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### ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: 1946 TO 1948

(Estimates for July 1 of each year, 1930 to 1945, comparable to those for 1946 to 1948 given here, have been published in Population--Special Reports, Series P-47, No. 3, and P-45, No. 5)

The number of very young children and of aged persons in the United States reached all-time peaks in 1948, according to estimates of population by age, color, and sex, announced today by J. C. Capt, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. In a total population of about 146,571,000 on July 1, 1948, there were about 15,106,000 children under 5 years old and about 10,950,000 persons 65 years old and over. In 1940, there were only 10,542,000 children under 5 years old and 8,964,000 persons 65 years old and over. Although the population of all ages increased by about 11 percent during this period, the rate of increase among the very young children amounted to about 43 percent and the rate of increase in the aged population to about 22 percent.

The Seventeenth Census of the United States, which will be conducted in April, 1950, will provide similar statistics from a complete count of the population; the estimates announced now are based on figures from the last census (April 1, 1940) brought up to date from official records of births, deaths, net immigration, and the strength and geographic distribution of the armed forces.

#### POPULATION INCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS

Between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1948, the population of the United States increased by about 14.9 million persons. Most of this increase, about 13.6 million persons, is attributable to natural increase (the excess of births over deaths). The remainder, about 1.3 million persons, is the result of net international migration. Population growth during this 8½-year

period has been noteworthy not only for its size but also for its influence on the demand for commodities, housing, medical care, school facilities, and the like, at a time of readjustment to postwar conditions. Even more striking, however, have been changes in the age composition of the population.

Age composition.--An outstanding feature of population change during this decade has been the very rapid growth of the child population. For every two children under 5 years old enumerated in the 1940 census, there are estimated to have been nearly three children in the same age group on July 1, 1948 (see tables 1 and 4). During the same period the population 5 to 9 years old increased from 10.7 million to about 12.9 million persons. The increase of about 2.2 million persons, or more than 20 percent of the 1940 population in this age group, was at a rate less than half that for the population under 5 years old. Nonetheless, it was far greater than the rate of increase of the population as a whole.

The great increase in the number of children under 10 years old, about 6.8 million children, reflects primarily the fact that the number of persons born during the period 1941 to 1948 was larger than during the period 1930 to 1937. Persons born during the earlier period were included in the population under 10 years old in 1940 but not in 1948; those born during the later period were included in the population under 10 years old in 1948 but not in 1940. The larger number of births during the forties may be attributed in part to the reactions of the people to the more favorable economic conditions prevailing then as well as to wartime mobiliza-

tion and postwar demobilization. These factors tended to produce higher marriage rates and higher birth rates.<sup>1</sup> Moreover, there was an increase in the number of women in the child-bearing ages. To a lesser but still important extent, declining mortality rates among children also were a factor influencing the very large increase in the child population.

An immediate effect of this situation is found in the increased enrollment of children 5 to 9 years of age, most of whom are attending the lower grades of elementary school.<sup>2</sup> On the other hand, the number of persons 10 to 19 years of age declined by more than 2.2 million persons, or 9.2 percent, between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1948. The number of these persons who were attending school declined by about 1.5 million, despite an increase in the proportion attending school in this age range.

Normally, the age group 14 to 19 years provides the bulk of new recruits for the labor force. Between 1940 and 1948 there was a substantial decline (about 11 percent) in the number of males in this age range. Had there not been a marked increase in the percentage of males 14 to 19 years old working or looking for work (from 38 percent in April, 1940, to 51 percent in April, 1948),<sup>3</sup> this change in the distribution of the population by age would have resulted in a substantial decline in the number of persons entering the labor force for the first time and hence in the number of males 14 to 19 years of age in the labor force.

In the population between 20 and 64 years old, there were increases in each 5-year age group between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1948. These increases ranged from about 425,000, or 3.7 percent, for the age group 20 to 24 years; up to about 1,353,000, or 23.1 percent, for the age group 55 to 59 years of age, and tended to be relatively larger with increasing age.

The population 65 years old and over increased by almost two million persons. The rapid increase in the number of older persons in the

population is in part the result of the increase in the number of births in the last half of the nineteenth century and in part the result of persistent declines in the age-specific death rates prevailing during the lifetime of persons now of advanced age. Another important influence was the generally increasing volume of immigration during the last quarter of the nineteenth century and the first decade of the twentieth century, a circumstance that has augmented the foreign-born population of advanced age.

Trend of the median age.---The median age of the population, that is, the age which divides it into two equal groups--one being younger and the other older than the median age--has up until recently exhibited a persistent upward trend. As a result primarily of the very large number of postwar births, this trend has been halted, though probably only temporarily. A century ago half our population was younger than 19 years. By 1900 the median age had risen to 22.9 years, and by 1940 to 29.0 years. After the last census the median age continued to rise, reaching 29.9 years by July 1, 1946. In the two years following, it dropped back slightly to 29.8 years despite continuing increases in the older segment of the population.<sup>4</sup> The marked increase in the median age in the last hundred years reflects the long-time decline in the birth rate, the long-time increase in longevity, and the falling off of the volume of immigration in the last 25 years. Young immigrants who arrived in this country before then have been moving up into the older age groups and have been replaced by more recent young immigrants to only a relatively small extent.

Sex composition.---Between April, 1940, and July, 1948, there was a shift in the relative numbers of males and females in our population from an enumerated excess of about 454,000 males in 1940 to an estimated deficit of 642,000 males in 1948 (see tables 1 and 4). The net change in the balance of the sexes (1,096,000) in this 8½-year period resulted from an excess of 1,816,000 male over female deaths (including deaths to military personnel) and an excess of 720,000 males among newborn infants and immigrants.

The sex ratio (the number of males per 100 females) declined from 100.7 in 1940 to 99.4 in 1946 and to 99.1 in 1948. Since the leading factor accounting for this apparently increasing

<sup>1</sup> "Differential Fertility: June, 1946," Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 8, and "Fertility: April, 1947," Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 18.

<sup>2</sup> "School Enrollment of the Civilian Population: October, 1948," Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 24.

<sup>3</sup> Based on data in "Labor Force, Employment, and Unemployment in the United States, 1940 to 1946," Current Population Reports, Series P-50, No. 2, and "The Monthly Report on the Labor Force: April, 1948," Current Population Reports, Series P-57, No. 70.

<sup>4</sup> According to recent population forecasts the median age is expected to reach 30.7 years by July 1, 1955. See "Forecasts of Population and School Enrollment in the United States: 1948 to 1960," Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 18.

disparity in the number of males and females is the difference in their death rates, an appreciable narrowing of this difference will be required if the number of males and females is to approach equality again.

Not all age groups had sex ratios lower than 100 in 1948, however. There were approximately 104 males for every 100 females in the population under 20 years of age. This sex ratio represents an excess of 888,000 males in this age range and reflects the normally large excess of boys among births. In contrast, the sex ratio of the population 45 years old and over was only 97.1 and represents an excess of 605,000 women in this age range in 1948. In 1940 the group 45 years old and over had a sex ratio of 102.6, and there was an enumerated excess of 451,000 men. The trend towards numerical dominance of women in this age group is a result of the fact that rates of increase by age, between 1940 and 1948, were substantially higher for females than for males 45 years old and over, averaging 20.1 percent for females and only 13.7 percent for males. The relatively lower mortality of females throughout the age scale and the rapid attrition in the number of foreign-born persons, half of whom were over 51 years of age in 1940 and somewhat more than half of whom were male, were the main factors producing this change in the relative numbers of men and women over 45.

#### THE POPULATION EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS AND THE CIVILIAN POPULATION

The total population present in the United States, that is, the population including persons in the armed forces in continental United States but excluding those overseas, amounted to about 146,114,000 on July 1, 1948. This figure differed by only 0.3 percent from the total population including armed forces overseas. During the war years the difference had been considerably larger, but the postwar return of servicemen from foreign duty has reduced it to its present low level. Thus, between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1945, the number of males 15 to 39 years of age in continental United States declined by almost 25 percent (Series P-47, No. 3). This is the age group most affected by military service; and as large numbers of troops left the country, it was correspondingly depleted. After July 1, 1945, however, the number of males 15 to 39 years old in continental United States increased rapidly. By July 1, 1948, this group numbered about 27.7 million persons, or 35 percent more people than in 1945 (see table 2).

Changes in the civilian population of military age during this period were even more pronounced than were changes in the total population of military age present in the United States. The number of men 15 to 39 years of age in the civilian population declined from about 26.9 million on April 1, 1940, to about 16.3 million in July, 1945, and then returned to the 1940 level in July, 1948 (see table 3). When the size of our armed forces was at its maximum during World War II, there were about 58 civilian males 15 to 39 years of age for every 100 civilian females in this age range; in July, 1948, there were about 94 civilian males 15 to 39 years of age for every 100 civilian females of these ages.

#### METHODS, LIMITATIONS, AND RELIABILITY

The estimates of the total population of continental United States including members of the armed forces overseas, given in table 1, are based on statistics from the 1940 census; statistics of births and deaths by age, provided by the National Office of Vital Statistics, United States Public Health Service; statistics on the movement of aliens and citizens into and out of the country, provided by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and data relating to the size and distribution of the armed forces, obtained from the Department of National Defense.<sup>5</sup> The estimates are not based on a sample survey. Estimates of the population of the United States including armed forces stationed in the United States but excluding armed forces overseas, given in table 2, and estimates of the civilian population, given in table 3, were obtained by subtracting from the estimates of total population including armed forces overseas, for each 5-year age group, the corresponding estimates of persons in the armed forces overseas and of persons in the total armed forces (both at home and abroad), as of July 1 of each year.

The birth and death figures used in preparing these estimates were adjusted for underregist-

<sup>5</sup> In the 1940 census the armed forces of the United States serving overseas were excluded from the figures for the population of continental United States. It is estimated that this group as a whole numbered about 151,000. Inasmuch as the estimates of the population of continental United States including armed forces overseas for July 1, 1946 to 1948, were computed by adding births and immigrants to, and subtracting deaths and emigrants from, the population enumerated on April 1, 1940, the estimates also exclude the 151,000 persons referred to above and are in this respect consistent with the figures from the 1940 census.

tration, the adjustment of deaths for the years included in this report being confined to deaths of children under one year of age.<sup>6</sup> An allowance was made for combat and noncombat deaths of military personnel overseas. No allowance was made for possible underreporting of immigration and emigration inasmuch as no adequate basis for making such an allowance exists.

Since there is a tendency in the United States, as in other countries, for the census returns on the number of children under 5 years of age to be incomplete, it was necessary to allow for the children not counted in 1940 before making current postcensal estimates. For many purposes, however, it is desirable to compare the estimates with the census figures for 1940 and earlier years as enumerated. To accomplish this, it has been assumed that the same number of children under 5 years of age would not have been enumerated in 1946, 1947, and 1948 as in 1940, had censuses been taken in these years. Because the estimated number of children under 5 years old rose during this period, this assumption implies that there would have been a relatively more complete enumeration of children, and, specifically, that the proportion of children under 5 years old that would have been counted in a census would have increased from 92.4 percent in 1940,<sup>7</sup> to 94.0 percent in 1946, 94.4 percent in 1947, and 94.6 percent in 1948.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>6</sup> The amount of adjustment for the underregistration of births is based on the results of a test conducted in connection with the 1940 Population Census. According to the test, 92.5 percent of all births were registered in the 4 months preceding April 1, 1940; by an extension of these results, chiefly on the basis of the increase in the proportion of births occurring in hospitals, where birth registration is nearly complete, it is estimated that in 1948 95.8 percent of all births were registered. The extent of the underregistration of deaths is not known. However, it is virtually certain that the completeness of registration of deaths exceeds that of births. Currently it is assumed that infant deaths are underregistered in the same proportion as births, and that deaths of older persons are completely registered. The population estimates would, of course, differ according to the assumptions made regarding the completeness of birth and death registration. If it had been assumed that births and deaths were completely registered during the period 1940 to 1948, the estimate of the total population for July 1, 1948, would be only 0.7 percent smaller than herein estimated; if it had been assumed that no change took place in the completeness of registration of births since 1940 as shown by the test, and that deaths of persons at all ages were underregistered to the same extent as births, then the estimate of the total population for July 1, 1948, would be only 0.1 percent higher than herein estimated. The effect on the age distribution, and especially on the number of young children, of such variations in the assumptions regarding the completeness of birth and death registration, however, would be more pronounced.

The estimates for 1947 and 1948 presented herein are preliminary and subject to revision because the 1947 and 1948 statistics on births, deaths, immigration, and emigration were themselves provisional rather than final data. In the recent past, the divergence between provisional vital statistics and immigration data, such as those for 1947 and 1948 used here, and the final figures has not been very great. As a result the current population estimates for July 1, 1947 and 1948, are not believed to be subject to any considerable revision.

The estimates of the population including armed forces overseas and the population excluding armed forces overseas, for July 1, 1946, given in the present report supersede the provisional estimates of this kind for the same date given in "Estimated Population of the United States, by Age, Color, and Sex: 1940 to 1946," Population--Special Reports, Series P-47, No. 3. More complete data on population changes in 1946, including final data on births, deaths, immigration, and emigration, were used in preparing these revised estimates than were available when the earlier estimates were prepared. The provisional estimates of the population including armed forces overseas for July 1, 1947, presented in this report agree with those for the same date published in "Forecasts of Population and School Enrollment in the United States: 1948 to 1960," Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 18.

The provisional estimates of the population including armed forces overseas for July 1, 1948, given in the present report differ only slightly from the forecasts for this date contained in the Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 18. The present figures take into account current information on population changes

<sup>7</sup> Determined by a special study of the Bureau of the Census. See the 1940 Population Census report, Differential Fertility, 1940 and 1910--Standardized Fertility Rates and Reproduction Rates, Appendix A. This percentage corresponds to an absolute estimate of 868,000 children not enumerated in 1940.

<sup>8</sup> On the basis of the percentages of completeness indicated above, two estimates of the number of children under 5 years of age are given in each population table (tables 1 to 4, inclusive). The larger numbers, given at the bottom of each table, are based on survivors of births in the appropriate years and represent, therefore, the estimated total numbers of children under 5 years of age "adjusted for census underenumeration of children under 5 years of age." The smaller numbers for children under 5, included in the body of each table, reflect the underreporting of children under 5 in the censuses of 1940 and earlier years and are designed to be comparable with data from those censuses.

up to July 1, 1948; the latter figures are projections based on estimates for July 1, 1947, and take into account current information on population changes only up to that date. The forecast total (with an allowance for immigration) published in the earlier report was 0.2 percent below the current estimate. Percent differences between the two series equaled 0.5 or less for the population in each 5-year age group under 65 years of age and 1.0 percent for the population 65 years of age and over. Hence, the forecasts by age for 1949 and later years published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 18, are reasonably consistent with the current estimates for 1948 given in this report and may be used in combination with them, for most practical purposes, if a series of current midyear population estimates and forecasts by age is desired.

The estimates of the civilian population by age and sex given in the present report differ

from the estimates of the civilian population for the same dates published in Current Population Reports, Series P-57 and P-50, and Population, Series MRLF, in that the latter exclude the population living in institutions and are based on more preliminary data, particularly with respect to the armed forces. Similarly these estimates are not fully consistent with those relating to the civilian population published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, because the latter are based on more preliminary data and include a small number of persons in the armed forces living off post or with their families on post.

The absolute figures presented in this report have been rounded to the nearest thousand. Figures for component groups have not been adjusted to group totals, which have been independently rounded. Derived figures are based on the unrounded numbers.

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(Estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand without being adjusted to group totals, which are independently rounded.  
Medians are based on the unrounded absolute numbers)

Age and date	All classes			White			Nonwhite		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
JULY 1, 1948									
All ages.....	146,571,000	72,965,000	73,607,000	131,127,000	65,393,000	65,734,000	15,445,000	7,572,000	7,873,000
Under 5 years.....	15,105,000	7,713,000	7,394,000	13,270,000	6,794,000	6,475,000	1,837,000	918,000	919,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,893,000	6,577,000	6,316,000	11,189,000	5,722,000	5,468,000	1,703,000	856,000	848,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,880,000	5,527,000	5,353,000	9,433,000	4,806,000	4,633,000	1,441,000	721,000	720,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,982,000	5,553,000	5,424,000	9,335,000	4,833,000	4,747,000	1,347,000	670,000	677,000
20 to 24 years.....	12,013,000	5,993,000	6,021,000	10,649,000	5,319,000	5,330,000	1,364,000	674,000	690,000
25 to 29 years.....	12,000,000	5,878,000	6,122,000	10,713,000	5,264,000	5,449,000	1,236,000	614,000	673,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,240,000	5,453,000	5,787,000	10,062,000	4,910,000	5,152,000	1,178,000	543,000	685,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,666,000	5,200,000	5,435,000	9,590,000	4,724,000	4,866,000	1,075,000	505,000	569,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,755,000	4,825,000	4,940,000	8,314,000	4,371,000	4,443,000	951,000	454,000	497,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,934,000	4,425,000	4,509,000	7,553,000	4,004,000	4,050,000	881,000	422,000	459,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,072,000	4,022,000	4,050,000	7,386,000	3,683,000	3,703,000	687,000	339,000	347,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,221,000	3,620,000	3,602,000	6,575,000	3,345,000	3,329,000	545,000	273,000	272,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,850,000	2,932,000	2,918,000	5,447,000	2,723,000	2,724,000	403,000	209,000	194,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,347,000	2,134,000	2,213,000	4,053,000	1,983,000	2,075,000	239,000	152,000	137,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,146,000	1,499,000	1,647,000	2,945,000	1,397,000	1,549,000	200,000	102,000	98,000
75 years and over.....	3,456,000	1,573,000	1,878,000	3,199,000	1,459,000	1,740,000	257,000	119,000	133,000
14 years and over.....	109,745,000	54,183,000	55,557,000	93,017,000	48,980,000	50,038,000	10,723,000	5,208,000	5,519,000
21 years and over.....	94,362,000	46,406,000	47,955,000	85,520,000	42,136,000	43,384,000	8,842,000	4,270,000	4,572,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.8	29.4	30.2	30.3	29.9	30.7	25.1	24.6	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	147,434,000	73,421,000	74,013,000	131,753,000	65,725,000	66,028,000	15,681,000	7,696,000	7,935,000
Under 5 years.....	15,969,000	8,169,000	7,800,000	13,896,000	7,127,000	6,770,000	2,073,000	1,042,000	1,031,000
JULY 1, 1947									
All ages.....	144,034,000	71,754,000	72,279,000	128,894,000	64,327,000	64,567,000	15,139,000	7,427,000	7,712,000
Under 5 years.....	14,604,000	7,453,000	7,151,000	12,836,000	6,569,000	6,267,000	1,769,000	884,000	885,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,110,000	6,174,000	5,937,000	10,475,000	5,392,000	5,122,000	1,636,000	821,000	814,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,667,000	5,413,000	5,254,000	9,269,000	4,713,000	4,554,000	1,398,000	696,000	700,000
15 to 19 years.....	11,242,000	5,692,000	5,551,000	9,822,000	5,014,000	4,863,000	1,360,000	677,000	683,000
20 to 24 years.....	12,102,000	6,022,000	6,090,000	10,741,000	5,353,000	5,383,000	1,361,000	670,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,807,000	5,763,000	6,038,000	10,544,000	5,171,000	5,373,000	1,262,000	597,000	665,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,166,000	5,430,000	5,736,000	9,990,000	4,885,000	5,105,000	1,176,000	545,000	631,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,483,000	5,154,000	5,329,000	9,440,000	4,659,000	4,781,000	1,042,000	494,000	548,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,640,000	4,769,000	4,872,000	8,676,000	4,309,000	4,367,000	964,000	459,000	505,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,788,000	4,365,000	4,423,000	7,937,000	3,954,000	3,984,000	831,000	412,000	439,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,016,000	4,011,000	4,005,000	7,341,000	3,675,000	3,666,000	675,000	335,000	340,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,090,000	3,573,000	3,517,000	6,560,000	3,205,000	3,255,000	530,000	268,000	262,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,658,000	2,843,000	2,815,000	5,266,000	2,638,000	2,628,000	392,000	205,000	187,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,246,000	2,033,000	2,158,000	3,961,000	1,939,000	2,022,000	284,000	149,000	136,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,089,000	1,475,000	1,614,000	2,894,000	1,376,000	1,519,000	195,000	99,000	95,000
75 years and over.....	3,325,000	1,525,000	1,800,000	3,031,000	1,412,000	1,669,000	244,000	113,000	121,000
14 years and over.....	108,729,000	53,765,000	54,962,000	98,127,000	48,611,000	49,516,000	10,602,000	5,156,000	5,446,000
21 years and over.....	93,023,000	45,824,000	47,204,000	84,327,000	41,615,000	42,712,000	8,701,000	4,209,000	4,492,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.8	29.4	30.1	30.4	30.0	30.7	25.2	24.7	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	144,896,000	72,211,000	72,685,000	129,520,000	64,659,000	64,861,000	15,276,000	7,552,000	7,824,000
Under 5 years.....	15,467,000	7,909,000	7,557,000	13,462,000	6,901,000	6,561,000	2,005,000	1,008,000	996,000
JULY 1, 1946									
All ages.....	141,235,000	70,404,000	70,831,000	126,450,000	63,136,000	63,294,000	14,805,000	7,267,000	7,537,000
Under 5 years.....	13,422,000	6,844,000	6,578,000	11,766,000	6,016,000	5,750,000	1,655,000	823,000	828,000
5 to 9 years.....	11,633,000	5,922,000	5,711,000	10,060,000	5,134,000	4,926,000	1,572,000	783,000	785,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,620,000	5,399,000	5,231,000	9,243,000	4,701,000	4,541,000	1,377,000	687,000	693,000
15 to 19 years.....	11,471,000	5,806,000	5,665,000	10,104,000	5,125,000	4,979,000	1,367,000	661,000	685,000
20 to 24 years.....	12,151,000	6,022,000	6,122,000	10,797,000	5,367,000	5,430,000	1,354,000	663,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,613,000	5,660,000	5,953,000	10,373,000	5,073,000	5,255,000	1,240,000	581,000	653,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,093,000	5,410,000	5,684,000	9,922,000	4,854,000	5,058,000	1,172,000	546,000	625,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,305,000	5,073,000	5,226,000	9,292,000	4,595,000	4,697,000	1,014,000	484,000	530,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,521,000	4,714,000	4,807,000	8,546,000	4,251,000	4,296,000	974,000	463,000	511,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,657,000	4,314,000	4,343,000	7,837,000	3,913,000	3,924,000	820,000	401,000	418,000
50 to 54 years.....	7,957,000	3,993,000	3,960,000	7,234,000	3,667,000	3,627,000	663,000	331,000	332,000
55 to 59 years.....	6,944,000	3,513,000	3,426,000	6,429,000	3,254,000	3,175,000	515,000	263,000	251,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,471,000	2,755,000	2,716,000	5,090,000	2,554,000	2,536,000	381,000	201,000	180,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,153,000	2,045,000	2,109,000	3,874,000	1,899,000	1,973,000	279,000	145,000	134,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,023,000	1,450,000	1,573,000	2,839,000	1,353,000	1,486,000	190,000	97,000	92,000
75 years and over.....	3,194,000	1,471,000	1,723,000	2,963,000	1,364,000	1,599,000	231,000	106,000	125,000
14 years and over.....	107,708,000	53,337,000	54,371,000	97,236,000	48,237,000	48,999,000	10,472,000	5,100,000	5,372,000
21 years and over.....	91,690,000	45,241,000	46,449,000	83,131,000	41,093,000	42,038,000	8,558,000	4,143,000	4,411,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.9	29.6	30.1	30.4	30.1	30.7	25.3	24.9	25.7
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	142,097,000	70,860,000	71,237,000	127,056,000	63,466,000	63,598,000	15,041,000	7,392,000	7,649,000
Under 5 years.....	14,234,000	7,301,000	6,984,000	12,393,000	6,249,000	6,044,000	1,891,000	952,000	939,000

Table 2.--ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: JULY 1, 1946 TO 1948  
 (Estimates relate to the total population present in the United States, that is, the population including persons in the armed forces in continental United States but excluding those overseas. Estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand without being adjusted to group totals, which are independently rounded. Medians are based on the unrounded absolute numbers)

Age and date	All classes			White			Nonwhite		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>JULY 1, 1948</b>									
All ages.....	146,114,000	72,510,000	73,604,000	130,711,000	64,980,000	65,731,000	15,402,000	7,529,000	7,873,000
Under 5 years.....	15,106,000	7,712,000	7,394,000	13,270,000	6,794,000	6,475,000	1,837,000	918,000	919,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,893,000	6,577,000	6,316,000	11,169,000	5,722,000	5,468,000	1,703,000	856,000	848,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,880,000	5,527,000	5,353,000	9,438,000	4,806,000	4,633,000	1,441,000	721,000	720,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,872,000	5,446,000	5,424,000	9,535,000	4,728,000	4,747,000	1,386,000	660,000	677,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,855,000	5,835,000	6,020,000	10,505,000	5,175,000	5,330,000	1,349,000	659,000	690,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,911,000	5,790,000	6,121,000	10,633,000	5,184,000	5,448,000	1,278,000	605,000	673,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,187,000	5,401,000	5,786,000	10,014,000	4,863,000	5,151,000	1,173,000	538,000	635,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,638,000	5,204,000	5,435,000	9,566,000	4,700,000	4,866,000	1,073,000	503,000	569,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,752,000	4,813,000	4,940,000	8,803,000	4,360,000	4,443,000	950,000	453,000	497,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,929,000	4,421,000	4,508,000	8,049,000	4,049,000	4,049,000	880,000	421,000	459,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,070,000	4,020,000	4,050,000	7,384,000	3,681,000	3,703,000	666,000	339,000	347,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,220,000	3,619,000	3,602,000	6,675,000	3,346,000	3,329,000	545,000	273,000	272,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,850,000	2,932,000	2,918,000	5,447,000	2,723,000	2,724,000	403,000	209,000	194,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,347,000	2,134,000	2,213,000	4,058,000	1,983,000	2,076,000	289,000	152,000	137,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,146,000	1,499,000	1,647,000	2,946,000	1,397,000	1,549,000	200,000	102,000	98,000
75 years and over.....	3,456,000	1,578,000	1,878,000	3,199,000	1,459,000	1,740,000	257,000	119,000	138,000
14 years and over.....	109,287,000	58,733,000	55,554,000	98,602,000	48,567,000	50,035,000	10,685,000	5,166,000	5,519,000
21 years and over.....	94,072,000	46,119,000	47,953,000	85,257,000	41,876,000	43,381,000	8,815,000	4,243,000	4,572,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.8	29.5	30.2	30.4	30.0	30.7	25.1	24.6	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	146,976,000	72,966,000	74,010,000	131,338,000	65,312,000	66,025,000	15,638,000	7,654,000	7,925,000
Under 5 years.....	15,969,000	8,169,000	7,800,000	13,896,000	7,127,000	6,770,000	2,073,000	1,042,000	1,031,000
<b>JULY 1, 1947</b>									
All ages.....	143,414,000	71,140,000	72,274,000	128,326,000	63,764,000	64,562,000	15,058,000	7,376,000	7,712,000
Under 5 years.....	14,604,000	7,458,000	7,151,000	12,836,000	6,569,000	6,267,000	1,769,000	884,000	885,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,110,000	6,174,000	5,937,000	10,475,000	5,352,000	5,123,000	1,636,000	821,000	814,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,667,000	5,413,000	5,254,000	9,269,000	4,715,000	4,554,000	1,398,000	698,000	700,000
15 to 19 years.....	11,000,000	5,449,000	5,551,000	9,661,000	4,799,000	4,862,000	1,339,000	657,000	683,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,919,000	5,840,000	6,073,000	10,573,000	5,183,000	5,387,000	1,346,000	655,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,711,000	5,674,000	6,037,000	10,456,000	5,083,000	5,371,000	1,255,000	589,000	663,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,117,000	5,383,000	5,735,000	9,945,000	4,842,000	5,104,000	1,172,000	541,000	631,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,453,000	5,127,000	5,323,000	9,415,000	4,635,000	4,780,000	1,040,000	492,000	548,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,627,000	4,756,000	4,872,000	8,664,000	4,298,000	4,367,000	963,000	459,000	505,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,782,000	4,360,000	4,423,000	7,932,000	3,943,000	3,984,000	850,000	411,000	439,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,014,000	4,008,000	4,006,000	7,339,000	3,673,000	3,666,000	675,000	335,000	340,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,089,000	3,572,000	3,517,000	6,560,000	3,304,000	3,256,000	530,000	268,000	262,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,658,000	2,843,000	2,815,000	5,266,000	2,638,000	2,628,000	392,000	205,000	187,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,246,000	2,088,000	2,158,000	3,961,000	1,939,000	2,022,000	284,000	149,000	136,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,089,000	1,475,000	1,614,000	2,894,000	1,376,000	1,519,000	195,000	99,000	95,000
75 years and over.....	3,325,000	1,585,000	1,800,000	3,081,000	1,412,000	1,669,000	244,000	113,000	131,000
14 years and over.....	108,109,000	58,152,000	54,957,000	97,559,000	48,048,000	49,511,000	10,550,000	5,104,000	5,446,000
21 years and over.....	92,727,000	45,528,000	47,199,000	84,050,000	41,343,000	42,707,000	8,677,000	4,185,000	4,492,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.9	29.6	30.1	30.4	30.2	30.7	25.2	24.8	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	144,277,000	71,597,000	72,680,000	128,958,000	64,096,000	64,856,000	15,324,000	7,500,000	7,824,000
Under 5 years.....	15,467,000	7,909,000	7,557,000	13,462,000	6,901,000	6,561,000	2,005,000	1,008,000	996,000
<b>JULY 1, 1946</b>									
All ages.....	139,899,000	69,074,000	70,825,000	125,201,000	61,913,000	63,288,000	14,698,000	7,161,000	7,537,000
Under 5 years.....	13,422,000	6,844,000	6,573,000	11,766,000	6,016,000	5,750,000	1,655,000	828,000	828,000
5 to 9 years.....	11,633,000	5,922,000	5,711,000	10,060,000	5,134,000	4,926,000	1,572,000	783,000	785,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,620,000	5,389,000	5,231,000	9,243,000	4,701,000	4,541,000	1,377,000	687,000	689,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,988,000	5,323,000	5,655,000	9,559,000	4,680,000	4,979,000	1,328,000	642,000	686,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,617,000	5,498,000	6,119,000	10,305,000	4,877,000	5,428,000	1,312,000	621,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,438,000	5,486,000	5,952,000	10,212,000	4,919,000	5,294,000	1,226,000	567,000	658,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,014,000	5,331,000	5,683,000	9,849,000	4,792,000	5,057,000	1,165,000	539,000	626,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,273,000	5,047,000	5,226,000	9,261,000	4,565,000	4,696,000	1,011,000	482,000	530,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,506,000	4,700,000	4,806,000	8,533,000	4,237,000	4,295,000	973,000	462,000	511,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,648,000	4,305,000	4,343,000	7,829,000	3,905,000	3,924,000	819,000	401,000	418,000
50 to 54 years.....	7,953,000	3,994,000	3,960,000	7,290,000	3,663,000	3,627,000	663,000	331,000	332,000
55 to 59 years.....	6,942,000	3,516,000	3,426,000	6,428,000	3,253,000	3,175,000	514,000	268,000	251,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,471,000	2,755,000	2,716,000	5,089,000	2,554,000	2,536,000	384,000	201,000	180,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,153,000	2,045,000	2,109,000	3,874,000	1,899,000	1,975,000	273,000	145,000	134,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,023,000	1,450,000	1,578,000	2,839,000	1,353,000	1,486,000	190,000	97,000	92,000
75 years and over.....	3,194,000	1,471,000	1,723,000	2,963,000	1,364,000	1,599,000	231,000	106,000	125,000
14 years and over.....	106,373,000	52,007,000	54,366,000	96,007,000	47,014,000	48,994,000	10,365,000	4,993,000	5,372,000
21 years and over.....	91,097,000	44,654,000	46,443,000	82,586,000	40,554,000	42,033,000	8,511,000	4,100,000	4,411,000
Median age.....(years)..	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.7	30.7	30.7	25.4	25.1	25.7
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	140,762,000	69,530,000	71,231,000	125,827,000	62,245,000	63,582,000	14,934,000	7,235,000	7,649,000
Under 5 years.....	14,284,000	7,301,000	6,984,000	12,892,000	6,349,000	6,044,000	1,891,000	952,000	939,000

Table 3.--ESTIMATES OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: JULY 1, 1946 TO 1948  
(Estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand without being adjusted to group totals, which are independently rounded.  
Medians are based on the unrounded absolute numbers)

Age and date	All classes			White			Nonwhite		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>JULY 1, 1948</b>									
All ages.....	146,290,000	71,697,000	73,593,000	129,953,000	64,233,000	65,720,000	15,337,000	7,464,000	7,873,000
Under 5 years.....	15,106,000	7,715,000	7,394,000	13,270,000	6,794,000	6,475,000	1,837,000	918,000	919,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,693,000	6,577,000	6,316,000	11,189,000	5,722,000	5,468,000	1,703,000	856,000	848,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,680,000	5,527,000	5,358,000	9,438,000	4,806,000	4,633,000	1,441,000	721,000	720,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,673,000	5,249,000	5,424,000	9,352,000	4,605,000	4,747,000	1,321,000	644,000	677,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,506,000	5,586,000	6,019,000	10,274,000	4,945,000	5,329,000	1,331,000	641,000	690,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,740,000	5,622,000	6,117,000	10,476,000	5,081,000	5,445,000	1,264,000	692,000	672,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,080,000	5,297,000	5,783,000	9,916,000	4,767,000	5,149,000	1,164,000	529,000	635,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,587,000	5,154,000	5,433,000	9,518,000	4,654,000	4,864,000	1,068,000	499,000	569,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,727,000	4,789,000	4,939,000	8,780,000	4,333,000	4,442,000	948,000	450,000	497,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,918,000	4,410,000	4,508,000	8,088,000	3,990,000	4,049,000	879,000	420,000	459,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,065,000	4,015,000	4,050,000	7,379,000	3,676,000	3,703,000	686,000	339,000	347,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,212,000	3,617,000	3,602,000	6,673,000	3,344,000	3,329,000	545,000	273,000	272,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,850,000	2,932,000	2,918,000	5,445,000	2,722,000	2,724,000	403,000	209,000	194,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,347,000	2,134,000	2,213,000	4,053,000	1,982,000	2,076,000	289,000	152,000	137,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,146,000	1,499,000	1,647,000	2,946,000	1,397,000	1,549,000	200,000	102,000	98,000
75 years and over.....	3,456,000	1,578,000	1,878,000	3,199,000	1,469,000	1,740,000	257,000	119,000	138,000
14 years and over.....	108,464,000	52,921,000	55,543,000	97,844,000	47,820,000	50,024,000	10,620,000	5,101,000	5,519,000
21 years and over.....	93,548,000	45,607,000	47,942,000	84,776,000	41,406,000	43,370,000	8,772,000	4,201,000	4,571,000
Median age.....(years)..	29.9	29.6	30.2	30.5	30.2	30.7	25.1	24.6	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	146,153,000	72,154,000	73,999,000	130,579,000	64,565,000	66,014,000	15,573,000	7,589,000	7,984,000
Under 5 years.....	15,969,000	8,169,000	7,800,000	13,896,000	7,127,000	6,770,000	2,073,000	1,042,000	1,031,000
<b>JULY 1, 1947</b>									
All ages.....	142,660,000	70,399,000	72,261,000	127,621,000	63,071,000	64,549,000	15,039,000	7,328,000	7,712,000
Under 5 years.....	14,604,000	7,453,000	7,151,000	12,836,000	6,569,000	6,267,000	1,769,000	884,000	885,000
5 to 9 years.....	12,110,000	6,174,000	5,937,000	10,475,000	5,352,000	5,122,000	1,636,000	821,000	814,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,667,000	5,413,000	5,254,000	9,269,000	4,715,000	4,554,000	1,399,000	698,000	700,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,750,000	5,199,000	5,551,000	9,426,000	4,556,000	4,868,000	1,324,000	641,000	683,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,721,000	5,646,000	6,075,000	10,337,000	5,003,000	5,334,000	1,334,000	643,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,560,000	5,528,000	6,032,000	10,316,000	4,949,000	5,367,000	1,244,000	579,000	665,000
30 to 34 years.....	11,040,000	5,308,000	5,732,000	9,874,000	4,772,000	5,101,000	1,167,000	535,000	621,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,415,000	5,088,000	5,326,000	9,377,000	4,599,000	4,779,000	1,037,000	489,000	548,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,607,000	4,736,000	4,871,000	8,645,000	4,279,000	4,366,000	962,000	457,000	505,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,772,000	4,350,000	4,422,000	7,922,000	3,939,000	3,983,000	850,000	411,000	439,000
50 to 54 years.....	8,009,000	4,003,000	4,005,000	7,334,000	3,669,000	3,665,000	675,000	335,000	340,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,088,000	3,571,000	3,517,000	6,568,000	3,302,000	3,255,000	530,000	268,000	262,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,637,000	2,843,000	2,815,000	5,266,000	2,633,000	2,623,000	392,000	205,000	187,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,245,000	2,087,000	2,153,000	3,961,000	1,939,000	2,022,000	284,000	149,000	136,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,089,000	1,475,000	1,614,000	2,894,000	1,376,000	1,519,000	195,000	99,000	95,000
75 years and over.....	3,325,000	1,525,000	1,800,000	3,081,000	1,412,000	1,669,000	244,000	113,000	131,000
14 years and over.....	107,355,000	52,411,000	54,944,000	96,854,000	47,356,000	49,498,000	10,501,000	5,056,000	5,445,000
21 years and over.....	92,295,000	45,109,000	47,185,000	83,648,000	40,953,000	42,694,000	8,647,000	4,156,000	4,491,000
Median age.....(years)..	30.0	29.8	30.1	30.6	30.4	30.7	25.2	24.8	25.6
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	143,522,000	70,856,000	72,666,000	128,247,000	63,404,000	64,843,000	15,275,000	7,452,000	7,823,000
Under 5 years.....	15,467,000	7,909,000	7,537,000	13,462,000	6,901,000	6,561,000	2,005,000	1,008,000	996,000
<b>JULY 1, 1946</b>									
All ages.....	138,400,000	67,624,000	70,776,000	123,824,000	60,585,000	63,240,000	14,576,000	7,039,000	7,537,000
Under 5 years.....	13,422,000	6,844,000	6,578,000	11,766,000	6,016,000	5,750,000	1,655,000	828,000	828,000
5 to 9 years.....	11,633,000	5,922,000	5,711,000	10,060,000	5,134,000	4,926,000	1,572,000	788,000	785,000
10 to 14 years.....	10,620,000	5,389,000	5,231,000	9,243,000	4,701,000	4,541,000	1,377,000	697,000	699,000
15 to 19 years.....	10,499,000	4,834,000	5,665,000	9,212,000	4,233,000	4,979,000	1,237,000	601,000	666,000
20 to 24 years.....	11,128,000	5,033,000	6,095,000	9,852,000	4,448,000	5,404,000	1,276,000	555,000	691,000
25 to 29 years.....	11,170,000	5,231,000	5,939,000	9,968,000	4,686,000	5,281,000	1,203,000	545,000	658,000
30 to 34 years.....	10,884,000	5,207,000	5,677,000	9,730,000	4,679,000	5,051,000	1,153,000	528,000	626,000
35 to 39 years.....	10,211,000	4,988,000	5,222,000	9,205,000	4,512,000	4,693,000	1,006,000	476,000	530,000
40 to 44 years.....	9,476,000	4,671,000	4,804,000	8,505,000	4,211,000	4,294,000	971,000	460,000	511,000
45 to 49 years.....	8,631,000	4,289,000	4,342,000	7,813,000	3,890,000	3,924,000	813,000	399,000	413,000
50 to 54 years.....	7,944,000	3,985,000	3,960,000	7,232,000	3,627,000	3,655,000	652,000	330,000	322,000
55 to 59 years.....	7,044,000	3,512,000	3,426,000	6,424,000	3,249,000	3,175,000	514,000	263,000	251,000
60 to 64 years.....	5,470,000	2,754,000	2,716,000	5,089,000	2,536,000	2,536,000	381,000	201,000	180,000
65 to 69 years.....	4,153,000	2,044,000	2,109,000	3,873,000	1,899,000	1,975,000	279,000	145,000	134,000
70 to 74 years.....	3,023,000	1,460,000	1,573,000	2,839,000	1,353,000	1,486,000	190,000	97,000	92,000
75 years and over.....	3,194,000	1,471,000	1,723,000	2,963,000	1,364,000	1,599,000	231,000	106,000	125,000
14 years and over.....	104,874,000	50,557,000	54,317,000	94,631,000	45,685,000	48,945,000	10,243,000	4,872,000	5,371,000
21 years and over.....	90,266,000	43,873,000	46,395,000	81,826,000	39,841,000	41,985,000	8,443,000	4,033,000	4,410,000
Median age.....(years)..	30.3	30.5	30.1	30.9	31.1	30.7	25.5	25.3	25.7
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children									
All ages.....	139,253,000	68,081,000	71,182,000	124,451,000	60,917,000	63,534,000	14,812,000	7,164,000	7,648,000
Under 5 years.....	14,284,000	7,301,000	6,984,000	12,393,000	6,349,000	6,044,000	1,591,000	952,000	939,000

Table 4.--POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: APRIL 1, 1940

(Figures relate to the population resident in continental United States and exclude the small number of armed forces personnel stationed abroad)

Age and date	All classes			White			Nonwhite		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
All ages.....	131,669,278	66,061,592	65,607,686	118,214,870	59,446,648	58,766,322	13,454,405	6,613,044	6,841,361
Under 5 years.....	10,541,524	5,854,808	5,186,716	9,229,505	4,701,470	4,528,035	1,312,019	653,338	659,681
5 to 9 years.....	10,684,622	5,418,823	5,265,799	9,328,951	4,744,537	4,584,414	1,355,671	674,286	681,385
10 to 14 years.....	11,745,935	5,952,329	5,793,606	10,332,695	5,289,007	5,043,688	1,398,240	693,322	699,918
15 to 19 years.....	12,333,523	6,180,153	6,153,370	10,964,047	5,515,920	5,448,127	1,369,476	664,233	705,243
20 to 24 years.....	11,597,835	5,692,392	5,895,443	10,340,149	5,113,642	5,226,507	1,247,686	578,750	666,936
25 to 29 years.....	11,096,638	5,450,662	5,645,976	9,904,270	4,892,013	5,012,257	1,192,368	558,649	633,719
30 to 34 years.....	10,242,368	5,070,312	5,172,076	9,206,478	4,578,316	4,628,162	1,085,910	496,996	588,914
35 to 39 years.....	9,545,377	4,745,659	4,799,718	8,516,660	4,254,368	4,262,292	1,028,717	491,291	537,426
40 to 44 years.....	8,787,843	4,419,135	4,368,708	7,936,083	3,995,190	3,940,893	861,760	423,945	427,815
45 to 49 years.....	8,255,225	4,209,269	4,045,956	7,532,756	3,842,613	3,690,143	722,469	366,656	355,813
50 to 54 years.....	7,256,846	3,752,750	3,504,096	6,680,307	3,451,717	3,228,590	576,589	301,033	275,506
55 to 59 years <sup>1</sup> .....	5,868,224	3,025,272	2,842,952	5,426,845	2,790,046	2,636,799	441,379	235,225	206,153
60 to 64 years <sup>1</sup> .....	4,759,564	2,412,896	2,346,668	4,416,693	2,232,453	2,184,240	342,871	180,443	162,428
65 to 69 years <sup>1</sup> .....	3,747,800	1,868,566	1,879,234	3,499,046	1,736,937	1,762,109	246,574	131,629	117,125
70 to 74 years <sup>1</sup> .....	2,560,803	1,264,712	1,296,091	2,400,545	1,133,283	1,217,262	160,258	81,429	78,829
75 years and over <sup>1</sup> .....	2,555,128	1,243,854	1,411,274	2,479,840	1,162,036	1,317,804	175,288	81,818	93,470
14 years and over.....	101,102,924	50,553,748	50,549,176	91,428,165	45,823,081	45,605,134	9,674,759	4,730,717	4,944,042
21 years and over.....	83,996,629	42,004,816	41,991,813	76,243,536	38,197,566	38,045,970	7,753,093	3,807,250	3,945,843
Median age.....(years)...	29.0	29.1	29.0	29.5	29.5	29.5	25.2	25.4	25.1
Adjusted for Census Under- enumeration of Children <sup>2</sup>									
All ages.....	132,532,000	66,518,000	66,014,000	118,841,000	59,781,000	59,060,000	13,691,000	6,737,000	6,953,000
Under 5 years.....	11,404,000	5,811,000	5,593,000	9,856,000	5,034,000	4,822,000	1,548,000	778,000	770,000

<sup>1</sup> Nonwhite and "all classes" adjusted for age biases in nonwhite population as enumerated.  
<sup>2</sup> Rounded to the nearest thousand without being adjusted to group totals, which are independently rounded.

Table 5.--PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE OF THE ESTIMATED POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES INCLUDING ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS, BY COLOR AND SEX, JULY 1, 1948, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR APRIL 1, 1940

(Percents are based on the unrounded absolute numbers)

Age and date	All classes			White			Nonwhite		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
JULY 1, 1948									
All ages.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 5 years.....	10.3	10.6	10.0	10.1	10.4	9.9	11.9	12.1	11.7
5 to 9 years.....	8.8	9.0	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.3	11.0	11.3	10.8
10 to 14 years.....	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.0	9.3	9.5	9.1
15 to 19 years.....	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.2	8.7	8.8	8.6
20 to 24 years.....	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.1	8.5
25 to 29 years.....	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.3	7.6	7.2	8.1
30 to 34 years.....	7.7	7.5	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.8	7.0	6.7	7.2
35 to 39 years.....	7.3	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.4	6.2	6.0	6.3
40 to 44 years.....	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	5.7	5.6	5.8
45 to 49 years.....	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	4.4	4.5	4.4
50 to 54 years.....	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.6	3.5	3.6	3.5
55 to 59 years.....	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.1	2.6	2.8	2.5
60 to 64 years.....	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.1	1.9	2.0	1.7
65 to 69 years.....	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.2	1.3	1.3	1.2
70 to 74 years.....	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.4	1.7	1.6	1.8
75 years and over.....	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.6			
APRIL 1, 1940 (CENSUS)									
All ages.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 5 years.....	8.0	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.7	9.8	9.9	9.6
5 to 9 years.....	8.1	8.2	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.8	10.1	10.2	10.0
10 to 14 years.....	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	10.4	10.5	10.2
15 to 19 years.....	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	10.2	10.0	10.3
20 to 24 years.....	8.8	8.6	9.0	8.7	8.6	8.9	8.3	8.8	9.8
25 to 29 years.....	8.4	8.3	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.5	8.9	8.4	9.3
30 to 34 years.....	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.9
35 to 39 years.....	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.9
40 to 44 years.....	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.4	6.3
45 to 49 years.....	6.3	6.4	6.2	6.4	6.5	6.3	5.4	5.5	5.2
50 to 54 years.....	5.5	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.8	5.5	4.3	4.6	4.0
55 to 59 years <sup>1</sup> .....	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.5	3.3	3.5	3.0
60 to 64 years <sup>1</sup> .....	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.7	2.5	2.7	2.4
65 to 69 years <sup>1</sup> .....	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.0	1.8	2.0	1.7
70 to 74 years <sup>1</sup> .....	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
75 years and over <sup>1</sup> .....	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2	1.3	1.2	1.4

<sup>1</sup> Based on figures for nonwhite and "all classes" adjusted for age biases in the nonwhite population as enumerated.

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