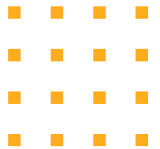
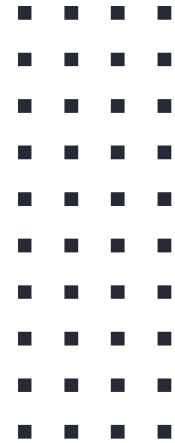




2.7 Population Policies



Objective and Essential Learning

2.7 Explain the intent and effects of various population and immigration policies on population size and composition.

- **Types of population policies include those that promote or discourage population growth, such as pronatalist, antinatalist, and immigration policies.**



Pro-Natalist Population Policies

Pro-Natalist Population Policies: Government programs designed to increase the fertility rate and accelerate population growth.

- Also referred to as “expansive” population policies
- Why? Concerns about...
 - Aging population
 - Declining population
 - Labor force
- Where? Stage 4 and Stage 5 countries



Pro-Natalist Population Methods/Examples

Methods

1. Propaganda -> Ethnic and national pride, anti-immigration



Current Day Singapore

IT'S MARVELLOUS WHAT
THE MOONLIGHT CAN DO



France, 1920s

СЛАВА МАТЕРИ ГЕРОИНЕ!



"Glory to the Mother-Heroine!" Propaganda poster on a Soviet mother's duty to the state. (1944)

Order of Maternal Glory (Soviet Union)

3rd Class



7 children - 2,000,000 awarded

2nd Class



8 children - 1,000,000 awarded

1st Class



9 children - 500,000 awarded

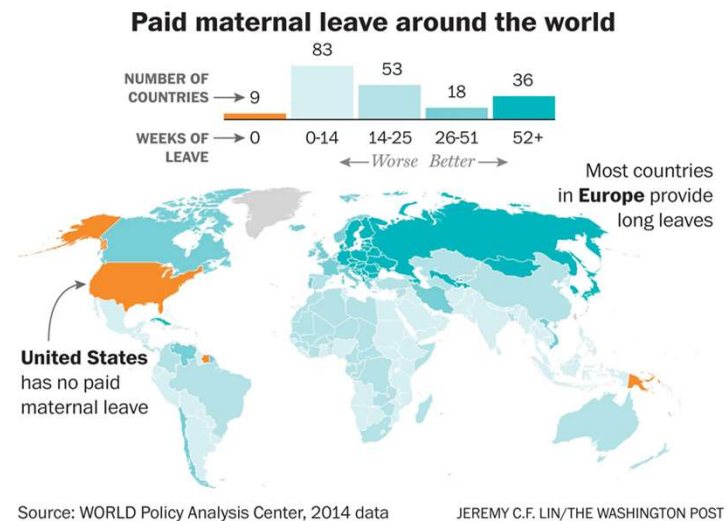
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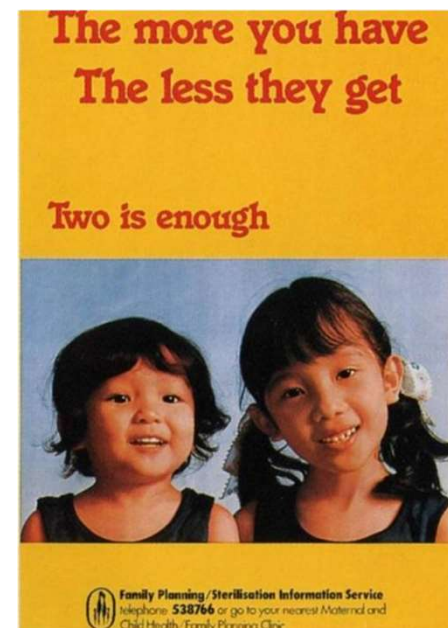
2. Financial Support

- Free/subsidized child care
- Lengthy & paid maternity & paternity leave
- Free educational opportunities
- Tax breaks for children
- Housing subsidies
- Free/inexpensive access to healthcare
- Subsidize the cost of everyday childcare items: diapers, wipes, formula.



Anti-Natalist Population Policies

- **Anti-Natalist Population Policies: Government programs designed to decrease the fertility rate and slow down population growth.**
 - Also referred to as “restrictive” population policies
- **Why? Concerns about...**
 - Overpopulation & rapid growth
 - Limited resources & infrastructure
 - Reduce the risk of famine
- **Where? Stage 2 countries**



Singapore, 1972-1987

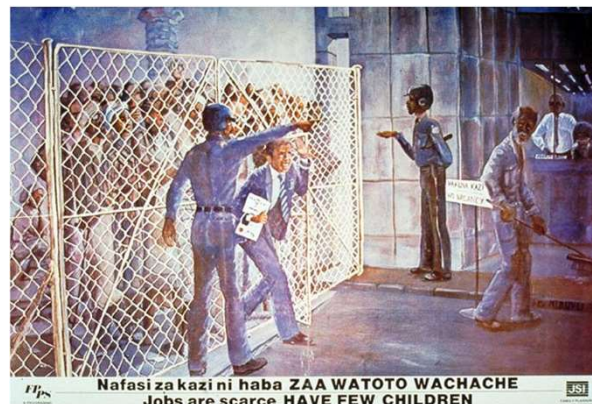
Anti-Natalist Population Methods/Examples

1. Propaganda

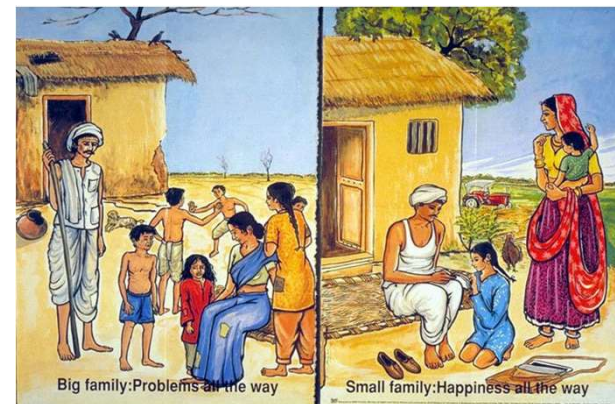
- a. Economic fears, smaller families are more prosperous
- b. Encourage later marriage, less children, acceptance of girls



It is better to marry and have children later in life. China



Kenya, 1992



A 1992 poster from the India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

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Anti-Natalist Population Methods/Examples

2. Financial Disincentives & Incentives

- a. Fines & taxes per child
 - i. Sometimes 10-20% of income, sometimes higher
- b. Prizes & rewards: Discounts on childcare, cash bonuses, preferential housing, loans, cars etc.

India: Rajasthan in 'cars for sterilisation' drive

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Couples are being urged to opt for Tata Nanos rather than babies

Health officials in the Indian state of Rajasthan are launching a new campaign in an effort to reduce the high population growth in the area.

They are encouraging men and women to volunteer for sterilisation, and in return are offering a car and other prizes for those who come forward.

Anti-Natalist Population Methods/Examples

3. Family Planning & Contraception

a. Family Planning Education - free community health programs

- i. Access to low-cost or free contraceptives
- ii. Legalization of abortion (low-cost or free; in some cases mandatory)

b. Sterilization Campaigns

- i. Medical methods of birth control that intentionally leaves a person unable to reproduce. Sterilization methods include both surgical and non-surgical, and exist for both males and females.

	Induced abortions ¹⁾	Live births ¹⁾	Ratio
1976	475	1853	0.26
1978	539	1745	0.31
1980	953	1779	0.54
1982	1242	2238	0.56
1984	889	2055	0.43
1986	1158	2384	0.49
1988	1268	2457	0.52
1990	1349	2391	0.56
1992	1042	1759	0.59
1994	947	2104	0.45
1996	883	2067	0.43
1998	738	1991	0.37

¹⁾ in 10 000 [Illegal births and legal abortions - the case of China](#)
 Source: Ref. 40.

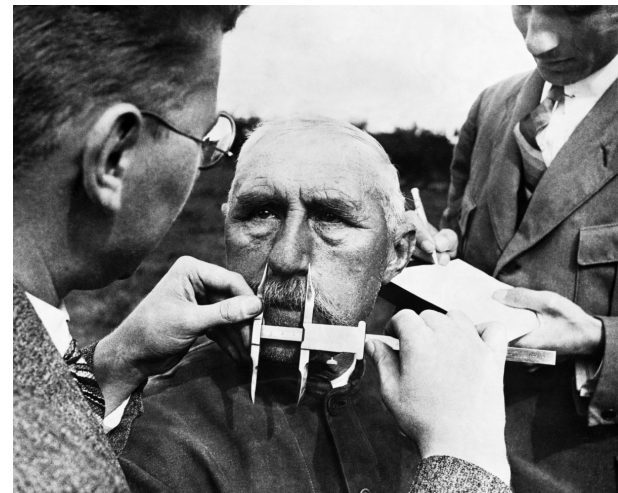
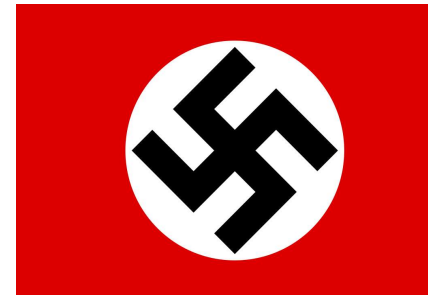
Unintended Consequences - Anti-Natalist Policies

- Forced sterilization & abortions
- Abandonment of babies
- Sex-selective abortions favoring boys over girls.
- Skewed sex ratios which impacts future marriage and reproduction.



Eugenic Population Policy

- Devoted to improving the human race through heredity by controlling who has children with whom
- Example: Nazi Germany



Video Link (stop at 3:07)

- <https://www.pbs.org/video/eugenics-crusade-chapter-1-ctzjje/>