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Level: Secondary school.

Subjects: History, geography & social studies. What you need: A computer, a screen and a projector.

The two key messages are: (1) Life expectancy is a *mean* and (2) When life expectancy is low, this is mostly due to a very high *child mortality*.

To illustrate these points we compare the expected life spans of 5 newborns in Burundi with those of 5 newborns in Sweden.

Instructions and background information can be found at: www.gapminder.org/downloads/life-expectancy-ppt

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Life expectancy

... is the **average** lifespan a newborn can expect

... is short when child deaths are common



Burundi

Can you get old in Burundi?



























Let's compare









Life expectancy

... is an average -Most Burundians get older than 50 -Some die in childhood

... is low when childdeaths are common

-It is low in Burundi not because all die a bit earlier

> -But because some die much younger