**Supplementary Table S2. Provincial-wise population denominators.**

| | 2015 - 2021 | 2022 |
|---|---|---|
| **Northern** | 1,058,762 | 1,150,148 |
| **North Central** | 1,259,567 | 1,407,610 |
| **Eastern** | 1,551,381 | 1,783,214 |
| **North Western** | 2,370,075 | 2,586,972 |
| **Central** | 2,571,557 | 2,714,045 |
| **Sabaragamuwa** | 1,918,880 | 2,015,899 |
| **Uva** | 1,259,900 | 1,399,892 |
| **Southern** | 2,477,285 | 2,606,679 |
| **Western** | 5,851,130 | 6,117,341 |