

Maternal Deaths in Kenya



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Maternal Deaths



Definition



Death of a woman while pregnant or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy (WHO, 2019)



Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR)



Number of maternal deaths during a given time period per 100,000 live births (UNICEF, 2017)

What is the Rate?

Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) in Kenya is still high, though it fell from 717 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1996 to 510 deaths per 100,000 live births in 2015.

Global rate was 216 deaths per 100,000 live births in 2015.

Causes



73%- Direct
obstetric causes



27.5%- Indirect
causes



27.1%-
Hemorrhage



14.0%-
Hypertensive
disorders



10.7% - Sepsis



7.9% - Abortion



3.2% - Embolism

Inequalities?

Inequalities in maternal health indicators across socio-demographic characteristics in high priority counties, most in the distribution of delivery care and antenatal care, fertility risk and postnatal care.

These disparities result due to the level of education, wealth and urban-rural residence (Mbugua, et al., 2018).

The Situation in Kenya



Higher rate in poorer areas



Mandera County in the North Eastern Province accounts over 60% of maternal deaths in Kenya, that is, 3,795 deaths per 100,000 live births which is the highest in the country.



Nairobi has the lowest rate of 212 deaths per 100,000 live births

Indicators



Poverty



Proximity of
healthcare
facilities



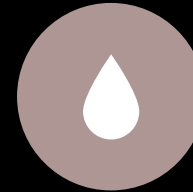
Condition of roads



Health care
spending on bed
nets and illness



Nature of
hospitals



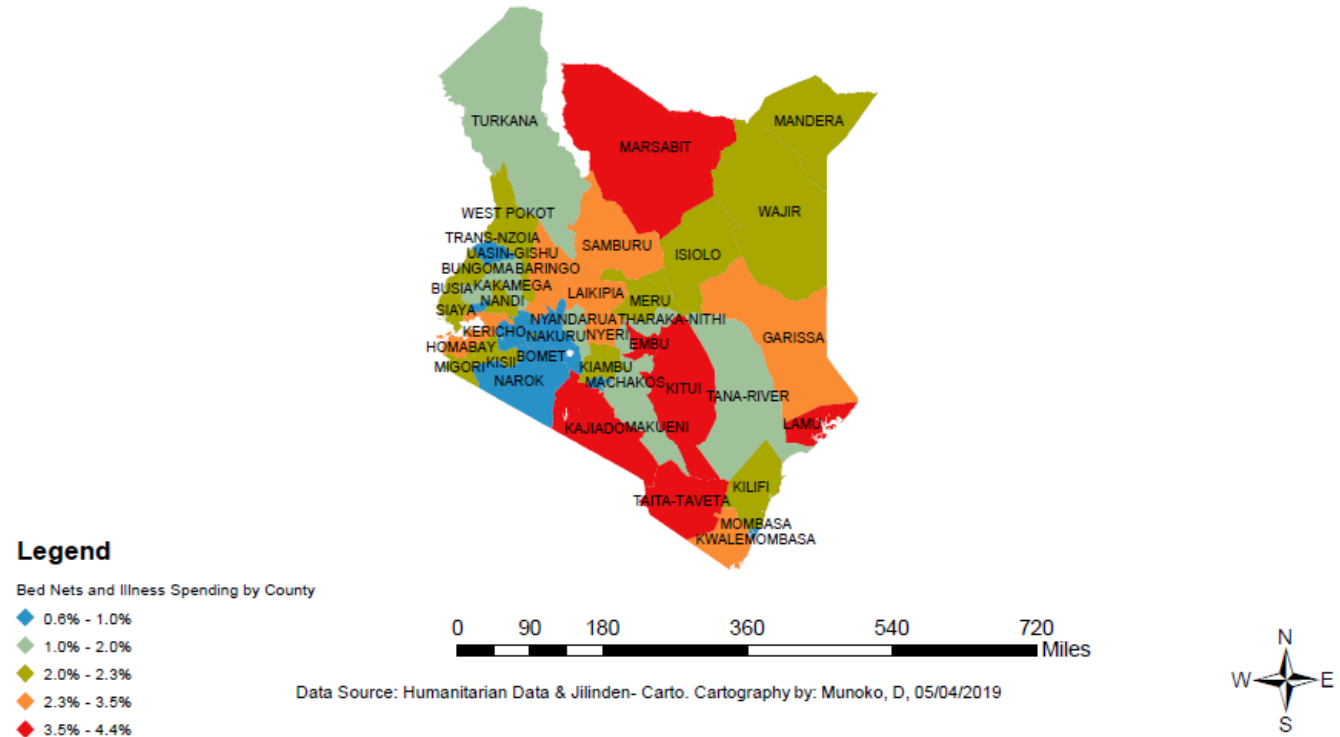
Availability of
water



Distribution of
urban places

Healthcare Spending

Bed Nets and Illness Spending by County in Kenya, 2017



Fully Operational Healthcare Facilities

Map Showing Fully Operational Health Centres in Kenya in 2019

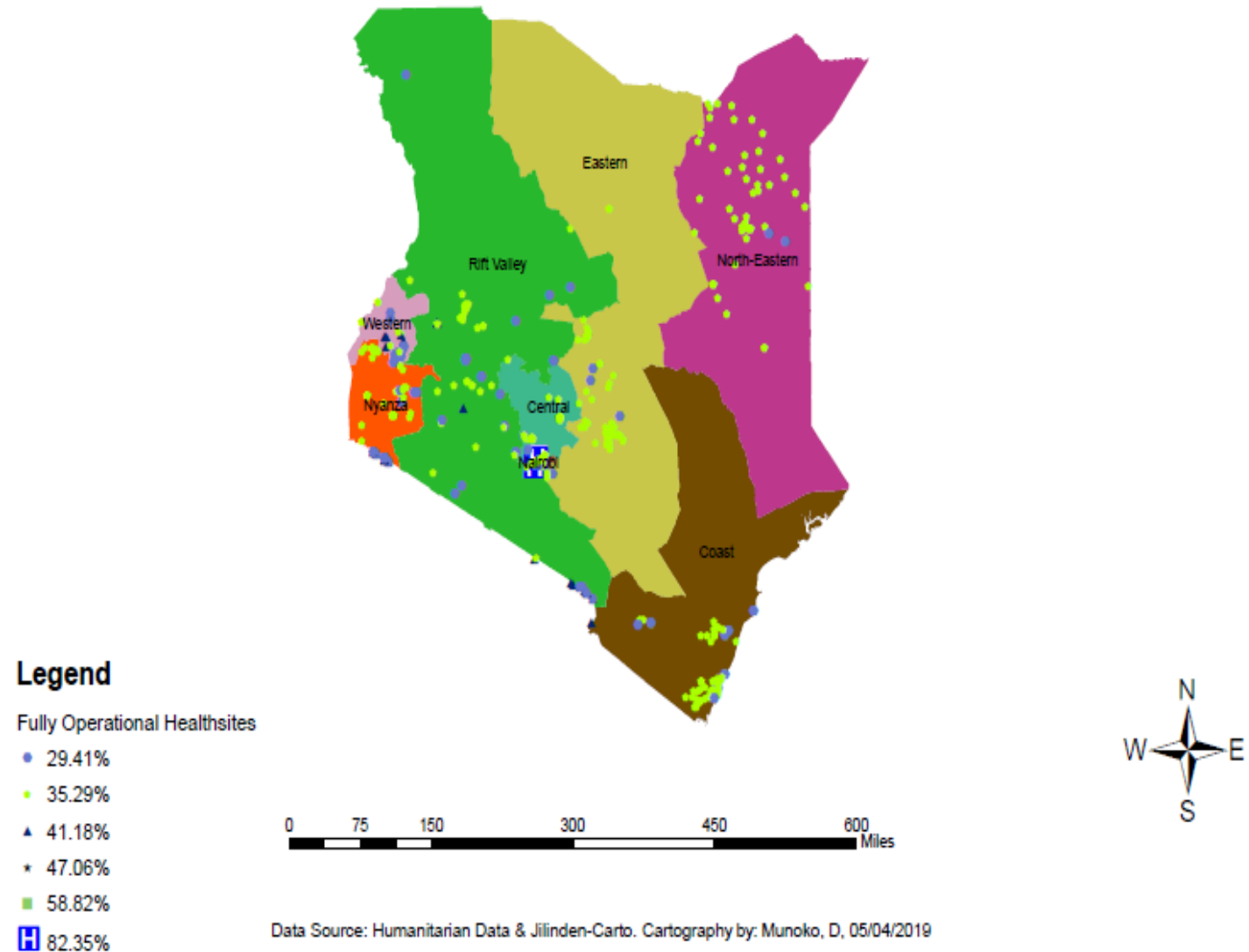
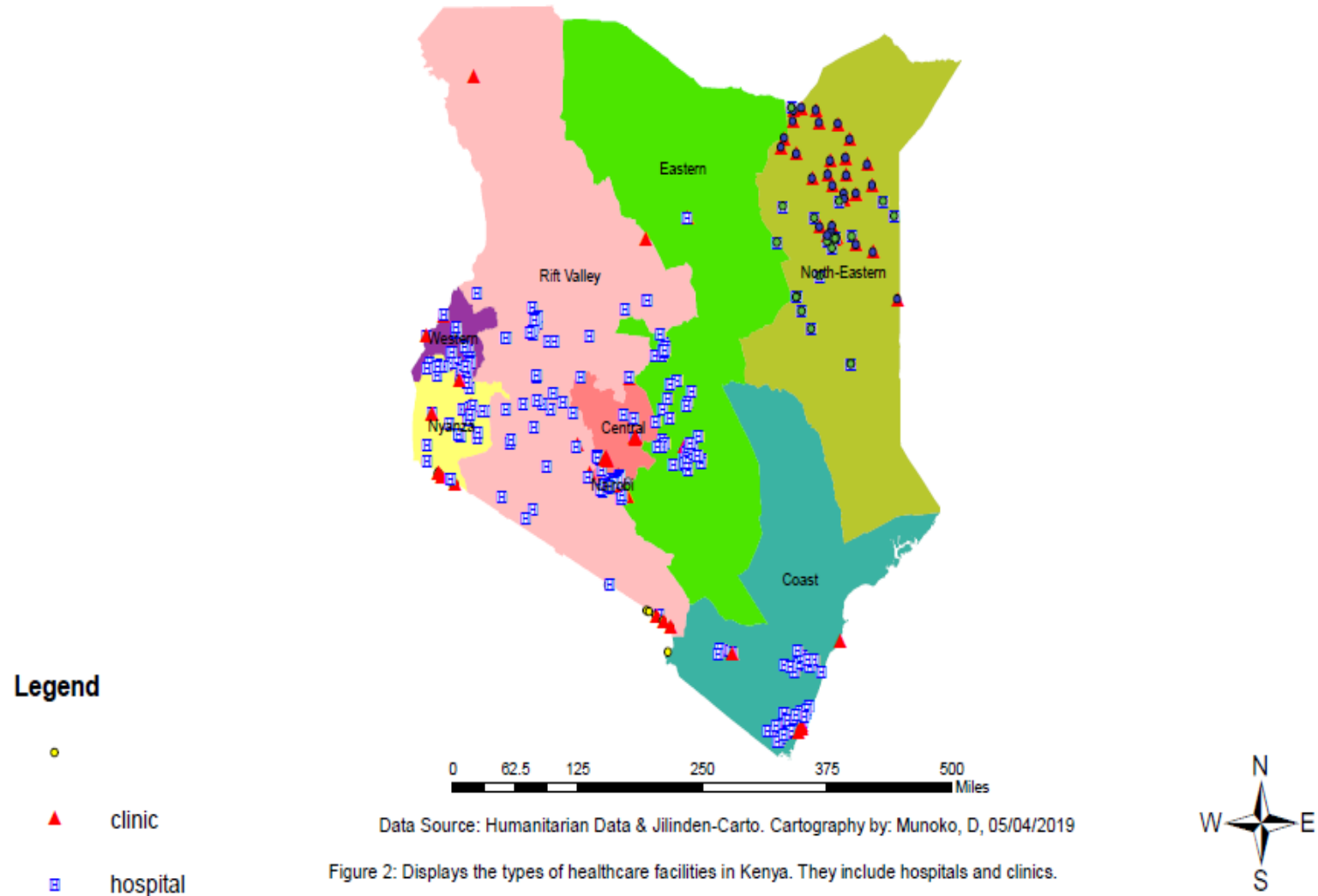


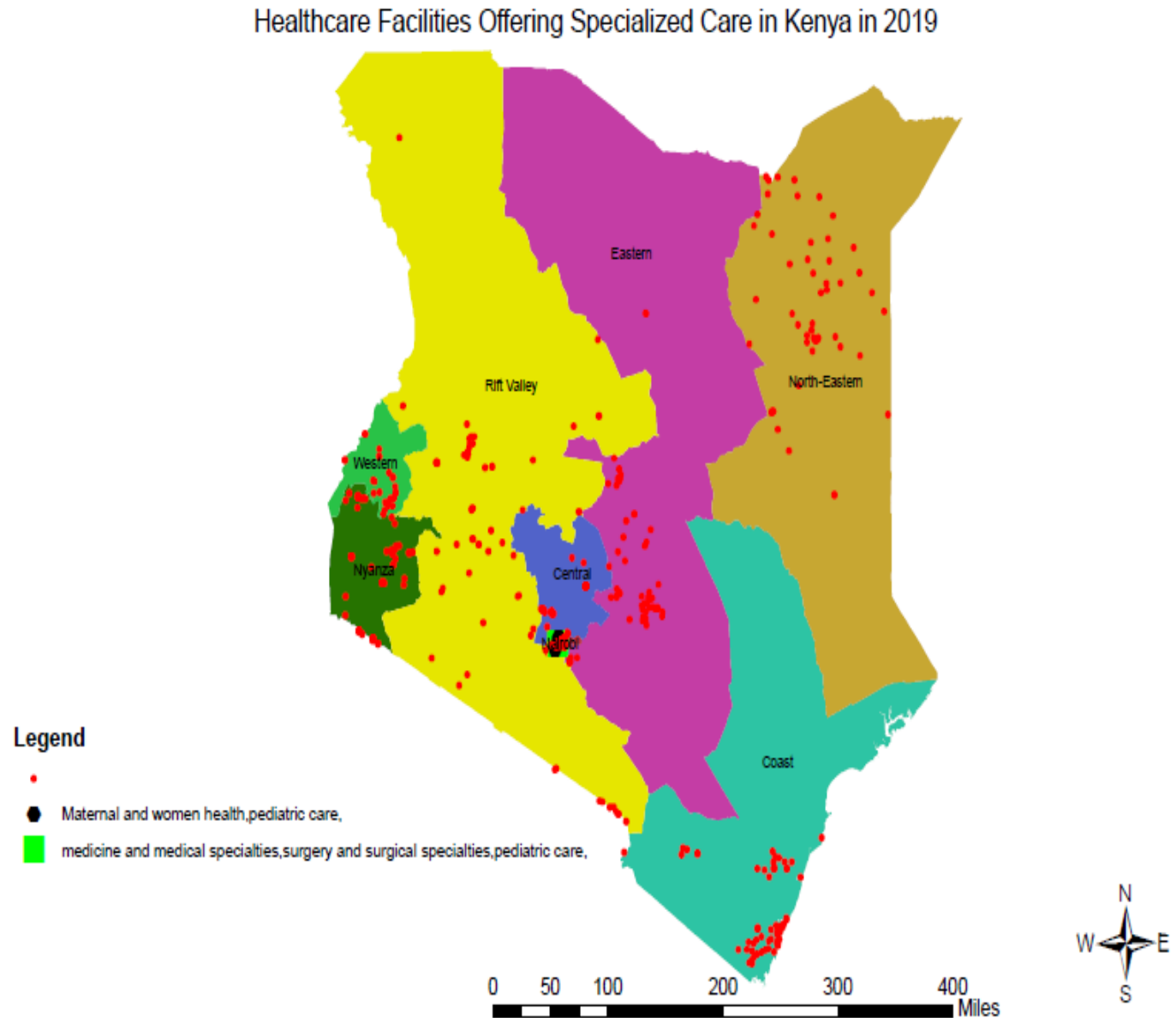
Figure 1: Shows distribution of hospitals in Kenya that are fully equipped to offer healthcare services. Nairobi Province has the highest percent of 82.35%.

Types of Healthcare Facilities

Map Showing Types of Healthcare Facilities in Kenya, 2019



Specialized Care



Data Source: Humanitarian Data and Jilinden- Carto. Cartography by: Munoko, D, 05/04/2019

Figure 3: Shows distribution of hospitals in Kenya that specialize in maternal and women health and healthcare facilities that offer specialized care.

Population Distribution

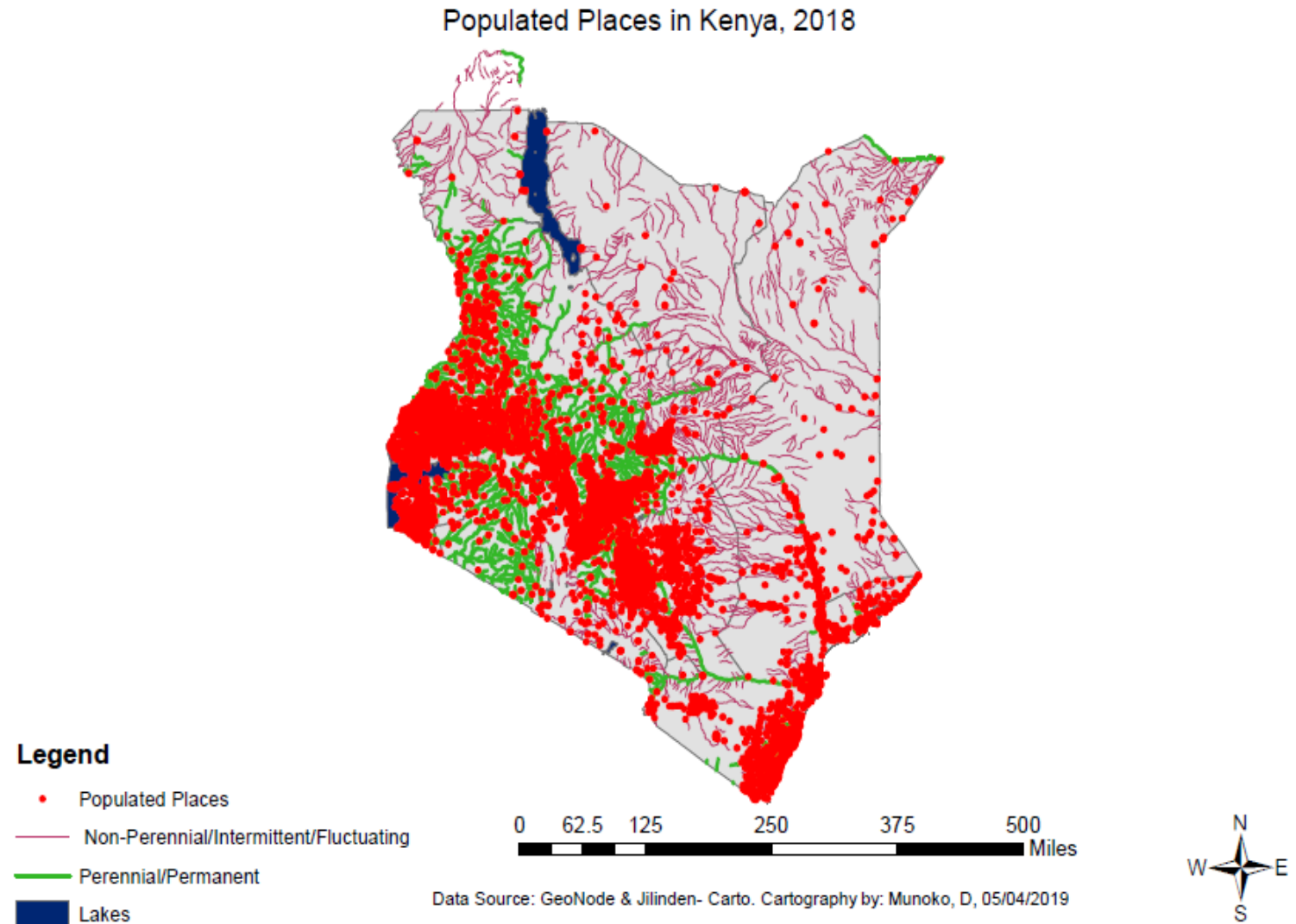
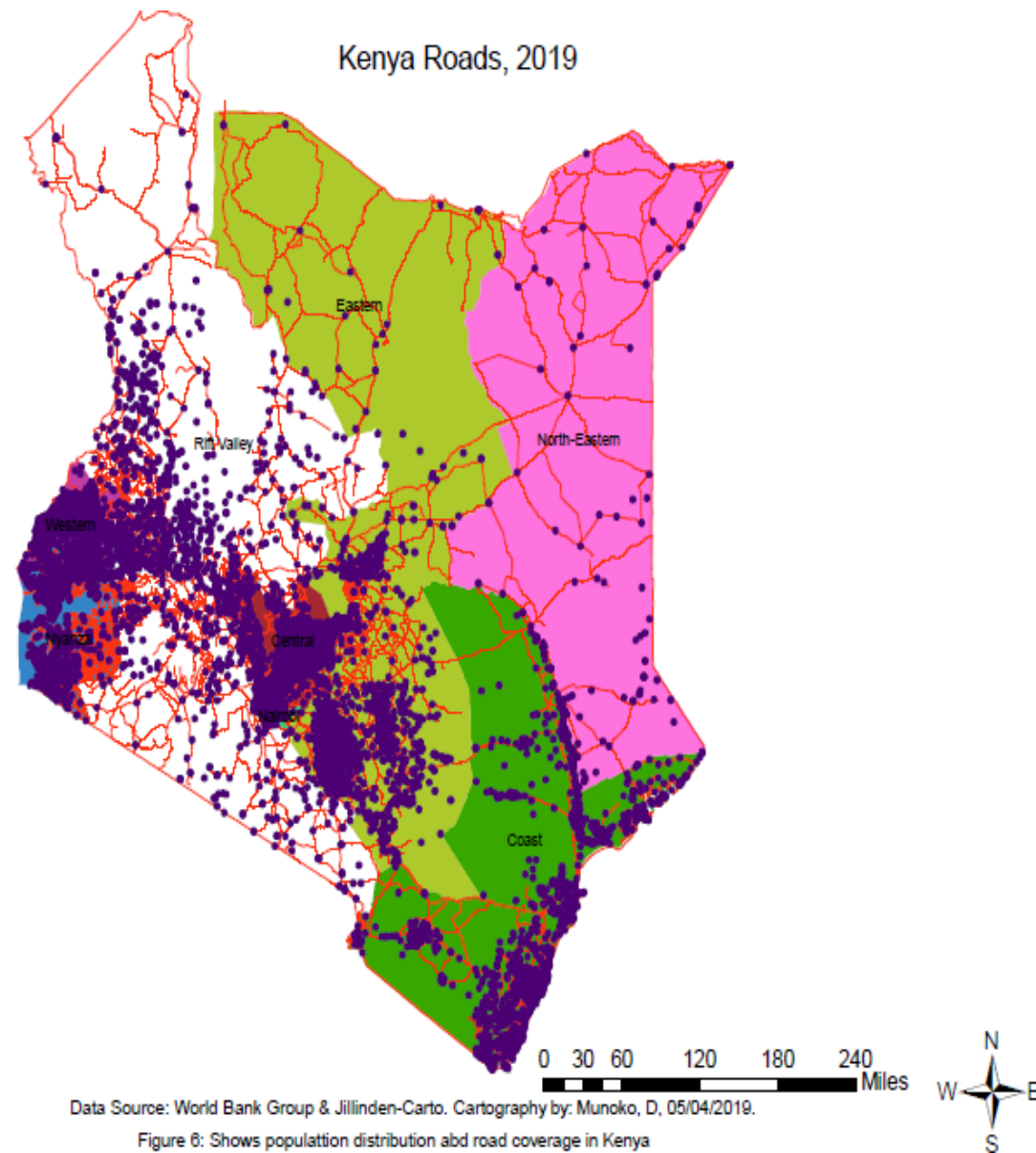


Figure 5: Shows dense population near permanent water bodies and sparse population in areas with fluctuating and non-perennial waterbodies.

Kenya Roads

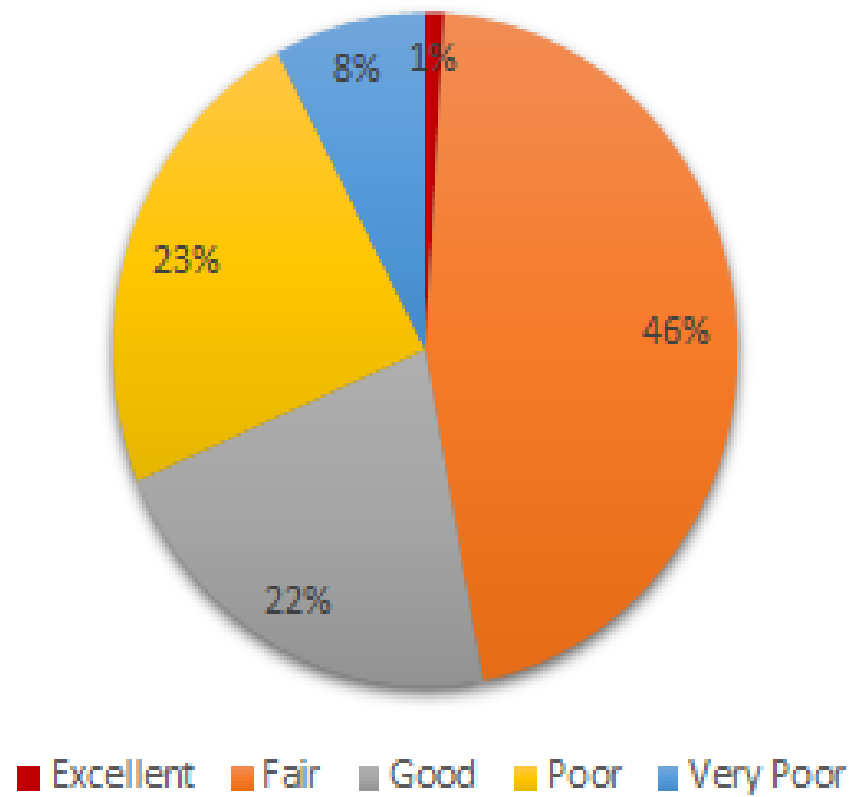
Legend

- Populated Places
- Kenya Roads



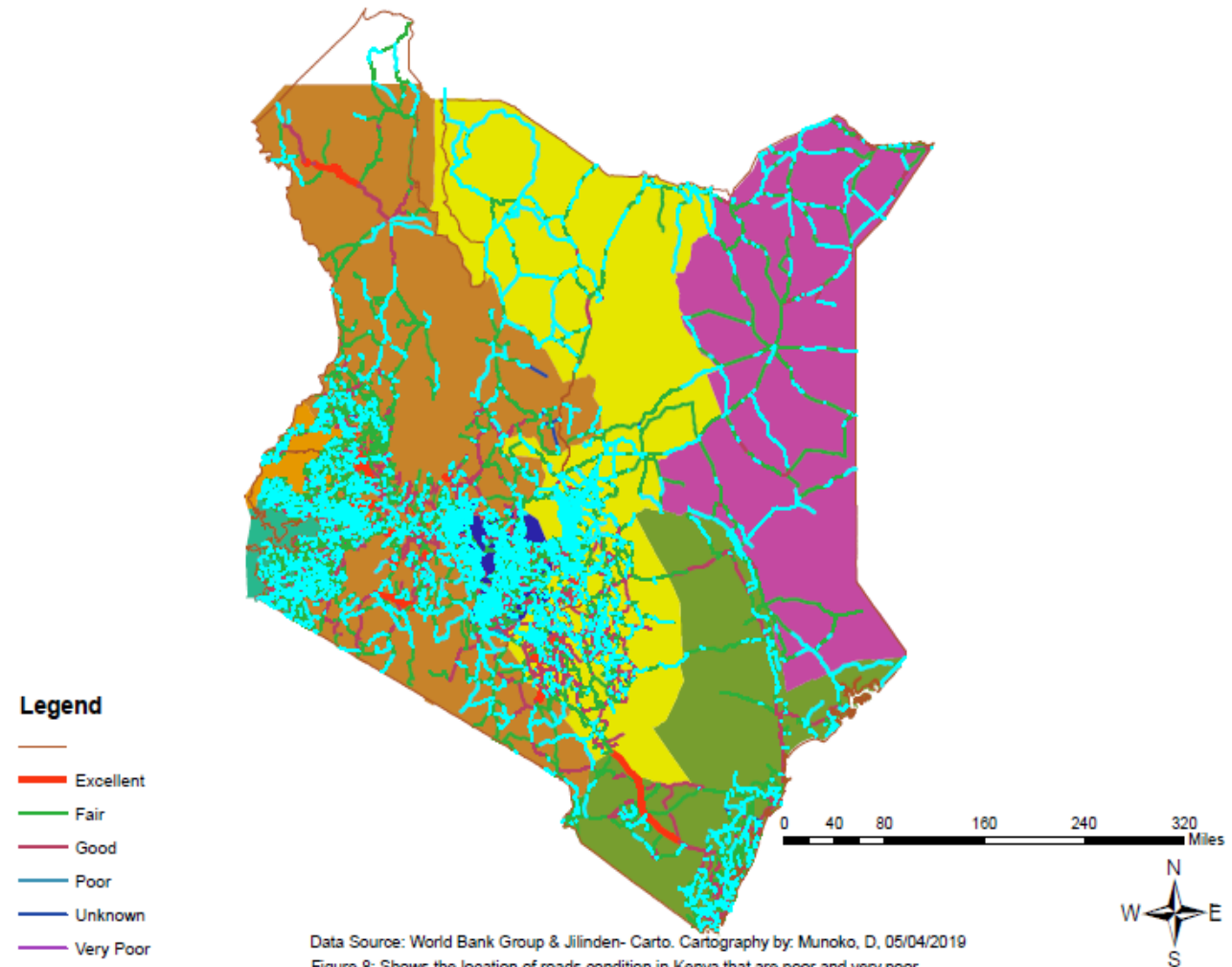
Road Condition

Percentage of Road Condition in Kenya



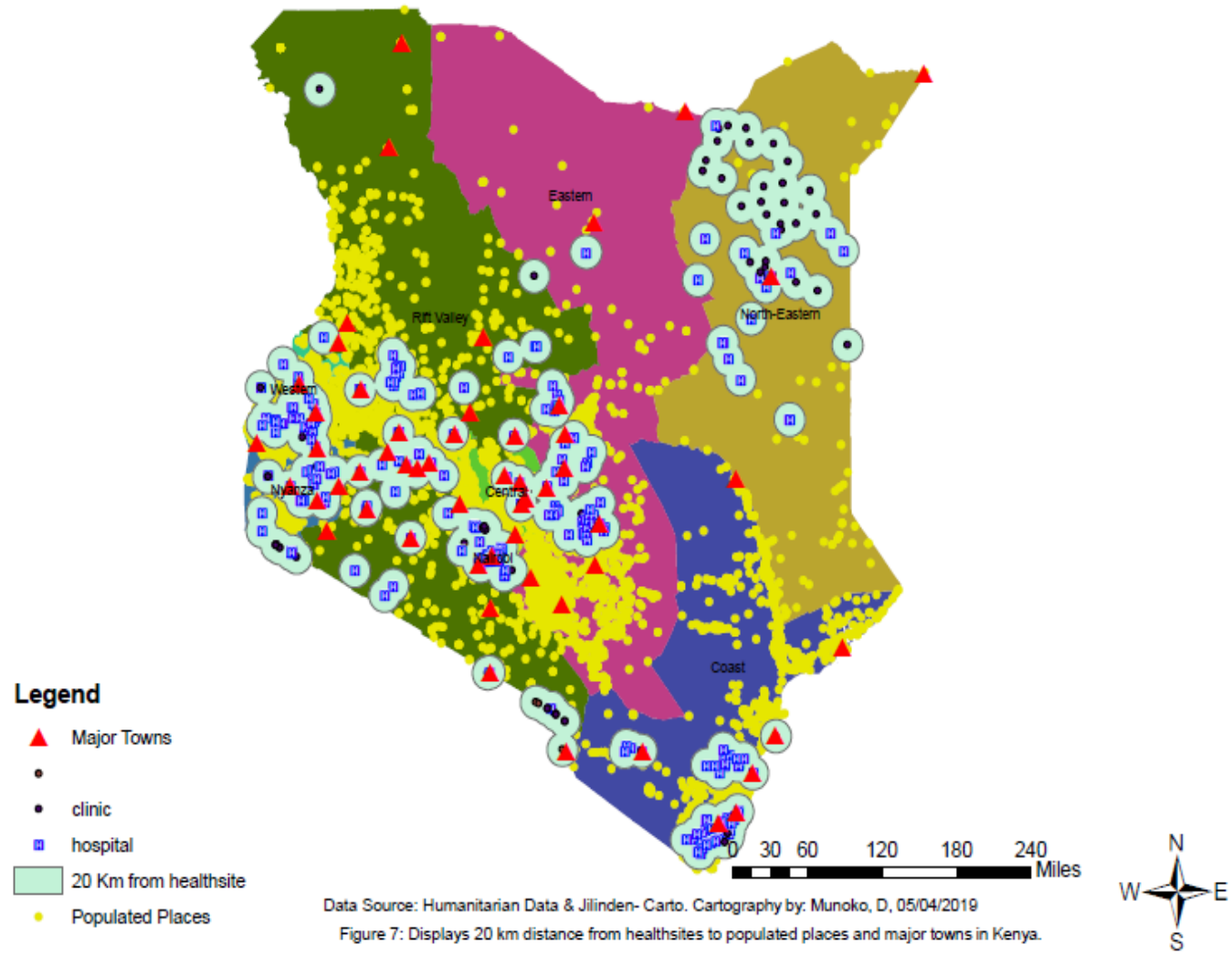
Poor and Very Poor Roads Location

Location of Poor and Very Poor Roads in Kenya, 2019



Wealth Distribution

Distance From Healthsites, Populated Places and Major Towns, 2018



Recommendation



Improve
infrastructure



Improve condition
of healthcare
facilities



Increase the
number of
healthcare sites



Deploy more
health workers



Increase
healthcare
funding



Accessibility to
water



Equal distribution
of wealth



Thank You

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