# Woking with the SubnationalCRVS R Package

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# 1 Setup

The SubnationalCRVS package, which is still under active development, is hosted on the GitHub page www.github.com/ConVERGE-UNFPA/SubnationalCRVS rather than on CRAN. Since SubnationalCRVS is hosted on GitHub instead of CRAN, it can cannot be installed with the must be installed with the usual install.packages() function. Instead, SubnationalCRVS can be installed with the install\_github() function from the devtools package. The key dependency DemoTools (Riffe et al. 2019) is also hosted on GitHub instead of CRAN and can also be installed with install\_github().

```
install.packages("devtools")
library(devtools)
install_github("timriffe/DemoTools") # install the DemoTools dependency
install_github("ConVERGE-UNFPA/SubnationalCRVS") # install the SubnationalCRVS package
```

Now we can load SubnationalCRVS, specify the name of the local folder in which we will save the plots produced by the package, and create that local folder if it does not already exist.

```
library(SubnationalCRVS)
my_plots_dir <- "Plots/" # local folder where the plots should be saved
dir.create(my_plots_dir) # create the folder if it does not already exist</pre>
```

For this demonstration, we will also load the dplyr package to customize the display of some of the tables returned by SunbationalCRVS.

```
library(dplyr)
```

## 2 Datasets Included with the Package: Tabulations from Ecuador

The SubnationalCRVS package comes with tabulations of population and registered deaths in Ecuador – disaggregated by age, sex, and province – created from publicly available datasets from Ecuador (Peralta et al. 2019; INEC 2010) based on the Ecuador's 2001 Census, 2010 Census, and annual counts of registered deaths from 2001 through 2010. The structure of the included example datasets is inspired by the data requirements of the ddm() function from the DDM package (Riffe, Lima, and Queiroz 2017).

The ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined dataset reports the estimated populations in Ecuador by single-year ages (0, 1, 2, ... in the age column) from both the 2001 Census (pop1 column) and the 2010 Census (pop2 column), separately for males and females (m and f in the sex column) and province (in the province column).

```
head(ecuador_single_year_ages)
```

```
##
     province_name sex age pop1 pop2 year1 month1 day1 year2 month2 day2
## 1
              Azuay
                           0 6086 6750
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                         25
                                                             2010
                                                                       11
                                                                             28
## 2
              Azuay
                           1 6555 6984
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                         25
                                                             2010
                                                                       11
                                                                             28
                       m
## 3
              Azuay
                           2 7232 7090
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                         25
                                                             2010
                                                                       11
                                                                             28
                       m
## 4
                           3 7101 7095
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                         25
                                                             2010
                                                                       11
                                                                             28
              Azuay
                       m
## 5
              Azuay
                           4 7083 6961
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                         25
                                                             2010
                                                                       11
                                                                             28
## 6
                           5 6583 6895
                                         2001
                                                   11
                                                             2010
                                                                             28
              Azuay
                                                         25
                                                                       11
                      m
```

The ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined dataset appends rows to ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined that report the sex- and single-year-age- disaggregated population estimates for the entire country (as opposed to a single province).

```
##
     province_name sex age
                                        pop2 year1 month1 day1 year2 month2 day2
                                pop1
## 1
                           0 117897 123013
                                              2001
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
                                                                                   28
           National
                       \mathbf{m}
                                                         11
                                                                             11
## 2
           National
                           1 133280 141602
                                               2001
                                                         11
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
                                                                             11
                                                                                   28
                       m
## 3
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
                                                                                   28
           National
                           2 141869 141719
                                               2001
                                                         11
                                                                             11
                       m
## 4
           National
                           3 134793 143418
                                               2001
                                                         11
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
                                                                             11
                                                                                   28
                       m
## 5
           National
                           4 139268 143830
                                               2001
                                                         11
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
                                                                             11
                                                                                   28
                       m
           National
                           5 131491 136479
                                               2001
                                                         11
                                                              25
                                                                   2010
```

The ecuador\_five\_year\_ages and ecuador\_five\_year\_ages\_combined datasets have the same variables as ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined and ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined with two exceptions: (1) the age variable now represents five-year age groups (in the age column, with 0-4 coded as 0, 5-9 coded as 5, 10-14 coded as 10, etc.) instead of single-year ages; and (2) there is an additional column called deaths that reports the registered deaths collected between 2001 and 2010.

```
head(ecuador_five_year_ages)
##
     province_name sex age pop1 pop2 deaths year1 month1 day1 year2 month2 day2
## 1
                           0 34101 34886
                                              772
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
              Azuay
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
## 2
              Azuay
                           5 34996 36406
                                              232
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
                       m
## 3
                          10 34946 38125
                                              223
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                       m
                                                              11
## 4
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                       {\tt m}
                          15 32387 37611
                                              416
                                                              11
                                                                                  11
## 5
              Azuay
                          20 25634 33665
                                              480
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
                       m
## 6
                          25 18606 28376
                                              475
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                       \mathbf{m}
                                                              11
head(ecuador_five_year_ages_combined)
##
     province_name sex age pop1 pop2 deaths year1 month1 day1 year2 month2 day2
## 1
                           0 34101 34886
                                              772
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                                                              11
                                                                                  11
## 2
                           5 34996 36406
                                              232
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                       m
                                              223
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                        28
## 3
              Azuay
                          10 34946 38125
                                                              11
                                                                                  11
## 4
                          15 32387 37611
                                              416
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                        28
              Azuay
                       m
                                                              11
                                                                                  11
## 5
              Azuay
                       m
                          20
                             25634 33665
                                              480
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
## 6
              Azuay
                       m
                          25 18606 28376
                                              475
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                        2010
                                                                                  11
                                                                                        28
ecuador_five_year_ages_combined %>% filter(province_name == "National") %>%
                                       head()
##
     province_name sex age
                                       pop2 deaths year1 month1 day1 year2 month2
                                pop1
                           0 678280 743576
## 1
          National
                                              22338
                                                      2001
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
                      m
                                                                11
                                                                                    11
## 2
           National
                          10 679067 782559
                                               4290
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
                                                                          2010
## 3
           National
                          15 616725 712878
                                               8293
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                      25
                                                                                    11
                      m
## 4
           National
                          20 569964 638042
                                              13412
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
                       m
## 5
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
           National
                          25 456230 585652
                                              13301
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                                    11
                       m
## 6
           National
                          30 422307 519493
                                              11811
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
##
     day2
       28
## 1
## 2
       28
## 3
       28
## 4
       28
## 5
       28
## 6
       28
```

# 3 Example of Subnational Analysis: Provinces in Ecuador

In this section, we describe the key functions of SubnationalCRVS in the context of visualizing outputs from a demographic data quality assessment (DDQA) and estimates of death registration completeness (Riffe, Lima, and Queiroz 2017) within provinces of Ecuador. Later in this tutorial, we also show how SubnationalCRVS provides corresponding visualizations for national-level results.

## 3.1 Demographic Data Quality Assessment (DDQA)

#### 3.1.1 Sex ratios: PlotSexRatios()

A key step in this demographic data quality assessment (DDQA) process is to use the PlotSexRatios() function to compute and plot sex ratios within each combination of province, sex, and single-year age for

the 2001 and 2010 data stored in ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined.

To use PlotSexRatios(), we are required to provide our tabulated data frame in the data argument and a few additional required arguments that describe the variable names and values in data. These arguments and the expected format of the specified dataset are motivated by the data structure enforced in the DDM package (Riffe, Lima, and Queiroz 2017).

- name.disaggregations is the name of variable representing the subnational disaggregation (apart from sex, which is required,) in data. Here we specify name.disaggregations="province name".
- name.sex is the name of variable representing sex. Here we specify name.sex="sex"
- name.age is the name of variable representing age. Here we specify name.age="age"
- name.year1 is the name of variable that provides the year of the earlier of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.year1="year1" (the value of this variable, "2001" was the year of Ecuador's 2001 Census)
- name.month1 is the name of variable that provides the month of the earlier of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.month1="month1" (the value of this variable, "11" was the numerical month, November, of Ecuador's 2001 Census)
- name.day1 is the name of variable that provides the day of the earlier of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.day1="day1" (the value of this variable, "25" was the day of Ecuador's 2001 Census)
- name.year2 is the name of variable that provides the year of the later of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.year2="year2" (the value of this variable, "2010" was the year of Ecuador's 2010 Census)
- name.month2 is the name of variable that provides the month of the later of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.month2="month2" (the value of this variable, "11" was the numerical month, November, of Ecuador's 2010 Census)
- name.day2 is the name of variable that provides the day of the later of the two time periods represented in data. Here we specify name.day2="day2" (the value of this variable, "28" was the day of Ecuador's 2010 Census)
- name.population.year1 is the name of variable representing the population in the earlier of the two time periods represented in the dataset. Here we specify name.population.year2="pop1"
- name.population.year2 is the name of variable representing the population in the earlier of the two time periods represented in the dataset. Here we specify name.population.year2="pop2"
- name.male is the name of value of the name.sex variable that represents males. Here we specify name.males="m"
- name.female is the name of value of the name.sex variable that represents females. Here we specify name.females="f"

In addition, we specify two optional arguments, plots.dir and name.national. We set plots.dir=my\_plots\_dir so that the plots will save in the local folder Plots; if the plots.dir argument is omitted, the plots will be saved in the same working directory of the R script. We also set name.national="National" to reflect the fact that national-level datasets are provided in rows where the name.disaggregations variable has the value "National". Specifying name.national produces visualizations catered specifically to national-level analysis (instead of accommodated further disaggregation) that will be presented later in the tutorial. If name.national is not provided, those national-level visualizations are simply not produced.

```
s <- PlotSexRatios(data=ecuador_single_year_ages_combined,</pre>
                   name.disaggregations="province_name",
                   name.males="m",
                   name.females="f",
                   name.age="age",
                   name.sex="sex",
                   name.population.year1="pop1",
                   name.population.year2="pop2",
                   name.year1="year1",
                   name.month1="month1",
                   name.day1="day1",
                   name.year2="year2",
                   name.month2="month2",
                   name.day2="day2",
                   name.national="National",
                   label.subnational.level="Province",
                   plots.dir=my_plots_dir)
```

The plots of sex ratios are saved in the Plots/sub-folder we specified with the argument plots.dir=my\_plots\_dir; plots.dir is an optional argument and, if we do not specify a value for it, the plots will be saved the working directory. We also specified label.subnational.level="Province" so that the disaggregations are labeled Province instead of the less clear province\_name.

The sex ratios for all levels of subnational disaggregation are overlaid in the following "combined" plots separately for each data year.

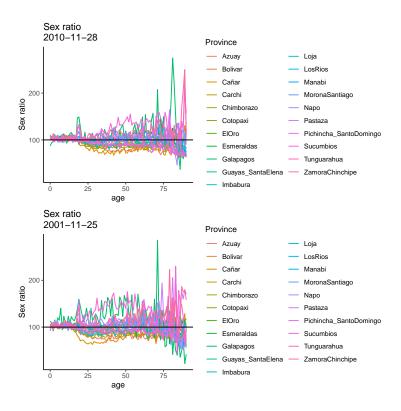


Figure 1: Sex ratios in Ecuador by province, combined plot

Additionally, the sex ratios are plotted in separate figures for each level of subnational disaggregation in the following "disaggregated" plots.

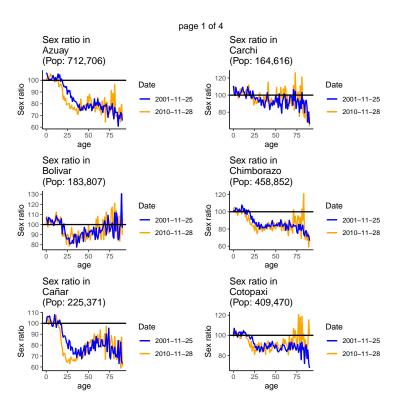


Figure 2: Sex ratios in Ecuador by province, disaggregated plots (only first page shown)

#### 3.1.2 View sex ratios in table

The object returned by PlotSexRatios() is a table that shows us the sex ratios for each combination of province, sex, and single-year age in the sex\_ratio\_1 column (for the 2001 Census) and the sex\_ratio\_2 column (for the 2010 Census).

```
s %>% select(province_name, age, pop1, pop2, sex_ratio_1, sex_ratio_2) %>%
head()
```

```
pop1 pop2 sex_ratio_1 sex_ratio_2
##
     province_name age
## 1
              Azuay
                      0 12073 13092
                                            101.7
                                                         106.4
## 2
                      1 13060 13596
                                            100.8
                                                         105.6
              Azuay
              Azuay
                                            103.9
## 3
                      2 14195 14014
                                                         102.4
                                             99.8
                                                         100.9
##
  4
              Azuay
                        14217 14124
## 5
              Azuay
                        14012 13911
                                            102.2
                                                         100.2
                                            105.6
## 6
              Azuay
                      5 12815 13736
                                                         100.8
```

#### 3.1.3 Age ratios: PlotAgeRatios()

Another step in our demographic data quality assessment is using the PlotAgeRatios() function in the SubnationalCRVS package to compute and plot age ratios within each combination of province and sex for the 2001 and 2010 data stored in ecuador\_five\_year\_ages\_combined. The arguments we provide to PlotAgeRatios() are actually identical to those we specified for PlotSexRatios(), except now we are using the tabulation with five-year age groups (ecuador\_five\_year\_ages\_combined) instead of the tabulation with single-year ages.

```
a <- PlotAgeRatios(data=ecuador_five_year_ages_combined,
              name.disaggregations="province_name",
              name.males="m",
              name.females="f",
              name.age="age",
              name.sex="sex",
              name.population.year1="pop1",
              name.population.year2="pop2",
              name.year1="year1",
              name.month1="month1",
              name.day1="day1",
              name.year2="year2",
              name.month2="month2",
              name.day2="day2",
              label.subnational.level="Province",
              name.national="National",
              plots.dir=my_plots_dir)
```

#### 3.1.4 View age ratios in combined plot

The following "combined" plots, saved in the Plots/ folder, show the age ratios for all levels of subnational disaggregation, separately for males and females in each data year.

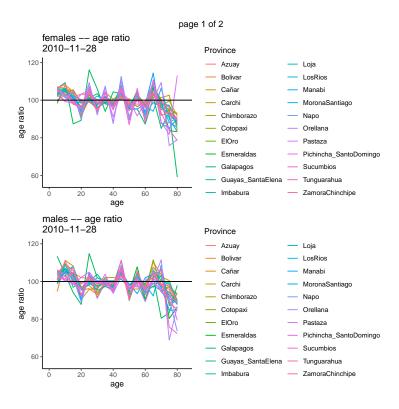


Figure 3: Age ratios in Ecuador by province, combined plot

In addition, PlotAgeRatios() also creates the following "disaggregated" plots, saved in the Plots/ folder, where the age ratios for each level of disaggregation are shown in separate plots, with different sexes and data years overlaid within each plot.

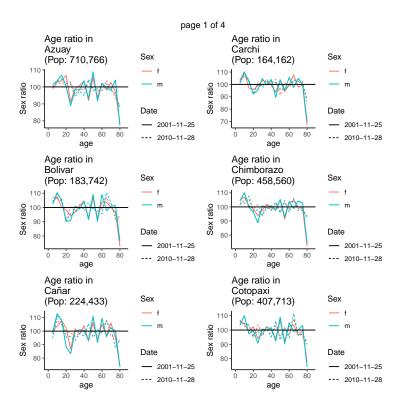


Figure 4: Age ratios in Ecuador by province, disaggregated plots (only first page shown)

Just as the PlotSexRatios() function returns a table of disaggregated sex ratios, PlotAgeRatios() returns a table of disaggregated age ratios.

```
a %>% select(province_name, age, pop1, pop2, age_ratio_1, age_ratio_2) %>%
      head()
##
     province_name age pop1 pop2 age_ratio_1 age_ratio_2
## 1
             Azuav
                      0 33491 33876
                                              NA
                                                           NA
## 2
                                            98.8
                                                        100.2
             Azuay
                      5 33817 35701
## 3
                     10 34975 37366
                                           102.9
                                                        102.5
             Azuay
## 4
                     15 34181 37215
                                           103.6
                                                        101.8
             Azuay
                                                        103.2
## 5
             Azuay
                     20 31000 35753
                                           106.9
## 6
                     25 23844 32054
                                            91.2
                                                        102.9
             Azuay
```

#### 3.1.5 Potential age heaping: PlotPotentialAgeHeaping()

To give us a sense of whether "age-heaping" is occurring within the levels of disaggregation present in our ecuador\_single\_year\_ages\_combined dataset, we turn to the PlotPotentialAgeHeaping() function and actually provide the same arguments we used in the PlotSexRatios() function.

```
name.population.year1="pop1",
name.population.year2="pop2",
name.year1="year1",
name.month1="month1",
name.day1="day1",
name.year2="year2",
name.month2="month2",
name.aday2="day2",
name.national="National",
label.subnational.level="Province",
plots.dir=my_plots_dir)
```

#### 3.1.6 View potential age heaping in combined plot

The following "combined" plots show us estimated population counts by single-year ages with different provinces represented with different overlaid colors, and separate plots for each sex and data year.

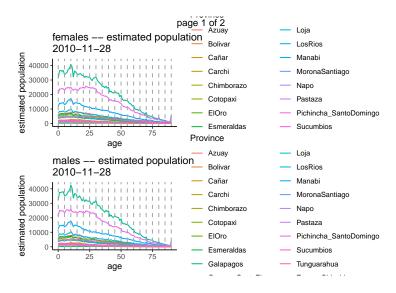


Figure 5: Population counts in Ecuador by single-year age, combined plot

PlotPotentialAgeHeaping() present separate plots of population counts for each province in Ecuador, with different sexes and data years overlaid within each plot.

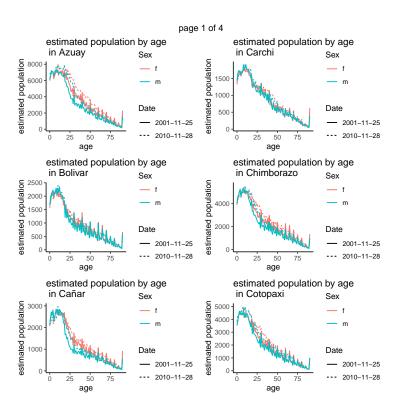


Figure 6: Population counts in Ecuador by single-year age, disaggregated plots

#### 3.1.7 Age heaping indices: PlotAgeHeapingScores()

As a more concise summary of potential age-heaping suggested by the visualizations from PlotPotentialAgeHeaping, we now use the PlotAgeHeapingScores function with the same arguments we provided to the PlotAgeRatios function.

```
ageheaping <- PlotAgeHeapingScores(data=ecuador_single_year_ages_combined,
                                       name.disaggregations="province_name",
                                       name.males="m"
                                       name.females="f",
                                       name.age="age".
                                       name.sex="sex",
                                       name.population.year1="pop1",
                                       name.population.year2="pop2",
                                       name.year1="year1",
                                       name.month1="month1",
                                       name.day1="day1",
                                       name.year2="year2",
                                       name.month2="month2",
                                       name.day2="day2",
                                       name.national="National",
                                       label.subnational.level="Province",
                                       plots.dir=my_plots_dir)
```

One set of plots returned by PlotAgeHeapingScores() shows the values of three age-heaping indices within each combination of province, sex, and data year: Roughness, Whipple, and Myers. The indices are com-

puted with the check\_heaping\_roughness(), check\_heaping\_Whipple(), and check\_heaping\_myers() functions, respectively, from the DemoTools package (Riffe et al. 2019).

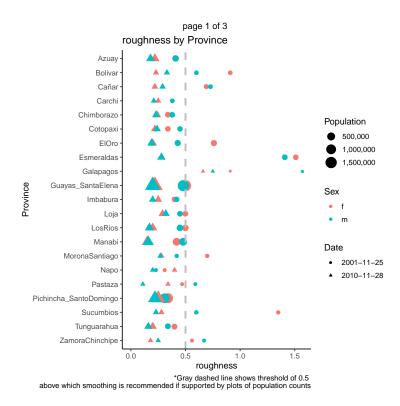


Figure 7: Roughness, Whipple, and Myers indices in Ecuador by province (only first page shown)

Further, PlotAgeHeapingScores() also creates plots showing the Noumbissi index in each province computed for each terminal digit from 0-9, using the check\_heaping\_Noumbissi() function from the DemoTools package (Riffe et al. 2019).

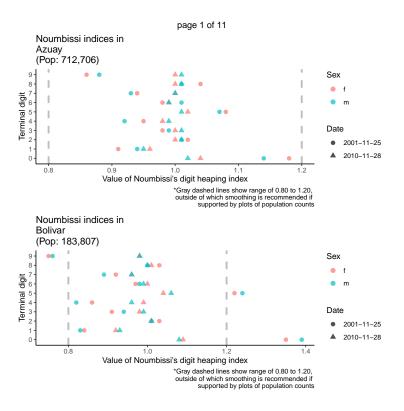


Figure 8: Noumbissi indices in Ecuador by province (only first page shown)

We can also view the age-heaping indices in the table returned by PlotAgeHeapingScores()

### head(ageheaping)

##		province_name	date	total_pop	sex	roughness	Whipple	Myers	Noumbissi_0
##	1	Azuay	2001-11-25	319983	f	0.41	1.18	4.21	1.18
##	2	Bolivar	2001-11-25	86256	f	0.91	1.37	7.39	1.35
##	3	Cañar	2001-11-25	112041	f	0.69	1.22	4.89	1.22
##	4	Carchi	2001-11-25	77172	f	0.38	1.18	3.75	1.15
##	5	Chimborazo	2001-11-25	213106	f	0.34	1.25	5.44	1.23
##	6	Cotopaxi	2001-11-25	180328	f	0.34	1.27	5.99	1.25
##		Noumbissi_1 No	oumbissi_2 N	Noumbissi_3	No	umbissi_4 N	Voumbissi	5 Noı	ımbissi_6
##	1	0.91	1.02	0.98	3	0.95	1.	80	0.98
##	2	0.84	1.03	0.91		0.86	1.	22	0.97
##	3	0.90	1.02	0.98	3	0.91	1.	11	0.98
##	4	0.91	1.05	0.96	;	0.92	1.	11	0.98
##	5	0.88	1.01	0.97	•	0.89	1.	12	0.98
##	6	0.88	1.02	0.95	,	0.90	1.	18	0.98
##	## Noumbissi_7 Noumbissi_8 Noumbissi_9								
##	1	0.94	1.04	0.86	;				
##	2	0.92	1.03	0.75	,				
##	3	0.95	1.03	0.80	)				
##	4	0.96	1.04	0.86	;				
##	5	0.94	1.05	0.82	?				
##	6	0.91	1.06	0.80	)				

### 3.2 DDM Estimation of Death Registration Completeness

The structure of the ecuador\_five\_year\_ages dataset is inspired by the requirements for the ddm() function from the DDM package (Riffe, Lima, and Queiroz 2017), which uses established Death Distribution Methods (DDM) to estimate death registration completeness for adults (aged 15+) between two consecutive Censuses. Essentially, the SubnationalCRVS package offers its EstimateDDM() function only as a convenient wrapper to DDM::ddm() to perform DDM estimation of death registration completeness using the same pipeline used to perform the DDQA.

#### 3.2.1 Compute DDM estimates: EstimateDDM()

```
ddm_results <- EstimateDDM(data=ecuador_five_year_ages_combined,</pre>
            name.disaggregations="province_name",
            name.age="age",
            name.sex="sex".
            name.males="m"
            name.females="f".
            name.year1="year1",
            name.month1="month1",
            name.day1="day1",
            name.year2="year2"
            name.month2="month2",
            name.day2="day2",
            name.population.year1="pop1",
            name.population.year2="pop2",
            name.national="National",
            name.deaths="deaths",
            deaths.summed=TRUE)
```

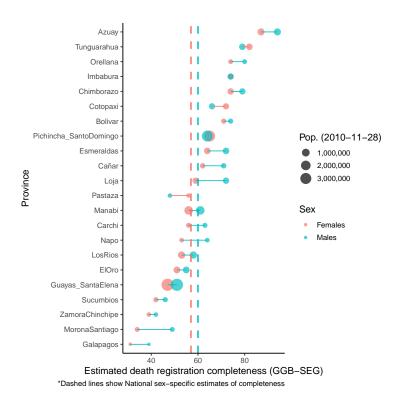
#### ## [1] "performing GGB-SEG estimation within each of 20 possible age ranges..."

We note EstimateDDM() uses exactly the same arguments as PlotAgeRatios(), for example, from the DDQA with two additional required arguments:

- name.deaths, which provides the name of the variable representing the count of registered deaths between the two dates represented in name.date1 and name.date2
- deaths.summed, which should be set to TRUE when the name.deaths variable represents the total number of registered deaths name.date1 and name.date2 and set to FALSE when the name.deaths variable represents the average number of registered deaths between the two dates.

#### 3.2.2 Plot DDM estimates: PlotDDM()

We can plot the estimated adult death registration completeness (using the "hybrid" GGB-SEG method) with the PlotDDM function:



 $Figure \ 9: \ Point \ estimates \ of \ death \ registration \ completeness \ in \ Ecuador \ from \ 2001-2010, \ using \ the \ GGB-SEG \ method$ 

The EstimateDDM function also returns a list, in which the ddm\_estimates object contains the estimated death registration completeness with the GGB-SEG approach

```
head(ddm_results$ggbseg_estimates)
```

##		cod	sex	ggbseg	<pre>lower_age_range</pre>	upper_age_range	total_pop1	total_pop2
##	1	Azuay	${\tt Females}$	0.87	15	50	599313	710766
##	2	Azuay	Males	0.94	15	50	599313	710766
##	3	Bolivar	Females	0.71	15	65	170696	183742
##	4	${\tt Bolivar}$	Males	0.74	15	65	170696	183742
##	5	Cañar	Females	0.62	15	65	206346	224433
##	6	Cañar	Males	0.71	15	65	206346	224433

Additionally, PlotDDM presents a visualization

of the point estimates of completeness and the corresponding root mean squared errors (RMSEs) for each of the permitted values of the age range that is selected DDM::ddm() as part of its fitting procedure.

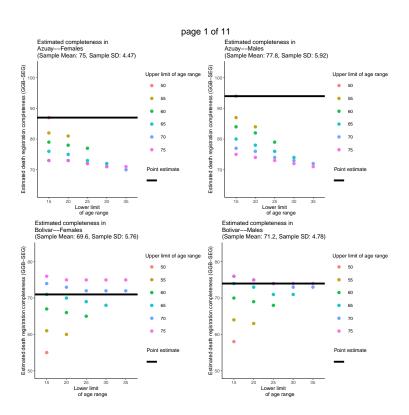


Figure 10: Sensitivity of point estimates of death registration completeness in Ecuador from 2001-2010 to choice of age-range parameter in the GGB-SEG method

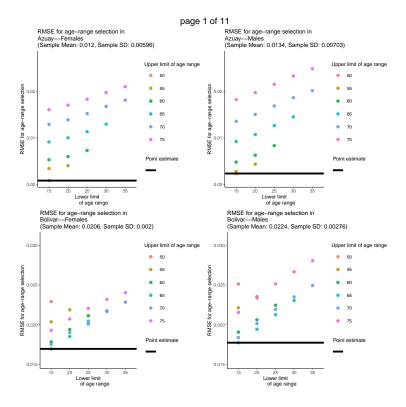


Figure 11: Sensitivity of point estimates of death registration completeness in Ecuador from 2001-2010 to choice of age-range parameter in the GGB-SEG method

The sensitivity estimates are also returned in table by EstimateDDM, in the sensitivity\_ddm\_estimates element of its list.

```
head(ddm_results$sensitivity_ggbseg_estimates, n=5)
##
       cod
                sex ggbseg lower_age_range upper_age_range total_pop1 total_pop2
## 1 Azuay Females
                      0.87
                                         15
                                                          50
                                                                  599313
                                                                              710766
## 2 Azuay Females
                      0.82
                                                                  599313
                                                                              710766
                                         15
                                                          55
## 3 Azuay Females
                      0.81
                                         20
                                                          55
                                                                  599313
                                                                              710766
## 4 Azuay Females
                      0.79
                                         15
                                                          60
                                                                  599313
                                                                              710766
## 5 Azuay Females
                      0.78
                                         20
                                                          60
                                                                  599313
                                                                              710766
##
          RMSE
## 1 0.0008509
## 2 0.0034260
## 3 0.0040540
## 4 0.0053210
## 5 0.0060060
```

# 4 Example of National Analysis: Ecuador

As discussed, specifying the argument name.national="National" during the previous DDQA and estimation of death registration completeness permitted SubnationalCRVS to save plots specifically designed to display national-level (as opposed to subnational-level) visualizations. These

national-level plots are can also be produced by specifying a national-level-only dataset, for example ecuador\_five\_year\_ages\_national (shown below), as long as the corresponding name.national argument is also specified (e.g. name.national="National" here)

```
head(ecuador_five_year_ages_national)
```

```
##
                                      pop2 deaths year1 month1 day1 year2 month2
     province_name sex age
                              pop1
## 1
          National
                      m
                          0 678280 743576
                                            22338
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                       2010
                                                                                 11
## 2
          National
                                              4290
                                                    2001
                                                                   25
                                                                       2010
                         10 679067 782559
                                                              11
                                                                                 11
                      m
## 3
          National
                         15 616725 712878
                                             8293
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                       2010
                                                                                 11
                      m
## 4
          National
                         20 569964 638042
                                             13412
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                       2010
                                                                                 11
                      m
                                                                       2010
## 5
          National
                         25 456230 585652
                                             13301
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                                 11
                      m
                         30 422307 519493
                                                                       2010
## 6
          National
                      m
                                            11811
                                                    2001
                                                              11
                                                                   25
                                                                                 11
##
     day2
## 1
       28
## 2
       28
## 3
       28
## 4
       28
## 5
       28
## 6
       28
```

#### tail(ecuador\_five\_year\_ages\_national)

```
##
      province_name sex age
                                pop1
                                        pop2 deaths year1 month1 day1 year2 month2
## 31
           National
                       f
                           60 149508 203789
                                              12500
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                     25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
## 32
                           65 126310 166559
                                              14635
                                                                     25
                                                                          2010
           National
                        f
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                                    11
                                                                          2010
## 33
           National
                       f
                           70
                               99469 123647
                                              18139
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                     25
                                                                                    11
## 34
           National
                       f
                           75
                               73819
                                       86449
                                              21616
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                     25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
## 35
           National
                       f
                           80
                               52335
                                       62304
                                              23629
                                                      2001
                                                                     25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
                                                                11
## 36
           National
                       f
                           85
                               72515
                                       55087
                                              52329
                                                      2001
                                                                11
                                                                      25
                                                                          2010
                                                                                    11
##
      day2
## 31
        28
        28
## 32
## 33
        28
        28
## 34
## 35
        28
## 36
        28
```

#### 4.1 Plot of sex ratios

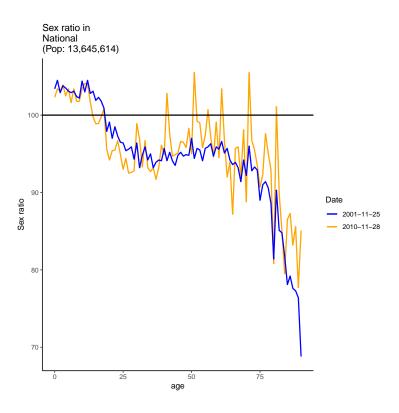


Figure 12: Sex ratios in Ecuador

# 4.2 Plot of age ratios

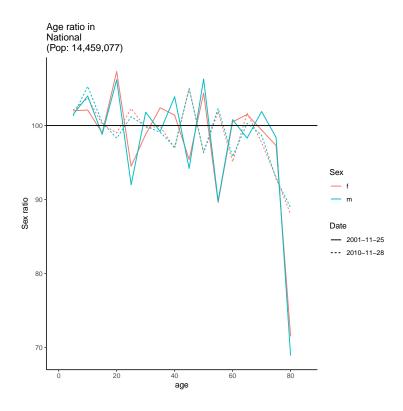


Figure 13: Age ratios in Ecuador

## 4.3 Plots related to age heaping

## 4.3.1 Plot of potential age heaping

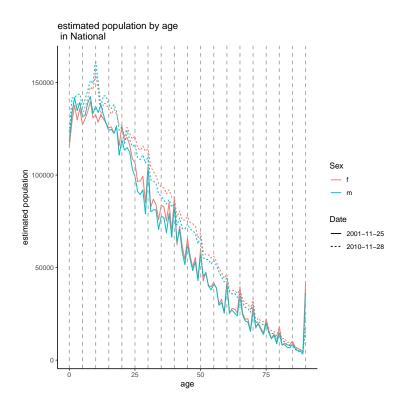


Figure 14: Population counts in Ecuador by single-year age

## 4.3.2 Plot of age heaping indices

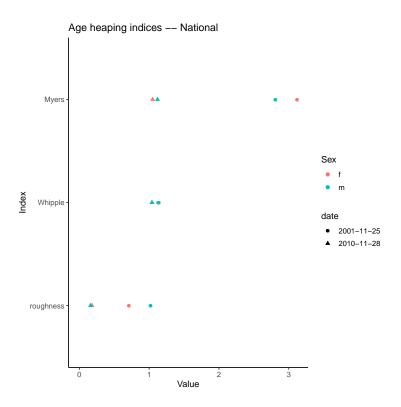


Figure 15: Roughness, Whipple, and Myers indices in Ecuador

### 4.3.3 Plot of Noumbissi indices

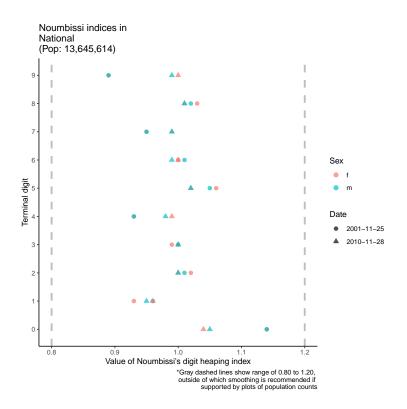


Figure 16: Noumbissi indices in Ecuador

## 4.4 Plot of DDM estimates

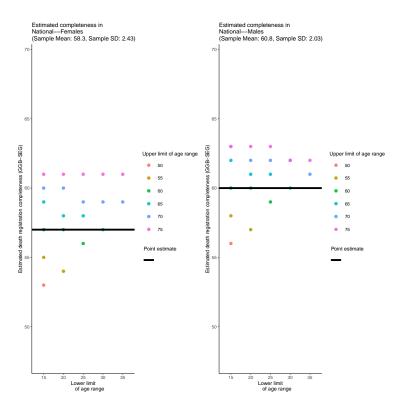


Figure 17: Sensitivity of point estimates of death registration completeness in Ecuador from 2001-2010 to choice of age-range parameter in the GGB-SEG method

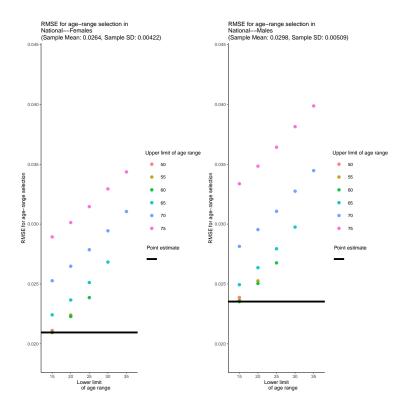


Figure 18: Sensitivity of point estimates of death registration completeness in Ecuador from 2001-2010 to choice of age-range parameter in the GGB-SEG method

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