

General Information of West Bengal as on 31-03-2026

Geographical Area	88752 Sq. Km.
Percentage Area of State to area of Indian Union	2.74%
Average Annual rainfall	1666 mm
Districts	23
No. of Sub-divisions	66
No of Blocks	342
No. of Municipalities	127
Total No. of Municipal Corporations	7
No of Villages (inhabited)	37945
Villages Electrified	37779 (99.56%)
Total No. of Gram Panchayats	3354
Capital	Kolkata
Average population served per Bank Branch (including RRBs) but excluding Cooperative Banks & Foreign Banks	9255
No. of Minority concentrated districts.	#13
Principal Language	Bengali
Airport	Kolkata, Bagdogra, Andal
Ports	Kolkata, Haldia

(1) Kolkata, (2) Purba Burdwan, (3) Nadia, (4) 24-Parganas North, (5) 24-Parganas South, (6) Malda, (7) Murshidabad, (8) Uttar Dinajpur, (9) Dakshin Dinajpur, (10) Coochbehar, (11) Birbhum, (12) Paschim Burdwan, (13) Howrah

Population Details:

(As per 2011 census)

Population	913.48 lac
Rural population	657.97 lac
% of rural population	72.03%
% of urban population	27.97%
Male population	469.27 lac (51.37%)
Female population	444.21 lac (48.62%)
Sex ratio (Females per 1000 Males)	950
Total No. of Households	157.16 lac
No. of Rural households	111.62 lac
No. of Urban households	45.54 lac
Schedule Caste population	184.53 lac
Schedule Tribe population	44.06 lac
Density of population	1029 per sq.km
Literacy level	626.14 lac (68.55%)

Highest Populated Districts	Lowest Populated Districts
North 24 Parganas-100.82 lac (11.04%)	Dakshin Dinajpur -16.70 lac (1.83%)
South 24 Parganas - 81.53 lac (8.93%)	Darjeeling - 18.42 lac (2.02%)
Burdwan -77.23 lac (8.46%)	Coochbehar - 28.22 lac (3.09%)
Murshidabad- 71.02 lac (8.46%)	Purulia-29.27 lac (3.21%)

Farming Activities:

(As per 2011 census)

Total or Gross cropped area	9459 thousand hectares
Net cropped area	5204 thousand hectares
Net irrigated area under minor irrigation	4434 thousand hectares
Cropping intensity	182%
Major Crops	Rice, Potato, Jute, Tea, Vegetables, Pulses
Soil type	Gangetic Alluvial soil & lateritic soil
Climate	Tropical, humid except in northern hilly region
Cultivators	51.17 lac
Of the above, Small & Marginal farmers	43.42 lac
Agricultural Labourers	101.89 lac
Recorded Sharecroppers	15.37 lac
Workers engaged in Household Industries	14.36 lac
Workers engaged in Allied Agro Activities	3.35 lac
Other workers	121.73 lac
Per Capita Deposit	Rs.1,37,817
Per Capita Advance	Rs.97,580

Bank wise & District wise allocation of Lead Bank Responsibility:

Bank	No. of Districts	Name of Districts
Punjab National Bank	11	Bankura, Dakshin Dinajpur, Uttar Dinajpur, Malda, Murshidabad, Nadia, Purulia, 24-Parganas (South), Purba Medinipur, Paschim Medinipur & Jhargram
UCO Bank	4	Howrah, Hooghly, Birbhum & Purba Burdwan
Central Bank of India	4	Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling, Coochbihar & Alipurduar
State Bank of India	3	Kolkata, Kalimpong & Paschim Burdwan
Indian Bank	1	24-Parganas (North)

Population group wise Brick & Mortar Branch in the State of West Bengal:

Population group	March 2025	June 2025	September 2025	December 2025	March 2026
Rural	4356 (42.54%)	4376 (42.68%)	4388 (42.61%)	4395 (42.49%)	4423 (42.50%)
Semi- urban	1930 (18.85%)	1945 (18.97%)	1948 (18.92%)	1959 (18.94%)	1968 (18.91%)
Metro/Urban	3954 (38.61%)	3931 (38.35%)	3962 (38.47%)	3990 (38.57%)	4015 (38.58%)
Total	10,240	10,252	10,298	10,344	10,406

Position of ATMs in the State of West Bengal:

Population group	March 2025	June 2025	September 2025	December 2025	March 2026
Rural	2074	2160	2140	2132	2058
Semi- urban	2571	2565	2548	2561	2524
Urban/Metro	7095	6965	6848	6858	6967
Total	11,740	11,690	11,536	11,551	11,549

VITAL STATISTICS OF WEST BENGAL

(Amount Rs in crore)

Parameter	December 2024	March 2025	June 2025	September 2025	December 2025	March 2026
No. of Branches	10,144	10,240	10,252	10,298	10,344	10,406
Total Deposits	1184216	1209534	1235175	1277993	1258931	1313053
Total Advances (with RIDF)	827816	848401	867499	902142	891373	929775
Total Business	2012032	2057935	2102674	2180135	2150304	2242828
CD Ratio	70	70	70	71	71	71
C+I: Deposit Ratio	74	74	77	75	75	75
Priority Sector Advances (PSA)	334140	350825	368376	381810	403422	419425

% of PSA to ANBC	40	41	42	42	45	45
Agriculture Advances	92474	91314	92218	93582	98945	104876
% of Agri Advances to ANBC	11	11	11	10	11	
MSME	152117	159868	167806	180726	192707	204154
Education Loans	5587	6169	5768	6150	6450	7466
Housing Loans	124594	133069	133209	132877	136662	140709
DRI Advances	114	114	115	118	120	119
% of DRI Advances to ANBC	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Advances to SC/ST Communities	17438	19333	18883	18940	19627	19639
Adv. to Women Entrepreneurs	87512	88700	90937	91488	99576	100648
% of Adv to Women to ANBC	11	11	11	10	11	11
Weaker Section Advances	73208	83460	77836	83211	82431	85145
% of Weaker Advances to ANBC	9	10	9	9	9	9
Minority Community Advances	37888	38097	43836	40885	41049	43780
% of Minority Co Adv. to Prisec	11	11	12	11	11	11