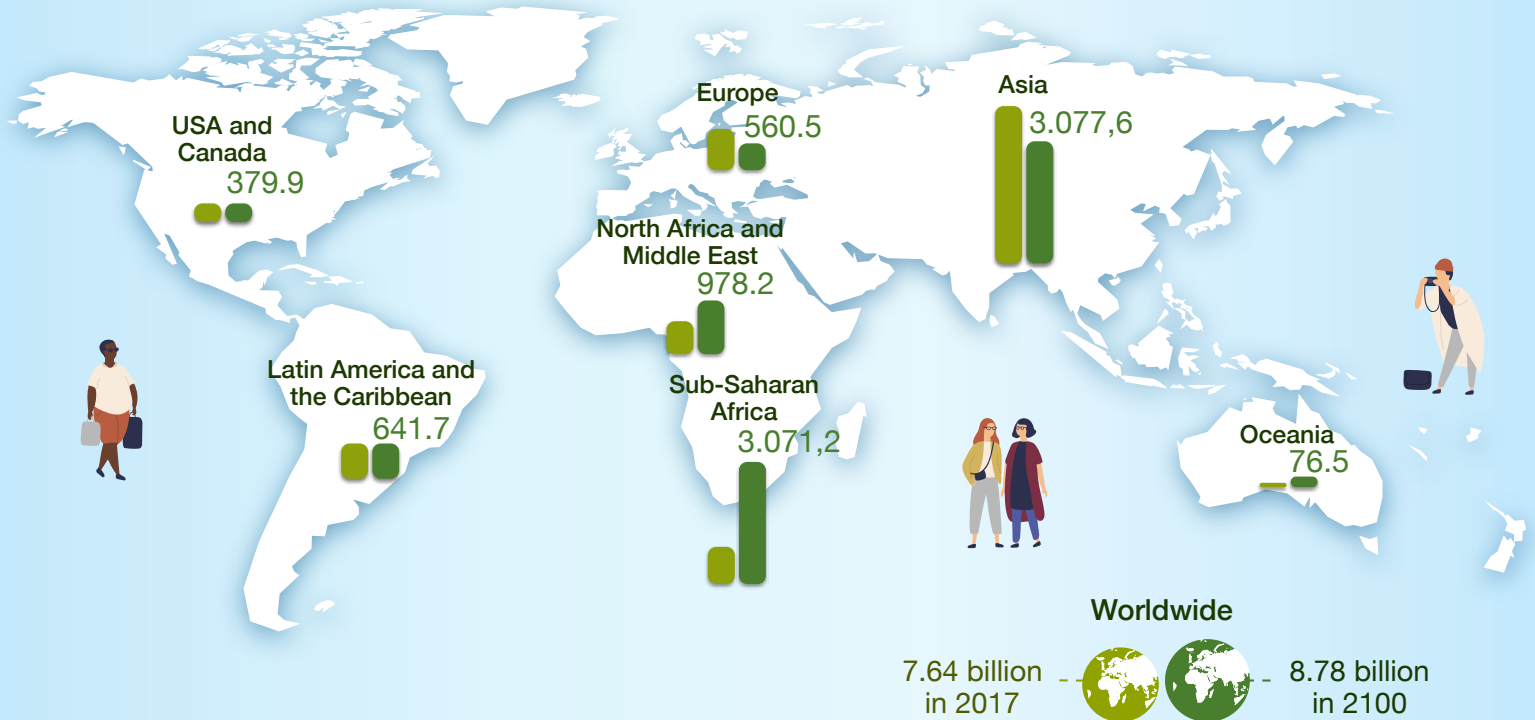


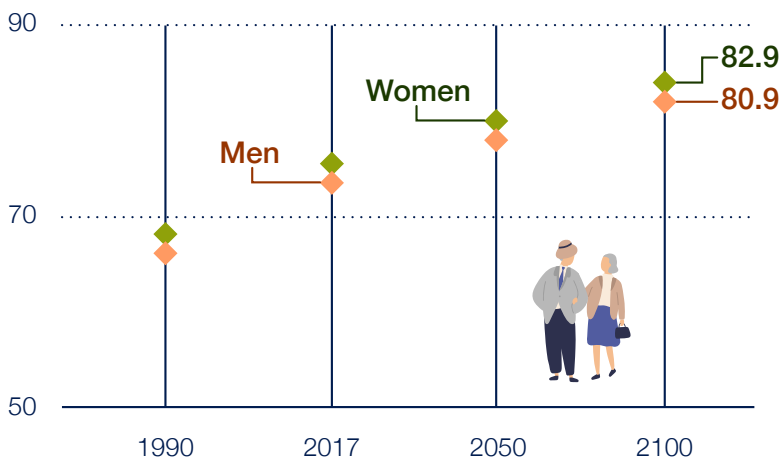
World population growth

According to *The Lancet*, the world population will grow at a slower rate than projected by the UN. Specifically, it will reach 8.8 billion people (about 2 billion less) by the year 2100.

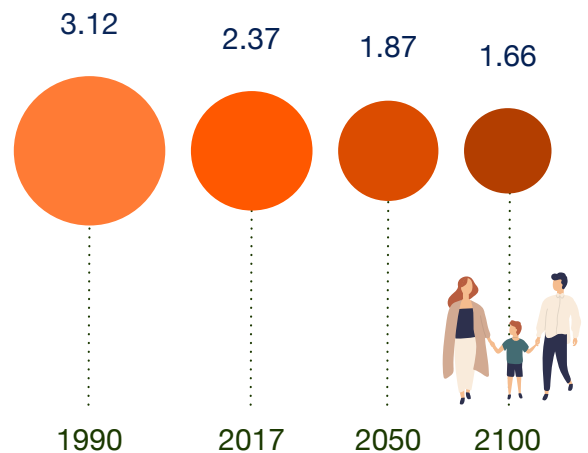
Population growth by region, in millions of inhabitants



Life expectancy (in years)



Fertility rate (number of children per woman)



Source: *The Lancet*.