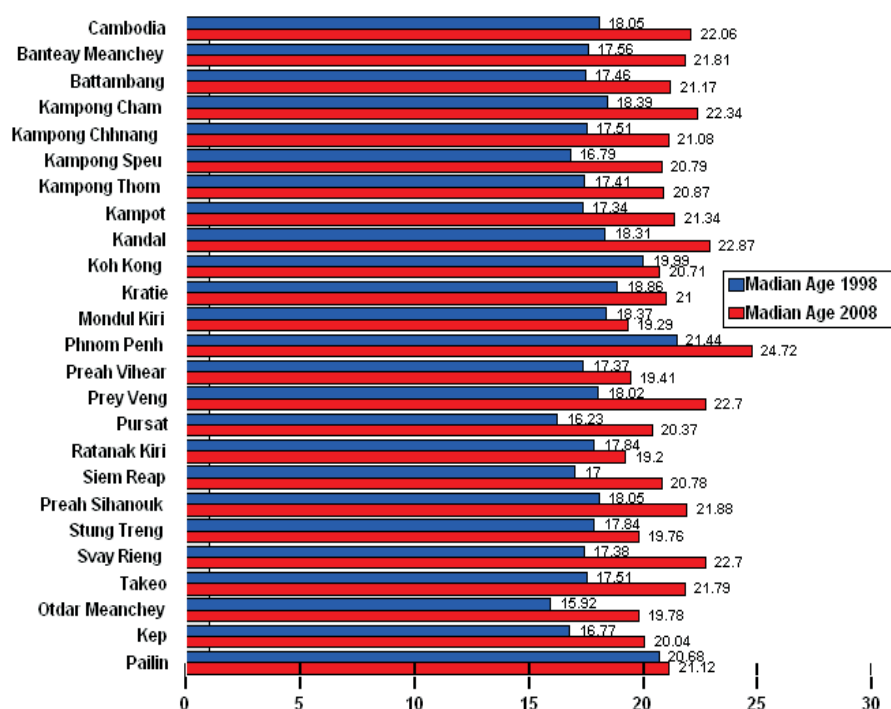


Table 4.4. Median Age by Sex: Cambodia and Provinces, 1998 and 2008

Province	1998			2008		
	Both Sexes	Males	Females	Both Sexes	Males	Females
Cambodia	18.05	16.91	19.17	22.06	20.81	23.26
Banteay Meanchey	17.56	16.65	18.47	21.81	20.99	22.59
Battambang	17.46	16.54	18.41	21.17	20.28	22.08
Kampong Cham	18.39	17.18	19.59	22.34	20.69	23.97
Kampong Chhnang	17.51	16.00	19.00	21.08	19.58	22.67
Kampong Speu	16.79	15.74	18.24	20.79	19.37	22.38
Kampong Thom	17.41	16.20	18.60	20.87	19.36	22.68
Kampot	17.34	15.90	18.76	21.34	19.78	22.92
Kandal	18.31	17.04	19.58	22.87	21.58	20.69
Koh Kong	19.99	20.87	19.34	20.71	20.32	21.12
Kratie	18.86	18.21	19.52	21.00	20.21	21.80
Mondul Kiri	18.37	18.22	18.53	19.29	19.47	19.11
Phnom Penh	21.44	20.75	22.07	24.72	24.56	24.85
Preah Vihear	17.37	16.92	17.79	19.41	18.96	19.87
Prey Veng	18.02	16.45	19.55	22.70	20.05	25.25
Pursat	16.23	15.03	17.41	20.37	19.36	21.57
Ratanak Kiri	17.84	17.12	18.51	19.20	19.01	19.39
Siem Reap	17.00	15.90	18.07	20.78	19.84	21.72
Preah Sihanouk	18.05	17.52	18.53	21.88	21.40	22.36
Stung Treng	17.84	17.19	18.45	19.76	19.60	19.92
Svay Rieng	17.38	15.63	19.13	22.70	20.48	24.89
Takeo	17.51	16.02	19.05	21.79	19.74	24.03
Otdar Meanchey	15.92	15.69	16.13	19.78	19.42	20.20
Kep	16.77	15.51	18.04	20.04	19.11	21.39
Pailin	20.68	23.63	18.23	21.12	21.19	21.05

Figure 4.9 Median Age: Cambodia and Provinces, 1998 and 2008



The median age of the total population has increased in all provinces during 1998-2008 though in varying degrees (See Table 4.4 and Figure 4.9). The median age is the highest in Phnom Penh Municipality. This is understandable since the fertility level of Phnom Penh (TFR 2.0 in 2008) is the lowest in the country. In the North and Northeast provinces of the Mountain and Plateau region like Preah Vihear, Stung Treng, Ratanak Kiri and Mondul Kiri the median age is below 20 in 2008. It is the lowest in Ratanak Kiri.

The national level TFR is 3.1 according to the Analytical Report on Fertility and Mortality in Cambodia (February 2010). The provinces in the mountain and plateau region mentioned above have each a TFR level (more than 4) which is much higher than the National level. In Otdar Meanchey province also where the TFR (3.3) is higher than that at the national level the median age is lower. Though the median age of females is generally higher, it is marginally lower than that of males in the provinces of Kandal and Mondol Kiri (Table 4.4).

4.3.4 The proportion of Children in the Population

Numerically the population of children (aged 0-14 years) in the country has decreased from 4,897,808 in 1998 to 4,513,792 in 2008. In terms of proportion it has declined from 42.8 per cent to 33.7 per cent, that is, by 9.1 points. In 2008 the proportion of children was higher than the national average in all the provinces except Phnom Penh, Kandal, Preah Sihanouk, Svay Rieng, and Pailin (Table 4.5). In each of the following provinces it was higher by more than five percentage points: Mondul Kiri, Preah Vihear and Ratanak Kiri. In Stung Treng province it was higher by 4.59 percentage points. Phnom Penh Municipality has recorded the lowest percentage of children (21.93). In Svay Rieng and Pailin provinces the proportion was lower than the national average by less than one percentage point each. That the proportions of children in the populations of the provinces are not uniform will be evident from Table 4.5 and Figure 4.10.

**Table 4.5. Population Distribution (Percentage) by Broad Age Group: Cambodia and Provinces
by Sex and Residence, 2008**

Province	Sex	Number	Percentage Distribution				
			Total	0 - 14	15 - 49	50 - 64	65+
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Total Area							
Cambodia	Both Sexes	13,395,682	100	33.70	53.38	8.66	4.26
	Males	6,516,054	100	35.52	53.65	7.29	3.53
	Females	6,879,628	100	31.96	53.13	9.95	4.96
Banteay Meanchey	B.S	677,872	100	33.72	54.18	8.62	3.49
	Males	331,715	100	35.17	54.48	7.50	2.86
	Females	346,157	100	32.33	53.89	9.69	4.09
Battambang	B.S	1,025,174	100	34.36	53.06	8.70	3.88
	Males	506,351	100	35.72	53.40	7.63	3.26
	Females	518,823	100	33.04	52.74	9.74	4.48
Kampong Cham	B.S	1,679,992	100	34.56	50.92	9.18	5.33
	Males	818,662	100	36.41	51.30	7.69	4.60
	Females	861,330	100	32.81	50.56	10.61	6.02
Kampong Chhnang	B.S	472,341	100	35.89	50.74	8.87	4.51
	Males	227,007	100	38.01	51.48	6.97	3.54
	Females	245,334	100	33.92	50.06	10.62	5.40
Kampong Speu	B.S	716,944	100	36.52	50.93	8.27	4.29
	Males	348,512	100	38.39	51.35	6.80	3.45
	Females	368,432	100	34.74	50.53	9.65	5.08
Kampong Thom	B.S	631,409	100	37.03	50.29	8.18	4.50
	Males	307,724	100	38.95	50.69	6.58	3.79
	Females	323,685	100	35.21	49.91	9.70	5.18
Kampot	B.S	585,850	100	35.48	51.27	8.55	4.69
	Males	284,123	100	37.55	51.70	7.02	3.74
	Females	301,727	100	33.54	50.87	10.00	5.59
Kandal	B.S	1,265,280	100	31.20	54.52	9.19	5.10
	Males	612,692	100	33.22	54.86	7.67	4.25
	Females	652,588	100	29.30	54.19	10.62	5.89
Koh Kong	B.S	117,481	100	36.31	53.63	7.28	2.77
	Males	59,327	100	36.79	54.56	6.45	2.20
	Females	58,154	100	35.83	52.68	8.13	3.36
Kratie	B.S	319,217	100	37.19	50.47	8.08	4.26
	Males	159,146	100	37.99	51.20	7.18	3.63
	Females	160,071	100	36.39	49.75	8.98	4.88
Mondul Kiri	B.S	61,107	100	40.39	51.52	5.87	2.22
	Males	31,372	100	40.12	52.57	5.23	2.08
	Females	29,735	100	40.67	50.42	6.55	2.36
Phnom Penh	B.S	1,327,615	100	21.93	65.48	9.16	3.43
	Males	625,540	100	23.67	65.22	8.33	2.79
	Females	702,075	100	20.39	65.71	9.89	4.01
Preah Vihear	B.S	171,139	100	39.70	50.67	6.50	3.13
	Males	85,319	100	40.60	50.78	5.98	2.64
	Females	85,820	100	38.81	50.57	7.02	3.61
Prey Veng	B.S	947,372	100	35.07	50.28	9.61	5.03
	Males	453,082	100	37.75	50.26	7.66	4.33
	Females	494,290	100	32.62	50.30	11.40	5.67
Pursat	B.S	397,161	100	35.76	51.84	8.59	3.81
	Males	192,954	100	37.66	52.33	7.04	2.97
	Females	204,207	100	33.97	51.39	10.04	4.59
Ratanak Kiri	B.S	150,466	100	40.49	50.05	6.57	2.89
	Males	76,115	100	41.01	49.85	6.38	2.76
	Females	74,351	100	39.95	50.25	6.77	3.03
Siem Reap	B.S	896,443	100	36.02	53.94	7.18	2.87
	Males	439,982	100	37.78	53.93	6.00	2.29
	Females	456,461	100	34.32	53.95	8.31	3.43
Preah Sihanouk	B.S	221,396	100	32.38	57.06	7.57	2.98
	Males	110,777	100	33.32	57.55	6.79	2.34
	Females	110,619	100	31.44	56.57	8.36	3.63
Stung Treng	B.S	111,671	100	38.29	51.13	7.22	3.35
	Males	55,634	100	38.70	51.57	6.78	2.96
	Females	56,037	100	37.89	50.70	7.66	3.75

**Table 4.5. Population Distribution (Percentage) by Broad Age Group: Cambodia and Provinces
by Sex and Residence, 2008 (Continued)**

Province	Sex	Number	Percentage Distribution				
			Total	0 - 14	15 - 49	50 - 64	65+
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Svay Rieng	B.S	482,788	100	33.59	52.35	9.37	4.69
	Males	231,578	100	35.84	53.23	7.14	3.79
	Females	251,210	100	31.51	51.54	11.42	5.53
Takeo	B.S	844,906	100	35.23	50.24	9.27	5.26
	Males	410,782	100	37.41	50.82	7.50	4.28
	Females	434,124	100	33.16	49.69	10.95	6.20
Otdar Meanchey	B.S	185,819	100	37.63	53.63	6.66	2.08
	Males	93,646	100	38.52	53.57	6.25	1.66
	Females	92,173	100	36.74	53.69	7.07	2.51
Kep	B.S	35,753	100	37.26	51.10	7.63	4.01
	Males	17,674	100	39.04	51.54	6.44	2.98
	Females	18,079	100	35.51	50.67	8.79	5.03
Pailin	B.S	70,486	100	33.67	57.66	6.90	1.77
	Males	36,340	100	33.76	57.74	6.95	1.55
	Females	34,146	100	33.57	57.57	6.86	2.00
Urban Area							
Cambodia	B.S	2,614,027	100	25.41	62.12	8.91	3.56
	Males	1,255,570	100	27.06	62.14	7.96	2.84
	Females	1,358,457	100	23.89	62.09	9.79	4.23
Banteay Meanchey	B.S	181,396	100	30.70	58.39	8.13	2.78
	Males	89,691	100	31.83	58.69	7.26	2.22
	Females	91,705	100	29.60	58.09	8.99	3.32
Battambang	B.S	180,853	100	28.97	56.34	9.92	4.77
	Males	87,398	100	30.77	56.74	8.63	3.86
	Females	93,455	100	27.29	55.97	11.12	5.62
Kampong Cham	B.S	118,242	100	28.83	56.30	9.82	5.05
	Males	57,614	100	30.36	56.98	8.50	4.16
	Females	60,628	100	27.38	55.65	11.07	5.90
Kampong Chhnang	B.S	43,130	100	28.98	56.20	10.27	4.55
	Males	20,788	100	30.90	57.21	8.59	3.31
	Females	22,342	100	27.20	55.26	11.84	5.70
Kampong Speu	B.S	54,505	100	29.90	56.85	9.06	4.19
	Males	26,433	100	31.17	58.01	7.71	3.10
	Females	28,072	100	28.71	55.75	10.32	5.22
Kampong Thom	B.S	31,871	100	29.22	56.30	9.83	4.66
	Males	15,330	100	30.98	56.61	8.57	3.83
	Females	16,541	100	27.58	56.01	10.99	5.42
Kampot	B.S	48,274	100	27.94	57.76	9.72	4.57
	Males	23,591	100	29.84	58.48	8.28	3.39
	Females	24,683	100	26.13	57.08	11.09	5.70
Kandal	B.S	195,898	100	25.91	61.63	8.43	4.02
	Males	92,569	100	28.44	60.90	7.39	3.27
	Females	103,329	100	23.65	62.29	9.36	4.70
Koh Kong	B.S	36,053	100	33.33	56.41	7.71	2.55
	Males	17,998	100	33.96	57.31	6.85	1.88
	Females	18,055	100	32.69	55.52	8.57	3.22
Kratie	B.S	35,964	100	31.20	55.16	9.19	4.45
	Males	17,887	100	31.98	56.10	8.36	3.56
	Females	18,077	100	30.43	54.23	10.00	5.33
Mondul Kiri	B.S	4,859	100	29.51	63.47	5.49	1.52
	Males	2,596	100	28.78	65.56	4.28	1.39
	Females	2,263	100	30.36	61.07	6.89	1.68
Phnom Penh	B.S	1,242,992	100	21.38	66.01	9.21	3.40
	Males	584,663	100	23.06	65.73	8.44	2.77
	Females	658,329	100	19.89	66.26	9.89	3.97

**Table 4.5. Population Distribution (Percentage) by Broad Age Group: Cambodia and Provinces
by Sex and Residence, 2008 (Continued)**

Province	Sex	Number	Percentage Distribution				
			Total	0 - 14	15 - 49	50 - 64	65+
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Preah Vihear	B.S	10,679	100	31.99	58.50	6.44	3.07
	Males	5,508	100	32.52	59.04	6.08	2.36
	Females	5,171	100	31.43	57.92	6.83	3.83
Prey Veng	B.S	33,079	100	28.28	57.63	9.96	4.14
	Males	16,160	100	29.89	58.27	8.63	3.21
	Females	16,919	100	26.74	57.01	11.22	5.02
Pursat	B.S	25,650	100	28.05	56.21	11.23	4.50
	Males	12,027	100	30.62	56.42	9.71	3.24
	Females	13,623	100	25.78	56.03	12.57	5.62
Ratanak Kiri	B.S	19,317	100	31.23	60.64	6.14	1.98
	Males	10,136	100	30.51	62.39	5.43	1.68
	Females	9,181	100	32.03	58.71	6.94	2.32
Siem Reap	B.S	174,265	100	29.79	60.43	7.06	2.72
	Males	87,041	100	31.12	61.08	5.82	1.98
	Females	87,224	100	28.47	59.78	8.29	3.46
Preah Sihanouk	B.S	89,447	100	27.22	63.01	7.46	2.31
	Males	44,278	100	28.14	62.96	7.08	1.83
	Females	45,169	100	26.33	63.06	7.84	2.77
Stung Treng	B.S	17,022	100	30.20	59.41	7.70	2.68
	Males	8,626	100	29.57	60.90	7.27	2.26
	Females	8,396	100	30.85	57.88	8.15	3.12
Svay Rieng	B.S	17,029	100	26.61	59.34	9.83	4.22
	Males	8,259	100	27.68	61.02	8.16	3.14
	Females	8,770	100	25.60	57.75	11.40	5.25
Takeo	B.S	14,456	100	29.03	57.51	9.39	4.07
	Males	7,109	100	30.16	59.09	7.82	2.93
	Females	7,347	100	27.93	55.98	10.92	5.17
Otdar Meanchey	B.S	18,694	100	36.06	54.97	6.62	2.35
	Males	9,475	100	35.91	56.28	6.12	1.69
	Females	9,219	100	36.22	53.62	7.14	3.03
Kep	B.S	4,678	100	32.54	55.73	7.85	3.89
	Males	2,372	100	33.26	56.24	7.04	3.46
	Females	2,306	100	31.79	55.20	8.67	4.34
Pailin	B.S	15,674	100	31.89	59.12	7.27	1.73
	Males	8,021	100	31.74	59.63	7.22	1.41
	Females	7,653	100	32.04	58.58	7.32	2.06
Rural Area							
Cambodia	B.S	10,781,655	100	35.70	51.27	8.59	4.44
	Males	5,260,484	100	37.55	51.63	7.13	3.70
	Females	5,521,171	100	33.95	50.92	9.99	5.14
Banteay Meanchey	B.S	496,476	100	34.82	52.64	8.79	3.75
	Males	242,024	100	36.41	52.92	7.58	3.09
	Females	254,452	100	33.31	52.38	9.94	4.37
Battambang	B.S	844,321	100	35.52	52.36	8.44	3.68
	Males	418,953	100	36.75	52.70	7.42	3.13
	Females	425,368	100	34.31	52.03	9.44	4.23
Kampong Cham	B.S	1,561,750	100	35.00	50.51	9.14	5.35
	Males	761,048	100	36.87	50.87	7.63	4.63
	Females	800,702	100	33.22	50.18	10.57	6.03
Kampong Chhnang	B.S	429,211	100	36.58	50.19	8.72	4.50
	Males	206,219	100	38.72	50.90	6.81	3.56
	Females	222,992	100	34.60	49.54	10.49	5.37
Kampong Speu	B.S	662,439	100	37.06	50.44	8.20	4.30
	Males	322,079	100	38.99	50.80	6.73	3.48
	Females	340,360	100	35.24	50.10	9.60	5.06

Table 4.5, Population Distribution (Percentage) by Broad Age Group: Cambodia and Provinces by Sex and Residence, 2008 (Continued)

Province	Sex	Number	Percentage Distribution				
			Total	0 - 14	15 - 49	50 - 64	65+
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Kampong Thom	B.S	599,538	100	37.45	49.97	8.09	4.49
	Males	292,394	100	39.37	50.37	6.48	3.78
	Females	307,144	100	35.62	49.58	9.63	5.17
Kampot	B.S	537,576	100	36.16	50.69	8.45	4.70
	Males	260,532	100	38.25	51.08	6.90	3.77
	Females	277,044	100	34.20	50.32	9.90	5.58
Kandal	B.S	1,069,382	100	32.17	53.21	9.33	5.29
	Males	520,123	100	34.07	53.79	7.72	4.43
	Females	549,259	100	30.36	52.67	10.85	6.11
Koh Kong	B.S	81,428	100	37.64	52.40	7.10	2.87
	Males	41,329	100	38.02	53.37	6.28	2.34
	Females	40,099	100	37.25	51.40	7.94	3.42
Kratie	B.S	283,253	100	37.95	49.88	7.94	4.23
	Males	141,259	100	38.75	50.58	7.03	3.64
	Females	141,994	100	37.15	49.18	8.85	4.82
Mondul Kiri	B.S	56,248	100	41.33	50.49	5.91	2.28
	Males	28,776	100	41.15	51.39	5.32	2.14
	Females	27,472	100	41.51	49.54	6.52	2.42
Phnom Penh	B.S	84,623	100	30.07	57.66	8.40	3.87
	Males	40,877	100	32.36	57.83	6.73	3.08
	Females	43,746	100	27.93	57.49	9.97	4.61
Preah Vihear	B.S	160,460	100	40.22	50.15	6.50	3.13
	Males	79,811	100	41.16	50.21	5.97	2.66
	Females	80,649	100	39.28	50.10	7.03	3.59
Prey Veng	B.S	914,293	100	35.32	50.01	9.60	5.06
	Males	436,922	100	38.04	49.96	7.63	4.38
	Females	477,371	100	32.83	50.07	11.41	5.69
Pursat	B.S	371,511	100	36.29	51.54	8.40	3.76
	Males	180,927	100	38.12	52.05	6.86	2.96
	Females	190,584	100	34.56	51.06	9.86	4.52
Ratanak Kiri	B.S	131,149	100	41.85	48.49	6.64	3.02
	Males	65,979	100	42.62	47.93	6.53	2.92
	Females	65,170	100	41.07	49.06	6.74	3.13
Siem Reap	B.S	722,178	100	37.52	52.37	7.20	2.90
	Males	352,941	100	39.42	52.16	6.05	2.37
	Females	369,237	100	35.70	52.58	8.31	3.42
Preah Sihanouk	B.S	131,949	100	35.88	53.03	7.65	3.44
	Males	66,499	100	36.78	53.95	6.60	2.67
	Females	65,450	100	34.97	52.08	8.72	4.22
Stung Treng	B.S	94,649	100	39.75	49.65	7.14	3.47
	Males	47,008	100	40.37	49.86	6.69	3.08
	Females	47,641	100	39.13	49.44	7.58	3.86
Svay Rieng	B.S	465,759	100	33.85	52.09	9.35	4.71
	Males	223,319	100	36.15	52.94	7.11	3.81
	Females	242,440	100	31.73	51.31	11.42	5.54
Takeo	B.S	830,450	100	35.33	50.11	9.27	5.28
	Males	403,673	100	37.54	50.67	7.49	4.30
	Females	426,777	100	33.25	49.59	10.95	6.22
Otdar Meanchey	B.S	167,125	100	37.81	53.48	6.66	2.05
	Males	84,171	100	38.81	53.27	6.27	1.65
	Females	82,954	100	36.79	53.69	7.07	2.45
Kep	B.S	31,075	100	37.97	50.40	7.60	4.03
	Males	15,302	100	39.94	50.81	6.35	2.90
	Females	15,773	100	36.06	50.01	8.81	5.13
Pailin	B.S	54,812	100	34.18	57.24	6.80	1.78
	Males	28,319	100	34.33	57.21	6.87	1.59
	Females	26,493	100	34.01	57.28	6.73	1.98