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### **A methodology for estimating national and provincial populations: The approach of Statistics South Africa**

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## 1. Overview

In order to meet the need for population estimates, Statistics South Africa publishes national and provincial population estimates annually. This paper provides users of the mid-year population estimates with a detailed description of the methodology employed by Statistics South Africa. The actual estimates may be downloaded from the Statistics South Africa website.

We distinguish between two phases in our projections. These are:

- (a) Projection of the national population by using the SPECTRUM system;
- (b) Provincial projection by applying a UN method (United Nations, 1992) in which internal migration plays an important role.

## 2. National projections

### 2.1 Models for projection

Demographic-based programmes that incorporate an epidemiological component were developed by different organisations. Four of the most important models from a South African viewpoint is (a) the Spectrum Modeling System developed by the Futures Group; (b) the RupHivAids model developed by the US Census Bureau; (c) the abcDIM model which is developed and used by the United Nations Population Division (UNPD) and (d) the ASSA model developed by the Actuarial Society of Southern Africa.

When Statistics South Africa started its new round of population projections in 2003, the documentation of the RupHivAids model was not completed and the abcDIM software was at that stage an in-house programme that was used to do population projection of all the countries in the world. The choice was therefore between ASSA and Spectrum and Stats SA decided to follow the Spectrum route. Better documentation of RupHivAids recently became available and it might be feasible to investigate and compare the assumptions of this model and Spectrum for a later round of South African projections.

The Spectrum Policy Modeling System (Futures Group) consists of 7 components, but Statistics South Africa used only two of them in this projection, namely: (a) **Demproj** for population projections and (b) **AIM** in which the consequences of the AIDS epidemic were projected.

The population projections, which apply the cohort-component method, must first be prepared before AIM can be used. In this projection with base-year 1985, fertility, mortality and internal migration for the projection period are required. Life expectancies and Total fertility rates without taking AIDS into account were used as input in the model.

The base year populations and projected populations on the 1996 and 2001 census dates are given in Table 1 below. It can be seen from this table that according to the Stats SA projections the estimated 1996 population figures were about 1,2 million higher than the published 1996 Census, while a very small difference can be found between the published 2001 Census and this projection on that date. Greater differences were however found regarding the sex-ratios and age-distributions (not shown here).

**Table 1: Base and projected South African populations**

|              | <b>Base (1985)<br/>population</b> | <b>Reported 1996<br/>Census</b> | <b>Stats SA projection on<br/>1996 Census date</b> | <b>Reported<br/>2001 Census</b> | <b>Stats SA projection on<br/>2001 Census date</b> |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|
| African      | 24 452 430                        | 31 127 631                      | 32 224 274   | 35 416 166                      | 35 260 840   |
| Coloured     | 3 001 856                         | 3 600 446                       | 3 674 984  | 3 994 505                       | 3 958 337  |
| Asian        | 881 367                           | 1 045 596                       | 1 058 435  | 1 115 467                       | 1 118 109  |
| White        | 4 847 619                         | 4 434 697                       | 4 792 336  | 4 293 640                       | 4 501 676  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>33 183 272</b>                 | <b>40 583 573</b>               | <b>41 750 029</b>                                  | <b>44 819 778</b>               | <b>44 838 962</b>                                  |

## 2.2 Adjustment of Antenatal Clinics (ANC) data and HIV Prevalence estimates

AIM requires an assumption about the future course of adult HIV prevalence. Our knowledge of the HIV epidemic in South Africa is based primarily on the prevalence data collected annually since 1990 from pregnant women attending public antenatal clinics (ANC). These data have been used to obtain national estimates of HIV prevalence among the adult population and to determine epidemic trends over time.

ANC data are biased estimators of the general population HIV prevalence because only a select group of people (pregnant women attending public health services) are included in the sample. HIV prevalence among women who attend public health services is generally estimated to be higher than prevalence among those who attend private health services. Furthermore, the distribution of HIV prevalence among pregnant women is likely to be different than the distribution among the general adult population. In order to correct for these biases we need to adjust the ANC prevalence estimates, firstly (a) by adjusting for

relative attendance rates at antenatal clinics and (b) secondly by adjusting for the difference in prevalence between pregnant women and the general adult population.

Ideally, national HIV prevalence surveys would be an unbiased sample of the general adult population but with the 2005 HSRC population-based survey (Shisana *et al.*, 2005) the overall response rate for adults 15–49 years was only 55%. If non-responders are more likely to be HIV positive than responders, then the HSRC survey is likely to underestimate the true population prevalence. The approach used here is therefore to start from the ANC estimates of prevalence, and to use the HSRC data to calculate various correction factors.

This adjustment requires that the ANC data be standardised for race because the race distribution of ANC attendees is different from the race distribution in the general population. Ideally this standardisation should be based on the ANC prevalence of HIV by race and on the race distribution of all pregnant women. However, because the prevalence by race among ANC attendees is not available, we have used the prevalence by race from the HSRC survey, as shown in Table 2. The race distribution for the South African adult population aged 15–49 is based on the closest available population estimates from Statistics South Africa (Statistics South Africa, 2005). The correction factor is then estimated as the ratio of the unadjusted prevalence to the race-standardised prevalence. From Table 2 this ratio is calculated as  $16,2 / 18,5 = 0,88$ .

**Table 2: Standardising ANC data for race using adult (15–49 year) prevalence data from the HSRC survey**

|                 | Distribution Stats SA<br>midyear 2005 | Adult Prevalence<br>(15-49 years)* | Proportional<br>ANC attendance | Standardised estimate<br>of HIV prevalence |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>African</b>  | 79,4                                  | 19,9                               | 0,92                           | 18,31                                      |
| <b>Coloured</b> | 8,8                                   | 3,2                                | 0,05                           | 0,16                                       |
| <b>White</b>    | 9,3                                   | 0,5                                | 0,01                           | 0,00                                       |
| <b>Indian</b>   | 2,5                                   | 1,0                                | 0,03                           | 0,03                                       |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>100,0</b>                          | <b>16,2</b>                        |                                | <b>18,5</b>                                |

\* Shisana *et al.*, 2005

Antenatal clinic surveillance is generally not representative of the entire population (e.g., deep rural areas are often excluded from antenatal clinic surveillance). A further adjustment is therefore necessary and is done by again using data from the HSRC study (2005). In this survey it is shown that prevalence among pregnant women was 23,3%, while in the general

population it was 20,2% among women aged 15–49 years and 16,2% among both men and women aged 15–49 years. The higher prevalence among pregnant women as compared to women in the general population of the same age could be attributed to higher levels of contraceptive use in the general population.

To adjust for the difference between HIV prevalence in pregnant women and prevalence among adults in the general population, a correction factor based on the ratio of prevalence in these two population groups can be calculated using data from the HSRC, i.e.  $16,2/23,2 = 0,7$ . The combined correction factor is then estimated as the product of the two correction factors described above, i.e.  $0,88 \times 0,7 = 0,61$ . Using this approach the ANC prevalence estimate therefore has to be adjusted by a factor 0,61.

The HIV prevalence data from national ANC surveillance in South Africa from 1990 to 2005 were entered into the Estimation and Projection Package (EPP) to obtain a national epidemic curve. Prevalence data were adjusted using the correction factor as described above. The adjusted national prevalence curve was then entered into the Spectrum software package to estimate the demographic impact of HIV.

### **3. Provincial projections**

#### **3.1 Overview**

When projections for all the regions of a country are desired and the appropriate data are available, a multi-regional approach should be considered, as this is the only way to guarantee that the total migration flows between regions will sum to zero, or to the assumed level of international migration (United Nations, 1992). Developed by Willekens and Rogers (1978), these methods have not been widely used in developing countries, largely due to the lack of adequate migration data and the difficulty of applying these methods.

Multi-regional methods require the estimation of separate age-specific migration rates between every region of the country and every other region, and such detailed data are rarely available. Although it is possible to estimate some of the missing data (see Willekens *et al.*, 1979), the task of preparing data can become overwhelming if there are many regions. If there are only a few streams, however, the multi-regional method is the best method to use. In South Africa, 2448 ( $9 \times 8 \times 17 \times 2$ ) migration streams are derived if the multi-regional model is applied in calculating migration streams by age group (17 in total) and sex for each

province. The number of streams increase dramatically if this approach is followed for the 52 district councils/metros, namely to about 90 000.

### 3.2 *The age-structure of the provinces*

The base from which a population projection is done is very important as it has a big effect on the outcome of a projection. It also forms the base from which the provincial fertility and mortality rates were adjusted in this study. For a number of reasons that we will discuss now, it was decided to make adjustments to the total 2001 Census provincial populations as well as to the age and sex structures.

We will discuss two aspects, namely the way that provincial adjustment factors were constructed for Census 2001 and the average provincial growth rate between Census 1996 and Census 2001. We will also point out some inconsistencies from these aspects, which have to be rectified before the data could be used for projections.

To understand why adjustments for the base provincial populations were made, one will have to consider how adjustment factors were derived for Census 2001:

- An assessment of the magnitude and direction of errors were made by conducting a Post-Enumeration Survey (PES) one month after the Census.
- By using the PES, the unadjusted 37,3 million population was adjusted to 44,82 million (17,6 % net undercount).

The net undercount of the provinces was not the same and this fact will be taken into account. Table 3 shows the net undercount, absolute errors, and their confidence intervals by province.

**Table 3: Census 2001: Net undercount rate by province**

|               | Net undercount | Absolute error | Confidence intervals |       |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|-------|
|               |                |                | Lower                | Upper |
| Eastern Cape  | 14,7           | 1,8            | 12,9                 | 16,6  |
| Free State    | 17,6           | 1,2            | 16,4                 | 18,9  |
| Gauteng       | 18,7           | 3,5            | 15,3                 | 22,2  |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 22,5           | 5,6            | 16,9                 | 28,1  |
| Limpopo       | 14,4           | 0,4            | 14,0                 | 14,7  |
| Mpumalanga    | 16,1           | 1,0            | 15,1                 | 17,0  |
| Northern Cape | 14,1           | 0,8            | 13,2                 | 14,9  |
| North West    | 16,0           | 1,2            | 14,8                 | 17,3  |
| Western Cape  | 16,3           | 1,5            | 14,8                 | 17,7  |

If we further examine the provincial growth rates between Census 1996 and Census 2001 (see Table 4) the following is revealed:

- The very low growth rates of the Eastern Cape and the Free State
- The negative growth of the Northern Cape
- The high growth rates of Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal and the Western Cape

**Table 4: Comparing growth rates between Census 1996 and Census 2001**

|     | Census results (October) |           | Average annual growth rate | Stats SA mid-year adjustments |                            |
|-----|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|     | 1996                     | 2001      |                            | 2001                          | Average annual growth rate |
| EC  | 6 302 525                | 6 436 763 | 0,42                       | 6 929 869                     | 2,01                       |
| FS  | 2 633 504                | 2 706 775 | 0,55                       | 2 893 541                     | 1,99                       |
| GT  | 7 348 423                | 8 837 178 | 3,69                       | 8 254 103                     | 2,46                       |
| KZN | 8 417 021                | 9 426 017 | 2,55                       | 9 263 134                     | 2,03                       |
| LIM | 4 929 368                | 5 273 642 | 1,35                       | 5 474 683                     | 2,22                       |
| MP  | 2 800 711                | 3 122 990 | 2,18                       | 3 103 451                     | 2,18                       |
| NC  | 840 321                  | 822 727   | -0,42                      | 870 657                       | 0,75                       |
| NW  | 3 354 825                | 3 669 349 | 1,79                       | 3 686 162                     | 2,00                       |
| WC  | 3 956 875                | 4 524 335 | 2,68                       | 4 207 044                     | 1,30                       |

If we take into account the high level of uncertainty of the census adjustments (the wide confidence intervals of especially Gauteng and KwaZulu-Natal in Table 3) and growth rates that seemed to be questionable, Stats SA decided to make use of information of the Bureau of Market Research in which the total provincial populations for 2001 were adjusted (Van Aardt, 2006). The final age/sex structures of the provinces were determined through an iteration process and using the following datasets:

- The projected RSA population by sex and five-year age groups;
- The provincial Census 2001 populations by age and sex;
- Dataset of the BMR in which the Census 2001 provincial and magisterial totals were adjusted.

### 3.3 Calculation of migration rates from the 2001 Census

For subnational areas, migration is often the major determinant of population growth and can also be seen as the most difficult component of growth to forecast accurately as they are subject to much greater volatility than either fertility or mortality rates.

To determine flow patterns a census or large survey is usually the only source of data and two procedures most frequently used for measuring internal migration are:

- Procedures based on questions in censuses or surveys intended to detect migration.
- Procedures based on other population characteristics such as age-structure and place of birth.

As special questions in Census 2001 were available, it was decided to follow the approach in (a) above in the Stats SA study. The following questions were used to determine usual residence, residence 5 years ago, and previous residence.

#### Questions to determine usual residence

**USUALLY LIVE**

**(P-11) (P-11a)**  
**Does (the person) usually live in this household for at least four nights a week?**  
 Y = Yes  
 N = No  
 Dot the appropriate box.

**If YES go to P-12**

**If NO**  
**(P-11a) Where does (the person) usually live?**  
 IF IN THE SAME PLACE as the place of enumeration, dot the **S** box.  
 IF NOT the same place, write the  
 PROVINCE **P R** ,  
 MAIN PLACE (city, town, tribal area, administrative area) and  
 SUB-PLACE (suburb, ward, village, farm, informal settlement).  
 IF ANOTHER COUNTRY, write the name of the country in the boxes below.

Use CAPITAL LETTERS only.

### Question to determine if person lived in this place five years ago

|   |
|---|
| <p><b>FIVE YEARS AGO</b></p> <p><b>(P-12)</b></p> <p>Five years ago (at the time of Census '96), was (the person) living in this place (i.e. this suburb, ward, village, farm, informal settlement)?</p> <p>Y = Yes<br/>N = No<br/>B = Born after October 1996</p> <p>Dot the appropriate box.</p> <p><b>If Y or B go to P-13</b></p> |
|---|

### Diagram 3: Question to determine previous residence

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>FROM WHERE MOVED</b></p> <p><b>(P-12a)</b></p> <p>If NO to P-12</p> <p><b>Where did (the person) move from?</b></p> <p>If more than one move, give details of the last move.</p> <p>Write the PROVINCE <b>P R</b>, MAIN PLACE (city, town, tribal area, administrative area) and SUB-PLACE (suburb, ward, village, farm, informal settlement).</p> <p>IF ANOTHER COUNTRY, write the name of the country.</p> <p>Use CAPITAL LETTERS only.</p> | <p><b>IN WHICH YEAR</b></p> <p><b>(P-12b)</b></p> <p>If NO to P-12</p> <p><b>In which year did (the person) move to this place?</b></p> <p>1 = 1996<br/>2 = 1997<br/>3 = 1998<br/>4 = 1999<br/>5 = 2000<br/>6 = 2001</p> <p>If more than one move, write the code for the year of the last move</p> |
| <p>P R</p> <p>M A I N P L A C E</p>   |   |

To convert the response to these migration questions to migration rates per thousand of the population in specific age groups, the following steps were followed:

- Determine the usual place of residence in 2001 of each person.
- Determine the previous place of residence (in this analysis the residence in 1996).
- If the usual place of residence in 2001 and the previous residence in 1996 were the same, then the person is classified as a non-migrant.
- If the usual place and previous place are different the direction of the migration stream is determined.
- Cross-tabulate usual and previous province (see Table 7 below).

- (f) Cross-tabulate age (five-year groups) with usual province for every previous province (see Table 8).

By using the unit record count of Census 2001, we were quite successful in determining the previous and usual residence of every person in this census. In Tables 5 and 6 below the result of the migration calculations are given.

**Table 5: Result of migration calculations regarding usual province**

|                     | <b>Numbers</b>    | <b>Percentage</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Province determined | 44 752 441        | 99,85             |
| No response         | 53 705            | 0,12              |
| Place outside RSA   | 10 910            | 0,02              |
| Invalid main place  | 2 722             | 0,01              |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>44 819 778</b> | <b>100,0</b>      |

**Table 6: Result of migration calculations regarding previous province**

|  | <b>Numbers</b>    | <b>Percentage</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Province determined  | 42 392 170        | 94,58             |
| No response  | 143 595           | 0,32              |
| Place outside RSA  | 181 408           | 0,40              |
| Invalid main place   | 24 430            | 0,05              |
| Children born in 5 years before the census and who are not children of the head of the household | 2 078 175         | 4,64              |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>44 819 778</b> | <b>100,0</b>      |

We are now ready to convert the migration information in Census 2001 to migration rates per thousand of the population. This is done by using two sets of information, namely the cross-tabulations of previous and usual provinces for the total population and by age groups.

Table 7 is used to determine the level of migration movements between the provinces. To illustrate the procedure only the female movements are given in this table. Table 7 shows that 94,12 % of the population of the Eastern Cape reported that they had been living in the same province in 1996 and 2001. This, however, does not mean that they did not move as the census question did not focus on the last move. Of those that moved, 2,4 % moved to Western Cape, 1,5 % to Gauteng and smaller proportions to other provinces.

**Table 7: Total female movement between provinces: 1996-2001 (percentages)**

| Prov<br>In 1996 | Province in 2001 |            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-----------------|------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                 | EC               | FS         | GT    | KZN   | LIM   | MP    | NC    | NW    | WC    |
| <b>EC</b>       | 94,12            | 0,2748335* | 1,50  | 1,00  | 0,11  | 0,16  | 0,06  | 0,40  | 2,38  |
| <b>FS</b>       | 0,32             | 95,04      | 2,53  | 0,33  | 0,18  | 0,25  | 0,25  | 0,77  | 0,50  |
| <b>GT</b>       | 0,34             | 0,30       | 96,57 | 0,54  | 0,49  | 0,41  | 0,08  | 0,55  | 0,72  |
| <b>KZN</b>      | 0,22             | 0,10       | 1,47  | 97,55 | 0,08  | 0,21  | 0,02  | 0,09  | 0,27  |
| <b>LIM</b>      | 0,06             | 0,08       | 3,48  | 0,10  | 95,21 | 0,62  | 0,03  | 0,31  | 0,10  |
| <b>MP</b>       | 0,12             | 0,19       | 2,88  | 0,37  | 0,63  | 95,32 | 0,05  | 0,26  | 0,20  |
| <b>NC</b>       | 0,33             | 0,87       | 1,39  | 0,22  | 0,20  | 0,15  | 93,36 | 1,01  | 2,46  |
| <b>NW</b>       | 0,18             | 0,36       | 3,53  | 0,16  | 0,41  | 0,19  | 0,44  | 94,49 | 0,26  |
| <b>WC</b>       | 0,69             | 0,13       | 0,84  | 0,24  | 0,07  | 0,08  | 0,27  | 0,09  | 97,58 |

\* This FS cell has more decimals in order to illustrate the calculations in Table 9.

The next step is now to determine the age distribution of the out-migrants from each province to every other province. The results of these analyses are given in Table 8 to illustrate the out-migration of the female Eastern Cape population to the other eight provinces. To complete the analyses eight similar tables (not shown here) have been constructed.

Table 8 does not show the volume of migration, but only indicates the age distribution of the migrants. It is clear from this table that in the age group 15–24 years the highest percentage of migrants was found. For example in Gauteng about 45 % of the out-migrants were from the age group 15–24 years.

It is therefore clear that the information in both Tables 7 and 8 must be used to calculate out-migration rates per thousand of the population. An example of such a calculation is given in Table 9. In this calculation it is assumed that the rates for the period 1996–2001 can be used in the period 2001–2006.

**Table 8: Female migrants from EC to other provinces (percentage distribution)**

| Age group         | Province in 2001 |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|-------------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                   | FS*              | GT     | KZN    | LIM    | MP     | NC     | NW     | WC     |
| Births after 2001 | 0,060519991      | 0,0557 | 0,0626 | 0,0747 | 0,0820 | 0,0706 | 0,0810 | 0,0567 |
| 0-4               | 0,078544898      | 0,0524 | 0,0635 | 0,0836 | 0,0676 | 0,0879 | 0,0650 | 0,0638 |
| 5-9               | 0,075486126      | 0,0483 | 0,0628 | 0,0494 | 0,0646 | 0,0855 | 0,0406 | 0,0652 |
| 10-14             | 0,120166048      | 0,1073 | 0,1291 | 0,0922 | 0,1145 | 0,1257 | 0,0814 | 0,1325 |
| 15-19             | 0,187786760      | 0,2446 | 0,2402 | 0,1598 | 0,1768 | 0,1299 | 0,1979 | 0,2448 |
| 20-24             | 0,151846187      | 0,2126 | 0,1682 | 0,1638 | 0,1745 | 0,1327 | 0,2059 | 0,1823 |
| 25-29             | 0,107712475      | 0,0982 | 0,0881 | 0,1355 | 0,1168 | 0,0850 | 0,1320 | 0,0867 |
| 30-34             | 0,071444177      | 0,0638 | 0,0612 | 0,0857 | 0,0768 | 0,0729 | 0,0882 | 0,0543 |
| 35-39             | 0,049705047      | 0,0436 | 0,0428 | 0,0593 | 0,0462 | 0,0579 | 0,0531 | 0,0381 |
| 40-44             | 0,029495303      | 0,0266 | 0,0261 | 0,0379 | 0,0233 | 0,0519 | 0,0252 | 0,0241 |
| 45-49             | 0,019008084      | 0,0151 | 0,0176 | 0,0198 | 0,0157 | 0,0276 | 0,0102 | 0,0154 |
| 50-54             | 0,011361154      | 0,0095 | 0,0112 | 0,0097 | 0,0094 | 0,0257 | 0,0066 | 0,0110 |
| 55-59             | 0,011033428      | 0,0075 | 0,0095 | 0,0097 | 0,0105 | 0,0140 | 0,0047 | 0,0091 |
| 60-64             | 0,008302381      | 0,0051 | 0,0057 | 0,0044 | 0,0073 | 0,0084 | 0,0025 | 0,0060 |
| 65-69             | 0,006663754      | 0,0033 | 0,0055 | 0,0052 | 0,0050 | 0,0098 | 0,0022 | 0,0043 |
| 70-74             | 0,005571335      | 0,0031 | 0,0025 | 0,0044 | 0,0046 | 0,0065 | 0,0018 | 0,0025 |
| 75-79             | 0,003604981      | 0,0019 | 0,0020 | 0,0026 | 0,0029 | 0,0042 | 0,0008 | 0,0018 |
| 80+               | 0,001747870      | 0,0013 | 0,0013 | 0,0024 | 0,0017 | 0,0037 | 0,0010 | 0,0013 |
| Total             | 1                | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |

\* The FS column has more decimals in order to illustrate the calculations in Table 9.

**Table 9: Calculation of 'scaled' migration rates (out-migration of EC Females to the FS in the period 2001 to 2006)**

| Age in 2001                                     | EC Female Population in 2001 | Out migration rates from the EC to the FS (Table 8) | Estimated migrants                     | Scaled migration rates |
|---|------------------------------|---|--|------------------------|
| Births after 2001                               |                              | 0,060519991   |  | 0,001936               |
| 0-4   | 387 164                      | 0,078544898   | 30 410                                 | 0,002513               |
| 5-9   | 446 561                      | 0,075486126   | 33 709                                 | 0,002415               |
| 10-14   | 450 993                      | 0,120166048   | 54 194                                 | 0,003844               |
| 15-19   | 403 541                      | 0,187786760   | 75 780                                 | 0,006007               |
| 20-24   | 305 412                      | 0,151846187   | 46 376                                 | 0,004858               |
| 25-29   | 253 482                      | 0,107712475   | 27 303                                 | 0,003446               |
| 30-34   | 199 671                      | 0,071444177   | 14 265                                 | 0,002285               |
| 35-39   | 182 789                      | 0,049705047   | 9 086                                  | 0,001590               |
| 40-44   | 182 212                      | 0,029495303   | 5 374                                  | 0,000944               |
| 45-49   | 153 021                      | 0,019008084   | 2 909                                  | 0,000608               |
| 50-54   | 127 907                      | 0,011361154   | 1 453                                  | 0,000363               |
| 55-59   | 108 174                      | 0,011033428   | 1 194                                  | 0,000353               |
| 60-64   | 119 473                      | 0,008302381   | 992                                    | 0,000266               |
| 65-69   | 91 015                       | 0,006663754   | 607                                    | 0,000213               |
| 70-74   | 61 401                       | 0,005571335   | 342                                    | 0,000178               |
| 75-79   | 35 740                       | 0,003604981   | 129                                    | 0,000115               |
| 80+   | 31 958                       | 0,001747870   | 56                                     | 0,000056               |
| Total   | 3 540 514                    | 1   | 304 177                                |                        |
| Calculated total out-migration rate             |                              |   | $304\,177 / 3\,540\,514 = 0,0859132$   |                        |
| Desired total out-migration rate (from Table 7) |                              |   | 0,002748335                            |                        |
| Scale factor                                    |                              |   | $0,002748335 / 0,0859132 = 0,03198967$ |                        |

The scaled migration rates in the last column of Table 9, was calculated by applying the scale factor to the census migration rates (third column). These out-migration rates for the Eastern Cape females to the Free State will be used in the cohort-component projections. For each of the nine provinces, sixteen tables of the format of Table 9 will be created.

### 3.4 Provincial Fertility Rates

The following steps were used to obtain a set of age-specific fertility rates for each province to be used in the provincial cohort-component projections:

- (a) For each province a preliminary set of age-specific fertility rates were obtain. In this analysis the rates were taken from a report by Moultrie and Dorington (2004).

- (b) The preliminary age-specific fertility rates were then applied to the female population 15 to 49 years to calculate the number of births. This was done for each province.
- (c) The total number of births generated from the provinces were then compared with the total number of births in the RSA projection (phase one). Proportional adjustments were made if necessary and adjusted TFRs calculated.
- (d) Using these adjusted TFRs and age specific fertility rates as well as survival ratios, the number of birth and the 0–4 projected population were obtained. The projected 0–4 year and 5–9 year populations were checked for consistency. Provision was made to adjust the TFR manually if inconsistencies were found.
- (e) The process ((a) to (d) above) was repeated if inconsistencies were found in (d).

### 3.5 *Provincial survival ratios*

The following steps were used to obtain a set of survival ratios for each province to be used in the provincial cohort-component projections:

- (a) For each province a preliminary set of life expectancies at birth for males and females were obtained. In this analysis these rates were taken from ASSA 2000 and 2003.
- (b) Life Tables for males and females separately and for each province were then constructed from these preliminary set of life expectancies at birth (Far-East pattern of the UN used).
- (c) By using the  $m(x)$ -values (age-specific mortality rates) in these life tables, the number of deaths by age could then be calculated for both males and females in each province.
- (d) The numbers of male and female deaths calculated for each province were then compared with the total number of male and female deaths in the RSA projection respectively. Proportional adjustments were made if necessary.
- (e) The adjusted  $m(x)$  values were then used to construct life tables. Life expectancies at birth as well as survival ratios by age can be read from the obtained life tables.

An example of the calculations for the female population follows the steps as described above and is given in Table 10. The first step ((a) above) is to make assumptions about a preliminary set of life expectancies. In Table 10 below these values are indicated as shaded areas in column 4. The second step [(b) above] is to use these life expectancies to create life tables. This was done by using the MATCH application in Mortpak4 and the  $m(x)$ -values from the life expectancies in column 4 of Table 10. Applying the derived  $m(x)$ -values to the

population figures will result in the number of deaths per age group. In Table 10 these calculations were done for every province and according to step ((d)) above the total number of deaths for all the provinces are compared with RSA number of deaths. In this example the total number of RSA deaths was 294 666 and the deaths by province total 333 314. The adjusted deaths (for each age group in a province) are calculated by applying an adjustment factor of 0,884049274 (294 666 divided by 333 314). The adjusted deaths are given in column 6 in the table below. The last step is to use the adjusted m(x)-values (shaded values in column 7) to construct life tables. This is done by applying the LTMXQXAD spreadsheet in PAS. The survival ratios read from the constructed life tables and which will be used in the projection, are given in the last column of Table 10.

**Table 10: Calculation of female survival ratios for provincial projections**

|     | Age category | Population in 2001 | Derived m(x) values | Deaths | Adjusted |         | Survival ratios |        |
|-----|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---------|-----------------|--------|
|     |              |                    |                     |        | Deaths   | m(x)    | Categories      | Values |
| EC  | 0            | 69 939             | 0,084125316         | 5884   | 5 202    | 0,0744  | Birth           | 0,9177 |
|     | 1-4          | 317 225            | 0,009896939         | 3140   | 2 776    | 0,0088  | 0- 4            | 0,9745 |
|     | .            | .                  | .                   | .      | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|     | 80-84        | 21 446             | 0,154634765         | 3316   | 2 932    | 0,1367  | 75-79           | 0,5717 |
|     | 85+          | 10 512             | 0,236319752         | 2484   | 2 196    | 0,2089  | 80+             | 0,3913 |
|     | EC Total     |                    | LE=53,6             | 52111  | 46 069   | LE=56,3 |                 |        |
| FS  | 0            | 31 344             | 0,094427415         | 2960   | 2 617    | 0,0835  | Birth           | 0,9068 |
|     | 1-4          | 122 286            | 0,012152275         | 1486   | 1 314    | 0,0107  | 0- 4            | 0,9688 |
|     | .            | .                  | .                   | .      | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|     | 80-84        | 7 209              | 0,161594571         | 1165   | 1 030    | 0,1429  | 75-79           | 0,5549 |
|     | 85+          | 4 782              | 0,242804251         | 1161   | 1 026    | 0,2146  | 80+             | 0,3794 |
|     | FS Total     |                    | LE=50,7             | 23263  | 20 565   | LE=53,6 |                 |        |
| GT  | 0            | 85 909             | 0,076565555         | 6578   | 5 815    | 0,0677  | Birth           | 0,9256 |
|     | 1-4          | 318 539            | 0,008381398         | 2670   | 2 360    | 0,0074  | 0- 4            | 0,9783 |
|     | .            | .                  | .                   | .      | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|     | 80-84        | 15 073             | 0,149157647         | 2248   | 1 987    | 0,1319  | 75-79           | 0,5851 |
|     | 85+          | 9 722              | 0,231211611         | 2248   | 1 987    | 0,2044  | 80+             | 0,4008 |
|     | GT Total     |                    | LE=55,8             | 51045  | 45 127   | LE=58,4 |                 |        |
| KZN | 0            | 110 491            | 0,114533793         | 12655  | 11 188   | 0,1013  | Birth           | 0,8851 |
|     | 1-4          | 464 769            | 0,017124547         | 7959   | 7 036    | 0,0151  | 0- 4            | 0,9563 |
|     | .            | .                  | .                   | .      | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|     | 80-84        | 20 673             | 0,173734742         | 3592   | 3 176    | 0,1536  | 75-79           | 0,5260 |
|     | 85+          | 11 800             | 0,254100355         | 2998   | 2 650    | 0,2246  | 80+             | 0,3591 |
|     | KZN Total    |                    | LE=45,4             | 93169  | 82366    | LE=48,4 |                 |        |

**Table 10: Calculation of female survival ratios for provincial projections (continued)**

|   | Age category | Population in 2001 | Derived m(x) values | Deaths                    | Adjusted |         | Survival ratios |        |
|---|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------|--------|
|   |              |                    |                     |                           | Deaths   | m(x)    | Categories      | Values |
| LIM   | 0            | 61 848             | 0,085874091         | 5311                      | 4 695    | 0,0759  | Birth           | 0,9159 |
|   | 1-4          | 273 599            | 0,010264272         | 2808                      | 2 482    | 0,0091  | 0- 4            | 0,9735 |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|   | 80-84        | 17 848             | 0,155854418         | 2782                      | 2 459    | 0,1378  | 75-79           | 0,5688 |
|   | 85+          | 11 932             | 0,237456566         | 2833                      | 2 505    | 0,2099  | 80+             | 0,3892 |
|   | LIM Total    |                    | LE=53,1             | 40481                     | 35 787   | LE=55,9 |                 |        |
| MP  | 0            | 43 463             | 0,099171047         | 4310                      | 3 810    | 0,0877  | Birth           | 0,9017 |
|   | 1-4          | 171 468            | 0,013264737         | 2274                      | 2 010    | 0,0117  | 0- 4            | 0,9660 |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|   | 80-84        | 7 503              | 0,164633858         | 1235                      | 1 092    | 0,1455  | 75-79           | 0,5476 |
|   | 85+          | 4 384              | 0,245634068         | 1077                      | 952      | 0,2172  | 80+             | 0,3742 |
|   | MP Total     |                    | LE=49,4             | 26865                     | 23 750   | LE=52,3 |                 |        |
| NC  | 0            | 12 576             | 0,066936442         | 842                       | 744      | 0,0592  | Birth           | 0,9355 |
|   | 1-4          | 48 485             | 0,006619639         | 321                       | 284      | 0,0059  | 0- 4            | 0,9828 |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|   | 80-84        | 2 427              | 0,141625996         | 344                       | 304      | 0,1253  | 75-79           | 0,6038 |
|   | 85+          | 1 820              | 0,224177177         | 408                       | 361      | 0,1982  | 80+             | 0,4140 |
|   | NC Total     |                    | LE=58,7             | 6201                      | 5 482    | LE=61,2 |                 |        |
| NW  | 0            | 36 840             | 0,087281737         | 3215                      | 2 842    | 0,0772  | Birth           | 0,9144 |
|   | 1-4          | 140 356            | 0,010564783         | 1483                      | 1 311    | 0,0093  | 0- 4            | 0,9728 |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|   | 80-84        | 7 284              | 0,156823615         | 1142                      | 1 010    | 0,1386  | 75-79           | 0,5664 |
|   | 85+          | 5 319              | 0,238359776         | 1268                      | 1 121    | 0,2107  | 80+             | 0,3875 |
|   | NW Total     |                    | LE=52,7             | 22997                     | 20331    | LE=55,5 |                 |        |
| WC  | 0            | 43 634             | 0,046253351         | 2018                      | 1 784    | 0,0409  | Birth           | 0,9564 |
|   | 1-4          | 168 864            | 0,003477976         | 587                       | 519      | 0,0031  | 0- 4            | 0,9909 |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         | .        | .       | .               | .      |
|   | 80-84        | 8 708              | 0,122492877         | 1067                      | 943      | 0,1083  | 75-79           | 0,6526 |
|   | 85+          | 6 439              | 0,206225574         | 1328                      | 1 174    | 0,1823  | 80+             | 0,4489 |
|   | WC Total     |                    | LE=65,4             | 17183                     | 15190    | LE=67,6 |                 |        |
| Total number of deaths (all provinces) = 333314 |              |                    |                     |                           |          |         |                 |        |
| RSA   | 0            | 496 043            | 0,077923398         | 38 653                    |          |         |                 |        |
|   | 1-4          | 2 025 591          | 0,008644808         | 17 511                    |          |         |                 |        |
|   | .            | .                  | .                   | .                         |          |         |                 |        |
|   | 80-84        | 108 170            | 0,150167930         | 16 244                    |          |         |                 |        |
|   | 85+          | 66 710             | 0,232154254         | 15 487                    |          |         |                 |        |
|   |              |                    | RSA LE=55,4         | RSA Total deaths = 294666 |          |         |                 |        |

### 3.6 Calculating provincial population estimates for South Africa

The format that explains the cohort-component method used to project the provincial populations is shown in Table 11 below. The projection is for the Eastern Cape female population. Please note that the same population was used in the discussion of mortality (Table 10) and migration (Table 9).

**Table 11: Projection of the Eastern Cape female population (part 1)**

| Age               | Population 2001 | Survival ratio (Table 10) | Age specific fertility | Migration rates (per thousands of population) to: |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                   |                 |                           |                        | FS (Table 9)                                      | GT*     | KZN     | LIM     | MP      | NC      | NW      | WC      |
| Births after 2001 | 426 668         | 0,9177                    |                        | 0,00194   | 0,00952 | 0,00567 | 0,00106 | 0,00154 | 0,00055 | 0,00393 | 0,01649 |
| 0-4               | 387 164         | 0,9745                    |                        | 0,00251   | 0,00895 | 0,00575 | 0,00118 | 0,00127 | 0,00069 | 0,00316 | 0,01854 |
| 5-9               | 446 561         | 0,9908                    |                        | 0,00241   | 0,00826 | 0,00570 | 0,00070 | 0,00121 | 0,00067 | 0,00197 | 0,01895 |
| 10-14             | 450 993         | 0,9878                    |                        | 0,00384   | 0,01833 | 0,01170 | 0,00131 | 0,00215 | 0,00099 | 0,00396 | 0,03849 |
| 15-19             | 403 541         | 0,9802                    | 0,0609                 | 0,00601   | 0,04179 | 0,02177 | 0,00226 | 0,00332 | 0,00102 | 0,00962 | 0,07114 |
| 20-24             | 305 412         | 0,9742                    | 0,1380                 | 0,00486   | 0,03634 | 0,01525 | 0,00232 | 0,00328 | 0,00104 | 0,01000 | 0,05298 |
| 25-29             | 253 482         | 0,9696                    | 0,1644                 | 0,00345   | 0,01678 | 0,00799 | 0,00192 | 0,00219 | 0,00067 | 0,00641 | 0,02520 |
| 30-34             | 199 671         | 0,9645                    | 0,1431                 | 0,00229   | 0,01090 | 0,00555 | 0,00121 | 0,00144 | 0,00057 | 0,00428 | 0,01579 |
| 35-39             | 182 789         | 0,9579                    | 0,0994                 | 0,00159   | 0,00745 | 0,00388 | 0,00084 | 0,00087 | 0,00045 | 0,00258 | 0,01107 |
| 40-44             | 182 212         | 0,9476                    | 0,0436                 | 0,00094   | 0,00455 | 0,00237 | 0,00054 | 0,00044 | 0,00041 | 0,00123 | 0,00701 |
| 45-49             | 153 021         | 0,9305                    | 0,0162                 | 0,00061   | 0,00258 | 0,00160 | 0,00028 | 0,00029 | 0,00022 | 0,00049 | 0,00449 |
| 50-54             | 127 907         | 0,9049                    |                        | 0,00036   | 0,00162 | 0,00101 | 0,00014 | 0,00018 | 0,00020 | 0,00032 | 0,00318 |
| 55-59             | 108 174         | 0,8693                    |                        | 0,00035   | 0,00128 | 0,00087 | 0,00014 | 0,00020 | 0,00011 | 0,00023 | 0,00264 |
| 60-64             | 119 473         | 0,8217                    |                        | 0,00027   | 0,00087 | 0,00052 | 0,00006 | 0,00014 | 0,00007 | 0,00012 | 0,00175 |
| 65-69             | 91 015          | 0,7580                    |                        | 0,00021   | 0,00057 | 0,00050 | 0,00007 | 0,00009 | 0,00008 | 0,00011 | 0,00125 |
| 70-74             | 61 401          | 0,6754                    |                        | 0,00018   | 0,00054 | 0,00023 | 0,00006 | 0,00009 | 0,00005 | 0,00009 | 0,00073 |
| 75-79             | 35 740          | 0,5717                    |                        | 0,00012   | 0,00033 | 0,00018 | 0,00004 | 0,00005 | 0,00003 | 0,00004 | 0,00052 |
| 80+               | 31 958          | 0,3913                    |                        | 0,00006   | 0,00022 | 0,00011 | 0,00003 | 0,00003 | 0,00003 | 0,00005 | 0,00036 |

\* The calculations of the migration rates to the other provinces as well as the age specific fertility rates are not given in this document

The main steps in deriving provincial mid-year population estimates for South Africa are as follows.

#### 3.6.1 Calculate the number of out-migrants (5 years and older)

Whereas a projection for a single region involves multiplying the population at the first time-point in each five-year age group by a survival rate to obtain the survivors to the next five-year age group at the second time point, a multi-regional projection involves a compound

survival rate which specifies the probability of surviving and being in a particular region at the second time-point. A compound survival rate is the product of the survival rate and the out-migration rate(s) to each of the other provinces. The number of out-migrants from province A to each of the other provinces (B to I) is then defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT}_{t+5,x+5}^{AB} &= P_{t,x}^A * S_{t,x}^A * MR_{t,x}^{AB} \\ \text{OUT}_{t+5,x+5}^{AC} &= P_{t,x}^A * S_{t,x}^A * MR_{t,x}^{AC} \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ \text{OUT}_{t+5,x+5}^{AI} &= P_{t,x}^A * S_{t,x}^A * MR_{t,x}^{AI} \end{aligned}$$

Where:

$S_{t,x}^A$  is the survival ratio of province A, age group x, first projection period;  $MR_{t,x}^{AB}$  is the migration rate of province A to province B, age group x, first projection period;  $MR_{t,x}^{AC}$  is the migration rate of province A to province C, age group x, first projection period; and  $MR_{t,x}^{AI}$  is the migration rate of province A to province I, age group x, first projection period. The migration rate is defined as the number of migrants per thousand of the population in a specific age group.

### 3.6.2 Calculate the number of survivors by province (5 years and older)

For survival in the same province, the compound rate is the survival rate times one minus the sum of the out-migration to the other provinces. That is, the survivors (those that have not died or migrated) for people in age group x+5 and period t+5 of province A are obtained by the following formula:

$$\text{SUR}_{t+5,x+5}^A = P_{t,x}^A * S_{t,x}^A * (1 - MR_{t,x}^{AB} - MR_{t,x}^{AC} - MR_{t,x}^{AD} - \dots \dots \dots MR_{t,x}^{AI})$$

Where:

$P_{t,x}^A$  is the population of province A, age group x, first time period; and the other symbols are defined as before. The number of survivors in each of the other provinces is calculated in the same way.

Applying the formulas in sections 3.6.1 and 3.6.2 and using the data in Table 11 will result in the number of out-migrants as set out in Table 12. The calculations in Tables 11 and 12 will

have to be repeated for all the other female population in the other provinces (not shown). The same format, except for the fertility assumptions, is used for the male populations.

**Table 12: Projection of the Eastern Cape female population (part 2)**

|       | Survivors<br>in EC | Number of out migrants to: |        |        |       |       |       |        |        | In-migrants<br>To EC* | Projected<br>Population<br>2006 |
|-------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
|       |                    | FS                         | GT     | KZN    | LIM   | MP    | NC    | NW     | WC     |                       |                                 |
| 0-4   | 375 618            | 758                        | 3 729  | 2 221  | 414   | 603   | 217   | 1 540  | 6 457  | 6 351                 | 381 969                         |
| 5-9   | 361 426            | 947                        | 3 377  | 2 169  | 445   | 479   | 260   | 1 192  | 6 995  | 6 358                 | 367 784                         |
| 10-14 | 424 812            | 1 066                      | 3 655  | 2 522  | 310   | 535   | 296   | 872    | 8 384  | 5 772                 | 430 584                         |
| 15-19 | 409 509            | 1 711                      | 8 166  | 5 212  | 584   | 958   | 441   | 1 764  | 17 147 | 6 874                 | 416 383                         |
| 20-24 | 333 477            | 2 377                      | 16 530 | 8 611  | 894   | 1 313 | 403   | 3 805  | 28 139 | 7 487                 | 340 964                         |
| 25-29 | 260 022            | 1 446                      | 10 812 | 4 537  | 690   | 976   | 309   | 2 975  | 15 763 | 7 997                 | 268 019                         |
| 30-34 | 229 897            | 848                        | 4 122  | 1 964  | 472   | 538   | 165   | 1 575  | 6 194  | 6 650                 | 236 547                         |
| 35-39 | 184 488            | 441                        | 2 099  | 1 069  | 233   | 277   | 110   | 824    | 3 041  | 4 493                 | 188 981                         |
| 40-44 | 170 063            | 278                        | 1 304  | 679    | 147   | 152   | 79    | 452    | 1 938  | 2 912                 | 172 975                         |
| 45-49 | 169 644            | 162                        | 786    | 409    | 93    | 76    | 71    | 212    | 1 210  | 1 907                 | 171 551                         |
| 50-54 | 140 882            | 87                         | 367    | 228    | 40    | 41    | 31    | 70     | 639    | 1 312                 | 142 194                         |
| 55-59 | 114 932            | 42                         | 188    | 117    | 16    | 21    | 23    | 37     | 368    | 884                   | 115 816                         |
| 60-64 | 93 488             | 33                         | 120    | 82     | 13    | 19    | 10    | 22     | 248    | 636                   | 94 124                          |
| 65-69 | 97 798             | 27                         | 85     | 51     | 6     | 14    | 7     | 12     | 172    | 327                   | 98 125                          |
| 70-74 | 68 791             | 14                         | 39     | 34     | 5     | 6     | 6     | 8      | 86     | 134                   | 68 925                          |
| 75-79 | 41 389             | 7                          | 22     | 10     | 2     | 4     | 2     | 4      | 30     | 57                    | 41 446                          |
| 80+   | 32 900             | 3                          | 10     | 5      | 1     | 1     | 1     | 2      | 16     | 27                    | 32 927                          |
| Total | 3 509 136          | 10 247                     | 55 411 | 29 920 | 4 365 | 6 013 | 2 431 | 15 366 | 96 827 |                       | 3 569 314                       |

\* To obtain the in-migrants to the EC, similar calculations were done for all the other provinces.

### 3.6.3 Calculate the number of in-migrants (5 years and older)

The number of in-migrants to province A (see second last column in Table 12) is obtained by adding the out-migrants from the other provinces (B to I) to province A, that is:

$$IN_{t+5,x+5}^A = OUT_{t+5,x+5}^{BA} + OUT_{t+5,x+5}^{CA} + OUT_{t+5,x+5}^{DA} + \dots + OUT_{t+5,x+5}^{IA}$$

### 3.6.4 Projected population (5 years and older)

The projected provincial population of A in each age group aged 5 years and over (see last column in Table A12) is simply the sum of the survivors in province A and the number of in-migrants to province A, namely:

$$P_{t+5,x+5}^A = SUR_{t+5,x+5}^A + IN_{t+5,x+5}^A$$

### 3.6.5 Calculate the number of births and survivors aged 0–4 years

Annual births are estimated by applying the age-specific birth rates assumed for each province to the number of women in each of the reproductive age groups. This step is done separately for 1996 and 2001. The results are averaged and then multiplied by five to obtain the total number of births in the specific province for the first five-year projection interval. The total number of births is multiplied by the assumed sex ratio at birth to obtain the number of male births. The number of female births is calculated by subtracting the number of male births from the total number of births. The projected 0–4 population (see first entry in the last column of Table 12) is calculated by applying the formula in sections 3.6.1 to 3.6.4.

This projection process can be repeated for further time intervals and the assumed levels of mortality, fertility and migration can be altered for each projection period, if desired.

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