

Table 8.5: State-Wise Literacy Rates (1951-2011)

States/UTs	(per cent)						
	1951	1961	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Andhra Pradesh	na	21.2	24.6	35.7	44.1	60.5	67.0
Arunachal Pradesh	na	7.1	11.3	25.6	41.6	54.3	65.4
Assam	18.5	33.0	33.9	na	52.9	63.3	72.2
Bihar	13.5	22.0	23.2	32.3	37.5	47.0	61.8
Chhattisgarh	9.4	18.1	24.1	32.6	42.9	64.7	70.3
Gujarat	21.8	31.5	37.0	44.9	61.3	69.1	78.0
Haryana	na	na	25.7	37.1	55.9	67.9	75.6
Himachal Pradesh	na	na	na	na	63.9	76.5	82.8
Jammu & Kashmir	na	13.0	21.7	30.6	na	55.5	67.2
Jharkhand	12.9	21.1	23.9	35.0	41.4	53.6	66.4
Karnataka	na	29.8	36.8	46.2	56.0	66.6	75.4
Kerala	47.2	55.1	69.8	78.9	89.8	90.9	94.0
Madhya Pradesh	13.2	21.4	27.3	38.6	44.7	63.7	69.3
Maharashtra	27.9	35.1	45.8	57.2	64.9	76.9	82.3
Manipur ^a	12.6	36.0	38.5	49.7	59.9	70.5	76.9
Meghalaya	na	26.9	29.5	42.1	49.1	62.6	74.4
Mizoram	31.1	44.0	53.8	59.9	82.3	88.8	91.3
Nagaland	10.5	22.0	33.8	50.3	61.7	66.6	79.6
Odisha	15.8	21.7	26.2	33.6	49.1	63.1	72.9
Punjab	na	na	34.1	43.4	58.5	69.7	75.8
Rajasthan	8.5	18.1	22.6	30.1	38.6	60.4	66.1
Sikkim	na	na	17.7	34.1	56.9	68.8	81.4
Tamil Nadu	na	36.4	45.4	54.4	62.7	73.5	80.1
Tripura	na	20.2	31.0	50.1	60.4	73.2	87.2
Uttar Pradesh	12.0	20.9	24.0	32.7	40.7	56.3	67.7
Uttarakhand	18.9	18.1	33.3	46.1	57.8	71.6	78.8
West Bengal	24.6	34.5	38.9	48.7	57.7	68.6	76.3
A & N Islands	30.3	40.1	51.2	63.2	73.0	81.3	86.6
Chandigarh	na	na	70.4	74.8	77.8	81.9	86.0
D & N Haveli	na	na	18.1	32.9	40.7	57.6	76.2
Daman & Diu	na	na	na	na	71.2	78.2	87.1
Delhi	na	62.0	65.1	71.9	75.3	81.7	86.2
Goa	23.5	35.4	52.0	65.7	75.5	82.0	88.7
Lakshadweep	15.2	27.2	51.8	68.4	81.8	86.7	91.8
Puducherry	na	43.7	53.4	65.1	74.7	81.2	85.8
All India^a	18.3	28.3	34.5	43.6	52.2	64.8	73.0

Source: Office of the Registrar General of India, Ministry of Home Affairs

Notes:

a: 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.

na: not available

1. Literacy rates for 1951, 1961 and 1971 Censuses relate to population aged five years and above and from 1981 onwards Literacy rates 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 Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Manipur are based on sample population.