

POPULATION SIZE AND AGE-STRUCTURE, 1995-2005
(million persons)

	1995	%	2000 ¹	%	2005	%	Average Annual Growth Rate (%)	
							7MP	8MP
Total Population	20.68		23.27		26.04		2.4	2.3
Citizens	19.68	100.0	22.04	100.0	24.66	100.0	2.3	2.3
Bumiputera	12.47	63.3	14.56	66.1	16.59	67.3	3.2	2.6
Chinese	5.22	26.5	5.58	25.3	6.04	24.5	1.4	1.6
Indian	1.49	7.6	1.63	7.4	1.78	7.2	1.8	1.8
Others	0.50	2.6	0.27	1.2	0.25	1.0	-12.7	-1.1
Non-citizens	1.00		1.23		1.38		4.3	2.4
Age-Structure								
0-14	7.25	35.0	7.71	33.1	8.15	31.3	1.2	1.1
15-64	12.71	61.5	14.62	62.9	16.77	64.4	2.8	2.8
65 and above	0.72	3.5	0.94	4.0	1.12	4.3	5.3	3.6
Dependency Ratio (%)	62.7		59.1		55.3			
Median Age (years)	22.8		23.9		25.3			

Note: ¹ This estimate is based on the preliminary count of the Population Census 2000 and has been adjusted for under-enumeration.