

POPULATION DYNAMICS IN MOZAMBIQUE

- ▶ While growth rates are decreasing the population continues to **increase**

Annual growth rate

2007 2.7% 2017 2.6%

2007
20 632 434



2017
27 864 265



Nationally, about 0.75 million additional peoples added per year

- ▶ Contributors to population growth



more births than deaths

- ▶ Population sex ratio



more women than men

67% of the population lives in rural areas



vs.



There are more young people in rural areas than urban



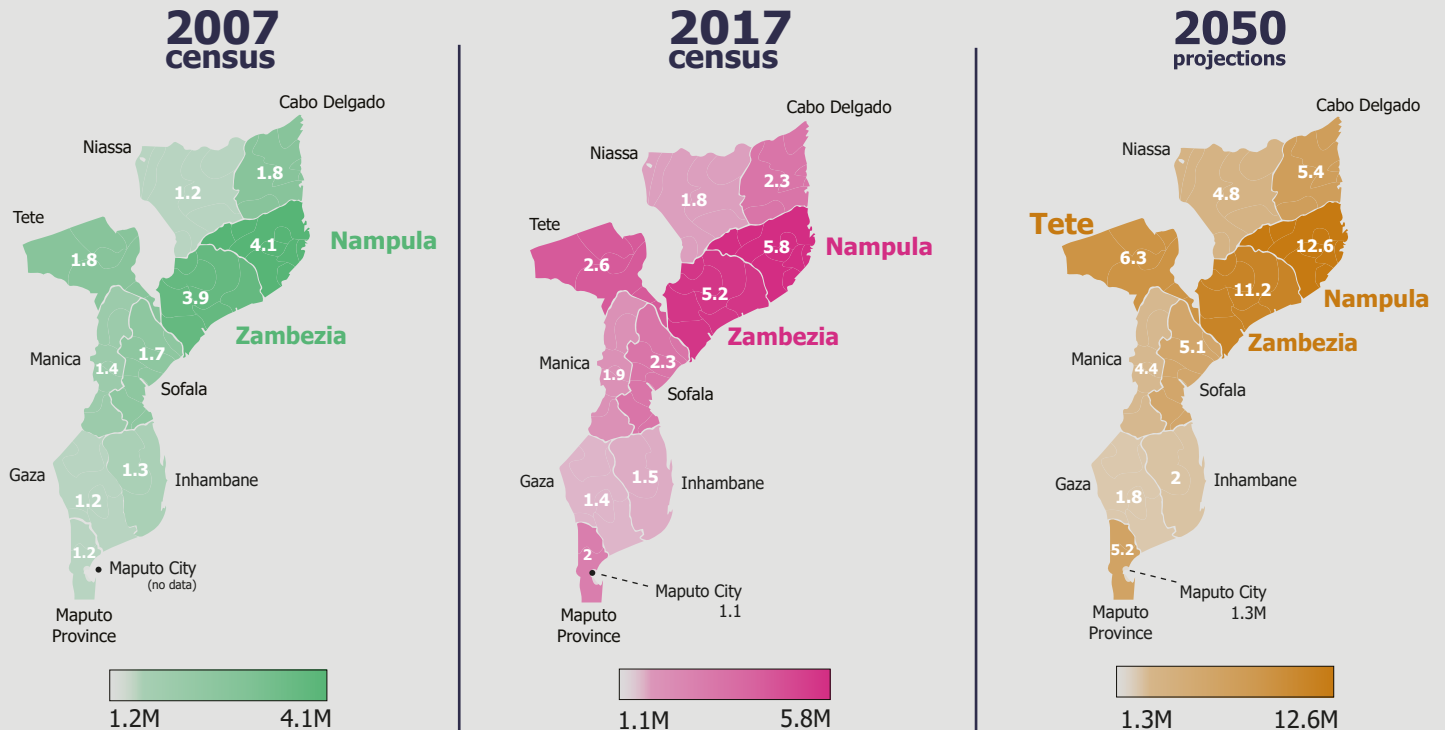
50% of the population



is under **16** years old

► Population projections by province

By 2050, the population in the **northern provinces** is predicted to increase by more than **200%**



► Youth Dependency Ratio

Young people (under 15), who are **dependant on** the working-age population



Maputo City and Province

60
young people



Northern Provinces

over 100
young people

per 100 working-age adults



Note: The trend did not shift in the last ten-year period between the 2007 and 2017 population census

Recommendations:

In order to determine whether and where additional investments are needed to accelerate the fertility transition, policymakers in Mozambique should examine which provinces experience the highest youth dependency ratio.