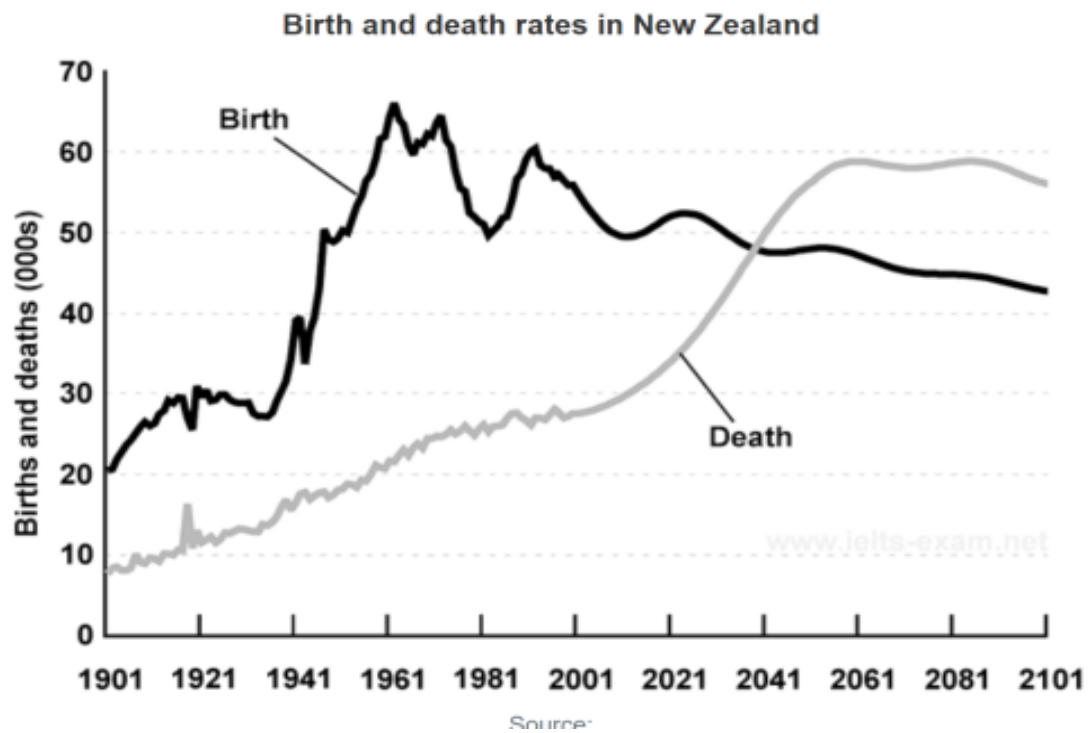


## Task 1: Line Graph

**Subject:** The graph below gives information about changes in the birth and death rates in New Zealand between 1901 and 2101. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.



## Model Answer #1

### Response:

The line graph illustrates the fluctuations in birth and death rates in New Zealand over a two-century period, specifically from 1901 to 2101.

In summary, while the birth rate initially experienced substantial growth, it ultimately declined significantly, whereas the death rate demonstrated a consistent upward trend, surpassing the birth rate by the mid-21st century.

In 1901, New Zealand's birth rate commenced at approximately 20 per 1,000 individuals, ascending gradually to reach a notable peak of about 65 per 1,000 in the 1960s. Following this peak, a pronounced decline ensued, with the rate diminishing to around 55 per 1,000 by 2001. Projections indicate a further downturn, forecasting a birth rate of approximately 40 per 1,000 by 2101. This trajectory exhibits a significant shift in demographic dynamics, suggesting a longer-term decline in population growth.

Conversely, the death rate began at a lowly 10 per 1,000 in 1901 and experienced a continual increase throughout the observed period. By 1921, the death rate had surged to about 20 per 1,000, maintaining a steady rise thereafter. The rate reached approximately 28 per 1,000 by 2001 and is anticipated to escalate dramatically to around 20 per 1,000 by 2101, ultimately peaking at approximately 59 per 1,000 in 2061. This trend signifies a growing proportion of older individuals within the population, culminating in a higher mortality rate.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (8):** The report accurately addresses all parts of the task. Minor inaccuracies in data reporting do not detract from the overall quality of the response.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is exceptionally well-organized and easy to follow. The logical flow of information and use of cohesive devices are seamless.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of sophisticated vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately. The lexical choices enhance the clarity and precision of the report.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report demonstrates a wide range of grammatical structures with complete accuracy and control. The writing is grammatically flawless.

## Model Answer #2

### Response:

The graph illustrates the changes in birth and death rates in New Zealand between 1901 and 2101. It shows the actual data up to 2021, while the figures beyond that are projections.

Overall, birth rates were higher than death rates for the majority of the period. However, from around 2041 onwards, death rates are expected to surpass birth rates, indicating a potential natural population decline in the future.

Between 1901 and the mid-1960s, New Zealand's birth rate saw a significant rise, increasing from around 25,000 to a peak of 65,000. This peak occurred during the 1960s, after which the birth rate fluctuated slightly but generally declined, stabilizing at approximately 50,000 by 2021. In contrast, the death rate remained relatively stable during the first half of the century, slowly increasing from about 10,000 to 20,000.

Looking ahead, the projections indicate a continuous decrease in the birth rate, dropping to around 40,000 by 2101. On the other hand, the death rate is expected to rise significantly, surpassing the birth rate around 2041 and reaching over 60,000 by the end of the period. This shift marks a dramatic change, as New Zealand is predicted to experience a natural population decline starting from 2041, when the number of deaths exceeds births.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (9):** Excellent response to the task. All key features of the graph are accurately described and analyzed.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is very well-organized and easy to follow. Paragraphing is clear and logical, and the flow of ideas is smooth and natural.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately, demonstrating a sophisticated command of the language.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report is grammatically flawless, with a wide range of structures used correctly and effectively.

## Model Answer #3

### Response:

The line graph illustrates the fluctuations in birth and death rates in New Zealand over a two-century period, specifically from 1901 to 2101.

In summary, while the birth rate initially experienced substantial growth, it ultimately declined significantly, whereas the death rate demonstrated a consistent upward trend, surpassing the birth rate by the mid-21st century.

In 1901, New Zealand's birth rate commenced at approximately 20 per 1,000 individuals, ascending gradually to reach a notable peak of about 65 per 1,000 in the 1960s. Following this peak, a pronounced decline ensued, with the rate diminishing to around 55 per 1,000 by 2001. Projections indicate a further downturn, forecasting a birth rate of approximately 40 per 1,000 by 2101. This trajectory exhibits a significant shift in demographic dynamics, suggesting a longer-term decline in population growth.

Conversely, the death rate began at a lowly 10 per 1,000 in 1901 and experienced a continual increase throughout the observed period. By 1921, the death rate had surged to about 20 per 1,000, maintaining a steady rise thereafter. The rate reached approximately 28 per 1,000 by 2001 and is anticipated to escalate dramatically to around 20 per 1,000 by 2101, ultimately peaking at approximately 59 per 1,000 in 2061. This trend signifies a growing proportion of older individuals within the population, culminating in a higher mortality rate.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (8):** The report accurately addresses all parts of the task. Minor inaccuracies in data reporting do not detract from the overall quality of the response.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is exceptionally well-organized and easy to follow. The logical flow of information and use of cohesive devices are seamless.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of sophisticated vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately. The lexical choices enhance the clarity and precision of the report.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report demonstrates a wide range of grammatical structures with complete accuracy and control. The writing is grammatically flawless.

## Model Answer #4

### Response:

The graph illustrates the changes in birth and death rates in New Zealand between 1901 and 2101. It shows the actual data up to 2021, while the figures beyond that are projections.

Overall, birth rates were higher than death rates for the majority of the period. However, from around 2041 onwards, death rates are expected to surpass birth rates, indicating a potential natural population decline in the future.

Between 1901 and the mid-1960s, New Zealand's birth rate saw a significant rise, increasing from around 25,000 to a peak of 65,000. This peak occurred during the 1960s, after which the birth rate fluctuated slightly but generally declined, stabilizing at approximately 50,000 by 2021. In contrast, the death rate remained relatively stable during the first half of the century, slowly increasing from about 10,000 to 20,000.

Looking ahead, the projections indicate a continuous decrease in the birth rate, dropping to around 40,000 by 2101. On the other hand, the death rate is expected to rise significantly, surpassing the birth rate around 2041 and reaching over 60,000 by the end of the period. This shift marks a dramatic change, as New Zealand is predicted to experience a natural population decline starting from 2041, when the number of deaths exceeds births.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (9):** Excellent response to the task. All key features of the graph are accurately described and analyzed.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is very well-organized and easy to follow. Paragraphing is clear and logical, and the flow of ideas is smooth and natural.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately, demonstrating a sophisticated command of the language.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report is grammatically flawless, with a wide range of structures used correctly and effectively.

## Model Answer #5

### Response:

The line graph illustrates the fluctuations in birth and death rates in New Zealand over a two-century period, specifically from 1901 to 2101.

In summary, while the birth rate initially experienced substantial growth, it ultimately declined significantly, whereas the death rate demonstrated a consistent upward trend, surpassing the birth rate by the mid-21st century.

In 1901, New Zealand's birth rate commenced at approximately 20 per 1,000 individuals, ascending gradually to reach a notable peak of about 65 per 1,000 in the 1960s. Following this peak, a pronounced decline ensued, with the rate diminishing to around 55 per 1,000 by 2001. Projections indicate a further downturn, forecasting a birth rate of approximately 40 per 1,000 by 2101. This trajectory exhibits a significant shift in demographic dynamics, suggesting a longer-term decline in population growth.

Conversely, the death rate began at a lowly 10 per 1,000 in 1901 and experienced a continual increase throughout the observed period. By 1921, the death rate had surged to about 20 per 1,000, maintaining a steady rise thereafter. The rate reached approximately 28 per 1,000 by 2001 and is anticipated to escalate dramatically to around 20 per 1,000 by 2101, ultimately peaking at approximately 59 per 1,000 in 2061. This trend signifies a growing proportion of older individuals within the population, culminating in a higher mortality rate.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (8):** The report accurately addresses all parts of the task. Minor inaccuracies in data reporting do not detract from the overall quality of the response.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is exceptionally well-organized and easy to follow. The logical flow of information and use of cohesive devices are seamless.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of sophisticated vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately. The lexical choices enhance the clarity and precision of the report.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report demonstrates a wide range of grammatical structures with complete accuracy and control. The writing is grammatically flawless.

## Model Answer #6

### Response:

The graph illustrates the changes in birth and death rates in New Zealand between 1901 and 2101. It shows the actual data up to 2021, while the figures beyond that are projections.

Overall, birth rates were higher than death rates for the majority of the period. However, from around 2041 onwards, death rates are expected to surpass birth rates, indicating a potential natural population decline in the future.

Between 1901 and the mid-1960s, New Zealand's birth rate saw a significant rise, increasing from around 25,000 to a peak of 65,000. This peak occurred during the 1960s, after which the birth rate fluctuated slightly but generally declined, stabilizing at approximately 50,000 by 2021. In contrast, the death rate remained relatively stable during the first half of the century, slowly increasing from about 10,000 to 20,000.

Looking ahead, the projections indicate a continuous decrease in the birth rate, dropping to around 40,000 by 2101. On the other hand, the death rate is expected to rise significantly, surpassing the birth rate around 2041 and reaching over 60,000 by the end of the period. This shift marks a dramatic change, as New Zealand is predicted to experience a natural population decline starting from 2041, when the number of deaths exceeds births.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (9):** Excellent response to the task. All key features of the graph are accurately described and analyzed.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is very well-organized and easy to follow. Paragraphing is clear and logical, and the flow of ideas is smooth and natural.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately, demonstrating a sophisticated command of the language.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report is grammatically flawless, with a wide range of structures used correctly and effectively.

## Model Answer #7

### Response:

The line graph illustrates the fluctuations in birth and death rates in New Zealand over a two-century period, specifically from 1901 to 2101.

In summary, while the birth rate initially experienced substantial growth, it ultimately declined significantly, whereas the death rate demonstrated a consistent upward trend, surpassing the birth rate by the mid-21st century.

In 1901, New Zealand's birth rate commenced at approximately 20 per 1,000 individuals, ascending gradually to reach a notable peak of about 65 per 1,000 in the 1960s. Following this peak, a pronounced decline ensued, with the rate diminishing to around 55 per 1,000 by 2001. Projections indicate a further downturn, forecasting a birth rate of approximately 40 per 1,000 by 2101. This trajectory exhibits a significant shift in demographic dynamics, suggesting a longer-term decline in population growth.

Conversely, the death rate began at a lowly 10 per 1,000 in 1901 and experienced a continual increase throughout the observed period. By 1921, the death rate had surged to about 20 per 1,000, maintaining a steady rise thereafter. The rate reached approximately 28 per 1,000 by 2001 and is anticipated to escalate dramatically to around 20 per 1,000 by 2101, ultimately peaking at approximately 59 per 1,000 in 2061. This trend signifies a growing proportion of older individuals within the population, culminating in a higher mortality rate.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (8):** The report accurately addresses all parts of the task. Minor inaccuracies in data reporting do not detract from the overall quality of the response.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is exceptionally well-organized and easy to follow. The logical flow of information and use of cohesive devices are seamless.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of sophisticated vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately. The lexical choices enhance the clarity and precision of the report.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report demonstrates a wide range of grammatical structures with complete accuracy and control. The writing is grammatically flawless.



## Model Answer #8

### Response:

The graph illustrates the changes in birth and death rates in New Zealand between 1901 and 2101. It shows the actual data up to 2021, while the figures beyond that are projections.

Overall, birth rates were higher than death rates for the majority of the period. However, from around 2041 onwards, death rates are expected to surpass birth rates, indicating a potential natural population decline in the future.

Between 1901 and the mid-1960s, New Zealand's birth rate saw a significant rise, increasing from around 25,000 to a peak of 65,000. This peak occurred during the 1960s, after which the birth rate fluctuated slightly but generally declined, stabilizing at approximately 50,000 by 2021. In contrast, the death rate remained relatively stable during the first half of the century, slowly increasing from about 10,000 to 20,000.

Looking ahead, the projections indicate a continuous decrease in the birth rate, dropping to around 40,000 by 2101. On the other hand, the death rate is expected to rise significantly, surpassing the birth rate around 2041 and reaching over 60,000 by the end of the period. This shift marks a dramatic change, as New Zealand is predicted to experience a natural population decline starting from 2041, when the number of deaths exceeds births.

### Evaluation:

#### Overall Band Score: 9

**Task Response (9):** Excellent response to the task. All key features of the graph are accurately described and analyzed.

**Coherence & Cohesion (9):** The report is very well-organized and easy to follow. Paragraphing is clear and logical, and the flow of ideas is smooth and natural.

**Lexical Resource (9):** A wide range of vocabulary is used accurately and appropriately, demonstrating a sophisticated command of the language.

**Grammatical Range & Accuracy (9):** The report is grammatically flawless, with a wide range of structures used correctly and effectively.