# Notes 2.11 -Population Pyramids



Rwanda ▾
2019

Population 12,626,938

Male                    Female
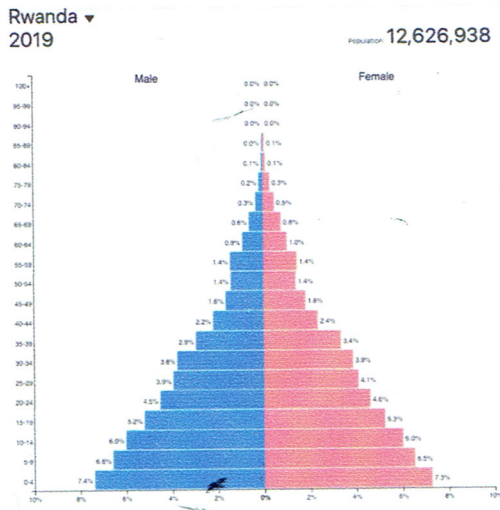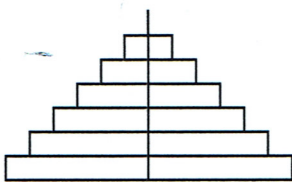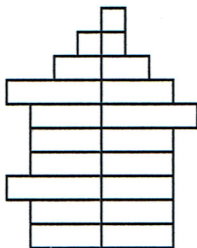
Population pyramids group humans in a population by **age groups**, with the youngest on bottom and oldest on top.

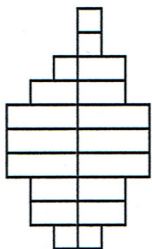The also divide people by **gender**, male and female.

The shape of the population pyramid can reveal the **type of growth** in a country.



**Rapid Growth** - lots of young people, not as many older people. Hard for government to help so many.



**Slow Growth** - more evenly distributed age groups. This is the most desirable pattern for economic growth and social stability.



**Negative Growth** - too few young people to support older age groups. This creates real problems for social safety nets and the economy.