

Poverty Incidence by religious groups

Religious group	1993-94			2004-05			2009-10		
	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total
Hindu	37.5	29.9	35.6	28.9	23.3	27.4	23.9	21.1	23.2
Islam	41.3	48.1	43.7	29.3	41.4	33.7	25.6	37.1	29.4
Christian	30.3	21.4	27.4	16.2	12.5	14.9	13.0	14.5	13.5
Sikhs	5.9	12.9	7.6	5.0	6.1	5.3	8.5	8.7	8.5
Jains	14.0	5.4	7.9	2.6	2.6	2.6		3.8	3.3
Buddhist	55.4	43.9	51.3	40.6	28.6	35.9	39.2	22.3	32.3
Others	35.2	28.8	34.6	36.0	18.3	34.3	25.7	6.8	21.8
All	37.2	31.9	35.9	28.3	25.6	27.6	23.7	23.2	23.5

Estimate based on NSSO unit level data on household consumer expenditure and the lakdawala methodolog India Exclusion report

