

We the people

- Total world population _____ billion
- Birth rate _____ births per 1,000 population
- Death rate _____ deaths per 1,000 population
- Rate of natural increase (birth rate-death rate) _____ % (doubling time: _____ years)
- Total fertility rate _____ lifetime births per woman
- Percent of population below age 15 years _____ %
- Percent of population age 65+ _____ %
- Life expectancy (total) _____ years
- Percent urban _____ %
- Percent of "married" women using modern contraception _____ %
- Population per square mile _____

Population growth – an epidemic of homo sapiens

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Pre-historic times | < 10 million | hunter-gathers |
| 8,000 B.C. | 10 million | beginning of agriculture |
| 1650 A.D. | 500 million | Rennaisance, agricultural revolution, European colonialism |
| 1800 | 1 billion | industrial revolution, vaccination |
| 1930 | 2 billion | sanitation and public health, mass transit, mass production, mass media, |
| 1975 | 4 billion | Public health for the developing world, Green Revolution, population movement |
| 2000 | 6 billion | Information Age, computers & the Internet, biotechnology, globalism |
| 2050 | 9 billion | Gene modification? |

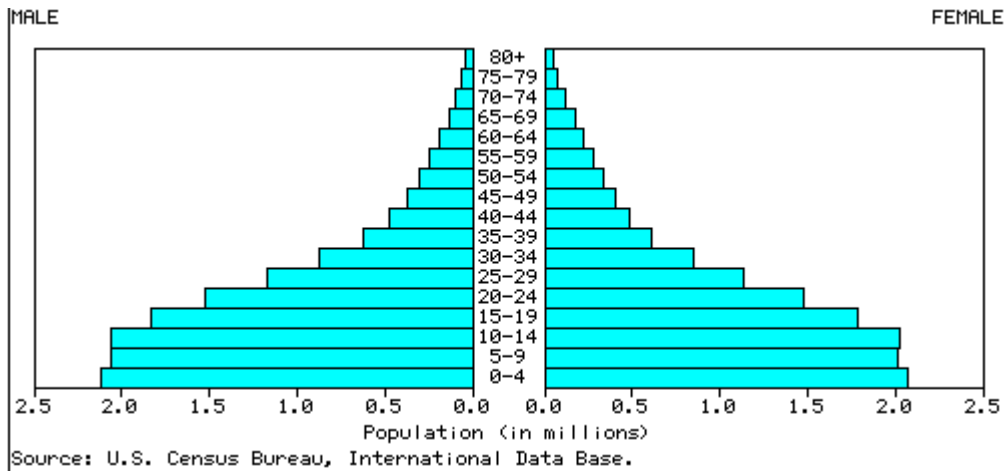
World Population in mid-2000 (millions) and growth rate, by region

| <u>Region</u> | <u>Population</u> | <u>Doubling time</u> |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|
| Asia | 3,684 | 48 yrs |
| South Central Asia – India, Bangladesh | 1,475 | 37 |
| East Asia – China, Japan, Korea | 1,493 | 85 |
| Africa | 800 | 29 yrs |
| Europe | 728 | - yrs |
| Latin America & Caribbean | 490 | 39 yrs |
| North America | 345 | 124 yrs |
| Oceania (Australia, NZ, & Pacific) | 31 | 65 yrs |
| | _____ | _____ |
| World | 6,067 | 51 yrs |

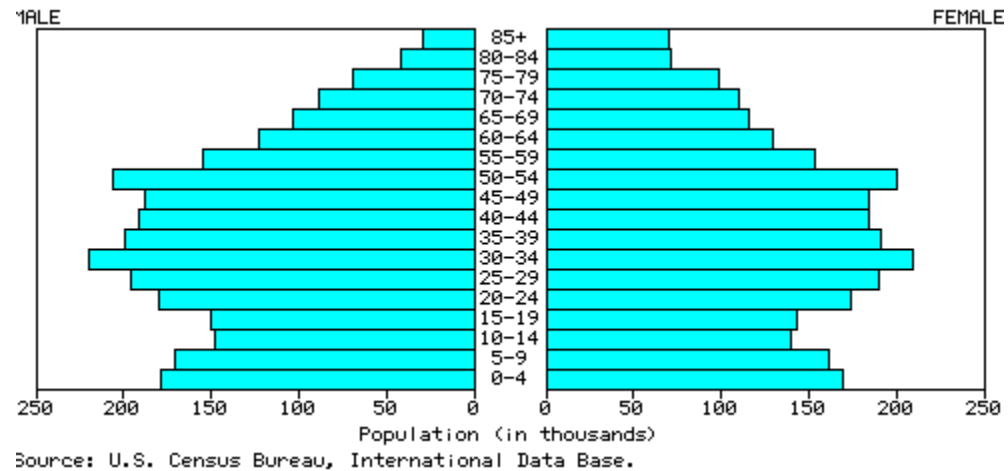
- 96% of world population growth takes place in the developing world.

Population growth and age structure

- Population growth → younger population → fertility ↑, mortality ↓
- Reduced population growth → aging population → fertility ↓, mortality ↑
- % of persons 60 years and older will grow from about 9% to 13-17%



Kenya, 1998



Denmark, 1998

- Average age of the world's population is projected to increase from 28 yrs to 31-35 yrs
- % of persons 60 years and older will grow from about 9% to 13-17%
- 2030 projection: 5% in sub-Saharan Africa, 20% in China, 30% in Western Europe

Influence of population age composition

When the baby boom cohort retires

| | <u>1995</u> | <u>2030</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Retired population (%) | 12 | 20 |
| Workers per retired person | 3.4 | 2.0 |
| Combined Social Security and Medicare tax rate per worker (including employer's share) | 15% | 28% |

(Source: Who will pay for your retirement? The looming crisis. Center for Economic Development, NY, NY. Summarized in TIAA-CREF quarterly newsletter *The Participant*, November 1995: 3-5.)

Sex composition

- Sex ratio: the number of males per 100 females
- Affected by war, migration, cultural preferences, differential mortality rates, incarceration
- Birth rate changes with the tendency for women to marry older men can produce an imbalanced sex ratio for potential mates
- Societal treatment of women is a key factor in birth rates and sex ratios

Racial, ethnic, and religious composition

- "Race" (a social/political classification generally based on physical characteristics) is a force in society though not a meaningful biological construct, ethnicity (generally defined in relation to cultural characteristics), and religion are related to beliefs, values, practices, and societal treatment. Conflicts related to race, ethnicity, and religion have been a major phenomenon throughout the world and throughout history.

Birth rate, fertility rate, and fecundity

- **Birth rate** – births during a stated period divided by population size (per 1,000)

$$\text{Birth rate} = \frac{\text{Births during year}}{\text{Mid-year population}} \times 1,000$$

- **Fertility rate** – births during a stated period divided by population size (per 1,000)

$$\text{Fertility rate} = \frac{\text{Births during year}}{\text{Women of reproductive age (mid-year estimate)}} \times 1,000$$

- **Fecundity** – biological ability to have children

Total fertility rate (TFR)

- Summarizes age specific fertility rates by projecting their implications for a hypothetical cohort of women during their fecund years

| <u>Age</u> | <u>Births</u> | |
|------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 15 | 110 | |
| 16 | 110 | |
| 17 | 110 | (average annual fertility |
| 18 | 110 | from ages 15-19 = 110/1000) |
| 19 | 110 | |
| 20 | 180 | |
| 21 | 180 | |
| 22 | 180 | (average annual fertility |
| ... | | from ages 20-29 = 180/1000) |
| 29 | 180 | |
| 30 | 80 | |
| 31 | 80 | (average annual fertility |
| ... | | from ages 30-45 = 80/1000) |
| 44 | 80 | |
| 45 | 80 | |
| | 3,630 | 3.6 children / woman |

(This TFR could also be calculated more compactly as:

$$110 \times 5 + 180 \times 10 + 80 \times 16 = 3,630)$$

Death rates

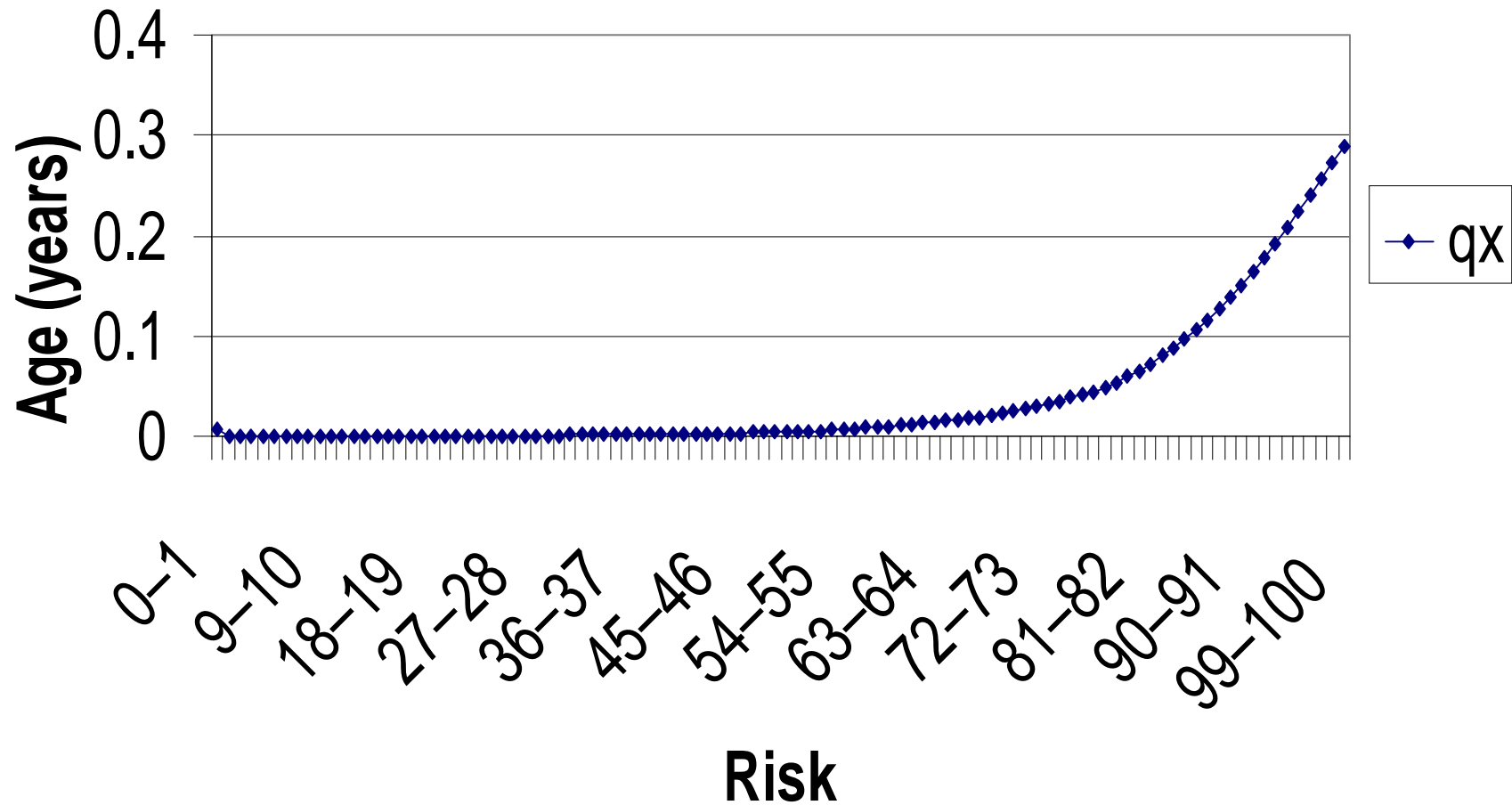
- **Death rate** – deaths during a stated period divided by population size

$$\text{Death rate} = \frac{\text{Deaths during year}}{\text{Mid-year population}} \times 1,000$$

- Average over several years if need more precision
- Use midyear population if growing (declining) steadily

$$\text{5-year average death rate} = \frac{\text{Deaths during 5 years}}{\text{Mid-year population in 3rd year}} \times 1,000$$

Risk of death by year of age, US, 1997



Life expectancy

- Demographic summary measures versus predictions: if death rates continue to decline, most of us will live beyond our life expectancy.
- Younger cohorts are healthier than past cohorts?

Excerpt from a column prepared by the Social Security Administration and distributed by Knight Ridder / Tribune News Service (*Chapel Hill Herald*, June 28, 1998: 7):

Q. I heard that the Social Security retirement age is increasing. Is this true and if so, why?

A. Yes, it's true. When Social Security was just getting started back in 1935, the average American's life expectancy was just under age 60. Today it's more than 25 percent longer at just over 76. That means workers have more time for retirement, and more time to collect Social Security. And that's why Social Security's retirement age is gradually changing ... to keep pace with increases in longevity. A worker retiring today still needs to be age 65 to collect full benefits, but by 2027, workers will have to be age 67 for full retirement benefits.

Life expectancy and the current life table

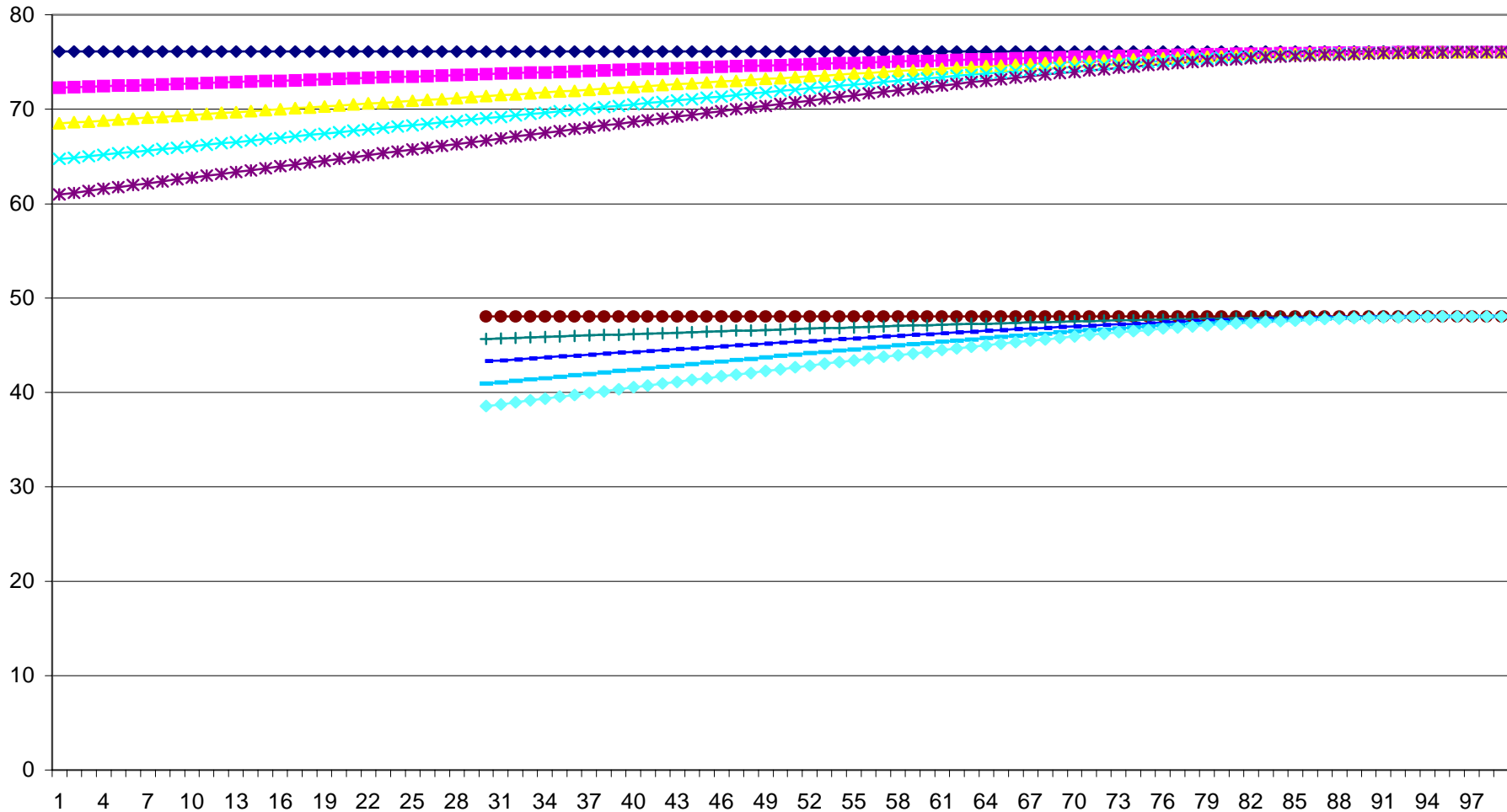
Excerpt from the U.S. 1993 abridged life table (total population)

| Age interval (years) | Risk of death | Number still alive | Deaths |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|
| $x - x+n$ | ${}_nQ_x$ | l_x | ${}_nD_x$ |
| (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) |
| ≤ 1 yr | .00835 | 100,000 | 835 |
| 1-5 | .00177 | 99,165 | 176 |
| 5-10 | .00106 | 98,989 | 105 |
| 10-15 | .00126 | 98,884 | 125 |
| 15-20 | .00431 | 98,759 | 426 |
| 20-25 | .00545 | 98,333 | 536 |
| 25-30 | .00612 | 97,797 | 599 |
| 30-35 | .00797 | 97,198 | 775 |
| 35-40 | .01031 | 96,423 | 994 |
| 40-45 | .01343 | 95,429 | 1,282 |
| 45-50 | .01842 | 94,147 | 1,734 |
| 50-55 | .02808 | 92,413 | 2,595 |
| 55-60 | .04421 | 89,818 | 3,971 |
| 60-65 | .06875 | 85,847 | 5,902 |
| 65-70 | .10148 | 79,945 | 8,113 |
| 70-75 | .14838 | 71,832 | 10,658 |
| 75-80 | .21698 | 61,174 | 13,274 |
| 80-85 | .32300 | 47,900 | 15,472 |
| ≥ 85 yr | 1.00000 | 32,428 | 32,428 |

(Source: National Center for Health Statistics)

| Age Interval (years) | Risk of death | Number still alive | Deaths | Years lived | Years remaining | Life expectancy |
|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| $x-x+n$ | ${}_nQ_x$ | l_x | ${}_nD_x$ | ${}_nL_x$ | T_x | |
| (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E) | (F) | (G) |
| <= 1 yr | .00835 | 100,000 | 835 | 99,290 | 7,553,897 | 75.5 |
| 1-5 | .00177 | 99,165 | 176 | 396,248 | 7,454,607 | 75.2 |
| 5-10 | .00106 | 98,989 | 105 | 494,659 | 7,058,359 | 71.3 |
| 10-15 | .00126 | 98,884 | 125 | 494,177 | 6,563,700 | 66.4 |
| 15-20 | .00431 | 98,759 | 426 | 492,829 | 6,069,523 | 61.5 |
| 20-25 | .00545 | 98,333 | 536 | 490,352 | 5,576,694 | 56.7 |
| 25-30 | .00612 | 97,797 | 599 | 487,486 | 5,086,342 | 52.0 |
| 30-35 | .00797 | 97,198 | 775 | 484,098 | 4,598,856 | 47.3 |
| 35-40 | .01031 | 96,423 | 994 | 479,771 | 4,114,758 | 42.7 |
| 40-45 | .01343 | 95,429 | 1,282 | 474,168 | 3,634,987 | 38.1 |
| 45-50 | .01842 | 94,147 | 1,734 | 466,717 | 3,160,819 | 33.6 |
| 50-55 | .02808 | 92,413 | 2,595 | 455,985 | 2,694,102 | 29.2 |
| 55-60 | .04421 | 89,818 | 3,971 | 439,733 | 2,238,117 | 24.9 |
| 60-65 | .06875 | 85,847 | 5,902 | 415,279 | 1,798,384 | 20.9 |
| 65-70 | .10148 | 79,945 | 8,113 | 380,318 | 1,383,105 | 17.3 |
| 70-75 | .14838 | 71,832 | 10,658 | 333,442 | 1,002,787 | 14.0 |
| 75-80 | .21698 | 61,174 | 13,274 | 273,494 | 669,345 | 10.9 |
| 80-85 | .32300 | 47,900 | 15,472 | 201,029 | 395,851 | 8.3 |
| >= 85 | 1.00000 | 32,428 | 32,428 | 194,822 | 194,822 | 6.0 |

Effect on life expectancy at age 1 and age 30 from an increase in risk of death of 5%, 10%, 15%, or 20% at any year of age



Cohort life tables

- In contrast to a current life table, a cohort life table displays the mortality experience of a population as it has actually occurred.
- Cohort life tables are the basis for survivorship analysis, an important technique for analyzing the effects of exposures or interventions.

Cohort effects

Age-period-cohort analysis of mean serum cholesterol (mg/dL, hypothetical data)

| 60-69 | 200 ^A | 210 ^B | 235 ^C | 240 ^D | <u>230</u> ^E |
|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 50-59 | 205 ^B | 230 ^C | 235 ^D | <u>225</u> ^E | 215 ^F |
| 40-49 | 240 ^C | 230 ^D | <u>220</u> ^E | 210 ^F | 200 ^G |
| 30-39 | 225 ^D | <u>215</u> ^E | 205 ^F | 195 ^G | 185 ^H |
| 20-29 | <u>210</u> ^E | 200 ^F | 190 ^G | 180 ^H | 170 ^I |
| | 1950-59 | 1960-69 | 1970-79 | 1980-89 | 1990-96 |

Birth cohorts:

| | | |
|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| A - 1890-1899 | D - 1920-1929 | G - 1950-1959 |
| B - 1900-1909 | E - 1930-1939 (underlined) | H - 1960-1969 |
| C - 1910-1919 | F - 1940-1949 | I - 1970-1979 |