

Table 4.3. Number of Functioning Branches of Commercial Banks - Bank Group-wise

(1)	Branches as on end March														
	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017				
	Total	(2)	Total	(3)	Total	(4)	Total	(5)	Total	(6)	Total	(7)	Rural	(8)	% of Rural Branches to Total
Public Sector Banks	68222		73411		81463		86619		89842		91549		29097		31.8
Regional Rural Banks	16926		17886		19121		20139		20916		21343		14954		70.1
Private Sector Banks	13729		16125		18343		20146		23039		24890		4874		19.6
Foreign Banks	320		329		311		317		319		285		9		3.2
Local Area Banks	67		77		87		103		125		72		9		12.5
Small Finance Banks	-		-		-		-		-		803		116		14.4
Payments Banks	-		-		-		-		-		3		-		-
Total	99264		107828		119325		127324		134241		138945		49059		35.3

Source: RBI, Master Office File (MOF) System

Notes:

1. Data include 'Administrative Offices'
2. Population groups are defined as follows: 'Rural' includes centres with population of less than 10,000, 'Semi-Urban' includes centres with population of 10,000 and above but less than of one lakh, 'Urban' includes centres with population of one lakh and above but less than of ten lakhs, and 'Metropolitan' includes centres with population of 10 lakhs and above. All population figures are as per census 2011.
3. 'Public Sector banks' comprises of State Bank of India (and its' erstwhile associates and Bhartiya Mahila Bank prior to April 1, 2017), IDBI bank and nationalized banks, excluding Regional Rural Banks.
4. MOF data are dynamic in nature. It is updated based on information as received from banks. "