

3.23 Tripura

The state of Tripura, located in the North Eastern region of the country surrounded by Bangladesh, has a geographic area of 10,486 sq.km., which is 0.3 % of the country's geographic area. The total human population of Tripura in 2001 is 3.2 million (0.3 % of the country's population). The rural population is 83.0 % and urban population is 17.0 % and the population density of 304 persons per sq.km. The tribal population is 31.0 % of the population of the state. The state has a forest cover of 7,065 sq.km. In 2001-02, the state produced 88 thousand tonnes of milk and 850 lakh nos. of egg.

As per the last 16th livestock census, the state of Tripura had 0.62 % of Cattle, 0.02 % of buffaloes, 0.01 % of sheep, 0.52 % of goats and 1.55 % of pig population of the country. The poultry population is 1.04 % of the country's total poultry population.

Livestock Population (000)	% increase/ decrease		
	1992	1997	
Crossbred cattle	108	73	-32.4
Indigenous cattle	841	1155	37.3
Total cattle	949	1228	29.4
Buffaloes	20	18	-10.0
Sheep	5	6	20.0
Goats	429	639	49.0
Pigs	188	211	12.2
Others	0	2	
Total Livestock	1591	2104	32.2

Livestock

In Tripura, the crossbred cattle decreased heavily by -32.4 % but indigenous cattle increased by 37.3 % during the period between 15th and 16th census. There is an increase of 29.4 % in total cattle population during the intercensal period. The buffalo population has decreased by -10.0 %. The sheep, goats and pig population has increased by 20.0 %, 49.0 % and 12.2 % respectively. The total livestock in the state has increased

from 1.591 million to 2.104 million between these two censuses showing an increase of 32.2 %.



