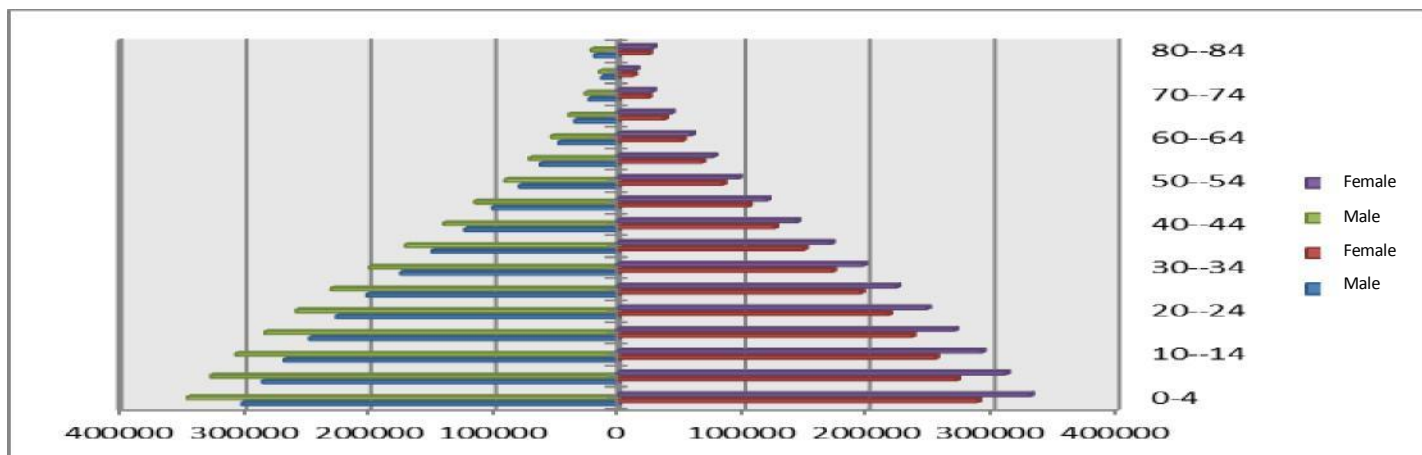


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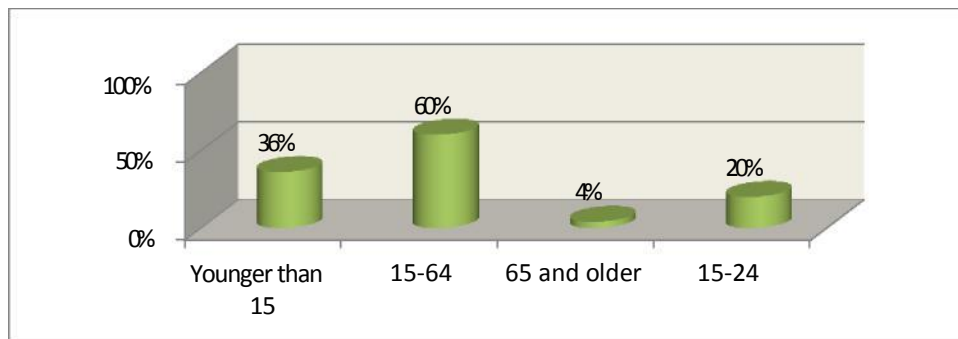
Number of population increased in Kurdistan region

Population has reached 5,332,600 people in Kurdistan region in 2014, where the number of male individuals is 2,677,764 and female individuals is 2,654,836 compared to 2009, where the number of population was 4,662,266 individuals - 2,341,102 male and 2,321,164 female.



Kurdistan Region is a young society

Following the results of “population projection” for Kurdistan Region, the rate of population for age groups 15-64, 65 years and over, and less than 15 years will result to 60%, 4%, 36% respectively, while for the young grope (15-24) the rate will be around 20% in 2014.



The age dependency ratio has been decreased

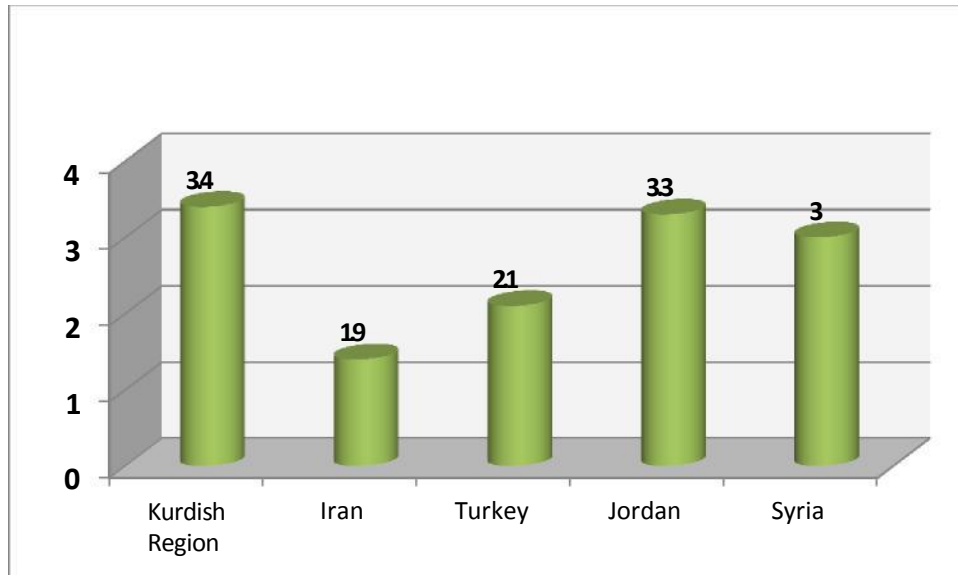
The age dependency ratio decreased 66% by 2014. In other words, 66 dependents (less than 15 and older than 64) per 100 working-age population - those aged 15-64 - compared to the results from census 1987, in which this rate was 93, 93 dependents per 100 working-age population, in other words 9 dependents per 10 working- age population and this is because of changes in age groups as a result of fertility rate decrease.

The rate of women-headed households has been reduced

The rate of women-headed households decreased from 11.6 in 2012 to 10.5 in 2014, in accordance to the surveys that have been conducted by Kurdistan region statistics office (KRSO).

Fertility rate has been decreased over the last years

The results from the surveys conducted by KRSO show a collective decrease in fertility rate. The average rate of live births during a woman marital time was 3.8 in 2006, then it reduced to 3.4 in 2012 in Kurdistan and remained high compare to neighboring countries like Iran, Turkey, Jordan, and Syria.

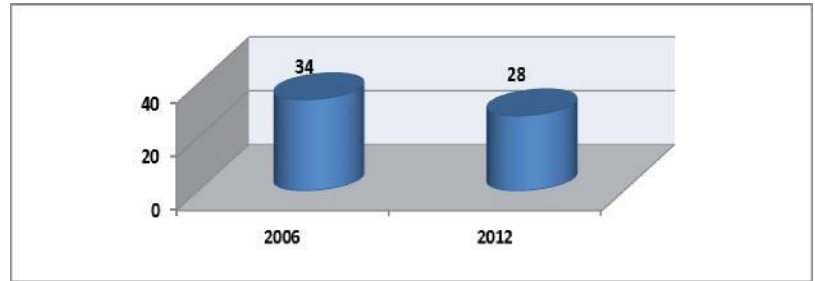


Infant mortality rate shows a decreasing trend

The total number of infant deaths - death of infants below the age of one year – in 2006 was 34 deaths per 1000 live births and it reduced to 28 deaths per 1000 live births in 2012.

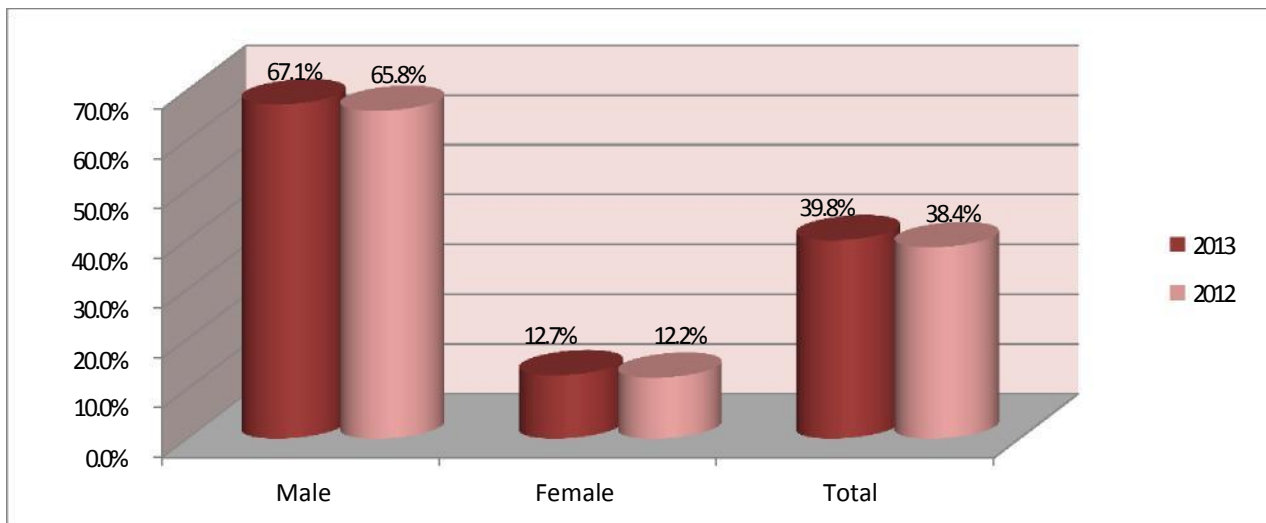
Population growth rate has been decreased

KRSO has estimated that the total growth rate reaches 2.6 in 2014 compared to 2.9 in 2009



Labour participation rate increased for both male and female

The result from labor force survey reveals that the labor force participation for both male and female has increased from 38.4% in 2012 to 39.8% in 2013, and according to these results the increase rate would be 1.4 percentage points (pp). The labor force participation for male and female is 67.1% and 12.7% respectively in 2013 which is an increase of 1.3 pp



for male and 0.5 for female.

The unemployment rate has decreased in Kurdistan Region

One of the most important indicators of demography is the average rate of unemployment which has reduced in a specific manner due to increased employment rate as well as business activity. The unemployment rate in 2013 was 6.5% compared to 7.9% in 2012.

Kurdish Region Statistics Office (KRSO)

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