YOUNG CHILDREN REPORT CARD

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Mizoram RURAL

ANALYSIS BASED ON DATA FROM HOUSEHOLDS. 13 OUT OF 13 DISTRICTS*

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Enrollment trends: Children aged 3-8 (Foundational Stage)

Exposure to developmentally appropriate activities from a young age and growing up in a supportive learning environment helps children develop strong foundations for learning. Major education policy documents in India now recognise these facts. ASER 2024 data for the "foundational stage" (age 3-8) is helpful in understanding the current status of schooling and learning so that evidence can inform actions for ensuring that children enter school at the right age and are ready for formal schooling.

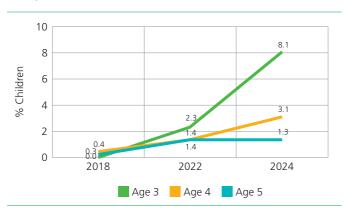
Table 1: % Children enrolled in different types of pre-schools and schools. By age. 2022

| | Pre-school | | | School | | | Not in | |
|-------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------|------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Age | Anganwadi | Govt pre- primary | Pvt LKG/ UKG | Govt | Pvt | Other | pre- school or school | Total |
| Age 3 | 93.3 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 100 |
| Age 4 | 64.5 | 10.3 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 100 |
| Age 5 | 24.3 | 16.6 | 29.4 | 22.6 | 5.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 100 |
| Age 6 | 4.6 | 11.8 | 22.5 | 46.2 | 13.1 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 100 |
| Age 7 | 0.7 | 4.7 | 12.0 | 51.1 | 29.8 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 100 |
| Age 8 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 59.6 | 34.9 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 100 |

Table 2: % Children enrolled in different types of pre-schools and schools. By age. 2024

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|-------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------|------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Age | Anganwadi | Govt pre- primary | Pvt LKG/ UKG | Govt | Pvt | Other | pre- school or school | Total |
| Age 3 | 87.6 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 8.1 | 100 |
| Age 4 | 65.3 | 12.6 | 14.7 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 100 |
| Age 5 | 20.9 | 21.1 | 37.4 | 15.2 | 3.8 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 100 |
| Age 6 | 6.1 | 13.8 | 27.1 | 39.8 | 11.9 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100 |
| Age 7 | 1.1 | 5.7 | 9.3 | 46.3 | 37.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100 |
| Age 8 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 49.8 | 45.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100 |

Chart 1: % Children age 3-5 not enrolled anywhere. 2018, 2022, 2024



Key takeaways

- High enrollment in anganwadi for children aged 3-4 years: In 2024, the percentage of 3-year-old and 4-year-old children enrolled in anganwadis is 87.6% and 65.3% respectively (Table 2). This data needs to be kept in mind while planning for this age group.
- Decrease in 'underage' enrollment in Std I: The percentage of children who are 'underage' (age 5 or below) enrolled in Std I in government and private schools has decreased from 23.4% in 2018 to 13.4% in 2024 (Table 3).
- Enrollment in private schools has increased: For ages 6 to 8, enrollment in private institutions has increased between 2022 and 2024. For example, at age 7, 29.8% of children were enrolled in private schools in 2022 as compared to 37.5% in 2024 (Table 1 and 2).

Table 3: % Children aged 5 or below enrolled in Std I. By school type. 2018, 2022, 2024

| Year | All | Govt | Pvt |
|------|------|------|------|
| 2018 | 23.4 | 24.2 | 21.5 |
| 2022 | 19.7 | 24.1 | 10.7 |
| 2024 | 13.4 | 20.1 | 4.8 |



^{*}The number of districts in the state is based on Census 2011, which has been used as the sampling frame for ASER surveys since 2016.





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Table 4: Performance of states: % Children not enrolled anywhere by age and % children in Std I who are "underage" (age 5 or below)

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Foundational learning in Std II

Achieving Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) in primary school is a national priority (NEP 2020). The policy states that every student will attain foundational literacy and numeracy by Std III. The tables below describe reading and arithmetic levels in Std II. Why should we focus on Std II? At the time of testing for ASER 2024, children would have completed about half of their academic year in Std II. Therefore, it is important to track children's progress and understand how far they have come in their journey of meeting FLN goals.

Table 5: % Children enrolled in Std II. By school type. 2024

| | Govt | Pvt | Total |
|----------------------------------|------|------|-------|
| % Children in Std II enrolled in | 60.4 | 39.6 | 100 |

Chart 2: % Children enrolled in Std II. By age and school type. 2022 and 2024

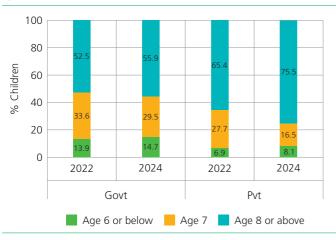


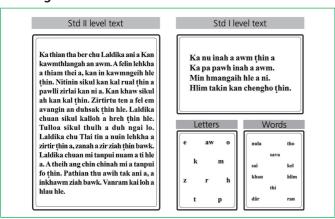
Table 6: Reading and arithmetic levels of children in Std II. By age and school type. 2022 and 2024

| Age | | n who can ast words | % Children who can recognise at least 2- digit numbers (11-99) | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|------|--|--|
| | 2022 2024 | | 2022 | 2024 | | |
| | Governr | nent schools | | | | |
| Age 6 or below | | DATA INSU | IFFICIENT | | | |
| Age 7 | 60.4 | 66.9 | 84.1 | 85.7 | | |
| Age 8 or above | 60.0 67.1 | | 78.1 | 87.1 | | |
| All | 58.9 65.7 | | 80.0 | 85.6 | | |
| | Private schools | | | | | |
| Age 6 or below | | DATA INS | HEELCIENT | | | |
| Age 7 | DATA INSUFFICIENT | | | | | |
| Age 8 or above | 78.1 | 86.1 | 89.9 | 95.4 | | |
| All | 77.1 | 80.9 | 87.8 | 92.5 | | |

Key takeaways

- Majority of Std II students are in government schools: In 2024, 60.4% of children in Std II were enrolled in government schools, while only 39.6% attended private schools (Table 5).
- Improvement in reading and arithmetic levels across government and private schools: The overall proportion of children enrolled in both government and private schools who were able to at least read words and at least recognise numbers till 99 improved from 2022 to 2024. For example, in government schools, the percentage of children who can at least read words increased from 58.9% to 65.7% between 2022 and 2024 (Table 6)
- Learning levels remain lower in government schools as compared to private schools: While learning levels in both reading and arithmetic have increased in government schools, a gap remains in comparison to private schools. For example, in 2024, 65.7% of children could at least read words in government schools, as compared to 80.9% in private schools (Table 6).

Reading tool



Arithmetic tool

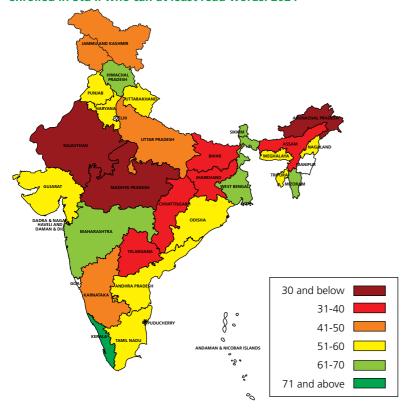
| Number recognition | Number recognition 11-99 | Subtraction | | Subtraction Division | | Division |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------|--|----------|
| 1 4 | 51 83 | 46 - 29 | 63 - 39 | 7)879(| | |
| 7 3 | 37 65 | 47 - 28 | 45 - 17 | 6)824(| | |
| 6 9 | 55 26 | 92 - 76 | 84 - 57 | 8) 985 (| | |
| 5 2 | 91 43 36 27 | 52 - 14 | 66 - 48 | 4) 517(| | |
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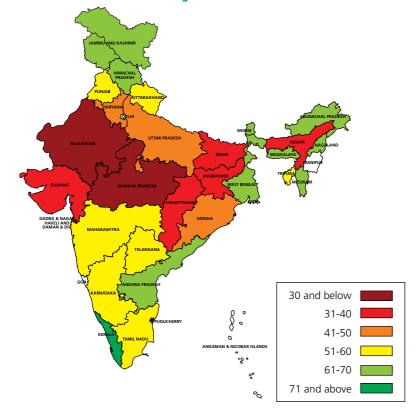
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State-wise map showing % of government school children enrolled in Std II who can at least read words. 2024



State-wise map showing % of government school children enrolled in Std II who can at least recognise numbers till 99. 2024



State-wise table showing % of government school children enrolled in Std II who can at least read words and can at least recognise numbers till 99. 2018, 2022, 2024

| State | % Children who can at least read words | | | % Children who can at least recognise numbers till 99 | | |
|-------------------|--|------|------|---|------|------|
| | 2018 | 2022 | 2024 | 2018 | 2022 | 2024 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 59.7 | 38.9 | 52.9 | 65.9 | 53.5 | 66.2 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 31.8 | 34.0 | 29.3 | 69.7 | 75.9 | 70.0 |
| Assam | 48.0 | 35.0 | 39.6 | 42.2 | 31.0 | 37.5 |
| Bihar | 22.6 | 23.5 | 30.6 | 27.1 | 33.5 | 40.1 |
| Chhattisgarh | 32.2 | 29.8 | 36.2 | 30.6 | 33.3 | 35.7 |
| Gujarat | 61.4 | 45.7 | 55.1 | 39.2 | 34.3 | 36.3 |
| Haryana | 49.9 | 46.8 | 56.5 | 44.7 | 49.8 | 48.7 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 68.4 | 48.0 | 66.8 | 63.5 | 59.6 | 64.4 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 43.2 | 46.0 | 46.2 | 54.7 | 62.8 | 63.0 |
| Jharkhand | 23.7 | 24.2 | 33.9 | 24.8 | 30.1 | 39.6 |
| Karnataka | 49.8 | 43.9 | 50.2 | 58.1 | 53.1 | 59.0 |
| Kerala | 82.3 | 65.8 | 72.8 | 89.8 | 77.3 | 86.5 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 17.8 | 15.6 | 25.7 | 16.4 | 20.2 | 24.7 |
| Maharashtra | 63.8 | 57.6 | 66.6 | 46.0 | 45.7 | 54.5 |
| Meghalaya | 46.0 | 47.3 | 59.5 | 73.7 | 71.6 | 70.7 |
| Mizoram | 71.4 | 58.9 | 65.7 | 76.5 | 80.0 | 85.6 |
| Nagaland | 60.6 | 61.4 | 60.0 | 74.7 | 75.9 | 86.3 |
| Odisha | 55.1 | 49.9 | 52.6 | 46.8 | 45.6 | 50.2 |
| Punjab | 60.2 | 48.2 | 57.3 | 57.6 | 50.2 | 57.2 |
| Rajasthan | 20.4 | 16.1 | 21.4 | 19.0 | 17.5 | 19.9 |
| Sikkim | 69.3 | 51.0 | 70.0 | 75.3 | 74.7 | 82.2 |
| Tamil Nadu | 57.7 | 41.8 | 51.8 | 57.8 | 48.2 | 56.5 |
| Telangana | 47.9 | 36.6 | 36.8 | 61.4 | 60.6 | 52.6 |
| Tripura | 55.2 | 49.2 | 53.6 | 48.8 | 59.6 | 55.6 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 21.7 | 27.2 | 44.4 | 22.5 | 31.9 | 41.8 |
| Uttarakhand | 53.2 | 32.9 | 52.4 | 41.5 | 31.8 | 52.7 |
| West Bengal | 66.2 | 62.6 | 67.3 | 56.2 | 56.7 | 61.6 |
| All India | 39.7 | 35.7 | 44.6 | 37.5 | 38.7 | 45.7 |

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