



HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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**A Demographic Perspective of the youth
in South Africa**

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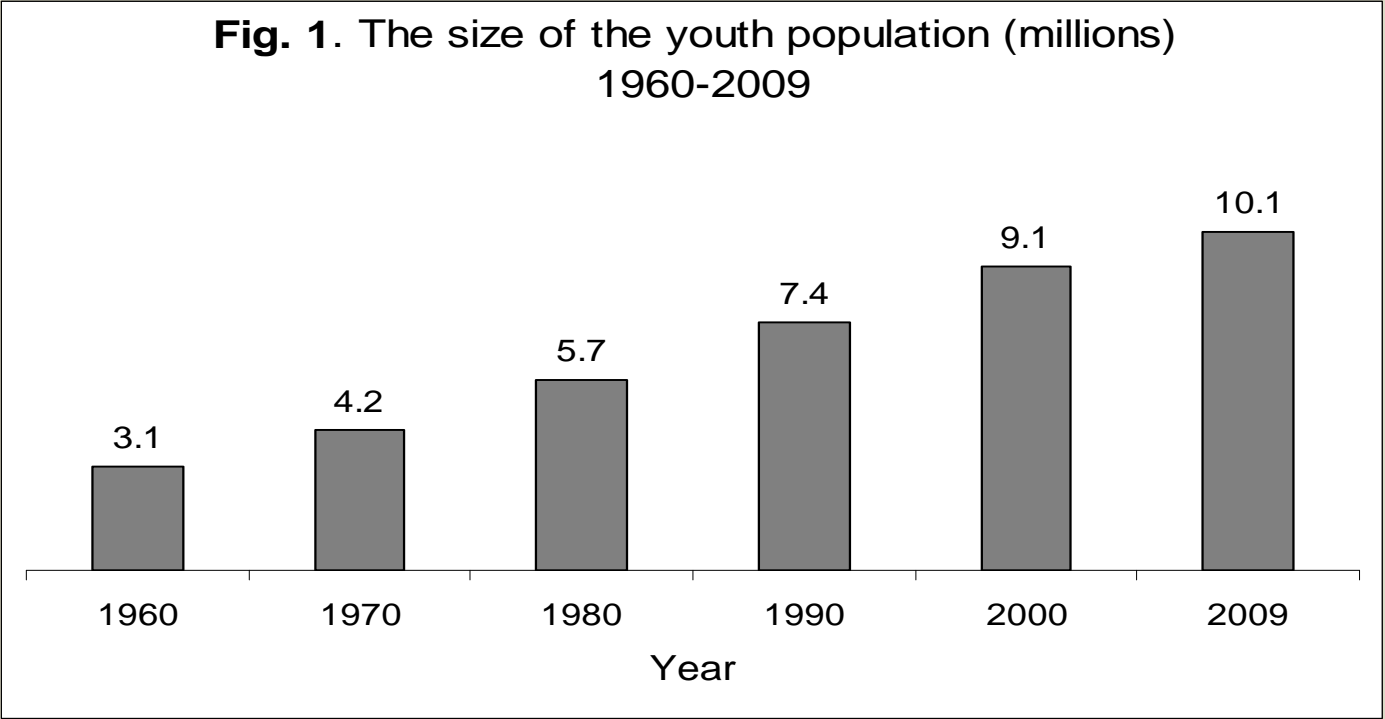
To understand the salient demographic features of the youth development in South Africa, in the context of the youth bulge



Size and Distribution

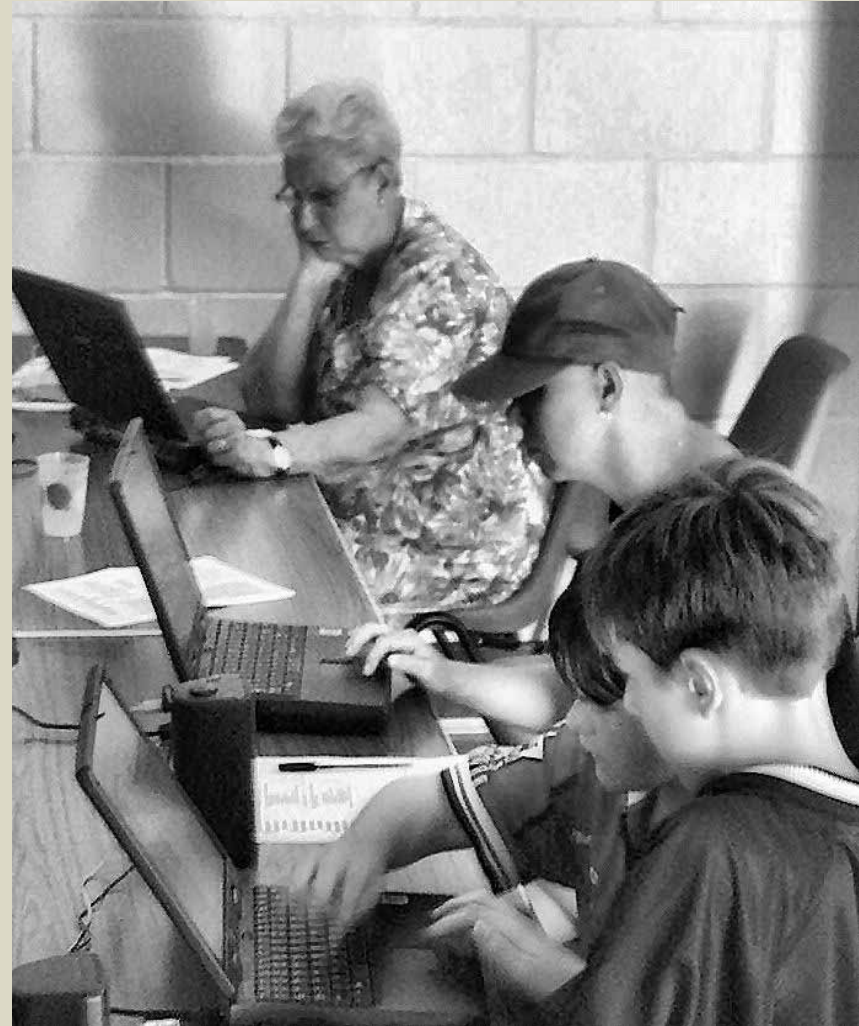
- Youth in 15-24 estimated at 10.1m
- Africans 83.7%
- Indians 7.9%
- Coloureds 2.2%
- Whites 6.2%



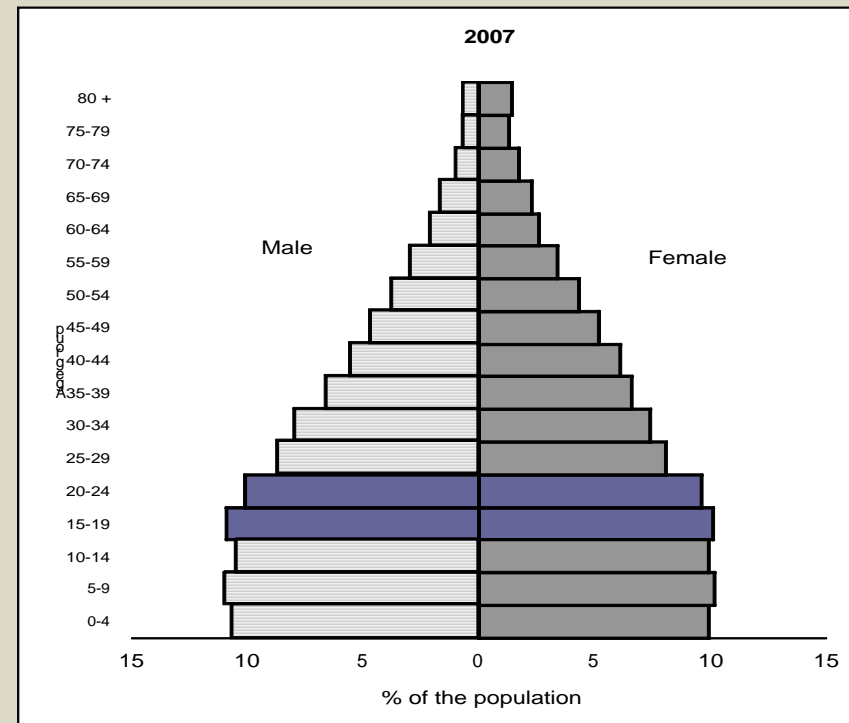
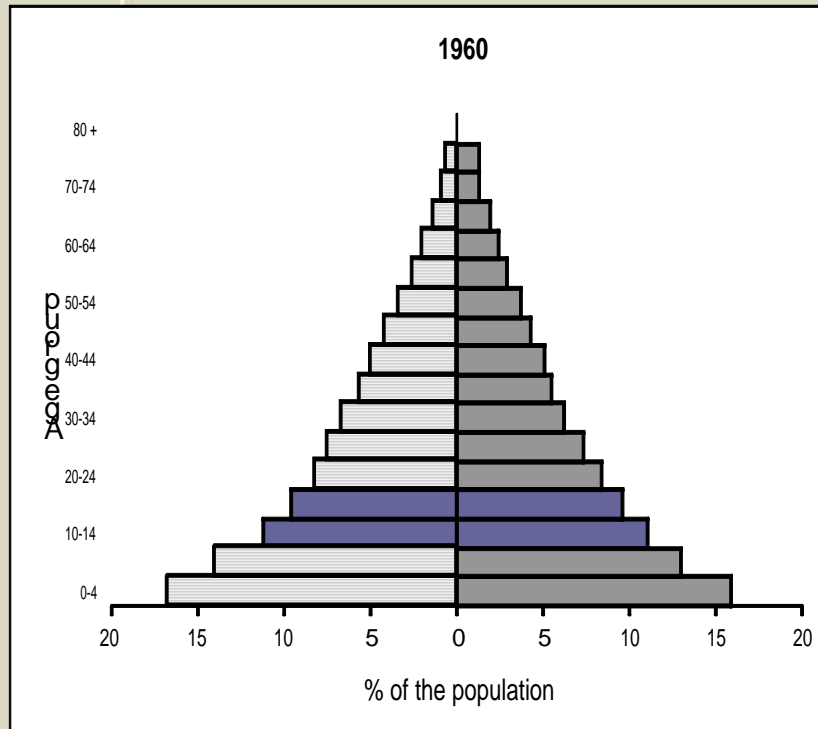


Household Residence

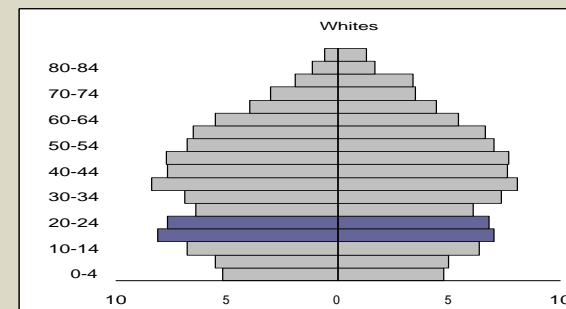
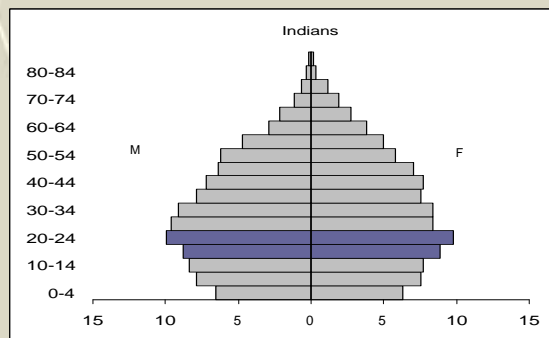
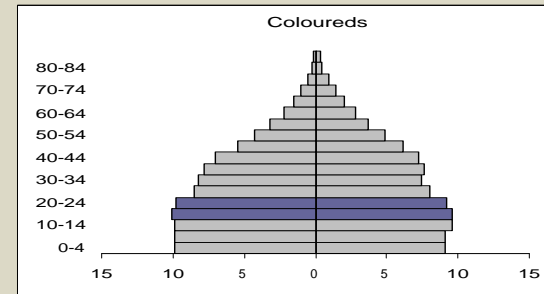
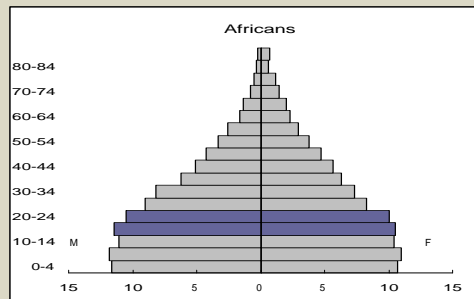
- 59% of 15-19 group live with biological parents
- 50.2% of 20-24 group live with biological parents
- 2.9% of teens are heads
- 11.5% of 20-24



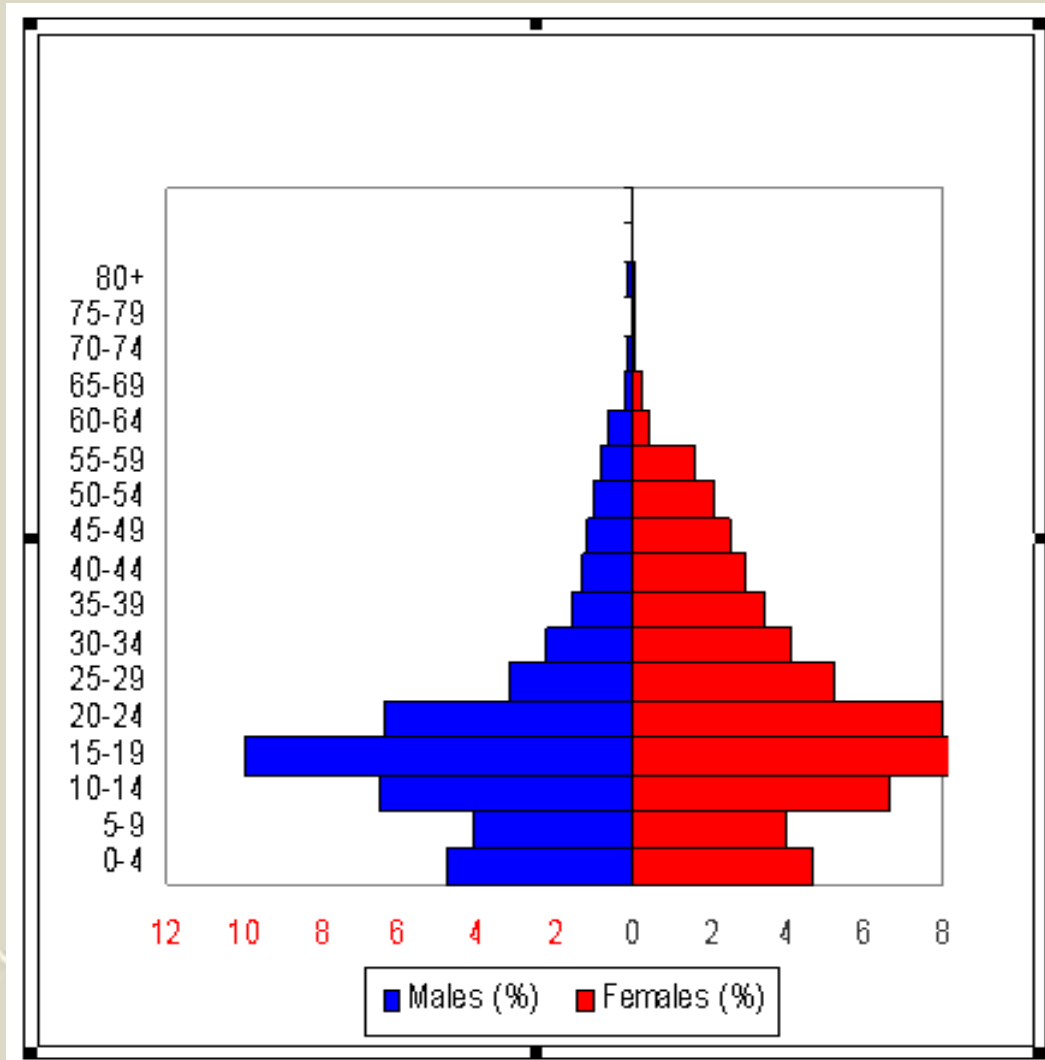
YOUTH BULGE



Youth Bulge by population group



Young People and Indigent Households



Dependency Burden

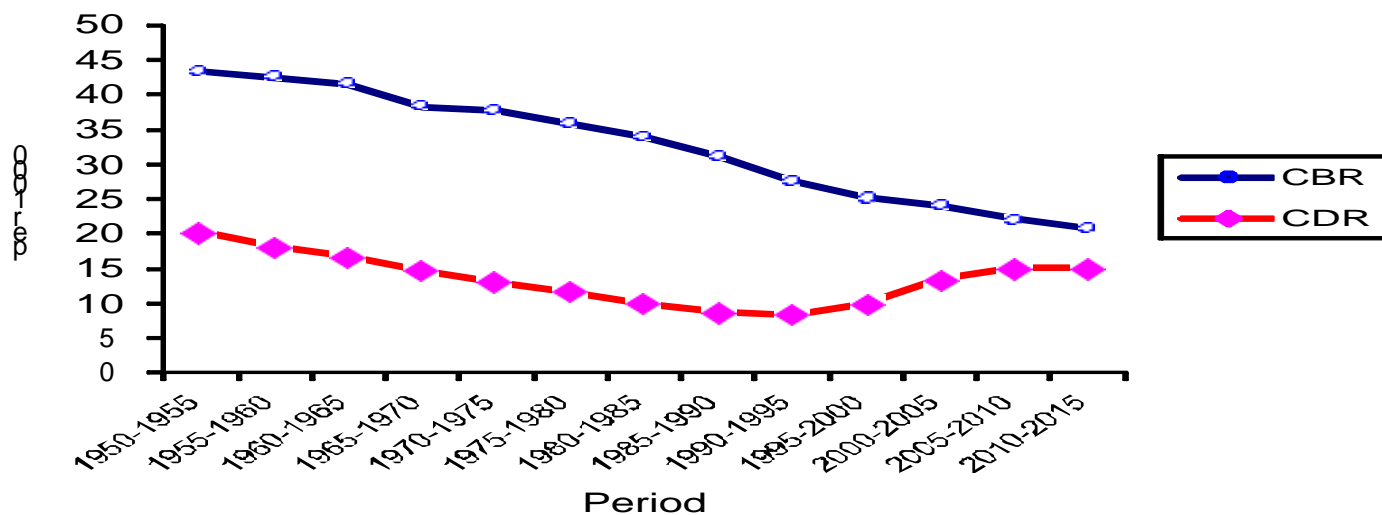
	Ratio		
	All*	Youth**	Old age***
1960	81	74	7
1970	84	77	6
1980	81	75	6
1990	73	67	6
2000	56	49	6
2009	54	47	7

* $(\text{pop } 0-14 + \text{pop } 65+)/\text{pop } 15-64 * 100$

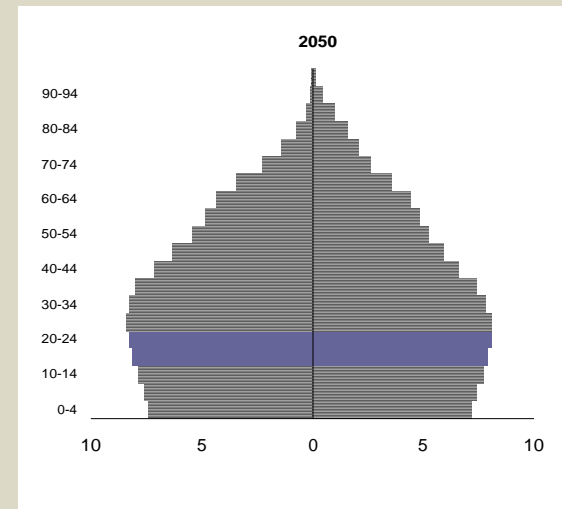
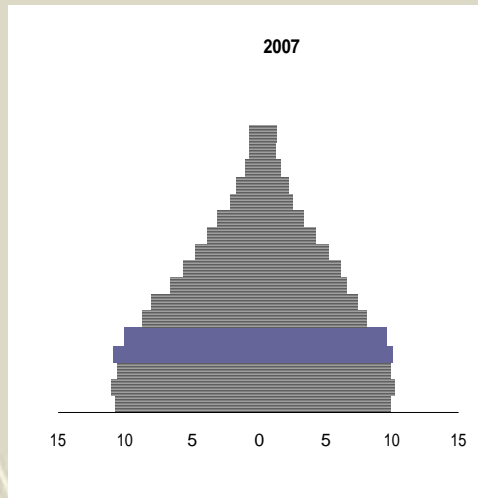
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Figure 7. Trend in crude birth and death rates, South Africa 1950-2010



Population Projection 2007-2050



**Thank you!
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Ngiyabonga!**



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