

Table 2. Number of live births and abortion ratio in Matlab comparison and project areas during three periods, by parity and number of living sons

Parity and no. of sons	Comparison area						Project area					
	1982–1986		1987–1991		1992–1995		1982–1986		1987–1991		1992–1995	
	No. of live births	Abortion ratio	No. of live births	Abortion ratio	No. of live births	Abortion ratio	No. of live births	Abortion ratio	No. of live births	Abortion ratio	No. of live births	Abortion ratio
All	17,803	21	18,431	39	11,884	51	15,018	16	15,092	25	10,604	24
Parity 0	4,352	16	4,518	21	3,450	22	4,270	12	4,509	16	3,591	11
Parity 1	3,720	9	3,859	20	2,721	20	3,513	9	3,652	15	2,704	11
0	1,857	11	1,943	21	1,364	16	1,736	7	1,799	15	1,320	8
1	1,863	8	1,916	19	1,357	24	1,777	11	1,853	15	1,384	14
Parity 2	3,122	17	3,376	24	2,112	30	2,635	9	2,900	19	1,994	16
0	715	4	847	21	589	15	629	10	781	14	568	9
1	1,532	18	1,690	20	1,008	37	1,317	8	1,415	18	919	22
2	875	25	839	35	515	33	689	10	704	27	507	12
Parity 3	2,346	21	2,666	34	1,586	52	1,866	13	1,898	32	1,227	34
0	246	4	337	18	243	33	246	4	290	14	216	9
1	884	21	997	28	639	52	710	13	749	27	489	18
2	909	25	963	44	504	69	677	18	613	47	354	68
3	307	23	369	41	200	30	233	9	246	28	168	42
Parity 4	1,754	43	1,761	62	1,001	107	1,258	24	1,035	43	646	68
0	116	9	120	8	70	43	120	0	102	0	93	22
1	437	32	470	51	316	57	334	12	282	18	178	45
2	643	48	627	73	324	120	432	32	338	53	211	76
3	437	59	408	64	212	160	287	31	232	78	121	132
4	121	33	136	88	79	165	85	35	81	37	43	47
Parity 5	2,509	68	2,251	121	1,014	222	1,476	51	1,098	82	442	152
0	62	0	64	47	44	23	45	22	46	0	30	67
1	60	31	243	82	142	134	208	38	165	55	79	89
2	609	71	565	108	246	183	367	38	310	55	115	165
3	701	57	641	117	259	251	411	73	268	104	113	186
4	529	83	427	129	205	268	287	45	188	112	70	143
≥5	348	106	311	190	118	339	158	57	121	123	35	229