

Introduction

We have pleasure in publishing the 52nd edition of this book "Statistical Tables Relating to Banks in India". This edition contains comprehensive data relating to banking sector in India for the year 1997-98 covering all commercial banks operating in India including those registered abroad. Following table shows the number of banks covered in this edition vis-a-vis the previous editions. The data furnished in this book are, in general, for the period March 1997 to March 1998.

	1969	1979	1985	1987	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
1. Scheduled Commercial Banks@									
(i) Indian Banks									
a. Functioning	58	121	247	253	248	254	258	258	257
b. Reporting	58	120	247	253	248	254	258	258	257
(ii) Foreign Banks									
a. Functioning	15	14	20	21	23	26	29	37	41
b. Reporting	13	12	20	21	23	26	29	37	41
Total of (i) and (ii)									
a. Functioning	73	135	267	274	271	280	287	295	298
b. Reporting	71	132	267	274	271	280	287	295	298
II. Non-Scheduled Commercial Banks									
a. Functioning	14	5	3	3	3	2	1	1	1
b. Reporting	11	4	3	3	3	2	--	--	--
III. All Commercial Banks									
a. Functioning	87	140	270	277	274	282	288	296	299
b. Reporting	85	136	270	277	274	282	287	295	298

@ Commercial Banks which carry on the business of banking in India and which (a) have paid-up capital and reserves of an aggregate real and exchangeable value of not less than Rs.5 lakhs and (b) satisfy the Reserve Bank of India that their affairs are not being conducted in a manner detrimental to the interest of their depositors, are eligible for inclusion in the Second Schedule to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, and when included are known as 'Scheduled Commercial Banks'.

2. The book contains in all 52 tables giving comprehensive data in regard to various aspects in Indian banking arena. Corresponding data for the previous year/s have also been incorporated in the tables to facilitate a comparative study. Table 1 gives data on liabilities and assets of the Reserve Bank of India while Tables 2 to 47 give consolidated data covering all banks. Table 48 to 52 are detailed ones which present individual bank-wise data.
3. Besides these tables, the book contains one map and 12 graphs representing some important data on Indian banking sector. One appendix, giving data on commercial banks and their offices in States and Union Territories is also included.
4. To facilitate wide dissemination of data, the information, wherever feasible have been

presented bank group-wise viz.(i) State Bank of India and its Associates, (ii) Nationalised Banks, (iii) Regional Rural Banks, (iv) Other Indian Scheduled Commercial Banks and (v) Foreign Banks.

5. To facilitate correct comprehension of data, a chapter 'Explanatory Notes to the Tables' has been included. The chapter has been divided into two parts viz. Part I and Part II. Part I includes general explanations and Part II gives the table-wise explanations. The users of the book are requested to read the 'Explanatory Notes' carefully and keep them in view, while interpreting or making use of the data, to obviate the possibility of any incorrect comprehension.
6. We hope the book will be of immense use for all those in the field of banking, economics and statistics.

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