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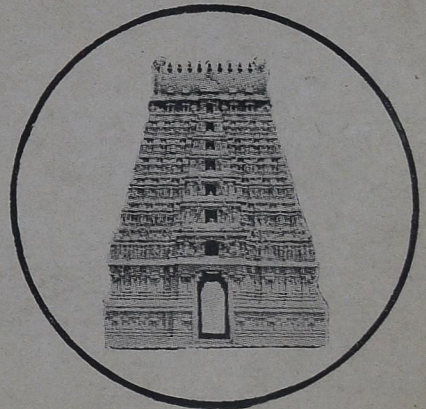
PROVISIONAL POPULATION TOTALS

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# INTRODUCTORY NOTE

## FIGURES AT A GLANCE

### (Census of India 1971—Provisional Population Totals— Tamil Nadu)

A. POPULATION OF TAMIL NADU	Total ...	41,103,125
	Males ...	20,772,549
	Females...	20,330,576
B. DECENNIAL POPULATION GROWTH RATE 1961-71		22.01%
C. DENSITY OF POPULATION		316 per sq. km.
D. SEX RATIO		979 females per 1,000 males
E. PROPORTION OF URBAN POPULATION TO TOTAL POPULATION	...	30.28
F. LITERACY RATE	Total ...	39.39%
	Males ...	51.68%
	Females...	26.83%
G. WORK PARTICIPATION RATE (i. e. PROPORTION OF ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE WORKERS)	Total ...	36.67%
	Males ...	55.96%
	Females...	16.96%

The figures presented in this booklet give some basic particulars of the population as on 1st April 1971 as recorded by the 1971 Census of India. These figures however are only the crude totals compiled from the abstracts furnished by the Census Enumerators themselves from the Census records. The figures so compiled from the abstract collected from thousands of Enumerators are bound to have their own limitations and are thus purely provisional which can be confirmed only after the Census schedules are fully processed in a series of Regional Tabulation Offices. After the final tabulation, apart from providing the Primary Census data down to every village and Enumerator's block of a town, a series of cross Tabulations of the Census data will be made to present the demographic, social and economic characteristics of the population in a meaningful way such as by sex, broad age-groups, educational levels, etc. It is our anxiety to make available to the Government and the people the provisional results of the 1971 Census count as quickly as possible after the completion of enumeration which has impelled us to compile and present this booklet of provisional population figures.

The outstanding feature of this Census of Tamil Nadu is that the Population of Tamil Nadu has increased from 33.7 million in 1961 to 41.1 million in 1971, an increase of 22.01% over this decade. To those who expected a fall in the growth rate of population, considering the steady efforts in the field of family planning, this increase in growth from 11.8% to 22.01% must have come as a surprise. The growth of Population in Tamil Nadu in the last decade was 11.8% as against the All India growth rate of 21.64% and it has now gone upto 22.01%, when the rate for the whole country is 24.57. The State has registered double the rate of growth during the decade 1961-71 compared to that of 1951-61. Excepting Jammu and Kashmir & Nagaland no other State has registered such an increase compared to the rate of growth of the previous decade. This is the highest growth rate in this century. It is interesting to observe that while the All India Population in 1961 exceeded the figure expected by the Planning Commission Expert Committee by 8 million, in Tamil Nadu State alone the Population in 1961 fell short by 2.3 million than that expected by the Planning Commission. But the picture has been reversed in 1971. Now while the All India Population has fallen short of the figure expected by the Planning Commission by 1.27 million the Population of Tamil Nadu has exceeded the figure expected by the Expert Committee by 1.07 million.

The Population of this State accounts for 7.51% of India's Population. In 1951 the Population amounted to 8.34% of India's Population but in 1961 it amounted to only 7.67% of population. Thus while it ranked 5th in 1951, 6th in 1961, it has ranked 7th in 1971.

The sex ratio has shown decrease throughout the Censuses of this century in Tamil Nadu and the trend is similar for the country as a whole. While the All India Sex-ratio has decreased by 9 per 1,000 this state has registered a decrease by 13 per 1,000. Except Nilgiris, Madras and Dharmapuri all other Districts have registered decrease in sex-ratio, the highest decrease being in Thanjavur and the lowest being in Tirunelveli.

This State ranks <sup>Second</sup> 8th in the literacy rate. The percentage of literacy has risen to 39.4% from that of 31.4%. The rate of increase among males and females is almost equal. While the country has registered a mere 5.32% rise in a decade since 1961, this State has registered an increase of 8%. The total number of literates in Tamil Nadu has gone up from 10,580,616 in 1961 to 16,189,712 in 1971. The increase in the number of literates is 5,609,096. This figure is significant in the context of the problem of the educated unemployed.

Next to Madras City, the highest percentage of literates to total population is in Kanyakumari District, 58% of the Population being literates. Considering the sex-wise percentage of literates also Kanyakumari District comes second. Not even 1/4th of the total Population of Salem District are literates. Both among males and females, the lowest percentage of literates have been recorded only in Salem District.

The percentage of urban population has increased from 26.7 in 1961 to 30.3 in 1971. Though the increase in the population is meagre it is higher than the increase compared to 1951-61. In 1961, the proportion of urban population was higher than that of 1951 by 2.3 whereas in 1971 the proportion is higher by 3.6.

Among the districts, Chingleput has recorded the highest increase compared to that of 1961. While only 1/5th of the Chingleput District Population was urban in 1961 now more than 1/3rd of the Population of the District constitutes urban population. In Districts like North Arcot, South Arcot, Tiruchirapalli, Thanjavur, Madurai, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari, the increase in the percentage of urban population compared to that of 1961 is not high. The main reason for the large increase in the proportion of urban population in Chingleput District is the establishment of many industries in the District in the areas near Madras City.

The total number of towns has increased from 339 in 1961 to 443 in 1971. The increase is mostly in the Class VI towns (Population less than 5,000). The number of towns in this class has increased threefold. The number of Class I towns has doubled.

The percentage of workers has declined from 45.6 to 36.7. The decline is marked in the case of female workers. While 31.3% of females have been recorded as workers in 1961 only 17% have been recorded as workers in 1971. This pattern of decline is noticed in all districts. Only in Madras the proportion of female workers has increased. In every other District the proportion of female workers is just half of the proportion recorded in 1961. The main reason for this decline is the change in the definition of worker adopted in 1971 from that of 1961. According to the definition of 1961 in the case of seasonal workers, any person who has had some regular work of *more than one hour a day* throughout the greater part of the season has to be treated as a worker. Whereas in this Census, if a person is or has been working in the current or last working season for the greater part of the season, the person has been treated as a worker. The elastic definition of 1961 gave scope to include most of the housewives who rendered some assistance or the other in the work like cultivation and household industries done by the other family members for a little time more than an hour a day, as worker. This is the main reason for the abnormal increase in the percentage of workers particularly that of females in 1961 compared to the previous decades. In this census it was specifically mentioned that a man or woman who is engaged primarily in household duties such as cooking for own household or performing one's own household duties or a boy a girl who is primarily a student attending institution, even if such a person helps in the family economic activity but not as a full time worker, should be treated as non-worker in respect of main activity and the economic activity in which he or she was casually engaged was asked to be recorded as secondary work. This is the main reason for the decline in the proportion of workers particularly in the case of females. Since in Madras City the number of workers recorded as Cultivators is almost insignificant, the City being entirely an urban area, there has been no inflation in the proportion of workers in respect of Madras City even in 1961. Hence, in Madras City alone the proportion of women workers has increased from 6.3 in 1961 to 6.7 in 1971. But in every other District, the proportion of female workers has shrunk to half of the figures of 1961. The view that the number of workers in 1961 was an inflated one due to the definition can be further confirmed by looking at the proportion of Cultivators in 1961 and 1971. Without exception in every District the proportion of Cultivators has declined considerably in 1971 from that of 1961 and in the case of female workers it has steeply declined. Even in 1961 many had pointed out that the very high percentage,

particularly in respect of females is merely or mostly due to the elastic definition of worker adopted in 1961. The present figure of workers confirms that view.

The proportion of Agricultural Labourers to the total workers has increased considerably in respect of all districts except Nilgiris and the increase is marked in the case of female workers. Since the proportion has been worked out to the total workers and since the inflation in the workers figures has been eliminated the proportion in the case of Agricultural Labourer has increased.

STATEMENT SHOWING A COMPARATIVE PICTURE OF THE  
POPULATION OF STATES OF INDIA

(1971 CENSUS - PROVISIONAL FIGURES)

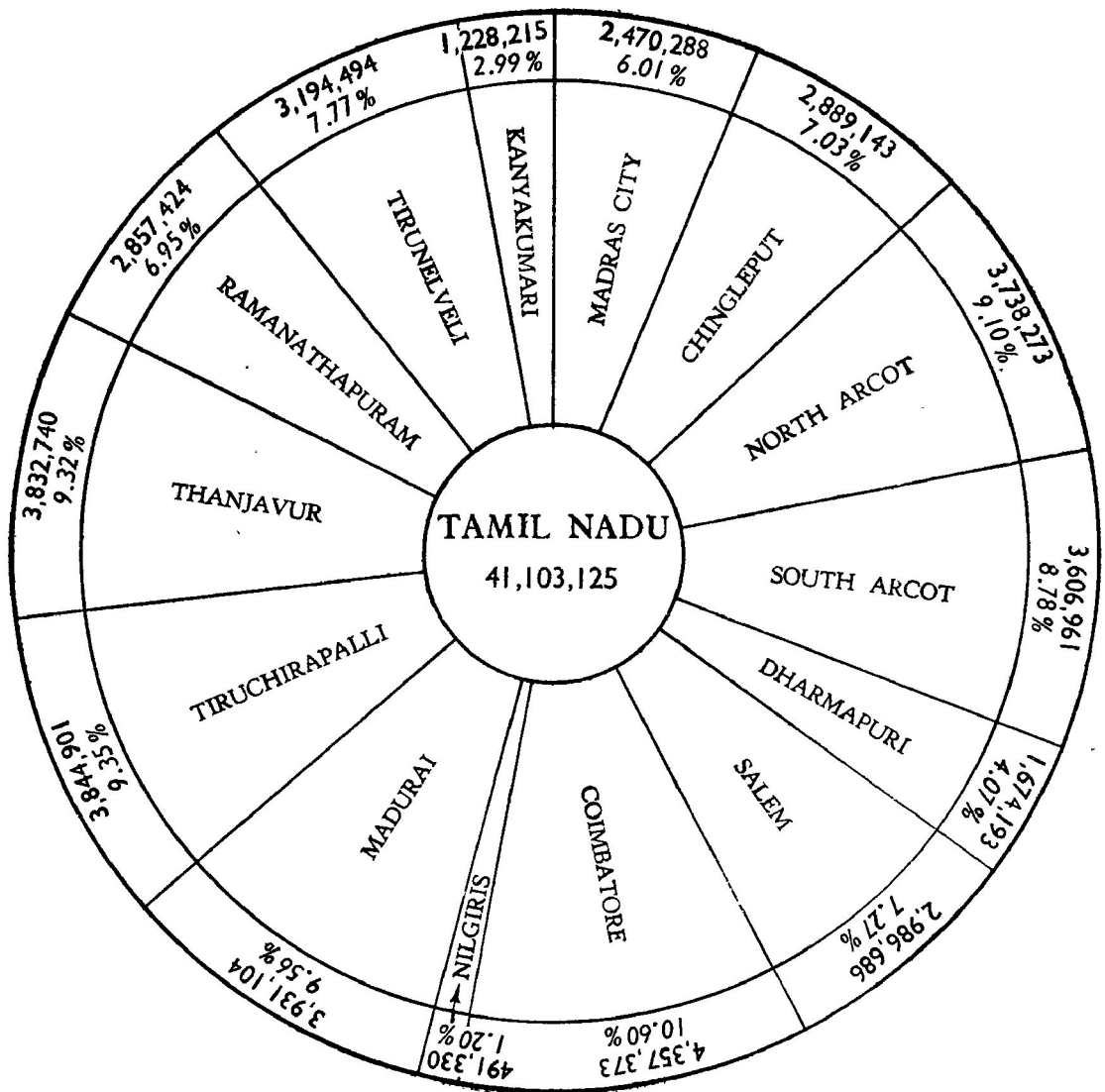
India/States and U.Ts.	Rank in 1961	Rank in 1971	TOTAL POPULATION		Decennial Growth Rates Per- centage		Den- sity of Po- pula- tion 1971 (Per Sq. Km.)
			Population in 1961	Population in 1971	1951- 61	1961- 71	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
INDIA			439,234,771	546,955,945	21.64	24.57	182
Andhra Pradesh	4	5	35,983,447	43,394,951	15.65	20.60	157
Assam	14	13 *	11,872,772 +	14,857,314	35.06	33.51	149
Bihar	2	2	46,455,610	56,387,296	19.77	21.38	324
Gujarat	9	9	20,633,350	26,660,929	26.88	29.21	136
Haryana		15++		9,971,165	33.79	31.36	225
Himachal Pradesh	17	18	1,351,144	3,424,332	17.87	21.76	62
Jammu & Kashmir	15	16	3,560,976	4,615,176	9.44	29.60	..
Kerala	13	12	16,903,715	21,280,397	24.76	25.89	548
Madhya Pradesh	7	6	32,372,408	41,449,729	24.17	28.04	93
Maharashtra	3	3	39,553,718	50,295,081	23.60	27.16	163
Mysore	8	8	23,586,772	29,224,046	21.57	23.90	152
Nagaland	21	23	369,200	515,561	14.07	39.64	31
Orissa	12	11	17,548,846	21,934,827	19.82	24.99	141
Punjab	10	14++	20,306,812	13,472,972	21.56	21.00	268

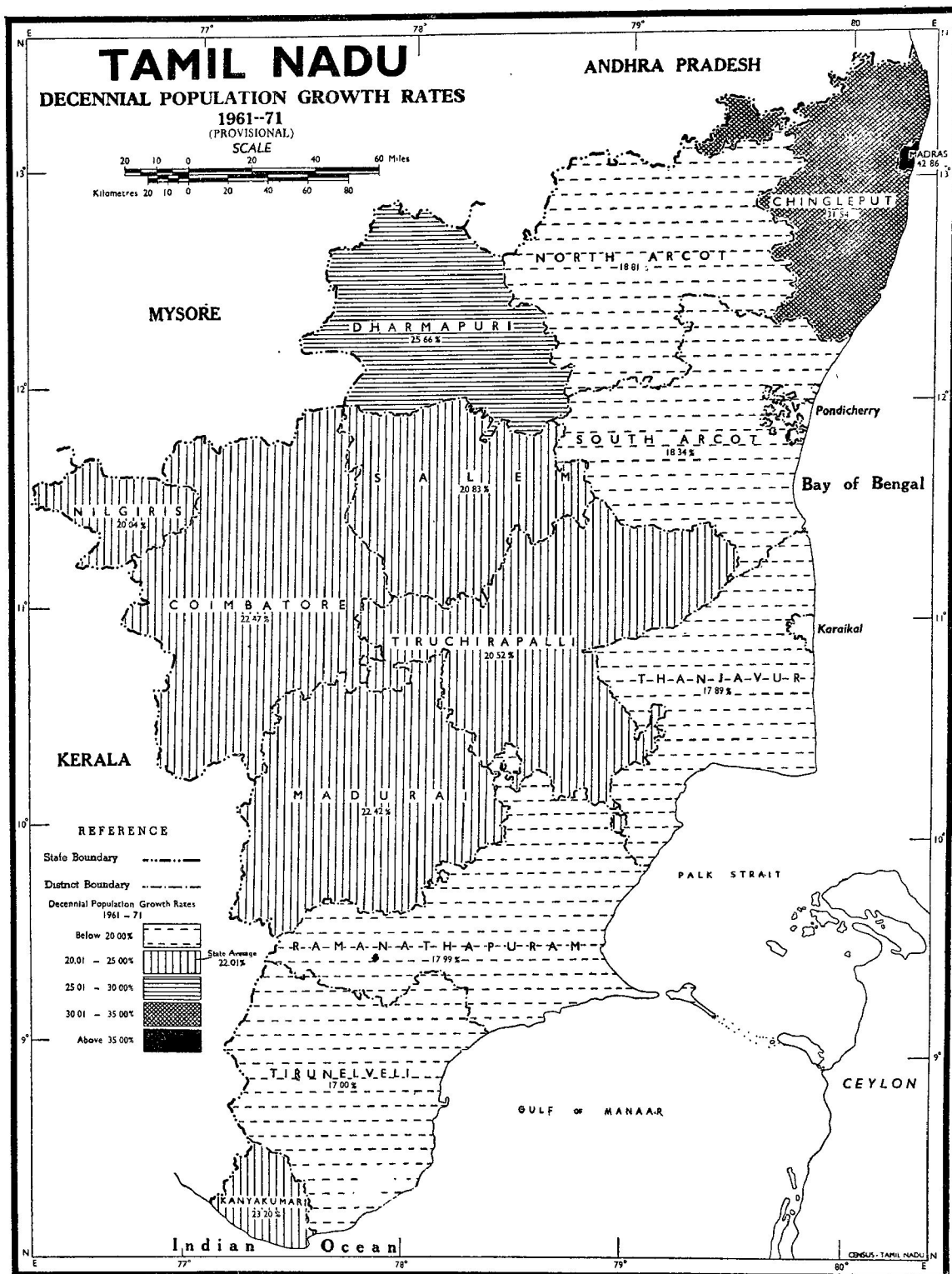
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Rajasthan	11	10	20,155,602	25,724,142	26.20	27.63	75	
Tamil Nadu	6	7	33,686,953	41,103,125	11.35	22.01	316	
Uttar Pradesh	1	1	73,746,401	88,299,452	16.66	19.73	300	
West Bengal	5	4	34,926,279	44,440,095	32.80	27.24	507	
Andaman	25	27	63,548	115,090	105.19	81.11	14	
Chandigarh		26++		256,979	394.13	114.36	2,254	
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	26	28	57,963	74,165	39.56	27.95	151	
Delhi	16	17	2,658,612	4,044,338	52.44	52.12	2,723	
Goa	20	22	626,667	857,180	5.14	36.78	225	
Laccadive Minicoy & Amindivi Islands	27	29	24,108	31,798	14.61	31.90	994	
Manipur	19	20	780,037	1,069,555	35.04	37.12	48	
Meghalaya		21 *		983,336	25.97	32.02	44	
N.E.F.A.	23	25 *		444,744	..	32.14	..	
Pondicherry	22	24	369,079	471,347	16.34	27.71	982	
Tripura	18	19	1,142,005	1,556,822	78.71	36.32	149	

\* Including Meghalaya and N.E.F.A.  
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# Chart Showing the Comparative Population Size of the Districts

Tamil Nadu  
(1971 Census - Provisional)





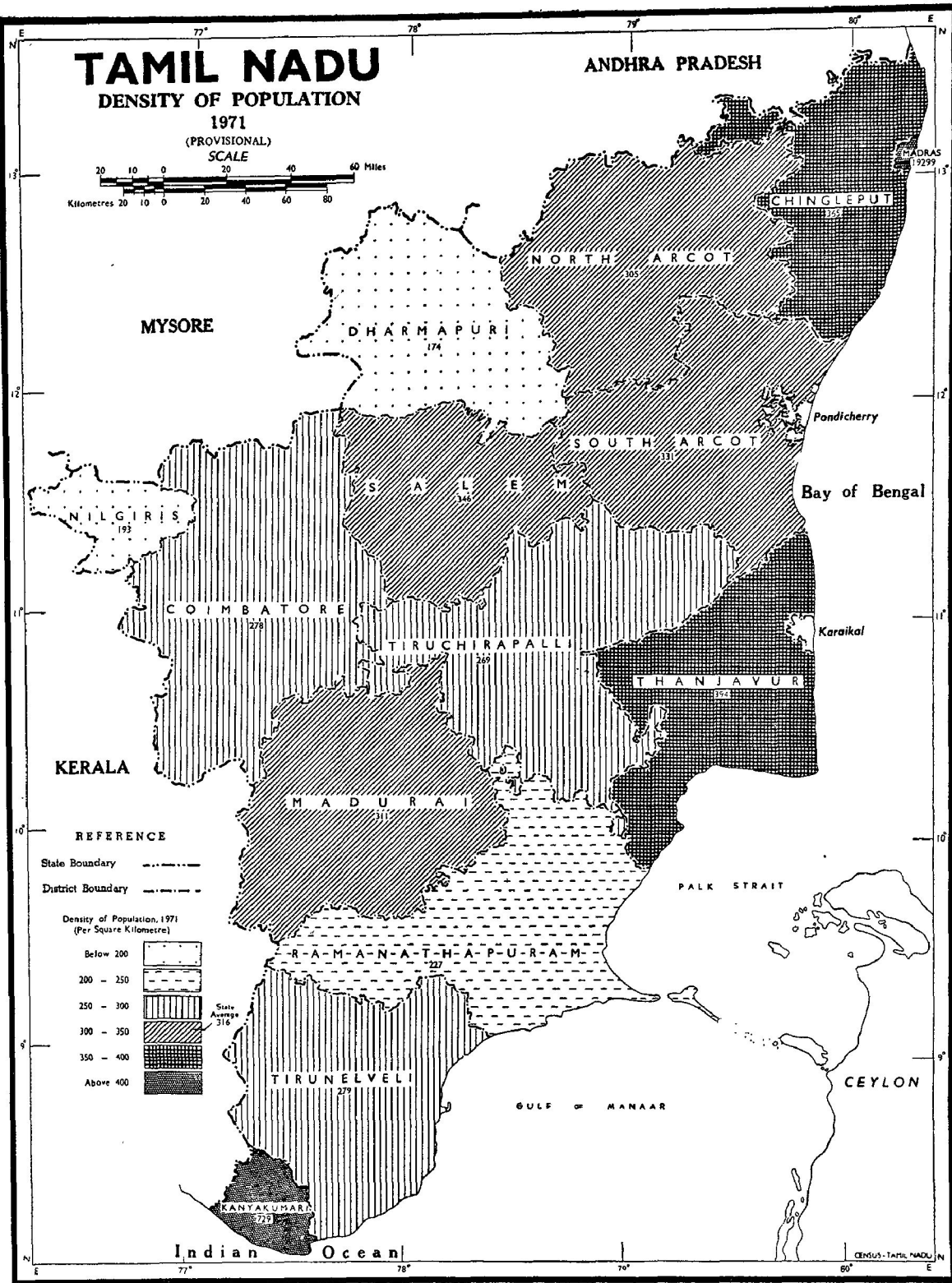
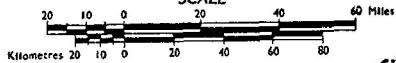
# TAMIL NADU

## DENSITY OF POPULATION

1971

(PROVISIONAL)

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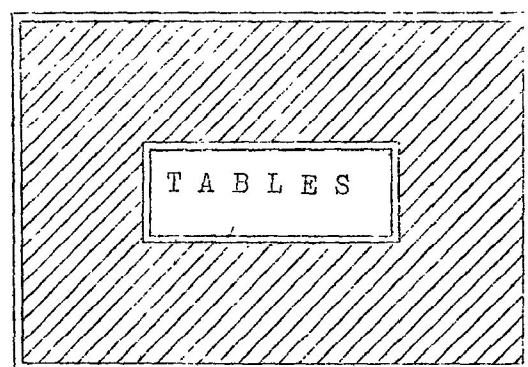


TABLE - I

DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION, SEX RATIO, GROWTH RATE AND  
DENSITY OF POPULATION BY DISTRICTS

State/District	POPULATION 1971			Sex ratio i.e., females for 1,000 males	
	Total	Males	Females	1961	1971
	1	2	3	4	5
Tamil Nadu	41,103,125	20,772,549	20,330,576	992	979
Madras	2,470,288	1,298,786	1,171,502	901	902
Chingleput	2,889,143	1,483,272	1,400,871	960	941
North Arcot	3,738,273	1,891,886	1,846,387	989	976
South Arcot	3,606,961	1,830,906	1,776,055	984	970
Dharmapuri	1,674,193	850,019	824,174	968	970
Salem	2,986,686	1,519,496	1,467,190	982	966
Coimbatore	4,357,373	2,227,668	2,129,705	966	956
The Nilgiris	491,330	252,269	239,061	914	943
Madurai	3,931,104	1,977,819	1,953,285	993	933
Tiruchirapalli	3,844,901	1,930,368	1,914,533	1,008	992
Thanjavur	3,832,740	1,921,548	1,911,192	1,016	995
Ramanathapuram	2,857,424	1,398,196	1,459,228	1,060	1,044
Tirunelveli	3,194,494	1,562,992	1,631,502	1,053	1,044
Kanyakumari	1,228,215	622,324	605,891	979	974

TABLE - I

Density of Population per sq.km.		Decennial growth rate of population	
1961	1971	1951-61	1961-71
7	8	9	10
258	316	11.85	22.01
13,615	19,299	22.11	42.36
278	365	12.19	31.54
257	305	8.51	18.81
280	331	9.77	18.34
139	174	22.05	25.66
297	346	8.44	20.83
228	278	12.78	22.47
161	193	31.30	20.04
255	311	11.05	22.42
224	269	8.36	20.52
335	394	8.82	17.39
194	227	16.33	17.99
239	279	8.99	17.00
596	729	20.64	23.20

T A B L E - II

CENSUS 1971  
(Provisional figures)Decadal Variation in Population since 1901

State/ District	Percentage Decadal Variation in Population						
	1901-11	1911-21	1921-31	1931-41	1941-51	1951- 61	1961- 71
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
TAMIL NADU	8.57	3.47	8.52	11.91	14.66	11.85	22.07
MADRAS	4.07	2.81	24.01	20.17	60.64	22.11	42.86
CHINGLEPUT	7.09	5.15	9.30	10.00	8.11	12.17	31.54
NORTH ARCOT	12.24	5.05	13.21	13.69	10.95	8.51	18.81
SOUTH ARCOT	12.19	- 1.80	5.79	6.28	6.44	9.77	18.34
DHARMAPURI	4.65	- 4.45	16.73	15.65	12.53	22.05	25.66
SALEM	3.51	7.93	12.57	19.13	20.34	8.44	20.85
COIMBATORE	7.14	6.31	11.38	15.01	17.21	12.78	22.47
THE NILGIRIS	5.08	6.66	33.84	23.85	48.65	31.30	20.04
MADURAI	12.81	4.15	9.42	13.22	16.89	11.05	22.42
TIRUCHIRA- PALLI	8.42	4.05	- 0.67	12.11	13.48	8.36	20.52
THANJAVUR	5.25	- 1.53	2.40	7.44	16.36	8.82	17.89
RAMANATHA- PURAM	9.17	3.27	7.02	7.62	4.52	16.33	17.99
TIRUNELVELI	8.10	6.42	7.29	9.80	9.52	8.99	17.00
KANYAKUMARI	17.54	17.02	17.75	16.35	22.07	20.64	23.20

TABLE - III

## Rural and Urban Composition of Population

1971 CENSUS

(Provisional figures)

Population 1971			
State/District	Total	Rural	Urban
1	2	3	4
TAMIL NADU	41,103,125	28,656,265	12,446,860
Madras	2,470,288		2,470,288
Chingleput	2,889,143	1,884,558	1,004,585
North Arcot	3,738,273	2,957,051	781,222
South Arcot	3,606,961	3,094,054	512,907
Dharmapuri	1,674,193	1,530,328	143,865
Salem	2,986,686	2,191,919	794,767
Coimbatore	4,357,373	2,804,162	1,553,211
The Nilgiris	491,330	248,806	242,524
Madurai	3,931,104	2,603,945	1,322,159
Tiruchirapalli	3,844,901	2,989,861	855,040
Thanjavur	3,832,740	3,044,645	788,095
Ramanathapuram	2,857,424	2,111,833	745,591
Tirunelveli	3,194,494	2,166,216	1,028,278
Kanyakumari	1,228,215	1,023,887	204,328

Percentage of Urban to Total Population					Decennial Growth Rate 1961-71				
1961	1971	Total	Rural	Urban					
5	6	7	8	9					
26.69	30.28	22.01	16.02	38.44					
100.00	100.00	42.86	..	42.86					
20.75	34.77	31.54	8.20	120.46					
20.06	20.90	18.81	17.57	23.76					
12.87	14.22	18.34	16.51	30.74					
7.00	8.59	25.66	23.51	54.28					
21.20	26.61	20.83	12.53	51.64					
29.01	35.65	22.47	10.76	50.48					
43.94	49.37	20.74	8.44	34.84					
31.63	33.63	22.42	18.83	30.17					
21.26	22.24	20.52	19.02	26.10					
20.38	20.56	17.89	17.81	19.13					
24.75	26.09	17.99	15.89	24.37					
31.05	32.19	17.00	15.08	21.28					
15.05	16.64	23.20	20.91	36.15					

TABLE -IV  
Population of Towns

1971 CENSUS  
(Provisional figures)

Total of each size class/ Towns of Population size 20,000+	Population 1971		
	Persons	Males	Females
1	2	3	4
ALL CLASSES (No. of towns 443)	12,446,860	6,380,759	6,066,101
A. Total Class I (100,000+) (No. of towns 17)	5,452,314	2,827,703	2,624,611
Madras city	2,470,288	1,298,786	1,171,502
Madurai	548,298	281,331	266,967
Coimbatore	353,469	186,358	167,111
Salem	308,303	158,221	150,082
Tiruchirapalli	306,247	157,290	148,957
Tuticorin	154,804	78,105	76,699
Nagercoil	141,207	70,829	70,378
Thanjavur	140,470	71,183	69,287
Vellore	138,220	70,621	67,599
Dindigul	127,406	64,710	62,696
Singanallur	113,397	58,819	54,578
Tiruppur	113,171	58,724	54,447
Kumbakonam	112,971	56,726	56,245
Kanchipuram	110,505	56,184	54,321
Tirunelveli	108,509	54,638	53,871
Erode	103,704	53,886	49,818
Cuddalore	101,345	51,292	50,053

Proportion of Population in each size class to Total Urban Population		Growth Rate		Sex Ratio 1971
1961	1971	1951-61	1961-71	
5	6	7	8	9

100.00	100.00	22.59	38.44	951
37.76	43.80	30.38	60.62	928
		22.11	42.86	902
		17.42	24.07	949
		44.78	23.46	897
		23.13	23.74	949
		14.13	22.49	947
		25.65	24.61	982
		33.96	32.95	994
		10.35	26.44	973
		7.28	21.52	957
		18.61	37.07	969
		..	..	928
		52.01	41.87	927
		1.02	22.02	992
		9.32	19.19	967
		19.75	23.32	986
		28.11	40.59	925
		14.60	28.01	976

TABLE - IV

## Population of Towns (Contd)

1971 CENSUS  
(Provisional figures)

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Total of each size class/	Population 1971		
Towns of Population size 20,000+	Persons	Males	Females
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1	2	3	4
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B. Total Class II  
(50,000-99,999)

(No. of Towns >7)	1,684,551	889,821	824,730
Valparai (T.S)	94,939	48,965	45,974
Rajapalayam (M)	86,946	43,852	43,094
Tiruvattiyur (M)	82,415	44,194	38,221
Palayamkottai (M)	70,050	35,333	34,717
Pollachi (M)	68,589	35,627	32,962
Nagapattinam (M)	68,015	33,432	34,583
Pudukkottai (M)	66,388	33,927	32,461
Karur (M)	65,526	33,477	32,049
Alandur (M)	64,221	33,630	30,591
Gudiyatham (M)	63,007	31,945	31,062
Ootacamund (M)	63,003	32,898	30,105
Aruppukkottai (M)	62,227	31,015	31,212
Virudhunagar (M)	61,904	31,219	30,685
Tiruvannamalai (M)	60,473	31,097	29,381
Villupuram (M)	60,237	31,424	28,813
Mayuram (M)	60,196	30,470	29,726
Neyveli (T.S)	58,289	29,922	28,367
Karaikudi (M)	55,450	27,943	27,507

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Proportion of Population in Each Size Class to Total Urban Population		Growth Rate		Sex Ratio 1971
-----1961-----	-----1971-----	-----1951-61-----	-----1961-71-----	
-----5-----	-----6-----	-----7-----	-----8-----	-----9-----
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14.15	13.55	58.22	32.37	959
				939
		16.90	22.11	983
		67.78	119.36	865
		27.47	37.35	983
		30.24	26.15	925
		2.09	15.16	1,034
		13.39	31.49	957
		19.95	29.59	957
				910
		10.33	25.05	972
		21.20	25.65	915
		3.39	23.96	1,006
		18.39	12.91	983
		14.06	30.23	945
		21.89	38.49	917
		18.32	17.13	976
		*	..	948
		13.64	26.89	984

TABLE IV (CONTD)

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Bodinayakanur (M)	54,118	27,240	26,878
Thambaram (M)	54,050	28,469	25,581
Ambur (M)	54,022	26,952	27,070
Srivilliputhur (M)	53,859	26,211	27,648
Avadi (T.S)	53,338	28,081	25,257
Vaniambadi (M)	51,795	25,900	25,895
Srirangam (M)	51,066	25,670	25,396
Kadayanallur (M)	50,258	24,858	25,400
Pallavapuram (M)	50,165	26,070	24,095

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TABLE - IV

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TABLE - IV  
Population of Towns

1971 CENSUS  
(Provisional figures)

Total of each size class/ Towns of Population size 20,000 +	Population 1971		
	Persons	Males	Females
1	2	3	4
C. Total Class III (20,000-49,999) (No. of towns 79)	2,599,414	1,318,002	1,281,412
Palni (M)	49,576	25,160	24,416
Parimalakudi (M)	48,884	24,606	24,278
Chidambaram (M)	48,819	24,656	24,163
Kovilpatti (M)	48,532	24,497	24,035
Mettupalayam (M)	48,375	24,663	23,712
Melapalayam (M)	47,728	22,731	24,997
Madakulam (P)	46,336	23,706	22,630
Tindivanam (M)	45,028	23,281	21,747
Sivakasi (M)	44,868	22,924	21,944
Arkonam (M)	43,344	22,368	20,975
Mannargudi (M)	42,785	21,702	21,083
Ambattur (T.S.)	42,750	22,722	20,028
Tenkasi (M)	42,611	20,914	21,697
Attur (M)	41,559	21,171	20,388
Periyakulam (M)	41,515	20,874	20,641
Ponmalai (P)	41,074	21,726	19,348
Cumbum (M)	40,800	20,295	20,505
Kurichi (P)	40,532	20,912	19,620
Tirupattur (M)	40,300	20,591	19,709

Proportion of Population Each Size Class to Total Urban Popu- lation		Growth Rate		Sex Ratio 1971
1961	1971	1951-61	1961-71	
5	6	7	8	9
20.85	20.89	9.36	38.69	972
		15.50	24.46	970
		..	..	987
		17.17	19.97	980
		..	..	981
		32.64	32.55	961
		3.06	22.99	1,100
		..	..	955
		15.82	31.12	934
		35.35	46.20	957
		33.11	41.38	938
		12.38	27.50	971
		..	..	881
		..	..	1,037
		..	..	963
		17.21	14.26	989
		25.33	74.34	891
		20.85	25.47	1,010
		38.04	42.68	938
		14.06	30.85	957

TABLE IV (CONTD.)

1	2	3	4
Vikramasingapuram (P)	40,076	20,165	19,911
Dharmapuri (M)	40,021	20,706	19,315
Udumalpet (M)	39,343	19,884	19,459
Arni (M)	38,647	19,433	19,214
Puliyangudi (M)	38,399	19,034	19,365
Mettur (T.S.)	38,390	19,981	18,429
Chingleput (M)	38,281	20,128	18,163
Pattukottai (M)	37,673	19,400	18,273
Coonoor (M)	37,663	19,568	18,095
Nellikuppam (M)	37,626	19,041	18,535
Erode (N.M.)	37,079	19,109	17,970
Tiruchengode (M)	36,983	18,883	18,100
Gobichettipalayam (M)	36,347	18,594	17,753
Ramanathapuram (M)	36,123	18,069	18,054
Tiruvarur (M)	35,852	17,940	17,912
Krishnagiri (M)	35,359	17,753	17,606
Theni-Allinagaram (M)	34,831	17,720	17,111
Dharapuram (M)	34,452	17,239	17,213
Panruti (M)	33,954	17,340	16,614
Edapadi (M)	33,003	16,764	16,239
Gudalur (P)	32,835	16,469	16,366
Sankaranayinarkoil (M)	32,303	16,501	16,307
Manaparai (M)	32,095	16,381	15,714
Vridhachalam (M)	31,364	16,685	15,179
Telungupalayam (P)	31,764	14,316	17,448
Komarapalayam (P)	30,841	15,731	15,110
Villivakkam (P)	30,656	16,006	14,650

TABLE IV (CONTD.)

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5			6			7			8			9		
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						12.32				21.52				987.
						..				..				933
						21.61				33.80				979
						27.61				23.27				989
						..				..				1,017
						2.58				33.60				923
						14.64				47.40				902
						..				..				942
						28.40				22.72				925
						..				..				976
						..				..				940
						..				..				959
						-11.04				34.60				955
						11.79				34.34				999
						10.59				13.96				998
						..				..				992
						..				..				966
						9.63				30.06				998
						..				..				958
						..				..				969
						23.70				33.29				994
						..				..				988
						..				..				959
						..				..				910
						..				..				1,219
						150.27				24.57				961
						..				..				915

TABLE IV (CONTD.)

1	2	3	4
Arcot (M)	30,229	15,472	14,757
Namakkal (M)	29,866	15,315	14,551
Ranipet (M)	29,281	14,838	14,393
Devakottai (M)	28,989	14,311	14,678
Rasipuram (M)	28,491	14,357	14,134
Ambasamudram (P)	27,713	13,645	14,068
Chinnamanur (P)	26,681	13,358	13,323
Satyamangalam (M)	25,922	13,171	12,751
Thiruvallur (M)	25,325	13,005	12,320
St.Thomas Mount (C) Cum-Pallavaram	25,181	12,896	12,285
Sanganur (P)	26,117	13,613	12,499
Kaniamuthur (P)	25,126	12,930	12,196
Chinnalapatti (T.P.)	24,403	12,214	12,189
Shencottah (M)	23,894	12,001	11,893
Kilakarai (T.P.)	23,797	10,923	12,874
Avaniapuram (P)	23,213	11,922	11,291
Bhavani (P)	23,127	11,945	11,182
Tirumangalam (P)	22,890	11,454	11,436
Sirkali (P)	22,745	11,683	11,062
Pernambut (P)	22,705	11,633	11,067
Sathur (M)	22,222	11,111	11,111
Usilampatti (P)	21,375	10,903	10,967
Ganapathy (P)	21,831	11,454	10,377
Kallidaikurichi (P)	21,549	10,379	11,170
Vedaranyam (T.P.)	21,476	10,565	10,911

TABLE IV (CONTD.)

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										13.49					20.78					954				
										..					..					950				
										21.27					27.45					967				
										1.79					13.58					1,026				
										3.23					19.35					984				
										10.27					23.29					1,031				
										8.84					29.61					997				
										..					..					968				
										4.83					28.18					947				
										4.40					59.47					953				
										..					..					918				
										15.19					45.01					943				
										..					..					998				
										18.44					16.40					991				
										4.15					41.14					1,179				
										..					..					947				
										30.72					45.82					936				
										9.30					29.81					998				
										27.86					16.46					947				
										6.97					16.35					951				
										..					..					1,000				
										12.34					38.62					1,005				
										..					..					906				
										1.06					6.51					1,076				
										6.42					19.09					1,033				

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Thuraiyur (M)	21,135	10,948	10,187
Golden Rock (Railway Colony)	21,058	10,741	10,317
Madhavaram (P)	21,025	11,038	9,987
Suramangalam (P)	20,965	10,757	10,208
Sivaganga (M)	20,809	10,672	10,137
Ilayankudi (P)	20,654	9,411	11,243
Kallakurichi (P)	20,644	10,692	9,952
Jolarpet (P)	20,085	10,261	9,824

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D. Total Class IV (10,000-19,999) (No. of towns 117)	1,664,609	837,813	826,796
E. Total Class V (5,000-9,999) (No. of towns 100)	742,170	377,872	364,298
F. Total Class VI (less than 5,000) (No. of towns 103)	303,802	159,548	144,254

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	..	..	930
- 1.27	7.66	961	
	..		
..	..	905	
..	..	949	
..	..	950	
- 2.09	43.10	1,195	
20.22	55.08	931	
..	..	957	

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18.07	13.38	19.05	2.48	987
7.95	5.96	- 4.23	3.83	964
1.22	2.44	8.92	176.24	904

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The towns against which Cols. 7 and 8 have been left blank are towns which have been newly formed.

TABLE - V

## LITERACY

State/ District	Total population			Literate Population	
	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males
1	2	3	4	5	6
Tamil Nadu	41,103,125	20,772,549	20,330,576	16,189,712	10,734,758
Madras	2,470,288	1,298,786	1,171,502	1,532,859	915,441
Chingleput	2,889,143	1,488,272	1,400,871	1,128,319	754,991
North Arcot	3,738,273	1,891,886	1,846,387	1,280,548	889,608
South Arcot	3,606,961	1,830,906	1,776,055	1,135,340	817,454
Dharmapuri	1,674,193	850,019	824,174	369,486	266,492
Salem	2,986,686	1,519,496	1,467,190	937,398	645,766
Coimbatore	4,357,373	2,227,668	2,129,705	1,691,300	1,134,740
The Nilgiris	491,320	252,269	239,061	232,245	148,320
Madurai	3,931,104	1,977,819	1,953,285	1,635,422	1,085,818
Tiruchirapalli	3,844,901	1,930,368	1,914,533	1,439,619	991,802
Thanjavur	3,832,740	1,921,548	1,911,192	1,527,413	1,026,586
Ramanathapuram	2,857,424	1,398,196	1,459,228	1,129,570	761,623
Tirunelveli	3,194,494	1,562,992	1,631,502	1,436,626	897,234
Kanyakumari	1,228,215	622,324	605,891	713,567	398,883

1971 CENSUS  
(Provisional figures)

1971		Percentage of Literates to Total Population				
		1961			1971	
Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
5,454,954	31.41	44.54	18.17	39.39	51.68	26.83
617,418	59.47	69.61	48.22	62.05	70.48	52.70
373,328	27.89	40.21	15.06	39.1	50.73	26.65
390,940	24.72	37.12	12.19	34.3	47.02	21.17
317,886	26.71	40.55	12.65	31.5	44.65	17.90
102,994	15.70	23.68	7.46	22.1	31.35	12.50
291,632	22.14	32.75	11.35	31.4	42.50	19.88
556,560	30.20	43.28	16.66	38.8	50.94	26.13
83,925	35.68	48.27	21.92	47.3	58.79	35.11
549,604	33.38	48.12	18.62	41.6	54.90	28.14
447,817	29.93	44.69	15.30	37.4	51.38	23.39
500,827	33.55	48.67	18.65	39.9	53.42	26.60
367,947	32.11	48.34	16.79	39.5	54.47	25.22
539,392	36.38	49.99	23.46	45.0	57.40	33.06
314,684	48.57	56.24	40.73	58.1	64.10	51.94

TABLE - VI

1	2	3	4	5	6
Coimbatore	P	4,357,373	1,804,309	43.13	41.41
	M	2,227,668	1,346,848	62.25	60.46
	F	2,129,705	457,461	33.51	21.48
The Nilgiris	P	491,330	192,277	45.87	39.12
	M	252,269	128,304	55.76	50.86
	F	239,061	63,973	35.06	26.76
Madurai	P	3,931,104	1,477,992	45.45	37.60
	M	1,977,819	1,100,063	59.53	55.62
	F	1,953,285	377,929	31.34	19.33
Tiruchirapalli	P	3,844,901	1,453,323	49.29	37.80
	M	1,930,368	1,120,386	61.98	58.04
	F	1,914,533	332,937	36.70	17.39
Thanjavur	P	3,832,740	1,300,765	42.00	33.94
	M	1,921,548	1,065,306	59.40	55.44
	F	1,911,192	235,459	24.87	12.32
Ramanathapuram	P	2,857,424	1,064,899	47.95	37.27
	M	1,398,196	759,920	58.25	54.35
	F	1,459,228	304,979	38.24	20.90
Tirunelveli	P	3,194,494	1,198,811	45.59	37.53
	M	1,562,992	849,017	57.76	54.32
	F	1,631,502	349,794	34.03	21.44
Kanyakumari	P	1,228,215	352,329	35.22	28.69
	M	622,324	309,917	52.49	49.80
	F	605,891	42,412	17.58	7.00

TABLE - VII (Contd.) 1971 CENSUS  
(Provisional figures)  
Distribution of Working Population by Agricultural and  
Other Workers

State/ District	Persons Males Females	Total Workers	Cultiva- tors	Agricultu- ral labourers	Other workers
1	2	3	4	5	6
TAMIL NADU	P	15,074,223	4,668,055	4,391,906	6,014,262
	M	11,625,273	4,010,579	2,781,202	4,833,492
	F	3,448,950	657,476	1,610,704	1,180,770
Madras	P	715,495	962	954	713,599
	M	637,066	904	639	635,523
	F	78,429	58	315	78,056
Chingleput	P	1,016,003	246,761	311,493	457,749
	M	810,215	190,725	257,000	362,490
	F	205,788	56,036	54,493	95,259
North Arcot	P	1,367,842	511,048	404,659	452,135
	M	1,053,402	462,970	225,428	365,004
	F	314,440	48,078	179,231	87,131
South Arcot	P	1,295,787	528,417	457,332	310,008
	M	1,048,560	491,041	304,397	253,122
	F	247,227	37,406	152,935	56,886
Dharmapuri	P	631,817	352,130	152,006	127,631
	M	490,801	305,327	94,523	90,946
	F	141,016	46,803	57,478	36,735
Salem	P	1,202,574	411,575	320,592	470,407
	M	905,468	343,716	192,955	368,797
	F	297,106	67,859	127,637	101,610
Coimbatore	P	1,804,309	418,529	559,784	825,996
	M	1,346,848	352,335	328,766	665,747
	F	457,461	66,194	231,018	160,249

TABLE - VII

Percentage of Agricultural and Other Workers to Total Workers					
Cultivators		Agricultural labourers		Other Workers	
1961	1971	1961	1971	1961	1971
7	8	9	10	11	12
42.07	30.97	18.42	29.14	39.51	39.89
41.87	34.50	14.30	23.92	43.83	41.58
42.45	19.07	26.36	46.70	31.19	34.23
0.02	0.14	0.04	0.13	99.94	99.76
0.02	0.14	0.04	0.10	99.94	99.52
0.00	0.08	0.02	0.40	99.98	99.73
35.14	23.54	25.31	31.72	39.55	44.74
37.25	27.23	19.08	26.48	43.67	46.29
29.96	9.11	40.65	52.24	29.39	38.65
51.45	37.37	17.06	29.58	31.49	33.05
52.36	43.95	11.38	21.40	36.26	34.65
49.81	15.29	27.24	57.00	22.95	27.71
49.46	40.78	28.66	35.29	21.88	23.93
52.87	46.83	21.86	29.03	25.27	24.14
42.38	15.13	42.74	61.86	14.88	23.01
71.74	55.73	11.68	24.07	16.58	20.20
71.42	62.21	9.70	19.26	18.88	18.53
72.26	33.19	14.80	40.76	12.94	20.20
45.23	34.23	13.47	26.66	41.30	39.11
44.36	37.96	11.15	21.31	44.49	40.73
46.65	22.84	17.24	42.96	36.11	34.20
30.32	23.20	15.73	31.02	53.95	45.73
31.22	26.16	13.71	24.41	55.07	49.43
28.60	14.47	19.61	50.50	51.79	35.03

TABLE VII (CONCLD)

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1	2	3	4	5	6
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The Nilgiris	P	192,277	9,457	14,496	163,324
	M	128,304	7,570	8,866	111,868
	F	63,973	1,887	5,630	56,456
Madurai	P	1,477,992	421,615	514,657	541,720
	M	1,100,063	353,390	309,663	436,505
	F	377,929	67,725	204,939	105,215
Tiruchirapalli	P	1,453,323	633,765	369,521	450,037
	M	1,120,386	538,345	208,280	373,761
	F	332,937	95,420	161,241	76,276
Thanjavur	P	1,300,765	375,294	537,300	388,171
	M	1,065,306	348,781	381,167	335,358
	F	235,459	26,513	156,133	52,813
Ramanathapuram	P	1,064,899	407,803	268,713	388,383
	M	759,920	311,795	152,364	295,761
	F	304,979	96,008	116,349	92,622
Tirunelveli	P	1,198,811	292,164	358,452	548,195
	M	849,017	245,536	204,613	393,868
	F	349,794	46,623	153,839	149,327
Kanyakumari	P	352,329	58,505	121,947	171,877
	M	309,917	57,644	112,531	139,742
	F	42,412	861	9,416	32,135
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TABLE VII -(CONCLD)

7	8	9	10	11	12
18.93	4.92	11.02	7.54	70.05	87.54
16.13	5.90	9.10	6.91	74.77	87.19
23.79	2.95	14.36	8.80	61.85	88.25
39.02	28.53	20.07	34.82	40.91	36.66
39.23	32.17	15.84	28.15	44.93	39.68
38.61	17.92	28.12	54.24	33.27	27.84
54.84	43.61	16.34	25.42	28.82	30.97
53.40	48.05	12.29	18.59	34.31	33.36
57.26	28.66	23.12	48.43	19.62	22.91
36.28	28.85	32.71	41.31	31.01	29.84
37.74	32.74	26.01	35.78	36.25	31.48
32.83	11.26	48.46	66.01	18.71	22.43
53.02	38.30	14.40	25.23	32.54	36.47
51.59	41.03	10.31	20.05	37.60	38.92
55.07	31.48	19.66	38.15	25.27	30.37
35.21	24.37	16.12	29.90	48.67	45.73
36.70	28.92	11.75	24.10	51.55	46.98
32.80	13.33	23.17	43.98	44.03	42.69
20.75	16.60	8.90	34.61	70.35	48.79
25.59	18.60	8.83	36.31	65.58	45.09
5.99	2.03	9.12	22.20	84.89	75.77

