0 | 44.7 | 43.8 | 44.3 |
| Karnataka | 11.9 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 26.2 | 34.6 | 33.3 | 33.9 |
| Kerala | 11.0 | 9.8 | 10.4 | 24.9 | 22.1 | 23.4 | 31.6 | 28.0 | 29.7 |
| Lakshadweep | 11.5 | 11.0 | 11.3 | 24.9 | 26.1 | 25.5 | 31.8 | 33.6 | 32.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 15.0 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 33.6 | 33.4 | 33.5 | 42.4 | 41.6 | 42.0 |
| Maharashtra | 12.1 | 11.6 | 11.9 | 27.1 | 26.1 | 26.6 | 35.0 | 33.4 | 34.3 |
| Manipur | 13.5 | 12.8 | 13.1 | 30.9 | 29.5 | 30.2 | 39.2 | 37.7 | 38.5 |
| Meghalaya | 19.3 | 19.0 | 19.2 | 40.0 | 39.4 | 39.7 | 49.2 | 48.4 | 48.8 |
| Mizoram | 15.4 | 15.3 | 15.4 | 32.6 | 32.3 | 32.4 | 40.7 | 40.4 | 40.6 |
| Nagaland | 14.6 | 14.8 | 14.7 | 34.3 | 34.4 | 34.3 | 43.8 | 44.1 | 43.9 |
| Odisha | 12.8 | 12.3 | 12.6 | 29.1 | 28.5 | 28.8 | 36.8 | 36.2 | 36.5 |
| Puducherry | 11.0 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 24.8 | 23.0 | 23.9 | 31.6 | 29.3 | 30.4 |
| Punjab | 11.4 | 10.8 | 11.1 | 26.6 | 24.3 | 25.5 | 35.3 | 32.0 | 33.8 |
| Rajasthan | 15.9 | 15.2 | 15.5 | 35.3 | 33.9 | 34.6 | 44.6 | 42.6 | 43.6 |
| Sikkim | 10.1 | 10.9 | 10.5 | 26.1 | 28.4 | 27.2 | 34.6 | 37.6 | 36.0 |
| Tamil Nadu | 10.6 | 10.0 | 10.3 | 24.2 | 22.9 | 23.6 | 31.4 | 29.6 | 30.5 |
| Tripura | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.5 | 27.7 | 27.7 | 27.7 | 35.6 | 35.5 | 35.5 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 15.5 | 15.3 | 15.4 | 36.0 | 35.4 | 35.7 | 46.0 | 45.0 | 45.5 |
| Uttarakhand | 14.0 | 12.9 | 13.4 | 32.2 | 29.8 | 31.0 | 41.6 | 38.7 | 40.2 |
| West Bengal | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 27.0 | 27.2 | 27.1 | 35.3 | 35.1 | 35.2 |
| India | 13.8 | 13.4 | 13.6 | 31.2 | 30.3 | 30.8 | 39.7 | 38.2 | 39.0 |

Source: Census of India 2011, Registrar General of India

Table 1.3: Sex ratio of Child Population and all ages- Census 2011

| States/UTs | 0-6 years | 0-14 years | 0-18 years | All ages |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 968 | 961 | 949 | 876 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 939 | 945 | 938 | 993 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 972 | 977 | 976 | 938 |
| Assam | 962 | 959 | 947 | 958 |
| Bihar | 935 | 923 | 897 | 918 |
| Chandigarh | 880 | 841 | 813 | 818 |
| Chhattisgarh | 969 | 971 | 969 | 991 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 926 | 913 | 869 | 774 |
| Daman and Diu | 904 | 886 | 755 | 618 |
| Delhi | 871 | 856 | 844 | 868 |
| Goa | 942 | 939 | 932 | 973 |
| Gujarat | 890 | 879 | 875 | 919 |
| Haryana | 834 | 823 | 817 | 879 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 909 | 899 | 898 | 972 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 862 | 880 | 890 | 889 |
| Jharkhand | 948 | 949 | 930 | 948 |
| Karnataka | 948 | 946 | 936 | 973 |
| Kerala | 964 | 963 | 963 | 1084 |
| Lakshadweep | 911 | 992 | 1000 | 946 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 918 | 925 | 913 | 931 |
| Maharashtra | 894 | 896 | 887 | 929 |
| Manipur | 930 | 940 | 949 | 985 |
| Meghalaya | 970 | 973 | 973 | 989 |
| Mizoram | 970 | 967 | 967 | 976 |
| Nagaland | 943 | 934 | 936 | 931 |
| Odisha | 941 | 958 | 964 | 979 |
| Puducherry | 967 | 964 | 961 | 1037 |
| Punjab | 846 | 818 | 811 | 895 |
| Rajasthan | 888 | 891 | 887 | 928 |
| Sikkim | 957 | 968 | 968 | 890 |
| Tamil Nadu | 943 | 943 | 939 | 996 |
| Tripura | 957 | 957 | 956 | 960 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 902 | 897 | 892 | 912 |
| Uttarakhand | 890 | 894 | 897 | 963 |
| West Bengal | 956 | 957 | 945 | 950 |
| India | 918 | 916 | 908 | 943 |

Source: Census of India 2011, Registrar General of India

Table 1.4: Sex ratio in the Age-Group 0-6 Years by Residence : Census 2001 & 2011

| States/UTs | Sex Ratio 2001 | | | Sex Ratio 2011 | | | % |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Total | Rural | Urban | Total | Change |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 966 | 936 | 957 | 976 | 954 | 968 | 1.16% |
| Andhra Pradesh | 963 | 955 | 961 | 941 | 935 | 939 | -2.28% |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 960 | 980 | 964 | 975 | 957 | 972 | 0.79% |
| Assam | 967 | 943 | 965 | 964 | 944 | 962 | -0.27% |
| Bihar | 944 | 924 | 942 | 938 | 912 | 935 | -0.72% |
| Chandigarh | 847 | 845 | 845 | 871 | 880 | 880 | 4.12% |
| Chhattisgarh | 982 | 938 | 975 | 977 | 937 | 969 | -0.64% |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 1003 | 888 | 979 | 970 | 872 | 926 | -5.46% |
| Daman and Diu | 916 | 943 | 926 | 932 | 894 | 904 | -2.35% |
| Delhi | 850 | 870 | 868 | 814 | 873 | 871 | 0.38% |
| Goa | 952 | 924 | 938 | 945 | 940 | 942 | 0.44% |
| Gujarat | 906 | 837 | 883 | 914 | 852 | 890 | 0.77% |
| Haryana | 823 | 808 | 819 | 835 | 832 | 834 | 1.86% |
| Himachal Pradesh | 900 | 844 | 896 | 912 | 881 | 909 | 1.47% |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 957 | 873 | 941 | 865 | 850 | 862 | -8.41% |
| Jharkhand | 973 | 930 | 965 | 957 | 908 | 948 | -1.80% |
| Karnataka | 949 | 940 | 946 | 950 | 946 | 948 | 0.26% |
| Kerala | 961 | 958 | 960 | 965 | 963 | 964 | 0.42% |
| Lakshadweep | 999 | 900 | 959 | 911 | 911 | 911 | -5.03% |
| Madhya Pradesh | 939 | 907 | 932 | 923 | 901 | 918 | -1.52% |
| Maharashtra | 916 | 908 | 913 | 890 | 899 | 894 | -2.06% |
| Manipur | 956 | 961 | 957 | 931 | 949 | 936 | -2.19% |
| Meghalaya | 973 | 969 | 973 | 972 | 954 | 970 | -0.34% |
| Mizoram | 965 | 963 | 964 | 966 | 974 | 970 | 0.59% |
| Nagaland | 969 | 939 | 964 | 933 | 973 | 943 | -2.15% |
| Orissa | 955 | 933 | 953 | 946 | 913 | 941 | -1.24% |
| Puducherry | 967 | 967 | 967 | 953 | 975 | 967 | 0.05% |
| Punjab | 799 | 796 | 798 | 844 | 852 | 846 | 6.07% |
| Rajasthan | 914 | 887 | 909 | 892 | 874 | 888 | -2.26% |
| Sikkim | 966 | 922 | 963 | 964 | 934 | 957 | -0.63% |
| Tamil Nadu | 933 | 955 | 942 | 936 | 952 | 943 | 0.13% |
| Tripura | 968 | 948 | 966 | 960 | 947 | 957 | -0.90% |
| Uttar Pradesh | 921 | 890 | 916 | 906 | 885 | 902 | -1.49% |
| Uttarakhand | 918 | 872 | 908 | 899 | 868 | 890 | -1.94% |
| West Bengal | 963 | 948 | 960 | 959 | 947 | 956 | -0.44% |
| India | 906 | 919 | 934 | 923 | 905 | 918 | -1.66% |

Source : Census 2001, Census 2011, Registrar General of India

Table 1.5: Sex Ratio based on Registered Births, 2011-2015

| State/UTs | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 954 | 934 | 947 | 1031 | 925 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 983 | 985 | 954 | 955 | 971 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 897 | 819 | 978 | 993 | 895 |
| Assam | 920 | 872 | 909 | 902 | 885 |
| Bihar | N.A. | N.A. | 924 | 868 | 870 |
| Chandigarh | 835 | 887 | 904 | 870 | 898 |
| Chhattisgarh | 915 | 895 | 925 | 934 | 938 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 960 | 954 | 876 | 890 | 1001 |
| Daman & Diu | 857 | 886 | 961 | 916 | 924 |
| Delhi | 893 | 886 | 895 | 896 | 898 |
| Goa | 934 | 929 | 946 | 947 | 928 |
| Gujarat | 901 | 902 | 901 | 886 | N.A. |
| Haryana | 833 | 832 | 840 | 843 | 851 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 918 | 916 | 906 | 896 | 903 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 913 | N.A. | 923 | 914 | 912 |
| Jharkhand | N.A. | 847 | 885 | 886 | 879 |
| Karnataka | 983 | 971 | 943 | 926 | 893 |
| Kerala | 939 | 955 | 942 | 948 | 948 |
| Lakshadweep | 897 | N.A. | 969 | 1043 | 891 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 897 | 912 | 904 | 908 | 904 |
| Maharashtra | 861 | 894 | 901 | 911 | 883 |
| Manipur | 816 | 797 | 700 | 684 | 686 |
| Meghalaya | 942 | 947 | 978 | 968 | 975 |
| Mizoram | 972 | 968 | 954 | 963 | 973 |
| Nagaland | 873 | 873 | 873 | 860 | 897 |
| Odisha | 902 | 896 | 886 | 880 | 866 |
| Puducherry | 912 | 909 | 910 | 911 | 939 |
| Punjab | 852 | 844 | 876 | 880 | 891 |
| Rajasthan | 911 | 861 | 859 | 799 | 794 |
| Sikkim | 947 | 974 | 956 | 968 | 973 |
| Tamil Nadu | 905 | 904 | 853 | 834 | 818 |
| Telangana | <i>Included in Andhra Pradesh</i> | | 954 | 961 | 834 |
| Tripura | 982 | 980 | 1055 | 882 | 1000 |
| Uttar Pradesh | N.A. | 930 | 883 | 881 | 877 |
| Uttarakhand | 869 | 847 | 843 | 865 | 862 |
| West Bengal | 924 | 926 | 913 | 897 | 919 |
| India | 909 | 908 | 898 | 887 | 881 |

Source: Civil Registration System 2015, Registrar General of India

Note: N.A. – Not Available

Table 1.6: Sex Ratio in the age-group (0-6 years) by Residence: 2015-16 (NFHS-4)

| States | Rural | Urban | Total |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Andhra Pradesh | 841 | 967 | 874 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 940 | 920 | 936 |
| Assam | 934 | 836 | 923 |
| Bihar | 939 | 936 | 939 |
| Chhattisgarh | 991 | 922 | 977 |
| Goa | 1074 | 821 | 897 |
| Gujarat | 939 | 806 | 884 |
| Haryana | 875 | 777 | 838 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 916 | 901 | 915 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 924 | 895 | 917 |
| Jharkhand | 928 | 889 | 920 |
| Karnataka | 978 | 878 | 937 |
| Kerala | 1027 | 1013 | 1020 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 924 | 900 | 918 |
| Maharashtra | 899 | 943 | 918 |
| Manipur | 983 | 988 | 985 |
| Meghalaya | 1003 | 918 | 991 |
| Mizoram | 944 | 977 | 961 |
| Nagaland | 935 | 1007 | 955 |
| Odisha | 931 | 952 | 934 |
| Punjab | 869 | 827 | 852 |
| Rajasthan | 897 | 852 | 887 |
| Sikkim | 1002 | 735 | 907 |
| Tamil Nadu | 920 | 960 | 939 |
| Telangana | 894 | 923 | 907 |
| Tripura | 958 | 1082 | 987 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 907 | 888 | 903 |
| Uttarakhand | 948 | 858 | 918 |
| West Bengal | 963 | 881 | 939 |
| India (0-6) | 923 | 899 | 916 |
| India All ages | 1009 | 956 | 991 |

Source : National Family Health Survey (2015-16), M/o Health & Family Welfare

Table 1.7: Level of Registration of Births, 2011-2015

(in %)

| State/UTs | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 97.6 | 95.3 | 97.2 | 71.9 | 79.3 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 79.8 | 74.8 | 98.5 | 100 | 98.4 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Assam | 85.8 | 87.6 | 97.7 | 100 | 100 |
| Bihar | 59.8 | 74.7 | 57.4 | 64.2 | 64.8 |
| Chandigarh | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Chhattisgarh | 55.1 | 74.2 | 87.8 | 100 | 100 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 73.1 | 71.9 | 71.8 | 65.1 | 73.7 |
| Daman & Diu | 91.2 | 96.1 | 98.4 | 76.4 | 78.8 |
| Delhi | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Goa | 92.6 | 100 | 100 | 86 | 87.1 |
| Gujarat | 100 | 100 | 100 | 95 | 98.7 |
| Haryana | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 100 | 100 | 100 | 93.1 | 100 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 69.9 | 69.8 | 71.8 | 75.5 | 76.3 |
| Jharkhand | 60.7 | 61.9 | 77.7 | 82 | 88.3 |
| Karnataka | 98.9 | 100 | 96 | 97.8 | 94.9 |
| Kerala | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 98.1 |
| Lakshadweep | 76.8 | 75.1 | 60 | 59.5 | 69.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 86.5 | 87.2 | 84.1 | 82.6 | 77.3 |
| Maharashtra | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Manipur | 81.2 | 83.1 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Meghalaya | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Mizoram | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Nagaland | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Odisha | 95.6 | 96.4 | 93.9 | 98.5 | 96.1 |
| Puducherry | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Punjab | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 99.2 |
| Rajasthan | 96.7 | 98 | 98.4 | 98.2 | 98.7 |
| Sikkim | 79.3 | 80.3 | 79.9 | 74.1 | 72.2 |
| Tamil Nadu | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Telangana | Included in Andhra Pradesh | | 100 | 95.6 | 94.6 |
| Tripura | 85.9 | 91 | 91.4 | 81.7 | 93 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 64.9 | 57.5 | 68.6 | 68.3 | 67.4 |
| Uttarakhand | 77.5 | 79 | 76.6 | 86 | 100 |
| West Bengal | 100 | 100 | 92.8 | 92.5 | 92.8 |
| India | 83.6 | 84.4 | 85.6 | 88.8 | 88.3 |

Source: Civil Registration System 2015, Registrar General of India

Table 1.8: Infant Mortality Rates by sex and residence, in bigger States, 2016

| States | Rural | | | Urban | | | Total | | |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 37 | 38 | 38 | 23 | 26 | 24 | 33 | 35 | 34 |
| Assam | 45 | 47 | 46 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 43 | 45 | 44 |
| Bihar | 31 | 47 | 39 | 26 | 34 | 29 | 31 | 46 | 38 |
| Chhattisgarh | 41 | 40 | 41 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 39 | 38 | 39 |
| Delhi | 23 | 25 | 24 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 17 | 18 |
| Gujarat | 39 | 37 | 38 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 31 | 30 | 30 |
| Haryana | 33 | 38 | 35 | 26 | 28 | 27 | 31 | 35 | 33 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 23 | 27 | 25 | 24 | 13 | 19 | 23 | 26 | 25 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 24 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 24 |
| Jharkhand | 28 | 34 | 31 | 22 | 20 | 21 | 27 | 31 | 29 |
| Karnataka | 25 | 30 | 27 | 17 | 21 | 19 | 22 | 27 | 24 |
| Kerala | 10 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 53 | 47 | 50 | 34 | 31 | 33 | 49 | 44 | 47 |
| Maharashtra | 22 | 25 | 24 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 18 | 19 | 19 |
| Odisha | 45 | 46 | 46 | 36 | 31 | 34 | 44 | 44 | 44 |
| Punjab | 23 | 23 | 23 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 21 |
| Rajasthan | 42 | 47 | 45 | 27 | 33 | 30 | 39 | 44 | 41 |
| Tamil Nadu | 22 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 18 | 17 | 17 |
| Telangana | 36 | 33 | 35 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 31 | 30 | 31 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 45 | 47 | 46 | 29 | 40 | 34 | 41 | 45 | 43 |
| Uttarakhand | 39 | 44 | 41 | 27 | 32 | 29 | 36 | 41 | 38 |
| West Bengal | 25 | 26 | 25 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 24 | 26 | 25 |
| India | 37 | 40 | 38 | 22 | 25 | 23 | 33 | 36 | 34 |

Source: Sample Registration System 2016, Registrar General of India

Table 1.9: Neo-Natal Mortality Rates and Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rates by residence in bigger States, 2016

| States | Neo-Natal Mortality Rates | | | Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rates | | |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Rural | Urban | Total | Rural | Urban | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 27 | 11 | 23 | 21 | 8 | 18 |
| Assam | 24 | 13 | 23 | 19 | 8 | 18 |
| Bihar | 28 | 17 | 27 | 22 | 13 | 21 |
| Chattisgarh | 27 | 20 | 26 | 22 | 17 | 21 |
| Delhi | 16 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| Gujarat | 27 | 13 | 21 | 20 | 11 | 16 |
| Haryana | 24 | 16 | 22 | 18 | 11 | 16 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 16 | 15 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 10 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 19 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 11 | 15 |
| Jharkhand | 23 | 13 | 21 | 19 | 9 | 17 |
| Karnataka | 22 | 10 | 18 | 17 | 7 | 13 |
| Kerala | 7 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 4 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 35 | 20 | 32 | 26 | 16 | 24 |
| Maharashtra | 17 | 9 | 13 | 13 | 7 | 11 |
| Odisha | 33 | 24 | 32 | 25 | 17 | 24 |
| Punjab | 13 | 12 | 13 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| Rajasthan | 31 | 17 | 28 | 25 | 14 | 22 |
| Tamil nadu | 16 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 6 | 9 |
| Telangana | 25 | 15 | 21 | 19 | 9 | 16 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 32 | 19 | 30 | 26 | 14 | 23 |
| Uttarakhand | 32 | 24 | 30 | 26 | 19 | 24 |
| West Bengal | 17 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 11 | 13 |
| India | 27 | 14 | 24 | 21 | 11 | 18 |

Source: Sample Registration System 2016, Registrar General of India

Table 1.10: Under-Five Mortality Rates (U5MR) by sex and residence, in bigger States, 2016

| States | Rural | | | Urban | | | Total | | |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 42 | 41 | 41 | 23 | 30 | 26 | 36 | 38 | 37 |
| Assam | 52 | 60 | 56 | 22 | 23 | 23 | 48 | 57 | 52 |
| Bihar | 36 | 52 | 44 | 29 | 41 | 34 | 35 | 51 | 43 |
| Chhattisgarh | 53 | 52 | 53 | 31 | 32 | 32 | 49 | 48 | 49 |
| Delhi | 23 | 25 | 24 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 22 | 23 | 22 |
| Gujarat | 43 | 41 | 42 | 19 | 20 | 19 | 34 | 33 | 33 |
| Haryana | 38 | 46 | 41 | 26 | 32 | 29 | 34 | 42 | 37 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 25 | 30 | 28 | 28 | 16 | 22 | 26 | 29 | 27 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 25 | 30 | 27 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 25 | 28 | 26 |
| Jharkhand | 32 | 37 | 35 | 29 | 24 | 26 | 31 | 35 | 33 |
| Karnataka | 30 | 36 | 33 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 26 | 31 | 29 |
| Kerala | 11 | 13 | 12 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 11 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 64 | 56 | 60 | 36 | 35 | 35 | 58 | 52 | 55 |
| Maharashtra | 25 | 29 | 27 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 20 | 23 | 21 |
| Odisha | 50 | 53 | 52 | 42 | 35 | 38 | 49 | 51 | 50 |
| Punjab | 26 | 25 | 25 | 21 | 25 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 24 |
| Rajasthan | 46 | 53 | 49 | 31 | 36 | 33 | 42 | 49 | 45 |
| Tamil Nadu | 24 | 22 | 23 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Telangana | 37 | 40 | 38 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 33 | 34 | 34 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 49 | 51 | 50 | 34 | 41 | 37 | 46 | 49 | 47 |
| Uttarakhand | 42 | 49 | 45 | 29 | 35 | 31 | 38 | 45 | 41 |
| West Bengal | 27 | 30 | 29 | 24 | 23 | 23 | 27 | 28 | 27 |
| India | 42 | 46 | 43 | 24 | 27 | 25 | 37 | 41 | 39 |

Source: Sample Registration System 2016, Registrar General of India

Table 1.11 a: Mortality Rates (for the five-year period preceding the survey) 2015-16

| States | Neonatal mortality Rate | | | | | Infant Mortality Rate | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Total | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 27.5 | 13.1 | 30.0 | 16.5 | 23.6 | 40.4 | 20.1 | 40.6 | 28.7 | 34.9 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 12.5 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 14.1 | 11.8 | 24.0 | 18.6 | 23.0 | 22.7 | 22.8 |
| Assam | 34.8 | 15.9 | 36.9 | 28.6 | 32.9 | 49.9 | 28.3 | 51.5 | 43.7 | 47.7 |
| Bihar | 37.7 | 28.0 | 41.4 | 31.8 | 36.7 | 49.7 | 34.3 | 52.3 | 43.6 | 48.2 |
| Chhattisgarh | 43.1 | 38.1 | 46.6 | 37.5 | 42.1 | 56.4 | 44.4 | 57.1 | 50.7 | 54.0 |
| Goa | | | | | (12.9) | | | | | (12.9) |
| Gujarat | 28.4 | 24.5 | 32.0 | 21.1 | 26.8 | 38.8 | 27.3 | 38.4 | 29.4 | 34.2 |
| Haryana | 23.2 | 20.1 | 22.9 | 21.2 | 22.1 | 33.6 | 31.4 | 31.0 | 34.8 | 32.8 |
| Himachal Pradesh | | | 31.4 | 19.0 | 25.5 | | | 40.4 | 27.7 | 34.3 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 21.4 | 28.7 | 24.4 | 21.8 | 23.2 | 31.1 | 36.7 | 35.3 | 29.2 | 32.4 |
| Jharkhand | 34.9 | 25.4 | 36.4 | 29.5 | 33.1 | 46.3 | 33.7 | 45.8 | 41.8 | 43.9 |
| Karnataka | 22.8 | 14.0 | 21.3 | 16.9 | 19.2 | 33.4 | 19.5 | 30.5 | 24.7 | 27.7 |
| Kerala | 4.4 | 4.4 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 38.9 | 31.4 | 41.4 | 32.3 | 37.0 | 53.9 | 43.9 | 55.5 | 46.9 | 51.4 |
| Maharashtra | 17.1 | 15.6 | 20.3 | 12.3 | 16.5 | 24.3 | 23.5 | 28.0 | 19.5 | 23.9 |
| Manipur | 17.0 | 12.7 | 17.7 | 13.3 | 15.6 | 24.7 | 15.9 | 24.1 | 19.3 | 21.7 |
| Meghalaya | 20.4 | 4.4 | 21.8 | 14.7 | 18.3 | 32.1 | 15.5 | 33.9 | 25.8 | 29.9 |
| Mizoram | 11.0 | 11.6 | 9.5 | 13.1 | 11.3 | 49.7 | 31.2 | 34.6 | 45.6 | 40.0 |
| Nagaland | 18.3 | 11.4 | 18.3 | 14.5 | 16.4 | 32.9 | 20.6 | 29.7 | 29.2 | 29.5 |
| Odisha | 30.3 | 17.3 | 27.7 | 29.2 | 28.4 | 43.3 | 20.9 | 40.5 | 39.6 | 40.1 |
| Punjab | 24.0 | 17.1 | 19.8 | 22.8 | 21.2 | 33.9 | 22.2 | 25.6 | 33.5 | 29.2 |
| Rajasthan | 32.3 | 20.4 | 31.1 | 28.4 | 29.8 | 44.2 | 30.7 | 42.5 | 40.0 | 41.3 |
| Sikkim | 25.5 | (11.0) | 26.7 | (13.5) | 20.8 | 37.7 | * | 32.3 | (26.0) | 29.5 |
| Tamil Nadu | 16.9 | 11.1 | 15.3 | 13.0 | 14.2 | 22.6 | 17.8 | 21.9 | 18.7 | 20.3 |
| Telangana | 30.6 | 12.2 | 23.0 | 20.7 | 21.9 | 38.2 | 20.3 | 29.3 | 30.3 | 29.8 |
| Tripura | 16.8 | (2.3) | 15.8 | 10.6 | 13.2 | 31.5 | (11.6) | 32.7 | 20.3 | 26.7 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 47.4 | 36.7 | 49.1 | 40.9 | 45.2 | 66.6 | 51.9 | 64.6 | 62.4 | 63.6 |
| Uttarakhand | 25.7 | 33.4 | 29.7 | 26.4 | 28.1 | 38.1 | 44.0 | 42.9 | 36.6 | 40.0 |
| West Bengal | 26.3 | 10.9 | 29.1 | 14.5 | 22.0 | 31.9 | 16.2 | 34.5 | 20.1 | 27.5 |
| India | 33.1 | 20.1 | 32.8 | 25.8 | 29.5 | 45.5 | 28.5 | 43.3 | 37.9 | 40.7 |

Source : National Family Health Survey-4 (2015-16), M/o Health & Family Welfare

*Rate not shown; based on fewer than 250 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

Table 1.11 b: Mortality Rates (for the five-year period preceding the survey) (0-4 years)

| States | Child Mortality Rate | | | | | Under 5 Mortality Rate | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Total | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 4.7 | 9.4 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 44.9 | 29.3 | 46.1 | 34.9 | 40.8 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 11.1 | 6.5 | 11.7 | 8.6 | 10.2 | 34.8 | 25.0 | 34.4 | 31.0 | 32.8 |
| Assam | 9.0 | 11.7 | 9.6 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 58.5 | 39.7 | 60.6 | 52.3 | 56.6 |
| Bihar | 10.9 | 6.3 | 8.3 | 12.7 | 10.4 | 60.1 | 40.4 | 60.2 | 55.8 | 58.1 |
| Chhattisgarh | 12.0 | 6.9 | 12.2 | 9.5 | 10.9 | 67.7 | 51.0 | 68.6 | 59.7 | 64.2 |
| Goa | | | | | (0.0) | | | | | (12.9) |
| Gujarat | 12.8 | 4.9 | 9.2 | 10.1 | 9.6 | 51.1 | 32.1 | 47.2 | 39.3 | 43.5 |
| Haryana | 10.7 | 5.2 | 6.1 | 11.6 | 8.6 | 43.9 | 36.5 | 37.0 | 46.0 | 41.1 |
| Himachal Pradesh | | | 3.0 | 4.0 | 3.5 | | | 43.3 | 31.6 | 37.6 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 5.5 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 36.4 | 41.4 | 39.8 | 35.3 | 37.6 |
| Jharkhand | 12.7 | 4.6 | 9.3 | 13.0 | 11.1 | 58.4 | 38.2 | 54.7 | 54.3 | 54.5 |
| Karnataka | 4.8 | 4.4 | 3.5 | 5.9 | 4.6 | 38.0 | 23.8 | 33.9 | 30.5 | 32.2 |
| Kerala | 0.6 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 6.0 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 6.3 | 7.1 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 16.1 | 8.8 | 14.0 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 69.2 | 52.3 | 68.8 | 60.6 | 64.9 |
| Maharashtra | 6.1 | 4.1 | 7.2 | 3.1 | 5.3 | 30.3 | 27.5 | 35.0 | 22.5 | 29.1 |
| Manipur | 5.3 | 2.4 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 29.9 | 18.2 | 29.3 | 22.4 | 25.9 |
| Meghalaya | 11.0 | 4.5 | 11.5 | 8.6 | 10.1 | 42.7 | 20.0 | 45.0 | 34.2 | 39.7 |
| Mizoram | 8.9 | 3.6 | 5.6 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 58.1 | 34.7 | 40.0 | 51.9 | 45.9 |
| Nagaland | 9.6 | 4.4 | 9.2 | 6.9 | 8.1 | 42.1 | 24.9 | 38.6 | 35.9 | 37.3 |
| Odisha | 9.7 | 4.5 | 9.3 | 8.5 | 8.9 | 52.6 | 25.2 | 49.4 | 47.8 | 48.6 |
| Punjab | 5.3 | 2.3 | 4.7 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 39.0 | 24.5 | 30.1 | 36.8 | 33.2 |
| Rajasthan | 10.7 | 6.2 | 8.4 | 11.3 | 9.7 | 54.4 | 36.7 | 50.6 | 50.8 | 50.7 |
| Sikkim | 1.6 | (5.3) | 1.3 | (4.4) | 2.8 | 39.2 | * | 3.5 | (0.3) | 32.2 |
| Tamil Nadu | 7.7 | 5.7 | 8.1 | 5.2 | 6.7 | 30.2 | 23.4 | 29.8 | 23.8 | 26.9 |
| Telangana | 3.2 | 4.6 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 41.3 | 24.9 | 33.5 | 33.8 | 33.6 |
| Tripura | 5.0 | (9.8) | 2.1 | 10.6 | 6.1 | 36.4 | (21.3) | 34.7 | 30.7 | 32.6 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 16.8 | 10.7 | 12.1 | 19.3 | 15.5 | 82.3 | 62.0 | 75.9 | 80.4 | 78.1 |
| Uttarakhand | 8.1 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 10.5 | 7.1 | 45.9 | 48.8 | 46.8 | 46.7 | 46.7 |
| West Bengal | 6.1 | 0.2 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 37.8 | 16.4 | 38.5 | 24.7 | 31.8 |
| India | 10.7 | 6.0 | 8.5 | 10.4 | 9.4 | 55.8 | 34.4 | 51.5 | 47.8 | 49.7 |

Source : National Family Health Survey-4 (2015-16), M/o Health & Family Welfare

Note: () Based on 250-499 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

*Rate not shown; based on fewer than 250 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

Table 2.1: Percentage of mal-nutritioned children under five years of age: 2015-16

| States | Stunted | | | Wasted | | | Underweight | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Total | Rural | Urban | Total | Rural | Urban | Total |
| Andhra Pradesh | 32.5 | 28.3 | 31.4 | 17.8 | 15.5 | 17.2 | 33.1 | 28.4 | 31.9 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 30.7 | 24.0 | 29.4 | 18.8 | 11.4 | 17.3 | 20.9 | 13.8 | 19.5 |
| Assam | 38.0 | 22.3 | 36.4 | 17.5 | 13.2 | 17.0 | 30.8 | 21.4 | 29.8 |
| Bihar | 49.3 | 39.8 | 48.3 | 20.8 | 21.3 | 20.8 | 44.6 | 37.5 | 43.9 |
| Chhattisgarh | 39.2 | 31.6 | 37.6 | 23.7 | 20.6 | 23.1 | 39.6 | 30.2 | 37.7 |
| Goa | 23.2 | 18.3 | 20.1 | 11.5 | 27.7 | 21.9 | 21.2 | 25.3 | 23.8 |
| Gujarat | 42.9 | 31.7 | 38.5 | 28.5 | 23.4 | 26.4 | 44.2 | 32.0 | 39.3 |
| Haryana | 34.3 | 33.4 | 34.0 | 21.3 | 21.0 | 21.2 | 29.9 | 28.5 | 29.4 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 26.7 | 21.4 | 26.3 | 13.3 | 19.1 | 13.7 | 21.6 | 17.1 | 21.2 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 28.8 | 23.0 | 27.4 | 11.0 | 16.1 | 12.1 | 16.5 | 17.0 | 16.6 |
| Jharkhand | 48.0 | 33.7 | 45.3 | 29.5 | 26.8 | 29.0 | 49.8 | 39.3 | 47.8 |
| Karnataka | 38.5 | 32.6 | 36.2 | 26.9 | 24.8 | 26.1 | 37.7 | 31.5 | 35.2 |
| Kerala | 19.5 | 19.8 | 19.7 | 15.5 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 16.7 | 15.5 | 16.1 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 43.6 | 37.5 | 42.0 | 27.1 | 22.0 | 25.8 | 45.0 | 36.5 | 42.8 |
| Maharashtra | 38.4 | 29.3 | 34.4 | 26.1 | 24.9 | 25.6 | 40.0 | 30.7 | 36.0 |
| Manipur | 31.4 | 24.1 | 28.9 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 14.2 | 13.1 | 13.8 |
| Meghalaya | 45.0 | 36.5 | 43.8 | 15.5 | 13.7 | 15.3 | 29.9 | 22.9 | 29.0 |
| Mizoram | 33.8 | 22.7 | 28.0 | 7.8 | 4.5 | 6.1 | 15.7 | 8.5 | 11.9 |
| Nagaland | 30.9 | 22.5 | 28.6 | 11.7 | 10.1 | 11.2 | 18.0 | 13.6 | 16.8 |
| Odisha | 35.3 | 27.2 | 34.1 | 20.9 | 17.0 | 20.4 | 35.8 | 26.2 | 34.4 |
| Punjab | 24.5 | 27.6 | 25.7 | 16.1 | 15.0 | 15.6 | 21.1 | 22.4 | 21.6 |
| Rajasthan | 40.8 | 33.0 | 39.1 | 23.4 | 21.6 | 23.0 | 38.4 | 30.7 | 36.7 |
| Sikkim | 32.9 | 22.9 | 29.6 | 14.7 | 13.2 | 14.2 | 15.4 | 12.0 | 14.2 |
| Tamil Nadu | 28.6 | 25.5 | 27.1 | 20.3 | 19.0 | 19.7 | 25.7 | 21.5 | 23.8 |
| Telangana | 33.3 | 20.9 | 28.1 | 20.4 | 14.6 | 18.0 | 33.1 | 22.2 | 28.5 |
| Tripura | 26.8 | 17.2 | 24.3 | 18.0 | 13.4 | 16.8 | 25.0 | 21.7 | 24.1 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 48.5 | 37.9 | 46.3 | 17.9 | 18.0 | 17.9 | 41.0 | 33.7 | 39.5 |
| Uttarakhand | 34.0 | 32.5 | 33.5 | 19.9 | 18.6 | 19.5 | 27.1 | 25.6 | 26.6 |
| West Bengal | 34.0 | 28.5 | 32.5 | 21.6 | 16.7 | 20.3 | 33.6 | 26.2 | 31.6 |
| Total | 41.2 | 31.0 | 38.4 | 21.5 | 20.0 | 21.0 | 38.3 | 29.1 | 35.7 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Level of malnutrition is below -2 standard deviations

Table 2.2: Breastfeeding status by age

(In %)

| Age in months | Not breastfeeding | Exclusively breastfed | Breastfeeding and consuming: | | | |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | | | Plain water only | Non-milk liquids/juice | Other milk | Complementary foods |
| <2 | 3.8 | 72.5 | 9.6 | 0.6 | 5.9 | 7.7 |
| 2-3 | 4.6 | 58.4 | 17.2 | 1.1 | 10.6 | 8.1 |
| 4-5 | 4.9 | 41.5 | 23.9 | 1.6 | 14.0 | 14.1 |
| 6-8 | 6.2 | 17.0 | 20.0 | 2.4 | 12.2 | 42.2 |
| 9-11 | 8.6 | 7.2 | 12.0 | 2.0 | 7.9 | 62.3 |
| 12-17 | 15.1 | 4.2 | 5.0 | 1.6 | 4.4 | 69.8 |
| 18-23 | 26.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 65.6 |
| <4 | 4.3 | 64.0 | 14.2 | 0.9 | 8.7 | 7.9 |
| <6 | 4.5 | 55.0 | 18.1 | 1.2 | 10.8 | 10.4 |
| 6-9 | 6.7 | 15.0 | 18.7 | 2.3 | 11.7 | 45.7 |
| 12-23 | 20.5 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 3.5 | 67.8 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Breastfeeding status refers to a "24-hour" period (yesterday and last night). Children who are classified as breastfeeding and consuming plain water only consumed no liquid or solid supplements. The categories of not breastfeeding, exclusively breastfed, breastfeeding and consuming plain water, non-milk liquids/juice, other milk, and complementary foods (solids and semisolids) are hierarchical and mutually exclusive, and their percentages add to 100 percent. Any children who get complementary food are classified in that category as long as they are breastfeeding as well.

Children who receive breastmilk and non-milk liquids and who do not receive complementary foods are classified in the non-milk liquid category even though they may also get plain water.

Table 2.3: Initial breastfeeding among children born in past two years : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Percentage ever breastfed | Among last-born children born in the past two years who were ever breastfed: | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---|
| | | Percentage who started breastfeeding within one hour of birth * | Percentage who started breastfeeding within one day of birth # | Percentage who received a prelacteal feed § |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 96.9 | 43.4 | 83.8 | 13.2 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 96.4 | 39.2 | 79.0 | 23.4 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 92.0 | 61.0 | 82.9 | 19.0 |
| Assam | 94.0 | 65.4 | 91.5 | 6.0 |
| Bihar | 94.4 | 35.3 | 80.9 | 24.7 |
| Chandigarh | 95.9 | 35.1 | 75.0 | 26.1 |
| Chhattisgarh | 97.1 | 47.4 | 90.3 | 9.4 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 95.3 | 46.0 | 81.5 | 5.7 |
| Daman & Diu | 96.6 | 53.8 | 84.8 | 11.5 |
| Delhi | 94.0 | 29.9 | 82.0 | 17.1 |
| Goa | 96.8 | 75.4 | 93.1 | 8.8 |
| Gujarat | 95.6 | 49.7 | 81.0 | 18.6 |
| Haryana | 95.1 | 42.3 | 82.1 | 31.2 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 93.7 | 40.6 | 80.7 | 20.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 93.0 | 47.1 | 84.7 | 16.8 |
| Jharkhand | 96.7 | 33.0 | 83.4 | 19.3 |
| Karnataka | 89.2 | 57.6 | 82.1 | 8.7 |
| Kerala | 98.5 | 63.3 | 95.1 | 9.0 |
| Lakshadweep | 97.8 | 61.3 | 91.0 | 8.5 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 95.1 | 34.6 | 84.0 | 12.4 |
| Maharashtra | 96.3 | 57.0 | 86.5 | 13.1 |
| Manipur | 97.0 | 65.6 | 90.4 | 22.6 |
| Meghalaya | 96.7 | 60.8 | 92.5 | 15.5 |
| Mizoram | 95.4 | 73.4 | 91.9 | 16.3 |
| Nagaland | 95.5 | 52.9 | 85.9 | 30.7 |
| Odisha | 97.2 | 68.9 | 94.2 | 5.9 |
| Puducherry | 95.5 | 64.6 | 90.9 | 5.7 |
| Punjab | 94.5 | 29.9 | 74.9 | 32.1 |
| Rajasthan | 96.1 | 28.4 | 85.0 | 16.8 |
| Sikkim | 97.0 | 69.7 | 94.6 | 5.0 |
| Tamil Nadu | 94.5 | 55.4 | 88.1 | 13.5 |
| Telangana | 97.0 | 35.8 | 74.2 | 26.2 |
| Tripura | 97.7 | 46.2 | 90.2 | 2.9 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 93.8 | 25.4 | 67.5 | 41.5 |
| Uttarakhand | 94.1 | 28.8 | 72.2 | 39.1 |
| West Bengal | 96.8 | 47.7 | 88.7 | 11.0 |
| India | 95.0 | 41.5 | 81.4 | 21.1 |
| Urban | 94.9 | 42.9 | 80.2 | 22.3 |
| Rural | 95.1 | 40.9 | 81.9 | 20.6 |
| Male | 94.7 | 41.5 | 81.1 | 21.1 |
| Female | 95.4 | 41.5 | 81.8 | 21.0 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: *Includes children who started breastfeeding immediately after birth

Includes children who started breastfeeding within one hour of birth

§ Children given something other than breastmilk during the first three days of life

Table 2.4: Median duration (months) of breastfeeding among last-born children born in the last three years* : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Any breastfeeding | Exclusive breastfeeding | Predominant breastfeeding # |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 28.8 | 4.2 | 5.0 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 22.9 | 4.4 | 6.0 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 31.1 | 3.7 | 5.3 |
| Assam | ≥36.0 | 4.3 | 6.2 |
| Bihar | ≥36.0 | 2.7 | 6.7 |
| Chandigarh | 33.2 | 0.7 | 4.3 |
| Chhattisgarh | ≥36.0 | 5.3 | 6.6 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 16.3 | 4.6 | 7.2 |
| Daman & Diu | 18.2 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Delhi | 26.2 | 2.3 | 6.0 |
| Goa | 26.0 | 0.7 | 5.0 |
| Gujarat | 23.6 | 2.9 | 6.5 |
| Haryana | 31.5 | 2.4 | 6.0 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 22.1 | 4.1 | 5.1 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 28.9 | 4.5 | 5.6 |
| Jharkhand | ≥36.0 | 4.0 | 6.6 |
| Karnataka | 20.9 | 2.8 | 5.5 |
| Kerala | 28.7 | 2.9 | 5.0 |
| Lakshadweep | 23.2 | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 29.7 | 3.3 | 6.8 |
| Maharashtra | 25.4 | 3.2 | 5.6 |
| Manipur | ≥36.0 | 4.5 | 5.1 |
| Meghalaya | 29.3 | 0.9 | 4.4 |
| Mizoram | 25.8 | 3.9 | 5.2 |
| Nagaland | 18.5 | 1.6 | 4.5 |
| Odisha | ≥36.0 | 4.0 | 5.6 |
| Puducherry | 19.9 | 0.6 | 4.8 |
| Punjab | 25.3 | 2.6 | 5.5 |
| Rajasthan | 26.5 | 3.2 | 7.0 |
| Sikkim | 32.0 | 3.1 | 4.9 |
| Tamil Nadu | 17.4 | 2.2 | 3.9 |
| Telangana | 25.7 | 4.2 | 5.8 |
| Tripura | ≥36.0 | 7.1 | 7.9 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 30.1 | 1.6 | 5.2 |
| Uttarakhand | 31.0 | 2.4 | 4.7 |
| West Bengal | ≥36.0 | 2.6 | 4.7 |
| India | 29.6 | 2.9 | 5.8 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: * Median durations are based on the distributions at the time of the survey of the proportion of births by months since birth. Includes children living and deceased at the time of the survey. It is assumed that non-last-born children and last-born children not currently living with the mother are not currently breastfeeding

Either exclusively breastfed or received breastmilk and plain water, and/or non-milk liquids only

Table 2.5: Minimum Acceptable Diet : 2015-16

| Background characteristic | Among breastfed children 6-23 months, percentage fed: | | | Among Non-breastfed children 6-23 months, percentage fed: | | | | Among all children 6-23 months, percentage fed: | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Minimum dietary diversity ¹ | Minimum meal frequency ² | Minimum acceptable diet ³ | Milk or milk products ⁴ | Minimum dietary diversity ¹ | Minimum meal frequency ⁵ | Minimum acceptable diet ⁶ | Breast-milk, milk, or milk products ⁷ | Minimum dietary diversity ¹ | Minimum meal frequency ⁸ | Minimum acceptable diet ⁹ |
| Age (months) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6-8 | 6.6 | 34.1 | 4.9 | 49.8 | 10.6 | 44 | 2.5 | 96.9 | 6.8 | 34.7 | 4.8 |
| 9-11 | 13.5 | 22.5 | 5.5 | 61.2 | 23.1 | 56.5 | 7.9 | 96.7 | 14.3 | 25.4 | 5.7 |
| 12-17 | 23.6 | 30.8 | 9.4 | 64.6 | 33.2 | 63.1 | 14.3 | 94.7 | 25 | 35.7 | 10.1 |
| 18-23 | 29.3 | 35.2 | 12.6 | 62.9 | 38.8 | 63.0 | 17.1 | 90.3 | 31.8 | 42.5 | 13.8 |
| Total | 19.8 | 31.2 | 8.7 | 62.4 | 33.6 | 61.1 | 14.3 | 94 | 22 | 35.9 | 9.6 |
| Male | 19.5 | 31.7 | 8.8 | 64.6 | 33.9 | 62.8 | 14.7 | 94.5 | 21.7 | 36.5 | 9.7 |
| Female | 20.2 | 30.6 | 8.5 | 60.0 | 33.3 | 59.3 | 13.9 | 93.5 | 22.3 | 35.3 | 9.4 |
| Urban | 24.5 | 32.5 | 10.1 | 66.2 | 38.8 | 64.5 | 16.9 | 92.7 | 27.6 | 39.4 | 11.6 |
| Rural | 18.1 | 30.7 | 8.2 | 59.9 | 30.3 | 58.9 | 12.7 | 94.6 | 19.8 | 34.5 | 8.8 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note :

1 Children receive foods from four or more of the following food groups: a. infant formula, milk other than breast milk, cheese or yogurt or other milk products; b. foods made from grains or roots, including porridge or gruel, fortified baby food; c. vitamin A-rich fruits and vegetables; d. other fruits and vegetables; e. eggs; f. meat, poultry, fish, shellfish, or organ meats; g. beans, peas, lentils, or nuts; h. foods made with oil, fat, ghee, or butter from

2 For breastfed children, minimum meal frequency is receiving solid or semi-solid food at least twice a day for infants 6-8 months and at least three times a day for children 9-23 months

3 Breastfed children age 6-23 months are considered to be fed a minimum acceptable diet if they are fed the minimum dietary diversity as described in footnote 1 and the minimum meal frequency as defined in footnote 2

4 Includes two or more feedings of commercial infant formula, fresh, tinned and powdered animal milk, and yogurt

5 For nonbreastfed children age 6-23 months, minimum meal frequency is receiving solid or semi-solid food or milk feeds at least four times a day

6 Nonbreastfed children age 6-23 months are considered to be fed a minimum acceptable diet if they receive other milk or milk products at least twice a day, receive the minimum meal frequency as described in footnote 5, and receive solid or semi-solid foods from at least four food groups not including the milk or milk products food group

7 Breastfeeding, or not breastfeeding and receiving two or more feedings of commercial infant formula, fresh, tinned, and powdered animal milk, and yogurt

8 Children are fed the minimum recommended number of times per day according to their age and breastfeeding status as described in footnotes 2 and 5

9 Children age 6-23 months are considered to be fed a minimum acceptable diet if they receive breastmilk, other milk or milk products as described in footnote 7, are fed the minimum dietary diversity as described in footnote 1, and are fed the minimum meal frequency as described in footnotes 2 and 5

Table 2.6: Foods and liquids consumed by children in the day or night preceding the interview by breastfeeding status and age : 2015-16

| Age (months) | Liquids | | | Solid or semi-solid foods | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Infant formula | Other milk* | Other liquids# | Fortified baby foods | Food made from grains\$ | Fruits and vegetables rich in vitamin A @ | Other fruits and vegetables | Food made from roots | Food made from beans, peas, lentils, nuts | Meat, fish, poultry, and eggs | Cheese, yogurt, other milk product | Any solid or semi solid food |
| BREASTFEEDING CHILDREN | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <2 | 2.3 | 8.3 | 5.3 | 1.8 | 6.3 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 8.0 |
| 2-3 | 2.9 | 13.3 | 5.4 | 2.4 | 6.3 | 4.9 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 8.6 |
| 4-5 | 4.5 | 17.7 | 8.0 | 4.3 | 9.8 | 6.3 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 15.1 |
| 6-8 | 7.8 | 27.4 | 19.1 | 13.9 | 32.5 | 14.5 | 9.3 | 7.3 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 7.2 | 45.5 |
| 9-11 | 9.6 | 34.7 | 28.3 | 17.0 | 56.3 | 28.3 | 16.7 | 15.0 | 9.4 | 10.5 | 12.1 | 68.7 |
| 12-17 | 10.6 | 39.5 | 36.1 | 15.3 | 71.6 | 44.8 | 26.4 | 24.3 | 14.4 | 19 | 17.3 | 83.1 |
| 18-23 | 9.8 | 40.8 | 38.3 | 14.4 | 79.0 | 54.2 | 31.5 | 29.4 | 18.5 | 23.9 | 20.4 | 89.4 |
| 6-23 | 9.6 | 36.5 | 31.8 | 15.1 | 62.8 | 38.2 | 22.5 | 20.6 | 12.6 | 16.1 | 15.1 | 74.5 |
| Total | 8.0 | 30.7 | 25.3 | 12.0 | 48.7 | 29.8 | 17.7 | 16.0 | 9.9 | 12.6 | 11.9 | 58.2 |
| NON-BREASTFEEDING CHILDREN | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <2 | 9.1 | 23.1 | 11.5 | 5.3 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 5.0 | 8.8 | 9.0 | 16.5 |
| 2-3 | 6.7 | 36.0 | 9.9 | 5.3 | 9.8 | 7.6 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 14.8 |
| 4-5 | 13.8 | 44.0 | 19 | 8.2 | 11.6 | 9.6 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 23.2 |
| 6-8 | 12.9 | 50.7 | 30.0 | 20.3 | 32.2 | 21.6 | 12.2 | 8.2 | 4.6 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 50.4 |
| 9-11 | 18.1 | 59.9 | 34.2 | 22.7 | 56.1 | 37.8 | 24.1 | 22.5 | 11.2 | 16.5 | 15.4 | 69.7 |
| 12-17 | 16.9 | 62.1 | 44.7 | 21.2 | 70.6 | 51.1 | 33.6 | 26.9 | 17.8 | 25.4 | 26.8 | 84.5 |
| 18-23 | 14.9 | 62.7 | 47.3 | 20.2 | 79.3 | 56.8 | 39.4 | 32.6 | 22.1 | 29.7 | 30.0 | 90.4 |
| 6-23 | 15.7 | 61.4 | 44.0 | 20.7 | 71.1 | 50.7 | 34.2 | 28.1 | 18.5 | 25.6 | 26.2 | 83.8 |
| Total | 15.3 | 59.4 | 41.7 | 19.6 | 66.2 | 47.4 | 31.9 | 26.2 | 17.3 | 24 | 24.6 | 78.6 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Breastfeeding status and food consumed refer to a "24-hour" period (yesterday and last night).

* Other milk includes tinned, powdered, and fresh animal milk

Does not include plain water

\$ Includes fortified baby food

@ Includes pumpkin, carrots, squash, sweet potatoes that are yellow or orange inside, dark green leafy vegetables, ripe mangoes, papayas, cantaloupe, or jackfruit

Table 2.7: Percentage of children age 6-59 months having anaemia(<11.0 g/dl): 2015-16

| States | Rural | Urban | Total | Male | Female | NFHS-3 (2005-06) Total |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Andhra Pradesh | 60.8 | 52.4 | 58.6 | 56.7 | 60.7 | - |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 51.0 | 49.7 | 50.7 | 50.2 | 51.2 | 56.9 |
| Assam | 36.5 | 27.6 | 35.7 | 35.9 | 35.4 | 69.4 |
| Bihar | 64.0 | 58.8 | 63.5 | 62.0 | 65.0 | 78.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 41.2 | 42.9 | 41.6 | 41.6 | 41.5 | 71.2 |
| Goa | 41.2 | 52.2 | 48.3 | 49.4 | 47.2 | 38.2 |
| Gujarat | 64.6 | 59.5 | 62.6 | 64.1 | 60.8 | 69.7 |
| Haryana | 72.9 | 69.6 | 71.7 | 70.4 | 73.4 | 72.3 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 53.3 | 58.7 | 53.7 | 51.9 | 55.7 | 54.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 44.1 | 40.6 | 43.3 | 42.6 | 44.0 | 58.5 |
| Jharkhand | 71.5 | 63.2 | 69.9 | 69.1 | 70.8 | 70.3 |
| Karnataka | 63.3 | 57.1 | 60.8 | 61.5 | 60.2 | 70.3 |
| Kerala | 35.7 | 35.5 | 35.6 | 35.2 | 36.0 | 44.5 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 69.8 | 66.2 | 68.9 | 69.1 | 68.8 | 74.0 |
| Maharashtra | 54.0 | 53.6 | 53.8 | 54.0 | 53.6 | 63.4 |
| Manipur | 22.0 | 24.5 | 22.8 | 24.8 | 20.7 | 41.1 |
| Meghalaya | 41.8 | 33.6 | 40.7 | 41.6 | 39.9 | 63.8 |
| Mizoram | 24.5 | 14.1 | 19.1 | 20.8 | 17.4 | 43.8 |
| Nagaland | 23.1 | 17.6 | 21.6 | 21.3 | 21.9 | - |
| Odisha | 45.7 | 38.1 | 44.6 | 44.0 | 45.1 | 65.0 |
| Punjab | 57.2 | 55.7 | 56.6 | 58.0 | 55.1 | 66.4 |
| Rajasthan | 61.6 | 55.7 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 69.6 |
| Sikkim | 52.7 | 59.7 | 55.1 | 58.4 | 51.1 | 58.1 |
| Tamil Nadu | 52.3 | 48.2 | 50.4 | 51.2 | 49.5 | 64.2 |
| Telangana | 67.5 | 51.6 | 60.7 | 62.2 | 58.9 | - |
| Tripura | 49.2 | 45.7 | 48.3 | 49.4 | 47.1 | 62.9 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 62.7 | 65.0 | 63.2 | 63.2 | 63.1 | 73.9 |
| Uttarakhand | 52.8 | 59.3 | 54.9 | 53.2 | 56.8 | 60.7 |
| West Bengal | 53.7 | 55.5 | 54.2 | 52.2 | 56.2 | 61.0 |
| India | 59.4 | 55.9 | 58.4 | 58.3 | 58.6 | 69.4 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Table 2.8: Prevalence of anaemia in children : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Anaemia status by haemoglobin level | | | Any anaemia (<11.0 g/dl) |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| | Mild (10.0-10.9 g/dl) | Moderate (7.0-9.9 g/dl) | Severe (<7.0 g/dl) | |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 26.0 | 22.6 | 0.4 | 49.0 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 26.4 | 29.9 | 2.4 | 58.6 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 29.1 | 24.1 | 1.1 | 54.3 |
| Assam | 23.9 | 11.4 | 0.4 | 35.7 |
| Bihar | 30.2 | 31.8 | 1.4 | 63.5 |
| Chandigarh | 27.5 | 41.6 | 4.0 | 73.1 |
| Chhattisgarh | 24.0 | 17.0 | 0.6 | 41.6 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 35.5 | 47.4 | 1.7 | 84.6 |
| Daman & Diu | 35.7 | 37.2 | 0.9 | 73.8 |
| Delhi | 19.4 | 36.2 | 4.1 | 59.7 |
| Goa | 29.8 | 18.1 | 0.5 | 48.3 |
| Gujarat | 31.5 | 29.3 | 1.7 | 62.6 |
| Haryana | 28.2 | 40.5 | 3.0 | 71.7 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 23.1 | 28.0 | 2.6 | 53.7 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 21.1 | 21.6 | 1.2 | 43.8 |
| Jharkhand | 31.6 | 37.2 | 1.1 | 69.9 |
| Karnataka | 30.3 | 29.8 | 0.8 | 60.9 |
| Kerala | 22.7 | 12.5 | 0.4 | 35.6 |
| Lakshadweep | 27.8 | 25.5 | 0.4 | 53.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 29.4 | 37.6 | 2.0 | 68.9 |
| Maharashtra | 27.7 | 25.0 | 1.1 | 53.8 |
| Manipur | 16.5 | 7.2 | 0.2 | 23.9 |
| Meghalaya | 30.2 | 17.3 | 0.5 | 48.0 |
| Mizoram | 12.8 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 19.3 |
| Nagaland | 15.1 | 10.8 | 0.5 | 26.4 |
| Odisha | 24.8 | 19.0 | 0.8 | 44.6 |
| Puducherry | 29.0 | 15.6 | 0.2 | 44.9 |
| Punjab | 27.3 | 27.9 | 1.4 | 56.6 |
| Rajasthan | 27.1 | 31.3 | 1.9 | 60.3 |
| Sikkim | 32.4 | 22.2 | 0.4 | 55.1 |
| Tamil Nadu | 27.5 | 22.2 | 0.9 | 50.7 |
| Telangana | 24.7 | 33.5 | 2.5 | 60.7 |
| Tripura | 30.5 | 17.6 | 0.2 | 48.3 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 26.4 | 34.4 | 2.4 | 63.2 |
| Uttarakhand | 27.3 | 30.1 | 2.4 | 59.8 |
| West Bengal | 30.9 | 22.8 | 0.5 | 54.2 |
| India | 27.8 | 29.1 | 1.5 | 58.4 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Table is based on children who stayed in the household the night before the interview. Prevalence of anaemia, based on haemoglobin levels, is adjusted for altitude using the CDC formula (Centers for Disease Control (CDC). 1998. Recommendations to prevent and control iron deficiency in the United States. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 47 (RR-3): 1-29). Haemoglobin levels are shown in grams per decilitre (g/dl).

Table 2.9: Anaemia status by haemoglobin level: 2015-16

| Background characteristic | Mild (10.0-10.9 g/dl) | Moderate (7.0-9.9 g/dl) | Severe (<7.0 g/dl) | Any anaemia (<11.0 g/dl) |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Age in months | | | | |
| 6-8 | 30.1 | 36.9 | 1.4 | 68.4 |
| 9-11 | 28.1 | 38.3 | 2.1 | 68.6 |
| 12-17 | 27.7 | 41.0 | 2.4 | 71.1 |
| 18-23 | 27.4 | 39.6 | 2.8 | 69.8 |
| 24-35 | 28.6 | 31.8 | 1.8 | 62.2 |
| 36-47 | 28.1 | 23.1 | 1.1 | 52.2 |
| 48-59 | 26.4 | 17.5 | 0.7 | 44.6 |
| Total | 27.8 | 29.1 | 1.5 | 58.4 |
| Male | 27.3 | 29.4 | 1.6 | 58.3 |
| Female | 28.4 | 28.7 | 1.5 | 58.6 |
| Urban | 26.8 | 27.5 | 1.6 | 55.9 |
| Rural | 28.2 | 29.7 | 1.5 | 59.4 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note : Haemoglobin levels, is adjusted for altitude using the CDC formula (Centers for Disease Control (CDC). 1998. Recommendations to prevent and control iron deficiency in the United States. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 47 (RR-3): 1-29). Haemoglobin levels are shown in grams per decilitre (g/dl).

* Excludes children whose mothers were not interviewed

Table 2.10: Presence of iodized salt in household

| States/UTs | Percentage of households with salt tested |
|---------------------------|---|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 99.9 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 99.4 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 99.7 |
| Assam | 99.8 |
| Bihar | 99.0 |
| Chandigarh | 99.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 99.7 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 98.5 |
| Daman & Diu | 96.8 |
| Delhi | 98.6 |
| Goa | 99.9 |
| Gujarat | 99.1 |
| Haryana | 99.6 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 99.6 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 99.7 |
| Jharkhand | 99.8 |
| Karnataka | 99.4 |
| Kerala | 99.8 |
| Lakshadweep | 98.8 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 99.5 |
| Maharashtra | 99.4 |
| Manipur | 99.8 |
| Meghalaya | 99.8 |
| Mizoram | 99.8 |
| Nagaland | 99.9 |
| Odisha | 99.8 |
| Puducherry | 99.7 |
| Punjab | 99.7 |
| Rajasthan | 99.7 |
| Sikkim | 99.7 |
| Tamil Nadu | 99.5 |
| Telangana | 99.1 |
| Tripura | 100.0 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 99.4 |
| Uttarakhand | 99.5 |
| West Bengal | 99.8 |
| India | 99.5 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Table 2.11: Micronutrient intake among children

| States/UTs | Youngest children age 6-23 months living with their mother | | Children age 12-35 months | Children age 6-59 months | | |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | % who consumed foods rich in vitamin A in past 24 hours * | % who consumed foods rich in iron in past 24 hours # | % given vitamin A supplements in past 6 months | % given vitamin A supplements in past 6 months @ | % given iron supplements in past 7 days \$ | % given deworming medication in past 6 months \$ |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 67.1 | 51.3 | 75.2 | 66.7 | 25.3 | 46.2 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 38.5 | 24.3 | 78.8 | 71.6 | 27.3 | 20.7 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 59.0 | 41.4 | 46.7 | 40.3 | 20.8 | 28.6 |
| Assam | 53.3 | 26.8 | 57.3 | 51.2 | 20.5 | 30.2 |
| Bihar | 39.2 | 13.8 | 64.8 | 60.7 | 21.9 | 25.0 |
| Chandigarh | 22.0 | 5.9 | 62.0 | 56.3 | 12.9 | 16.3 |
| Chhattisgarh | 62.7 | 13.7 | 78.2 | 69.2 | 35.7 | 39.7 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 24.1 | 1.1 | 63.2 | 58.9 | 15.3 | 13.9 |
| Daman & Diu | 46.3 | 19.6 | 77.5 | 68.2 | 25.1 | 22.8 |
| Delhi | 51.6 | 11.5 | 64.2 | 58.1 | 28.1 | 41.5 |
| Goa | 36.0 | 20.9 | 91.1 | 88.6 | 55.5 | 65.6 |
| Gujarat | 43.8 | 5.1 | 75.9 | 70.3 | 32.0 | 28.2 |
| Haryana | 36.7 | 8.0 | 70.9 | 66.0 | 40.7 | 35.0 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 51.8 | 5.1 | 73.7 | 63.1 | 19.7 | 39.7 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 62.1 | 44.2 | 72.0 | 64.0 | 19.1 | 39.1 |
| Jharkhand | 45.1 | 13.7 | 58.8 | 52.9 | 17.3 | 21.6 |
| Karnataka | 43.1 | 21.9 | 82.8 | 78.2 | 50.2 | 51.2 |
| Kerala | 55.1 | 37.8 | 81.6 | 74.4 | 17.8 | 50.5 |
| Lakshadweep | 54.3 | 44.6 | 54.2 | 52.2 | 10.1 | 47.2 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 39.6 | 7.6 | 66.3 | 59.6 | 25.9 | 29.5 |
| Maharashtra | 40.8 | 15.3 | 74.8 | 69.7 | 41.2 | 44.7 |
| Manipur | 68.9 | 52.9 | 39.0 | 31.4 | 4.5 | 9.2 |
| Meghalaya | 68.9 | 53.5 | 58.6 | 53.1 | 29.7 | 32.8 |
| Mizoram | 73.9 | 61.1 | 70.7 | 68.4 | 24.9 | 56.3 |
| Nagaland | 63.1 | 51.8 | 35.1 | 28.6 | 8.2 | 17.4 |
| Odisha | 62.5 | 16.5 | 76.8 | 68.5 | 27.9 | 27.5 |
| Puducherry | 72.2 | 56.9 | 76.5 | 74.4 | 45.1 | 49.1 |
| Punjab | 34.0 | 6.6 | 77.9 | 70.4 | 32.5 | 29.0 |
| Rajasthan | 26.6 | 2.8 | 45.1 | 40.1 | 14.1 | 15.6 |
| Sikkim | 68.2 | 36.8 | 86.6 | 82.7 | 50.9 | 47.9 |
| Tamil Nadu | 72.5 | 58.5 | 72.8 | 68.1 | 34.0 | 52.9 |
| Telangana | 42.8 | 26.8 | 81.3 | 75.3 | 37.3 | 25.2 |
| Tripura | 38.5 | 19.6 | 67.3 | 62.3 | 7.9 | 55.2 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 32.6 | 5.3 | 45.0 | 39.2 | 13.1 | 17.0 |
| Uttarakhand | 39.6 | 9.5 | 40.2 | 36.5 | 14.2 | 15.6 |
| West Bengal | 61.9 | 42.6 | 76.5 | 66.4 | 27.9 | 54.1 |
| India | 44.1 | 17.9 | 65.5 | 59.5 | 26.1 | 31.4 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Information on iron supplements and deworming medication is based on the mother's recall. Information on vitamin A supplementation is based on the vaccination card (where available) and mother's recall.

* Includes meat and organ meats, fish, poultry, eggs, pumpkin, carrots, squash, sweet potatoes that are yellow or orange inside, dark green leafy vegetables, ripe mango, papaya, cantaloupe, and jackfruit

Includes meat and organ meats, fish, poultry, or eggs

\$ Based on the mother's recall

@ Based on the mother's recall and the vaccination card (where available)

Table 2.12: Antenatal care by type of provider

| States/UTs | Doctor | ANM/ nurse/ midwife/ LHV | Dai/ TBA | Anganwadi/ ICDS worker | Community/ village health worker | ASHA | No ANC | Percentage receiving ANC from a skilled provider |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---|------------|-------------|--|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 31.6 | 65.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 97.5 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 90.7 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 97.3 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 45.4 | 12.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 40.8 | 57.9 |
| Assam | 58.8 | 23.6 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 10.5 | 82.5 |
| Bihar | 30.4 | 18.6 | 0.4 | 4.4 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 43.9 | 49.0 |
| Chandigarh | 61.1 | 35.9 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 97.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 44.0 | 47.2 | 0.2 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 3.8 | 91.2 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 56.5 | 29.3 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 11.7 | 85.8 |
| Daman & Diu | 66.7 | 12.7 | 0.7 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 15.8 | 79.4 |
| Delhi | 76.7 | 12.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 9.8 | 89.1 |
| Goa | 87.4 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 94.4 |
| Gujarat | 71.0 | 9.4 | 0.4 | 3.3 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 13.7 | 80.4 |
| Haryana | 48.3 | 30.9 | 0.7 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 17.1 | 79.2 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 77.7 | 12.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 7.9 | 90.6 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 81.8 | 8.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 7.6 | 90.4 |
| Jharkhand | 39.0 | 30.7 | 0.3 | 5.9 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 23.4 | 69.6 |
| Karnataka | 82.3 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 11.0 | 87.5 |
| Kerala | 98.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 99.2 |
| Lakshadweep | 99.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 99.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 31.3 | 37.6 | 0.5 | 6.9 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 22.4 | 68.9 |
| Maharashtra | 77.5 | 13.5 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 7.5 | 91.0 |
| Manipur | 86.6 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 10.1 | 88.6 |
| Meghalaya | 62.3 | 18.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 15.3 | 80.4 |
| Mizoram | 67.5 | 19.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 10.9 | 86.8 |
| Nagaland | 35.5 | 8.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 53.7 | 44.0 |
| Odisha | 75.9 | 7.0 | 0.4 | 7.8 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 5.7 | 82.9 |
| Puducherry | 87.9 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 2.6 | 97.0 |
| Punjab | 59.3 | 35.4 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 2.9 | 94.6 |
| Rajasthan | 54.9 | 27.8 | 0.2 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 14.1 | 82.7 |
| Sikkim | 70.8 | 22.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 5.1 | 93.6 |
| Tamil Nadu | 83.1 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 7.6 | 91.7 |
| Telangana | 85.8 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 94.5 |
| Tripura | 92.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 6.3 | 93.1 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 36.8 | 35.5 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 23.7 | 72.3 |
| Uttarakhand | 52.2 | 22.7 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 21.8 | 74.8 |
| West Bengal | 78.9 | 9.0 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 8.6 | 87.9 |
| India | 58.8 | 20.4 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 16.4 | 79.3 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: If more than one source of ANC was mentioned, only the provider with the highest qualification is considered.

ANM = Auxiliary nurse midwife; LHV = Lady health visitor; TBA = Traditional birth attendant;

ICDS = Integrated Child Development Services; ASHA = Accredited Social Health Activist

1 Skilled provider includes doctor, auxiliary nurse midwife, nurse, midwife, and lady health visitor

Table 2.13: Antenatal care indicators

| States/UTs | % who had at least one ANC visit | % who had four or more ANC visits | % with an ANC visit in the first trimester of pregnancy | % who received two or more TT injections during the pregnancy | % whose last birth was protected against neonatal tetanus # | % who took IFA for at least 100 days |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 96.8 | 92.1 | 68.4 | 89.9 | 91.8 | 58.4 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 98.8 | 76.3 | 82.3 | 91.7 | 94.9 | 56.1 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 56.1 | 26.7 | 36.9 | 56.5 | 63.9 | 8.3 |
| Assam | 87.8 | 46.4 | 55.1 | 83.6 | 89.8 | 32.0 |
| Bihar | 55.7 | 14.4 | 34.6 | 81.5 | 89.6 | 9.7 |
| Chandigarh | 96.9 | 64.5 | 67.4 | 89.1 | 95.1 | 44.9 |
| Chhattisgarh | 95.7 | 59.1 | 70.8 | 89.7 | 94.3 | 30.3 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 84.9 | 75.6 | 63.5 | 81.1 | 86.8 | 43.9 |
| Daman & Diu | 80.7 | 62.7 | 75.1 | 61.1 | 71.1 | 38.3 |
| Delhi | 89.2 | 67.9 | 63.0 | 83.3 | 90.6 | 53.8 |
| Goa | 96.7 | 89.0 | 84.4 | 89.3 | 96.2 | 67.4 |
| Gujarat | 85.1 | 70.5 | 73.8 | 81.4 | 86.6 | 36.8 |
| Haryana | 82.3 | 45.1 | 63.2 | 86.3 | 92.3 | 32.5 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 90.4 | 69.1 | 70.5 | 69.7 | 86.2 | 49.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 90.9 | 81.3 | 76.7 | 81.6 | 87.4 | 30.2 |
| Jharkhand | 76.3 | 30.3 | 52.0 | 85.9 | 91.7 | 15.3 |
| Karnataka | 88.0 | 70.1 | 65.9 | 80.1 | 88.1 | 45.2 |
| Kerala | 92.6 | 90.1 | 95.1 | 94.8 | 96.4 | 67.1 |
| Lakshadweep | 87.4 | 82.3 | 90.6 | 90.0 | 93.6 | 81.7 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 75.6 | 35.7 | 53.0 | 83.3 | 89.8 | 23.5 |
| Maharashtra | 91.9 | 72.2 | 67.6 | 81.4 | 90.4 | 40.6 |
| Manipur | 89.5 | 69.0 | 77.0 | 84.5 | 88.8 | 39.2 |
| Meghalaya | 81.1 | 50.0 | 53.3 | 67.8 | 79.2 | 36.2 |
| Mizoram | 87.9 | 61.4 | 65.6 | 74.2 | 82.5 | 53.6 |
| Nagaland | 45.8 | 15.0 | 24.7 | 59.4 | 63.7 | 4.4 |
| Odisha | 92.9 | 61.9 | 64.0 | 89.3 | 94.3 | 36.5 |
| Puducherry | 97.2 | 87.7 | 80.6 | 75.0 | 82.1 | 66.3 |
| Punjab | 97.1 | 68.4 | 75.6 | 89.0 | 92.9 | 42.6 |
| Rajasthan | 85.5 | 38.5 | 63.0 | 81.9 | 89.7 | 17.3 |
| Sikkim | 91.0 | 74.7 | 76.2 | 95.9 | 97.2 | 52.8 |
| Tamil Nadu | 91.4 | 81.1 | 64.0 | 65.4 | 71.0 | 64.0 |
| Telangana | 96.6 | 74.9 | 83.1 | 85.4 | 88.8 | 52.7 |
| Tripura | 88.9 | 64.3 | 66.4 | 91.9 | 93.0 | 13.4 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 76.1 | 26.4 | 45.9 | 81.4 | 86.5 | 12.9 |
| Uttarakhand | 77.0 | 30.9 | 53.5 | 85.7 | 91.4 | 24.9 |
| West Bengal | 90.3 | 76.4 | 54.9 | 91.4 | 95.4 | 28.0 |
| India | 82.7 | 51.2 | 58.6 | 83.0 | 89.0 | 30.3 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: TT = Tetanus toxoid; IFA = Iron and folic acid

Includes mothers with two injections during the pregnancy of her last birth, or two or more injections (the last within 3 years of the last live birth), or three or more injections (the last within 5 years of the last birth), or four or more injections (the last within 10 years of the last live birth), or five or more injections at any time prior to the last birth

Table 2.14: Trends in maternal care indicators

Maternal care indicators for births to women age 15-49 years during the five years preceding the survey by residence, NFHS-4 and NFHS-3, India

| Indicator | NFHS-4 (2015-16) | NFHS-3 (2005-06) |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| URBAN | | |
| Percentage who received antenatal care* | 90.8 | 91.8 |
| Percentage who had at least three antenatal care visits* | 77.0 | 76.8 |
| Percentage who received antenatal care within the first trimester of pregnancy* | 69.1 | 65.8 |
| Percentage of births delivered in a health facility# | 88.7 | 66.7 |
| Percentage of deliveries assisted by a skilled provider#, @ | 90.0 | 73.9 |
| RURAL | | |
| Percentage who received antenatal care* | 80.4 | 74.8 |
| Percentage who had at least three antenatal care visits* | 59.4 | 47.8 |
| Percentage who received antenatal care within the first trimester of pregnancy* | 54.2 | 40.0 |
| Percentage of births delivered in a health facility# | 75.1 | 29.7 |
| Percentage of deliveries assisted by a skilled provider#, @ | 78.0 | 37.7 |
| TOTAL | | |
| Percentage who received antenatal care* | 83.5 | 79.6 |
| Percentage who had at least three antenatal care visits* | 64.6 | 56.0 |
| Percentage who received antenatal care within the first trimester of pregnancy* | 58.6 | 47.3 |
| Percentage of births delivered in a health facility# | 78.9 | 39.6 |
| Percentage of deliveries assisted by a skilled provider#, @ | 81.4 | 47.4 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: * Based on the last birth to women in the five years preceding the survey

Based on all births to women in the five years preceding the survey

@ Doctor, auxiliary nurse midwife, nurse, midwife, lady health visitor, or other health personnel

Table 2.15: Delivery and postnatal care

| States/UTs | % of births delivered in a public health facility | % of births delivered in a private health facility | % of births delivered in a health facility | % of deliveries assisted by a skilled provider* | % of births delivered by caesarean section | % of children who received postnatal care from a skilled provider in the first two days of birth ¹ |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|---|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 92.0 | 4.3 | 96.4 | 97.2 | 19.3 | 23.1 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 38.3 | 53.2 | 91.5 | 92.1 | 40.1 | 28.5 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 42.7 | 9.6 | 52.2 | 53.7 | 8.9 | 8.0 |
| Assam | 59.9 | 10.6 | 70.6 | 74.3 | 13.4 | 22.9 |
| Bihar | 47.6 | 16.2 | 63.8 | 69.9 | 6.2 | 10.8 |
| Chandigarh | 72.4 | 19.3 | 91.6 | 93.3 | 22.6 | 50.5 |
| Chhattisgarh | 55.9 | 14.4 | 70.2 | 78.0 | 9.9 | 34.2 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 66.4 | 21.6 | 88.0 | 89.5 | 16.2 | 20.7 |
| Daman & Diu | 43.0 | 47.1 | 90.1 | 77.0 | 15.7 | 19.4 |
| Delhi | 55.5 | 28.8 | 84.4 | 86.6 | 26.7 | 21.1 |
| Goa | 58.2 | 38.7 | 96.9 | 97.5 | 31.4 | 49.5 |
| Gujarat | 32.6 | 55.9 | 88.5 | 87.1 | 18.4 | 15.7 |
| Haryana | 52.0 | 28.4 | 80.4 | 84.6 | 11.7 | 21.4 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 61.6 | 14.8 | 76.4 | 78.9 | 16.7 | 29.0 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 78.1 | 7.5 | 85.6 | 87.5 | 33.1 | 20.3 |
| Jharkhand | 41.8 | 20.1 | 61.9 | 69.6 | 9.9 | 21.7 |
| Karnataka | 61.2 | 32.8 | 94.0 | 93.7 | 23.6 | 22.3 |
| Kerala | 38.3 | 61.5 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 35.8 | 49.1 |
| Lakshadweep | 64.3 | 35.0 | 99.3 | 100.0 | 38.4 | 56.9 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 69.4 | 11.4 | 80.8 | 78.0 | 8.6 | 17.5 |
| Maharashtra | 48.9 | 41.4 | 90.3 | 91.1 | 20.1 | 30.5 |
| Manipur | 45.7 | 23.4 | 69.1 | 77.2 | 21.1 | 10.7 |
| Meghalaya | 39.5 | 11.9 | 51.4 | 53.8 | 7.6 | 9.0 |
| Mizoram | 63.7 | 16.0 | 79.7 | 83.6 | 12.7 | 11.0 |
| Nagaland | 25.1 | 7.7 | 32.8 | 41.3 | 5.8 | 1.6 |
| Odisha | 75.8 | 9.5 | 85.3 | 86.5 | 13.8 | 29.5 |
| Puducherry | 82.0 | 17.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 33.6 | 36.0 |
| Punjab | 51.6 | 38.8 | 90.5 | 94.1 | 24.6 | 47.2 |
| Rajasthan | 63.5 | 20.5 | 84.0 | 86.5 | 8.6 | 22.6 |
| Sikkim | 82.7 | 12.0 | 94.7 | 97.1 | 20.9 | 12.7 |
| Tamil Nadu | 66.6 | 32.3 | 98.9 | 99.2 | 34.1 | 35.4 |
| Telangana | 30.5 | 60.9 | 91.5 | 91.3 | 57.7 | 25.2 |
| Tripura | 69.1 | 10.8 | 79.9 | 80.9 | 20.5 | 8.4 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 44.5 | 23.3 | 67.8 | 70.4 | 9.4 | 24.4 |
| Uttarakhand | 43.8 | 24.9 | 68.6 | 71.2 | 13.1 | 19.2 |
| West Bengal | 56.6 | 18.6 | 75.2 | 81.6 | 23.8 | 26.7 |
| India | 52.1 | 26.8 | 78.9 | 81.4 | 17.2 | 24.2 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: * A skilled provider includes a doctor, auxiliary nurse midwife, nurse, midwife, lady health visitor, and other health personnel. For birth attendance, if the woman mentioned more than one person attending the delivery, only the most qualified person is considered in this table.

Table 2.16: HIV/AIDS awareness indicators

| States/UTs | Percentage who have heard of HIV or AIDS | Percentage who know that HIV/AIDS can be prevented by using condoms | Percentage who have comprehensive knowledge about HIV/AIDS* | Percentage who know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted from a mother to her baby by all three means# |
|---------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 87.2 | 59.5 | 29.3 | 38.9 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 95.2 | 57.5 | 28.9 | 75.6 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 78.0 | 45.2 | 16.0 | 34.4 |
| Assam | 77.7 | 44.6 | 9.4 | 40.3 |
| Bihar | 45.7 | 33.5 | 10.1 | 32.5 |
| Chandigarh | 98.6 | 87.6 | 41.1 | 59.3 |
| Chhattisgarh | 81.1 | 57.5 | 20.7 | 42.4 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 47.4 | 34.7 | 9.3 | 15.9 |
| Daman & Diu | 79.4 | 63.2 | 27.9 | 34.3 |
| Delhi | 89.1 | 72.6 | 32.7 | 51.3 |
| Goa | 97.2 | 77.4 | 34.6 | 70.0 |
| Gujarat | 59.3 | 43.1 | 18.4 | 33.8 |
| Haryana | 85.1 | 71.6 | 31.1 | 61.7 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 90.7 | 68.6 | 30.9 | 50.1 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 91.6 | 68.5 | 19.0 | 64.8 |
| Jharkhand | 61.4 | 45.5 | 15.7 | 40.9 |
| Karnataka | 81.5 | 50.0 | 9.5 | 55.5 |
| Kerala | 98.8 | 74.2 | 43.1 | 48.8 |
| Lakshadweep | 94.1 | 46.7 | 22.0 | 44.2 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 61.0 | 46.8 | 18.1 | 38.5 |
| Maharashtra | 86.7 | 67.9 | 30.0 | 58.0 |
| Manipur | 99.0 | 79.0 | 40.7 | 52.6 |
| Meghalaya | 78.5 | 47.0 | 13.3 | 43.4 |
| Mizoram | 97.6 | 91.2 | 66.2 | 54.5 |
| Nagaland | 89.2 | 39.9 | 12.5 | 59.7 |
| Odisha | 90.0 | 59.4 | 20.2 | 57.4 |
| Puducherry | 99.0 | 72.7 | 25.4 | 55.9 |
| Punjab | 97.8 | 87.7 | 49.3 | 71.4 |
| Rajasthan | 65.0 | 50.4 | 19.1 | 45.1 |
| Sikkim | 90.9 | 62.7 | 25.5 | 57.4 |
| Tamil Nadu | 95.2 | 64.7 | 16.0 | 57.8 |
| Telangana | 90.1 | 59.1 | 29.5 | 65.6 |
| Tripura | 85.2 | 57.6 | 28.0 | 43.8 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 61.0 | 47.4 | 17.5 | 41.3 |
| Uttarakhand | 80.9 | 65.3 | 28.6 | 52.6 |
| West Bengal | 74.7 | 53.9 | 18.6 | 47.5 |
| India | 75.6 | 54.9 | 20.9 | 49.1 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: * Respondents with comprehensive knowledge say that the consistent use of a condom every time they have sex and having just one uninfected faithful sex partner can reduce the chance of getting HIV/AIDS, say that a healthy-looking person can have HIV/AIDS, and reject two common misconceptions about transmission or prevention of HIV/AIDS

During pregnancy, during delivery, and by breastfeeding

Table 2.17: Percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received all basic vaccinations : 2015-16

| States | Rural | Urban | Total | Male | Female |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Andhra Pradesh | 67.2 | 60.4 | 65.2 | 61.4 | 69.1 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 36.4 | 44.2 | 38.2 | 37.4 | 39.1 |
| Assam | 44.4 | 70.9 | 47.1 | 48.0 | 46.0 |
| Bihar | 61.9 | 59.7 | 61.7 | 61.7 | 61.7 |
| Chhattisgarh | 74.3 | 84.8 | 76.4 | 77.6 | 75.1 |
| Goa | (90.1) | (87.7) | 88.4 | (83.1) | (93.6) |
| Gujarat | 50.4 | 50.4 | 50.4 | 48.9 | 52.2 |
| Haryana | 65.1 | 57.0 | 62.2 | 63.3 | 61.0 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 69.9 | (64.8) | 69.5 | 70.0 | 68.9 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 72.9 | 81.6 | 75.1 | 74.3 | 76.0 |
| Jharkhand | 60.7 | 67.0 | 61.9 | 63.1 | 60.6 |
| Karnataka | 64.8 | 59.8 | 62.6 | 59.9 | 65.5 |
| Kerala | 82.0 | 82.2 | 82.1 | 82.1 | 82.0 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 50.2 | 63.0 | 53.6 | 54.2 | 52.9 |
| Maharashtra | 56.7 | 55.8 | 56.3 | 54.8 | 57.8 |
| Manipur | 61.7 | 74.2 | 65.8 | 68.4 | 63.1 |
| Meghalaya | 58.5 | 81.4 | 61.5 | 58.4 | 64.6 |
| Mizoram | 51.3 | 49.8 | 50.5 | 46.0 | 55.0 |
| Nagaland | 33.4 | 41.6 | 35.7 | 34.2 | 37.4 |
| Odisha | 79.2 | 75.0 | 78.6 | 79.8 | 77.1 |
| Punjab | 89.3 | 88.7 | 89.0 | 88.4 | 89.8 |
| Rajasthan | 53.1 | 60.9 | 54.8 | 50.2 | 59.9 |
| Sikkim | 83.7 | (81.4) | 83.0 | 81.5 | 84.9 |
| Tamil Nadu | 66.8 | 73.3 | 69.7 | 72.3 | 67.0 |
| Telangana | 68.3 | 67.8 | 68.1 | 72.0 | 63.6 |
| Tripura | 51.2 | 64.1 | 54.5 | 60.6 | 49.1 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 50.4 | 53.6 | 51.1 | 53.2 | 48.7 |
| Uttarakhand | 58.2 | 56.5 | 57.7 | 57.3 | 58.1 |
| West Bengal | 87.1 | 77.7 | 84.4 | 85.6 | 83.3 |
| India | 61.3 | 63.9 | 62.0 | 62.1 | 61.9 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: () Based on 250-499 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

Table 2.18: Percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received vaccinations : 2015-16

| States | Hepatitis B * | BCG | DPT # | Polio \$ | Measles |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Andhra Pradesh | 68.8 | 97.2 | 89.0 | 72.3 | 89.4 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 40.9 | 70.9 | 52.3 | 53.7 | 54.6 |
| Assam | 52.0 | 82.3 | 66.5 | 56.0 | 71.4 |
| Bihar | 65.5 | 91.7 | 80.1 | 72.9 | 79.4 |
| Chhattisgarh | 76.4 | 98.4 | 91.4 | 81.7 | 93.9 |
| Goa | 85.2 | 100.0 | 94.2 | 92.9 | 96.5 |
| Gujarat | 38.6 | 87.9 | 72.7 | 62.3 | 75.0 |
| Haryana | 54.3 | 92.8 | 76.5 | 75.3 | 79.0 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 74.1 | 94.8 | 85.0 | 82.4 | 87.5 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 70.3 | 95.6 | 88.1 | 83.8 | 86.2 |
| Jharkhand | 56.3 | 95.8 | 82.3 | 73.8 | 82.6 |
| Karnataka | 58.9 | 92.5 | 77.9 | 74.6 | 82.4 |
| Kerala | 82.4 | 98.1 | 90.4 | 88.5 | 89.4 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 56.3 | 91.6 | 73.4 | 63.6 | 79.6 |
| Maharashtra | 60.8 | 90.0 | 74.9 | 67.0 | 82.8 |
| Manipur | 69.8 | 91.2 | 77.8 | 76.6 | 74.2 |
| Meghalaya | 62.9 | 86.0 | 74.0 | 71.0 | 71.9 |
| Mizoram | 56.8 | 75.3 | 61.7 | 61.7 | 61.1 |
| Nagaland | 45.8 | 68.4 | 52.0 | 52.5 | 50.4 |
| Odisha | 83.2 | 94.1 | 89.2 | 82.8 | 87.9 |
| Punjab | 91.0 | 98.2 | 94.5 | 93.7 | 93.1 |
| Rajasthan | 53.0 | 88.8 | 71.6 | 65.4 | 78.1 |
| Sikkim | 84.1 | 98.9 | 93.0 | 87.7 | 93.3 |
| Tamil Nadu | 68.2 | 94.9 | 84.5 | 82.3 | 85.1 |
| Telangana | 70.6 | 97.4 | 87.9 | 75.3 | 90.6 |
| Tripura | 54.4 | 82.4 | 71.1 | 70.1 | 69.7 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 52.8 | 87.6 | 66.5 | 68.3 | 70.8 |
| Uttarakhand | 59.4 | 92.6 | 80.0 | 68.0 | 80.5 |
| West Bengal | 86.4 | 97.5 | 92.7 | 87.9 | 92.8 |
| India | 62.8 | 91.9 | 78.4 | 72.8 | 81.1 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: () Based on 250-499 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

* 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine

3 doses of DPT vaccine

\$ 3 doses of Polio vaccine

Table 2.19 a : Percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received vaccinations : 2015-16

| States | 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine | | | | BCG | | | | 3 doses of DPT vaccine | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Rural | Urban | Male | Female |
| Andhra Pradesh | 71.5 | 62.1 | 65.2 | 72.4 | 97.0 | 97.7 | 97.5 | 97.0 | 90.6 | 84.9 | 88.2 | 89.7 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 38.1 | 50.1 | 42.0 | 39.7 | 68.0 | 80.4 | 71.6 | 70.2 | 49.9 | 60.0 | 54.3 | 50.1 |
| Assam | 50.0 | 70.0 | 53.7 | 50.2 | 81.0 | 94.3 | 83.7 | 80.8 | 64.6 | 82.8 | 67.7 | 65.2 |
| Bihar | 65.6 | 64.7 | 64.5 | 66.5 | 91.7 | 91.5 | 90.7 | 92.7 | 80.2 | 79.3 | 79.1 | 81.2 |
| Chhattisgarh | 75.0 | 81.9 | 76.6 | 76.1 | 98.7 | 97.1 | 98.2 | 98.6 | 91.0 | 93.2 | 92.4 | 90.5 |
| Goa | (75.9) | (89.7) | (76.4) | (93.6) | (100.0) | (100.0) | (100.0) | (100.0) | (94.7) | (94.0) | (93.2) | (95.2) |
| Gujarat | 37.2 | 40.5 | 38.3 | 39.0 | 85.9 | 90.6 | 88.5 | 87.2 | 69.1 | 77.6 | 72.3 | 73.1 |
| Haryana | 56.2 | 50.8 | 54.8 | 53.7 | 92.3 | 93.8 | 92.9 | 92.6 | 79.2 | 71.6 | 77.9 | 74.9 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 73.9 | (76.3) | 76.9 | 70.8 | 95.3 | (88.1) | 93.9 | 95.8 | 85.8 | (74.8) | 86.4 | 83.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 68.7 | 74.9 | 68.0 | 72.7 | 94.7 | 98.5 | 94.9 | 96.5 | 86.7 | 92.4 | 86.7 | 89.6 |
| Jharkhand | 54.5 | 64.7 | 57.9 | 54.7 | 95.1 | 98.7 | 95.9 | 95.7 | 81.3 | 87.1 | 82.6 | 82.0 |
| Karnataka | 62.8 | 54.1 | 57.4 | 60.6 | 95.2 | 89.2 | 90.8 | 94.5 | 82.1 | 72.7 | 75.9 | 80.2 |
| Kerala | 82.1 | 82.7 | 81.9 | 82.8 | 97.9 | 98.3 | 97.9 | 98.3 | 90.3 | 90.5 | 89.8 | 91.1 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 53.4 | 64.3 | 56.4 | 56.2 | 90.3 | 95.0 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 70.7 | 80.8 | 74.0 | 72.7 |
| Maharashtra | 63.5 | 57.3 | 57.8 | 63.8 | 89.8 | 90.3 | 91.0 | 89.1 | 74.8 | 75.0 | 74.1 | 75.8 |
| Manipur | 65.8 | 78.1 | 73.6 | 65.8 | 89.1 | 95.5 | 91.0 | 91.5 | 74.3 | 84.9 | 79.4 | 76.0 |
| Meghalaya | 60.3 | 79.9 | 60.6 | 65.1 | 84.4 | 96.2 | 83.6 | 88.3 | 71.8 | 88.1 | 71.0 | 76.9 |
| Mizoram | 55.5 | 58.0 | 52.2 | 61.3 | 71.4 | 79.2 | 70.5 | 80.1 | 60.4 | 63.0 | 56.2 | 67.2 |
| Nagaland | 43.4 | 52.2 | 43.9 | 48.2 | 65.0 | 77.2 | 68.7 | 68.0 | 49.7 | 58.0 | 50.1 | 54.1 |
| Odisha | 84.0 | 78.8 | 84.9 | 81.3 | 94.2 | 93.3 | 95.0 | 93.0 | 89.6 | 87.4 | 90.1 | 88.3 |
| Punjab | 92.2 | 89.1 | 91.4 | 90.5 | 98.5 | 97.7 | 98.6 | 97.8 | 95.7 | 92.6 | 94.5 | 94.4 |
| Rajasthan | 51.7 | 58.0 | 50.0 | 56.4 | 87.0 | 95.3 | 87.7 | 90.1 | 69.8 | 78.4 | 68.6 | 75.0 |
| Sikkim | 86.4 | (78.9) | 80.6 | 88.4 | 99.2 | (98.2) | 98.0 | 100.0 | 95.0 | (88.4) | 92.0 | 94.1 |
| Tamil Nadu | 66.1 | 70.8 | 67.8 | 68.6 | 93.9 | 96.2 | 96.4 | 93.4 | 83.1 | 86.3 | 85.6 | 83.5 |
| Telangana | 71.4 | 69.7 | 75.2 | 65.3 | 97.2 | 97.6 | 98.1 | 96.6 | 86.3 | 89.5 | 87.3 | 88.6 |
| Tripura | 48.4 | 72.5 | 61.2 | 48.5 | 80.0 | 89.5 | 82.3 | 82.4 | 68.9 | 77.4 | 76.8 | 66.0 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 51.9 | 56.0 | 54.5 | 51.0 | 87.4 | 88.3 | 88.8 | 86.2 | 65.9 | 68.8 | 68.3 | 64.7 |
| Uttarakhand | 59.8 | 58.6 | 58.2 | 60.9 | 94.0 | 90.4 | 92.0 | 94.0 | 79.6 | 81.0 | 80.3 | 79.6 |
| West Bengal | 88.7 | 80.6 | 87.8 | 85.0 | 98.5 | 95.1 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 94.7 | 87.8 | 93.5 | 92.0 |
| India | 62.5 | 63.3 | 62.5 | 63.0 | 91.4 | 93.2 | 92.1 | 91.7 | 77.7 | 80.2 | 78.3 | 78.5 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 250-499 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

Table 2.19 b: Percentage of children age 12-23 months who have received vaccinations : 2015-16

| States | 3 doses of Polio vaccine | | | | Measles vaccine | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Male | Female | Rural | Urban | Male | Female |
| Andhra Pradesh | 75.2 | 64.9 | 67.5 | 77.1 | 88.4 | 92.0 | 91.0 | 87.8 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 51.0 | 62.7 | 55.5 | 51.8 | 51.9 | 63.4 | 55.0 | 54.2 |
| Assam | 53.7 | 76.4 | 56.4 | 55.7 | 69.7 | 86.1 | 72.5 | 70.2 |
| Bihar | 73.0 | 71.6 | 72.4 | 73.4 | 79.6 | 77.2 | 79.9 | 78.9 |
| Chhattisgarh | 80.2 | 87.5 | 82.5 | 80.8 | 93.3 | 96.3 | 95.1 | 92.7 |
| Goa | (91.4) | (93.5) | (87.2) | (98.4) | (98.2) | (95.6) | (96.1) | (96.8) |
| Gujarat | 63.0 | 61.5 | 60.6 | 64.4 | 73.7 | 76.7 | 74.8 | 75.2 |
| Haryana | 77.0 | 72.1 | 78.3 | 71.8 | 79.1 | 78.8 | 79.3 | 78.6 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 83.6 | (67.3) | 82.8 | 81.9 | 87.4 | (89.2) | 87.3 | 87.9 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 83.1 | 85.9 | 83.2 | 84.5 | 84.2 | 92.1 | 85.2 | 87.2 |
| Jharkhand | 72.4 | 79.9 | 74.7 | 72.7 | 82.0 | 85.4 | 83.1 | 82.1 |
| Karnataka | 78.2 | 70.0 | 70.8 | 78.8 | 83.8 | 80.7 | 81.2 | 83.8 |
| Kerala | 87.6 | 89.6 | 87.4 | 89.7 | 88.6 | 90.3 | 90.1 | 88.5 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 61.5 | 69.5 | 63.4 | 63.8 | 77.7 | 85.1 | 79.7 | 79.6 |
| Maharashtra | 69.1 | 64.4 | 64.1 | 69.9 | 82.9 | 82.6 | 83.4 | 82.1 |
| Manipur | 72.7 | 84.7 | 78.8 | 74.3 | 70.4 | 81.8 | 75.4 | 72.9 |
| Meghalaya | 69.0 | 84.2 | 65.7 | 76.4 | 69.7 | 86.6 | 70.4 | 73.4 |
| Mizoram | 59.1 | 64.2 | 54.7 | 68.7 | 61.8 | 60.4 | 56.0 | 66.3 |
| Nagaland | 50.1 | 58.8 | 49.2 | 56.5 | 47.8 | 57.0 | 49.1 | 51.8 |
| Odisha | 83.3 | 79.9 | 84.8 | 80.7 | 88.5 | 84.7 | 88.8 | 86.9 |
| Punjab | 94.8 | 92.0 | 93.1 | 94.5 | 93.3 | 92.7 | 92.6 | 93.7 |
| Rajasthan | 64.5 | 68.5 | 61.7 | 69.6 | 75.8 | 86.5 | 76.0 | 80.5 |
| Sikkim | 87.9 | (87.1) | 87.5 | 87.9 | 94.8 | (90.0) | 91.6 | 95.4 |
| Tamil Nadu | 80.7 | 84.4 | 83.5 | 81.2 | 84.4 | 85.9 | 87.4 | 82.8 |
| Telangana | 76.3 | 74.4 | 78.7 | 71.6 | 89.4 | 91.8 | 93.1 | 87.8 |
| Tripura | 67.2 | 78.9 | 73.6 | 67.0 | 67.3 | 76.9 | 72.0 | 67.6 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 67.8 | 69.8 | 69.4 | 67.0 | 70.8 | 70.8 | 72.9 | 68.5 |
| Uttarakhand | 68.4 | 67.2 | 67.7 | 68.4 | 81.8 | 77.7 | 80.1 | 81.1 |
| West Bengal | 90.1 | 82.5 | 89.4 | 86.5 | 94.5 | 88.4 | 93.6 | 91.9 |
| India | 72.6 | 73.4 | 72.4 | 73.3 | 80.3 | 83.2 | 81.7 | 80.5 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 250-499 unweighted person-years of exposure to the risk of death

Table 2.20: Prevalence of diarrhoea

| Background characteristic | Percentage of children with diarrhoea |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Age in months | |
| <6 | 11.1 |
| 6-11 | 16.4 |
| 12-23 | 13.3 |
| 24-35 | 8.5 |
| 36-47 | 5.8 |
| 48-59 | 4.6 |
| Total | 9.2 |
| Male | 9.5 |
| Female | 8.9 |
| Urban | 8.2 |
| Rural | 9.5 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Table 2.21: Disposal of children's stools

| State/Union Territory | Manner of disposal of children's stools | | | | | Percentage of children whose stools are disposed of safely* |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|
| | Child used toilet or latrine | Put/rinsed into toilet or latrine | Put/rinsed into drain or ditch | Thrown in garbage | Left in the open | |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 45.5 | 17.9 | 3.0 | 8.1 | 24.5 | 63.6 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 17.5 | 10.8 | 10.5 | 16.9 | 43.2 | 28.9 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 22.1 | 12.4 | 7.9 | 22.3 | 28.3 | 35.8 |
| Assam | 10.9 | 7.0 | 5.2 | 22.9 | 51.5 | 19.5 |
| Bihar | 8.5 | 5.2 | 3.1 | 11.7 | 66.6 | 17.1 |
| Chandigarh | 53.5 | 31.1 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 3.5 | 84.6 |
| Chhattisgarh | 12.7 | 7.6 | 6.5 | 18.7 | 51.9 | 21.9 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 22.2 | 21.5 | 7.7 | 16.3 | 32.3 | 43.7 |
| Daman & Diu | 59.9 | 14.7 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 16.9 | 74.6 |
| Delhi | 51.1 | 23.2 | 7.2 | 10.1 | 7.8 | 74.8 |
| Goa | 48.2 | 30.5 | 1.2 | 9.2 | 10.6 | 78.7 |
| Gujarat | 35.2 | 22.9 | 3.7 | 6.0 | 31.0 | 59.1 |
| Haryana | 48.0 | 16.1 | 5.3 | 9.9 | 19.2 | 65.2 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 42.0 | 36.5 | 3.3 | 4.6 | 12.5 | 78.7 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 37.1 | 15.6 | 2.6 | 14.6 | 28.1 | 54.2 |
| Jharkhand | 10.8 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 9.3 | 62.9 | 20.5 |
| Karnataka | 27.0 | 14.3 | 4.0 | 14.6 | 38.9 | 42.1 |
| Kerala | 37.3 | 54.4 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 92.0 |
| Lakshadweep | 43.9 | 40.9 | 5.2 | 2.6 | 6.4 | 85.9 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 16.3 | 9.1 | 4.0 | 11.5 | 55.7 | 26.6 |
| Maharashtra | 36.8 | 12.9 | 4.9 | 10.7 | 34.1 | 50.1 |
| Manipur | 17.4 | 34.1 | 16.6 | 15.8 | 14.0 | 52.5 |
| Meghalaya | 19.8 | 15.3 | 23.7 | 20.6 | 16.0 | 36.3 |
| Mizoram | 41.3 | 34.0 | 7.7 | 14.4 | 2.4 | 75.3 |
| Nagaland | 22.5 | 31.8 | 13.4 | 18.7 | 10.9 | 55.9 |
| Odisha | 7.0 | 2.9 | 3.8 | 19.9 | 61.2 | 12.5 |
| Puducherry | 31.0 | 5.3 | 0.8 | 9.3 | 49.3 | 40.6 |
| Punjab | 49.1 | 31.3 | 4.5 | 8.8 | 6.1 | 80.5 |
| Rajasthan | 20.0 | 11.9 | 6.8 | 12.3 | 47.5 | 33.1 |
| Sikkim | 47.9 | 49.8 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 97.7 |
| Tamil Nadu | 23.3 | 9.6 | 4.5 | 9.1 | 51.9 | 34.2 |
| Telangana | 28.4 | 11.5 | 10.9 | 11.0 | 36.8 | 40.3 |
| Tripura | 13.2 | 41.4 | 27.1 | 7.8 | 9.7 | 54.7 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 17.8 | 7.4 | 5.4 | 18.8 | 48.0 | 26.9 |
| Uttarakhand | 35.6 | 29.1 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 27.6 | 65.3 |
| West Bengal | 18.6 | 21.9 | 6.4 | 26.2 | 25.6 | 41.4 |
| India | 22.0 | 12.7 | 5.3 | 14.2 | 43.5 | 36.1 |

Source: NFHS-4 (2015-16)

Note: * Children's stools are considered to be disposed of safely if the child used a toilet or latrine, if the fecal matter was put/rinsed into a toilet or latrine, or if it was buried

Table 3.1: Literacy Rate by Age and Sex - Census: 2011

| State/UT | 7-18 years | | | 7 years & above | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Male | Female | Person | Male | Female | Person |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 96.4 | 96.4 | 96.4 | 90.3 | 82.4 | 86.6 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 92.0 | 89.7 | 90.9 | 74.9 | 59.1 | 67.0 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 81.0 | 76.6 | 78.8 | 72.6 | 57.7 | 65.4 |
| Assam | 85.2 | 84.0 | 84.6 | 77.8 | 66.3 | 72.2 |
| Bihar | 81.6 | 75.7 | 78.9 | 71.2 | 51.5 | 61.8 |
| Chandigarh | 93.3 | 92.4 | 92.9 | 90.0 | 81.2 | 86.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 91.1 | 88.1 | 89.6 | 80.3 | 60.2 | 70.3 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 94.5 | 88.9 | 92.0 | 85.2 | 64.3 | 76.2 |
| Daman & Diu | 93.6 | 94.0 | 93.7 | 91.5 | 79.5 | 87.1 |
| Delhi | 93.8 | 93.2 | 93.6 | 90.9 | 80.8 | 86.2 |
| Goa | 96.2 | 95.6 | 95.9 | 92.6 | 84.7 | 88.7 |
| Gujarat | 93.1 | 89.8 | 91.6 | 85.8 | 69.7 | 78.0 |
| Haryana | 92.7 | 89.5 | 91.3 | 84.1 | 65.9 | 75.6 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 96.3 | 95.7 | 96.0 | 89.5 | 75.9 | 82.8 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 87.9 | 81.3 | 84.7 | 76.8 | 56.4 | 67.2 |
| Jharkhand | 88.1 | 82.8 | 85.5 | 76.8 | 55.4 | 66.4 |
| Karnataka | 94.0 | 92.1 | 93.0 | 82.5 | 68.1 | 75.4 |
| Kerala | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 96.1 | 92.1 | 94.0 |
| Lakshadweep | 95.2 | 95.1 | 95.2 | 95.6 | 87.9 | 91.8 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 89.7 | 86.7 | 88.3 | 78.7 | 59.2 | 69.3 |
| Maharashtra | 94.1 | 93.1 | 93.6 | 88.4 | 75.9 | 82.3 |
| Manipur | 85.7 | 83.6 | 84.7 | 83.6 | 70.3 | 76.9 |
| Meghalaya | 80.5 | 83.4 | 81.9 | 76.0 | 72.9 | 74.4 |
| Mizoram | 93.5 | 91.5 | 92.5 | 93.3 | 89.3 | 91.3 |
| Nagaland | 84.9 | 84.2 | 84.6 | 82.8 | 76.1 | 79.6 |
| Odisha | 90.2 | 86.2 | 88.2 | 81.6 | 64.0 | 72.9 |
| Puducherry | 95.8 | 95.7 | 95.7 | 91.3 | 80.7 | 85.8 |
| Punjab | 91.1 | 90.3 | 90.8 | 80.4 | 70.7 | 75.8 |
| Rajasthan | 90.5 | 81.0 | 86.0 | 79.2 | 52.1 | 66.1 |
| Sikkim | 93.4 | 93.1 | 93.2 | 86.6 | 75.6 | 81.4 |
| Tamil Nadu | 96.4 | 95.9 | 96.1 | 86.8 | 73.4 | 80.1 |
| Tripura | 95.3 | 93.7 | 94.5 | 91.5 | 82.7 | 87.2 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 86.5 | 82.4 | 84.5 | 77.3 | 57.2 | 67.7 |
| Uttarakhand | 93.3 | 91.9 | 92.7 | 87.4 | 70.0 | 78.8 |
| West Bengal | 90.5 | 89.8 | 90.1 | 81.7 | 70.5 | 76.3 |
| India | 89.7 | 86.8 | 88.3 | 80.9 | 64.6 | 73.0 |

Source: Census 2011

Table 3.2: Number of Recognised Educational Institutions*(in hundreds)*

| Level/ Year | Primary (I-V) | Upper Primary (VI-VIII) | Secondary (IX-X) | Higher Secondary (IX-XII) |
|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2005-06 | 7726 | 2885 | 1060 | 536 |
| 2006-07 | 7849 | 3056 | 1122 | 574 |
| 2007-08 | 7878 | 3252 | 1138 | 592 |
| 2008-09 | 7788 | 3656 | 1221 | 642 |
| 2009-10 | 8199 | 3941 | 1222 | 717 |
| 2010-11 | 7485 | 4476 | 1312 | 720 |
| 2011-12 | 7143 | 4788 | 1283 | 841 |
| 2012-13* | 8539 | 5778 | 2189 | 1224 |
| 2013-14* | 8589 | 4215 | 1335 | 1036 |
| 2014-15* | 8471 | 4251 | 1353 | 1093 |

*Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016**Note: * Figures related to School Education are provisional.***Table 3.3: Level-wise Enrolment in school education (in lakh)**

| Level/ Year | Primary (I-V) | | Upper Primary (VI-VIII) | | Secondary (IX-X) | | Higher Secondary (XI-XII) | |
|----------------|------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| 2005-06 | 705 | 616 | 289 | 233 | 145 | 105 | 78 | 56 |
| 2006-07 | 711 | 626 | 299 | 246 | 149 | 110 | 81 | 60 |
| 2007-08 | 711 | 644 | 311 | 262 | 159 | 123 | 93 | 70 |
| 2008-09 | 706 | 647 | 314 | 270 | 165 | 130 | 95 | 74 |
| 2009-10 | 697 | 639 | 317 | 278 | 169 | 138 | 99 | 79 |
| 2010-11 | 701 | 646 | 327 | 292 | 175 | 143 | 109 | 86 |
| 2011-12 | 726 | 672 | 331 | 299 | 186 | 155 | 116 | 94 |
| 2012-13* | 696 | 652 | 333 | 317 | 183 | 163 | 107 | 93 |
| 2013-14* | 686 | 638 | 341 | 323 | 197 | 176 | 118 | 105 |
| 2014-15* | 676 | 629 | 345 | 327 | 201 | 182 | 124 | 111 |
| 2015-16 | 669 | 622 | 347 | 329 | 205 | 186 | 130 | 117 |

*Source: Educational Statistics at a glance 2016 ; School Education in India 2015-16 : Flash Statistics, U-DISE**Note: * Provisional Figures*

Table 3.4 Gross Enrolment Ratio in different stages of education

| Year | Primary Classes (I-V) | | | Upper primary Classes (VI-VIII) | | | Secondary (IX-X) | | | Higher Secondary (XI-XII) | | |
|----------|-----------------------|-------|-------|---------------------------------|------|-------|------------------|------|-------|---------------------------|------|-------|
| | Female | Male | Total | Female | Male | Total | Female | Male | Total | Female | Male | Total |
| 2005-06 | 105.8 | 112.8 | 109.4 | 66.4 | 75.2 | 71.0 | 57.6 | 46.2 | 52.2 | 31.4 | 25.2 | 28.5 |
| 2006-07 | 108.0 | 114.6 | 111.4 | 69.6 | 77.6 | 73.8 | 58.6 | 47.4 | 53.5 | 31.5 | 26.1 | 28.9 |
| 2007-08 | 112.6 | 115.3 | 114.0 | 74.4 | 81.5 | 78.1 | 62.6 | 53.2 | 58.2 | 36.3 | 30.4 | 33.5 |
| 2008-09 | 114.0 | 114.7 | 114.3 | 76.6 | 82.7 | 79.8 | 64.8 | 55.5 | 60.4 | 37.5 | 31.6 | 34.5 |
| 2009-10 | 113.8 | 113.8 | 113.8 | 79.0 | 84.3 | 81.7 | 66.7 | 58.7 | 62.9 | 38.5 | 33.5 | 36.1 |
| 2010-11 | 116.3 | 114.9 | 115.5 | 82.9 | 87.5 | 85.2 | 69.2 | 60.9 | 65.2 | 42.3 | 36.2 | 39.4 |
| 2011-12 | 107.1 | 105.8 | 106.5 | 81.4 | 82.5 | 82.0 | 69.0 | 63.9 | 66.6 | 47.6 | 43.9 | 45.9 |
| 2012-13* | 107.2 | 104.8 | 106.0 | 84.6 | 80.6 | 82.5 | 69.6 | 67.0 | 68.1 | 41.9 | 39.5 | 40.8 |
| 2013-14* | 102.6 | 100.2 | 101.4 | 92.8 | 86.3 | 89.3 | 76.8 | 76.5 | 76.6 | 52.8 | 51.6 | 52.2 |
| 2014-15* | 101.4 | 98.9 | 100.1 | 95.3 | 87.7 | 91.2 | 78.1 | 78.9 | 78.5 | 54.6 | 53.8 | 54.2 |
| 2015-16 | 100.7 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 97.6 | 88.7 | 92.8 | 81.0 | 79.2 | 80.0 | 56.4 | 56.0 | 56.2 |

Source: Educational Statistics at a Glance 2016, MHRD

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Note: * Figures related to School Education are provisional.

Table 3.5: Gross Enrolment Ratio for different stage of Education : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Primary | | | Upper Primary | | | Secondary | | | Higher Secondary | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 91.13 | 86.76 | 88.93 | 86.35 | 81.97 | 84.14 | 89.07 | 84.28 | 86.69 | 72.92 | 76.40 | 74.62 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 84.88 | 84.05 | 84.48 | 81.12 | 81.56 | 81.33 | 74.63 | 76.48 | 75.51 | 58.28 | 62.27 | 60.16 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 127.61 | 125.88 | 126.76 | 127.14 | 133.20 | 130.13 | 91.66 | 87.58 | 89.63 | 62.02 | 61.60 | 61.81 |
| Assam | 104.70 | 107.59 | 106.11 | 87.65 | 98.75 | 93.05 | 72.48 | 83.04 | 77.59 | 38.22 | 39.47 | 38.81 |
| Bihar | 104.35 | 111.30 | 107.67 | 98.21 | 119.39 | 107.89 | 72.42 | 85.43 | 78.37 | 34.76 | 36.66 | 35.62 |
| Chandigarh | 77.42 | 86.57 | 81.44 | 90.42 | 102.40 | 95.53 | 85.23 | 89.84 | 87.19 | 80.86 | 86.75 | 83.28 |
| Chhattisgarh | 100.17 | 99.87 | 100.02 | 101.62 | 103.08 | 102.33 | 89.44 | 94.48 | 91.93 | 53.89 | 54.11 | 54.00 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 84.69 | 80.21 | 82.53 | 93.71 | 87.97 | 90.96 | 91.56 | 85.17 | 88.57 | 45.29 | 52.60 | 48.49 |
| Daman & Diu | 79.68 | 84.95 | 82.03 | 74.86 | 84.64 | 79.15 | 67.05 | 81.44 | 72.97 | 16.32 | 32.27 | 21.54 |
| Delhi | 108.04 | 113.93 | 110.71 | 118.86 | 140.55 | 128.12 | 103.23 | 111.27 | 106.81 | 73.25 | 83.60 | 77.90 |
| Goa | 100.89 | 104.45 | 102.57 | 96.83 | 100.93 | 98.74 | 103.03 | 105.44 | 104.16 | 70.79 | 81.59 | 75.84 |
| Gujarat | 95.64 | 99.11 | 97.24 | 94.70 | 96.99 | 95.73 | 80.26 | 66.82 | 74.13 | 45.17 | 41.42 | 43.43 |
| Haryana | 89.96 | 93.21 | 91.41 | 87.39 | 99.22 | 92.39 | 84.20 | 84.23 | 84.22 | 59.68 | 59.48 | 59.59 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 97.97 | 99.73 | 98.80 | 103.37 | 105.47 | 104.36 | 108.44 | 105.53 | 107.08 | 94.58 | 96.60 | 95.53 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 84.86 | 87.24 | 85.98 | 68.77 | 71.85 | 70.20 | 67.65 | 65.88 | 66.81 | 61.01 | 55.98 | 58.60 |
| Jharkhand | 108.56 | 109.92 | 109.22 | 97.75 | 108.19 | 102.73 | 70.70 | 76.93 | 73.65 | 47.75 | 48.98 | 48.32 |
| Karnataka | 102.93 | 103.04 | 102.98 | 92.43 | 94.39 | 93.37 | 82.35 | 84.19 | 83.22 | 37.12 | 42.87 | 39.86 |
| Kerala | 95.45 | 95.44 | 95.44 | 94.55 | 96.28 | 95.39 | 102.31 | 102.58 | 102.44 | 72.88 | 82.44 | 77.56 |
| Lakshadweep | 77.90 | 69.90 | 73.80 | 92.53 | 75.67 | 83.26 | 105.39 | 102.06 | 103.66 | 93.23 | 102.35 | 98.16 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 95.35 | 93.52 | 94.47 | 90.49 | 98.13 | 94.02 | 81.54 | 79.30 | 80.49 | 47.04 | 43.24 | 45.25 |
| Maharashtra | 97.86 | 97.60 | 97.74 | 97.44 | 101.38 | 99.24 | 91.97 | 87.62 | 89.95 | 68.74 | 66.74 | 67.81 |
| Manipur | 128.91 | 132.90 | 130.85 | 127.00 | 132.94 | 129.89 | 93.61 | 92.52 | 93.07 | 71.10 | 64.81 | 67.95 |
| Meghalaya | 138.75 | 143.12 | 140.90 | 126.00 | 146.20 | 135.89 | 80.73 | 93.94 | 87.27 | 39.77 | 47.03 | 43.35 |
| Mizoram | 124.91 | 121.00 | 122.99 | 135.90 | 133.60 | 134.78 | 107.26 | 110.85 | 109.02 | 53.57 | 57.86 | 55.68 |
| Nagaland | 98.14 | 100.96 | 99.50 | 98.55 | 106.40 | 102.28 | 68.90 | 74.57 | 71.62 | 36.42 | 36.44 | 36.43 |
| Odisha | 104.91 | 102.50 | 103.73 | 94.86 | 93.63 | 94.26 | 79.40 | 79.83 | 79.61 | @ | @ | @ |
| Puducherry | 80.20 | 90.23 | 84.79 | 82.41 | 92.57 | 87.04 | 83.59 | 95.38 | 88.95 | 64.74 | 86.95 | 74.80 |
| Punjab | 99.87 | 103.99 | 101.70 | 95.01 | 102.92 | 98.38 | 87.12 | 86.97 | 87.06 | 69.03 | 71.69 | 70.19 |
| Rajasthan | 101.27 | 99.48 | 100.43 | 91.46 | 91.21 | 91.34 | 81.15 | 70.12 | 76.06 | 66.09 | 51.59 | 59.31 |
| Sikkim | 107.27 | 98.32 | 102.87 | 143.72 | 157.85 | 150.61 | 113.52 | 126.14 | 119.78 | 60.72 | 75.88 | 68.23 |
| Tamil Nadu | 103.39 | 104.43 | 103.89 | 92.55 | 95.65 | 94.03 | 91.86 | 96.18 | 93.92 | 74.14 | 90.60 | 82.03 |
| Telangana | 103.13 | 102.90 | 103.02 | 88.61 | 90.27 | 89.41 | 80.73 | 84.44 | 82.53 | 57.99 | 64.88 | 61.32 |
| Tripura | 107.58 | 108.36 | 107.96 | 125.75 | 130.33 | 127.97 | 116.17 | 120.91 | 118.49 | 45.24 | 41.53 | 43.46 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 88.63 | 96.16 | 92.15 | 68.24 | 83.49 | 75.08 | 67.65 | 67.86 | 67.75 | 62.21 | 59.26 | 60.78 |
| Uttarakhand | 98.87 | 99.76 | 99.29 | 85.84 | 88.07 | 86.89 | 85.71 | 85.73 | 85.72 | 73.36 | 78.54 | 75.83 |
| West Bengal | 103.13 | 104.26 | 103.68 | 97.90 | 112.64 | 105.00 | 74.92 | 92.65 | 83.56 | 48.98 | 54.36 | 51.54 |
| India | 97.87 | 100.69 | 99.21 | 88.72 | 97.57 | 92.81 | 79.16 | 80.97 | 80.01 | 55.95 | 56.41 | 56.16 |

Source: School Education in India: U-DISE 2015-16

Note:@ In a few states such as Odisha higher secondary is part of higher education which may not have been covered under U-DISE. Enrolment Ratios are based on child population provided by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of HRD

Table 3.6: Net Enrolment Ratio for different stages of Education : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Primary | | | Upper Primary | | | Secondary | | | Higher Secondary | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 79.39 | 76.01 | 77.69 | 67.87 | 63.98 | 65.91 | 58.68 | 57.9 | 58.29 | 43.45 | 47.48 | 45.42 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 71.23 | 73.03 | 72.1 | 61.39 | 65.49 | 63.37 | 49.63 | 55.18 | 52.29 | 23.1 | 26.7 | 24.8 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | - | - | - | - | - | - | 65.74 | 64.03 | 64.9 | 40.43 | 39.95 | 40.19 |
| Assam | 98.26 | - | 99.6 | 73.66 | 82.25 | 77.83 | 52.42 | 59.13 | 55.67 | 26.47 | 27.43 | 26.92 |
| Bihar | 97.49 | - | - | 88.26 | - | 96.88 | 45.22 | 52.65 | 48.62 | 20.06 | 20.93 | 20.45 |
| Chandigarh | 68.32 | 77.21 | 72.23 | 70.58 | 80.11 | 74.64 | 57.77 | 61.79 | 59.49 | 54.12 | 59.17 | 56.19 |
| Chhattisgarh | 91.66 | 91.72 | 91.69 | 81.31 | 82.93 | 82.1 | 54.56 | 57.36 | 55.94 | 31.51 | 33.06 | 32.28 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 78.22 | 75.53 | 76.92 | 71.21 | 66.98 | 69.18 | 58.6 | 54.72 | 56.78 | 25.98 | 32.11 | 28.66 |
| Daman & Diu | 69.29 | 74.06 | 71.42 | 58.85 | 67.08 | 62.45 | 44.5 | 54.63 | 48.67 | 12.55 | 24.41 | 16.43 |
| Delhi | 91.05 | 96.16 | 93.36 | 91.14 | - | 98.08 | 66.93 | 70.95 | 68.73 | 47.78 | 54.3 | 50.71 |
| Goa | 93.91 | 97.61 | 95.66 | 82.51 | 87.38 | 84.78 | 75.72 | 81.56 | 78.45 | 48.04 | 58.52 | 52.94 |
| Gujarat | 81.07 | 84.09 | 82.46 | 72.38 | 74.55 | 73.35 | 51.53 | 42.78 | 47.54 | 28.71 | 26.43 | 27.65 |
| Haryana | 72.66 | 75.12 | 73.76 | 65.93 | 74.04 | 69.36 | 50.75 | 50.51 | 50.65 | 31.8 | 31.06 | 31.47 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 81.5 | 82.77 | 82.1 | 79.66 | 81.36 | 80.46 | 68.04 | 66.61 | 67.37 | 53.47 | 55 | 54.18 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 71.48 | 73.41 | 72.39 | 54.71 | 57.56 | 56.04 | 43.75 | 43.32 | 43.55 | 31.89 | 31.09 | 31.51 |
| Jharkhand | 96.54 | 97.93 | 97.21 | 85.06 | 93.57 | 89.12 | 48.07 | 51.32 | 49.61 | 27.74 | 29.23 | 28.43 |
| Karnataka | 96.32 | 96.48 | 96.4 | 78.43 | 80.39 | 79.37 | 61.57 | 62.78 | 62.14 | 24.91 | 29.3 | 27 |
| Kerala | 85.56 | 85.73 | 85.65 | 79.25 | 80.68 | 79.94 | 76.54 | 76.49 | 76.52 | 51.87 | 58.64 | 55.19 |
| Lakshadweep | 77.46 | 69.31 | 73.28 | 74.31 | 63.19 | 68.2 | 69.12 | 68.1 | 68.59 | 56.37 | 69.62 | 63.53 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 80.39 | 79.22 | 79.83 | 69.47 | 75.6 | 72.31 | 47.33 | 45.69 | 46.56 | 24.97 | 23.46 | 24.26 |
| Maharashtra | 85.83 | 85.74 | 85.79 | 76.63 | 80.7 | 78.49 | 60.47 | 59.33 | 59.94 | 41.31 | 42.48 | 41.85 |
| Manipur | - | - | - | - | - | - | 82.86 | 82.24 | 82.56 | 55.07 | 51.01 | 53.04 |
| Meghalaya | 95.81 | 97.94 | 96.86 | 69.75 | 76.12 | 72.87 | 46.12 | 53.72 | 49.88 | 23.77 | 28.24 | 25.98 |
| Mizoram | - | 97.67 | 99 | 91.5 | 93.6 | 92.52 | 56.6 | 63.7 | 60.08 | 30.04 | 34.13 | 32.05 |
| Nagaland | 82.22 | 84.25 | 83.2 | 77.92 | 84.16 | 80.89 | 44.46 | 48.59 | 46.44 | 22.24 | 23.08 | 22.65 |
| Odisha | 91.53 | 89.45 | 90.51 | 72.38 | 71.6 | 72 | 52.76 | 53.08 | 52.92 | @ | @ | @ |
| Puducherry | 65.61 | 73.67 | 69.3 | 60.55 | 68.03 | 63.96 | 49.45 | 56.55 | 52.68 | 36.07 | 48.89 | 41.88 |
| Punjab | 82.16 | 86.54 | 84.1 | 86.26 | 93.26 | 89.24 | 51.11 | 52.24 | 51.6 | 40.74 | 42.94 | 41.7 |
| Rajasthan | 79.74 | 78.59 | 79.2 | 67.55 | 66.73 | 67.18 | 44.44 | 37.3 | 41.14 | 33.51 | 25.63 | 29.82 |
| Sikkim | 76.59 | 74.32 | 75.47 | 78.34 | 87.02 | 82.57 | 38.91 | 44.15 | 41.51 | 21.69 | 28.75 | 25.18 |
| Tamil Nadu | 90.46 | 91.37 | 90.9 | 75.9 | 78.31 | 77.05 | 64.93 | 67.03 | 65.93 | 47.4 | 56.94 | 51.97 |
| Telangana | 80.51 | 80.77 | 80.64 | 67.59 | 69.36 | 68.45 | 51.24 | 53.62 | 52.39 | 19.98 | 22.1 | 21.01 |
| Tripura | 97.58 | 98.43 | 97.99 | - | - | - | 88.42 | 91.27 | 89.82 | 33.32 | 30.08 | 31.77 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 79.89 | 86.68 | 83.07 | 55.11 | 67.19 | 60.53 | 42.04 | 41.9 | 41.98 | 34.7 | 33.07 | 33.91 |
| Uttarakhand | 84.03 | 84.86 | 84.42 | 65.68 | 66.86 | 66.24 | 52.07 | 50.86 | 51.49 | 40.4 | 43 | 41.64 |
| West Bengal | 93.63 | 94.42 | 94.02 | 76.19 | 86.82 | 81.3 | 47.19 | 57.77 | 52.35 | 29.46 | 32.92 | 31.11 |
| India | 85.98 | 88.77 | 87.3 | 71.35 | 78.68 | 74.74 | 50.66 | 51.93 | 51.26 | 31.97 | 32.67 | 32.3 |

Source: School Education in India: U-DISE 2015-16

Note: Level-wise enrolment of children within the official age-group as a percentage of the population of that age-group. Enrolment Ratios are based on child population provided by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of HRD.

@: Higher secondary is part of higher education which may not have been covered under U-DISE.

Table 3.7: Gender Parity Index (GPI) in different stages of Education

| Level/ Year | Primary (I-V) | Upper Primary (VI-VIII) | Elementary (I-VIII) | Secondary (IX-X) | Higher Secondary (XI-XII) |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2005-06 | 0.94 | 0.88 | 0.92 | 0.80 | 0.80 |
| 2006-07 | 0.94 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.81 | 0.83 |
| 2007-08 | 0.98 | 0.91 | 0.96 | 0.85 | 0.84 |
| 2008-09 | 0.99 | 0.93 | 0.97 | 0.86 | 0.85 |
| 2009-10 | 1.00 | 0.94 | 0.98 | 0.88 | 0.87 |
| 2010-11 | 1.01 | 0.95 | 0.99 | 0.88 | 0.86 |
| 2011-12 | 1.01 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.93 | 0.92 |
| 2012-13* | 1.02 | 1.05 | 1.03 | 0.96 | 0.94 |
| 2013-14* | 1.03 | 1.08 | 1.04 | 1.00 | 0.98 |
| 2014-15* | 1.03 | 1.09 | 1.05 | 1.01 | 0.99 |
| 2015-16 | 1.03 | 1.10 | 1.05 | 1.02 | 1.01 |

Source: Educational Statistics at a Glance 2016, MHRD
School Education in India 2015-16 : Flash Statistics, U-DISE
Note: * Figures related to School Education are provisional.

Table 3.8: Gender Parity Index for different stages of Education : 2015-16

| States/UTs | Primary | Upper Primary | Elementary | Secondary | Higher Secondary |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 0.95 | 0.95 | 0.95 | 0.95 | 1.05 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 0.99 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.02 | 1.07 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 0.99 | 1.05 | 1.01 | 0.96 | 0.99 |
| Assam | 1.03 | 1.13 | 1.06 | 1.15 | 1.03 |
| Bihar | 1.07 | 1.22 | 1.11 | 1.18 | 1.05 |
| Chandigarh | 1.12 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.05 | 1.07 |
| Chhattisgarh | 1.00 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.06 | 1.00 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0.95 | 0.94 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 1.16 |
| Daman & Diu | 1.07 | 1.13 | 1.09 | 1.21 | 1.98 |
| Delhi | 1.05 | 1.18 | 1.10 | 1.08 | 1.14 |
| Goa | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.15 |
| Gujarat | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 0.83 | 0.92 |
| Haryana | 1.04 | 1.14 | 1.07 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 0.97 | 1.02 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 1.03 | 1.04 | 1.03 | 0.97 | 0.92 |
| Jharkhand | 1.01 | 1.11 | 1.04 | 1.09 | 1.03 |
| Karnataka | 1.00 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.02 | 1.15 |
| Kerala | 1.00 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.13 |
| Lakshadweep | 0.90 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.97 | 1.10 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 0.98 | 1.08 | 1.02 | 0.97 | 0.92 |
| Maharashtra | 1.00 | 1.04 | 1.01 | 0.95 | 0.97 |
| Manipur | 1.03 | 1.05 | 1.04 | 0.99 | 0.91 |
| Meghalaya | 1.03 | 1.16 | 1.07 | 1.16 | 1.18 |
| Mizoram | 0.97 | 0.98 | 0.97 | 1.03 | 1.08 |
| Nagaland | 1.03 | 1.08 | 1.04 | 1.08 | 1.00 |
| Odisha | 0.98 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 1.01 | @ |
| Puducherry | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.12 | 1.14 | 1.34 |
| Punjab | 1.04 | 1.08 | 1.06 | 1.00 | 1.04 |
| Rajasthan | 0.98 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.86 | 0.78 |
| Sikkim | 0.92 | 1.10 | 0.99 | 1.11 | 1.25 |
| Tamil Nadu | 1.01 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.05 | 1.22 |
| Telangana | 1.00 | 1.02 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1.12 |
| Tripura | 1.01 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.04 | 0.92 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 1.08 | 1.22 | 1.13 | 1.00 | 0.95 |
| Uttarakhand | 1.01 | 1.03 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.07 |
| West Bengal | 1.01 | 1.15 | 1.06 | 1.24 | 1.11 |
| India | 1.03 | 1.10 | 1.05 | 1.02 | 1.01 |

Source: School Education in India: U-DISE 2015-16

Note: @ In a few states such as Odisha higher secondary is part of higher education which may not have been covered under U-DISE.

Table 3.9: Gross Attendance Ratio for different stages of education : 2014

| States/UTs | Primary | Upper Primary | Primary & Upper Primary | Secondary | Higher Secondary | Primary to Higher Secondary |
|---------------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 109 | 86 | 98 | 99 | 112 | 101 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 105 | 92 | 100 | 88 | 70 | 93 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 82 | 130 | 97 | 114 | 73 | 96 |
| Assam | 103 | 116 | 107 | 90 | 72 | 100 |
| Bihar | 97 | 89 | 95 | 78 | 55 | 87 |
| Chandigarh | 90 | 94 | 92 | 117 | 106 | 101 |
| Chhattisgarh | 102 | 87 | 96 | 88 | 60 | 89 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 96 | 82 | 91 | 101 | 37 | 86 |
| Daman & Diu | 88 | 40 | 69 | 72 | 93 | 73 |
| Delhi | 96 | 96 | 96 | 79 | 93 | 93 |
| Goa | 74 | 90 | 81 | 169 | 79 | 97 |
| Gujarat | 100 | 92 | 97 | 80 | 53 | 87 |
| Haryana | 100 | 90 | 96 | 91 | 80 | 93 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 105 | 99 | 103 | 111 | 96 | 103 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 115 | 93 | 107 | 109 | 82 | 103 |
| Jharkhand | 105 | 90 | 99 | 95 | 51 | 91 |
| Karnataka | 99 | 88 | 95 | 99 | 65 | 91 |
| Kerala | 100 | 92 | 97 | 112 | 100 | 100 |
| Lakshadweep | 91 | 104 | 96 | 114 | 167 | 108 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 102 | 97 | 100 | 80 | 61 | 90 |
| Maharashtra | 100 | 92 | 97 | 101 | 67 | 92 |
| Manipur | 100 | 92 | 98 | 100 | 122 | 101 |
| Meghalaya | 107 | 116 | 110 | 122 | 50 | 102 |
| Mizoram | 103 | 97 | 101 | 128 | 99 | 105 |
| Nagaland | 103 | 84 | 96 | 105 | 116 | 101 |
| Odisha | 104 | 83 | 96 | 100 | 48 | 89 |
| Puducherry | 107 | 91 | 102 | 98 | 67 | 94 |
| Punjab | 108 | 88 | 101 | 91 | 93 | 98 |
| Rajasthan | 102 | 90 | 98 | 83 | 65 | 91 |
| Sikkim | 114 | 141 | 122 | 109 | 83 | 112 |
| Tamil Nadu | 101 | 89 | 96 | 108 | 74 | 95 |
| Telangana | 111 | 87 | 101 | 98 | 79 | 97 |
| Tripura | 103 | 114 | 107 | 105 | 67 | 102 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 102 | 78 | 93 | 67 | 59 | 84 |
| Uttarakhand | 106 | 103 | 105 | 92 | 71 | 98 |
| West Bengal | 100 | 106 | 102 | 97 | 56 | 94 |
| India | 101 | 90 | 97 | 87 | 64 | 90 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

Table 3.10: Net Attendance Ratio for different stages of education : 2014

| States/UTs | Primary | Upper Primary | Primary & Upper Primary | Secondary | Higher Secondary |
|---------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 83 | 65 | 85 | 55 | 58 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 89 | 71 | 91 | 54 | 49 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 70 | 67 | 84 | 55 | 29 |
| Assam | 87 | 72 | 93 | 56 | 35 |
| Bihar | 77 | 57 | 83 | 44 | 26 |
| Chandigarh | 78 | 70 | 84 | 84 | 78 |
| Chhattisgarh | 85 | 58 | 85 | 55 | 35 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 88 | 67 | 87 | 59 | 27 |
| Daman & Diu | 83 | 38 | 69 | 55 | 59 |
| Delhi | 82 | 67 | 87 | 43 | 56 |
| Goa | 71 | 62 | 80 | 92 | 63 |
| Gujarat | 88 | 70 | 90 | 54 | 37 |
| Haryana | 82 | 65 | 86 | 55 | 51 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 90 | 80 | 92 | 67 | 66 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 91 | 62 | 93 | 44 | 38 |
| Jharkhand | 81 | 56 | 86 | 43 | 25 |
| Karnataka | 91 | 74 | 90 | 74 | 47 |
| Kerala | 90 | 76 | 92 | 80 | 74 |
| Lakshadweep | 91 | 85 | 94 | 75 | 59 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 84 | 68 | 87 | 47 | 32 |
| Maharashtra | 88 | 71 | 90 | 62 | 46 |
| Manipur | 88 | 64 | 92 | 68 | 57 |
| Meghalaya | 86 | 58 | 89 | 38 | 12 |
| Mizoram | 87 | 70 | 93 | 64 | 26 |
| Nagaland | 88 | 66 | 89 | 73 | 70 |
| Odisha | 88 | 66 | 87 | 67 | 32 |
| Puducherry | 96 | 79 | 94 | 57 | 49 |
| Punjab | 87 | 60 | 89 | 53 | 54 |
| Rajasthan | 81 | 57 | 85 | 43 | 29 |
| Sikkim | 96 | 68 | 97 | 42 | 27 |
| Tamil Nadu | 88 | 72 | 89 | 69 | 53 |
| Telangana | 93 | 68 | 92 | 68 | 52 |
| Tripura | 94 | 77 | 97 | 62 | 27 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 77 | 48 | 81 | 36 | 31 |
| Uttarakhand | 96 | 85 | 96 | 61 | 49 |
| West Bengal | 85 | 73 | 90 | 55 | 28 |
| India | 83 | 63 | 87 | 52 | 38 |

Source: NSS 71st Round (2014)

Table 4.1 : Proportion of Child workers by age group, India - Census 2011

| States/UTs | 5-9 years | | | | | 10-14 years | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Rural | Urban | Total | Male | Female | Rural | Urban | Total | Male | Female |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 2.13 | 1.88 | 2.04 | 2.06 | 2.01 | 3.25 | 2.97 | 3.14 | 3.58 | 2.69 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 1.64 | 3.10 | 2.11 | 2.17 | 2.04 | 7.02 | 4.88 | 6.33 | 6.26 | 6.41 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 2.78 | 2.63 | 2.75 | 2.71 | 2.80 | 7.52 | 4.55 | 6.87 | 6.67 | 7.07 |
| Assam | 1.66 | 1.77 | 1.67 | 1.74 | 1.60 | 6.75 | 4.16 | 6.46 | 7.91 | 4.93 |
| Bihar | 2.34 | 2.16 | 2.32 | 2.42 | 2.21 | 5.47 | 3.93 | 5.31 | 6.06 | 4.48 |
| Chandigarh | 0.72 | 1.52 | 1.50 | 1.61 | 1.36 | 5.28 | 3.10 | 3.16 | 3.58 | 2.64 |
| Chhattisgarh | 1.65 | 0.74 | 1.46 | 1.43 | 1.50 | 8.80 | 2.68 | 7.54 | 7.38 | 7.70 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0.73 | 0.93 | 0.81 | 0.89 | 0.73 | 5.91 | 3.48 | 5.03 | 4.56 | 5.55 |
| Daman & Diu | 0.45 | 0.71 | 0.63 | 0.66 | 0.60 | 2.21 | 5.68 | 4.41 | 6.48 | 2.01 |
| Delhi | 0.55 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.67 | 0.57 | 1.36 | 1.63 | 1.62 | 2.15 | 0.99 |
| Goa | 3.55 | 4.35 | 4.05 | 4.04 | 4.06 | 4.73 | 5.40 | 5.15 | 5.47 | 4.80 |
| Gujarat | 1.41 | 1.64 | 1.50 | 1.59 | 1.38 | 7.27 | 4.25 | 6.11 | 6.41 | 5.77 |
| Haryana | 0.98 | 1.86 | 1.27 | 1.32 | 1.21 | 3.52 | 3.23 | 3.43 | 3.79 | 2.97 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 5.71 | 1.70 | 5.35 | 5.22 | 5.49 | 16.06 | 3.05 | 14.86 | 14.32 | 15.47 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 2.08 | 2.56 | 2.18 | 2.21 | 2.15 | 6.32 | 4.68 | 5.95 | 6.02 | 5.87 |
| Jharkhand | 2.40 | 1.06 | 2.14 | 2.12 | 2.15 | 8.98 | 2.45 | 7.60 | 7.70 | 7.49 |
| Karnataka | 1.55 | 2.22 | 1.79 | 1.85 | 1.74 | 6.45 | 4.38 | 5.71 | 6.13 | 5.26 |
| Kerala | 0.61 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.64 | 0.59 | 1.10 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1.22 | 0.88 |
| Lakshadweep | 0.22 | 0.82 | 0.67 | 0.80 | 0.53 | 0.72 | 0.76 | 0.75 | 0.95 | 0.57 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 1.75 | 1.28 | 1.64 | 1.64 | 1.65 | 7.67 | 3.24 | 6.59 | 6.83 | 6.33 |
| Maharashtra | 2.33 | 1.98 | 2.18 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 5.71 | 3.49 | 4.78 | 5.06 | 4.47 |
| Manipur | 4.10 | 2.02 | 3.56 | 3.61 | 3.51 | 8.82 | 4.05 | 7.56 | 7.52 | 7.60 |
| Meghalaya | 3.31 | 1.25 | 3.00 | 2.99 | 3.02 | 9.72 | 3.15 | 8.57 | 9.49 | 7.62 |
| Mizoram | 1.60 | 0.86 | 1.27 | 1.24 | 1.30 | 7.56 | 3.06 | 5.37 | 5.21 | 5.54 |
| Nagaland | 7.41 | 2.35 | 6.12 | 6.07 | 6.18 | 25.00 | 6.27 | 19.92 | 19.88 | 19.96 |
| Odisha | 1.52 | 1.57 | 1.53 | 1.52 | 1.54 | 6.74 | 3.46 | 6.26 | 6.35 | 6.15 |
| Puducherry | 0.82 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.73 | 1.46 | 1.26 | 1.33 | 1.62 | 1.02 |
| Punjab | 1.88 | 2.83 | 2.22 | 2.34 | 2.08 | 4.65 | 5.07 | 4.80 | 5.66 | 3.71 |
| Rajasthan | 1.73 | 0.99 | 1.58 | 1.48 | 1.68 | 10.23 | 2.87 | 8.61 | 7.52 | 9.84 |
| Sikkim | 4.09 | 1.80 | 3.58 | 3.70 | 3.47 | 14.60 | 5.02 | 12.49 | 12.94 | 12.03 |
| Tamil Nadu | 1.51 | 1.69 | 1.59 | 1.62 | 1.56 | 3.40 | 2.90 | 3.17 | 3.47 | 2.85 |
| Tripura | 0.82 | 0.72 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.75 | 3.35 | 1.86 | 3.04 | 3.38 | 2.68 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 2.60 | 3.17 | 2.71 | 2.87 | 2.53 | 5.84 | 5.60 | 5.79 | 6.66 | 4.81 |
| Uttarakhand | 2.10 | 1.58 | 1.96 | 1.94 | 1.98 | 6.25 | 3.07 | 5.39 | 5.54 | 5.22 |
| West Bengal | 1.12 | 1.83 | 1.31 | 1.39 | 1.22 | 4.87 | 4.74 | 4.83 | 6.02 | 3.59 |
| India | 2.01 | 1.96 | 2.00 | 2.06 | 1.93 | 6.42 | 3.84 | 5.72 | 6.14 | 5.26 |

Source: Census of India 2011, Registrar General of India

Table 4.2 : Crime Against Children (IPC + SLL)

| States/UTs | Crime Incidence | | | Crime Rate 2016 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | |
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 50 | 102 | 86 | 61.4 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2059 | 1992 | 1847 | 11.8 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 134 | 181 | 133 | 28.3 |
| Assam | 1385 | 2835 | 3964 | 33.3 |
| Bihar | 2255 | 1917 | 3932 | 8.8 |
| Chandigarh | 208 | 271 | 222 | 55.5 |
| Chhattisgarh | 4358 | 4469 | 4746 | 47.2 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 11 | 35 | 21 | 16.2 |
| Daman & Diu | 7 | 28 | 31 | 34.4 |
| Delhi | 9350 | 9489 | 8178 | 146.0 |
| Goa | 330 | 242 | 230 | 44.2 |
| Gujarat | 3219 | 3623 | 3637 | 17.6 |
| Haryana | 2540 | 3262 | 3099 | 33.4 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 467 | 477 | 467 | 21.6 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 211 | 308 | 222 | 4.9 |
| Jharkhand | 423 | 406 | 717 | 5.5 |
| Karnataka | 3416 | 3961 | 4455 | 22.7 |
| Kerala | 2391 | 2384 | 2879 | 30.8 |
| Lakshadweep | 1 | 2 | 5 | 25.0 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 15085 | 12859 | 13746 | 45.7 |
| Maharashtra | 8115 | 13921 | 14559 | 38.5 |
| Manipur | 137 | 110 | 134 | 14.0 |
| Meghalaya | 213 | 257 | 240 | 24.0 |
| Mizoram | 178 | 186 | 188 | 50.8 |
| Nagaland | 25 | 61 | 78 | 11.6 |
| Odisha | 2196 | 2562 | 3286 | 23.4 |
| Puducherry | 38 | 56 | 71 | 15.1 |
| Punjab | 1762 | 1836 | 1843 | 21.0 |
| Rajasthan | 3880 | 3689 | 4034 | 14.1 |
| Sikkim | 93 | 64 | 110 | 55.0 |
| Tamil Nadu | 2354 | 2617 | 2856 | 14.1 |
| Telangana | 1930 | 2697 | 2909 | 26.0 |
| Tripura | 369 | 255 | 274 | 22.1 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 14835 | 11420 | 16079 | 18.2 |
| Uttarakhand | 489 | 635 | 676 | 17.6 |
| West Bengal | 4909 | 4963 | 7004 | 23.8 |
| India | 89423 | 94172 | 106958 | 24.0 |

Source: Crime in India 2016, NCRB

Note: IPC: Indian Penal Code SLL: Special & Local Laws

Crime Rate is calculated as Crime per one lakh of children population

Table 4.3 : Incidence of Crime against Children under various crime Heads- 2016

| Sl. No. | Crime Head | Crime Incidence | Share in total crime incidence |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| IPC Crimes | | | |
| 1 | Murder | 1640 | 1.53 |
| 2 | Abetment of Suicide of Child | 41 | 0.04 |
| 3 | Attempt to Commit Murder | 213 | 0.20 |
| 4 | Infanticide | 93 | 0.09 |
| 5 | Foeticide | 144 | 0.13 |
| 6 | Exposure and Abandonment | 811 | 0.76 |
| 7 | Kidnapping & Abduction | 54723 | 51.16 |
| 7.1 | Kidnapping & Abduction | 27534 | 25.74 |
| 7.2 | K & A in order to Murder | 222 | 0.21 |
| 7.3 | Kidnapping for Ransom | 166 | 0.16 |
| 7.4 | K & A of Women to Compel her for Marriage | 16636 | 15.55 |
| 7.5 | Procuration of Minor Girls | 2465 | 2.30 |
| 7.6 | Importation of Girls from Foreign Country | 5 | 0.00 |
| 7.7 | Other Kidnapping | 7695 | 7.19 |
| 8 | Human Trafficking | 340 | 0.32 |
| 9 | Selling of Minors for Prostitution | 122 | 0.11 |
| 10 | Buying of Minors for Prostitution | 7 | 0.01 |
| 11 | Unnatural Offences | 1247 | 1.17 |
| | Total IPC Crimes against Children | 59381 | 55.52 |
| SLL Crimes | | | |
| 12 | Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act | 36022 | 33.68 |
| 12.1 | Child Rape | 19765 | 18.48 |
| 12.2 | Sexual Assault of Children | 12226 | 11.43 |
| 12.3 | Sexual Harassment | 934 | 0.87 |
| 12.4 | Use of Child for Pornography/ Storing Child Pornography | 47 | 0.04 |
| 12.5 | Other Section of POCSO | 3050 | 2.85 |
| 13 | Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 | 2253 | 2.11 |
| 14 | Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 | 56 | 0.05 |
| 15 | Child Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act, 1986 | 204 | 0.19 |
| 16 | Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 | 326 | 0.30 |
| 17 | Other Crime Committed Against Children (IPC+SLL) | 8716 | 8.15 |
| | Total SLL Crimes against Children | 47577 | 44.48 |
| Total Crime against Children | | 106958 | 100.00 |

Source: Crime in India 2016, NCRB

Table 4.4 : Cases Registered against Juveniles (IPC+SLL)

| States/UTs | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | Crime Rate |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 14 | 13 | 12 | 8.6 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 883 | 1015 | 809 | 5.2 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 81 | 66 | 57 | 12.1 |
| Assam | 487 | 624 | 436 | 3.7 |
| Bihar * | 4371 | 1658 | 2335 | 5.2 |
| Chandigarh | 116 | 100 | 96 | 24.0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 1691 | 1914 | 1953 | 19.4 |
| Dadar & Nagar Haveli | 6 | 17 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Daman & Diu | 2 | 3 | 7 | 7.8 |
| Delhi | 1969 | 2366 | 2499 | 44.6 |
| Goa | 64 | 28 | 21 | 4.0 |
| Gujarat * | 4380 | 1577 | 1681 | 8.1 |
| Haryana | 1041 | 1098 | 1186 | 12.8 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 272 | 195 | 204 | 9.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 102 | 181 | 198 | 4.4 |
| Jharkhand | 150 | 124 | 140 | 1.1 |
| Karnataka | 412 | 446 | 453 | 2.3 |
| Kerala | 1203 | 1398 | 628 | 6.7 |
| Lakshadweep | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 6512 | 6583 | 7369 | 24.5 |
| Maharashtra | 5407 | 5693 | 6606 | 17.5 |
| Manipur | 23 | 17 | 10 | 1.0 |
| Meghalaya | 125 | 111 | 84 | 8.4 |
| Mizoram | 44 | 41 | 53 | 14.3 |
| Nagaland | 10 | 17 | 18 | 2.7 |
| Odisha | 838 | 934 | 994 | 7.1 |
| Puducherry | 16 | 61 | 72 | 15.3 |
| Punjab | 277 | 111 | 117 | 1.3 |
| Rajasthan | 2309 | 2203 | 2273 | 8.0 |
| Sikkim | 19 | 41 | 27 | 13.5 |
| Tamil Nadu | 1549 | 1814 | 2217 | 11.0 |
| Telangana | 931 | 1252 | 998 | 8.9 |
| Tripura | 64 | 37 | 25 | 2.0 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 1397 | 1006 | 1438 | 1.6 |
| Uttarakhand | 123 | 127 | 124 | 3.2 |
| West Bengal * | 1566 | 562 | 709 | 2.4 |
| India | 38455 | 33433 | 35849 | 8.0 |

Source: Crime in India 2016, NCRB

Note: *Data for the year 2014 is under clarification (Bihar, Gujarat, West Bengal)

Crime Rate is calculated as Crime per one lakh of children population

Table 4.5 : Juveniles Apprehended under various crime head – 2016

| Crime Head | Below 12 years | 12-16 years | 16-18 years | Total |
|--|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| IPC Cases | | | | |
| Murder | 13 | 263 | 901 | 1177 |
| Culpable Homicide not Amounting to Murder | 5 | 26 | 38 | 69 |
| Causing Death by Negligence | 5 | 65 | 230 | 300 |
| Attempt to Commit Murder | 4 | 239 | 1035 | 1278 |
| Attempt to Commit Culpable Homicide | 0 | 15 | 65 | 80 |
| Grievous Hurt | 15 | 313 | 1090 | 1418 |
| Causing Injuries under Rash Driving | 7 | 285 | 931 | 1223 |
| Unlawful Assembly | 2 | 54 | 122 | 178 |
| Rioting | 10 | 325 | 1691 | 2026 |
| Assault on Women with Intent to Outrage her Modesty | 10 | 329 | 1288 | 1627 |
| Insult to the Modesty of Women | 1 | 28 | 65 | 94 |
| Kidnapping & Abduction | 4 | 162 | 1198 | 1364 |
| Human Trafficking | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21 |
| Rape | 29 | 464 | 1561 | 2054 |
| Attempt to Commit Rape | 2 | 18 | 53 | 73 |
| Unnatural Offences | 8 | 92 | 118 | 218 |
| Theft | 222 | 2935 | 6982 | 10139 |
| Criminal Trespass/Burglary | 78 | 1268 | 2466 | 3812 |
| Robbery | 10 | 433 | 1355 | 1798 |
| Dacoity | 0 | 54 | 273 | 327 |
| Extortion | 0 | 10 | 92 | 102 |
| Cheating | 0 | 25 | 163 | 188 |
| Arson | 2 | 18 | 70 | 90 |
| Forgery | 0 | 2 | 17 | 19 |
| Counterfeiting | 0 | 3 | 11 | 14 |
| Other IPC Cases | 186 | 2921 | 9030 | 12137 |
| Total Cognizable IPC Crimes | 613 | 10347 | 30866 | 41826 |
| SLL Cases | | | | |
| Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 | 0 | 223 | 2 | 225 |
| Arms Act, 1959 | 2 | 32 | 209 | 243 |
| Excise Act, 1944 | 0 | 55 | 188 | 243 |
| Gambling Act, 1867 | 0 | 52 | 206 | 258 |
| Prohibition Act (State) | 0 | 21 | 155 | 176 |
| Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 | 0 | 34 | 161 | 195 |
| Information Technology Act, 2000 | 0 | 5 | 20 | 25 |
| SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989) | 9 | 3 | 7 | 19 |
| Explosives and Explosive Substances Act | 0 | 1 | 6 | 7 |
| Indian Railways Act, 1989 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Other SLL Crimes | 13 | 183 | 754 | 950 |
| Total Cognizable SLL Crimes | 24 | 610 | 1711 | 2345 |
| GRAND TOTAL (IPC+SLL) | 637 | 10957 | 32577 | 44171 |

Source: Crime in India 2016, NCRB

Table 4.6 : Disabled Children (0-6 years) - Census, 2011

| States/UTs | Disabled population | Disabled children | Share of disabled children in the disabled population | Share of disabled children to the total disabled children |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 6660 | 385 | 5.78 | 0.02 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2266607 | 127168 | 5.61 | 6.22 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 26734 | 2123 | 7.94 | 0.10 |
| Assam | 480065 | 35742 | 7.45 | 1.75 |
| Bihar | 2331009 | 290999 | 12.48 | 14.24 |
| Chandigarh | 14796 | 933 | 6.31 | 0.05 |
| Chhattisgarh | 624937 | 35229 | 5.64 | 1.72 |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 3294 | 321 | 9.74 | 0.02 |
| Daman & Diu | 2196 | 113 | 5.15 | 0.01 |
| Delhi | 234882 | 13760 | 5.86 | 0.67 |
| Goa | 33012 | 1519 | 4.60 | 0.07 |
| Gujarat | 1092302 | 78316 | 7.17 | 3.83 |
| Haryana | 546374 | 37733 | 6.91 | 1.85 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 155316 | 7203 | 4.64 | 0.35 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 361153 | 27939 | 7.74 | 1.37 |
| Jharkhand | 769980 | 73262 | 9.51 | 3.59 |
| Karnataka | 1324205 | 92853 | 7.01 | 4.55 |
| Kerala | 761843 | 26242 | 3.44 | 1.28 |
| Lakshadweep | 1615 | 77 | 4.77 | 0.00 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 1551931 | 117731 | 7.59 | 5.76 |
| Maharashtra | 2963392 | 217361 | 7.33 | 10.64 |
| Manipur | 58547 | 5201 | 8.88 | 0.25 |
| Meghalaya | 44317 | 5058 | 11.41 | 0.25 |
| Mizoram | 15160 | 908 | 5.99 | 0.04 |
| Nagaland | 29631 | 1930 | 6.51 | 0.09 |
| Odisha | 1244402 | 81105 | 6.52 | 3.97 |
| Puducherry | 30189 | 1273 | 4.22 | 0.06 |
| Punjab | 654063 | 43664 | 6.68 | 2.14 |
| Rajasthan | 1563694 | 89791 | 5.74 | 4.40 |
| Sikkim | 18187 | 628 | 3.45 | 0.03 |
| Tamil Nadu | 1179963 | 62538 | 5.30 | 3.06 |
| Tripura | 64346 | 4389 | 6.82 | 0.21 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 4157514 | 414824 | 9.98 | 20.31 |
| Uttarakhand | 185272 | 12164 | 6.57 | 0.60 |
| West Bengal | 2017406 | 132405 | 6.56 | 6.48 |

Source: Census of India 2011, Registrar General of India

ANNEXURE

Definition, Constitutional and Legal provisions, Policies and Programmes with respect to Children

Definition

The United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is an international agreement which has incorporated rights of children without any discrimination whatsoever. Its preamble is based on four basic principles of Non-discrimination (Article 2), Best Interest of the Child (Article 3), Right to Life Survival and Development (Article 6) and Right to be Heard (Article 12). It was ratified by India on 11 December 1992. The UNCRC defines a child as *a human being below the age of 18 years unless, under the law applicable to the child, majority is attained earlier*. This definition of the child has definite bearing not only on child development programmes and on budgetary provisions for them, but also on production of statistics as applicable to different cross-sections of children in terms of reference ages.

Nationally, the preamble of the National Policy for Children 2013 of India recognizes that-

- A child is any person below the age of eighteen years;
- Childhood is an integral part of life with a value of its own;
- Children are not a homogenous group and their different needs need different responses, especially the multi-dimensional vulnerabilities experienced by children in different circumstances;
- A long term, sustainable, multi-sectoral, integrated and inclusive approach is necessary for the overall and harmonious development and protection of children.

In India, rights of citizens including that of children have been directly or indirectly provided for by the Constitution of India. The country has a well framed Constitutional, Legal and Policy structure to safeguard different cross-sections of children which align with specific age-groups issues for specific target groups of children such as, child labourers, children in school education, children in crimes, etc.

Constitutional Provisions

The Constitution in its Part III (Fundamental Rights) and Part IV (Directive Principles of State Policy) guarantees under the articles mentioned below, rights to the children of India:

- Article 14: Citizens of India, including children, must be treated equally before law and must be given equal protection by the law without any discrimination or arbitrariness.
- Article 15 – The State shall not discriminate against any citizen Nothing in this article prevents the State from making any special provision for children.

- Article 15(1) – Prohibits discrimination against any citizen on the grounds of religion, race, caste, sex etc.
- Article 15(3): Discrimination is prohibited by the constitution. However, it shall not hold a ground to prevent the state from making special provisions for women and children for their benefit.
- Article 21: No person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty without due process of law. A person has the right to adequate food, shelter, clothing, etc. Such life shall not mean mere animal existence.
- Article 21A: The State shall provide free and compulsory education to all the children falling in the age group of six to fourteen years in such manner as the State may, by law, determine.
- Article 23: Prohibits trafficking in human beings and beggar or any other form of forced labour.
- Article 24: Prohibits employment of children under the age of fourteen years in a factory, mine or in any other hazardous employment.
- Article 39 (e): The state shall strive to ensure that the tender age of children is not abused and that citizens are not forced by economic necessity to enter avocations unsuited to their age or strength.
- Article 39 (f): The state shall ensure children are given opportunities and facilities to develop in a healthy manner and in conditions of freedom and dignity. It must also be ensured that childhood and youth are protected against exploitation and against moral and material abandonment.
- Article 41: The state is obliged to, within its economic capacity and development, secure provisions for educational opportunities and facilities.
- Article 44: The state shall make all possible efforts to secure a Uniform Civil Code for all the citizens, thereby implying a uniform code for the adoption of children.
- Article 45: The State shall endeavour to provide early childhood care and education for all children until they complete the age of six years.
- Article 46: It is the duty of the state to promote the educational and economic interests of weaker sections of the society with special care and therefore, the children therein.
- Article 47: The state is duty-bound to raise the level of nutrition and the standard of living and to improve public health, including that of children.
- Article 51 (c): International laws and treaties shall be respected by the state to every possible extent, including the CRC and its optional protocols, Optional Protocol to CRC on Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography and Optional Protocol to CRC on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict.
- Article 51 A (k): It shall be the duty of every citizen of India who is a parent or guardian to provide opportunities for education to his child or, as the case may be, ward between the age of six and fourteen years.

- Article 243G provides for the institutionalisation of child care by seeking to entrust programs of Women and Child Development to Panchayat (Item 25 of Schedule 11).

Legal Provisions

Some of the important legislations in India to safeguard the rights of children are:

- The Guardian and Wards Act, 1890.
- The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956.

The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 [ITPA] is the premier legislation for prevention of trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation. It lays down stringent punishment for the perpetrators of the crime, such as, for keeping a brothel, living on the earnings of prostitution, procuring, inducing or taking persons for the sake of prostitution, detaining a person where prostitution is carried on etc. The Act also provides for setting up of Protective Homes by the State Governments.

- The Young Persons (Harmful Publications) Act, 1956.
- The Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986
- The Infant Milk Substitutes, Feeding Bottles and Infant Foods (Regulation of Production, Supply and distribution) Act, 1992 and its amendment Act in 2003.
- Offences mentioned under IPC Indian Penal Code, 1860
- The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act 2006

Child marriage is a violation of child rights which has serious health repercussion on girls, such as frequent pregnancies, miscarriages and early motherhood. To eliminate the social evil of child marriages, the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act 2006 was enacted which prohibits child marriages rather than only restraining them. The Act prohibits the solemnization of child marriages where a person who, if a female has not completed 18 years of age and if a male has not completed 21 years of age. According to the Act, child marriage is a cognizable and non-bailable offence. The Act makes it mandatory for all States/UTs except Jammu and Kashmir to notify rules and prescribes that the States shall appoint Child Marriage Prohibition Officers (CMPOs) having responsibility over areas for preventing solemnisation of child marriage/s.

- **The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)**, a statutory body, was set up in March 2007 under the Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005, an Act of Parliament (December, 2005). The Commission's mandate is to ensure that all Laws, Policies, Programmes and Administrative Mechanisms are in consonance with the Child Rights perspective as enshrined in the Constitution of India and also the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

- **The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012**

To deal with child abuse cases, the Government has brought in a special law viz. “The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012”. The Act has come into force with effect from 14th November, 2012 along with the rules framed there under. The Act defines a child as any person below the age of 18 years and provides protection to all the children from the offences of sexual assault, sexual harassment and pornography. An offence is treated as “aggravated” when committed by a person in a position of trust or authority of child such as a member of security forces, public officer, public servant etc. The Act provides for the establishment of Special Courts for trial of offences under the Act, keeping the best interest of the child as of paramount importance at every stage of the judicial process. The Act incorporates child friendly procedures for reporting, recording of evidence, investigation and trial of offences.

- **The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015**

The act came into force on 15-01-2016 repealing the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000. As per the provision of Section 110 (1) of JJ Act, 2015, the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 have been framed repealing the Model Rules of 2007. The JJ Model Rules which were notified on 21st September, 2016 are based on the philosophy that children need to be reformed and reintegrated into society. The Rules are appreciative of the development needs of children and therefore best interest of the child along with child friendly procedures is incorporated across the provisions and is the primary objective of these Rules.

Policies and Programmes

The Nation has implemented a number of Child centric policies addressing the issues of Child Survival, Child Development and Child Protection. The important among them are as follows:

1. **National Policy for Children, 1974** as the first policy document concerning the needs and rights of children, recognized children to be a supremely important asset to the country. The goal of the policy had been to take the next step in ensuring the constitutional provisions for children and the UN Declaration of Rights are implemented. It outlines services the state should provide for the complete development of a child, before and after birth and throughout a child’s period of growth for their full physical, mental and social development.
2. **National Policy on Education, 1986** was called for “special emphasis on the removal of disparities and to equalize educational opportunity,” especially for Indian women, Scheduled Tribes (ST) and the Scheduled Caste (SC) communities. To achieve these, the policy called for expanding scholarships,

adult education, recruiting more teachers from the SCs, incentives for poor families to send their children to school regularly, development of new institutions and providing housing and services. The NPE called for a “child-centered approach” in primary education, and launched “Operation Blackboard” to improve primary schools nationwide.

3. **National Policy on child Labour, 1987** contains the action plan for tackling the problem of child labour. It envisaged a legislative action plan focusing and convergence of general development programmes for benefiting children wherever possible, and Project-based plan of action for launching of projects for the welfare of working children in areas of high concentration of child labour.
4. **National Nutrition policy, 1993** was introduced to combat the problem of under-nutrition. It aims to address this problem by utilizing direct (short term) and indirect (long term) interventions in the area of food production and distribution, health and family welfare, education, rural and urban development, woman and child development etc.
5. **National Population Policy, 2000** aims at improvement in the status of Indian children. It emphasized free and compulsory school education up to age 14, universal immunization of children against all vaccine preventable diseases, 100% registration of birth, death, marriage and pregnancy, substantial reduction in the infant mortality rate and maternal mortality ratio etc.
6. **National Health Policy, 2002**: The main objective of this policy is to achieve an acceptable standard of good health amongst the general population of the country. The approach is to increase access to the decentralized public health system by establishing new infrastructure in deficient areas, and by upgrading the infrastructure in the existing institutions. Overriding importance is given to ensuring a more equitable access to health services across the social and geographical expanse of the country.
7. **National Charter for children (NCC), 2003** highlights the Constitutional provisions towards the cause of the children and the role of civil society, communities and families and their obligations in fulfilling children’s basic needs. Well-being of special groups such as children of BPL families, street children, girl child, child-care programmes, and educational programmes for prevention from exploitation find special mention in the NCC. It secures for every child its inherent right to be a child and enjoy a healthy and happy childhood, to address the root causes that negate the healthy growth and development of children, and to awaken the conscience of the community in the wider societal context to protect children from all forms of abuse, while strengthening the family, society and the Nation. The Charter provides that the State and community shall undertake all possible measures to ensure and protect the survival, life and liberty of all children. For empowering adolescent, the Charter states that the

State and community shall take all steps to provide the necessary education and skills to adolescent children so as to equip them to become economically productive citizens.

8. **National Plan of Action for Children (NPA), 2005** was adopted by Government of India in the pursuit of well-being of children. NPA has a significant number of key areas of thrust out of which the one's relating to child protection are:
- Complete abolition of female foeticide, female infanticide and child marriage and ensuring the survival, development and protection of the girl child,
 - Addressing and upholding the rights of children in difficult circumstances,
 - Securing for all children legal and social protection from all kinds of abuse, exploitation and neglect.
9. **The National Policy for Children, 2013** adheres to the Constitutional mandate and guiding principles of UNCRC and identifies rights of children under 4 key priority areas, namely, Survival, Health and Nutrition; Education and Development, Protection and Participation. The policy recognised that a child is any person below the age group of eighteen years. Childhood is an integral part of life with a value of its own. Children are not a homogenous group and their different needs, need different responses, especially the multi vulnerabilities experienced by children in different circumstances. A long term, sustainable multi-sectoral, integrated and inclusive approach is necessary for the overall and harmonious development and protection of children.

The National Policy for Children, 2013, reaffirmed that every child is unique and a supremely important national asset. Special measures and affirmative action are required to diminish or eliminate conditions that cause discrimination. All children have the right to grow in a family environment, in an atmosphere of happiness, love and understanding. Families are to be supported by a strong social safety net in caring for and nurturing their children. In view of the furtherance of the objectives of the National ECCE Policy the following have been formulated and circulated to all states and UTs:

National ECCE Curriculum Framework has been framed to promote quality and excellence in early childhood education by providing guidelines for practices that would promote optimum learning and development of all young children and set out the broad arrangement of approaches and experiences rather than detailed defining of the content.

Quality Standards for ECCE have been framed to provide a framework that will assess the implementation of the ECCE programmes across the country and assist the ECCE centres and service providers in developing and maintaining dynamic quality programmes that reflect the objectives, the programmes, standards and practices of the ECCE policy.

Age appropriate child assessment Cards have been developed for use for formative assessment of children in the age bracket of 3-6 years.

10. National Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Policy lays down the way forward for a comprehensive approach towards ensuring a sound foundation for survival, growth and development of child with focus on care and early learning for every child. It recognizes the synergistic and interdependent relationship between the health, nutrition, psycho-social and emotional needs of the child. This would add impetus to the ECCE activities mentioned in the revised service package of ICDS.

11. The National Plan of Action for Children, 2016 was launched in the pursuit of well-being of children to provide a roadmap that links the Policy objectives to actionable strategies under the 4 key priority areas. It aims at establishing effective coordination and convergence among all stakeholders, including Ministries and Departments of Government of India and civil society organisations to address key issues pertaining to rights of children.

It is an initiative to further strengthen and activate the implementation and monitoring of national, constitutional and policy commitments and the UN Convention on the Rights of the child. In alignment with the National Policy for Children 2013, the NPAC has following objectives:

- i. Ensure equitable access to comprehensive and essential preventive, promotive, curative and rehabilitative health care of the highest standard, for all children before, during and after birth, and throughout the period of their growth and development.
- ii. Secure the right of every child to learning, knowledge, education, and development opportunity, with due regard for special needs, through access, provision and promotion of required environment, information, infrastructure, services and supports, for the development of the child's fullest potential.
- iii. Create a caring, protective and safe environment for all children, to reduce their vulnerability in all situations and to keep them safe at all places, especially public spaces.
- iv. Enable children to be actively involved in their own development and in all matters concerning and affecting them.

Child Budgeting

Public expenditure meant for the development of the general population can be expected to have some benefits for children as well. However, since children comprise one of the largest disadvantaged sections of Indian Society, there is strong case for identifying the protection of public expenditure meant for addressing the needs of children in particular. This requires the segregation of schemes meant specifically for addressing the needs of children, from other development schemes. The total magnitude

of budget outlays on child specific schemes is referred to as the “Child Budget” is not a separate budget but a part of the total government budget. Child Budgeting has been included in the Monitoring and evaluation framework of National Plan of Action for Children, 2016.

Schemes for the well-being and development of Children

Different Central Ministries are implementing various schemes / programmes following the guidance of the national policies for the welfare, development and protection of children. These schemes are aim to tackle the issues relating to the overall welfare of children. The State/ UT Governments also execute numerous programmes from time to time for improving the lot of children.

Following are some of the important schemes of Central Government in this regard-

1. Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS)

The Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme is one of the world’s largest and unique programmes for early childhood care and development representing country’s commitment to its children and nursing mothers towards providing pre-school non-formal education, breaking the vicious cycle of malnutrition, morbidity, reduced learning capacity and mortality on the other. The objectives of the Scheme are:

- to improve the nutritional and health status of children in the age-group 0-6 years;
- to lay the foundation for proper psychological, physical and social development of the child;
- to reduce the incidence of mortality, morbidity, malnutrition and school dropout;
- to achieve effective co-ordination of policy and implementation amongst the various departments to promote child development; and
- to enhance the capability of the mother to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child through proper nutrition and health education.

Provision of supplementary nutrition under the ICDS Scheme is primarily made to bridge the gap between the Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) and the Average Daily Intake (ADI) of children, pregnant women and lactating mothers. Under the revised Nutritional and Feeding norms State Governments/ UTs have been directed to provide 300 days of supplementary food to the beneficiaries in a year which would entail giving more than one meal to the children from 3-6 years who come to AWCs.

ICDS Systems Strengthening and Nutrition Improvement Project (ISSNIP) is being implemented in 162 high malnutrition burdened districts with the following objectives:

- To strengthen the ICDS policy framework, systems and capacities, and facilitate community engagement, to ensure greater focus on children under three years of age.
- To strengthen convergent actions for improved nutrition outcomes

2. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana

The scheme has been launched in 2017 to provide partial compensation for the wage loss in terms of cash incentives so that the woman can take adequate rest before and after delivery of the first living child. The cash incentive provided would lead to improved health seeking behaviour amongst the Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM).

3. Rajiv Gandhi National Crèche Scheme (RGNCS)

The Central Sector Scheme was launched to provide crèche facility to the children of age group of 6 months to 6 years of working women who is employed for a minimum period of 15 days in a month or 6 month in a year. The objective includes promoting physical, cognitive, social and emotional development (Holistic Development) of children and to educate and empower parents/ caregivers for better childcare.

4. Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG)

A comprehensive scheme for the holistic development of adolescent girls called Scheme for Adolescent Girls is being implemented in 205 selected districts across the country, using the ICDS platform. Scheme for Adolescent Girls aims at an all-round development of Adolescent Girls (AGs) of 11-18 years by making them self-reliant through facilitating access to learning, health and nutrition through cost effective interventions. The Scheme for Adolescent Girls is a centrally sponsored scheme and is being implemented through the State Governments/UTs across 205 districts in the country. Anganwadi Centre is the focal point for delivery of the services. The scheme has two major components viz. Nutrition and Non Nutrition Component.

The adolescent girls under the scheme are provided supplementary nutrition containing 600 calories, 18-20 grams of protein and micronutrients per day for 300 days in a year in the form of Take Home Ration or Hot Cooked Meal. Nutrition is provided to 11-14 years out-of-school girls and all girls of 14-18 years age (out of school and in school girls). While the nutrition component aims at improving the health & nutrition status of the adolescent girls, the non-nutrition component addresses the developmental needs.

Under the Non-Nutrition component, the out of school adolescent girls (11-18 years) are being provided IFA supplementation, Health check-up and Referral services, Nutrition & Health Education, Counselling/Guidance on family welfare, Adolescent Reproductive Sexual Health (ARSH), child care practices and Life Skill Education and accessing public services. The adolescent girls aged 16-18 year are also provided vocational training in different trades in order to empower them.

5. Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY)

This is a scheme with the objectives to improve the nutritional and health status of girls in the age group of 11-18 years as well as to equip them to improve and upgrade their home-based and vocational

skills; and to promote their overall development including awareness about their health, personal hygiene, nutrition, family welfare and management.

6. National Nutrition Mission (NNM)

A National Nutrition Mission (NNM) has been setup from 2017-18 to work as an apex body to monitor, supervise, fix targets and guide the nutrition related interventions across the Ministries. The programme through the targets will strive to reduce the level of stunting, under-nutrition, anaemia (*among young children, women and adolescent girls*) and low birth weight babies. It aims to create synergy, ensure better monitoring, issue alerts for timely action to achieve the targeted goals.

NNM would strive to achieve reduction in Stunting from 38.4% (NFHS-4) to 25% by 2022 (Mission 25 by 2022). The goal of NNM is to achieve improvement in nutritional status of Children (0-6 years) and Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) in a time bound manner.

7. Child Rehabilitation through Non- Institutional Care of Children Adoption

Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) has been setup as a Statutory Body as per the provisions under Section 68 of the Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (Act No. 2 of 2016) to function as a nodal body at the National level for promoting and regulating adoption of Indian children, mandated to undertake the following:-

- Promote In-Country adoptions and to facilitate inter-State adoptions in coordination with State Agencies.
- Regulate Inter-Country adoptions.
- Frame regulations on adoption and related matters from time to time, as may be necessary.
- Carry out the functions of the Central Authority under the Hague Convention on Protection of Children & Cooperation in respect of inter-country adoption.
- Any other function as may be prescribed.

Government has notified Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 and Chapter VIII of the Act, provisions for adoption of orphan, abandoned & surrendered children and also adoption of children by relative, as defined in the Act. The Act has adequate safeguards mechanisms for the children to ensure their best interest and provides for reporting of all adoptions in the country including relative adoptions. Further, all adoptions under the Act have to proceed as per the Adoption Regulations, 2017. These regulations would strengthen adoption programme in the country by streamlining the adoption process with transparency, early de-institutionalisation of children, informed choice for the parents, ethical practices and strictly defined timelines.

“Adopt a Home” program has been launched whereby the corporate sector, business houses

and individuals are invited to support the children staying in the Children Homes run under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act by the State Governments/UTs and their NGO partners.

Model Foster Care Guidelines have been developed in the light of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children), Act, 2015 and JJ Model Rules 2016. These Guidelines provide detailed procedures, roles and responsibilities of stakeholders, along with various aspects related to the implementation of the foster care program. The State/ UTs to adapt or adopt the Guidelines as framed.

8. Integrated Child Protection Scheme

The objectives of the Scheme are to contribute to the improvement in the well being of children in difficult circumstances, as well as reduction of vulnerabilities to situation and actions that leads to abuse, neglect, exploitation, abandonment and separation of children from parent.

Track Child: A TrackChild portal has been developed for tracking missing and recovered children all over the country. There are various stake holders responsible for data entry on TrackChild portal. Information of missing & recovered children is uploaded by the Police and information of children residing in Child Care Institutions (CCIs) is uploaded by Child Welfare Committees, Juvenile Justice Boards and functionaries of CCIs. The TrackChild was designed & developed as per the guidelines provided under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2000 and Integrated Child Protection Scheme.

Khoya-Paya Portal which integrated as citizen's corner in the TrackChild portal with the objective of creating a citizen centric platform was to enable citizens to report missing children as well as sightings of their whereabouts without losing much time. Found children can also be reported. Any citizen can register on KhoyaPaya by using an Indian Mobile number.

Childline services: The Childline service is a free 24x7 phone outreach service. Under ICPS, the services are expanded with the final objective of covering all the districts. Childline is working in 413 locations.

Railway Childline : This is a preventive initiative to provide care and protection to children who come in contact with Railways so that as far as possible children are rescued as soon as they fall out of safety net and repeated missing. This initiative is currently operating at 33 railway stations.

9. Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao (Save girl child, educate a girl child) is a programme that aims to generate awareness and improve the efficiency of welfare services intended for girl child. BBBP addresses the declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and related issues of women empowerment over a life-cycle continuum. It is a tri-ministerial effort of Ministries of Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare and Human Resource Development. The key elements of the scheme include Nation-wide awareness

and advocacy campaign; Enforcement of PC&PNDT (Pre-Conception & Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques) Act; Enabling girl child education; and multi-sectoral action in selected districts of BBBP. There is a strong emphasis on mind set change through training, sensitization, awareness raising and community mobilization on ground. The main goal of the scheme is to celebrate the girl child and enable her education. The objectives of the Scheme are as under:

- To prevent gender biased sex selective elimination
- To ensure survival and protection of the girl child
- To ensure education and participation of the girl child

10. Ujjawala Scheme for Combating Trafficking

Ujjawala is a comprehensive scheme to combat trafficking . The Scheme was launched with the objective to prevent trafficking of women and children for commercial sexual exploitation, to facilitate rescue of victims and placing them in safe custody, to provide rehabilitation services by providing basic amenities, to facilitate reintegration of victims into the family and society and to facilitate repatriation of cross border victims. The Scheme is being implemented mainly through NGOs. The Scheme has five components— Prevention, Rescue, Rehabilitation, Re-Integration and Repatriation of trafficked victims for commercial sexual exploitation.

Trafficking of children is an organized crime violating all basic human rights. Poverty, illiteracy, lack of livelihood options, natural / man-made disasters are some of the factors that make a person vulnerable to trafficking.

Commitment towards Prevention of Trafficking:

- i) Article 23 of the Constitution of India prohibits trafficking in human beings and forced labour.
- ii) “Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956” lays down provisions for stringent punishment to the perpetrators of the crime.
- iii) Indian Penal Code also penalises offences related to trafficking.
- iv) India has ratified the:
 - UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime with its Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons especially Women and Children
 - SAARC Convention on Preventing and Combating Trafficking of Women and Children in Prostitution;
 - Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
 - Convention on the Rights of the Child: and
 - ILO Convention 138 regarding admission of age to employment and Convention 182 regarding worst forms of child labour.

Sustainable Development Goal and Targets Related to Children

The SDGs have given due importance to various developmental aspects of child life and have accordingly included 27 targets in the SDG monitoring framework. The global development agenda recognizes that sustainable and positive outcomes in development will not be achieved unless violence against children ends. Apart from indicators for prevalence of malnutrition, maternal and child mortality, etc.; five goals and eleven targets address violence and abuse, trafficking, sexual and other types of exploitation, harmful practices such as child marriage and the worst forms of child labour including children in armed forces along with promotion of safe public spaces, safe and non-violent learning environments and birth registration.

| Goals | Targets |
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| GOAL 1: <i>End poverty in all its forms everywhere</i> | <p>1.2 By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definition.</p> <p>1.3 Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable.</p> <p>1.5 By 2030, build the resilience of the poor and those in vulnerable situations and reduce their exposure and vulnerability to climate related extreme events and other economic, social and environmental shocks and disasters.</p> |
| GOAL 2: <i>End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture</i> | <p>2.1 By 2030, end hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round</p> <p>2.2 By 2030, end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under five years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women and older persons.</p> |
| GOAL 3: <i>Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages</i> | <p>3.1 By 2030, reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births.</p> <p>3.2 By 2030, end preventable deaths of new-borns and children under five years of age, with all countries aiming to reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1,000 live births and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1,000 live births.</p> <p>3.3 By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases and combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other diseases.</p> |

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| <p>GOAL 3: <i>Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages</i></p> | <p>3.7 By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes.</p> <p>3.8 Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all.</p> <p>3.9 By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination.</p> <p>3.c. Substantially increase health financing and the recruitment, development, training and retention of the health workforce in developing countries, especially in least developed countries and small island developing states.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 4: <i>Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all</i></p> | <p>4.1 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys have access to complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes.</p> <p>4.2 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education.</p> <p>4.4 By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship.</p> <p>4.5 By 2030, eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations.</p> <p>4.a. Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 5. <i>Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls</i></p> | <p>5.1 End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere</p> <p>5.2 Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation.</p> <p>5.3 Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation.</p> <p>5.c Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels</p> |

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| <p>GOAL 6. <i>Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all</i></p> | <p>6.1 By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all.</p> <p>6.2 By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation, paying special attention to the needs of women and girls and those in vulnerable situations.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 7. <i>Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all</i></p> | <p>7.1 By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 8. <i>Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all</i></p> | <p>8.7 Take immediate and effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking and secure the prohibition and elimination of the worst forms of child labour, including recruitment and use of child soldiers, and by 2025 end child labour in all its forms.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 10. <i>Reduce inequality within and among countries</i></p> | <p>10.2 By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status.</p> |
| <p>GOAL 11. <i>Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable</i></p> | <p>11.2 By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons</p> <p>11.5 By 2030, significantly reduce the number of deaths and the number of people affected and substantially decrease the direct economic losses relative to global gross domestic product caused by disasters, including water-related disasters, with a focus on protecting the poor and people in vulnerable situations.</p> <p>11.7 By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities</p> |
| <p>GOAL 16. <i>Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels</i></p> | <p>16.1 Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere.</p> <p>16.2 End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of children.</p> <p>16.9 By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration.</p> |

Special Provision/ Acts for Protection of children against crime

Indian Penal Code (IPC)(various sections providing penalty for crime against children)

- (i) Murder (Section 302 IPC)
- (ii) Attempt to Commit Murder (Section 307 IPC)
- (iii) Infanticide (Section 315 IPC)
- (iv) Foeticide (Section 315 and 316 IPC)
- (v) Abetment of Suicide of Child (Section 305 IPC)
- (vi) Exposure and Abandonment (section 317 IPC)
- (vii) Kidnapping & Abduction (Section 363, 363A, 364,364A, 365, 366, 367, 368 & 369 IPC).
- (viii) Procurement of Minor Girls (section 366-A IPC)
- (ix) Importation of Girls from Foreign Country(Section 366-B IPC)
- (x) Human Trafficking (Sec 370 and 370A IPC)
- (xi) Selling of Minors for Prostitution (Section 372 IPC)
- (xii) Buying of Minors for Prostitution (Section 373 IPC)
- (xiii) Unnatural Offences (Section 377 IPC)

Special and Local Laws (SLL) (various Acts providing penalty for crime against children)

- i) Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006
- ii) Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994
- iii) Child labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act, 1986
- iv) Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956
- v) Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015
- vi) Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012

Definitions and Explanations

| Indicators | Definition | Source |
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| Sex Ratio | Sex ratio has been defined as the number of females per 1000 males in the population; it is expressed as 'number of females per 1000 males' Sex Ratio = $\frac{\text{Number of Females} * 1000}{\text{Number of Males}}$ | Registrar General of India |
| Level of Registrations | The level of registration, defined as the percentage of registered births/deaths to the births/deaths estimated through Sample Registration System, determines the performance level of a State / Union territory with regard to functioning of Civil Registration System. Level of Registration = $\frac{\text{Number of events registered during the year} \times 100}{\text{Number of estimated events for the year}}$ | CRS, Registrar General of India |
| Sex Ratio at birth (SRB) | $\frac{\text{Number of female births registered during the year} \times 1000}{\text{Number of male births registered during the year}}$ | CRS, Registrar General Of India |
| Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) | Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) is defined as the infant deaths (less than one year) per thousand live births. $\frac{\text{Number of infant deaths during the year} * 1000}{\text{Number of live births during the year}}$ | SRS, Registrar General Of India |
| Neo-natal mortality rate (NMR) | $\frac{\text{Number of infant deaths of < than 29 days during the year} * 1000}{\text{Number of live births during the year}}$ | SRS, Registrar General of India |
| Early neo-natal mortality rate | $\frac{\text{Number of infant deaths of < than 7 days during the year} * 1000}{\text{Number of live births during the year}}$ | SRS, Registrar General of India |
| Under-five Mortality Rate | The under-five mortality is the probability (5q0) that a child born in a specific year or time period will die before reaching the age of five, subject to current age specific mortality rates. It is expressed as a rate per 1,000 live births. | SRS, Registrar General Of India |
| Peri-natal mortality rate | $\frac{\text{Number of still births and infant deaths of <7 days during the year} * 1000}{\text{Number of live births and still births during the year}}$ | SRS, Registrar General of India |
| Age-specific fertility rate | $\frac{\text{Number of live births in a particular age-group} * 1000}{\text{Mid-year female population of the same age-group}}$ | SRS, Registrar General Of India |

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| Neonatal mortality | The probability of dying within the first month of life. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Infant mortality | The probability of dying between birth and the first birthday. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Child mortality | The probability of dying between the first and fifth birthdays. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Under-five mortality | The probability of dying between birth and the fifth birthday. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Stunting (height-for-age) | Height-for-age is a measure of linear growth retardation and cumulative growth deficits. Children whose height-for-age Z-score is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered short for their age (stunted), or chronically undernourished. Children who are below minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) are considered severely stunted. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Wasting (weight-for-height) | Weight-for-height index measures body mass in relation to body height or length and describes current nutritional status. Children whose Z-score is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered thin (wasted), or acutely undernourished. Children whose weight-for-height Z-score is below minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) from the median of the reference population are considered severely wasted. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Underweight (weight-for-age) | Weight-for-age is a composite index of height-for-age and weight-for-height. It takes into account both acute and chronic under-nutrition. Children whose weight-for-age Z-score is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the reference population are classified as underweight. Children whose weight-for-age Z-score is below minus three standard deviations (-3 SD) from the median are considered severely underweight. | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |

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| Minimum acceptable diet (MAD) | <p>Proportion of children age 6–23 months who receive a minimum acceptable diet. This indicator is a composite of the following two groups:</p> <p>Breastfed children age 6–23 months who had at least the minimum dietary diversity and the minimum meal frequency during the previous day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Breastfed children age 6–23 months</p> <p>and</p> <p>Non-breastfed children age 6–23 months who received at least two milk feedings, and had at least the minimum dietary diversity (not including milk feeds), and the minimum meal frequency during the previous day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Non-breastfed children age 6–23 months</p> | NFHS-4, M/o Health & Family Welfare |
| Gender Parity Index (GPI) | The Gender Parity Index (GPI) is the ratio of the number of female students enrolled at primary, secondary and tertiary levels of education to the corresponding number of male student in each level. Thus GPI (based on GER) which is free from the effects of the population structure of the appropriate age group, provides picture of gender equality in education | M/o Human Resource Development |
| Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) | The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) for a class-group is the ratio of the number of persons in the class-group to the number of persons in the corresponding official age-group | M/o Human Resource Development |
| Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR): | <p>For each class-group, this is the ratio of the number of persons in the class-group to the number persons in the corresponding official age-group. For example, for Class group I-V the ratio (in %), corresponding to normative age-group of 6-10, is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Number of persons attending Classes I-V</u> × 100</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Estimated population in the age-group 6-10 years</p> | National Survey 71 st Round Sample |
| Net Attendance Ratio: | <p>For each education class-group, this is the ratio of the number of persons in the official age-group attending a particular class-group to the total number persons in the age-group. For example, for Class group I-V the ratio (in %) is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Number of persons of age 6-10 years currently attending Classes I-V</u> × 100</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Estimated population in the age-group 6-10 years</p> | National Survey 71 st Round Sample |

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