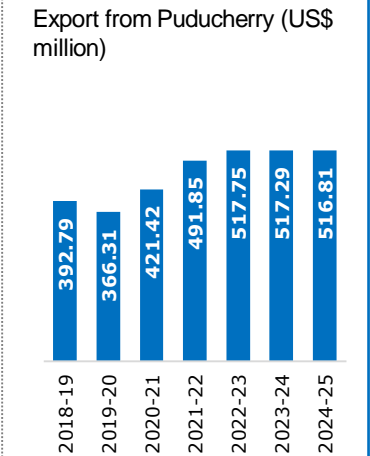
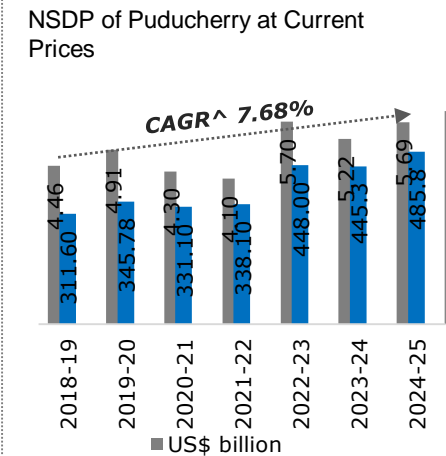
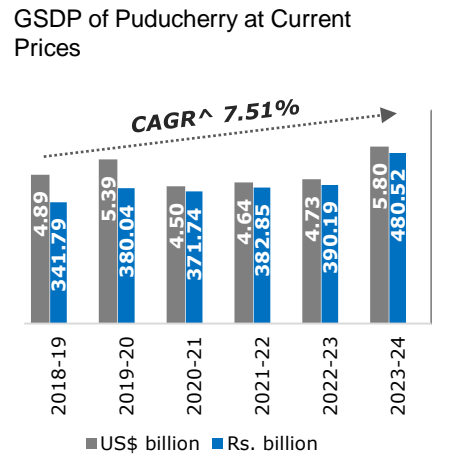




ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT



Note: - ^-CAGR in Rs, GSDP - Gross State Domestic Product, GSVA - Gross State Value Added  
Source: Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics

ADVANTAGES

**High Economic Growth and Stable Political Environment**

GSDP (in Rs.) grew at a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 7.51% between 2018-19 and 2024-25.  
The state Government is committed towards creating a progressive business environment.

**Facilitating Infrastructure**

Puducherry has a well-developed industrial infrastructure with nine industrial estates.  
It has an airport and two ports.

**Strong Presence in Agriculture and Tourism**

Agriculture sector contributes less than 2% of the Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of the Government of Puducherry.  
High inflow of tourists driving tourism revenue.

**High Literacy Rate**

According census 2011, Puducherry had an average literacy rate of 85.85%. A large proportion of the population can speak English, which helps boost the union territory's tourism sector.

KEY GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

**Draft Water Policy**

The policy has detailed information on the water resource planning, water allocation priorities, irrigation, drinking water management, ground water development etc.

**IT Policy 2017**

To be recognized as one of the leading UT in the country on e-Readiness Index and also adopt several new strategies like "Make in India", "Startup India", "Standup India", "Ease of Doing Business".

**Lieutenant Governor Speech 2025**

The Union Territory of Puducherry has set a revised budget of Rs. 13,235 crore for 2024-25, focusing on employment, infrastructure, and inclusive welfare. Major investments in water, urban development, and coastal resilience projects, along with strong growth in GSDP and a decline in unemployment, reflect a clear push toward sustainable progress. The government's vision of making Puducherry a "BEST" hub drives its strategy technology-driven development.

Note: BEST - (Business, Education, Spiritual and Tourist)

GOVERNMENT VISION FOR THE UNION TERRITORY

**Infrastructure**

Proposed two road projects namely, Poondiankuppam - Sattanathapuram NH-45A Road Development and Puducherry - Poondiyankuppam NH-332 Road Development.

**New Project Development**

Expected to attract an investment of US\$ 5 billion for upcoming projects in Puducherry.

**Employment**

The union territory plans to create 50,000 jobs.

**Urban Development**

Budget provided Rs. 5 crore (US\$ 0.68 million) for Disaster Response Fund and Rs. 0.01 crore (US\$ 1,362.69) for Coastal Disaster Risk Reduction Project.