

Demographic Shift India

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Why in News?

Recently, the report released by Sample Registration Survey, India has seen a decline in its birth rate, with the Total Fertility Rate dropping for the first time in two years.

- **Crude Birth Rate (CBR)** - The number of live births in a population over a given period, usually 1 calendar year, divided by the midyear population of the same jurisdiction, multiplied by 1000.
- It has declined 0.7-point from 19.1 in 2022 to 18.4 in 2023.
 - **Highest CBR** - Bihar at 25.8
 - **Lowest CBR** - Tamil Nadu at 12.
- **Total Fertility Rate (TFR)** - It refers to the number of live births per 1000 women in the child-bearing age group, usually taken to be 15 to 49 years.
- 18 States and UTs had reported a TFR of below the replacement level TFR of 2.1.

TFR Highest States/UTs	TFR Lowest States/UTs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bihar (2.8) • Uttar Pradesh (2.6) • Madhya Pradesh (2.4) • Rajasthan (2.3) • Chhattisgarh (2.2). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delhi (1.2) • West Bengal (1.3) • Tamil Nadu (1.3) • Maharashtra (1.4) • Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Jammu & Kashmir, and Punjab reporting a TFR of 1.5.

- **Crude Death Rate (CDR)** - The CDR is the total number of deaths in a year divided by the average total population.
- CDR was at 6.4 in 2023, a 0.4-point decline from 2022.
- **Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)** - The number of deaths of babies before the age of one year per 1000 live births.
- 1-point decline in the IMR nationally from 2022.
- IMR was at 25 in 2023, a decline of 7 points over the last 5 years, 1 in every 40 infants nationally dies within one year of life.
- **2023 Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB)** - The sex ratio, the number of females per 1000 males in a given area at a specified time period, in the country stood at 917.

SRB Highest States/UTs	SRB Lowest States/UTs
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chhattisgarh - 974• Kerala - 971	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Delhi, Maharashtra, and Haryana were reporting SRB below 900 in 2023.• Bihar - 897 (Slightly improved)• Uttarakhand - 868
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Elderly Population (60+ years) - The proportion of the elderly in the country (people above 60) rose by 0.7 percentage points in a year to 9.7% of the population.

- **Highest Proportion** - Kerala - 15%
- **Lowest Proportion** - Assam (7.6%), Delhi (7.7%), and Jharkhand (7.6%)

Reference

[The Hindu | Survey Statistical Report of Demographic Shift in India](#)

