


# PowerPoint slides – 1c Population distribution and density

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## Population distribution and density


Topic 1 - Population Growth

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## Population distribution

- Pattern of where people live
- Sparsely populated = few people
- Densely populated = many people





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## Population distribution

- Sparsely populated - more hostile environments
- Densely populated - more habitable environments



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## Population distribution

- World population distribution uneven

Activity / Mahi

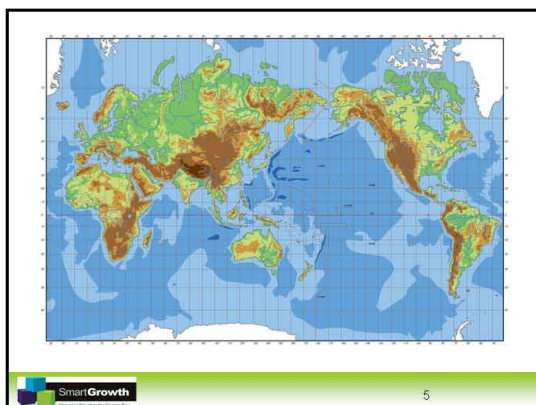
Identify three parts of the world:

- sparsely populated
- densely populated




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Question / Pātai:

- Reasons for dense and sparse population?




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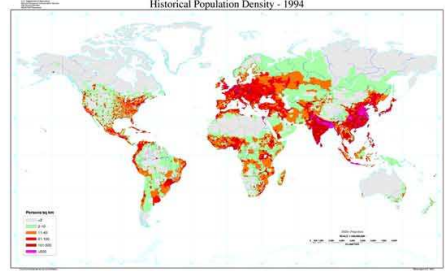
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**Question / Pātai:** 

- Why do you think some of these places are sparsely or densely populated?


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**Global Population Distribution**



Historical Population Density - 1994

Source: US Department of Agriculture - <http://soils.usda.gov/water/soilsmain/popden.html>

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**Population density**

- measurement of number of people living in an area
- calculated by dividing the number of people by area
- shown as the number of people per square kilometre


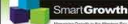



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**Western Bay of Plenty Sub-region**




**Includes:**



- Western Bay of Plenty District Council
- Tauranga City Council
- Coastal Marine Area
- Total land area 2289km<sup>2</sup>
- Population 2001 130,000

**Activity / Mahi** 

- Calculate sub-region's population density

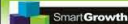
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**Factors affecting population density**






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- Physical factors
- Human factors


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**Physical factors: relief**





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- Mountainous land - sparsely populated
- Flat land - higher density populations

**Question / Pātai** 

- Examples of flat land, steep land in sub-region?
- How dense / sparse is the population?



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## Physical factors: resources

- Water, fertile soil, fish, wood, coal, oil....

**Question / Pātai**

- What physical resources are there? Is population density reflected in resource distribution?



Texture of Snapper - Photo © Indigo Pacific

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## Physical factors: climate

Climate:

- Temperate climates - more densely populated than extreme climates

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## Human factors

- **Political** factors – government stability
- **Social** factors - desire of people to live close to one another / whānau / whānau
- **Economic** factors - job opportunities

**Question / Pātai**

- What human factors make the sub-region a good place to live?




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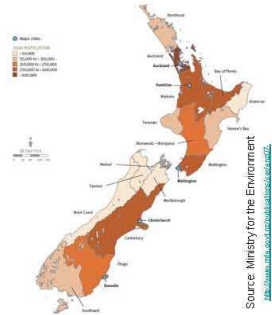
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## Population Distribution

**Activity / Mahi**

Complete:

1. Identify sparse / dense population
2. Physical characteristics that may contribute
3. Human characteristics that may contribute
4. Share answers



Source: Ministry for the Environment  
<http://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/2008/08/2008-population-density-map/>

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## Your place

- Visit Google Earth, look at your district or town

**Activity / Mahi**

- In groups:
  1. Identify two areas with sparse / dense populations
  2. List physical characteristics that may contribute
  3. List human characteristics that may contribute
  4. Share your answers

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## Western BOP sub-region

- Includes Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty District
- Look at the slides and complete the activity slide

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# Tauranga City population distribution

Table 14. Population Distribution in Tauranga City

Development Type	Area	2006 Census Usualy Resident Population	% Population Distribution	Estimated Additional Population Distribution (March 06 – June 09) <sup>1</sup>	% Population Distribution (March 06 – June 09)
Infill	Coastal Strip	18156	17.5%	604	8.4%
	Tauranga	53229	51.4%	1234	17.2%
	Pyes Pa	2043	2.8%	1397	19.4%
Greenfield	Welcome Bay	3033	2.9%	554	7.7%
	Ohauiti	2307	2.2%	491	6.8%
	Bethlehem	5907	5.4%	855	11.9%
International	Papamoa	17124	16.5%	1652	23.0%
	Mt Maunganui North	1167	1.1%	399	5.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>103566<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7185</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Estimated Additional population is calculated by multiplying new dwellings completed (derived from code of compliance issued) by a ratio of 2.18. The ratio is derived by dividing resident population increase by total dwelling increase between 2001 and 2006 Census (i.e. 12723 divided by 5823). It is indicative only as occupancy rates vary across the Tauranga City.

<sup>2</sup> This figure does not include counts for 'Tauranga City-Mairangi' and 'Infill-Tauranga Harbour' Census area units (60 and 5 people respectively at 2006 Census).

Source: SmartGrowth Development Trends Report 2009, for 2008 to 2009 prepared by Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty District Councils.

# WBOP District population distribution

Table 15. Population Distribution in the Western Bay of Plenty District

Development Type	Area	2006 Census Usualy Resident Population	% Population Distribution
Infill	Wahi Beach	2452	5.8%
	Kaitiaki	3726	8.9%
	Omokoroa	1788	4.3%
	Ta Puia	6511	15.1%
	Other Urban Areas	3007	7.3%
Greenfield	Wahi Beach Stage 1	143	0.3%
	Kaitiaki Stage 1	29	0.1%
	Omokoroa Stage 1	165	0.4%
Rural Areas	Ta Puia Stage 1	67	0.2%
	Wahi Beach & Kaitiaki Wards	4529	10.8%
	Ta Puna/Minden	6556	15.6%
	Kaimi/Ohauiti/Ngawaka	6428	15.3%
	Mairangi & Ta Puna Wards	6635	15.8%
<b>Total</b>		<b>41918<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> The District total is less than recorded by the 2006 Census due to the population of one meadowbank in Pyes Pa West Greenfield being excluded. This area is considered part of Tauranga City's Greenfield areas.

Source: SmartGrowth Development Trends Report 2009, for 2008 to 2009 prepared by Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty District Councils.

## Activity/ Mahi:

- Look at each table on the last two slides
- What do they tell you about:

- Population distribution
- Growth
- Residential housing



## True / False Quiz

- Densely populated places contain many people.
- The world's population distribution is even. (What would have to happen to make this statement true?)
- Areas rich in resources tend to be more densely populated.
- Human factors affecting population density: political, climate and economic.
- Total land area of Western Bay of Plenty sub-region is 2,289km<sup>2</sup>.