

Population rates

How fast has population increased over human history?
What will help slow the rate of increase?

Materials

- Computer and internet access

Instructions

1. Go to World Population History at worldpopulationhistory.org/map/2050/mercator/1/0/25/
2. Click on *Watch the video*
3. Click on *Back to map* (upper right corner) to fill in the chart.

Human population	Year	Years to next billion/double
1 billion		
2 billion		
3 billion		
4 billion		
5 billion		
6 billion		
7 billion		

4. Graph the results on a graphing app or on graph paper.
5. What reasons can you give for the decreasing time between billions?

Reflection

What factors must be considered to project future growth?