

# The Culture of Aging: Financial Gerontology

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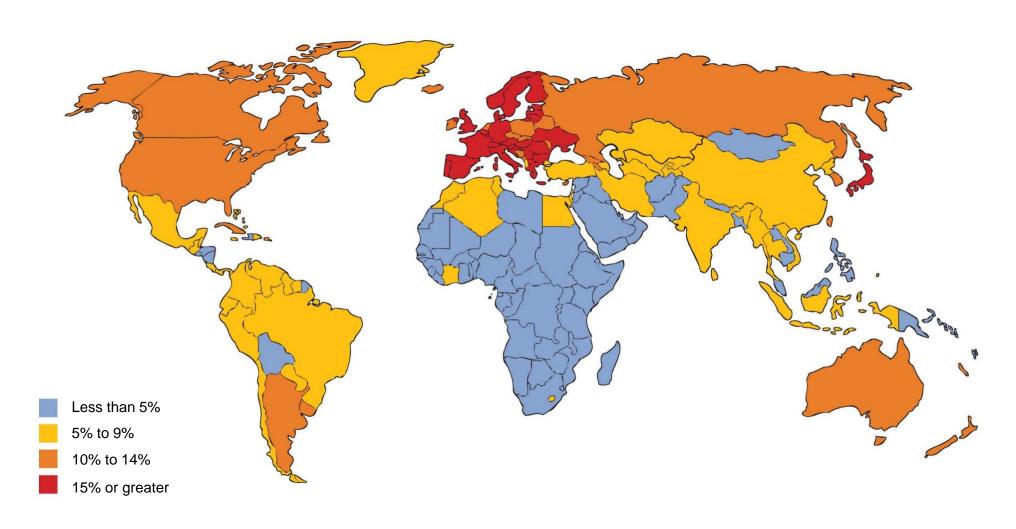
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# The World Is Getting Older

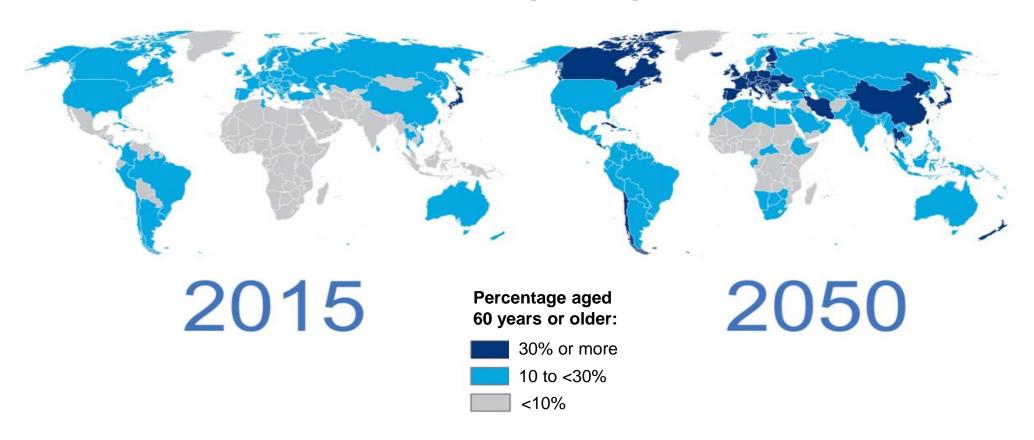
#### Percentage of Population 60 Years of Age or Older





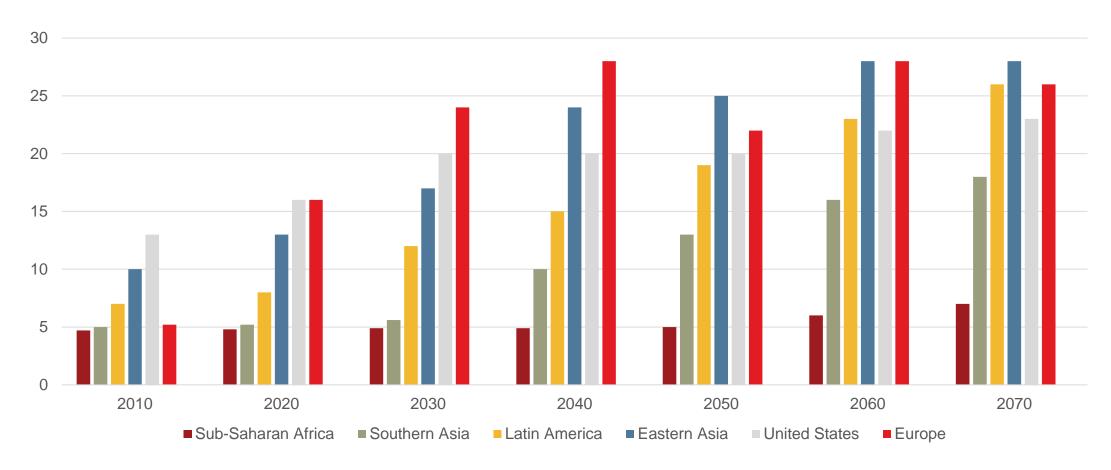
#### The Distinct and Continuing Trend

#### The world is getting older



# **Population by Region**

#### Percentage of population projected to be over age 65





# % of Population Over 65 Years Old by Rank

| Rank | Country  | % over 65 years old |
|------|----------|---------------------|
| 1    | Japan    | 27                  |
| 2    | Italy    | 23                  |
| 3    | Portugal | 22                  |
| 4    | Germany  | 21                  |
| 5    | Finland  | 21                  |
| 6    | Bulgaria | 21                  |
| 7    | Greece   | 20                  |
| 8    | Sweden   | 20                  |
| 9    | Latvia   | 20                  |
| 10   | Croatia  | 20                  |



#### **Select Median Ages by Country and Life Expectancies**

#### Combined data for men and women

| Country                | Median Age * | Life Expectancy ** |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Monaco (Oldest Median) | 53.1         | 89.5               |
| Japan                  | 47.3         | 84.3               |
| Hong Kong              | 44.4         | 84.1               |
| European Union         | 42.9         | 79.6               |
| Canada                 | 42.2         | 82.7               |
| South Korea            | 41.8         | 82.6               |
| United Kingdom         | 40.5         | 81                 |
| United States          | 38.1         | 79.7               |
| China                  | 37.4         | 76.6               |

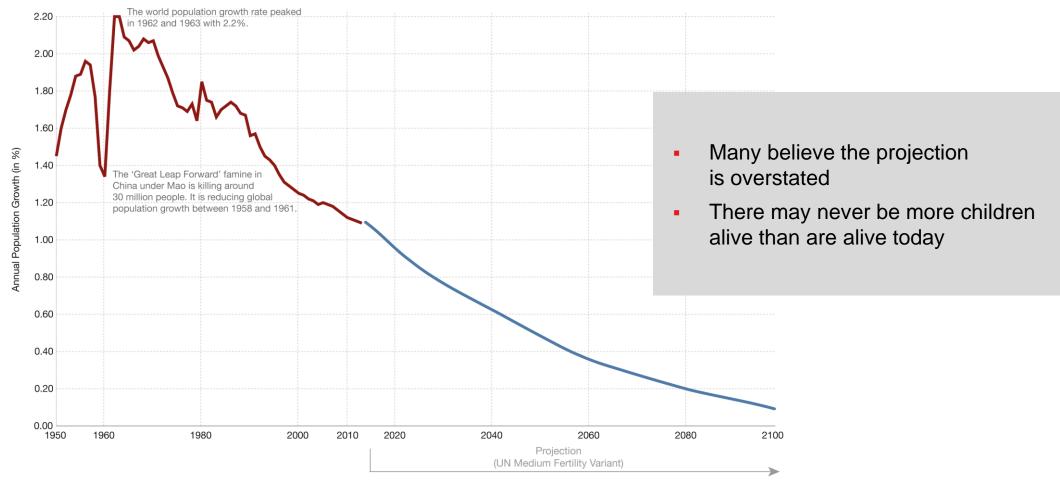
 <sup>\*</sup>US Central Intelligence Agency 2017 Data

<sup>\*\*</sup> World Population Review 2019 Data

### **World Population Growth Rate Has Changed Dramatically**

#### Our World in Data

Annual world population growth rate (1950-2100)



Data sources: Observations: US Census Bureau & Projections: United Nations Population Division (Medium Variant (2015 revision).

The interactive data visualization is available at OurWorldinData.org. There you find the raw data and more visualizations on this topic.

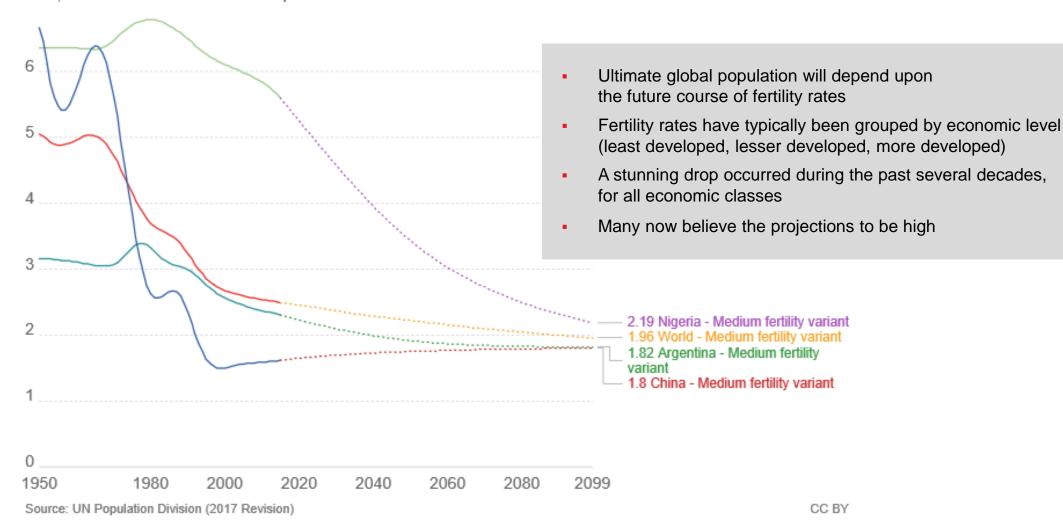
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#### Total fertility rate, including UN projections through 2100



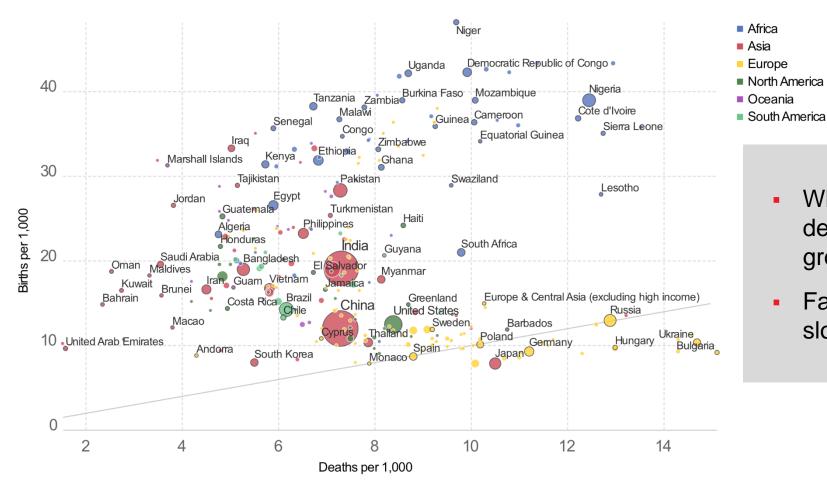
Average number of live births per woman, if the woman were to experience the exact current age-specific fertility rates, and to survive till the end of her reproductive life.





#### Birth Rate vs. Death Rate, 2016

Both the birth and death rate are given per 1,000 people of the country's population. Countries which lie above the grey line have a greater birth than death rate, meaning the total population is increasing; those below the line have a declining population.



- Whether births exceed deaths determines if population is growing or shrinking
- Fastest growth in Africa, slowest in Europe

Source: World Bank



# Although Slow Moving, Effects of Population Aging Are Forceful



**Economic** 



Social

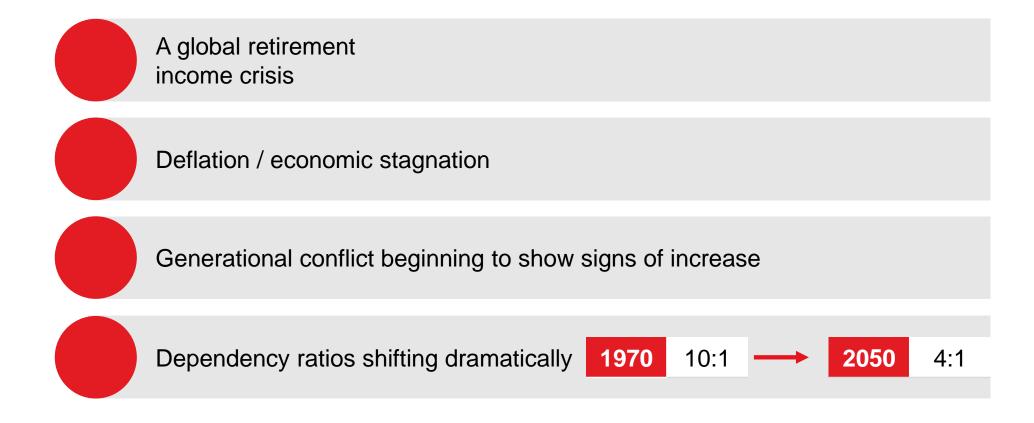


Health and wellness



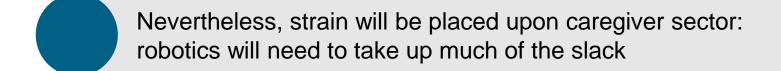
Population migration causing political effects

#### Financial and Economic Considerations

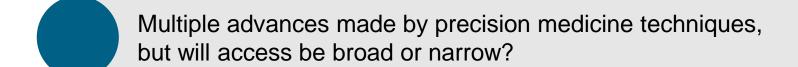


#### **Health and Wellness Considerations**





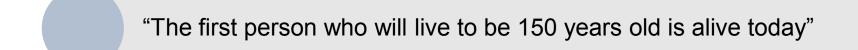


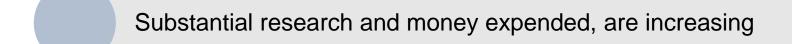


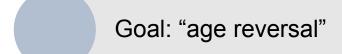
# Further Implications of an Aging Society

- Increasing need to educate elder populations in order that they continue contributing socially and economically
- Does society become resistant to change and slow to adapt?
  Does innovation decrease? Do elderly withdraw from society, in part?
- There will be clearly increasing needs for services and security
- Population will become increasingly female
- Families become chronologically attenuated

#### **Further Disruption: Life Extension**



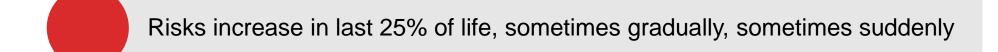




Who will have access?

# Life Insurance Implications of Aging Societies





- May be increased emotional component to sales, ranging from fear to pride in leaving financial legacy to the next generation
- Expect more health and wellness benefits (living benefits) and more female orientation
- Life insurance industry should become more important and relevant



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