

**Appendix Table II.11 : Advances to the Priority Sectors by Public Sector Banks
(As on the last Friday)**

	No. of accounts (in lakh)					Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)				
	June 1969	March 1995@	March 1996@	March 1997@	March 1998@	June 1969	March 1995@	March 1996@	March 1997@	March 1998@
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
I Agriculture	1.7	213.0	208	195	192	162 (5.4)	23,513 (13.9)	26,351 (14.3)	31,012 (16.3)	34,305 (15.7)
i) Direct	1.6	207.1	203	191	187	40 (1.3)	20,813 (12.3)	22,892 (12.4)	25,826 (13.6)	28,303 (13.0)
ii) Indirect	0.1	5.9	5	4	5	122 (4.0)	2,700 (1.6)	3,459 (1.9)	5,186 (2.7)	6,002 (2.8)
II. Small-scale industries	0.5	32.3	33	32	30	257 (8.5)	25,843 (15.3)	29,482 (16.0)	31,542 (16.6)	38,109 (17.5)
III Other priority sector advances*	0.4	116.4	115	107	103	22 (0.7)	12,438 (7.4)	13,751 (7.5)	16,548 (8.7)	18,881 (8.7)
IV Total priority sector advances	2.6	361.7	356	334	325	441 (14.6)	61,794 (36.6)	69,609 \$ (37.8)	79,131 \$ (41.7)	91,319 \$ (41.8)
V . Net Bank Credit	-	-	-	-	-	3,016	1,69,038	1,84,391	1,89,684	2,18,219

@ Data are provisional.

* Include small transport operators, self-employed persons, rural artisans, etc

\$ Inclusive of funds provided to RRBs by their sponsoring banks, eligible for being treated under priority sector advances.

Note: Figures in brackets represent percentages to net bank credit.