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AGEING IN LATIN AMERICA: HETEROGENEOUS TIMING AND ITS IMPLICATIONS

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Heterogeneous timing in population change
but demographic convergence in Latin America

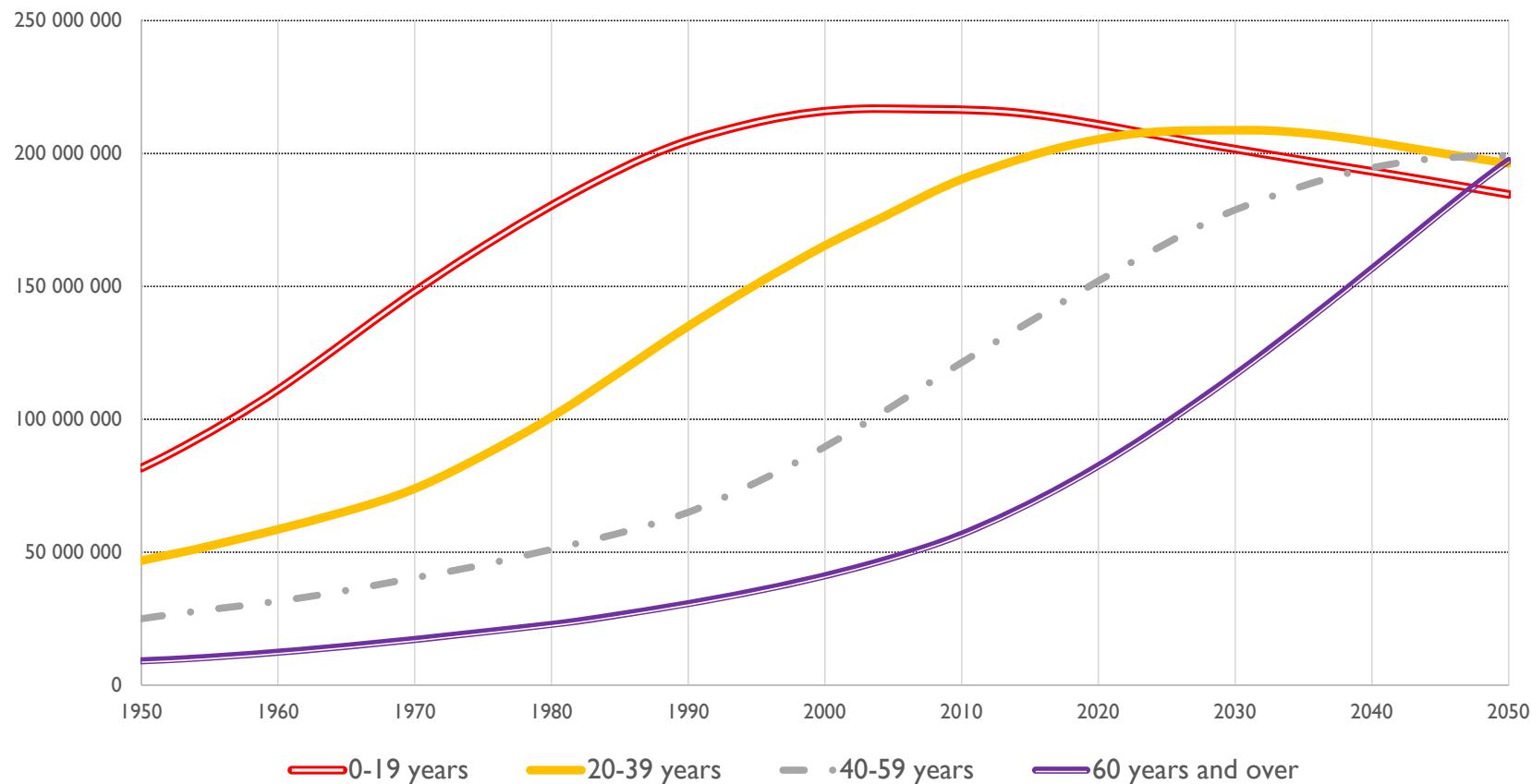
(the cases of Guatemala, Uruguay and Mexico)

Selected demographic indicators 1950-2050, Latin America, Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay

	Latin America	Guatemala	Mexico	Uruguay
Total Fertility Rate				
1950-55	5.9			
2000-05	2.5			
2020-25	2.0			
2050-55	1.9			
Life expectancy				
1950-55	51.9			
2000-05	72.5			
2020-25	76.9			
2050-55	82.3			

Source: CELADE - Population Division of ECLAC. 2016 Revision. Available at: <https://www.cepal.org/es/temas/proyecciones-demograficas/estimaciones-proyecciones-poblacion-total-urbana-rural-economicamente-activa>

Population in Latin America by age groups, 1950-2050



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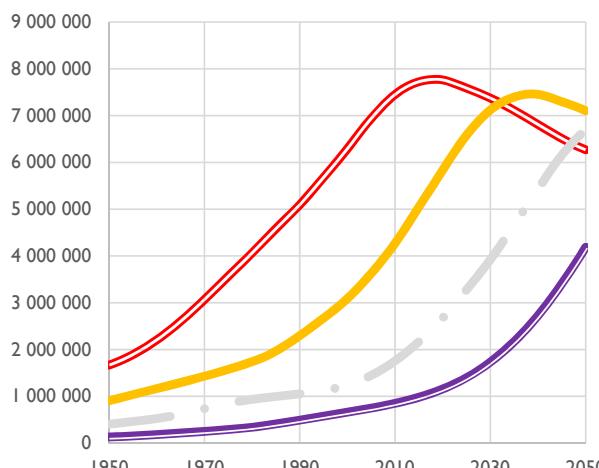
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	Latin America	Guatemala	Mexico	Uruguay
Total Fertility Rate				
1950-55	5.9	7.2	6.8	2.7
2000-05	2.5	4.4	2.6	2.2
2020-25	2.0	2.3	2.2	1.9
2050-55	1.9	1.8	2.1	1.7
Life expectancy at birth				
1950-55	51.9	41.5	48.0	66.2
2000-05	72.5	67.9	74.4	74.8
2020-25	76.9	74.3	77.9	78.1
2050-55	82.3	80.5	83.0	82.8

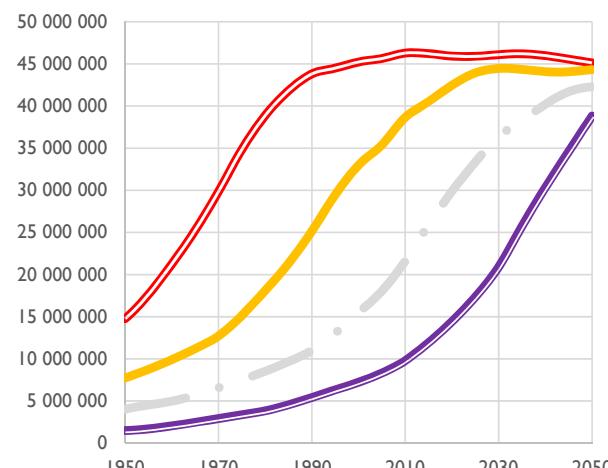
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Population by age groups in Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay, 1950-2050

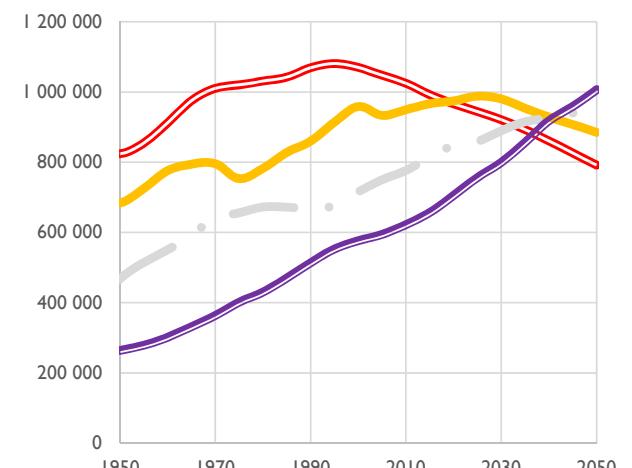
Guatemala



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Uruguay



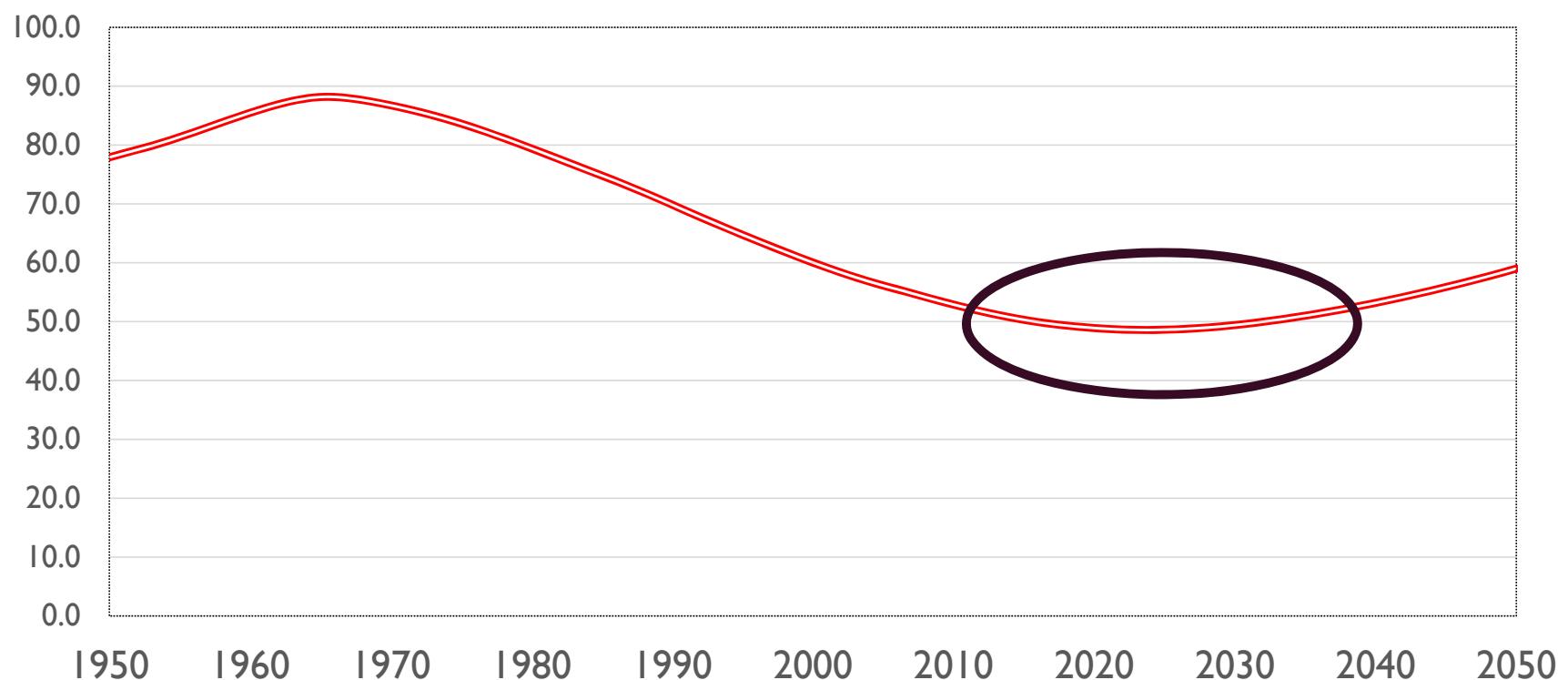
0-19 years 20-39 years 40-59 years 60 years and over

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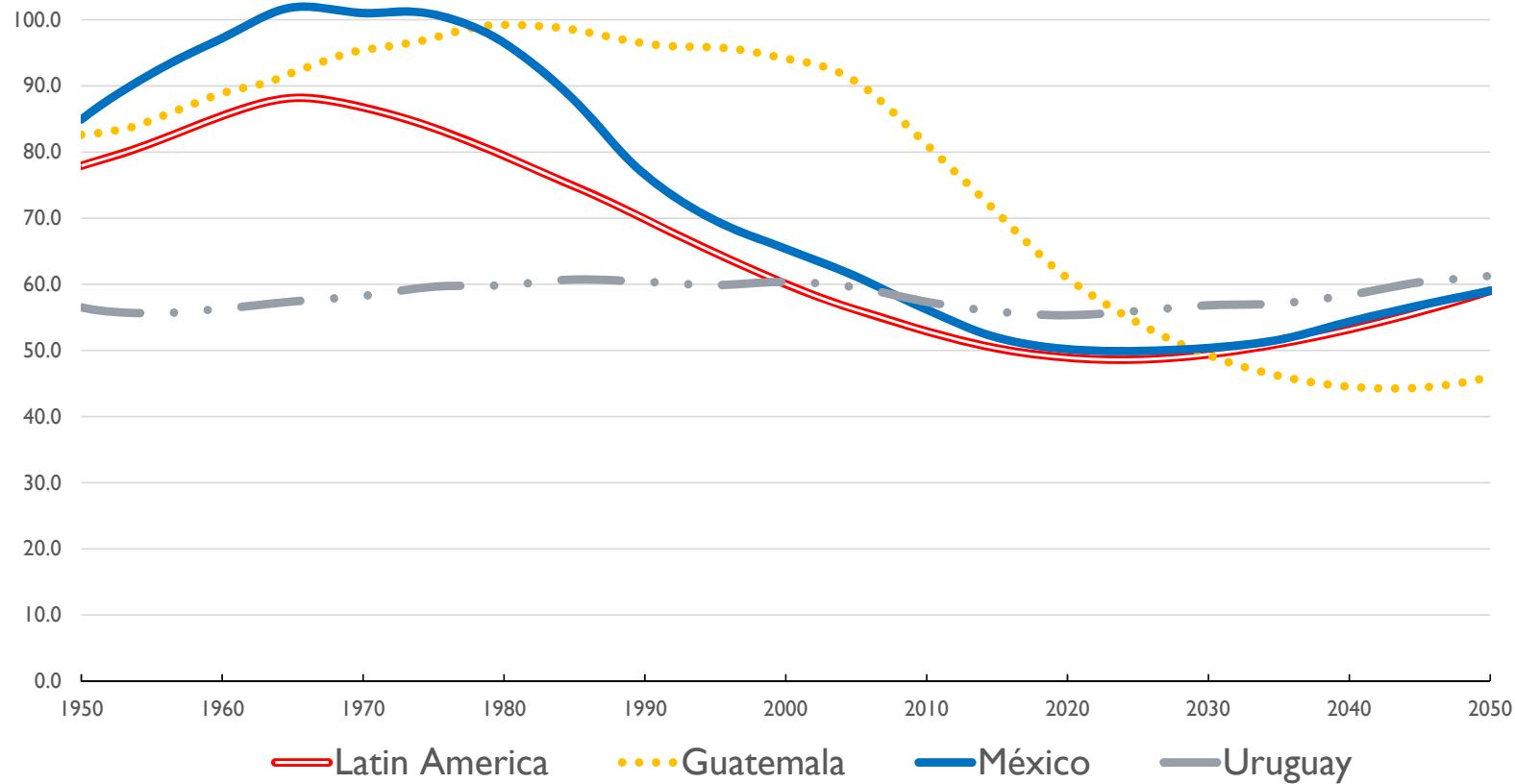
Different timing in age dependency ratios,
demographic dividends and ageing

Latin America. Evolution of the Dependency Ratio (per 100), 1950-2050



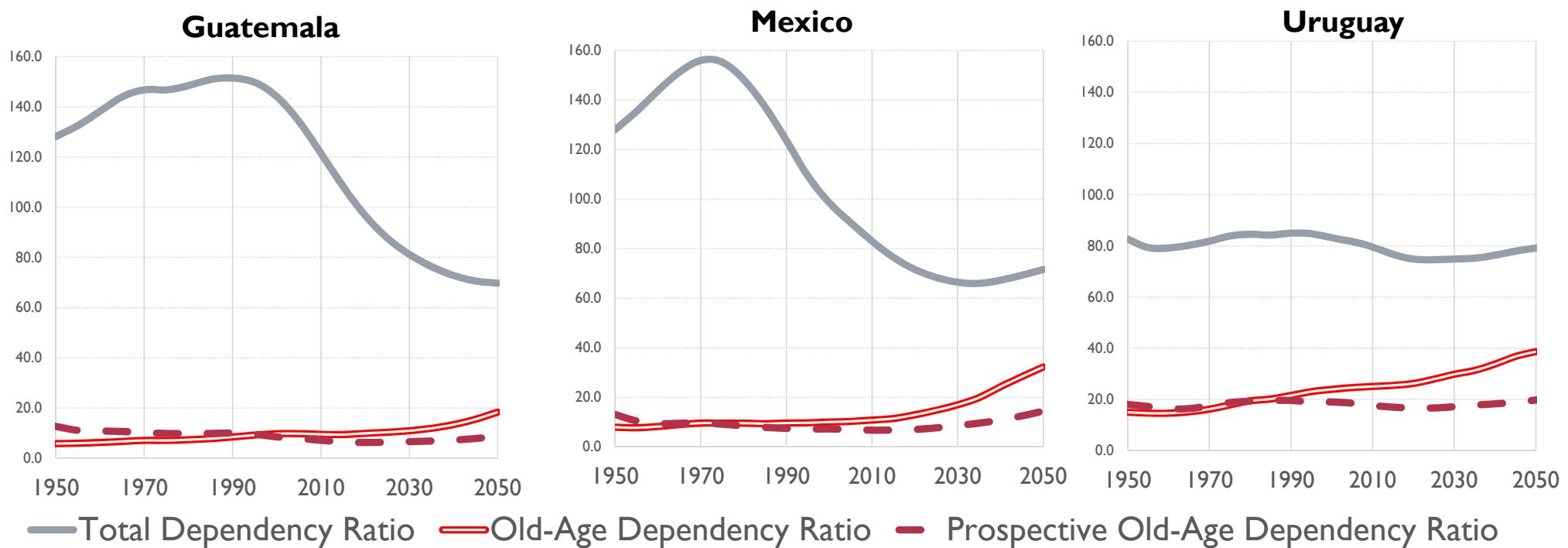
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Evolution of the Dependency Ratio (per 100), region and countries selected, 1950-2050



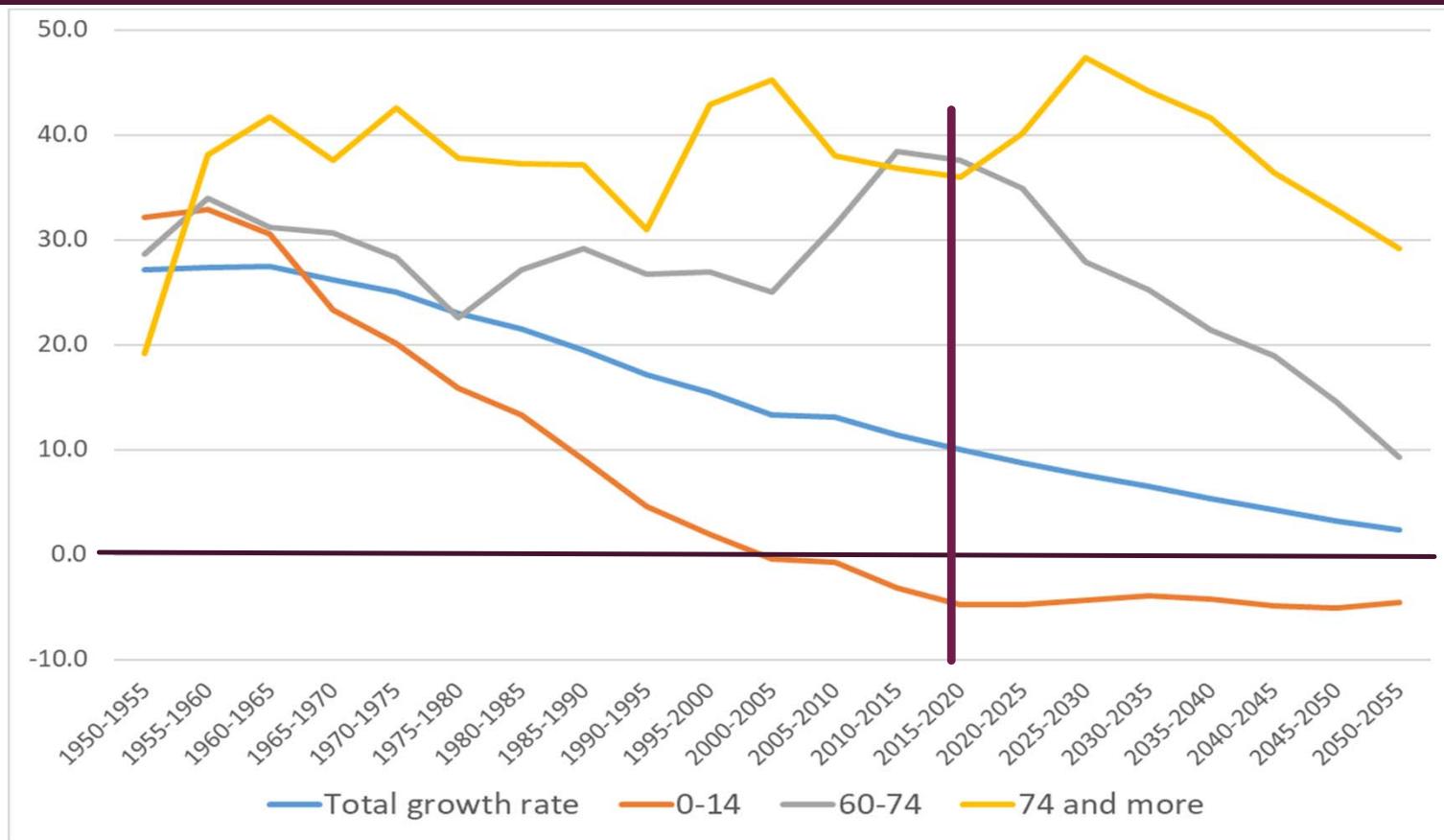
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Total and old-age dependency ratios in Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay, 1950-2050



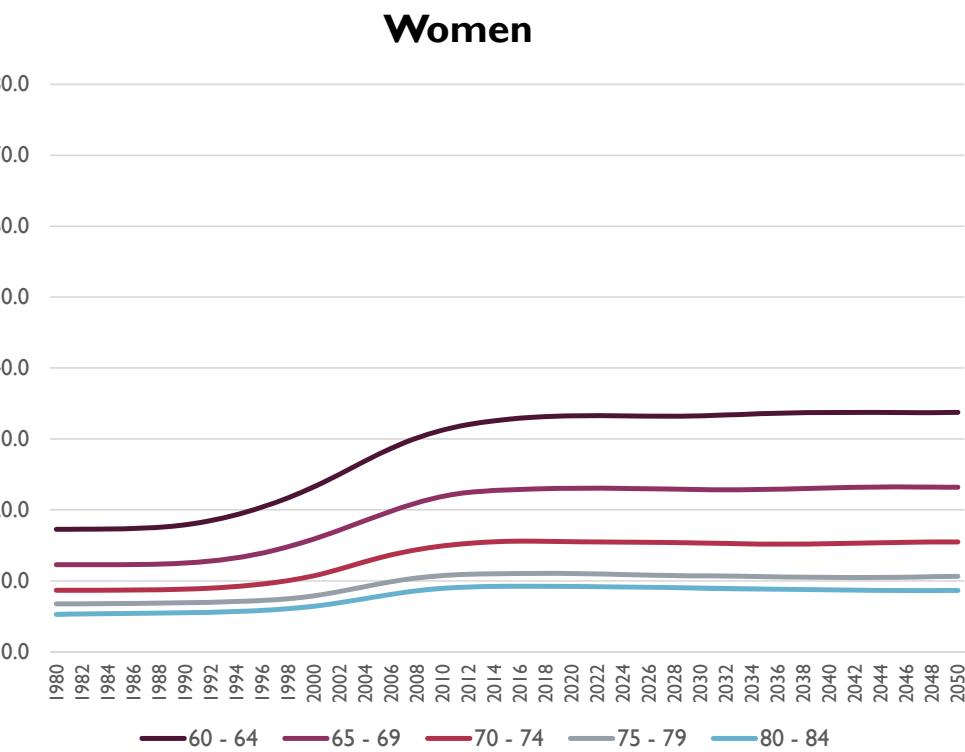
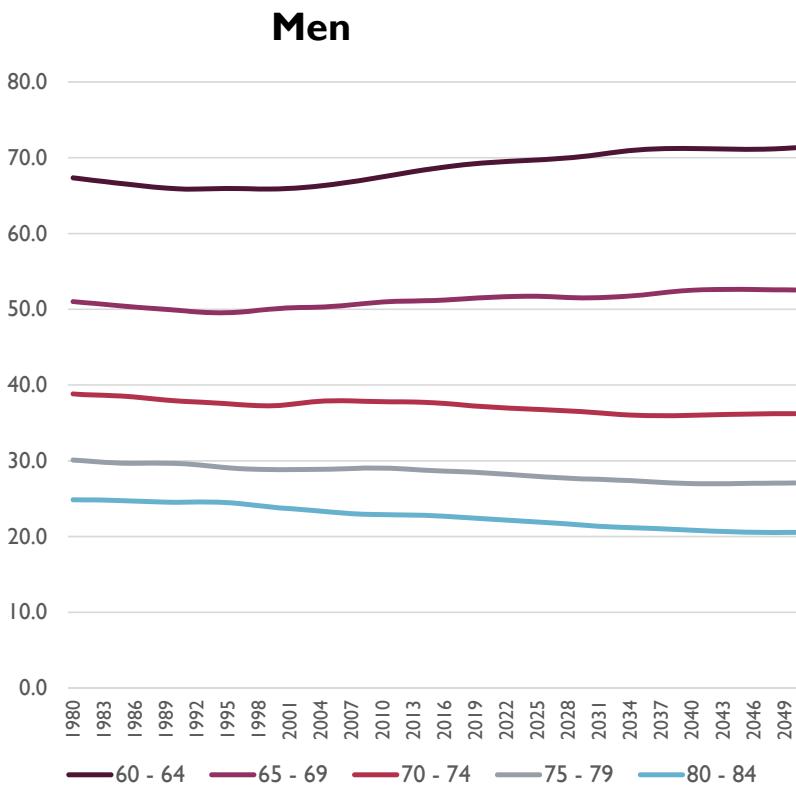
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Total and old age population growth (1000), 1950-2050, Latin America



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Labor participation rates after (population 60 and over), 1980-2050, Latin America



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Labor participation rates after (population 60 and over), 2020, Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay

Age group	Uruguay		Mexico		Guatemala	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
60-64	62	40	77	33	83	33
65-69	38	22	63	24	73	27
70-74	18	9	44	17	65	22

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The demographic dividend and the ageing processes are linked

WORKING AGE
POPULATION



- Human Capital investment.
- Characteristics of the labor market
- Informal labor market

AGEING

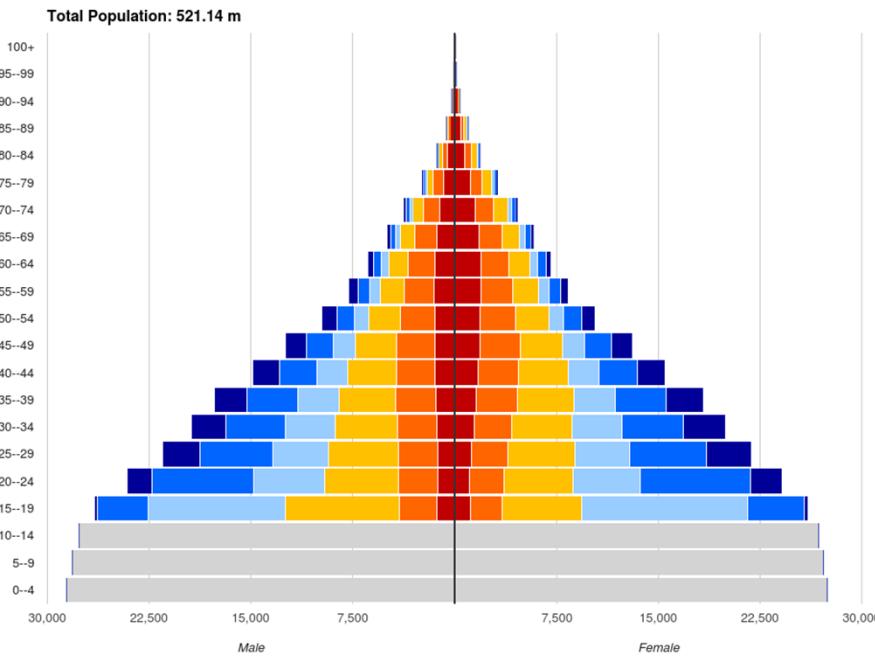


- Care system
- Pension system

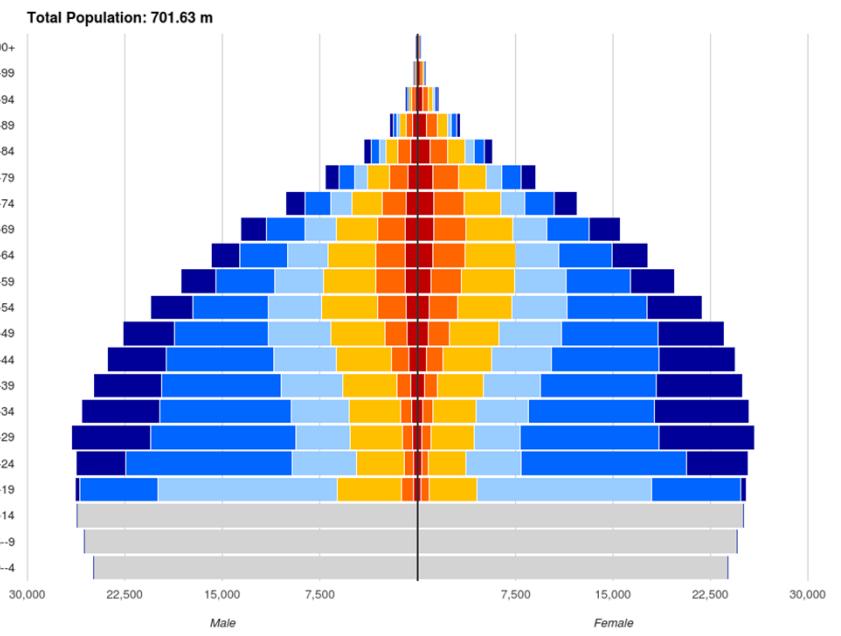
WELFARE REGIME

Latin America. Distribution of educational attainment by age group, 2000 and 2030

2000



2030



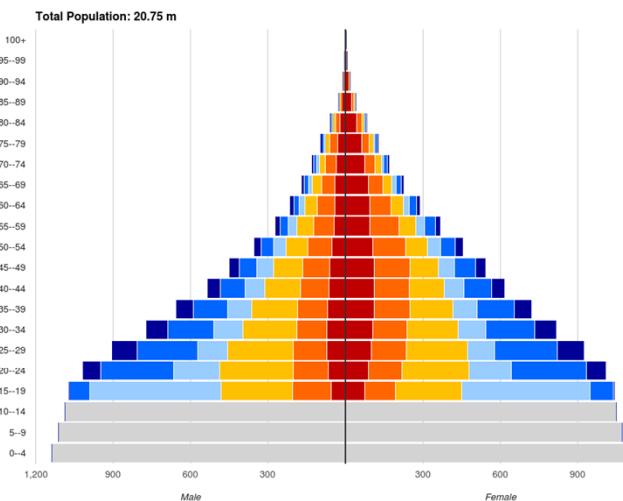
Legend:

- Under 15
- No Education
- Incomplete Primary
- Primary
- Lower Secondary
- Upper Secondary
- Post Secondary

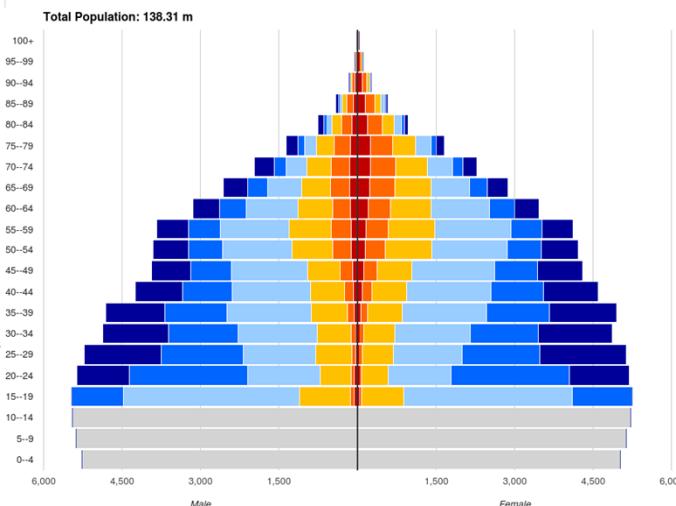
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Distribution of educational attainment by age group. Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay, 2030

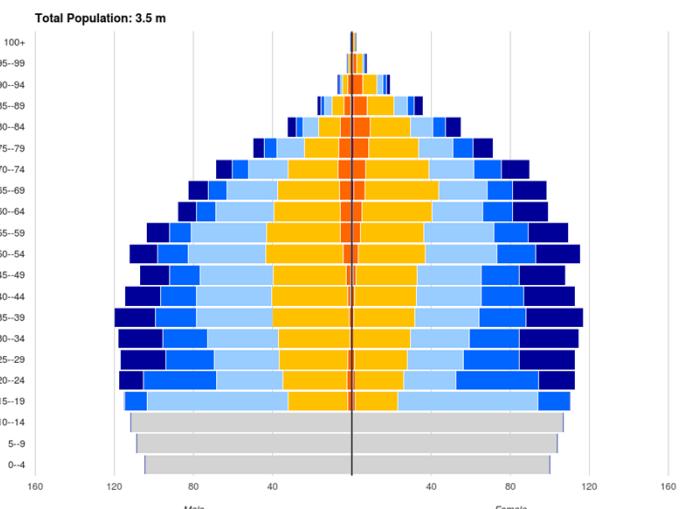
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