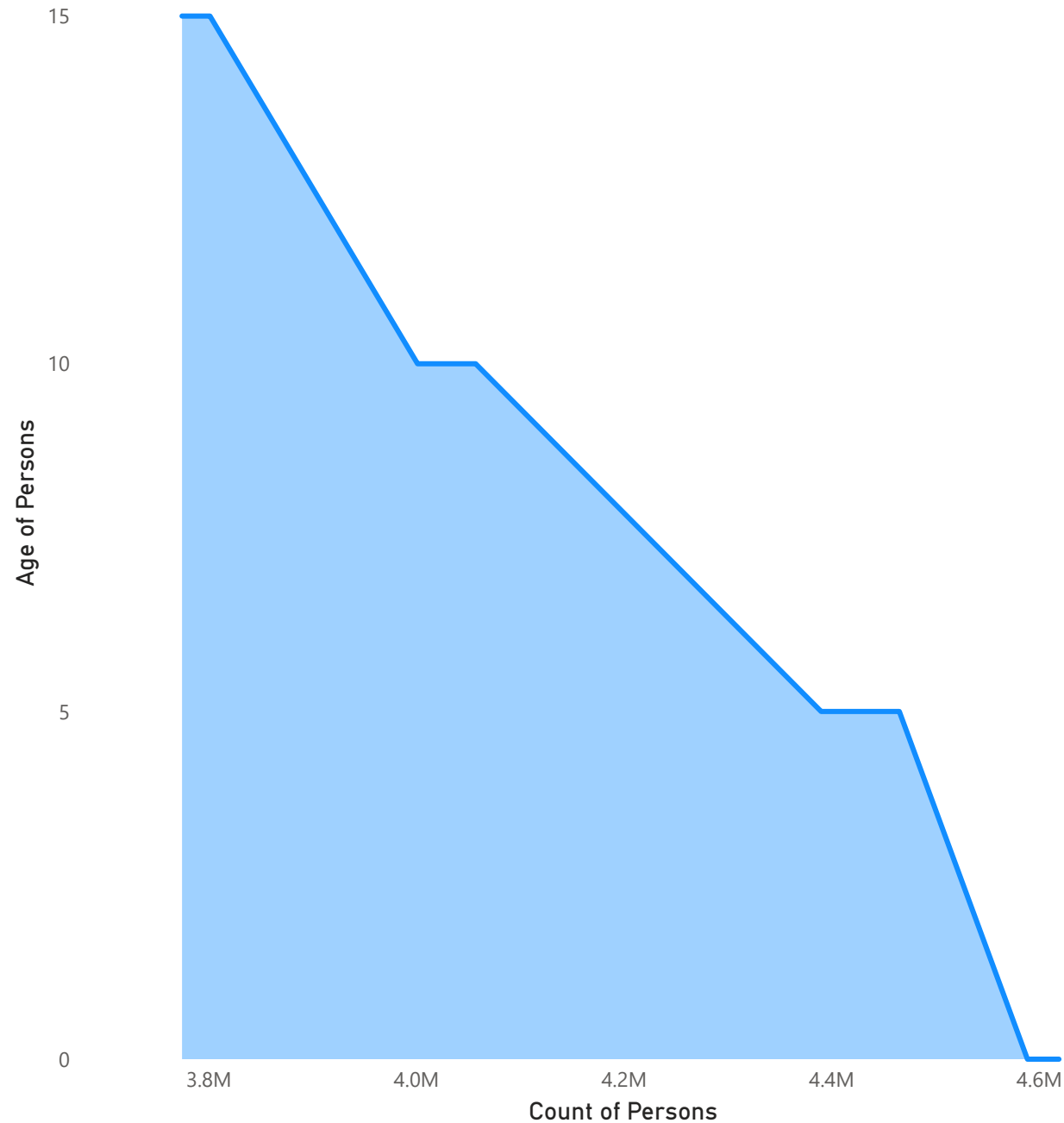


Number of Persons 18 Years of Age and Under in 1900



Question: Why was the population of children in 1900 higher for babies than for teenagers?

Answer: Because there was little to no option for birth control, large families were encouraged, and extra hands were needed to run farms there were higher birth rates in 1900. However, the mortality rate for children was 165 out of 1000 children would die before the age of 18. Today, that number is 7 out of 1000 children.