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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES JANUARY 1, 1950, TO MAY 1, 1953

(Comparable estimates for each month, from May 1, 1950, to December 1, 1951, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 65)

The population of the United States including armed forces overseas was about 159,260,000 on May 1, 1953, according to estimates released today by Robert W. Burgess, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. These figures indicate an increase of 2,692,000, or 1.7 percent, over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago, and of 8,128,000, or 5.4 percent, since April 1, 1950, the date of the last census.

Estimates for selected months back to January 1950 are as follows:

Date	Total population including armed forces overseas
May 1, 1953.....	159,260,000
April 1, 1953.....	159,068,000
March 1, 1953.....	158,848,000
February 1, 1953.....	158,657,000
January 1, 1953.....	158,448,000
December 1, 1952.....	158,233,000
November 1, 1952.....	158,012,000
October 1, 1952.....	157,768,000
September 1, 1952.....	157,505,000
August 1, 1952.....	157,234,000
July 1, 1952.....	156,981,000
June 1, 1952.....	156,770,000
May 1, 1952.....	156,568,000
April 1, 1952.....	156,371,000
March 1, 1952.....	156,163,000
February 1, 1952.....	155,964,000
January 1, 1952.....	155,750,000
July 1, 1951.....	154,360,000
January 1, 1951.....	153,085,000
July 1, 1950.....	151,677,000
April 1, 1950.....	¹ 151,132,000
January 1, 1950.....	150,552,000

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) and of the civilian population for selected months, January 1, 1950 to October 1, 1952, are as follows:

Date	Total population residing in United States	Civilian population
December 1, 1952.....	156,949,000	154,646,000
November 1, 1952.....	156,740,000	154,412,000
October 1, 1952.....	156,493,000	154,150,000
September 1, 1952.....	156,235,000	153,840,000
August 1, 1952.....	155,975,000	153,577,000
July 1, 1952.....	155,767,000	153,324,000
June 1, 1952.....	155,542,000	153,084,000
May 1, 1952.....	155,328,000	152,856,000
April 1, 1952.....	155,152,000	152,661,000
March 1, 1952.....	154,955,000	152,486,000
February 1, 1952.....	154,766,000	152,368,000
January 1, 1952.....	154,609,000	152,252,000
July 1, 1951.....	153,383,000	151,082,000
January 1, 1951.....	152,374,000	150,702,000
July 1, 1950.....	151,228,000	150,196,000
April 1, 1950.....	¹ 150,697,361	² 149,634,000
January 1, 1950.....	150,085,000	148,980,000

¹ 1950 Census count.

² 1950 Census count minus estimate of armed forces in continental United States.

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.