

I. VARIABLES IN THE COUNTRY PROFILES

The variables employed in the country profiles are listed below in part A, and a more detailed description is given in part B. The data sources indicated in part B are included in the list of references that follows the country profiles.

The variable numbers in the following list, and shown in the country profiles correspond to the variable numbers employed in the PRED Bank database, version 4.0 (United Nations, 2005a). The database includes additional variables that, because of space constraints, are not included in the country profiles contained in the present volume. For some variables, the database also includes data for additional years or time periods. Further information about the data can be found by consulting the original data sources, which are given in the list of references.

A. OVERVIEW

Population

Size and Distribution

- V1 Total population (thousands)
- V2 Urban population (percentage of total)
- V3 Population density (persons per hectare)

Age

- V8 Proportion of population aged below 15 (percentage)
- V9 Proportion of population aged between 15 and 59 (percentage)
- V10 Proportion of population aged 60 and over (percentage)
- V11 Proportion of population aged 80 and over (percentage)
- V12 Median age (years)

Gender

- V13 Total female population (thousands)
- V14 Total male population (thousands)

Dependency ratios

- V17 Child dependency ratio (per hundred)
- V18 Older population dependency ratio (per hundred)

Fertility

- V20 Total fertility rate (children per woman)
- V21 Contraceptive prevalence (percentage)

Mortality and health

- V24 Life expectancy at birth (years)
- V25 Life expectancy at birth, females (years)