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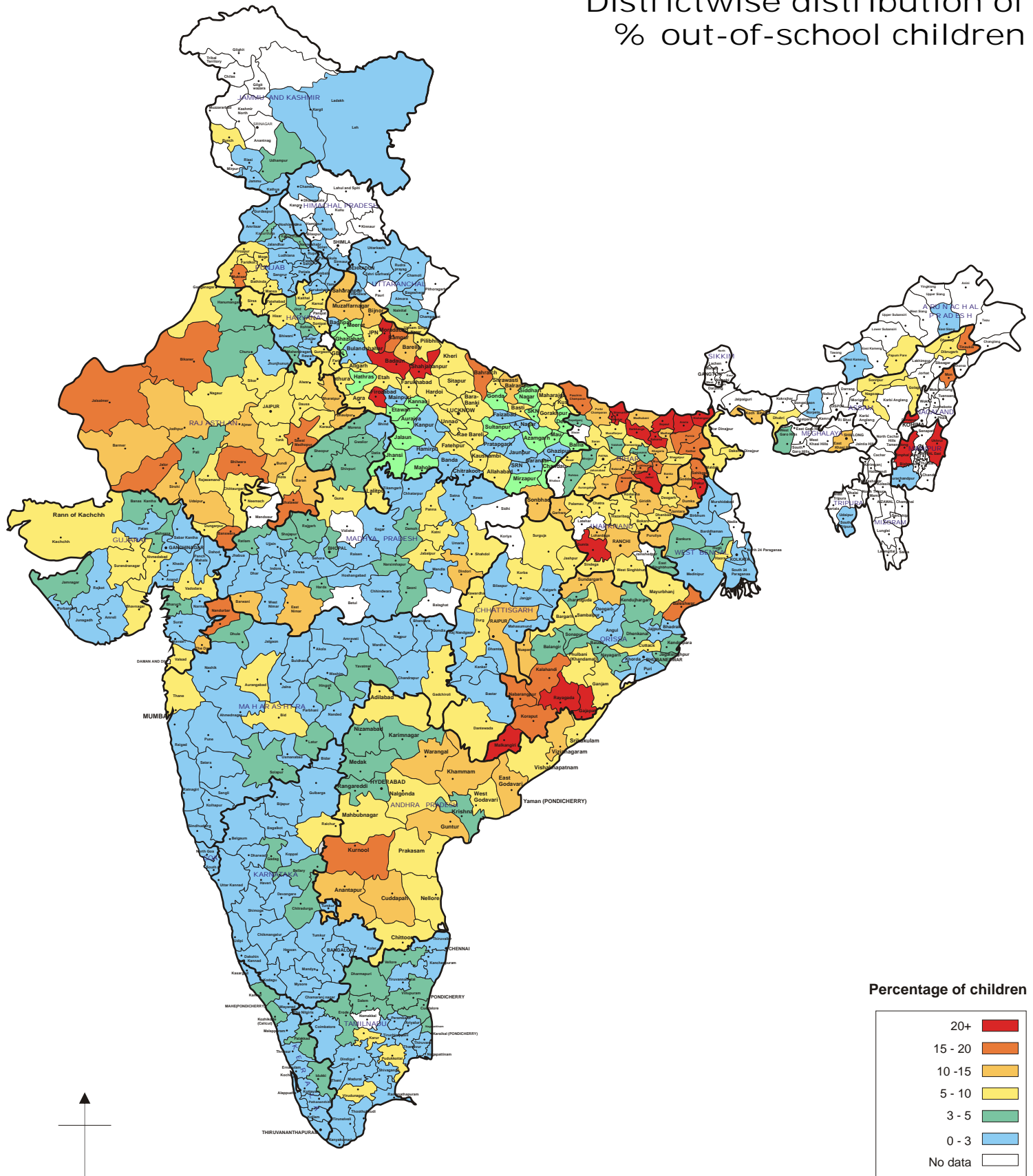
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Inside our homes
At our villages
Into our schools
And prepared this report
For ourselves
To build a better India

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Districtwise distribution of % out-of-school children



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Ishu Singh
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अगर स्कूल नहीं होता तो क्या होता?

किसी फील्ड
अगर स्कूल नहीं होता तो सब बच्चे अक्षर होते।
को नौकरी नहीं कर पाता। सब बच्चों दिनभर
खेलते रहते। सब लोगों की बीमारियों का कोई
इलाज न होता। कोई भी ऑफिस न होता। कोई
गाड़ी न होती। कोई अगर स्कूल न होता तो
हमारे देश में विकास न होता। सब बिरोध
-कारी होते। लोग साक्षर सब साक्षर नहीं
होते। अच्छे धुरे का धर्म न होता। हमें
अपने अविष्य का पता न होता। बतौर
अक्षर होते। दुनिया अक्षर अक्षर अक्षरता
को उन्-धकार होता। कोई अविष्कार न होता।
नैतिक अनैतिक का ज्ञान ना होता। हमारी
भ्रष्टाचार के प्रति आस्था न होती। हमें
शुक्ति शिवालय और अपने संस्कारों के बारे
में पता न होता। हमें हमें अपने देश की
या अन्य कि सभ्यता का ज्ञान न
होता और उनके नाम न पता होते। हमें
अपने अविष्कारों और केशवप्रथ-कृतियों
का ज्ञान न होता। दैनिक जीवन में इसन-
उस्तेमास को जाने वाली पशुओं का विकास
न हो पाता। हमारा जीवन पशुओं के समान
होता। हमारे घर न होते। पशुओं को पकाने
का ज्ञान न होता। बिजली न होती।
लोगों को रोकथाम का पता न होता।
विज्ञानिक चीजों के पशुओं कि खोज न होती।
दुनिया में बड़ी बड़ी इमारतें न होती।

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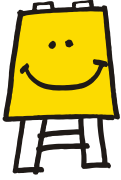
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As citizens of India, each one of us has the right to monitor the work of the government and we also have the responsibility help to make our society equitable, efficient, and effective. Every Indian man, woman and child deserves a vibrant democratic society based on Izzat, Imandari, and Insaaf.

Every Indian wants India to be not only a literate but also an educated country. Every Indian child deserves an equal opportunity to build a good life. Every Indian pays regular taxes to provide elementary education to the children of India. Every Indian also pays 2% cess levied by the Government of India on all central taxes.

Pratham appeals to individuals, organizations, institutions, and businesses to join an effort to create a citizens' Annual Status of Education Report for India. In August 2004, with the help of citizens and NGOs, we led a survey of 19 districts in 17 states of India. We found that percentage of children enrolled in schools is very high (85-90%+) in most states especially in the 6-10 age group. But, in many states, 50% children in Std 2 and above, going to government schools, cannot read even simple sentences. 60% children cannot do simple subtraction, leave alone multiplication and division. For the first time, a number was put to status of basic learning in the country. Pratham did not stop at this analysis, but has been actively working with various state governments to change this reality. We are willing to do more.

ASER is not a negative idea, it is linked with a constructive satyagraha to insist on the right of the citizens to participate in the functioning of the government. We believe that good work done by governments, and there is a lot of it, deserves to be applauded. But governments must also take outcome oriented steps to improve performance of schools.

ASER is an annual effort. It will go on until December 2010 the deadline for achieving quality universal elementary education declared by Government of India.

ASER □ October, 2005

The appeal that went out in October, 2005



A new girl in the class. Tamil Nadu Nov 2005

ASER 2005: CLARIFICATIONS

CLARIFICATIONS:

Only states where all districts were surveyed or almost all districts were surveyed have been ranked in the national pages (p.16). States that were not surveyed fully have not been ranked and are not included in this table.

All school observation information pertains to ONLY GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS in the surveyed villages. Private schools were not visited and therefore no observation data on private schools was collected.

Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Jammu & Kashmir, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, and Tripura have been allocated two instead of four pages in the report due to partial coverage of districts. Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu and Goa too had few districts.

The following districts have very little data available on standard of the child. Therefore, results from these districts should be regarded as anomalous:

- o Andhra Pradesh — Khammam;
- o Assam — Sonitpur;
- o Chhatisgarh — Durg;
- o Madhya Pradesh — Ujjain, Indore, Shahdol and Barwani;
- o Tamil Nadu — Erode.

Pupil-teacher ratio (PTR) based on enrollment is the ratio of enrolled children to appointed teachers. PTR based on attendance is the ratio of children to teachers attending on the day of the survey.

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ASER: The idea

Madhav Chavan

The picture on the opposite page is a snapshot of a scene on a particular day in November '05.

ASER2005 is a collective snapshot taken by about twenty thousand volunteers between November 14 and December 20, 2005. It represents reality at that point but we sense that the reality is changing. We intend to participate in that change, accelerate it, and shape it, because we believe that as citizens, it is our self-evident right and responsibility to do so. ASER is a declaration of this right and the responsibility that goes with it.

The picture on the facing page could raise many questions. Why is the boy carrying the burden? Why is the volunteer testing him with his burden on his head? Why on the road? What are the school-boy's thoughts? Why did the photographer take a picture of a boy?

ASER2005 looks at some simple basic indicators. Our report will lead to many questions too. But some facts will stand clear like the burden on the boy's head, and the schoolbag on the other boy's back.

This Report consists mainly of tables, charts, and graphs in addition to a few notes on the methodology. There is very little textual analysis and commentary. This is because first of all, the facts speak for themselves. Secondly, we had set ourselves a deadline of publication before the Republic Day of 2006, which did not leave much time for detailed analysis. Following this Report, we intend to launch a periodical called "ASER Discussions" to further analyze the data and to improve the subsequent ASERs.

The young people of ASER experienced a oneness of India in its villages that we could not capture in this report. Young women from Delhi went to remote areas of the Hilly North and the Northeast, the plains of Haryana, Punjab, and UP. Everywhere they were greeted with great warmth in every home. Other men and women from the East, West and South ventured into 'dangerous' territories where there is no evidence of government. Social networks came alive in many places where neither NGOs nor college contacts were readily available. Volunteers were greeted in every village, every school, and every home warmly. The act of testing brought many people together. Children wanted to be tested. Mothers wanted children tested. "Can my child read?"

The idea behind ASER is not just to take a snapshot for display or to merely make a statement. It is more than that. This is our country, these are our children, and the snapshot is to inform ourselves, the people of India, so that we understand the situation first hand and act to change the picture. The ASER results will be taken back to the districts and villages so that people can think about what to do next. We will extend a helping hand to the various levels of government to change the situation.

The issues of development of a modern democracy are linked with every problem of India one can think of. Education is no exception. Evidence-based discussions should be an important component in the development of democracy. In the absence of clear, consistent, and credible data such discussions are impossible. Recently governments have started commissioning independent third party evaluations and assessments. In that case, is ASER needed? If ASER was a small research agency, it would be redundant. But as a movement that takes scientific methods of assessment and analysis to large numbers of ordinary people and demystifies them, ASER has its own place.

On October 2, 2005, when the first email about ASER went out to five people in Pratham, we sort of knew we could do it. But, having reached and touched 84% of rural India at a breakneck speed, I can say on behalf of every person who became a part of ASER that we are proud of the effort and the result.

Set the ball rolling...

Vimala Ramchandran¹

Over the years people engaged with elementary education have been wrestling with tools to make a realistic assessment of both provisions (teachers, schools, facilities) and outcomes (learning). Given the size and enormous diversity of India, this has remained a huge challenge. At periodic intervals sample surveys like NSS and NFHS have generated information on children attending school and mean years of schooling, which have been used by different constituencies to illustrate the progress or lack of it in the education sector. Equally national research studies like PROBE (1999) or state specific studies like Pratiche Education report (2002) have drawn the attention of the government to school participation, teacher availability, attendance and learning¹. Similarly donor sponsored studies – for example on teacher absence – have also turned the spotlight on some important issues. Commissioned studies done under the aegis of District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) and, now Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) have also been valuable additions to our knowledge base.

While some of these studies have drawn flack from official quarters they have nevertheless forced attention on both the dismal situation in large parts of the country and the success stories notably the near universal school participation in Himachal Pradesh. The government has also made commendable efforts to fine-tune official DISE statistics and the ten-yearly educational survey (NCERT) to capture progress towards educational objectives. At the same time the government has also admitted the limitations of data generated by the system. Most recently Government of India commissioned a sample survey to estimate the number of out-of-school children². This is indeed a welcome step because comparing system generated statistics with information generated through sample survey would indeed give us valuable insights into the situation on the ground.

Notwithstanding the range and wealth of information generated on different aspects of elementary education, there has been a growing realisation that periodic independent assessment of where we are with respect to both provision as well as outcomes is necessary. It is in this context that ASER 2005 initiated by Pratham is valuable. The survey is commendable not only because it has been done in 485 districts across the country but because it involved a wide range of people – from local voluntary organisations to ordinary citizens who volunteered to participate in the survey. Among the little known facts of ASER is that 373 districts were paid for by individual donors or institutions who contributed Rs 500 to Rs 10,000 each to cover the cost of the survey. Voluntary and social action groups joined in as partners with close to 776 small and big groups joining the effort in different ways.

The survey consisted of three parts – household level interviews, testing of children (using tests to assess ability to read and to do simple arithmetic at the class 2 level) and status of government schools. This may seem very simplistic to many people in the academia. Equally educationists used to debating the fine points of learning and testing may express their outrage at such an endeavour. Yet discussions with people involved in the survey revealed that they felt that even such basic testing (of reading paragraph and story and subtraction and division in arithmetic) drew the attention of the parents and community leaders to whether children were learning.

The findings of ASER are quite interesting. While there have really not been any big surprises with respect to enrolment, the most disturbing finding is that close to 1.2 crore children are still out of school! The situation in Bihar (13.5%), Rajasthan (10.4%), Jharkhand (9.8%) and even Andhra Pradesh (7.4%) is quite worrisome. Almost 8 years of DPEP and 3 years of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan –

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² (1) Pratiche (India) Trust: The Pratiche Education Report, New Delhi 2002 and PROBE Report. 1999. (2) Public Report on Basic Education in India. Delhi: Oxford University Press. (3) Jha, Jyotsna and Dhir Jhingran, Elementary Education for the Poorest and other Deprived Groups, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi 2002, (4) Vasavi, A. R. and K. Chamraj. 2000. Community-School Interlinks: Preliminary Report of a Socio-anthropological Study of Primary Education in Five Districts of Karnataka. Bangalore. National Institute of Advances Studies. (5) Ramachandran, Vimala (ed): Hierarchies of Access: Gender and Social Equity in Primary Education in India, Sage Publications, 2004.

³ Apparently the report has just been submitted by IMRB.

apart from state specific projects like Andhra Pradesh Primary Education Project (1987-1994), Bihar Education Project (1991 till it merged with DPEP in 1994), Rajasthan Shiksha Karmi Project (1987 to 2003) and Rajasthan Lok Jumbish (1992 to 2004) – seem to have had limited impact.

The good news is that the gender gap in the percentage of out of school children has come down. Till 2001 it was estimated that over 65% of out of school children were girls. Now it is 52% (6-10 age) and 55% (11-14 age). Another good news is that 77.2% teachers were found to be present in the school and that only 8.3% of primary schools and 7.5% of upper primary schools did not have teachers. In several states 100% of teachers appointed to the surveyed school were present on the day of visit. The flip side is also interesting – 37.2% of primary schools and 25% of upper primary schools (government schools) visited in Kerala did not have any teacher present on the day of visit!

ASER has confirmed that the percentage of boys to girls in private school is skewed in favour of the former. While the all-India proportion is 60:40, state-wise differences are significant. The ratio worsens as we move north of the Narmada towards Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and so on. Some preference is demonstrated in more ways than sex-selective abortions.

The alarming findings relate to reading and arithmetic. ASER did not test children for age or grade specific competency. It tested the ability of children to read (a simple paragraph or story pitched at grade 2 level). Close to 35% of children in the 7-14 age group could not read a simple paragraph (grade 1 level difficulty) and almost 60% of children could not read a simple story (grade 2 level difficulty). The huge surprise is that the situation in Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Gujarat (where the schools function and where all provision related indicators are good) are far worse than Bihar, and Chhattisgarh (where indicators like teacher-pupil ratio, drop out rates and schooling facilities are abysmal). The percentage point difference between government and private schools is approximately 10. Which means that almost 30% of children in private schools cannot read grade one level paragraphs.

The situation with respect to mathematics is also quite alarming. Our IT hubs like Karnataka and Tamil Nadu need to seriously think about the way mathematics is taught in schools – government as well as private. Similarly, despite so many years of back-to-school programmes and bridge courses in Andhra Pradesh, the percentage of out of school children is indeed worrying. This is particularly alarming in the light of girl child labour in cottonseed farms and in cotton plucking. Here is a state that traverses a pre-industrial agrarian situation with a highly modern information technology industry.

We need to interpret these findings with caution. It has to be noted that while a significant proportion children entering class 1 reach class 5 in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, the drop out rate in Bihar is high. Furthermore only around 51.8% of enrolled children attend school regularly. Therefore (unlike TN and Karnataka) the ones who have reached class 5 are not only a self-selected group but they are the ones who are highly motivated. These findings may just be revealing a small tip of the iceberg. There is an urgent need to study when and how good provisions (classrooms, teachers, textbooks, mid day meal and so on) translate into outcomes in learning and in ability of children to complete schooling.

The data generated by ASER needs far more rigorous analysis and that would be done in the coming months. The single most important contribution of ASER is that an independent group got together an interesting range of individuals and organisations to find out what is really happening to our children. Creating a space for independent (neither government sponsored or donor driven) assessment of India's progress towards universal elementary education is invaluable. This effort could perhaps encourage groups across the country to initiate similar audit of education, child development, health and indeed many other dimensions of development.

From : Mysore
Date: November 11, 2005

The local people surrounding the following 2 villages in Chikamagalur district of Karnataka are of the opinion that it may be difficult for the volunteers to approach them for survey.

Recently a police van was blown up. The situation at present is a bit tensed. We hope the situation will ease out in the next few days in which case the same villages will be surveyed with police assistance. If the situation continues to be tense, we may please be suggested alternative villages for replacement, which may be considered only in case it is absolutely necessary.

From Uttar Pradesh:

One volunteer: "People say nobody can enter these villages. These are villages of *dacoits*. I am afraid... but I want to survey the villages... shall I go??... I want to go..." The village was surveyed.

Another on mobile phone: "Please talk to this Inspector. We have been brought to the police station and they won't let us go. It is getting late. We will not be able to survey if it gets dark.... They think we boys and girls are up to no good. I have told them everything about what we are doing..". The Inspector promised to cooperate. But the volunteers could leave only by 3:30 pm. Survey went on well after sunset... the villagers gave food.

From: Madhya Pradesh
Conversations with team

Sometimes it is hard work to find the villages that have been selected for the survey. Frequently, the names of villages as they are known locally are different from the names given in the census. The village list from the census is in English but in Hindi the name sounds different. This makes many villages difficult to find. Volunteers ask directions from locals in nearby villages, from hospitals, police stations and government offices, from petrol bunks and even from passing truck drivers. In Bhopal district of Madhya Pradesh, one survey team spent an entire day looking for a village whose name was slightly misspelled in the census. After travelling 80 km in the wrong direction, a policeman from the police headquarters of a particular block who happened to come from that village finally escorted them there.

From: Tamil Nadu
Date: 3/12/2005 2:40 pm

We have problem in Cuddalore district. Survey for all 20 villages were completed on 20 and 21 of Nov. But because of heavy rains and floods, the houses of many of our volunteers (Tutors of Vidyarambam) have got heavily damaged and they all have shifted to relief camps. We could not establish contact with most of them and as such we are not sure of the fate of ASER survey report. Hopefully the papers are intact. Similarly there are damages in Thanjavur, Nagapattinam, Trichy and Perambalur districts. Today I am personally leading a team to Cuddalore to assess the damage.

Choosing villages

Rukmini Banerji

Sitting with a map of India, looking at the length and breadth of the country, mountains in the north, forests and ravines in the centre, densely populated plains, arid and thinly populated desert lands in the west, fertile belts in along the southern coasts ASER 2005 was to be a snapshot of the status of schooling and learning in the country; the effort reliably capturing the rich diversity of rural India.

How many villages should we go to in each district? How should these villages be chosen? Should the same strategy for choosing villages be used for remote sparsely peopled areas as they are for crowded and accessible regions? To reach deep into each district and spread wide across rural India, a large sample size was needed. If all districts in a state could not be done, would the districts that were done still count for something? But how large did the sample size need to be to generate reliable district level estimates so that the ASER report of each district level could represent the current schooling and learning experiences of children.

The search and the research began. Consulting sampling experts, meeting professors in universities, statisticians in research institutions, survey organizations, looking up Census of India, National Sample Survey, absorbing technical reports, statistics textbooks, weighing options and alternatives... finally decisions were taken.

Using villages lists from the 2001 census, villages were selected randomly within each district using probability proportional to size method of sampling (PPS)¹. Some villages were easily accessible by public transport, in other cases teams had to walk long distances to remote villages. Volunteers traveled for a day or more into the Thar desert in Rajasthan, in the mountains of Uttaranchal, and across jungles near the Myanmar border to survey villages. In a few cases, ASER teams needed security escort to venture into dangerous or disturbed areas. Only in rare or specific instances were villages or districts omitted from the survey; this typically happened because of security concerns, inaccessibility, or harsh weather.

The names on the map of India begin to assume great significance. These are places that we have to go to. There are so many names that do not show up on the map but we know they are there because they are on our village lists. Villages are being found. Small settlements and big villages; villages with scattered hamlet.....from Thiruvananthapuram and Kanyakumari in the southern tip of the country to Leh and Kargil in Ladakh, Rajouri and Poonch in Jammu, to Tinsukia in Assam, East Siang in Arunachal and Kutch near the Arabian Sea.

509 rural districts participated in ASER 2005; data from 485 districts has been used in this report. More than 9521 villages across the country were visited.

¹MODE provided technical advice on sampling for ASER 2005. See annexure for technical details of sampling design.

What to do in the village

These were the instructions given to all participants in ASER 2005. The instructions have been translated into over 15 languages and executed in 28 states and union territories

TASK 1: HOW TO MAKE A MAP

- ❑ Contact Sarpanch: Introduce yourself to the Sarpanch or to other senior members of the panchayat. Tell them about ASER. Ask them for information about schools in the village and around the village. Get the approximate number of households in the village from the Sarpanch.
- ❑ Start mapping: To get to know the village, walk around and start mapping.
 - Talk to people: How many different hamlets/sections are there in the village? Where they are located? What is the estimate of households in each hamlet/section? Tell them about ASER.
 - Map: On the map, show the main landmarks – temples, mosques, river, school, bus-stop, panchayat bhavan, shop etc. Mark the main roads/streets/paths through the village prominently on the map.
- ❑ Marking and numbering sections: If the village has hamlets, then mark the hamlets on the map and number them. If the village is one continuous habitation then divide the entire village in 4 sections. For each hamlet/section, note the estimated number of households. Verify all the information on the map with people in the village as you walk around.

TASK 2: HOW TO SAMPLE HOUSEHOLDS AND CHILDREN TO BE SURVEYED

- ❑ If the village consists of more than 4 different hamlets, then make chits with numbers for each hamlet. Randomly pick 4 chits. If there are 4 or less hamlets, then we will go to all hamlets. If the village is one continuous habitation, then divide the entire village into four quadrants/sections. We will visit each quadrant/section. Outline these sections on the village map.
- ❑ In each hamlet/section of the village, we need to survey all children from 5 households. Thus for the entire village, there will be information for about 20 randomly selected households.
- ❑ In each hamlet/section. Try to find the central point in that habitation. Visit every 5th dwelling in the habitation (e.g. 1st house, 6th house, 11th house ..). Get information about the household. Survey & test every child between the ages of 6 and 14 in that household. Stop after you have completed 5 households in that section. If you have reached the end of the section, go around again using the same every 5th household rule.
- ❑ Now move to the next selected hamlet/quadrant. Follow the same process.
- ❑ If the selected dwelling is closed or if there is no body at home, note that down on your survey sheet as “house closed” move to the next house. Continue until you have 5 households in which there were inhabitants, Note down information about the household. Test children from 6 up to the age of 14.
- ❑ Make sure that you go to households on a Sunday or holiday when children are likely to be home.

In each sampled dwelling:

- o Joint families: There may be a joint family, with several brothers, their wives and children. Make sure that you get all children in the age group 6 to 14 in the selected households.
- o Older children: Ask members of the household and neighbours about who all live in the household on a regular basis. (Do not survey children who are visiting). Often older girls and boys (in the age group 11 to 14) may not be thought of as children. Often such children are busy working in the household or in the fields. Ask family members to call them so that you can speak to them directly. If they do not come immediately, mark that household and revisit it once you are done surveying the other households. If there are children in the family but not in the village at present, note down the details in the survey sheet.

Children and adults are usually curious about the testing process and want to participate. Many children may come up to you and want to be included. Do not discourage children who want to be tested. You can interact with them. But concentrate on the fact that data must be noted down ONLY for children from households that have been randomly selected.

TASK 3: WHAT TO DO IN THE SCHOOL ?

Introduce yourselves to the Headmaster/mistress and teachers. Tell them about ASER.

Spend at least one hour in the school. Observe keenly what you see in the school. Both team members must agree on the observations of basic conditions of school infrastructure and functioning.

Make sure that children in the school are not nervous. Talk to them, chat with them and put them at ease.....

MAKE SURE THAT EACH VOLUNTEER IS NEATLY DRESSED, TALKS POLITELY AND IS ABLE TO TALK ABOUT ASER 2005. MOST OF ALL ENJOY YOURSELF AND MAKE SURE THAT CHILDREN ENJOY TOO.....

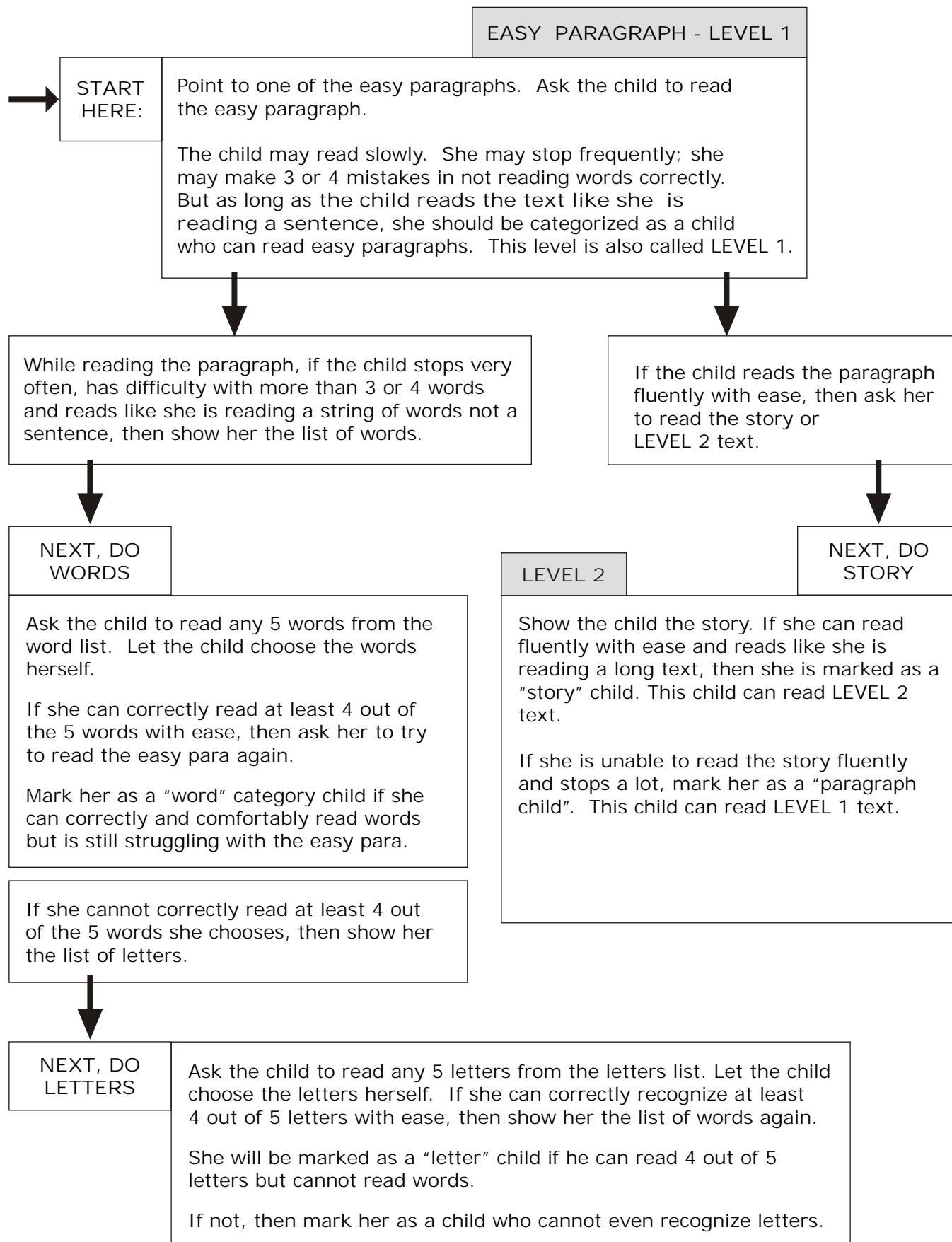
Reading tasks for Rani

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	खिलौना

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Children are assessed as being in one of the following five categories: Level 2 (story), Level 1 (easy paragraph), Word, Letter, Not able to recognize letters.

How to test reading. Can Rani read?



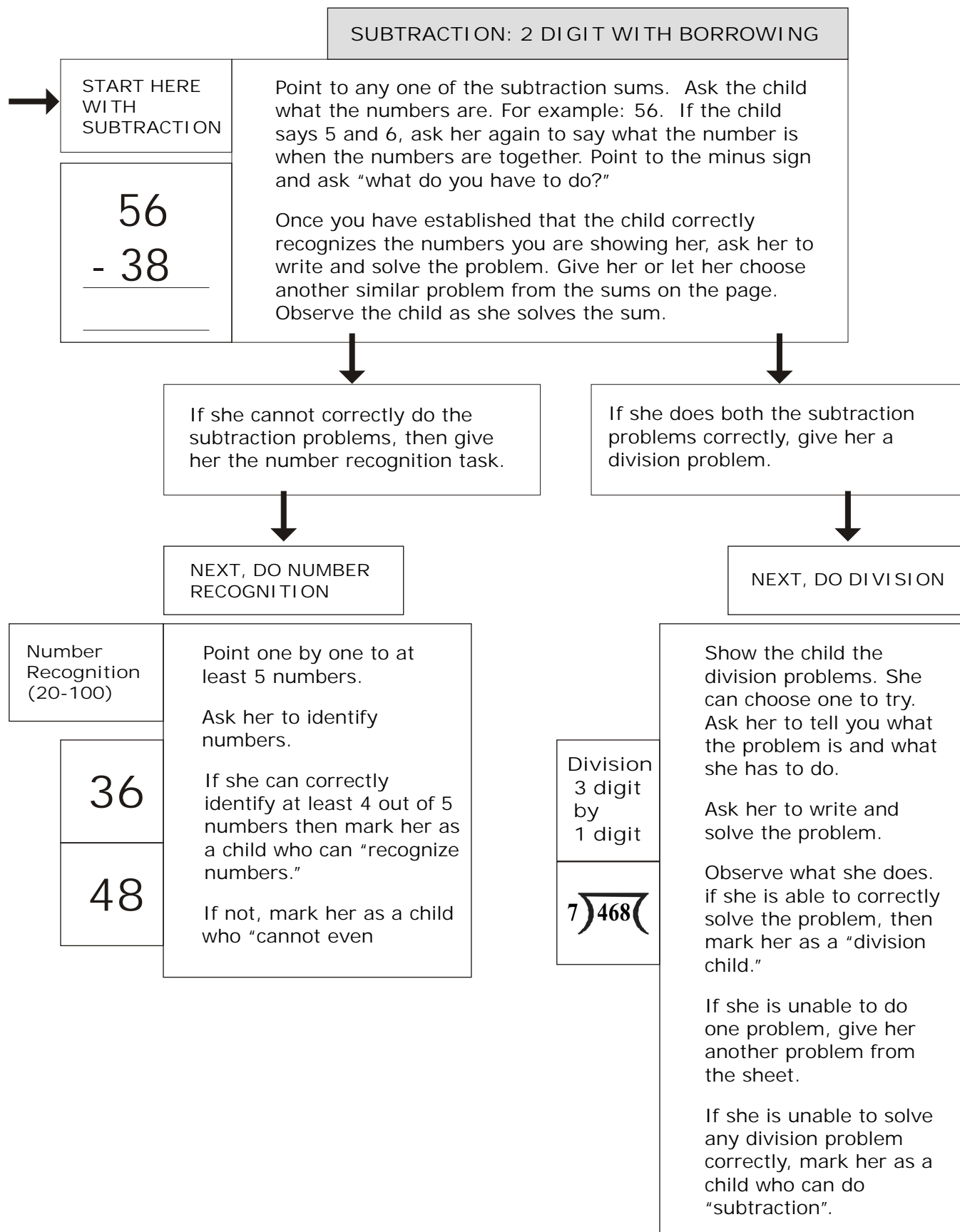
Arithmetic tasks for Rani

Make sure children are relaxed. Chat with them : ask them ~ who is their best friend, what is their favourite game ... Playing simple games may also help. When the child seems relaxed then you can introduce the testing tasks. Give children time to become familiar with the tool and the task. Each tester has several sample tests. Let the child practice for a few minutes with one sample paper. For actual testing use a different one. If the child makes a mistake, let her have another chance. Show her a different problem. If she is struggling with subtraction, take her to number recognition and then come back to subtraction. Work with the child, until you are sure of what the child is able to do comfortably and confidently.



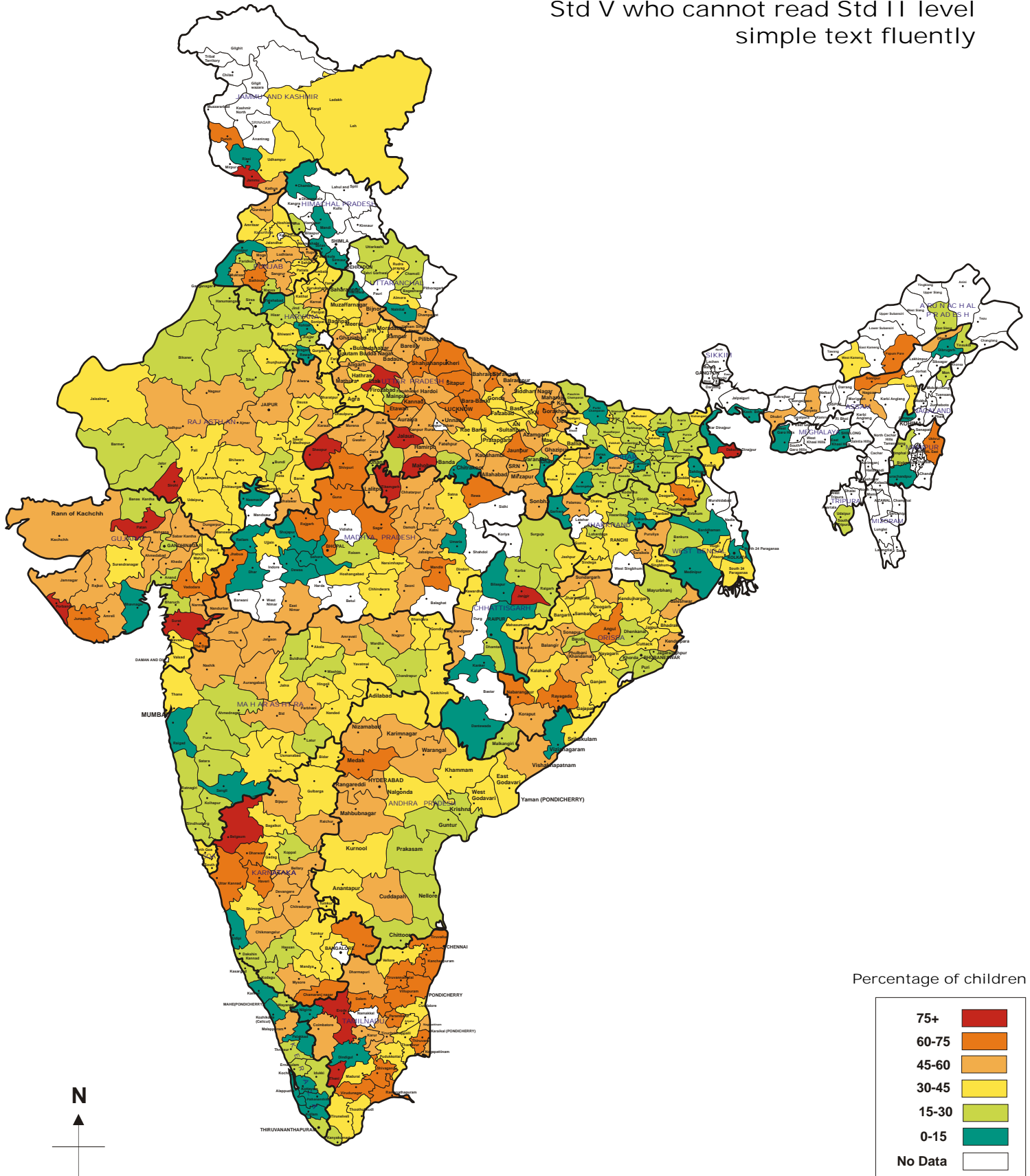
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64	48	$\begin{array}{r} 45 \\ - 18 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 75 \\ - 37 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$5 \overline{) 274}$
33	76	$\begin{array}{r} 63 \\ - 47 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 94 \\ - 65 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$8 \overline{) 495}$
45	81	$\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ - 68 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ - 46 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$3 \overline{) 175}$
56	99	$\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ - 68 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ - 46 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$3 \overline{) 175}$
Ask any 5. Of 5, 4 must be correct		Ask any 2. Both must be correct		Ask any 1, it must be correct

How to test arithmetic. Can Rani do arithmetic?



INDIA Rural

Districtwise percentage of children in Std V who cannot read Std II level simple text fluently



Maps may not be accurate or to-scale. These are mere representations.

HOW TO READ THE TABLES: READING

In the learning section of the report, some of the tables have been presented in terms of children who can do certain reading tasks and some others in terms of children who cannot do these tasks. Since the numbers may not be obvious to the reader an explanation of how to read them is given below.

Reading: Children were tested on 5 levels of reading:

- The highest level (referred to as Level-2 in the ASER report) was whether they could read a simple “story” with long sentences of standard II difficulty.
- The next level (referred to as Level-1 in the ASER report) was a small “paragraph” with short sentences of standard I difficulty.
- The subsequent level was word recognition.
- The most basic level of reading was letter recognition.
- Finally, if the child could not even recognize letters of the alphabet, he/she was designated as a non-reader.

Note that children, who can read a simple story of standard II level may be capable of higher levels of reading. Therefore, the estimates in the learning tables were presented in terms of children who cannot do certain levels in reading.

EXAMPLE: Look at the table below that refers to reading levels of children in different standards. These tables were used to generate the learning curve graphs.

Std	Percentage of children who can read....						In this table, of all children in standard VIII:
	Nothing	Alphabets	Word	Para LEVEL-1	Story LEVEL-2	Total	
	These are children who cannot read level-2						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 8.72% can read a level 1 paragraph, and <input type="checkbox"/> 85.64% can read a level 2 story
I	42.36	32.16	15.53	4.77	5.19	100	<p>Therefore, in standard VIII, the percentage of children who :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> cannot read a level 2 story is the sum of those who can read nothing, those who recognize alphabets, those who recognize words and finally those who can read a paragraph of level 1 difficulty ($14.36\% = 1.74 + 1.39 + 2.51 + 8.72$). <input type="checkbox"/> Similarly the percentage of children who cannot read a level 1 paragraph is the sum of those who can read nothing, those who recognize alphabets, and those who recognize words ($5.64\% = 1.74 + 1.39 + 2.51$).
II	18.04	28.25	26.71	14.38	12.61	100	
III	9.2	16.61	22.76	24.19	27.24	100	
IV	5.09	9.33	14.63	24.57	46.39	100	
V	3.92	5.69	9.78	20.82	59.79	100	
VI	2.78	3.42	6.41	15.66	71.73	100	
VII	2.25	2.10	4.11	11.46	80.07	100	
VIII	1.74	1.39	2.51	8.72	85.64	100	
	11.77	14.05	14.53	16.59	43.06	100	
	These are children who cannot read EVEN level-1						

HOW TO READ THE TABLES: ARITHMETIC

In the learning section of the report, some of the tables have been presented in terms of children who can do certain arithmetic tasks and some others in terms of children who cannot do these tasks. Since the numbers may not be obvious to the reader an explanation of how to read them is given below.

Arithmetic: Children were tested on 4 levels of arithmetic:

- The highest level was whether they could divide a 3 digit number by a 1 single digit number.
- The next level was 2 digit subtraction with borrowing.
- The subsequent level was number recognition between 1 - 100.
- If the child could not even recognize numbers, he/she was classified as a child who could not recognize numbers.

Note that children, who can divide a 3 digit number by a single digit number, might be capable of higher levels of arithmetic.

EXAMPLE: Look at the table below that refers to arithmetic levels of children in different standards. These tables were used to generate the learning curve graphs

Std	Children who can solve					Of all children in standard VIII: <input type="checkbox"/> 17.78% can do subtraction, and <input type="checkbox"/> 69.02% can divide. Therefore, in class VIII, the percentage of children who cannot divide is the sum of those who cannot even recognize numbers, those who can recognize numbers, and those who can do subtraction (30.98% = 3.59 + 9.61 + 17.78). Similarly the percentage of children who cannot subtract or divide is the sum of those who cannot even recognize numbers and those who can recognize numbers but cannot do subtraction (13.2% = 3.59 + 9.61).
	Nothing	Number-recognition	Subtraction	Division	Total	
	These children cannot do division					
I	57.87	33.69	5.53	2.90	100	
II	32.08	44.77	16.97	6.18	100	
III	18.14	35.59	31.66	14.61	100	
IV	11.53	24.17	33.43	30.86	100	
V	8.60	18.50	29.52	43.38	100	
VI	6.00	14.24	26.02	53.74	100	
VII	4.73	11.81	21.31	62.16	100	
VIII	3.59	9.61	17.78	69.02	100	
	19.60	26.36	23.49	30.56	100	
These children cannot do subtraction (n) or division.			Can do up to subtraction but not division	Can do division AND subtraction		

The National picture

Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	75.1	16.3	0.9	1.0	3.7	2.9	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	77.8	15.5	1.0	1.2	3.4	1.2	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	71.6	17.7	0.8	0.6	3.8	5.4	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	76.9	17.0	1.0	1.1	2.9	1.1	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	78.8	13.7	1.1	1.2	3.9	1.3	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	72.0	19.1	0.8	0.6	3.0	4.7	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	71.2	16.1	0.9	0.6	4.8	6.4	100

Out-of-school children

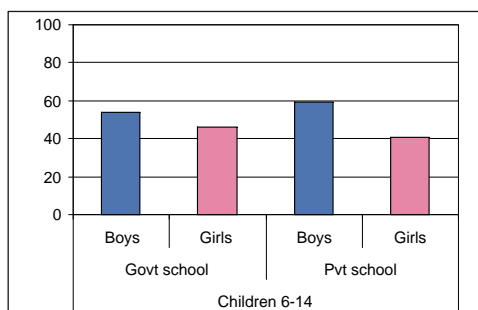
Rank	State	% Out-of-school children
1	Goa	0.3
2	Kerala	1.6
3	Karnataka	1.9
4	Uttaranchal	2.0
5	Tamil Nadu	2.7
6	Maharashtra	2.8
7	Gujarat	3.6
8	Madhya Pradesh	4.0
9	Punjab	4.3

Rank	State	% Out-of-school children
10	West Bengal	4.4
11	Chhattisgarh	4.7
12	Haryana	5.3
13	Uttar Pradesh	7.3
14	Andhra Pradesh	7.4
15	Orissa	8.9
16	Jharkhand	9.8
17	Rajasthan	10.4
18	Bihar	13.5
All India		6.6

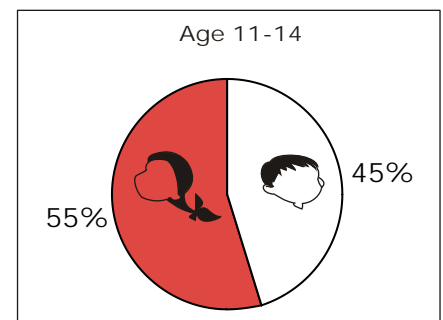
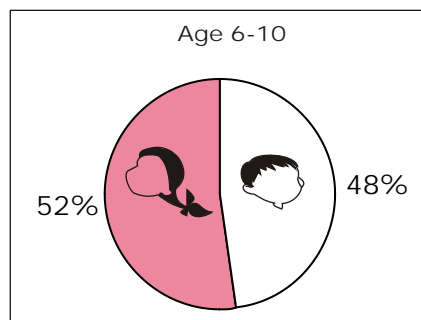
Other states were not surveyed fully and are therefore not included in this table.

Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



ASER 2005: ALL INDIA FINDINGS (rural)

To guarantee that all children (6 to 14) enroll in school, stay in school through the elementary stage and receive education of satisfactory quality, the Government of India has launched a massive nation-wide program of universalising elementary education. The objectives of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) are¹:

All children in school, Education Guarantee Centre, Alternate School, ' Back-to-School' camp by 2003;

All children complete five years of primary schooling by 2007

All children complete eight years of elementary schooling by 2010

Focus on elementary education of satisfactory quality with emphasis on education for life

Bridge all gender and social category gaps at primary stage by 2007 and at elementary education level by 2010

Universal retention by 2010

What does ASER 2005 say about India's progress towards these goals?

ENROLLMENT:

93.4% children in 6 to 14 age group are enrolled in school.

75.1% of children in the 6-14 age group are enrolled in government schools and 16.3% in private schools (aided + unaided). A very small proportion (around 1% each) are enrolled in madarssa, EGS and alternate schools.

In some states, a substantial portion of children in this age group goes to private schools. In some states one third to one fifth of all children (6-14) go to private schools. For example: Haryana (34.5%), Uttar Pradesh (28%), Punjab (25.5%), Kerala (22.4%) and Rajasthan (21.9%).

OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN:

6.6% children in the 6-14 age group are not in school. This fact cannot be ignored. More than half of these out of school children were never enrolled in school.

ASER 2005 estimates of out of school children are based on population figures from the 2001 census.

These estimates indicate that about 12.5 million children are not in school based on latest population projection by the census. These include never-enrolled and dropped out children.

Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Orissa account for 71.2% of all out of school children.

There are considerable state wise variations in the proportion of children out of school: several states such as Kerala, Karnataka, Uttaranchal, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Goa and Gujarat have less than 4% children in the 6 to 14 age group out of school. Only Rajasthan and Bihar have more than 10% children out of school.

¹ <http://ssa.nic.in/ssafam.asp#1.0>

Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	34.9	51.9	41.0	65.5
Age : 7-10 ALL	48.2	67.6	53.6	79.4
Age : 11-14 ALL	17.3	31.0	24.3	47.0
Govt : Std II-V	43.9	65.2	49.6	77.8
Pvt : Std II-V	31.9	52.2	37.9	66.7
Govt : Std VI-VIII	9.4	22.2	17.0	40.0
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	6.7	16.7	14.6	33.4

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.
Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	42.1	32.5	15.6	4.8	5.0	100
II	17.3	28.4	27.0	14.6	12.8	100
III	8.5	16.4	22.8	24.5	27.8	100
IV	4.6	9.2	14.6	24.7	47.0	100
V	3.1	5.3	9.5	20.7	61.3	100
VI	2.4	3.3	6.3	15.5	72.6	100
VII	1.8	2.0	3.9	11.3	81.0	100
VIII	1.5	1.3	2.4	8.4	86.4	100
Total	11.3	14.1	14.5	16.6	43.6	100

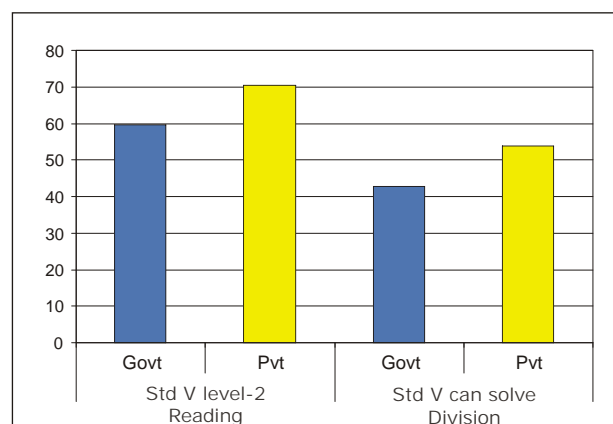
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	57.6	34.0	5.6	2.8	100
II	31.3	45.2	17.2	6.3	100
III	17.4	35.6	32.1	15.0	100
IV	10.9	24.1	33.8	31.2	100
V	7.5	18.1	29.9	44.6	100
VI	5.5	14.1	26.0	54.5	100
VII	4.3	11.5	21.2	63.1	100
VIII	3.3	9.3	17.5	69.8	100
Total	19.0	26.4	23.7	30.9	100

Performance of top five and bottom five states in India based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std V CANNOT solve division
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Kerala	18.5	West Bengal	26.3
Uttaranchal	20.5	Haryana	35.8
Chhatisgarh	24.4	Bihar	36.8
WestBengal	24.5	Uttaranchal	39.8
Bihar	26.9	Chhatisgarh	41.3
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Tamil Nadu	49.3	Karnataka	75.7
UP	48.7	Tamil Nadu	68.2
Karnataka	48.7	Orissa	68.1
Gujarat	48.3	UP	66.8
Madhya Pradesh	48.0	Madhya Pradesh	62.0

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



GENDER DIFFERENCES:

60% of students in private schools are boys.

There are noteworthy state differences. At one end we have Rajasthan and Uttaranchal where the proportion of boys in private schools is over 65% and at the other end in Kerala where proportion of girls is 51%. Boys and girls are almost even in Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Maharashtra.

Girls as a percentage of all out-of-school children 6-14 are 52.8% (52.3% 6-10 and 55% 11-14).

LEARNING: READING

ASER records basic reading levels as:

Level 1 is the ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences at standard I level of difficulty.

Level 2 is the ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences with standard II level of difficulty.

35% of all children in the age group 7-14 could not read simple paragraphs (Level 1 text) and close to 52% could not read a short story (Level 2 text).

In the 7-10 age group, this number is higher with 48.2% children unable to read Level 1 paragraphs and almost 68% unable to read Level 2 stories. For older children in the age group 11-14, 17.2% could not read easy paragraphs (Level 1) and 31% could not read stories (at Level 2).

44% children studying in standard II to V in government schools cannot read easy paragraphs (Level 1). In private schools in standard II to V, this number is somewhat lower at 32%. A much higher proportion in both types of schools (65.3 in government and 52.4 in private) cannot read Level 2 stories.

Although many more children in higher classes (standard 6 to 8) can read, there are still 22% children in government schools and 17% in private schools who cannot read standard II level text.

There are wide state-wise variations in reading ability. For example, among children currently studying in standard V, only 25% or fewer children are unable to read Level 2 text in Kerala, Uttaranchal, Chattisgarh and West Bengal. But the proportion of children unable to read (Level 2) is substantially higher: close to 50% children in Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh cannot read simple 'story' text. Bihar features in the top five states when ranked by standard V children's ability to read.

Note : Only states where all or almost all districts that have been surveyed are ranked here. States that were not fully surveyed are not ranked here.

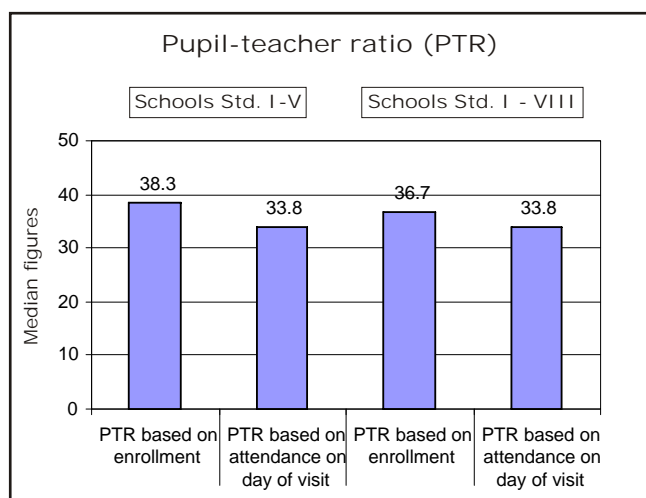
LEARNING: ARITHMETIC

41% of children in the 7 to 14 age group are unable do either the two digit subtraction problem

Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	4895	3552
% teachers attending (average)	74.9	74.6
% of schools with NO teachers present	9.5	8.4
% of schools with ALL teachers present	50.9	36.5

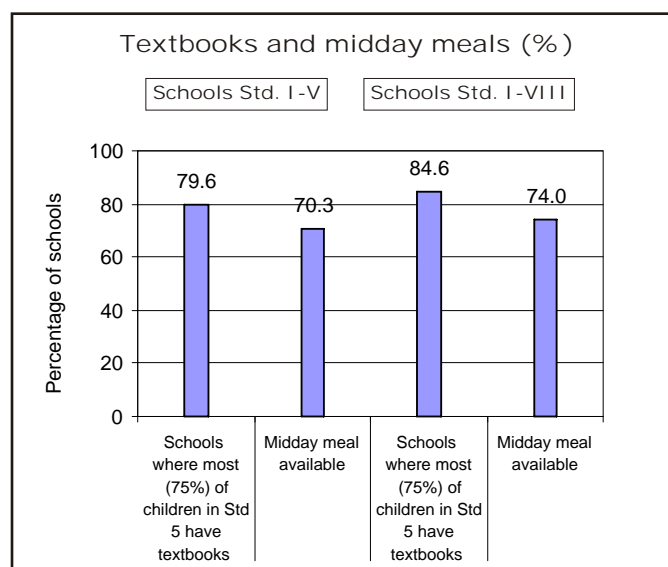
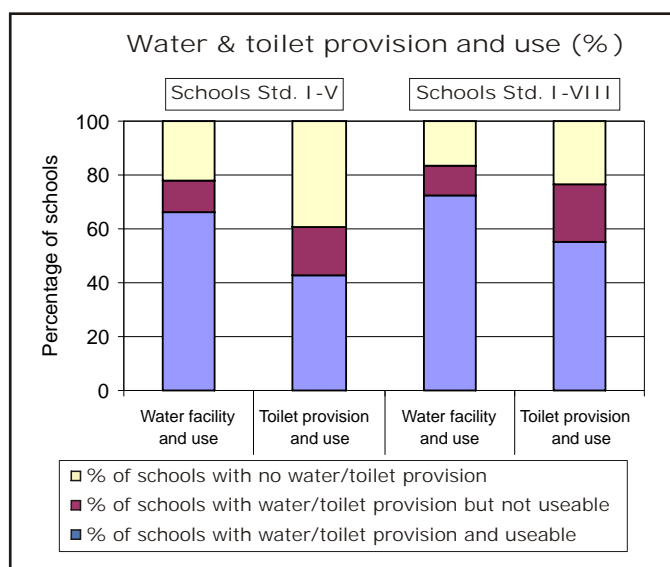
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	4935	3546
% enrolled children attending (average)	70.8	72.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	15.8	14.0



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	13.5	2.7	<=150	18.8	4.8
51-75	12.4	3.1	151-250	30.2	6.7
76-150	32.6	3.7	251-350	22.9	8.1
151-225	21.7	4.3	351-450	11.6	8.8
>225	19.9	5.1	>450	16.5	12.1

Provision and use



24.4% of the same age group could do the subtraction problems (2 digit problem with borrowing) but could not correctly do the division problems that were given to them.

For the younger age group, the numbers are higher: close to 54% cannot do the two-digit subtraction problem. For the older age group (11 to 14), about a quarter of the children could not do either subtraction or division and about half of all children could not do the division problem.

The gap between government and private school is also interesting. Private schools lead by about 12% in the younger age group and by 2.4% in the older age group. Even in private schools in the higher classes (standards VI to VIII) 33.4% children could not do division problems that children are expected to do in primary grades. The picture in government schools is worse with 40% children in standards VI to VIII unable to handle the simple division problem.

The All-India findings indicate that across the board, whether we look at the situation by age or standard or type of school, the level of arithmetic is weak and needs serious improvement.

As with reading, there are significant state-wise variations in arithmetic. For example, the arithmetic ability of standard V children in states like West Bengal, Haryana, Bihar, Uttaranchal and Chhattisgarh have over 50% children who can do the simple division problems. Again, the big surprises are the southern states: Tamil Nadu and Karnataka recording high percentages of children who cannot do the division problem that was given to them.

SCHOOL FUNCTIONING³:

All school observation information pertains only to government schools in the surveyed villages.

Teachers and children:

On average, over 75% teachers were found to be attending on the day of the visit in sampled schools. Less than 10% schools had no teachers and 51 % schools at the primary level and 36% of schools at the upper primary level had all teachers present on the day of the visit.

Children's attendance patterns indicate that approximately 71% of enrolled children in primary schools and close to 73% of children in schools up to standard VIII were in school on the day of the visit.

Bihar recorded the lowest attendance numbers with 51.8 % of enrolled children attending. In several states, the attendance level was between 60% to 70%. These are Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Orissa and Madhya Pradesh. Other states have higher levels. Similar patterns were observed in upper primary schools. Regular and sustained attendance of children in school is clearly an issue in many states.

3 ASER teams visited 9252 government schools. Along with the village visit, the team was asked to pay a visit to the local government primary school. During the school visit, the team got information on enrolled children as well as appointed teachers and para-teachers from the school records register. The team observed the number of children and teachers present. The team also recorded whether there was tap or hand pump in the school premises and whether it was functioning. Similar information about availability and use of toilets, rooms and textbooks was noted. Finally, whether the midday meal was being prepared and served on the day of the visit was also observed. In 460 villages, ASER teams did not find a school that was open on that day.

Performance of all states

State	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Andhra Pradesh	8.0	61.7	48.4
Arunachal Pradesh*	5.0	68.9	58.9
Assam*	7.5	54.8	40.9
Bihar	13.1	73.1	63.2
Chhattisgarh	4.7	75.6	58.7
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.6	35.0	19.5
Daman & Diu	1.7	37.6	35.4
Goa	0.3	68.1	45.3
Gujarat	3.6	51.7	42.6
Haryana	5.3	71.1	64.2
Himachal Pradesh*	1.0	89.6	75.2
Jammu & Kashmir*	2.7	48.7	48.6
Jharkhand	9.8	67.1	47.6
Karnataka	1.9	51.3	24.3

State	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Kerala	1.6	81.5	56.0
Madhya Pradesh	4.0	52.0	38.0
Maharashtra	2.8	67.3	39.5
Manipur*	13.7	74.3	56.3
Meghalaya*	8.1	90.4	71.1
Nagaland*	18.9	81.5	49.7
Orissa	8.9	58.4	31.9
Punjab	4.3	60.4	46.8
Rajasthan	10.4	62.0	47.8
Tamil Nadu	2.7	50.7	31.8
Tripura*	1.8	83.6	57.1
Uttar Pradesh	7.3	51.3	33.2
Uttaranchal	2.0	79.5	60.2
West Bengal	4.4	75.5	73.7
India	6.6	61.3	44.6

*Partial coverage



Pupil-teacher ratio based on attendance (i.e. number of children actually present and number of teachers attending on the day of the visit.) shows that the all India pupil-teacher ratio is well below 40 – with the exception of Uttar Pradesh (49). The picture in schools that are up to the upper primary level (standard I to VII/VIII) reveal a similar pattern – all India is 33.3. Most States have a PTR on the day of the visit of below 50.⁴

At the national level, on average, there is one teacher in a school with enrollment of 50 or less and 2 teachers in schools of 51 to 75 children. However there are many states (like Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Orissa, Jharkhand, Chattisgarh) which have median attendance of only 3 teachers or less in schools where children's enrollment is between 150 and 225.

School facilities – provision and use:

78% of primary schools visited had either a hand pump or a tap. Of these schools 85% had water supply. 60% of schools visited had toilet facilities out of which 70% were usable. (4891 primary schools visited.)

83% of schools up to standard VIII had hand pump or a tap and 87% of those had water supply. 77% had toilets of which 72% were working. While upper primary school had better provisioning, there was not much difference in the proportion of those which are usable / functional. (3541 primary+upper primary schools visited.)

Out of the 8886 schools observed (primary schools and combined primary and upper primary) in more than 80% schools, children in standard V had textbooks.

The picture was very encouraging in several states where most children had textbooks in 90% of schools. This was the case in Rajasthan, W Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. Availability of textbooks was relatively low in primary schools of Bihar (52.4%), Jharkhand (35.1%) and Orissa (32.3%). The overall snapshot of textbook provision is a positive one suggesting that the supply and distribution of textbooks have improved greatly in large areas of the country.

70% of schools visited were preparing or serving mid day meal.

However there are some noteworthy state-wise variations – in Punjab 17.3% (where midday meal program is not yet being implemented on scale), Bihar 38.2%, Goa 46%, Uttar Pradesh 53.6%, Jharkhand 65.5% and Orissa 63.3%. The percentage was highest in Chhattisgarh (95.1%) and Kerala (94.9%).

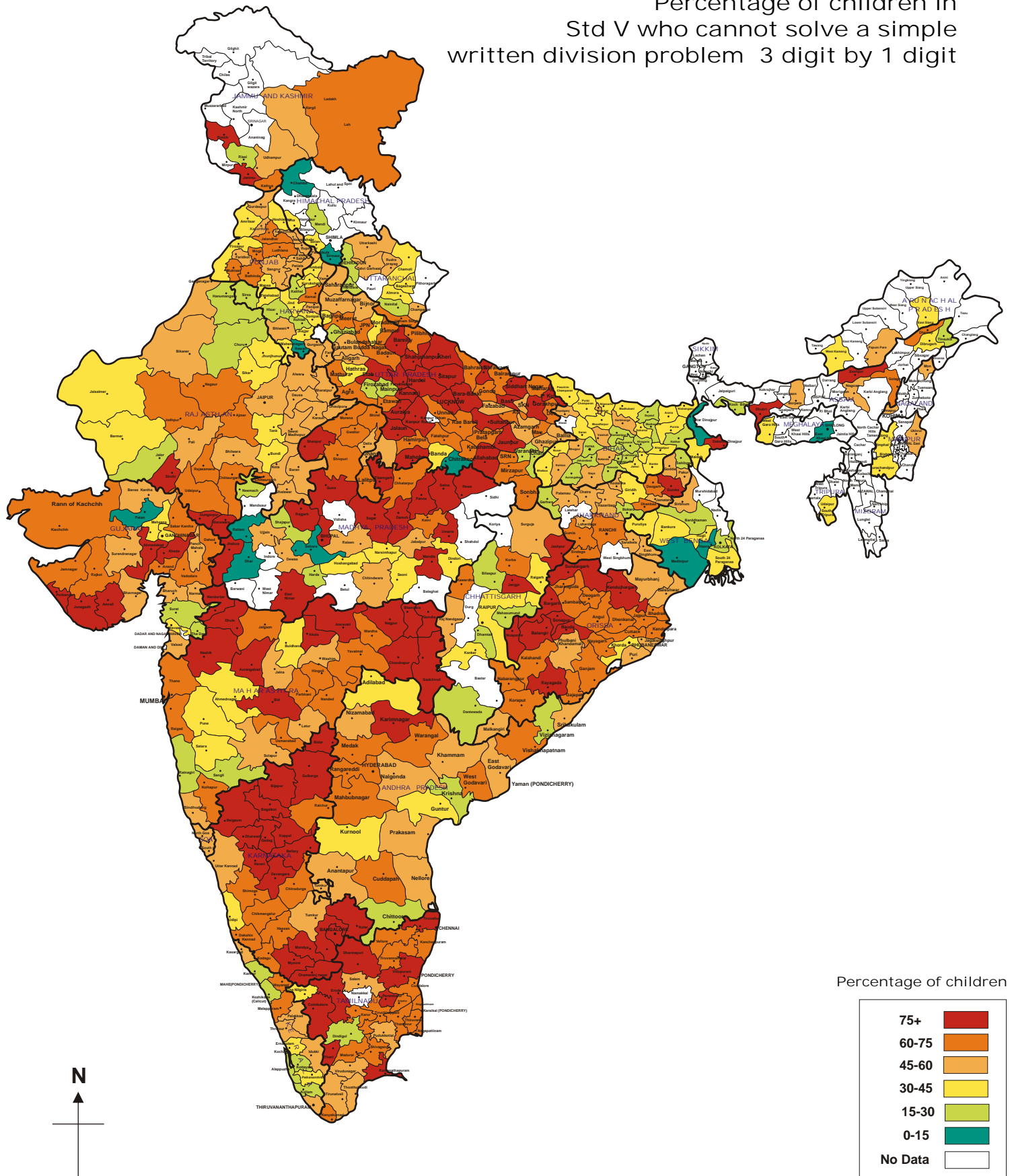
ASER will be conducted on an annual basis until 2010. ASER 2005 shows that enrollment levels are very high in almost all states however the foundations of basic reading and arithmetic needs to be urgently strengthened in the early grades in school. A strong beginning is essential for building a solid foundation for elementary education.

Note : In some districts, very little data was available on "standard of child". Results from these districts should be regarded as anomalous. These are : Khammam (AP), Sonitpur (Assam), Durg (Chhattisgarh), Ujjan, Indore, Shadol and Barwani (MP) and Erode (TN).

4 The information on number of teachers and para-teachers appointed to the school was given to the ASER team by the teachers. If this number is reported as lower than actual, it will influence the ratio of teachers attending to teachers appointed. PTR based on enrollment is the ratio of enrolled children to appointed teachers (teachers + para teachers). PTR based on attendance i.e. it is the ratio of children attending to teachers attending on the day of the visit.

INDIA Rural

Percentage of children in Std V who cannot solve a simple written division problem 3 digit by 1 digit



Maps may not be accurate or to-scale. These are mere representations.

Jammu and Kashmir
Himachal Pradesh
Uttaranchal
Punjab
Haryana

Note : J & K has only two pages instead of four due to partial coverage of districts

JAMMU AND KASHMIR RURAL

All analyses based on data from 7 out of 14 districts

Enrollment

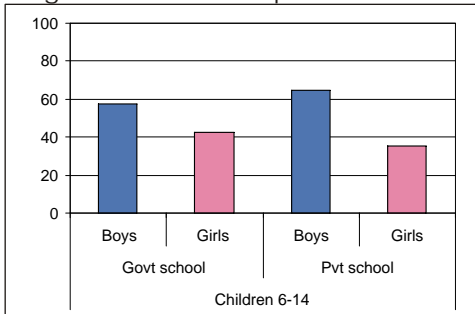
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Age : 11-14 BOYS	77.6	18.5	0.5	0.2	0.9	2.3	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	80.8	12.4	0.0	0.6	3.7	2.6	100

Out-of-school children

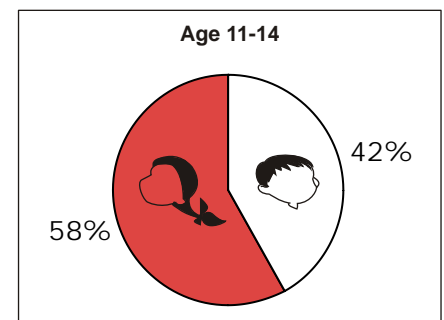
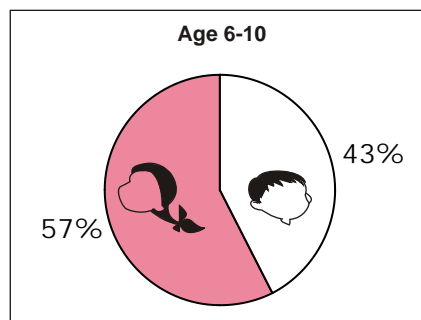


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Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**		Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	36.6	59.0	32.6	59.2
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Age : 11-14 ALL	20.7	41.1	19.4	42.6
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% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	13.9	33.0	37.5	8.8	6.8	100
II	7.6	19.5	46.1	17.8	9.0	100
III	1.8	10.1	38.5	28.1	21.5	100
IV	2.3	10.9	33.2	22.9	30.9	100
V	1.2	4.4	22.2	23.5	48.7	100
VI	0.8	1.5	14.5	22.7	60.5	100
VII	0.3	1.3	6.7	17.0	74.7	100
VIII	0.0	0.1	2.1	21.8	76.1	100
Total	3.4	10.2	26.5	20.8	39.1	100

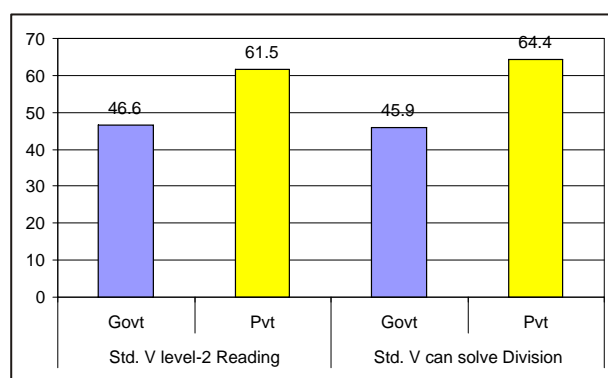
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	21.3	59.9	12.3	6.6	100
II	10.0	53.8	26.7	9.7	100
III	2.8	40.3	37.7	19.2	100
IV	3.2	36.9	25.6	34.4	100
V	2.6	18.7	30.1	48.6	100
VI	0.8	10.0	27.5	61.8	100
VII	0.3	7.5	16.9	75.3	100
VIII	0.7	5.9	12.3	81.1	100
Total	5.0	29.6	25.1	40.3	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Punch	6.2	23.3	50.0
Jammu	3.0	15.7	55.2
Udhampur	3.0	39.5	56.0
Leh(Ladakh)	2.4	30.9	52.7
Riasi	1.9	62.2	80.8
Kargil	1.7	42.2	78.9
Kathua	1.4	34.7	73.8
Doda	0.9	37.3	87.2
Jammu & Kashmir State	2.7	35.2	66.5

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



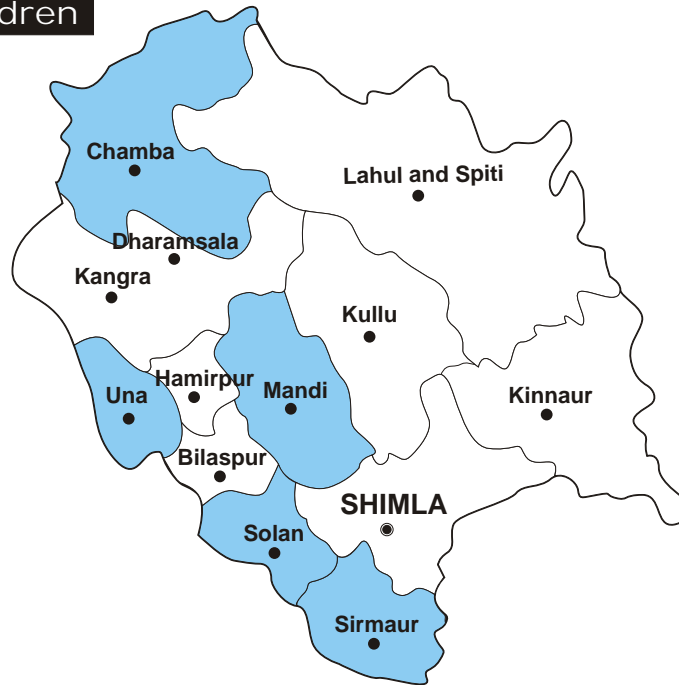
HIMACHAL PRADESH RURAL

All analyses based on data from 5 out of 12 districts

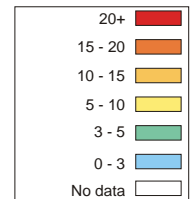
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	91.2	7.1	0.0	0.7	0.7	0.4	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	89.1	9.3	0.0	1.1	0.5	0.1	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	94.7	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	88.5	10.2	0.0	0.9	0.3	0.1	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	89.8	8.3	0.0	1.2	0.7	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	94.0	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	95.4	2.8	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.7	100

Out-of-school children

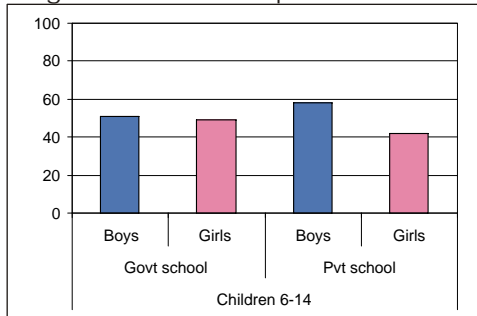


Percentage of children

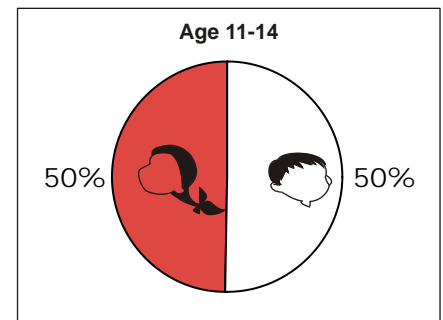
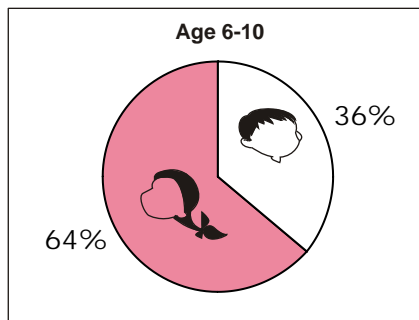


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	19.8	35.6	22.0	44.9
Age : 7-10 ALL	33.8	58.7	36.8	70.0
Age : 11-14 ALL	1.4	5.4	2.6	12.1
Govt : Std II-V	28.4	52.4	30.4	63.2
Pvt : Std II-V	19.6	42.6	30.0	66.6
Govt : Std VI-VIII	0.0	1.4	1.3	7.0
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	20.8	57.7	17.1	2.7	1.6	100
II	1.4	36.5	36.1	17.0	8.9	100
III	1.5	8.4	23.6	39.4	27.2	100
IV	0.0	1.7	6.5	32.9	58.9	100
V	0.4	0.6	1.7	7.7	89.5	100
VI	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	98.5	100
VII	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	99.2	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	98.4	100
Total	3.5	14.9	11.8	14.5	55.3	100

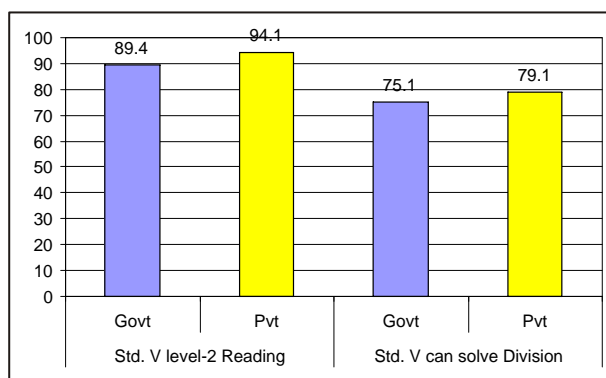
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	29.5	67.0	3.1	0.4	100
II	7.5	71.2	18.6	2.7	100
III	1.8	32.0	51.2	15.0	100
IV	0.6	12.1	41.4	46.0	100
V	1.3	2.1	21.4	75.2	100
VI	0.0	1.3	10.5	88.3	100
VII	0.0	2.0	4.3	93.7	100
VIII	0.0	0.4	1.2	98.4	100
Total	5.8	26.2	21.0	47.0	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Solan	2.0	65.3	68.7
Chamba	2.0	70.4	88.4
Sirmaur	1.4	50.7	91.8
Mandi	0.6	66.2	84.4
Una	0.0	43.0	86.3
Himachal Pradesh state	1.0	60.1	84.3

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



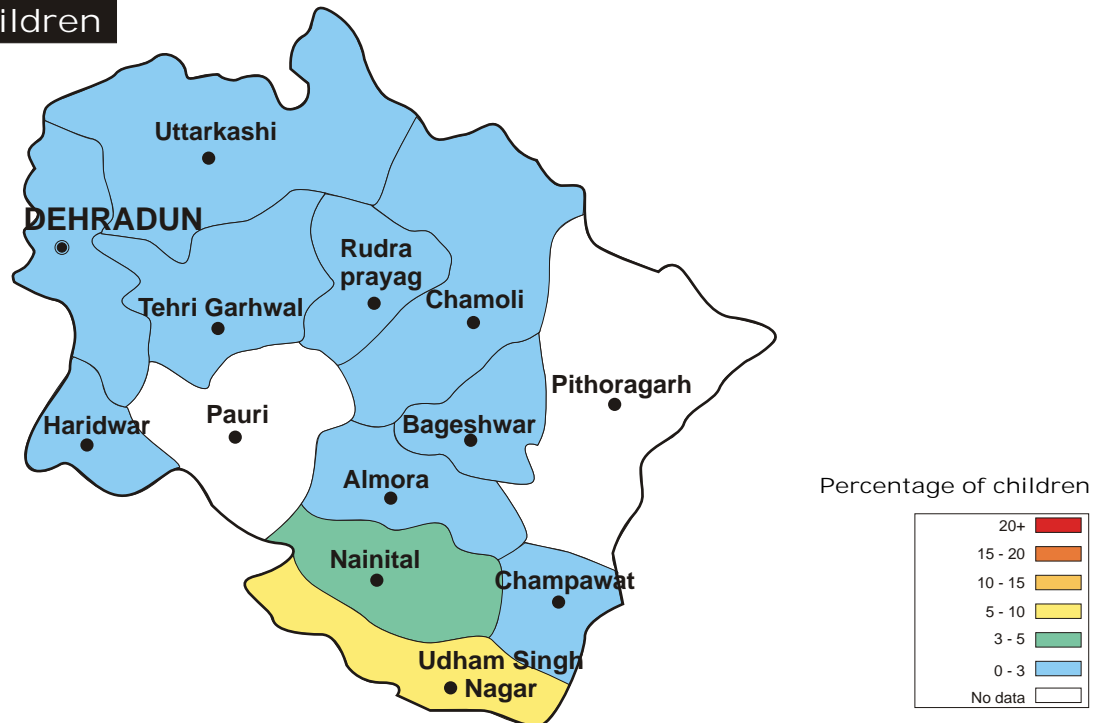
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All analyses based on data from 12 out of 13 districts

Enrollment

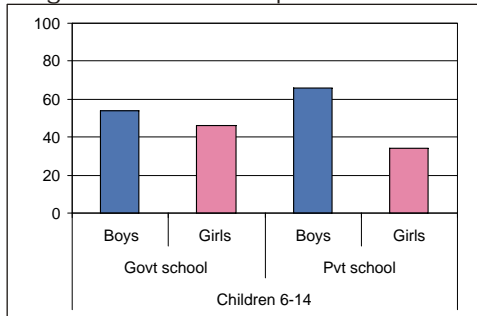
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	78.0	19.4	0.3	0.2	0.7	1.3	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	77.1	21.4	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	80.2	15.8	0.4	0.1	0.7	2.7	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	73.6	24.9	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	81.6	16.9	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.5	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	77.9	18.9	0.4	0.1	0.7	2.0	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	83.1	11.9	0.4	0.2	0.8	3.7	100

Out-of-school children

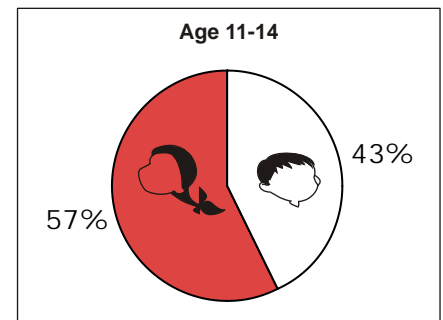
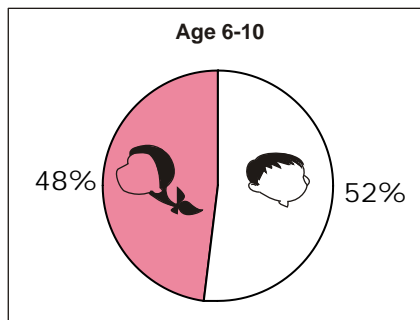


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	23.2	37.0	30.3	56.7
Age : 7-10 ALL	34.7	52.4	43.7	74.3
Age : 11-14 ALL	7.5	16.0	11.4	32.0
Govt : Std II-V	32.2	51.3	40.9	72.6
Pvt : Std II-V	19.2	32.2	31.1	65.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	4.4	11.4	7.6	26.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	2.4	7.8	2.9	18.1

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

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Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	30.7	42.7	17.3	4.2	5.1	100
II	9.0	29.4	29.8	14.5	17.3	100
III	4.9	9.8	16.5	26.1	42.6	100
IV	2.3	5.6	6.7	20.9	64.5	100
V	2.3	2.6	4.4	11.3	79.5	100
VI	0.4	2.2	2.7	8.6	86.3	100
VII	0.7	1.8	1.0	6.1	90.5	100
VIII	0.3	1.7	1.1	4.5	92.5	100
Total	6.8	13.0	11.2	13.3	55.7	100

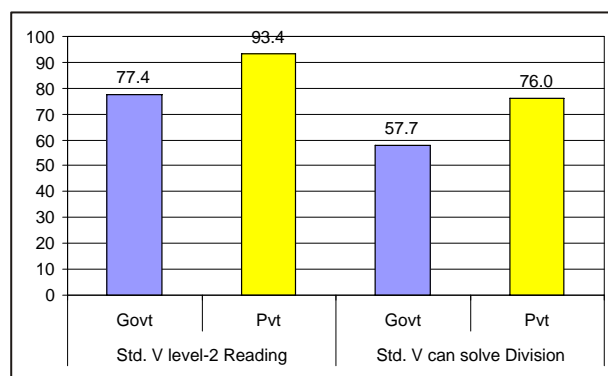
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	36.3	54.8	5.1	3.8	100
II	14.5	67.0	13.8	4.7	100
III	8.9	33.5	45.6	12.1	100
IV	5.2	17.1	43.8	33.8	100
V	3.8	9.1	26.9	60.2	100
VI	1.3	5.8	22.0	70.9	100
VII	1.8	4.9	14.3	79.1	100
VIII	1.1	5.5	16.3	77.2	100
Total	10.0	27.8	25.1	37.1	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5			
Dehradun	2.1	Nainital	9.4
Hardwar	20.8	Dehradun	16.1
Nainital	27.9	Hardwar	19.9
Chamoli	38.6	Rudraprayag	21.3
Tehri Garhwal	43.3	Chamoli	23.2
Bottom - 5			
Udham Singh Nagar	60.6	Udham Singh Nagar	46.2
Champawat	55.0	Uttarkashi	31.8
Rudraprayag	53.7	Almora	28.0
Almora	51.4	Champawat	26.9
Uttarkashi	51.0	Bageshwar	26.0

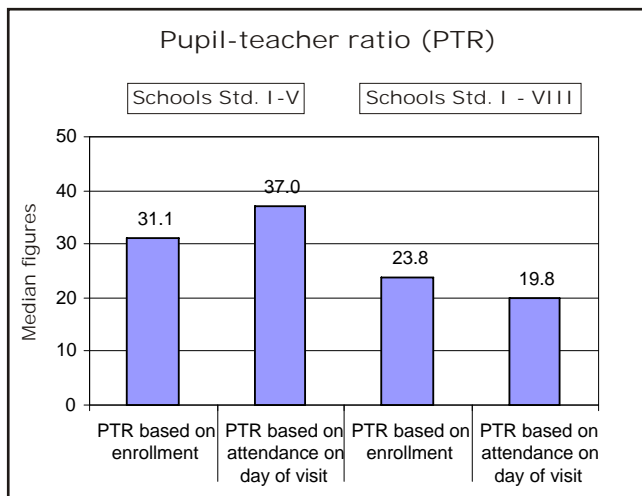
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

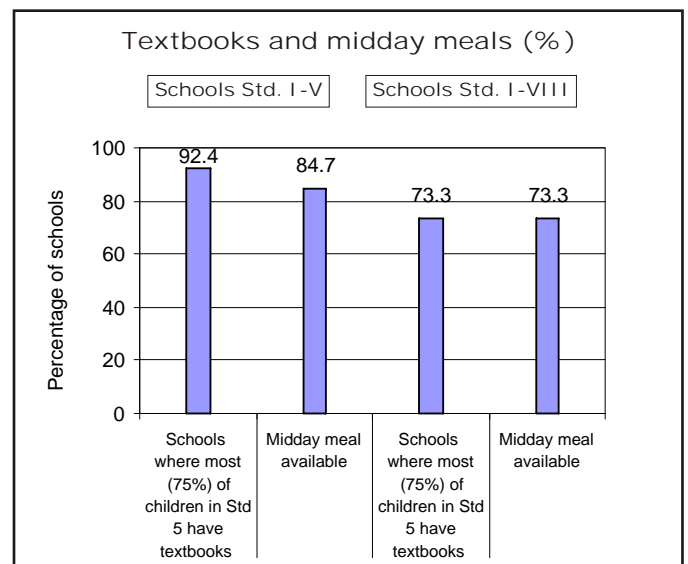
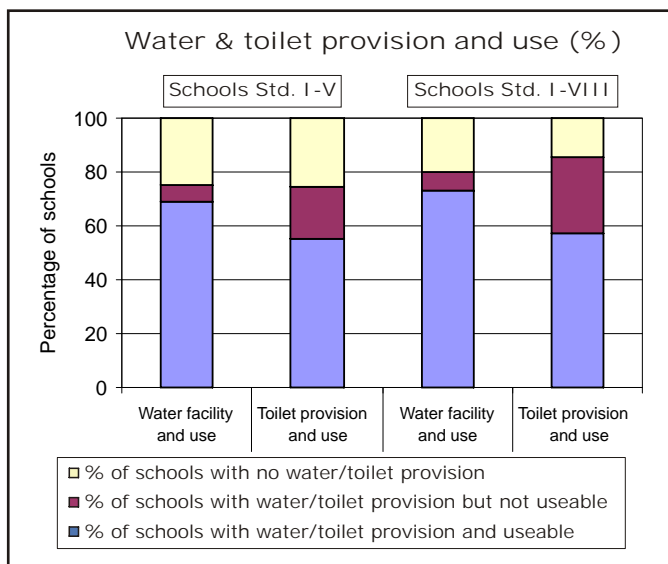
Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	186	15
% teachers attending (average)	71.8	89.6
% of schools with NO teachers present	11.3	0.0
% of schools with ALL teachers present	49.5	73.3

Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	188	15
% enrolled children attending (average)	82.9	80.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	5.9	6.7



Average number of rooms available					
Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	23	3.2	<=150	60	4.2
51-75	25	3.4	151-250	33	8.0
76-150	32	3.2	251-350	7	6.0
151-225	10	3.3	351-450	0	0.0
>225	10	5.4	>450	0	0.0

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Almora	2.2	48.6	72.0
Bageshwar	1.7	51.7	74.0
Chamoli	0.5	61.4	76.8
Champawat	2.8	45.0	73.1
Dehradun	0.3	97.9	83.9
Haridwar	0.6	79.2	80.1

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Nainital	4.6	72.1	90.6
Rudraprayag	0.6	46.3	78.7
Tehri Garhwal	0.0	56.7	74.4
Udham Singh Nagar	5.6	39.4	53.8
Uttarkashi	1.4	49.0	68.2
Uttaranchal State	2.0	63.1	74.8

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कहानी

धीरज कल अपने गाँव गया, क्योंकि माँ बहुत बीमार थी। धीरज ने माँ की हालत देखी और तुरंत माँ को साथ लेकर वापस शहर आ गया। धीरज ने शहर में अपनी माँ का इलाज कराया। अब उसकी माँ ठीक हो गई है।

अनुच्छेद

राधा हमारे गाँव में रहती है। राधा किताब पढ़ती है। उसको पढ़ना आता है। उसकी दीदी को भी पढ़ना आता है।

अनुच्छेद

मीना नानी के घर जायेगी। मामाजी उसे लेकर जायेंगे। मामीजी भी साथ जायेंगी। सब लोग जलेबी खायेंगे।

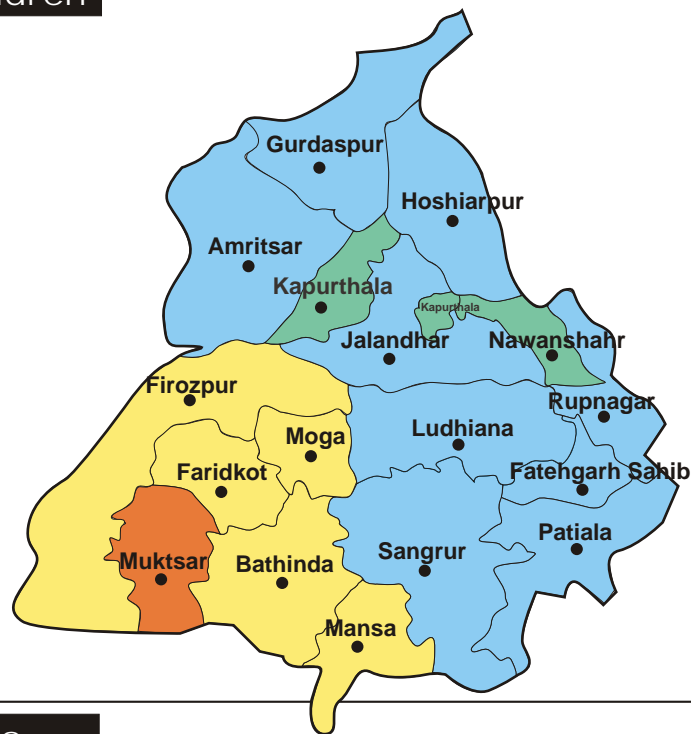
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All analyses based on data from 17 out of 17 districts

Enrollment

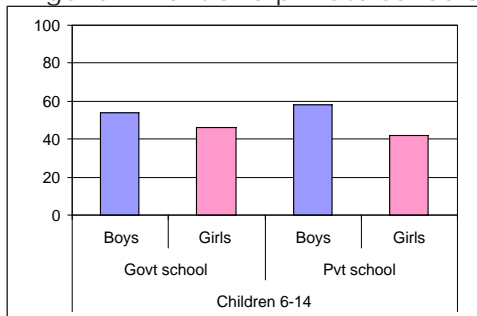
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	70.0	25.5	0.0	0.2	2.0	2.4	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	68.9	28.8	0.0	0.2	1.3	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	73.4	20.7	0.0	0.1	1.7	4.0	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	67.5	30.0	0.0	0.3	1.4	0.8	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	70.6	27.3	0.0	0.2	1.1	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	71.8	22.1	0.0	0.1	1.7	4.2	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	75.4	19.1	0.0	0.0	1.7	3.8	100

Out-of-school children

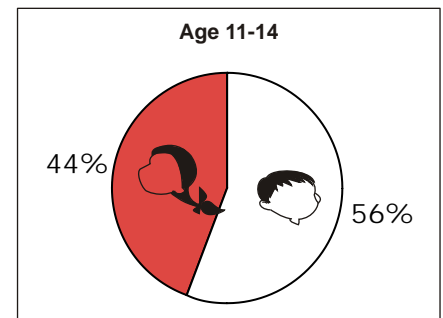
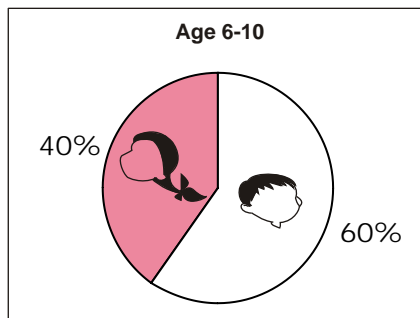


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	34.3	52.8	35.4	64.1
Age : 7-10 ALL	52.6	74.5	54.0	83.9
Age : 11-14 ALL	13.3	28.0	14.4	41.7
Govt : Std II-V	46.2	69.6	47.7	79.3
Pvt : Std II-V	37.7	59.7	39.9	73.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	9.5	23.0	11.0	36.9
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	8.8	15.8	7.5	27.6

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	39.7	35.2	16.8	5.2	3.1	100
II	17.2	33.8	26.0	15.5	7.5	100
III	5.5	21.5	26.9	26.1	20.0	100
IV	4.1	11.9	16.1	28.5	39.4	100
V	2.3	5.4	10.6	21.3	60.4	100
VI	1.5	4.8	6.1	17.4	70.2	100
VII	1.4	2.0	5.9	8.7	82.0	100
VIII	0.5	1.5	3.5	8.5	86.0	100
Total	8.9	15.3	15.1	17.8	42.8	100

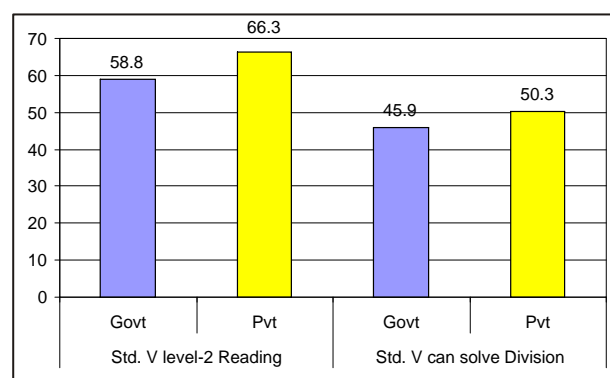
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	51.8	39.4	6.5	2.4	100
II	27.7	50.1	17.9	4.4	100
III	13.8	42.4	31.0	12.7	100
IV	9.3	25.4	43.5	21.8	100
V	5.5	13.9	33.8	46.8	100
VI	3.8	10.4	31.1	54.8	100
VII	2.5	6.0	22.4	69.1	100
VIII	1.6	5.3	18.8	74.3	100
Total	14.7	25.8	27.0	32.5	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Faridkot	49.0	Mansa*	21.1
Nawanshahr*	50.3	Kapurthala	22.0
Firozpur	53.2	Hoshiarpur	25.1
Hoshiarpur	54.7	Nawanshahr*	29.1
Fatehgarh Sahib	55.1	Firozpur	30.6
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Bathinda	80.8	Muktsar*	52.4
Gurdaspur	64.6	Bathinda	51.9
Ludhiana	64.6	Jalandhar	45.4
Moga*	63.5	Ludhiana	45.2
Muktsar*	63.4	Amritsar	43.3

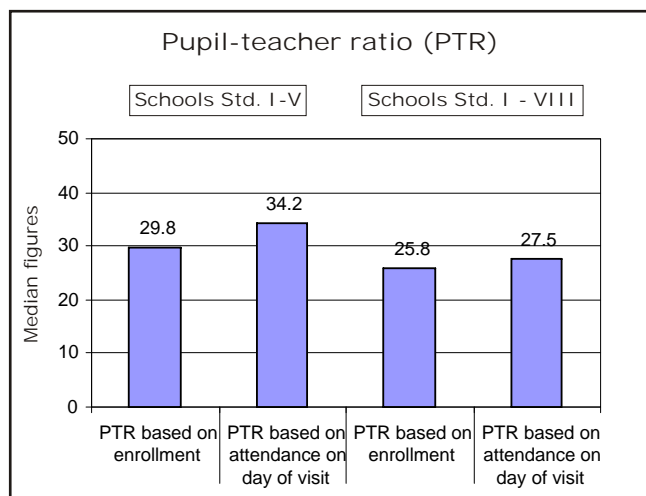
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	185	82
% teachers attending (average)	66.4	71.1
% of schools with NO teachers present	13.0	13.4
% of schools with ALL teachers present	36.2	23.2

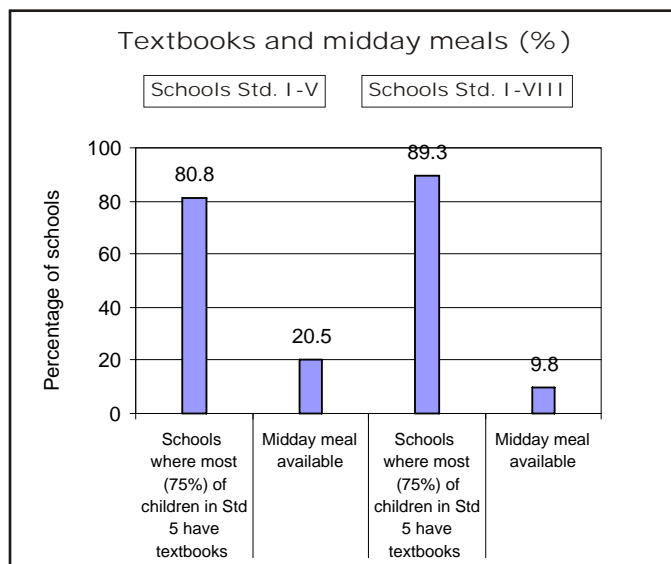
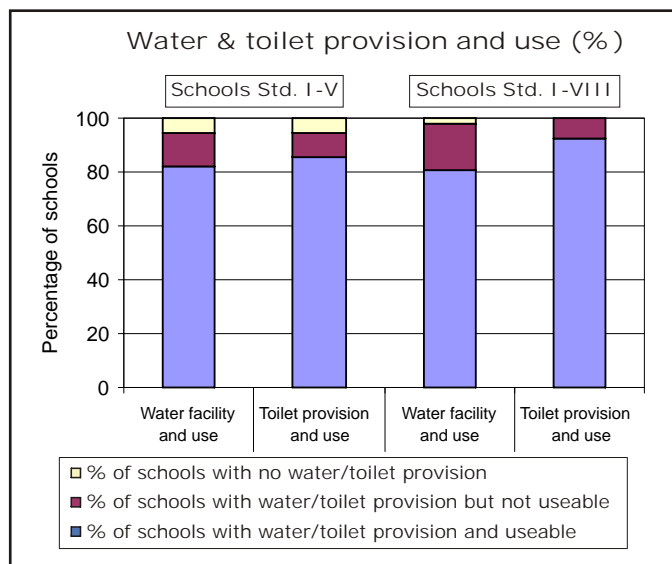
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	186	84
% enrolled children attending (average)	78.9	83.2
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	6.5	2.4



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	16	3.1	<=150	13	5.9
51-75	13	3.7	151-250	31	9.9
76-150	37	4.7	251-350	30	11.1
151-225	24	5.7	351-450	14	10.8
>225	10	7.2	>450	12	16.9

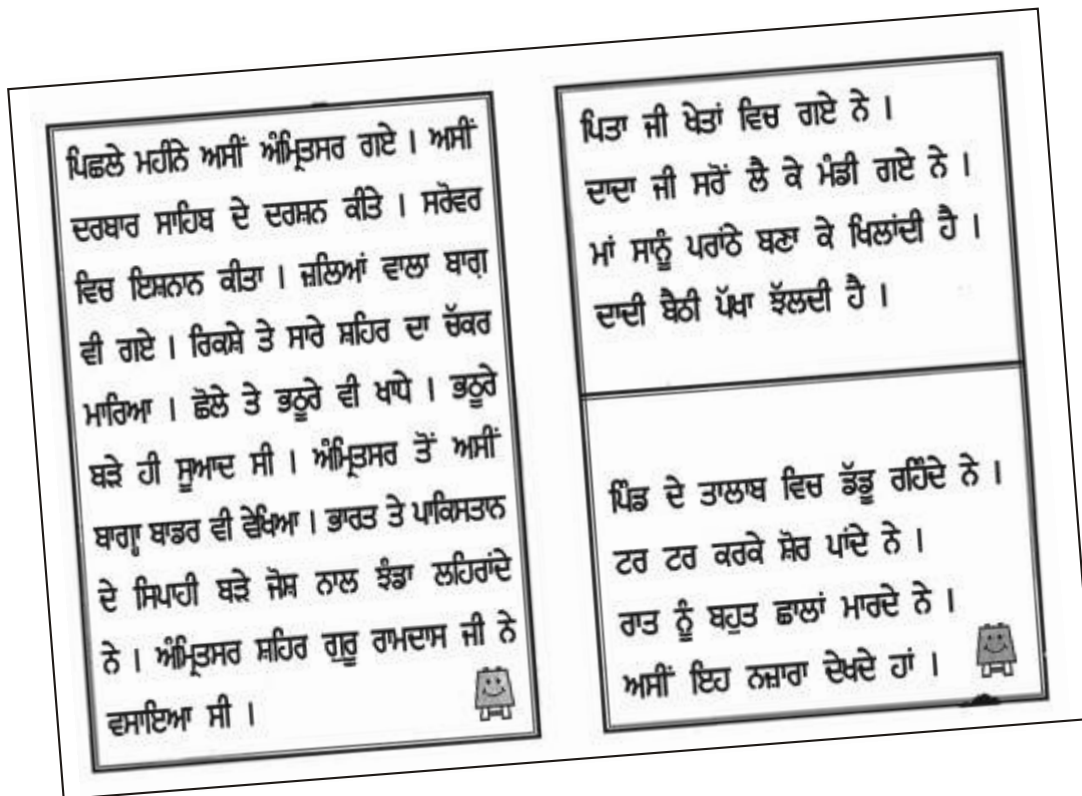
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Amritsar	3.0	37.8	56.7
Bathinda	9.0	19.2	48.1
Faridkot	6.2	51.0	64.2
Fatehgarh Sahib	0.8	44.9	65.4
Firozpur	9.1	46.8	69.4
Gurdaspur	2.7	35.4	58.5
Hoshiarpur	1.6	45.3	74.9
Jalandhar	2.7	39.5	54.6
Kapurthala	3.1	37.6	78.0

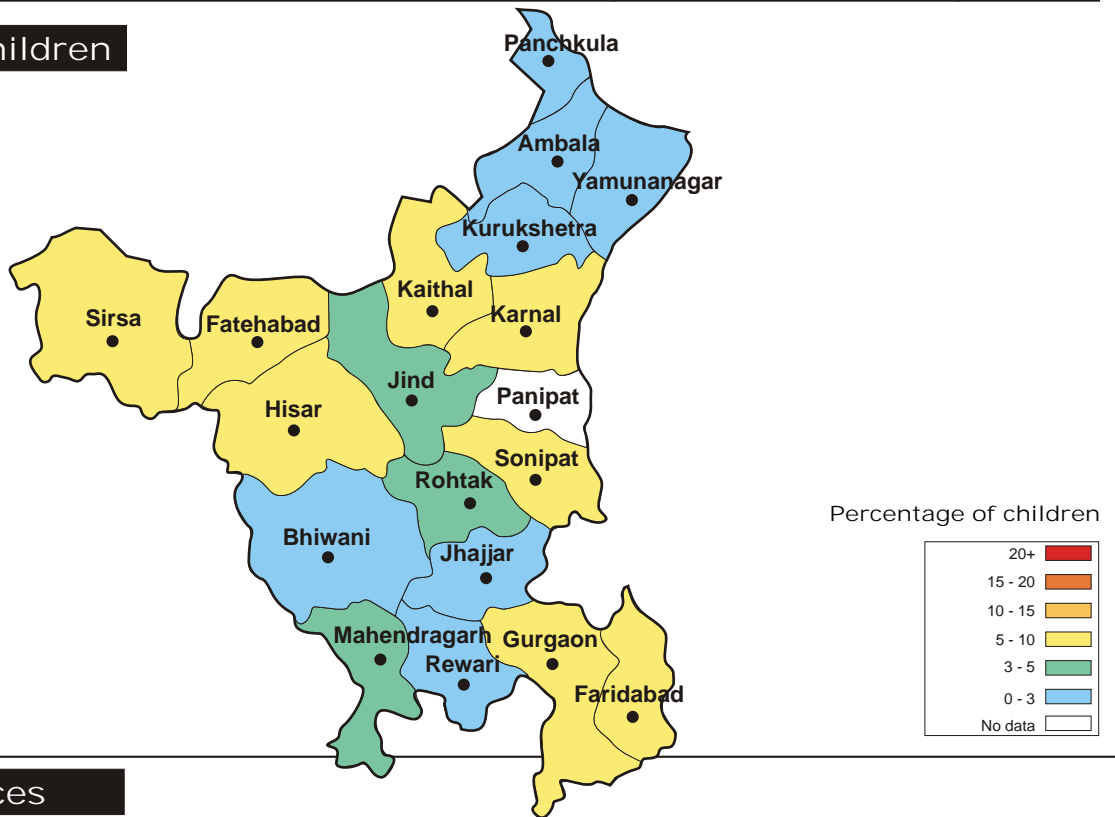
District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ludhiana	1.7	35.4	54.8
Mansa*	7.4	43.3	78.9
Moga*	9.7	36.5	61.4
Muksar*	17.6	36.6	47.6
Nawanshahr*	3.3	49.7	70.9
Patiala	2.2	40.6	68.8
Rupnagar	0.9	39.2	64.6
Sangrur	2.2	44.1	66.5
PANJAB STATE	4.3	40.1	63.4



Enrollment

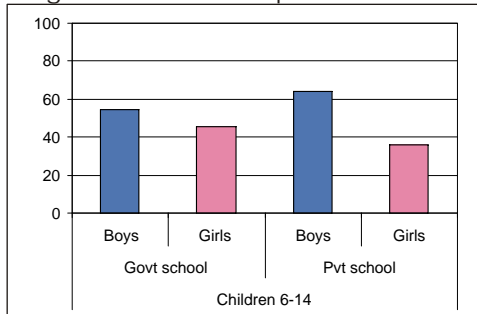
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	59.2	34.4	1.1	0.1	2.5	2.8	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	59.4	35.4	1.3	0.1	2.9	0.9	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	59.3	32.8	0.8	0.1	1.7	5.3	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	56.8	38.7	0.8	0.1	2.6	1.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	62.7	31.2	2.0	0.1	3.2	0.9	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	56.0	38.5	0.2	0.0	1.3	4.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	63.9	25.0	1.6	0.1	2.3	7.1	100

Out-of-school children

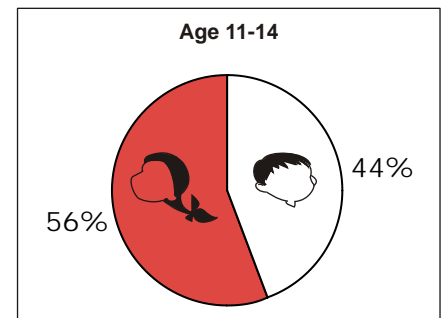
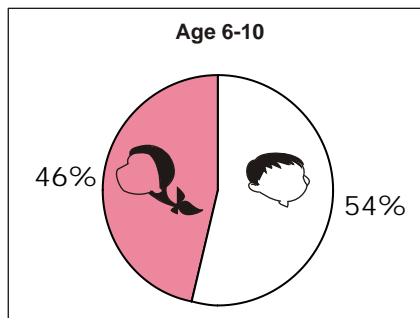


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	27.1	43.4	27.4	48.5
Age : 7-10 ALL	42.3	62.3	40.7	66.4
Age : 11-14 ALL	9.6	21.7	12.0	27.8
Govt : Std II-V	42.4	64.9	42.8	70.1
Pvt : Std II-V	26.2	46.4	23.6	50.6
Govt : Std VI-VIII	5.9	17.0	8.5	23.6
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	2.3	8.3	3.3	13.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	37.6	36.9	12.9	5.7	7.0	100
II	15.2	27.1	27.3	16.8	13.7	100
III	7.2	13.5	22.6	27.4	29.3	100
IV	3.4	7.3	15.6	24.0	49.7	100
V	0.9	3.8	6.1	18.2	71.1	100
VI	1.1	1.8	4.4	12.6	80.1	100
VII	0.7	1.4	1.8	8.6	87.6	100
VIII	0.5	0.3	1.3	5.9	92.0	100
Total	8.5	12.1	12.7	16.1	50.7	100

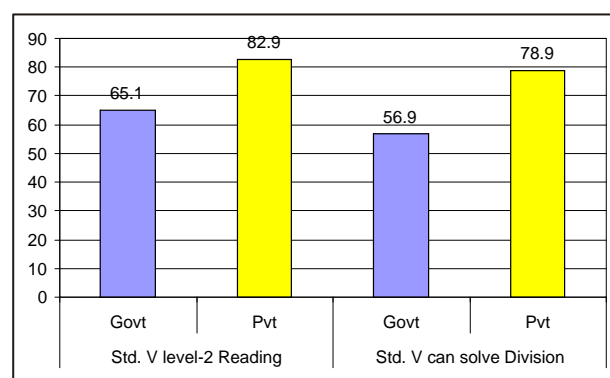
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	51.8	35.1	7.4	5.7	100
II	26.4	41.2	21.5	11.0	100
III	13.9	27.0	34.4	24.7	100
IV	7.7	17.7	30.5	44.1	100
V	2.8	10.8	22.2	64.2	100
VI	2.1	6.6	17.4	73.9	100
VII	1.6	6.0	12.5	80.0	100
VIII	0.6	2.6	8.8	88.0	100
Total	13.8	19.6	20.7	45.9	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Fatehabad*	26.0	Rewari	3.7
Rewari	31.6	Rohtak	15.4
Rohtak	35.8	Fatehabad*	15.6
Mahendragarh	37.8	Sirsa	18.8
Jind	40.7	Hisar	19.3
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Karnal	62.9	Karnal	43.1
Yamunanagar	62.7	Yamunanagar	40.9
Gurgaon	62.3	Gurgaon	38.1
Kaithal	58.9	Bhiwani	37.5
Panchkula*	57.7	Kurukshetra	36.8

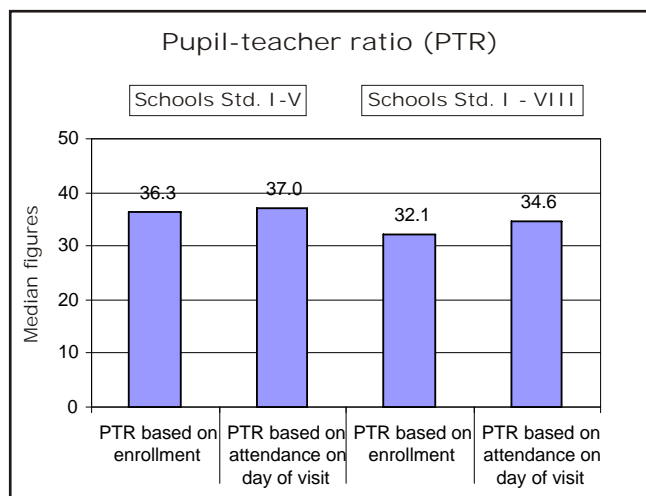
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	269	106
% teachers attending (average)	74.4	71.9
% of schools with NO teachers present	3.3	4.7
% of schools with ALL teachers present	34.6	18.9

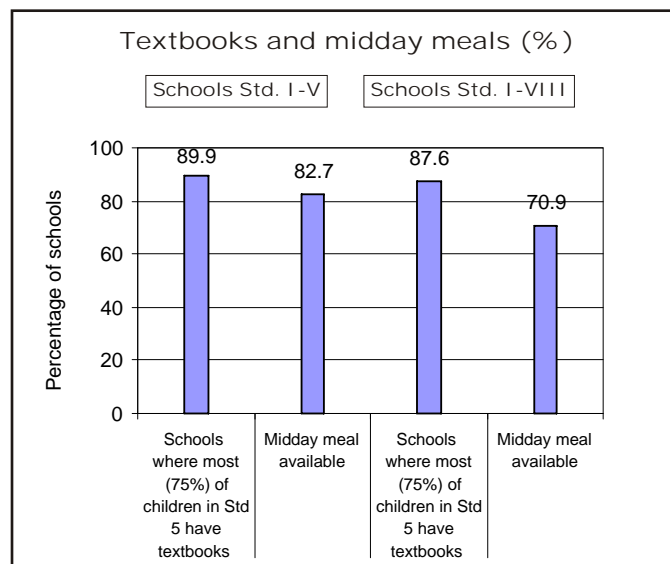
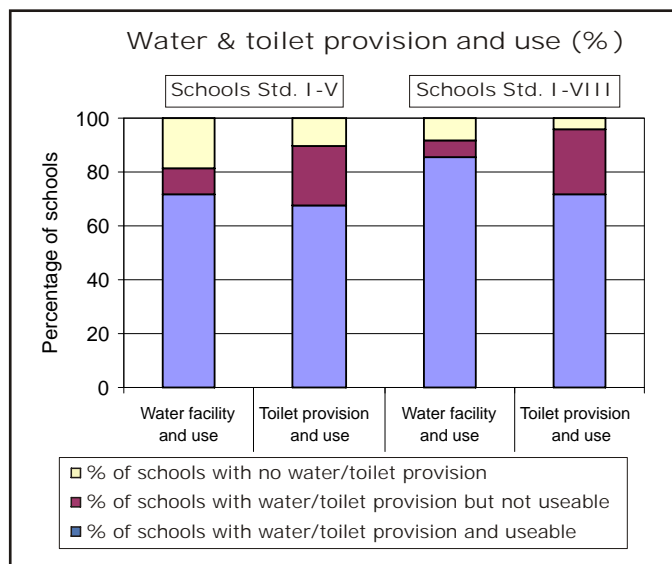
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	270	107
% enrolled children attending (average)	79.5	82.1
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	3.3	0.9



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	6	4.3	<=150	6	5.7
51-75	9	4.1	151-250	25	10.5
76-150	29	5.4	251-350	26	11.1
151-225	25	6.4	351-450	21	13.3
>225	31	8.2	>450	22	14.1

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ambala	1.9	43.0	63.3
Bhiwani	2.9	42.6	62.5
Faridabad	8.7	50.4	75.3
Fatehabad*	8.4	74.0	84.4
Gurgaon	9.5	37.7	61.9
Hisar	9.7	48.1	80.7
Jhajjar*	2.6	51.6	74.6
Jind	3.7	59.3	74.7
Kaithal	6.8	41.1	70.1
Karnal	5.5	37.1	56.9

	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Kurukshetra	2.7	53.2	63.2
Mahendragarh	3.6	62.2	74.2
Panchkula*	2.7	42.3	63.4
Panipat	3.8	44.2	77.8
Rewari	0.8	68.4	96.3
Rohtak	3.5	64.2	84.6
Sirsa	6.8	47.8	81.2
Sonipat	5.0	49.3	80.7
Yamunanagar	2.1	37.3	59.1
Haryana state	5.3	49.9	73.3

Reading Test: Sample 2

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कहानी

एक बड़े तालाब के किनारे बहुत से कछुए रहते थे। लड़के तालाब के किनारे जाते और कछुओं को देखते। कभी कछुए चलते तो कभी हाथ-पैर अंदर कर लेते, जैसे कोई पत्थर हों। लड़के यह देखकर खूब जोर से हँसते व ताली बजाते। घर जाकर सबको कछुए की कहानी सुनाते।

अनुच्छेद

गरमी का मौसम है। सबको गरमी लग रही है। लोग नीबू का शरबत पी रहे हैं। और छाता खोलकर घूम रहे हैं।

अनुच्छेद

मैं पापा के स बाजा और बाजा बजा रही पहन

Reading Test: Sample 1

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कहानी

एक बाग में बहुत सारे बच्चे खेल रहे थे। आसमान में बादलों के बीच से लाल परी उन्हें देख रही थी। फिर वह आसमान से नीचे उतर आई और उन बच्चों के साथ खेलने लगी। बच्चे परी को देखकर बहुत खुश हुए। शाम को परी ने बच्चों को कुछ खिलौने दिए। फिर लाल परी अपने परीलोक वापिस लौट गई।

अनुच्छेद

हमारे बाग में आम के पेड़ हैं। हम आम तोड़कर खाते हैं। आम की चटनी भी बनती है। हम सबको आम अच्छा लगता है।

अनुच्छेद

मेरे पास एक किताब है। उसमें परी की कहानी है। यह कहानी मुझे बहुत पसंद है। मैं सबको यह कहानी सुनाता हूँ।



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Uttar Pradesh
Bihar
West Bengal
Jharkhand

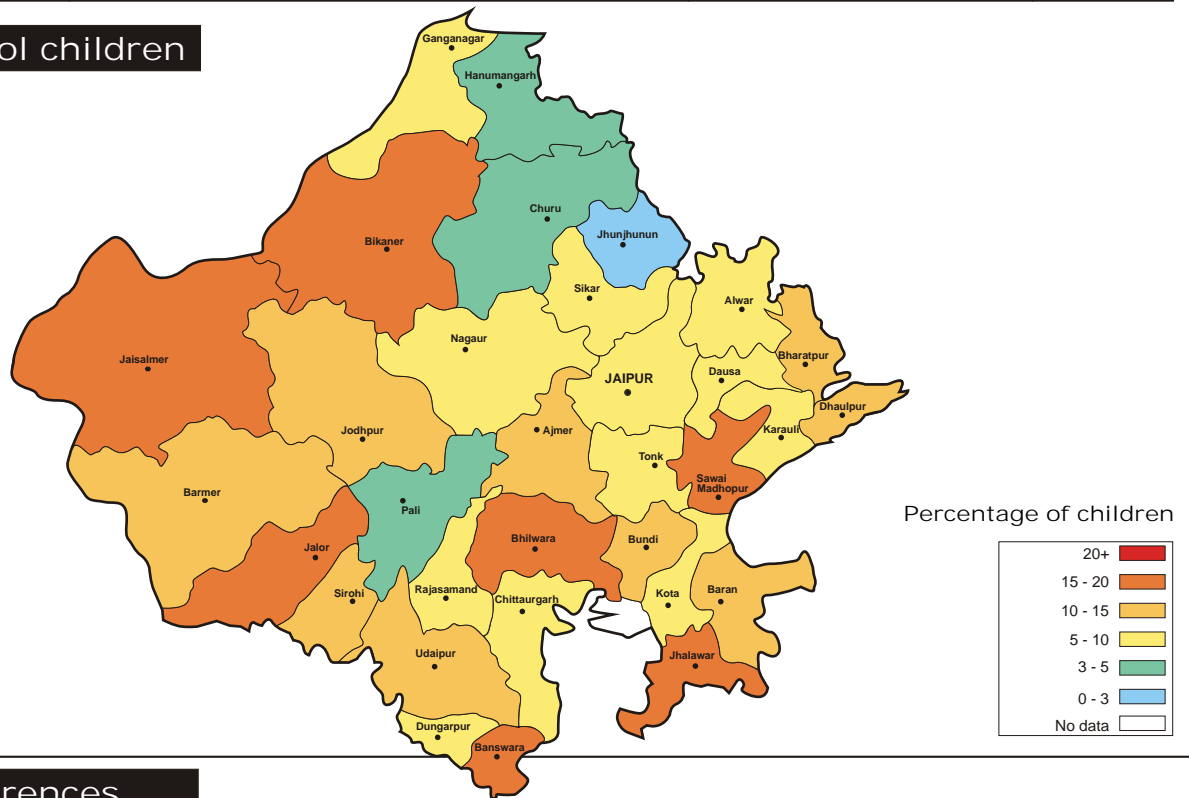
RAJASTHAN RURAL

All analyses based on data from 32 out of 32 districts

Enrollment

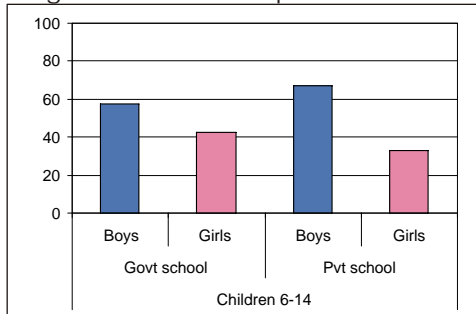
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	67.0	21.9	0.5	0.2	5.9	4.5	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	68.5	23.5	0.5	0.3	5.2	2.1	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	65.1	19.3	0.4	0.1	6.8	8.4	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	67.6	27.1	0.3	0.2	3.5	1.2	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	69.7	18.7	0.6	0.3	7.4	3.2	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	67.4	23.1	0.3	0.1	3.6	5.5	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	61.8	13.7	0.5	0.2	11.4	12.5	100

Out-of-school children

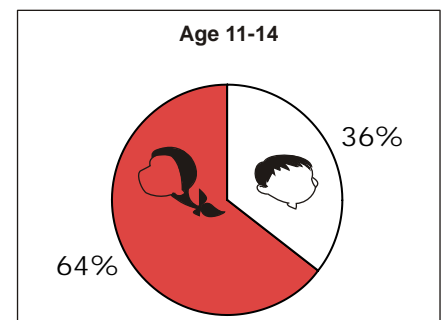
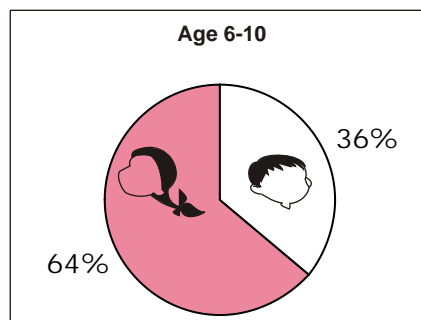


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	36.5	51.4	42.2	61.1
Age : 7-10 ALL	49.9	66.9	55.6	75.7
Age : 11-14 ALL	19.3	31.5	25.1	42.3
Govt : Std II-V	49.5	68.3	55.3	78.4
Pvt : Std II-V	31.7	53.0	38.2	62.2
Govt : Std VI-VIII	7.0	19.5	14.0	33.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	4.2	13.0	8.4	20.4

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	58.3	26.8	9.7	2.7	2.6	100
II	25.6	30.5	25.7	10.7	7.6	100
III	10.9	17.1	25.3	21.9	24.8	100
IV	5.9	9.1	14.3	24.6	46.1	100
V	3.3	5.4	8.3	21.0	62.0	100
VI	3.1	2.1	4.1	16.5	74.4	100
VII	2.0	0.9	2.3	10.1	84.7	100
VIII	2.5	0.4	0.4	6.2	90.5	100
Total	15.8	13.2	12.7	14.9	43.6	100

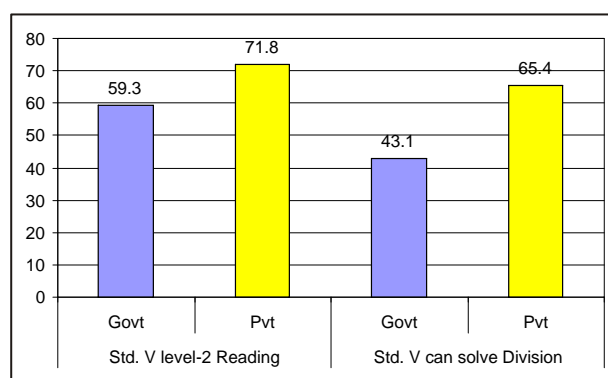
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	71.4	24.9	2.4	1.3	100
II	39.6	44.3	10.7	5.3	100
III	22.3	36.7	25.5	15.5	100
IV	13.4	24.2	30.3	32.1	100
V	9.1	16.1	27.1	47.8	100
VI	6.4	10.5	23.3	59.8	100
VII	4.5	6.8	16.0	72.8	100
VIII	4.1	4.0	11.3	80.6	100
Total	23.9	23.2	18.7	34.2	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Sikar	33.3	Hanumangarh	17.1
Jalor	42.9	Jalor	18.8
Churu	43.1	Barmer	22.6
Barmer	43.4	Pali	27.4
Ganganagar	43.9	Sikar	29.3
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Sirohi	88.1	Sirohi	53.6
Jhalawar	70.0	Dungarpur	55.1
Ajmer	69.8	Chittaurgar	51.9
Dungarpur	69.5	Banswara	71.8
Jaipur	67.7	Ajmer	61.2

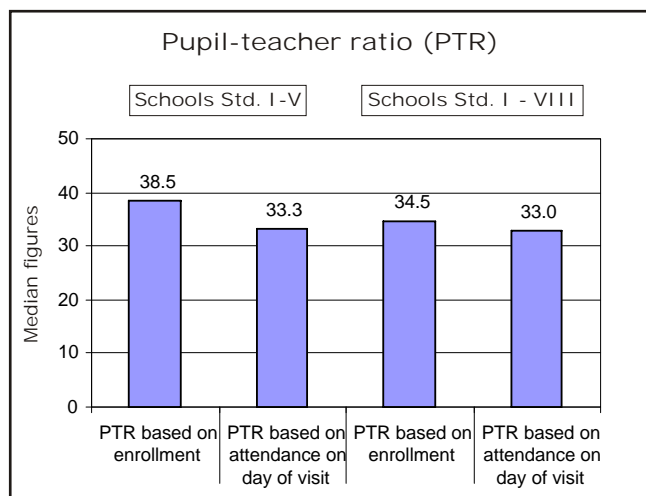
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

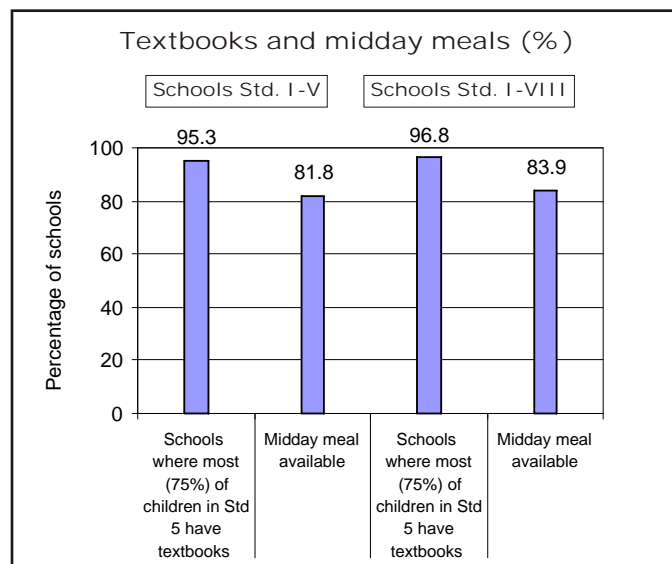
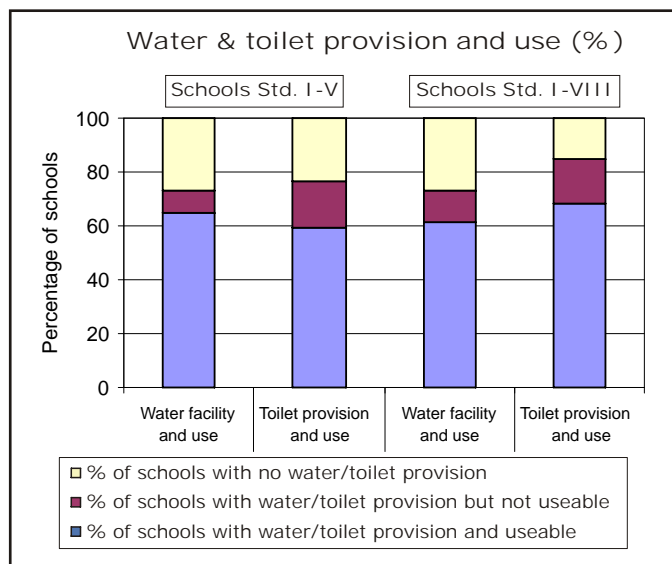
Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	321	281
% teachers attending (average)	76.2	76.2
% of schools with NO teachers present	6.5	4.3
% of schools with ALL teachers present	48.3	33.1

Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	320	280
% enrolled children attending (average)	69.7	73.2
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	13.8	6.4



Average number of rooms available					
Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	12	3.9	<=150	16	6.1
51-75	16	4.1	151-250	42	8.2
76-150	36	4.9	251-350	29	9.2
151-225	22	6.0	351-450	8	10.5
>225	14	7.5	>450	5	9.8

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ajmer	14.7	30.2	38.8
Alwar	9.2	36.4	56.5
Banswara	18.0	32.6	28.2
Baran*	11.4	51.9	61.1
Barmer	13.6	56.6	77.4
Bharatpur	12.3	42.1	52.4
Bhilwara	15.3	42.6	63.4
Bikaner	18.9	47.8	68.0
Bundi	12.7	42.7	62.4
Chittaurgar	7.8	44.4	48.1
Churu	4.6	56.9	70.5
Dausa*	9.7	54.3	56.3
Dhaulpur	14.0	37.7	58.1
Dungarpur	8.2	30.5	44.9
Ganganagar	7.6	56.1	66.3
Hanumangarh	3.5	49.0	82.9

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Jaipur	6.6	32.3	48.6
Jaisalmer	15.5	36.3	61.2
Jalor	15.1	57.1	81.2
Jhalawar	18.6	30.0	56.2
Jhunjhunun	1.6	49.6	63.4
Jodhpur	10.8	40.8	53.7
Karauli*	6.4	42.5	67.9
Kota	6.9	46.1	50.0
Nagaur	8.5	38.0	53.8
Pali	4.5	41.4	72.6
Rajasamand*	7.4	42.6	56.1
Sawai Madhopur	15.2	47.3	51.6
Sikar	6.7	66.7	70.7
Sirohi	14.5	11.9	46.4
Tonk	9.6	50.0	60.5
Udaipur	13.6	52.6	49.8
Rajasthan state	10.4	44.7	59.7

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**Reading Test:
Sample 2**

कहानी

एक बड़े तालाब के किनारे बहुत से कछुए रहते थे। लड़के तालाब के किनारे जाते और कछुओं को देखते। कभी कछुए चलते तो कभी हाथ-पैर अंदर कर लेते, जैसे कोई पत्थर हों। लड़के यह देखकर खूब जोर से हँसते व ताली बजाते। घर जाकर सबको कछुए की कहानी सुनाते।

अनुच्छेद

गरमी का मौसम है। सबको गरमी लग रही है। लोग नींबू का शरबत पी रहे हैं। और छाता खोलकर घूम रहे हैं।

अनुच्छेद

मैं पापा के साथ बाज़ार गया। बाज़ा और जूता लाया। बाज़ा बजाकर गीत गाऊँगा। शूरा पहनकर घूमने जाऊँगा।

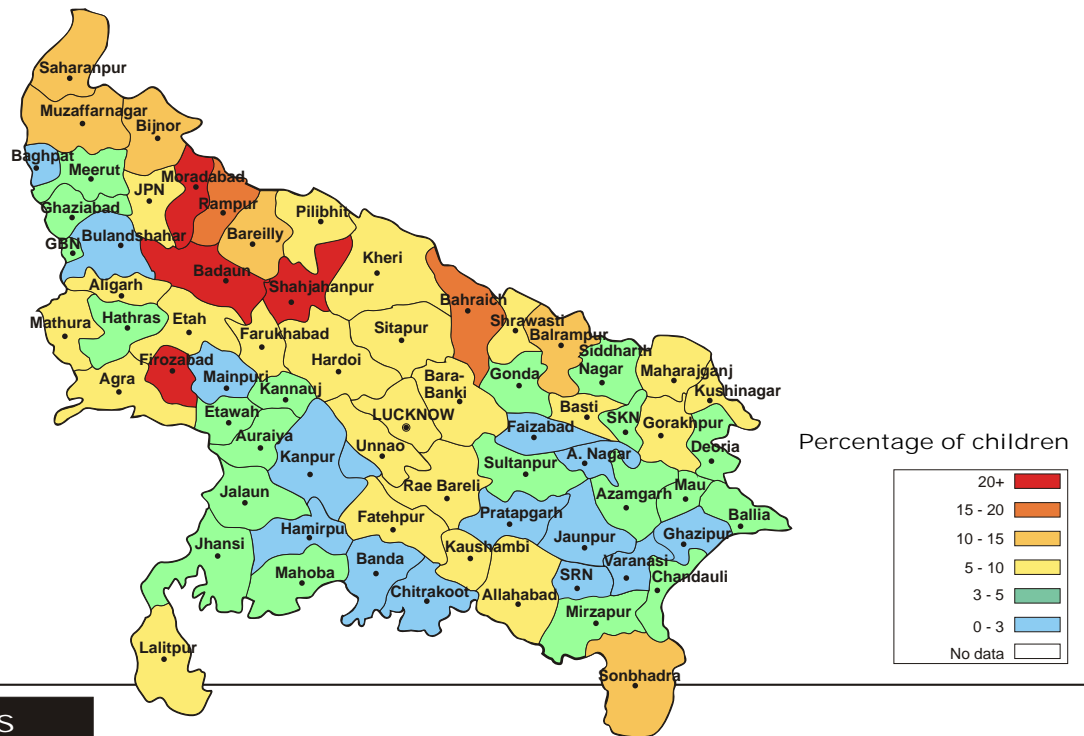
UTTAR PRADESH RURAL

All analyses based on data from 69 out of 69 districts

Enrollment

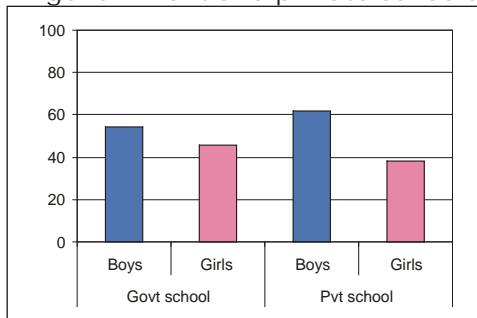
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	63.1	27.9	1.6	0.2	4.4	2.9	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	67.2	25.7	1.7	0.1	4.1	1.3	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	56.0	31.9	1.3	0.2	4.9	5.8	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	64.9	28.6	1.6	0.1	3.8	1.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	70.1	22.0	1.8	0.2	4.5	1.5	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	55.8	34.6	1.3	0.2	3.7	4.5	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	56.2	28.5	1.3	0.2	6.5	7.4	100

Out-of-school children

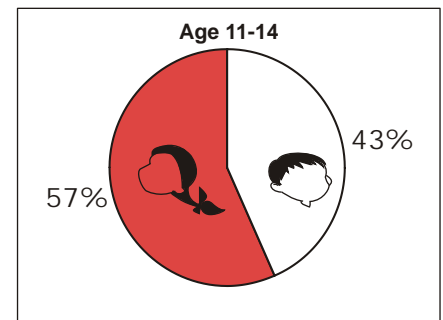
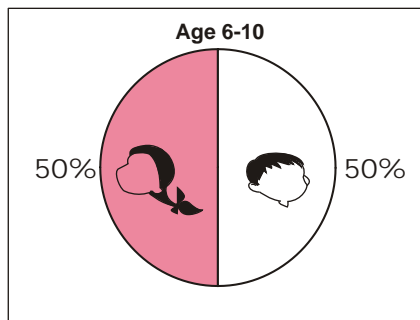


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	46.4	61.3	53.6	74.0
Age : 7-10 ALL	62.0	77.4	67.7	86.2
Age : 11-14 ALL	25.2	39.4	34.4	57.5
Govt : Std II-V	61.3	78.9	67.6	87.7
Pvt : Std II-V	35.7	56.2	43.4	71.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	16.8	31.3	29.1	54.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	7.0	16.4	14.2	34.6

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	52.0	29.3	12.3	3.5	2.8	100
II	24.6	34.9	21.0	11.7	7.8	100
III	14.8	23.8	22.1	19.9	19.5	100
IV	7.9	16.8	18.1	21.7	35.6	100
V	5.0	10.8	12.0	20.9	51.3	100
VI	3.5	6.1	7.6	15.7	67.2	100
VII	2.8	4.3	5.2	11.4	76.4	100
VIII	1.9	2.7	2.8	9.0	83.7	100
Total	16.8	19.2	14.6	14.8	34.6	100

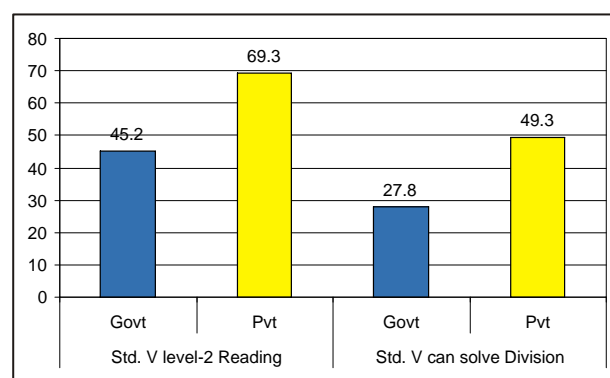
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	70.6	24.8	3.2	1.4	100
II	45.3	38.4	12.1	4.2	100
III	30.5	36.3	22.8	10.4	100
IV	21.6	29.2	27.3	21.9	100
V	14.4	23.2	29.2	33.2	100
VI	9.6	18.1	25.7	46.7	100
VII	8.4	13.2	23.0	55.4	100
VIII	5.9	12.5	20.7	60.9	100
Total	30.3	27.2	19.8	22.8	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Saharanpur	31.2	Chitrakoot*	6.5
Ghaziabad	38.1	Firozabad	12.2
Jhansi	42.3	Chandauli*	12.6
Baghpat*	45.4	Ghaziabad	13.9
Gautam Buddha Nagar*	48.2	Varanasi	16.0
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Shrawasti*	86.7	Kheri	83.1
Mahoba*	87.3	Etah	79.2
Farrukhabad	87.4	Jaunpur	78.0
Etah	89.9	Jalaun	75.4
Jalaun	91.7	Shrawasti*	74.2

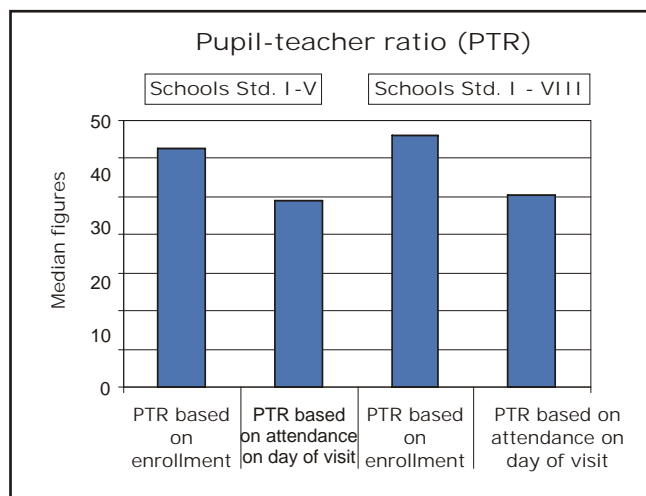
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	783	359
% teachers attending (average)	76.0	66.6
% of schools with NO teachers present	7.8	24.8
% of schools with ALL teachers present	52.0	51.5

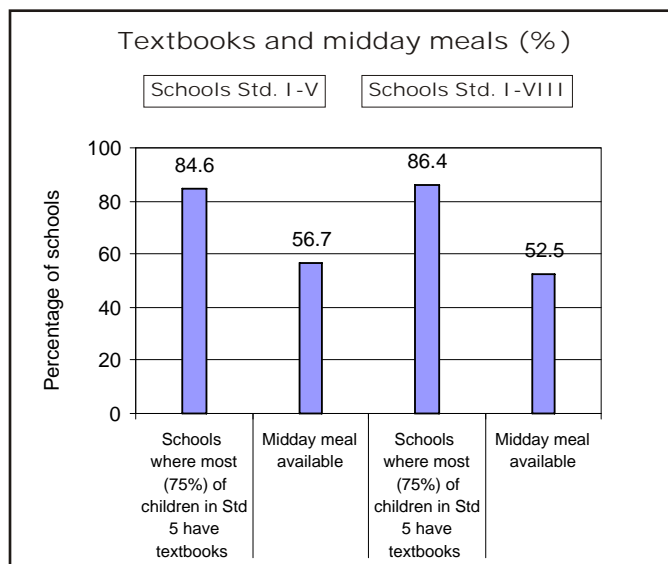
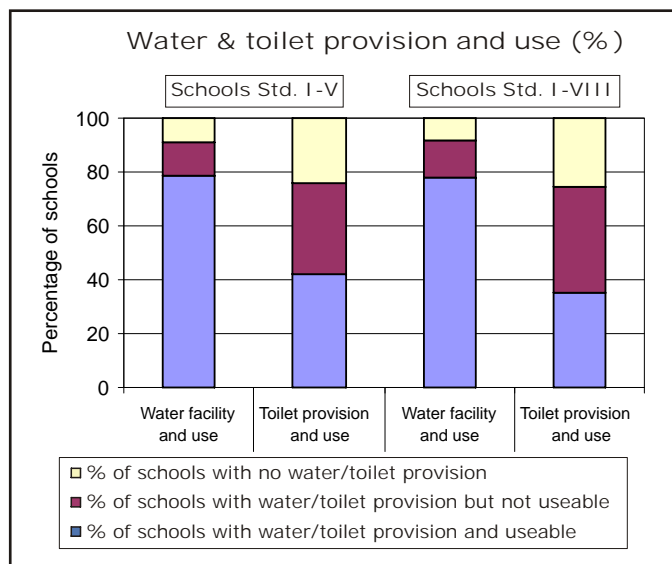
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	791	337
% enrolled children attending (average)	63.6	58.7
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	23.1	28.5



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	1	2.9	<=150	31	2.7
51-75	3	2.7	151-250	32	4.1
76-150	25	3.0	251-350	21	4.4
151-225	30	3.6	351-450	9	4.7
>225	41	3.8	>450	7	5.7

Provision and use



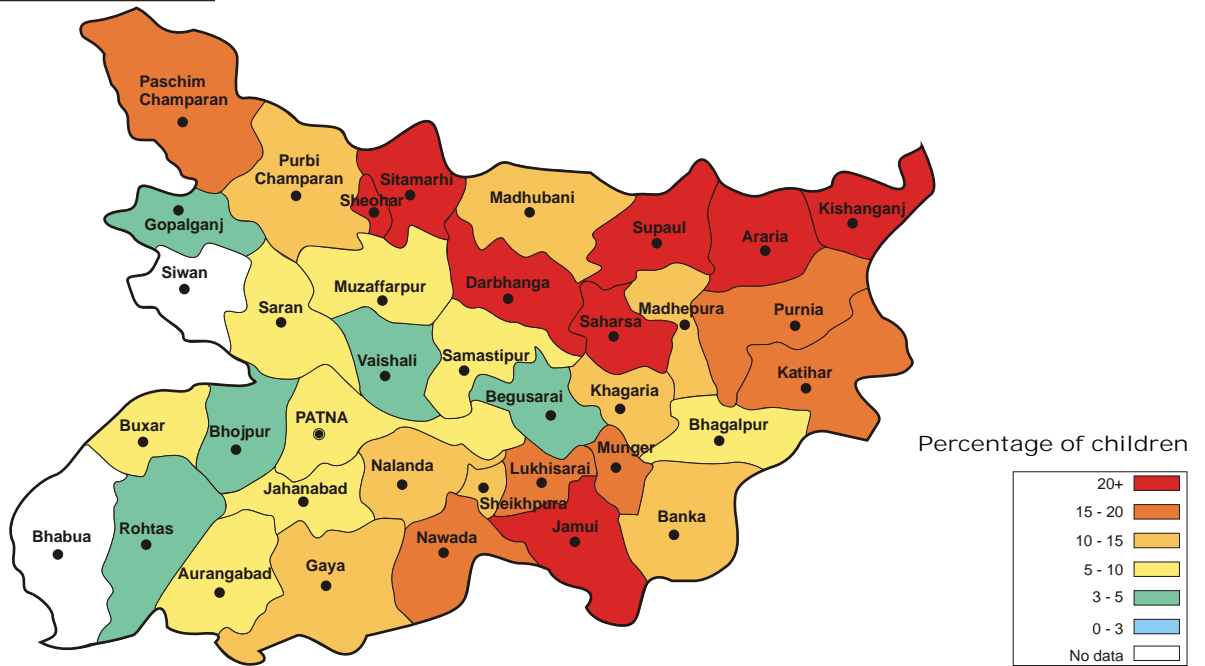
Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children		District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction		% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Agra	8.8	34.2	43.3	Jaunpur	1.7	23.3	22.0
Aligarh	8.0	31.5	42.9	Jhansi	4.7	57.7	69.2
Allahabad	8.0	40.1	45.7	Jyotiba Phule Nagar	9.0	37.1	49.8
Ambedkar Nagar(AN)*	2.5	43.4	44.1	Kannauj*	3.4	25.9	39.1
Auraiya*	3.0	28.2	32.0	Kanpur	1.6	29.0	40.7
Azamgarh	4.9	39.5	52.9	Kaushambi*	9.2	32.8	45.5
Baghpat*	1.0	54.6	66.1	Kheri	9.5	17.8	16.9
Bahraich	15.5	33.5	39.6	Kushinagar*	5.6	30.8	32.7
Ballia	3.4	43.1	64.8	Lalitpur	6.9	20.2	39.4
Balrampur*	10.5	23.8	37.5	Lucknow	8.4	29.6	32.1
Banda	1.4	36.2	82.8	Mahoba*	3.5	12.7	36.8
Barabanki	8.3	19.9	27.6	Maharajganj	9.4	40.6	43.4
Bareilly	11.5	38.0	56.2	Mainpuri	0.8	45.3	66.2
Basti	7.4	48.9	48.3	Mathura	9.6	35.1	45.4
Bijnor	12.6	34.1	56.7	Mau	3.8	39.0	55.2
Budaun	20.9	27.1	47.6	Meerut	3.6	44.7	69.6
Bulandshahar	0.5	48.4	70.0	Mirzapur	4.6	25.5	43.8
Chandauli*	3.7	50.6	87.4	Moradabad	24.3	43.0	60.3
Chitrakoot*	1.1	51.1	93.5	Muzaffarnagar	10.5	44.7	51.9
Deoria	4.3	39.7	37.8	Pilibhit	9.9	28.2	44.4
Etah	7.1	10.1	20.8	Pratapgarh	1.6	40.2	60.1
Etawah	4.4	26.6	48.3	Rae Bareilly	7.4	41.9	34.6
Faizabad	2.3	34.8	62.8	Rampur	18.7	25.8	30.7
Farukhabad	6.4	12.6	45.0	Saharanpur	11.2	68.8	62.7
Fatehpur	8.3	32.9	46.5	Sant Kabir Nagar*	3.3	35.9	51.5
Firozabad	21.7	33.6	87.8	Sant Ravidas Nagar	1.6	34.3	50.2
Gautam Buddha Nagar*	3.8	51.8	50.8	Shahjahanpur	21.6	16.2	32.6
Ghaziabad	3.4	61.9	86.1	Shrawasti*	6.3	13.3	25.8
Ghazipur	1.7	37.9	45.9	Siddharth Nagar	3.4	32.0	38.3
Gonda	3.5	31.8	50.7	Sitapur	9.6	25.4	28.5
Gorakhpur	7.2	32.2	28.8	Sonbhadra	11.5	29.4	55.2
Hamirpur	1.7	22.3	49.3	Sultanpur	4.8	34.3	31.6
Hardoi	5.5	22.2	26.4	Unnao	7.9	27.5	44.7
Hathras*	4.3	46.3	74.3	Varanasi	1.8	50.0	84.0
Jalaun	3.6	8.3	24.6	Uttar Pradesh State	7.3	34.4	47.2

Enrollment

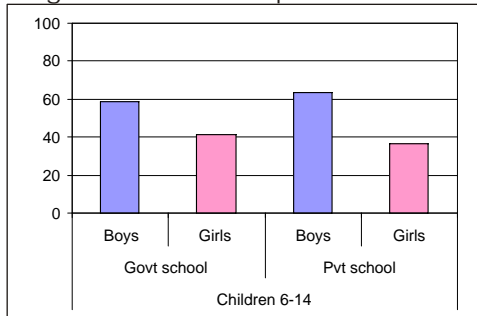
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	72.1	9.6	3.5	1.6	10.0	3.1	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	72.2	10.5	3.7	2.0	10.2	1.5	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	72.1	7.8	3.3	0.7	9.6	6.6	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	73.4	11.6	3.4	1.9	8.3	1.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	70.7	9.0	4.0	2.1	12.6	1.5	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	74.4	8.7	2.9	0.7	7.1	6.2	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	68.9	6.5	3.8	0.8	13.0	7.1	100

Out-of-school children

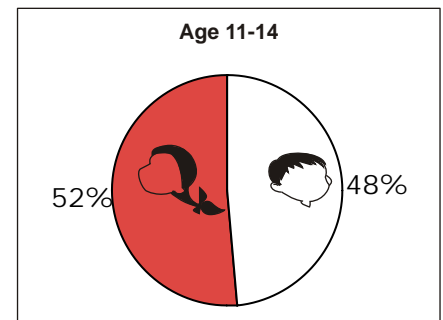
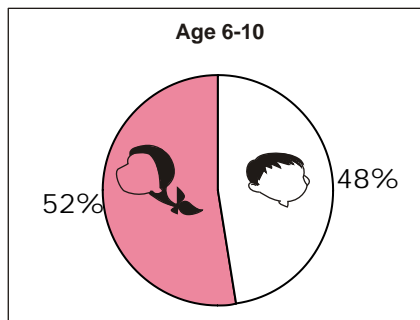


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	40.9	55.4	42.0	63.2
Age : 7-10 ALL	52.7	68.9	53.3	76.4
Age : 11-14 ALL	22.0	33.7	23.9	42.2
Govt : Std II-V	39.9	60.3	40.8	69.4
Pvt : Std II-V	18.8	37.1	19.8	48.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	4.1	13.1	5.6	20.7
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	1.1	8.4	2.3	12.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	47.7	31.5	12.2	4.3	4.4	100
II	16.2	27.4	26.9	14.6	15.0	100
III	6.2	12.8	17.8	27.2	35.9	100
IV	3.4	6.1	9.2	22.7	58.5	100
V	2.0	2.6	5.9	16.5	73.1	100
VI	1.3	1.8	2.9	11.6	82.5	100
VII	0.3	0.8	1.8	7.0	90.1	100
VIII	0.5	0.2	0.6	6.4	92.3	100
Total	14.9	15.2	12.8	14.8	42.3	100

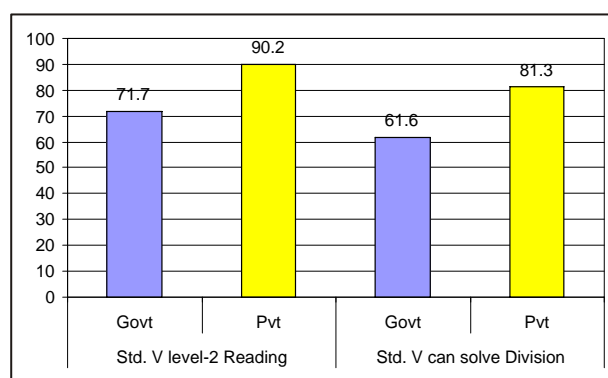
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	63.4	28.4	5.9	2.4	100
II	29.3	40.3	20.7	9.7	100
III	13.0	24.8	37.8	24.5	100
IV	7.6	14.2	31.8	46.4	100
V	3.6	8.1	25.1	63.2	100
VI	2.8	4.6	19.5	73.1	100
VII	1.0	3.2	13.1	82.7	100
VIII	0.8	1.8	7.8	89.5	100
Total	22.6	21.1	21.4	35.0	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Madhepura	13.2	Madhepura	6.0
Patna	29.0	Sheikhpura*	12.5
Aurangabad	29.5	Jehanabad	14.1
Nawada	31.7	Khagaria	14.8
Supaul*	33.3	Aurangabad	15.2
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Sheohar*	63.0	Sheohar*	40.0
Bhojpur	62.2	Kaimur(Bhabua)*	35.3
Rohtas	60.3	Darbhanga	35.0
Gopalganj	59.9	Sitamarhi	34.7
Vaishali	58.9	Nalanda	34.2

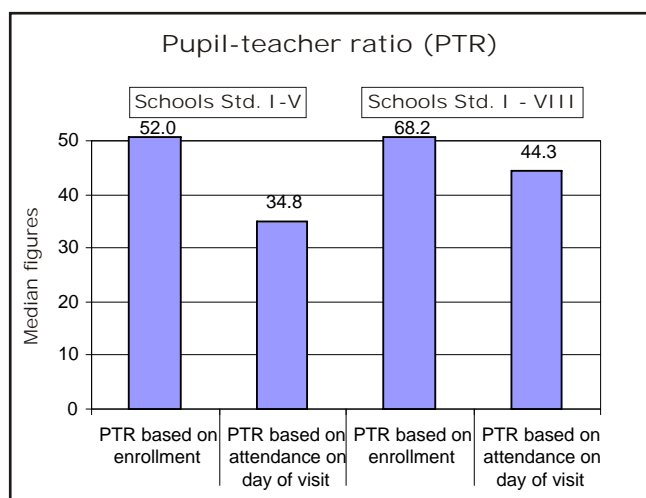
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

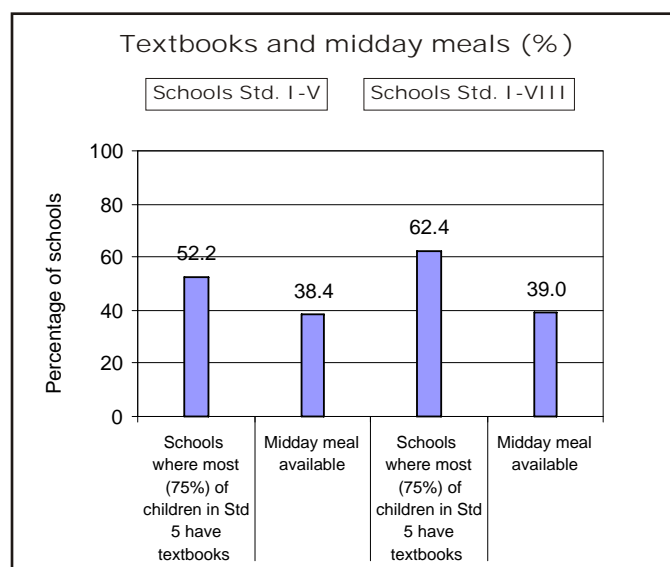
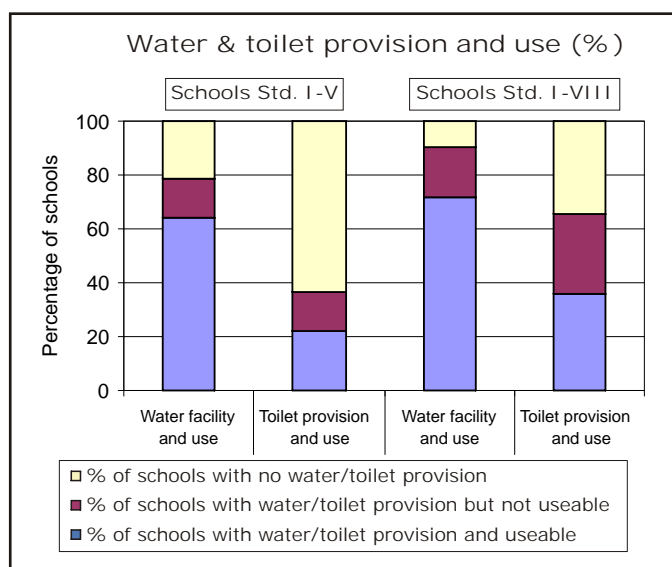
Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	322	293
% teachers attending (average)	74.0	69.8
% of schools with NO teachers present	8.1	6.1
% of schools with ALL teachers present	42.9	28.0

Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	321	293
% enrolled children attending (average)	51.2	49.0
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	41.1	47.4



Average number of rooms available					
Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	1	2.5	<=150	1	3.0
51-75	1	1.5	151-250	18	4.8
76-150	21	2.3	251-350	17	4.9
151-225	31	2.7	351-450	18	5.5
>225	46	3.2	>450	46	6.9

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read	% CAN solve
Araria	23.0	56.5	76.1
Aurangabad	9.3	70.5	84.8
Banka*	10.4	49.1	77.7
Begusarai	4.3	56.6	82.7
Bhagalpur	5.4	60.0	81.0
Bhojpur	3.3	37.8	78.4
Buxar*	5.1	45.8	76.5
Darbhanga	22.8	49.8	65.0
Gaya	11.7	45.5	73.5
Gopalganj	4.5	40.1	65.9
Jamui*	22.4	63.9	77.9
Jahanabad	9.1	63.7	85.9
Kaimur(Bhabua)*	4.0	42.8	64.7
Katihar	18.9	60.8	74.4
Khagaria	12.0	57.4	85.2
Kishanganj	23.3	55.6	82.1
Lukhisarai*	16.7	58.1	82.3
Madhepura	11.5	86.8	94.0

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read	% CAN solve
Madhubani	12.8	41.9	67.1
Munger	18.6	59.2	78.9
Muzaffarpur	5.8	58.4	79.4
Nalanda	11.9	45.8	65.8
Nawada	18.5	68.3	83.6
Pashchim Champaran	17.3	54.4	66.8
Patna	6.4	71.0	71.6
Purbi Champaran	12.3	71.0	71.6
Purnia	15.9	58.9	75.1
Rohtas	4.2	39.7	66.0
Saharsa	26.1	59.1	80.1
Samastipur	9.6	54.4	74.4
Saran	9.4	48.3	75.6
Sheikhpura*	12.0	52.6	87.5
Sheohar*	25.1	37.0	60.0
Sitamarhi	25.2	55.6	65.3
Supaul*	28.6	66.7	79.8
Vaishali	4.6	41.1	70.9
Bihar state	13.1	53.6	74.7

Sample 3

कहानी
 एक दिन बकरी, चील और मेंढक ने आकाश में उड़ने की सोची। चील एक बड़ा सा गुब्बारा ले आई। बकरी एक डोरी और मेंढक एक टोकरी ले आया। तीनों ने मिलकर उसकी उड़न टोकरी बनाई। तीनों उसमें बैठकर उड़ने लगे। अचानक बकरी के सींग से गुब्बारा फट गया। सभी जमीन पर आ गिरे।

अनुच्छेद
 बाजार में सुनार की दुकान है। सुनार जेवर बनाता है। जेवर चाँदी और सभी जेवर पहनते हैं।

अनुच्छेद
 आज ज... साथ में ए... वह छड़ी क... जादू क...

Reading Test: Sample 4

कहानी
 एक दिन कनक को खेलते-खेलते छोटी सी गिलहरी मिली। कनक उसे अपने घर ले आया। कनक परेशान था कि इतनी छोटी गिलहरी को क्या खिलाया जाए? तभी उसे दूध की बोतल दिखाई दी। उसने बोतल में दूध भरकर गिलहरी को पिलाया। अब छोटी गिलहरी दूध पीकर खुशी से कुट-कुट करती है।

अनुच्छेद
 हम सभी मसूरी घूमने गए। वहाँ हमने पानी का झरना देखा। झरना बहुत ऊँचा था। वहाँ हम सबने फोटो भी खींची।

अनुच्छेद
 रामलीला के दिन आए हैं। राम-रावण की लड़ाई होगी। बुराई की हार और भलाई की जीत होगी।

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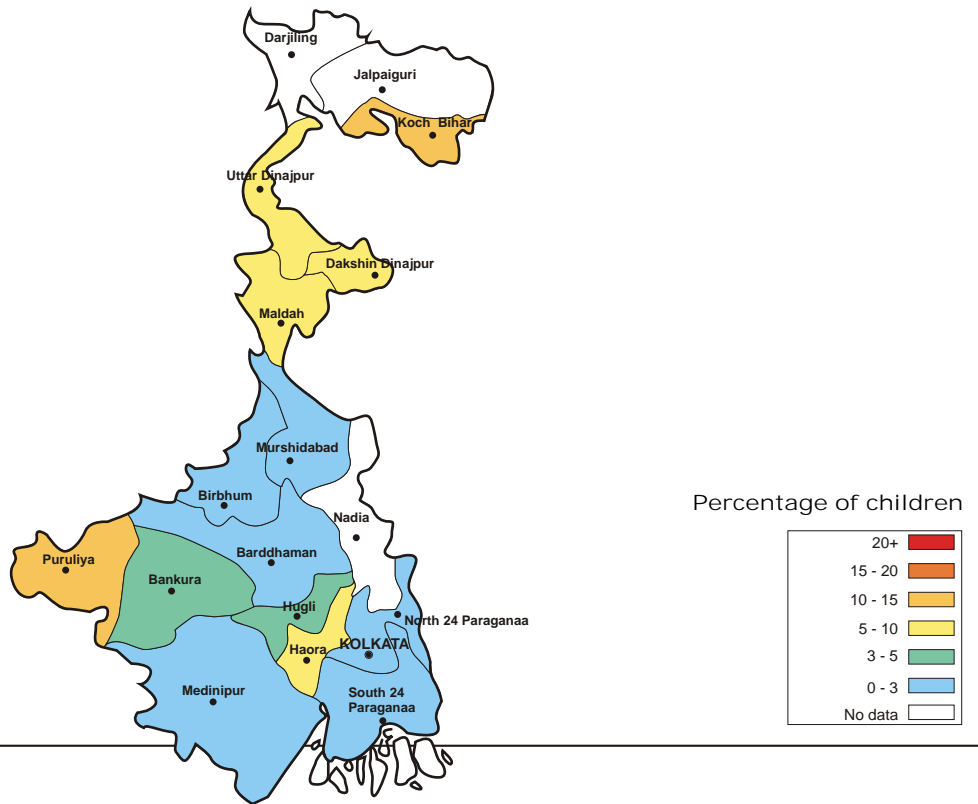
WEST BENGAL RURAL

All analyses based on data from 14 out of 17 districts

Enrollment

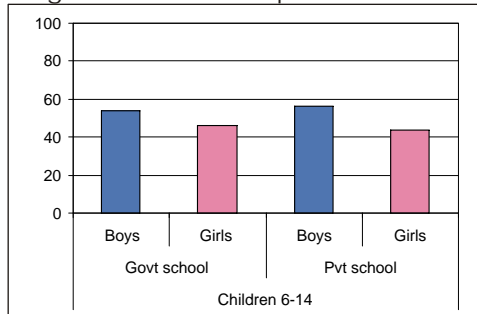
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	92.2	2.8	0.2	0.4	1.5	2.9	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	94.8	3.3	0.1	0.2	1.0	0.7	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	87.8	2.1	0.3	0.3	2.5	7.0	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	94.4	3.5	0.1	0.3	1.0	0.7	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	95.2	2.9	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.7	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	88.1	2.0	0.4	0.3	2.3	6.9	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	87.4	2.3	0.3	0.2	2.8	7.1	100

Out-of-school children

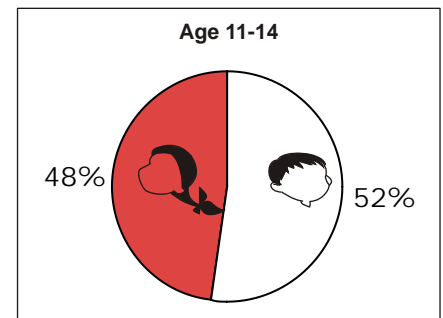
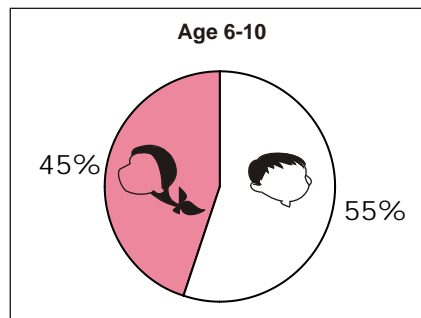


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	22.1	48.5	21.8	51.3
Age : 7-10 ALL	29.5	62.9	29.0	67.5
Age : 11-14 ALL	8.7	22.4	9.0	22.1
Govt : Std II-V	24.8	57.3	24.4	61.6
Pvt : Std II-V	28.2	47.9	35.1	60.5
Govt : Std VI-VIII	1.9	12.8	2.9	12.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	2.4	27.6	8.0	41.7

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	17.2	40.8	24.9	10.3	6.8	100
II	4.5	18.9	28.4	34.5	13.7	100
III	1.6	8.1	16.5	38.8	35.0	100
IV	1.2	3.0	6.6	32.0	57.2	100
V	0.7	1.6	4.9	17.3	75.5	100
VI	0.3	0.7	1.8	14.1	83.1	100
VII	0.6	0.2	0.9	9.5	88.8	100
VIII	0.0	0.2	0.4	8.4	91.0	100
Total	4.3	12.3	13.8	24.6	44.9	100

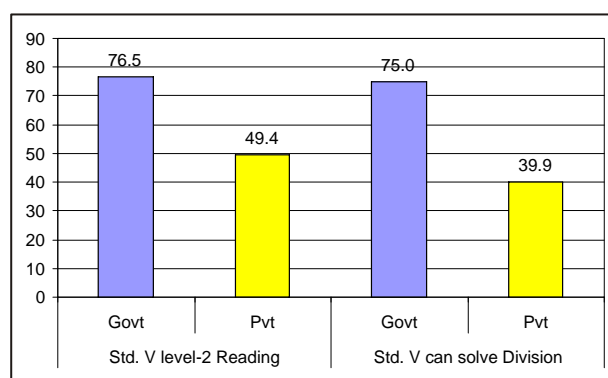
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	27.2	53.3	12.7	6.9	100
II	11.1	38.4	39.9	10.6	100
III	4.8	21.8	45.9	27.6	100
IV	2.4	8.4	36.6	52.7	100
V	2.2	7.1	17.0	73.7	100
VI	0.6	4.1	13.2	82.2	100
VII	0.4	1.2	6.5	91.8	100
VIII	0.0	1.6	8.3	90.1	100
Total	7.8	21.7	28.0	42.5	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve Subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Medinipur	18.8	Murshidabad	1.2
Koch Bihar	25.4	Medinipur	8.6
Barddhaman	36.0	Barddhaman	10.7
Uttar Dinajpur	36.4	North 24 Paraganaa	11.3
Bankura	41.0	South 24 Paraganaa	11.9
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Murshidabad	97.6	Dakshin Dinajpur*	44.6
Dakshin Dinajpur*	65.1	Bankura	32.4
Maldah	58.7	Uttar Dinajpur	31.4
Hugli	57.1	Hugli	30.4
South 24 Paraganada	54.9	Maldah	26.1

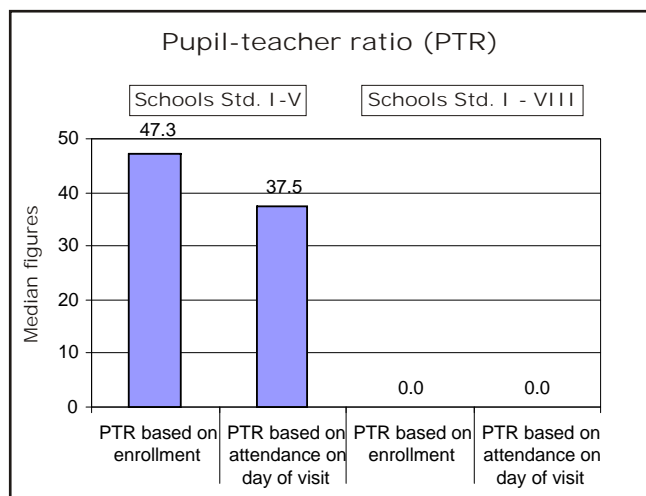
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	229	0
% teachers attending (average)	72.5	0.0
% of schools with NO teachers present	17.0	
% of schools with ALL teachers present	53.7	

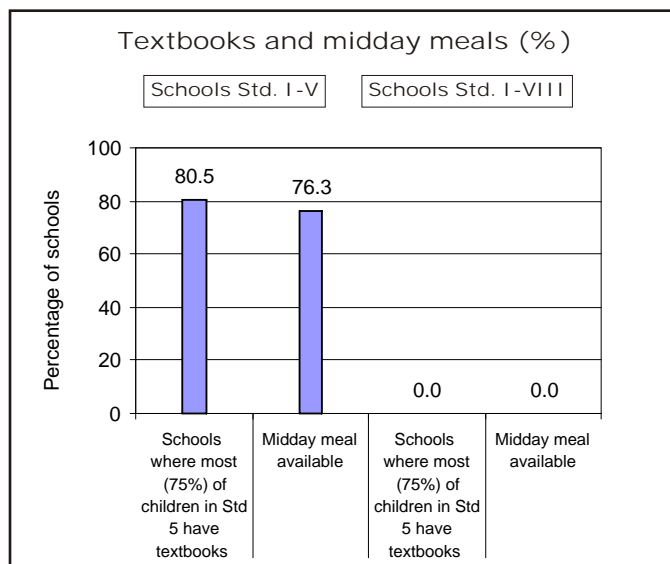
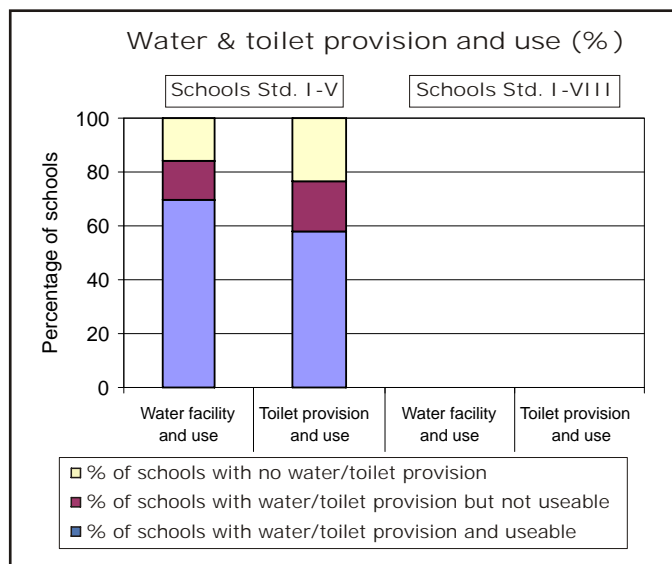
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	231	0
% enrolled children attending (average)	69.2	0.0
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	13.9	



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	3	1.6	<=150	0.0	0.0
51-75	6	2.6	151-250	0.0	0.0
76-150	34	2.9	251-350	0.0	0.0
151-225	35	3.5	351-450	0.0	0.0
>225	22	4.0	>450	0.0	0.0

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Puruliya	14.3	46.8	81.6
Koch Bihar	11.0	74.6	85.7
Uttar Dinajpur	9.5	63.6	68.6
Maldah	7.7	41.3	73.9
Haora	7.4	54.0	83.4
Dakshin Dinajpur*	5.0	34.9	55.4
Hugli	4.2	42.9	69.6

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Bankura	3.8	59.0	67.6
North 24 Paraganaa	2.9	49.7	88.7
South 24 Paraganaa	2.7	45.1	88.1
Medinipur	2.6	81.2	91.4
Barddhaman	1.5	64.0	89.3
Murshidabad	0.8	2.4	98.8
Birbhum	0.0	47.6	80.6
West Bengal State	4.4	74.6	85.7

গল্প

আমাদের বাড়ির পেছনে পুকুর। তাতে অনেক রকম মাছ। ছোট মাছ ধরতে বসেছেন মেজদা। আমার পিসতুত্রে দাদা। হাতে ছিল। এক মনে তাকিয়ে ফাতনার দিকে। মাছ টোপ গিলবে, ফাতনাও ডুববে। আর মেজদা ও এক টানে মাছটি গেঁথে তুলবেন। আমি পাহারাদার। পাশে একটি ঝাঁপিতে ধরা মাছ রাখা হবে। অনেকক্ষণ ঠায় বসে আছি। আমি মেজদাকে দেখছি। মেজদা দেখছেন ফাতনা। মাছ আর ওঠেনা। কখন খুমিয়ে পড়েছি জানি না। খুম ভাঙলো বিছনায়। মেজদা নীজাকোলা করে আমাকে বাড়ি পৌঁছে দিয়ে গিয়েছেন।

অনুচ্ছেদ

মাছ-ভাত আমাদের প্রধান খাদ্য।
আমাদের দেশে অনেক নদী।
ছোট বড় কত জলাশয়।
যেখানে জল সেখানেই মাছ।
মাছের চাকও করা হয়।

অনুচ্ছেদ

বাবা বলেন মাছ খাওয়া ভাল। আমি কই
নিয়ে বসে থাকি।
আমাকে পড়াশুনা

পঠন পরীক্ষা : নমুনা

গল্প

এখন পূজোর ছুটি। কাল বাবা মার সাথে চিড়িয়াখানা দেখলাম। সোনালী রোদ ছিল। হাঁটতে বেশ লাগল। বাঁচার ভেতরে বাঘ সিংহ। তবু তাদের দেখে ভয় হয়। বাঁদররা বাগান খেতে ভালবাসে। হাত বাড়িয়েই থাকে। নানা রংয়ের নানা দেশের পাখী অজস্র। নীতের দেশের ভালুক আড়ালেই রইল। রোদ সইতে মোটে পারে না।

বিচিত্র শিং হরিণরা খুব লামলা। রাজহাঁসরাও সারাক্ষণ সীতার কটলে। বেচারা অতি বুড়ো বিশাল কচ্ছিন রোদ পোয়ালো।

অনুচ্ছেদ

শরতের নীল আকাশ ভালবাসি।
ভাল লাগে তার সোনালী রোদ।
মাঝে মাঝে সাদা মেঘের খেলা।
বিরবিধের বৃষ্টি কখনো।

অনুচ্ছেদ

বাঘ-সিংহের চার পা। মানুষের দুই পা।
পাখীদেরও তাই। গাছের একটি-ই পা; ভাল
গাছ একপাত্রে দাঁড়িয়ে থাকে। মাছ জলে থাকে;
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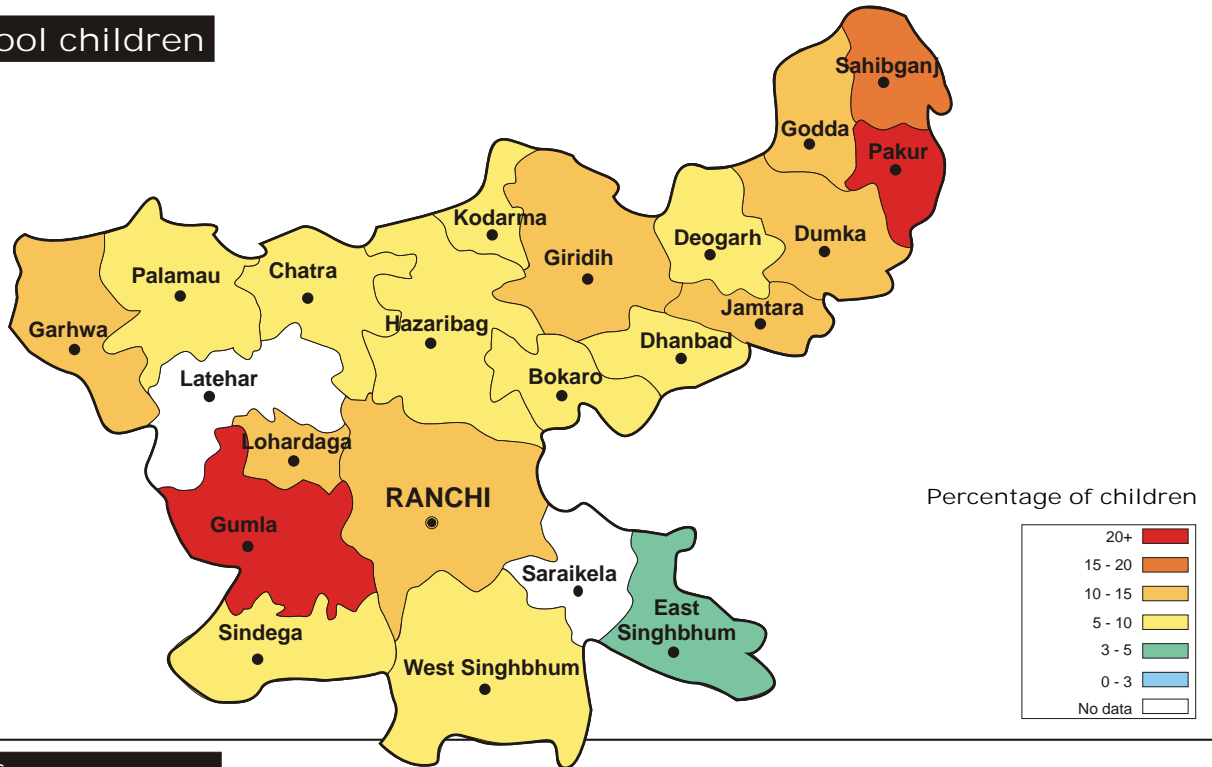
JHARKHAND RURAL

All analyses based on data from 20 out of 22 districts

Enrollment

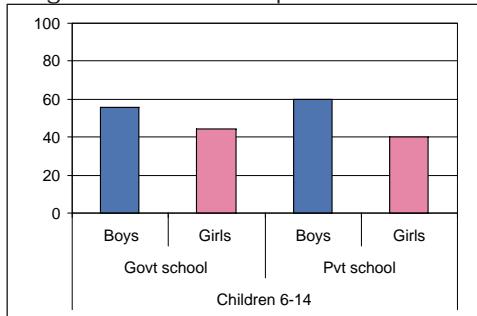
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	71.9	10.8	1.4	6.1	6.4	3.4	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	73.6	10.1	1.2	7.3	6.1	1.7	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	69.2	12.1	1.5	3.5	6.9	6.8	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	74.1	11.1	1.0	7.0	5.2	1.6	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	73.0	8.8	1.6	7.8	7.1	1.7	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	71.3	12.6	0.8	3.3	4.8	7.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	66.6	11.4	2.5	3.7	9.5	6.5	100

Out-of-school children

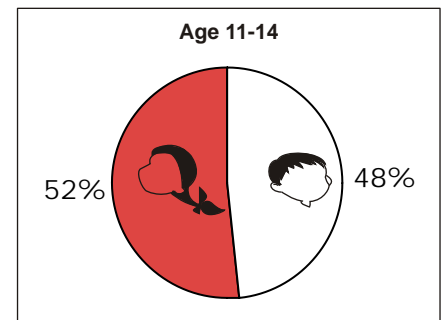
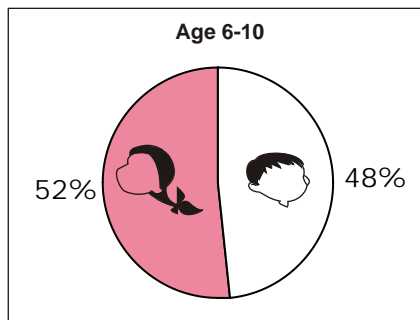


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	42.5	57.9	45.6	70.7
Age : 7-10 ALL	54.1	71.8	57.5	83.8
Age : 11-14 ALL	24.7	36.9	27.6	50.8
Govt : Std II-V	45.4	66.0	49.3	79.3
Pvt : Std II-V	23.1	40.2	29.7	60.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	8.0	19.0	10.5	34.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	2.9	6.1	8.0	21.6

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	42.8	33.3	15.9	3.6	4.4	100
II	17.1	28.6	27.9	14.6	11.8	100
III	7.4	15.8	21.8	27.0	28.0	100
IV	4.1	8.1	12.8	21.2	53.8	100
V	2.7	4.8	6.8	18.6	67.1	100
VI	1.6	4.0	4.6	12.9	76.8	100
VII	1.6	2.0	1.5	9.4	85.6	100
VIII	0.5	2.2	2.0	5.2	90.1	100
Total	13.8	16.9	15.5	15.4	38.5	100

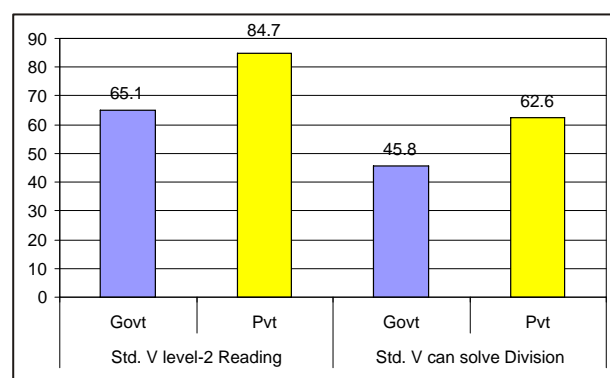
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	60.7	30.7	6.6	2.0	100
II	32.9	44.4	17.2	5.5	100
III	17.3	32.0	36.4	14.4	100
IV	11.4	18.2	37.0	33.5	100
V	7.9	12.2	32.4	47.6	100
VI	5.0	8.6	26.3	60.1	100
VII	3.7	4.8	22.8	68.7	100
VIII	1.1	4.6	14.2	80.2	100
Total	24.0	25.3	24.2	26.5	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Garhwa	37.8	Ranchi	25.2
Bokaro*	38.4	Lohardaga	25.3
Ranchi	42.5	JAMTARA	25.5
Kodarma*	43.2	Sahibganj	27.0
Giridih	44.2	Garhwa	27.5
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
DUMKA	77.5	DUMKA	52.5
Pakaur*	71.0	SINDEGA	49.5
PALAMU	69.0	Deoghar	47.1
Godda	63.0	PALAMU	41.5
Deoghar	61.8	Purbi Singhb	40.7

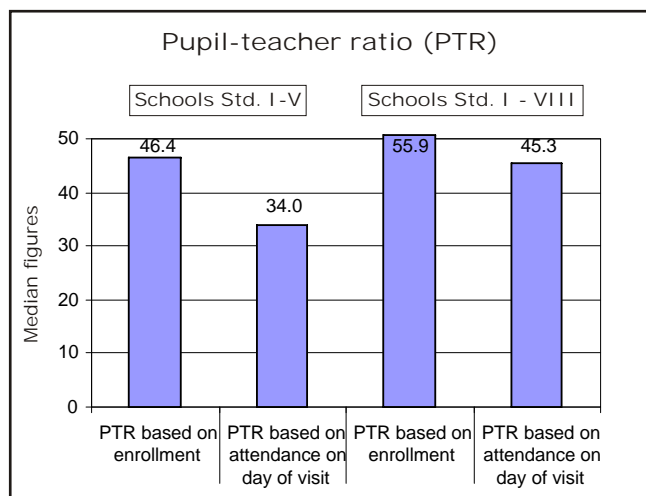
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	196	151
% teachers attending (average)	74.3	71.0
% of schools with NO teachers present	8.7	5.3
% of schools with ALL teachers present	49.5	28.5

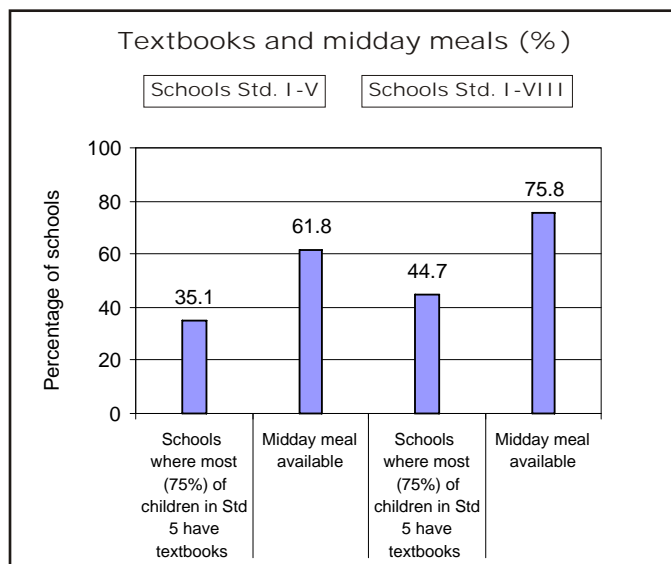
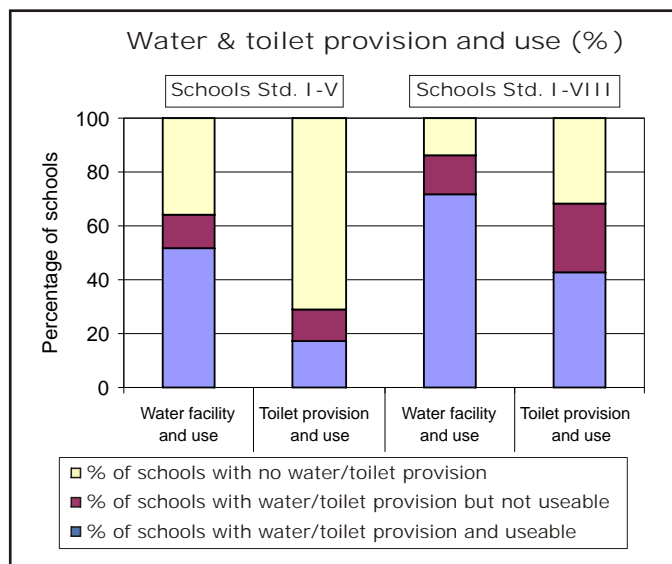
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	200	149
% enrolled children attending (average)	58.4	58.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	29.5	31.5



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	8	1.3	<=150	8	3.8
51-75	15	2.3	151-250	21	6.1
76-150	40	2.6	251-350	21	6.4
151-225	24	3.3	351-450	15	6.6
>225	13	3.6	>450	35	8.7

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Bokaro*	6.2	61.6	71.3
Chatra*	6.6	42.2	61.9
Deogarh	7.5	38.2	52.9
Dhanbad	7.7	50.4	66.9
DUMKA	10.9	22.5	47.5
Garhwa	11.0	62.2	72.5
Giridih	10.1	55.8	64.6
Godda	11.0	37.0	66.1
GUMLA	20.1	40.0	60.4
Hazaribag	5.0	53.4	64.7

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
JAMTARA	13.0	51.1	74.5
Kodarma*	5.5	56.8	71.5
Lohardaga	10.9	52.7	74.7
Pakur*	22.0	29.0	70.1
PALAMAU	5.3	31.0	58.5
East Singhbhum	4.2	51.3	59.3
Ranchi	11.7	57.5	74.8
Sahibganj	17.7	47.0	73.0
West Singhbhum	8.7	42.5	72.4
SINDEGA	9.6	45.0	50.5
Jharkhand state	9.8	47.0	65.1

The image shows ASER 2005 reading test materials. It includes two word cards for Hindi language practice. The first card, titled 'भाषा (वाचन के लिए)', lists characters (अक्षर) and words (शब्द). The second card, titled 'कहानी', contains a reading passage about a goat and a monkey. The third card, titled 'अनुच्छेद', contains a short paragraph about a goldsmith's shop.

भाषा (वाचन के लिए)

अक्षर: क, प, र, स, ट, द, ह, न, म, ब

शब्द: हल, सब, नरम, पीना, मैना, धोती, तकिया, निमटा, दूध

कहानी

एक दिन बकरी, चील और मेंढक ने आकाश में उड़ने की सोची। चील एक बड़ा सा गुब्बारा ले आई। बकरी एक डोरी और मेंढक एक टोकरी ले आया। तीनों ने मिलकर उसकी उड़न टोकरी बनाई। तीनों उसमें बैठकर उड़ने लगे। अचानक बकरी के सींग से गुब्बारा फट गया। सभी जमीन पर आ गिरे।

अनुच्छेद

बाजार में सुनार की दुकान है। सुनार जेवर बनाता है। जेवर चाँदी और सोने के होते हैं। सभी जेवर पहनना पसंद करते हैं।

अनुच्छेद

आज जादूगर आया है। साथ में एक छड़ी लाया है। वह छड़ी को गोल-गोल घुमाकर, जादू का खेल दिखाएगा।



Gujarat
Daman and Diu
Dadra Nagar Haveli
Madhya Pradesh
Chhattisgarh
Orissa

Note : Daman and Diu, Dadra Nagar Haveli do not have school tables as the numbers of observations was too small.

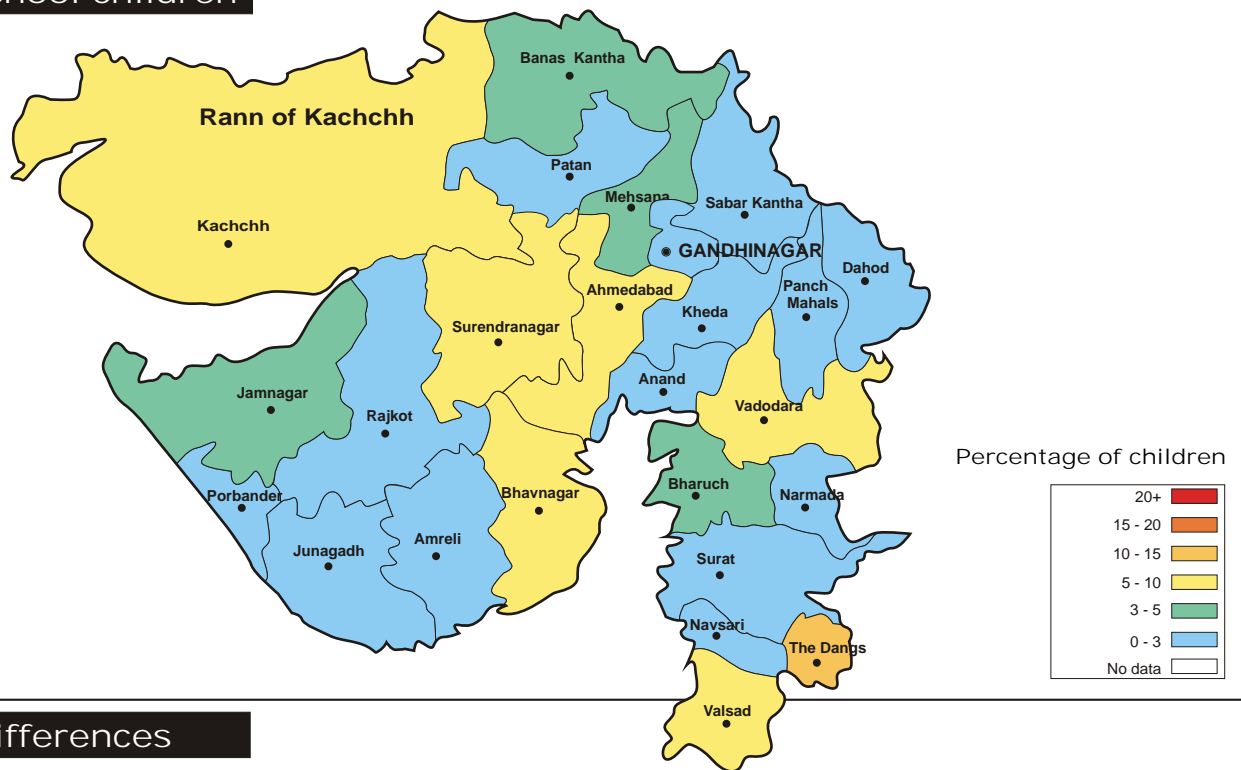
GUJARAT RURAL

All analyses based on data from 25 out of 26 districts

Enrollment

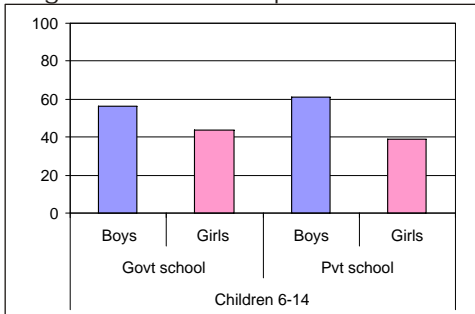
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	87.8	7.4	0.6	0.6	1.3	2.3	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	90.1	6.7	0.6	0.5	1.2	0.9	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	84.8	8.6	0.5	0.7	1.2	4.3	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	89.6	7.6	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.8	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	90.6	5.7	0.6	0.4	1.6	1.2	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	85.9	9.1	0.5	0.6	0.7	3.2	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	83.3	7.9	0.5	0.7	1.8	5.7	100

Out-of-school children

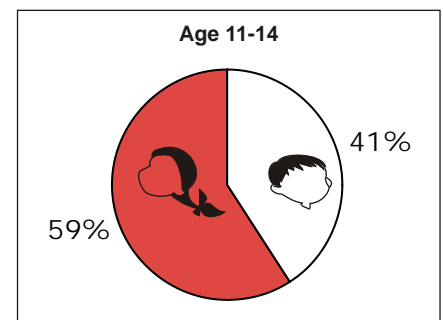
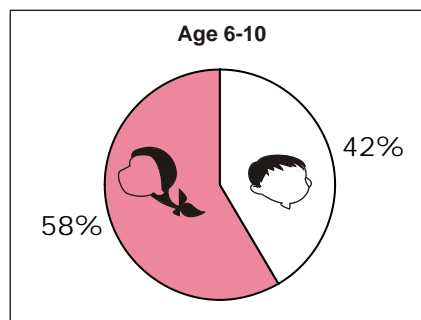


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	34.2	53.7	39.9	62.7
Age : 7-10 ALL	47.5	68.9	52.8	73.7
Age : 11-14 ALL	15.8	32.8	22.8	48.1
Govt : Std II-V	46.7	67.7	53.8	75.6
Pvt : Std II-V	32.8	60.1	21.2	47.9
Govt : Std VI-VIII	11.3	27.9	19.4	46.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	17.7	33.8	12.8	30.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	35.3	37.4	14.0	5.4	7.9	100
II	12.6	29.9	34.1	10.8	12.6	100
III	6.9	17.1	32.6	19.3	24.2	100
IV	4.3	8.1	22.3	26.5	38.8	100
V	2.8	4.0	14.8	26.8	51.7	100
VI	2.0	4.2	9.1	19.2	65.5	100
VII	1.1	1.6	6.2	15.0	76.2	100
VIII	1.0	1.7	4.6	10.3	82.4	100
Total	7.2	12.4	18.9	18.6	42.9	100

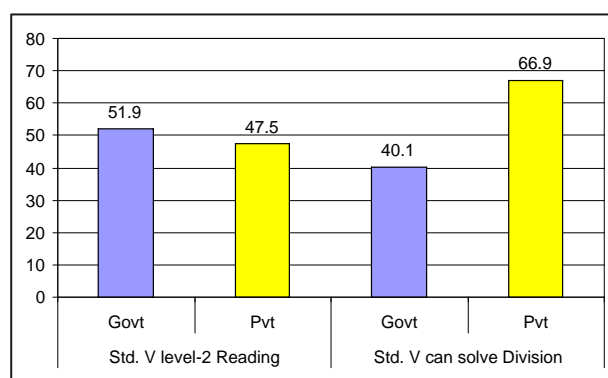
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	56.0	31.1	6.7	6.2	100
II	34.3	45.6	11.1	9.0	100
III	20.1	42.8	19.5	17.6	100
IV	12.5	28.4	26.5	32.6	100
V	6.5	21.9	29.0	42.6	100
VI	5.8	16.3	28.6	49.3	100
VII	4.1	11.6	24.9	59.5	100
VIII	2.7	12.1	17.0	68.2	100
Total	16.2	27.3	22.2	34.3	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Banas Kantha	37.9	Patan*	1.1
Bhavnagar	41.8	Surat	4.4
Valsad	42.1	The Dangs	13.4
Gandhinagar	44.9	Mahesana	20.7
Surendranagar	50.6	Valsad	24.8
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Porbandar*	92.3	Ahmedabad	70.1
Patan*	78.5	Mahesana	64.5
Surat	77.7	Amreli	63.8
Junagadh	77.0	Porbandar*	61.5
Sabar Kantha	76.1	Sabar Kantha	57.4

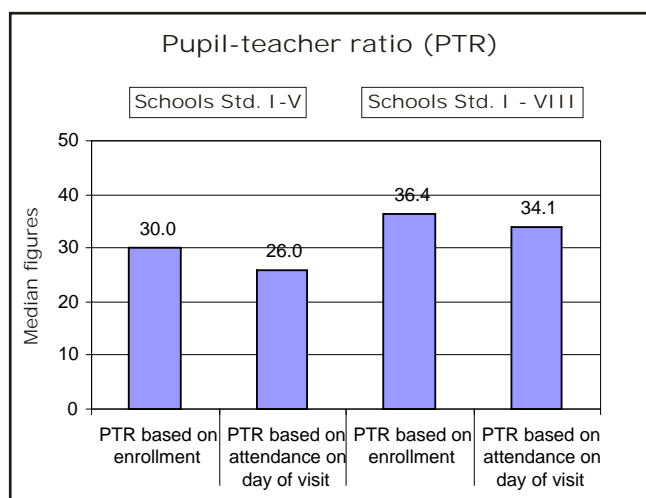
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	41	399
% teachers attending (average)	75.0	83.5
% of schools with NO teachers present	14.6	5.5
% of schools with ALL teachers present	61.0	53.4

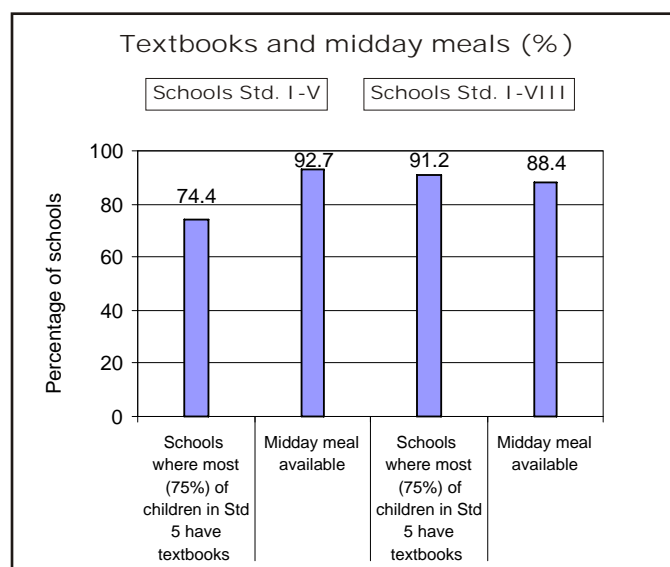
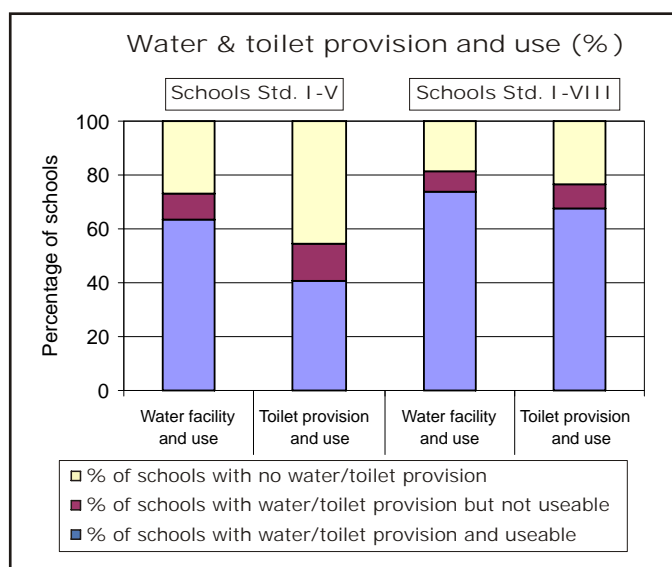
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	42	400
% enrolled children attending (average)	76.5	80.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	11.9	3.0



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	24	2.7	<=150	12	4.9
51-75	24	2.6	151-250	27	7.3
76-150	32	4.2	251-350	26	9.1
151-225	20	3.6	351-450	12	10.4
>225	0	0.0	>450	23	13.9

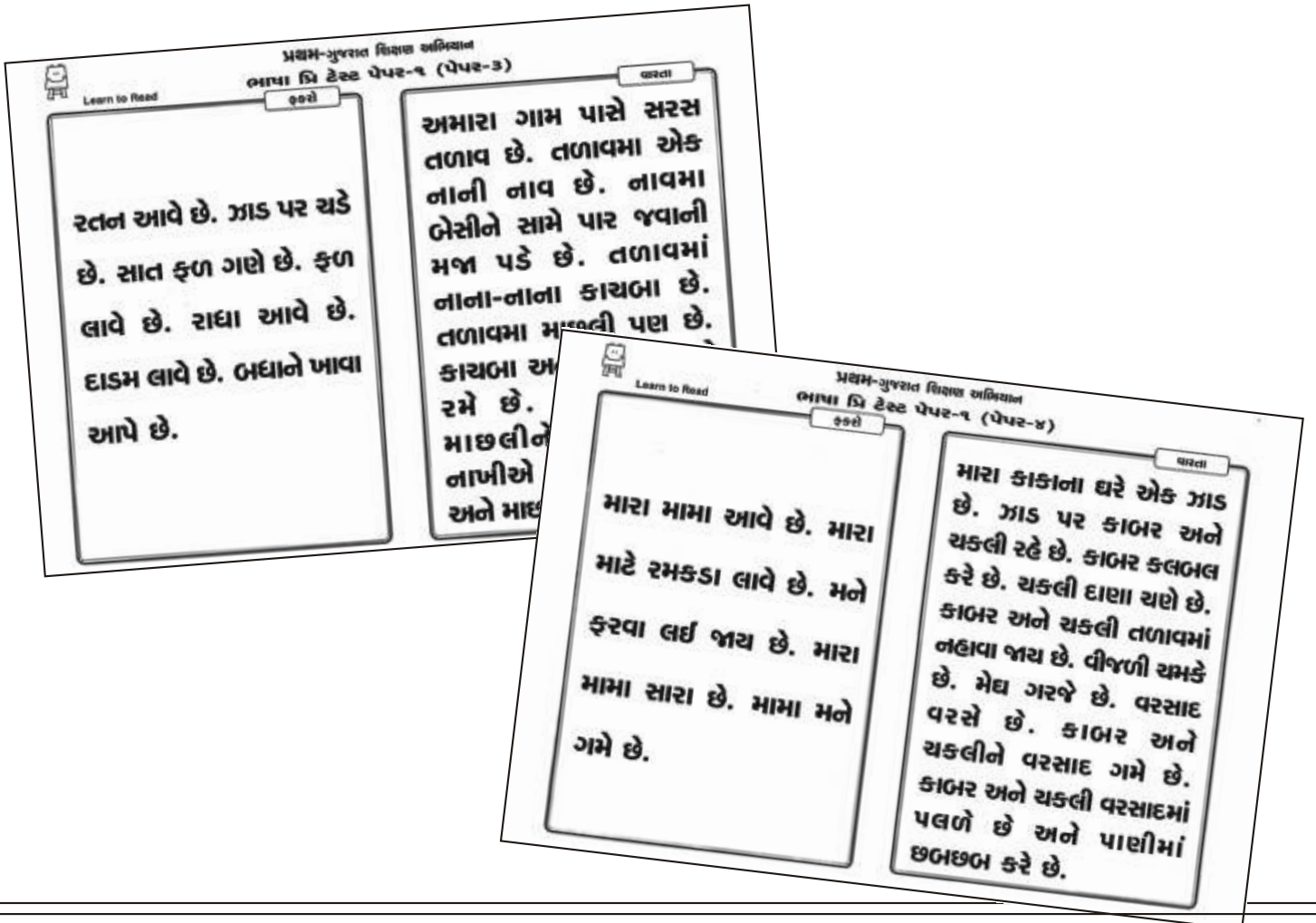
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ahmedabad	7.1	37.4	29.9
Amreli	2.2	36.7	36.2
Anand*	1.4	49.1	49.4
Banas Kantha	3.2	62.1	53.1
Bharuch	4.3	48.1	59.9
Bhavnagar	5.1	58.2	61.4
Dohad*	0.2	38.9	55.2
Gandhinagar	2.5	55.1	65.3
The Dangs	11.0	31.5	86.6
Jamnagar	4.9	31.7	43.5
Junagadh	0.0	23.0	50.0
Kachchh	9.8	37.1	43.6
Kheda	2.2	34.4	35.5

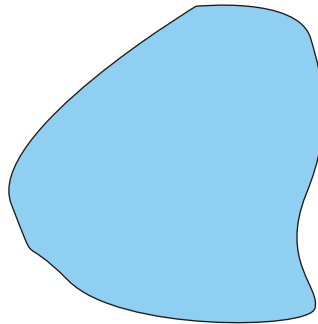
District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Mahesana	3.5	42.4	79.3
Narmada*	1.1	28.2	61.3
Navsari*	0.9	39.6	58.6
Panch Mahals	2.9	45.2	61.8
Patan*	1.2	21.5	98.9
Porbander*	2.0	7.7	38.5
Rajkot	2.2	34.7	45.0
Sabar Kantha	2.6	23.9	42.6
Surat	1.9	22.3	95.6
Surendranagar	5.1	49.4	73.1
Vadodara	5.6	27.4	48.5
Valsad	8.4	57.9	75.2
Gujrath state	3.6	38.5	56.4



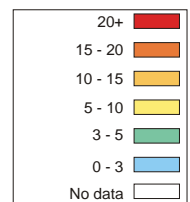
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	81.4	16.9	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.7	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	80.2	19.5	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	84.1	13.2	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.7	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	79.9	19.9	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	80.6	19.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	82.5	15.6	0.0	0.0	0.7	1.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	87.0	8.9	0.0	0.0	1.3	2.8	100

Out-of-school children

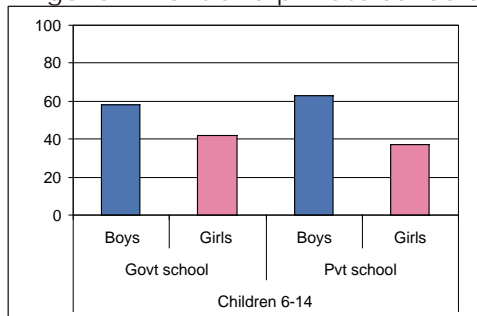


Percentage of children

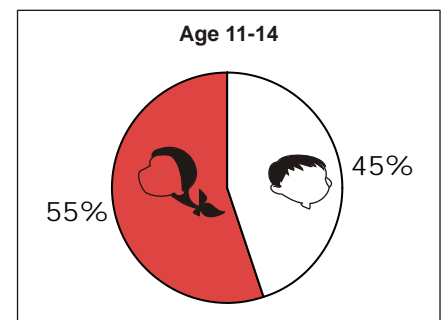
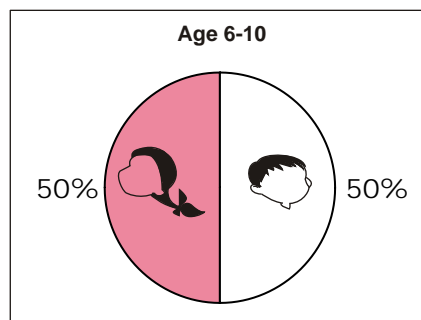


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	36.3	63.7	34.9	66.3
Age : 7-10 ALL	51.9	82.0	47.0	84.6
Age : 11-14 ALL	14.1	37.4	17.8	40.4
Govt : Std II -V	49.3	80.3	47.0	84.4
Pvt : Std II -V	55.2	87.2	41.1	79.4
Govt : Std VI -VIII	9.8	33.2	17.6	38.8
Pvt : Std VI -VIII	16.7	53.4	15.8	45.8

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	26.4	49.1	15.8	5.3	3.3	100
II	11.7	36.7	26.6	16.8	8.3	100
III	3.4	25.3	44.2	18.7	8.4	100
IV	1.6	5.7	34.2	44.9	13.6	100
V	1.4	6.0	14.7	40.4	37.6	100
VI	1.0	3.0	10.7	29.5	55.8	100
VII	2.3	2.9	4.1	25.9	64.8	100
VIII	0.8	2.1	5.1	19.1	72.9	100
Total	6.1	16.6	20.4	25.8	31.1	100

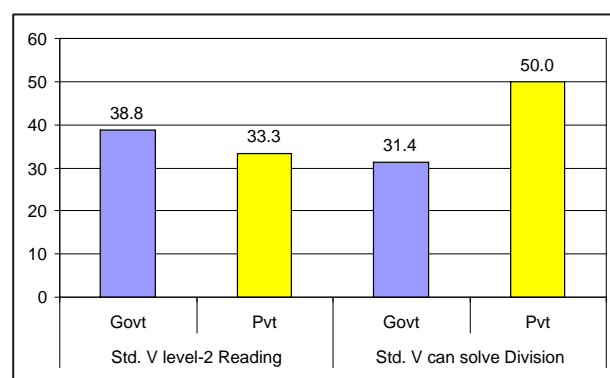
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	42.8	38.2	10.0	9.0	100
II	33.0	40.1	15.0	12.0	100
III	19.9	43.7	30.9	5.6	100
IV	10.2	22.0	59.2	8.6	100
V	5.7	18.4	40.5	35.4	100
VI	2.4	16.9	36.6	44.2	100
VII	4.8	10.1	15.1	69.9	100
VIII	3.7	14.8	15.6	65.9	100
Total	15.5	25.9	29.1	29.6	100

Performance

	All Children	Std V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve division and subtraction
Diu	4.38	49.0	12.6
Daman	0.72	34.1	41.9

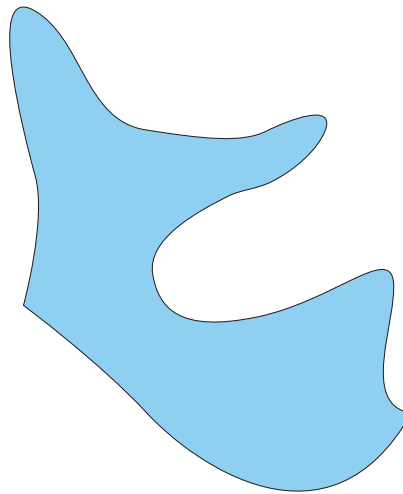
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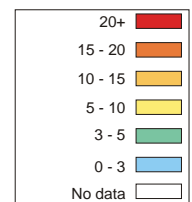
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	97.2	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.2	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	96.6	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	98.5	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.3	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	95.6	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	97.7	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	99.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	97.8	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.7	100

Out-of-school children

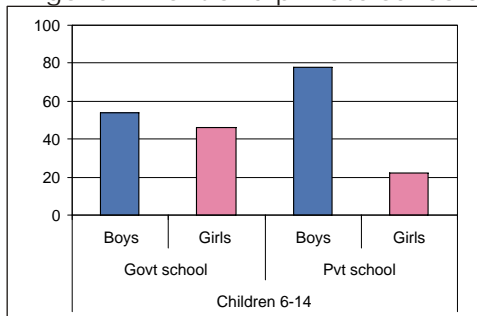


Percentage of children

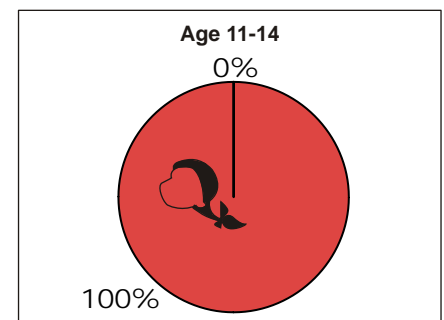
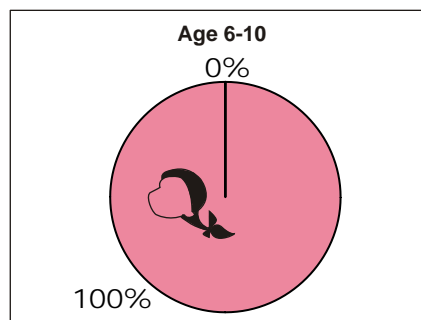


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	41.2	64.5	50.3	75.4
Age : 7-10 ALL	67.5	88.1	76.0	95.2
Age : 11-14 ALL	6.4	33.3	16.4	49.1
Govt : Std II-V	60.6	86.7	71.8	94.3
Pvt : Std II-V	50.0	50.0	30.0	60.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	1.6	23.4	10.1	43.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	66.7	66.7	0.0	33.3

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	64.0	32.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	100
II	23.0	56.0	19.0	1.0	1.0	100
III	2.4	28.6	50.8	14.3	4.0	100
IV	0.0	10.2	38.7	37.2	13.9	100
V	0.0	4.1	16.3	44.7	35.0	100
VI	0.0	0.9	3.7	21.5	73.8	100
VII	0.0	0.0	0.9	25.6	73.5	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	96.3	100
Total	10.8	17.2	19.7	21.4	31.0	100

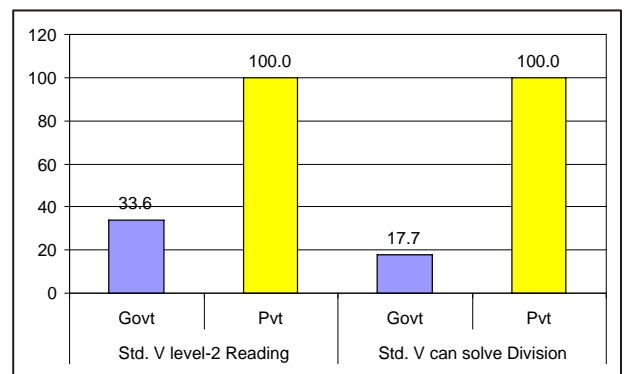
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	75.8	23.2	1.0	0.0	100
II	48.0	51.0	1.0	0.0	100
III	18.3	68.3	12.7	0.8	100
IV	6.6	59.9	29.2	4.4	100
V	3.3	33.3	43.9	19.5	100
VI	0.0	11.2	37.4	51.4	100
VII	1.7	9.4	34.2	54.7	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	11.1	88.9	100
Total	19.3	36.6	23.3	20.8	100

Performance

	All Children	Std V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve division and subtraction
Dadra & Nagar state	0.6	35.0	19.5

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



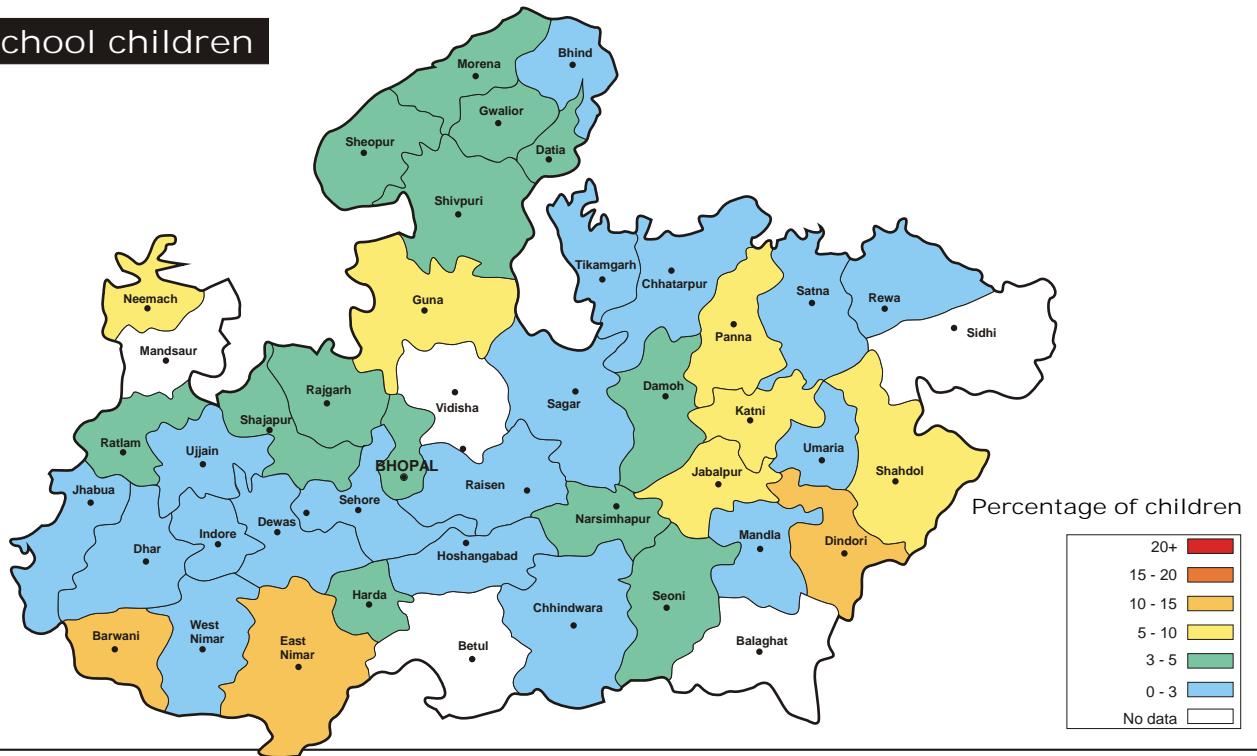
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Enrollment

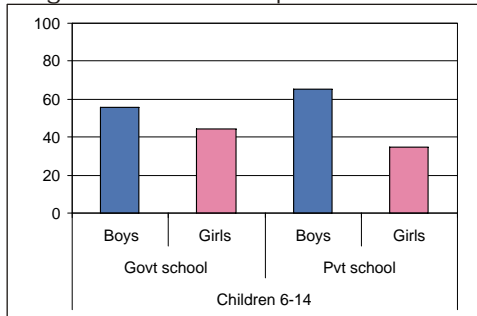
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	83.5	8.5	0.2	3.8	1.2	2.8	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	83.4	9.2	0.3	5.0	1.2	0.9	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	83.9	7.4	0.2	1.7	1.2	5.6	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	82.2	10.6	0.2	5.1	1.0	0.9	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	84.9	7.4	0.4	4.7	1.5	1.0	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	83.9	8.8	0.2	1.5	1.0	4.6	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	83.9	5.6	0.1	2.0	1.5	7.0	100

Out-of-school children

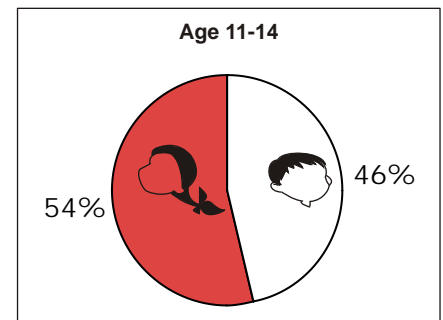
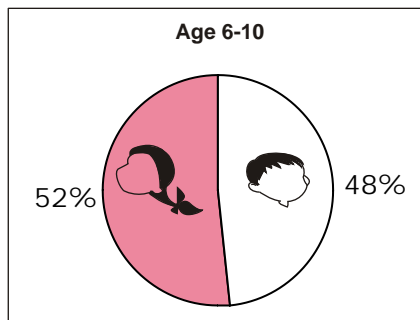


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	37.6	55.3	41.8	66.4
Age : 7-10 ALL	54.4	73.8	58.8	83.1
Age : 11-14 ALL	16.5	32.2	20.4	45.5
Govt : Std II-V	52.9	74.0	55.0	82.4
Pvt : Std II-V	36.5	59.1	41.0	71.3
Govt : Std VI-VIII	10.6	24.2	14.5	38.0
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	3.6	10.9	9.2	24.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	57.1	20.9	9.4	4.8	7.8	100
II	27.2	30.7	23.1	7.4	11.7	100
III	11.4	25.1	25.4	23.1	15.1	100
IV	4.6	14.3	21.4	30.8	28.9	100
V	2.4	5.9	13.4	26.3	52.0	100
VI	1.8	4.0	9.1	19.4	65.7	100
VII	1.5	2.2	5.4	12.0	78.9	100
VIII	0.8	1.2	3.0	6.8	88.2	100
Total	15.7	15.3	15.5	17.1	36.5	100

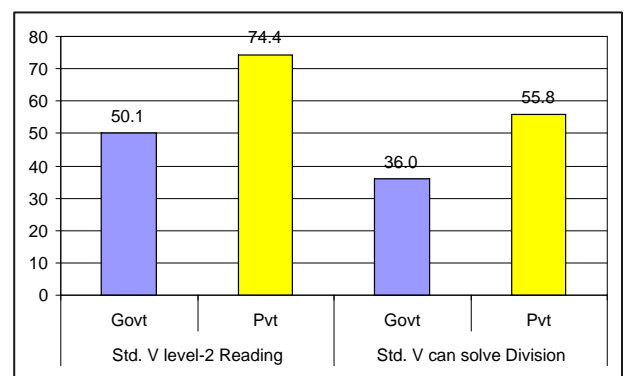
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	64.3	26.5	4.7	4.5	100
II	36.4	47.5	9.5	6.7	100
III	15.7	45.7	30.1	8.5	100
IV	9.3	32.4	37.2	21.2	100
V	5.4	20.7	35.9	38.0	100
VI	4.6	14.4	28.9	52.1	100
VII	3.3	10.4	21.3	65.0	100
VIII	1.9	6.7	17.1	74.3	100
Total	20.5	28.8	23.2	27.5	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
West Nimar	0.0	Indore	0.0
Indore	0.0	Ratlam	6.2
Harda*	3.6	Dhar	8.4
Neemuch*	15.3	Ujjain	12.1
Shajapur	18.7	Sehore	14.2
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Sheopur*	98.4	Rajgarh	78.7
Tikamgarh	91.4	Umaria*	77.3
Mandla	90.8	Guna	77.2
Guna	85.7	Jhabua	72.5
Rajgarh	82.7	Bhopal	72.2

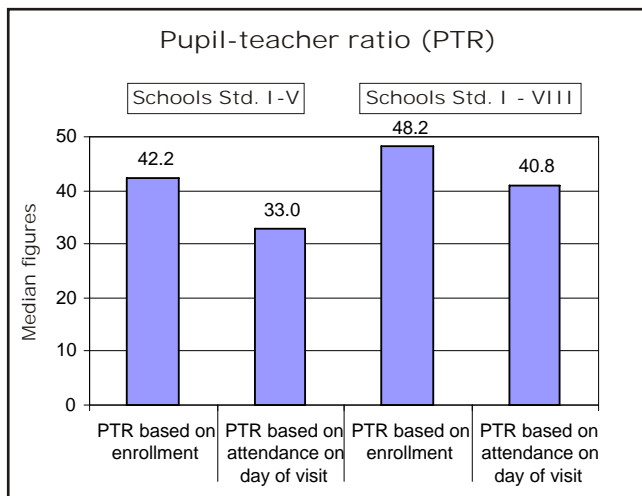
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	474	194
% teachers attending (average)	75.9	69.3
% of schools with NO teachers present	10.8	11.3
% of schools with ALL teachers present	58.2	38.1

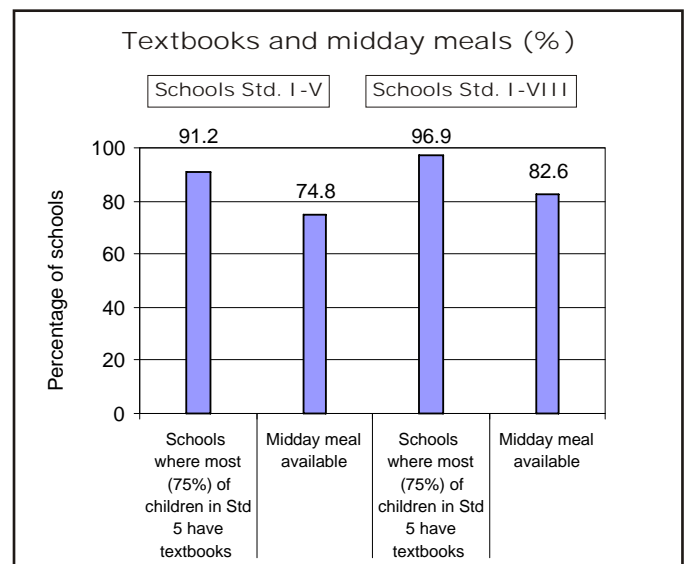
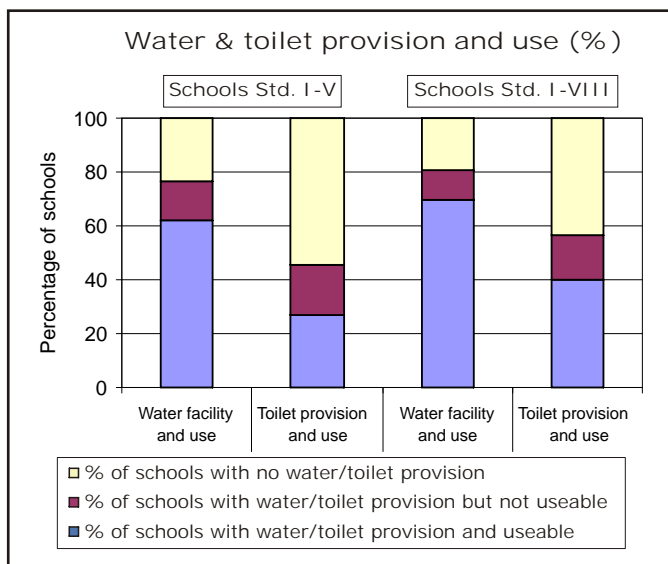
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	477	194
% enrolled children attending (average)	66.2	67.8
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	16.4	12.9



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	9	2.7	<=150	14	4.1
51-75	14	2.6	151-250	31	5.2
76-150	46	3.4	251-350	31	5.3
151-225	23	3.9	351-450	16	5.8
>225	8	4.0	>450	8	7.0

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Barwani*	13.2	50.0	50.0
Bhind	1.4	31.2	48.4
Bhopal	4.9	20.8	27.8
Chhatarpur	2.0	24.4	33.7
Chhindwara	2.0	33.5	71.8
Damoh	4.2	30.1	28.4
Datia	3.2	21.7	55.9
Dewas	1.5	75.9	64.0
Dhar	1.8	42.9	91.6
Dindori*	11.9	24.3	50.0
East Nimar	11.7	29.4	78.9
Guna	7.8	14.3	22.8
Gwalior	4.8	25.9	46.0
Harda*	3.8	96.4	80.2
Hoshangabad	2.1	37.7	63.3
Indore	2.0	100.0	100.0
Jabalpur	5.6	32.9	52.6
Jhabua	0.0	25.8	27.5
Katni*	6.2	49.7	53.0
Mandla	1.2	9.2	40.9

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Morena	4.2	37.0	30.8
Narsimhapur	4.8	22.0	60.5
Neemach*	7.0	84.7	84.8
Panna	9.0	22.1	48.8
Raisen	1.6	45.7	62.8
Rajgarh	3.6	17.3	21.3
Ratlam	4.0	56.3	93.8
Rewa	1.6	20.3	31.6
Sagar	2.6	19.5	61.2
Satna	1.5	31.4	62.1
Sehore	2.7	48.4	85.8
Seoni	3.3	20.4	63.6
Shahdol	6.5		
Shajapur	3.1	81.3	79.9
Sheopur*	4.5	1.6	42.9
Shivpuri	4.9	19.0	36.5
Tikamgarh	0.6	8.6	41.3
Ujjain	2.1	77.3	87.9
Umaria*	0.0	74.1	22.7
West Nimar	2.5	100.0	67.6
Madhya Pradesh state	4.0	32.4	57.1

(२) **भाषा**
(वाचन के लिए)

कहानी

सपना बारिश में भीगती हुई घर जा रही थी। तभी उसे उसकी सहेली मीनू दिखाई दी। मीनू ने कहा सपना बहुत बारिश हो रही है तुम छतरी के नीचे आ जाओ और मेरे घर चलो। जब बारिश रुक जाएगी तब तुम घर चली जाना। सपना मीनू के घर चली गई। वहाँ पर दोनों ने गरमा गरम चाय पी।

अनुच्छेद

जंगल में जानवर रहते हैं। शेर जंगल का राजा होता है। जंगल में खेलकूद करते हैं। शेर के आते ही सब डर जाते हैं।

अनुच्छेद

जयपुर एक बहुत बड़ा शहर है। वहाँ हवा महल मशहूर है। जयपुर से आगे अजमेर है। जहाँ पर लोग घूमने जाते हैं।

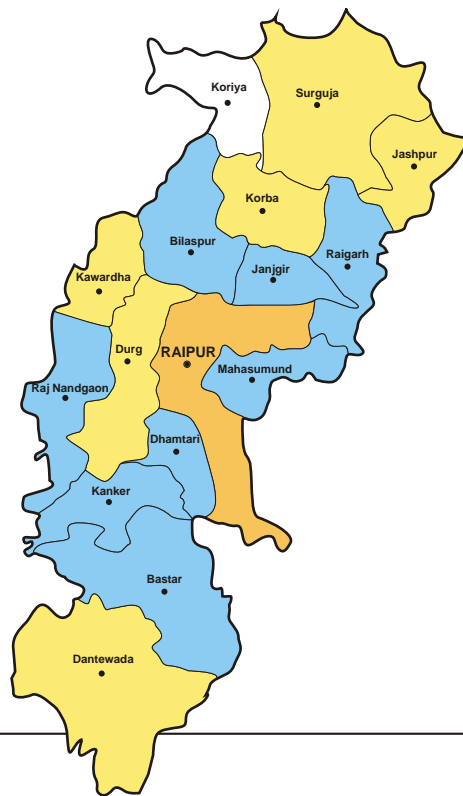
CHHATTISGARH RURAL

All analyses based on data from 15 out of 16 districts

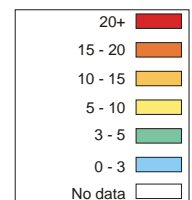
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	90.9	4.4	0.0	0.1	1.2	3.5	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	93.2	4.1	0.0	0.1	1.1	1.5	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	87.3	4.8	0.0	0.0	1.4	6.5	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	92.9	4.3	0.0	0.2	1.1	1.5	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	93.4	4.0	0.0	0.1	1.1	1.6	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	88.6	5.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	5.4	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	85.7	4.6	0.0	0.0	1.9	7.8	100

Out-of-school children

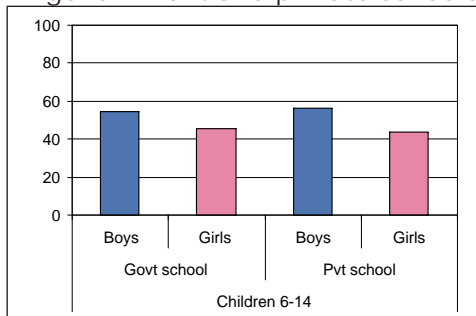


Percentage of children

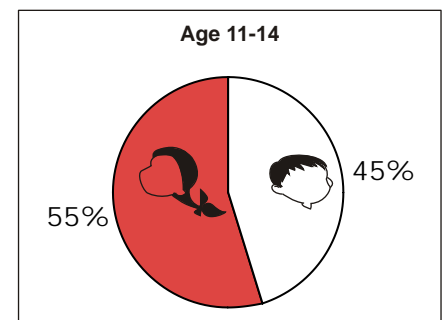
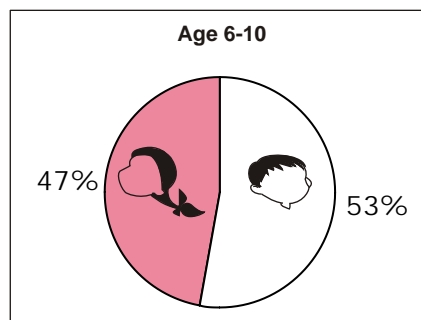


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	30.8	45.9	35.0	60.8
Age : 7-10 ALL	47.0	64.9	51.4	79.5
Age : 11-14 ALL	9.9	21.4	13.9	36.8
Govt : Std II-V	36.6	56.7	41.2	70.8
Pvt : Std II-V	29.3	50.4	38.0	65.3
Govt : Std VI-VIII	4.8	14.1	8.1	28.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	1.4	3.7	6.5	28.1

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	33.3	46.3	11.6	4.3	4.4	100
II	9.2	35.4	36.3	8.0	11.0	100
III	2.7	16.0	28.7	25.9	26.7	100
IV	1.1	5.3	11.8	30.8	51.1	100
V	0.8	2.2	6.6	14.8	75.6	100
VI	1.0	1.4	3.3	10.9	83.4	100
VII	0.7	1.4	2.8	11.3	83.8	100
VIII	0.6	0.3	1.4	2.9	94.9	100
Total	7.3	16.0	15.0	15.5	46.4	100

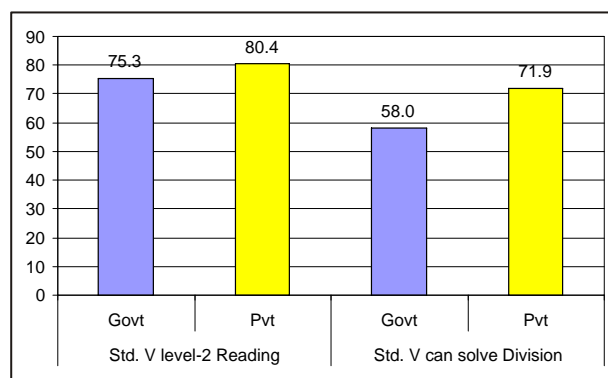
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	51.6	43.9	2.6	2.0	100
II	25.2	59.0	11.1	4.7	100
III	11.8	37.7	39.5	11.0	100
IV	4.0	20.6	39.1	36.4	100
V	2.5	12.6	26.2	58.7	100
VI	1.4	8.7	19.6	70.3	100
VII	1.9	6.6	25.0	66.5	100
VIII	1.6	2.4	15.9	80.1	100
Total	14.8	28.0	23.5	33.8	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Bastar	0.4	Bastar	0.8
Durg	6.7	Dhamtari*	2.8
Bilaspur	21.5	Mahasamund	9.2
Raigarh	33.3	Dantewada	10.6
Dantewada	42.2	Kanker*	10.9
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Janjgir	87.0	Janjgir	75.1
Rajnandgaon	74.6	Jashpur*	54.2
Mahasamund	71.5	Korba*	52.8
Kawardha*	57.3	Kawardha*	48.4
Raipur	53.8	Raipur	36.7

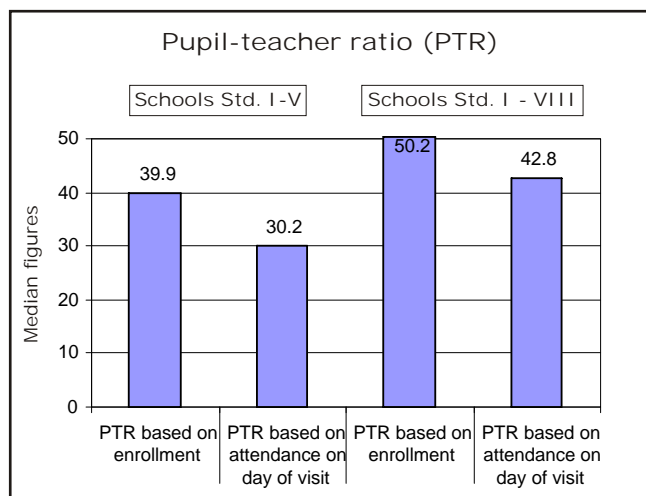
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	228	45
% teachers attending (average)	80.3	84.9
% of schools with NO teachers present	8.3	4.4
% of schools with ALL teachers present	64.9	64.4

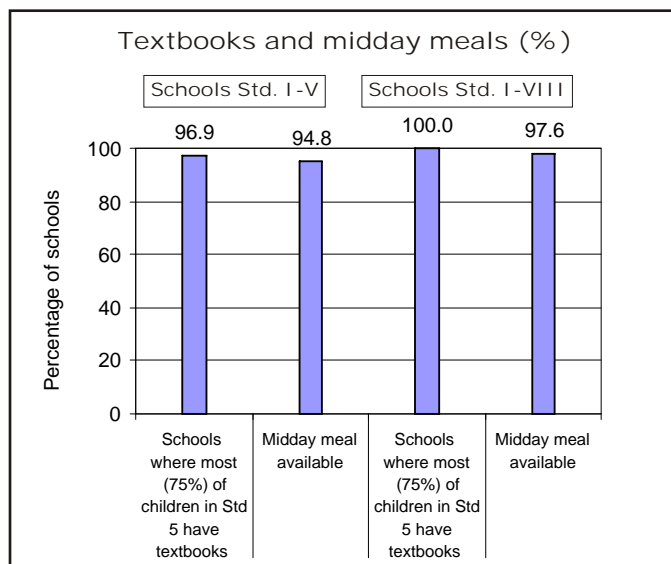
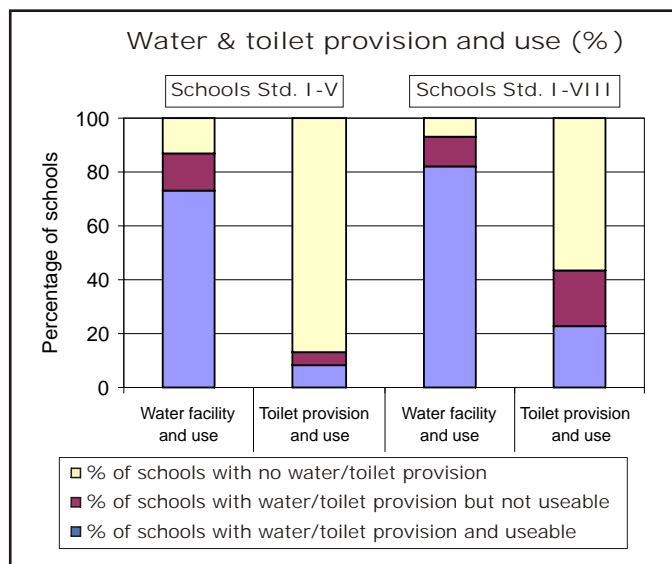
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	229	45
% enrolled children attending (average)	71.4	74.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	11.4	6.7



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	12	3.4	<=150	21	3.0
51-75	19	3.0	151-250	36	3.2
76-150	43	3.7	251-350	26	4.4
151-225	16	3.4	351-450	12	3.2
>225	10	4.3	>450	5	8.0


Provision and use




Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Bastar	0.3	99.6	99.2
Bilaspur	2.3	78.5	84.1
Dantewada	5.7	57.8	89.4
Dhamtari*	1.8	50.9	97.2
Durg	5.0	93.3	88.6
Janjgir	1.1	13.0	24.9
Jashpur*	6.7	46.8	45.8
Kanker*	1.3	51.7	89.1

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Kawardha*	9.1	42.7	51.6
Korba*	5.7	48.8	47.2
Mahasumund	0.6	28.5	90.8
Raigarh	2.3	66.7	68.3
Raipur	12.0	46.2	63.3
Rajnandgaon	1.9	25.4	77.4
Surguja	5.4	47.0	64.8
Chhattisgarh state	4.7	52.4	70.9

भाषा (वाचन के लिए)  अनुच्छेद

(४)  कहानी


किसी जंगल में एक भालू रहता था। एक दिन की बात है। भालू बहुत भूखा था। वह खाने की खोज में घूम रहा था। घूमते-घूमते भालू शहर जा पहुँचा। उसे देखकर कुत्ते भौंकने लगे। उन्होंने भालू का पीछा किया। भालू डर गया। वह तेजी से जंगल की तरफ भागा।

अनुच्छेद


भारत मेरा देश है। मेरे देश में बहुत लोग हैं। मैं देश की सेवा करता हूँ। सब मुझसे खुश हैं।

अनुच्छेद

मेरे पास एक गेंद है। मेरी गेंद गोल है। वह बहुत बड़ी है।

(३)  कहानी

मैं नानाजी के घर आया हूँ। मेरे नाना-नानी गाँव में रहते हैं। मुझे उनका गाँव बहुत अच्छा लगता है। यहाँ चारों ओर हरे-भरे खेत हैं। खेतों में कहीं गेहूँ के पौधे लगे हैं। तो कहीं सरसों के। देखकर मन खुश हो जाता है।

भाषा (वाचन के लिए)  अनुच्छेद

अनुच्छेद

मैं छोटा लड़का हूँ। मेरा भाई भी छोटा है। मेरी माँ मोटी है। पर बाबा बड़े हैं।

अनुच्छेद

राम के पास पैसे हैं। वह पैसे लेकर बाज़ार गया। बाज़ार से खाना लाया। घर आकर सो गया।

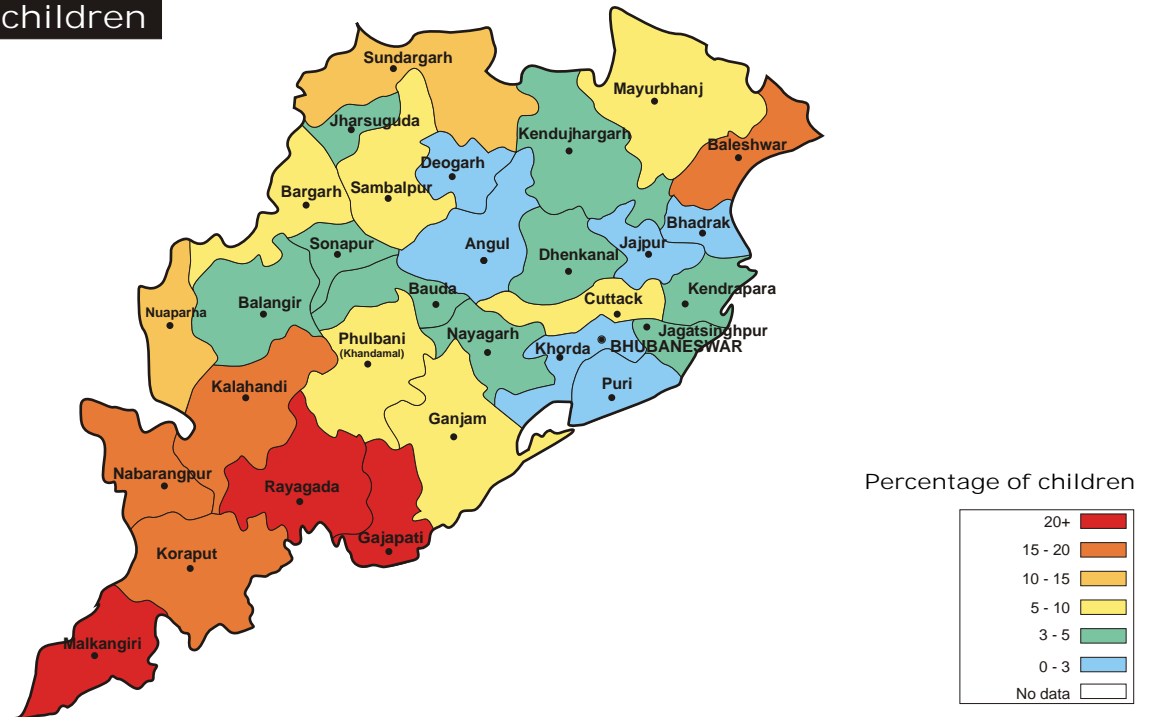
ORISSA RURAL

All analyses based on data from 30 out of 30 districts

Enrollment

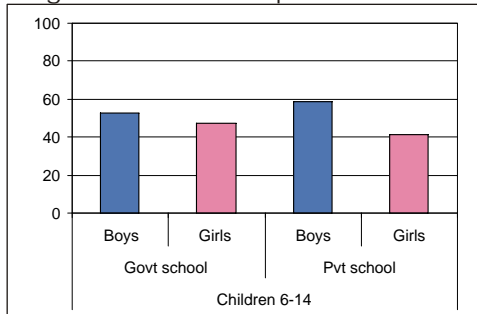
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	85.0	3.5	0.1	2.5	4.6	4.2	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	88.9	2.5	0.1	3.4	3.7	1.4	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	78.9	5.1	0.1	1.2	6.1	8.7	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	89.2	3.1	0.1	3.2	3.4	1.1	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	88.7	2.0	0.1	3.6	3.9	1.8	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	80.2	5.3	0.1	1.1	5.2	8.0	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	77.5	4.8	0.0	1.3	7.1	9.4	100

Out-of-school children

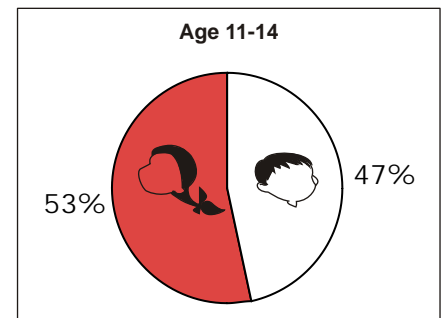
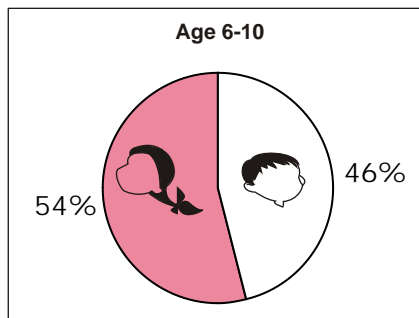


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	36.8	51.8	47.2	72.6
Age : 7-10 ALL	50.6	67.9	60.7	86.6
Age : 11-14 ALL	18.0	29.8	28.8	53.4
Govt : Std II-V	46.6	65.3	57.2	85.1
Pvt : Std II-V	28.9	49.2	30.6	69.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	8.5	19.3	20.2	47.9
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	7.8	19.8	21.2	42.9

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	50.7	30.0	11.9	3.7	3.6	100
II	22.3	32.1	21.8	11.6	12.3	100
III	11.0	19.1	24.4	17.6	27.8	100
IV	6.1	11.8	15.3	23.6	43.1	100
V	3.5	6.9	9.0	22.3	58.4	100
VI	2.0	4.0	5.7	14.2	74.1	100
VII	1.4	2.8	3.7	9.0	83.1	100
VIII	1.2	1.3	1.6	7.5	88.4	100
Total	12.4	15.0	13.5	15.0	44.2	100

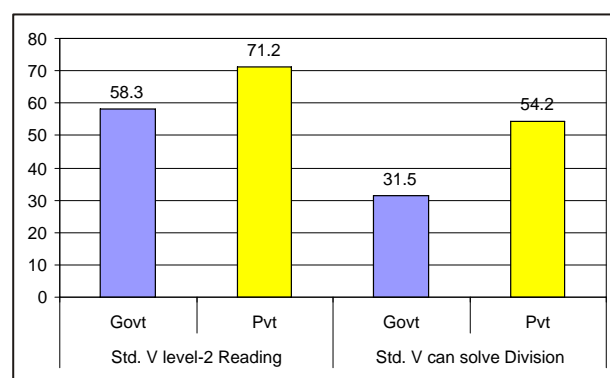
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	67.7	27.2	4.0	1.1	100
II	42.6	40.2	14.3	2.9	100
III	25.2	38.0	28.9	8.0	100
IV	17.2	28.7	35.3	18.8	100
V	11.8	22.3	34.0	31.9	100
VI	8.4	16.2	31.3	44.1	100
VII	6.6	12.6	27.5	53.3	100
VIII	3.8	10.9	20.1	65.1	100
Total	24.0	26.8	25.3	23.8	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5			
Jagatsinghpur	39.8	Anugul*	17.5
Khordha*	40.4	Khordha*	18.3
Puri	42.7	Puri	23.9
Ganjam	43.4	Baleshwar	35.4
Dhenkanal	45.6	Bhadrak*	36.7
Bottom - 5			
Nabarangapur*	81.9	Nuapada*	74.1
Anugul*	81.3	Baudh*	70.2
Baleshwar	78.0	Sonapur*	68.7
Rayagada*	70.3	Rayagada*	68.3
Koraput	69.0	Balangir	67.9

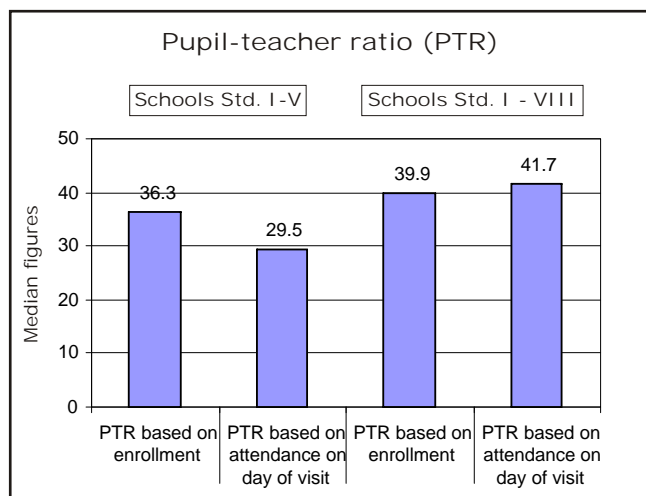
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	308	230
% teachers attending (average)	73.5	65.2
% of schools with NO teachers present	4.9	3.5
% of schools with ALL teachers present	45.1	26.1

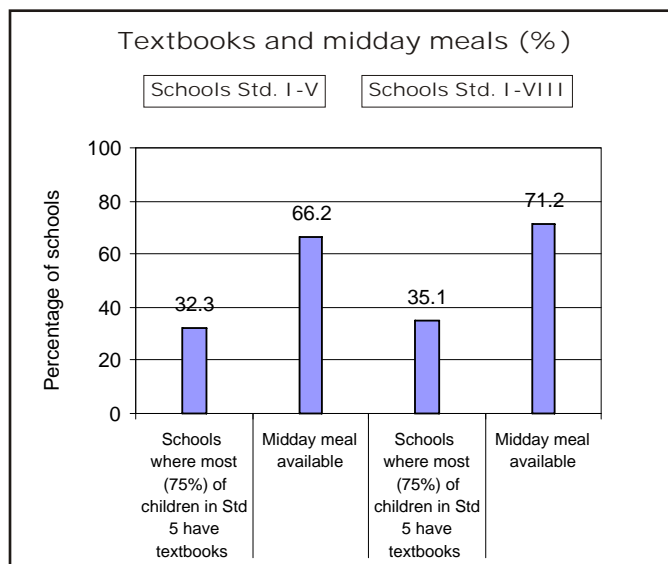
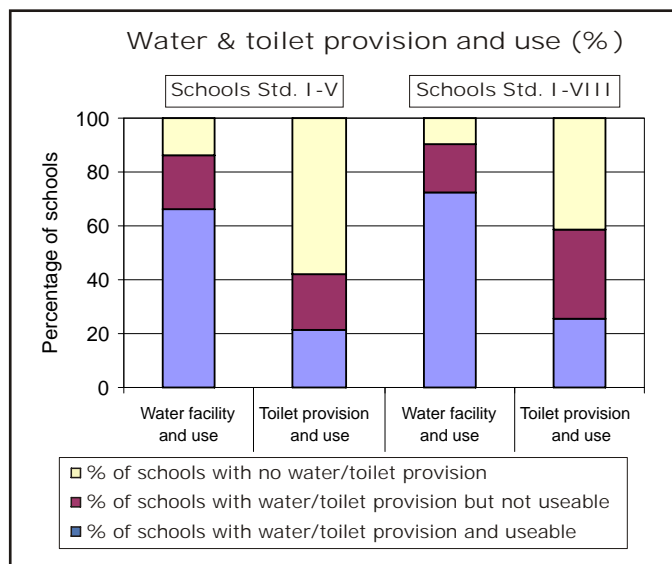
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	309	231
% enrolled children attending (average)	66.0	64.3
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	18.1	21.2



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	14	2.4	<=150	22	5.1
51-75	17	3.4	151-250	44	5.9
76-150	40	4.0	251-350	23	8.8
151-225	20	5.3	351-450	5	7.0
>225	9	4.8	>450	6	10.6

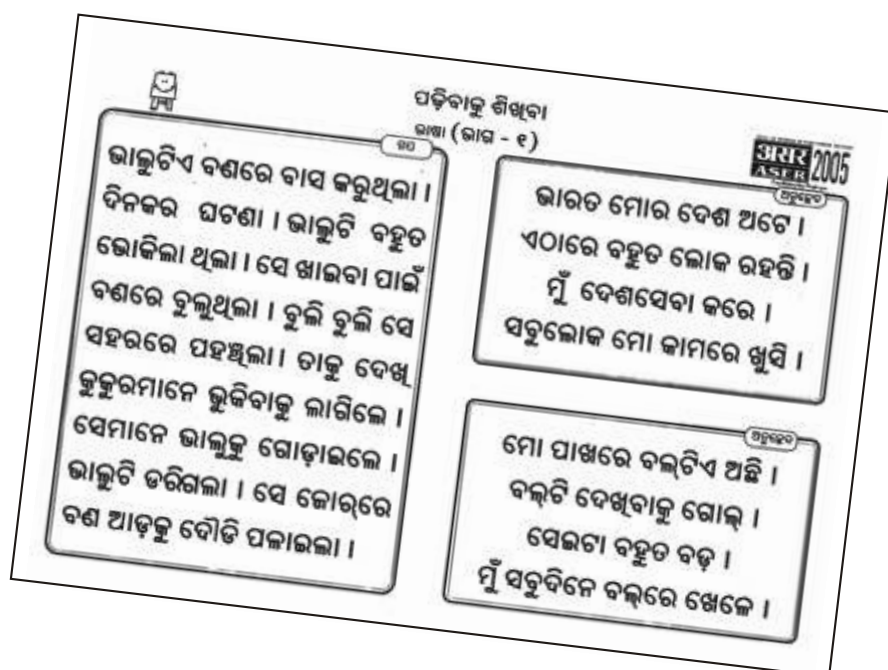
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Anugul*	2.0	18.7	82.5
Balangir	4.7	39.3	32.1
Baleshwar	17.3	22.0	64.6
Bargarh*	5.5	40.0	35.3
Bauda*	4.8	50.3	29.8
Bhadrak*	1.0	45.7	63.3
Cuttack	6.8	46.5	50.4
Deogarh*	2.8	45.9	38.3
Dhenkanal	4.2	54.4	47.2
Gajapati*	20.6	49.1	47.3
Ganjam	8.3	56.6	42.2
Jagatsinghpur	3.8	60.2	62.6
Jajapur*	1.4	48.3	62.8
Jharsuguda*	4.3	37.8	50.4
Kalahandi	15.0	43.5	36.9

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Pulbhani (Khandamal)	8.0	31.7	62.8
Kendrapara*	4.7	40.8	62.2
Kendujhargarh	4.3	44.5	35.1
Khorda*	1.7	59.6	81.7
Koraput	17.8	31.0	50.3
Malkangiri*	32.6	52.0	57.5
Mayurbhanj	8.2	52.7	58.9
Nabarangapur*	18.7	18.1	42.4
Nayagarh*	3.7	52.8	57.2
Nuaparha*	11.4	35.9	25.9
Puri	1.3	57.3	76.1
Rayagada*	30.8	29.7	31.7
Sambalpur	9.0	41.3	52.4
Sonapur*	3.9	32.3	31.3
Sundargarh	10.6	39.1	51.6
ORISSA STATE	8.9	42.8	52.0





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Andhra Pradesh
Goa
Karnataka
Kerala
Tamil Nadu

Note : Goa does not have school tables as the numbers of observations are too small.

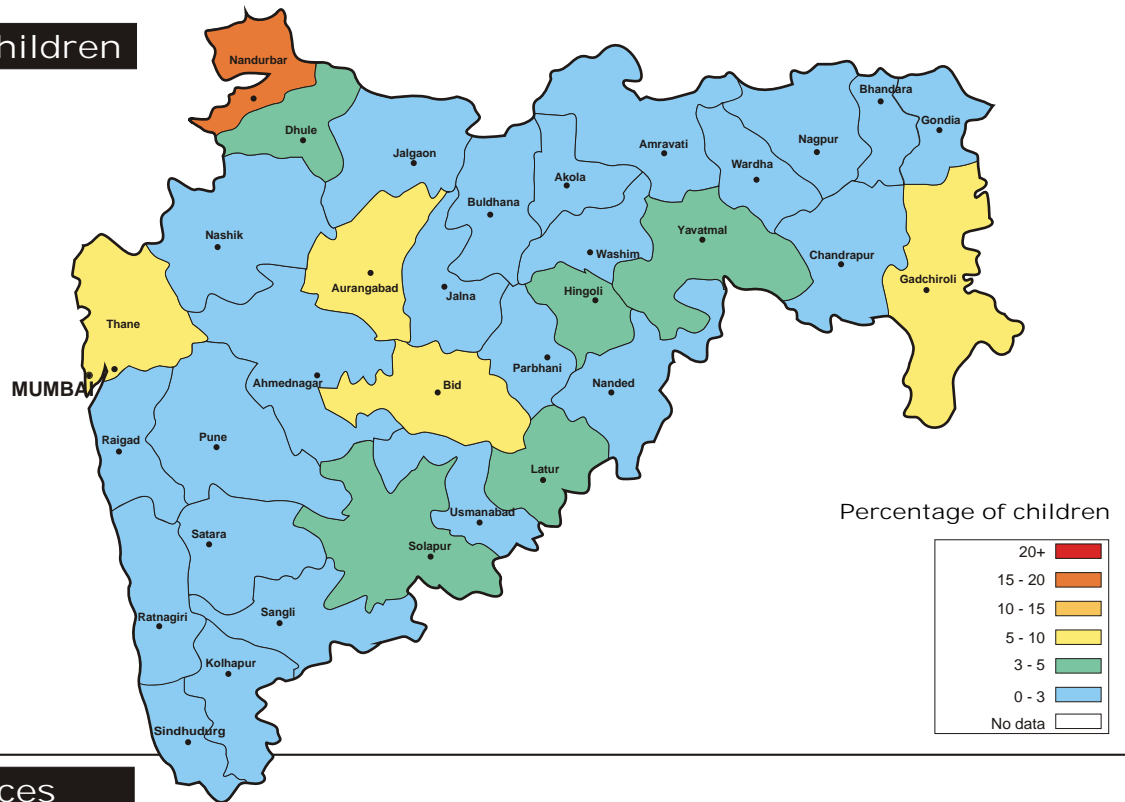
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All analyses based on data from 33 out of 33 districts

Enrollment

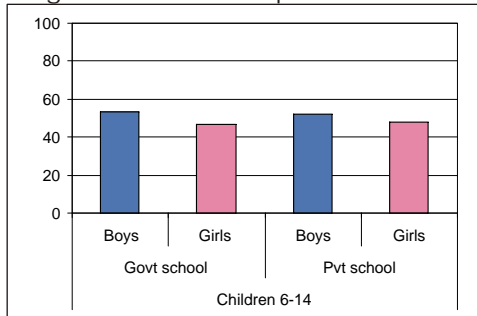
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	78.1	18.2	0.3	0.6	0.8	2.0	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	90.5	7.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.7	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	59.1	34.9	0.4	0.9	0.9	3.9	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	90.5	7.4	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.7	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	90.6	7.2	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.7	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	59.9	34.4	0.4	0.9	0.7	3.7	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	58.2	35.5	0.4	0.9	1.0	4.1	100

Out-of-school children

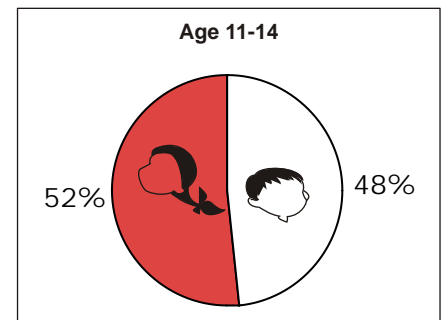
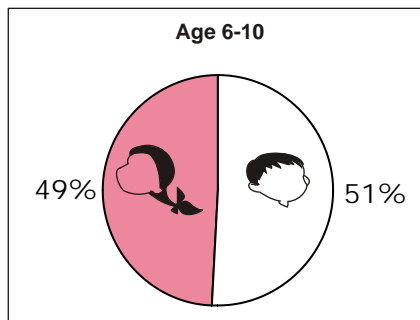


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	27.6	45.8	46.1	71.2
Age : 7-10 ALL	39.2	61.0	57.9	84.6
Age : 11-14 ALL	12.6	26.3	30.8	54.1
Govt : Std II-V	32.6	55.8	52.2	81.3
Pvt : Std II-V	23.9	44.1	44.0	72.4
Govt : Std VI-VIII	7.6	20.1	25.1	47.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	7.1	17.6	25.3	47.4

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	29.1	38.6	21.9	5.3	5.1	100
II	9.4	21.5	28.4	21.3	19.3	100
III	4.5	12.5	17.3	28.4	37.3	100
IV	3.1	6.2	10.2	22.0	58.6	100
V	2.5	4.7	6.4	19.0	67.3	100
VI	1.9	2.5	4.8	14.2	76.7	100
VII	1.5	1.9	2.6	10.5	83.6	100
VIII	1.4	2.0	3.2	8.6	84.8	100
Total	7.0	12.1	13.0	17.4	50.4	100

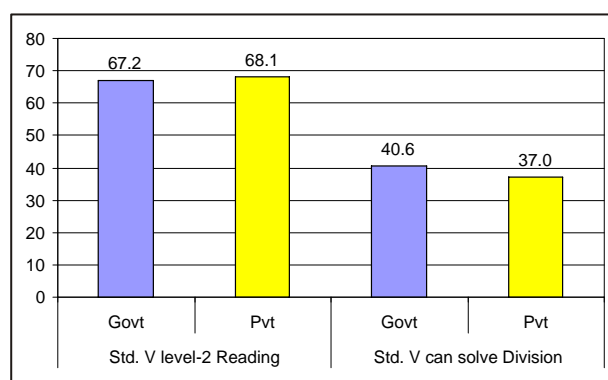
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	53.2	41.2	4.5	1.1	100
II	27.8	52.8	16.9	2.5	100
III	15.1	39.0	36.1	9.8	100
IV	10.9	27.3	33.6	28.2	100
V	8.4	24.2	28.0	39.5	100
VI	6.7	19.4	24.8	49.1	100
VII	4.9	19.0	20.8	55.3	100
VIII	6.0	20.3	19.5	54.1	100
Total	17.5	31.8	23.9	26.7	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Satara	27.3	Ratnagiri	19.3
Kolhapur	28.8	Sindhudurg	21.1
Wardha	33.1	Ahmednagar	23.5
Chandrapur	35.1	Jalna	25.5
Raigarh	35.5	Buldana	26.0
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Nandurbar*	78.2	Nandurbar*	69.5
Aurangabad	68.0	Amravati	66.4
Amravati	61.3	Gadchiroli	62.0
Jalna	59.4	Gondiya*	62.0
Jalgaon	57.9	Bhandara	61.7

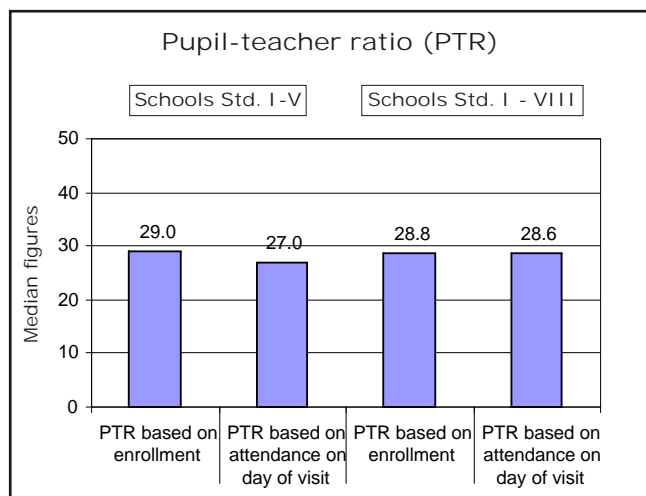
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	299	333
% teachers attending (average)	82.3	80.0
% of schools with NO teachers present	8.4	9.3
% of schools with ALL teachers present	62.2	45.0

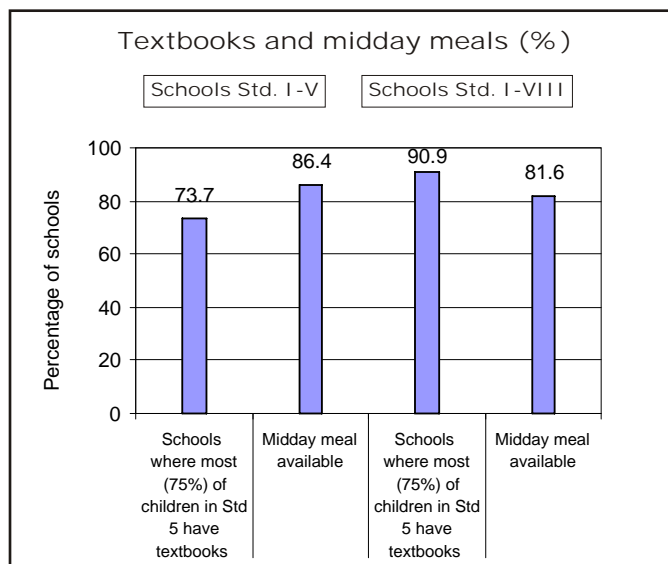
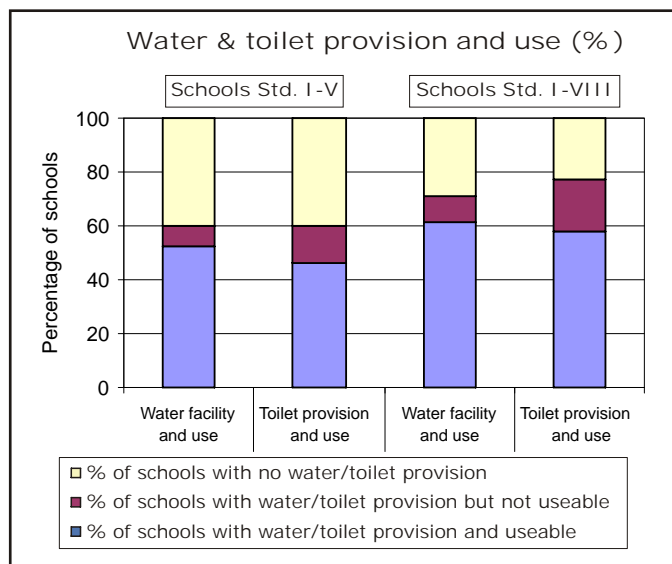
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	307	344
% enrolled children attending (average)	82.2	82.5
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	5.5	3.8



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	23	2.6	<=150	21	5.0
51-75	15	2.9	151-250	42	7.0
76-150	32	4.8	251-350	20	8.8
151-225	17	5.8	351-450	10	11.0
>225	13	9.6	>450	7	14.0

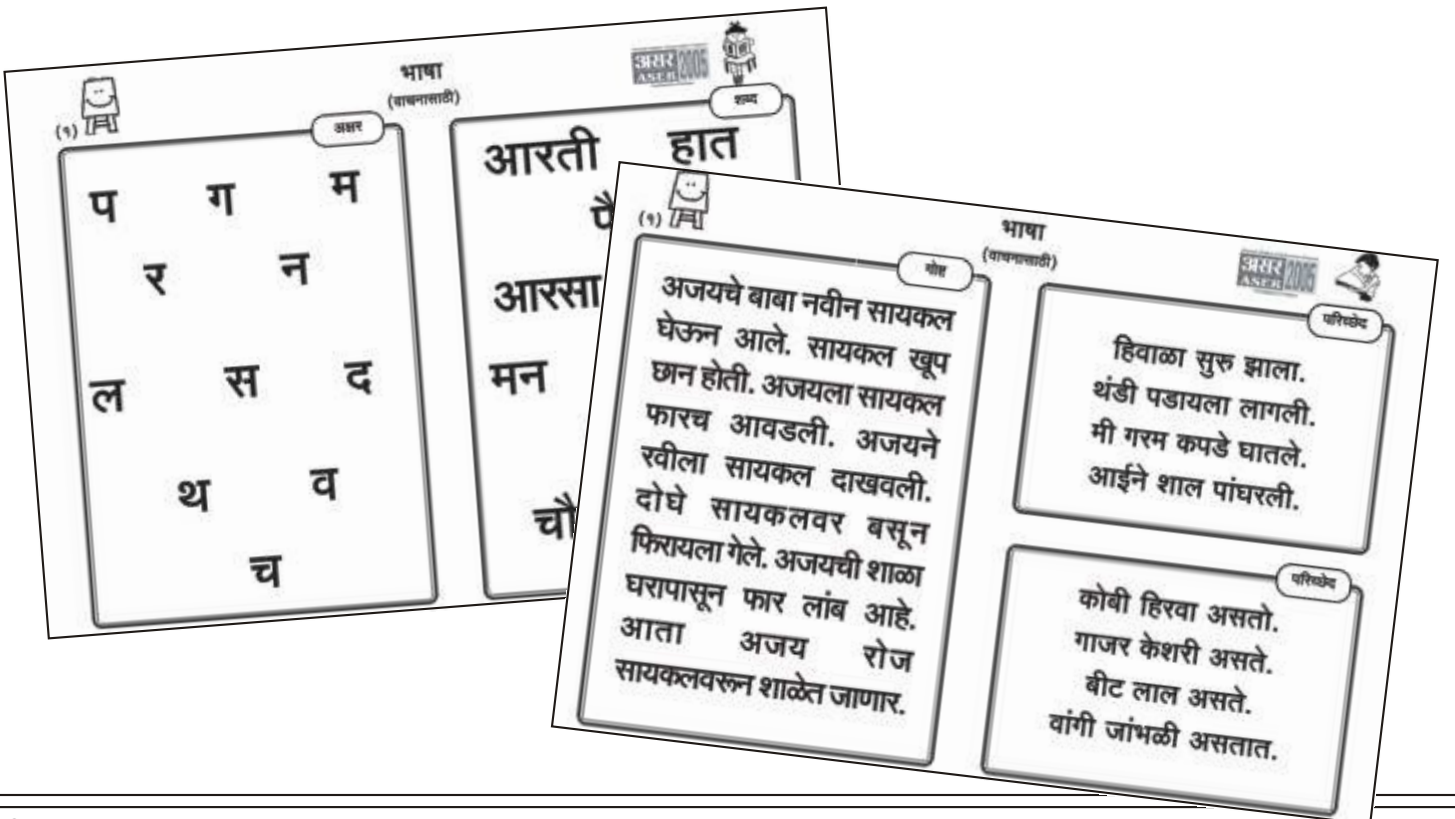
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ahmednagar	1.6	61.0	76.5
Akola	0.3	43.8	53.7
Amravati	1.4	38.7	33.6
Aurangabad	5.7	32.0	40.2
Bhandara	0.8	54.4	38.3
Bid	6.5	43.6	55.8
Buldhana	0.4	56.8	74.0
Chandrapur	1.0	64.9	50.9
Dhule	3.0	43.1	59.7
Gadchiroli	6.2	43.3	38.0
Gondia*	0.2	51.2	38.0
Hingoli*	4.7	59.4	45.0
Jalgaon	2.6	42.1	49.0
Jalna	2.2	40.6	74.5
Kolhapur	2.2	71.2	44.9
Latur	3.5	58.8	62.6
Nagpur	2.0	46.2	42.5

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Nanded	2.8	43.7	52.7
Nandurbar*	16.4	21.8	30.5
Nashik	2.4	46.6	47.4
Usmanabad	0.2	55.0	65.7
Parbhani	1.2	42.3	57.4
Pune	1.9	61.6	70.9
Raigad	1.8	64.5	58.6
Ratnagiri	1.3	61.8	80.7
Sangli	0.7	57.2	71.4
Satara	1.7	72.7	72.9
Sindhudurg	0.3	56.4	78.9
Solapur	4.2	62.8	60.2
Thane	7.2	50.6	42.5
Wardha	0.7	66.9	58.6
Washim*	2.8	64.4	63.5
Yavatmal	4.1	48.9	46.5
Maharashtra state	2.8	53.7	57.9



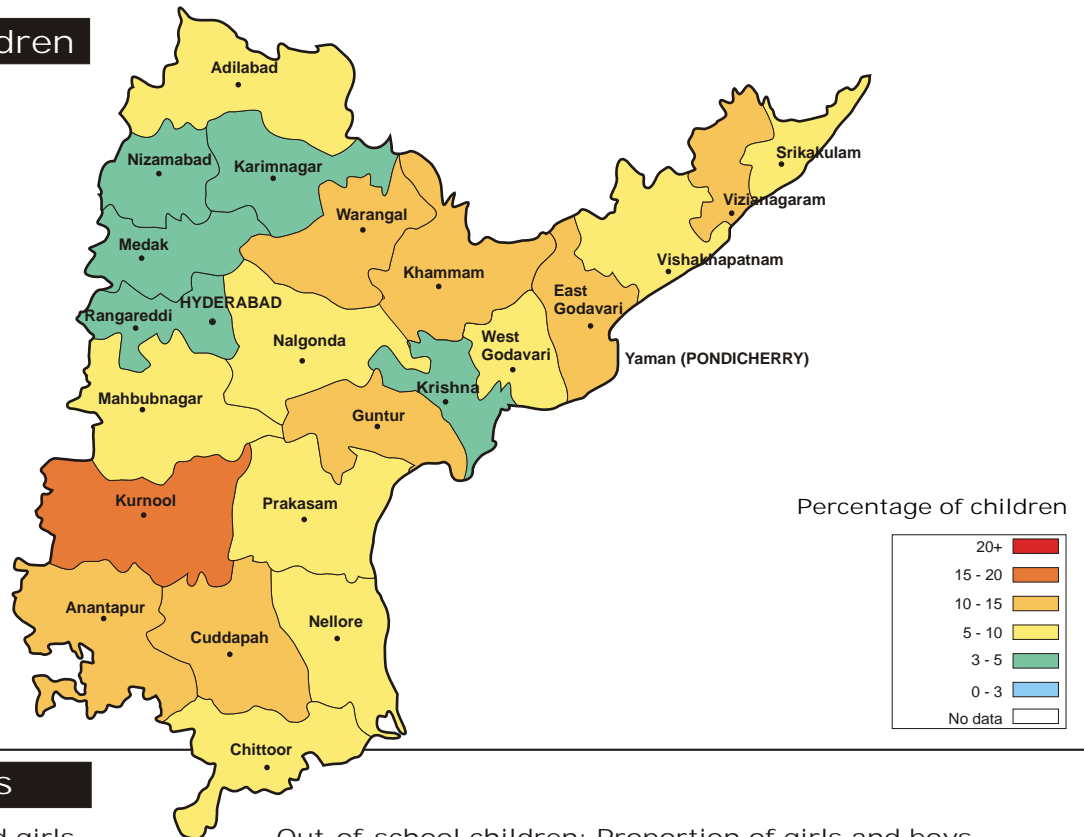
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All analyses based on data from 21 out of 22 districts

Enrollment

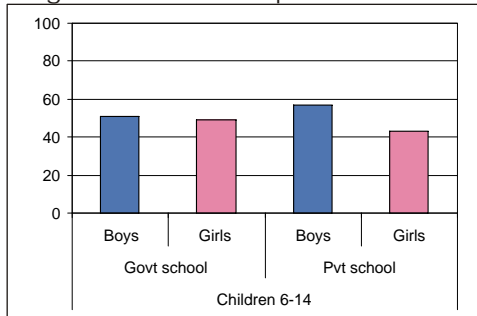
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	71.7	19.2	0.1	1.1	3.9	4.2	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	73.8	21.8	0.1	1.0	1.4	2.1	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	73.5	15.7	0.0	1.1	4.5	5.1	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	72.2	23.4	0.1	0.9	1.3	2.1	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	75.5	20.1	0.0	1.0	1.4	2.0	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	72.5	18.5	0.0	1.0	3.9	4.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	74.5	12.8	0.1	1.2	5.2	6.2	100

Out-of-school children

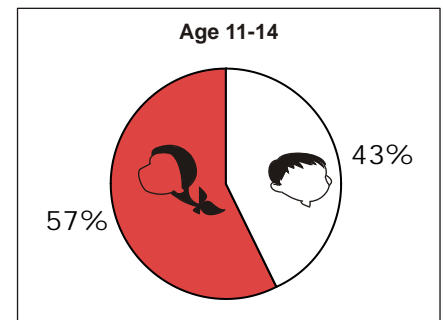
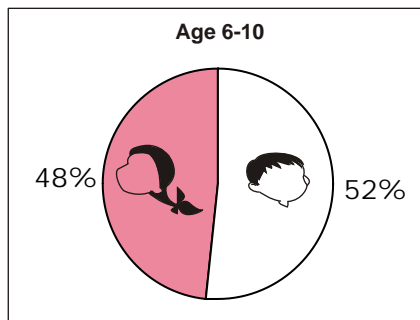


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT READ &		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	29.4	47.5	32.7	59.9
Age : 7-10 ALL	40.1	62.0	41.6	71.4
Age : 11-14 ALL	15.9	29.1	21.5	45.5
Govt : Std II-V	39.8	62.6	40.0	71.5
Pvt : Std II-V	33.8	55.6	37.8	68.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	10.6	24.7	18.2	43.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	9.0	18.4	15.2	34.6

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	30.8	36.7	20.5	5.8	6.2	100
II	14.0	22.2	35.3	14.7	13.9	100
III	7.6	13.0	26.3	27.0	26.1	100
IV	4.3	6.9	16.6	24.5	47.8	100
V	4.1	2.8	8.7	22.8	61.7	100
VI	4.7	1.9	7.2	17.3	68.9	100
VII	4.1	1.5	3.4	12.3	78.7	100
VIII	3.4	1.1	2.5	9.2	83.8	100
Total	8.8	10.5	15.6	17.7	47.3	100

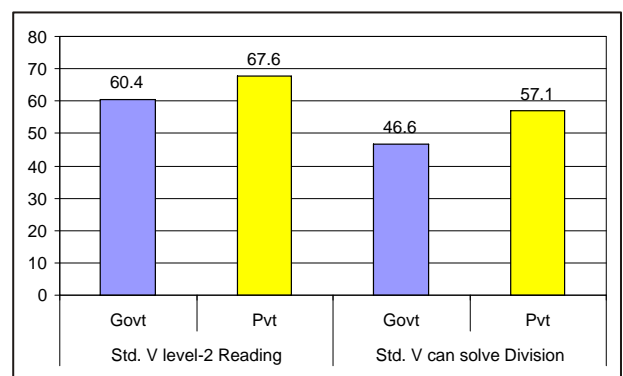
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	42.1	46.2	7.5	4.2	100
II	18.2	51.7	21.9	8.2	100
III	10.1	36.4	35.1	18.4	100
IV	6.9	23.8	33.3	36.0	100
V	5.8	13.2	32.6	48.4	100
VI	6.9	13.2	27.9	52.0	100
VII	6.0	11.5	23.4	59.1	100
VIII	4.8	9.8	20.4	65.0	100
Total	11.9	25.7	26.5	35.9	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Vizianagaram	32.9	Nellore	11.0
Nellore	33.2	Chittoor	14.5
Prakasam	34.6	Vizianagaram	15.3
Guntur	43.5	Krishna	16.2
Chittoor	44.1	Prakasam	16.7
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Medak	79.4	East Godavari	52.4
Nizamabad	74.3	Rangareddi	52.0
Vishakhapatnam	67.3	Mahbubnagar	51.8
East Godavari	66.1	Vishakhapatnam	46.3
Mahbubnagar	64.9	Warangal	44.0

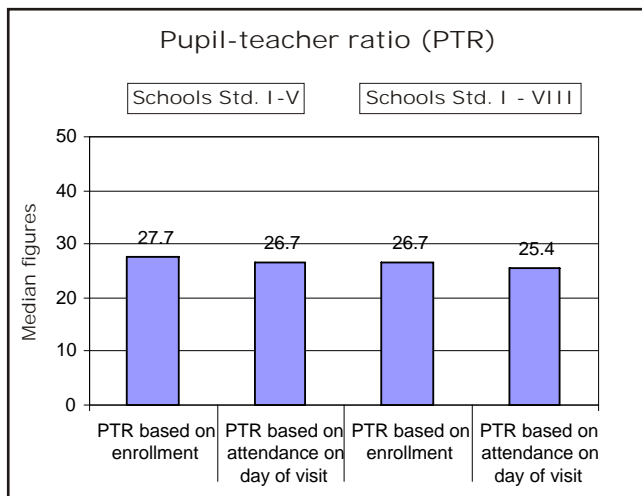
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	195	174
% teachers attending (average)	76.9	78.6
% of schools with NO teachers present	4.1	1.1
% of schools with ALL teachers present	45.6	28.2

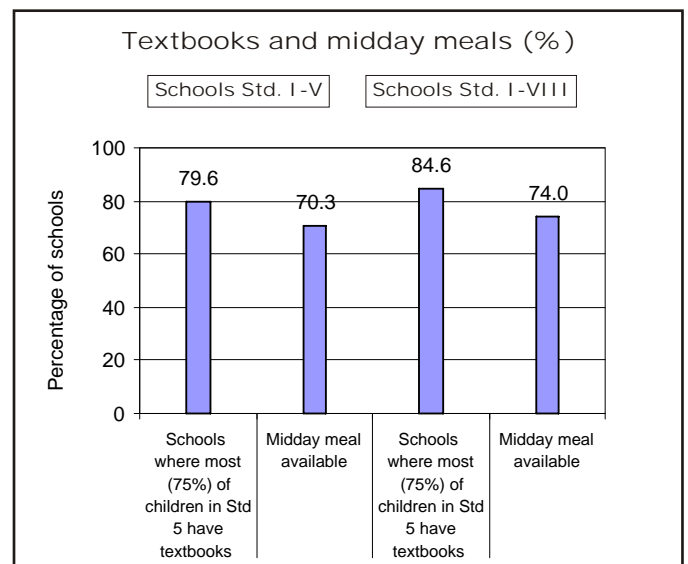
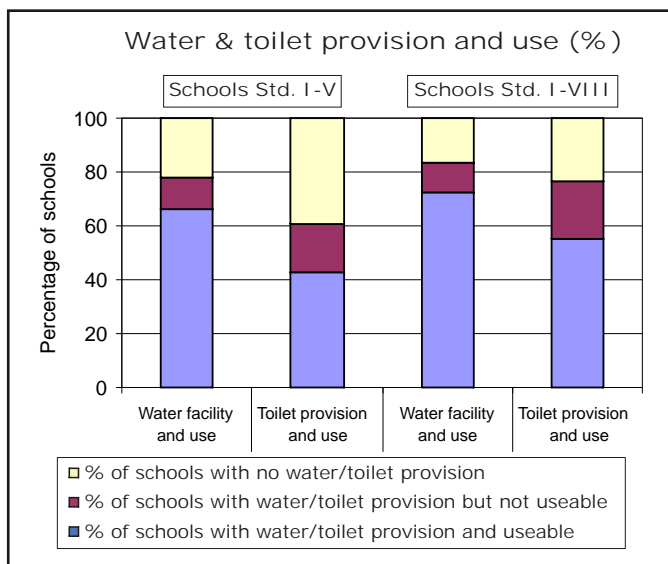
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	196	175
% enrolled children attending (average)	76.2	74.6
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	8.2	4.6



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	26	1.7	<=150	27	5.1
51-75	15	2.9	151-250	33	7.1
76-150	35	3.3	251-350	25	7.6
151-225	11	4.6	351-450	8	9.4
>225	13	6.2	>450	7	8.7

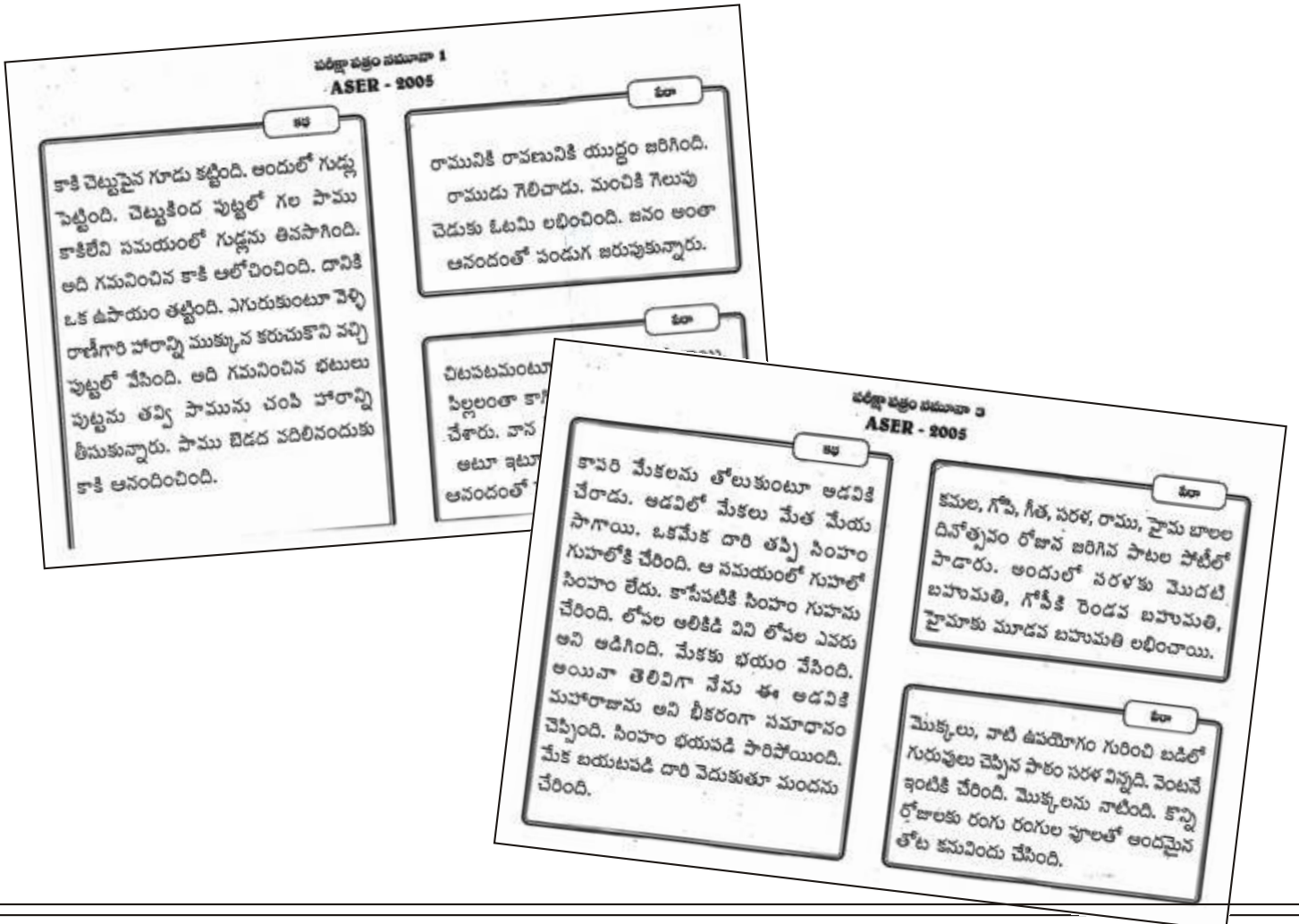
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Adilabad	7.5	44.4	67.0
Anantapur	10.4	48.5	72.4
Chittoor	6.1	55.9	85.5
Cuddapah	11.4	40.1	66.2
East Godavari	12.3	33.9	47.6
Guntur	10.6	56.5	80.1
Karimnagar	3.2	38.7	65.5
Khammam	13.2	46.4	64.4
Krishna	3.7	54.7	83.8
Kurnool	17.1	53.4	73.9
Mahbubnagar	9.9	35.1	48.2

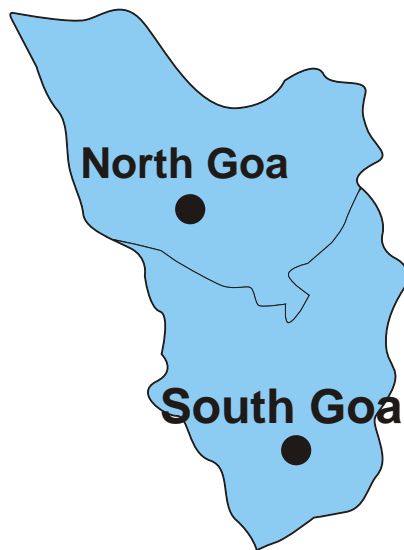
District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Medak	3.7	20.6	62.4
Nalgonda	6.6	38.0	62.8
Nellore	5.8	66.8	89.0
Nizamabad	3.6	25.7	60.5
Prakasam	7.9	65.4	83.3
Rangareddi	4.2	38.1	48.0
Srikakulam	5.3	50.4	69.6
Vishakhapatnam	5.3	32.7	53.7
Vizianagaram	12.1	67.1	84.7
Warangal	10.8	39.1	56.0
West Godavari	5.0	47.4	69.5
Andhra Pradesh state	8.0	46.0	68.6



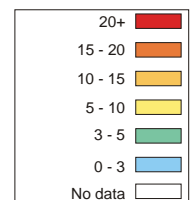
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	72.0	27.7	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	74.3	25.6	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	69.2	30.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	72.3	27.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	76.7	23.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	71.9	27.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	66.7	33.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	100

Out-of-school children

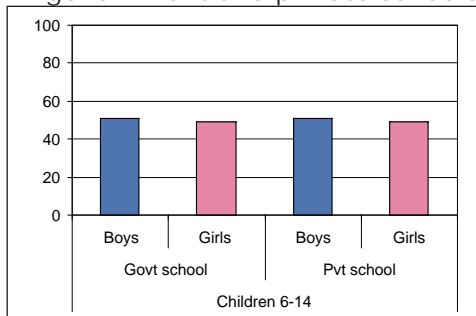


Percentage of children

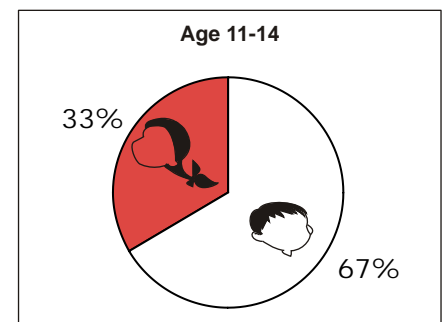
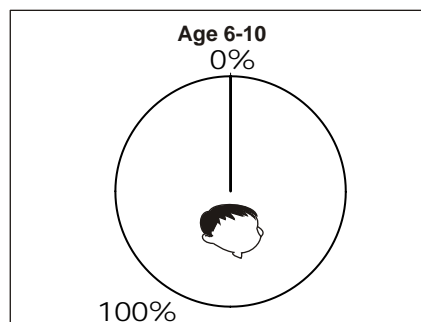


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	14.9	40.4	26.3	60.3
Age : 7-10 ALL	24.4	58.6	45.4	84.7
Age : 11-14 ALL	4.3	20.3	5.0	33.1
Govt : Std II-V	23.0	56.5	39.3	81.9
Pvt : Std II-V	16.7	52.4	40.5	76.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	3.2	20.0	4.6	32.6
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	1.1	8.1	4.0	23.8

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	3.2	45.1	37.3	6.1	8.3	100
II	1.6	10.4	53.2	19.8	15.1	100
III	0.9	6.7	13.5	45.4	33.6	100
IV	0.7	1.7	6.0	41.6	50.1	100
V	0.0	0.5	4.0	27.4	68.1	100
VI	0.0	0.4	2.6	14.4	82.6	100
VII	0.0	0.0	1.7	12.2	86.1	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	3.2	18.0	78.8	100
Total	0.6	6.1	12.9	24.2	56.2	100

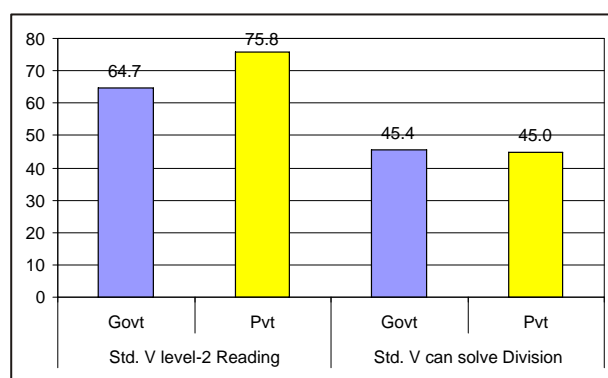
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	40.6	52.4	7.0	0.0	100
II	16.3	73.1	10.6	0.0	100
III	5.3	50.6	40.1	4.1	100
IV	1.0	22.0	58.6	18.4	100
V	0.0	7.9	46.9	45.3	100
VI	0.0	4.7	29.1	66.2	100
VII	0.9	4.0	21.6	73.6	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	19.8	80.2	100
Total	5.9	24.8	32.5	36.8	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
South Goa	0.9	52.0	83.4
North Goa	0.0	51.3	66.2
Goa state	0.3	51.5	71.9

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



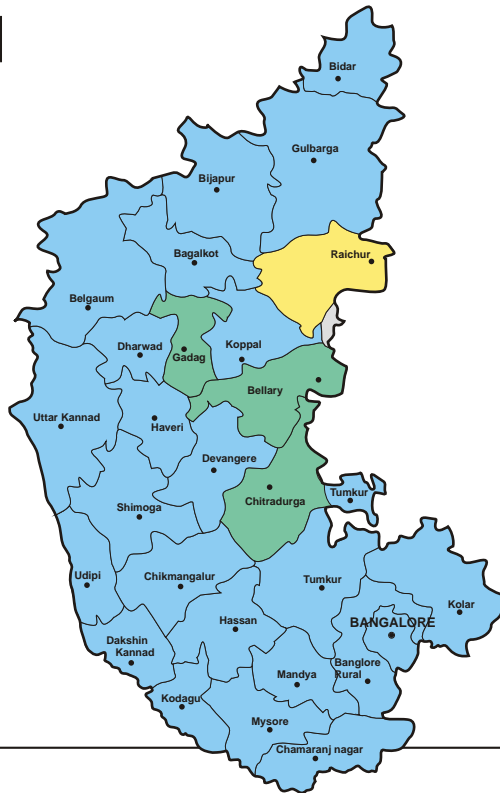
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All analyses based on data from 27 out of 27 districts

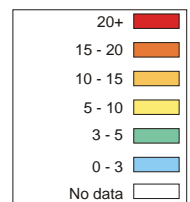
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	88.5	9.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.6	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	89.9	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	87.0	9.5	0.1	0.0	0.5	2.9	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	89.5	9.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	90.4	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	87.3	9.3	0.1	0.0	0.4	2.8	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	86.8	9.6	0.1	0.0	0.5	3.0	100

Out-of-school children

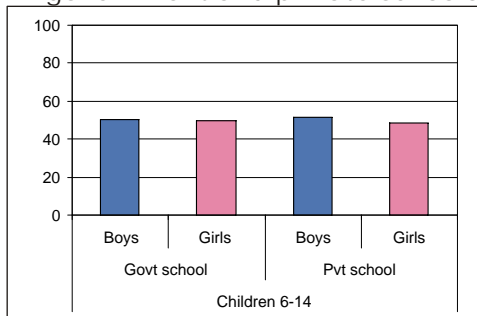


Percentage of children

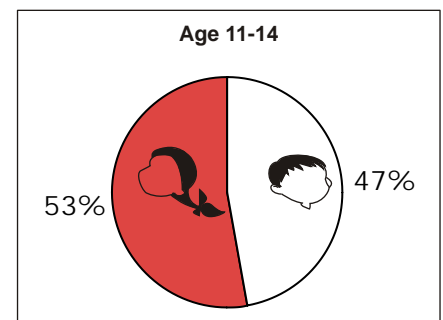
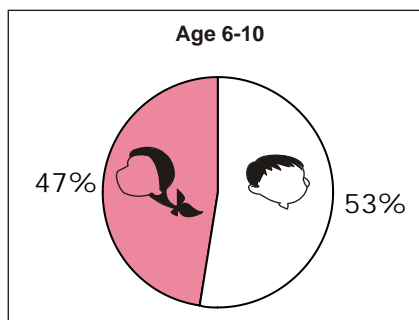


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	34.9	53.9	44.3	75.8
Age : 7-10 ALL	52.9	72.5	59.7	90.6
Age : 11-14 ALL	17.1	35.6	29.3	61.2
Govt : Std II-V	50.3	70.5	58.5	90.1
Pvt : Std II-V	40.6	62.4	45.3	82.5
Govt : Std VI-VIII	12.4	29.1	24.2	55.6
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	8.6	26.8	22.9	47.2

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	46.1	16.6	25.3	4.6	7.4	100
II	13.4	37.1	30.5	10.6	8.5	100
III	8.5	19.5	32.7	19.5	19.8	100
IV	5.4	10.4	22.2	25.6	36.4	100
V	3.5	6.6	14.4	24.2	51.3	100
VI	2.7	4.6	9.4	18.1	65.1	100
VII	1.3	2.3	6.1	17.2	73.1	100
VIII	0.9	1.9	4.2	13.4	79.7	100
Total	5.4	12.1	17.7	19.0	45.9	100

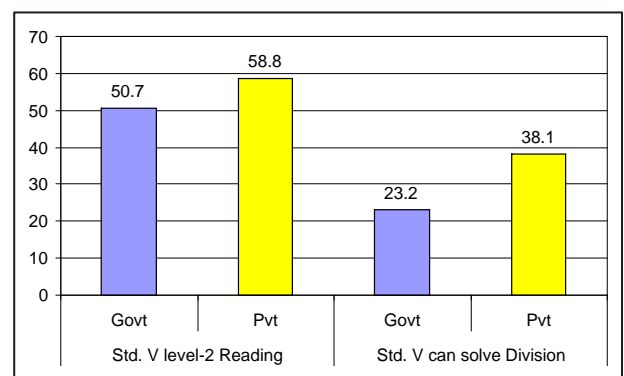
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	61.1	33.5	0.0	5.5	100
II	23.2	63.8	11.5	1.5	100
III	13.1	54.4	29.8	2.8	100
IV	7.8	37.4	43.8	11.0	100
V	5.9	29.5	40.3	24.3	100
VI	3.7	22.9	34.8	38.6	100
VII	2.4	19.8	29.2	48.6	100
VIII	2.1	20.3	24.8	52.8	100
Total	8.6	36.0	31.4	24.0	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5			
Udipi*	18.4	Udipi*	9.0
Gadag*	41.2	Chitradurga	17.7
Hassan	44.7	Hassan	23.2
Shimoga	44.8	Uttara Kannad	30.4
Kodagu	45.6	Kolar	30.9
Bottom - 5			
Kolar	84.6	Dharwad	79.5
Haveri*	84.5	Belgaum	70.6
Belgaum	83.6	Chamarajanagar	69.5
Dharwad	81.9	Koppal	60.4
Uttara Kannad	77.9	Haveri*	60.4

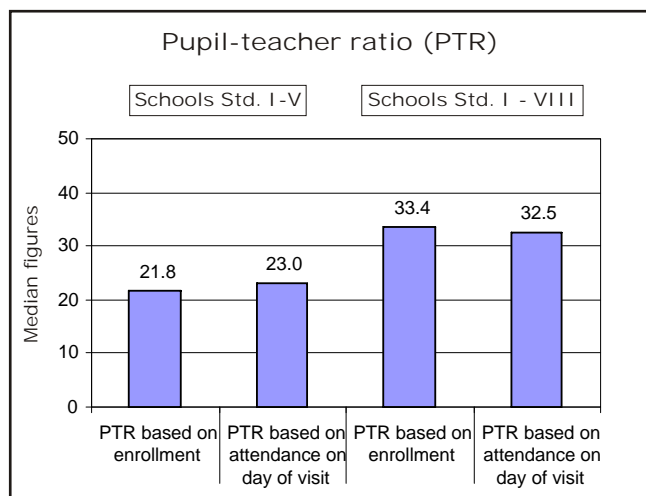
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	94	439
% teachers attending (average)	76.9	77.5
% of schools with NO teachers present	3.2	1.4
% of schools with ALL teachers present	54.3	23.5

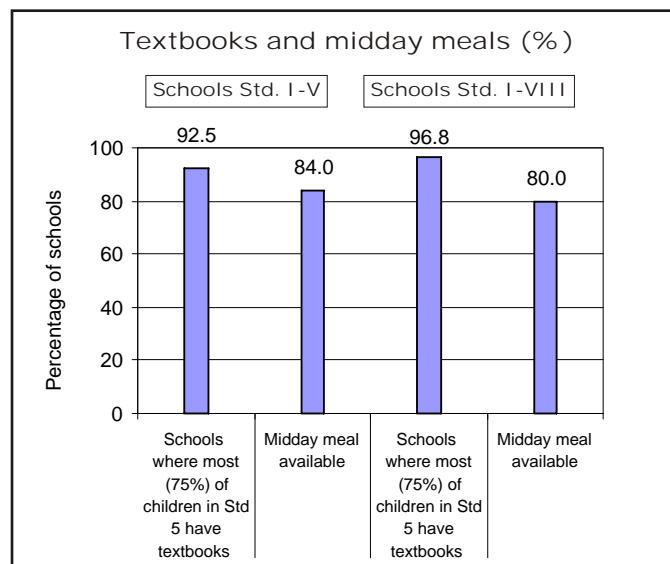
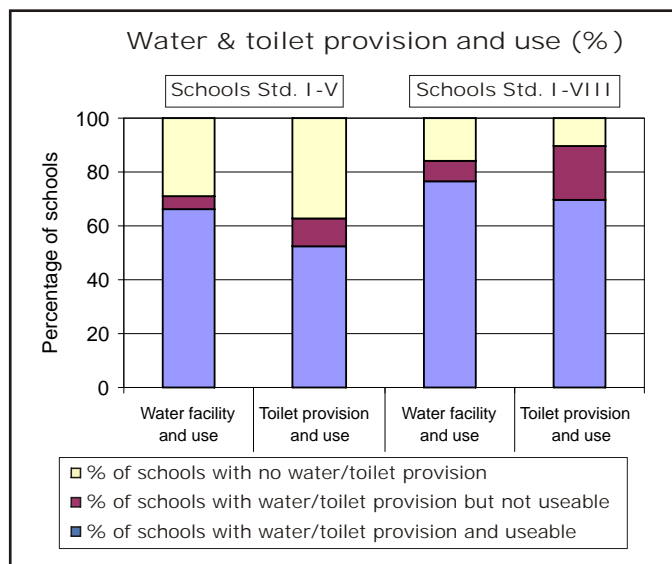
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	94	439
% enrolled children attending (average)	82.5	76.6
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	5.3	10.7



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	62	2.4	<=150	23	5.6
51-75	19	2.8	151-250	26	7.3
76-150	19	3.6	251-350	22	9.3
151-225	0	0.0	351-450	13	9.8
>225	0	0.0	>450	16	12.5

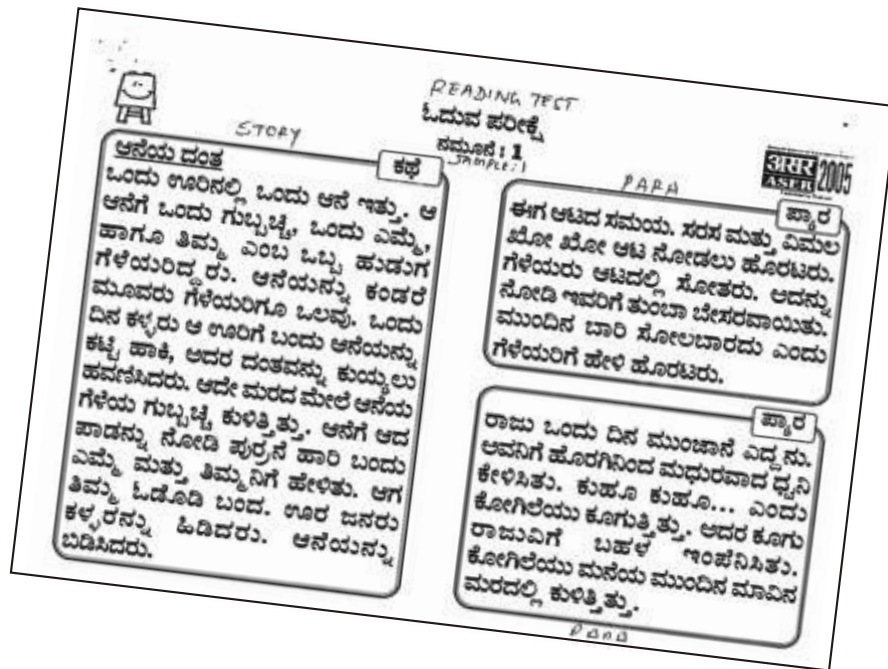
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Bagalkot*	0.5	39.0	40.1
Bangalore	0.8	35.6	63.0
Bangalore Rural	1.1	44.1	58.2
Belgaum	1.6	16.4	29.4
Bellary	3.8	37.3	40.2
Bidar	2.2	53.6	48.2
Bijapur	2.4	36.7	44.0
Chamaranjnagar	2.5	27.9	30.5
Chikmangalur	0.6	39.6	54.4
Chitradurga	3.2	27.5	82.3
Dakshin Kannad	0.8	50.9	65.7
Devangere	1.2	42.8	46.8
Dharwad	2.8	18.1	20.5
Gadag*	3.2	58.8	43.1

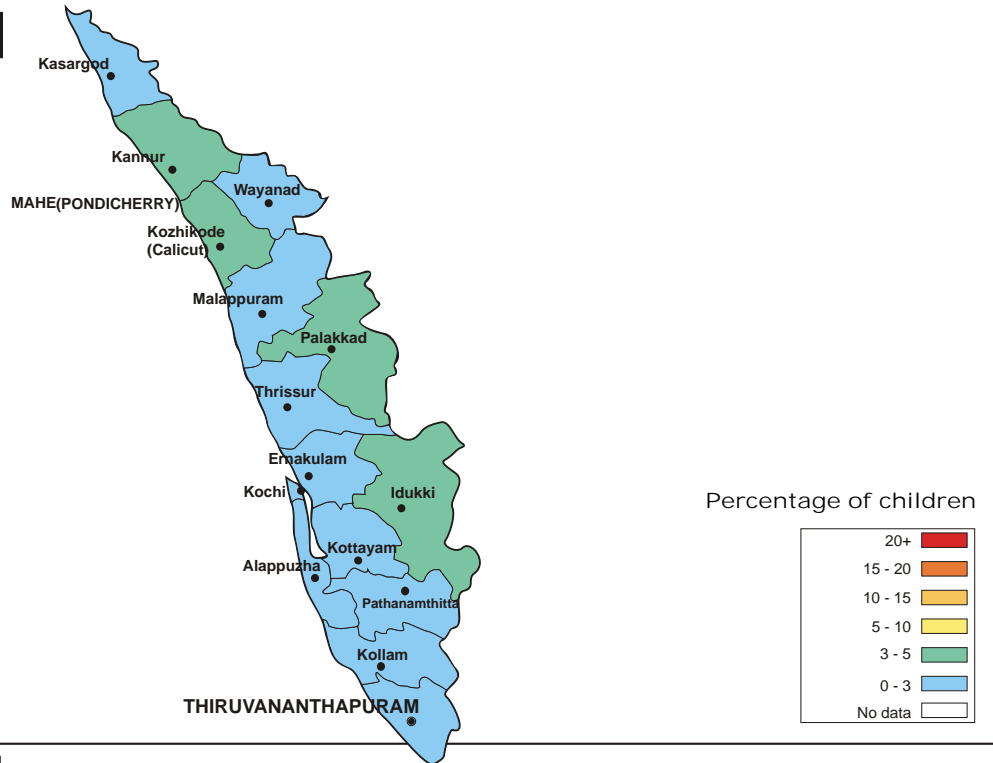
District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Gulbarga	1.9	47.0	43.7
Hassan	1.4	55.3	76.8
Haveri*	1.0	15.5	39.6
Kodagu	2.0	54.4	62.1
Kolar	2.3	15.4	69.1
Koppal	2.1	54.3	39.6
Mandya	1.7	31.7	50.0
Mysore	1.3	29.1	43.4
Raichur	7.6	33.0	58.1
Shimoga	1.3	55.2	54.8
Tumkur	0.6	42.6	54.3
Udipi*	0.2	81.6	91.0
Uttar Kannad	0.5	22.1	69.6
Karnataka state	1.9	36.8	51.7



Enrollment

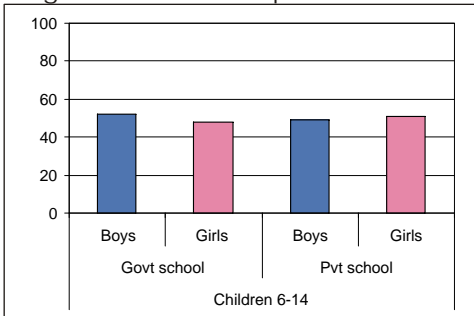
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	75.5	22.2	0.3	0.5	1.6	0.1	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	77.2	21.8	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.0	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	75.4	23.2	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	77.1	21.9	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	77.3	21.7	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	77.4	21.5	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	73.3	25.1	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.2	100

Out-of-school children

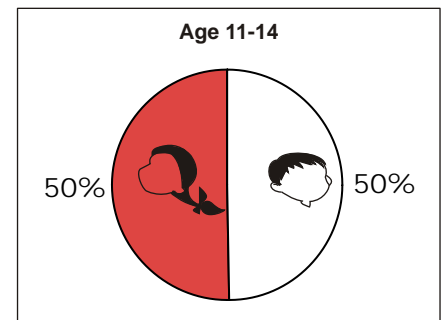
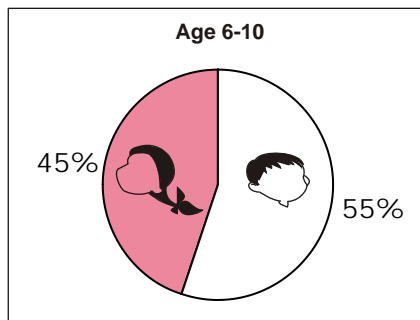


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	12.1	23.5	22.5	48.4
Age : 7-10 ALL	17.9	32.3	30.8	63.8
Age : 11-14 ALL	5.2	12.8	12.5	29.7
Govt : Std II-V	18.0	33.3	30.5	65.7
Pvt : Std II-V	18.6	31.5	31.0	53.3
Govt : Std VI-VIII	4.1	11.0	10.6	29.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	6.4	11.4	14.7	24.9

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Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	9.9	18.9	40.2	8.0	23.0	100
II	4.7	8.4	26.6	12.3	48.0	100
III	3.7	3.3	13.9	18.1	60.9	100
IV	2.4	1.6	6.4	15.9	73.8	100
V	1.9	1.1	2.6	12.9	81.5	100
VI	1.6	1.0	3.0	7.7	86.8	100
VII	2.0	0.5	2.3	6.3	88.9	100
VIII	1.6	0.0	1.0	5.8	91.7	100
Total	3.2	3.7	10.7	11.3	71.1	100

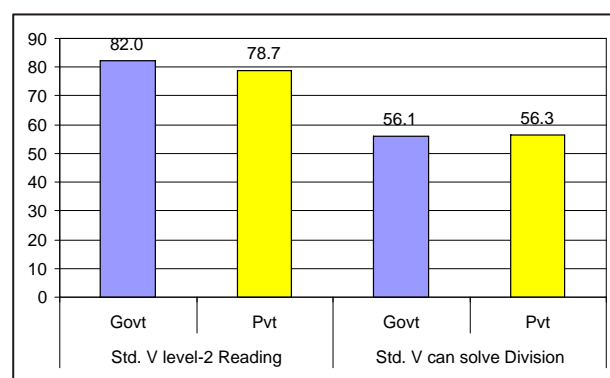
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	16.9	64.5	10.3	8.3	100
II	8.3	46.0	26.8	19.0	100
III	6.2	30.8	37.4	25.7	100
IV	3.1	17.2	39.5	40.3	100
V	3.1	12.7	28.2	56.0	100
VI	2.3	10.1	23.2	64.4	100
VII	2.5	9.5	15.4	72.7	100
VIII	1.6	6.5	12.8	79.2	100
Total	4.9	22.8	25.7	46.6	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
Kollam	4.8	Kottayam	13.5
Alappuzha	11.1	Alappuzha	13.5
Kannur	13.2	Ernakulam	15.5
Kozhikode	15.7	Pathanamthitta	18.8
Pathanamthitta	17.1	Kannur	22.6
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Malappuram	51.4	Wayanad	33.7
Ernakulam	39.0	Kozhikode	31.8
Thrissur	37.2	Malappuram	31.2
Idukki	35.2	Thiruvananthapuram	30.2
Kasargod	32.0	Kasargod	28.1

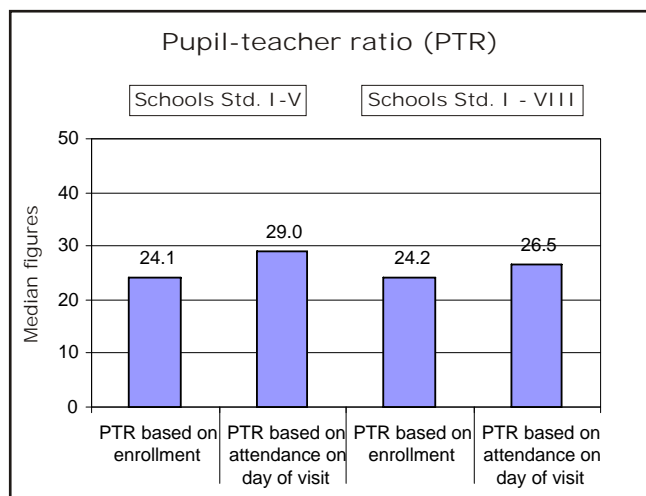
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	94	128
% teachers attending (average)	53.1	65.6
% of schools with NO teachers present	37.2	25.8
% of schools with ALL teachers present	34.0	28.1

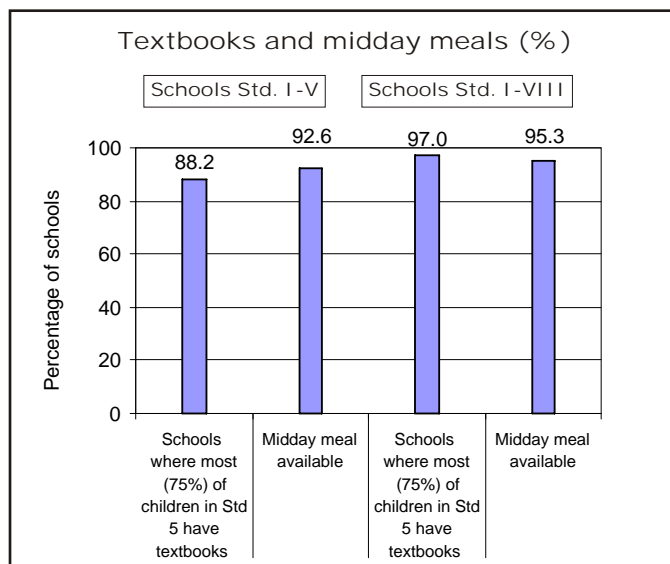
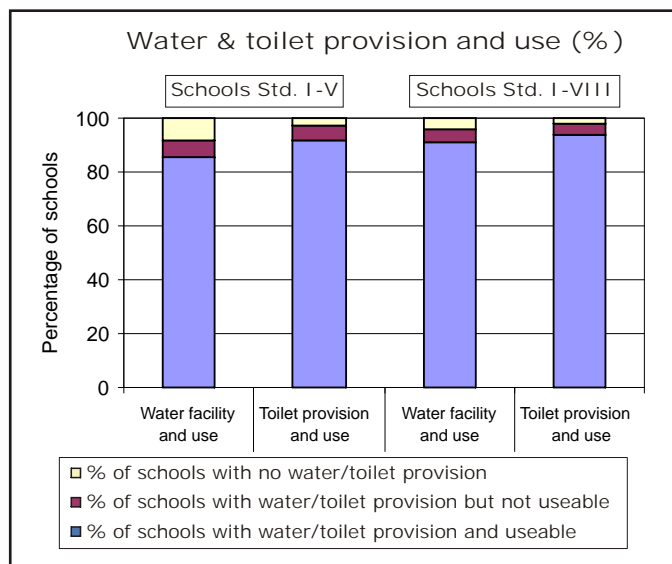
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	97	132
% enrolled children attending (average)	92.9	92.2
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	3.1	3.0



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	9	4.1	<=150	8	11.1
51-75	5	4.3	151-250	16	11.3
76-150	41	5.3	251-350	16	14.7
151-225	18	8.1	351-450	13	17.5
>225	27	12.1	>450	47	27.2

Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Alappuzha	1.8	88.9	86.5
Ernakulam	0.0	61.0	84.5
Idukki	3.6	64.8	73.2
Kannur	3.1	86.8	77.4
Kasargod	0.6	68.0	71.9
Kollam	0.0	95.2	76.9
Kottayam	0.4	78.1	86.5

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Kozhikode	3.5	84.3	68.2
Malappuram	0.8	48.6	68.8
Palakkad	4.6	81.9	77.0
Pathanamthitta	1.6	82.9	81.3
Thiruvananthapuram	1.6	70.6	69.8
Thrissur	0.5	62.8	74.9
Wayanad	1.8	70.3	66.3
Kerala state	1.6	72.0	75.7

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കഥ

ഇന്ന് അവധിയാണ്. എല്ലാവരും വീട്ടിൽ ഉണ്ട് അച്ഛനും കുട്ടികാരും ചായ കുടിക്കുന്നു. അനുജത്തി ഉറങ്ങുകയാണ്. അനുജൻ കുട്ടുകാരോടൊപ്പം കളിക്കുകയാണ്. അമ്മ അടുക്കളയിൽ ഫാഷം ചെയ്യുന്നു. ഉച്ചയ്ക്ക് നല്ല ഉപ്പുണ്ട് കഴിക്കാം. വൈകുന്നേരം പുറത്തു പോകും. എനിക്ക് അവധി ദിവസം വളരെ ഇഷ്ടമാണ്

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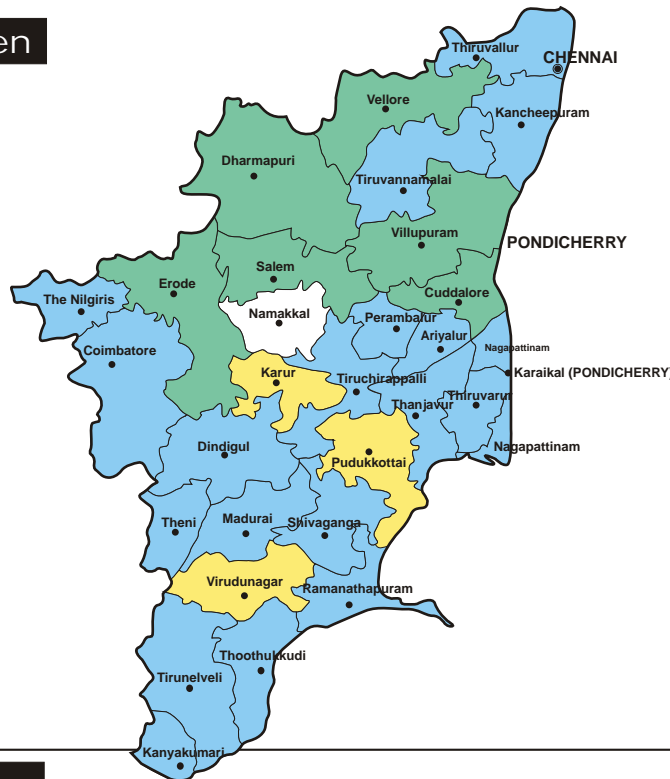
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All analyses based on data from 28 out of 29 districts

Enrollment

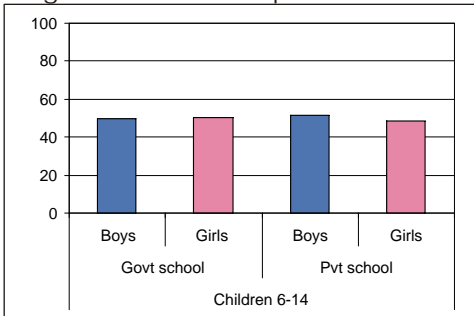
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	78.3	18.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	2.3	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	79.2	19.5	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	77.6	16.9	0.7	0.0	0.4	4.4	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	78.9	19.8	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	79.5	19.1	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	77.4	17.9	0.5	0.0	0.3	3.9	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	77.8	16.0	0.9	0.0	0.4	4.9	100

Out-of-school children

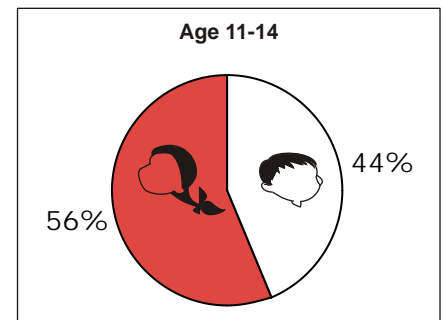
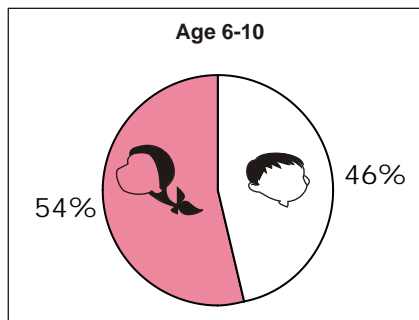


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	30.9	49.3	36.9	66.8
Age : 7-10 ALL	45.8	66.5	51.6	82.3
Age : 11-14 ALL	14.3	30.2	20.7	49.6
Govt : Std II-V	49.5	70.1	55.4	84.6
Pvt : Std II-V	43.0	60.4	47.4	77.6
Govt : Std VI-VIII	15.4	32.1	21.9	53.7
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	9.4	26.1	14.4	39.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	45.8	31.1	17.3	2.0	3.9	100
II	22.5	27.1	31.0	9.6	9.9	100
III	11.5	17.8	31.2	18.2	21.2	100
IV	6.4	10.3	20.9	24.5	37.8	100
V	4.4	5.3	15.4	24.3	50.7	100
VI	3.5	4.8	12.2	20.1	59.4	100
VII	2.3	2.8	6.9	16.7	71.3	100
VIII	1.8	1.9	5.3	12.6	78.4	100
Total	10.3	11.4	17.5	17.3	43.6	100

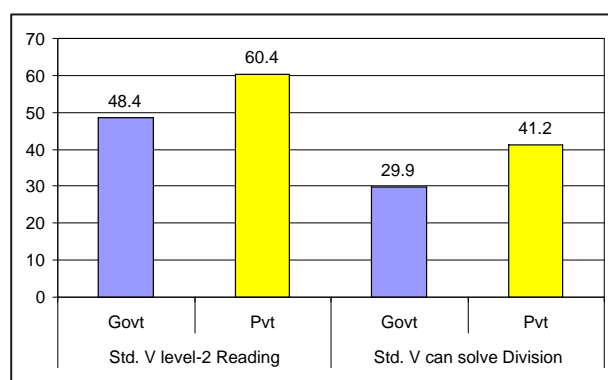
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	55.2	37.4	6.0	1.5	100
II	31.8	51.4	14.1	2.7	100
III	16.5	47.4	28.6	7.6	100
IV	9.8	34.6	36.6	19.0	100
V	6.9	26.4	34.9	31.8	100
VI	4.9	20.8	34.9	39.4	100
VII	3.7	16.1	28.4	51.9	100
VIII	3.0	11.7	28.3	57.1	100
Total	14.0	30.2	28.1	27.7	100

Performance of top five and bottom five districts in state based on % all children Std V

Reading	% std III to V CANNOT read level-2	Arithmetic	% std III to V CANNOT solve subtraction
Top - 5		Top - 5	
The Nilgiris	33.0	The Nilgiris	11.6
Dindigul	38.4	Dindigul	19.0
Kanyakumari	39.6	Theni*	20.4
Ariyalur*	41.2	Pudukkottai	28.2
Tirunelveli	46.0	Tirunelveli	32.7
Bottom - 5		Bottom - 5	
Theni*	86.6	Erode	66.7
Tiruvannamalai	80.3	Cuddalore	66.2
Thiruvallur	79.5	Viluppuram	64.1
Salem	78.5	Perambalur*	62.6
Shivaganga	78.3	Ramanathapuram	61.9

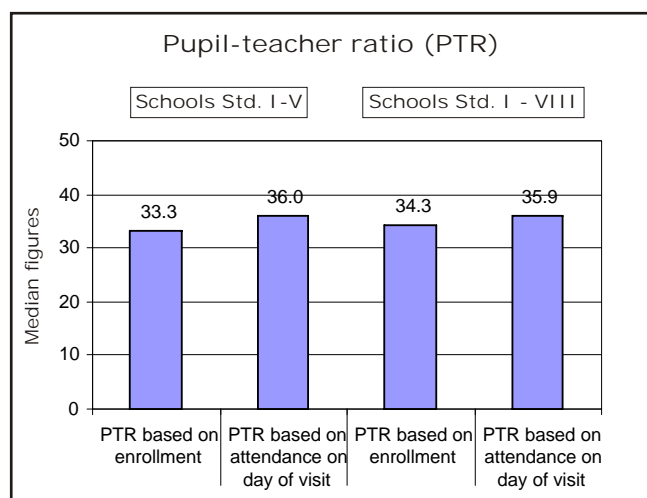
Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Teachers, children, and classrooms

Teachers' attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	283	192
% teachers attending (average)	78.2	79.4
% of schools with NO teachers present	5.7	5.2
% of schools with ALL teachers present	52.7	33.9

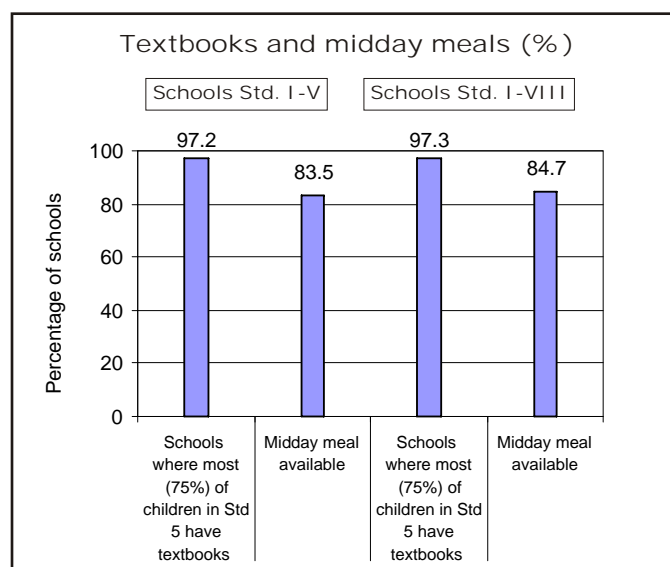
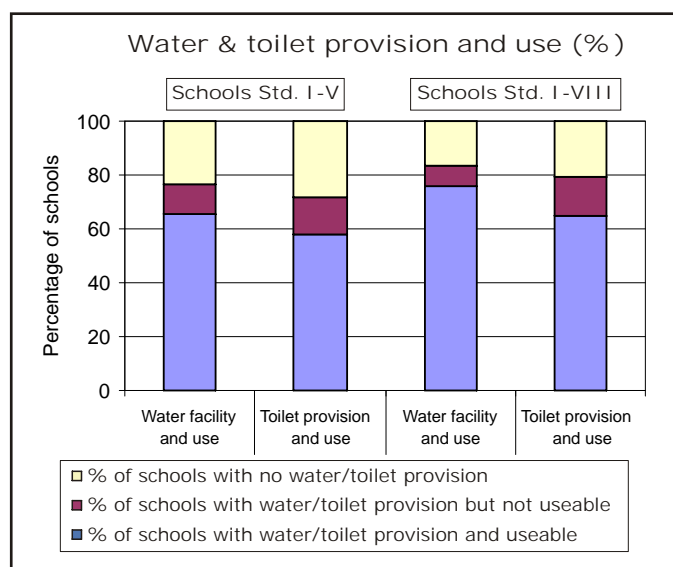
Children's attendance		
	Schools with:	
	Std. I-IV/V	Std. I - VIII
Total number of schools visited	283	190
% enrolled children attending (average)	86.6	85.9
% of schools with less than 50% of enrolled children attending	6.0	4.7



Average number of rooms available

Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-V rooms	Type of school by enrollment	% Schools visited	Std I-VIII rooms
<=50	19	2.0	<=150	17	4.5
51-75	16	2.3	151-250	28	6.0
76-150	33	3.0	251-350	26	8.7
151-225	17	5.1	351-450	13	8.9
>225	15	7.2	>450	16	14.0

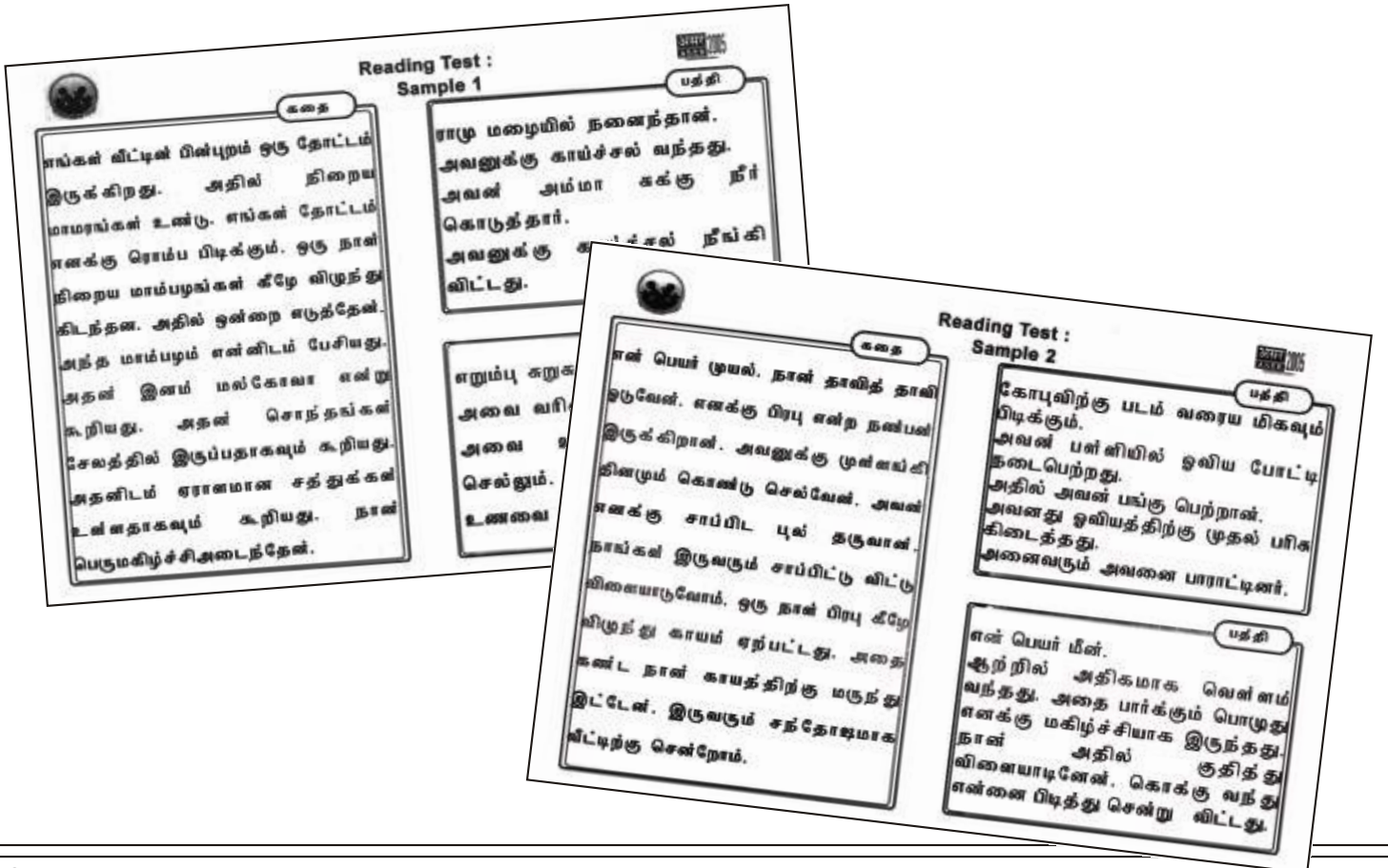
Provision and use



Performance of all districts

District	All Children % Out-of-school	Std III to V children	
		% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Ariyalur*	2.7	58.8	64.7
Coimbatore	1.0	37.6	51.9
Cuddalore	4.6	43.9	33.8
Dharmapuri	3.0	42.4	53.5
Dindigul	0.8	61.6	81.0
Erode	3.3	22.2	33.3
Kancheepuram	1.0	25.1	57.9
Kanyakumari	1.1	60.4	59.2
Karur*	8.5	40.5	62.7
Madurai	2.2	48.7	54.8
Nagapattinam*	2.7	29.6	54.1
Perambalur*	1.5	24.7	37.4
Pudukkottai	7.1	50.0	71.8
Ramanathapuram	2.2	36.6	38.1

District	All Children % Out-of-school	Std III to V children	
		% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Salem	3.2	21.5	58.8
Shivaganga	0.3	21.7	55.0
Thanjavur	1.7	40.2	43.5
Theni*	1.5	13.4	79.6
The Nilgiris	1.7	67.0	88.4
Thiruvallur	1.9	20.5	38.4
Thiruvarur	1.1	24.8	54.8
Thoothukkudi	2.8	41.6	63.4
Tiruchirappalli	2.1	36.9	58.5
Tirunelveli	0.6	54.0	67.3
Tiruvannamalai	1.6	19.7	46.1
Vellore	4.0	45.6	48.2
Villupuram	4.0	23.3	35.9
Virudunagar	7.5	23.0	51.2
Tamil Nadu State	13.1	53.6	74.7





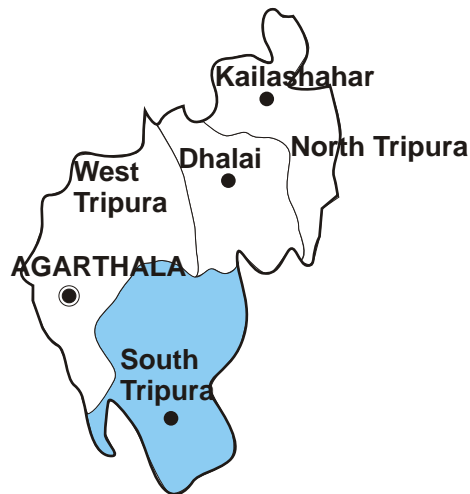
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Manipur
Nagaland
Arunachal Pradesh

Note : Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura have been allocated two instead of four pages due to partial coverage of districts Mizoram was not covered.

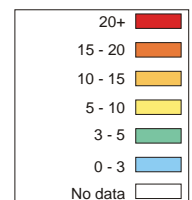
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	96.0	1.6	0.0	0.7	0.5	1.3	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	96.9	2.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	97.2	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	96.2	2.9	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	97.5	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	97.6	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	96.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	100

Out-of-school children

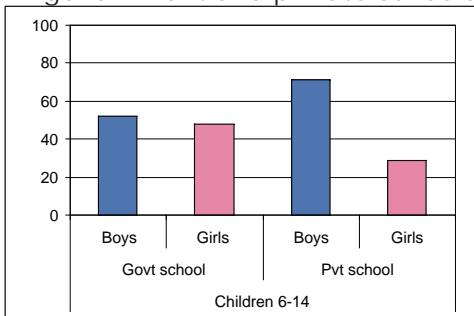


Percentage of children

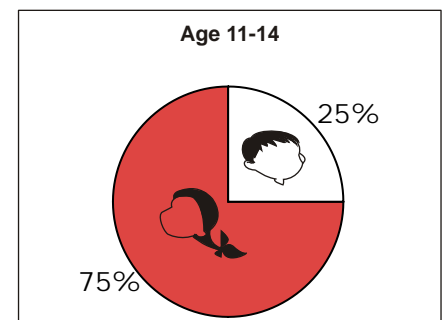
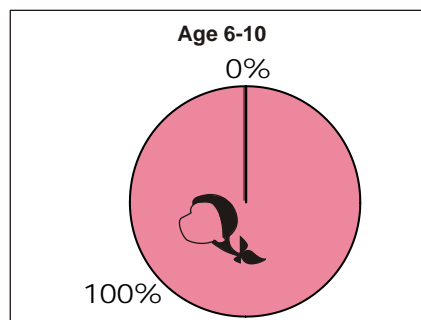


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	18.4	34.4	22.1	59.1
Age : 7-10 ALL	29.2	47.4	31.8	78.3
Age : 11-14 ALL	8.0	22.0	13.0	41.0
Govt : Std II-V	18.9	38.6	22.3	66.2
Pvt : Std II-V	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Govt : Std VI-VIII	1.0	10.3	4.2	27.4
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	0.0	25.0	36.5	17.3	21.2	100
II	3.5	15.8	15.8	22.8	42.1	100
III	2.5	7.6	19.0	15.2	55.7	100
IV	0.0	3.0	4.6	25.8	66.7	100
V	0.0	0.0	1.6	14.8	83.6	100
VI	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.2	86.8	100
VII	0.0	0.0	4.6	4.6	90.9	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	95.5	100
Total	1.0	7.3	11.7	16.8	63.4	100

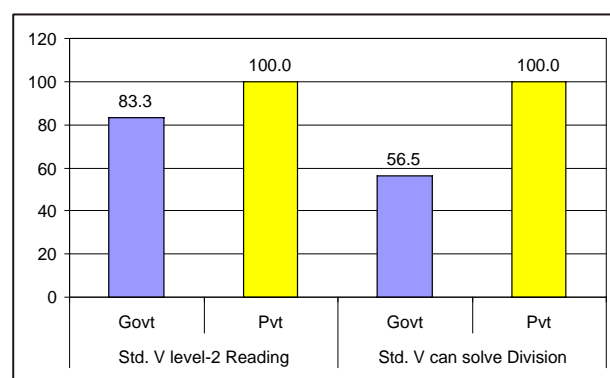
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	10.0	54.0	34.0	2.0	100
II	14.0	29.8	43.9	12.3	100
III	6.4	18.0	50.0	25.6	100
IV	0.0	10.6	45.5	43.9	100
V	7.9	3.2	31.8	57.1	100
VI	1.9	3.8	22.6	71.7	100
VII	0.0	0.0	38.1	61.9	100
VIII	0.0	4.8	9.5	85.7	100
Total	5.9	17.1	37.4	39.6	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
SouthTripura	1.8	67.5	84.1
Tripura state	1.8	67.5	84.1

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



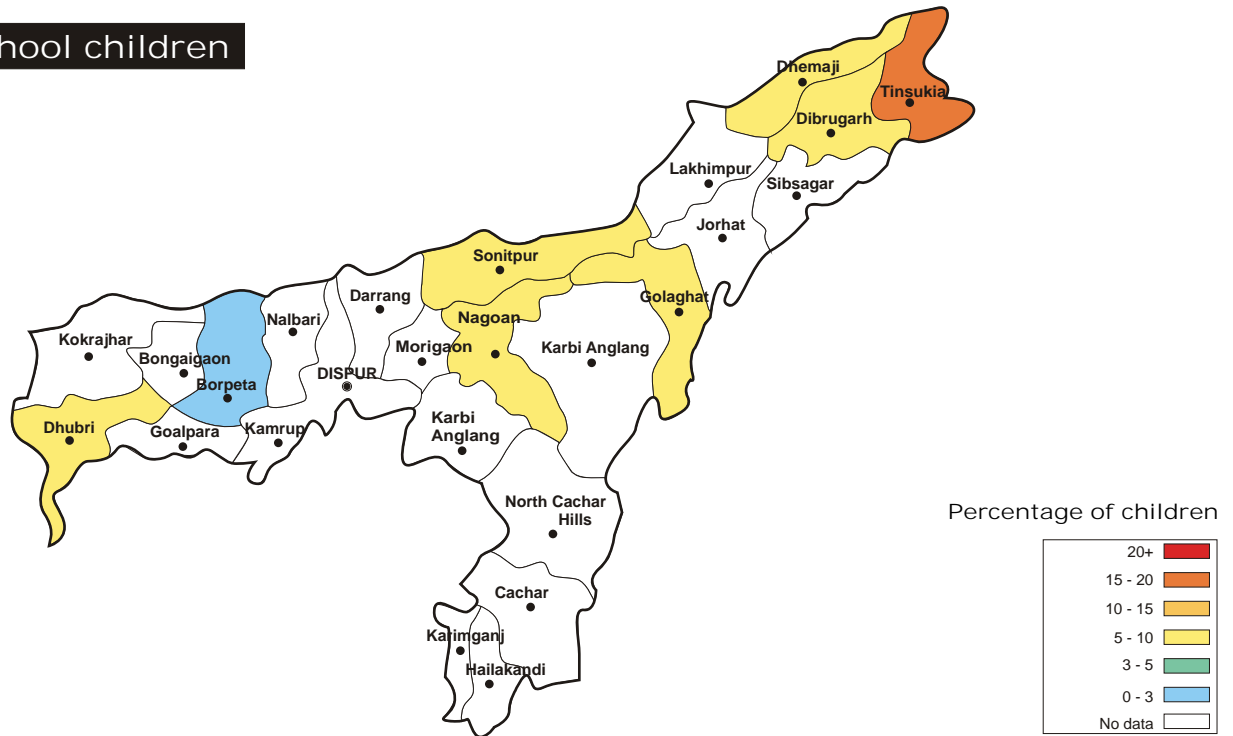
ASSAM RURAL

All analyses based on data from 8 out of 23 districts

Enrollment

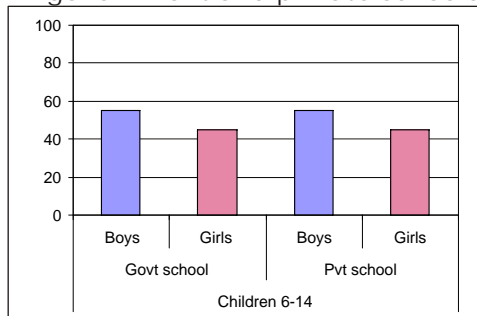
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	77.5	13.7	0.7	0.6	4.4	3.1	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	82.1	12.5	0.6	0.7	2.8	1.3	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	69.4	15.6	1.1	0.3	7.1	6.6	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	82.3	12.3	1.0	0.7	2.4	1.3	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	82.0	12.7	0.1	0.6	3.3	1.3	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	68.2	15.8	1.4	0.2	7.4	7.0	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	70.9	15.3	0.7	0.4	6.7	6.0	100

Out-of-school children

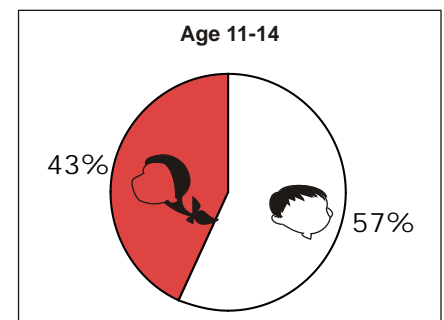
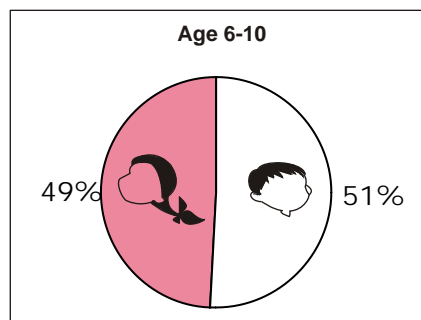


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT READ ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	38.0	61.8	44.0	74.0
Age : 7-10 ALL	49.0	75.6	54.6	83.9
Age : 11-14 ALL	17.0	35.6	23.9	55.3
Govt : Std II-V	44.5	73.7	49.8	82.3
Pvt : Std II-V	37.3	59.9	38.9	68.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	6.6	23.1	13.8	39.3
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	11.8	20.3	8.2	31.6

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	37.2	43.6	15.3	1.7	2.3	100
II	11.0	25.9	43.9	12.8	6.3	100
III	6.5	8.7	29.6	35.0	20.3	100
IV	3.1	5.3	12.8	37.1	41.7	100
V	1.4	2.5	12.8	28.5	54.8	100
VI	1.0	2.2	7.4	20.8	68.7	100
VII	0.8	0.6	4.6	12.1	81.8	100
VIII	1.0	0.0	0.0	6.8	92.2	100
Total	10.8	15.5	20.2	21.2	32.3	100

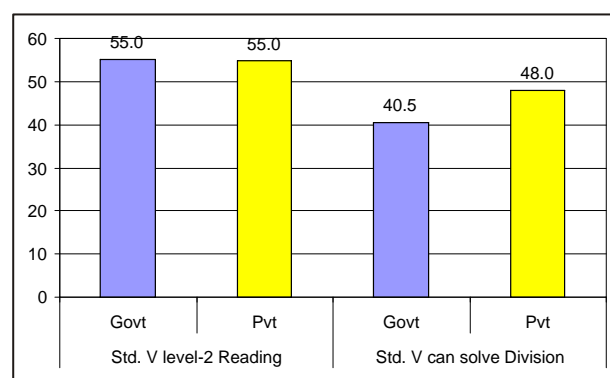
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	59.6	35.3	3.1	2.1	100
II	33.5	50.3	13.8	2.4	100
III	16.5	29.3	41.0	13.2	100
IV	8.8	23.9	37.7	29.7	100
V	5.1	15.0	39.0	40.9	100
VI	3.5	13.4	31.1	52.0	100
VII	2.9	6.7	23.7	66.7	100
VIII	1.0	8.2	12.0	78.8	100
Total	22.1	28.1	25.7	24.0	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Tinsukia	16.3	56.3	71.2
Sonitpur	8.9	22.6	26.9
Dhubri	8.8	23.7	47.0
Nagoan	8.1	39.8	58.8
Golaghat	5.7	36.1	72.8
Dibrugarh	5.2	54.5	85.2
Dhemaji	5.0	52.3	67.8
Borpeta	1.8	26.0	76.4
Assam state	7.5	35.9	64.6

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



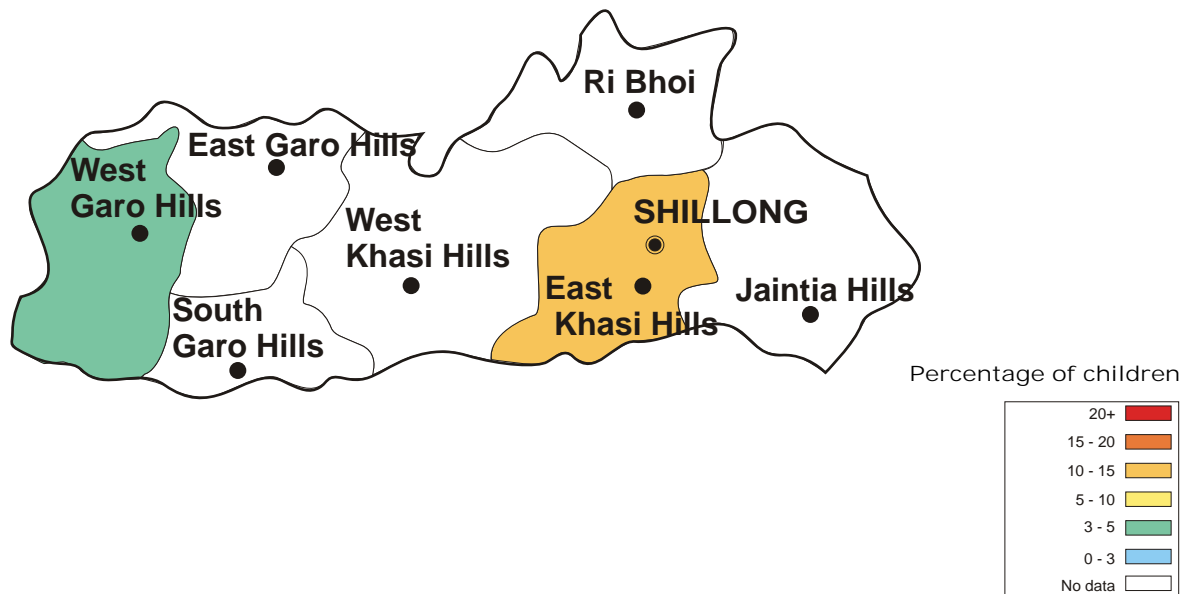
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All analyses based on data from 2 out of 7 districts

Enrollment

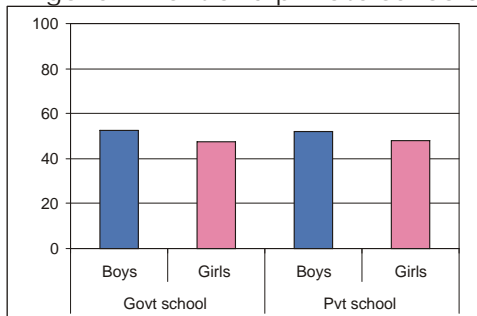
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	48.4	41.9	0.0	1.5	5.2	3.0	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	47.3	44.5	0.0	1.7	5.5	1.1	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	50.3	38.2	0.0	1.1	4.9	5.5	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	46.3	43.7	0.0	2.4	6.5	1.1	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	48.3	45.4	0.0	0.9	4.3	1.1	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	50.5	36.6	0.0	0.7	4.8	7.4	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	50.1	40.0	0.0	1.5	5.0	3.4	100

Out-of-school children

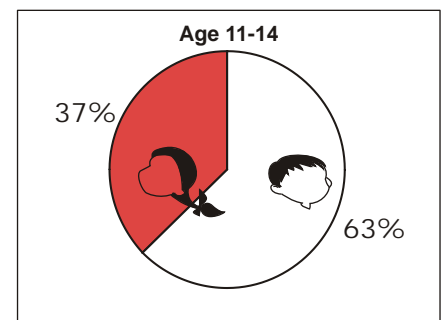
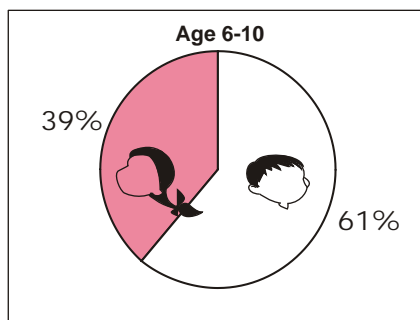


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	32.5	40.3	34.6	61.3
Age : 7-10 ALL	46.1	55.7	51.6	81.8
Age : 11-14 ALL	18.3	24.2	17.7	40.9
Govt : Std II-V	25.1	33.5	31.0	64.7
Pvt : Std II-V	17.3	27.0	22.5	58.3
Govt : Std VI-VIII	6.2	15.5	3.1	33.5
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.9

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	2.2	31.2	43.6	10.5	12.6	100
II	1.8	5.3	37.5	15.7	39.7	100
III	0.0	2.0	16.6	10.9	70.5	100
IV	0.5	1.6	10.6	3.4	84.0	100
V	0.0	0.0	4.8	4.8	90.4	100
VI	0.0	0.0	1.5	7.3	91.2	100
VII	0.0	0.0	3.9	3.9	92.2	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	4.8	0.0	95.2	100
Total	0.9	8.9	22.0	8.6	59.5	100

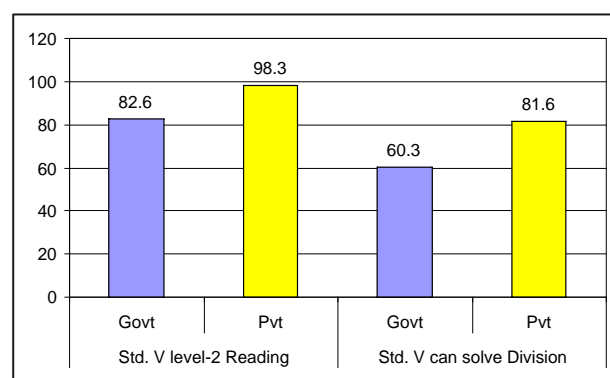
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	18.5	63.1	17.9	0.4	100
II	18.2	39.6	34.0	8.2	100
III	10.0	10.3	46.3	33.3	100
IV	6.3	11.5	30.4	51.8	100
V	1.8	3.6	23.6	71.1	100
VI	0.0	2.9	24.5	72.6	100
VII	0.0	0.0	16.2	83.8	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	7.2	92.8	100
Total	10.1	25.2	27.6	37.2	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	%CAN solve subtraction
East Khasi Hills	12.6	86.6	81.7
West Garo Hills	3.5	73.6	87.2
Meghalaya state	8.1	80.6	84.3

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



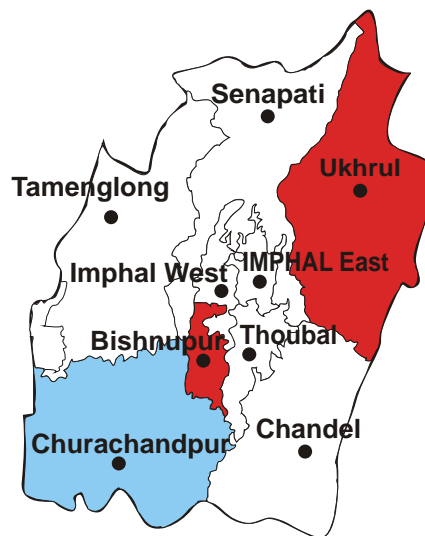
MANIPUR RURAL

All analyses based on data from 3 out of 9 districts

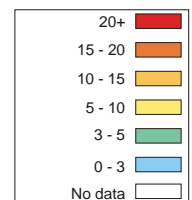
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	33.7	52.3	0.0	0.3	10.5	3.3	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	36.6	58.3	0.0	0.4	3.5	1.1	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	35.3	53.6	0.0	0.0	4.3	6.8	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	34.6	60.4	0.0	0.6	3.0	1.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	38.7	56.1	0.0	0.3	4.1	0.9	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	30.9	59.1	0.0	0.0	4.2	5.8	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	39.6	48.3	0.0	0.0	4.3	7.9	100

Out-of-school children

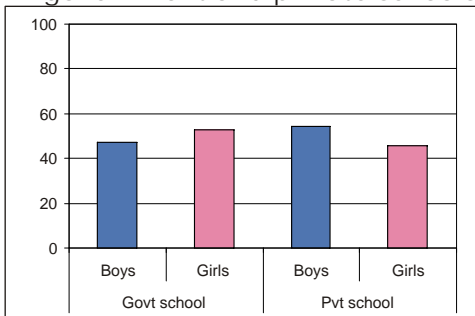


Percentage of children

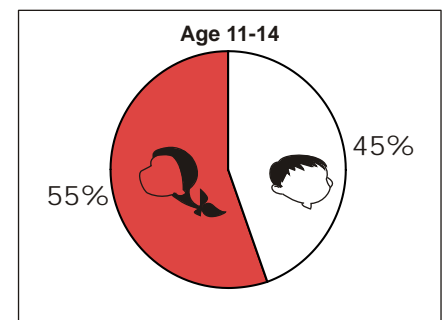
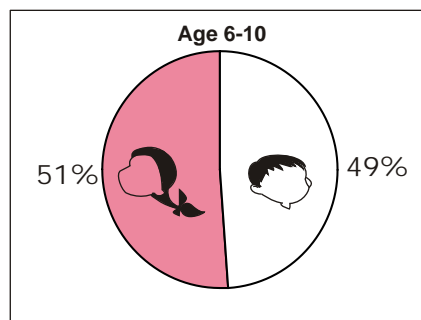


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	42.3	57.1	39.9	65.9
Age : 7-10 ALL	53.4	69.4	52.2	80.6
Age : 11-14 ALL	29.3	42.8	25.7	48.9
Govt : Std II-V	48.2	62.5	40.3	71.4
Pvt : Std II-V	28.1	48.5	27.8	65.7
Govt : Std VI-VIII	13.9	23.4	15.6	37.3
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	4.7	10.9	6.0	18.1

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

**Level - 2: Ability to read a 'story' text with some long sentences of std 2 level difficulty.

Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	21.3	20.2	28.2	15.0	15.3	100
II	12.3	18.4	29.2	18.6	21.5	100
III	7.5	8.9	21.4	16.8	45.5	100
IV	5.3	3.2	13.4	20.8	57.4	100
V	2.2	2.2	5.6	15.7	74.3	100
VI	4.9	0.0	1.6	11.6	81.9	100
VII	6.1	0.0	0.0	3.2	90.7	100
VIII	9.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	90.1	100
Total	10.6	10.7	18.7	15.7	44.4	100

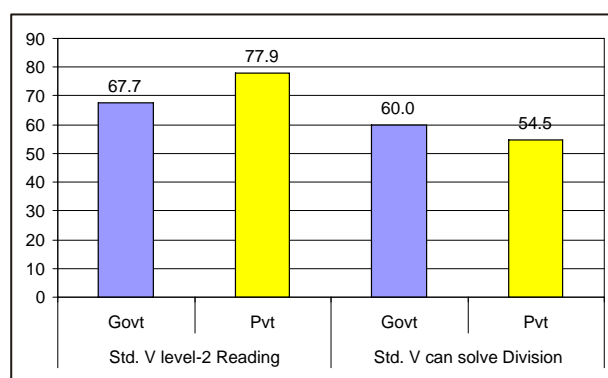
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	31.5	43.9	12.7	11.9	100
II	16.9	35.4	36.6	11.1	100
III	9.9	25.2	35.4	29.4	100
IV	6.9	11.9	35.9	45.3	100
V	3.1	10.1	30.5	56.3	100
VI	4.0	2.4	18.6	74.9	100
VII	6.1	3.4	9.3	81.1	100
VIII	9.9	2.3	11.1	76.7	100
Total	14.4	24.7	26.9	34.0	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Churachandpur	1.3	82.3	88.7
Bishnupur	20.3	57.0	66.7
Ukhrul	24.0	21.5	63.4
Manipur state	13.7	57.1	75.9

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



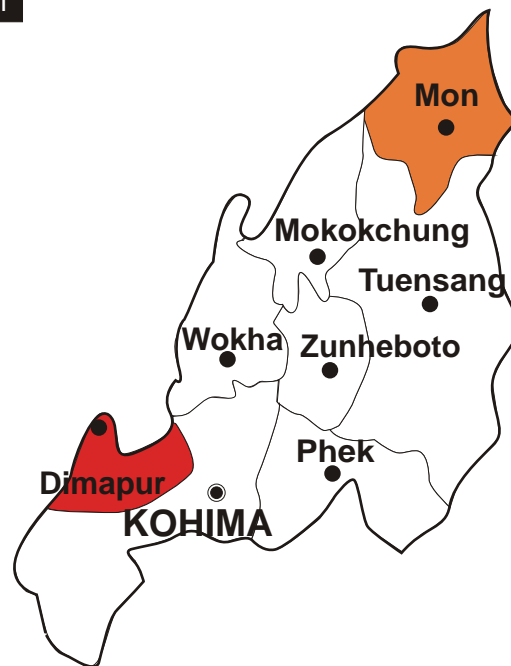
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All analyses based on data from 2 out of 8 districts

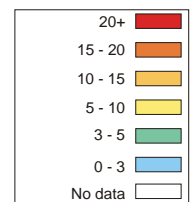
Enrollment

	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	70.9	10.2	0.0	0.0	7.3	11.5	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	79.5	10.8	0.0	0.0	7.2	2.5	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	60.0	9.9	0.0	0.0	8.6	21.5	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	78.9	11.4	0.0	0.0	7.4	2.4	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	80.3	10.1	0.0	0.0	7.0	2.6	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	62.9	9.6	0.0	0.0	6.4	21.1	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	55.9	10.4	0.0	0.0	11.7	22.1	100

Out-of-school children

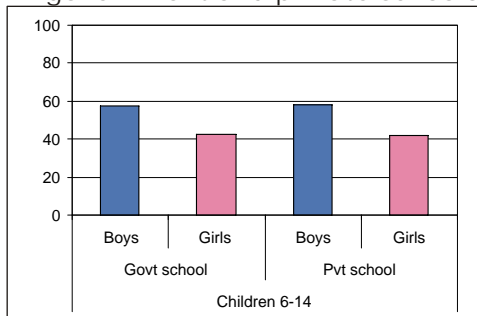


Percentage of children

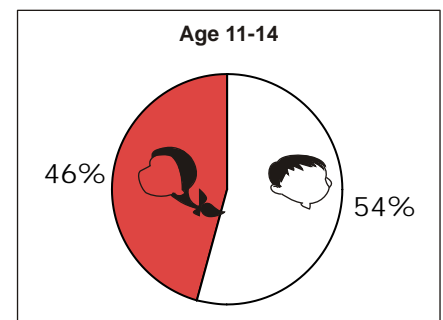
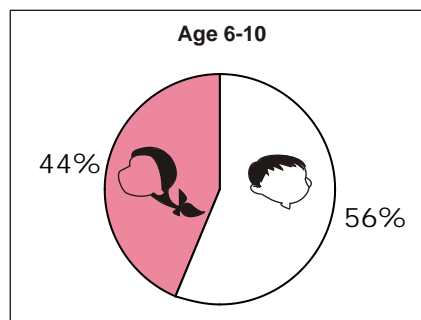


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT read ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	37.9	64.8	37.6	77.4
Age : 7-10 ALL	53.0	79.1	50.7	87.0
Age : 11-14 ALL	19.0	46.8	21.1	65.3
Govt : Std II-V	31.6	62.4	32.4	75.8
Pvt : Std II-V	12.0	48.5	21.6	61.8
Govt : Std VI-VIII	17.4	42.8	9.5	48.0
Pvt : Std VI-VIII				

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

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Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	8.4	35.8	34.7	11.5	9.6	100
II	2.0	14.7	27.7	41.2	14.5	100
III	1.5	10.5	15.0	31.7	41.4	100
IV	0.7	7.2	10.7	20.1	61.3	100
V	0.0	0.0	3.0	15.6	81.4	100
VI	0.0	6.0	9.9	5.0	79.2	100
VII	0.0	0.0	26.3	10.5	63.2	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	42.9	57.1	100
Total	3.1	16.5	21.7	25.6	33.2	100

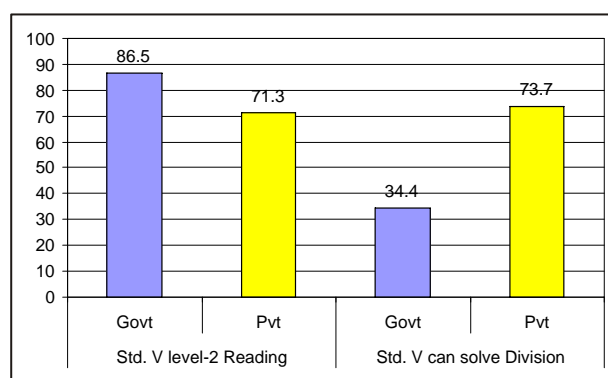
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	20.1	55.0	20.0	4.9	100
II	7.2	41.0	42.8	9.0	100
III	3.4	23.8	47.3	25.5	100
IV	0.0	18.8	37.7	43.5	100
V	0.0	6.4	44.0	49.7	100
VI	0.0	11.5	36.4	52.0	100
VII	0.0	11.1	22.2	66.7	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	30.0	70.0	100
Total	7.6	33.4	36.4	22.5	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Dimapur*	21.8	48.7	79.9
Mon	15.5	56.5	74.7
Nagaland state	18.9	52.2	77.7

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums

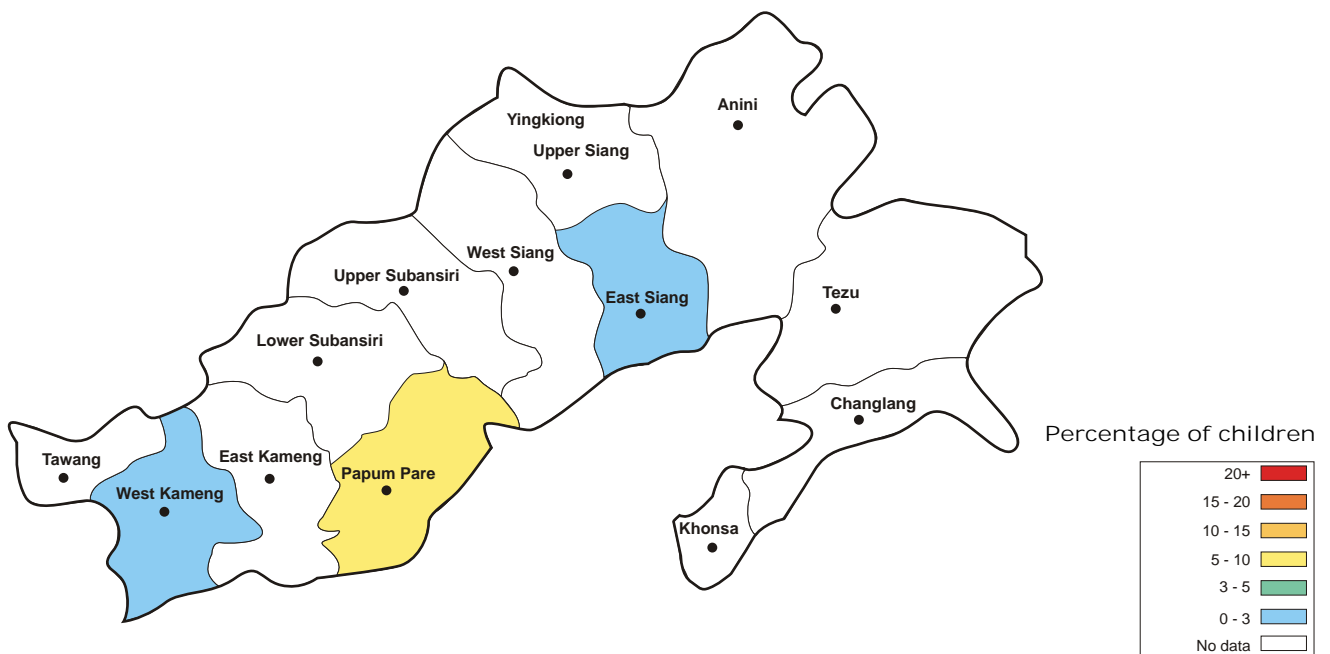


All analyses based on data from 3 out of 11 districts

Enrollment

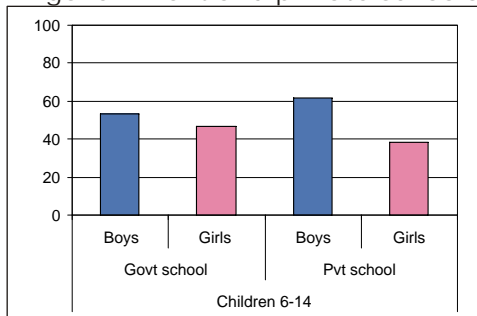
	% Children in each age group in different types of schools				% Children in each age group not in school		Total
	Government	Private	Madarsa	EGS	Never Enrolled	Drop Out	
Age : 6-14 ALL	81.4	13.4	0.0	0.2	3.1	1.8	100
Age : 6-10 ALL	82.1	14.9	0.0	0.1	2.1	0.8	100
Age : 11-14 ALL	85.9	9.1	0.0	0.6	1.9	2.5	100
Age : 6-10 BOYS	81.2	16.6	0.0	0.2	1.1	1.0	100
Age : 6-10 GIRLS	83.3	12.9	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.5	100
Age : 11-14 BOYS	84.5	10.6	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.8	100
Age : 11-14 GIRLS	87.4	7.6	0.0	1.1	1.7	2.2	100

Out-of-school children

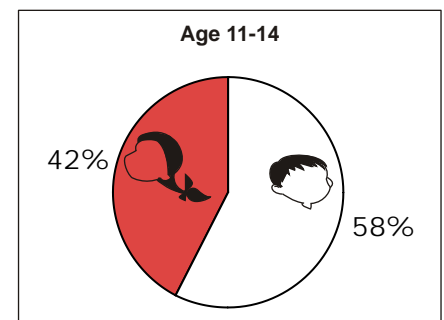
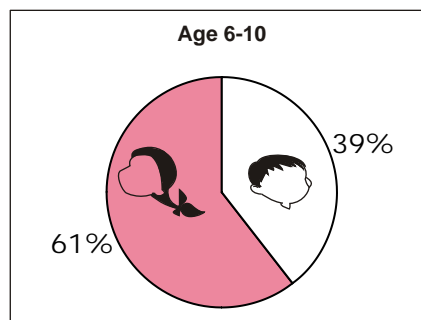


Gender differences

Percentage of boys and girls in government and private schools



Out-of-school children: Proportion of girls and boys.



Learning

	% Children who CANNOT READ ...		% Children who CANNOT solve numerical written sums of ...	
	Level 1*	Level 2**	Subtraction or Division	Division
Age : 7-14 ALL	35.9	51.7	21.9	53.0
Age : 7-10 ALL	50.9	65.9	31.0	66.2
Age : 11-14 ALL	14.6	31.3	9.1	34.3
Govt : Std II-V	39.5	56.2	23.7	63.4
Pvt : Std II-V	28.2	37.9	8.9	44.3
Govt : Std VI-VIII	0.6	15.5	0.6	18.2
Pvt : Std VI-VIII	0.0	7.4	0.0	7.0

* Level - 1: Ability to read a small paragraph with short sentences of std 1 level difficulty.

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Subtraction:
2 digit subtraction with borrowing.

Division:
3 digit divided by 1 digit.

Learning curves

Children who CAN read and solve numerical written sums

Reading

% All school children who can read-standardwise						
Std	Nothing	Letter	Word	Para-Level I	Story-Level II	Total
I	19.7	37.4	31.8	3.5	7.6	100
II	7.5	22.4	36.4	13.4	20.3	100
III	3.3	7.7	36.8	16.1	36.2	100
IV	3.7	1.5	10.2	15.8	68.9	100
V	5.6	1.7	3.0	20.8	68.9	100
VI	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.5	75.5	100
VII	0.0	1.3	0.0	7.7	91.1	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.9	93.1	100
Total	7.2	13.5	21.6	13.3	44.4	100

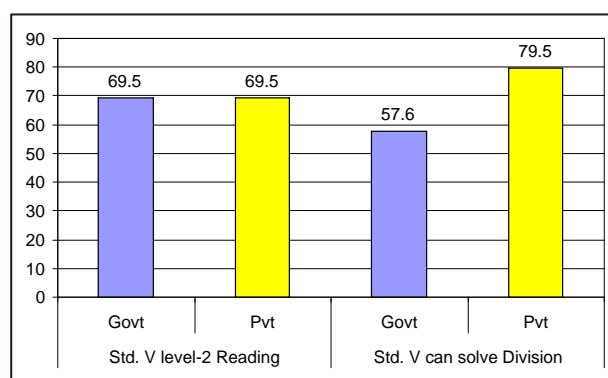
Arithmetic

% All school children who can solve written numerical sums - standardwise					
Std	Nothing	Number recogn	Subtraction	Division	Total
I	21.7	47.6	17.7	13.1	100
II	7.7	32.2	38.9	21.2	100
III	3.0	19.8	47.6	29.6	100
IV	3.7	8.3	33.5	54.5	100
V	4.5	2.4	34.2	58.9	100
VI	0.0	0.0	21.9	78.1	100
VII	0.0	1.3	17.8	80.9	100
VIII	0.0	0.0	2.8	97.2	100
Total	7.6	21.1	31.3	40.1	100

Performance of surveyed districts

District	All Children	Std III to V children	
	% Out-of-school	% CAN read level - 2	% CAN solve subtraction
Papum Pare*	9.1	36.1	75.5
East Siang	2.3	63.3	89.3
West Kameng	2.3	57.8	85.6
Arunachal Pradesh State	5.0	55.0	84.8

Comparison of government and private schools based on % Std. V children who CAN read level-2 and solve written numerical sums



Support in cash and in kind

More than one district supported

1	Aditi Aanchal	70	Nilanjan Adhya	142	Ashwin Hedge	215	Jayshri Dineshbhai Patel
2	Arjun Saxena	71	Niren Shah	143	Ashwin Venkatraman	216	Jaywant Metha
3	Ashok Kamat	72	P. J. Rajan	144	Athar Qurashi	217	Jitesh Aggarwal
4	Abhijit Banerjee	73	Parul Banerjee	145	Atharva Desai	218	Jugai Bag works
5	Calcutta Foundation	74	Pradeep Parmeswaran	146	Aurangabad Prabhas	219	Jyoti Salve
6	Coca-Cola (Thailand)	75	Prem Anand Bhatia	147	Bahuadesiya Prkalp	220	Jyotsna Prakashan
7	ECAT-Bodhgram	76	Prerana	148	Avishek Sen	221	K Kiran Kumar
8	Lalita Gopikrishna Piramal,	77	R. Venkatesh Babu	149	Awaghadi Ghodke	222	K. Sriharsha Shashank
	Anand Piramal	78	Rahul Bedi	150	Ayan Dasgupta	223	Kairavi Sadanand Shetty
9	Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation	79	Rajesh Begur	151	B. P. Walawalkar	224	Kamal Mane
10	Kabir Mukaddam	80	Rakesh Varma	152	Balvinder Singh	225	Kamble
11	Khan Bahadur Babukhan Foundation	81	Rakshat Hooja	153	Bansilal Kucheria Memorial Trust	226	Kamkar W. Mhadgut
12	Mehmood Khan	82	Raman Patel	154	Baroruchi Mishra	227	Karobi Acharjee
13	MicroInk	83	Ramesh Mangaleshwaran	155	Bhavna Kamble	228	Kashila Shedmek
14	Nandvimal Memorial Trust	84	Ravindranath Madhavan	156	Bhawani Jewellers	229	Kaushiki Rao
15	Naren Rau	85	Rima Hooja	157	Bijji	230	Kavita Asram
16	Pawan Mehra	86	Rohini Mukherjee	158	Borunda School	231	Keshav Dajiba Sahastrabuddhe
17	Pratham USA	87	Rohini Nilekani	159	Borunda Village Panchyat	232	Khyati Enterparises
18	Ramachandra Guha	88	Sanchar Infotech Pvt. Ltd	160	C. Vijay Dev	233	Kishor Bhamre
19	Rukmini Banerji	89	Sankalp Bhauudeshiy Prkalp	161	Chaitanya Divgi	234	Kishor Shahu Jadhav
20	PDCORP Limited, Jaipur	90	Sarang Deo	162	Chakrapani M	235	Kolhapur Pragati Sikshan Mandal
21	Ramachandra Guha	91	Satprit Duggal	163	Chetan Kapoor	236	Kshipra Narain
22	Reliance Industries	92	S Pradhan	164	Chinmay Darne	237	Kuldeep Kothari
23	SRF Limited	93	Srinivas Rao	165	Chirag Trading Co.	238	Kuldeep Anil Apradh
24	T. V. Mohandas Pai	94	Siddharth kothari	166	Community from FN ward, Mumbai	239	Kuldeep Kothari
25	Torrent	95	Siddharth Thacker	167	Community from LNST ward, Mumbai	240	Kulin Ashar
26	Consul General of France	96	Sidmark Sales Pvt. Ltd	168	D. S. Kumar	241	Kusham Dewara
		97	Snehal Kulkarni	169	Daljeet Singh	242	Lakshminarayan Hariharan
		98	Sridhar Komandur	170	Dastana Ramchandra & Co.	243	L. D. Golade
		99	Sukeshi Dillon Sondhi	171	Datta Bhujbal	244	L. Sriram
		100	Sunil Chandra	172	Datta Salunke	245	Lakshminarayan Hariharan
		101	Sunit Tilva	173	Devendra Joshi	246	Lalita Ubhayker
		102	Suprabha Mahila Mandal	174	Deepakdada Asram	247	Laxma Yedskar
		103	Suvir Kaul	175	Depa Chahande	248	Laxmi Pawar
		104	Suzanne Berger & Daniel Keniston	176	Devaki Jain	249	Lions Club Jamnagar
		105	Suzanne Singh	177	Dattatray Ingavale	250	M Rajagopal
		106	Tanvi and Atul Varadhachary	178	Deepakrav P.Jadhav	251	M. C. Sevayiwari
		107	Trans Corp.International Ltd.	179	Dhananjay Jadhav	252	M/s Zalani Paper Co.
		108	Usha Mohan	180	Dr. (Mrs.) Vidya Naik	253	Madhukar Kapoor
		109	Usha Rane	181	Dr. Prabodh Gaikwad	254	Madhura Mohan Jadhav
		110	V. Mangaleshwaran	182	Dr. Pravin Patil	255	Madhuri Kodape
		111	V. Ravichandar	183	Digambar Toole	256	Mahesh Jayender
		112	Venkatesh Chittari	184	Dnyanada Publications Pvt. Ltd.	257	Malashree
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		114	Vidur Renjen	186	Vasti Vikas Samitee	259	Manika Chavan
		115	Vikram and Geetanjali Kiroloskar	187	Fonex Enterprises	260	Manip
		116	Vikrant Vora	188	French Consulate	261	Manju Ashar
		117	Vimala Ramachandran	189	G. Shivaram	262	Manshi Fansalkar
		118	Vineet Mittal (Stream International)	190	Gajanan Rambhad	263	Maya Sharma
		119	Vivek Sharma	191	Gargi Patil	264	M Rajan
		120	Yogesh Atal	192	Gondals Press India Ltd	265	Manav Kothari
		121	Zarir Batliwala	193	Govind Poul	266	Mathur
		122	Sandhya Gokhale	194	Graphone (India) Pvt. Ltd	267	Mehboob
				195	Gulu Travels	268	Mukesh

Partial district support

27	A. Karati	123	A. Jeevnath	196	Health Workers	269	Meenakshi Ramesh
28	Amul	124	A. Jhunjunwala	197	Hemant Beniwal	270	Meera Tendolkar
29	Anand Padi	125	Abhishek Typesetters & Publishers	198	Hemlata Sasane	271	Megha Bhoyar
30	Anupam Patel	126	Akshay Kumar Das	199	Himanshu	272	Mukesh Aggarwal
31	Anuradha B Hegde	127	Allied Auto Agencies	200	Huma Poly Plast Ltd.	273	M M Raut
32	Anuradha De	128	Amit Gupta	201	India Electronics	274	M/s A.S. Infoways.
33	Aravali Institute of Management	129	Amrut Samudre	202	Indian Network for Rajasthan Studies	275	Mangesh Satamkar
34	Arun Chadavarkar	130	Anahita Bhatia	203	Indra Kothari	276	Mukesh Sharma
35	Arvind Amin	131	Anand Gaikwad	204	Indraneil Barkakoty	277	N. G. Indai Fived Ltd.
36	Ashish Karamchandani	132	Anish Berry	205	Iranna Mehtre	278	N. Vrushabh
37	Ashok Kotwal	133	Anmol Distributors	206	Ishwar Dayal	279	N.K.Kothari
38	Balakrishnan V	134	Anmol Prakashan	207	J. Dutta & Co.	280	Nava Bharat Prakashan Sanstha
39	Bharat Patni	135	Anita Nair	208	J. K. Bhandari	281	Narayan Tale
40	Chaitanya Divgi	136	Anuj Sharma	209	Jamuna Rajan	282	N D Sararaf
41	C.V. Madhukar	137	Anuradha V Wahi	210	Jagat Mehta	283	Nakul Sharma
42	Dipankar Purkayastha	138	Archana Mohite	211	Jagdish Lade	284	Neeraj
43	Gautam Thakar	139	Anuradha Lagad	212	Janaki Desai	285	Nitesh Kaushik
44	Harish Manwani	140	Ashish Patnaik	213	Jayant Joshi	286	Nidhi Kothari
45	K. S. Varadhachary	141	Ashish Singla	214	Jayashree Gohil	287	Neha Kiran Agrawal
46	K.B. Kothari				Jayashree Jadhav	288	Neha Thakur
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63	Mukul Chadda						
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67	Naveen Tahilyani						
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293 Nital Chide
294 Nitin Thakur
295 P. C. Mathur
296 P. L. Agrawal
297 P. Unni Krishnan & T. Vasanthi
298 P. Vikas Rao
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300 Parismita Singh
301 Pace Marketing
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303 Placements.Com Pvt. Ltd
304 Poonam
305 Prabhutva MahilaMandal
306 Prachi Samant
307 Pradeep Chapot
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Sample

State	No. of districts in Census 2001	Sample Description						
		No. of districts	No. of villages	No. of households	Total no. of children	Boys	Girls	No. of schools
Jammu&Kashmir	14	8	147	2878	4518	2590	1927	114
HimachalPradesh	12	5	98	1769	2540	1312	1228	87
Punjab	17	17	335	6668	10568	5849	4718	332
Uttaranchal	13	11	217	4278	6997	3919	3077	216
Haryana	19	19	380	7653	13787	7887	5900	392
Rajasthan	32	32	639	12766	27163	15635	11527	621
UP	70	69	1371	27316	54416	30619	23792	1328
Bihar	37	36	717	14644	31757	18164	13593	700
ArunachalPradesh	13	3	52	1017	1523	813	709	49
Nagaland	8	2	36	720	1324	760	564	39
Manipur	8	3	53	1107	1955	923	1032	49
Tripura	4	1	18	355	453	235	218	18
Meghalaya	7	2	36	651	1370	733	637	36
Assam	23	8	153	3018	5036	2774	2260	142
WestBengal	17	14	272	5483	7734	4245	3488	261
Jharkhand	22	20	396	8071	14736	8117	6618	376
Orissa	30	30	599	12069	19505	10206	9299	571
Chhatisgarh	16	15	291	5785	9288	4990	4298	287
MadhyaPradesh	45	40	768	15166	28434	16067	12367	758
Gujarat	25	25	500	9786	14239	8003	6235	472
Daman&Diu	2	2	15	796	1364	735	629	15
Dadra&NagarHaveli	1	1	20	400	862	466	396	24
Maharashtra	33	33	655	13025	20050	10600	9450	668
AndhraPradesh	22	22	423	8904	14810	7756	7049	414
Karnataka	27	27	540	10784	15628	7901	7726	534
Goa	2	2	40	799	959	486	473	40
Kerala	14	14	270	5807	8985	4599	4386	265
TamilNadu	30	28	552	10802	15807	7857	7937	520
Total	563	489	9593	192517	335808	184241	151533	9328

Sample design

Dr. Wilima Wadhwa¹

The purpose of the survey was to get reliable estimates at the district level of schooling (whether a child is in school or not, what type of school) and learning (whether a child could read simple text, do basic arithmetic operations and write a short dictated sentence) All rural districts were to be surveyed.² At the lowest level, the survey was to provide estimates at the district level which then could be aggregated to the state and all-India levels.

Since estimates were to be generated at the district level, the minimum sample size calculations had to start at the district level. The sample size was determined by the following considerations:

- ❑ Incidence of what is being measured in the population. Since a survey of learning of this kind has not been done in India, the incidence of what we are trying to measure is unknown in the population. In such cases, the standard methodology is to assume an incidence of 50% since that implies the largest sample size.
- ❑ Confidence level of estimates. The standard used is 95%.
- ❑ Precision required on either side of the true value. The standard degree of accuracy most surveys employ is between 5 and 10 per cent. A precision of 5 % along with a 95% confidence level implies that the estimates generated by the survey will be within 5 percentage points of the true values with a 95% probability.

With a 50 % incidence, 95% confidence level and 5% precision, the minimum sample size required in each district is 384.³ On the other hand, if we were to require a precision of 6%, the sample size would drop to 267. Given these considerations, the sample size was decided to be 400 households in each district.⁴ Note that at the state level and at the all-India level the survey has many more observations lending estimates at those levels much higher levels of precision.

If we had complete house lists of all households at the district level, the 400 households could be randomly selected. In the absence of these, a two-stage sample design was adopted.

In the first stage, 20 villages were randomly selected using the village directory of the 2001 census as the sample frame.

- ❑ In the second stage 20 households were randomly selected in each of the 20 selected villages in the first stage.

Villages were selected using the probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling method. This method allows villages with larger populations to have a higher chance of being selected in the sample. It is most useful when the sampling units vary considerably in size because it assures that those in larger sites have the same probability of getting into the sample as those in smaller sites, and vice versa.^{5, 6}

¹ Dr. Wilima Wadhwa in consultation with MODE provided technical advice on the sampling exercise.

² Eventually 509 rural districts participated.

³ The sample size is given by $\frac{z^2 pq}{d^2}$ where z is the standard normal deviate corresponding to 95% probability (=1.96), p is the incidence in the population (0.5), q=(1-p) and d is the degree of precision required (0.05).

⁴ Sample size calculations assume simple random sampling. However, simple random sampling is unlikely to be the method of choice in an actual field survey. Therefore, often a "design effect" is added to the sample size. A design effect of 2 would double the sample size. At the district level a 7% precision along with a 95% confidence level would imply a sample size of 196, giving us a design effect of approximately two.

⁵ Probability proportional to size (PPS) is a sampling technique in which the probability of selecting a sampling unit (village, in our case) is proportional to the size of its population. The method works as follows: First, in each district villages are arranged in ascending or descending order of their household population. Second, the cumulative population by village calculated. Third, the total household population of the district is divided by the number of sampling units (2) to get the sampling interval (SI). Fourth, a random number between 1 and the SI is chosen. This is referred to as the random start (RS). The RS denotes the site of the first village to be selected from the cumulated population. Fifth, the following series of numbers is formed: RS; RS+SI; RS+2SI; RS+3SI; ...RS+19SI. The villages selected are those for which the cumulative population, contains the numbers in the series.

⁶ Most large household surveys in India, like the National Sample Survey and the National Family Health Survey also use this two stage design and use PPS to select villages in the first stage.

In the selected villages, 20 randomly selected households were surveyed. Ideally, a complete house list of the selected village should have been made and 20 households selected randomly from it. However, given time and resource constraints a procedure for selecting households was adopted that preserved randomness as much as possible. The field investigators were asked to divide the village into four sections. This was done because villages often consist of hamlets and a procedure that randomly selects households from some central location may miss out households on the periphery of the village. In each of the four sections, investigators were asked to start at a central location and pick every 5th household in a circular fashion till 5 households were selected. In each selected household, all children in the age group of 6-14 were tested.⁷

The survey provides estimates at the district, state and national levels. In order to aggregate estimates up from the district level households had to assigned weights --- also called inflation factors. The inflation factor corresponding to particular household denotes the number of households that the sampled household represents in the population. Given that 400 households are sampled in each district regardless of the size of the district, a household in a larger district will represent many more households and, therefore, have a larger weight associated with it than one in a sparsely populated district.

The advantage of using PPS sampling is that the sample is self weighting at the district level. In other words, in each district the weight assigned to each of the sampled household turns out to be the same. This is because, the inflation factor associated with a household is simply the inverse of the probability of it being selected into the sample times the number of households in the sample. Since PPS sampling ensures that all households have an equal chance of being selected at the district level, the weights associated with households in the same district are the same. Therefore, weighted estimates are exactly the same as the un-weighted estimates at the district level. However, to get estimates at the state and national levels, weighted estimates are needed since states have a different number of districts and districts vary by population.

Even though the purpose of the survey is to estimate learning levels among children, the household was chosen as the second stage sampling unit. This has a number of advantages. First, children are tested at home rather than in school, allowing all children to be tested rather than just those in school. Further, testing children in school might create a bias since teachers may encourage testing the brighter children in class. Second, a household sample will generate an age distribution of children which can be cross-checked with other data sources, like the census and the NSS. Third, a household sample makes calculation of the inflation factors easier since the population of children is no longer needed.

Often household surveys are stratified on various parameters of interest. The reason for stratification is to get enough observations on entities that have the characteristic that is being studied. For instance, the NSS uses a two stage stratified sample for their consumption surveys. In the first stage the sample is stratified by population and in the second stage households are stratified on the basis of their affluence. The reason for doing this is that the purpose of the survey is to generate poverty estimates for which a representative sample must include enough non-affluent households. The ASER survey stratifies the sample by population in the first stage. No stratification was done at the second stage. Since the proportion of population in the 6-14 age group is about 22% and the average household size is about 5,⁸ a simple random sample at the second stage would yield enough children in the sample. Finally, if we were to stratify on households with children in the 6-14 age group, we would need the population of such households in the village, which is not possible without a complete house list of the village.

⁷ In larger villages, the investigators increased the interval according to a rough estimate of the number of households in each part. For instance, if a village had 2000 households, each part in the village would have roughly 500 households. Selecting every 5th household would leave out a large chunk of the village un-surveyed. In such situations, investigators were asked to increase the interval between selected households

⁸ NSS 55th Round.

ASER Results—Some Comparisons With Other Data

“It is a capital mistake to theorise in advance of the facts,” Sherlock Holmes once told Dr Watson.⁹ So in the paragraphs that follow, we present some facts from ASER 2005 and alternate sources—and leave you to draw the conclusions you will...

Out of school children

Estimates of out of school children have long varied in India. They range from 5% of the population between the ages of six to fourteen years, to as much as 15-25%, depending upon the assessment you choose to believe. The ASER data indicates that the actual number of children 6-14 who are not in school is approximately 14 million (1.4 crores), which compares quite closely with the figure of 13.4 million (1.34 crores) for 6-13 years reported by an independent IMRB survey commissioned by the Government of India. The IMRB survey, which was carried out between July-December 2005, covered 55442 rural and 32432 urban households. ASER estimates indicate that the number of out of school children represents approximately 6.6% of the population between six to fourteen years. On the other hand, IMRB calculates that around 6.94% of the estimated population of 19.40 crore children between the ages of six to thirteen are out of school (7.8% and 4.34% in rural and urban areas respectively). State Governments themselves have estimated these numbers to be approximately 0.95 crores, as in November 2005.

State	ASER Dec.-05	IMRB Sep-05
Punjab	4.4	2.87
Haryana	5.3	4.51
Rajasthan	10.4	6.9
UP	7.3	8.15
Bihar	13.5	8.91
WB	4.4	8.67
Jharkhand	9.8	10.88
Orissa	8.8	5.37
Chattisgarh	4.7	6.05
MP	4	8.63
Gujarat	3.6	3.96
Maharashtra	2.8	3.17
AP	7.3	4.29
Karnataka	1.9	1.42
Kerala	1.7	0.55
TN	2.6	2.14

Table 1: State-wise percentage of out of school children (in relation to total child population of the State)

⁹ *“The Adventure of the Second Stain”, The Return of Sherlock Holmes, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.*

Of particular interest is the following table (Table 2), which ranks the top seven States that account for the highest number of out of school children across the country. With a few exceptions, the same States appear in both columns of these tables, indicating that the highest numbers of out of school children are to be found in these areas. While ASER data indicate that 72% of all out of school children are accounted for by the five States of Bihar, UP, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Orissa, IMRB data suggests that it is the five States of Bihar, UP, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan that account for 68.8% of this number.

ASER	IMRB
Bihar	Jharkhand
Rajasthan	Bihar
Jharkhand	WB
Orissa	MP
UP	UP
AP	Rajasthan
Haryana	Chattisgarh

Table 2: Top 7 States Ranked In Terms of Percentage of Out of School Children (in relation to total child population of the State)

Learning Levels

According to ASER 2005, based on tests conducted in the household on one-on-one basis, the five best States in reading were Kerala, Uttaranchal, Chattisgarh, West Bengal and Bihar, while the top five in arithmetic were West Bengal, Haryana, Bihar, Uttaranchal and Chattisgarh. This may be contrasted with the results of an achievement survey carried out by NCERT in 2002. The NCERT-administered written achievement tests in schools, covering 88271 Grade V students in 4787 schools and 105 districts of 27 States and 3 UTs, (excluding Jharkhand and Meghalaya), indicated that the top five States in language were Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra and Orissa, while Bihar, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Haryana were the best in arithmetic. The relative NCERT ranks of the top five States in reading/language and arithmetic (according to ASER 2005) are indicated in Table 3.

Reading/language		Arithmetic	
ASER	NCERT rank	ASER	NCERT rank
Kerala	13	West Bengal	2
Uttaranchal	11	Haryana	5
Chattisgarh	16	Bihar	1
West Bengal	2	Uttaranchal	15
Bihar	3	Chattisgarh	16
Haryana	7	Kerala	4
Goa	17	Andhra Pradesh	13

Table 3: Learning Results from ASER and NCERT
In both surveys, results for Bihar, West Bengal and Haryana appear to be consistent, with children from these States returning high test scores.

Provisioning

Based on school visits, the ASER data also reports some information about the availability of school facilities such as toilets and drinking water. A comparison of the States reported to have the largest gaps in these facilities with the gaps calculated on the basis of data reported by the government District Information System for Education (DISE) data for 2003-04 is shown in Tables 4. It should be noted however, that ASER data for West Bengal was not available.

Higherst gap in toilet provision	DISE 2003-04	ASER 2005	Higherst gap in toilet provision	DISE 2003-04	ASER 2005
1	MP	Chattisgarh	1	AP	Maharashtra
2	AP	MP	2	Maharashtra	Rajasthan
3	UP	Orissa	3	Rajasthan	AP
4	Bihar	Bihar	4	WB	MP
5	Rajasthan	Jharkhand	5	Orissa	Gujarat
6	Maharashtra	UP	6	Karnataka	TN
7	Orissa	Gujarat	7	MP	Karnataka

Table 6: Top 7 States with most gaps in provision of toilet and water facility

SCHOOL INFORMATION SHEET

Village: Block: District: State:			
Name of Surveyor:			
Date of visit			
Day			
Time			
Name of Sarpanch			
Address of Sarpanch			
Name of Headmaster			
Address of Headmaster			
III. INFORMATION ABOUT VEC/PTA			
Ask Sarpanch/ Chairman of PTA (Give state specific name of relevant persons)			
When was last meeting of VEC in village?		Date of last mtg.?	No. attended?
Can you name all the members of the VEC?		Yes	No
IV. REGULARITY OF MIDDAY MEAL			
In last three months			
Daily	Most days	Sometimes	Never
Don't know/not sure			

I SCHOOLS AND CLASSES/CENTERS IN VILLAGE			
Ask Sarpanch/Pradhan or Headmaster of govt. school/VEC or PTA Chairman			
Sno.	NAME OF SCHOOL	Govt (Tick if yes)	Private (Tick if yes)
			From which Std to which Std
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
	TOTAL		
Type of other educational program e.g. madrassa, EGS, AIE (give state specific name)		Number of such centers	
1 EGS/ AIE			
2 Madrassas			
3 Anganwadi			
4 Other (Specify)			
TOTAL			

II SCHOOLS IN AND AROUND VILLAGE			
Ask Sarpanch/Pradhan or Headmaster of govt. school			
IS THERE <u>AT LEAST ONE</u> :			
1	Govt primary school upto Std4/5 in village	Yes	No
	If no, then how far is the nearest govt primary school		km
2	Govt school in which a child can study from Std4/5 to Std 8 in village	Yes	No
	If no, then how far is nearest govt upper primary school		km
3	School (govt/pvt) in which child can study up to Std 10	Yes	No
	If no, then how far is nearest high school		km
4	Is there an anganwadi (ICDS) operating in village	Yes	No

SCHOOL OBSERVATION SHEET												Block:									
						Village:				District:		State:									
						NAME OF SCHOOL						Name of Surveyor:		Which std to std?							
Visit government primary school in village. If more than one government primary school visit at least one govt. primary school. Fill out this report for all schools visited. Ask about official enrollment according to school register. Count presence of children by std.																					
STD. WISE INFORMATION	Std. 1	Std. 2	Std. 3	Std. 4	Std. 5	Std. 6	Std. 7	Std. 8	Any Other	Mixed	Total	Date of visit	Time started visit	Time ended visit							
Show which stds. sit together																					
How many children enrolled?																					
How many children are present on day of visit?																					
OTHER SCHOOLING FACILITIES (BASED ON OBSERVATION)																					
Total no. of rooms in school:												teaching:									
Is there at least one tap or handpump in school premises?												Yes		No		Is there drinkable water in tap or handpump		Yes		No	
Is there at least one toilet in school premises?												Yes		No		Could you use the toilet?		Yes		No	
Are there any library books in the school?												Yes		No		Have the books been given to children in the last month?		Yes		No	
Did most (75%) Std 3 children use textbooks?												Yes		No		Did most (75%) Std 5 children have textbooks?		Yes		No	
Did you see midday meal being served or prepared in the school?												Yes		No				Yes		No	
Adequate boundary wall?												Yes		No				Yes		No	
TEACHERS												Number appointed		Number present		If absent, then state reason: eg. meeting, training, leave etc					
Headteacher																					
Teachers																					
Para-teachers																					
TOTAL																					



