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- B) economy . . . linearly
- C) population . . . linearly
- D) population . . . exponentially

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Answer **C**.