

Factors Affecting Population Growth Handout

As you work your way through the factors affecting population growth lesson, answer the following questions to help you collect the relevant information.

1. What are density dependent factors? Name and describe the four types of densitydependent factors listed in the lesson.

2. What are density independent factors? Provide some examples.



3. A few members of a population have a favourable habitat, with few predators and unlimited resources. However, their population growth rate is slower than the population growth rate of the previous generation. What is a possible explanation for this situation? Explain your reasoning.