

TOPIC 3.9

Demographic Transition

SUGGESTED SKILL

 *Concept Explanation*

1.C

Explain environmental concepts, processes, or models in applied contexts.



AVAILABLE RESOURCES

- Classroom Resource > [AP Environmental Science Teacher's Guide](#)

Required Course Content

ENDURING UNDERSTANDING

EIN-1

Human populations change in reaction to a variety of factors, including social and cultural factors.

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

EIN-1.D

Define the demographic transition.

ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE

EIN-1.D.1

The demographic transition refers to the transition from high to lower birth and death rates in a country or region as development occurs and that country moves from a pre-industrial to an industrialized economic system. This transition is typically demonstrated through a four-stage demographic transition model (DTM).

EIN-1.D.2

Characteristics of developing countries include higher infant mortality rates and more children in the workforce than developed countries.