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REVEALS THE EXTENT OF FRUSTRATION OVER RAMPANT CORRUPTION**

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on lack of governance and corruption within the media, corporate houses and the government, reveals the extent of disgust and frustration among young people. Only one of the four pillars of Indian democracy — the judiciary — comes out looking credible

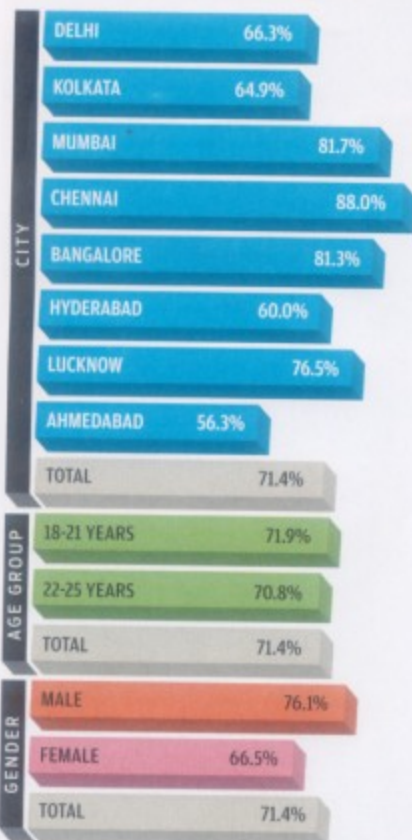


THE UPA GOVERNMENT

The scams – the 2G spectrum allotment scam, the Commonwealth Games, which were dogged by massive corruption scandals, the Adarsh land scam in Mumbai, in which a plot in the sensitive coastal zone reserved for the families of the Kargil war heroes was usurped by a powerful army-bureaucrats-politicians troika and the rampant rate of inflation has seen the UPA government's popularity plummet. It seems to have lost all the goodwill it had earned in its first term in power, with 71.4 per cent of the people polled saying that corruption has eaten into the core of the system. So low is the credibility of the Manmohan Singh government that 61.4 per cent people believe that its move to sack tainted ministers is only a smokescreen. 72.2 per cent Mumbaiers believe that the government is not serious about taking action to curb corruption, while in Chennai, only 45 per cent people agree with that view.

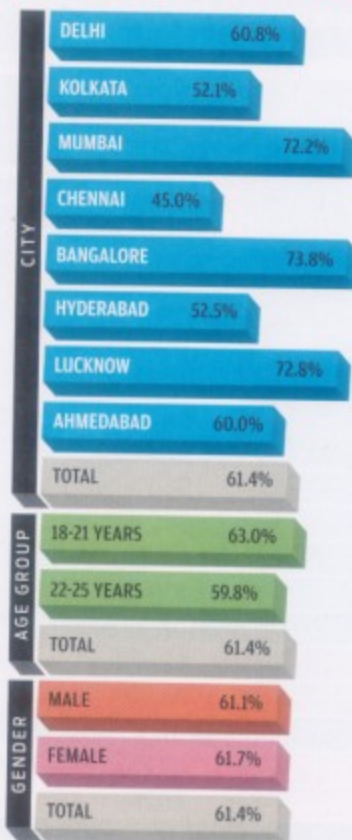
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Why do you think the government in power is not doing enough to deal with corruption charges?

		The limitations of coalition of politics	They are trying to cover-up their own shortcomings	The government is involved	The private sector has used its money power to buy the government's silence	All of these reasons
City	Delhi	9.6%	30.1%	31.9%	9.6%	18.7%
	Kolkata	24.5%	28.9%	20.8%	23.9%	1.9%
	Mumbai	26.8%	10.8%	23.6%	14.6%	24.2%
	Chennai	28.8%	11.3%	2.5%	2.5%	55.0%
	Bangalore	13.8%	41.3%	28.8%	10.0%	6.3%
	Hyderabad	7.5%	10.0%	65.0%	2.5%	15.0%
	Lucknow	20.4%	16.7%	28.4%	6.8%	27.8%
	Ahmedabad	30.0%	16.3%	31.3%	16.3%	6.3%
	Total	20.1%	21.1%	28.1%	11.7%	19.0%
AGE GROUP	18-21 years	20.2%	21.6%	27.9%	12.5%	17.9%
	22-25 years	20.1%	20.5%	28.4%	11.0%	20.1%
	Total	20.1%	21.1%	28.1%	11.7%	19.0%
GENDER	Male	22.6%	21.8%	28.4%	11.7%	15.4%
	Female	17.6%	20.3%	27.8%	11.7%	22.6%
	Total	20.1%	21.1%	28.1%	11.7%	19.0%

Do you think scams like 2G are signs of systemic rot or just cases of individual corruption?

		Signs of systemic rot	Individual corruption cases
City	Delhi	73.5%	26.5%
	Kolkata	64.8%	35.2%
	Mumbai	51.6%	48.4%
	Chennai	43.8%	56.3%
	Bangalore	56.3%	43.8%
	Hyderabad	76.3%	23.8%
	Lucknow	64.2%	35.8%
	Ahmedabad	57.5%	42.5%
	Total	61.9%	38.1%
AGE GROUP	18-21 years	62.4%	37.6%
	22-25 y	61.5%	38.5%
	Total	61.9%	38.1%
GENDER	Male	63.2%	36.8%
	Female	60.7%	39.3%
	Total	61.9%	38.1%

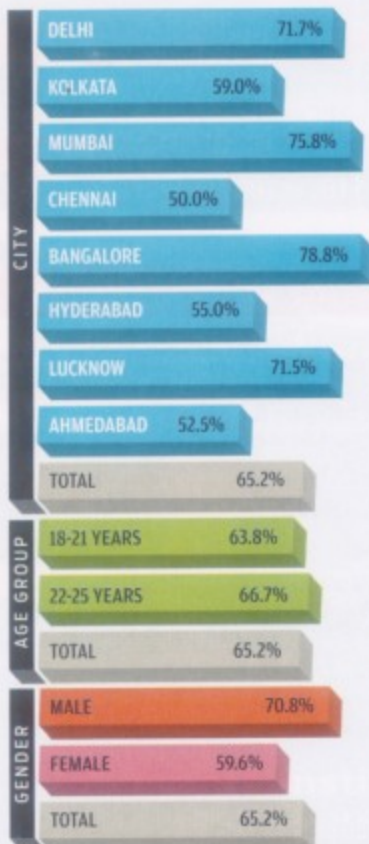


PRIME MINISTER MANMOHAN SINGH

The UPA government, under flak for corruption charges and its scam-a-day record, could have used Prime Minister's Manmohan Singh's reputation as a clean man to show that it was serious about good governance. Instead, the Congress has ended up making him look like a Sonia Gandhi stooge, a helpless man caught between the party and UPA's coalition partners. 65.2 per cent people believe that by allowing tainted telecom minister A Raja to continue for so long, the Prime Minister has damaged his image. 74.1 per cent people in Mumbai, 72.5 per cent in Bangalore and 72.1 per cent in Lucknow believe that if the PM was serious about corruption, he would have offered to resign instead of allowing Raja to continue in the government. The strictures passed by the Supreme Court against the Prime Minister on the appointment of P J Thomas, against whom there are corruption charges, as the Central Vigilance Commissioner has not done anything to redeem Singh in the eyes of the common man.

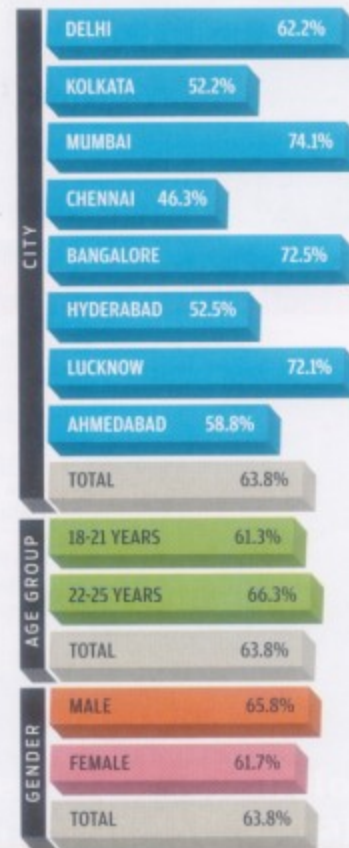
By allowing A Raja to continue for so long, the Prime Minister has actually damaged his image

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THE POLITICAL PARTIES

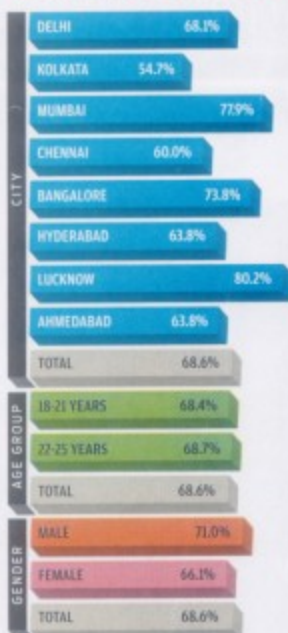
68.6 per cent of the people polled feel that the Congress's reputation has been badly damaged by the recent corruption cases. The party that had implemented several path-breaking decisions and policies in its first term in power, like the Nuclear Power policy and the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, in which the Congress president Sonia Gandhi took a personal interest, is now fighting off corruption charges. 68.6 per cent people believe that the Congress's image has been dented by the corruption charges. Though there are no charges against Sonia or Rahul Gandhi, 59.4 per cent people feel that their image too has suffered damage because of their inability to take any stern action against their ministers or coalition partners. This doesn't mean that it is advantage Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). The real estate scam in which Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yeddyurappa's sons were involved has left people disillusioned, with 58.9 per cent people feeling that the BJP is as bad as the Congress.

The Congress party's image has been badly dented by the handling of the corruption scandals

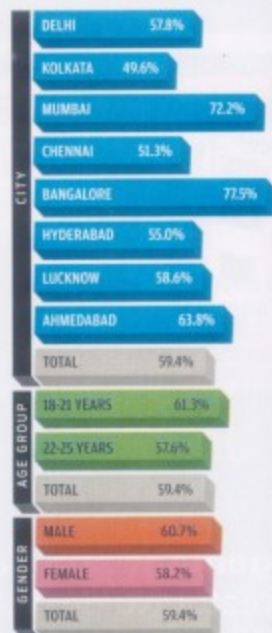
Corruption scandals have severely dented Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi's image

Considering the corruption charges against Karnataka's Chief Minister, it is clear that the BJP is as corrupt as the Congress

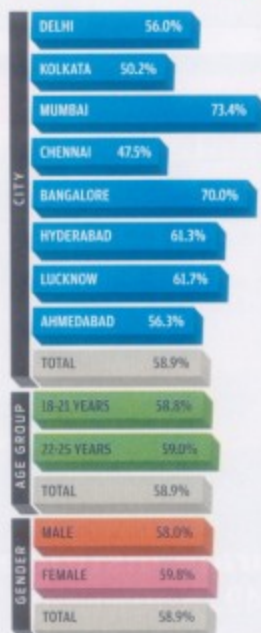
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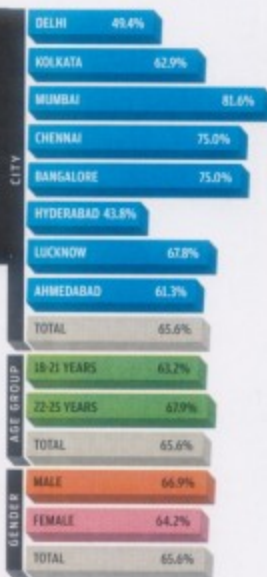
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CORPORATE INDIA

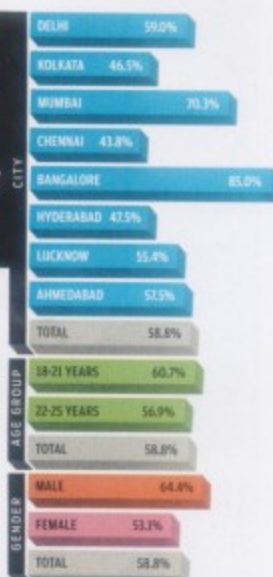
Unfortunately, the multi-crore 2G telecom spectrum scam has left a lot of corporate houses singed, including big names like the Tata Teleservices and Reliance Industries, who were said to be unduly favoured by tainted telecom minister A Raja. The arrest of D B Realty's Shahid Balwa in the scam has only deepened the mistrust against the corporate sector, whose credibility was already under question. 75 per cent people from Bangalore and Chennai feel that corporates use their advertising clout to get written about favourably in the media. Not surprisingly, in a highly politicised city like Delhi, where lobbying is a fine art, only 49.4 per cent feel that way. 62.3 per cent people believe that the corporate world can get away with murder because there are too many loopholes in the system. However, 58.8 per cent people feel that if a businessman treats a political party as his fiefdom, the party is to blame.



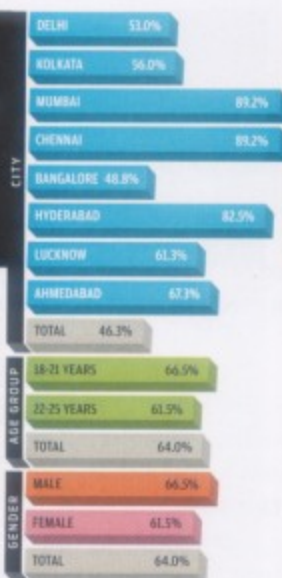
Corporates use their advertising clout to ensure favourable reports in the media



If a businessman treats a political party as his personal fiefdom, it reflects badly on the political party rather than



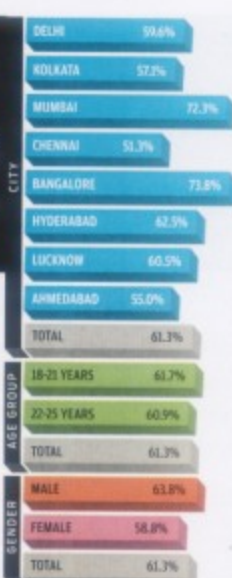
The corporate world is at the root of all corrupt practices



The corporate world thinks they can get away with anything since there are too many loopholes in the system



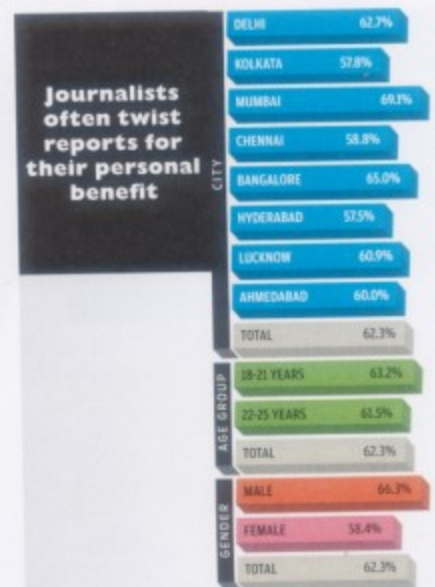
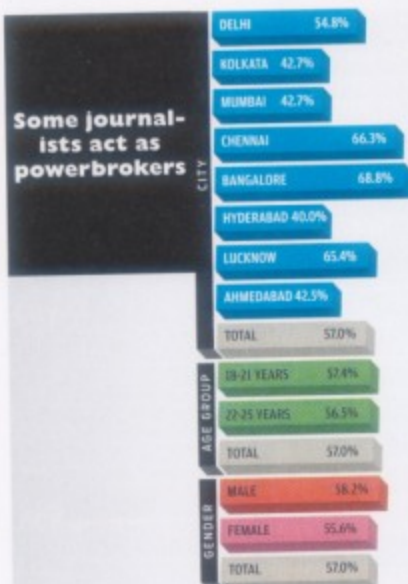
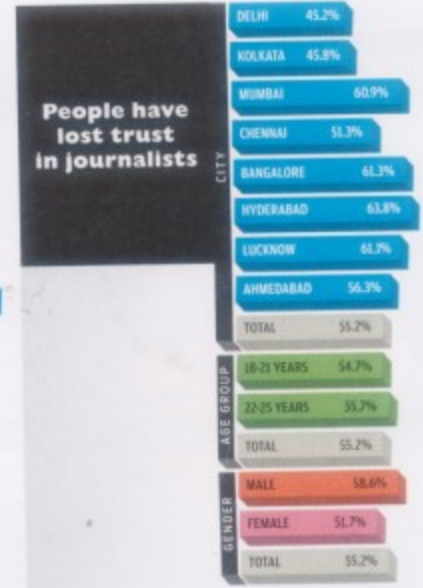
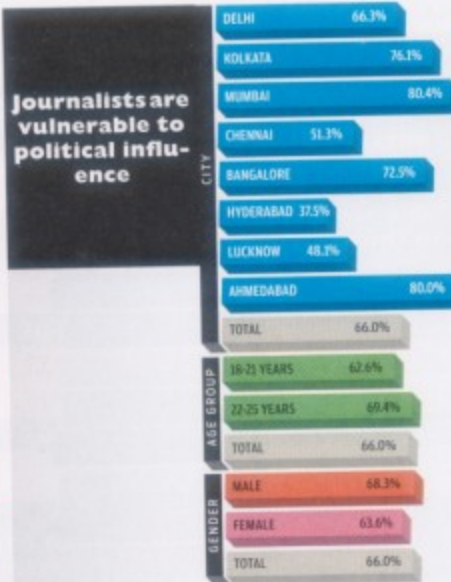
Corporate governance is only preached but not practiced by the private sector in India



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THE MEDIA

The transcripts of the Barkha Dutta-Nira Radia and Vir Sanghvi-Nira Radia tapes, published in *Open* and *Outlook* magazines, in which they were allegedly heard power-broking and lobbying on behalf of the DMK and Reliance Industries has made people sceptical about how free and fair the media really is. As many as 66 per cent people believe that journalists are vulnerable to political influence. While 63.8 per cent people from Hyderabad have no faith in the media, only about 45.2 per cent Delhi residents believed that journalists are corrupt. 70.5 per cent Mumbaiers believe that journalists act as power brokers, but only 40 per cent of people from Hyderabad share this view.



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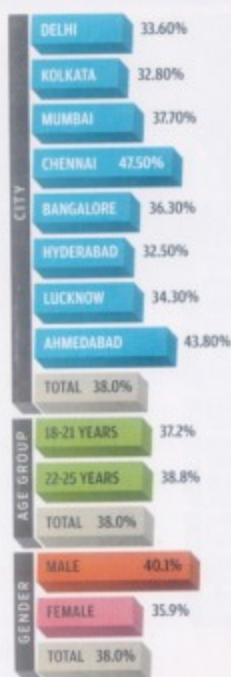
Amazingly, only the judiciary seems to have retained its credibility. People believe that they can trust only the crusading judges, who have given landmark judgements in most cases – from the Adarsh land scam in Mumbai and the Commonwealth Games scam, to the recent strictures against the Prime Minister in the corruption cases against the CVC. 38 per cent people polled believe that our higher courts are still untainted by the scourge of corruption. 77 per cent people in Bangalore, 72 per cent in Ahmedabad, 72.5 per cent in Hyderabad and 70 per cent in Kolkata agree that the judiciary is independent of our political system, making it our only recourse from a corrupt system.

Corruption is part of our judicial system, particularly our higher courts

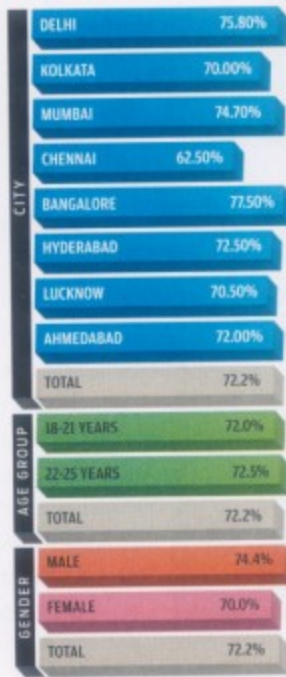
The Indian judiciary has remained independent from the political system

The judiciary has the capability to force a corrupt government to be accountable

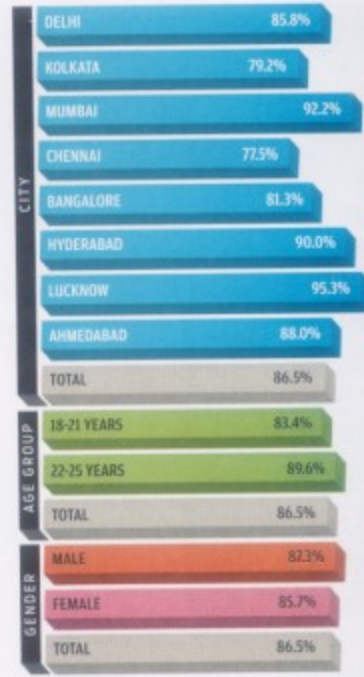
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INDIA'S INTERNATIONAL STANDING

India is seen as an inefficient, corrupt country that just can't seem to get its act right. Our infrastructure is pathetic, our human development indicators are bad, and our human rights record is no better.

Which scam has damaged India's reputation internationally?

		Commonwealth Games scam	The 2G scam	Adarsh Housing Society scam	Karnataka land scam	Space spectrum scam
CITY	Delhi	49.4%	30.1%	13.3%	4.8%	2.4%
	Kolkata	54.7%	23.9%	6.3%	1.3%	13.8%
	Mumbai	24.2%	28.7%	23.6%	5.1%	18.5%
	Chennai	61.3%	28.8%	2.5%	1.3%	6.3%
	Bangalore	23.8%	62.5%	3.8%	2.5%	7.5%
	Hyderabad	63.8%	36.3%			
	Lucknow	52.5%	29.6%	8.6%	4.9%	4.3%
	Ahmedabad	32.5%	18.8%	10.0%	20.0%	18.8%
	Total	47.8%	28.4%	10.0%	4.7%	9.1%
AGE GROUP	18-21 years	47.0%	29.5%	9.6%	5.4%	8.5%
	22-25 y	48.7%	27.3%	10.4%	3.9%	9.7%
	Total	47.8%	28.4%	10.0%	4.7%	9.1%
GENDER	Male	44.0%	31.7%	9.7%	4.7%	9.9%
	Female	51.7%	25.1%	10.3%	4.6%	8.4%
	Total	47.8%	28.4%	10.0%	4.7%	9.1%

THE JUNTA

Interestingly, the people polled aren't very soft on themselves. They believe that for too long, we have let the politicians, the corporate world and the media get away with corruption. We prefer paying the *babus* in a government office or asking politicians for favours, instead of demanding a just and transparent system.

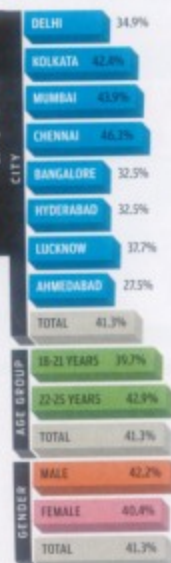
The common man is not doing enough to fight the corruption in the system



CBI

Opinion is divided on whether agencies like the CBI are doing enough to investigate corruption charges. While 42.4 per cent Kolkatans believe that the CBI has done enough to investigate corruption charges and take action against guilty politicians, only 27.5 per cent people in Ahmedabad agree with the view.

Corrective agencies like the CBI are doing enough to investigate corruption charges against politicians and curb corrupt practices



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THE POLITICIANS

The question on who is the most corrupt politician in India threw up predictable results, with Congress politician Suresh Kalmadi, who was in charge of the Commonwealth Games, being rated as the most corrupt at 8.7 on the scale of 1 to 10. Shockingly, even Prime Minister Manmohan Singh found his way to the list, with ratings of 5.5. Sonia Gandhi also had a rating of 5.5.

Which of the following politicians rate the highest on charges of corruption, on the scale of 1 to 10

		Suresh Kalmadi	A Raja	Ashok Chavan	The Prime Minister	Sonia Gandhi	Yeddyurappa
City	Delhi	9.2	8.9	6.6	4.8%	5.4	6.7
	Kolkata	8.9	7.8	7.7	1.3%	3.4	5.1
	Mumbai	8.7	8.7	8.3	5.1%	7.2	7.6
	Chennai	9.1	8.9	7.8	1.3%	7.1	8.4
	Bangalore	8.5	8.4	6.2	2.5%	3.1	6.3
	Hyderabad	8.6	9.3	8.3		7.3	6.6
	Lucknow	8.4	9.0	7.0	4.9%	5.4	6.7
	Ahmedabad	8.5	9.1	8.9	20.0%	7.6	6.8
	Total	8.7	8.7	7.5	4.7%	5.7	6.7
AGE GROUP	18-21 years	8.8	8.6	7.4	5.4%	5.7	6.6
	22-25 y	8.6	8.8	7.6	3.9%	5.6	6.7
	Total	8.7	8.7	7.5	4.7%	5.7	6.7
GENDER	Male	8.8	8.8	7.6	4.7%	5.7	6.6
	Female	8.6	8.6	7.5	4.6%	5.6	6.7
	Total	8.7	8.7	7.5	4.7%	5.7	6.7