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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES APRIL 1, 1950, TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1952

(Estimates for April 1950 through July 1952 presented in this report supersede the corresponding estimates published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 61)

The total population of the United States, including armed forces overseas, was about 157,505,000, as of September 1, 1952, according to estimates released today by Roy V. Peel, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents an increase of 6,373,000, or 4.2 percent, over the corresponding estimate for April 1, 1950, the date of the last census, and implies an average rate of growth in the two years and five months since April 1950 of 1.7 percent per year as compared with 1.4 percent per year for the 1940-50 decade. Estimates for the first of each month, April 1950 to September 1952, are as follows:

Date	Total population including armed forces overseas	Date	Total population including armed forces overseas
1952		1951--Con.	
September 1..	157,505,000	June 1.....	154,128,000
August 1.....	157,234,000	May 1.....	153,905,000
July 1.....	156,981,000	April 1.....	153,703,000
June 1.....	156,770,000	March 1.....	153,493,000
May 1.....	156,568,000	February 1..	153,305,000
April 1.....	156,371,000	January 1....	153,085,000
March 1.....	156,163,000		
February 1...	155,964,000	1950	
January 1....	155,750,000	December 1...	152,873,000
		November 1...	152,659,000
1951		October 1....	152,428,000
December 1...	155,548,000	September 1..	152,186,000
November 1...	155,335,000	August 1.....	151,929,000
October 1....	155,093,000	July 1.....	151,677,000
September 1..	154,847,000	June 1.....	151,476,000
August 1.....	154,596,000	May 1.....	151,294,000
July 1.....	154,360,000	April 1.....	¹ 151,132,000

¹ 1950 Census count (150,697,361) plus estimate of armed forces overseas.

Estimates of the total population residing in continental United States (excluding armed forces overseas), for the first of each month, May 1950 to April 1952, are as follows.

Date	Total population residing in United States	Date	Total population residing in United States
1952		1951--Con.	
April 1.....	155,152,000	March 1.....	152,702,000
March 1.....	154,955,000	February 1...	152,532,000
February 1....	154,766,000	January 1....	152,374,000
January 1....	154,609,000		
1951		1950	
December 1...	154,402,000	December 1...	152,166,000
November 1...	154,143,000	November 1...	151,998,000
October 1....	153,982,000	October 1....	151,805,000
September 1..	153,813,000	September 1..	151,613,000
August 1.....	153,582,000	August 1.....	151,451,000
July 1.....	153,383,000	July 1.....	151,228,000
June 1.....	153,189,000	June 1.....	151,024,000
May 1.....	153,006,000	May 1.....	150,849,000
April 1.....	152,844,000	April 1.....	¹ 150,697,361

¹ 1950 Census count.

Estimates of the civilian population for the first of each month, April 1950 to April 1952, are as follows:

Date	Civilian population	Date	Civilian population
1952		1951--Con.	
April 1.....	152,661,000	March 1.....	150,671,000
March 1.....	152,486,000	February 1...	150,656,000
February 1...	152,368,000	January 1....	150,702,000
January 1....	152,252,000		
1951		1950	
December 1...	152,055,000	December 1...	150,586,000
November 1...	151,887,000	November 1...	150,518,000
October 1....	151,687,000	October 1....	150,515,000
September 1..	151,471,000	September 1..	150,537,000
August 1.....	151,253,000	August 1.....	150,410,000
July 1.....	151,082,000	July 1.....	150,196,000
June 1.....	150,929,000	June 1.....	149,994,000
May 1.....	150,804,000	May 1.....	149,806,000
April 1.....	150,712,000	April 1.....	¹ 149,634,000

¹ 1950 Census count minus estimate of armed forces in continental United States.

The figures shown here supersede the corresponding monthly estimates published in earlier reports in the P-25 Series beginning with No. 46. These estimates take into account the more complete data on births, deaths, civilian migration, and the armed forces which have accumulated since February 1951, the publication date of Series P-25, No. 46. The differences between the original and the more complete data were fairly large for the components taken separately but, together, tended to cancel, so that the revised estimate of total population for Septem-

ber 1952 is only 34,000 less than the estimate based on the original data.

The estimates presented in this report are based on the total population count from the 1950 Census; statistics and estimates of births and deaths provided by the National Office of Vital Statistics, United States Public Health Service; statistics on immigration and emigration provided by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and data on the armed forces provided by the Department of Defense. The figures on births and deaths have been adjusted for incomplete registration.