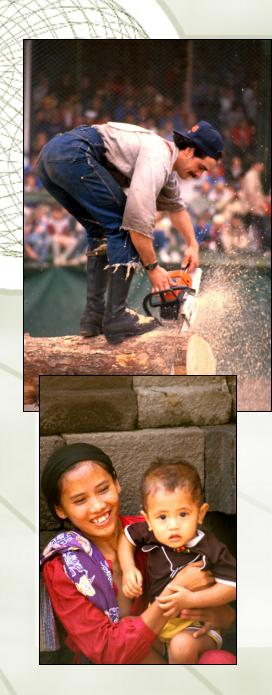
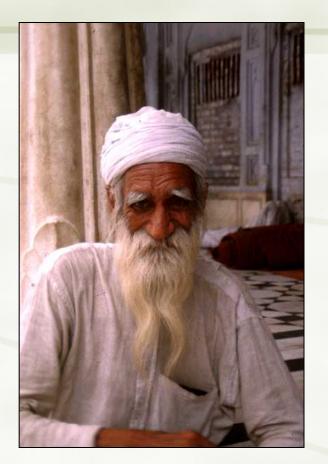
Human Geography

http://www.worldof7billion.org/

Characteristics of Human Populations





Population



Population Growth

- +0 CE
- +1803 CE
- +1903 CE
- +1950 CE
- +1987 CE
- +1998 CE
- +2011 CE

250 Million People

1 Billion People

1.6 Billion People

3.0 Billion People

5.0 Billion People

6.0 Billion People

7.0 Billion People

Human populations around the world differ by densities, distributions, ethnicities, languages, religions, and other factors.

→Imagine traveling to China and then to Northern Canada. How might the populations vary in these areas?

How do Geographers Compare Populations? **Demographics!**

- ◆Birth and Death Rates
- +Life Expectancy
- **→Infant Mortality**
- +Urban/Rural

- **Gross Domestic Product**
- **+**Ethnicity
- + Religion
- +Level of education

Birth and Death Rates

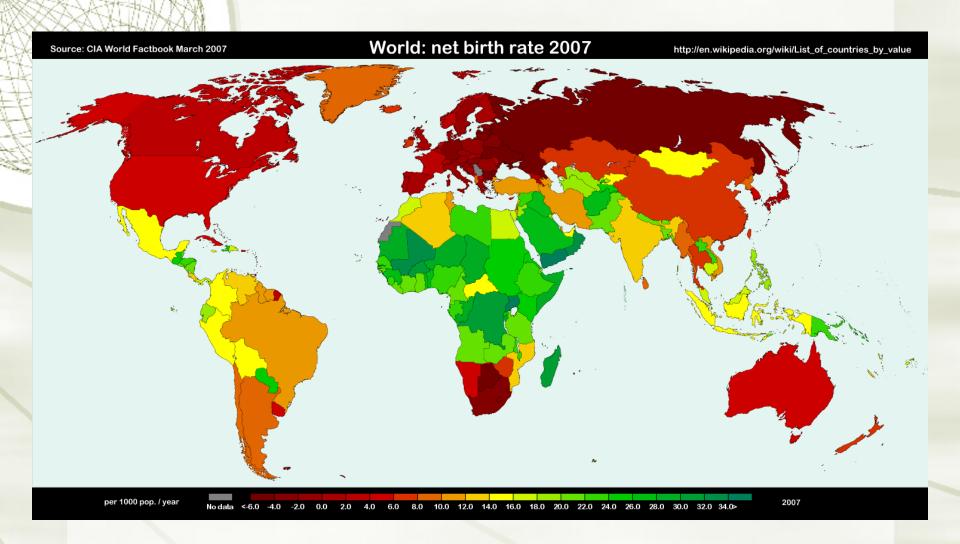
- Birth and death rates refer to how many people are born and how many people die.
- Developing countries have high death rates and birth rates.

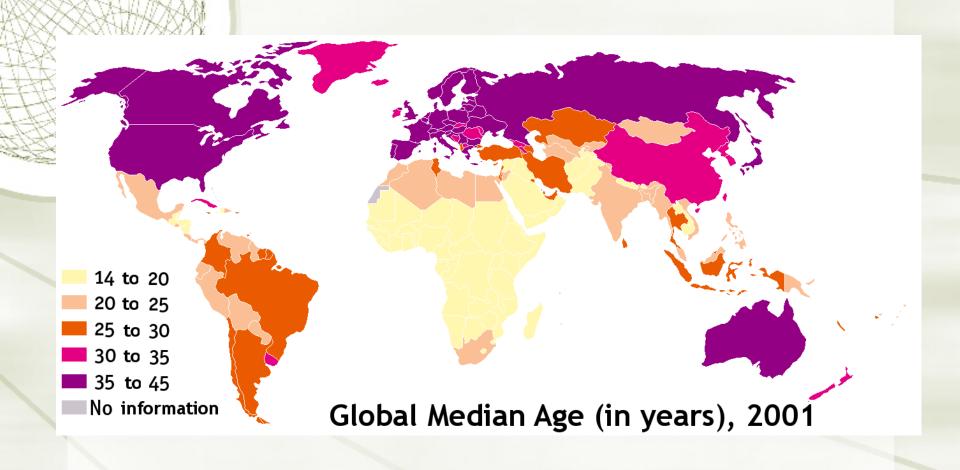
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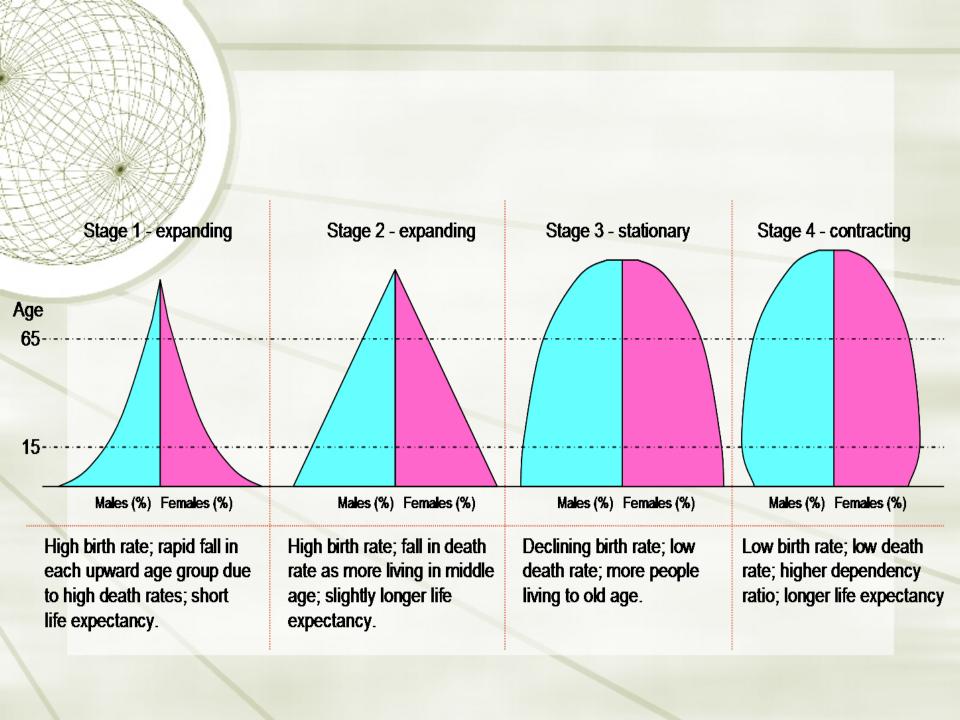
- Birth rates can be higher in developing countries for the following reasons:
 - 1. No birth control
 - 2. Religious restrictions
 - 3. Economic factors
 - 4. The role of women in society

Birth and Death Rates

- Death rates are higher in developing countries for the following reasons:
 - 1. No access to medical care
 - 2. Poor nutrition

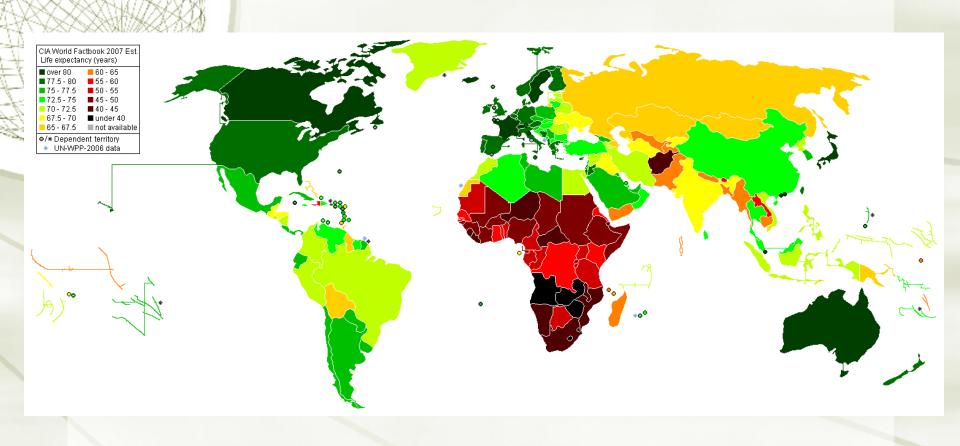






Life Expectancy

Life expectancy is how long a person will live. Life expectancy is longer in developed countries, mainly due to better medical care.

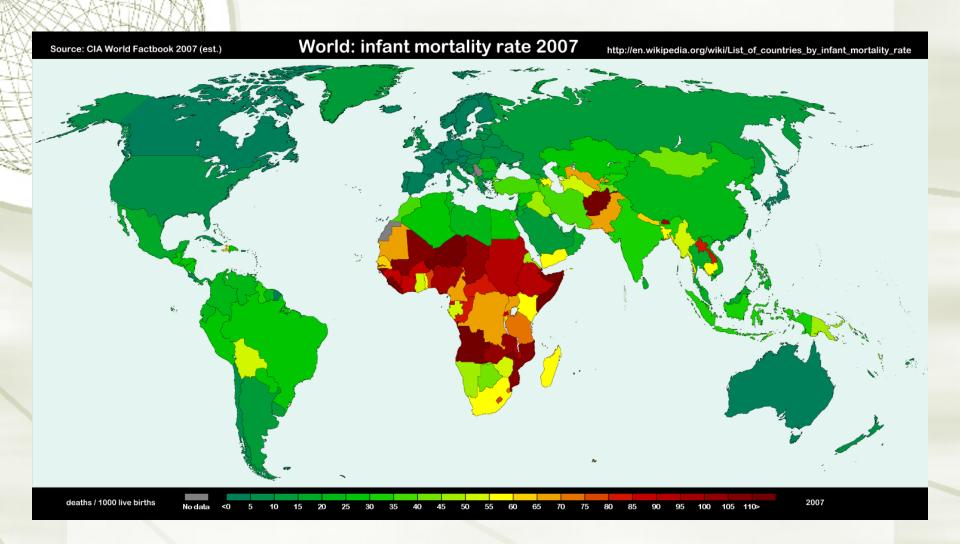


Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)

Infant mortality is the number of babies that die at birth. They must be under one year old. This number is usually per every 1,000 people in a population.

Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)

- ★Infant mortality is very high in developing countries.
- ◆For instance, some African countries have an infant mortality rate that is over 10%.



Urban/Rural Ratio

◆The urban/rural ratio is the number of people who live in the countryside versus the city. Countries like Japan, Singapore, and Korea have many more people who live in large cities than the countryside.

Urban/Rural Ratio

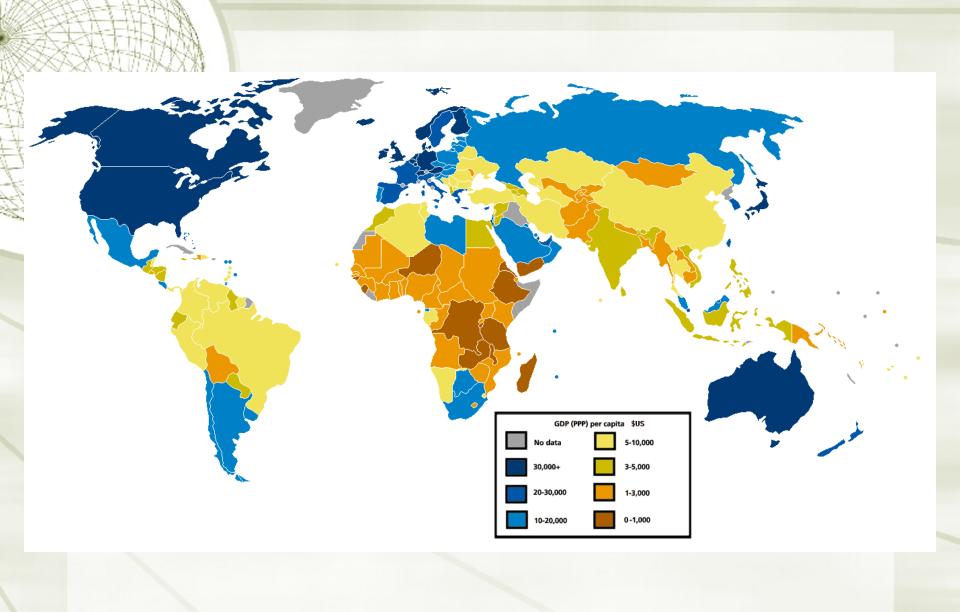
◆Over the last 100 years people have been migrating to large cities in the United States.



Population Density: The total number of people divided by the total land area.

Gross Domestic Product

GDP is the total of all goods and services produced in a country in one year.



Ethnicity

*Ethnicity is a group of people whose members identify with each other through a common heritage, common culture, a common language or dialect, or common ancestry.

Ethnicity

The ethnicity of the United States is relatively diverse because the United States is composed of immigrants while Japan has a homogeneous population.

Education

★The level of education differs between populations. Developing countries normally have poor education systems or children do not have the opportunity to go to school.

