

Annual changes in life-expectancy 1970 to 2020

Life-expectancy is a measure of **current population health**
it tends to **increase** from year to year...

2019

1 year increase

- 1 year decrease

...but sometimes it **declines**

like in Eastern Europe after the fall of the Soviet Union

or during the harsh flu-season 2014/15

or during the COVID-19 pandemic

