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WRITING TASK 1

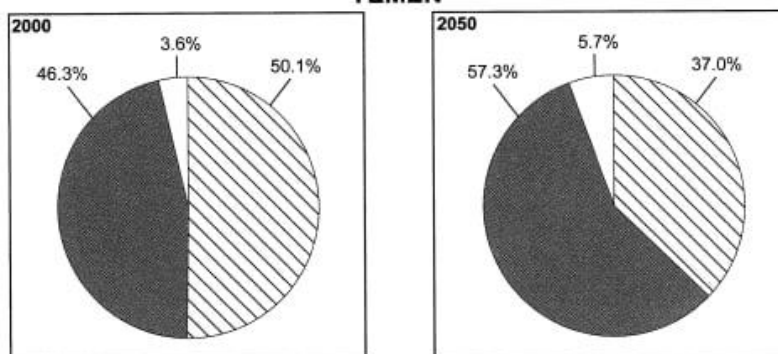
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below give information on the ages of the populations of Yemen and Italy in 2000 and projections for 2050.

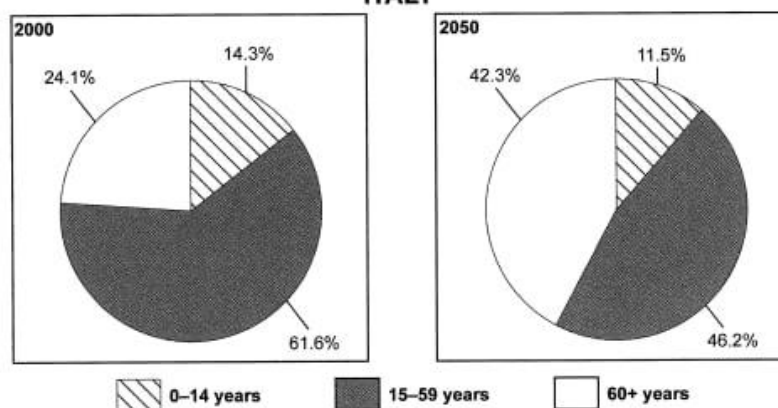
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

YEMEN



ITALY



0-14 years



15-59 years



60+ years

The pie charts compare population differences between Italy and Yemen in three categories in 2000, and as a projection for 2050.

Overall, it can be seen that Yemen had the youngest population by comparison in the year 2000, and despite some minor changes, is predicted to still be so in 2050. The proportion of older people is predicted to rise in both countries over the subsequent 50 year period.

In 2000, 50.1% of the Yemeni population were under the age of 14, compared to just over 14% of Italians in the same age group. At the opposite end of the scale, only a minute percentage of people in Yemen were over 60 at 3.6%, in contrast to 24.1% of Italians. The largest group for Italy were people between 15 and 59 with just over 60%, while Yemen had 46.3% of its population in this category.

Regarding the future, Yemen's average age is set to increase, albeit marginally, with the proportion of over 60s increasing to 5.7%, 15-59 years old rising to 57.3%, with the youngest group falling to 37 percent. It is predicted that by 2050 the number of Italians over 60 will increase significantly to 42.3%, the percentage of those in the youngest bracket will drop to 11.5% and the share in the middle category will decrease to 46.2%.

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