

GENERAL EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF TAMILNADU

In Tamilnadu, there are 30 Revenue Districts, 73 Revenue Divisions, 206 Taluks and 17,371 Revenue Villages. On the development side, there are 6 Municipal Corporations, 102 Municipalities, 611 Town Panchayats and 64,846 habitations in the State. The entire State has been divided into 39 Parliamentary Constituencies and 234 State Legislative Assembly Constituencies.

There are 385 CD Blocks, 64 Educational Districts, 385 Block Resource Centres in CD Blocks, 27 Urban BRCs in Urban areas, 4,088 Cluster Resource Centres, 43,113 Village Education Committees, 17,371 Revenue Villages and 13,230 Panchayats.

The following Table provides the details of Blocks and other project structures established to implement and monitor the SSA Mission in the State.

District-wise CD Blocks, Educational Districts, BRCs, CRCs, VECs, Revenue Villages and Village Panchayats

S. No.	District	CD Blocks	Educational Districts	BRCs	Urban BRCs	CRCs	VECs	Revenue Villages	Village Panchayats
1	Chennai	0	4	0	10	110	758	55	0
2	Coimbatore	19	3	19	3	199	2069	531	448
3	Cuddalore	13	2	13	1	172	1592	929	698
4	Dharmapuri	8	1	8	0	100	1242	480	261
5	Dindigul	14	2	14	2	163	1562	436	330
6	Erode	20	2	20	0	142	1893	505	402
7	Kancheepuram	13	2	13	0	172	1563	1206	676
8	Kanyakumari	9	3	9	0	89	802	81	155
9	Karur	8	1	8	0	75	836	203	171
10	Krishnagiri	10	2	10	0	121	1540	636	344
11	Madurai	13	3	13	2	165	1450	752	446
12	Nagapattinam	11	2	11	0	100	1161	525	443
13	Namakkal	15	1	15	0	83	1056	446	351
14	Perambalur	10	3	10	0	107	993	390	331
15	Pudukkottai	13	2	13	0	145	1585	659	506
16	Ramanathapuram	11	2	11	0	124	1291	407	452
17	Salem	20	2	20	1	174	1736	639	419
18	Sivagangai	12	2	12	0	109	1179	504	443
19	Thanjavur	14	2	14	1	165	1601	859	611
20	The Nilgiris	4	2	4	0	45	569	55	48
21	Theni	8	2	8	0	80	730	113	153
22	Thiruchirappalli	14	3	14	2	183	1566	320	426
23	Thirunelveli	19	3	19	2	192	2144	578	463
24	Thiruvallur	14	2	14	0	133	1552	730	558
25	Thiruvannamalai	18	2	18	0	167	1996	1266	870
26	Thiruvarur	10	1	10	0	95	1008	564	437
27	Thoothukudi	12	2	12	1	108	1535	458	428
28	Vellore	20	2	20	2	202	2432	843	780
29	Villupuram	22	2	22	0	234	2297	1590	1120
30	Virudhunagar	11	2	11	0	134	1375	611	460
	Tamilnadu	385	64	385	27	4088	43113	17371	13230

Source: Revenue Department & DISE 2005

Population

The Districtwise population under rural and urban categories including SC/ST population is furnished in the Table here.

Population

S. No.	Name of the District	Area (Sq. Km)	ALL						Total			SC				ST				Density of Population	Sex ratio
			Urban			Rural			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	% to Total population	Male	Female	Total	% to Total population		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total													
1	Chennai	174	2219539	2124106	4343645	0	0	0	2219539	2124106	4343645	301835	296275	598110	13.77	3368	3360	6728	0.15	24963	957
2	Coimbatore	7469	1441332	1378871	2820203	734699	716954	1451653	2176031	2095825	4271856	315869	314806	630675	14.76	14738	14365	29103	0.68	572	963
3	Cuddalore	3678	379122	375239	754361	771786	759248	1531034	1150908	1134487	2285395	318713	315766	634479	27.76	5920	5853	11773	0.52	621	986
4	Dharmapuri	4497	32643	31853	64496	637877	592809	1230686	670520	624662	1295182	102665	97775	200440	15.48	21819	20788	42607	3.29	288	938
5	Dindigul	6058	339064	334188	673252	629073	620689	1249762	968137	954877	1923014	189066	187104	376170	19.56	3320	3164	6484	0.34	317	986
6	Erode	8209	603842	590121	1193963	705436	682101	1387537	1309278	1272222	2581500	213312	208892	422204	16.35	8933	8760	17693	0.69	314	972
7	Kancheepuram	4433	781147	753819	1534966	676095	666407	1342502	1457242	1420226	2877468	362097	359892	721989	25.09	13267	13241	26508	0.92	649	975
8	Kanyakumari	1685	542753	551174	1093927	289516	292591	582107	832269	843765	1676034	33365	34347	67712	4.04	2678	2765	5443	0.32	995	1014
9	Karur	2895	154616	156640	311256	310922	313508	624430	465538	470148	935686	94194	96066	190260	20.33	711	739	1450	0.15	323	1010
10	Krishnagiri	5125	200832	190618	391450	602245	567423	1169668	803077	758041	1561118	109471	107040	216511	13.87	8701	8241	16942	0.38	305	1010
11	Madurai	3568	730327	713849	1444176	573036	560989	1134025	1303363	1274838	2578201	162595	160657	323252	12.54	3060	2912	5972	0.13	723	678
12	Nagapattinam	2716	163064	167218	330282	576010	582547	1158557	739074	749765	1488839	219933	221298	441231	29.64	1734	1686	3420	3.45	548	1014
13	Namakkal	3429	277186	268046	545232	482365	465865	948230	759551	733911	1493462	143014	137762	280776	18.80	26039	25377	51416	3.44	436	966
14	Perambalur	3691	78427	79778	158205	514477	516488	1030965	592904	596266	1189170	149192	151173	300365	25.26	5936	5900	11836	1.00	322	1006
15	Pudukkottai	4651	123789	124595	248384	600511	610706	1211217	724300	735301	1459601	123701	125770	249471	17.09	398	394	792	0.05	314	1015
16	Ramanathapuram	4232	150086	152308	302394	433290	451920	885210	583376	604228	1187604	107381	108931	216312	18.21	556	522	1078	0.09	281	1036
17	Salem	5220	711180	679004	1390184	852453	773709	1626162	1563633	1452713	3016346	244391	231347	475738	15.77	52693	51228	103921	3.45	578	929
18	Sivagangai	4086	161854	164230	326084	405093	424179	829272	566947	588409	1155356	92590	96267	188857	16.35	536	547	1083	0.09	283	1038
19	Thanjavur	3397	370145	378416	748561	726493	741084	1467577	1096638	1119500	2216138	198820	200833	399653	18.03	1773	1868	3641	0.16	652	1021
20	The Nilgiris	2549	226477	228132	454609	151874	155658	307532	378351	383790	762141	117792	120222	238014	31.23	14014	14359	28373	3.72	299	1014
21	Theni	6565	297834	294007	591841	255152	246957	502109	552986	540964	1093950	107109	104691	211800	19.36	855	831	1686	0.15	167	978
22	Thiruchirappalli	4403	569917	569245	1139162	638617	640587	1279204	1208534	1209832	2418366	197917	201576	399493	16.52	9596	9316	18912	0.78	549	1001
23	Thirunelveli	6810	645142	663104	1308246	688797	726945	1415742	1333939	1390049	2723988	233605	247447	481052	17.66	4080	4278	8358	0.31	400	1042
24	Thiruvallur	3424	768355	731727	1500082	629052	625622	1254674	1397407	1357349	2754756	301316	299542	600858	21.81	18880	18978	37858	1.37	805	971
25	Thiruvannamalai	6191	200121	200640	400761	895738	889626	1785364	1095859	1090266	2186125	233572	233960	467532	21.39	36928	35832	72760	3.33	353	995
26	Thiruvaur	2161	117282	119961	237243	463502	468729	932231	580784	588690	1169474	188682	189632	378314	32.35	1310	1363	2673	0.23	541	1014
27	Thoothukudi	4621	327569	337204	664773	439254	468246	907500	766823	805450	1572273	143013	145941	288954	18.38	1762	1732	3494	0.22	340	1050
28	Vellore	6077	652993	655005	1307998	1088090	1081229	2169319	1741083	1736234	3477317	354551	359503	714054	20.53	31860	31180	63040	1.81	572	997
29	Villupuram	7217	215027	211890	426917	1277415	1256041	2533456	1492442	1467931	2960373	408234	402697	810931	27.39	32294	31626	63920	2.16	410	984
30	Virudhunagar	4288	387750	389595	777345	482626	491330	973956	870376	880925	1751301	164930	167367	332297	18.97	1158	1199	2357	0.13	408	1012
	Tamilnadu	133519	13869415	13614583	27483998	17531494	17390187	34921681	31400909	31004770	62405679	5932925	5924579	11857504	19.61	328917	322404	651321	1.12	467	987

Source: Census of India 2001

Population and Literacy – India & Tamilnadu

The Table given here indicates that as per Census 2001, the total Population of Tamilnadu is 6,24,05,679 comprising 3,14,00,909 male and 3,10,04,770 female members. The urban population is 2,74,83,998 and that of the rural is 3,49,21,681. The total population of SC is 1,18,57,504 which consists of 59,32,925 male and 59,24,579 female members. The percentage of SC population to total population is 19.61%. The total population of ST is 6,51,321 comprising 3,28,917 male and 3,22,404 female members. The percentage of ST population to total population is 1.12%.

The following Table compares Tamilnadu with India on population, literacy rate etc.

Population & Literacy

India & Tamilnadu

Indicator	Gender	India	Tamilnadu
a. Population (in crore)	Persons	102.70	6.24
	Male	53.13	3.14
	Female	49.57	3.10
b. Growth Rate		21.34	11.19
c. Sex Ratio		933	987
d. Literacy Rate	Persons	65.38	73.47
	Male	75.85	82.33
	Female	54.16	64.55
e. Density per sq. km.		324	467

Source: Census 2001

The sex ratio of Tamilnadu is 987 which is higher than the National Sex Ratio (933). 15 Districts in Tamilnadu have registered a sex ratio of more than 1000. The total literacy rate of the State is 73.47% which is 8.09% higher than that of the total Literacy rate of India (65.38%). The male and female literacy rates of the State also indicate the same trend, 6.48% higher in the case of male and 10.39% higher in case of female.

Educational Profile

The school educational structure in Tamilnadu has four levels namely, Primary, Upper Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary. The Primary comprises I to V classes, Upper Primary VI to VIII classes, Secondary IX and X classes and Higher Secondary XI and XII standards.

Schools

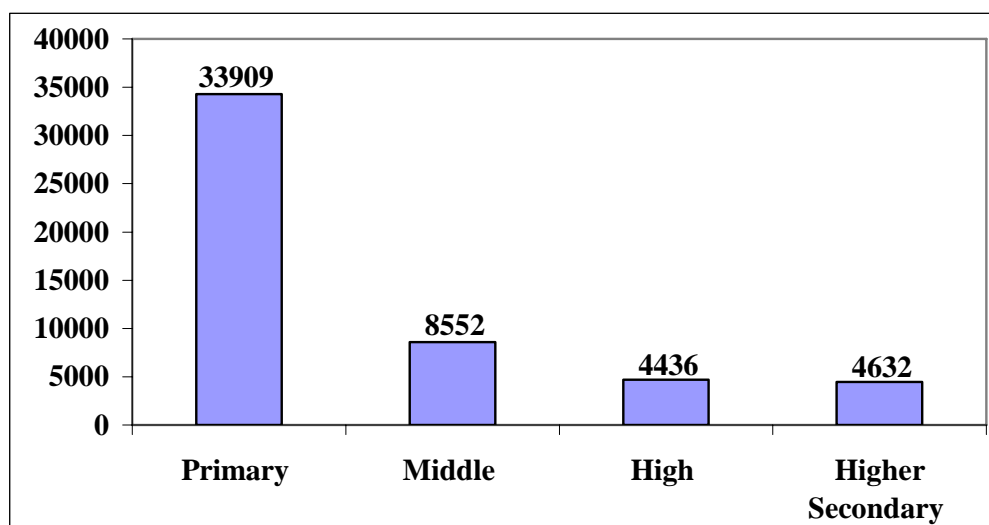
The Districtwise information about the number of schools under different classifications – Government, Private aided, Private unaided schools in Primary, Middle, High and Higher Secondary sections – as also EGS centres is provided in the Table that follows.

Schools by category – 2005-2006

S. No.	Block	Primary School (I-V)				Middle School (I-VIII)				High School				Higher Secondary School				Total Schools	Unrecoginised	EGS	ALL Total
		Govt.	Private Aided	Private unAided	Total	Govt.	Private Aided	Private UnAided	Total	Govt.	Private Aided	Private UnAided	Total	Govt.	Private Aided	Private UnAided	Total				
1	Chennai	152	128	305	585	123	74	43	240	45	46	146	237	50	140	245	435	1497	0	0	1497
2	Coimbatore	1248	120	329	1697	391	33	44	468	105	24	150	279	95	44	168	307	2751	0	27	2778
3	Cuddalore	928	171	156	1255	242	68	24	334	75	15	42	132	63	28	44	135	1856	0	3	1859
4	Dharmapuri	862	18	69	949	227	3	13	243	51	5	26	82	70	3	23	96	1370	0	4	1374
5	Dindigul	961	200	129	1290	174	58	7	239	54	28	47	129	41	40	50	131	1789	0	6	1795
6	Erode	1313	113	136	1562	269	14	17	300	69	23	79	171	75	14	95	184	2217	0	18	2235
7	Kancheepuram	871	124	181	1176	269	57	29	355	103	32	79	214	76	28	120	224	1969	0	5	1974
8	Kanyakumari	288	107	132	527	107	53	29	189	69	53	50	172	54	71	58	183	1071	0	0	1071
9	Karur	584	39	53	676	115	8	12	135	42	4	38	84	31	10	12	53	948	0	5	953
10	Krishnagiri	996	14	110	1120	257	4	20	281	97	5	38	140	139	5	26	170	1711	0	36	1747
11	Madurai	784	157	401	1342	225	74	16	315	69	19	75	163	53	64	91	208	2028	1	5	2034
12	Nagapattinam	558	213	141	912	187	69	10	266	68	0	30	98	40	25	15	80	1356	0	6	1362
13	Namakkal	666	49	64	779	142	21	12	175	43	8	46	97	94	29	54	177	1228	0	8	1236
14	Perambalur	584	79	37	700	155	28	6	189	64	10	5	79	58	14	37	109	1077	0	3	1080
15	Pudukkottai	1032	62	155	1249	291	28	15	334	83	13	20	116	63	13	22	98	1797	0	0	1797
16	Ramanathapuram	770	165	108	1043	178	44	19	241	40	24	19	83	36	30	16	82	1449	0	6	1455
17	Salem	1121	51	199	1371	250	25	30	305	99	18	99	216	100	54	87	241	2133	0	36	2169
18	Sivagangai	784	111	94	989	168	62	13	243	27	9	71	107	12	4	68	84	1423	0	3	1426
19	Thanjavur	902	178	221	1301	234	62	8	304	97	20	55	172	60	46	42	148	1925	0	2	1927
20	The Nilgiris	265	98	66	429	84	10	12	106	42	19	52	113	34	17	27	78	726	0	5	731
21	Theni	321	129	57	507	82	73	11	166	39	14	19	72	44	22	16	82	827	0	7	834
22	Thiruchirappalli	815	196	176	1187	225	96	15	336	73	30	55	158	57	70	39	166	1847	0	10	1857
23	Thirunelveli	639	833	217	1689	114	293	25	432	57	56	50	163	64	86	65	215	2499	0	4	2503
24	Thiruvallur	918	133	141	1192	276	25	24	325	97	16	80	193	64	20	87	171	1881	0	5	1886
25	Thiruvannamalai	1286	126	100	1512	321	17	3	341	136	12	47	195	72	21	22	115	2163	0	15	2178
26	Thiruvarur	628	69	116	813	155	34	4	193	71	12	30	113	30	8	5	43	1162	0	5	1167
27	Thoothukudi	514	554	117	1185	102	190	16	308	24	42	37	103	33	74	28	135	1731	0	3	1734
28	Vellore	1461	206	330	1997	391	51	16	458	141	26	77	244	106	41	52	199	2898	0	12	2910
29	Villupuram	1298	226	244	1768	435	62	15	512	127	23	70	220	97	24	40	161	2661	0	8	2669
30	Virudhunagar	659	349	99	1107	136	66	17	219	36	30	25	91	45	54	23	122	1539	0	0	1539
	Tamilnadu	24208	5018	4683	33909	6325	1702	525	8552	2143	636	1657	4436	1856	1099	1677	4632	51529	1	247	51777

Source: DISE 2005

Schools by Category



In Tamilnadu, there are 51,777 schools, including EGS centres (all categories). They consist of 33,909 Primary schools, 8,552 Middle Schools (Upper Primary Schools), 4,436 High schools and 4,632 Higher Secondary Schools. There are 247 EGS centres functioning in all Districts.

Access

The following Table shows the Districtwise number of Primary Schools opened and number of Primary Schools upgraded into Upper Primary Schools to improve schooling access during the years 2001- 2002 to 2005-2006.

Schools opened and upgraded – 2001-2002 to 2005-2006

S. No.	Districts	P	UP
1	Chennai	0	6
2	Coimbatore	126	204
3	Cuddalore	16	99
4	Dharmapuri	70	184
5	Dindigul	19	53
6	Erode	52	99
7	Kancheepuram	26	96
8	Kanyakumari	2	3
9	Karur	27	42
10	Krishnagiri	134	180
11	Madurai	34	103
12	Nagapattinam	23	95
13	Namakkal	26	105
14	Perambalur	20	76
15	Pudukkottai	63	154
16	Ramanathapuram	28	64
17	Salem	71	145

18	Sivagangai	29	87
19	Thanjavur	60	91
20	The Nilgiris	24	23
21	Theni	30	36
22	Thiruchirappalli	21	59
23	Thirunelveli	13	28
24	Thiruvallur	59	126
25	Thiruvannamalai	49	143
26	Thiruvarur	83	77
27	Thoothukudi	23	15
28	Vellore	103	133
29	Villupuram	35	224
30	Virudhunagar	8	40
	Tamilnadu	1274	2790

Source: DEE

As many as 1,274 new Primary Schools have been opened and 2,790 Primary Schools have been upgraded into Upper Primary Schools in the last five years. As regards opening of new schools, Krishnagiri records the *highest* number of new schools (134) followed by Coimbatore (126) and Vellore (103). Similarly, the highest number of primary schools have been upgraded into upper primary schools in Villupuram (224) followed by Coimbatore (204). In Thiruvannamalai, Thiruvallur, Salem, Pudukkottai, Namakkal, Madurai, Krishnagiri and Dharmapuri, more than 100 primary schools in each District have been upgraded into upper primary schools.

Tamilnadu has already reported that it has achieved cent percent access at Primary level in the year 2002-2003 and cent percent access at Upper Primary level in 2004-2005. Nevertheless, with population growing and new habitations springing up the need for new schools is constantly reviewed. School Mapping exercise carried out during the current year reveals that there are still some habitations which are in need of Primary Schools and Upper Primary Schools. There are also a few habitations which do not qualify for opening of Primary Schools where the State proposes to open new EGS centres. This effort is to provide additional access to enroll and retain girls and SC/ST children in some select pockets. This is in addition to the 162 Primary Schools opened and 684 Primary Schools upgraded into Upper Primary Schools during 2005-2006.

Habitations without School Access

The following Table presents Districtwise information about habitations without school access which are eligible for opening of EGS centres, Primary schools and upgradation of Primary Schools into Upper Primary Schools.

Habitations without School Access

S. No.	District	Total habitations	Habitations without primary schools/EGS	Habitations eligible for EGS	Habitations eligible for P.S.	No. of eligible schoolless habitations for UPS as per distance and population norms
1	Chennai	1153	0	0	0	0
2	Coimbatore	3008	35	34	9	7
3	Cuddalore	2172	3	3	2	13
4	Dharmapuri	2433	16	16	3	12
5	Dindigul	3499	9	9	6	5
6	Erode	2287	24	22	3	21
7	Kancheepuram	3345	13	12	3	6
8	Kanyakumari	1994	5	5	0	2
9	Karur	2048	6	6	3	2
10	Krishnagiri	3182	54	50	23	13
11	Madurai	1704	8	8	5	13
12	Nagapattinam	1558	9	9	1	9
13	Namakkal	2261	11	10	4	6
14	Perambalur	1028	7	7	1	10
15	Pudukkottai	3316	0	0	0	6
16	Ramanathapuram	2120	10	10	4	3
17	Salem	1922	47	45	18	23
18	Sivagangai	2501	4	4	2	5
19	Thanjavur	1595	4	4	2	2
20	The Nilgiris	1264	8	8	0	3
21	Theni	549	16	16	6	0
22	Thiruchirappalli	1891	10	10	4	9
23	Thirunelveli	1952	6	6	2	6
24	Thiruvallur	3056	8	8	3	3
25	Thiruvannamalai	3162	16	15	5	12
26	Thiruvarur	1461	6	6	1	2
27	Thoothukudi	1346	4	4	2	4
28	Vellore	2747	25	23	9	13
29	Villupuram	2806	16	14	5	9
30	Virudhunagar	1486	0	0	0	15
	Tamilnadu	64846	380	364	126	234

Source: School Mapping

The Table indicates that there are 364 habitations which are eligible for opening of EGS Centres, 126 habitations eligible for opening of Primary schools and 234 habitations in need of Upper Primary schools (upgradation of Primary into Upper Primary).

Teachers – Primary

The District-wise details of teachers working in Primary and Upper Primary Schools under various managements are given in the following Tables.

**Teachers – Primary
(Management-wise)**

S. No.	District	Government Schools			Private Aided			Private Unaided			Total Teachers		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Chennai	71	1203	1274	78	1286	1364	87	2611	2698	236	5100	5336
2	Coimbatore	982	3945	4927	124	709	833	314	4823	5137	1420	9477	10897
3	Cuddalore	588	2049	2637	269	487	756	111	1007	1118	968	3543	4511
4	Dharmapuri	979	1502	2481	35	70	105	90	458	548	1104	2030	3134
5	Dindigul	811	1755	2566	187	825	1012	73	638	711	1071	3218	4289
6	Erode	884	2267	3151	120	464	584	70	782	852	1074	3513	4587
7	Kancheepuram	793	2014	2807	105	631	736	129	989	1118	1027	3634	4661
8	Kanyakumari	343	981	1324	94	877	971	45	897	942	482	2755	3237
9	Karur	513	1028	1541	33	180	213	19	361	380	565	1569	2134
10	Krishnagiri	355	3265	3620	30	109	139	176	964	1140	561	4338	4899
11	Madurai	529	1687	2216	151	973	1124	138	2564	2702	818	5224	6042
12	Nagapattinam	504	1087	1591	318	607	925	58	882	940	880	2576	3456
13	Namakkal	684	1240	1924	54	245	299	62	469	531	800	1954	2754
14	Perambalur	509	1260	1769	113	303	416	16	202	218	638	1765	2403
15	Pudukkottai	945	1411	2356	54	195	249	106	647	753	1105	2253	3358
16	Ramanathapuram	674	1203	1877	220	671	891	46	442	488	940	2316	3256
17	Salem	981	2578	3559	101	617	718	139	1576	1715	1221	4771	5992
18	Sivagangai	557	1203	1760	151	614	765	45	400	445	753	2217	2970
19	Thanjavur	508	2104	2612	241	714	955	72	1106	1178	821	3924	4745
20	The Nilgiris	149	675	824	80	554	634	41	436	477	270	1665	1935
21	Theni	436	1098	1534	269	1315	1584	77	727	804	782	3140	3922
22	Thiruchirappalli	940	2397	3337	258	1515	1773	152	770	922	1350	4682	6032
23	Thirunelveli	490	1168	1658	770	2507	3277	73	1248	1321	1333	4923	6256
24	Thiruvallur	786	1810	2596	115	515	630	8	953	961	909	3278	4187
25	Thiruvannamalai	547	2784	3331	183	405	588	13	170	183	743	3359	4102
26	Thiruvarur	669	1049	1718	119	251	370	47	746	793	835	2046	2881
27	Thoothukudi	292	973	1265	339	1812	2151	29	759	788	660	3544	4204
28	Vellore	1036	4295	5331	431	953	1384	257	776	1033	1724	6024	7748
29	Villupuram	970	4388	5358	454	686	1140	428	1278	1706	1852	6352	8204
30	Virudhunagar	673	1479	2152	412	1761	2173	99	671	770	1184	3911	5095
	Tamilnadu	19198	55898	75096	5908	22851	28759	3020	30352	33372	28126	109101	137227

Source: DISE 2005

In Tamilnadu, there are 1,37,227 teachers serving in Primary schools. As many as 75,096 teachers work in Government Primary Schools comprising 19,198 male and 55,898 female teachers. There are 28,759 teachers working in Private aided schools and 33,372 teachers working in Private unaided schools. Of significance is the fact that there are *more women than men among the teachers in Elementary Education. Women Teachers make up nearly three-fourths of the total number of teachers constituting 73.95%.*

Teachers – Upper Primary

The following Table furnishes the District-wise details of teachers working in Upper Primary Schools/ Upper Primary Classes in High School and Higher Secondary Schools under various managements.

Teachers – Upper Primary Schools/Upper Primary Classes in High Schools and Higher Secondary Schools (Management-wise)

S. No.	District	Government Schools			Private Aided			Private Unaided			Total Teachers		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Chennai	232	2514	2746	146	2530	2676	40	549	589	418	5593	6011
2	Coimbatore	608	3102	3710	422	765	1187	428	2461	2889	1458	6328	7786
3	Cuddalore	579	1872	2451	540	696	1236	44	157	201	1163	2725	3888
4	Dharmapuri	391	860	1251	158	64	222	28	96	124	577	1020	1597
5	Dindigul	674	1273	1947	300	1048	1348	58	109	167	1032	2430	3462
6	Erode	862	1561	2423	123	370	493	31	118	149	1016	2049	3065
7	Kancheepuram	880	2072	2952	224	936	1160	39	147	186	1143	3155	4298
8	Kanyakumari	417	1015	1432	337	1272	1609	19	372	391	773	2659	3432
9	Karur	418	528	946	63	152	215	16	111	127	497	791	1288
10	Krishnagiri	185	1069	1254	34	77	111	157	478	635	376	1624	2000
11	Madurai	620	1872	2492	306	1925	2231	13	156	169	939	3953	4892
12	Nagapattinam	702	863	1565	690	587	1277	81	95	176	1473	1545	3018
13	Namakkal	382	1261	1643	107	301	408	20	142	162	509	1704	2213
14	Perambalur	237	1303	1540	161	256	417	57	91	148	455	1650	2105
15	Pudukkottai	896	1193	2089	138	391	529	70	119	189	1104	1703	2807
16	Ramanathapuram	493	784	1277	308	507	815	13	120	133	814	1411	2225
17	Salem	879	2048	2927	225	564	789	51	299	350	1155	2911	4066
18	Sivagangai	492	935	1427	477	528	1005	19	88	107	988	1551	2539
19	Thanjavur	807	1530	2337	516	959	1475	59	125	184	1382	2614	3996
20	The Nilgiris	210	708	918	30	332	362	26	104	130	266	1144	1410
21	Theni	426	734	1160	675	672	1347	98	221	319	1199	1627	2826
22	Thiruchirappalli	762	1696	2458	689	1435	2124	167	557	724	1618	3688	5306
23	Thirunelveli	461	1104	1565	1064	2558	3622	53	208	261	1578	3870	5448
24	Thiruvallur	719	1992	2711	172	510	682	45	211	256	936	2713	3649
25	Thiruvannamalai	924	2158	3082	225	243	468	64	53	117	1213	2454	3667
26	Thiruvarur	721	791	1512	175	436	611	54	75	129	950	1302	2252
27	Thoothukudi	214	673	887	538	2046	2584	17	137	154	769	2856	3625
28	Vellore	905	3143	4048	527	821	1348	231	396	627	1663	4360	6023
29	Villupuram	842	2863	3705	557	434	991	260	573	833	1659	3870	5529
30	Virudhunagar	434	827	1261	480	1002	1482	97	599	696	1011	2428	3439
	Tamilnadu	17372	44344	61716	10407	24417	34824	2355	8967	11322	30134	77728	107862

Source: DISE 2005

At Upper Primary Level, there are 1,07,862 teachers working either in Upper Primary Schools or in Upper Primary Classes in High School and Higher Secondary Schools. They consist of 30,134 male and 77,728 female teachers. Around 61,716 teachers work in Government schools, comprising 17,372 male and 44,344 female teachers. There are 34,824

teachers working in Private aided schools and 11,322 teachers serving in Private unaided schools. At Upper Primary level also, *more than two-thirds of the teachers are women with their percentage as high as 67.6%.*

Enrolment

School-age Population

The District-wise School-age population for ALL categories with break-up of 6-10 years and 11-14 years age group is presented in the Table given here.

School-age Population – ALL – 2005-2006

S. No.	Districts	6-10 years			11-14 years			6-14 years		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	187934	181801	369735	110516	108936	219452	298450	290737	589187
2	Coimbatore	206472	196600	403072	120140	110014	230154	326612	306614	633226
3	Cuddalore	130410	124227	254638	72819	69184	142003	203230	193411	396641
4	Dharmapuri	80634	76939	157573	44493	39140	83633	125127	116079	241206
5	Dindigul	111519	103204	214724	57611	52083	109694	169130	155287	324417
6	Erode	115075	106649	221724	65503	58321	123824	180577	164970	345548
7	Kancheepuram	153964	148817	302781	95734	91832	187566	249698	240649	490347
8	Kanyakumari	83957	80679	164636	46727	44626	91353	130684	125305	255989
9	Karur	46802	43584	90387	26239	24415	50654	73041	68000	141040
10	Krishnagiri	92571	86069	178640	51394	47631	99024	143965	133700	277665
11	Madurai	148160	141918	290078	83751	77525	161276	231911	219443	451354
12	Nagapattinam	86472	81696	168169	47255	45094	92349	133727	126790	260518
13	Namakkal	75891	70088	145979	43786	38986	82772	119677	109074	228751
14	Perambalur	63791	59931	123722	38461	34937	73398	102252	94869	197120
15	Pudukkottai	77352	73402	150754	46285	43588	89873	123636	116990	240627
16	Ramanathapuram	69509	65696	135204	40820	36637	77457	110329	102333	212662
17	Salem	163663	154671	318334	93637	86713	180350	257300	241384	498684
18	Sivagangai	61966	57752	119719	38046	35049	73096	100013	92802	192815
19	Thanjavur	113234	109449	222683	67408	63228	130636	180642	172676	353319
20	The Nilgiris	35734	34278	70011	20664	19617	40281	56398	53894	110292
21	Theni	76951	70450	147401	36721	31661	68381	113672	102111	215783
22	Thiruchirappalli	117996	112735	230731	67109	65517	132626	185105	178253	363357
23	Thirunelveli	162278	156886	319164	88211	83406	171617	250490	240292	490782
24	Thiruvallur	127060	122901	249961	77994	73804	151798	205054	196705	401759
25	Thiruvannamalai	110341	105548	215888	70205	65852	136057	180546	171399	351945
26	Thiruvarur	60797	58647	119444	37060	34790	71850	97857	93437	191294
27	Thoothukudi	86458	81226	167684	48125	45485	93610	134583	126711	261294
28	Vellore	183669	178039	361708	109175	106486	215661	292843	284525	577368
29	Villupuram	158997	153286	312283	91127	86455	177582	250124	239741	489865
30	Virudhunagar	99161	94759	193920	52680	48726	101406	151841	143485	295326
	Tamilnadu	3288818	3131930	6420748	1889695	1769737	3659432	5178513	4901667	10080179

Source: Household Survey 2005 (Provisional)

As per the Household Survey 2005, there are 1,00,80,179 school-age children (6-14 years) in the State. Of them, 64,20,748 children are in 6-10 years age group and 36,59,432 are in 11-14 years age group. Gender-wise, the Table shows that *boys outnumber Girls* by 2,76,846. These school-age children include SC/ST children as well.

School-age children – SC

The Table below presents the Districtwise and genderwise data on school-age SC children in the State.

School-age Population – SC – 2005-2006

S. No.	Districts	6-10 years			11-14 years			6-14 years		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	37103	36136	73239	24650	24091	48741	61753	60227	121980
2	Coimbatore	38916	36796	75712	25440	23216	48656	64356	60012	124368
3	Cuddalore	40946	39498	80444	24764	23907	48671	65710	63405	129115
4	Dharmapuri	13266	12919	26185	7499	6737	14236	20765	19656	40421
5	Dindigul	25229	25048	50277	13410	12312	25722	38639	37360	75999
6	Erode	22960	22894	45854	12120	11101	23221	35080	33995	69075
7	Kancheepuram	44497	43400	87897	34248	33116	67364	78745	76516	155261
8	Kanyakumari	5121	5115	10236	4430	4379	8809	9551	9494	19045
9	Karur	11301	10476	21777	5791	5328	11119	17092	15804	32895
10	Krishnagiri	15274	14562	29836	7517	7190	14707	22791	21752	44543
11	Madurai	25230	23610	48840	13774	13090	26864	39004	36700	75704
12	Nagapattinam	27819	26574	54393	17646	17255	34901	45465	43829	89294
13	Namakkal	15496	15098	30594	9447	7884	17331	24943	22982	47925
14	Perambalur	16901	16666	33567	10512	9812	20324	27412	26479	53891
15	Pudukkottai	15442	15199	30641	9348	8988	18336	24790	24187	48977
16	Ramanathapuram	13825	13029	26854	8359	7986	16345	22185	21014	43199
17	Salem	32658	29828	62486	17811	16216	34027	50469	46044	96513
18	Sivagangai	12428	11953	24381	7283	6909	14192	19711	18862	38573
19	Thanjavur	25945	24910	50855	16410	15489	31899	42355	40399	82754
20	The Nilgiris	11562	10746	22308	8718	8900	17618	20280	19646	39926
21	Theni	15792	14573	30365	20930	18368	39298	36722	32941	69663
22	Thiruchirappalli	22017	20828	42845	13868	13119	26987	35884	33947	69832
23	Thirunelveli	35641	33575	69216	19155	18045	37200	54796	51620	106416
24	Thiruvallur	33145	31943	65088	23973	22433	46406	57118	54376	111494
25	Thiruvannamalai	27464	26508	53972	17878	17256	35134	45342	43764	89106
26	Thiruvarur	22192	21251	43443	15516	14075	29591	37708	35326	73035
27	Thoothukudi	20068	19684	39752	11515	10587	22102	31583	30271	61854
28	Vellore	46489	43998	90487	28090	26865	54955	74579	70863	145442
29	Villupuram	48854	46778	95632	31120	29150	60270	79975	75928	155903
30	Virudhunagar	25122	22943	48065	12680	11565	24245	37802	34508	72310
	Tamilnadu	748702	716539	1465241	473901	445370	919272	1222603	1161909	2384513

Source: Household Survey 2005 (Provisional)

There are 23,84,513 SC children in the age group of 6-14 years in the State, consisting of 12,22,603 boys and 11,61,909 girls. As many as 14,65,241 children are in the age group of 6-10 years and 9,19,272 children come under 11-14 years age group. In this category also, boys outnumber girls.

School-age children – ST

The District-wise and gender-wise data on School-age ST Children are presented below.

School-age Population – ST – 2005-2006

S. No.	Districts	6-10 years			11-14 years			6-14 years		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	1487	1274	2761	1502	1409	2911	2989	2683	5672
2	Coimbatore	2676	2640	5316	1490	1379	2869	4166	4019	8185
3	Cuddalore	2572	1751	4323	939	920	1859	3511	2671	6182
4	Dharmapuri	3655	3176	6831	1764	1640	3404	5419	4816	10235
5	Dindigul	644	580	1224	162	145	307	806	725	1531
6	Erode	2040	1838	3878	694	640	1334	2734	2478	5212
7	Kancheepuram	4097	3795	7892	1298	1215	2513	5395	5010	10405
8	Kanyakumari	520	484	1004	497	470	967	1017	954	1971
9	Karur	97	80	177	248	235	483	345	315	660
10	Krishnagiri	1610	1124	2734	1082	1065	2147	2692	2189	4881
11	Madurai	798	724	1522	1084	990	2074	1882	1714	3596
12	Nagapattinam	813	5290	6103	290	262	552	1103	5552	6655
13	Namakkal	3242	2864	6106	1826	1672	3497	5068	4536	9603
14	Perambalur	1095	1064	2159	538	488	1026	1633	1552	3185
15	Pudukkottai	482	426	908	364	346	710	846	773	1619
16	Ramanathapuram	238	228	466	316	291	607	554	519	1073
17	Salem	7580	6990	14570	3540	3470	7010	11120	10460	21580
18	Sivagangai	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Thanjavur	1040	844	1884	705	695	1400	1745	1539	3284
20	The Nilgiris	2760	-90	2670	1200	1171	2371	3960	1081	5041
21	Theni	911	799	1710	1053	944	1997	1964	1743	3707
22	Thiruchirappalli	1429	1182	2611	652	740	1392	2081	1922	4003
23	Thirunelveli	1266	1071	2337	903	870	1773	2169	1941	4110
24	Thiruvallur	4181	2885	7066	1574	1552	3126	5755	4437	10192
25	Thiruvannamalai	7282	2643	9925	2753	2711	5464	10035	5354	15388
26	Thiruvarur	340	326	666	228	203	431	568	529	1098
27	Thoothukudi	523	445	968	356	336	692	879	781	1660
28	Vellore	5746	4903	10649	1933	1910	3843	7678	6813	14492
29	Villupuram	5826	5396	11222	2250	2154	4404	8076	7550	15626
30	Virudhunagar	560	490	1050	711	678	1390	1271	1168	2440
	Tamilnadu	65510	55222	120732	31952	30601	62553	97462	85823	183285

Source: Household Survey 2005 (Provisional)

There are 1,83,285 ST children in the age group of 6-14 years in the State, comprising 97,462 boys and 85,823 girls. As many as 1,20,732 come under 6-10 years age group and 62,553 children come under 11-14 years age group.

School-age Population – 2006-2007 – Projection

The projection of school-age population for the year 2006-2007 has been worked out for the State on the basis of the decadal growth rate recorded during the years 1991 – 2001 and the same is given in the following Table.

Projected School-age Population – 2006-2007

S. No.	Districts	6-11 years			11-14 years			6-14 years		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	195153	179421	374574	118158	112620	230778	313312	292041	605353
2	Coimbatore	222415	209459	431874	124567	115446	240013	346982	324905	671887
3	Cuddalore	128509	121509	250018	83099	77634	160733	211608	199143	410751
4	Dharmapuri	87340	72039	159379	50459	42811	93269	137799	114850	252649
5	Dindigul	111892	102051	213943	58962	52498	111460	170855	154549	325404
6	Erode	113079	101492	214571	62633	57584	120217	175712	159076	334788
7	Kancheepuram	148479	144379	292857	96934	92391	189325	245413	236769	482182
8	Kanyakumari	83275	80652	163927	48071	45270	93341	131346	125922	257268
9	Karur	51977	47979	99956	26736	24482	51218	78713	72461	151173
10	Krishnagiri	103740	92737	196477	57584	55105	112689	161324	147842	309166
11	Madurai	156089	141791	297880	85782	75160	160942	241871	216951	458822
12	Nagapattinam	86772	82374	169146	49379	46317	95696	136152	128691	264843
13	Namakkal	80206	70557	150763	45194	39908	85102	125400	110466	235866
14	Perambalur	65880	62042	127922	40585	37764	78348	106464	99806	206270
15	Pudukkottai	78241	75173	153414	47761	46072	93834	126003	121246	247248
16	Ramanathapuram	70328	66497	136826	39289	36412	75702	109618	102910	212527
17	Salem	187693	156698	344390	99147	80793	179940	286840	237491	524330
18	Sivagangai	62738	61006	123744	38645	34825	73470	101383	95830	197214
19	Thanjavur	117531	111129	228660	68848	64064	132912	186380	175193	361572
20	The Nilgiris	37872	36242	74114	24602	23076	47678	62474	59318	121793
21	Theni	71509	61903	133412	37926	31663	69589	109435	93566	203001
22	Thiruchirappalli	127482	116269	243751	72516	73098	145614	199998	189368	389365
23	Thirunelveli	177341	169028	346369	91366	89199	180565	268707	258227	526934
24	Thiruvallur	125368	120451	245819	80275	77747	158022	205643	198198	403841
25	Thiruvannamalai	117677	113971	231649	73702	69132	142834	191380	183103	374482
26	Thiruvarur	63798	60808	124606	37641	35591	73232	101439	96398	197838
27	Thoothukudi	88907	82728	171635	49658	46579	96237	138565	129307	267872
28	Vellore	189274	178249	367523	112269	107435	219704	301543	285684	587227
29	Villupuram	163708	156034	319742	98985	90642	189627	262693	246676	509369
30	Virudhunagar	104443	98359	202802	54555	49756	104311	158998	148115	307113
	Tamilnadu	3418718	3173027	6591745	1975330	1831074	3806403	5394047	5004101	10398148

Source: Census 2001

As per the projection worked out, the State anticipates that there will be a total of 1,03,98,148 elementary school-age children in the State, who will possibly comprise 65,91,745 children in the age-group of 6-11 years and 38,06,403 children in the age group of 11-14 years.

School-age Population – 2007- 2008 – Projection

The projection of school-age population for the year 2007-2008 has also been worked out for the State and the same is given in the Table below.

Projected School-age Population – 2007-2008

S. No.	Districts	6-11 years			11-14 years			6-14 years		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	197046	181162	378208	119304	113712	233017	316351	294874	611224
2	Coimbatore	226863	213648	440512	127058	117755	244813	353922	331403	685325
3	Cuddalore	129409	122359	251768	83681	78177	161858	213089	200537	413626
4	Dharmapuri	88650	73120	161770	51215	43453	94668	139865	116573	256438
5	Dindigul	112899	102969	215869	59493	52970	112463	172392	155940	328332
6	Erode	114323	102608	216931	63322	58217	121539	177645	160826	338470
7	Kancheepuram	151285	147107	298392	98766	94137	192903	250051	241244	491296
8	Kanyakumari	83608	80975	164583	48263	45451	93714	131871	126426	258297
9	Karur	52445	48411	100856	26976	24703	51679	79421	73113	152535
10	Krishnagiri	105400	94221	199621	58505	55987	114492	163905	150208	314113
11	Madurai	157135	142741	299875	86357	75663	162020	243491	218404	461896
12	Nagapattinam	87466	83033	170500	49774	46687	96462	137240	129721	266961
13	Namakkal	81257	71482	152738	45786	40431	86217	127043	111913	238955
14	Perambalur	66436	62566	129003	40927	38083	79010	107364	100649	208013
15	Pudukkottai	78946	75850	154795	48191	46487	94679	127137	122337	249474
16	Ramanathapuram	70680	66830	137510	3948	3659	7608	74629	70489	145118
17	Salem	190696	159205	349901	100733	82086	182819	291429	241291	532720
18	Sivagangai	62989	61250	124239	38800	34964	73764	101789	96214	198003
19	Thanjavur	118354	111907	230261	69330	64512	133842	187685	176419	364104
20	The Nilgiris	38137	36496	74633	24774	23238	48012	62912	59733	122645
21	Theni	71795	62151	133945	38078	31790	69867	109872	93940	203813
22	Thiruchirappalli	128591	117281	245872	73147	73734	146881	201738	191015	392753
23	Thirunelveli	179469	171056	350526	92462	90269	182732	271931	261326	533257
24	Thiruvallur	128163	123137	251301	82065	79481	161546	210229	202618	412847
25	Thiruvannamalai	118478	114746	233224	74204	69602	143805	192681	184348	377029
26	Thiruvarur	64181	61173	125354	37867	35804	73671	102048	96977	199025
27	Thoothukudi	89529	83307	172837	50006	46905	96911	139535	130212	269747
28	Vellore	192132	180940	373073	113964	109058	223022	306096	289998	596094
29	Villupuram	164854	157126	321980	99678	91276	190954	264532	248402	512934
30	Virudhunagar	105696	99539	205235	55209	50353	105563	160906	149893	310798
	Tamilnadu	3456913	3208396	6665309	1961886	1818645	3780531	5418800	5027041	10445841

Source: Census 2001

As per the projection worked out, the State believes that there will be a total of 1,04,45,841 elementary school-age children in the State, who will possibly comprise 66,65,309 children in the age-group of 6-11 years and 37,80,531 children in the age group of 11-14 years.

Enrolment – Primary and Upper Primary

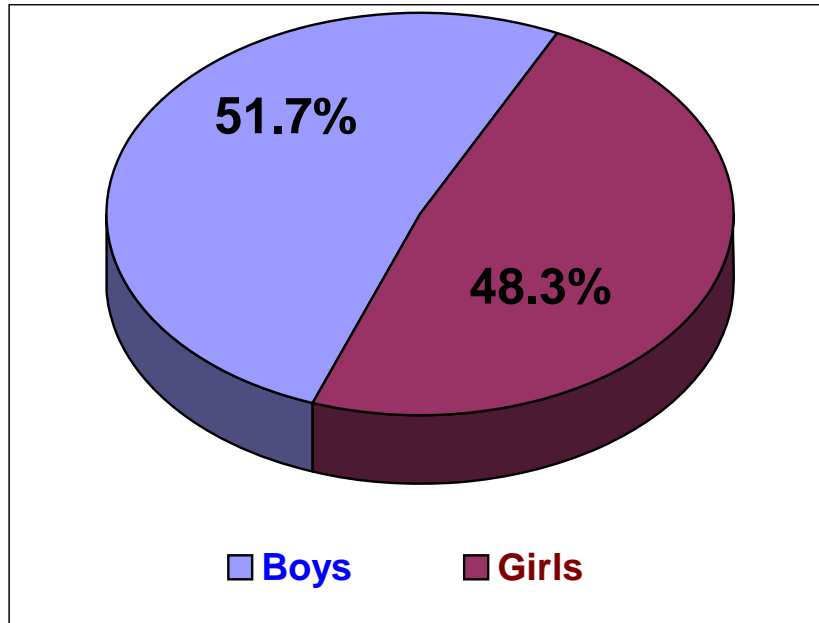
The District-wise and Gender-wise details of enrolment of pupils in Primary and Upper Primary Schools in the State are given in the following Table.

Enrolment – ALL - Primary and Upper Primary

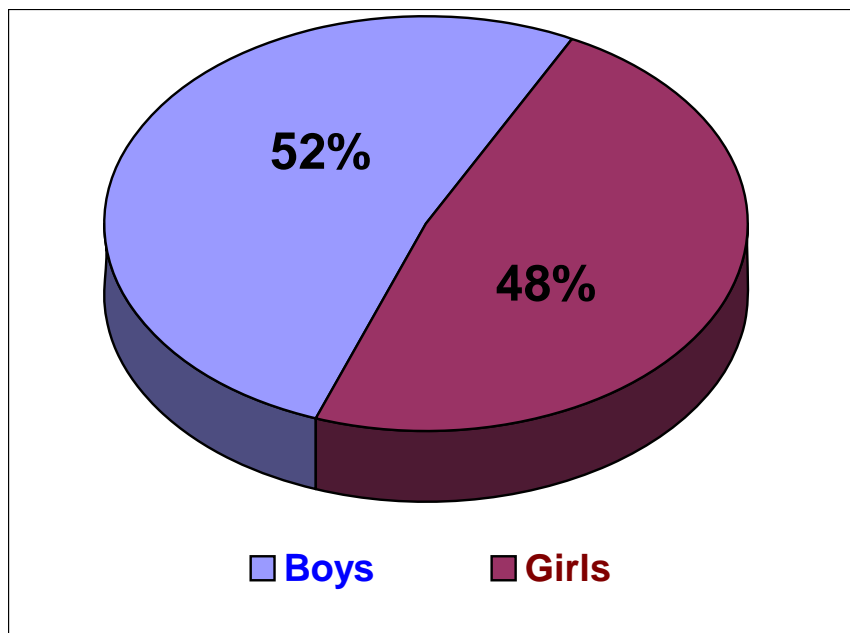
S. No.	Districts	Primary			Upper Primary			Total Enrolment		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	178652	173353	352005	108897	107376	216273	287549	280729	568278
2	Coimbatore	204199	192509	396708	119726	108104	227830	323925	300613	624538
3	Cuddalore	124059	116605	240664	71323	67705	139028	195382	184310	379692
4	Dharmapuri	78926	65470	144396	43711	37660	81371	122637	103130	225767
5	Dindigul	104341	96113	200454	56705	51049	107754	161046	147162	308208
6	Erode	114398	105610	220008	64701	56981	121682	179099	162591	341690
7	Kancheepuram	139923	135022	274945	93778	89894	183672	233701	224916	458617
8	Kanyakumari	81644	78416	160060	46884	43960	90844	128528	122376	250904
9	Karur	46485	42347	88832	24806	22734	47540	71291	65081	136372
10	Krishnagiri	92123	84051	176174	48853	44787	93640	140976	128838	269814
11	Madurai	146324	134420	280744	81129	74995	156124	227453	209415	436868
12	Nagapattinam	81376	76943	158319	46370	44257	90627	127746	121200	248946
13	Namakkal	73871	64672	138543	42555	36577	79132	116426	101249	217675
14	Perambalur	61932	58466	120398	37305	33817	71122	99237	92283	191520
15	Pudukkottai	76216	72383	148599	45507	42777	88284	121723	115160	236883
16	Ramanathapuram	69065	65333	134398	39890	36649	76539	108955	101982	210937
17	Salem	168108	140403	308511	93550	78193	171743	261658	218596	480254
18	Sivagangai	61249	57402	118651	37374	34359	71733	98623	91761	190384
19	Thanjavur	112684	107098	219782	66691	62141	128832	179375	169239	348614
20	The Nilgiris	35190	33923	69113	20394	19350	39744	55584	53273	108857
21	Theni	65987	58179	124166	35922	30371	66293	101909	88550	190459
22	Thiruchirappalli	117103	111570	228673	66001	64178	130179	183104	175748	358852
23	Thirunelveli	160126	150687	310813	86007	80289	166296	246133	230976	477109
24	Thiruvallur	120006	116409	236415	76211	72029	148240	196217	188438	384655
25	Thiruvannamalai	108781	103186	211967	67257	62941	130198	176038	166127	342165
26	Thiruvarur	60542	57837	118379	36264	34039	70303	96806	91876	188682
27	Thoothukudi	86031	80570	166601	46817	44243	91060	132848	124813	257661
28	Vellore	180683	169545	350228	106830	100275	207105	287513	269820	557333
29	Villupuram	156156	149294	305450	90505	83425	173930	246661	232719	479380
30	Virudhunagar	97979	92465	190444	51536	47012	98548	149515	139477	288992
	Tamilnadu	3204159	2990281	6194440	1853499	1712167	3565666	5057658	4702448	9760106

Source: DISE 2005

Gender Parity in Enrolment – Primary



Gender Parity in Enrolment – Upper Primary



A total of 97,60,106 children have been enrolled in Primary and Upper Primary sections, of whom 61,94,440 children have been enrolled in Primary sections and 35,65,666 have been enrolled in Upper Primary sections, with boys outnumbering girls by 3,55,210. In both Primary and Upper Primary schools, the enrolment of boys and girls in terms of percentage has been around 52% and 48% respectively, which indicates the prevailing *positive gender parity* in enrolment in the State.

Enrolment – SC

The Districtwise and Genderwise details of enrolment of SC children in Primary and Upper Primary Schools are given in following Table

Enrolment – SC										
S. No.	Districts	Primary			Upper Primary			6-14 (I-VIII)		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	36591	36183	72774	23924	23169	47093	60515	59352	119867
2	Coimbatore	41131	39586	80717	23627	21394	45021	64758	60980	125738
3	Cuddalore	43804	42106	85910	23799	22732	46531	67603	64838	132441
4	Dharmapuri	12586	11308	23894	7370	6601	13971	19956	17909	37865
5	Dindigul	25501	23336	48837	13277	12149	25426	38778	35485	74263
6	Erode	22812	21753	44565	11880	10709	22589	34692	32462	67154
7	Kancheepuram	46694	45150	91844	33687	31842	65529	80381	76992	157373
8	Kanyakumari	5971	5860	11831	4190	4136	8326	10161	9996	20157
9	Karur	11036	10230	21266	5539	5139	10678	16575	15369	31944
10	Krishnagiri	14743	14056	28799	7446	7106	14552	22189	21162	43351
11	Madurai	25005	23399	48404	13384	12655	26039	38389	36054	74443
12	Nagapattinam	31456	30047	61503	17068	16790	33858	48524	46837	95361
13	Namakkal	16584	15184	31768	9240	7693	16933	25824	22877	48701
14	Perambalur	17805	17301	35106	10335	9571	19906	28140	26872	55012
15	Pudukkottai	15154	14425	29579	9103	8821	17924	24257	23246	47503
16	Ramanathapuram	15106	14431	29537	8233	7713	15946	23339	22144	45483
17	Salem	31830	27801	59631	17308	15598	32906	49138	43399	92537
18	Sivagangai	12244	11776	24020	7160	6758	13918	19404	18534	37938
19	Thanjavur	27723	26616	54339	16183	15214	31397	43906	41830	85736
20	The Nilgiris	14876	14630	29506	8581	8591	17172	23457	23221	46678
21	Theni	19800	16719	36519	8654	8101	16755	28454	24820	53274
22	Thiruchirappalli	23658	22381	46039	13531	12979	26510	37189	35360	72549
23	Thirunelveli	35045	33014	68059	18938	17408	36346	53983	50422	104405
24	Thiruvallur	34516	33618	68134	23353	22277	45630	57869	55895	113764
25	Thiruvannamalai	26899	25963	52862	17200	16716	33916	44099	42679	86778
26	Thiruvarur	25312	24239	49551	15303	13765	29068	40615	38004	78619
27	Thoothukudi	19958	18383	38341	11394	10360	21754	31352	28743	60095
28	Vellore	45026	42613	87639	27170	26223	53393	72196	68836	141032
29	Villupuram	52544	50311	102855	30797	28606	59403	83341	78917	162258
30	Virudhunagar	24654	23497	48151	12432	11291	23723	37086	34788	71874
	Tamilnadu	776064	735916	1511980	450106	422107	872213	1226170	1158023	2384193

Source: DISE 2005

In both Primary and Upper Primary sections, 23,84,193 SC children have been enrolled. At primary level, the number of children enrolled are 15,11,980 who comprise 7,76,064 boys and 7,35,916 girls. At Upper primary level, 8,72,213 children have been enrolled who consist of 4,50,106 boys and 4,22,107 girls. In total enrolment, Boys outnumber girls by 68,147.

Enrolment – ST

The following Table presents Districtwise and Genderwise enrolment of ST children in Primary and Upper Primary Schools.

Enrolment – ST

S. No.	Districts	Primary			Upper Primary			6-14 (I-VIII)		
		Total			Total			Total		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	1439	1193	2632	1439	735	2174	2878	1928	4806
2	Coimbatore	2676	2571	5247	1490	1353	2843	4166	3924	8090
3	Cuddalore	2507	2280	4787	840	842	1682	3347	3122	6469
4	Dharmapuri	3605	3196	6801	1616	1320	2936	5221	4516	9737
5	Dindigul	617	557	1174	149	129	278	766	686	1452
6	Erode	1986	1779	3765	676	601	1277	2662	2380	5042
7	Kancheepuram	3998	3701	7699	1281	1126	2407	5279	4827	10106
8	Kanyakumari	498	454	952	478	248	726	976	702	1678
9	Karur	96	83	179	129	226	355	225	309	534
10	Krishnagiri	1557	1319	2876	1002	971	1973	2559	2290	4849
11	Madurai	776	673	1449	563	964	1527	1339	1637	2976
12	Nagapattinam	803	776	1579	285	275	560	1088	1051	2139
13	Namakkal	3178	2794	5972	1796	1306	3102	4974	4100	9074
14	Perambalur	1081	1037	2118	530	418	948	1611	1455	3066
15	Pudukkottai	474	400	874	351	340	691	825	740	1565
16	Ramanathapuram	234	218	452	210	281	491	444	499	943
17	Salem	7501	6795	14296	3468	2785	6253	10969	9580	20549
18	Sivagangai	524	530	1054	999	1476	2475	1523	2006	3529
19	Thanjavur	1018	767	1785	669	646	1315	1687	1413	3100
20	The Nilgiris	2684	2813	5497	1068	1136	2204	3752	3949	7701
21	Theni	183	182	365	36	28	64	219	210	429
22	Thiruchirappalli	1339	1092	2431	640	698	1338	1979	1790	3769
23	Thirunelveli	1203	1005	2208	877	631	1508	2080	1636	3716
24	Thiruvallur	3949	3771	7720	1475	1444	2919	5424	5215	10639
25	Thiruvannamalai	7270	6255	13525	2520	1756	4276	9790	8011	17801
26	Thiruvarur	313	306	619	218	193	411	531	499	1030
27	Thoothukudi	516	413	929	354	256	610	870	669	1539
28	Vellore	5545	4539	10084	1851	1645	3496	7396	6184	13580
29	Villupuram	5675	5172	10847	2164	1772	3936	7839	6944	14783
30	Virudhunagar	550	454	1004	664	612	1276	1214	1066	2280
	Tamilnadu	63795	57125	120920	29838	26213	56051	93633	83338	176971

Source: DISE 2005

In Primary and Upper Primary sections, 1,76,971 ST children have been enrolled. At primary level, 1,20,920 children have been enrolled and they consist of 63,795 boys and 57,125 girls. At upper primary level, the number of children enrolled has been 56,051 consisting of 29,838 boys and 26,213 girls. In the case of enrolment of ST children also, boys outnumber girls by 10,295.

**Enrolment – Primary & Upper Primary
Projection – 2006-2007**

The projection of enrolment at both Primary and Upper Primary levels for the year 2006-2007 has been worked out on the basis of DISE 2005 and the trend observed in the projected School-age population in the State and the same is provided below.

**Enrolment – Primary & Upper Primary
Projection – 2006-2007**

S. No.	District	Primary			Upper Primary		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	195153	179421	374574	116740	108153	224893
2	Coimbatore	222415	209459	431874	116029	108770	224799
3	Cuddalore	128509	121509	250018	73987	70095	144082
4	Dharmapuri	87340	72039	159379	41924	37832	79756
5	Dindigul	111892	102051	213943	56070	48869	104939
6	Erode	113079	101492	214571	57355	54660	112015
7	Kancheepuram	148479	144378	292857	92639	87835	180474
8	Kanyakumari	83275	80652	163927	48461	44166	92627
9	Karur	51977	47979	99956	25963	21420	47383
10	Krishnagiri	103740	92737	196477	51132	46571	97703
11	Madurai	156089	141791	297880	78426	73795	152221
12	Nagapattinam	86772	82374	169146	50882	42251	93133
13	Namakkal	80206	70557	150763	40661	37550	78211
14	Perambalur	65880	62042	127922	37775	35271	73046
15	Pudukkottai	78241	75173	153414	46462	43615	90077
16	Ramanathapuram	70328	66498	136826	39395	33262	72657
17	Salem	187693	156697	344390	86565	79483	166048
18	Sivagangai	62738	61006	123744	37006	34341	71347
19	Thanjavur	117531	111129	228660	67470	63057	130527
20	The Nilgiris	37872	36242	74114	23121	19470	42591
21	Theni	71509	61903	133412	34536	31636	66172
22	Thiruchirappalli	127482	116269	243751	70584	67356	137940
23	Thirunelveli	177341	169028	346369	89838	84971	174809
24	Thiruvallur	125368	120451	245819	77499	72133	149632
25	Thiruvannamalai	117677	113972	231649	69334	65528	134862
26	Thiruvarur	63798	60808	124606	36263	34303	70566
27	Thoothukudi	88907	82728	171635	46679	44537	91216
28	Vellore	189274	178249	367523	110214	100377	210591
29	Villupuram	163708	156034	319742	94180	85591	179771
30	Virudhunagar	104443	98359	202802	51484	47465	98949
	Tamilnadu	3418718	3173027	6591745	1868675	1724364	3593039

Source: DISE 2005

As it can be seen from the Table, the State anticipates that at Primary level, during 2006-2007, there will be 65,91,745 school-age children who will possibly comprise 34,18,718 boys and 31,73,027 girls. Similarly, at Upper Primary level, there will be 35,93,039 school-age children comprising of 18,68,675 boys and 17,24,364 girls.

NER – Primary

The Districtwise, social categorywise and genderwise NER at Primary level are given in the following Table.

NER – Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	97.39	97.77	97.58	96.72	97.12	96.92	96.77	93.65	95.21
2	Coimbatore	98.90	98.93	98.91	95.28	94.46	94.87	97.65	97.39	97.52
3	Cuddalore	99.11	99.27	99.19	97.13	97.30	97.22	97.47	96.98	97.23
4	Dharmapuri	97.88	97.81	97.84	94.88	95.63	95.25	98.63	97.56	98.10
5	Dindigul	98.30	97.50	97.90	99.11	99.26	99.18	95.81	96.03	95.92
6	Erode	99.41	99.03	99.22	97.19	99.36	98.27	97.35	96.80	97.08
7	Kancheepuram	97.31	97.15	97.23	97.81	97.91	97.86	97.58	97.52	97.55
8	Kanyakumari	99.54	99.75	99.64	96.69	97.55	97.12	95.77	93.80	94.79
9	Karur	99.32	97.16	98.24	97.66	98.54	98.10	98.97	92.22	95.60
10	Krishnagiri	99.52	97.66	98.59	96.52	97.18	96.85	96.71	92.63	94.67
11	Madurai	98.76	97.46	98.11	99.11	99.50	99.31	97.24	92.96	95.10
12	Nagapattinam	98.19	98.27	98.23	95.51	95.82	95.66	98.77	95.80	97.29
13	Namakkal	98.69	96.46	97.58	97.47	98.05	97.76	98.03	97.56	97.79
14	Perambalur	98.68	99.16	98.92	96.00	97.25	96.63	98.72	97.46	98.09
15	Pudukkottai	98.53	98.61	98.57	96.53	97.49	97.01	98.34	93.85	96.09
16	Ramanathapuram	99.36	99.45	99.40	98.28	98.93	98.61	98.32	95.61	96.97
17	Salem	99.67	94.44	97.05	97.47	97.92	97.69	98.96	97.21	98.08
18	Sivagangai	98.84	99.39	99.12	98.52	99.32	98.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	99.51	97.85	98.68	99.06	99.42	99.24	97.88	90.88	94.38
20	The Nilgiris	98.32	99.13	98.73	97.35	97.93	97.64	97.25	96.67	96.96
21	Theni	98.91	97.47	98.19	97.66	97.90	97.78	96.93	97.87	97.40
22	Thiruchirappalli	99.24	98.97	99.10	98.28	98.70	98.49	93.69	92.40	93.05
23	Thirunelveli	98.67	98.56	98.62	98.33	98.61	98.47	95.02	93.83	94.42
24	Thiruvallur	98.45	98.60	98.52	97.21	97.27	97.24	94.45	97.07	95.76
25	Thiruvannamalai	98.59	97.76	98.17	97.94	98.31	98.12	99.84	94.16	97.00
26	Thiruvarur	99.58	98.62	99.10	98.23	98.77	98.50	91.97	93.87	92.92
27	Thoothukudi	99.51	99.19	99.35	97.68	98.95	98.32	98.74	92.72	95.73
28	Vellore	98.37	97.98	98.18	96.85	97.07	96.96	96.51	92.57	94.54
29	Villupuram	99.49	99.32	99.40	97.37	98.48	97.93	97.40	95.85	96.62
30	Virudhunagar	98.81	98.62	98.71	98.14	98.93	98.53	98.21	92.66	95.44
	Tamilnadu	98.80	98.15	98.48	97.79	97.85	97.73	97.55	95.72	96.68

Source: DISE 2005

The State-level NER of *All* at Primary level is at 98.48% and it is almost the same case with *Boys* and *Girls* as well. As for *boys*, 15 Districts record NER *above* the state-level and in the remaining 15 Districts it is *below* 98.48%. In the case of *girls*, 16 Districts report NER *above* the state-level.

The *gap* in NER between *All* and SC is only marginal with 0.75% and the *gap* in the case of ST with 1.80%.

As regards SC, there is no *gap* among NER of *boys* (97.79%) and *girls* (97.85%). In the case of *boys*, 9 Districts report NER *above* the state-level and the remaining 21 Districts exhibit NER *below* 97.79%. As for *girls*, in 15 Districts the NER is *above* the state-level and in the remaining 15 Districts NER is *below* the state-level.

The Table reveals that in the case of *ST*, the gap in NER of boys and girls is a marginal 1.83%. In 11 Districts, the NER of *boys* is *higher* than the state-level and in the other Districts it is *lower*. In 12 Districts, the NER of *girls* is *higher* than the state-level and in the remaining 18 Districts it is *lower*. The Table indicates that there are no *ST* children in Sivagangai District as per Census 2001.

NER – Upper Primary

The following Table furnishes the Districtwise, social categorywise and genderwise NER in Upper Primary Schools.

NER – Upper Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
1	Chennai	98.53	98.57	98.55	97.05	96.17	96.61	95.80	93.33	94.57
2	Coimbatore	99.66	98.26	98.96	92.87	92.15	92.51	99.19	98.14	98.67
3	Cuddalore	97.95	97.86	97.90	96.10	95.08	95.59	91.81	91.52	91.67
4	Dharmapuri	98.24	96.22	97.23	98.28	97.97	98.13	91.60	93.84	92.72
5	Dindigul	98.43	98.02	98.22	99.01	98.68	98.84	91.98	88.97	90.47
6	Erode	98.78	97.70	98.24	98.02	96.46	97.24	97.41	93.84	95.62
7	Kancheepuram	97.96	97.89	97.92	98.36	96.15	97.26	98.69	92.66	95.67
8	Kanyakumari	99.10	98.51	98.80	94.58	94.45	94.51	96.18	95.32	95.75
9	Karur	94.54	93.11	93.83	95.65	96.45	96.05	96.32	96.17	96.24
10	Krishnagiri	95.06	94.03	94.54	99.06	98.83	98.95	92.61	91.17	91.89
11	Madurai	96.87	96.74	96.80	97.17	96.68	96.92	98.06	97.37	97.72
12	Nagapattinam	98.13	98.14	98.14	96.73	97.31	97.02	98.41	94.83	96.62
13	Namakkal	97.19	93.82	95.50	97.81	97.58	97.69	98.37	96.08	97.23
14	Perambalur	97.00	96.79	96.89	98.32	97.54	97.93	98.51	91.76	95.14
15	Pudukkottai	98.32	98.14	98.23	97.38	98.14	97.76	96.45	98.15	97.30
16	Ramanathapuram	97.72	96.60	97.16	98.49	96.59	97.54	98.10	96.64	97.37
17	Salem	99.91	95.69	97.80	97.18	96.19	96.68	97.97	97.55	97.76
18	Sivagangai	98.23	98.03	98.13	98.31	97.81	98.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	98.94	98.28	98.61	98.62	98.22	98.42	94.90	90.99	92.94
20	The Nilgiris	98.69	98.64	98.67	98.43	96.52	97.48	97.32	97.04	97.18
21	Theni	97.82	95.93	96.88	98.68	98.55	98.62	98.39	93.75	96.07
22	Thiruchirappalli	98.35	97.96	98.15	97.57	98.93	98.25	98.16	94.32	96.24
23	Thirunelveli	97.50	96.26	96.88	98.87	96.47	97.67	97.13	95.52	96.32
24	Thiruvallur	97.71	97.59	97.65	97.41	99.31	98.36	93.70	93.04	93.37
25	Thiruvannamalai	95.80	95.58	95.69	96.21	96.87	96.54	91.55	90.59	91.07
26	Thiruvarur	97.85	97.84	97.85	98.63	97.80	98.21	95.61	94.86	95.24
27	Thoothukudi	97.28	97.27	97.28	98.95	97.86	98.40	99.37	97.02	98.20
28	Vellore	97.85	97.84	97.85	96.73	97.61	97.17	95.76	93.98	94.87
29	Villupuram	99.32	98.78	99.05	98.96	98.13	98.55	96.19	94.80	95.50
30	Virudhunagar	97.83	96.48	97.16	98.04	97.63	97.84	93.33	90.25	91.79
	Tamilnadu	97.89	97.57	97.73	98.14	97.02	97.59	95.95	94.35	95.17

Source: DISE 2005

At Upper Primary level, the State-level NER of *All* is at 97.73% while it is at 97.89% for *boys* and 97.57% for *girls*. As for *boys*, 14 Districts record NER *above* the state-level and in the remaining 16 Districts it is *below* 97.89%. In the case of *girls*, 11 Districts report NER above the State-level.

The *gap* in NER between *All* and *SC* is at 0.14% and the *gap* is slightly wider in the case of *ST* with 2.56%.

As regards *SC*, the *gap* between the NER of *boys* (98.14%) and that of *girls* (97.02%) is a marginal 1.12%. In the case of *boys*, 13 Districts report NER *above* the state-level and the remaining 17 Districts exhibit NER *below* 97.02%. As for *girls*, in 17 Districts the NER is *above* the state-level and in the remaining 13 Districts the NER is *below* the state-level.

The Table exhibits that in the case of *ST*, the *gap* in the NER of *boys* and *girls* is a marginal 1.60%. In 18 Districts, the NER of *boys* is *higher* than the state-level and in the other Districts it is *lower*. In 13 Districts, the NER of *girls* is *higher* than the state-level and in the remaining 17 Districts it is *lower*.

Out-of-school children

Enrolling and mainstreaming *Out-of-school children* has been a major challenge for the State. This is the typical 'last-mile' problem: all those who could be enrolled have been enrolled without much effort; the hardest to enrol are those in remote pockets and scattered habitations reaching whom is a stupendous task. However, thanks to the concerted efforts and various interventions, as many as, 1,16,918 children have been enrolled and mainstreamed against the target of 1,69,262 children during 2005-2006. These children are constantly monitored to facilitate their continuation of studies without dropping out at any stage.

Out-of-school children – Target for 2006-2007

The total number of out-of-school children to be covered during 2006-2007 has been estimated to be 1,11,989 in all the Districts. The Age Group-wise details are given in the Table that follows.

Age group wise out-of-school children

S. No.	District	Age group wise out-of-School Children											
		6-8 years			8-10 years			11-14 years			Grand Total		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Chennai	84	165	249	314	226	540	2195	2218	4413	2593	2609	5202
2	Coimbatore	125	263	388	526	333	859	2202	2124	4326	2853	2720	5573
3	Cuddalore	98	109	207	129	119	248	861	723	1584	1088	951	2039
4	Dharmapuri	268	286	554	408	319	727	2178	2046	4224	2854	2651	5505
5	Dindigul	242	240	482	443	303	746	1678	1872	3550	2363	2415	4778
6	Erode	124	145	269	194	215	409	1018	1137	2155	1336	1497	2833
7	Kancheepuram	118	181	299	246	143	389	1904	1760	3664	2268	2084	4352
8	Kanyakumari	50	46	96	76	64	140	424	473	897	550	583	1133
9	Karur	85	65	150	106	109	215	360	372	732	551	546	1097
10	Krishnagiri	128	125	253	213	178	391	4373	3650	8023	4714	3953	8667
11	Madurai	329	264	593	526	485	1011	2555	2135	4690	3410	2884	6294
12	Nagapattinam	122	129	251	152	138	290	602	548	1150	876	815	1691
13	Namakkal	258	226	484	421	288	709	3121	3091	6212	3800	3605	7405
14	Perambalur	105	114	219	182	138	320	788	662	1450	1075	914	1989
15	Pudukkottai	24	32	56	53	38	91	453	497	950	530	567	1097
16	Ramanathapuram	104	112	216	129	100	229	953	926	1879	1186	1138	2324
17	Salem	321	465	786	731	531	1262	2768	2732	5500	3820	3728	7548
18	Sivagangai	165	186	351	253	215	468	850	913	1763	1268	1314	2582
19	Thanjavur	286	315	601	448	343	791	1301	1228	2529	2035	1886	3921
20	The Nilgiris	24	20	44	51	45	96	533	422	955	608	487	1095
21	Theni	164	94	258	173	224	397	1066	949	2015	1403	1267	2670
22	Thiruchirappalli	138	132	270	227	164	391	1739	1698	3437	2104	1994	4098
23	Thirunelveli	110	127	237	186	133	319	1908	1649	3557	2204	1909	4113
24	Thiruvallur	65	68	133	123	102	225	1733	1525	3258	1921	1695	3616
25	Thiruvannamalai	98	125	223	128	155	283	2018	1932	3950	2244	2212	4456
26	Thiruvarur	35	38	73	66	36	102	977	901	1878	1078	975	2053
27	Thoothukudi	108	128	236	126	147	273	1100	1130	2230	1334	1405	2739
28	Vellore	28	43	71	60	39	99	1702	1617	3319	1790	1699	3489
29	Villupuram	124	128	252	179	186	365	1626	1625	3251	1929	1939	3868
30	Virudhunagar	161	170	331	282	207	489	1514	1428	2942	1957	1805	3762
	Tamilnadu	4091	4541	8632	7151	5723	12874	46500	43983	90483	57742	54247	111989

Source: Household Survey 2005

The Household Survey 2005 reveals that 1,11,989 out-of-school children are to be brought into the formal schooling system. These children comprise 57,742 boys and 54,247 girls with boys outnumbering by 3,495. Around 8,632 children come under 6-8 years age group, 12,874 children come under 8-10 years age group and 90,483 children come under 11-14 years age group.

Krishnagiri with a target of 8,667, Salem with 7,548 children and Namakkal with 7,405 children have a huge task ahead of them. Of all the Districts, 7 Districts have a target of more than 5000 out-of-school children.

Out-of-school children with reasons

The Household Survey conducted in all the districts has captured not only the number of out-of-school children but also the reasons for their remaining out of school. The survey has identified that there are 6 major reasons for children who have remained out of school. They have been classified as *lack of interest, lack of access, involved in household work, migration, earning compulsion, failure etc.*, The Districtwise number of children who come under these categories are shown in the following Table.

Out-of-school children with reasons

S. No.	District	Out-of-school children as per Household Survey	Out-of-school children with reason						
			Lack of interest	Lack of Access	Household work	Migration	Earning compulsion	Failure	Others
1	Chennai	5202	260	52	1040	1301	1850	520	179
2	Coimbatore	5573	279	56	1115	1393	674	557	1499
3	Cuddalore	2039	102	20	408	510	173	204	622
4	Dharmapuri	5505	275	55	1101	1376	1599	551	548
5	Dindigul	4778	239	48	956	1195	1391	478	472
6	Erode	2833	142	28	567	708	635	283	470
7	Kancheepuram	4352	218	44	870	1088	1409	435	288
8	Kanyakumari	1133	57	11	227	283	200	113	242
9	Karur	1097	55	11	219	274	24	110	404
10	Krishnagiri	8667	433	87	1733	2167	2950	867	430
11	Madurai	6294	315	63	1259	1574	157	629	2298
12	Nagapattinam	1691	85	17	338	423	382	169	277
13	Namakkal	7405	370	74	1481	1851	1903	741	985
14	Perambalur	1989	99	20	398	497	235	199	541
15	Pudukkottai	1097	55	11	219	274	0	110	428
16	Ramanathapuram	2324	116	23	465	581	138	232	768
17	Salem	7548	277	255	1110	1387	2758	555	1206
18	Sivagangai	2582	129	26	516	646	0	258	1007
19	Thanjavur	3921	196	39	784	980	269	392	1260
20	The Nilgiris	1095	55	11	219	274	0	110	427
21	Theni	2670	134	27	534	668	415	267	626
22	Thiruchirappalli	4098	205	41	820	1025	600	410	998
23	Thirunelveli	4113	206	41	823	1028	678	411	926
24	Thiruvallur	3616	181	36	723	904	941	362	469
25	Thiruvannamalai	4456	223	45	891	1114	1275	446	463
26	Thiruvarur	2053	103	21	411	513	206	205	595
27	Thoothukudi	2739	137	27	548	685	842	274	226
28	Vellore	3489	174	35	698	872	932	349	429
29	Villupuram	3868	193	39	774	967	88	387	1421
30	Virudhunagar	3762	188	38	232	941	1687	376	301
	Tamilnadu	111989	5499	1299	21478	27497	24411	10999	20805

Source: Household Survey 2005

The Table indicates that *migration* is quoted as the reason in the case of most of the children as 27,497 children come under this category. The *earning compulsion* of the family is cited as the reason in the case of 24,411 children. Next comes *household work* with 21,478 children reported to have been involved in it. *Failure* in schools has accounted for 10,999 children who remain out of school. It is also reported that 5,499 children do not attend school due to *lack of interest* in studies. *Lack of access* has reportedly come in the way of 1,299 children attending school.

Child Labours among Out-of-school children

To identify and enumerate the occupations in which child labourers have been engaged, a separate survey has also been conducted. In five Districts namely, Kancheepuram, Namakkal, Thiruvannamalai, Thiruvallur and Virudhunagar, *INDUS project*, a joint programme of Government of India and United States of America under ILO supervision, is being implemented. In 17 Districts, *National Child Labour Programme* (NCLP) is also being implemented.

The following Table presents the information on child labourers among out-of-school children.

Child Labourers among out-of-school children 2005-2006

S. No.	District	Total out-of-school children			Child Labourers		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Chennai	2593	2609	5202	2373	1743	4116
2	Coimbatore	2853	2720	5573	297	377	674
3	Cuddalore	1088	951	2039	106	67	173
4	Dharmapuri	2854	2651	5505	901	698	1599
5	Dindigul	2363	2415	4778	1091	300	1391
6	Erode	1336	1497	2833	314	321	635
7	Kancheepuram	2268	2084	4352	1528	1257	2785
8	Kanyakumari	550	583	1133	158	42	200
9	Karur	551	546	1097	14	10	24
10	Krishnagiri	4714	3953	8667	2000	950	2950
11	Madurai	3410	2884	6294	90	67	157
12	Nagapattinam	876	815	1691	222	160	382
13	Namakkal	3800	3605	7405	893	1010	1903
14	Perambalur	1075	914	1989	110	125	235
15	Pudukkottai	530	567	1097	0	0	0
16	Ramanathapuram	1186	1138	2324	98	40	138
17	Salem	3820	3728	7548	1434	1324	2758
18	Sivagangai	1268	1314	2582	0	0	0
19	Thanjavur	2035	1886	3921	170	99	269
20	The Nilgiris	608	487	1095	0	0	0
21	Theni	1403	1267	2670	224	191	415
22	Thiruchirappalli	2104	1994	4098	358	242	600
23	Thirunelveli	2204	1909	4113	309	369	678
24	Thiruvallur	1921	1695	3616	561	380	941
25	Thiruvannamalai	2244	2212	4456	1110	165	1275
26	Thiruvarur	1078	975	2053	157	105	206
27	Thoothukudi	1334	1405	2739	857	268	1125
28	Vellore	1790	1699	3489	1850	961	2811
29	Villupuram	1929	1939	3868	52	36	88
30	Virudhunagar	1957	1805	3762	1750	450	2200
	Tamilnadu	57742	54247	111989	19027	11757	30728

Source: Household Survey 2005

Of the total target of 1,11,989 *Out-of-school children* for the year 2006-2007, 30,728 children have been identified as child labourers comprising 19,027 boys and 11,757 girls. Chennai (4,116) reports *the highest* number of child labourers followed by Krishnagiri (2,950) and Vellore (2,811). There are three Districts namely, Pudukkottai, Sivagangai and The Nilgiris which do not report any child labourers among the *Out-of-school children*.

Special Focus Districts

The following ten Districts have been identified as Districts that require special attention under SSA Mission. They are 1. Cuddalore, 2. Erode 3. Kancheepuram, 4. Nagapattinam, 5. Perambalur, 6. Ramanathapuram, 7. The Nilgiris, 8. Thiruvannamalai, 9. Thiruvallur and 10. Villupuram. Of these Districts, Ramanathapuram and The Nilgiris have significant Minority concentration. Cuddalore and Thiruvannamalai are overall backward Districts. In the rest of the Districts, more than one-fourth of the population comprises Scheduled Caste population. Many interventions have already been implemented in these Districts with special focus on Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe children particularly girl children. Despite these interventions, these Districts require focus by virtue of their chronic social and educational backwardness.

These Districts are given special attention this year and area-specific, problem-specific, child-specific interventions have been planned to be implemented in 2006-2007, the proposals of which are detailed in Chapter IV – Activities & Budget.

Minority Concentrated Districts

The Nilgiris and Ramanathapuram are districts where several pockets of minority muslim population exist, when compared to other districts. These muslims are unique in the sense that they speak Tamil rather than Urdu as mother tongue.

The population of Urdu speaking muslim minorities is spread over Chennai, Vellore, Cuddalore and Tanjavur where a large number of urdu medium schools exist. Cent percent access at primary and upper primary levels has been provided in 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 respectively. Cent percent access to all habitations includes Muslim habitations also. In fact, Govt of Tamilnadu has relaxed the norms relating to minimum number of urdu-speaking children to 10 instead of 20 as in the case of others to start Urdu medium primary or upper primary school. As per 1981 census, one block viz Gudalur in The Nilgiris district and one block viz, Ramanathapuram in Ramanathapuram district were identified as Muslim concentrated blocks. However, the Muslim population in these blocks is Tamil speaking Muslims and cent percent primary and upper primary school access has been given in these blocks as in the case of other blocks.

Completion, Repetition and Dropout Rates – Primary

The District-wise and Gender-wise *Completion Rate (CR)*, *Repetition Rate (RR)* and *Dropout Rate (DR)* for Primary are furnished in the three Tables that follow.

Completion Rate –Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	88.22	86.51	87.33	86.70	87.26	86.99	85.66	84.35	85.04
2	Coimbatore	82.53	85.20	83.83	76.73	80.12	78.40	76.74	76.96	76.85
3	Cuddalore	79.81	81.87	80.86	77.48	79.13	78.31	67.53	81.46	74.43
4	Dharmapuri	69.91	74.94	72.26	68.94	73.38	71.04	63.38	63.35	63.37
5	Dindigul	69.74	73.93	71.76	63.14	69.83	66.39	70.59	53.33	62.50
6	Erode	79.83	83.92	81.82	74.70	78.83	76.71	68.26	65.32	66.74
7	Kancheepuram	77.54	81.93	79.74	76.23	80.30	78.25	65.09	68.44	66.74
8	Kanyakumari	83.67	87.34	85.48	76.67	82.85	79.75	69.23	90.38	78.63
9	karur	70.52	73.64	72.06	65.60	67.12	66.36	100.00	66.67	80.00
10	Krishnagiri	70.40	72.98	71.66	70.89	72.23	71.58	38.94	43.37	40.82
11	Madurai	81.12	83.97	82.55	76.06	79.25	77.63	79.49	90.63	84.51
12	Nagapattinam	65.25	70.17	67.68	58.83	64.55	61.62	32.26	58.82	46.15
13	Namakkal	71.25	74.80	72.98	68.32	72.10	70.16	76.07	73.27	74.68
14	Perambalur	82.17	82.59	82.37	79.45	80.79	80.10	76.32	73.13	74.60
15	Pudukottai	86.30	87.58	86.93	86.57	87.36	86.95	100.00	100.00	100.00
16	Ramanathapuram	73.98	77.08	75.49	71.79	72.67	72.23	80.00	66.67	72.73
17	Salem	75.97	79.45	77.58	73.91	76.10	74.96	67.68	73.86	70.43
18	Sivagangai	70.31	73.95	72.11	69.32	69.64	69.47	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	74.94	77.10	76.00	69.23	68.68	68.96	70.00	62.16	65.67
20	Nilgiris	84.53	85.10	84.81	81.44	81.86	81.64	64.29	78.29	70.37
21	Theni	71.86	72.07	71.96	64.96	68.99	66.89	0.00	33.33	18.75
22	Thiruchirappalli	71.02	75.69	73.30	68.72	72.29	70.50	70.33	75.16	72.40
23	Thirunelveli	75.66	79.66	77.64	73.55	77.02	75.25	72.13	72.62	72.41
24	Thiruvallur	74.00	77.93	75.99	74.15	78.30	76.20	56.72	64.35	60.45
25	Thiruvannamalai	79.77	82.10	80.90	78.24	80.40	79.27	60.50	62.22	61.26
26	Thiruvarur	66.85	71.30	69.08	60.81	64.25	62.61	60.00	54.17	56.82
27	Thoothukudi	76.96	81.31	79.09	73.68	80.45	77.00	72.73	70.21	71.25
28	Vellore	72.31	75.91	74.08	71.82	75.24	73.53	57.36	58.65	57.95
29	Villupuram	82.63	83.96	83.29	80.51	82.18	81.34	75.56	79.73	77.43
30	Virudhunagar	75.09	78.22	76.60	68.54	72.34	70.38	48.48	60.00	54.41
	Total	76.14	79.07	77.57	72.90	75.86	74.35	66.39	69.00	67.50

Source: Cohort Study

The *State-level Completion Rate (CR)* of *ALL* at primary level is at 77.57%. The CR is above the State Level in 15 Districts. The CR is the *highest* in Chennai (87.33%) and the *lowest* in Nagapattinam (67.68%). The State-level Completion Rate (CR) of SC is at 74.35%. The State-level Completion Rate (CR) of ST is 67.50% which is 6.85% lower than that of SC and 10.07% lower than that of ALL.

Repetition Rate – Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	5.46	6.33	5.91	8.30	7.42	7.84	8.51	9.78	9.11
2	Coimbatore	11.38	8.90	10.17	17.97	14.00	16.02	20.00	12.90	16.44
3	Cuddalore	18.09	16.47	17.26	20.23	18.98	19.60	25.32	15.23	20.33
4	Dharmapuri	27.87	22.25	25.25	28.01	22.82	25.55	31.08	28.91	30.09
5	Dindigul	25.33	21.57	23.51	31.16	25.43	28.37	20.59	33.33	26.56
6	Erode	15.51	11.99	13.80	20.15	17.07	18.65	17.83	20.56	19.25
7	Kancheepuram	18.57	14.73	16.64	20.54	17.14	18.85	23.20	20.04	21.65
8	Kanyakumari	14.23	10.92	12.60	19.41	14.43	16.93	26.15	3.85	16.24
9	karur	23.02	20.38	21.72	28.81	26.51	27.67	0.00	11.11	6.67
10	Krishnagiri	23.56	20.99	22.31	22.68	22.26	22.47	39.82	24.10	33.16
11	Madurai	16.15	13.37	14.75	21.06	18.00	19.56	15.38	6.25	11.27
12	Nagapattinam	32.02	27.32	29.71	38.76	33.40	36.15	41.94	32.35	36.92
13	Namakkal	21.73	17.72	19.78	26.17	21.36	23.83	18.04	19.09	18.56
14	Perambalur	15.87	14.24	15.08	18.75	16.40	17.61	20.18	18.66	19.35
15	Pudukottai	11.02	9.58	10.31	11.18	9.97	10.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Ramanathapuram	24.00	21.22	22.65	25.77	25.48	25.62	20.00	33.33	27.27
17	Salem	19.03	15.33	17.32	21.00	17.24	19.19	15.37	13.83	14.68
18	Sivagangai	27.19	23.35	25.29	27.75	26.60	27.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	23.18	20.81	22.02	29.64	29.70	29.67	30.00	27.03	28.36
20	Nilgiris	11.85	10.89	11.39	15.87	15.00	15.44	17.26	13.18	15.49
21	Theni	24.45	24.60	24.52	29.38	25.45	27.50	85.71	44.44	62.50
22	Thiruchirappalli	25.04	20.37	22.76	27.29	23.11	25.20	23.92	18.47	21.58
23	Thirunelveli	23.03	18.97	21.02	25.26	21.53	23.43	19.67	22.62	21.38
24	Thiruvallur	18.05	15.10	16.59	19.50	16.17	17.86	17.80	16.82	17.32
25	Thiruvannamalai	14.98	13.14	14.08	17.50	15.85	16.71	14.15	15.33	14.67
26	Thiruvarur	30.31	26.06	28.18	36.60	33.11	34.87	20.00	25.00	22.73
27	Thoothukudi	19.41	15.69	17.58	23.42	17.56	20.55	27.27	25.53	26.25
28	Vellore	23.82	20.68	22.28	24.95	21.77	23.36	31.63	31.58	31.60
29	Villupuram	14.02	12.79	13.41	16.13	14.44	15.29	16.43	14.43	15.53
30	Virudhunagar	22.05	19.04	20.60	27.86	23.84	25.91	18.18	11.43	14.71
	Total	20.01	17.16	18.62	23.37	20.40	21.92	22.95	19.63	21.37

Source: Cohort Study

The *State-level Repetition Rate (RR)* of ALL at primary level is at 18.62%. The RR in 15 Districts is *lower* than the State Level. The *lowest* RR is reported in Chennai (5.91%) and the *highest* is in Nagapattinam (29.71%). The State-level RR of SC is at 21.92%. In 16 Districts, the RR is *lower* than the State level. The State-level RR of ST is at 21.37%. The RR is *the highest* in Theni (62.50%) followed by Nagapattinam (36.92%) and *the lowest* is in Karur (6.67%).

Dropout Rate – Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	6.14	7.33	6.75	5.01	5.32	5.17	5.83	5.87	5.85
2	Coimbatore	6.09	5.90	6.00	5.30	5.87	5.58	3.26	10.14	6.71
3	Cuddalore	2.11	1.66	1.88	2.29	1.89	2.09	7.14	3.31	5.25
4	Dharmapuri	2.22	2.80	2.49	3.05	3.80	3.40	5.54	7.73	6.54
5	Dindigul	4.93	4.51	4.73	5.71	4.74	5.24	8.82	13.33	10.94
6	Erode	4.65	4.09	4.38	5.15	4.10	4.64	13.91	14.11	14.02
7	Kancheepuram	3.89	3.32	3.61	3.23	2.56	2.90	11.70	11.51	11.61
8	Kanyakumari	2.10	1.74	1.92	3.92	2.72	3.32	4.62	5.77	5.13
9	karur	6.46	5.98	6.22	5.59	6.37	5.98	0.00	22.22	13.33
10	Krishnagiri	6.04	5.97	6.03	6.37	5.51	5.94	21.24	32.53	26.02
11	Madurai	2.73	2.66	2.69	2.88	2.75	2.82	5.13	3.13	4.23
12	Nagapattinam	2.73	2.51	2.62	2.40	2.05	2.23	25.81	8.82	16.92
13	Namakkal	7.02	7.49	7.25	5.51	6.54	6.01	5.89	7.64	6.76
14	Perambalur	1.96	3.17	2.54	1.80	2.81	2.29	3.51	8.21	6.05
15	Pudukottai	2.68	2.84	2.76	2.24	2.67	2.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Ramanathapuram	2.02	1.70	1.86	2.44	1.85	2.15	0.00	0.00	0.00
17	Salem	5.00	5.22	5.10	5.10	6.66	5.85	16.95	12.31	14.88
18	Sivagangai	2.50	2.70	2.60	2.93	3.77	3.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	1.88	2.09	1.98	1.13	1.62	1.37	0.00	10.81	5.97
20	Nilgiris	3.62	4.01	3.81	2.69	3.14	2.91	18.45	8.53	14.14
21	Theni	3.69	3.34	3.52	5.66	5.57	5.61	14.29	22.22	18.75
22	Thiruchirappalli	3.94	3.94	3.94	3.99	4.60	4.30	5.74	6.37	6.04
23	Thirunelveli	1.31	1.37	1.34	1.20	1.44	1.32	8.20	4.76	6.21
24	Thiruvallur	7.95	6.92	7.43	6.35	5.52	5.94	25.48	18.83	22.23
25	Thiruvannamalai	5.25	4.77	5.02	4.26	3.76	4.02	25.36	22.44	24.06
26	Thiruvarur	2.87	2.64	2.74	2.59	2.45	2.52	20.00	20.83	20.45
27	Thoothukudi	3.64	3.00	3.33	2.90	1.99	2.45	0.00	4.26	2.50
28	Vellore	3.87	3.40	3.64	3.23	2.99	3.11	11.01	9.77	10.44
29	Villupuram	3.35	3.24	3.30	3.36	3.38	3.37	8.01	5.84	7.03
30	Virudhunagar	2.86	2.73	2.80	3.60	3.82	3.71	33.33	28.57	30.88
	Total	3.85	3.77	3.81	3.73	3.74	3.73	10.66	11.37	11.14

Source: Cohort Study

The State-level Dropout Rate (DR) of ALL is at 3.81%. The DR in 18 Districts is below the State level. The lowest DR is reported in Thirunelveli (1.34%) followed by Ramanathapuram (1.86%) and the highest is in Thiruvallur (7.43%) followed by Namakkal (7.25%). The State-level Dropout Rate (DR) of SC is 3.73%. The DR is lower than that of the State in 17 Districts with Namakkal reporting the highest (6.01%). The lowest DR is recorded in Thirunelveli (1.32%) followed by Thanjavur (1.37%). The State-level Dropout Rate (DR) of ST is at 11.14%. 14 Districts report DR lower than that of DR at the State level. The DR is the highest in Virudhunagar (30.88%) and the lowest is in Thoothukudi (2.50%). There are no Dropouts under ST Category in Pudukkottai and Karur Districts.

Completion, Repetition and Dropout Rates – Upper Primary

The District-wise and Gender-wise Completion Rate (CR), Repetition Rate (RR) and Dropout Rate (DR) for Upper Primary are furnished in the three Tables that follow.

Completion Rate – Upper Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	88.65	89.32	89.01	86.48	85.23	85.80	86.85	87.74	87.26
2	Coimbatore	77.81	82.79	80.33	70.48	78.55	74.47	71.24	72.58	71.93
3	Cuddalore	83.41	84.38	83.88	80.45	80.69	80.57	78.47	77.91	78.16
4	Dharmapuri	71.51	77.15	74.00	72.65	73.37	72.98	68.21	73.14	70.11
5	Dindigul	79.46	83.66	81.45	73.66	77.47	75.52	79.17	89.36	84.21
6	Erode	72.99	81.16	76.77	64.63	73.64	68.97	56.47	65.82	60.98
7	Kancheepuram	77.82	83.52	80.68	74.30	80.48	77.39	68.86	75.70	72.14
8	Kanyakumari	88.68	94.54	91.57	84.84	93.19	89.03	75.93	75.00	75.49
9	karur	69.20	78.11	73.45	61.51	71.19	66.03	100.00	87.50	94.44
10	Krishnagiri	73.84	78.81	76.17	71.23	75.18	73.13	31.51	78.38	47.27
11	Madurai	82.74	88.08	85.37	77.40	81.33	79.36	92.31	91.84	92.05
12	Nagapattinam	74.03	79.54	76.77	69.21	73.30	71.25	72.41	71.43	71.79
13	Namakkal	81.85	86.89	84.17	77.20	81.23	79.06	75.43	85.11	79.63
14	Perambalur	78.27	82.06	80.16	74.82	77.34	76.09	79.82	62.77	71.92
15	Pudukottai	86.59	88.45	87.52	85.48	86.98	86.24	88.89	100.00	90.91
16	Ramanathapuram	76.16	80.32	78.24	77.80	81.73	79.72	81.82	100.00	86.67
17	Salem	85.27	86.59	85.88	80.80	82.42	81.57	73.20	79.94	76.18
18	Sivagangai	83.21	86.21	84.71	83.65	85.85	84.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	81.19	85.99	83.57	77.43	81.37	79.37	70.00	79.31	76.14
20	Nilgiris	89.24	91.96	90.58	87.95	91.25	89.62	75.74	83.01	79.41
21	Theni	83.67	86.66	84.92	79.85	83.20	81.33	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Thiruchirappalli	77.95	84.39	81.10	73.14	79.97	76.58	86.70	90.86	88.69
23	Thirunelveli	81.83	87.46	84.58	78.55	84.51	81.53	75.36	80.00	77.61
24	Thiruvallur	80.40	83.55	81.96	78.34	81.49	79.88	71.03	72.28	71.63
25	Thiruvannamalai	79.64	79.62	79.63	77.08	76.30	76.71	74.87	75.14	74.97
26	Thiruvarur	72.56	81.99	77.17	67.68	76.81	72.06	45.71	85.19	62.90
27	Thoothukudi	82.69	89.02	85.80	79.62	86.16	82.80	86.49	90.63	88.41
28	Vellore	73.78	77.54	75.65	71.27	74.92	73.11	63.06	62.31	62.73
29	Villupuram	83.20	84.32	83.74	79.97	79.86	79.92	81.08	78.27	79.75
30	Virudhunagar	79.57	83.85	81.69	71.23	78.15	74.46	65.00	100.00	79.41
	Total	79.91	84.26	82.02	76.29	80.44	78.31	74.13	81.12	76.90

Source: Cohort Study

At upper primary level, the State-level Completion Rate (CR) of ALL is at 82.02%. The CR is above the State level in 14 Districts. The CR is the highest in Kanyakumari (91.57%) and the lowest in Karur District (73.45%). The State-level CR of SC is at 78.31% which is 3.71% lower than that of CR of All communities. The CR of SC is above the State-level in 16 Districts. The CR of SC is the highest in The Nilgiris (89.62%) followed by Kanyakumari (89.03%) and the lowest in Karur (66.03%). The State-level CR of ST is at 76.90%. The CR of ST is the lowest in Erode District (60.98%) followed by Vellore (62.73%). The gap between CR of SC (78.31%) and that of the ST (76.90) is at 1.41%.

Repetition Rate – Upper Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	4.84	5.09	4.97	5.95	6.03	5.99	5.98	7.55	6.70
2	Coimbatore	11.22	7.34	9.26	16.00	11.27	13.66	12.88	6.05	9.36
3	Cuddalore	9.36	7.57	8.48	10.72	9.49	10.14	9.72	9.30	9.49
4	Dharmapuri	14.35	10.92	12.84	17.09	13.44	15.45	17.50	16.57	17.14
5	Dindigul	13.58	8.89	11.36	17.43	13.13	15.32	8.33	6.38	7.37
6	Erode	18.22	11.21	14.98	23.42	15.38	19.54	14.12	5.06	9.76
7	Kancheepuram	14.22	10.36	12.28	17.50	12.86	15.18	15.02	14.74	14.89
8	Kanyakumari	8.28	3.95	6.15	13.29	4.45	8.86	18.52	12.50	15.69
9	karur	16.51	10.75	13.76	22.30	14.89	18.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Krishnagiri	14.01	11.55	12.86	12.96	12.87	12.92	4.11	5.41	4.55
11	Madurai	10.18	6.58	8.41	13.55	11.19	12.38	5.13	4.08	4.55
12	Nagapattinam	18.50	14.90	16.71	22.41	20.66	21.53	17.24	24.49	21.79
13	Namakkal	5.91	3.85	4.96	7.91	6.36	7.19	8.19	2.73	5.82
14	Perambalur	11.78	8.02	9.90	13.53	10.54	12.03	11.01	17.02	13.79
15	Pudukottai	8.04	6.14	7.08	9.16	7.21	8.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Ramanathapuram	15.91	12.65	14.28	16.26	12.13	14.24	9.09	0.00	6.67
17	Salem	9.08	7.41	8.31	12.14	11.08	11.64	12.77	9.96	11.53
18	Sivagangai	10.02	7.13	8.57	10.35	7.03	8.68	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	12.06	8.35	10.22	14.60	10.87	12.76	13.33	6.90	9.09
20	Nilgiris	6.23	4.31	5.28	7.07	5.40	6.23	8.42	4.85	6.62
21	Theni	14.30	10.88	12.87	18.00	14.26	16.35	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Thiruchirappalli	13.19	9.15	11.21	16.43	12.36	14.38	3.94	2.69	3.34
23	Thirunelveli	13.56	8.53	11.07	16.08	11.47	13.78	13.04	13.85	13.43
24	Thiruvallur	11.63	8.38	10.02	13.43	10.33	11.92	11.03	12.73	11.85
25	Thiruvannamalai	10.15	8.80	9.51	11.88	10.71	11.33	7.18	7.18	7.18
26	Thiruvarur	17.71	11.45	14.66	21.82	15.73	18.90	40.00	11.11	27.42
27	Thoothukudi	8.50	4.43	6.51	10.64	5.30	8.04	8.11	0.00	4.35
28	Vellore	15.55	13.05	14.31	16.86	15.16	16.00	18.35	14.84	16.80
29	Villupuram	8.11	6.53	7.35	9.14	8.69	8.93	5.68	6.25	5.95
30	Virudhunagar	16.20	11.72	13.98	23.57	15.24	19.69	5.00	0.00	2.94
	Total	12.04	8.66	10.41	14.72	11.18	13.00	10.85	7.94	9.57

Source: Cohort Study

The State-level Repetition Rate (RR) of ALL is at 10.41%. The RR in 14 Districts is above the State level. The *lowest* RR is reported in Namakkal (4.96%) followed by Chennai (4.97%) and the *highest* is in Nagapattinam (16.71%). The State-level RR of SC is at 13.00% which is 2.59% higher than All category (10.41%). The RR of SC is the highest in Nagapattinam (21.53%) and the lowest in Chennai (5.90%). The State-level RR of ST is at 9.57%. The RR is the *highest* in Thiruvarur (27.42%) and the lowest in Virudhunagar (2.94%). There are no repeaters recorded in Karur, Pudukkottai and Sivagangai.

Dropout Rate – Upper Primary

S. No.	Districts	ALL			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	6.48	5.62	6.02	7.58	8.74	8.21	6.77	4.72	5.83
2	Coimbatore	10.97	9.87	10.41	13.52	10.18	11.87	15.88	21.37	18.71
3	Cuddalore	7.23	8.06	7.64	8.82	9.81	9.29	11.81	12.79	12.34
4	Dharmapuri	14.14	11.93	13.17	10.26	13.18	11.58	14.29	10.29	12.75
5	Dindigul	6.96	7.45	7.19	8.91	9.41	9.15	12.50	4.26	8.42
6	Erode	8.79	7.62	8.25	11.96	10.98	11.49	29.41	29.11	29.27
7	Kancheepuram	7.95	6.12	7.04	8.20	6.67	7.43	16.12	9.56	12.98
8	Kanyakumari	3.04	1.52	2.29	1.86	2.35	2.11	5.56	12.50	8.82
9	karur	14.28	11.14	12.79	16.19	13.91	15.13	0.00	12.50	5.56
10	Krishnagiri	12.15	9.64	10.98	15.81	11.95	13.95	64.38	16.22	48.18
11	Madurai	7.08	5.35	6.28	9.05	7.48	8.26	2.56	4.08	3.41
12	Nagapattinam	7.47	5.55	6.51	8.38	6.04	7.21	10.34	4.08	6.41
13	Namakkal	12.24	9.26	10.87	14.90	12.41	13.75	16.38	12.16	14.55
14	Perambalur	9.95	9.93	9.94	11.65	12.12	11.88	9.17	20.21	14.29
15	Pudukottai	5.37	5.42	5.39	5.36	5.81	5.59	11.11	0.00	9.09
16	Ramanathapuram	7.93	7.04	7.48	5.95	6.13	6.04	9.09	0.00	6.67
17	Salem	5.65	6.01	5.82	7.06	6.50	6.79	14.03	10.01	12.29
18	Sivagangai	6.77	6.66	6.72	6.00	7.13	6.57	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	6.75	5.66	6.21	7.97	7.76	7.87	16.67	13.79	14.77
20	Nilgiris	4.53	3.73	4.14	4.98	3.34	4.15	15.84	12.14	13.97
21	Theni	2.03	2.46	2.21	2.15	2.54	2.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Thiruchirappalli	8.86	6.46	7.69	10.43	7.67	9.04	9.36	6.45	7.97
23	Thirunelveli	4.70	3.99	4.35	5.37	4.02	4.70	11.59	6.15	8.96
24	Thiruvallur	7.79	8.08	8.02	8.23	8.18	8.21	17.93	14.98	16.52
25	Thiruvannamalai	10.21	11.58	10.87	11.03	12.99	11.96	17.95	17.68	17.85
26	Thiruvarur	9.72	6.55	8.17	10.50	7.46	9.04	14.29	3.70	9.68
27	Thoothukudi	8.80	6.55	7.70	9.73	8.55	9.16	5.41	9.38	7.25
28	Vellore	10.67	9.41	10.05	11.87	9.92	10.88	18.59	22.85	20.47
29	Villupuram	8.68	9.15	8.91	10.89	11.45	11.15	13.24	15.48	14.31
30	Virudhunagar	4.23	4.43	4.33	5.19	6.60	5.85	30.00	0.00	17.65
	Total	8.05	7.07	7.58	8.99	8.38	8.69	15.02	10.95	13.53

Source: Cohort Study

The *Dropout Rate* (DR) at the Upper Primary level of the State is at 7.58% for ALL category. The DR in 14 Districts is *below* the DR at the State level. The *lowest* DR is observed in Theni (2.21%) followed by Kanyakumari (2.29%). The *highest* DR is recorded in Dharmapuri (13.17%) followed by Karur (12.79%). The State-level DR of SC is at 8.69%. The DR of SC is *lower than* that of the DR at State level in 13 Districts. The DR of SC is the highest in Karur (15.13%) and *the lowest* in Kanyakumari (2.11%). The State-level DR of ST is 13.53%. The DR of ST is *the highest* in Krishnagiri (48.18%). Sivagangai and Theni Districts report 0% dropout under ST. In 16 Districts, the DR of ST is *below* the DR at the State level. The *gap* in DR between SC and ST is at 4.84%.

Transition Rate – V to VI

The Transition Rate for V to VI has been calculated based on the number of children who passed the V grade from Primary Section and the number of children who joined in VI grade in the Upper Primary Sections. To ensure cent percent transition from V to VI, every child is tracked through *Cohort study and Village Education Register (VER)*. The data on every child is maintained in VER which is updated every year. This exercise facilitates tracking of the *educational progression* of every child.

The following Table furnishes the Districtwise and genderwise Transition Rate of V to VI grade during the year 2005-2006.

Transition Rate – V to VI

S. No.	Districts	All			SC			ST		
		Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	Chennai	97.00	97.20	97.00	95.00	95.00	95.00	93.20	92.00	92.30
2	Coimbatore	97.97	97.24	97.11	97.10	96.75	96.93	94.06	92.88	95.47
3	Cuddalore	99.01	98.65	98.63	87.34	89.14	88.21	83.97	83.71	83.83
4	Dharmapuri	99.32	99.96	99.60	98.87	98.49	98.69	96.76	97.21	96.97
5	Dindigul	98.71	98.47	98.59	98.81	98.60	98.71	98.00	97.00	96.80
6	Erode	98.61	98.28	98.45	93.30	92.98	93.14	87.66	87.04	87.15
7	Kancheepuram	99.07	99.79	98.59	98.52	98.24	98.71	95.81	94.78	95.31
8	Kanyakumari	99.68	99.79	99.73	99.55	99.81	99.67	99.20	99.50	99.40
9	Karur	99.19	99.19	99.19	99.12	99.14	98.25	98.40	98.00	96.80
10	Krishnagiri	98.84	97.63	98.34	99.31	97.27	98.79	95.29	96.87	96.08
11	Madurai	98.50	98.67	98.58	98.12	97.66	97.89	95.45	94.12	94.74
12	Nagapattinam	97.75	97.98	97.87	97.61	97.18	97.38	90.00	90.00	90.25
13	Namakkal	98.15	97.60	98.84	98.29	97.77	98.23	99.56	96.99	98.27
14	Perambalur	98.93	98.15	98.29	98.54	97.45	98.00	90.58	89.76	90.19
15	Pudukkottai	99.18	99.10	99.14	97.67	97.77	99.12	98.00	98.15	98.30
16	Ramanathapuram	98.35	98.71	98.53	97.41	98.04	97.72	97.67	98.40	98.33
17	Salem	97.52	96.98	97.27	96.87	96.46	96.67	93.65	93.44	93.55
18	Sivagangai	99.15	98.10	98.63	97.51	99.42	99.17	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Thanjavur	96.90	98.30	97.06	98.24	98.21	98.23	98.69	96.20	96.44
20	The Nilgiris	98.78	99.04	98.91	98.41	99.00	98.69	97.67	98.20	97.92
21	Theni	99.10	99.00	99.00	99.00	92.00	90.00	96.00	94.30	95.00
22	Thiruchirappalli	99.54	99.58	97.16	99.52	99.43	99.47	99.19	99.12	99.35
23	Thirunelveli	98.85	99.00	98.92	97.51	99.10	98.30	98.59	92.96	95.77
24	Thiruvallur	95.40	96.00	95.50	94.00	94.00	94.00	90.63	88.76	89.71
25	Thiruvannamalai	98.24	98.05	98.15	97.38	97.95	97.66	93.37	94.52	93.91
26	Thiruvarur	98.45	98.68	98.57	98.86	98.59	98.72	91.67	90.40	96.00
27	Thoothukudi	99.10	98.20	98.66	98.47	97.24	97.87	98.59	97.06	97.84
28	Vellore	98.69	98.53	98.61	99.00	98.95	99.00	94.56	93.61	94.13
29	Villupuram	97.65	97.80	97.72	97.77	98.01	97.89	93.31	92.67	93.01
30	Virudhunagar	97.28	97.18	96.75	96.49	95.84	96.17	96.00	95.08	94.87
	Tamilnadu	98.43	98.36	98.25	97.45	97.18	97.21	91.85	91.09	91.59

Source: VER 2004 & 2005

The State-level Transition Rate (TR) of V to VI grade is at 98.25%. All Districts have recorded TR above 97%. In 18 Districts, the TR is above the State level. While the State TR for *Boys* and *Girls* under *All* remains almost the same (around 98%), 19 Districts register TR above the State level in the case of *Boys* and 15 Districts in the case of *Girls*.

The TR in the case of *SC* is at 97.21%, which is 1.04% lower than TR of *All*. The TR is almost the same for both *Boys* and *Girls*. In 20 Districts, the TR of *Boys* and *Girls* are above the State level. Five Districts register TR of more than 99%.

The Transition Rate of ST is at 91.59% and in 24 Districts the TR is above the State level. The highest TR is reported in Kanyakumari (99.40%) and the lowest TR is recorded in Cuddalore (83.83%). The TR of ST girls is at 91.09% and that of boys is at 91.85%.

The *gap* of TR between *ALL* (98.25%) and the *SC* category (97.21%) is at 1.04% and the *gap* is wider in the case of ST by 6.66%.

Attendance Rate – Primary & Upper Primary

Thanks to the interventions under SSA Mission, there has been a significant improvement in attendance rate of children in both Primary and Upper primary sections. The Table below gives information on the same.

Attendance Rate – Primary & Upper Primary

S. No.	Districts	Primary			Upper Primary		
		All	SC	ST	All	SC	ST
1	Chennai	97	95	90	95	94	89
2	Coimbatore	96	91	91	95	92	99
3	Cuddalore	94	93	85	88	85	81
4	Dharmapuri	96	96	93	92	91	88
5	Dindigul	95	92	94	94	94	92
6	Erode	96	96	90	93	92	91
7	Kancheepuram	95	90	90	93	89	95
8	Kanyakumari	97	93	91	95	91	90
9	Karur	98	96	97	97	95	95
10	Krishnagiri	95	89	85	96	83	89
11	Madurai	96	88	91	95	91	91
12	Nagapattinam	99	87	85	85	81	77
13	Namakkal	98	96	95	96	94	93
14	Perambalur	97	92	84	92	89	84
15	Pudukkottai	96	94	92	95	93	91
16	Ramanathapuram	98	98	97	94	96	97
17	Salem	98	97	96	93	97	96
18	Sivagangai	97	95	0	97	92	0
19	Thanjavur	96	93	93	95	92	93
20	The Nilgiris	95	85	71	94	84	79
21	Theni	95	92	92	95	92	91
22	Thiruchirappalli	93	94	91	89	90	90
23	Thirunelveli	96	95	90	96	93	93
24	Thiruvallur	94	91	87	92	89	86
25	Thiruvannamalai	95	92	90	94	91	93
26	Thiruvarur	95	91	89	93	91	87
27	Thoothukudi	96	95	93	96	93	94
28	Vellore	94	92	90	90	89	84
29	Villupuram	93	92	89	98	91	82
30	Virudhunagar	95	93	90	97	93	92
	Tamilnadu	96	93	90	94	91	90

Source: Monthly Review Report

Attendance Rate – Primary

The State-level Attendance Rate at primary level is at 96%. The *AR* of *ALL* communities is above the State-level in 9 Districts. All Districts register *AR above 90%*. The *AR* is *the highest (99%)* in Nagapattinam District.

The State-level *AR* of SC children is at 93% which means that there is a *gap* of 3% between *ALL* and SC categories. The *AR* of SC in 12 Districts is above the State-level. Ramanathapuram has recorded the highest (98%) and The Nilgiris has registered the *lowest (85%)*.

The State-level *AR* of ST children is at 90% which means there is a *gap* of 6% between *ALL* and *ST* categories. The *AR* of ST in 12 Districts is above the State-level. Karur and Ramanathapuram have recorded the highest rate (97%) and The Nilgiris has registered the lowest (71%).

1.15.2 Attendance Rate – Upper Primary

The State-level Attendance Rate (*AR*) at Upper primary level is at 94%. In 15 Districts, the *AR* of *ALL* communities is *above* the State-level. All Districts register *AR* of 85% and above. The *AR* is the *highest (97%)* in Karur, Sivagangai and Virudhunagar Districts and the *lowest (85%)* in Nagapattinam.

The State-level *AR* of SC children is at 91% which shows a *gap* of 3% between *ALL* and SC categories. The *AR* of SC in 14 Districts is above the State-level. Salem has recorded the highest rate (97%) and Nagapattinam has registered the lowest (81%).

The State-level *AR* of ST children is at 90%. There is a *gap* of 4% between *ST* and *ALL* categories. The *AR* of ST in 16 Districts is *above* the State-level. Coimbatore has recorded the *highest rate (99%)* and Nagapattinam has registered the *lowest (77%)*.

Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR)

The PTR has been calculated taking into account the total number of children enrolled and the total number of teachers in position in the State/District. The District-wise *Pupil Teacher Ratio* for primary and upper primary as per DISE is given in the following Table.

**Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) – Primary & Upper Primary
(Government & Local Body Schools)**

S. No.	Districts	Primary	Upper Primary
1	Chennai	47	39
2	Coimbatore	40	53
3	Cuddalore	40	58
4	Dharmapuri	42	70
5	Dindigul	43	49
6	Erode	39	54
7	Kancheepuram	42	56
8	Kanyakumari	37	37
9	Karur	36	56
10	Krishnagiri	42	66
11	Madurai	44	52
12	Nagapattinam	41	60
13	Namakkal	43	55
14	Perambalur	41	63
15	Pudukkottai	40	53
16	Ramanathapuram	41	48
17	Salem	40	66
18	Sivagangai	40	45
19	Thanjavur	40	43
20	The Nilgiris	39	40
21	Theni	39	46
22	Thiruchirappalli	40	51
23	Thirunelveli	45	47
24	Thiruvallur	42	55
25	Thiruvannamalai	40	55
26	Thiruvarur	41	55
27	Thoothukudi	41	40
28	Vellore	40	57
29	Villupuram	40	57
30	Virudhunagar	40	51
	Tamilnadu	41	54

Source: DISE 2005

At Primary level, the State-level *PTR* is at 41. Chennai reports the *highest* *PTR* (47) while Karur records the *lowest* (36). Of all the Districts, 16 Districts record a *PTR* of 40 and below. At Upper Primary level, the State-level *PTR* is at 54. The Nilgiris and Thoothukkudi are the only Districts reporting a *PTR* of 40 and all the other Districts record *PTR* above 40. The highest *PTR* is recorded in Dharmapuri District (70) followed by Krishnagiri and Salem (66). This issue of higher level of *PTR* at upper primary level has been addressed by the State with the proposal of additional teacher posts which is elaborated in Chapter IV – *Activities and Budget*.

Pupils' Achievement – Primary & Upper Primary

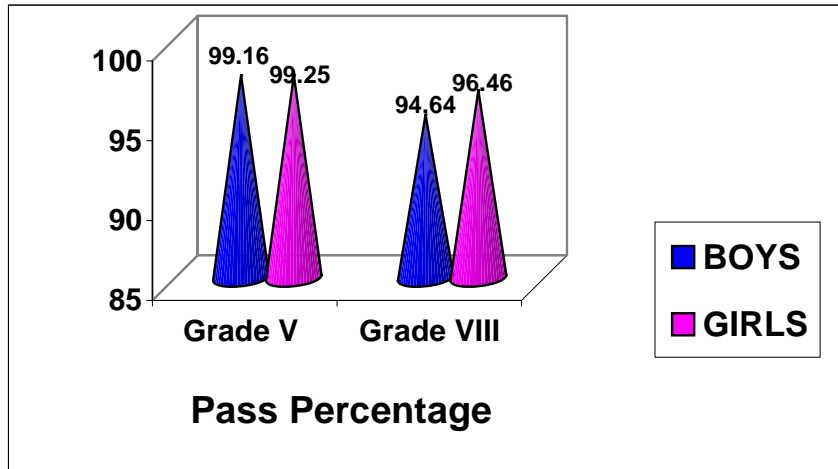
The State-level Pupils' Achievement in Grade V and Grade VIII is analysed in the Table below.

Pupils' Achievement – Primary & Upper Primary

Item	Grade V		Grade VIII	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Enrolment at the end of the previous academic session	690911	639296	538788	502062
Number of children appeared	684781	637575	536941	499484
Number of children passed	679020	632796	508168	481798
Passed with more than 60% marks	438630	438957	217766	231153
% Passed	99.16	99.25	94.64	96.46
% Passed with more than 60%	64.60	69.37	42.85	47.98

Source: DISE 2005

Pupils' Achievement



The Table shows that at Primary level, the percentage of boys and girls who have passed Grade V is almost the same around 99%. In terms of the *percentage of passes with more than 60%*, the girls (69.37%) *outperform* boys (64.60%) by 4.77%.

At the upper primary level, the percentage of boys who have passed grade VIII is 94.64% and that of the girls is 96.46%. In *percentage of passes*, the girls *outperform* boys at the VIII grade by a marginal 1.82%. Even in terms of the *percentage of passes with more than 60%*, the girls (47.98%) *outperform* boys (42.85%) by 5.13%.