Chapter 22 Urbanization and Sustainable Cities

This chapter discusses the growth of cities. More importantly, it describes more recent trends in sustainable cities. Agricultural revolutions are connected to the growth of cities and urbanization. Urban sprawl and its ramifications are a result of urbanization.

Current trends in urbanization and the role of sustainability include the concepts of smart growth, greenfields, building on brownfields, and conservation developments. It is important to be able to describe the costs and benefits of each of these methods.