

# Trends in Untreated Tuberculosis in Large Municipalities, Brazil, 2008–2017

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We adapted a mathematical modeling approach to estimate tuberculosis (TB) incidence and fraction treated for 101 municipalities of Brazil during 2008–2017. We found the average TB incidence rate decreased annually (0.95%), and fraction treated increased (0.30%). We estimated that 9% of persons with TB did not receive treatment in 2017.

Many countries that have considerable subnational variation in tuberculosis (TB) burden also have decentralized the management and implementation of control policies. In this context, local estimates of TB burden can convey actionable insights for these TB control decisions. Reported cases are commonly used as a proxy for TB burden; however, reported cases may not reflect the true burden because areas of apparently low burden may instead represent areas of inadequate case detection. Modeling approaches have been proposed to adjust for this bias and enable valid inference of TB incidence, but these approaches typically require primary data collection (1,2). Alternative methods make use of routinely collected data (3–5). We applied a recently developed Bayesian method to report unbiased estimates of TB incidence and the completeness of case detection in Brazil's state capitals and 100 most populous municipalities during 2008–2017 (Appendix, <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/EID/article/27/3/20-4094-App1.pdf>). The Office of Human Research Administration at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

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## The Study

We selected the 100 most populous municipalities in Brazil (on the basis of mean population between 2008–2017) plus Palmas, the 1 state capital that was not among those 100. We obtained TB treatment notifications from Brazil's National Notifiable Disease Information System (SINAN) (5) and death data from the Mortality Information System (SIM) (6), representing 438,163 notified TB cases and 45,984 TB-related deaths. Using these data, we estimated a Bayesian model of tuberculosis incidence (M.H. Chitwood et al., unpub. data, <https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3463278>) in which incidence is approximated by the sum of 3 numbers: treatment initiations, deaths before treatment initiation, and disease resolutions before treatment initiation for a municipality in a given year. We reported the annual incidence rate as absolute incidence divided by population size and the fraction receiving treatment (fraction treated) as the number initiating treatment divided by incidence in a given year. The fraction treated differs from the case detection rate by considering loss to follow-up between diagnosis and treatment as an additional mechanism contributing to undertreatment. We also estimated the incidence of untreated TB (untreated TB rate) as the product (incidence rate)  $\times$  (1 – fraction treated), to produce a combined measure of elevated incidence and inadequate case detection.

Across all 101 municipalities in 2017, there were 53.2 treatment notifications/100,000 population; we estimate a TB incidence rate of 58.6 (range 11.6–169) cases/100,000 population (Table). In 2017 São Vicente had the highest estimated TB incidence, 169 (95% CI 154–185) cases/100,000 population, and Palmas

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**Table.** Reported cases and estimated burden of TB in state capitals of Brazil, 2017

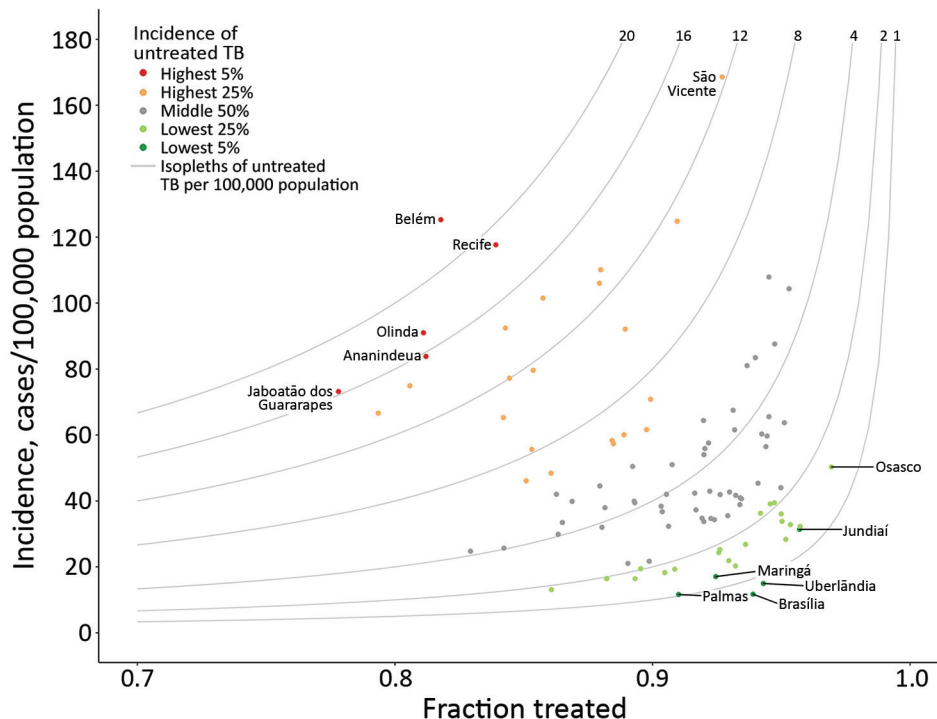
| Municipality   | Case notifications/100,000 population* | Incidence/100,000 population (95% CI) | Fraction of cases treated (95% CI) | Untreated TB/100,000 population (95% CI)† |
|----------------|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Rio Branco     | 82.7                                   | 83.5 (75.0–92.9)                      | 0.940 (0.879–0.979)                | 5.07 (1.72–10.7)                          |
| Maceió         | 47.2                                   | 55.6 (50.5–61.6)                      | 0.853 (0.779–0.908)                | 8.23 (4.80–13.4)                          |
| Manaus         | 114                                    | 125 (118–133)                         | 0.910 (0.855–0.946)                | 11.4 (6.51–19.2)                          |
| Macapá         | 39.0                                   | 39.9 (34.7–46.3)                      | 0.893 (0.798–0.956)                | 4.34 (1.64–8.92)                          |
| Salvador       | 54.6                                   | 65.3 (60.6–71.9)                      | 0.842 (0.765–0.898)                | 10.4 (6.31–16.8)                          |
| Fortaleza      | 63.7                                   | 70.8 (66.7–75.8)                      | 0.899 (0.849–0.938)                | 7.17 (4.25–11.3)                          |
| Vitória        | 36.3                                   | 39.4 (34.3–44.9)                      | 0.947 (0.883–0.984)                | 2.10 (0.604–5.00)                         |
| Goiânia        | 17.1                                   | 19.4 (17.3–21.7)                      | 0.895 (0.815–0.953)                | 2.05 (0.883–3.80)                         |
| São Luís       | 64.5                                   | 77.2 (70.8–85.0)                      | 0.844 (0.771–0.902)                | 12.1 (7.20–19.1)                          |
| Belo Horizonte | 23.6                                   | 25.3 (23.2–27.7)                      | 0.926 (0.861–0.97)                 | 1.88 (0.702–3.73)                         |
| Campo Grande   | 38.7                                   | 42.4 (38.3–47.2)                      | 0.916 (0.847–0.964)                | 3.58 (1.45–6.98)                          |
| Cuiabá         | 68.6                                   | 79.6 (68.9–103)                       | 0.854 (0.650–0.947)                | 12.2 (3.82–35.7)                          |
| Belém          | 103                                    | 125 (116–138)                         | 0.818 (0.744–0.872)                | 23.0 (15.1–34.8)                          |
| João Pessoa    | 47.9                                   | 51.0 (45.8–57.1)                      | 0.908 (0.824–0.962)                | 4.78 (1.83–9.80)                          |
| Recife         | 98.4                                   | 118 (110–129)                         | 0.839 (0.770–0.892)                | 19.0 (12.1–29.5)                          |
| Teresina       | 27.6                                   | 32.3 (28.8–36.6)                      | 0.906 (0.817–0.966)                | 3.07 (1.04–6.45)                          |
| Curitiba       | 17.0                                   | 19.3 (17.4–21.6)                      | 0.909 (0.829–0.962)                | 1.78 (0.693–3.57)                         |
| Rio de Janeiro | 99.8                                   | 104 (101–109)                         | 0.953 (0.917–0.977)                | 4.93 (2.33–8.98)                          |
| Natal          | 54.0                                   | 58.3 (52.9–64.8)                      | 0.884 (0.809–0.940)                | 6.81 (3.36–11.9)                          |
| Porto Velho    | 75.9                                   | 81 (73.6–89.5)                        | 0.937 (0.869–0.978)                | 5.19 (1.71–11.2)                          |
| Boa Vista      | 44.0                                   | 41 (35.4–47.1)                        | 0.934 (0.865–0.976)                | 2.73 (0.914–5.99)                         |
| Porto Alegre   | 92.9                                   | 106 (99.2–115)                        | 0.879 (0.817–0.924)                | 12.9 (7.65–20.8)                          |
| Florianópolis  | 39.3                                   | 45.4 (40.5–51.1)                      | 0.941 (0.868–0.983)                | 2.71 (0.752–6.51)                         |
| Aracaju        | 39.1                                   | 42 (37.6–47.3)                        | 0.905 (0.829–0.960)                | 4.02 (1.59–7.77)                          |
| São Paulo      | 56.5                                   | 59.7 (57.5–62.5)                      | 0.944 (0.904–0.972)                | 3.33 (1.6–6.04)                           |
| Palmas         | 6.28                                   | 11.6 (9.34–14.3)                      | 0.910 (0.786–0.974)                | 1.06 (0.279–2.75)                         |
| Rio Branco     | 82.7                                   | 83.5 (75.0–92.9)                      | 0.940 (0.879–0.979)                | 5.07 (1.72–10.7)                          |

\*Excluding notifications for misdiagnosis, reengagement in care, and deceased persons.

†Untreated TB is the product of incidence × (1 – fraction treated), rounded up.

had the lowest, 11.6 (95% CI 9.3–14.3) cases/100,000 population. We estimate that the fraction treated ranged from 0.778 (95% CI 0.687–0.852) to 0.969 (95%

CI 0.934–0.990)/100,000 population and the untreated TB rate ranged from 0.723 (95% CI 0.231–1.61) to 23.0 (95% CI 15.1–34.8)/100,000 population (Figure 1).



**Figure 1.** Modeled tuberculosis (TB) burden in 101 largest municipalities and state capitals of Brazil, 2017. Gray curves indicate isopleths of untreated TB: incidence × (1 – fraction treated). Municipalities in the 5th and 95th percentiles of untreated TB, as well as those with the highest incidence (São Vicente) and highest fraction treated (Osasco), are labeled.

During 2008–2017, there were 438,163 TB treatment notifications; for this period we estimate that there were 488,329 (95% CI 474,715–507,676) incident TB cases, of which 49,778 (95% CI 36,072–69,217) did not initiate treatment. We observed a decrease in notifications from 56.6/100,000 population in 2008 to 53.2/100,000 population in 2017; over this period we estimate that average incidence decreased from 63.9 (range 13.7–138) to 58.6 (range 11.6–169)/100,000 population. Incidence decreased at an average annual rate of 0.95% (range –5.41% to 4.73%), the fraction treated increased at an average annual rate of 0.290% (range –0.966% to 3.55%), and the untreated TB rate decreased at an average annual rate of 2.88% (range –17.4% to 7.98%).

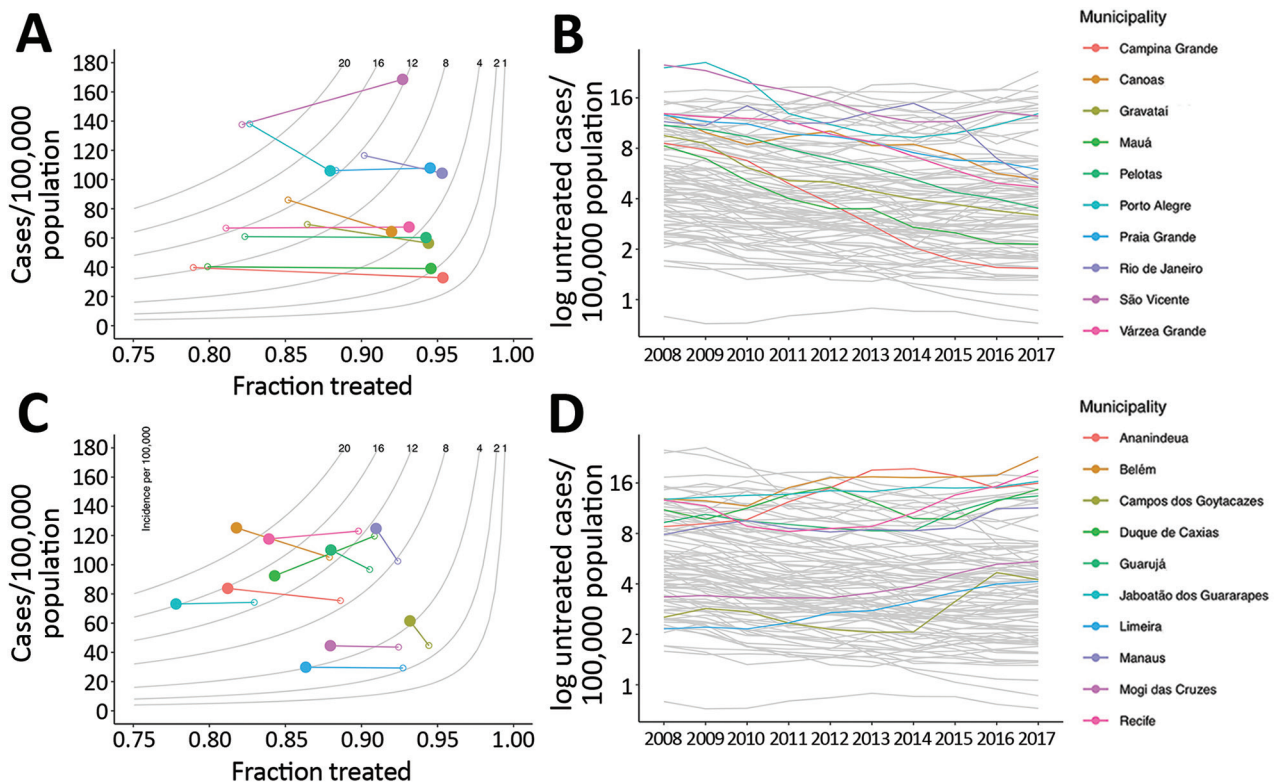
We compared the 10 municipalities with the largest absolute decrease and the 10 with the largest absolute increase in the untreated TB rate (Figure 2). In the municipalities with the largest decrease in untreated TB, the fraction of treated TB cases increased at an average annual rate of 1.23% (0.619–2.17), and incidence

decreased at an average annual rate of 1.31% (–3.16 to 2.31) (Figure 2, panels A, B). We estimated that incidence increased in 2/10 municipalities, most notably São Vicente, which had an average annual rate of increase of 2.31% (95% CI 0.642%–3.89%).

In the 10 municipalities with the largest increase in untreated TB, the fraction treated decreased; average annual rate was 0.596% (0.252–0.985) and average incidence rate increased (0.732%; range –2.82 to 3.62) (Figure 2, panels C, D). Although the fraction treated decreased on average, CIs were wide and crossed 0 for the majority of estimates. The change in incidence was heterogenous in this group, ranging from an average decrease of 2.83% (95% CI 1.75%–3.93%) per year in Duque de Caxias to an average increase of 3.63% (95% CI 1.82%–5.35%) per year in Campos dos Goytacazes.

### Conclusions

Using a recently developed Bayesian approach for subnational TB estimation (M.H. Chitwood et al.,



**Figure 2.** Municipalities of Brazil with the greatest decreases and increases in untreated tuberculosis (TB), 2008–2017. A, B) The 10 municipalities with the greatest decrease in untreated TB, showing the difference between modeled incidence and fraction treated (panel A) and time series of untreated TB (B). C) The 10 municipalities of Brazil with the greatest increase in untreated TB, showing the difference in modeled incidence of TB and fraction treated (C) and time series of untreated TB (D). In panels A and C, gray lines represent isopleths of untreated TB rate per 100,000 population, measured as the product of incidence and (1 – fraction treated); open circles indicate 2008 values, solid circles 2017 values. In panels B and D, gray lines represent other municipalities for comparison.

unpub. data), we estimated the TB incidence rate, fraction treated, and the untreated TB rate for 101 large municipalities in Brazil during 2008–2017. We found that the incidence rate decreased on average and the fraction treated increased on average over the study period. However, in several high-burden municipalities, TB incidence rose and the fraction treated declined, increasing the untreated-TB rate and indicating gaps in local TB control efforts. Comparing our results with a similar state-level analysis of TB trends in Brazil, we found that large municipalities are more heterogenous and have more volatile trends in incidence and fraction treated than states.

The rate of untreated TB communicates both the size of the epidemic and the strength of the response. Municipalities with the highest incidence or the lowest fraction treated may not be the same municipalities with the highest untreated TB rate; an area with a moderate TB incidence and a moderate fraction treated could have a nontrivial rate of untreated TB. If municipalities in need of additional programmatic support were identified based only on the estimated incidence or fraction treated, cities with moderate incidence may be overlooked.

Because we applied a common set of assumptions across all municipalities, our approach may not account for local factors that influence the ratio between reported TB cases and deaths attributed to TB. In our analysis, this ratio provides a signal of the completeness of case detection. If TB death reporting in a municipality were biased downwards (e.g., many TB deaths were misattributed to other causes), the result would be an upward bias in the estimate of the fraction of cases treated. We assume that differences between deaths of persons who have initiated treatment and deaths reported in SIM are due to deaths that occur before treatment. A records linkage of SIM and SINAN was not possible for this analysis. Such a linkage would enable more precise quantification of the frequency of death before treatment initiation. If the overlap between the systems was lower than expected (e.g., more deaths before treatment initiation), our model would underestimate TB burden.

In this analysis, we identified municipalities, such as São Vicente, in which both the fraction

treated and incidence increased on average. If these estimates are correct, our findings suggest that factors other than treatment coverage, such as delays between disease onset and treatment initiation, low treatment completion rates, or worsening nutrition and housing quality, could be driving trends in TB incidence. Further analysis of municipalities with both increasing fraction treated and increasing incidence is warranted to elucidate which factors drive increasing TB incidence despite improvements in treatment coverage.

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## Appendix

### Data

We selected the 100 most populous municipalities in Brazil, based on the mean population over the study period (2008–2017), plus a state capital not included in the initial 100. We obtained TB case notifications from 2008–2017 from the National Notifiable Disease Information System (SINAN; Sistema de Informação de Agravos de Notificação) (1). We selected cases with reported residence in one of the sampled municipalities (n = 506,185). Cases were excluded if the individual was coded as misdiagnosed (n = 9,598), reentering treatment after being presumed lost to follow-up (n = 42,261), reentering treatment after transferring from another clinic (n = 15,077), or diagnosed postmortem (n = 1,666). We analyzed data for 438,163 notified TB cases.

We obtained mortality data from 2008–2017 from the national Mortality Information System (SIM; Sistema de Informação de Mortalidade) (2). We determined that a person had died with TB if their death record contained (as a primary or secondary cause) a code from the International Classification of Diseases, 10th edition, related to TB, including those related to TB-HIV (3) (n = 45,984). Deaths were included in our analysis if the person resided in one of the included municipalities immediately before their demise. We used established methods to account for underreporting of TB as a cause of death and incomplete mortality system coverage (4,5). Estimates of mortality system completeness were available only at the state level; we applied these estimates to municipalities in each state.

We used results from an expert opinion survey to estimate the fraction of persons recovering from active TB without treatment (M. Chitwood et al., unpub.data, <https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3463278>). We assumed that this value is proportional to the fraction of TB-related deaths that occur among persons who die before receiving treatment.

Finally, we obtained municipality-level sociodemographic covariates describing wealth level and healthcare access, 2 factors thought to be associated with TB incidence and the fraction receiving treatment. We used GDP per capita to describe wealth level (6). As an indicator of healthcare access we used municipal-level Family Health Strategy coverage (7); the Family Health Strategy is Brazil's method of delivering primary care (8). Finally, we obtained municipal-level population estimates for each study year from the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, IBGE) (6).

All data were deidentified and extracted from publicly available sources.

## Model Description

The model estimates incidence as the number of persons exiting a state of undetected and untreated TB. Persons can exit this state by treatment initiation, death (before treatment initiation), or recovery (before treatment initiation). We estimated TB incidence, the fraction of cases receiving treatment, and the number of untreated cases (Appendix Table 1) as well as the average annual rates of change in these measures over the study period (Appendix Table 2).

We specified Poisson likelihood functions for SINAN case notification data and SIM mortality data.

$$\textit{Treatment Notification} s_{ij} \sim \textit{Poisson}(\gamma_{ij} \cdot \alpha_{ij} \cdot \beta_{ij})$$

$$\textit{TB Mortality} y_{ij} \sim \textit{Poisson}\left(\gamma_{ij} \cdot \alpha_{ij} \cdot \left[\beta_{ij} \cdot \delta_{ij} + \left((1 - \beta_{ij}) \cdot (1 - \mu)\right)\right] \cdot \pi_h \cdot \rho_{ij}\right)$$

For municipality  $i$  in year  $j$ , where  $\gamma_{ij}$  represents population size,  $\alpha_{ij}$  represents the modeled TB incidence rate,  $\beta_{ij}$  represents the modeled fraction of treated cases,  $\delta_{ij}$  represents the probability of death after treatment initiation,  $\mu$  represents the probability of recovery without treatment,  $\pi_h$  represents the estimated coverage of SIM (calculated at the state-level, denoted  $h$ ), and  $\rho_{ij}$  is an adjustment for misreporting of TB deaths in the SIM database, described below.

We specified exponential and inverse logit functions for incidence ( $\alpha_{ij}$ ) and fraction treated ( $\beta_{ij}$ ), respectively:

$$\alpha_{ij} = \exp(\varphi_0 + X_{ij}\varphi + \lambda_{ij})$$

$$\beta_{ij} = \textit{logit}^{-1}(\omega_0 + X_{ij}\omega + \kappa_{ij})$$

For municipality  $i$  in year  $j$ , where  $\varphi_0$  and  $\omega_0$  are intercepts,  $X_{ij}$  is a vector of the standardized municipal-level covariates (primary care access and log GDP per capita), and  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  are the associated vectors of regression coefficients for incidence and fraction treated respectively. The inclusion of these variables allows for partial pooling among municipalities with similar sociodemographic characteristics. Additionally,  $\lambda_{ij}$  and  $\kappa_{ij}$  are municipality-time random effects for incidence and fraction treated respectively. For each municipality these random effects are assumed to follow a random walk:

$$\lambda_{ij} = \psi_0 + \psi_{1,i} \cdot \sigma_{\psi_1} + \psi_{2,ij-1} \cdot \sigma_{\psi_2}$$

$$\kappa_{ij} = \phi_0 + \phi_{1,i} \cdot \sigma_{\phi_1} + \phi_{2,ij-1} \cdot \sigma_{\phi_2}$$

For municipality  $i$  in year  $j$ , where  $\psi_0$  and  $\phi_0$  are intercepts,  $\psi_{1i}$  and  $\phi_{1i}$  are demeaned municipal-level random effects;  $\psi_{2ij}$  and  $\phi_{2ij}$  are demeaned autoregressive municipality-year effects, set equal to zero at  $j = 1$ ; and  $\sigma_{\psi_1}$ ,  $\sigma_{\psi_2}$ ,  $\sigma_{\phi_1}$ , and  $\sigma_{\phi_2}$  are standard deviation terms.

We estimated the probability of death among persons who initiated treatment ( $\delta_{ij}$ ):

$$\delta_{ij} = b_{ij} + c_{ij} \cdot \tau$$

Where  $b_{ij}$  is the probability that the treatment outcome is “death,”  $c_{ij}$  is the probability that the treatment outcome is “loss to follow up,” and  $\tau$  is the probability that an individual dies given that they were lost to follow up. Values for  $b_{ij}$  and  $c_{ij}$  were estimated via logistic regression functions fitted to data for persons with a treatment outcome recorded (97.3% of all treated persons):

$$b_{ij} = \text{logit}^{-1}(X_{ij}\nu)$$

$$c_{ij} = \text{logit}^{-1}(X_{ij}\Omega)$$

For cases in municipality  $i$  in year  $j$ , where  $X_{ij}\nu$  and  $X_{ij}\Omega$  are vectors of covariates (including family health strategy coverage, GDP per capita (log scale), and a year fixed affect) with their associated regression coefficients. These regression estimates were used in preference to raw values to reduce the stochastic variation in the reported rates of these measures. We conducted a sensitivity analysis in which we coded all persons without a recorded treatment outcome as having abandoned treatment. While this led to an increase in the probability of abandonment, it did not meaningfully change estimates of incidence or fraction treated.

Finally, we estimated the systematic underreporting of TB as a cause of death ( $\rho_{ij}$ ):

$$\rho_{ij} = 1 - \text{logit}^{-1}(\theta_0 + \eta_i \cdot \sigma_\eta + \theta_{j,1} \cdot (j - 10) + x_{ij}\theta_2)$$

For municipality  $i$  in year  $j$ ,  $\theta_0$  is the intercept,  $\eta_i$  is a demeaned municipal-level random effect,  $\sigma_\eta$  is the random-effects variance,  $\theta_1$  is a linear time trend,  $x_{ij}$  is the percentage deaths in SIM attributed to a poorly-defined cause, and  $\theta_2$  is the associated regression coefficient.

There is substantial uncertainty around true values for several model parameters. We used a Bayesian approach to represent and propagate this uncertainty through the analysis. We used prior probability distributions to summarize existing evidence on all model parameters (Appendix Table 3). The prior probabilities of  $\mu$ , and  $\theta_3$  were elicited through an expert opinion survey, described below. The prior distribution for  $\tau$  was assumed to be Beta(4.3, 81), which corresponds to a lower bound of 0.01 and an upper bound of 0.1 (9). Prior distributions for all other model parameters were chosen to be weakly informative to allow the model to be fit with limited external influence while still excluding implausible values. Candidate models were assessed based on the validity of model assumptions and plausibility of results based on programmatic knowledge.

The model was implemented using Stan and the rStan package for R (10,11). We ran the model for 3,250 iterations on 4 chains, and retained the last 1,000 draws from each chain. This produced 4,000 samples from the posterior distributions of each quantity of interest. Point estimates were calculated as the mean of these samples, and confidence intervals were calculated as the 97.5 and 2.5 percentiles. Where averages are reported, they describe the central tendency across the sample of municipalities and were not weighted by population size.

Stan code for the model is available at [github.com/mel-hc/bayesian\\_subnat\\_est](https://github.com/mel-hc/bayesian_subnat_est).

## **Model Priors from Expert Opinion**

Prior distributions for the probability of recovery without treatment and underreporting of TB as a cause of death were created based on an expert opinion survey described by Chitwood et al. To review, the prior distribution for recovery without treatment was created based on median values for lowest, highest, and best-guess estimates of respondents. Incorporating expert opinion into the death adjustment was slightly more complex. Respondents were asked to estimate the



rate of TB death misclassification among HIV negative persons in SIM in 2017 as it relates to the quality of cause of death reporting in a state or municipality, where the rate of ill-defined cases of death is an indicator for cause of death reporting quality. Two scenarios were presented: Scenario A, in which  $\approx 1\%$  of deaths an ill-defined cause, and Scenario B, where  $\approx 15\%$  of deaths had an ill-defined cause. Estimates were summarized as Beta distribution parameters. We incorporated these estimates into the death adjustment ( $\rho_{ij}$ ) estimate as follows:

$$adjustment = \theta_0 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \cdot \sigma_\eta$$

$$Scenario A = \text{logit}^{-1}(adjustment + \theta_2 \cdot y)$$

$$Scenario B = \text{logit}^{-1}(adjustment + \theta_2 \cdot z)$$

With the prior distributions:

$$Scenario A \sim \text{Beta}(52.97, 451.2)$$

$$Scenario B \sim \text{Beta}(97.83, 285.8)$$

$$y \sim \text{Normal}(0.01, 0.001)$$

$$z \sim \text{Normal}(0.15, 0.001)$$

The parameters  $\theta_0$ ,  $\eta_i$ , and  $\theta_2$  are used to estimate the overall death adjustment, described above.

## Model Performance

The total model run time was  $\approx 37$  minutes. There were no divergent transitions or iterations that saturated the maximum tree depth of 12. Key parameter prior distributions and posterior means, confidence intervals, effective sample sizes, and R-hat values are presented in Appendix Table 3.

## Sensitivity Analysis

We tested the sensitivity of results to parameter prior distributions. Altering individual model priors had little impact on model diagnostics or run time; while we observed differences in posterior distributions between the main run and sensitivity runs (Appendix Table 4), we did

not observe meaningful changes to the distribution of our outcomes of interest (Appendix Figure 3). In addition to testing weaker priors, we ran the model with probability of survival without treatment fixed at 30% or 70%. While point estimates for several outcomes changed, they fell within the confidence intervals reported in the main analysis, and the relative burden of disease among modeled cities did not change.

## Notes on Outliers

In 2 cities, Rio de Janeiro and São Vicente, model outcomes were indicative of biased case notification or TB-related death data. In Rio de Janeiro, we observed a decrease in TB-related deaths in SIM from 11.7/100,000 population in 2014 to 7.6 in 2017. We also observed an increase in treatment notification rates from 90.7 to 99.8 over that same period. In response, the model predicts an increase in fraction treated from 0.86 (range 0.80–0.91) in 2014 to 0.95 (range 0.92–0.98) in 2017. From the model results alone, we cannot discern whether there was a rapid improvement in fraction treated (and, consequently, a decrease in TB-related deaths) or whether there was a rapid deterioration in the quality of death records. In the latter case, the downward bias in TB death reporting would lead to an upward bias in the fraction treated estimate.

In São Vicente, we observed an increase in both TB notification rates (from 113 to 141) and deaths on treatment in SINAN (from 3.7 to 8.1 deaths/100,000) over the period 2013–2016. Over the same period, the model estimates only a slight increase in TB deaths, from 12.4 (8.7–18.1) to 14.1 (10.1–19.7) per 100,000. In response, the model predicts both a small improvement in fraction treated over the period, from 0.90 (95% CI 0.81–0.96) to 0.92 (95% CI 0.86–0.97) and a large increase in TB incidence from 130 (95% CI 118–147) to 169 (95% CI 154–186) over the period 2013–2017. A stable rate of TB mortality despite a rapid increase in new case notifications may indicate a rapidly improving TB surveillance program. However, it may also indicate increased misattribution of TB as a cause of death during an accelerating epidemic, which would lead to an upward bias in fraction treated.

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**Appendix Table 1.** Reported cases and estimated TB incidence in 101 municipalities Brazil, 2017

| Municipality, state*           | Case notifications/<br>100,000 population† | Cases/100,000<br>population (95% CI) | Fraction of cases<br>treated (95% CI) | Cases of untreated<br>TB/100,000 population<br>(95% CI) |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Rio Branco, AC                 | 82.7                                       | 83.5 (75.0–92.9)                     | 0.94 (0.88–0.98)                      | 5.07 (1.72–10.7)  |
| Maceió, AL                     | 47.2                                       | 55.6 (50.5–61.6)                     | 0.85 (0.78–0.91)                      | 8.23 (4.80–13.4)  |
| Manaus, AM                     | 114.1                                      | 124.8 (118.0–133.1)                  | 0.91 (0.86–0.95)                      | 11.36 (6.51–19.2)                                       |
| Macapá, AP                     | 39.0                                       | 39.9 (34.7–46.3)                     | 0.89 (0.80–0.96)                      | 4.34 (1.64–8.9)   |
| Camaçari, BA                   | 33.0                                       | 33.7 (28.8–39.5)                     | 0.92 (0.82–0.98)                      | 2.75 (0.71–6.8)   |
| Feira de Santana, BA           | 35.4                                       | 36.7 (32.4–41.5)                     | 0.90 (0.83–0.96)                      | 3.57 (1.55–6.8)   |
| Salvador, BA                   | 54.6                                       | 65.3 (60.6–71.9)                     | 0.84 (0.77–0.90)                      | 10.38 (6.31–16.8)                                       |
| Vitória da Conquista, BA       | 17.5                                       | 24.8 (20.7–29.4)                     | 0.83 (0.70–0.92)                      | 4.29 (1.73–8.3)   |
| Caucaia, CE                    | 51.3                                       | 57.4 (50.4–65.8)                     | 0.88 (0.80–0.95)                      | 6.68 (2.90–12.9)  |
| Fortaleza, CE                  | 63.7                                       | 70.8 (66.7–75.8)                     | 0.90 (0.85–0.94)                      | 7.17 (4.25–11.3)  |
| Brasília, DF                   | 10.6                                       | 11.7 (10.6–13.0)                     | 0.94 (0.87–0.98)                      | 0.72 (0.23–1.6)   |
| Cariacica, ES                  | 38.5                                       | 46.1 (40.2–53.0)                     | 0.85 (0.75–0.92)                      | 6.94 (3.34–12.3)  |
| Serra, ES                      | 31.0                                       | 37.9 (33.3–43.4)                     | 0.88 (0.78–0.95)                      | 4.55 (1.69–9.4)   |
| Vila Velha, ES                 | 37.2                                       | 42.0 (37.0–48.0)                     | 0.86 (0.77–0.94)                      | 5.84 (2.54–10.9)  |
| Vitória, ES                    | 36.3                                       | 39.4 (34.3–44.9)                     | 0.95 (0.88–0.98)                      | 2.10 (0.60–5.0)   |
| Goiânia, GO                    | 17.1                                       | 19.4 (17.3–21.7)                     | 0.90 (0.82–0.95)                      | 2.05 (0.88–3.8)   |
| Anápolis, GO                   | 10.4                                       | 13.1 (10.7–15.8)                     | 0.86 (0.74–0.94)                      | 1.85 (0.77–3.8)   |
| São Luís, MA                   | 64.5                                       | 77.2 (70.8–85.0)                     | 0.84 (0.77–0.90)                      | 12.09 (7.20–19.1)                                       |
| Belo Horizonte, MG             | 23.6                                       | 25.3 (23.2–27.7)                     | 0.93 (0.86–0.97)                      | 1.88 (0.70–3.7)   |
| Betim, MG                      | 13.6                                       | 16.4 (13.8–19.6)                     | 0.88 (0.75–0.96)                      | 1.97 (0.55–4.6)   |
| Contagem, MG                   | 14.1                                       | 16.4 (13.9–19.2)                     | 0.89 (0.78–0.97)                      | 1.78 (0.54–3.9)   |
| Governador Valadares, MG       | 26.7                                       | 33.5 (28.2–39.7)                     | 0.87 (0.75–0.94)                      | 4.58 (1.79–9.2)   |
| Juiz de Fora, MG               | 46.1                                       | 50.5 (45.1–56.5)                     | 0.89 (0.81–0.95)                      | 5.49 (2.43–10.0)  |
| Montes Claros, MG              | 23.4                                       | 24.3 (20.8–28.5)                     | 0.93 (0.84–0.98)                      | 1.83 (0.56–4.1)   |
| Ribeirão das Neves, MG         | 19.5                                       | 25.7 (21.5–31.0)                     | 0.84 (0.71–0.93)                      | 4.12 (1.59–8.5)   |
| Uberaba, MG                    | 19.8                                       | 21.7 (18.1–25.8)                     | 0.90 (0.80–0.96)                      | 2.23 (0.77–4.8)   |
| Uberlândia, MG                 | 14.2                                       | 15.0 (12.9–17.2)                     | 0.94 (0.88–0.98)                      | 0.86 (0.29–1.9)   |
| Campo Grande, MS               | 38.7                                       | 42.4 (38.3–47.2)                     | 0.92 (0.85–0.96)                      | 3.58 (1.45–7.0)   |
| Cuiabá, MT                     | 68.6                                       | 79.6 (68.9–102.9)                    | 0.85 (0.65–0.95)                      | 12.20 (3.82–35.7)                                       |
| Várzea Grande, MT              | 63.9                                       | 67.5 (59.5–76.7)                     | 0.93 (0.86–0.97)                      | 4.69 (1.71–10.3)  |
| Ananindeua, PA                 | 67.0                                       | 83.8 (74.2–97.0)                     | 0.81 (0.70–0.89)                      | 15.97 (8.44–28.4)                                       |
| Belém, PA                      | 102.6                                      | 125.3 (116.0–138.1)                  | 0.82 (0.74–0.87)                      | 22.98 (15.05–34.8)                                      |
| Santarém, PA                   | 33.7                                       | 39.9 (34.1–46.6)                     | 0.87 (0.77–0.94)                      | 5.30 (2.18–10.3)  |
| Campina Grande, PB             | 32.9                                       | 32.8 (28.7–37.5)                     | 0.95 (0.90–0.98)                      | 1.54 (0.52–3.4)   |
| João Pessoa, PB                | 47.9                                       | 51.0 (45.8–57.1)                     | 0.91 (0.82–0.96)                      | 4.78 (1.83–9.8)   |
| Caruaru, PE                    | 56.2                                       | 57.6 (50.9–65.6)                     | 0.92 (0.85–0.97)                      | 4.55 (1.78–9.4)   |
| Jaboatão dos<br>Guararapes, PE | 55.5                                       | 73.2 (65.4–82.6)                     | 0.78 (0.69–0.85)                      | 16.37 (10.00–25.5)                                      |
| Olinda, PE                     | 74.5                                       | 91.0 (81.1–103.3)                    | 0.81 (0.72–0.88)                      | 17.33 (10.11–28.1)                                      |
| Paulista, PE                   | 52.4                                       | 66.6 (58.1–76.9)                     | 0.79 (0.69–0.88)                      | 13.89 (7.56–23.4)                                       |
| Petrolina, PE                  | 28.0                                       | 32.0 (27.3–37.3)                     | 0.88 (0.77–0.95)                      | 3.87 (1.42–7.8)   |
| Recife, PE                     | 98.4                                       | 117.6 (109.6–128.5)                  | 0.84 (0.77–0.89)                      | 19.04 (12.14–29.5)                                      |
| Teresina, PI                   | 27.6                                       | 32.3 (28.8–36.6)                     | 0.91 (0.82–0.97)                      | 3.07 (1.04–6.5)   |
| Cascavel, PR                   | 15.6                                       | 18.2 (15.2–21.9)                     | 0.90 (0.80–0.97)                      | 1.76 (0.58–3.9)   |
| Curitiba, PR                   | 17.0                                       | 19.3 (17.4–21.6)                     | 0.91 (0.83–0.96)                      | 1.78 (0.69–3.6)   |
| Foz do Iguaçu, PR              | 37.5                                       | 42.9 (36.9–50.1)                     | 0.92 (0.83–0.97)                      | 3.39 (1.06–8.0)   |
| Londrina, PR                   | 25.6                                       | 26.8 (23.5–30.7)                     | 0.94 (0.87–0.98)                      | 1.73 (0.56–3.8)   |
| Maringá, PR                    | 15.7                                       | 17.1 (14.3–20.2)                     | 0.92 (0.83–0.98)                      | 1.31 (0.38–3.2)   |
| Ponta Grossa, PR               | 16.8                                       | 20.3 (17.1–23.9)                     | 0.93 (0.85–0.98)                      | 1.39 (0.39–3.3)   |
| São José dos Pinhais,<br>PR    | 17.2                                       | 21.9 (18.4–25.9)                     | 0.93 (0.84–0.98)                      | 1.56 (0.42–3.9)   |
| Belford Roxo, RJ               | 59.7                                       | 74.9 (66.7–84.9)                     | 0.81 (0.72–0.88)                      | 14.67 (8.57–23.6)                                       |
| Campos dos<br>Goytacazes, RJ   | 57.7                                       | 61.5 (55.2–68.6)                     | 0.93 (0.87–0.97)                      | 4.24 (1.60–8.8)   |
| Duque de Caxias, RJ            | 75.1                                       | 92.4 (84.5–102.8)                    | 0.84 (0.76–0.91)                      | 14.66 (8.20–24.6)                                       |
| Niterói, RJ                    | 47.5                                       | 54.0 (48.3–60.9)                     | 0.92 (0.84–0.97)                      | 4.38 (1.49–9.1)   |
| Nova Iguaçu, RJ                | 81.4                                       | 92.1 (84.7–100.4)                    | 0.89 (0.82–0.94)                      | 10.26 (5.40–17.3)                                       |
| Petrópolis, RJ                 | 36.2                                       | 37.3 (32.1–43.2)                     | 0.92 (0.83–0.97)                      | 3.13 (1.03–6.6)   |
| Rio de Janeiro, RJ             | 99.8                                       | 104.3 (100.6–109.1)                  | 0.95 (0.92–0.98)                      | 4.93 (2.33–9.0)   |
| São Gonçalo, RJ                | 53.0                                       | 60.1 (54.6–66.2)                     | 0.89 (0.82–0.94)                      | 6.73 (3.36–11.9)  |
| São João de Meriti, RJ         | 87.3                                       | 101.5 (92.0–112.8)                   | 0.86 (0.78–0.92)                      | 14.58 (7.85–24.1)                                       |
| Volta Redonda, RJ              | 62.6                                       | 63.7 (56.2–72.0)                     | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 3.14 (1.00–7.2)   |
| Mossoró, RN                    | 35.5                                       | 34.7 (29.8–40.3)                     | 0.92 (0.84–0.97)                      | 2.71 (0.86–5.9)   |
| Natal, RN                      | 54.0                                       | 58.3 (52.9–64.8)                     | 0.88 (0.81–0.94)                      | 6.81 (3.36–11.9)  |
| Porto Velho, RO                | 75.9                                       | 81.0 (73.6–89.5)                     | 0.94 (0.87–0.98)                      | 5.19 (1.71–11.2)  |

| Municipality, state*         | Case notifications/<br>100,000 population† | Cases/100,000<br>population (95% CI) | Fraction of cases<br>treated (95% CI) | Cases of untreated<br>TB/100,000 population<br>(95% CI) |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Boa Vista, RR                | 44.0                                       | 41.0 (35.4–47.1)                     | 0.93 (0.86–0.98)                      | 2.73 (0.91–6.0)   |
| Canoas, RS                   | 58.2                                       | 64.4 (57.2–72.5)                     | 0.92 (0.85–0.97)                      | 5.21 (2.10–10.3)  |
| Caxias do Sul, RS            | 41.8                                       | 41.7 (37.0–46.9)                     | 0.93 (0.87–0.97)                      | 2.84 (1.08–5.6)   |
| Gravataí, RS                 | 52.3                                       | 56.5 (49.8–64.1)                     | 0.94 (0.88–0.98)                      | 3.19 (1.00–7.3)   |
| Pelotas, RS                  | 54.6                                       | 60.3 (53.6–67.9)                     | 0.94 (0.88–0.98)                      | 3.51 (1.16–7.7)   |
| Porto Alegre, RS             | 92.9                                       | 106.0 (99.2–114.5)                   | 0.88 (0.82–0.92)                      | 12.86 (7.65–20.8)                                       |
| Santa Maria, RS              | 47.8                                       | 48.4 (41.6–56.3)                     | 0.86 (0.77–0.93)                      | 6.82 (3.27–12.3)  |
| Blumenau, SC                 | 34.1                                       | 33.8 (29.3–39.0)                     | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 1.70 (0.50–4.0)   |
| Florianópolis, SC            | 39.3                                       | 45.4 (40.5–51.1)                     | 0.94 (0.87–0.98)                      | 2.71 (0.75–6.5)   |
| Joinville, SC                | 37.3                                       | 40.7 (36.0–46.0)                     | 0.93 (0.85–0.98)                      | 2.70 (0.78–6.5)   |
| Aracaju, SE                  | 39.1                                       | 42.0 (37.6–47.3)                     | 0.91 (0.83–0.96)                      | 4.02 (1.59–7.8)   |
| Bauru, SP                    | 64.8                                       | 65.6 (58.4–73.2)                     | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 3.63 (1.31–7.8)   |
| Campinas, SP                 | 34.7                                       | 36.1 (32.9–39.7)                     | 0.95 (0.90–0.98)                      | 1.82 (0.58–4.0)   |
| Carapicuíba, SP              | 58.2                                       | 61.6 (54.5–69.8)                     | 0.90 (0.81–0.96)                      | 6.38 (2.58–12.5)  |
| Diadema, SP                  | 43.6                                       | 44.0 (38.8–49.6)                     | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 2.23 (0.72–5.0)   |
| Franca, SP                   | 20.2                                       | 21.1 (17.6–25.1)                     | 0.89 (0.79–0.96)                      | 2.34 (0.83–5.0)   |
| Guarujá, SP                  | 97.3                                       | 110.1 (98.0–124.5)                   | 0.88 (0.79–0.95)                      | 13.41 (5.27–25.7)                                       |
| Guarulhos, SP                | 38.9                                       | 42.7 (39.3–46.6)                     | 0.93 (0.87–0.97)                      | 3.02 (1.18–5.9)   |
| Itaquaquecetuba, SP          | 37.2                                       | 39.5 (33.8–46.3)                     | 0.89 (0.79–0.96)                      | 4.29 (1.40–8.8)   |
| Jundiaí, SP                  | 33.9                                       | 31.4 (27.3–36.1)                     | 0.96 (0.90–0.99)                      | 1.36 (0.40–3.2)   |
| Limeira, SP                  | 24.9                                       | 29.9 (25.1–35.2)                     | 0.86 (0.75–0.95)                      | 4.14 (1.50–8.3)   |
| Mauá, SP                     | 37.7                                       | 39.1 (34.4–44.2)                     | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 2.14 (0.70–4.8)   |
| Mogi das Cruzes, SP          | 38.9                                       | 44.5 (38.7–51.3)                     | 0.88 (0.78–0.95)                      | 5.44 (2.05–10.9)  |
| Osasco, SP                   | 50.7                                       | 50.3 (45.7–55.0)                     | 0.97 (0.93–0.99)                      | 1.55 (0.51–3.4)   |
| Piracicaba, SP               | 51.1                                       | 55.9 (49.3–63.2)                     | 0.92 (0.84–0.97)                      | 4.50 (1.49–9.6)   |
| Praia Grande, SP             | 103.2                                      | 107.9 (97.7–119.5)                   | 0.95 (0.89–0.98)                      | 5.98 (1.92–13.3)  |
| Ribeirão Preto, SP           | 35.3                                       | 38.4 (34.1–43.1)                     | 0.90 (0.83–0.96)                      | 3.74 (1.43–7.1)   |
| Santo André, SP              | 32.2                                       | 34.8 (31.2–38.8)                     | 0.92 (0.85–0.97)                      | 2.83 (1.15–5.5)   |
| Santos, SP                   | 83.5                                       | 87.6 (79.5–96.2)                     | 0.95 (0.90–0.98)                      | 4.64 (1.64–9.6)   |
| São Bernardo do<br>Campo, SP | 32.4                                       | 32.3 (29.0–35.8)                     | 0.96 (0.91–0.99)                      | 1.39 (0.45–3.1)   |
| São José do Rio Preto,<br>SP | 30.8                                       | 34.3 (30.0–39.3)                     | 0.92 (0.84–0.97)                      | 2.64 (0.87–5.6)   |
| São José dos Campos,<br>SP   | 28.6                                       | 28.4 (25.3–31.9)                     | 0.95 (0.90–0.98)                      | 1.38 (0.44–3.0)   |
| São Paulo, SP                | 56.5                                       | 59.7 (57.5–62.5)                     | 0.94 (0.90–0.97)                      | 3.33 (1.60–6.0)   |
| São Vicente, SP              | 160.4                                      | 168.6 (154.1–185.5)                  | 0.93 (0.86–0.97)                      | 12.45 (4.25–25.5)                                       |
| Sorocaba, SP                 | 32.3                                       | 35.5 (31.6–40.0)                     | 0.93 (0.85–0.98)                      | 2.54 (0.80–5.6)   |
| Suzano, SP                   | 38.9                                       | 41.9 (36.2–48.5)                     | 0.93 (0.85–0.98)                      | 3.13 (0.99–7.0)   |
| Taubaté, SP                  | 37.0                                       | 38.9 (33.8–44.6)                     | 0.93 (0.86–0.98)                      | 2.60 (0.87–5.6)   |
| Palmas, TO                   | 6.3  | 11.6 (9.30–14.3)                     | 0.91 (0.79–0.97)                      | 1.06 (0.28–2.7)   |
| Aparecida de Goiânia,<br>GO  | 36.5                                       | 36.3 (32.1–40.7)                     | 0.94 (0.88–0.98)                      | 2.12 (0.78–4.5)   |

\*AC, Acre; AL, Alagoas; AM, Amazonas; AP, Amapá; BA, Bahia; CE, Ceará; DF, Distrito Federal; ES, Espírito Santo; GO, Goiás; MA, Maranhão; MG, Minas Gerais; MS, Mato Grosso do Sul; MT, Mato Grosso; PA, Pará; PB, Paraíba; PE, Pernambuco; PI, Piauí; PR, Paraná; RJ, Rio de Janeiro; RN, Rio Grande do Norte; RO, Rondônia; RR, Roraima; RS, Rio Grande do Sul; SC, Santa Catarina; SE, Sergipe; SP, São Paulo; TO, Tocantins.  
†Excluding notifications for misdiagnosis, reengagement in care, and deceased persons.

**Appendix Table 2.** Modeled average annual percent change in TB burden in 100 municipalities in Brazil, 2008–2017\*

| Municipality                | No. cases/100,000 population<br>(95% CI) | Fraction of cases treated (95%<br>CI) | No. cases with untreated<br>TB/100,000 population (95%<br>CI) |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| Rio Branco, AC              | 2.00 (-0.04 to 3.92)                     | 1.22 (-0.027 to 3.11)                 | -8.0 (-17.8 to 3.15)  |
| Maceió, AL                  | -2.84 (-4.03 to -1.64)                   | 0.02 (-0.842 to 0.93)                 | -2.9 (-8.2 to 2.67)   |
| Manaus, AM                  | 2.22 (1.42 to 3.01)                      | -0.17 (-0.671 to 0.37)                | 4.7 (-1.6 to 12.65)   |
| Macapá, AP                  | 0.16 (-1.87 to 2.19)                     | -0.34 (-1.517 to 0.74)                | 4.0 (-7.2 to 16.36)   |
| Camaçari, BA                | -3.95 (-6.21 to -1.74)                   | -0.28 (-1.573 to 0.62)                | -0.3 (-14.4 to 14.90)   |
| Feira de Santana, BA        | -1.99 (-3.71 to -0.26)                   | 0.52 (-0.551 to 1.71)                 | -5.7 (-14.1 to 3.62)  |
| Salvador, BA                | -2.77 (-3.56 to -2.02)                   | -0.44 (-1.053 to 0.19)                | 0.1 (-4.2 to 4.98)  |
| Vitória da Conquista, BA    | -0.40 (-3.01 to 2.19)                    | 0.50 (-1.554 to 2.80)                 | -2.4 (-12.2 to 8.27)  |
| Caucaia, CE                 | -1.12 (-3.00 to 0.74)                    | 0.47 (-0.759 to 1.87)                 | -4.0 (-12.5 to 5.51)  |
| Fortaleza, CE               | -2.08 (-2.86 to -1.34)                   | 0.21 (-0.312 to 0.82)                 | -3.6 (-8.1 to 1.21)   |
| Brasília, DF                | -2.23 (-3.70 to -0.81)                   | -0.07 (-0.830 to 0.59)                | -0.9 (-11.9 to 11.99)   |
| Cariacica, ES               | -1.94 (-3.81 to -0.01)                   | -0.13 (-1.389 to 1.16)                | -1.0 (-9.1 to 7.64)   |
| Serra, ES                   | -4.80 (-6.51 to -3.09)                   | -0.67 (-1.909 to 0.31)                | 2.3 (-9.0 to 14.14)   |
| Vila Velha, ES              | -1.59 (-3.43 to 0.31)                    | -0.56 (-1.801 to 0.57)                | 3.3 (-6.5 to 15.21)   |
| Vitória, ES                 | -4.66 (-6.52 to -2.80)                   | -0.01 (-0.790 to 0.79)                | -4.1 (-17.4 to 10.83)   |
| Anápolis, GO                | -0.50 (-3.31 to 2.57)                    | -0.21 (-1.987 to 1.61)                | 1.3 (-10.6 to 15.38)  |
| Aparecida de Goiânia, GO    | 2.90 (0.56–5.14)                         | 1.55 (0.300–3.35)                     | -9.3 (-18.4 to 0.38)  |
| Goiânia, GO                 | -0.07 (-1.77 to 1.69)                    | -0.01 (-1.045 to 1.09)                | 0.3 (-9.0 to 10.76)   |
| São Luís, MA                | 0.73 (-0.46 to 1.93)                     | 0.14 (-0.741 to 1.10)                 | 0.1 (-5.3 to 5.72)  |
| Belo Horizonte, MG          | -3.87 (-5.03 to -2.75)                   | 0.33 (-0.459 to 1.30)                 | -6.9 (-15.5 to 2.75)  |
| Betim, MG                   | -5.41 (-7.72 to -2.94)                   | -0.48 (-2.246 to 0.81)                | -1.2 (-14.8 to 13.29)   |
| Contagem, MG                | -4.58 (-6.74 to -2.43)                   | -0.26 (-1.655 to 0.98)                | -2.1 (-14.6 to 11.35)   |
| Governador Valadares, MG    | -4.71 (-6.90 to -2.52)                   | -0.04 (-1.618 to 1.41)                | -4.4 (-13.9 to 6.41)  |
| Juiz de Fora, MG            | 1.18 (-0.62 to 2.89)                     | 0.06 (-0.969 to 1.19)                 | 1.0 (-8.1 to 10.92)   |
| Montes Claros, MG           | -1.44 (-3.78 to 0.99)                    | 0.38 (-0.719 to 1.74)                 | -5.2 (-17.1 to 7.73)  |
| Ribeirão das Neves, MG      | -4.16 (-6.44 to -1.82)                   | 0.09 (-1.697 to 1.80)                 | -4.7 (-13.9 to 5.36)  |
| Uberaba, MG                 | -0.88 (-3.46 to 1.79)                    | 0.39 (-1.053 to 2.07)                 | -3.6 (-15.1 to 8.80)  |
| Uberlândia, MG              | 0.61 (-2.15 to 3.32)                     | 3.55 (1.567–6.17)                     | -17.1 (-26.1 to -7.93)  |
| Campo Grande, MS            | -0.43 (-2.02 to 1.15)                    | 0.40 (-0.490 to 1.47)                 | -3.9 (-12.6 to 5.29)  |
| Cuiabá, MT                  | -0.65 (-2.26 to 0.91)                    | 0.31 (-0.888 to 1.76)                 | -2.2 (-9.6 to 6.28)   |
| Várzea Grande, MT           | 0.15 (-2.05 to 2.28)                     | 1.58 (0.251–3.45)                     | -10.8 (-19.9 to -1.06)  |
| Ananindeua, PA              | 1.19 (-0.44 to 2.87)                     | -0.97 (-2.198 to 0.32)                | 7.8 (-1.3 to 18.05)   |
| Belém, PA                   | 1.97 (1.05–2.94)                         | -0.80 (-1.553 to -0.07)               | 7.1 (1.7–13.11)   |
| Santarém, PA                | -3.15 (-5.32 to -0.97)                   | 0.23 (-1.264 to 1.75)                 | -4.4 (-13.6 to 5.62)  |
| Campina Grande, PB          | -2.08 (-4.57 to 0.28)                    | 2.17 (0.500–4.57)                     | -17.4 (-26.9 to -7.13)  |
| João Pessoa, PB             | -1.37 (-2.84 to 0.09)                    | -0.30 (-1.214 to 0.52)                | 2.5 (-7.8 to 14.17)   |
| Caruaru, PE                 | 4.73 (2.31–7.16)                         | 1.80 (0.363–3.81)                     | -6.5 (-15.4– 2.62)  |
| Jaboatão dos Guararapes, PE | -0.16 (-1.60 to 1.21)                    | -0.71 (-1.826 to 0.40)                | 3.0 (-2.5 to 8.62)  |
| Olinda, PE                  | 0.22 (-1.27 to 1.80)                     | 0.05 (-1.125 to 1.34)                 | 0.2 (-5.6 to 6.35)  |
| Paulista, PE                | -1.30 (-3.14 to 0.54)                    | -0.11 (-1.554 to 1.32)                | -0.8 (-7.2 to 5.98)   |
| Petrolina, PE               | -0.76 (-3.07 to 1.65)                    | 0.21 (-1.320 to 1.86)                 | -2.0 (-13.0 to 9.86)  |
| Recife, PE                  | -0.50 (-1.30 to 0.32)                    | -0.75 (-1.394 to -0.13)               | 5.0 (-0.2 to 11.44)   |
| Teresina, PI                | -2.84 (-4.51 to -1.22)                   | 0.42 (-0.693 to 1.66)                 | -6.1 (-15.6 to 3.95)  |
| Cascavel, PR                | -3.79 (-6.33 to -1.27)                   | -0.06 (-1.318 to 1.16)                | -3.2 (-14.5 to 9.29)  |
| Curitiba, PR                | -3.77 (-5.14 to -2.42)                   | -0.11 (-1.006 to 0.78)                | -2.3 (-11.7 to 8.78)  |
| Foz do Iguaçu, PR           | -2.23 (-4.27 to -0.09)                   | 0.37 (-0.789 to 1.69)                 | -5.9 (-17.2 to 6.06)  |
| Londrina, PR                | 0.08 (-2.00 to 2.16)                     | 0.35 (-0.610 to 1.60)                 | -3.6 (-15.5 to 9.80)  |
| Maringá, PR                 | -3.95 (-6.38 to -1.50)                   | -0.08 (-1.294 to 0.95)                | -3.0 (-15.8 to 11.69)   |
| Ponta Grossa, PR            | -3.81 (-6.10 to -1.49)                   | 0.19 (-0.898 to 1.29)                 | -6.2 (-18.6 to 7.15)  |
| São José dos Pinhais, PR    | -4.48 (-6.83 to -2.05)                   | 0.06 (-1.121 to 1.26)                 | -5.0 (-18.6 to 9.77)  |
| Belford Roxo, RJ            | -2.00 (-3.42 to -0.58)                   | -0.46 (-1.553 to 0.68)                | 0.3 (-5.6 to 6.43)  |
| Campos dos Goytacazes, RJ   | 3.63 (1.82–5.35)                         | -0.15 (-0.918 to 0.75)                | 6.9 (-5.9 to 21.73)   |
| Duque de Caxias, RJ         | -2.83 (-3.93 to -1.75)                   | -0.83 (-1.736 to -0.05)               | 3.7 (-2.9 to 11.42)   |
| Niterói, RJ                 | -3.62 (-5.11 to -2.06)                   | -0.07 (-0.967 to 0.81)                | -2.6 (-13.6 to 9.56)  |
| Nova Iguaçu, RJ             | -0.28 (-1.40 to 0.85)                    | 0.22 (-0.524 to 1.00)                 | -1.8 (-7.8 to 4.35)   |
| Petrópolis, RJ              | -0.95 (-3.09 to 1.32)                    | 0.34 (-0.866 to 1.73)                 | -3.9 (-15.6 to 8.67)  |
| Rio de Janeiro, RJ          | -1.21 (-1.79 to -0.72)                   | 0.62 (0.240–1.16)                     | -9.1 (-13.4 to -4.80)   |
| São Gonçalo, RJ             | -1.14 (-2.37 to 0.09)                    | 0.20 (-0.627 to 1.12)                 | -2.4 (-9.0 to 4.85)   |
| São João de Meriti, RJ      | -0.89 (-2.25 to 0.50)                    | -0.05 (-1.019 to 0.90)                | -0.4 (-6.7 to 6.66)   |
| Volta Redonda, RJ           | 3.58 (1.40–5.78)                         | 0.49 (-0.379 to 1.89)                 | -2.6 (-15.6 to 11.95)   |
| Mossoró, RN                 | -0.74 (-3.10 to 1.61)                    | 0.30 (-0.832 to 1.64)                 | -3.4 (-15.7 to 10.03)   |
| Natal, RN                   | -0.95 (-2.29 to 0.40)                    | -0.24 (-1.126 to 0.68)                | 1.4 (-6.6 to 10.28)   |
| Porto Velho, RO             | 0.40 (-1.29 to 2.02)                     | 0.86 (-0.157 to 2.35)                 | -7.4 (-17.5 to 3.39)  |
| Boa Vista, RR               | 0.91 (-1.37 to 3.29)                     | 0.29 (-0.703 to 1.52)                 | -2.1 (-14.0 to 11.29)   |
| Canoas, RS                  | -3.16 (-4.89 to -1.45)                   | 0.87 (-0.132 to 2.12)                 | -9.7 (-18.0 to -1.26)   |
| Caxias do Sul, RS           | 2.52 (0.46–4.59)                         | 1.00 (-0.111 to 2.40)                 | -6.0 (-15.9 to 4.40)  |



| Municipality              | No. cases/100,000 population (95% CI) | Fraction of cases treated (95% CI) | No. cases with untreated TB/100,000 population (95% CI) |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Gravatá, RS               | -2.24 (-4.15 to -0.27)                | 1.00 (-0.100 to 2.41)              | -11.7 (-21.8 to -0.43)                                  |
| Pelotas, RS               | -0.10 (-2.14 to 1.89)                 | 1.54 (0.329-3.31)                  | -12.1 (-21.3 to -2.79)                                  |
| Porto Alegre, RS          | -2.89 (-3.71 to -2.09)                | 0.70 (0.069-1.42)                  | -6.8 (-10.7 to -2.93)                                   |
| Santa Maria, RS           | -1.11 (-3.34 to 1.14)                 | 1.15 (-0.430 to 3.14)              | -6.0 (-13.9 to 2.04)                                    |
| Blumenau, SC              | 1.53 (-0.98 to 4.05)                  | 0.71 (-0.399 to 2.44)              | -6.4 (-19.7 to 8.53)                                    |
| Florianópolis, SC         | -1.62 (-3.40 to 0.12)                 | 0.40 (-0.545 to 1.63)              | -6.3 (-18.3 to 6.58)                                    |
| Joinville, SC             | 0.01 (-1.84 to 1.89)                  | 0.13 (-0.869 to 1.21)              | -1.5 (-14.3 to 12.69)                                   |
| Aracaju, SE               | 0.78 (-0.90 to 2.54)                  | -0.31 (-1.229 to 0.55)             | 4.8 (-5.7 to 16.88)                                     |
| Bauru, SP                 | 2.84 (0.76-4.85)                      | 1.08 (0.050-2.69)                  | -7.3 (-17.0 to 3.15)                                    |
| Campinas, SP              | -0.79 (-2.38 to 0.68)                 | 0.91 (-0.042 to 2.23)              | -10.3 (-20.7 to 0.69)                                   |
| Carapicuíba, SP           | 2.31 (0.29-4.31)                      | 0.84 (-0.335 to 2.58)              | -2.9 (-11.4 to 6.30)                                    |
| Diadema, SP               | -0.58 (-2.63 to 1.47)                 | 1.02 (-0.130 to 2.73)              | -10.5 (-22.1 to 2.49)                                   |
| Franca, SP                | 1.44 (-1.30 to 4.25)                  | 0.30 (-1.253 to 2.17)              | -4.2 (-12.1 to 13.07)                                   |
| Guarujá, SP               | 1.46 (-0.19 to 3.06)                  | -0.32 (-1.357 to 0.63)             | 4.5 (-4.6 to 15.04)                                     |
| Guarulhos, SP             | -0.06 (-1.35 to 1.24)                 | 0.73 (-0.040 to 1.69)              | -6.8 (-14.4 to 0.82)                                    |
| Itaquaquecetuba, SP       | -0.73 (-2.91 to 1.47)                 | 0.26 (-1.043 to 1.73)              | -2.4 (-12.8 to 9.05)                                    |
| Jundiaí, SP               | -1.62 (-3.71 to 0.49)                 | 0.36 (-0.390 to 1.46)              | -7.0 (-19.5 to 6.91)                                    |
| Limeira, SP               | 0.21 (-2.25 to 2.63)                  | -0.80 (-2.352 to 0.52)             | 8.0 (-2.5 to 22.67)                                     |
| Mauá, SP                  | -0.32 (-2.52 to 1.79)                 | 1.93 (0.467-3.88)                  | -14.2 (-23.9 to -4.08)                                  |
| Mogi das Cruzes, SP       | 0.24 (-1.72 to 2.20)                  | -0.56 (-1.775 to 0.47)             | 6.1 (-5.2 to 18.63)                                     |
| Osasco, SP                | -0.14 (-1.78 to 1.45)                 | 1.01 (0.135-2.32)                  | -13.7 (-23.8 to -2.67)                                  |
| Piracicaba, SP            | 3.35 (1.37-5.37)                      | -0.16 (-1.143 to 0.78)             | 5.8 (-7.0 to 19.95)                                     |
| Praia Grande, SP          | 0.19 (-1.50 to 1.82)                  | 0.77 (-0.092 to 2.02)              | -7.9 (-17.2 to 2.10)                                    |
| Ribeirão Preto, SP        | -0.47 (-2.15 to 1.22)                 | -0.06 (-1.077 to 0.96)             | 0.4 (-9.9 to 11.39)                                     |
| Santo André, SP           | -0.28 (-1.93 to 1.44)                 | 0.30 (-0.604 to 1.33)              | -3.0 (-12.1 to 7.30)                                    |
| Santos, SP                | -1.16 (-2.57 to 0.23)                 | 0.40 (-0.273 to 1.25)              | -6.5 (-16.1 to 3.56)                                    |
| São Bernardo do Campo, SP | 1.32 (-0.61 to 3.20)                  | 0.89 (-0.079 to 2.36)              | -9.1 (-19.9 to 2.98)                                    |
| São José do Rio Preto, SP | -1.31 (-3.24 to 0.72)                 | 0.33 (-0.724 to 1.53)              | -4.6 (-15.3 to 7.30)                                    |
| São José dos Campos, SP   | -0.47 (-2.36 to 1.33)                 | 0.40 (-0.361 to 1.43)              | -5.9 (-17.4 to 6.58)                                    |
| São Paulo, SP             | -0.83 (-1.39 to -0.34)                | 0.39 (0.002-0.90)                  | -5.7 (-10.4 to -0.49)                                   |
| São Vicente, SP           | 2.31 (0.64-3.89)                      | 1.38 (0.319-2.91)                  | -7.6 (-14.7 to -0.06)                                   |
| Sorocaba, SP              | -1.18 (-2.99 to 0.62)                 | 0.47 (-0.524 to 1.69)              | -5.7 (-16.5 to 6.14)                                    |
| Suzano, SP                | 1.38 (-0.98 to 3.87)                  | 0.44 (-0.641 to 1.88)              | -2.8 (-14.4 to 9.69)                                    |
| Taubaté, SP               | 0.80 (-1.50 to 3.07)                  | 0.52 (-0.605 to 1.99)              | -4.3 (-16.2 to 9.29)                                    |
| Palmas, TO                | -5.09 (-8.10 to -2.03)                | -0.08 (-1.690 to 1.24)             | -4.5 (-17.8 to 10.75)                                   |

\*Negative numbers indicate decreases in the metric. AC, Acre; AL, Alagoas; AM, Amazonas; AP, Amapá; BA, Bahia; CE, Ceará; DF, Distrito Federal; ES, Espírito Santo; GO, Goiás; MA, Maranhão; MG, Minas Gerais; MS, Mato Grosso do Sul; MT, Mato Grosso; PA, Pará; PB, Paraíba; PE, Pernambuco; PI, Piauí; PR, Paraná; RJ, Rio de Janeiro; RN, Rio Grande do Norte; RO, Rondônia; RR, Roraima; RS, Rio Grande do Sul; SC, Santa Catarina; SE, Sergipe; SP, São Paulo; TO, Tocantins.

**Appendix Table 3.** Prior and posterior distributions for key model parameters in study of TB incidence in Brazil, 2008–2017

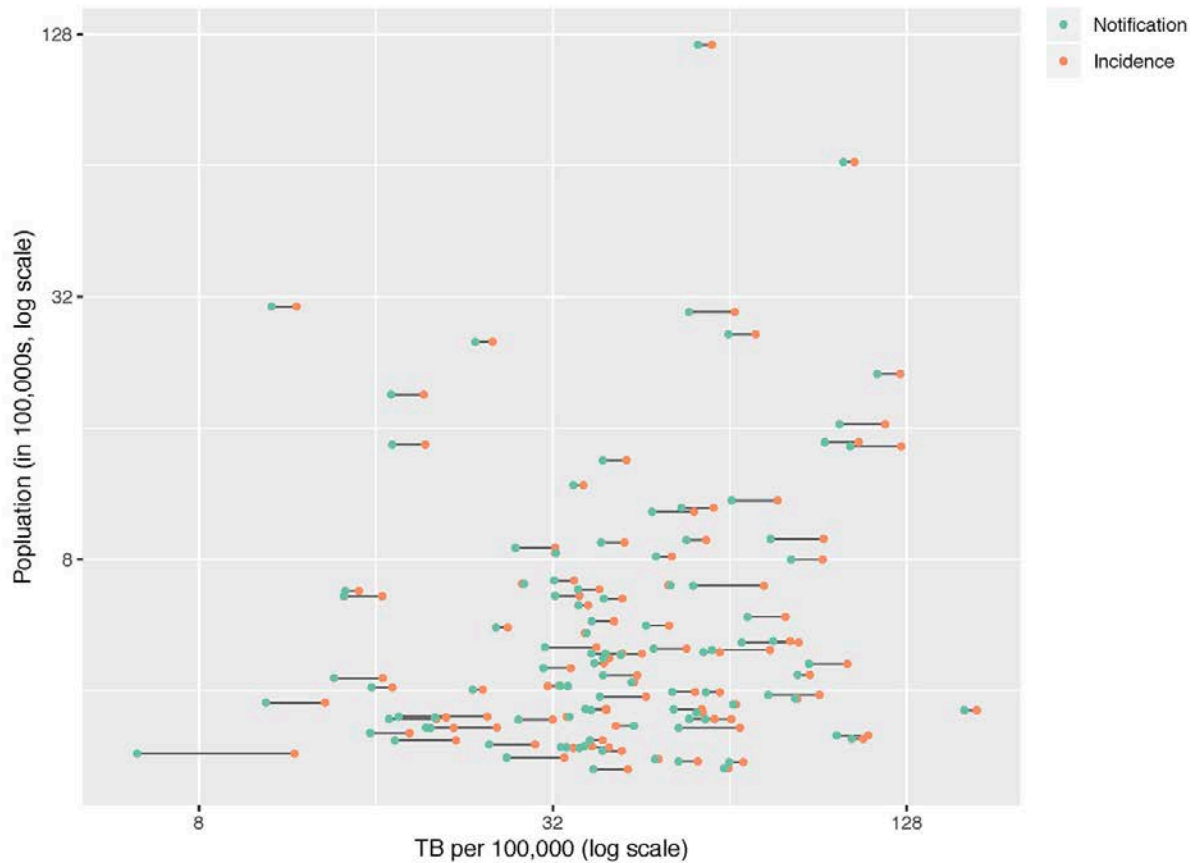
| Parameter            | Prior distribution | Posterior distribution |                   |                    |                       |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
|                      |                    | Mean                   | Lower bound, 2.5% | Upper bound, 97.5% | Effective sample size |
| $\Phi_0$             | Normal(0, 10)      | 3.8811                 | 3.8029            | 3.9612             | 793.5541              |
| $\Phi_{GDP}$         | Normal(0, 10)      | -0.0649                | -0.1094           | -0.0225            | 981.5023              |
| $\Phi_{FHS}$         | Normal(0, 10)      | -0.0024                | -0.0309           | 0.0266             | 1154.3115             |
| $\sigma_{\Phi i0}$   | Cauchy(0, 2)*      | 0.5345                 | 0.4645            | 0.6154             | 4862.4026             |
| $\sigma_{\Phi ij}$   | Cauchy(0, 2)*      | 0.0766                 | 0.0690            | 0.0844             | 771.8664              |
| $\omega_0$           | Normal(0, 10)      | 2.0898                 | 1.7013            | 2.4626             | 1206.1054             |
| $\omega_{FHS}$       | Normal(0, 10)      | 0.1064                 | -0.0079           | 0.2142             | 2598.8251             |
| $\omega_{GDP}$       | Normal(0, 10)      | 0.3874                 | 0.2427            | 0.5335             | 2076.6624             |
| $\sigma_{\omega i0}$ | Cauchy(0, 2)*      | 0.3459                 | 0.2119            | 0.4993             | 686.5157              |
| $\sigma_{\omega ij}$ | Cauchy(0, 2)*      | 0.2506                 | 0.2050            | 0.2994             | 1754.2945             |
| $\theta_0$           | Normal(0, 1)       | -1.6386                | -1.8982           | -1.3841            | 3052.2449             |
| $\theta_2$           | Normal(0, 0.05)    | -0.0416                | -0.0775           | -0.0036            | 1798.5758             |
| $\theta_3$           | Normal(0, 1)       | 2.3960                 | 0.9038            | 3.8694             | 7953.9136             |
| $\sigma_{\rho i0}$   | Cauchy(0, 2)*      | 0.8070                 | 0.5819            | 1.0706             | 1210.9874             |
| $\mu$                | Beta(25.65, 33.32) | 0.5196                 | 0.3776            | 0.6537             | 775.3464              |
| $\tau$               | Beta(4.29, 81.47)  | 0.0315                 | 0.0092            | 0.0659             | 4949.3005             |

\*Cauchy distributions were implemented as half-cauchy (constrained to >0).

**Appendix Table 4.** Prior and posterior distributions for parameters modified during sensitivity analysis

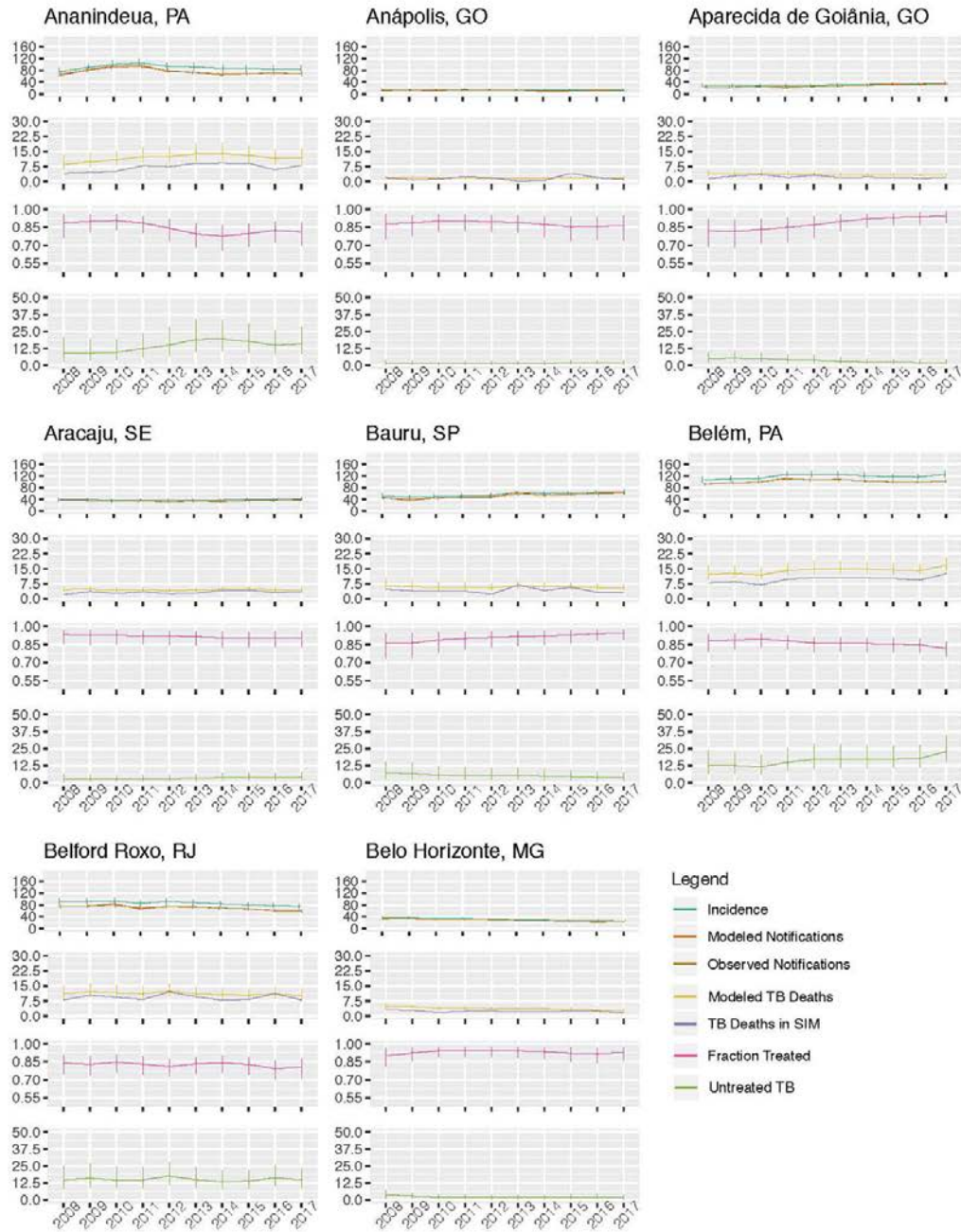
| Parameter               | Prior distribution | Posterior |                   |                    | Effective sample size | R.hat |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------|
|                         |                    | Mean      | Lower bound, 2.5% | Upper bound, 97.5% |                       |       |
| $\theta_2$              | Normal(0, 0.05)    | -0.0416   | -0.0775           | -0.0036            | 1798.6                | 1.001 |
| SA: $\theta_2$          | Normal(0, 0.1)     | -0.0463   | -0.0826           | -0.006             | 1725.9                | 1.000 |
| $\mu$                   | Beta(25.65, 33.32) | 0.5196    | 0.3776            | 0.6537             | 775.3                 | 1.000 |
| SA <sub>1</sub> : $\mu$ | Beta(47.3, 47.3)   | 0.5575    | 0.4437            | 0.5974             | 651.7                 | 1.003 |
| SA <sub>2</sub> : $\mu$ | Normal(0.3, 0.001) | 0.3000    | 0.2980            | 0.3020             | 7663.4                | 0.999 |
| SA <sub>3</sub> : $\mu$ | Normal(0.7, 0.001) | 0.7000    | 0.6981            | 0.7020             | 12553.9               | 0.999 |
| $\tau$                  | Beta(4.29, 81.47)  | 0.0315    | 0.0092            | 0.0659             | 4949.3                | 1.000 |
| SA: $\tau$              | Beta(4.37, 50.25)  | 0.0415    | 0.013             | 0.085              | 4158.0                | 0.999 |
| Scenario A              | Beta(52.97, 451.2) | 0.1647    | 0.1385            | 0.1918             | 4177.0                | 0.999 |
| SA: Scenario A*         | Beta(35.6, 321)    | 0.166     | 0.134             | 0.20               | 3602.0                | 1.001 |
| Scenario B              | Beta(97.83, 285.8) | 0.2161    | 0.1828            | 0.2516             | 4791.1                | 1.000 |
| SA: Scenario B*         | Beta(40.7, 122)    | 0.198     | 0.156             | 0.246              | 4623.0                | 1.000 |

\*Because they relate to the same parameter ( $\theta_2$ ), priors for Scenario A and Scenario B were altered together in the sensitivity analysis; all others were altered in isolation. SA, sensitivity analysis.

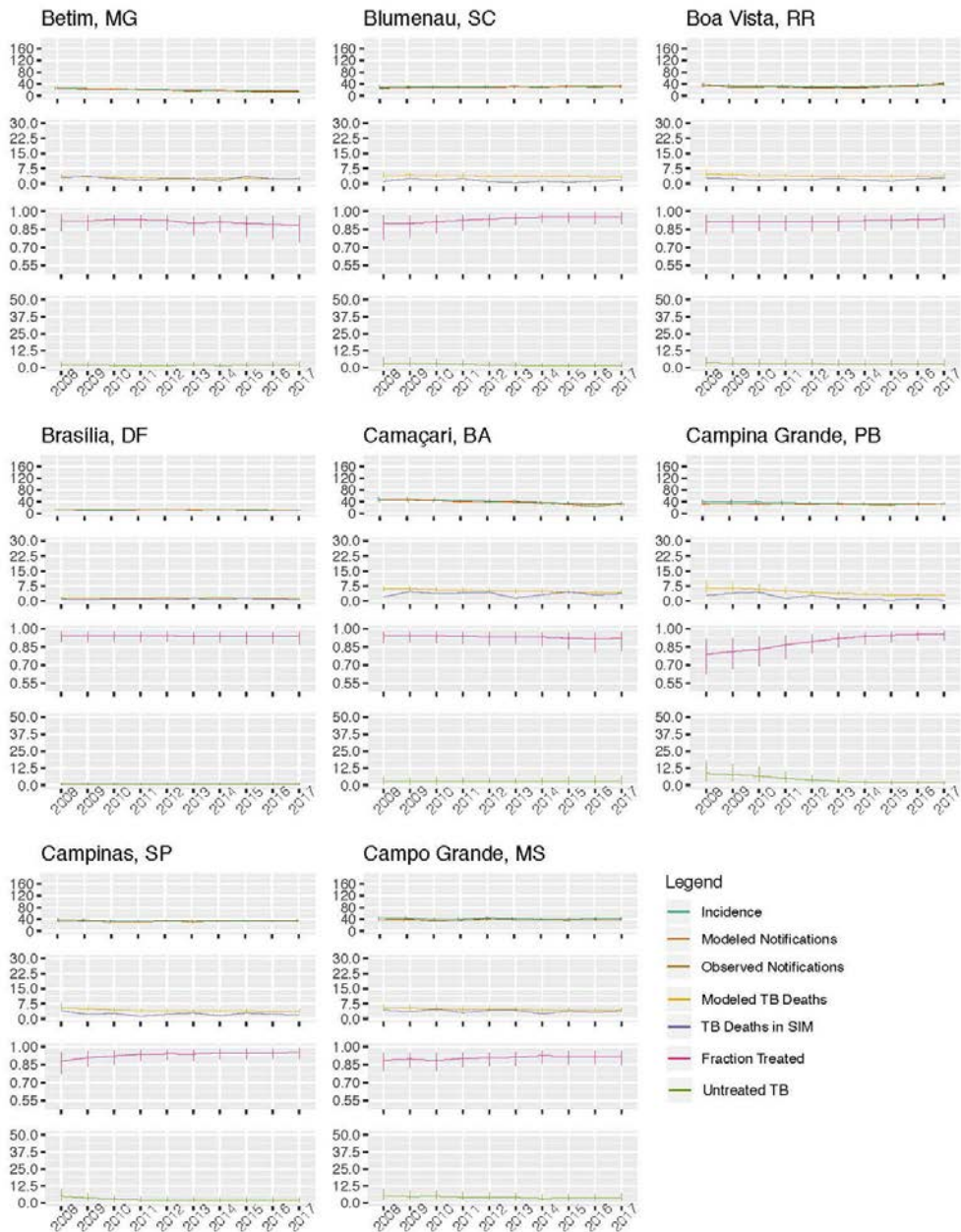


**Appendix Figure 1.** TB treatment notification rates and estimated incidence rates in 101 municipalities, Brazil, 2008–2017. Rates are apparently uncorrelated with population size.

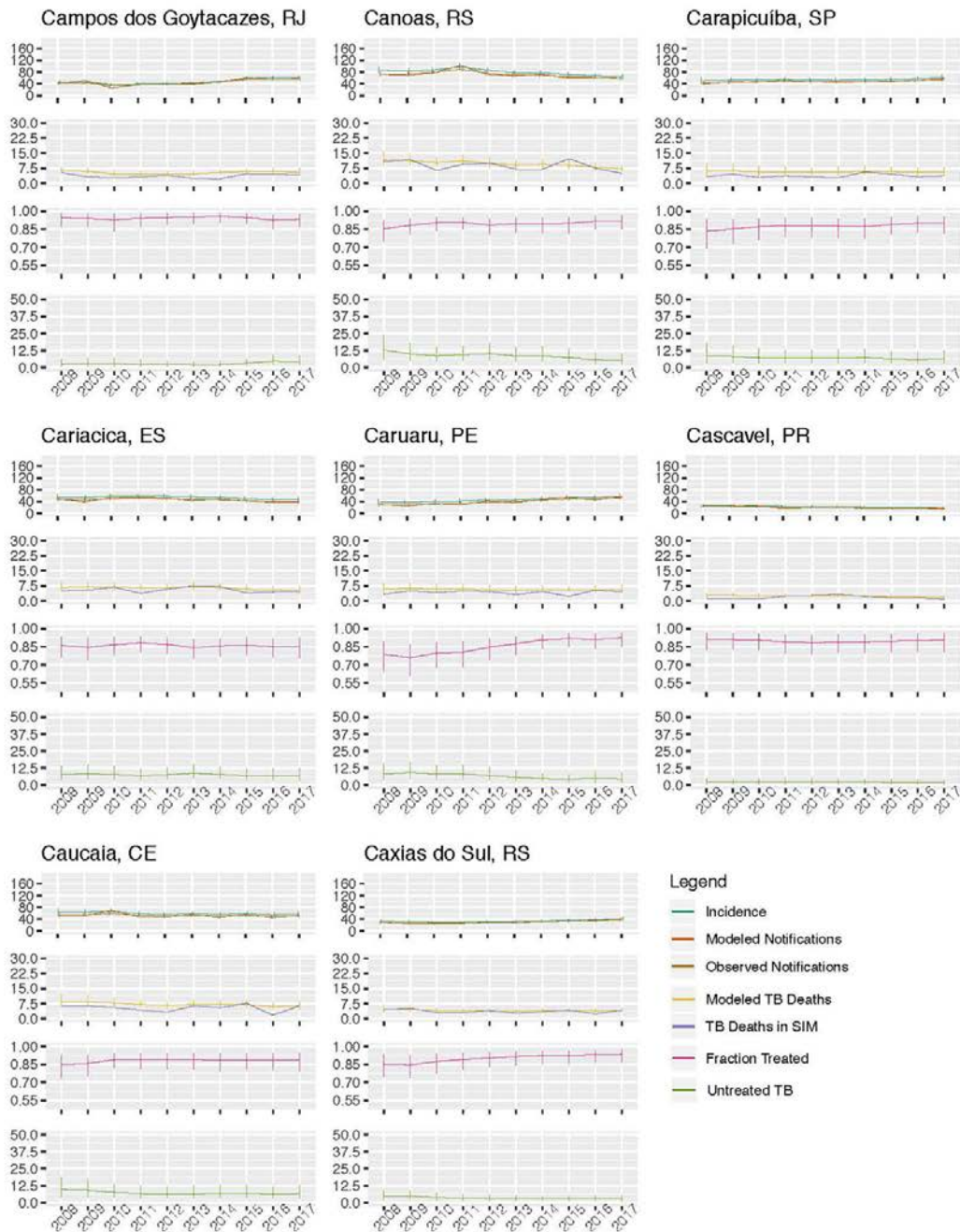
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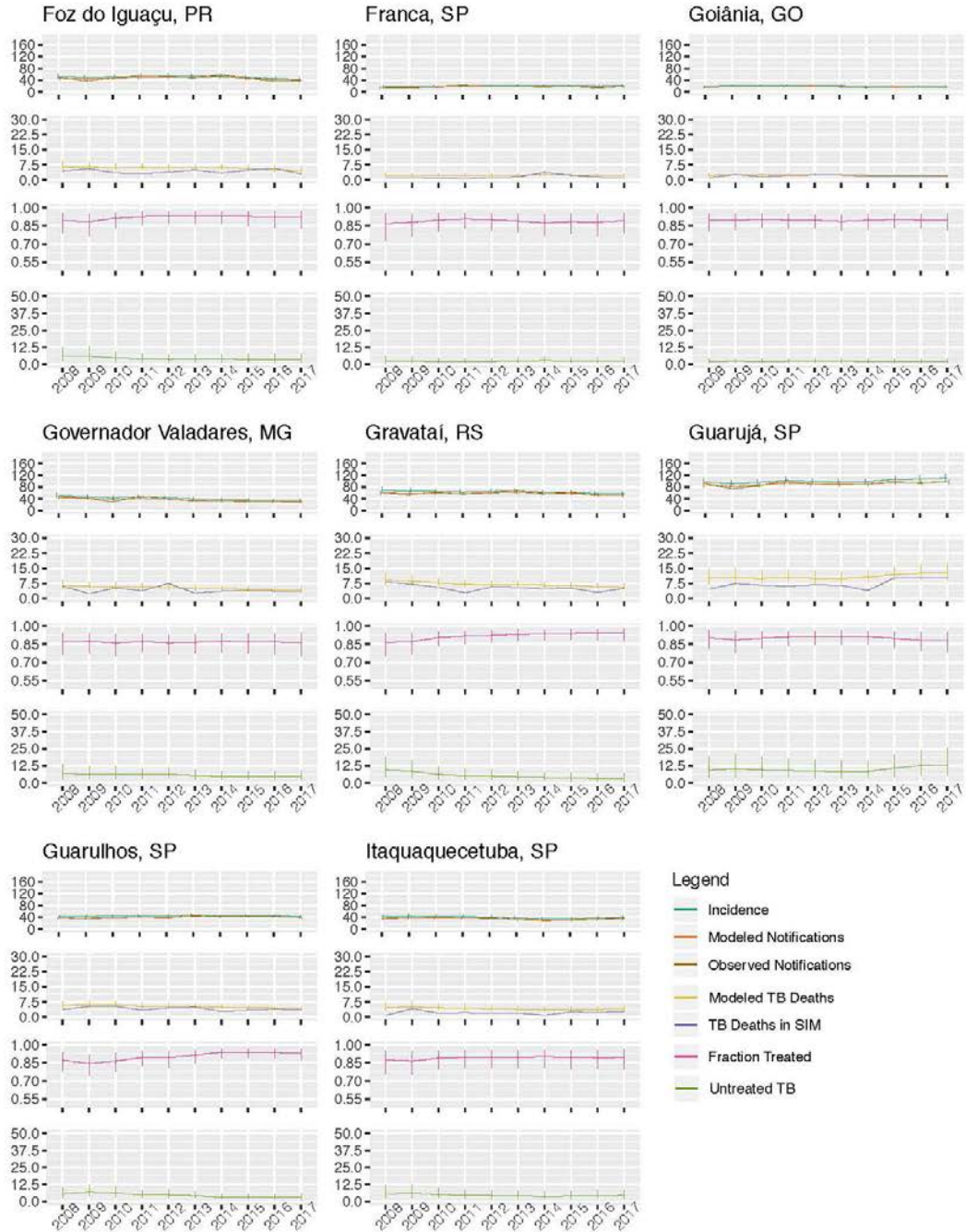


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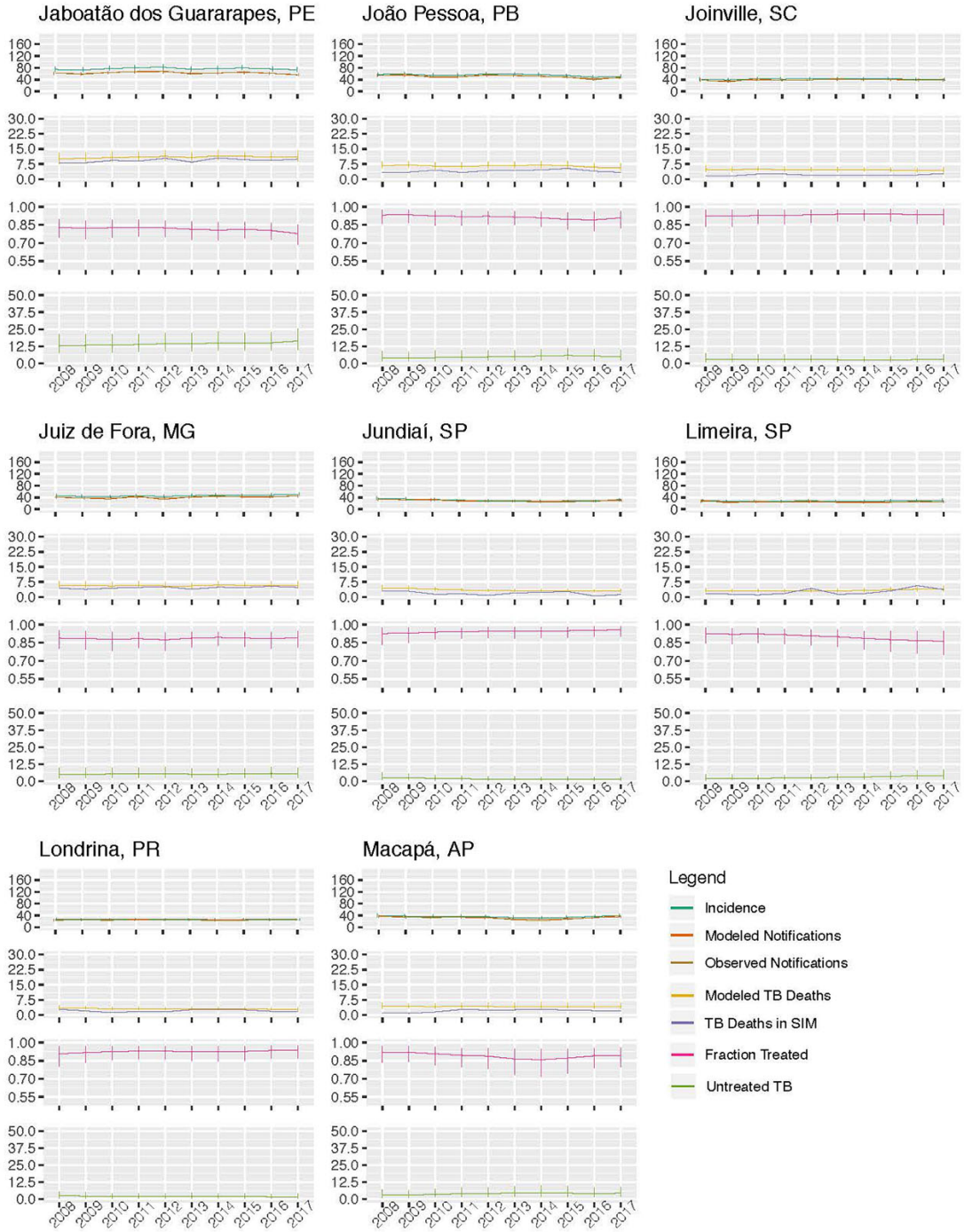


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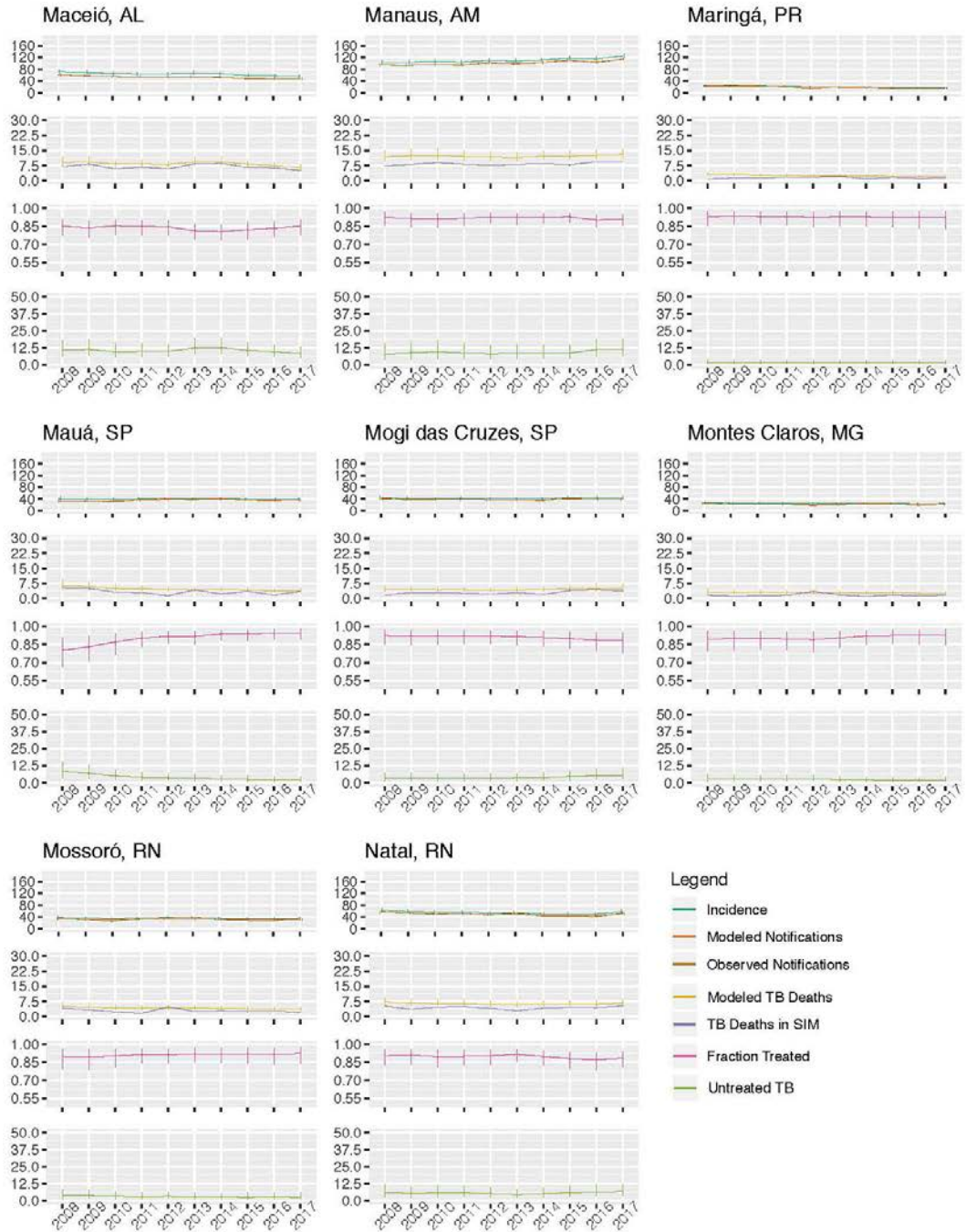




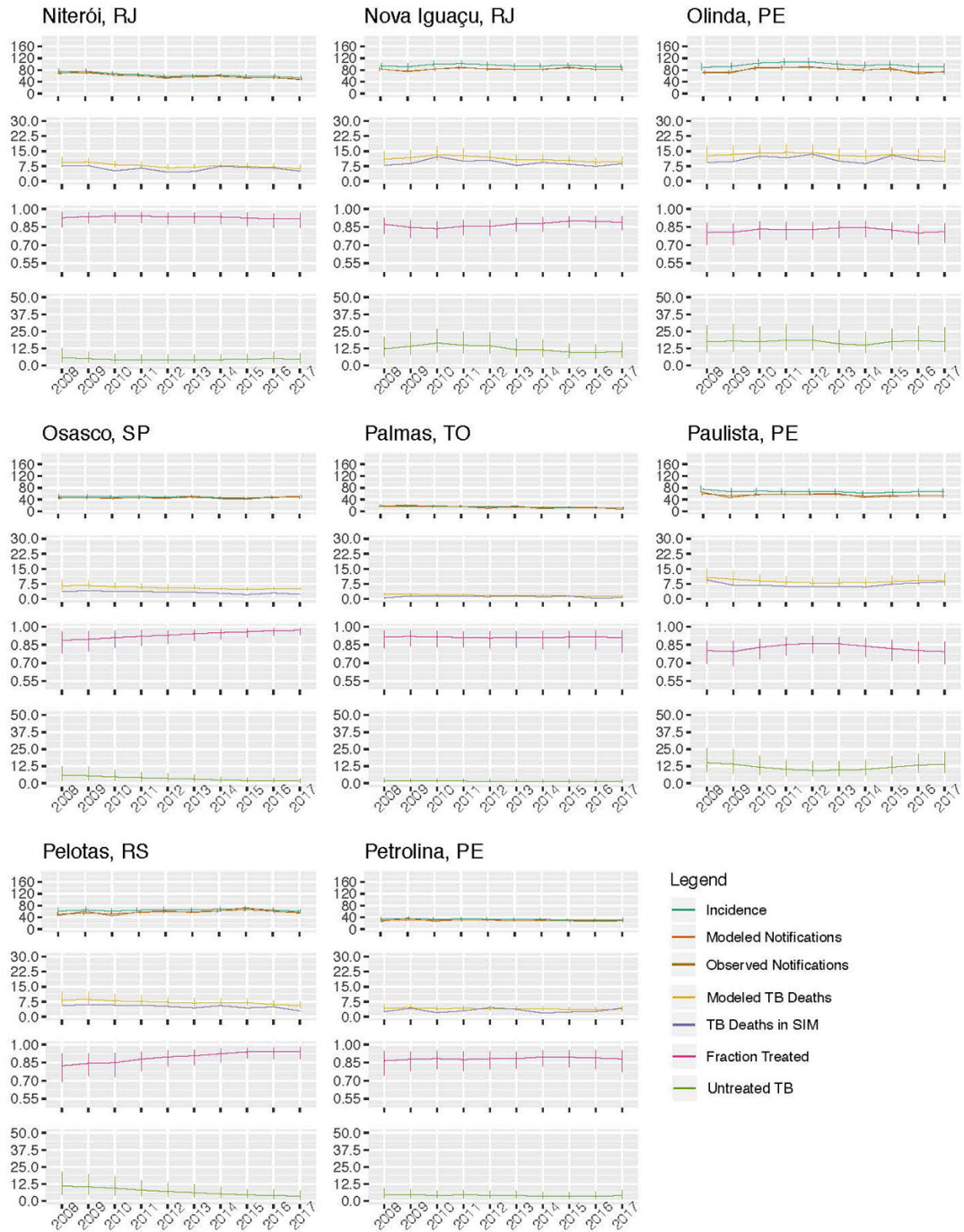
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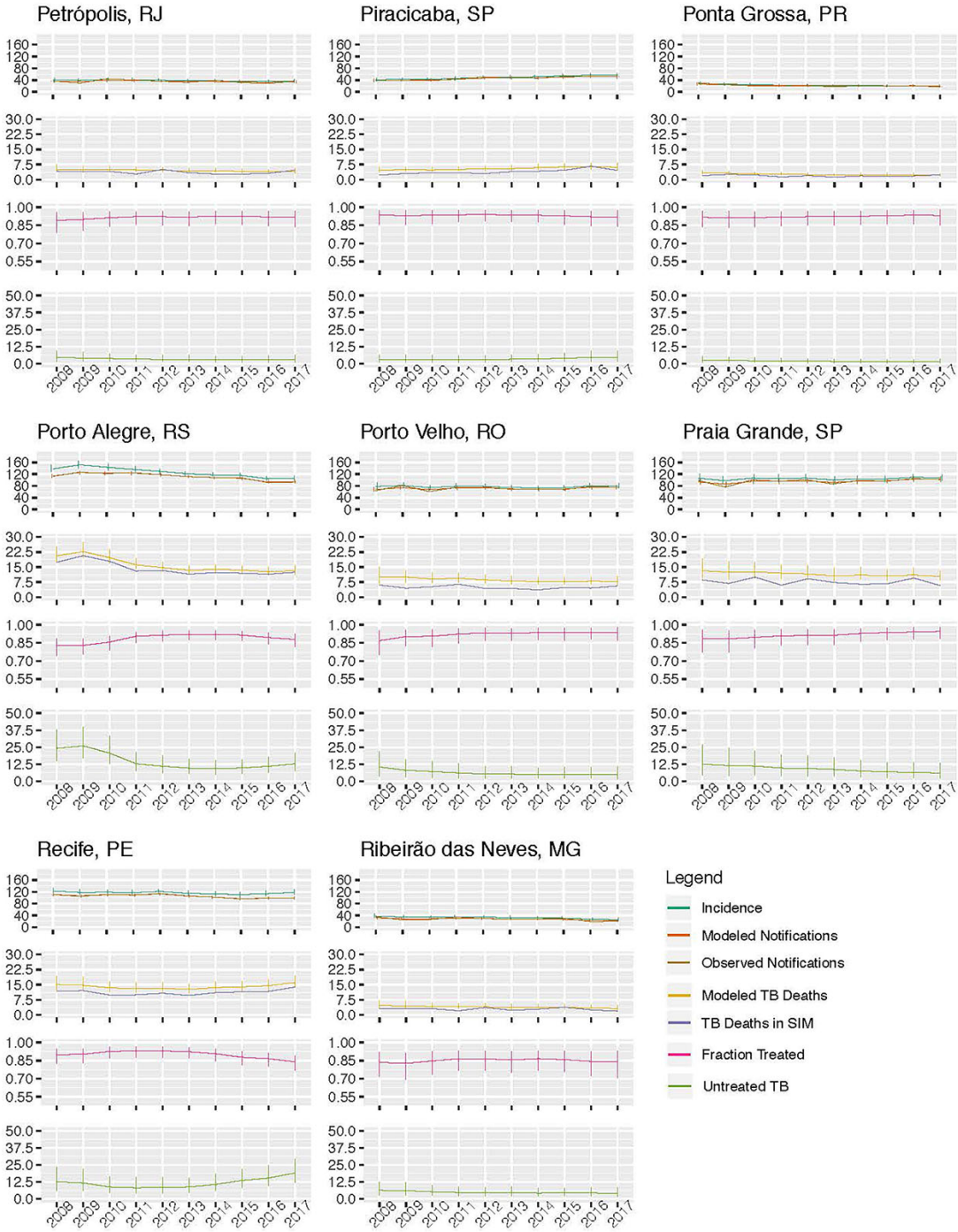


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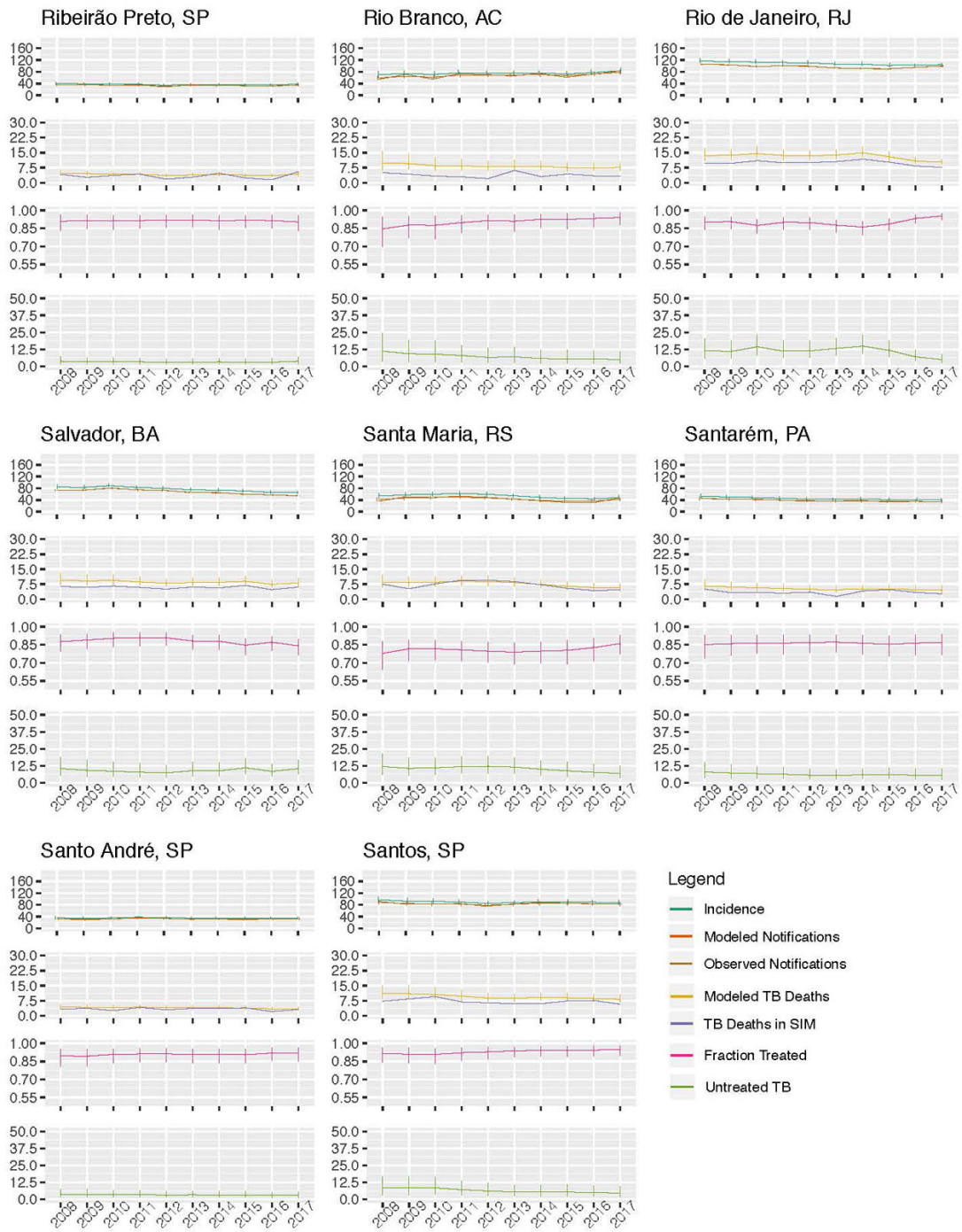




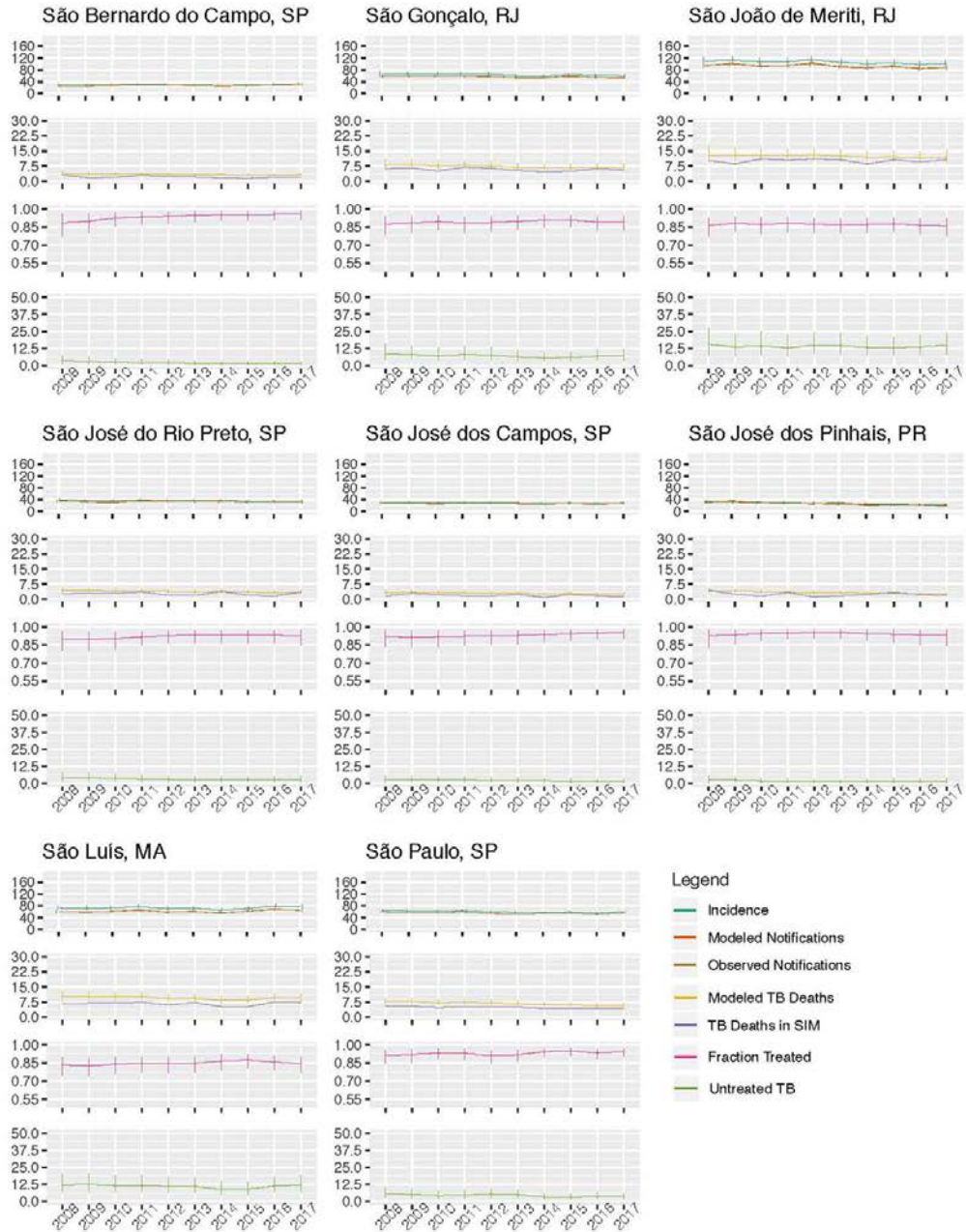
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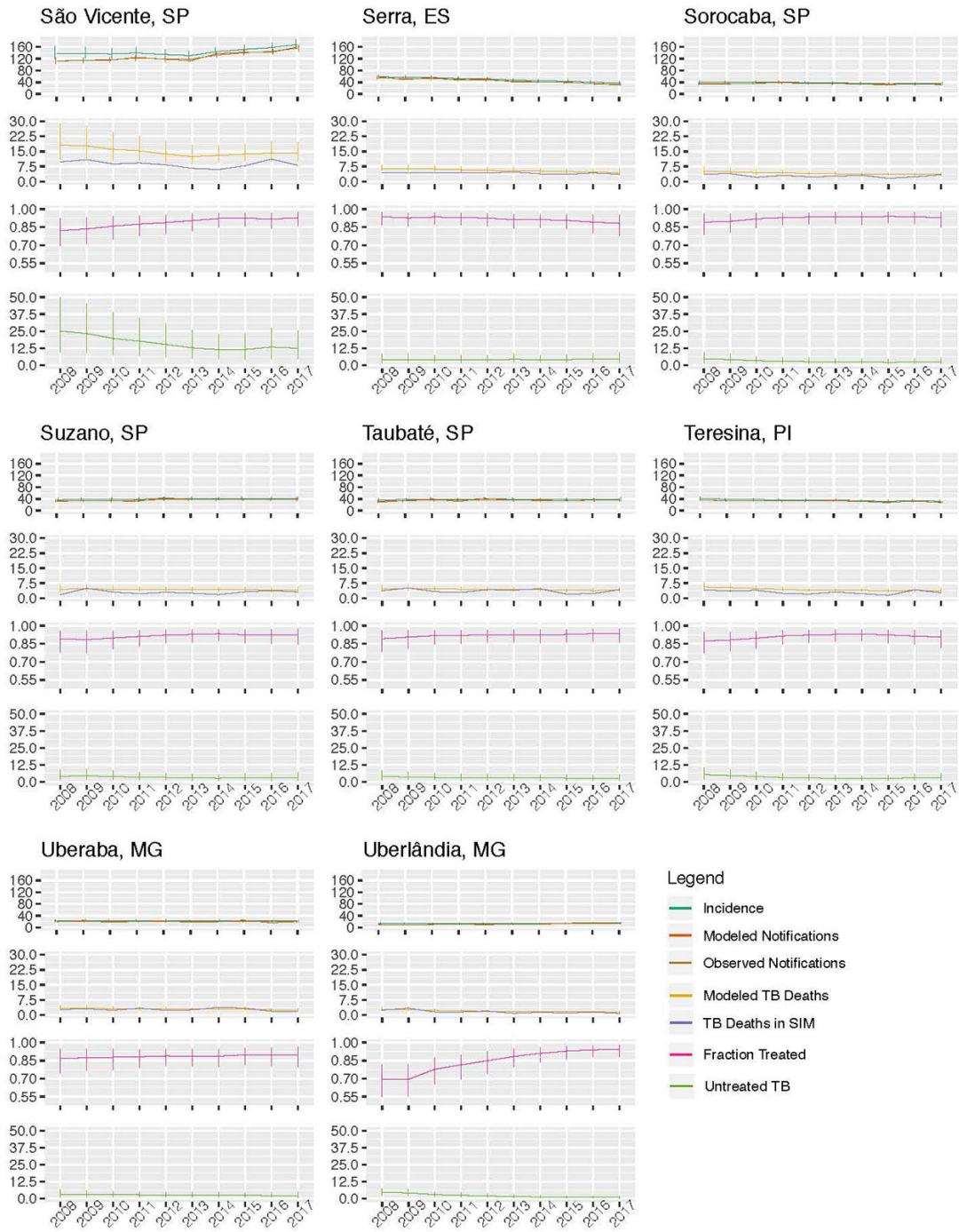


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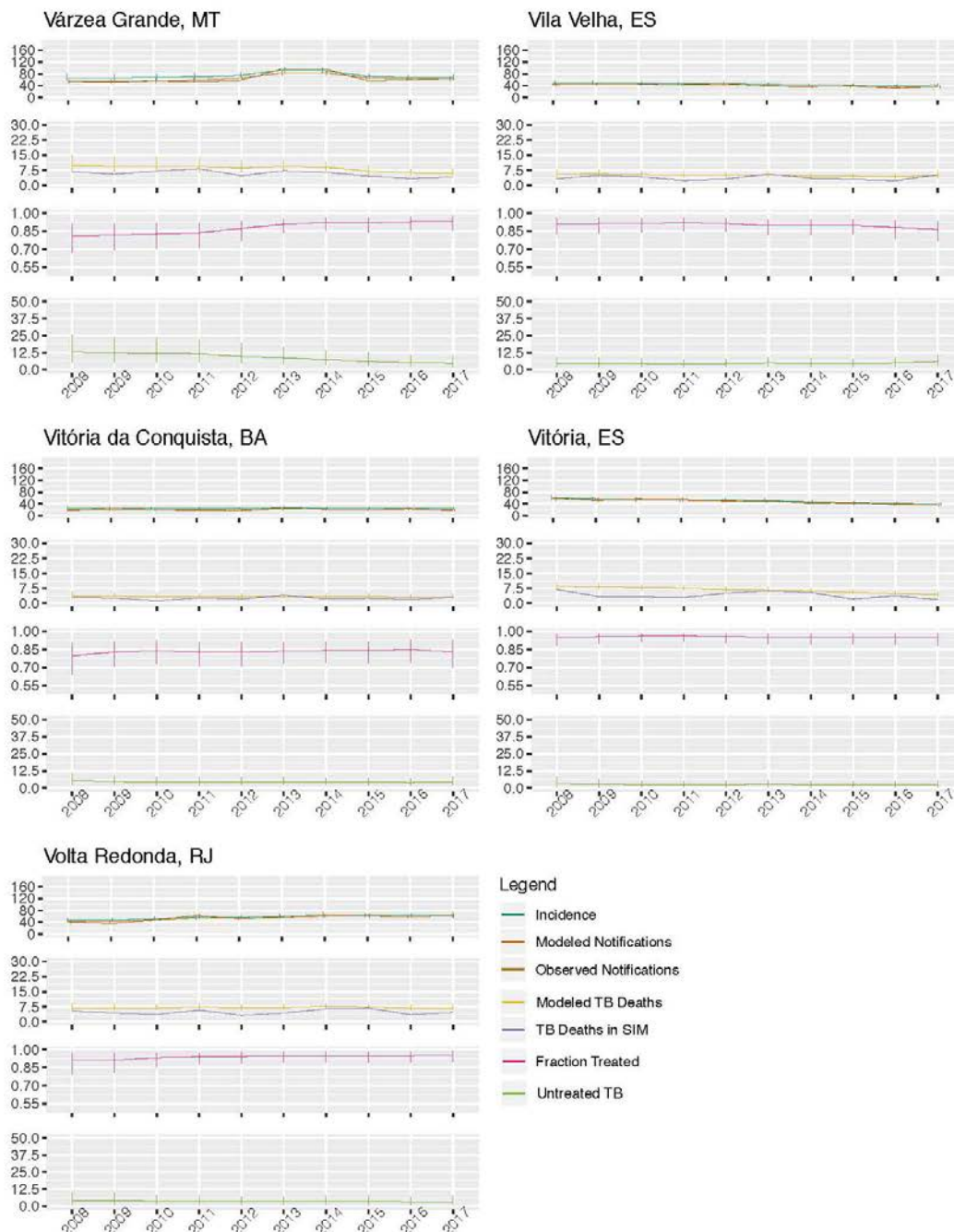




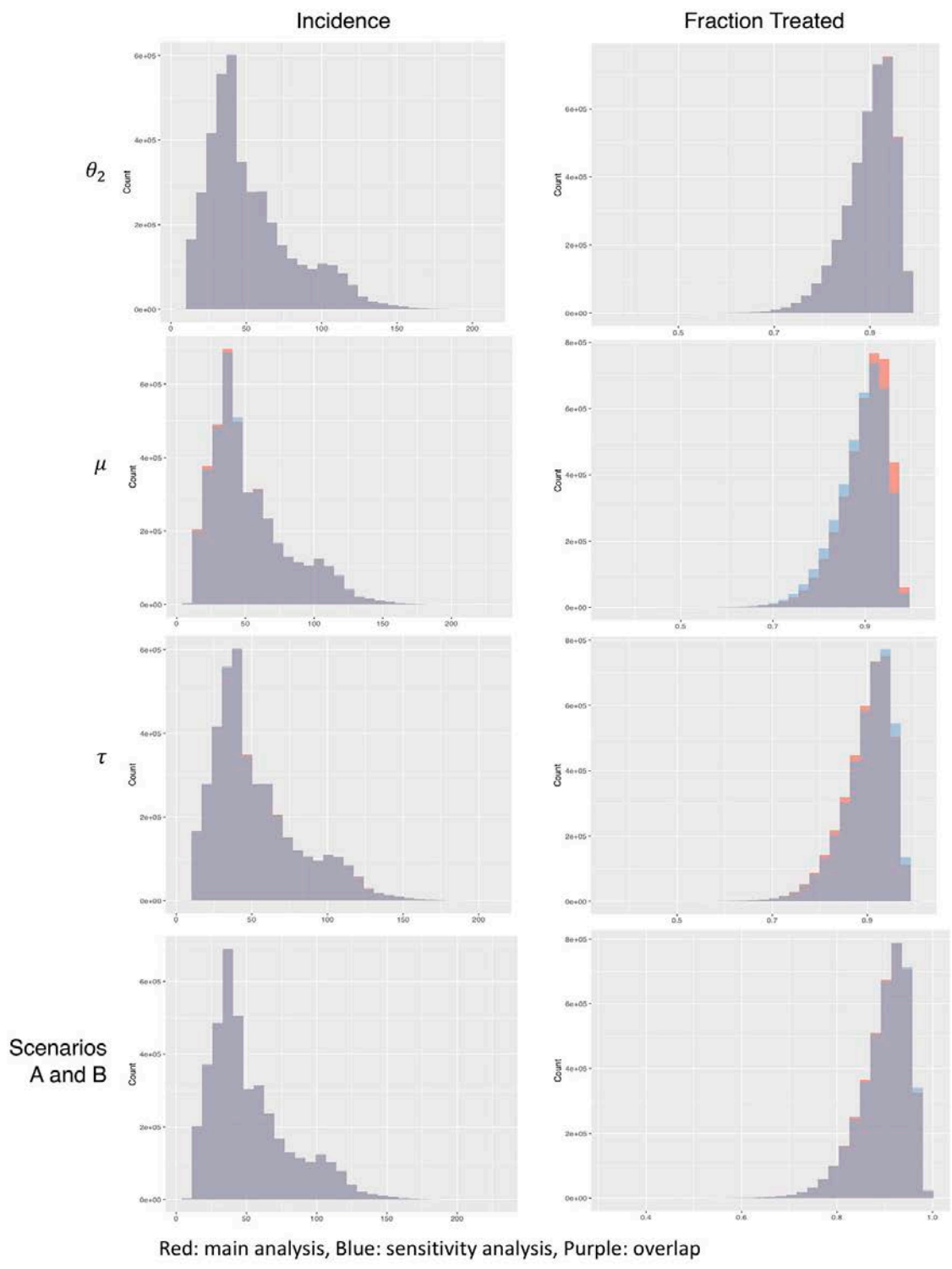
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**Appendix Figure 2.** Trends in observed and modeled TB burden by municipality, Brazil, 2008–2017.



**Appendix Figure 3.** Sensitivity analysis of TB burden by municipality, Brazil, 2008–2017. Red indicates main analysis; blue, sensitivity analysis. Purple shows overlap of data between the analyses.