

Key Indicators for Kerala from NFHS-3	Residence		Education				NFHS-2 (1998-99)	NFHS-1 (1992-93)	
	NFHS-3 (2005-06)	Urban	Rural	No education ⁴	< 5 years complete ⁴	5-9 years complete ⁴			10 years
							complete and above ⁴		
Marriage and Fertility									
1. Women age 20-24 married by age 18 (%)	15.4	9.2	19.4	*	*	28.5	7.6	17.0	19.3
2. Men age 25-29 married by age 21 (%)	2.9	(2.1)	3.4	*	*	4.3	0.0	na	na
3. Total fertility rate (children per woman)	1.9	1.7	2.0	1.8	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0
4. Women age 15-19 who were already mothers or pregnant at the time of the survey (%)	5.8	4.8	6.3	*	*	10.8	3.9	na	na
5. Median age at first birth for women age 25-49	22.7	23.4	22.3	18.9	20.1	21.5	24.7	21.9	21.6
6. Married women with 2 living children wanting no more children ¹ (%)	88.9	93.5	86.6	(87.4)	92.6	87.7	89.7	85.6	84.1
6a. Two sons	87.5	92.8	84.5	*	*	85.3	90.4	86.6	85.4
6b. One son, one daughter	90.9	94.5	89.3	*	(95.4)	89.7	91.1	87.1	88.1
6c. Two daughters	86.4	92.6	82.8	*	*	85.7	86.6	85.8	80.6
Family Planning (currently married women, age 15-49)									
Current use									
7. Any method (%)	68.6	68.9	68.5	72.6	77.2	69.7	65.5	63.7	63.3
8. Any modern method (%)	57.9	58.5	57.6	68.1	74.1	61.1	50.7	56.1	54.4
8a. Female sterilization (%)	48.7	45.6	50.3	65.5	69.8	55.2	36.6	48.5	41.8
8b. Male sterilization (%)	1.0	1.8	0.6	2.7	2.6	1.0	0.5	2.5	6.5
8c. IUD (%)	2.3	2.4	2.2	0.0	0.4	1.3	3.8	1.6	2.7
8d. Pill (%)	0.4	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5
8e. Condom (%)	5.5	8.5	4.0	0.0	1.3	3.2	9.1	3.1	2.9
Unmet need for family planning									
9. Total unmet need (%)	8.9	7.9	9.4	3.5	7.0	8.4	10.2	11.7	11.7
9a. For spacing (%)	6.0	5.0	6.5	1.8	3.1	5.7	7.2	6.9	7.2
9b. For limiting (%)	2.9	2.9	2.9	1.8	3.9	2.7	3.0	4.9	4.5
Maternal and Child Health									
Maternity care (for births in the last 3 years)									
10. Mothers who had at least 3 antenatal care visits for their last birth (%)	93.9	96.9	92.4	*	*	90.8	96.5	98.6	95.4
11. Mothers who consumed IFA for 90 days or more when they were pregnant with their last child (%)	77.3	79.2	76.3	*	*	72.2	83.7	na	na
12. Births assisted by a doctor/nurse/LHV/ANM/other health personnel (%) ²	99.7	100.0	99.5	*	*	99.2	100.0	94.1	90.2
13. Institutional births (%) ²	99.5	100.0	99.3	*	*	99.2	99.7	92.9	88.9
14. Mothers who received postnatal care from a doctor/nurse/LHV/ANM/other health personnel within 2 days of delivery for their last birth (%) ²	87.7	91.1	86.1	*	*	84.3	92.6	na	na
Child immunization and vitamin A supplementation²									
15a. Children 12-23 months fully immunized (BCG, measles, and 3 doses each of polio/DPT) (%)	75.3	87.5	69.4	*	*	66.6	83.3	79.7	54.4
15b. Children 12-23 months who have received BCG (%)	96.3	100.0	94.6	*	*	94.4	97.5	96.2	86.1
15c. Children 12-23 months who have received 3 doses of polio vaccine (%)	83.1	91.7	78.9	*	*	76.6	88.3	88.4	75.2
15d. Children 12-23 months who have received 3 doses of DPT vaccine (%)	84.0	93.1	79.6	*	*	77.7	89.1	88.0	73.7
15e. Children 12-23 months who have received measles vaccine (%)	82.1	93.1	76.9	*	*	75.5	89.1	84.6	60.5
16. Children age 12-35 months who received a vitamin A dose in last 6 months (%)	46.4	43.8	47.7	*	*	43.8	49.4	na	na
Treatment of childhood diseases (children under 3 years)²									
17. Children with diarrhoea in the last 2 weeks who received ORS (%)	34.6	*	(34.4)	nc	*	*	(39.3)	47.9	16.0
18. Children with diarrhoea in the last 2 weeks taken to a health facility (%)	67.4	*	(75.0)	nc	*	*	(67.9)	82.1	71.4
19. Children with acute respiratory infection or fever in the last 2 weeks taken to a health facility (%)	82.8	(85.7)	81.7	*	*	80.9	84.9	na	na
Child Feeding Practices and Nutritional Status of Children^{2, 3}									
20. Children under 3 years breastfed within one hour of birth (%)	55.4	54.2	56.1	*	*	54.4	55.6	42.9	14.2
21. Children age 0-5 months exclusively breastfed (%)	56.2	(55.6)	(56.5)	*	*	(54.6)	(55.9)	na	na
22. Children age 6-9 months receiving solid or semi-solid food and breastmilk (%)	93.6	*	92.0	*	nc	*	(97.6)	na	na
23. Children under 3 years who are stunted (%)	26.5	27.3	26.0	*	*	31.3	21.5	28.0	32.8
24. Children under 3 years who are wasted (%)	15.6	9.1	18.8	*	*	16.2	14.6	13.0	13.7
25. Children under 3 years who are underweight (%)	21.2	15.3	24.0	*	*	26.1	15.9	21.7	22.1
Nutritional Status of Ever-Married Adults (age 15-49)									
26. Women whose Body Mass Index is below normal (%)	12.5	9.1	14.3	18.3	14.8	13.9	9.7	18.7	na
27. Men whose Body Mass Index is below normal (%)	11.9	11.2	12.3	*	14.3	15.2	7.5	na	na
28. Women who are overweight or obese (%)	34.0	40.1	30.9	26.9	30.1	34.4	35.4	20.6	na
29. Men who are overweight or obese (%)	24.3	28.0	21.9	*	5.7	20.8	35.0	na	na
Anaemia among Children and Adults									
30. Children age 6-35 months who are anaemic (%)	56.1	53.2	57.9	*	*	66.9	48.8	43.9	na
31. Ever-married women age 15-49 who are anaemic (%)	32.7	33.4	32.4	49.6	36.5	33.0	29.6	22.7	na
32. Pregnant women age 15-49 who are anaemic (%)	33.8	(29.8)	35.8	*	*	37.7	27.8	20.3	na
33. Ever-married men age 15-49 who are anaemic (%)	7.1	6.6	7.5	*	14.3	6.1	5.8	na	na
Knowledge of HIV/AIDS among Ever-Married Adults (age 15-49)									
34. Women who have heard of AIDS (%)	95.0	96.3	94.3	68.4	85.2	95.7	99.5	86.9	na
35. Men who have heard of AIDS (%)	98.6	99.5	98.0	*	94.5	99.3	99.1	na	na
36. Women who know that consistent condom use can reduce the chances of getting HIV/AIDS (%)	70.6	75.7	68.0	27.8	39.2	67.6	85.6	na	na
37. Men who know that consistent condom use can reduce the chances of getting HIV/AIDS (%)	85.6	88.5	83.9	*	72.6	85.1	90.4	na	na
Women's Empowerment									
38. Currently married women who usually participate in household decisions (%)	47.2	51.4	45.1	47.8	41.2	44.2	51.4	na	na
39. Ever-married women who have ever experienced spousal violence (%)	16.4	14.4	17.4	26.0	28.1	19.7	9.9	na	na

na : Not available

nc : Not calculated because there are no cases

() Based on 25-49 unweighted cases

* Based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases

¹ Excludes pregnant women.

² Based on the last 2 births in the 3 years before the survey to ever-married women.

³ Based on Who standard.

⁴ For children education refers to mother's education. Children with missing information on the mother's education are not included in the education columns.