## Health and Aging

Population Pyramids, Dependency Ratio, Infant Mortality, and Elderly Support Ratio

## Objectives

Analyze the impact of the demographic transition on the percentage of young and old

## Population Composition

The number of men and women and their ages Age, sex, martial status, education

Age and sex are key indicators in population composition
Population pyramids are used to represent visually

## Population Pyramids

- Bar Graph
- Displays the percentage of a place's population for each age and gender
- 5 year groups

Length of the bars represent the \% of the total population contained in that group

## Population Pyramids and Demographic

 Transition ModelStage- 2 of DTM Broader Base than a country in Stage 4
Broader base =High \% of young people
Extension to left or right indicates more/less of one gender in the population

## Population Pyramids



Countries with high total fertility rates, high infant mortality rates and low life expectancies will have population pyramids with wide bases and narrow tops.

Countries with lower total fertility rates and longer life expectancies have population pyramids shaped more uniformly throughout.
(a) UNITED STATES


Percent of total population

(d) DENMARK


