INTRODUCTION

This publication contains life tables by age, ethnic group and sex at Malaysia and state. The life tables are generated based on the mortality statistics for the three-year period and mid-year population estimates.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH

Life Expectancy at Birth for Malaysia Population Remained at 74.5 Years

Life expectancy at birth in 2019 remained at 74.5 years as recorded in 2013.

A newborn girl is expected to live longer up to 77.3 years while a newborn boy is expected to live until 72.2 years in 2019. For the period of 2013-2019, life expectancy at birth for females increased by 0.4 years. On the contrary, males has decreased by 0.1 years for the same period.

The gender gap in life expectancy at birth increased between 4.6 to 5.1 years over the period of 2013-2019.

Chart 1: Life expectancy at birth, Malaysia, 2013-2019

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT THE AGE OF 15 YEARS

Notes

* Preliminary
  a Estimates
Females at Age 15 Years is Expected to Live 4.9 Years Longer
Males and females who reach the age of 15 years in 2019 are expected to live another 58.1 and 63.0 years respectively. These indicate that male is expected to live until the age of 73.1 years and female up to the age of 78.0 years.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT THE AGE OF 65 YEARS

Life Expectancy at the Age of 65 Years Increased
Males who reach the age of 65 years in 2019 is expected to live a further 14.8 years and 17.1 years for females. Thus, males aged 65 years is expected to live until the age of 79.8 years and 82.1 years for females.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH BY MAJOR ETHNIC GROUP

Chinese Lives the Longest
For the period of 2013-2019, Chinese continues to register the highest life expectancy at birth followed by Bumiputera and Indians.

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¹ Includes Others (citizens) and non-citizen
² Preliminary
³ Estimates

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH BY SEX AND STATE

Sarawak's Males and W.P. Kuala Lumpur's Females Recorded the Highest Life Expectancy
The highest life expectancy at birth for males in 2019 was recorded by Sarawak (74.6 years) whereas for females was recorded by W.P. Kuala Lumpur (79.2 years). Meanwhile, the lowest life expectancy at birth for males was recorded by Terengganu (69.3 years) and females by Perlis (74.7 years).
A newborn in 2019 is expected to live up to 74.5 years.

Male: 72.2 years  Female: 77.3 years

The gap in life expectancy at birth between baby boy and girl is 5.1 years.

Chinese recorded the highest life expectancy at birth.

A male at the age of 15 years is expected to live another 58.1 years and female another 63.0 years.

A male and female at the age of 65 years are expected to live another 14.8 years and 17.1 years respectively.

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