



UNFPA State of World Population Report

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The [United Nations Population Fund's \(UNFPA\) State of World Population - 2024](#) report revealed that **India's population is estimated to double in 77 years.**

- **Key Highlights: India leads globally with an estimated population of 1.44 billion**, followed by China at 1.425 billion.
 - India's population was recorded at 1.21 billion during the last census, conducted in 2011.
 - The report revealed that 24% were aged 0-14, 17% aged 10-19, and **26% aged 10-24**. 68% aged 15-64, and 7% aged 65 and above.
 - Men have a life expectancy of 71 years and women 74 years.
 - The report also highlighted that 30 years of India's progress in sexual and reproductive health has largely ignored the most marginalised communities globally. It noted that the **percentage of child marriage in India was at 23% between 2006-2023.**
 - **Maternal deaths** in India have significantly decreased, making up 8% of global maternal fatalities.
 - The report highlights that Maternal mortality is high among indigenous groups. Women with disabilities are more vulnerable to **gender-based violence**.
 - Vulnerable groups face greater sexual and reproductive health risks, exacerbated by factors like **climate change** and **caste-based discrimination**.

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