

Chapter 2 Review Questions

1. What are the worldwide trends in population growth and decline?
2. What are the regions where the world's populations are clustered? Rank them according to the largest populations in each. What are the most populous countries in each of these regions?
3. What is the most populous country in the world?
4. What is the current annual increase rate of population?
5. Which climates do most people live in, and which do they avoid? Why?
6. What are the 3 measures of density? What do each mean?
7. What are the measures of population growth and decline? How do these measures compare between MDCs and LDCs?
8. What factors have most directly contributed to the rapid population growth over the past 200 years? How are these factors different today?
9. Where do you find the highest NIR? CBR? Etc?
10. What is the medical revolution? What impact has the medical revolution had on LDCs?
11. What is the demographic transition? What is happening to the population in each phase?
12. What is overpopulation? What prominent theories claim that the world is or has been overpopulated?
13. What are population pyramids? What does the shape of a population pyramid tell about a society?
14. What is the dependency rate?