

1. Area and Population

1.9 Population 6 Years of Age and Over by Literacy Status and by Caste/Ethnic Groups for Nepal, 2001

Caste/Ethnicity	Total Population 6 Years and Above	Literacy Rate
Total	19,258,865	53.73
Chhetri	3,084,290	60.11
Brahman- Hill	2,575,341	74.9
Magar	1,375,556	55.9
Tharu	1,289,342	47.12
Tamang	1,067,495	45.04
Newar	1,123,138	71.22
Muslim	770,576	34.72
Yadav	740,480	40.83
Rai	545,208	58.19
Gurung	473,274	59.79
Limbu	308,798	58.12
Thakuri	286,052	63.39
Kami	734,140	41.27
Damai/Dholi	321,999	43.53
Sarki	262,301	38.33
Teli	256,315	51.42
Chamar/Harijan/Ram	213,442	19.24
Koiri	207,159	43.88
Kurmi	174,317	37.52
Sanyasi	170,428	58.96
Dhanuk	152,985	35.7
Musahar	132,389	7.28
Dusadh/Paswan/Pasi	125,571	19.59
Sherpa	133,053	50.43
Sonar	120,570	53.31

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Kewat	109,800	36.35
Brahman- Tarai	118,532	71.21
Baniya	109,104	67.5
Gharti/Bhujel	99,956	51.62
Mallah	91,919	25.36
Kalwar	98,311	60.34
Kumal	81,632	43.26
Hajam/Thakur	80,508	42.09
Kanu	78,514	43.18
Rajbansi	80,911	49.98
Sunuwar	77,317	35.25
Sudhi	77,558	59.68
Lohar	67,010	37.71
Tatma	60,421	23.12
Khatwe	58,429	19.28
Dhobi	59,242	34.64
Majhi	59,685	35.29
Nuniya	53,410	23.2
Kumhar	44,398	36.96
Danuwar	44,056	41.2
Chepang (Prajā)	38,996	29.2
Haluwai	43,078	58.03
Rajput	42,835	70.33
Kayastha	42,238	82.05
Badhae	37,792	41.52
Marwadi	40,324	89.31

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Santhal/Sattar	34,704	25.84
Jhagar/Dhagar	32,735	25.91
Bantar	28,367	22.78
Barae	28,790	42.96
Kahar	27,855	32.71
Gangai	26,177	47.01
Lodha	18,513	30.77
Rajbhar	19,746	49.49
Thami	19,089	34.5
Dhimal	16,814	52.44
Bhote	16,021	42.36
Bing/Binda	15,047	14.8
Bhediyar/Gaderi	14,457	32.25
Nurang	15,396	68.48
Yakkha	14,549	57.86
Darai	12,495	55.44
Tajpuriya	11,137	46.66
Thakali	11,780	75.66
Chidimar	10,018	29.93
Pahari	9,171	29.93
Mali	9,117	36.14
Bangali	8,706	72.51
Chhantel	8,390	56.66
Dom	6,728	9.39
Kamar	6,838	15.15
Bote	6,298	34.9

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Brahmu/Baramu	6,116	47.61
Gaine	4,456	46.86
Jirel	4,495	57.44
Adibasi/Janajati	4,058	48.72
Dura	4,325	63.26
Churaute	3,828	58.7
Badi	3,392	33.52
Meche	3,086	54.41
Lepcha	3,099	58.18
Halkhor	2,712	31.27
Punjabi/Sikh	2,449	47.82
Kisan	2,273	34.45
Raji	1,787	32.01
Byangsi	1,827	72.47
Hayu	1,479	39.08
Koche	1,080	32.13
Dhunia	883	21.86
Walung	911	27.22
Jaine	924	93.94
Munda	542	44.46
Raute	406	34.48
Yehimo	488	70.7
Kuswadiya/Patharkatta	401	13.22
Kusunda	50	58

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