

Age at Diagnosis and Diabetes Free Life Expectancy by Gender in Kerala: Evidence from LASI

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Abstract

Kerala known as diabetes capital of India. This study attempts to determine the prevalence and age at diagnosis of diabetes and diabetes free life expectancy in Kerala based on the data from the wave 1 of the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India conducted during 2017-18. The life table was constructed based on data from the Sample Registration System (SRS) matching the survey period. Sullivan method was applied to estimate diabetes-free life expectancy in the context of the study. The self-reported prevalence of diabetes in Kerala the highest among states and Union Territories of the country. The study reveals gender differentials in the age at the diagnosis of diabetes. The study reveals that a substantial proportion of older individuals spend a significant amount of their lives with diabetes. For the next decades, the impact of diabetes on healthy life expectancy is likely to rise unless preventive measures are taken.

Introduction

Kerala has entered an advanced stage of demographic and epidemiological transition which marks significant evolution of the population dynamics and disease pattern in the state. An implication of this transition is the aging of the population, increase in the prevalence of non-communicable diseases, and rising morbidity rates. The rapid increase in the proportion of the old age population in the state has emerged as a prominent concern from the public health perspective. The rapid increase in the old population of the state has resulted in marked changes in the disease profile and causes of death pattern with a marked increase in the prevalence of non-communicable diseases (NCDs). For example, a study carried out by the Indian Council of Medical Research estimated in the year 2011 that around 24 per cent population of the state had diabetes and this proportion is one of the highest in the country (Anjana et al, 2011). The latest round of the National Family Health Survey, 2019-2021 estimates that around 25 per cent of women aged 15 years and above and around 27 per cent of men aged 15 years and above in the state were diabetic - having a random blood glucose level of more than 140 mg/dl or were taking medicines to control blood glucose level at the time of the survey (Government of India, 2020a). The survey has

also revealed that this proportion varies widely across the districts of the state. The prevalence of diabetes in males has been found to be the highest in district Thiruvananthapuram but the lowest in district Kasaragod whereas the prevalence of diabetes in females has been found to be the highest in Pathanamthitta but the lowest in district Kasaragod. There is no district in the state where the proportion of men or women aged at least 15 years who were diabetic at the time of the survey was less than 20 per cent (Government of India, 2020b).

Diabetes is a metabolic condition that is marked by elevated blood glucose level. The elevated blood glucose level damages vital and other organs in the human body, potentially leading to increased mortality and other health problems (WHO, 2016). Diabetes affects people all over the world. In most of the high-income countries, it is either the fourth or the fifth leading cause of death, and there is strong evidence that it has become an epidemic in the newly developed and economically developing countries. According to the World Health Organization, the number of people living with diabetes increased from 200 million in 1990 to 830 million in 2022 and the prevalence of the disease is rising more rapidly in low- and middle-income countries than in high-income countries. In 2021, diabetes was the direct cause of 1.6 million deaths and 47 per cent of all deaths due to diabetes occurred before the age of 70 years. Another 530 000 kidney disease deaths were caused by diabetes, and high blood glucose caused around 11 per cent of cardiovascular deaths (Global Burden of Disease Collaborative Network, 2024).

Diabetes is acknowledged as a significant contributor to premature mortality and disability. Studies show that the life expectancy in population with diabetes is lower than the life expectancy in population without diabetes and the difference increases with age (Sikdar, 2010; Bardenheier, 2016). Moreover, studies also highlight an increase in the duration of morbidity associated with the disease (Muschik, 2017). Diabetes has a negative impact on the quality of life of an individual also. It places significant financial burden on the individual, the family, and the society.

There are studies in India which have analysed the impact of diabetes on life expectancy in India and in other countries (Andrade, 2009; Sharma et al, 2024; Luhar et al, 2021; Emerging Risk Factors Collaboration, 2023; Alam and Sheoti, 2024; Khyati et al, 2021). A study based on a survey carried out in 2004 in Kerala had estimated that diabetes-free life expectancy of males and females were 67.8 and 74.1 years, respectively (Krishnakumar et al, 2025). This study has also found statistically significant differences between males and females in the diabetes-free life expectancy in all ages except 85 years and over. Another finding of the study is that males and females of the state lived with diabetes, on average, 3.6 years, and 4.3 years, respectively their lifetime.

This paper has two objectives. The first is to estimate the prevalence of self-reported diabetes and age of diagnosis of diabetes in population aged at least 45 years in the state while the second objective is to estimate the diabetes free life expectancy. The comparison between the overall life expectancy and the diabetes free life expectancy sheds light on the specific impact of diabetes on longevity and quality of life in Kerala. The analysis has been carried out separately for males and females to highlight, if any, the differential impact of diabetes on the lifespan of men and women.

Data and Methods

The study is based on the data available from the first wave of the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI) which was conducted in 2017-2018 (Government of India, 2020c). LASI is a nationally representative household survey that covers all states and Union Territories of India with the objective of investigating health, economic, and social determinants and consequences of population ageing in India. Households with at least one member aged 45 and above are taken as the eventual observation unit in LASI. The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) provided the essential guidance and approval for data collection. Written informed consent was obtained from each household and every eligible individual. The data available from LASI provide valuable insights into the prevalence and burden of chronic diseases in India. At the national level, the first wave of LASI covered a sample of 72,250 individuals aged 45 years and above and their spouses, irrespective of the age of the spouse. In Kerala, 2497 individuals aged 45 years were covered under the first wave of LASI. During the survey, all respondents were asked “Has any health professional ever diagnosed you with diabetes or high blood sugar.” The response to the question was coded either “Yes” or “No” and all respondents whose response was “Yes” to the question were classified as having diabetes. The blood glucose level of the respondents was also measured during the survey. However, the present study is based on the response given by the respondents only. The prevalence of diabetes presented here, therefore, is the self-reported prevalence of diabetes. Moreover, the age when diabetes was first diagnosed was also asked from those respondents who reported to have been diagnosed for diabetes.

The Sullivan Method has been used to estimate the diabetes free life expectancy (DFLE) and diabetes life expectancy (DLE) (Sullivan, 1971). This method is the most widely used method to estimate population health indicators (Sullivan, 1971). The method involves dividing the person-years lived in an age interval into two mutually exclusive groups – one having diabetes and the other not having diabetes. The person-years lived in an age interval is obtained from the prevailing age-specific mortality rates by constructing the life table and the person-years lived in the age interval having diabetes is assumed to be proportional to the prevalence of diabetes in the age interval. Construction of the life table for the total population (diabetic and non-diabetic) is necessary for the application of the Sullivan method. The life expectancy of the total population is the sum of the life expectancy of the non-diabetic population and the life expectancy of the diabetic population. Using the standard life table notations, the life expectancy at age x in a population is given by

$$LE_x = \frac{1}{l_x} \sum_x L_x \quad (1)$$

and

$$DLE_x = \frac{1}{l_x} \sum_x p_x L_x \quad (2)$$

$$DFLE_x = \frac{1}{l_x} \sum_x (1 - p_x) L_x \quad (3)$$

The life tables for Kerala are constructed from the age-specific death rates available from the sample registration system for the year 2018 (Government of India, 2020d).

Table 1 gives the reported prevalence of diabetes in the population aged 45 years and above in the state. Among the 2497 persons aged 45 years and above covered during the first wave of LASI, 686 persons reported that they had diabetes which gives a prevalence rate of 27.5 per cent. The reported prevalence of diabetes is estimated to be 30.5 per cent for males but 25.5 per cent for females. The reported prevalence of diabetes increases with age and is found to be relatively higher in the urban areas as compared to the rural areas of the state. The level of education of the individual has not been found to be associated with the reported prevalence of diabetes as it is found to be the highest in respondents having up to primary education only. However, the reported prevalence is found to be the highest in respondents with the richest standard of living but the lowest in respondents with the poorest standard of living. The reported prevalence of diabetes has been found to be the lowest in respondents of Hindu religion but the highest in respondents of other religion – neither Hindu nor Muslim. Similarly, the reported prevalence of diabetes is found to be lowest in Scheduled Tribes respondents but the highest in respondents of social classes other than Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes, and Other Backward Classes. In general, reported prevalence of diabetes is found to be lower in females than in males but, in the Scheduled Tribes population, the reported prevalence of diabetes is found to be higher in females than in males. Similarly, the reported prevalence of diabetes is found to be higher in females than in males in population with no education and in population with the poorest standard of living. The male-female difference in the reported prevalence of diabetes varies by the background characteristics of the population.

Age at Diagnosis of Diabetes

Table 2 presents distribution of the age at diagnosis of diabetes in Kerala along with the distribution of the age at diagnosis of diabetes in India for the total population and for males and females separately based on the data available from LASI. In India, the median age at diagnosis of diabetes was 51 years for both males and females and, therefore, in the total population. In Kerala, however, the median age at diagnosis of diabetes was 53 years for males but 50 years for females. For the male and female combined population, the median age at diagnosis of diabetes was 50 years which is very close to that in India. The median age at diagnosis of diabetes in males was higher in Kerala compared to India but the median age at diagnosis in females was lower in Kerala than that in India. There is, however, big difference between India and Kerala in terms of both youngest age at diagnosis of diabetes and oldest age at diagnosis of diabetes. In India, the youngest age at diagnosis of diabetes was 6 years for both males and females compared to 26 years for both males and females in Kerala. On the other hand, the oldest age at diagnosis of diabetes was 83 years for males and 85 years for females but 77 years and 71 years respectively in Kerala.

The age at diagnosis of diabetes in Kerala has also been found to vary by the background characteristics of the respondents such as gender, place of residence, religion, social group, and the standard of living (Table 3). The median age at the diagnosis of diabetes has been found to be higher in rural respondents as compared to urban respondents. On the other hand, the median age at diagnosis has been found to be comparatively the highest in Muslim respondents but the lowest in Hindu respondents.

Among different social classes, the age at diagnosis has been found to be the highest in Scheduled Tribes respondents but the lowest in respondents belonging to Other Backward Classes. Finally, the age at diagnosis of diabetes has been found to be the lowest in respondents with the poorest and the richest standard of living as measured through the mean per capita consumption expenditure (MPCE). Among respondents with average and richer standard of living, the median age at diagnosis of diabetes has been found to be around 3 years higher than the median age at diagnosis among respondents with either the poorest or the richest standard of living index, Table 3 also shows that both minimum and maximum age at diagnosis of diabetes have also been found to vary widely across the background characteristics of the respondents. For example, although the median age at diagnosis of diabetes is found to be the same in respondents with the lowest and the highest standard of living, yet the minimum age at diagnosis was found to be substantially lower in respondents with the richest standard of living than that in respondents with the poorest standard of living. On the other hand, the maximum age at the diagnosis has been found to be the lowest in respondents with above average – richer and richest – standard of living, it was the lowest in respondents with middle standard of living.

Table 1: Reported prevalence of diabetes in population aged 45 years and above in Kerala as revealed through LASI.

| Background characteristics of respondents | | Reported prevalence of diabetes (per cent) | | |
|---|--------------------------|---|--------|--------|
| | | Male | Female | Person |
| Age | 45-59 | 23.1 | 18.5 | 20.1 |
| | 60-74 | 35.2 | 34.7 | 35.0 |
| | 75+ | 42.2 | 33.5 | 37.3 |
| Residence | Urban | 34.2 | 26.2 | 29.3 |
| | Rural | 27.3 | 25.1 | 26.0 |
| Education | No education | 20.9 | 28.6 | 26.4 |
| | Up to Primary | 28.9 | 28.9 | 28.9 |
| | Middle/Secondary | 31.3 | 24.7 | 27.4 |
| | Higher Secondary & above | 37.2 | 18.5 | 26.0 |
| Religion | Hindu | 28.2 | 22.3 | 24.6 |
| | Muslim | 31.6 | 28.8 | 29.9 |
| | Christian | 36.4 | 32.4 | 34.1 |
| Caste | General | 31.9 | 29.1 | 30.3 |
| | SC | 18.8 | 17.6 | 18.1 |
| | ST | 15.8 | 23.8 | 20.0 |
| | OBC | 31.9 | 24.5 | 27.4 |
| Wealth | Poorest | 21.3 | 25.7 | 24 |
| | Poorer | 29.2 | 23.7 | 25.8 |
| | Middle | 34.6 | 23.2 | 27.7 |
| | Richer | 29.7 | 25.9 | 27.4 |
| | Richest | 34.6 | 28.9 | 31.3 |
| All | | 30.5 | 25.5 | 27.5 |
| N | | 991 | 1506 | 2497 |

Source: Authors' calculations

Table 2: Age at diagnosis of diabetes (years) by gender in India and Kerala

| | Minimum | Q1 | Median | Q3 | Maximum | IQR |
|--------|---------|----|--------|----|---------|-----|
| India | | | | | | |
| Total | 6 | 45 | 51 | 59 | 85 | 14 |
| Male | 6 | 45 | 51 | 60 | 83 | 15 |
| Female | 6 | 45 | 51 | 58 | 85 | 13 |
| Kerala | | | | | | |
| Total | 26 | 45 | 50 | 58 | 77 | 13 |
| Male | 26 | 48 | 53 | 58 | 77 | 10 |
| Female | 26 | 45 | 50 | 58 | 71 | 13 |

Source: Authors' calculations

Table 3: Age at diagnosis of diabetes by selected demographic and social and economic characteristics of persons at least 45 years of age who self-reported that they have been diagnosed with diabetes.

| Characteristics | Minimum | Q1 | Median | Q3 | Maximum | IQR |
|------------------------|---------|----|--------|----|---------|-----|
| Age (years) | | | | | | |
| 45-59 | 26 | 36 | 42 | 43 | 47 | 7 |
| 60+ | 32 | 51 | 55 | 60 | 77 | 9 |
| Sex | | | | | | |
| Male | 26 | 48 | 53 | 58 | 77 | 10 |
| Female | 26 | 45 | 50 | 58 | 71 | 13 |
| Residence | | | | | | |
| Rural | 26 | 47 | 55 | 60 | 77 | 13 |
| Urban | 26 | 42 | 50 | 55 | 72 | 13 |
| Religion | | | | | | |
| Hindu | 26 | 45 | 50 | 56 | 77 | 11 |
| Christian | 33 | 47 | 52 | 56 | 66 | 9 |
| Muslim | 32 | 44 | 54 | 60 | 72 | 16 |
| Social Group | | | | | | |
| Scheduled Tribes | 26 | 44 | 55 | 67 | 77 | 23 |
| Other Backward Classes | 26 | 45 | 50 | 56 | 72 | 11 |
| Others | 30 | 45 | 52 | 59 | 71 | 14 |
| Standard of living | | | | | | |
| Poorest | 32 | 48 | 50 | 55 | 72 | 7 |
| Poorer | 30 | 45 | 51 | 57 | 71 | 12 |
| Middle | 33 | 43 | 53 | 63 | 77 | 20 |
| Richer | 31 | 46 | 53 | 59 | 67 | 13 |
| Richest | 26 | 44 | 50 | 56 | 67 | 12 |

Source: Authors' calculations.

Remarks: The standard of living of the individuals has been classified into five mutually exclusive yet exhaustive categories based on the average monthly consumption expenditure at current prices of the household of the individual.

Prevalence of Diabetes

Table 4 gives the prevalence of diabetes in population above age 45 years in Kerala estimated from the data available through LASI. Prevalence of diabetes is found to be higher among males than females among all the age groups and similar pattern is found in rural and urban areas also.

Table 4: Prevalence of diabetes (per cent) in population at least 45 years of age in Kerala.

| | 45-49 | 50-54 | 55-59 | 60-64 | 65-69 | 70-74 | 75-79 | 80-84 | 85+ |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Total | | | | | | | | | |
| Person | 13.5 | 21.6 | 29.0 | 31.3 | 34.0 | 41.6 | 41.6 | 38.7 | 27.8 |
| Male | 17.3 | 23.8 | 27.3 | 29.1 | 36.9 | 40.0 | 44.3 | 44.4 | 34.5 |
| Female | 12.2 | 19.9 | 30.4 | 32.9 | 31.4 | 43.1 | 39.3 | 33.3 | 24.0 |
| Rural | | | | | | | | | |
| Person | 13.2 | 17.9 | 29.3 | 32.1 | 24.9 | 37.1 | 41.8 | 48.9 | 23.3 |
| Male | 19 | 18.9 | 23.9 | 28.8 | 27.7 | 33.3 | 41.9 | 48.1 | 28.6 |
| Female | 11.4 | 17.0 | 33.3 | 34.2 | 22.2 | 40.7 | 41.7 | 50.0 | 20.7 |
| Urban | | | | | | | | | |
| Person | 13.7 | 25.4 | 28.7 | 30.5 | 44.0 | 46.7 | 41.3 | 23.3 | 33.3 |
| Male | 15.8 | 29.7 | 30.4 | 29.4 | 47.3 | 47.9 | 46.2 | 33.3 | 40.0 |
| Female | 13.0 | 22.5 | 27.4 | 31.3 | 41.2 | 45.6 | 36.1 | 19.0 | 28.6 |

Source: Authors' calculations

Life Expectancy and Diabetes-Free Life Expectancy

Life expectancy (LE) highlights, on average, the longevity in the population and is the universally used measure of population health. The diabetes-free life expectancy (DFLE), on the other hand, reflects the average number of years, a person is expected to live without diabetes whereas diabetes life expectancy (DLE) reflects the average number of years, a person is expected to live with diabetes. The estimation of DFLE and DLE requires construction of the life table for the total population – population with or without diabetes – and estimates of the prevalence of diabetes by age.

For the estimation of DFLE and DLE, we have first constructed life tables for the total population and for males and females for Kerala and for its rural and urban areas for the year 2018 from the age-specific death rates available from the official Sample Registration System of the country (Government of India, 2020c). The life tables so constructed are given in the appendix table. According to our calculations, the life expectancy at birth in Kerala was around 75 years for the total population and 72 years for males and 78 years for females. Life tables for Kerala have also been prepared by the Registrar General of India based on the data available from the official Sample Registration System. According to the life tables prepared by the Registrar General of India, the life expectancy at birth in Kerala was 70 years for the male-female combined population and around 72 years for males and 78 years for females during the period 2016-2021 (Government of India, 2022).

Table 5 gives estimates of life expectancy (LE), diabetes free life expectancy (DFLE) and diabetes life expectancy (DLE) in Kerala in the year 2018 at different ages of the life span beginning 45 years of age for total, rural and urban populations separately for males and females. Table 5 suggests that a male aged 45 years in Kerala is expected to live on average, about 30 more years out of which around 21 years will be without diabetes while around 9 years will be with diabetes. In other words, more than 30 per cent of the expected future life of a male aged 45 years in the state is likely to be with diabetes. On the other hand, a female aged 45 years in the state is expected to live on average, about 35 years more, out of which about 25 years is likely to be without diabetes while about 10 years will be with diabetes. This means that more than almost 29 per cent of the future life of a female aged 45 years in the state is likely to be with diabetes.

Table 5: Life expectancy, diabetes-free life expectancy (DFLE), and diabetes life expectancy (DLE) in Kerala, based on self-reported diabetes from LASI, 2018

| Age | Male | | | | Female | | | |
|-------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|--|---------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| | LE (years) | DFLE (years) | DLE (Years) | Proportion of expected future life likely to be lived with diabetes (per cent) | LE (years) | DFLE (years) | DLE (Years) | Proportion of expected future life likely to be lived with diabetes (per cent) |
| 45 | 29.97 | 20.89 | 9.08 | 30.30 | 34.95 | 24.83 | 10.12 | 28.96 |
| 60 | 17.23 | 10.81 | 6.42 | 37.25 | 21.27 | 13.87 | 7.40 | 34.79 |
| 70 | 10.87 | 6.29 | 4.59 | 42.18 | 13.70 | 8.65 | 5.05 | 36.87 |
| 80 | 5.58 | 3.28 | 2.30 | 41.28 | 7.35 | 5.20 | 2.15 | 29.24 |
| 85+ | 3.32 | 2.17 | 1.15 | 34.50 | 4.90 | 3.72 | 1.18 | 24.00 |
| Rural | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | 30.02 | 20.92 | 9.10 | 30.30 | 34.83 | 24.76 | 10.07 | 28.92 |
| 60 | 17.41 | 10.93 | 6.48 | 37.20 | 21.08 | 13.75 | 7.33 | 34.76 |
| 70 | 10.82 | 6.28 | 4.54 | 42.00 | 13.41 | 8.47 | 4.94 | 36.86 |
| 80 | 6.12 | 3.62 | 2.50 | 40.80 | 7.35 | 5.20 | 2.15 | 29.30 |
| 85+ | 4.00 | 2.62 | 1.38 | 34.50 | 4.68 | 3.55 | 1.13 | 24.00 |
| Urban | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | 29.84 | 20.81 | 9.03 | 30.27 | 35.05 | 24.89 | 10.16 | 29.00 |
| 60 | 16.98 | 10.65 | 6.33 | 37.29 | 21.46 | 13.99 | 7.47 | 34.81 |
| 70 | 10.84 | 6.25 | 4.59 | 42.38 | 14.01 | 8.84 | 5.17 | 36.87 |
| 80 | 5.00 | 2.90 | 2.10 | 41.91 | 7.37 | 5.22 | 2.15 | 29.14 |
| 85+ | 2.53 | 1.66 | 0.87 | 34.50 | 5.22 | 3.97 | 1.25 | 24.00 |

Source: Authors' calculations

Table 5 also shows that there is only a marginal difference in the proportion of expected future life of males and females aged 45 years with diabetes in the rural and in the urban areas of the state. The table also shows that the proportion of expected future life likely to be lived with diabetes is the highest in both males and females who have

reached 70 years of age but is lower in both males and females who are older than 70 years of age. Another observation of table 5 is that the life expectancy at all ages is higher in females as compared to males in the state but the proportion of the expected future life likely to be lived with diabetes is higher for males as compared to females. The relatively higher proportion of the expected future life of a male likely to be lived with diabetes may be one of the reasons for the comparatively lower life expectancy of a male aged 45 years relative to a female aged 45 years in the state.

Discussion

India has the highest prevalence of diabetes mellitus globally, with Kerala having leaped ahead. Kerala has emerged as the 'Diabetic Capital' of India with the prevalence of diabetes at 19.2 per cent (Sarma, 2019). Any country transitioning from a developing to a developed economy is likely to experience similar trends in non-communicable diseases. The present study found that self-reported diabetes mellitus is associated with increasing age, and it confirms the findings of Tiwari et al (2008), Agrawal (2011) and Sharma et al (2024). The current study observed that females had a slightly higher likelihood of developing diabetes compared to males, though the prevalence was higher for males than for females. The study by Maiti et al (2023) lends credence to this finding. Lifestyle differences may be a significant reason for the differences in the prevalence of this condition between women and men (Wandell, 2014). The prevalence was higher in urban than in rural areas (Kalra, 2024). From the present study, it was found that in Kerala, elderly males lead a healthier life compared to elderly females. The number of years before progressing to diabetes is higher among females up to the age of 45 years only, and later, the pattern changes though the difference in the number of years before being diagnosed with diabetes among males and females isn't statistically significant Sharma et al (2024). Our study highlighted that even though life expectancy is higher for females than males, the proportion of years spent with diabetes is more for males and it is contradictory to the finding that women with diabetes live longer but experience a greater number of years with a disability (Payne, 2023).

Conclusion

Kerala, a state with one of the best health indicators in India, has a high prevalence of diabetes. The prevalence of self-reported diabetes is higher among males than females. Even though the prevalence rate is higher among males, the age at diagnosis of diabetes is earlier in females than in males. Females have also been found to live longer than males with diabetes. Kerala is at an advanced stage of demographic transition so that there is a rapid growth in the old population in the state. It is, therefore, crucial to promote healthy eating and exercise among the old people of the state as a way of reducing the burden of diabetes. Management of diabetes faces many challenges in Kerala. These include rising prevalence of diabetes, lifestyle alterations, delayed diagnosis, low degree of awareness, and expensive treatment cost. The present analysis shows that a significant proportion of the rapidly increasing old population of the state is likely to be living with diabetes in the

years to come. It is, therefore, important that health policy of the state should prioritise diabetes preventive and management measures like early screening of the old population, diabetes management education, and lifestyle interventions to help reduce the burden of diabetes and extend diabetes free life expectancy in the middle-aged and old population of the state. It is also important that equitable healthcare access is ensured through appropriate resources allocation to support prevention and management of diabetes, especially in rural areas of the state.

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Appendix Table 1: Life tables for Kerala, 2018

| Age group | m_x | nq_x | l_x | nd_x | nL_x | T_x | e_x |
|--------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------|
| Total Male | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 2.2 | 0.0109 | 100000 | 1094 | 497265 | 7240350 | 72.40 |
| 5-9 | 0.2 | 0.0010 | 98906 | 99 | 494283 | 6743085 | 68.18 |
| 10-14 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98807 | 197 | 493542 | 6248802 | 63.24 |
| 15-19 | 0.6 | 0.0030 | 98610 | 295 | 492310 | 5755260 | 58.36 |
| 20-24 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 98314 | 245 | 490958 | 5262950 | 53.53 |
| 25-29 | 1.2 | 0.0060 | 98069 | 587 | 488878 | 4771992 | 48.66 |
| 30-34 | 0.9 | 0.0045 | 97482 | 438 | 486317 | 4283114 | 43.94 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 0.0085 | 97045 | 821 | 483169 | 3796797 | 39.12 |
| 40-44 | 3.3 | 0.0164 | 96223 | 1575 | 477179 | 3313628 | 34.44 |
| 45-49 | 3.1 | 0.0154 | 94648 | 1456 | 469603 | 2836449 | 29.97 |
| 50-54 | 6.3 | 0.0310 | 93193 | 2890 | 458738 | 2366846 | 25.40 |
| 55-59 | 11.5 | 0.0559 | 90303 | 5047 | 438895 | 1908108 | 21.13 |
| 60-64 | 16.8 | 0.0806 | 85255 | 6873 | 409095 | 1469213 | 17.23 |
| 65-69 | 38.5 | 0.1756 | 78383 | 13764 | 357503 | 1060118 | 13.52 |
| 70-74 | 46.4 | 0.2079 | 64619 | 13433 | 289510 | 702615 | 10.87 |
| 75-79 | 73.6 | 0.3108 | 51185 | 15909 | 216155 | 413105 | 8.07 |
| 80-84 | 122.9 | 0.4701 | 35276 | 16582 | 134926 | 196950 | 5.58 |
| 85+ | 301.4 | 1.0000 | 18694 | 18694 | 62024 | 62024 | 3.32 |
| Total Female | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 2.0 | 0.0100 | 100000 | 995 | 497512 | 7806432 | 78.06 |
| 5-9 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 99005 | 198 | 494530 | 7308920 | 73.82 |
| 10-14 | 0.1 | 0.0005 | 98807 | 49 | 493912 | 6814389 | 68.97 |
| 15-19 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98758 | 197 | 493296 | 6320477 | 64.00 |
| 20-24 | 0.6 | 0.0030 | 98560 | 295 | 492064 | 5827182 | 59.12 |
| 25-29 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98265 | 196 | 490835 | 5335117 | 54.29 |
| 30-34 | 0.7 | 0.0035 | 98069 | 343 | 489488 | 4844282 | 49.40 |
| 35-39 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 97726 | 244 | 488021 | 4354794 | 44.56 |
| 40-44 | 1.5 | 0.0075 | 97482 | 728 | 485590 | 3866773 | 39.67 |
| 45-49 | 1.9 | 0.0095 | 96754 | 915 | 481482 | 3381183 | 34.95 |
| 50-54 | 3.2 | 0.0159 | 95839 | 1521 | 475392 | 2899701 | 30.26 |
| 55-59 | 4.8 | 0.0237 | 94318 | 2237 | 465997 | 2424309 | 25.70 |
| 60-64 | 10.2 | 0.0497 | 92081 | 4579 | 448957 | 1958312 | 21.27 |
| 65-69 | 18.7 | 0.0893 | 87502 | 7816 | 417968 | 1509355 | 17.25 |
| 70-74 | 26.0 | 0.1221 | 79686 | 9727 | 374111 | 1091387 | 13.70 |
| 75-79 | 47.6 | 0.2127 | 69959 | 14880 | 312595 | 717276 | 10.25 |
| 80-84 | 83.3 | 0.3447 | 55079 | 18987 | 227930 | 404681 | 7.35 |
| 85+ | 204.2 | 1.0000 | 36093 | 36093 | 176752 | 176752 | 4.90 |

| Age group | m_x | ${}_nq_x$ | l_x | ${}_nd_x$ | ${}_nL_x$ | T_x | e_x |
|--------------|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| Rural Male | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 2.2 | 0.0109 | 100000 | 1094 | 497265 | 7274039 | 72.74 |
| 5-9 | 0.3 | 0.0015 | 98906 | 148 | 494159 | 6776774 | 68.52 |
| 10-14 | 0.3 | 0.0015 | 98758 | 148 | 493419 | 6282614 | 63.62 |
| 15-19 | 0.3 | 0.0015 | 98610 | 148 | 492679 | 5789195 | 58.71 |
| 20-24 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98462 | 197 | 491818 | 5296516 | 53.79 |
| 25-29 | 1.0 | 0.0050 | 98265 | 490 | 490101 | 4804698 | 48.90 |
| 30-34 | 1.2 | 0.0060 | 97775 | 585 | 487413 | 4314598 | 44.13 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 0.0085 | 97190 | 823 | 483895 | 3827184 | 39.38 |
| 40-44 | 2.0 | 0.0100 | 96368 | 959 | 479441 | 3343290 | 34.69 |
| 45-49 | 3.4 | 0.0169 | 95409 | 1608 | 473023 | 2863849 | 30.02 |
| 50-54 | 7.2 | 0.0354 | 93800 | 3317 | 460709 | 2390826 | 25.49 |
| 55-59 | 11.1 | 0.0540 | 90483 | 4886 | 440201 | 1930117 | 21.33 |
| 60-64 | 16.4 | 0.0788 | 85597 | 6743 | 411129 | 1489916 | 17.41 |
| 65-69 | 35.0 | 0.1609 | 78855 | 12689 | 362550 | 1078786 | 13.68 |
| 70-74 | 57.6 | 0.2517 | 66165 | 16657 | 289184 | 716237 | 10.82 |
| 75-79 | 67.7 | 0.2895 | 49508 | 14333 | 211710 | 427052 | 8.63 |
| 80-84 | 113.6 | 0.4424 | 35176 | 15561 | 136977 | 215343 | 6.12 |
| 85+ | 250.3 | 1.0000 | 19615 | 19615 | 78366 | 78366 | 4.00 |
| Rural Female | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 2.1 | 0.0104 | 100000 | 1045 | 497389 | 7821550 | 78.22 |
| 5-9 | 0.2 | 0.0010 | 98955 | 99 | 494530 | 7324161 | 74.01 |
| 10-14 | 0.1 | 0.0005 | 98857 | 49 | 494159 | 6829631 | 69.09 |
| 15-19 | 0.3 | 0.0015 | 98807 | 148 | 493666 | 6335472 | 64.12 |
| 20-24 | 0.3 | 0.0015 | 98659 | 148 | 492926 | 5841806 | 59.21 |
| 25-29 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98511 | 197 | 492064 | 5348880 | 54.30 |
| 30-34 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 98314 | 245 | 490958 | 4856817 | 49.40 |
| 35-39 | 0.6 | 0.0030 | 98069 | 294 | 489610 | 4365859 | 44.52 |
| 40-44 | 1.0 | 0.0050 | 97775 | 488 | 487656 | 3876249 | 39.64 |
| 45-49 | 1.5 | 0.0075 | 97287 | 727 | 484620 | 3388592 | 34.83 |
| 50-54 | 3.1 | 0.0154 | 96561 | 1485 | 479090 | 2903972 | 30.07 |
| 55-59 | 4.9 | 0.0242 | 95075 | 2301 | 469624 | 2424882 | 25.50 |
| 60-64 | 10.3 | 0.0502 | 92774 | 4658 | 452226 | 1955259 | 21.08 |
| 65-69 | 17.8 | 0.0852 | 88116 | 7508 | 421811 | 1503032 | 17.06 |
| 70-74 | 35.6 | 0.1635 | 80608 | 13176 | 370101 | 1081222 | 13.41 |
| 75-79 | 40.3 | 0.1831 | 67432 | 12344 | 306302 | 711121 | 10.55 |
| 80-84 | 77.4 | 0.3243 | 55088 | 17863 | 230785 | 404818 | 7.35 |
| 85+ | 213.9 | 1.0000 | 37226 | 37226 | 174033 | 174033 | 4.68 |

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| Age group | m_x | ${}_nq_x$ | l_x | ${}_nd_x$ | ${}_nL_x$ | T_x | e_x |
|--------------|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| Urban Male | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 2.1 | 0.0104 | 100000 | 1045 | 497389 | 7210504 | 72.11 |
| 5-9 | 0.0 | 0.0000 | 98955 | 0 | 494777 | 6713115 | 67.84 |
| 10-14 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 98955 | 247 | 494160 | 6218338 | 62.84 |
| 15-19 | 0.9 | 0.0045 | 98708 | 443 | 492434 | 5724178 | 57.99 |
| 20-24 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 98265 | 245 | 490713 | 5231744 | 53.24 |
| 25-29 | 1.5 | 0.0075 | 98020 | 732 | 488268 | 4741031 | 48.37 |
| 30-34 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 97287 | 243 | 485830 | 4252763 | 43.71 |
| 35-39 | 1.6 | 0.0080 | 97045 | 773 | 483290 | 3766933 | 38.82 |
| 40-44 | 4.6 | 0.0227 | 96271 | 2189 | 475884 | 3283644 | 34.11 |
| 45-49 | 2.8 | 0.0139 | 94082 | 1308 | 467141 | 2807760 | 29.84 |
| 50-54 | 5.4 | 0.0266 | 92774 | 2472 | 457692 | 2340619 | 25.23 |
| 55-59 | 11.9 | 0.0578 | 90303 | 5218 | 438469 | 1882927 | 20.85 |
| 60-64 | 17.2 | 0.0825 | 85085 | 7016 | 407885 | 1444458 | 16.98 |
| 65-69 | 42.5 | 0.1921 | 78069 | 14996 | 352855 | 1036572 | 13.28 |
| 70-74 | 35.7 | 0.1639 | 63073 | 10336 | 289524 | 683717 | 10.84 |
| 75-79 | 80.9 | 0.3365 | 52737 | 17743 | 219326 | 394192 | 7.47 |
| 80-84 | 134.5 | 0.5033 | 34993 | 17611 | 130939 | 174867 | 5.00 |
| 85+ | 395.7 | 1.0000 | 17382 | 17382 | 43928 | 43928 | 2.53 |
| Urban Female | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 1.8 | 0.0090 | 100000 | 896 | 497760 | 7799401 | 77.99 |
| 5-9 | 0.6 | 0.0030 | 99104 | 297 | 494778 | 7301641 | 73.68 |
| 10-14 | 0.0 | 0.0000 | 98807 | 0 | 494036 | 6806863 | 68.89 |
| 15-19 | 0.5 | 0.0025 | 98807 | 247 | 493419 | 6312827 | 63.89 |
| 20-24 | 0.9 | 0.0045 | 98560 | 443 | 491696 | 5819408 | 59.04 |
| 25-29 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 98118 | 196 | 490100 | 5327712 | 54.30 |
| 30-34 | 0.9 | 0.0045 | 97922 | 440 | 488510 | 4837613 | 49.40 |
| 35-39 | 0.4 | 0.0020 | 97482 | 195 | 486924 | 4349102 | 44.61 |
| 40-44 | 1.9 | 0.0095 | 97287 | 920 | 484138 | 3862178 | 39.70 |
| 45-49 | 2.4 | 0.0119 | 96368 | 1150 | 478964 | 3378041 | 35.05 |
| 50-54 | 3.3 | 0.0164 | 95218 | 1558 | 472195 | 2899076 | 30.45 |
| 55-59 | 4.6 | 0.0227 | 93660 | 2130 | 462975 | 2426882 | 25.91 |
| 60-64 | 10.2 | 0.0497 | 91530 | 4552 | 446271 | 1963907 | 21.46 |
| 65-69 | 19.8 | 0.0943 | 86978 | 8205 | 414379 | 1517636 | 17.45 |
| 70-74 | 16.1 | 0.0774 | 78773 | 6096 | 378628 | 1103257 | 14.01 |
| 75-79 | 55.4 | 0.2433 | 72678 | 17683 | 319181 | 724629 | 9.97 |
| 80-84 | 90.5 | 0.3690 | 54995 | 20294 | 224240 | 405448 | 7.37 |
| 85+ | 191.5 | 1.0000 | 34701 | 34701 | 181207 | 181207 | 5.22 |

Source: Authors' calculations

