

Population Growth Information

A population pyramid always reflects a country's current population growth trend. If the number of children at the bottom of the pyramid is large compared to the young adults of child-bearing age, it means the population is growing rapidly. Figure 13 below shows what a population pyramid looks like in this situation. When the number of young adults is approximately equivalent to the number of children, the population is relatively stable (Figure 14). When there are fewer kids at the bottom of a pyramid than those people who are in their child-bearing years, it means there are people choosing not to have children, and the population overall is shrinking (Figure 15).

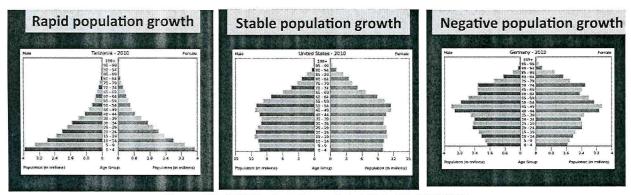


Figure 13: MC3 Project. PowerPoint Slide 16. SS060304.