

Appendix Table III.4: Advances to the Priority Sectors by Public Sector Banks
(As on the last reporting Friday)

Sector	No. of Accounts (in lakh)						Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)					
	June 1969	March 2004	March 2005	March 2006	March 2007@	March 1969	March 2004	March 2005	March 2006	March 2007@		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
I. Agriculture	1.7	190	202	238	253	162 (5.4)	84,435 (15.1)	1,09,917 (15.3)	1,55,220 (15.3)	2,05,091 (15.6)		
i) Direct	1.6	187	195	221	235	40 (1.3)	62,170 (11.1)	83,038 (11.6)	1,12,126 (11.0)	1,46,941 (11.2)		
ii) Indirect	0.1	3	7	17	18	122 (4.0)	22,265 (4.0)	26,879 (3.7)	43,093 (4.2)	58,150 (4.4)		
II. Small-scale industries	0.5	17	14	17	20	257 (8.5)	58,311 (10.3)	68,000 (9.5)	82,434 (8.1)	1,04,703 (8.0)		
III. Other priority sector advances	0.4	89	89	92	102	22 (0.7)	96,170 (17.1)	1,25,114 (17.4)	1,63,756 (16.1)	2,01,023 (15.3)		
IV. Total priority sector advances #	2.6	301	314	358	391	441 (14.6)	2,44,456 (43.6)	3,07,046 (42.8)	4,09,748 (40.3)	5,21,180 (39.6)		
V. Net Bank Credit	-	-	-	-	-	3,016	5,60,819	7,17,419	10,17,656	13,17,705		

@ : Provisional.

: Inclusive of advances for setting up industrial estates, loans to small road and water transport operators, housing loans, education loans, and loans to software industries, food and agro-processing sector, self-help groups, venture capital, etc.

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