Health and education outcomes in Maharashtra are improving. Nonetheless, progress is slow. On the bright side, infant mortality, already lower than in many other states, is declining. Moreover, a larger share of Maharashtra’s children are now in school, and more adults have completed secondary school than in many other states. On a less positive note, malnutrition levels in Maharashtra are higher than in other states, even among the rich, and open defecation among lower income households is high. And while improvements in school enrollments for the younger generation are a bright spot, better learning outcomes have not followed. Interestingly, private school enrollment in Maharashtra is higher than in most other states.

### Infant mortality is declining in Maharashtra

![Infant mortality rate chart](chart.png)

- **Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births**

### Infant mortality in Maharashtra is lower than in many other states

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- **Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births**

Low Income States are highlighted in orange, All is All India.
Malnutrition in Maharashtra is close to the national average

*Stunting in children <5 years, 2014 (%)*

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Malnutrition is high even among the non-poor households in Maharashtra

*Stunting in children <5 years, 2006 (%)*

Latest stunting data by wealth class available for 2006.
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Open defecation in Maharashtra is below the national average

Households practicing open defecation, 2012 (%)

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More open defecation among the lower income households than the rich in Maharashtra

Households practicing open defecation, 2012(%)

Access and use of latrine  Open defecation
Secondary school attainment among Maharashtra's adults is higher than in many other states

*Secondary education attainment, 2012 (% adults)*

Significant progress in schooling for the young in Maharashtra after 2005

*Education attainment, (% age 18-30)*

*Enrollment by age cohort, (%)*

Low Income States are highlighted in orange, AI is All India.
Public school enrollment in Maharashtra is lower than the national average

Enrollment in public educational institutes, 2012 (%)

The lower income households go to public school in Maharashtra, the rich go to private school

Enrollment in public educational institutes, 2012 (%)
Learning outcomes in Maharashtra are higher than the national average

Children in Std V who can read Std II level text*, 2014 (%)

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Learning outcomes have been declining in Maharashtra

Children in Std V who can read Std II level text*, (%)

*Data on learning outcomes available for rural areas only.