

## 9.4 STATE-WISE LITERACY RATES (1951–2001)

(in per cent)

| Sl. No. | States/Union Territories  | 1951         | 1961         | 1971         | 1981         | 1991         | 2001                     |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 1.      | Jammu & Kashmir           | ...          | 12.95        | 21.71        | 30.64        | na           | 55.52                    |
| 2.      | Himachal Pradesh          | ...          | ...          | ...          | ...          | 63.86        | 76.48                    |
| 3.      | Punjab                    | ...          | na           | 34.12        | 43.37        | 58.51        | 69.65                    |
| 4.      | Chandigarh                | ...          | na           | 70.43        | 74.80        | 77.81        | 81.94                    |
| 5.      | Uttarakhand               | 18.93        | 18.05        | 33.26        | 46.06        | 57.75        | 71.62                    |
| 6.      | Haryana                   | ...          | ...          | 25.71        | 37.13        | 55.85        | 67.91                    |
| 7.      | Delhi                     | na           | 61.95        | 65.08        | 71.94        | 75.29        | 81.67                    |
| 8.      | Rajasthan                 | 8.5          | 18.12        | 22.57        | 30.11        | 38.55        | 60.41                    |
| 9.      | Uttar Pradesh             | 12.02        | 20.87        | 23.99        | 32.65        | 40.71        | 56.27                    |
| 10.     | Bihar                     | 13.49        | 21.95        | 23.17        | 32.32        | 37.49        | 47.00                    |
| 11.     | Sikkim                    | ...          | ...          | 17.74        | 34.05        | 56.94        | 68.81                    |
| 12.     | Arunachal Pradesh         | na           | 7.13         | 11.29        | 25.55        | 41.59        | 54.34                    |
| 13.     | Nagaland                  | 10.52        | 21.95        | 33.78        | 50.28        | 61.65        | 66.59                    |
| 14.     | Manipur <sup>2</sup>      | 12.57        | 36.04        | 38.47        | 49.66        | 59.89        | 70.53                    |
| 15.     | Mizoram                   | 31.14        | 44.01        | 53.80        | 59.88        | 82.26        | 88.80                    |
| 16.     | Tripura                   | na           | 20.24        | 30.98        | 50.10        | 60.44        | 73.19                    |
| 17.     | Meghalaya                 | na           | 26.92        | 29.49        | 42.05        | 49.10        | 62.56                    |
| 18.     | Assam                     | 18.53        | 32.95        | 33.94        | ...          | 52.89        | 63.25                    |
| 19.     | West Bengal               | 24.61        | 34.46        | 38.86        | 48.65        | 57.70        | 68.64                    |
| 20.     | Jharkhand                 | 12.93        | 21.14        | 23.87        | 35.03        | 41.39        | 53.56                    |
| 21.     | Orissa                    | 15.80        | 21.66        | 26.18        | 33.62        | 49.09        | 63.08                    |
| 22.     | Chhattisgarh              | 9.41         | 18.14        | 24.08        | 32.63        | 42.91        | 64.66                    |
| 23.     | Madhya Pradesh            | 13.16        | 21.41        | 27.27        | 38.63        | 44.67        | 63.74                    |
| 24.     | Gujarat                   | 21.82        | 31.47        | 36.95        | 44.92        | 61.29        | 69.14                    |
| 25.     | Daman & Diu               | ...          | ...          | ...          | ...          | 71.20        | 78.18                    |
| 26.     | Dadra & Nagar Haveli      | ...          | ...          | 18.13        | 32.90        | 40.71        | 57.63                    |
| 27.     | Maharashtra               | 27.91        | 35.08        | 45.77        | 57.24        | 64.87        | 76.88                    |
| 28.     | Andhra Pradesh            | ...          | 21.19        | 24.57        | 35.66        | 44.08        | 60.47                    |
| 29.     | Karnataka                 | ...          | 29.80        | 36.83        | 46.21        | 56.04        | 66.64                    |
| 30.     | Goa                       | 23.48        | 35.41        | 51.96        | 65.71        | 75.51        | 82.01                    |
| 31.     | Lakshadweep               | 15.23        | 27.15        | 51.76        | 68.42        | 81.78        | 86.66                    |
| 32.     | Kerala                    | 47.18        | 55.08        | 69.75        | 78.85        | 89.81        | 90.86                    |
| 33.     | Tamil Nadu                | ...          | 36.39        | 45.40        | 54.39        | 62.66        | 73.45                    |
| 34.     | Pondicherry               | ...          | 43.65        | 53.38        | 65.14        | 74.74        | 81.24                    |
| 35.     | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 30.30        | 40.07        | 51.15        | 63.19        | 73.02        | 81.30                    |
|         | <b>ALL INDIA</b>          | <b>18.33</b> | <b>28.30</b> | <b>34.45</b> | <b>43.57</b> | <b>52.21</b> | <b>64.84<sup>2</sup></b> |

Source: Office of the Registrar General, India

Note: 1. Literacy rates for 1951, 1961 and 1971 Censuses relate to population aged five years and above. The rates for the 1981, 1991 and 2001 Censuses relate to the population aged seven years and above. The literacy rate for 1951 in case of West Bengal relates to Total population including 0-4 age group. Literacy rate for 1951 in respect of Chhatisgarg, Madhya Pradesh and Manipur are based on sample population.

2. India and Manipur figures exclude those of the three sub-divisions viz. Mao Maram, Paomata and Purul of Senapati district of Manipur as census results of 2001 in these three sub-divisions were cancelled due to technical and administrative reasons.

3. na - Not available as no census was carried out in Assam during 1981 and in Jammu & Kashmir during 1991.

4. Created in 2001. Uttarakhand, Jharkhand and Chattisgarh for 1981 and 1991 are included under Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh respectively.