

**Table 1** Selection of the best-fitted model for the HIV dataset (cases diagnosed as HIV-positive without AIDS diagnosed or before a diagnosis of AIDS) and the AIDS dataset (cases diagnosed as HIV-positive after a diagnosis of AIDS), applying 4 different parametric models

Parametric model	HIV dataset		AIDS dataset	
	Log-likelihood	AIC	Log-likelihood	AIC
Exponential	-4563.80	9153.60	-4296.08	8835.16
Weibull	-4560.50	9148.00	-4254.09	8552.20
Log-normal	-4594.24	9215.50	-4255.07	8554.20
Log-logistic	-4563.25	9153.50	-4268.23	8580.46

*AIC = Akaike information criterion.*