

# **Role of Mothers in Improving Capacity of Urban Youth**

**Urban Children and Youth in the  
MENA Region: Addressing  
Priorities in Education**

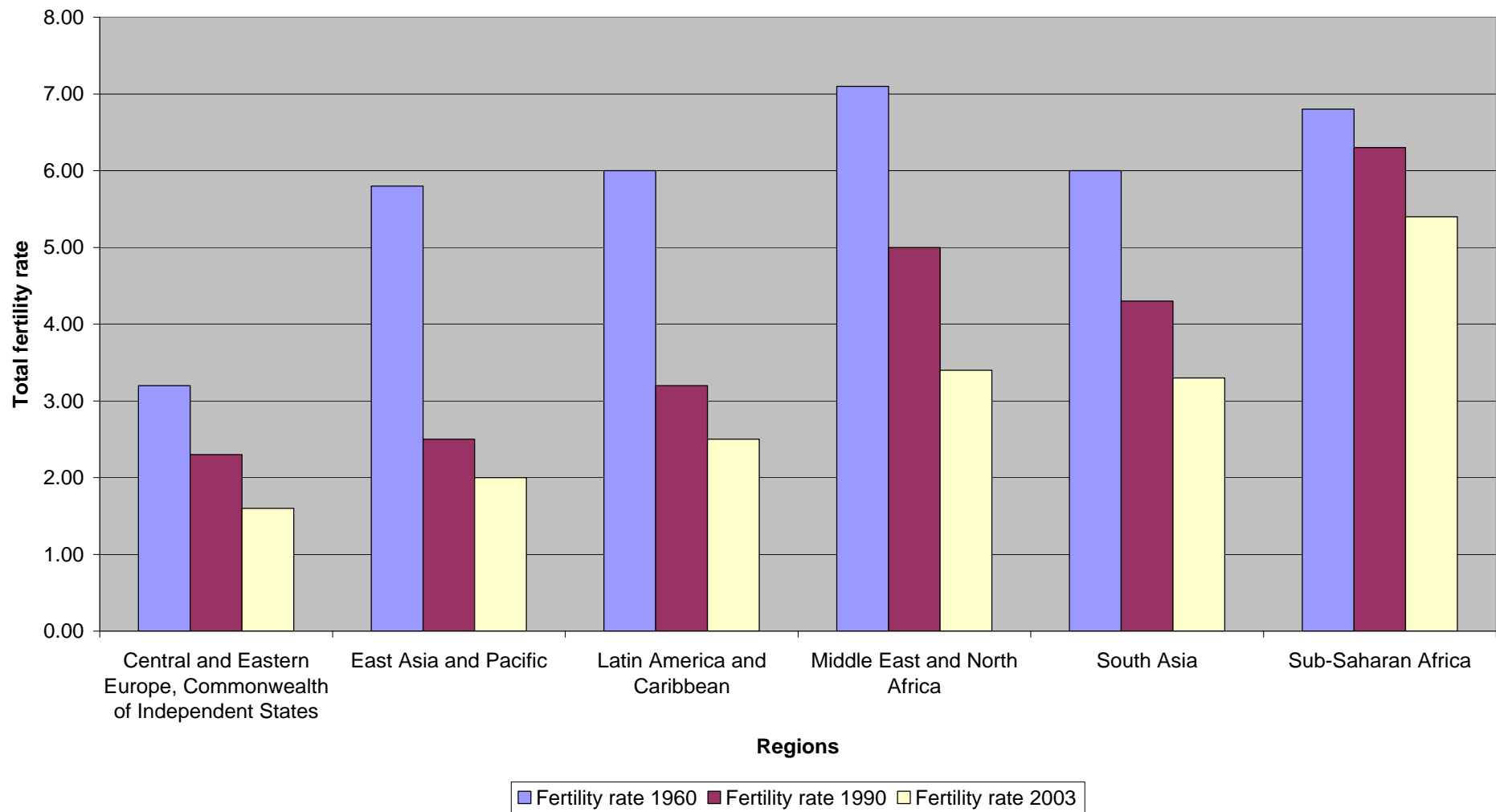
# Productive Society

- Health
- Education

# Demographic Gift

- Increased productive population (aged 15-50)
- Population shift in MENA to demographic gift
- Youth today will determine our growth tomorrow

### Regional fertility rate comparison

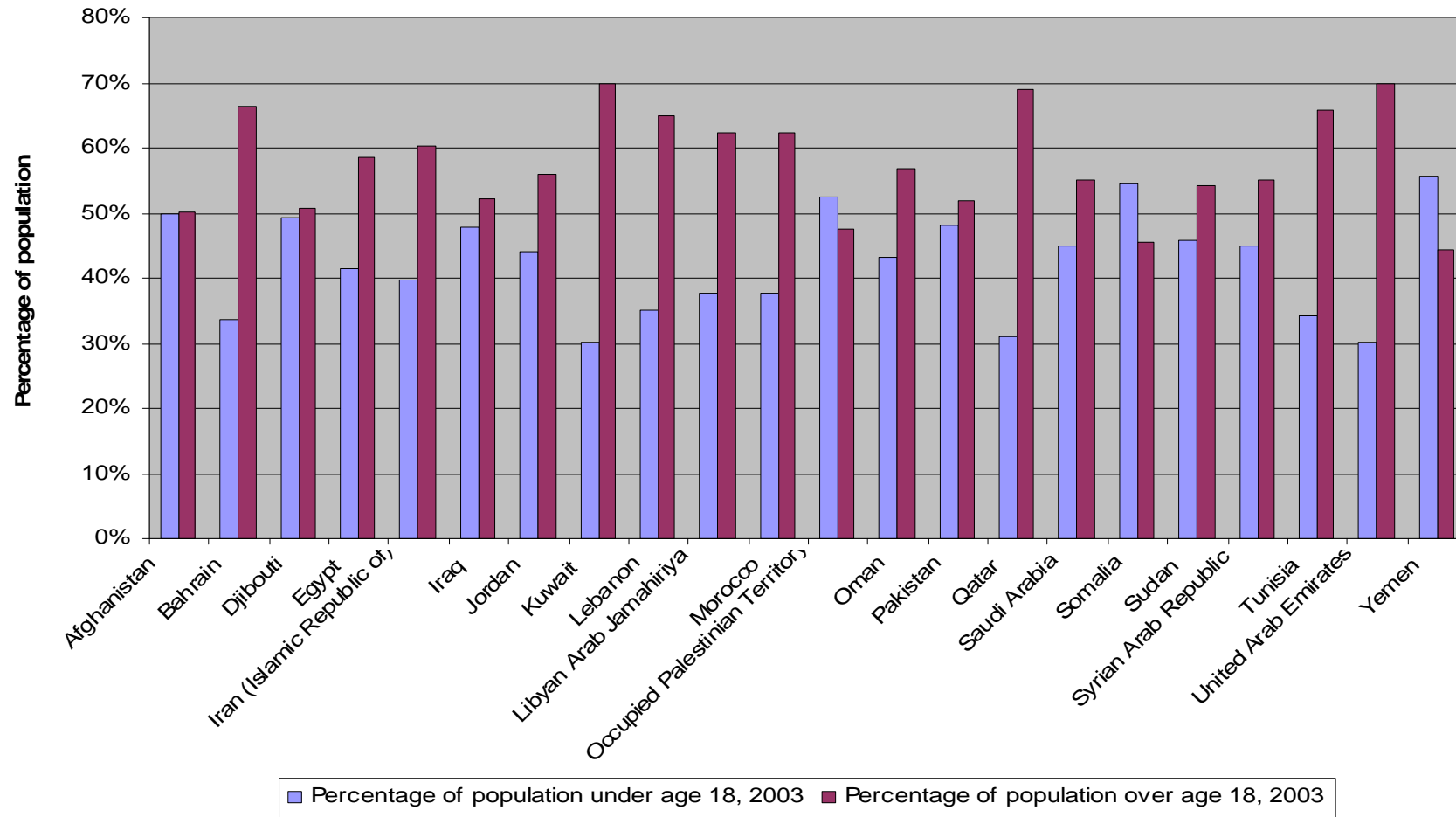


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### Percentage of youth to adult population



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# Mothers role in youth capacity

- Biological and social functions
- Positive parenting
- Capacity of mothers
- Burden of poverty

# Healthy Cities Programme

- Objectives
- Methods

# Healthy Cities Programme

- Improve health and environmental services
- Make people partners
- Strengthen social support network
- Stimulate economic development dialogue
- Put health at Center of city social and political agenda.

# Women in Healthy Cities Programme

- Training and development of parenting skills for young expectant couples
- Developing/ strengthening of community-based local level children safety initiatives
- Strengthening associations and national and city alliance for protection of children and women against violence and abuse

# Healthy and Happy Homes

- Ecological and environmental housing
- Peace and harmony at home
- Skilled parenting
- Healthy diet and absence of hazardous habits
- Space and playgrounds

# Conclusions

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