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RACE AND THE ECONOMIC LIFECYCLE IN SOUTH AFRICA IN 2015

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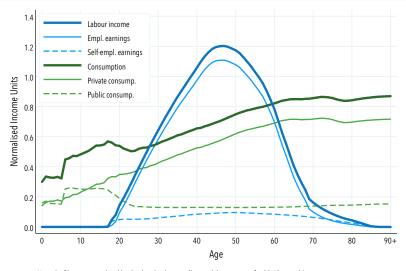
EXTENT OF RACIAL INEQUALITIES

Indicator	African	Coloured	Asian	White
Unemployment rate (%)	41.0	27.5	18.2	9.8
Employment-to-population ratio	40.4	50.4	53.0	63.2
Adults (20+) with a degree (%)	2.3	2.4	9.1	16.5
Median HH Net worth (R '000)	28.5	40.5	285.8	650.9
Poverty rate (upper bound, %)	46.6	32.3	4.6	0.8
Access to medical aid (%)	10.6	20.3	48.7	76.9
Stunting (under 15 yrs, %)	17.9	20.1	10.6	7.4
Population share (%)	80.8	8.8	2.5	8.0

THE ECONOMIC LIFECYCLE IN SOUTH

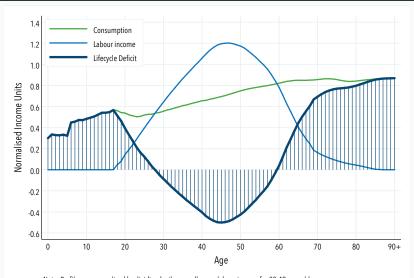
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LABOUR INCOME AND CONSUMPTION ACROSS THE LIFECYCLE



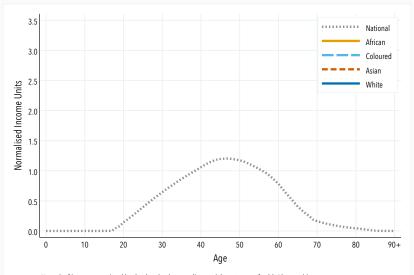
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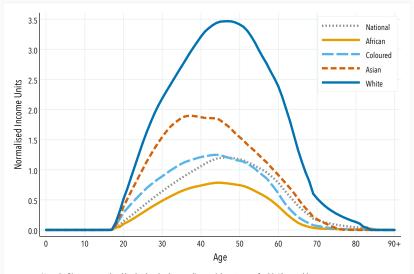
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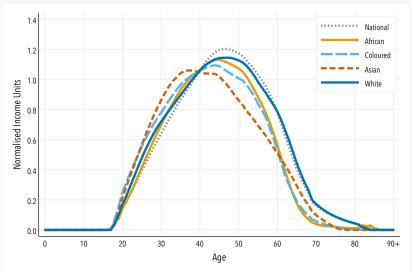
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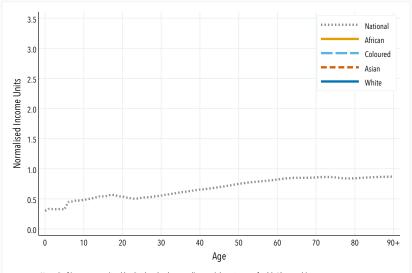
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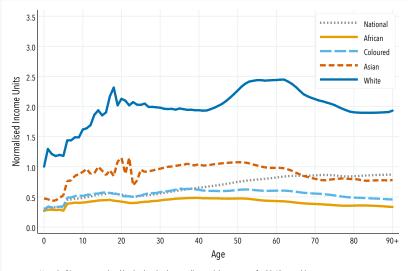
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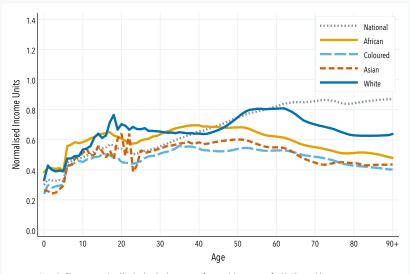
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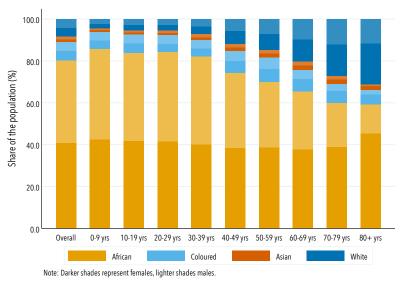
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South Africa's Population Structure



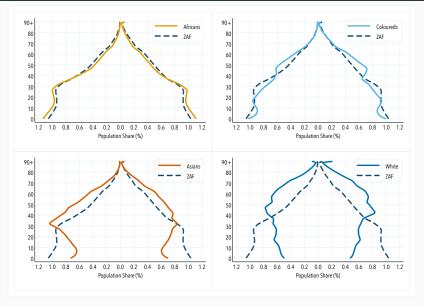
RACE-SPECIFIC SHARES OF NTA AGGREGATE FLOWS, 2015

		Рор	YL	YLE	YLS	С	CF	CG
Overall	Afr	80.2	51.7	52.0	49.1	58.1	47.9	82.5
	Col/Asi	11.4	16.2	16.5	13.4	12.5	13.3	10.5
	Whi	8.4	32.1	31.5	37.5	29.4	38.8	7.0
0-19	Afr	84.9	58.3	40.9	68.3	70.6	56.0	85.9
	Col/Asi	10.2	22.8	36.2	15.1	11.9	14.1	9.6
	Whi	4.9	18.9	22.9	16.6	17.6	29.9	4.5
20-39	Afr	83.3	61.1	61.0	61.6	65.3	59.1	83.9
	Col/Asi	10.5	17.1	17.5	14.1	12.5	13.4	9.9
	Whi	6.2	21.8	21.5	24.3	22.2	27.5	6.3
40-59	Afr	72.5	46.4	46.9	40.9	46.6	40.5	74.7
	Col/Asi	14.5	16.0	16.2	13.7	14.2	14.2	14.0
	Whi	13.0	37.6	36.9	45.4	39.3	45.3	11.3
60-79	Afr	63.6	24.7	25.6	20.7	30.0	22.7	68.4
	Col/Asi	13.9	11.0	11.5	9.1	10.8	10.4	13.3
	Whi	22.5	64.2	62.9	70.1	59.1	67.0	18.3
80+	Afr	59.2	28.9	39.7	23.1	24.3	15.4	66.5
	Col/Asi	9.7	0.3	1.0	0.0	6.4	5.9	8.6
	Whi	31.1	70.8	59.3	76.9	69.3	78.6	25.0

SOUTH AFRICA'S DEMOGRAPHIC

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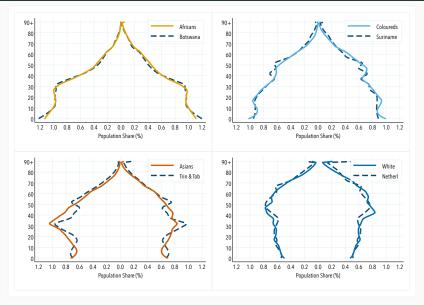
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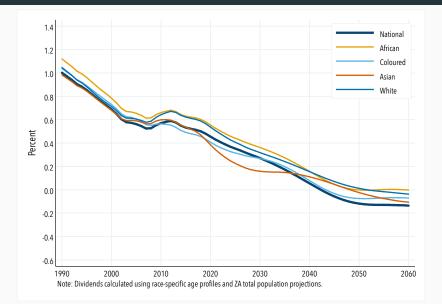
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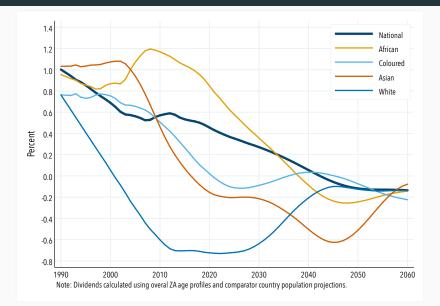
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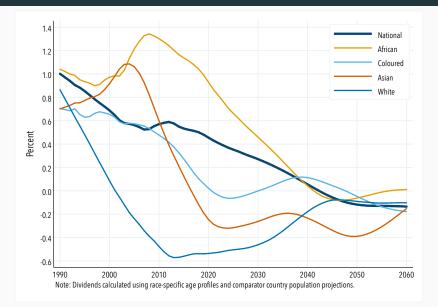
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- South Africa's history of race-based discrimination continues to impact its society, and the generational economy
- Significant differences in the age-profiles of labour income and consumption by race, in terms of level and shape
- Between-race-group inequality has a significant effect on the shapes of the overall profiles
- Understanding these inequalities is important for understanding the evolution of South Africa's demographic dividend

WAY FORWARD

- Incorporation of differentiation in public consumption (e.g., subsidies to schools vary according to socioeconomic status of the neighbourhood)
- Decomposition of the overall DD into race-specific components
- Completion of estimates of transfers and asset-based reallocations
- Find race-specific population projections to better understand demographic dividend