



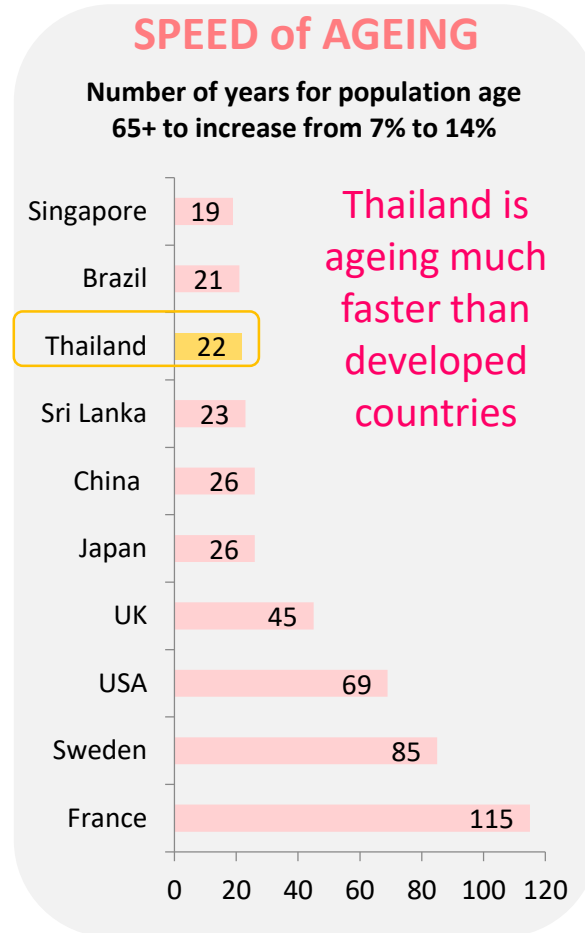
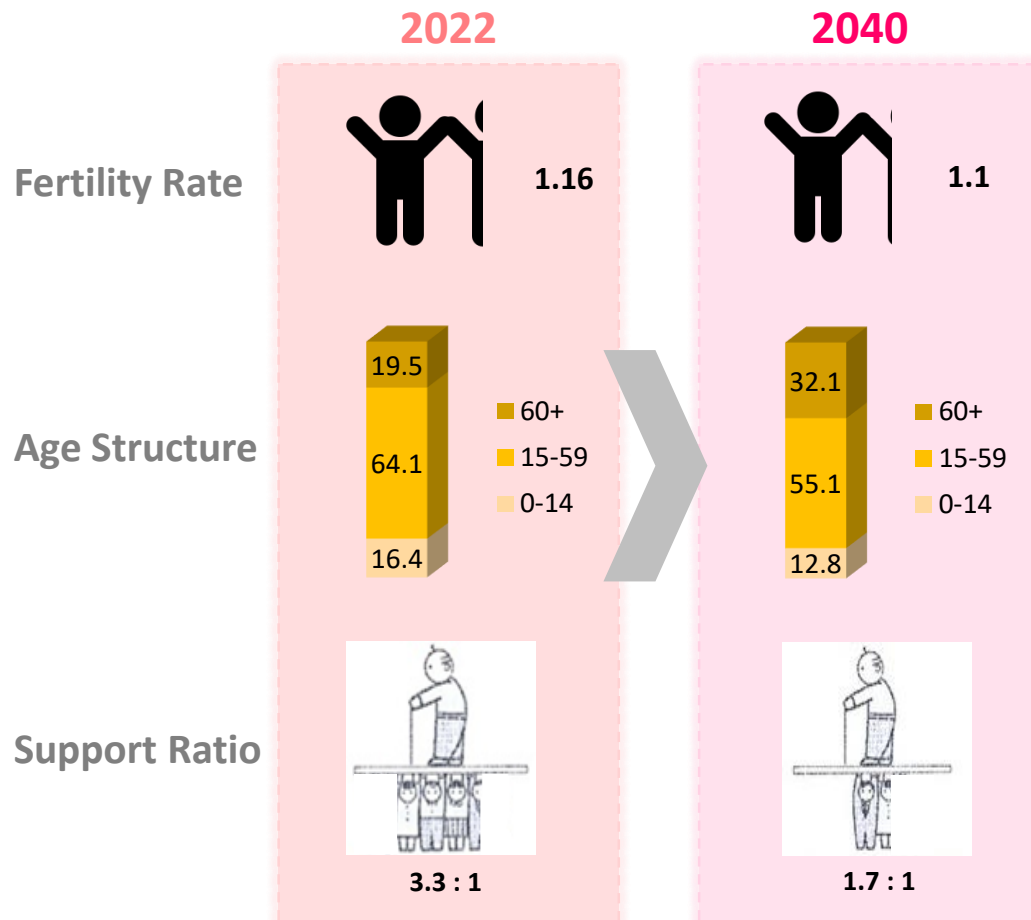
# **NATIONAL TRANSFER ACCOUNTS:** Harmonized Population Data for Population Policy and Development in Thailand

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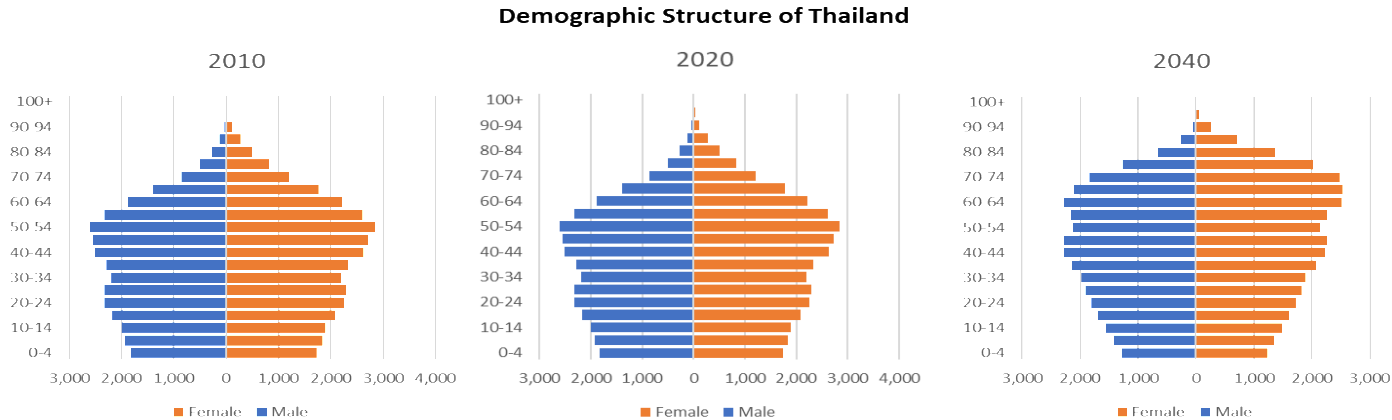
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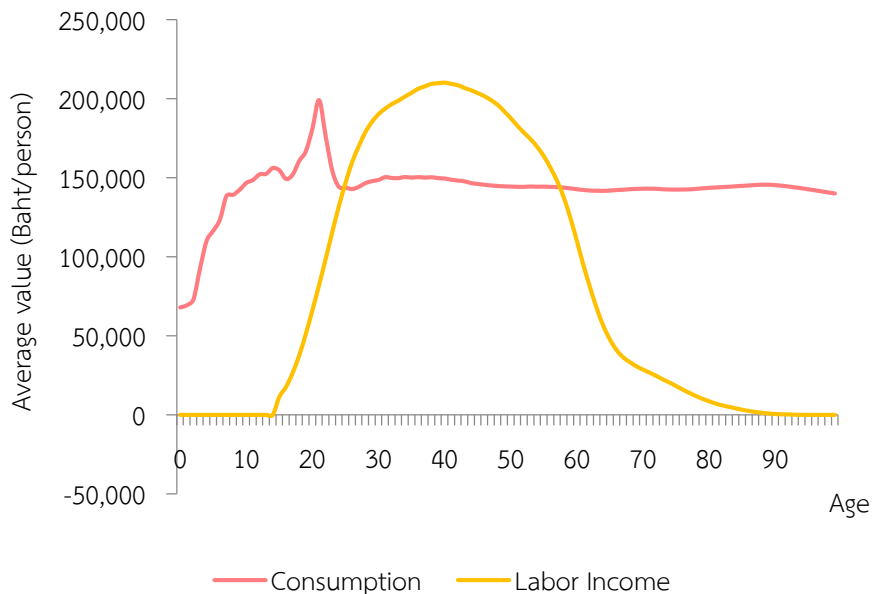
- **Rapid ageing process:** Thailand has already entered complete aged society in 2021 and is expected reach super aged society by 2034



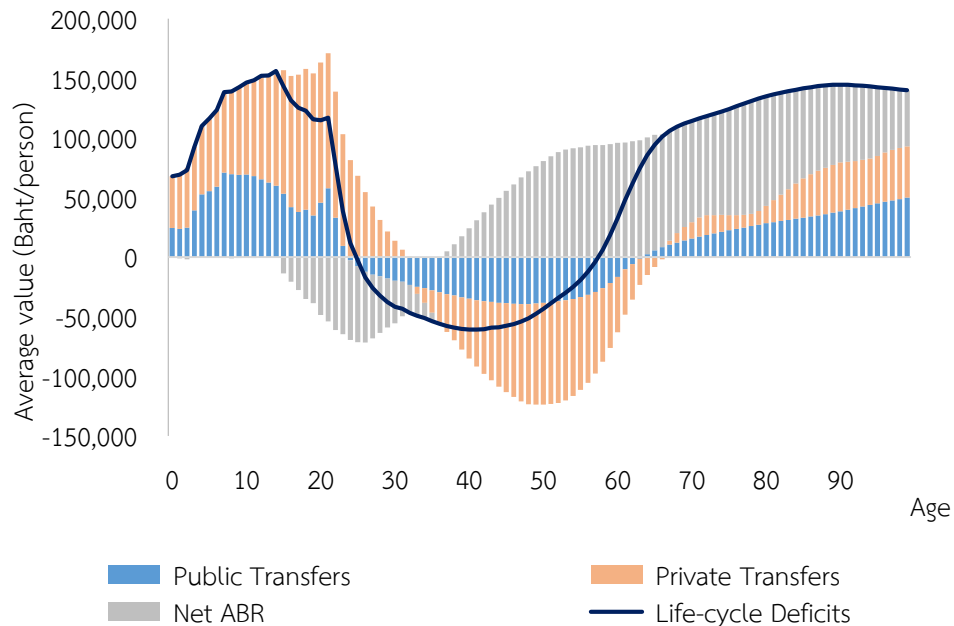
- **Increasing shares of elderly living alone and skipped generation households:** share of elderly living alone increased from 6.3% of total elderly population in 2002 to 10.8% in 2017 while share of skipped generation households increased from 10% to about 20% in 2016. Large share of both groups in poverty with total share of poor elderly of 7.2% in 2019.
- **Rising share of elderly with disabilities will pose implications on long-term care:** share of disabled elderly increased from 15.6% in 2007 to 20.6% in 2017

# NTA RESULTS FOR 2019

## Average Labor Income and Consumption 2019



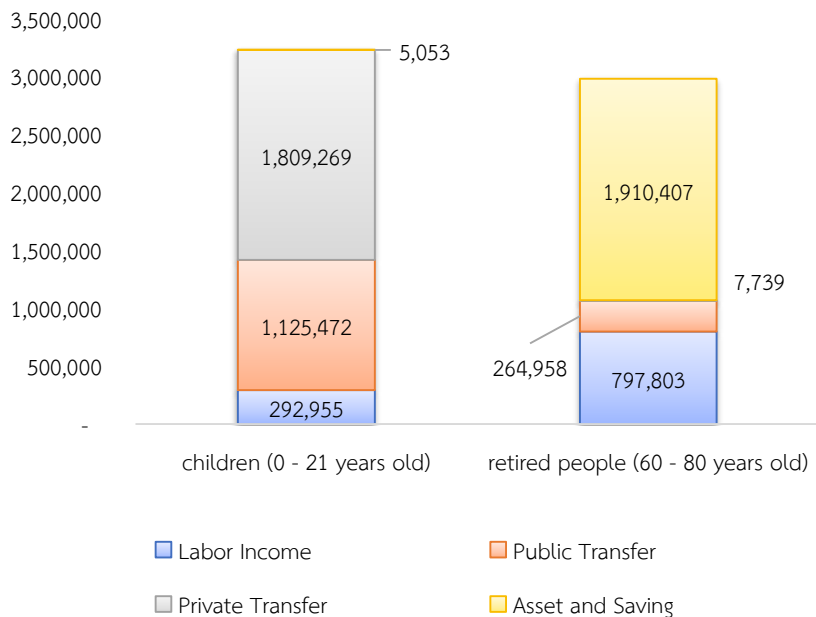
## Average Age Reallocation 2019



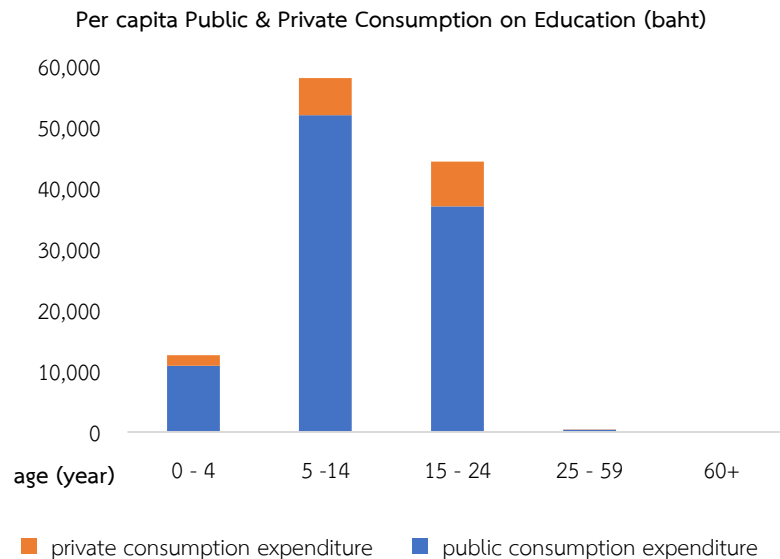
- Only working-age population has labor income higher than their consumption with public sector playing important role to support education in school-age population and health services in elderly population.
- Thai elderly relies mostly on asset reallocation with some supports from family and the government.

# POLICY ADVOCACY – Indicating beneficiaries of government programs

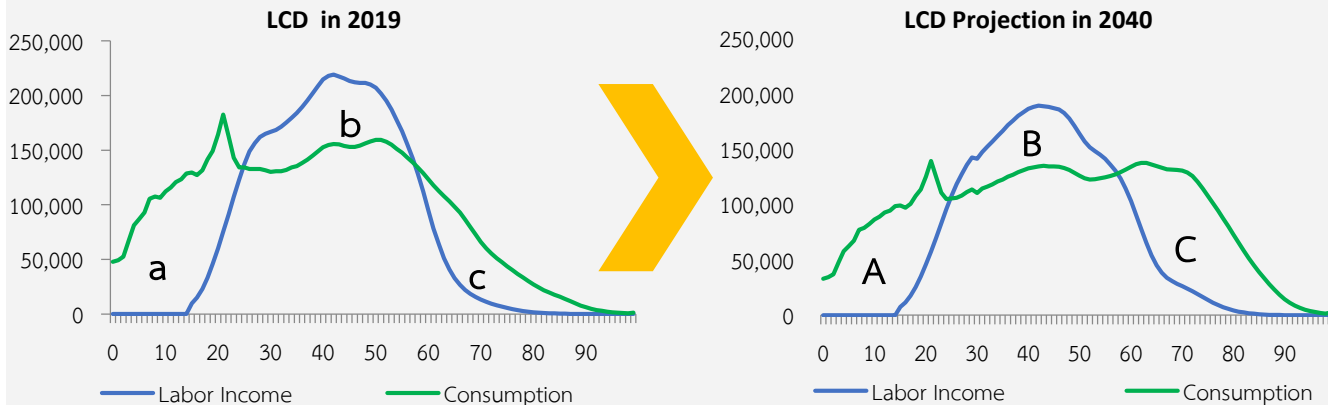
- NTA data are used to calculate the amount required to raise a child and to prepare for retirement



- NTA data are also used as empirical evidence support the government's decision to implement the Child Support Grant



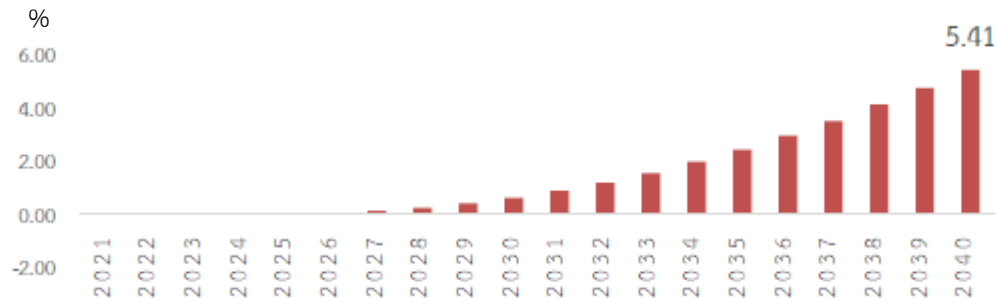
# POLICY ADVOCACY – Projecting Results in the next 20 years



- Results from estimating effects of demographic change points out the need for strengthening finances of private sector as well as identifying gaps in government assistance or long-term planning for social protection.

- The change in population structure has resulted in a significant increase in the proportion of public health expenditure, causing public debt to GDP to rise to 5.41% in 2040.
- Thailand is in the transition period between the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> demographic dividends. The projection points out an important opportunity to prepare the country to cope with changes

**Public Debt to GDP 2021-2040**



# USES OF NTA IN THAI POLICY MATTERS

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- Results of NTA and the projection of NTA in 2040 were incorporated in the drafting of **Population Plan during the Twelfth National Economic and Social Development Plan (2017-2021)**
- Public and private consumption for children in early ages has been used as empirical support for government's decision whether to implement the **Child Support Grant**
- NTA results for public health consumption were also included as part of health inequality situation analysis in **"Poverty and Inequality Situation of Thailand 2019"**
- NESDC and UNFPA Thailand co-organized an online symposium on **"National Transfer Accounts and Social Protection Provision in Thailand"** on December 17, 2021
- NTA and its evidence on sustainability of social protection was included in the **Quarterly Social Situation Report** just released on February 28, 2022



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