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# Data Evaluation with Consecutive Censuses: Adult Mortality and Census Coverage

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## Outline: Data Evaluation with Consecutive Censuses

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2. Adult Mortality (Death Distribution Methods)
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# Population Balancing Equation

## Census coverage



## Population balancing equation

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### If a country

- ❑ Has a relatively complete system of vital registration
- ❑ Has a fairly reliable estimate of the degree of under-registration
  
- Information on the number of intercensal births, deaths and net international migrants can be used in conjunction with the results of a previous census to evaluate the coverage of a subsequent or current census.



## Population balancing equation

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$$P_1 = P_0 + B - D + M$$

Where:

$P_1$  = the population enumerated in the census being evaluated

$P_0$  = The population enumerated in a previous census

B = the number of births in the period between the two censuses

D = the number of deaths in the period between two censuses

M = the number of net international migrants in the period

$$M = I \text{ (Immigrants)} - E \text{ (Emigrants)}$$



## Population balancing equation

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- ❑ The population balancing equation is the most fundamental equation in demographic analysis and is also used to estimate population growth. It is based on the logic that:
  - The population of a country can increase or decrease between any two points in time only as a result of births, deaths and movement of population across national boundaries
- ❑ Births and immigration add to the population
- ❑ Deaths and emigration reduce the population



## Population balancing equation

- ❑ For census evaluation purposes, there is a residual ( $e$ ) needed to make the equation balance exactly
- ❑ “ $e$ ” in the equation is referred to as the “error of closure” and represents the balance of errors in the data on births, deaths, net migration, and the coverage of the two censuses:

$$P_1 = P_0 + B - D + M + e$$

- *If a negative residual quantity  $e$ ,  $P_1$  is under-enumerated relative to  $P_0$*
- *If a positive residual is required to balance the equation,  $P_1$  is over-enumerated relative to  $P_0$*



## Population balancing equation – Data required

- ❑ The population enumerated in two consecutive censuses
  - ❑  $P_1$ : the census under evaluation
  - ❑  $P_0$ : previous census
  
- ❑ The number of births, deaths and net international migration (immigrants-emigrants) during the intercensal period, adjusted for under-registration (to the extent possible)





## Population balancing equation – Computational procedure

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1. Compile registered numbers of intercensal births, deaths and migrants
  - ❑ Vital registration system
  - ❑ Immigration record system (residence permit, border records, etc.)
    - Adjustment based on under-coverage of these systems including indirect estimates
  
2. Calculation of the “expected” census population ( $E(P_1)$ )
  - ∞  $E(P_1) = P_0 + B - D + M$
  
3. Calculation of the residual error or error of closure
  - ∞  $e = P_1 - E(P_1)$



## Population balancing equation – Interpretation of “e”

- ❑ If  $P_0$  has been adjusted for net coverage error, the estimated residual error ( $e$ ) will represent an estimate of net coverage error in  $P_1$ 
  - ❑ If “ $e$ ” is positive,  $P_1$  is overenumerated
  - ❑ If “ $e$ ” is negative,  $P_1$  is underenumerated
  
- ❑ If  $P_0$  is not adjusted, “ $e$ ” will represent an estimate of the relative level of net coverage error in  $P_1$  in comparison with  $P_0$



## Population balancing equation – Example Sri Lanka, 1971 and 1981 census (1)

### For an unadjusted census:

$$\begin{aligned} E(P_1) &= P_0 \text{ (unadjusted)} + B_{\text{adj}} - D_{\text{adj}} + M_{\text{adj}} \\ &= 12,689,897 + 3,716,878 - 1,002,108 + (-446,911) \\ &= 14,957,756 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e &= P_1 - E(P_1) \\ &= 14,848,364 - 14,957,756 \\ &= -109,392 \quad 0.7\% \text{ of } E(P_1) \end{aligned}$$

*$P_1$  is underenumerated relative to  $P_0$*

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985. *Evaluating Censuses of Population and Housing*



## Population balancing equation – Example Sri Lanka, 1971 and 1981 census (2)

### For an adjusted census count:

$$\begin{aligned} E(P_1) &= P_0 \text{ (adjusted)} + B_{\text{adj}} - D_{\text{adj}} + M_{\text{adj}} \\ &= 12,849,796 + 3,716,878 - 1,002,108 + (-446,911) \\ &= 15,117,655 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e &= P_1 - E(P_1) = 14,848,364 - 15,117,655 \\ &= -269,291 \quad 1.8\% \text{ of } E(P_1) \end{aligned}$$

*P<sub>1</sub> is underenumerated*



## Population balancing equation - limitations

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- ❑ Incomplete and defective data on the components of population change are very common
  - Applicability of the method is limited to countries with good vital registration coverage and migration data
- ❑ It is generally not useful for obtaining estimates of net census coverage error for sub-national populations (for example regions, provinces).
  - In addition to the components of population change considered, internal migration has to be considered.
  - For most practical purposes, the use of the population balancing equation is limited to analysis of net coverage error at the national level.



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# Death Distribution Methods

## Completeness of reporting of adult mortality



## Death distribution methods

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- ❑ “Death distribution methods” apply the logic of the population balancing equation to different age groups in the population
  - E.g. for the age group 40 – 50, the only way to enter the age group in a country is through aging or immigration, the only way to exit is through death or emigration
  - By comparing our expectation for the size of an age group at the time of the census to its actual enumerated size, we can get a sense of whether we have “missing” or “extra” people in the enumeration



## Death Distribution Methods - Advantages

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- Can provide timely estimates of age-specific period mortality rates – here we will use the method to check estimates of completeness of death reporting
- Data requirements:
  - Population by sex and 5-year age groups
  - Deaths by sex and 5-year age groups
  - Can be computed with data from two consecutive censuses with an estimate of the number of deaths between the two censuses

Source: *IUSSP Tools for Demographic Estimation* <http://demographicestimation.iussp.org/>





## Death Distribution Methods – Assumptions and Violations (1)

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- Completeness of deaths reporting is the same across ages
  - Generally does not hold for the oldest and youngest age groups
  - To avoid, usually truncate analysis to middle age ranges
- (*Two-census variant*) Coverage of both censuses is the same for all age groups
  - Census coverage evaluation will be discussed later in this session
- Age reporting (by 5-year age groups) is accurate
  - Can be checked through age-sex distribution techniques discussed in previous sessions

Source: *IUSSP Tools for Demographic Estimation* <http://demographicestimation.iussp.org/>

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## Death Distribution Methods – Assumptions and Violations (2)

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- Net in-migration is limited
  - Will depend on country context
- (*One-census variant*) population is stable (constant growth rate over past several decades)
  - Will depend on country context – in contexts with recent fertility decline, will not hold



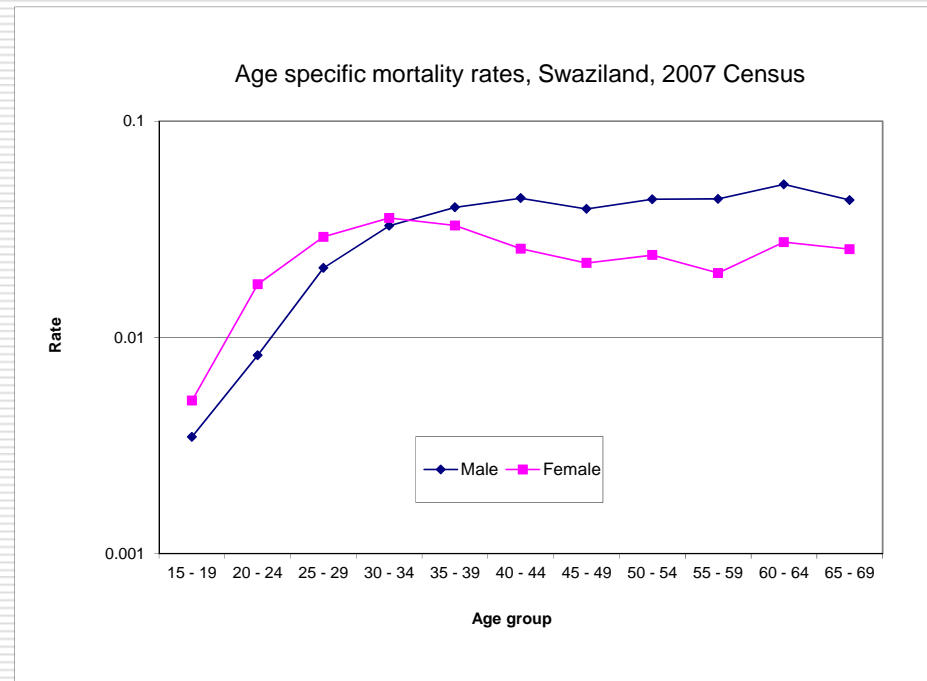
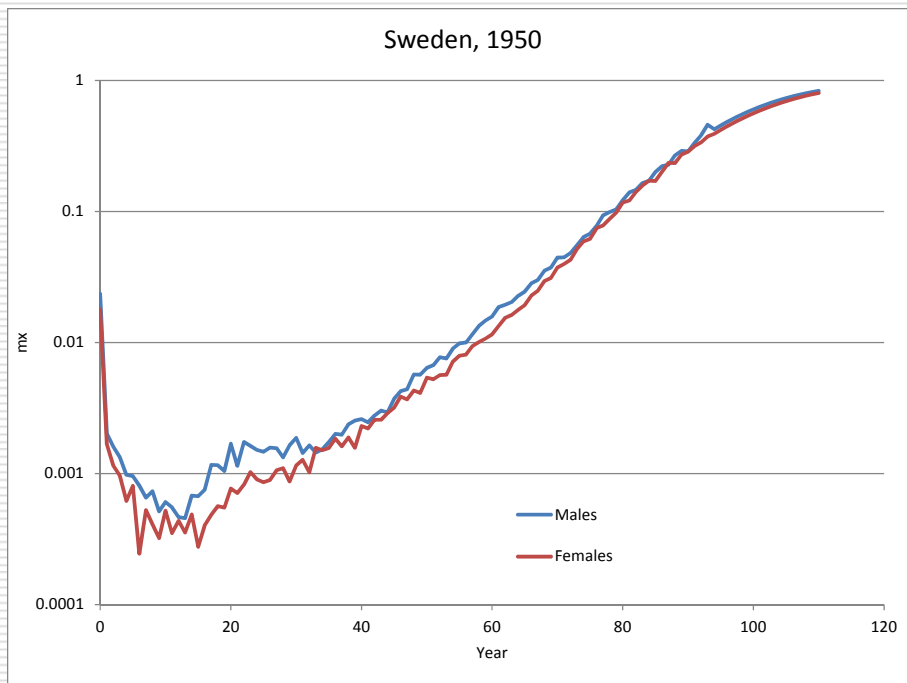
## Data quality issues

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- Common errors in data on recent deaths by age
  - Under-reporting, especially for child deaths and older age deaths
  - Reference period errors in reporting of deaths (i.e. reporting deaths that occurred prior to the usual 12-month reference period)
  - Death question omitted by interviewers
  - Household breaking up due to the death of a senior household member
    - In this case, any deaths in household will not be captured
  - Age-heaping and age exaggeration
- In addition to age-sex distribution checks discussed in previous sessions, the age and sex structure of reported deaths should be examined prior to conducting any analysis



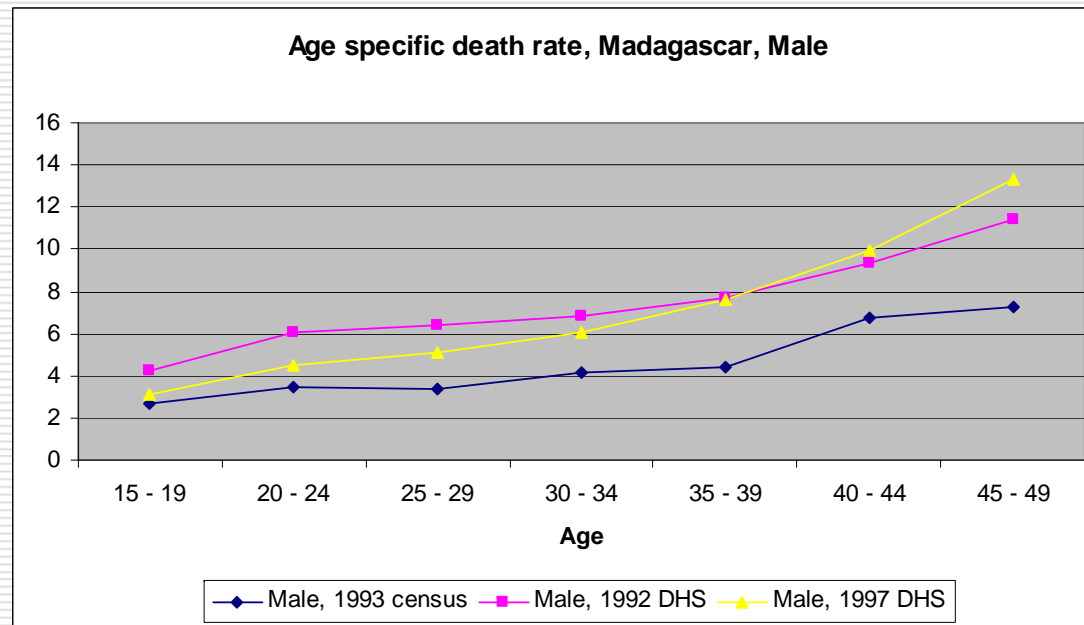
# Data quality checks: schedules of death rates by age and sex



Source: Graph produced based on data from the United Nations *Demographic Yearbook*



## Data quality checks: Comparison with other surveys



Source: Graph produced based on data collected by the United Nations *Demographic Yearbook and Measure DHS country report*



## General Growth Balance Method

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Basis: The Balancing Equation of Population Change

$$P_2 = P_1 + B - D + G$$

Assumptions:

- a) population is closed to migration,  $G=0$ ;
- b) completeness of first census,  $k_1$ , is independent of age;
- c) completeness of second census,  $k_2$ , is independent of age;
- d) completeness of intercensal deaths,  $c$ , is independent both of age and year;



# GGB regression: $b(x+) - r(x+) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 d(x+)$

Relative completeness of censuses

$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \exp(t\hat{\beta}_0)$$

Completeness of death registration

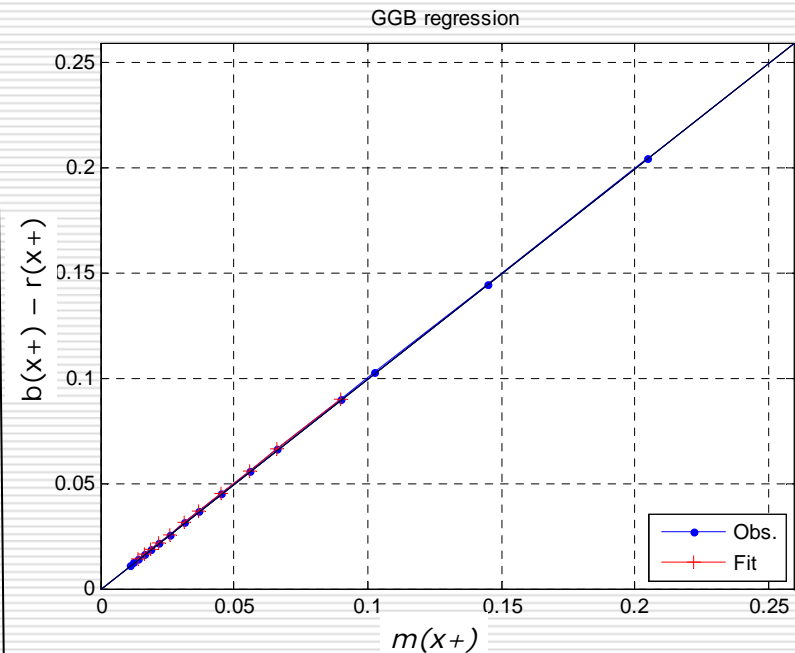
$$c = \frac{(k_1 k_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\hat{\beta}_1}$$

Adjusting observed death rates

$$m = \hat{\beta}_1 m^*$$

- $r(x+)$  – population growth rate above age  $x$
- $b(x+)$  – entry rate at age  $x+$ , "birth rate"
- $d(x+)$  – open age death rates
- $m^*$  – observed death rates
- $m$  – adjusted death rates

Ideal case:



Intercept = 0  
Slope = 1



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GGB regression with migration:

$$b(x+) - r(x+) + \underline{g(x+)} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 d(x+)$$

$g(x+)$  – net migration rate, age  $x+$





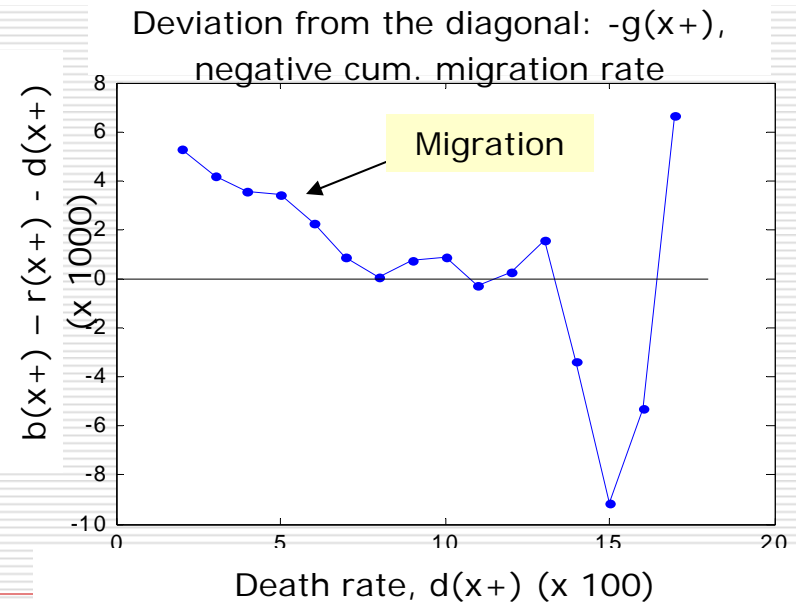
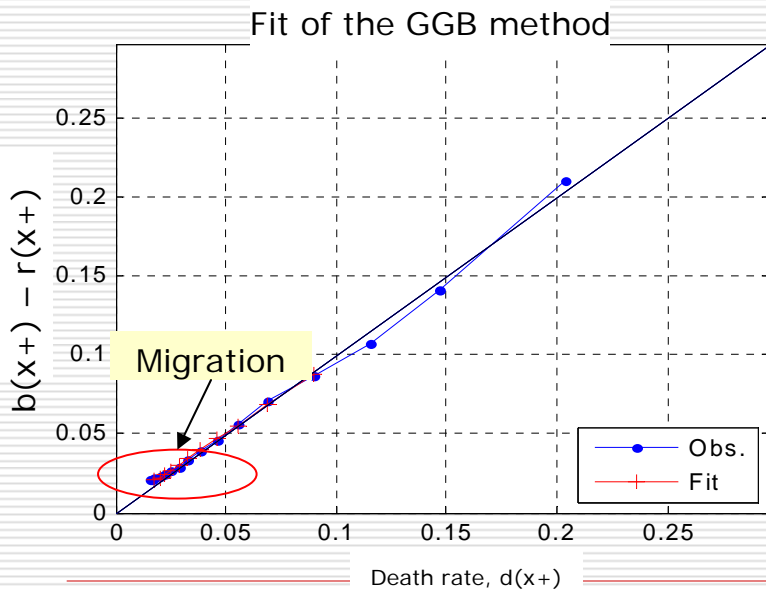
# Effect of unaccounted migration on the GGB estimates (simulation study)

Simulation parameters:

- 1) Pop. proj., 20 years, by single year and age;
- 2) Age structure: Denmark, 1880-1900, Males;
- 3) Mortality: constant over time,  $e_0 = 44$ ;
- 4) Fertility: constant over time; TFR = 4;
- 5) Migration: labor out-migration based on residual adjusted migration pattern;

Estimates\Dataset	DnkA	DnkA ( $\alpha(x) = 0$ )
Slope	0.9375	
Intercept	0.0035	
k1 / k2	1.0677	
c	1.0323	
Adult mortality, 45q1		
Observed	0.391	0.390
Adjusted	0.371	0.385
<b>Simulated</b>	<b>0.394</b>	<b>0.394</b>

The GGB adjustment factor suggests revising the raw death rates downwards





# GGB Method – Application

Age	x	$sM_1(t_1)$	$sM_2(t_2)$	$sD_1$	$sMM_1$	P1(x)	P2(x)	D(x)	NM(x)	PYL(x)	N(x)	n(x)	$r(x)-i(x)$	d(x)	$m(x)-r(x)+b$
0-4	0	2,223,006	2,505,744	197,912	7,110	21434045	23348679	1568404	27153	119639203					
5-9	5	2,425,066	2,560,642	15,566	1,042	19211039	20842935	1370492	20043	107015123	2551908	0.02385	0.01506	0.01281	0.00878
10-14	10	2,518,985	2,452,339	11,207	893	16785973	18282293	1354926	19001	93686904	2608389	0.02784	0.01577	0.01446	0.01207
15-19	15	2,453,156	2,553,293	25,473	12,800	14266988	15829955	1343719	18108	80370426	2712585	0.03375	0.01922	0.01672	0.01453
20-24	20	2,099,417	2,362,519	54,960	21,982	11813832	13276662	1318246	5308	66977684	2574960	0.03845	0.02176	0.01968	0.01668
25-29	25	1,899,275	2,033,165	102,802	-12,172	9714415	10914143	1263286	-16674	55067255	2209815	0.04013	0.02209	0.02294	0.01804
30-34	30	1,594,624	1,875,483	145,588	7,303	7815140	8880977	1160484	-4502	44554241	2018695	0.04531	0.02402	0.02605	0.02129
35-39	35	1,441,657	1,548,185	145,900	253	6220516	7005495	1014896	-11805	35303918	1680587	0.04760	0.02257	0.02875	0.02503
40-44	40	1,233,813	1,306,900	135,936	-4,373	4778859	5457310	868996	-12058	27311257	1468157	0.05376	0.02528	0.03162	0.02847
45-49	45	967,744	1,104,294	121,010	-7,883	3545046	4150410	733060	-7685	20513828	1248496	0.06086	0.02988	0.03573	0.03098
50-54	50	769,627	888,042	111,157	-5,958	2577302	3046116	612050	198	14984635	991556	0.06617	0.03127	0.04085	0.03490
55-59	55	552,402	708,812	96,854	-2,407	1807675	2158074	500893	6156	10562911	789998	0.07479	0.03259	0.04742	0.04220
60-64	60	444,592	491,871	89,930	-52	1255273	1449261	404039	8563	7213279	557537	0.07729	0.02571	0.05601	0.05159
65-69	65	304,835	394,305	82,843	1,897	810681	957391	314108	8511	4711508	447834	0.09505	0.02933	0.06667	0.06572
70-74	70	232,604	241,976	73,036	2,717	505846	563086	231266	6614	2854216	290495	0.10178	0.01774	0.08103	0.08404
75-79	75	136,466	163,112	63,871	1,688	273242	321110	158229	3897	1584130	208340	0.13152	0.02776	0.09988	0.10376
80-84	80	90,856	87,698	48,163	1,801	136776	157998	94359	2209	786177	117011	0.14884	0.02418	0.12002	0.12465
85+	85	45,920	70,299	46,196	408	45920	70299	46196	408	303855					
<b>Total</b>			21,434,045	23,348,679	1,568,404	27,153									

Source: IUSSP Tools for Demographic Estimation <http://demographicestimation.iussp.org/>



# GGB Method – Estimating intercensal deaths

- ❑ If accurate data for intercensal deaths is not available, they can be estimated if deaths for two other well-defined periods are available – e.g., deaths in the year prior to two different censuses
- ❑ Worksheet will compute growth rates and deaths for the intercensal period

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1						
2	First period of deaths					
3	Start date	18/08/1991				
4	End date	18/08/1992	mid-point	17/02/1992		
5						
6	Second period of deaths					
7	Start date	18/08/2001				
8	End date	18/08/2002	mid-point	16/02/2002		
9						
10	Period for which deaths to be estimated					
11	Start date	18/08/1992				
12	End date	18/08/2002				
13						
14		1st period	2nd period		Estimated	
15		deaths	deaths	r	deaths for period	
16	0-4	18720	21575	0.014	202552	
17	5-9	1548	2793	0.059	21727	
18	10-14	1119	1946	0.055	15364	
19	15-19	1227	1802	0.038	15250	
20	20-24	1843	3440	0.062	26399	
21	25-29	2591	6930	0.098	46326	
22	30-34	2868	10286	0.128	61911	
23	35-39	2531	10176	0.139	58903	
24	40-44	2210	8608	0.136	50365	
25	45-49	2053	6907	0.121	42510	
26	50-54	2045	5029	0.090	34687	
27	55-59	1789	3857	0.077	27972	
28	60-64	2361	3649	0.044	30233	
29	65-69	1900	2682	0.034	23078	
30	70-74	2436	2810	0.014	26371	
31	75-79	5053	6066	0.018	55945	
32	80-84			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	
33	85+			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	
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# GGB Method – Setting the age range

Note the lower age bound – we may adjust later

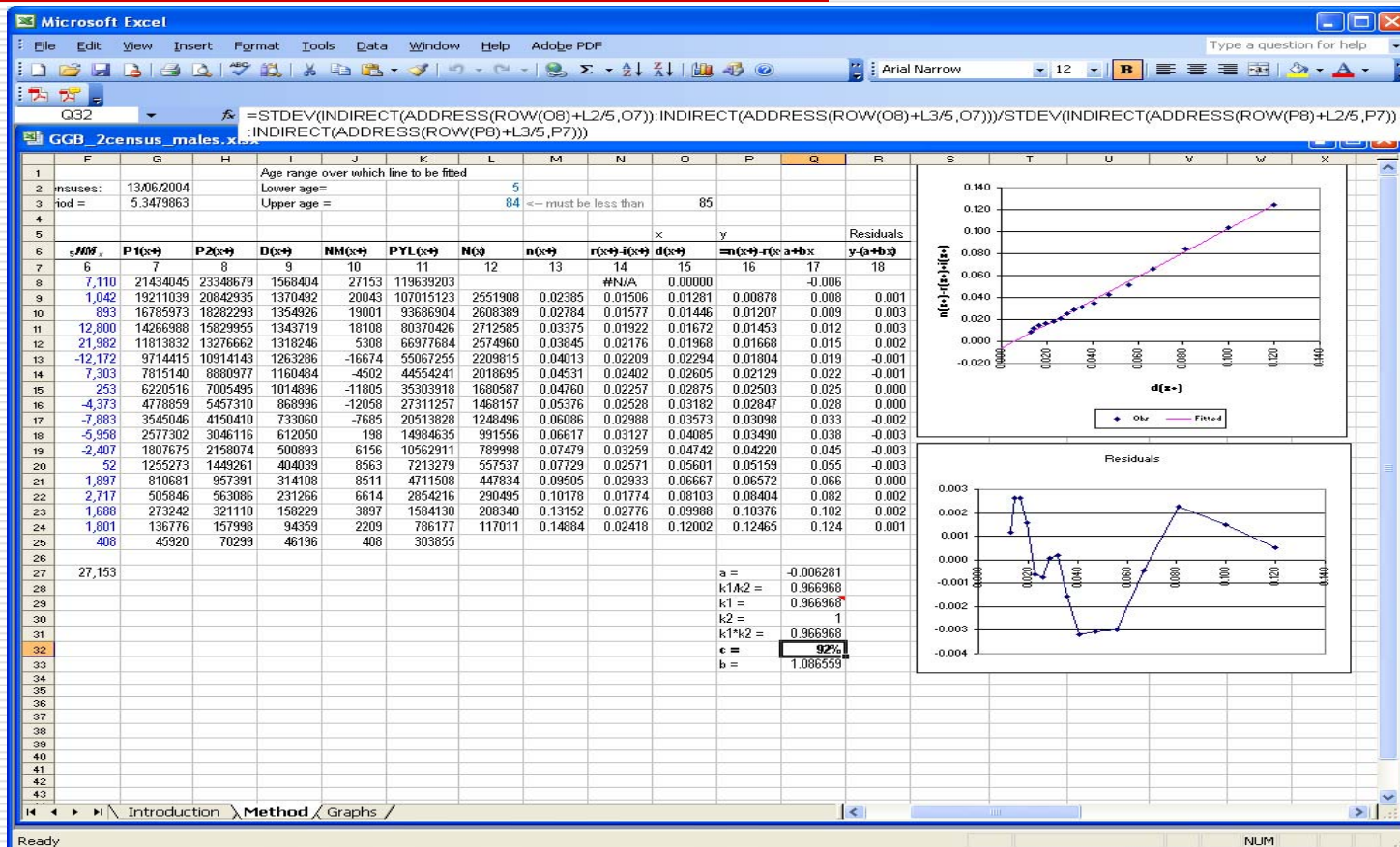
Upper age range must be 1 less than start of open age group

Open age group

Age	x	$s.N_x(t_1)$	$s.N_x(t_2)$	$s.D_x$	$s.M_x$	P1(x)	P2(x)	D(x)	NM(x)	PYL(x)	Residuals
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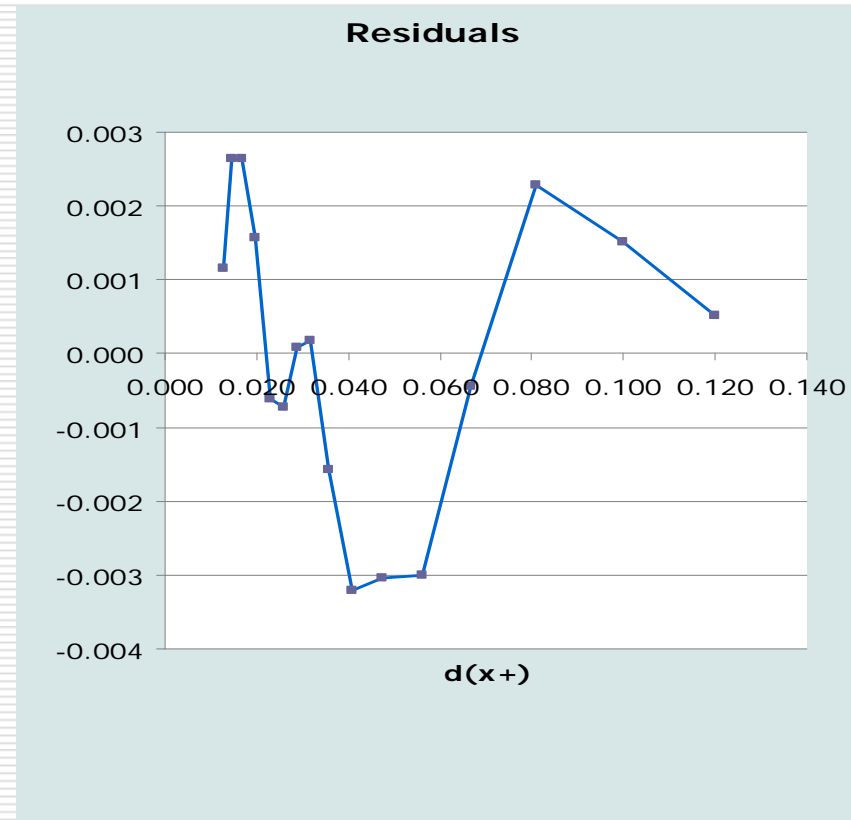
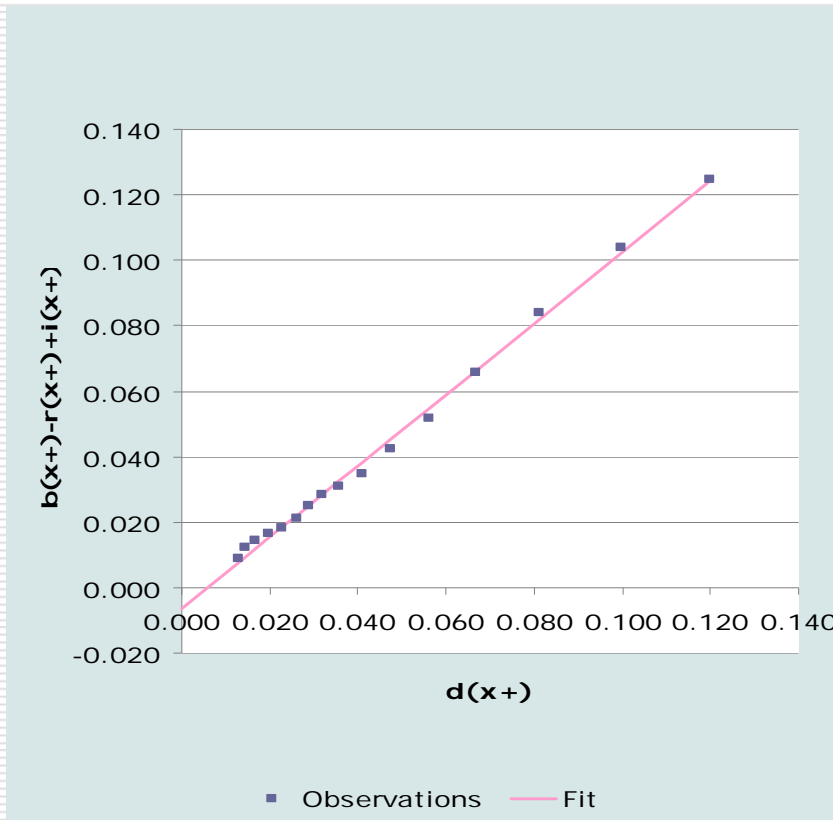


# GGB Method - Diagnostics





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## GGB Method – Two census (6) – Interpretation

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- ❑ Check the estimate of completeness of death reporting and reasonableness of the analysis
  - Compare with the results for the opposite sex – unless we have reason to believe that completeness will vary significantly by sex, should be fairly close
  - Compare with results of Synthetic Extinct Generations approach (worksheets also available through IUSSP)



# Synthetic Extinct Generations (Bennett & Horiuchi) method

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- Used for estimating completeness of death registration, with different of inputs
- Population at exact age,  $N$ , can be computed from registered deaths,  $D$ , and intercensal rates of increase  $r$ :

$$N(a) = \int_a^{\infty} D(x) e^{\int_a^x r(u) du} dx$$

- Software: Ken Hill's spreadsheet, `Death_dist_method_all_template.xls`





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# Cohort Survival Ratios

## Mortality and census coverage



## Cohort survival ratios

- ❑ This technique is based on a comparison of the size of birth cohorts enumerated in successive censuses
- ❑ In the absence of census errors, the ratio of the number of persons in a cohort enumerated in the second census to the number enumerated in the first census should approximate the survival rate that would be expected on the basis of mortality conditions
  - E.g. we have a cohort of males aged 40 – 44 at the time of the first census, say in 2000
  - If the next census is held exactly 10 years later, in 2010, this cohort will be aged 50 – 54
  - In the absence of other factors, we expect their numbers to have been reduced only by the life table quantity  ${}_{10}d_x = l_x - l_{x+n}$ , the number of deaths to those aged  $x$  over the subsequent 10 years

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985. *Evaluating Censuses of Population and Housing* and IUSSP Tools for Demographic Estimation <http://demographicestimation.iussp.org/>



## Cohort Survival Ratios: Caveats

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- ❑ The method is less useful when other factors make it difficult to determine whether deviations from the expected CSR are due to census error or something else
  - Substantial net migration (unless there are accurate estimates of net migration by age)
  - Changes in country borders between censuses
  - Changes in the population groups included in the two censuses (e.g. active military, nomadic groups) if the size of these groups is substantial



## Calculating CSRs (1)

- Intercensal cohort survival rates are defined as:

$${}_n\text{CSR}_x(a) = \frac{{}_n\text{P}_{x+a}(t+a)}{{}_n\text{P}_x(t)}$$

Where:

- $t$  = time of first census
- $a$  = number of years between censuses
- ${}_n\text{P}_x(t)$  = size of the cohort at the time of the first census
- ${}_n\text{P}_{x+a}(t+a)$  = size of the cohort at the time of the second census



## Calculating CSRs (2)

- The ratio of the observed intercensal cohort survival rate to the corresponding life-table survival rate

$${}_nR_x = \frac{{}_n P_{x+a}(t+a) / {}_n P_x(t)}{{}_n L_{x+a} / {}_n L_x}$$

Where:

- ${}_n P_{x+a}(t+a)$  = size of the cohort at time of the second census
- ${}_n P_x(t)$  = size of the cohort at the time of the first census
- ${}_n L_{x+i}$  = the life table number of person-years lived in the age interval  $x+a$  to  $x+a+n$  years
- ${}_n L_x$  = the life table number of person-years lived in the age interval  $x$  to  $x+n$  years



## Cohort Survival Ratio - Interpretation

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- ❑ In the absence of census error, the expected value of the ratio  $({}_nR_x)$  would be 1.0
- ❑ Ratio values for any particular cohort which exceed 1.0 would indicate over-enumeration of the cohort in the second census relative to the first census
- ❑ Ratio values of less than 1.0 would indicate under-enumeration of the cohort in the second census relative the first census



## Cohort survival ratios – Example (1)

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### **Step 1: Adjustment for migration (if appropriate)**

- ❑ In countries experiencing net immigration significant levels of net intercensal immigration, the number of net immigrants in each cohort may either added to the cohort enumerated in the first census or subtracted from the cohort enumerated in the second census
- ❑ In cohorts experiencing net intercensal emigration, the number of net intercensal emigrants can either added to the second census or subtracted from the first census
- ❑ Should be confident that migration data is reasonably accurate before making any adjustments



# Cohort survival ratios – Example (2)

- Step 2: Calculation of census survival rates using two consecutive censuses  $\frac{{}_n P_{x+a}(t+a)}{{}_n P_x(t)}$

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled 'CSR.xls' with the following data:

	1 Aug 2000		1 Aug 2010		Cohort Survival Ratio 2000 - 2010	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0 - 4	8,326,926	8,048,802	7,016,987	6,779,172		
5 - 9	8,402,353	8,139,974	7,624,144	7,345,231		
10 - 14	8,777,639	8,570,428	8,725,413	8,441,348	1.0479	1.0488
15 - 19	9,019,130	8,920,685	8,558,868	8,432,002	1.0186	1.0359
20 - 24	8,048,218	8,093,297	8,630,227	8,614,963	0.9832	1.0052
25 - 29	6,814,328	7,035,337	8,460,995	8,643,418	0.9381	0.9689
30 - 34	6,363,983	6,664,961	7,717,657	8,026,855	0.9589	0.9918
35 - 39	5,955,875	6,305,654	6,766,665	7,121,916	0.9930	1.0123
40 - 44	5,116,439	5,430,255	6,320,570	6,688,797	0.9932	1.0036
45 - 49	4,216,418	4,505,123	5,692,013	6,141,338	0.9557	0.9739
50 - 54	3,415,678	3,646,923	4,834,995	5,305,407	0.9450	0.9770
55 - 59	2,585,244	2,859,471	3,902,344	4,373,875	0.9255	0.9709
60 - 64	2,153,209	2,447,720	3,041,034	3,468,085	0.8903	0.9510
65 - 69	1,639,325	1,941,781	2,224,065	2,616,745	0.8603	0.9151
70 - 74	1,229,329	1,512,973	1,667,373	2,074,264	0.7744	0.8474
75 - 79	780,571	999,016	1,090,518	1,472,930	0.6652	0.7585
80 - 84	428,501	607,533	668,623	998,349	0.5439	0.6599
85 - 89	208,088	326,783	310,759	508,724	0.3981	0.5092
90 - 94	65,117	115,309	114,964	211,595	0.2683	0.3483
95 - 99	19,221	36,977	31,529	66,806	0.1515	0.2044
100 +	10,423	14,153	7,247	16,989		





# Cohort survival ratios – Example (3)

**Step 3:** Calculation of life table survival rates based on the expected level of mortality

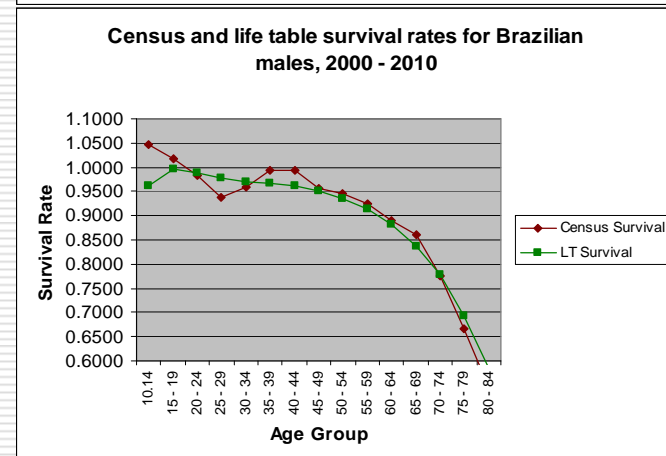
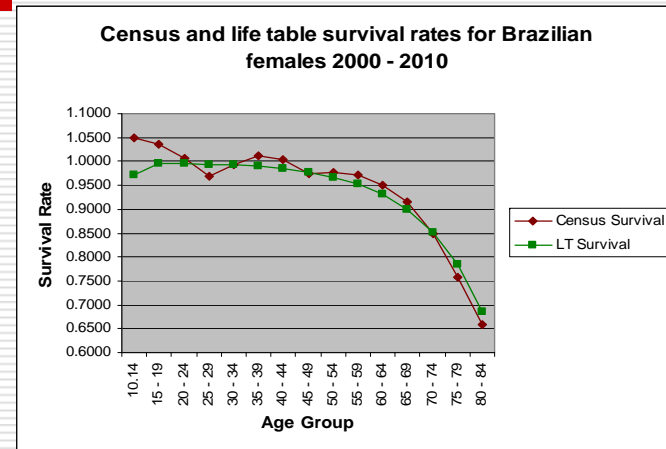
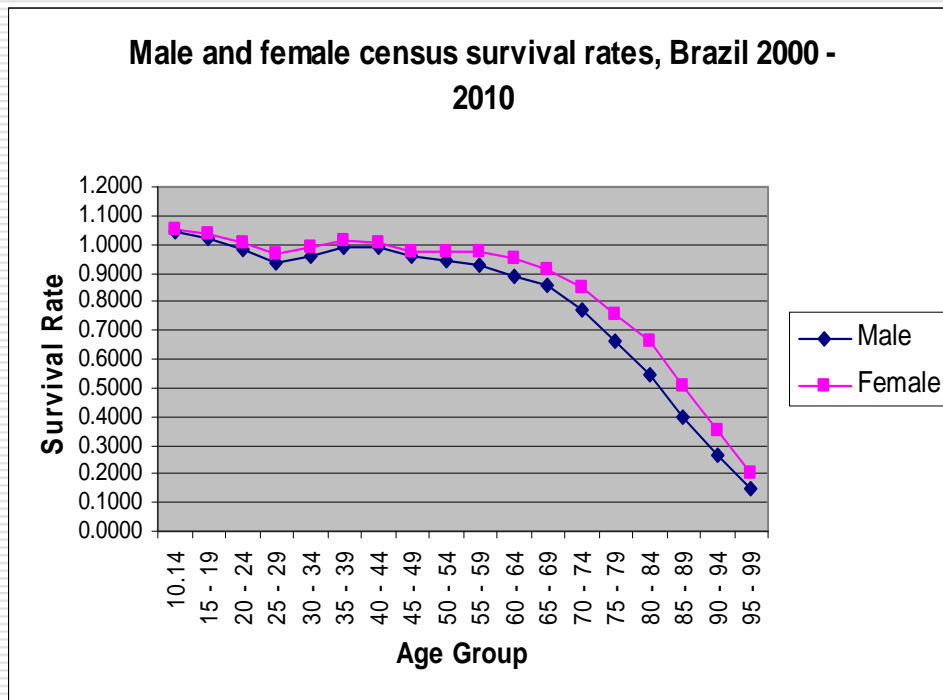
$$nS_x = (nL_{x+a} / nL_x)$$

**Step 4:** Calculation of cohort survival ratios (nRx)

		1 Aug 2000		1 Aug 2010		Cohort Survival Ratio 2000 - 2010		Life Table Survival Rate		nRx		
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
6	0 - 4	8,326,926	8,048,802	0 - 4	7,016,987	6,779,172						
7	5 - 9	8,402,353	8,139,974	5 - 9	7,624,144	7,345,231						
8	10 - 14	8,777,639	8,570,428	10 - 14	8,725,413	8,441,348	1.0479	1.0488	0.9623	0.9722	1.0889	1.0788
9	15 - 19	9,019,130	8,920,685	15 - 19	8,558,868	8,432,002	1.0186	1.0359	0.9954	0.9970	1.0234	1.0389
10	20 - 24	8,048,218	8,093,297	20 - 24	8,630,227	8,614,963	0.9832	1.0052	0.9887	0.9960	0.9944	1.0092
11	25 - 29	6,814,328	7,035,337	25 - 29	8,460,995	8,643,418	0.9381	0.9689	0.9771	0.9940	0.9601	0.9748
12	30 - 34	6,363,983	6,664,961	30 - 34	7,717,657	8,026,855	0.9589	0.9918	0.9703	0.9920	0.9883	0.9998
13	35 - 39	5,955,875	6,305,654	35 - 39	6,766,665	7,121,916	0.9930	1.0123	0.9668	0.9892	1.0271	1.0233
14	40 - 44	5,116,439	5,430,255	40 - 44	6,320,570	6,688,797	0.9932	1.0036	0.9611	0.9850	1.0334	1.0188
15	45 - 49	4,216,418	4,505,123	45 - 49	5,692,013	6,141,338	0.9557	0.9739	0.9511	0.9780	1.0048	0.9959
16	50 - 54	3,415,678	3,646,923	50 - 54	4,834,995	5,305,407	0.9450	0.9770	0.9352	0.9672	1.0105	1.0102
17	55 - 59	2,585,244	2,859,471	55 - 59	3,902,344	4,373,875	0.9255	0.9709	0.9133	0.9521	1.0134	1.0198
18	60 - 64	2,153,209	2,447,720	60 - 64	3,041,034	3,468,085	0.8903	0.9510	0.8810	0.9304	1.0105	1.0221
19	65 - 69	1,639,325	1,941,781	65 - 69	2,224,065	2,616,745	0.8603	0.9151	0.8367	0.8982	1.0282	1.0188
20	70 - 74	1,229,329	1,512,973	70 - 74	1,667,373	2,074,264	0.7744	0.8474	0.7778	0.8520	0.9956	0.9947
21	75 - 79	780,571	999,016	75 - 79	1,090,518	1,472,930	0.6652	0.7585	0.6930	0.7835	0.9600	0.9681
22	80 - 84	428,501	607,533	80 - 84	668,623	998,349	0.5439	0.6599	0.5844	0.6843	0.9307	0.9643
23	85 - 89	208,088	326,783	85 - 89	310,759	508,724	0.3981	0.5092				
24	90 - 94	65,117	115,309	90 - 94	114,964	211,595	0.2683	0.3483				
25	95 - 99	19,221	36,977	95 - 99	31,529	66,806	0.1515	0.2044				
26	100 +	10,423	14,153	100 +	7,247	16,989						



# Cohort survival ratios – Example (4)





## Cohort Survival: Uses and limitations

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- ❑ It is a widely applicable approach for examining error in consecutive censuses
- ❑ Method requires relatively little information
  - Information on the level of fertility is not required since the method does not assess the coverage of the population born between two censuses
- ❑ Method is complicated by migration etc. as discussed
- ❑ When only two censuses are available, the method suffers from the limitations shared by many demographic methods, namely difficulties in separating census errors from real irregularities caused by extraordinary events
  - The utility of census survival approaches increases significantly when three or more censuses are available



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# Cohort Component Method

## Census coverage



# Overview of cohort-component method

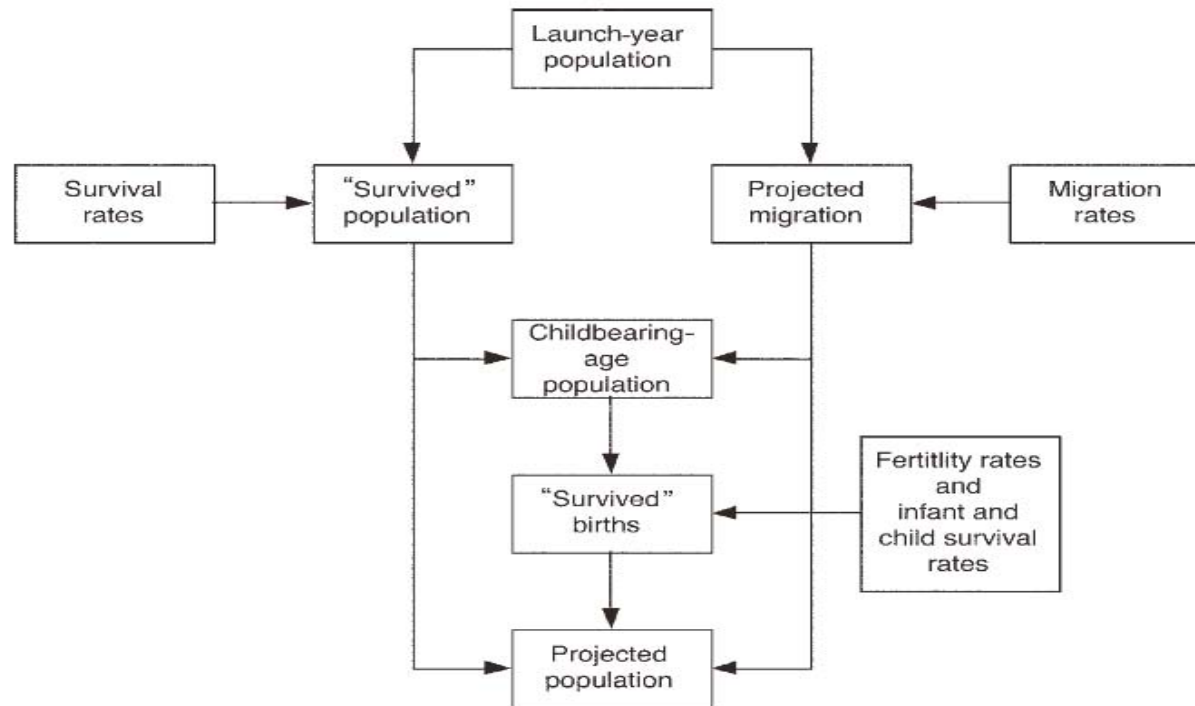


FIGURE 21.2 Overview of the cohort-component method for a projection interval.  
Source: Smith *et al.* (2001, p. 47).

Smith, S., J. Tayman, and D. A. Swanson. 2001. *State and Local Population Projections: Methodology and Analysis*. New York: Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers.



## Cohort component method

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- ❑ In this approach, the population enumerated in the first census is projected to the reference date of the second census based on estimated levels and age schedules of fertility, mortality and migration during the intercensal period
- ❑ The expected population from the projection is then compared with the actual population enumerated in the second census
- ❑ Data for intercensal births, deaths and migration are taken from estimates and/or assumptions regarding the level and age schedules of these parameters rather than directly available data based on registration systems

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985. *Evaluating Censuses of Population and Housing*



## Cohort component method – data required

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1. The population enumerated in two censuses by age and sex
2. Age specific fertility rates for women aged 15 to 49 (in 5-year age groups), assumed to represent the level and age structure of fertility during the intercensal period
3. Life table survival rates for males and females, assumed to be representative of mortality conditions during the intercensal period
4. An estimate of sex ratio at birth
5. Estimates of the level and age pattern of net international migration during the intercensal period if the level of net migration is substantial



# Cohort component method – overview of computational steps

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1. “Survive” the age distribution at the initial census to the time of the second census
  1. Multiply each age group population by life table survival rates
  2. Open-ended interval requires special handling
2. Make any necessary adjustments for migration
3. Calculate the number of births during the period
  1. Average initial and projected population for each age group between 15 – 49 to estimate mid-period female population
  2. Apply age-specific birth rates to these populations to generate total numbers of births during time period
  3. Apply sex ratio factor to get female and male births from total births
4. Apply life table survivorship to these births to determine number that survive to time of the second census
5. Compare the estimated female population by age group with the enumerated female population





# Cohort component method – Step 1 (survive initial age distribution)

1. "Survive" the age distribution at the initial census to the time of the second census

$${}_nS_x = \frac{{}_nL_{x+a}}{{}_nL_x}$$

Brazil							
B07 Population by age, sex and urban/rural residence							
	Census Enumeration 1 Aug 2000		Life table survival rates		Expected Population in 2010		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
0 - 4	8,326,926	8,048,802					
5 - 9	8,402,353	8,139,974					
10 - 14	8,777,639	8,570,428	0.99281	0.99503	8,267,036	8,008,838	
15 - 19	9,019,130	8,920,685	0.99276	0.99666	8,341,531	8,112,748	
20 - 24	8,048,218	8,093,297	0.98297	0.99500	8,628,127	8,527,591	
25 - 29	6,814,328	7,035,337	0.97325	0.99298	8,777,887	8,858,106	
30 - 34	6,363,983	6,664,961	0.96850	0.99068	7,794,673	8,017,830	
35 - 39	5,955,875	6,305,654	0.96426	0.98730	6,570,784	6,946,002	
40 - 44	5,116,439	5,430,255	0.95656	0.98179	6,087,561	6,543,601	
45 - 49	4,216,418	4,505,123	0.94364	0.97290	5,620,207	6,134,792	
50 - 54	3,415,678	3,646,923	0.92494	0.96004	4,732,385	5,213,261	
55 - 59	2,585,244	2,859,471	0.89822	0.94193	3,787,266	4,243,528	
60 - 64	2,153,209	2,447,720	0.86000	0.91534	2,937,715	3,338,156	
65 - 69	1,639,325	1,941,781	0.80000	0.87668	2,092,085	2,506,838	
70 - 74	1,229,329	1,512,973	0.70000		2,007,940		
75 - 79	780,571	999,016	0.60000		1,431,809		
80+	731,350	1,100,755					



# Cohort component method – Step 1 (survive initial age distribution)

2. For the oldest age category (open-ended)

$$wS_x = \frac{wT_{x+a}}{wT_x}$$

$w$  = the oldest age attainable in the population

$a$  = the length of the projection interval

$wS_x$  = the life table survival ratio for the population aged  $x$  and above

$wT_x$  = the number of life table persons lived at ages  $x$  and above

$wT_{x+a}$  = the number of life table person-years lived at ages  $x+a$  and above

	Census Enumeration 1 Aug 2000		Life table survival rates		Expected Population in 2010	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0 - 4	8,326,926	8,048,802				
5 - 9	8,402,353	8,139,974				
10 - 14	8,777,639	8,570,428	0.99281	0.99503	8,267,036	8,008,838
15 - 19	9,019,130	8,920,685	0.99276	0.99666	8,341,531	8,112,748
20 - 24	8,048,218	8,093,297	0.98297	0.99500	8,628,127	8,527,591
25 - 29	6,814,328	7,035,337	0.97325	0.99298	8,777,887	8,858,106
30 - 34	6,363,983	6,664,961	0.96850	0.99068	7,794,673	8,017,830
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40 - 44	5,116,439	5,430,255	0.95656	0.98179	6,087,561	6,543,601
45 - 49	4,216,418	4,505,123	0.94364	0.97290	5,620,207	6,134,792
50 - 54	3,415,678	3,646,923	0.92494	0.96004	4,732,385	5,213,261
55 - 59	2,585,244	2,859,471	0.89822	0.94193	3,787,266	4,243,528
60 - 64	2,153,209	2,447,720	0.86007	0.91534	2,937,715	3,338,156
65 - 69	1,639,325	1,941,781	0.80924	0.87668	2,092,085	2,506,838
70 - 74	1,229,329	1,512,973	0.73828	0.82033	1,589,662	2,007,940
75 - 79	780,571	999,016	0.64175	0.73737	1,052,036	1,431,809
80+	731,350	1,100,755	0.39246	0.43807	482,460	662,789



## Cohort component method – Step 2 (adjust for migration)

- ❑ If net international migration is substantial, the “survived” cohort population must be adjusted to reflect the effects of migration
- The introduction of net migrants by age group at the mid-point of the projection period and the survival of net migrants to the end of the period:

$${}_n\hat{M}_{x+i} = \frac{1}{4} {}_nM_x (1 + {}_nS_x) + \frac{1}{4} {}_nM_{x+i} (1 + {}_nS_{x+i})$$

- ❑ **Assumptions:** i) An equal distribution of net migrants across years of the intercensal period, ii) Migrants have the same fertility and mortality level as the enumerated population



## Cohort component method – Step 3 (calculate births)

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1. Calculate the average number of women in each childbearing age group (15 – 49) during the intercensal period in order to estimate the number of births during the projection period

$${}_n\bar{P}_x = \frac{{}_nP_x^0 + {}nP_x^1}{2}$$

${}_n\bar{P}_x$  = average number of females aged x to x+n in the projection period

${}_nP_x^0$  = number of females aged x to x+n at the beginning of the projection period

${}_nP_x^1$  = projected number of females aged x to x+n at the end of the projection period



# Cohort component method – Step 3 (calculate births)

## 2. Calculate total births during the period

$$B = \sum_{x=15}^{49} (\bar{n}P_x * n f_x) \text{ for 1-year projection}$$

$$B = 5 * \sum_{x=15}^{49} (\bar{n}P_x * n f_x) \text{ for 5-year projection period}$$

B = the estimated number of births during the projection period

$\bar{n}P_x$  = the average number of women in the age group x to x+n years during the projection period

$n f_x$  = the age specific fertility rate (per woman) for women age x to x+n years during the projection period

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	<b>Brazil Cohort Component Method - Fertility Calculations</b>						
2							
3		Female pop 2000 (actual)	Female pop 2005 (projected)	Mid-period female pop	ASFR	Births	
4	15 - 19	8,920,685	8,553,526	8,737,106	0.0860	3,756,999	
5	20 - 24	8,093,297	8,893,637	8,493,467	0.1311	5,567,468	
6	25 - 29	7,035,337	8,060,964	7,548,150	0.1109	4,185,449	
7	30 - 34	6,664,961	6,997,692	6,831,326	0.0690	2,356,842	
8	35 - 39	6,305,654	6,615,729	6,460,692	0.0375	1,211,315	
9	40 - 44	5,430,255	6,236,906	5,833,581	0.0130	379,124	
10	45 - 49	4,505,123	5,341,348	4,923,236	0.0026	64,051	
11						17,521,248	
12							
13							
14							
15							



## Cohort component method – Step 3 (calculate births)

### 3. Calculate proportion of male and female births

$$B^f = 1 - \frac{SRB}{1 + SRB} \quad B^f = 1 - (1.05)/(1+1.05) = .488$$
$$= .488 * 17,521,248 = 8,550,369$$

$$B^m = \frac{SRB}{1 + SRB} \quad B^m = (1.05)/(1+1.05) = .512$$
$$= .512 * 17,521,248 = 8,970,879$$



## Cohort component method – Step 4 (survive intercensal births)

- 3. Apply life table survivorship to these births to determine number that survive to time of the second census

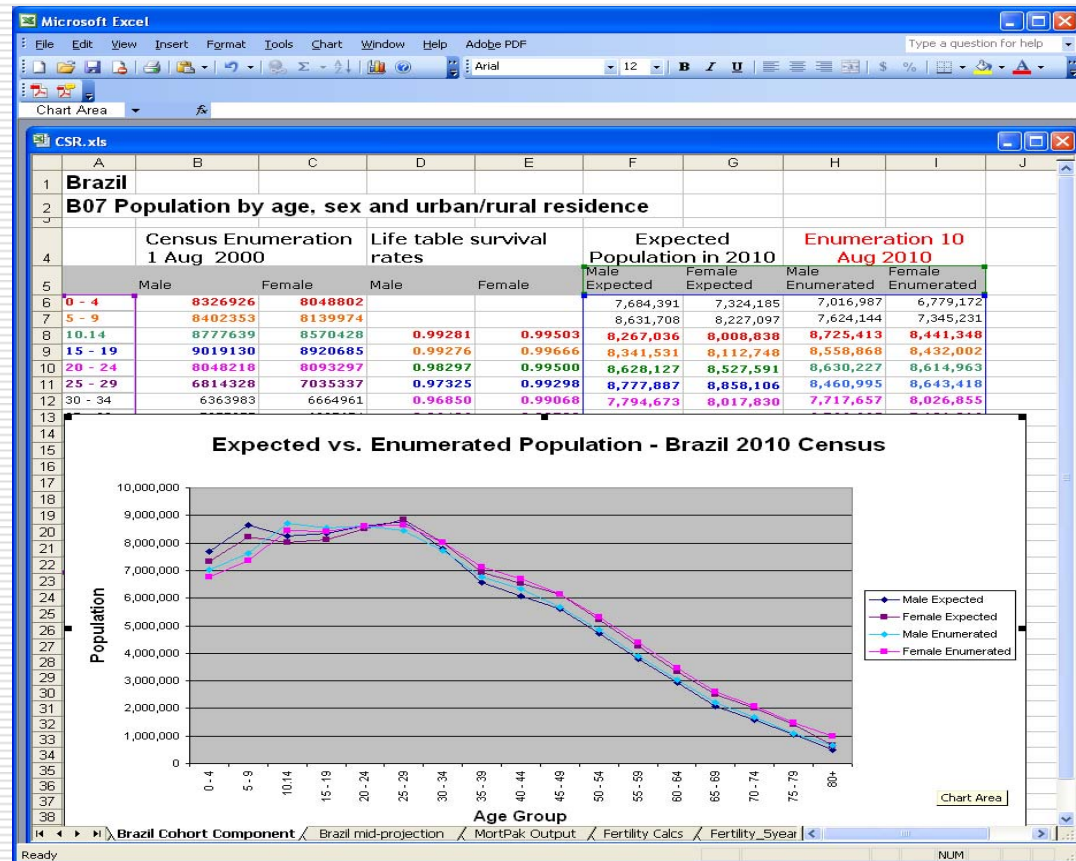
- $${}_5P_0^f = B^f * {}_5S_0$$
$${}_5P_0^f = .968 * 8,550,369 = 8,276,757$$

- $${}_5S_0 = \frac{{}_5L_0}{5 * I_0}$$



# Cohort component method – Step 5 (compare with enumerated population)

- Final step in procedure is to compare the enumerated population by age and sex in the second population with the expected population







# Cohort component method in MortPak (1)

**MORTPAK FOR WINDOWS**

Selected application is PROJCT (Brazil\_PROJCT.mpl)

Input File Name: C:\Documents and Settings\Maia.Sieverding\My Documents\Census Eval  
When last updated: 01 August 2012

Single-year population projection based on cohort-component technique.

TITLE: Brazil 2000 - 2010

Year of Base Population (4 digits): 2000  
Month of Base Population: August  
Day of Base Population: 01  
End Year of Projection: 2010  
Display/Print Projection Results Every: 1 Year

Open Age Group of Base Population: 80+  
Sex Ratio at Birth (e.g. 1.05): 1.05  
Model Life Table Pattern: User-Defined Model  
Title for User Defined Model: Brazil LT

Enter data below only if "User-Defined Model" was selected as the model life table pattern.

Age Group	Males	Females
0 - 1	0.02967	0.02183
1 - 5	0.00625	0.00460
5 - 10	0.00218	0.00151
10 - 15	0.00246	0.00145
15 - 20	0.00882	0.00256
20 - 25	0.01422	0.00347
25 - 30	0.01571	0.00458
30 - 35	0.01776	0.00623
35 - 40	0.02150	0.00879
40 - 45	0.02796	0.01334
45 - 50	0.03793	0.01975
50 - 55	0.05068	0.02876
55 - 60	0.07192	0.04206
60 - 65	0.09849	0.06237
65 - 70	0.13727	0.09135
70 - 75	0.19677	0.13768
75 - 80	0.27248	0.20644
80 - 85		

Derived e(0): 67.95000 75.62000

**MORTPAK for Windows (version 4.0)**

**Data required for PROJCT**

**Title:** A data description of up to 40 characters, to be included in the heading at the top of the page of output.

**Year of base population:** Indicates the year for the starting date of the projection; for example, 1985.

**Month of base population:** Indicates the month for the starting date of the projection.

**Day of base population:** Indicates the day of the month for the starting date of the projection. Value must be between 1 and 31.

**End year of projection:** Indicates the ending year of the projection; for example 2000.

**Display/print projection results every x years:** Indicates the print cycle for the projection results. For example, if a value of 5 is given, projections results are printed every fifth projection year.

**Final open-age group of base population:** Indicates the final open-age group for the male and female population. The population open-age group must be at a minimum of 65+ and at a maximum of 85+.

**Sex ratio at birth:** Sex ratio at birth (e.g., 1.05). The sex ratio at birth must be between 0.75 and 1.5.

**Model life-table pattern:** Indicates the model life-table pattern to be used. The choices are:

- User-defined model
- United Nations Latin American model
- United Nations Chilean
- United Nations South Asian
- United Nations Far East Asian
- United Nations general
- Coale-Demeny West
- Coale-Demeny North
- Coale-Demeny East

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# Cohort component method in MortPak (2)

MORTPAK FOR WINDOWS

Selected application is PROJECT (Brazil\_PROJECT.mpl)

Input File Name: C:\Documents and Settings\Maia Sieverding\My Documents\Census Eval  
When last updated: 01 August 2012

Single-year population projection based on cohort-component technique.

SELECT YEAR TO DISPLAY: 2010

Population by single year			Population in five-year age groups: 1 Aug 2010						Vital Statistics Summary: 1 A...				
Age	Males	Total	Age	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	
0	1565532	3064476	0	8023614	7696333	15719947	8.56	7.92	8.23	Births	1604739	1528323	3133061
1	1584282	3103533	5	8357924	8029750	16387673	8.91	8.26	8.58	Deaths	720370	567093	1287463
2	1605520	3146146	10	8268591	8006239	16274830	8.82	8.24	8.52	Migrants	0	0	0
3	1625500	3185772	15	8344680	8111077	16455757	8.90	8.34	8.62	Growth	884368	961230	1845598
4	1642779	3220021	20	8642999	8524849	17167848	9.22	8.77	8.99				
5	1656938	3248125	25	8779813	8852899	17632712	9.36	9.11	9.23				
6	1667571	3269291	30	7780340	8012890	15793231	8.30	8.24	8.27				
7	1674751	3283712	35	6569571	6941450	13511021	7.01	7.14	7.07				
8	1678745	3291916	40	6107912	6538418	12646330	6.51	6.73	6.62				
9	1679918	3294629	45	5655145	6130654	11785798	6.03	6.31	6.17				
10	1684197	3319803	50	4764478	5208109	9972587	5.08	5.36	5.22				
11	1681670	3270606	55	3807072	4233113	8040185	4.06	4.35	4.21				
12	1645464	3236956	60	2945144	3323514	6268658	3.14	3.42	3.28				
13	1638228	3222531	65	2082686	2489215	4571901	2.22	2.56	2.39				
14	1639033	3224934	70	1570776	1990428	3561204	1.67	2.05	1.86				
15	1645799	3239844	75	1037225	1428460	2465685	1.11	1.47	1.29				
16	1656482	3263148	80+	1040648	1693633	2734281	1.11	1.74	1.43				
17	1668859	3290403	Total	93778618	97211031	190989649	100.00	100.00	100.00				
18	1681118	3318011											
19	1692423	3344351											
20	1702988	3369935											
21	1713949	3397136											
22	1726848	3429144											
23	1742078	3465816											
24	1757136	3504818											
25	1772688	3544254											
26	1781731	3570707											
27	1774798	3564853											
28	1747069	3516701											
29	1703527	3436196											
30	1655564	3346113											
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# Brazil Example with MortPak - Results

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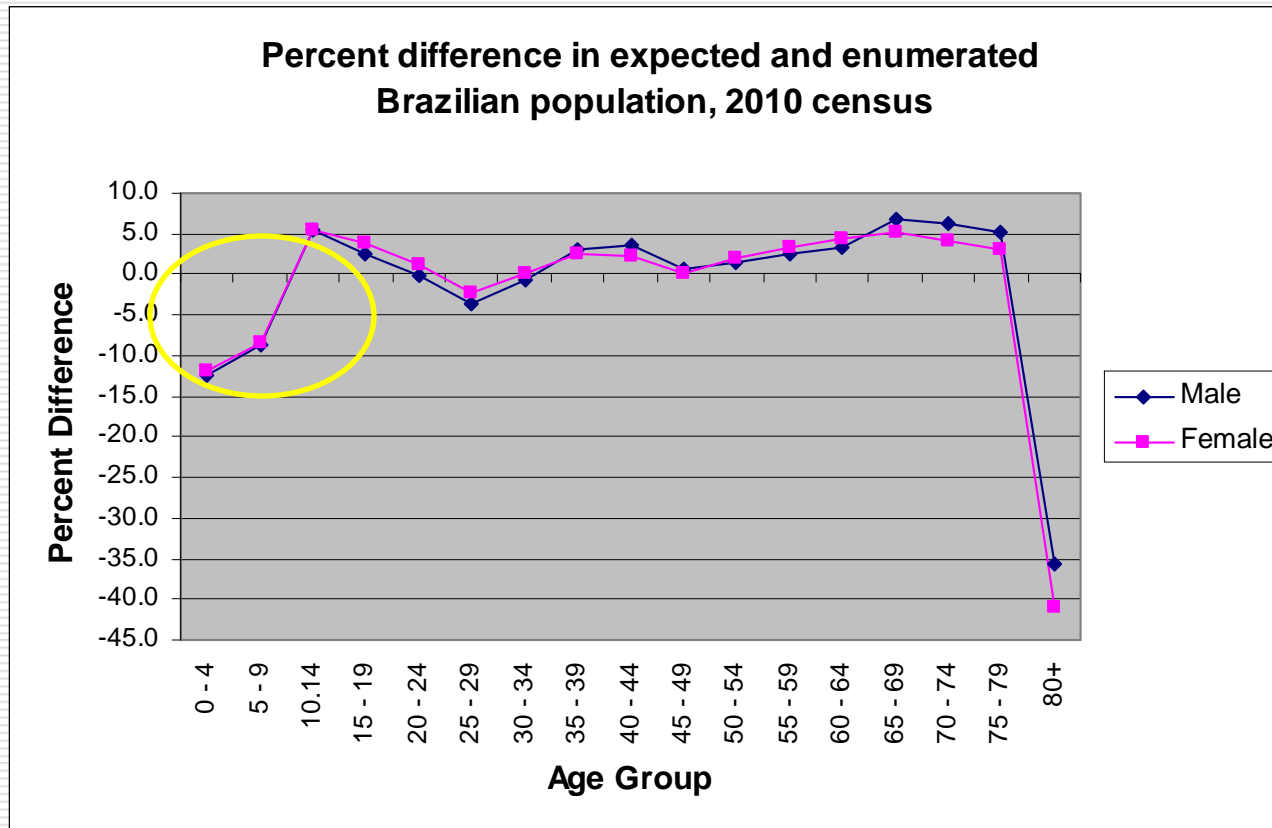
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	A	B	C	D	E	F		G		H	I
1		Acual Enumeration 10 Aug 2010		MortPak Projections		Absolute Difference (Enumerated - Expected)		Percent Difference (Absolute Difference/Expected * 100)			
2	Age	Male Enumerated	Female Enumerated	Male Projected	Female Projected	Male	Female	Male	Female		
3	0 - 4	7,016,987	6,779,172	8,023,614	7,696,333	-1,006,627	-917,161	-12.5	-11.9		
4	5 - 9	7,624,144	7,345,231	8,357,924	8,029,750	-733,780	-684,519	-8.8	-8.5		
5	10-14	8,725,413	8,441,348	8,268,591	8,006,239	456,822	435,109	5.5	5.4		
6	15 - 19	8,558,868	8,432,002	8,344,680	8,111,077	214,188	320,925	2.6	4.0		
7	20 - 24	8,630,227	8,614,963	8,642,999	8,524,849	-12,772	90,114	-0.1	1.1		
8	25 - 29	8,460,995	8,643,418	8,779,813	8,852,899	-318,818	-209,481	-3.6	-2.4		
9	30 - 34	7,717,657	8,026,855	7,780,340	8,012,890	-62,683	13,965	-0.8	0.2		
10	35 - 39	6,766,665	7,121,916	6,569,571	6,941,450	197,094	180,466	3.0	2.6		
11	40 - 44	6,320,570	6,688,797	6,107,912	6,538,418	212,658	150,379	3.5	2.3		
12	45 - 49	5,692,013	6,141,338	5,655,145	6,130,654	36,868	10,684	0.7	0.2		
13	50 - 54	4,834,995	5,305,407	4,764,478	5,208,109	70,517	97,298	1.5	1.9		
14	55 - 59	3,902,344	4,373,875	3,807,072	4,233,113	95,272	140,762	2.5	3.3		
15	60 - 64	3,041,034	3,468,085	2,945,144	3,323,514	95,890	144,571	3.3	4.3		
16	65 - 69	2,224,065	2,616,745	2,082,686	2,489,215	141,379	127,530	6.8	5.1		
17	70 - 74	1,667,373	2,074,264	1,570,776	1,990,428	96,597	83,836	6.1	4.2		
18	75 - 79	1,090,518	1,472,930	1,037,225	1,428,460	53,293	44,470	5.1	3.1		
19	80+	668,623	998,349	1,040,648	1,693,633	-372,025	-695,284	-35.7	-41.1		
20	<b>Total</b>	<b>92,942,491</b>	<b>96,544,695</b>	<b>93,778,618</b>	<b>97,211,031</b>	<b>-836,127</b>	<b>-666,336</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>-0.7</b>		
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22	<b>Combined Sex</b>				<b>190,989,649</b>		<b>-1,502,463</b>		<b>-0.8</b>		
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# Brazil Example with MortPak - Results





## Main findings from Brazil example

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- ❑ Suggests underenumeration by about 1.5 million people, or 0.8% of the population
- ❑ Significant underenumeration of youngest two age groups, particularly children 0 - 4
- ❑ Some overenumeration of 10 – 14 year olds – could be a result of the underenumeration of this group (as 0 – 4 year olds) in the original census in 2000
- ❑ Seeing same under-enumeration of 25 – 29 year olds of both sexes as when we calculated by hand – needs to be explored
- ❑ Consistent but fairly low level of overenumeration of adults age 35 – 39 to 75 – 79
  - Could potentially indicate in-migration, ideally want to incorporate migration data
- ❑ Significant overenumeration of older people
  - Very likely that there is age exaggeration
  - Also might consider that our life table is not accurate for these ages



# Kenya (1) – 2009 census

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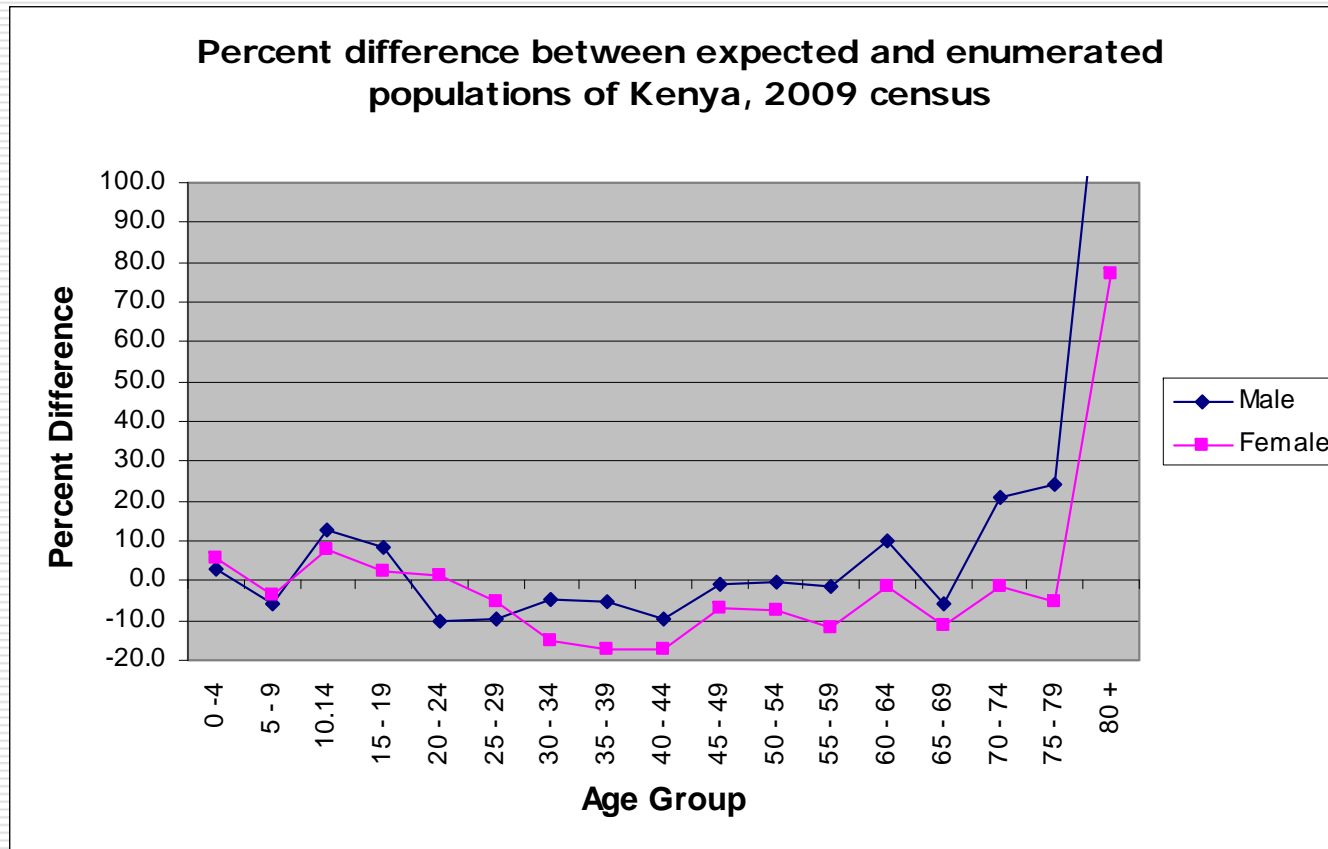
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Kenya Cohort Component Analysis 1999 - 2009											
Age Group	Enumerated Pop 1 Jul 1999		Enumerated Pop 24 Aug 2009		MortPak Projections		Absolute Difference (Enumerated - Expected)		Percent Difference (Absolute Difference/Expected * 100)		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
0 - 4	2,342,576	2,366,559	3,617,282	3,543,961	3,516,567	3,362,901	100,715	181,060	2.9	5.4	
5 - 9	1,987,900	2,028,015	2,832,669	2,765,047	3,010,305	2,863,182	-177,636	-98,135	-5.9	-3.4	
10 - 14	1,995,510	2,034,447	2,565,313	2,469,542	2,272,991	2,287,239	292,322	182,303	12.9	8.0	
15 - 19	1,740,730	1,820,619	2,123,653	2,045,890	1,956,541	2,000,494	167,112	45,396	8.5	2.3	
20 - 24	1,379,948	1,560,951	1,754,105	2,020,998	1,957,961	1,997,245	-203,856	23,753	-10.4	1.2	
25 - 29	1,124,732	1,280,910	1,529,116	1,672,110	1,689,959	1,763,593	-160,843	-91,483	-9.5	-5.2	
30 - 34	885,768	940,088	1,257,035	1,262,471	1,320,253	1,491,082	-63,218	-228,611	-4.8	-15.3	
35 - 39	703,401	728,140	1,004,361	1,004,271	1,059,470	1,212,626	-55,109	-208,355	-5.2	-17.2	
40 - 44	534,186	551,737	743,594	732,575	821,909	886,654	-78,315	-154,079	-9.5	-17.4	
45 - 49	418,546	431,630	635,276	637,469	642,699	685,708	-7,423	-48,239	-1.2	-7.0	
50 - 54	322,763	334,748	478,346	477,860	478,976	517,700	-630	-39,840	-0.1	-7.7	
55 - 59	254,342	270,412	359,466	352,487	364,886	400,689	-5,420	-48,202	-1.5	-12.0	
60 - 64	199,299	227,383	295,197	298,581	268,479	303,404	26,718	-4,823	10.0	-1.6	
65 - 69	155,091	180,878	183,151	207,612	194,901	233,991	-11,750	-26,379	-6.0	-11.3	
70 - 74	117,522	137,336	160,301	179,000	132,320	181,158	27,981	-2,158	21.1	-1.2	
75 - 79	82,970	90,346	99,833	118,675	80,356	125,127	19,477	-6,452	24.2	-5.2	
80 +	96,925	126,616	159,125	224,576	61,616	126,791	97,509	97,785	158.3	77.1	
<b>Total</b>			<b>19,797,823</b>	<b>20,013,125</b>	<b>19,830,190</b>	<b>20,439,582</b>	<b>-32,367</b>	<b>-426,457</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-2.1</b>	
<b>Combined Sex Total</b>				<b>39,810,948</b>		<b>40,269,773</b>		<b>-458,825</b>		<b>-1.1</b>	

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# Kenya (2)





## Kenya (3)

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- ❑ Overall suggests net undercount of 1.1%, about 460,000 people
- ❑ Most of undercount is coming from males aged 20 – 45 and females aged 25 – 59
  - Migration may account for some of this difference
  - The lifetable used (based on Kenya 1999) census may not accurately represent changing mortality conditions over the 10 year period due to the HIV/AIDS epidemic
  - There may be a 'true' undercount of these age-sex groups





## Cohort component method – uses and limitations

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- ❑ It is applicable when registration data are not-existent or deficient to such an extent that satisfactory adjustment is not possible
- ❑ Sufficient information to derive estimates of fertility and mortality levels should be available
  - Mortality estimates can be complicated by HIV/AIDS – with a generalized epidemic, one life table is generally not sufficient to model mortality patterns over a 10 year period
- ❑ Lack of information on international migration is often a problematic issue when applying this method
- ❑ In case where sufficient information exists to derive reliable estimates of demographic parameters, the method is perhaps the most powerful among the alternative demographic approaches for the evaluation of censuses, since it provides age and sex specific estimates of net census error



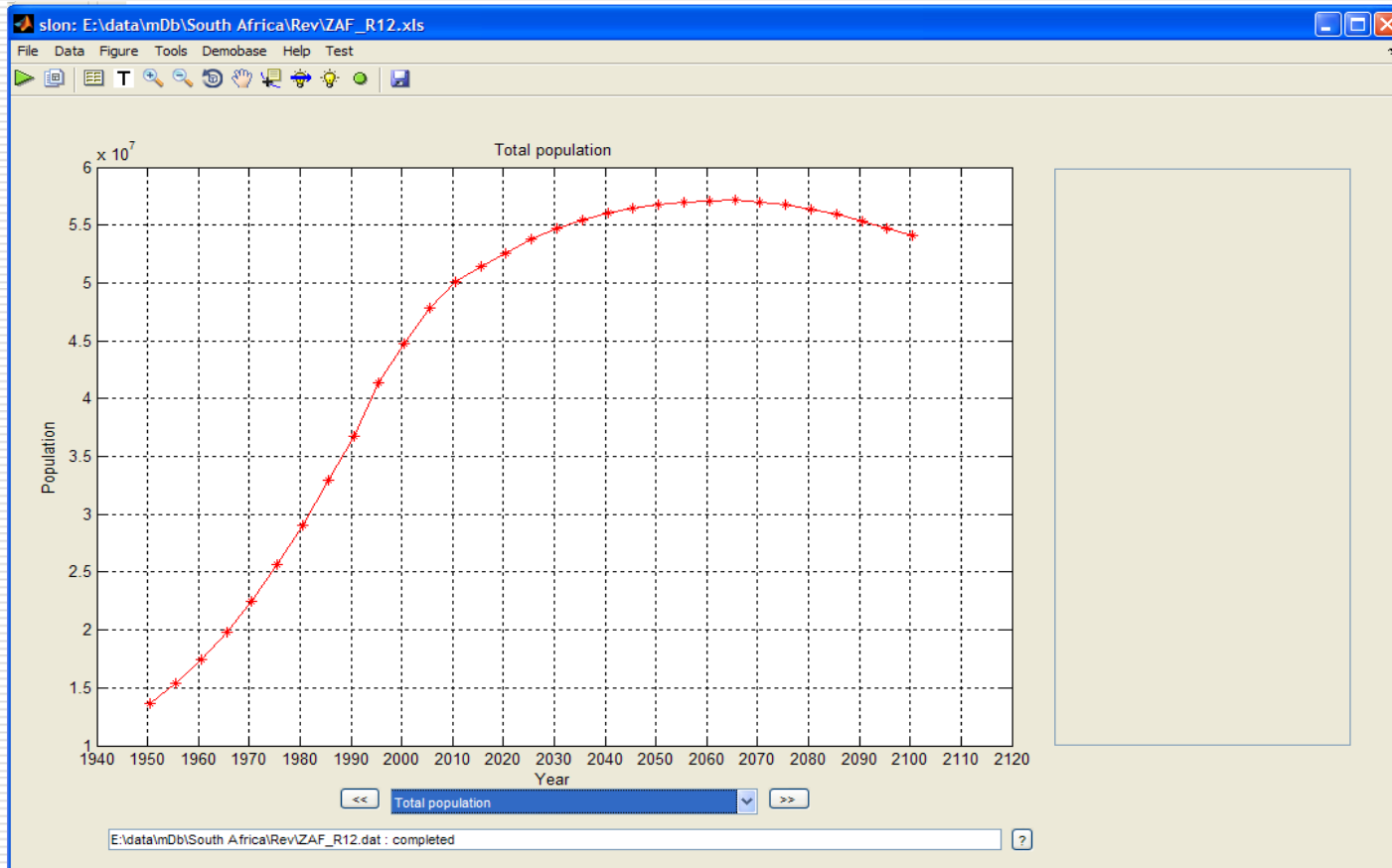
## Tools

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- ❑ In addition to MortPak, the DemProj module of Spectrum can be used for population projections
- ❑ <http://www.futuresinstitute.org/spectrum.aspx>
  - DemProj is recommended for projection in contexts in which HIV/AIDS prevalence exceeds a few percent – better modeling of mortality conditions
  - Requires more data input, including prevalence and treatment estimates for HIV/AIDS
  - Data input options somewhat less flexible than MortPak



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# SLON application

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## Features

- Projections for 5-year periods and 5-year age groups
- Projection input parameters are stored in Excel files
- Used for preparation of World Population Prospects
- Includes a number of templates for interpolation, smoothing, mortality scatter plots, model life table validation etc.

## Under development

- Projections for single year and single age groups
- Displays of empirical information together with projection input parameters

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