



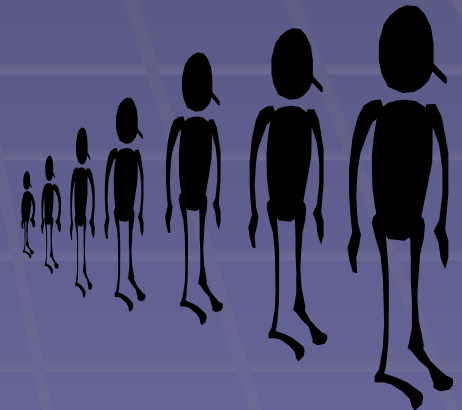
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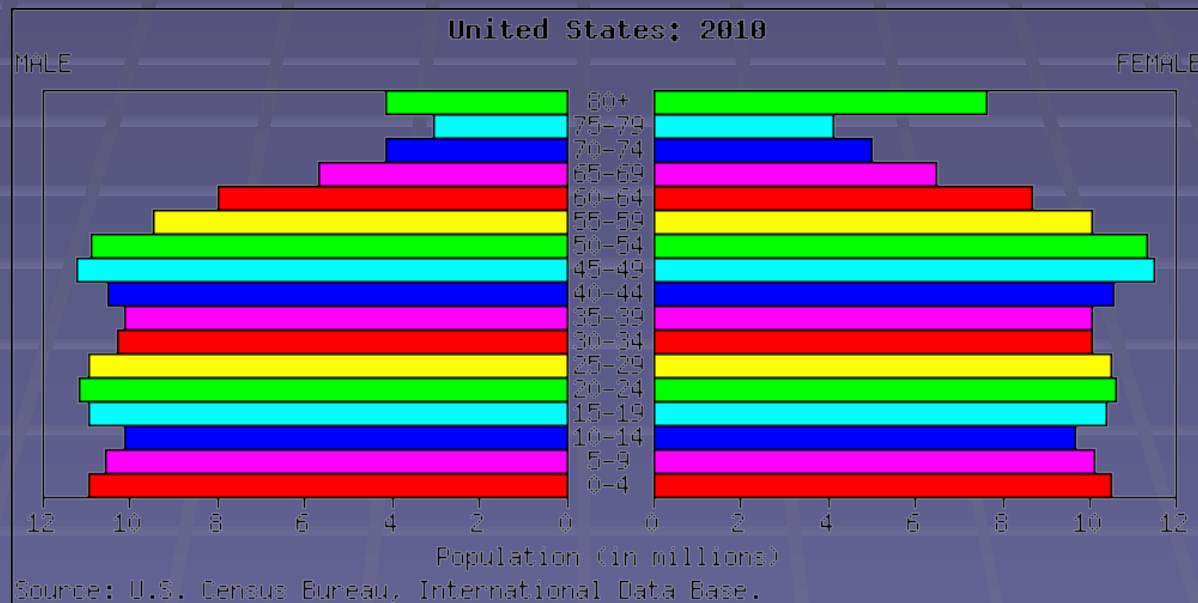
Population Geography

- Population Geography studies aspects of population such as birth and death rates, population distribution, and population density.
- Birthrate is the number of births per thousand people
- Mortality Rate (also called *Death Rate*) is the number of deaths per thousand people
- Population Density is the average number of people per square mile
- Carrying Capacity is the number of organisms a piece of land can support



Population Pyramid

- A Population Pyramid is a graphic device that shows gender and age distribution of a population



Political Geography



- state is a political term used to describe an independent unit that occupies a specific territory and has full control of its internal and external affairs
- Nation refers to a group of people with a common culture living in a territory and having a strong sense of unity
- Both the terms *state* and *nation* can be used to describe a country.

Landlocked Countries

- A *Landlocked* country is one surrounded by other land, with no direct outlet to the sea.
- Landlocked countries must find ways to build connections to the rest of the world to get goods/people in and out of the country.
- Can you name the landlocked countries in the map to the right?





Types of Government

- Democracy- Citizens hold political power, either directly or through elected representatives (ex: the United States)
- Monarchy- A ruling family headed by a king or queen holds political power and may or may not share the power with citizen bodies (ex: United Kingdom)
- Dictatorship- An individual or group holds complete political power. (ex: North Korea)
- Communism- A type of government and economic system in which nearly all political power and means of production are held by the government in the name of all people. (ex: China)



Urban Geography

- Urban Geography is the study of how people use space in cities.
- Suburbs are political units touching the borders of the central city (they are within commuting distance from the city).
- Exurbs: a region or settlement that lies outside a city and usually beyond its suburbs and that often is inhabited chiefly by well-to-do families
- The city, its suburbs, and exurbs link together economically to form a functional area called a metropolitan area.
- The dramatic rise in the number of cities and the changes in lifestyle that result is called urbanization.
- The commercial core of a city is called the Central Business District (CBD). The CBD is in the center of the city and is the key area for business and commercial activity (ex: downtown Atlanta)



Economic Geography

- An *economy* consists of the production and exchange of goods and services among a group of people.

 - There are 4 types of economic systems:
 - 1) Traditional Economy
 - 2) Command Economy
 - 3) Mixed Economy
 - 4) Market Economy
- This is the type of economic system found in the United States, where production of goods and services is determined by the demand from the consumers.

