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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, BY REGIONS, DIVISIONS, AND STATES: JULY 1, 1947

(This report presents provisional estimates for July 1, 1947, similar to those for earlier years published in CURRENT POPULATION REPORTS, Series P-25, No. 2. The estimates in this report are made in the absence of current data on internal migration, by States, and will be revised when such data become available.)

Thirty-seven States and the District of Columbia gained population between April 1, 1940, the date of the last census, and July 1, 1947, according to provisional estimates of the population of the United States, by States, on July 1, 1947, released today by J. C. Capt, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. The total population of the United States, excluding members of the armed forces overseas, increased about 8.9 percent. This rate of increase was exceeded in 18 States and the District of Columbia. Twenty States had a rate of increase lower than the national average, and eleven States lost population.

On the other hand, the total State population, including members of the armed forces stationed there, declined in only 3 States between July 1, 1946, and July 1, 1947. In each case the decline may be attributed to the reduction in the size of the military establishment in the State. All 48 States and the District of Columbia gained civilian population between July 1, 1946, and July 1, 1947. During this year about 1,500,000 persons were added to the civilian population of the United States because of continuing demobilization of the armed forces, about 2,600,000 because of the excess of births over deaths, and about 200,000 because of net foreign immigration.

The estimated civilian population of each State was obtained by adding to the civilian population on April 1, 1940, an estimate of the excess of births over deaths and an estimate of net migration to the State, and subtracting an estimate of the net loss of population to the armed forces for the entire period between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1947. The birth statistics used were on a residence basis and were adjusted for underregistration. The death statistics used were for resident deaths; they were adjusted for underregistration of deaths in the first year of life. Because death statistics for States include deaths of members of the armed forces stationed in the State, an estimate of such deaths was subtracted from the reported death statistics. The estimate of deaths that was used is thus for civilians alone. The estimated net loss of population to the armed forces for each State represents the difference between the number of persons from the State serving in the armed forces on July 1, 1947, and the number in the armed

forces on April 1, 1940, plus an allowance for persons from the State who died while serving in the armed forces. The estimates of net migration are based on statistics from the 1940 census, statistics on enrollment in elementary grades of public and private schools, and, in part, on registrations for War Ration Book No. 4. School statistics more recent than those for the end of the school year 1945-1946 were not yet available for all States when these estimates were prepared.

Because final figures on births, deaths, and net foreign migration, and figures on school enrollment for the school year 1946-1947 were not available, it was necessary to make some projections on the basis of past experience, particularly for the estimates of net internal migration. The estimates of births and deaths that were used were based on preliminary figures for the period from January 1, 1946, to July 1, 1947. It is not expected that the final figures will differ much from those used.

Relatively superior measures of net migration for States between April 1, 1940, and July 1 of each year, 1940 to 1946, have been prepared. Those for the period ending July 1, 1946, are shown in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 2. The trend of these cumulative net migration figures for each region was projected to July 1, 1947, and estimates of regional population on April 1, 1947, were interpolated. When sampling variation is taken into account, these were in fairly close agreement with the estimates obtained from the April, 1947, Sample Survey of the Labor Force, Population, and Housing, and published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 2. By this procedure, estimates of cumulative net migration for regions between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1947, consistent with past trends and with the results of the April, 1947, Sample Survey, were obtained. Projections of cumulative net migration for each State were then prepared for July 1, 1947, and adjusted to add to the previously established regional figures for that date.

Revised estimates of State population for July 1, 1947, will be published in 1948 when school statistics for the school year 1946-1947 become available to replace the projections of net migration on which the estimates in this release depend.

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS AND ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION,
BY REGIONS, DIVISIONS, AND STATES: JULY 1, 1947, AND APRIL 1, 1940

REGION, DIVISION, AND STATE	TOTAL POPULATION EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS			CIVILIAN POPULATION		
	July 1, 1947	April 1, 1940 (Census)	Percent increase (+) or decrease (-), 1940 to 1947	July 1, 1947	April 1, 1940	Percent increase (+) or decrease (-), 1940 to 1947
United States.....	143,382,000	131,669,275	+8.9	142,628,000	131,402,000	+8.5
REGIONS:						
The Northeastern States.....	38,136,000	35,276,777	+6.0	39,028,000	35,938,000	+5.8
The North Central States.....	43,071,000	40,143,332	+7.3	42,997,000	40,119,000	+7.2
The South.....	44,151,000	41,665,901	+6.0	43,784,000	41,523,000	+5.5
The West.....	18,024,000	13,883,265	+29.3	17,819,000	13,824,000	+28.9
THE NORTHEASTERN STATES:						
New England.....	9,327,000	8,437,290	+10.5	9,303,000	8,423,000	+10.4
Middle Atlantic.....	23,809,000	27,539,487	+4.6	28,725,000	27,515,000	+4.4
THE NORTH CENTRAL STATES:						
East North Central.....	29,382,000	26,626,342	+10.3	29,328,000	26,610,000	+10.2
West North Central.....	13,688,000	13,516,990	+1.3	13,669,000	13,509,000	+1.2
THE SOUTH:						
South Atlantic.....	19,499,000	17,823,151	+9.4	19,265,000	17,731,000	+8.7
East South Central.....	10,771,000	10,778,225	-0.1	10,730,000	10,761,000	-0.3
West South Central.....	13,881,000	13,064,525	+6.2	13,788,000	13,030,000	+5.8
THE WEST:						
Mountain.....	4,399,000	4,150,003	+6.0	4,357,000	4,145,000	+5.1
Pacific.....	13,625,000	9,733,262	+40.0	13,462,000	9,678,000	+39.1
NEW ENGLAND:						
Maine.....	911,000	847,226	+7.5	910,000	845,000	+7.7
New Hampshire.....	547,000	491,524	+11.3	544,000	491,000	+10.8
Vermont.....	364,000	359,231	+1.3	364,000	359,000	+1.4
Massachusetts.....	4,725,000	4,316,721	+9.5	4,713,000	4,314,000	+9.2
Rhode Island.....	761,000	713,346	+6.7	757,000	709,000	+6.9
Connecticut.....	2,020,000	1,709,242	+18.2	2,016,000	1,707,000	+18.1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:						
New York.....	14,092,000	13,479,142	+4.5	14,066,000	13,462,000	+4.5
New Jersey.....	4,435,000	4,160,165	+6.6	4,391,000	4,137,000	+5.6
Pennsylvania.....	10,281,000	9,900,180	+3.8	10,267,000	9,896,000	+3.7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:						
Ohio.....	7,773,000	6,907,612	+12.5	7,764,000	6,905,000	+12.4
Indiana.....	3,653,000	3,427,796	+12.6	3,856,000	3,427,000	+12.5
Illinois.....	8,221,000	7,897,241	+4.1	8,188,000	7,887,000	+3.8
Michigan.....	6,249,000	5,256,106	+18.9	6,238,000	5,253,000	+18.8
Wisconsin.....	3,288,000	3,137,587	+4.6	3,281,000	3,137,000	+4.6
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:						
Minnesota.....	2,897,000	2,792,300	+3.7	2,896,000	2,792,000	+3.7
Iowa.....	2,606,000	2,538,268	+2.7	2,605,000	2,538,000	+2.6
Missouri.....	3,854,000	3,784,664	+1.8	3,852,000	3,784,000	+1.8
North Dakota.....	552,000	641,935	-14.0	552,000	642,000	-14.0
South Dakota.....	564,000	642,961	-12.3	561,000	643,000	-12.8
Nebreska.....	1,301,000	1,315,834	-1.1	1,299,000	1,314,000	-1.1
Kansas.....	1,914,000	1,801,028	+6.3	1,903,000	1,797,000	+5.9
SOUTH ATLANTIC:						
Delaware.....	293,000	266,505	+9.9	293,000	266,000	+10.2
Maryland.....	2,215,000	1,821,244	+21.6	2,187,000	1,813,000	+20.6
District of Columbia.....	861,000	663,091	+29.2	831,000	658,000	+26.2
Virginia.....	3,019,000	2,677,773	+12.7	2,975,000	2,650,000	+12.3
West Virginia.....	1,849,000	1,901,974	-2.8	1,848,000	1,902,000	-2.8
North Carolina.....	3,718,000	3,571,623	+4.1	3,679,000	3,566,000	+3.2
South Carolina.....	1,918,000	1,899,804	+1.0	1,897,000	1,886,000	+0.6
Georgia.....	3,233,000	3,123,723	+3.5	3,208,000	3,099,000	+3.5
Florida.....	2,394,000	1,897,414	+26.2	2,346,000	1,891,000	+24.1
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:						
Kentucky.....	2,777,000	2,845,627	-2.4	2,757,000	2,841,000	-3.0
Tennessee.....	3,079,000	2,915,841	+6.6	3,073,000	2,916,000	+5.4
Alabama.....	2,824,000	2,832,961	-0.3	2,817,000	2,821,000	-0.1
Mississippi.....	2,092,000	2,183,796	-4.2	2,083,000	2,183,000	-4.6
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:						
Arkansas.....	1,903,000	1,949,387	-2.4	1,902,000	1,948,000	-2.4
Louisiana.....	2,549,000	2,363,880	+7.3	2,541,000	2,359,000	+7.7
Oklahoma.....	2,311,000	2,336,434	-1.1	2,302,000	2,333,000	-1.3
Texas.....	7,118,000	6,414,824	+11.0	7,044,000	6,389,000	+10.3
MOUNTAIN:						
Montana.....	494,000	559,456	-11.7	492,000	559,000	-12.0
Idaho.....	493,000	524,873	-7.0	488,000	525,000	-7.0
Wyoming.....	275,000	250,742	+9.7	270,000	250,000	+8.0
Colorado.....	1,159,000	1,123,296	+3.2	1,142,000	1,122,000	+1.8
New Mexico.....	550,000	531,818	+3.4	541,000	532,000	+1.7
Arizona.....	657,000	499,261	+31.6	649,000	498,000	+30.3
Utah.....	637,000	550,310	+15.8	635,000	550,000	+15.5
Nevada.....	140,000	110,247	+27.0	139,000	110,000	+26.4
PACIFIC:						
Washington.....	2,233,000	1,736,191	+28.6	2,195,000	1,732,000	+26.7
Oregon.....	1,517,000	1,089,684	+39.2	1,516,000	1,086,000	+39.3
California.....	9,376,000	6,907,387	+33.0	9,751,000	6,857,000	+42.2