

Figure 3.13 General Literacy Rates (%) by Sex: Province, 2013

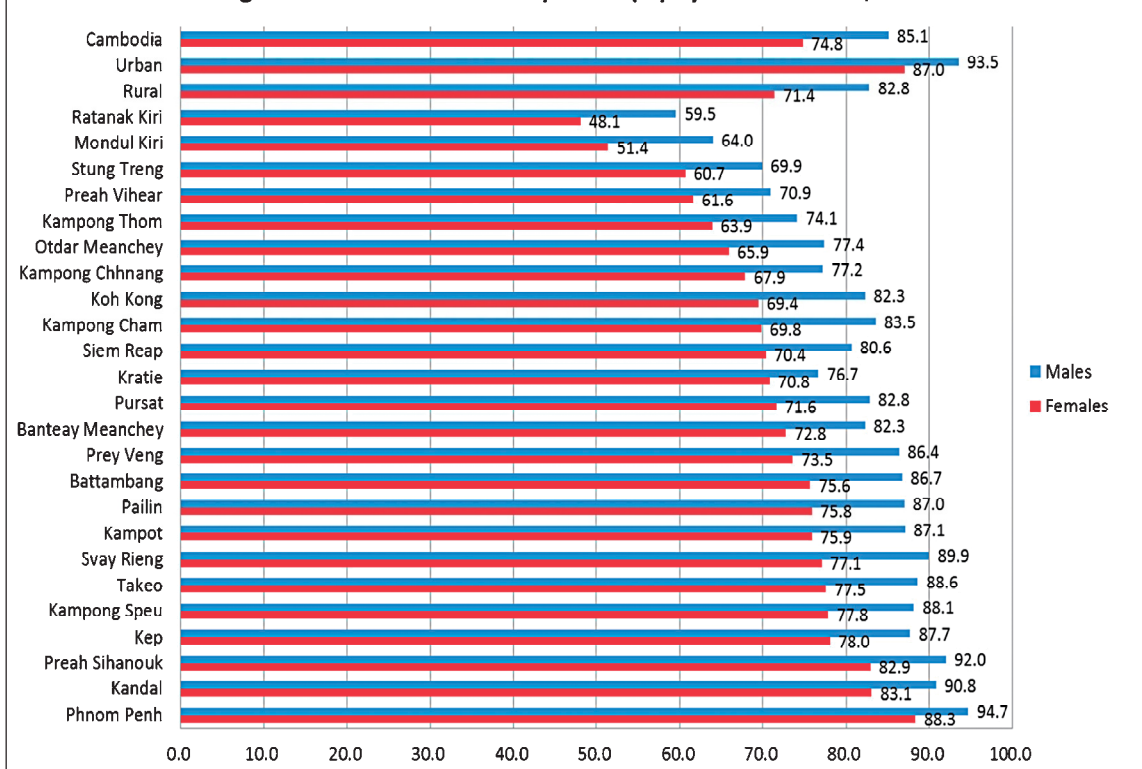


Figure 3.14 Adult Literacy Rates (%) by Sex: Province, 2013

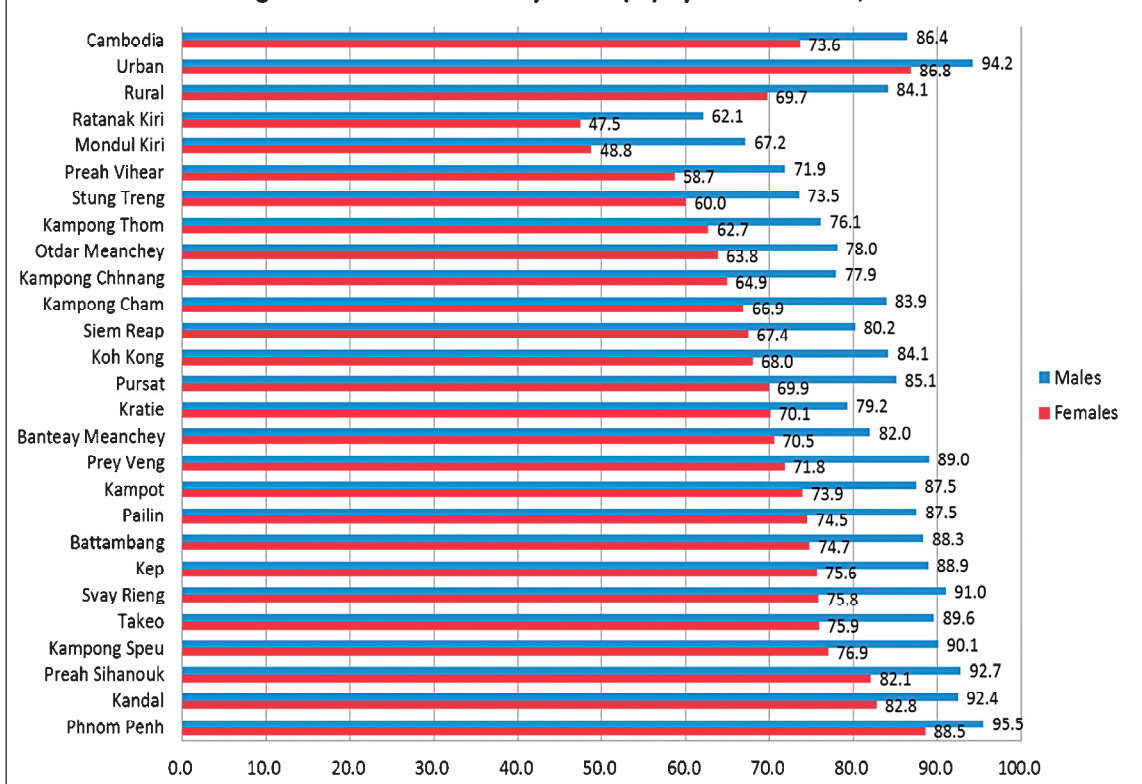


Table 3.15 present general literacy rates (GLR) and adult literacy rates (ALR) by province and sex as of 2008 and 2013. Females recorded remarkable rise in GLRs than males in most provinces except 8 provinces. Particularly, the provinces of Ratanak Kiri, Kep, Kampong Speu and Otdar Meanchey showed a rise of about 8% or more in GLRs. Males also recorded a rise in GLRs, however, the rise is not beyond females'. On the other hand, Kampong Chhnang, Kampong Thom, Mondul Kiri, Phnom Penh, Prey Veng and Pursat have fallen in GLRs for both males and females. The drop of literacy rates in Phnom Penh is due to the changes in boundaries of 2 provinces between Phnom Penh and Kandal in 2011. Phnom Penh increased the area more than double, from 294 km² in 2008 to 684 km² in 2011.

The gap of GLRs between males and females decreased from around 12% point in 2008 to around 10% point in 2013, due to the improvement of literacy status for women. Kratie and Phnom Penh present the smaller difference (around 6% point) by gender in GLR than other provinces in 2013. The province where the largest gap in GLR between males and females is Kampong Cham (13.8% point) in 2013.

The differentials by sex in ALRs also decreased from about 16% point in 2008 to about 13% point in 2013. Phnom Penh also shows the smallest difference in ALRs among all provinces, however, the differentials increased from 5.6% point in 2008 to 6.9% point in 2013. The provinces with larger sex differentials in ALRs are Mondul Kiri (18.4%), Prey Veng (17.2%) and Kampong Cham (17.0%) in 2013. It is observed that the sex differentials of both GLRs and ALRs decreased in all provinces during the period for 2008-13. However, the provinces with low GLRs and ALRs tend to be high sex differentials in literacy.

Table 3.15 General and Adult Literacy Rates (in any Language) by Sex: Province, 2008, 2013

Province	General Literacy Rate (GLR)				Adult Literacy Rate (ALR)				Change, 2008-2013			
	Males		Females		Males		Females		Males		Females	
	2008	2013	2008	2013	2008	2013	2008	2013	GLR	ALR	GLR	ALR
Cambodia	84.0	85.1	73.1	74.8	85.1	86.4	70.9	73.6	1.1	1.3	1.7	2.7
Urban	93.5	93.5	87.2	87.0	94.5	94.2	86.8	86.8	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	0.0
Rural	81.6	82.8	69.5	71.4	82.5	84.1	66.3	69.7	1.2	1.6	1.9	3.4
Province												
Banteay Meanchey	84.3	82.3	72.0	72.8	85.1	82.0	69.0	70.5	-2.0	-3.1	0.7	1.5
Battambang	84.4	86.7	74.3	75.6	85.9	88.3	72.3	74.7	2.3	2.4	1.4	2.4
Kampong Cham	82.3	83.5	70.7	69.8	82.4	83.9	67.3	66.9	1.2	1.5	-0.9	-0.4
Kampong Chhnang	82.4	77.2	71.3	67.9	83.5	77.9	68.6	64.9	-5.2	-5.6	-3.4	-3.7
Kampong Speu	83.3	88.1	69.8	77.8	85.1	90.1	67.0	76.9	4.9	5.0	8.0	10.0
Kampong Thom	75.6	74.1	64.5	63.9	75.7	76.1	60.6	62.7	-1.5	0.4	-0.6	2.1
Kampot	84.9	87.1	72.6	75.9	85.5	87.5	69.3	73.9	2.2	2.0	3.3	4.6
Kandal	88.3	90.8	79.4	83.1	89.1	92.4	77.8	82.8	2.5	3.3	3.7	5.0
Koh Kong	82.3	82.3	70.0	69.4	83.5	84.1	66.8	68.0	0.0	0.6	-0.6	1.3
Kratie	78.1	76.7	69.0	70.8	80.1	79.2	67.5	70.1	-1.4	-0.9	1.8	2.5
Mondul Kiri	70.2	64.0	52.3	51.4	72.4	67.2	48.7	48.8	-6.1	-5.3	-0.9	0.1
Phnom Penh	95.5	94.7	90.7	88.3	96.2	95.5	90.6	88.5	-0.8	-0.7	-2.4	-2.0
Preah Vihear	69.5	70.9	57.6	61.6	72.3	71.9	55.0	58.7	1.4	-0.5	4.0	3.7
Prey Veng	87.8	86.4	74.5	73.5	88.6	89.0	71.4	71.8	-1.4	0.4	-1.0	0.4
Pursat	83.0	82.8	72.0	71.6	84.9	85.1	70.0	69.9	-0.2	0.2	-0.4	-0.2
Ratanak Kiri	51.6	59.5	37.4	48.1	55.2	62.1	36.6	47.5	7.9	6.9	10.6	10.9
Siem Reap	76.9	80.6	65.9	70.4	76.2	80.2	61.8	67.4	3.8	4.0	4.5	5.7
Preah Sihanouk	86.1	92.0	75.3	82.9	87.7	92.7	73.4	82.1	5.9	5.1	7.6	8.7
Stung Treng	66.4	69.9	54.4	60.7	69.9	73.5	53.1	60.0	3.5	3.6	6.2	6.9
Svay Rieng	88.7	89.9	72.3	77.1	90.0	91.0	69.0	75.8	1.3	1.1	4.8	6.8
Takeo	86.3	88.6	72.0	77.5	87.5	89.6	68.6	75.9	2.3	2.1	5.5	7.3
Otdar Meanchey	72.9	77.4	58.0	65.9	73.7	78.0	53.9	63.8	4.5	4.3	7.9	9.9
Kep	81.8	87.7	69.2	78.0	81.9	88.9	64.5	75.6	5.9	7.0	8.8	11.1
Pailin	80.9	87.0	68.5	75.8	83.4	87.5	67.2	74.5	6.2	4.1	7.3	7.3
Average	80.1	81.7	68.1	71.2	81.5	83.1	65.4	69.6				
Maximum	95.5	94.7	90.7	88.3	96.2	95.5	90.6	88.5				
Minimum	51.6	59.5	37.4	48.1	55.2	62.1	36.6	47.5				
Difference	43.9	35.1	53.2	40.2	41.0	33.4	54.0	41.1				

Note: Same as Table 3.13.

Rank	General Literacy Rate				Adult Literacy Rate			
	Province	Males	Province	Females	Province	Males	Province	Females
	1	Phnom Penh	94.7	Phnom Penh	88.3	Phnom Penh	95.5	Phnom Penh
2	Preah Sihanouk	92.0	Kandal	83.1	Preah Sihanouk	92.7	Kandal	82.8
3	Kandal	90.8	Preah Sihanouk	82.9	Kandal	92.4	Preah Sihanouk	82.1
4	Svay Rieng	89.9	Kep	78.0	Svay Rieng	91.0	Kampong Speu	76.9
5	Takeo	88.6	Kampong Speu	77.8	Kampong Speu	90.1	Takeo	75.9
6	Kampong Speu	88.1	Takeo	77.5	Takeo	89.6	Svay Rieng	75.8
7	Kep	87.7	Svay Rieng	77.1	Prey Veng	89.0	Kep	75.6
8	Kampot	87.1	Kampot	75.9	Kep	88.9	Battambang	74.7
9	Pailin	87.0	Pailin	75.8	Battambang	88.3	Pailin	74.5
10	Battambang	86.7	Battambang	75.6	Pailin	87.5	Kampot	73.9
11	Prey Veng	86.4	Prey Veng	73.5	Kampot	87.5	Prey Veng	71.8
12	Kampong Cham	83.5	Banteay Meanchey	72.8	Pursat	85.1	Banteay Meanchey	70.5
13	Pursat	82.8	Pursat	71.6	Koh Kong	84.1	Kratie	70.1
14	Koh Kong	82.3	Kratie	70.8	Kampong Cham	83.9	Pursat	69.9
15	Banteay Meanchey	82.3	Siem Reap	70.4	Banteay Meanchey	82.0	Koh Kong	68.0
16	Siem Reap	80.6	Kampong Cham	69.8	Siem Reap	80.2	Siem Reap	67.4
17	Otdar Meanchey	77.4	Koh Kong	69.4	Kratie	79.2	Kampong Cham	66.9
18	Kampong Chhnang	77.2	Kampong Chhnang	67.9	Otdar Meanchey	78.0	Kampong Chhnang	64.9
19	Kratie	76.7	Otdar Meanchey	65.9	Kampong Chhnang	77.9	Otdar Meanchey	63.8
20	Kampong Thom	74.1	Kampong Thom	63.9	Kampong Thom	76.1	Kampong Thom	62.7
21	Preah Vihear	70.9	Preah Vihear	61.6	Stung Treng	73.5	Stung Treng	60.0
22	Stung Treng	69.9	Stung Treng	60.7	Preah Vihear	71.9	Preah Vihear	58.7
23	Mondul Kiri	64.0	Mondul Kiri	51.4	Mondul Kiri	67.2	Mondul Kiri	48.8
24	Ratanak Kiri	59.5	Ratanak Kiri	48.1	Ratanak Kiri	62.1	Ratanak Kiri	47.5

Table 3.16 shows the ranking of province by the level of GLR and ALR by sex as of 2013. The ranking position of the province for GLR and ALR differs between males and females except the top and the bottom.

Table 3.17 presents sex ratio by literacy status and province. This also shows the sex differentials between literate and illiterate population aged 7 and over as well as those aged 15 and over. Literate population has higher sex ratio than 100 in most provinces except Kandal and Phnom Penh, on the other hand illiterate population has lower sex ratio than 80 in all provinces.

Table 3.17 Sex Ratio by Literacy Status: Province, 2008, 2013

Province	Population Aged 7 and over						Population Aged 15 and over					
	2008			2013			2008			2013		
	Population	Literate	Illiterate	Population	Literate	Illiterate	Population	Literate	Illiterate	Population	Literate	Illiterate
Cambodia	93	107	55	92	105	55	90	108	46	90	106	46
Banteay Meanchey	95	111	53	94	106	61	92	113	44	90	104	55
Battambang	96	109	58	98	112	53	94	111	48	96	113	44
Kampong Cham	93	109	56	89	107	48	90	110	48	89	112	44
Kampong Chhnang	91	105	56	90	102	64	87	106	46	86	103	54
Kampong Speu	93	111	52	91	103	49	89	114	40	87	102	38
Kampong Thom	93	109	64	92	107	66	90	112	55	88	107	56
Kampot	92	108	51	97	112	52	88	109	42	94	111	45
Kandal	92	102	52	89	97	48	89	102	43	89	99	39
Koh Kong	101	119	60	100	118	58	100	126	50	99	123	49
Kratie	99	112	70	95	102	75	97	115	59	92	104	64
Mondul Kiri	106	142	66	102	127	75	106	158	57	102	141	66
Phnom Penh	88	92	42	92	99	42	85	91	34	89	96	35
Preah Vihear	99	119	71	97	112	74	97	127	59	94	116	64
Prey Veng	89	105	43	91	107	47	85	105	34	86	106	33
Pursat	93	107	56	90	105	55	89	108	45	88	107	44
Ratanak Kiri	102	141	79	98	122	77	101	152	71	100	130	72
Siem Reap	95	110	64	92	105	60	91	113	57	88	105	53
Preah Sihanouk	99	114	56	97	108	46	97	116	45	95	107	38
Stung Treng	99	121	73	101	116	77	98	129	63	99	121	65
Svay Rieng	90	111	37	93	109	41	86	113	28	89	107	33
Takeo	93	111	46	91	103	46	89	113	35	88	104	38
Otdar Meanchey	101	127	65	100	117	66	99	135	56	98	120	59
Kep	96	113	57	95	107	53	92	117	47	92	109	42
Pailin	106	126	65	100	115	54	106	132	54	99	117	49