
Source: China Statistical Yearbook (various years), Beijing

1) What is the Title of this graph?  

2) What information can be found on the x-axis?  

3) Why are there two y-axes on this graph?  

4) According to the legend, which line represents Total Population?  

5) What was China’s population in 1949?  

6) According to the legend, which line represents Crude Birth Rate?

7) What was China’s Crude Birth Rate (CBR) in 1949?

8) According to the legend, which line represents Crude Death Rate?

9) What was China’s Crude Death Rate (CDR) in 1949?

10) During what year was China’s CDR greater than its CBR?

11) Hypothesize or give a rational explanation for why this occurred:

12) During what year did China’s CBR reach its highest peak?

13) A Chinese citizen born in this peak year would be how old TODAY?

14) What happened to China’s CDR from 1970 to 1996?

Hypothesize or give a rational explanation for why this occurred:

15) Looking at the graph, how would you describe China’s overall trend in population growth?