

1. POPULATION

1.1. Population Census : Salient Features - At a Glance : Tamil Nadu and All-India

Year	Population (million)			Literacy Rate (%)			Decennial Growth Rate (%)	Proportion of SC / ST (%)	Rate of Urbanisation (%)	Density (persons per Sq. Km.)	Sex Ratio (No. of Females per '000' Males)
	Total	Male	Female	Persons	Male	Female					
Tamil Nadu											
1951	30.12	22.8	7.33	20.9	31.7	10.1	14.7	N.A.	24.4	232	1007
1961	33.69	16.9	16.78	31.4	44.5	18.2	11.9	18.8	26.1	259	992
1971	41.2	20.8	20.37	39.5	51.8	26.9	22.3	18.5	30.2	317	978
1981	48.41	24.5	23.92	46.8	58.3	35.0	17.5	19.4	32.9	372	977
1991	55.86	28.30	27.56	62.7	73.8	51.3	15.4	20.2	34.7	429	974
2001	62.41	31.4	31.01	73.5	82.3	64.4	11.7	20.0	44.0	480	987
All-India											
1951	361.1	186	175.6	18.3	27.2	8.9	13.3	N.A.	17.3	117	946
1961	439.2	226	212.9	28.3	40.4	15.4	21.5	21.5	18.0	142	941
1971	548.2	284	264.1	34.5	46.0	22.0	24.8	21.5	19.9	177	930
1981	683.3	353	330	43.6	56.4	29.8	24.7	23.5	23.3	216	934
1991	846.3	439	407.1	52.2	64.1	39.3	23.9	24.3	25.7	267	927
2001	1027	531	495.7	65.4	75.9	54.2	21..34	N.P.*	27.8	324	933

N.P.- Not Published.

Source: Director of Census Operations, Tamil Nadu, Chennai