

Key Findings of Population and Housing Census (1991-2022)

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991	
01	Administrative Units					
	Upazila	5	5	5	5	
	Paurashava	4	4	2	1	
	Paura Ward	36	36	18	3	
	Union	52	52	51	43	
	Mauza ¹	456	434	458	458	
	Village	835	695	713	678	
	Mahalla ²	117	99	62	42	
02	Area (In Sq. km)					
	Sherpur	1364.67	1364.67	1363.76	1363.76	
Enumerated						
03	Population					
	Sherpur	1501853	1358325	1279542	1138629	
	Male	732673	676388	659512	581528	
	Female	769078	681937	620030	557101	
	Hijra ³	102	-	-	-	
	Rural					
	Total	1131754	1170219	1143371	1030265	
	Male	550810	581889	587924	525044	
	Female	580907	588330	555447	505221	
	Hijra	37	-	-	-	
	Urban⁴					
	Total	370099	188106	136171	108364	
	Male	181863	94499	71588	56484	
	Female	188171	93607	64583	51880	
	Hijra	65	-	-	-	
	04	Urban Population⁴ (%)				
		Sherpur	24.64	13.85	10.64	9.52
05	Slum Population					
	Total	211	-	8358	-	
	Male	106	-	4291	-	
	Female	105	-	4067	-	
	Hijra	-	-	-	-	

* Dash (-) denotes Not Available.

¹ Only populated Mauzas were shown in 2011, but in 1991 and 2001, depopulated and Paurashava/Municipality Area (PSA) Mauzas were also included in the census. In 2022 populated and depopulated Mauzas were included in the census.

² Mahalla is the part of Mauza in the urban areas, which is similar to the village in the rural areas.

³ Hijra population is enumerated separately in the Population and Housing Census 2022.

⁴ City Corporation, Cantonment, Paurashava, Growth Centre, and Upazila Headquarters (not declared as Paurashava) are considered as Urban Area in 2022. Only City Corporation and Paurashava were considered as Urban Area in 2011. The Statistical Metropolitan Area (SMA), Paurashava, and Growth Centre were considered as Urban Area in 1991-2001 censuses.

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991
06	Floating Population⁵				
	Sherpur	90	252	308	1352
	Rural	33	47	28	658
	Urban	57	205	280	694
07	Ethnic Population				
	Total	11082	16231	372	16341
	Male	5484	8091	187	-
	Female	5598	8140	185	-
08	Population by Upazila				
	Jhenaigati	178148	160452	155067	139732
	Nakla	208765	189685	179422	162952
	Nalitabari	271933	251361	252935	226332
	Sherpur Sadar	563865	497179	449798	381419
	Sreebardi	279142	259648	242320	228194
09	Population by Religion				
	Muslim	1456080	1313519	1234834	1087494
	Hindu	36827	34944	34112	34529
	Christian	8315	8668	9314	10483
	Buddhist	73	34	39	1180
	Others	551	1142	1243	4943
10	Average Annual Growth Rate				
	Sherpur	0.89	0.59	1.17	2.15
11	Population Density (Per Square Kilometer)				
	Sherpur	1100	995	934	835
12	Sex Ratio				
	Sherpur	95.27	99	106	104
	Rural	94.82	99	105	104
	Urban	96.65	101	110	109
13	Child-Woman Ratio				
	Sherpur	380.45	453	573	964
	Rural	393.01	468	587	980
	Urban	343.87	362	464	831
14	Dependency Ratio				
	Sherpur	60.43	83.84	87.91	110.60
	Rural	61.94	86.08	89.78	112.24
	Urban	55.97	71.06	73.55	96.22

⁵ The Homeless people who usually spent night in various places such as railway stations, bus terminals, shrines, footpaths, under stairs/foot-overbridges, launch terminals/ferries, market balconies, etc. are considered as floating population in census 2022. Floating Population are counted on the census night. The people who stayed on the street or at market for their livelihoods or other purposes on the census night, but have dwellings elsewhere are not considered as floating population in census 2022. But in the previous all censuses including the homeless, the people who were on travel, fishing at deep sea, living in the forest and staying in hotels (boarders) on census night were also considered as floating population.

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991
15	Marital Status (10 Years and above) (%)				
	Male				
	Never Married	32.07	33.55	37.32	35.20
	Currently Married	66.12	65.54	61.92	64.05
	Widower	1.09	0.67	0.61	0.66
	Divorced ⁶	0.38	0.24	0.15	0.08
	Separated	0.34	-	-	-
	Female				
	Never Married	20.72	21.43	23.64	18.16
	Currently Married	67.43	68.74	67.75	71.01
	Widow	10.65	8.97	7.79	10.18
	Divorced ⁶	0.74	0.86	0.82	0.65
	Separated	0.45	-	-	-
	16	Singulate Mean Age at Marriage (SMAM)			
Male		23.32	23.37	23.11	23.19
Female		18.63	18.47	17.72	16.65
17	Literacy Rate (7 Years and above)				
	Sherpur	63.70	37.91	31.89	19.49
	Male	65.78	40.17	35.04	24.63
	Female	61.75	35.70	28.55	14.09
	Rural				
	Total	61.73	35.33	29.51	17.43
	Male	63.71	37.51	32.47	22.35
	Female	59.89	33.20	26.40	12.27
	Urban				
	Total	69.63	53.45	51.00	38.14
	Male	71.95	55.94	55.13	44.65
	Female	67.42	50.94	46.40	30.94
	18	Population of Highest Level of Education Attained (5 Years and above) (%)			
Never Gone to School/Madrassa (No Schooling)		31.07	47.47 ⁷	61.42	75.20
Attended School but Not Completed Play/Nursery/KG/Pre-Primary/Class I		0.97	-	-	-

⁶ In the previous censuses, data on divorced and separated were collected together.

⁷ Population aged 7 years and above were considered in the census 2011, but in the other censuses, including 2022, population aged 5 years and above are considered.

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991
	Play/Nursery/KG/Pre-Primary Student	2.42	-	-	-
	Class I Student	1.93	-	-	-
	Class I - V	24.36	28.17	21.96	14.88
	Class VI - VIII	13.82	11.14 ⁷	7.75	4.43
	Class IX or Equivalent	5.99	5.11 ⁷	3.47	2.10
	SSC or Equivalent	6.82	5.02 ⁷	3.47	2.27
	HSC or Equivalent	5.31 ⁸	2.16 ⁷	1.10	0.70
	Degree or Equivalent	2.49 ⁹	1.01 ⁷	0.64	0.32
	Masters & above	0.96 ¹⁰	0.29 ⁷	0.19	0.10
	Non-formal/Informal Education and Others	3.84	-	-	-
19	Field of Education (5 Years and above) (%)				
	General	85.72	92.66 ¹¹	96.02	95.97
	Technical/ Vocational	0.94	0.81 ¹¹	0.27	0.58
	Religious	10.06	6.53 ¹¹	3.71	3.45
	Others	3.27	-	-	-
20	Working Status¹² (10 Years and above) (%)				
	Employed	35.08	37.14	39.78	45.48
	Household Work	34.01	36.38	33.78	39.24
	Looking for Work	1.90	1.08	1.63	0.90
	Do Not Work	29.01	25.41	24.81	14.38
21	Working Sector (10 Years and above) (%)				
	Agriculture	56.87	69.54	-	-
	Industry	8.09	7.02	-	-
	Service	35.04	23.44	-	-
22	Disability (%)				
	Sherpur	1.47	1.59	0.43	-
	Rural	1.53	1.64	0.43	-
	Urban	1.27	1.32	1.79	-
23	Number of Household				
	Sherpur	396149 ¹³	341443	301706	234284
	Rural	301670 ¹³	297006	271876	2133288
	Urban	94479 ¹³	44437	29831	20996

⁸ This group includes HSC, Diploma, Nursing/Midwifery as well.

⁹ This group includes Degree (Pass course)/Equivalent, Degree (Hons)/Equivalent, MBBS/BDS, BSc Engineering & above as well.

¹⁰ This group includes Masters and above, as well as PhD.

¹¹ Population of aged 7 years and above were considered in the census 2011.

¹² Specific reference time for working status is not considered in the census 2022 and 2011.

¹³ Households of floating population are included in the census 2022.

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991
24	Household by Type				
	Total	396060	341443	301706	234284
	General	394200	340769	299355	232927
	Institutional	275	121	1170	381
	Others	1585	553	1181	976
25	Number of Dwellings				
	Sherpur	414568	-	-	-
	Rural	322525	-	-	-
	Urban	92043	-	-	-
26	Household Size (General HH)				
	Sherpur	3.76	3.97	4.24	4.86
	Rural	3.74	3.94	4.20	4.83
	Urban	3.84	4.18	4.53	5.15
27	Type of Dwelling Structure (General HH) (%)				
	Pucca	2.86	1.50	0.77	-
	Semi-pucca	12.43	7.41	3.57	-
	Kancha	84.82	88.41	81.09	-
	Jhupri	0.29	2.68	14.57	-
28	Ownership Status of Dwelling Units (General HH) (%)				
	Own dwelling unit	96.50	96.45	95.28	93.65
	Rented but having own dwelling unit elsewhere	2.00	1.67	1.39	0.79
	Rented and having no own dwelling unit elsewhere	0.44			
	Rent free but having own dwelling unit elsewhere	0.27	1.88	3.33	5.56
	Rent free and having no own dwelling unit elsewhere	0.79			
29	Main Source of Drinking Water (General HH) (%)				
	Tap/Pipe (Supply)	1.14	0.66	0.58	0.13
	Tubewell (Deep/Shallow)	98.00	94.30	88.88	76.80
	Bottled/Jar water	0.004	-	-	-
	Well	0.85	-	-	19.95
	Pond/River/Canal/Lake	0.01	-	0.40 ¹⁴	3.12 ¹⁵
	Spring	0.00	-	-	-
	Rain water	0.00	-	-	-
	Others	0.0003	5.04	10.14	-

¹⁴ It refers to the figure of Pond/Dighi.

¹⁵ It refers to the figure of Pond/River/Canal.

SI	Key Indicators	Population and Housing Census 2022	Population and Housing Census 2011	Bangladesh Population Census 2001	Bangladesh Population Census 1991
30	Toilet Facilities (General HH) (%)				
	Safe Disposal with Flushing/ Pouring Water	32.48	49.96 ¹⁶	30.21 ¹⁶	3.54 ¹⁶
	Pit Latrine with Slab/ Ventilated Improved Latrine/ Composting Latrine	36.99	-	-	-
	Unsafe Disposal with Flushing/ Pouring Water	14.30	40.24 ¹⁷	42.66 ¹⁷	48.22 ¹⁷
	Pit Latrine Without Slab/ Open Pit	9.24	-	-	-
	Kancha/Open/ Hanging Latrine (Permanent/ Temporary)	5.83	-	-	-
	Open Defecation/ No Latrine Available	1.16	9.79	27.13	48.24
31	Main Source of Electricity (General HH) (%)				
	National Grid	98.90	41.22 ¹⁸	11.07 ¹⁸	3.72 ¹⁸
	Solar	0.16			
	Others	0.10			
	No Electricity Facility	0.84	58.78	88.93	96.28

¹⁶ It refers to the figure of Sanitary Toilet.

¹⁷ It refers to the figure of Others Toilet.

¹⁸ It refers to the figure of all types of electricity connection.

Key Findings of Population and Housing Census 2022 (New Indicators)

SL	Key Indicator	Total	Rural	Urban
01	Literacy Rate (15 Years and above)			
	Sherpur	56.89	54.40	64.35
	Male	59.29	56.65	67.10
	Female	54.71	52.37	61.80
02	Type of Work (5 Years and above) (%)			
	For Salary/Wage	49.50	47.54	55.40
	For Profit	20.42	18.95	24.84
	For Household Use/Consumption	25.12	27.83	16.91
	Apprenticeship	4.97	5.67	2.84
03	Population Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) (%)			
	Total	35.84	37.22	31.95
	Male	13.80	14.51	11.85
	Female	54.35	56.24	49.04
04	Population having Mobile Phone for Own Use (15 Years and above) (%)			
	Total	60.01	58.11	65.72
	Male	79.84	78.95	82.45
	Female	42.01	39.29	50.27
	Hijra	71.88	60.00	78.69
05	Internet User (15 Years and above) (%)			
	Total	21.19	18.46	29.37
	Male	31.18	28.15	40.17
	Female	12.11	9.72	19.39
06	Population having Account in Financial Institution (15 Years and above) (%)			
	Total	16.66	14.9	21.96
	Male	22.36	20.33	28.4
	Female	11.49	10.00	16.02
07	Population having Mobile Banking Account (15 Years and above) (%)			
	Total	37.03	36.61	38.3
	Male	52.57	52.29	53.38
	Female	22.93	22.46	24.37
08	Floating Household			
	Sherpur	89	33	56
09	Slum Household			
	Sherpur	53	0	53
10	Remittance Recipient Household (%)			
	Sherpur	1.34	1.30	1.49
11	Toilet Use (%)			
	Not-Shared	65.53	63.72	71.35
	Shared	34.47	36.28	28.65
12	Handwashing Facilities (%)			
	Soap and Water	54.33	52.32	60.82
	Only Soap	0.33	0.32	0.35

SL	Key Indicator	Total	Rural	Urban
	Only Water	27.70	29.73	21.12
	None	17.64	17.62	17.71
13	Main Source of Cooking Fuel (%)			
	Straw/Leaf/Bran/Husk	11.91	12.56	9.82
	Wood/Chalk/Chopped Wood	77.60	81.22	65.91
	Wood-Coal/Charcoal/Dried Dung	2.65	2.85	2.00
	Kerosene/Paraffin	0.01	0.01	0.01
	Petrol/Diesel	0.01	0.01	0.01
	Electricity	0.11	0.19	0.19
	Supply Gas	1.92	0.00	8.12
	LP Gas	5.68	3.17	13.77
	Biogas	0.08	0.08	0.10
	Others	0.03	0.02	0.07
14	Floor Material of Main Dwelling (%)			
	Cement/Concrete/Brick/Terracotta	31.75	26.39	49.06
	Tiles/Mosaic	0.90	0.31	2.81
	Wood/Bamboo/Mat/Palm Tree/Betel Nut Trunk	0.10	0.08	0.15
	Soil/Sand/Mud	67.24	73.22	47.94
	Other Materials	0.02	0.01	0.05
15	Wall Material of Main Dwelling (%)			
	Cement/Concrete/Brick/Terracotta	16.35	11.63	31.57
	Ceramic Tiles	0.10	0.06	0.24
	Metal Sheet/CI Sheet/Corrugated Iron Sheet	79.62	83.76	66.26
	Wood/Bamboo/Mat/Palm Tree/Betel Nut Trunk	0.70	0.76	0.51
	Straw/Chhan/Golpata/Palm Leaf/Bichali/Polythene	0.18	0.19	0.14
	Soil/Mud	3.02	3.58	1.23
	Other Materials	0.03	0.02	0.03
	No Wall	0.00	0.00	0.01
16	Roof Material of Main Dwelling (%)			
	Cement/Concrete/Tile	3.13	1.42	8.63
	Metal Sheet/CI Sheet/Corrugated Iron Sheet	96.26	97.91	90.91
	Wood/Bamboo/Mat/Straw/Chhan/Bichali/Golpata/Palm Leaf/Polythene	0.57	0.62	0.41
	Hand-made Tiles/Tile	0.01	0.01	0.02
	Other Materials	0.03	0.04	0.02
	No Roof	0.003	0.002	0.01

SDG Indicators
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Upazila & Location	SDG Indicators									
	Participation in Organized Learning (4.2.2)	Ownership of mobile phone (5.b.1)	Basic Sanitation Service (6.2.1 (a))	Basic Handwashing Facilities (6.2.1(b))	Access to Electricity (7.1.1)	Clean Fuel (7.1.2)	NEET Youth Population (8.6.1)	Financial Inclusion (8.10.2)	Urban Slum (11.1.1)	Internet User (17.8.1)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Sherpur	57.56	47.19	48.99	56.02	99.34	8.14	35.84	42.19	0.06	17.33
Rural	57.03	45.66	47.10	53.74	99.31	3.37	37.22	41.18	-	15.10
Urban	59.33	51.80	54.79	63.01	99.41	22.71	31.95	45.21	0.06	24.06
Jhenaigati	58.15	47.92	35.50	48.96	98.89	3.68	36.38	43.21	0.00	16.26
Rural	58.49	47.16	34.15	45.95	98.78	2.64	37.54	42.66	-	15.19
Urban	56.59	51.67	42.14	63.79	99.41	8.82	31.05	45.91	0.00	21.52
Nakla	61.59	47.93	70.45	54.53	99.62	6.56	35.28	43.23	0.00	16.81
Rural	62.48	47.24	67.66	53.60	99.63	3.79	35.92	43.25	-	15.57
Urban	59.18	49.57	77.03	56.72	99.59	13.09	33.86	43.18	0.00	19.74
Nalitabari	51.65	47.81	47.43	55.85	99.27	5.01	39.41	42.03	0.00	16.69
Rural	50.55	46.66	46.81	53.87	99.28	2.23	40.46	41.01	-	14.83
Urban	57.65	53.65	50.64	66.12	99.18	19.43	34.40	47.20	0.00	26.21
Sherpur	60.66	46.97	46.88	56.02	99.44	13.81	33.93	41.34	0.11	19.47
Rural	59.95	43.82	44.42	51.49	99.42	4.40	36.19	38.68	-	15.70
Urban	62.18	53.00	51.68	64.84	99.46	32.13	29.83	46.35	0.11	26.70
Sreebardi	53.57	46.00	47.36	61.81	99.29	3.76	36.56	42.62	0.00	14.67
Rural	53.94	45.68	46.97	62.09	99.32	3.06	36.39	43.03	-	14.08
Urban	51.42	47.76	49.49	60.22	99.15	7.62	37.46	40.33	0.00	17.97

Mentioned Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2030 indicators in brief are as follows:

- 1) 4.2.2: Participation rate in organized learning (one year before the official primary entry age) by sex.
- 2) 5.b.1: Proportion of individuals who own a mobile phone by sex (5 years and above).
- 3) 6.2.1: Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services, including a hand-washing facility with soap and water.
- 4) 6.2.1.a: Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services.
- 5) 6.2.1.b: Proportion of population with hand washing facilities with soap and water available at home. (*Excluding Floating Population)
- 6) 7.1.1: Proportion of population with access to electricity. (*Excluding Floating Population)
- 7) 7.1.2: Proportion of population with primary reliance on clean fuels and technology. (*Excluding Floating Population) As data on clean technology has not been collected. Few fuels were not evaluated (i.e. Kerosene, Paraffin etc.)
- 8) 8.6.1: Proportion of youth (aged 15-24 years) not in education, employment or training.
- 9) 8.10.2: Proportion of adults (15 years and above) with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider.
- 10) 11.1.1: Proportion of urban population living in slums, informal settlements or inadequate housing.
- 11) 17.8.1: Proportion of individuals using the Internet (5 years and above).



Map of Sherpur District showing the Population Density

