



INDIA HUMAN DEVELOPMENT SURVEY

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Welcome to the IHDS Forum

Welcome to the India Human Development Survey Forum. The IHDS is designed to be a public resource to bear witness to India's social and economic transformation and to provide data for evidence-based policy design. Here's a peek into the IHDS world where our team of researchers and 8000 users worldwide trace the latest developments on India's socio-economic horizon. We look forward to your feedback and participation in this endeavour.

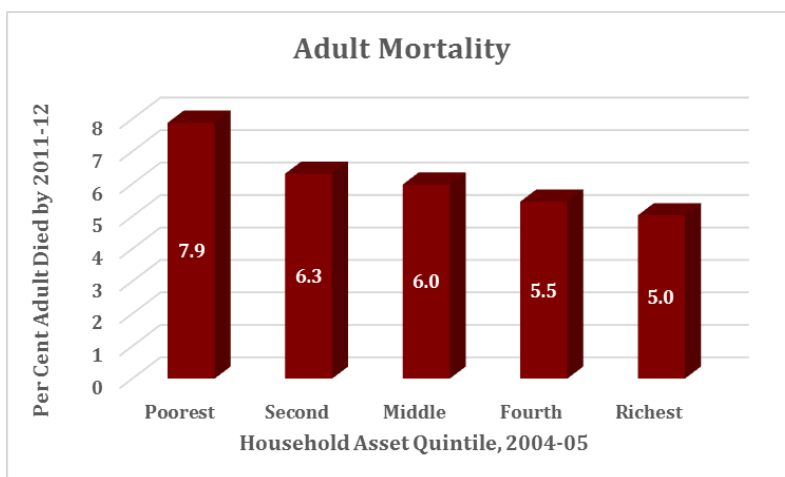


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-- Dr. Sonalde Desai

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IHDS Finds.... Richer Adults Live Longer



In his paper on adult mortality, Debasis Barik focuses on the effect of household economic

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resources on health and mortality among Indian adults. The results suggest that household wealth plays a significant role in curbing mortality among Indian adults. Individuals in wealthier households have lower risks of death despite a slightly higher prevalence of diseases like diabetes, cardiac conditions or hypertension.



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Data Corner

- IHDS II Tracking and Village Files Now Available. Click here: <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/36151>
- IHDS II files on: Eligible Women, Birth History, Medical Staff, Medical Facilities, Non-Residents, School Staff, School Facilities and the Wage and Salary File have been made available for public use. Go to ICPSR site: <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/36151>



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About IHDS

The India Human Development Survey (IHDS) is a nationally representative, multi-topic survey of 41,554 households in 1503 villages and 971 urban neighbourhoods across India. The first round of interviews was completed in 2004-5; data are publicly available through ICPSR. A second round of IHDS re-interviewed most of these households in 2011-12 (N=42,152) and data for same can be found here.

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