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By far the greatest factor accelerating the growth of population in underdeveloped parts of the world has been the decline in the death rate. With increasing industrialism and accompanying urbanization, birth rates remain high in many regions, notably in South East Asia, Latin America and Africa. In Europe and North America, birth and death rates are relatively low and the rate of population increase in Europe is in the range of 0.8% a year. In Asia, the natural increase is 2.3% and in Latin America it has risen to 2.8% a year. The full development of resources and education to produce attitudes favorable to smaller families, notably the introduction of birth control, would seem the only solution to world population explosion. The fall in death rate is chiefly due to a widespread campaign against disease, notably malaria, through medical and economic intervention by the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

## The Population Explosion

The decrease in mortality rate in underdeveloped regions is leading towards population explosion across the world. Despite rapid industrialization in these areas, the significant increase in birth toll also co-exists with this decrease. Thus, the promotion of positive attitudes towards birth control in these regions ; is supposedly the only solution to growing population.

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