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Life expectancy

Identifying and definitional attributes

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Description: Life expectancy is the most general and best known measure of the health status of

the population. It is defined as the average number of years that a person could expect to live if the person experienced the age-specific mortality rates in a given country in a particular year. Each country calculates its life expectancy according to somewhat varying methodologies. These methodological differences can affect the

comparability of reported estimates.