

History Homework 9.1 Hunter-Gatherers

We're living in higher density which is the opposite of our beginnings and recent years and half the world's population lives in cities and even though cities have their downs the pros of them outweigh the cons. Looking at the hunter-gatherers now we can see a fundamental human law and how as populations grew people would clump together more while the home ranges follow suit with a mathematical relationship. Not every group has an average hunting and gathering tactic so depending on what they do to get their food impacts how densely they live including aquatic and on land. For each person, the exponent for density is less than one so each person takes up less than one square mile which is an average from over 300 societies but not every group is the exact average as they seem to vary some. Even though some groups vary the same overall trend is followed so over time we have evolved because of our high density which we are destined to have.

I honestly find it interesting that something like how close we live together is controlled by our nature and not by personal choice. I didn't even think you could show how much a single person adds to a group's territory because I wouldn't think it'd be effect anything so if I would've guessed at least ten people would have to make a difference in territory would be my thoughts. Knowing this just makes me think that we're more predictable than I originally thought because such simple things like how close together we live are just apart of our nature so bigger things must apply in some way as well.