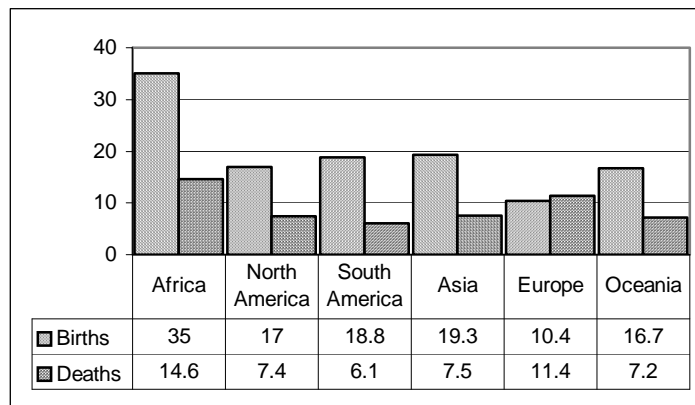


City Planning

City Planning, the unified development of cities and their environs. For most of its history, city planning dealt primarily with the regulation of land use and the physical arrangement of city structures as guided by architectural, engineering, and land-development criteria. In the mid-20th century it broadened to include the comprehensive guidance of the physical, economic, and social environment of a community. Elements characteristic of city planning include (1) general plans that summarize the objectives of (and restraints on) land development; (2) zoning and subdivision controls that specify permissible land uses, densities, and requirements for streets, utility services, and other improvements; (3) plans for traffic flow and public transportation; (4) strategies for economic revitalization of depressed urban and rural areas; (5) strategies for supportive action to help disadvantaged social groups; and (6) guidelines for environmental protection.

MODERN CITY PLANNING

City planning in the U.S. and other countries broadened in the late 1960s beyond a purely physical orientation. In its modern form, city planning is an ongoing process that concerns not only



Population changes that will affect the need for and size of cities in the future.

physical design but also social, economic, and political policy issues. As a fabric of human organization, a city is a complex weave. On one level it consists of the arrangement of neighbourhoods, industry, and commerce according to aesthetic and functional standards and the provision of public services for them. On another, perhaps more important, level it also comprises

- the background, education, work, and aspirations of its residents;
- the general functioning of the economic system to which they belong, as well as their positions in and rewards from that system; and
- their ability to make or influence the policy decisions that affect their daily lives.

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Aerial view of Central Athens & the Mohenjo-Daro Ruins

The ruins of the ancient city Mohenjo-Daro are found in the province of Sind, southern Pakistan. Dating to 2500 bc, the ruins are an important source of information about the Indus Valley civilization, which was one of the world's first great civilizations.