7. AGE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION BY SEX (PERCENT)

Year	Male / Female	Age-Group															
		0 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	69 - 69	70 & above	Age Not Stated
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)
1991	Male	9.81	10.53	11.04	10.26	10.10	9.50	7.73	6.98	5.56	4.67	3.74	2.86	2.63	1.66	2.60	0.33
	Female	9.68	10.34	11.08	10.95	10.63	9.84	6.95	6.78	4.83	4.51	3.64	2.91	2.91	1.94	2.74	0.27
2001	Male	8.82	8.78	9.88	10.14	9.86	9.44	8.47	8.14	6.50	5.36	4.12	2.90	2.70	1.86	2.93	0.10
	Female	8.55	8.39	9.50	9.91	10.19	10.37	8.20	7.96	5.63	5.00	3.85	3.23	3.17	2.35	3.62	0.07

Source:- Directorate of Census Operations, Puducherry.

Note: Figures are based on the date from the Population Census

As per 2001 census, about 26.45% of females and 27.47% of males were in the age group of 0 to 14. The percentage of female population in the reproductive age groups has increased from 49.99 % in 1991 to 52.26% in 2001. It is a widely known fact that women live longer than men. The percentage of women in the age group of 60 years and above has always been higher than that for men. About 9.14% of women were in this age group as compared to 7.49% of men in 2001.