# Our Population, Our Future

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Explain the following statement:

Africa has diamonds, the Middle East has oil, and many other countries have agriculture. For Singapore, people are our one natural resource.

Which U.S. state(s) compare to Singapore's population of 5.47 million?

## Our Population

Describe Singapore's population.

Making Babies What is TFR?

How has Singapore's TFR changed from 1970 to 2014?

What are TWO consequences for the change in TFR?

How does Singapore's fertility rate compare to the other selected countries?

**Living Longer** What is your life expectancy? Why is it so high?

What are TWO consequences for the elderly living longer?

How does the United States life expectancy compare to the other selected countries?

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### **Gearing for Change**

Describe Singapore's population pyramid in: a) 1970

- b) 1990
- c) 2010
- d) 2050

What are the main differences between 2050 and 2010?

Discuss the answer to the question, "How fast are we aging?"

Describe how the working-age numbers have changed since 1970.

Explain why Singapore will be facing a worker shortage.

#### **Pushing Forward**

Describe what happens if Singapore were to: a) Change it's TFR to 0.5 and its Immigration Rate to 0K

- b) Change it's TFR to 0.5 and its Immigration Rate to 40K
- c) Change it's TFR to 1.2 and its Immigration Rate to 0K
- d) Change it's TFR to 2.1 and its Immigration Rate to 40K

Explain what would be Singapore's ideal TFR and Immigration rate.

Discuss how Singapore is facing a balancing act when it comes to the country's future population.