

NIGERIA: AN OUTLOOK TO 2030

Challenges and opportunities of the demographic shift and its link to stunting



11m stunted children in 2013 DRIVERS OF STUNTING Rapid population growth

DEMOGRAPHY

Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa and accounts for 5% of all births globally.

The population is expected to grow to 262m by 2030

Mortality is declining & life expectancy is increasing

An average of 4.6 people per household

On average women have 5 children

ECONOMY

Severe income inequality

Growth rate not enough for the population rise **6%**

Few education opportunities & high unemployment.

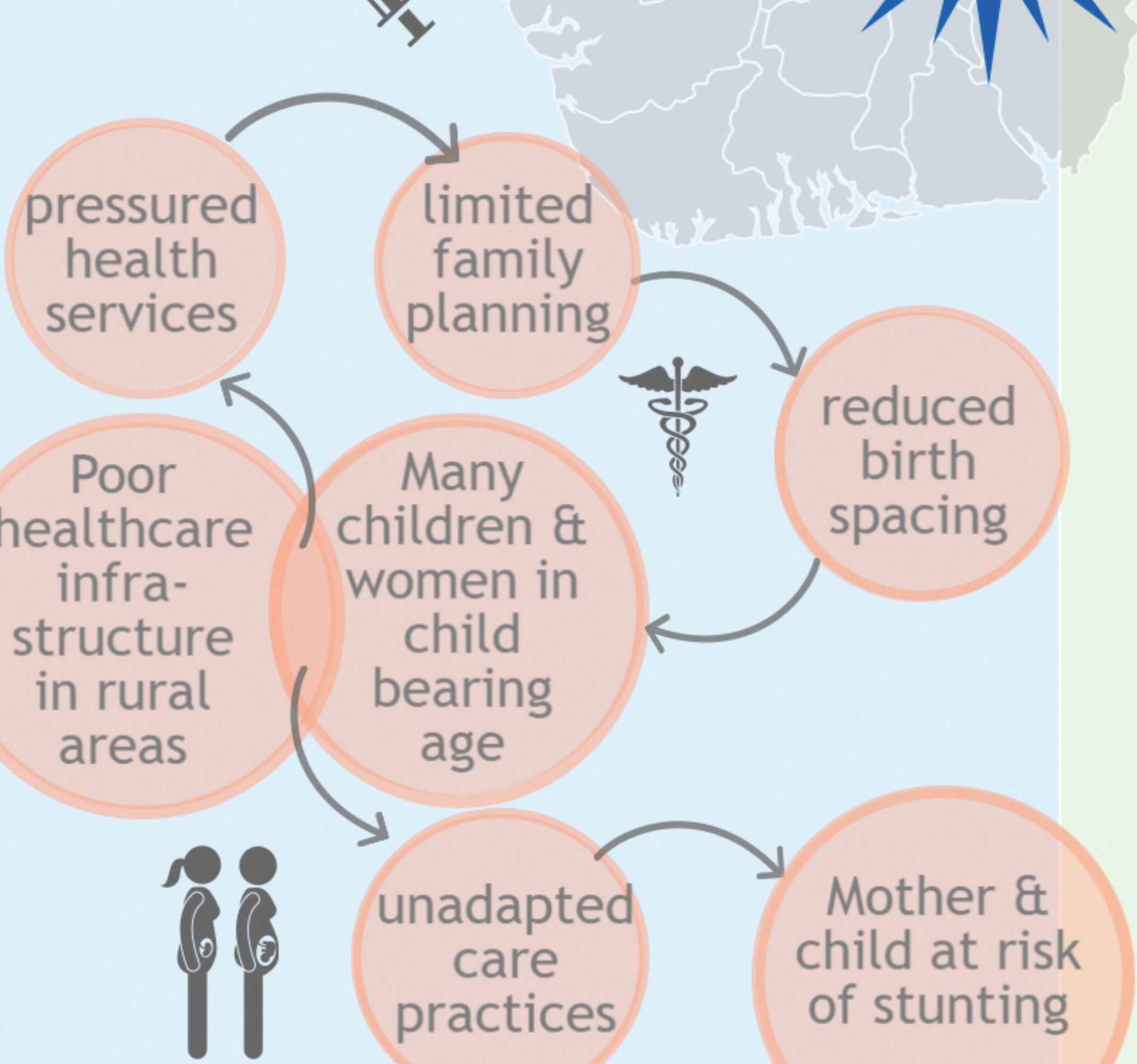
If aggravated, these could lead to civil unrest.

The North-east and North-west remain the poorest regions, especially in rural parts.

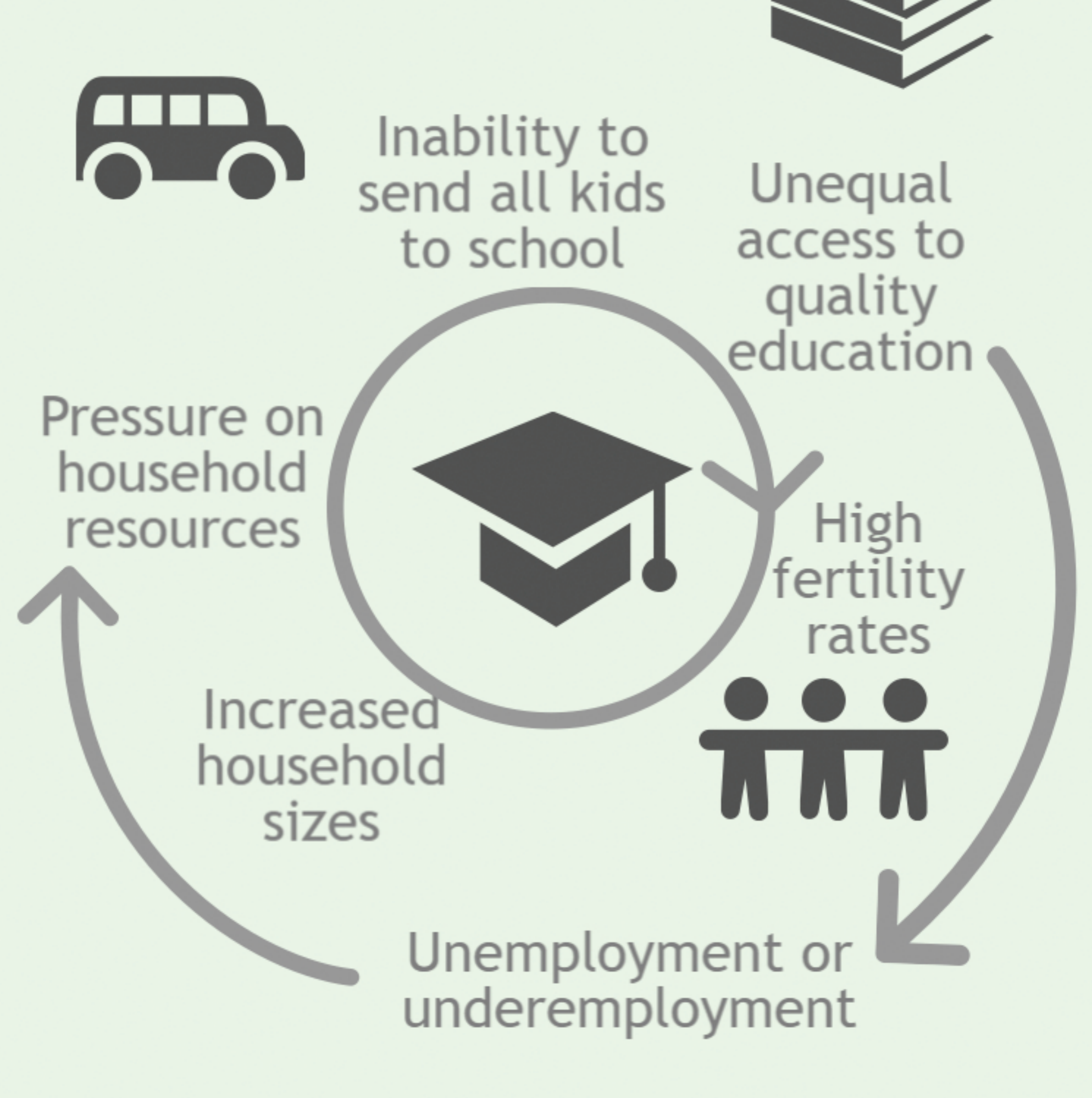
'Two Nigerias': the rich south vs. poor north

Job creation will be key

HEALTH



EDUCATION



Uncertainties to bear in mind..

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Attitude of religious and traditional authorities towards issues of demography

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The level of involvement of the private sector

3

Female status and degree of female empowerment