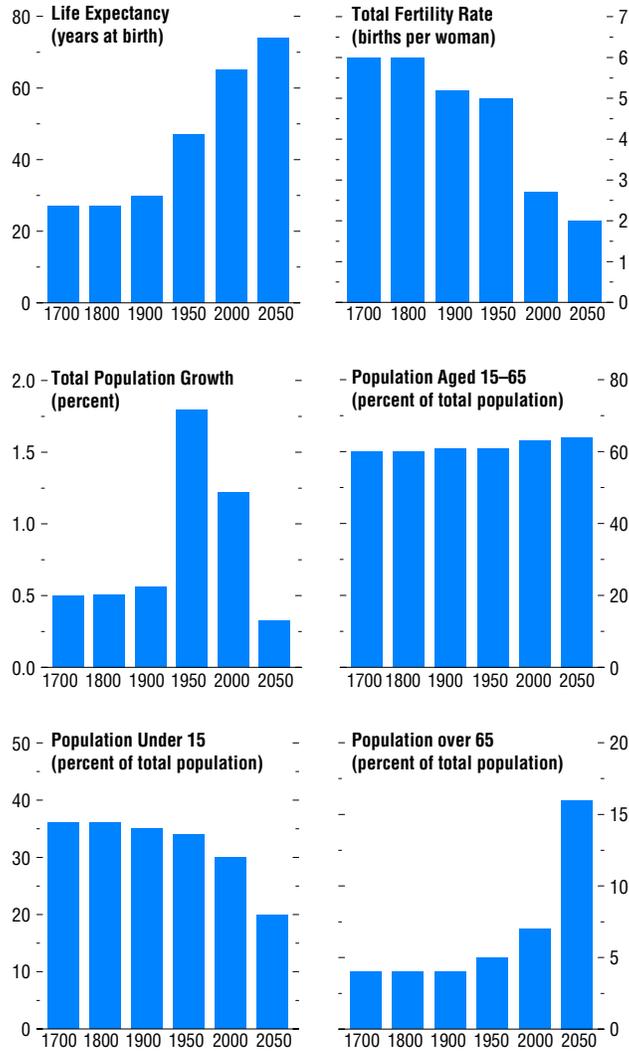


Figure 3.1. Global Demographic Transition, 1700–2050

Current demographic changes are unprecedented. After remaining broadly unchanged for centuries, the age structure of the world's population is now changing dramatically. Population growth is also slowing, following rapid growth in the second half of the twentieth century.



Source: Lee (2003).