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[Estimates for earlier years back to 1940 are contained in Nos. 72 and 165 (States) and Nos. 80 and 167 (selected outlying areas) of this series]

Provisional estimates of the total and civilian population of States and of the civilian population of Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and American Samoa for July 1, 1957, are presented in this report. These provisional estimates will be revised next year when additional data become available. In particular, the revision will take account of data on school enrollment for 1956-1957, in connection with the measurement of internal migration for that year.

The estimate for each area was prepared by a variation of the "component" method of making postcensal population estimates. This method involves (1) estimating the civilian population on April 1, 1950, from the census figures for that date, (2) adding to this civilian population an estimate of births for the period between the census and the estimate date, (3) subtracting an estimate of civilian deaths, (4) adding or subtracting an estimate of net civilian migration, (5) subtracting an estimate of the net movement of civilians into the Armed Forces, and (6) for the total population, adding an estimate of the number of persons in the Armed Forces stationed in the area on the estimate date.

The estimates of net civilian migration for each State (and Alaska and American Samoa) for the period April 1, 1950, to July 1, 1957,

were obtained by extrapolation of the annual migration series implied by the estimates of the population of States for 1940 to 1956 shown in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, Nos. 72 and 165 (and 167). The estimates of annual net migration for States for the period up to July 1, 1956, were developed, for the most part, on the basis of statistics of school enrollment in the elementary grades.

The net movement of civilians into the Armed Forces for each State was estimated by (1) subtracting (a) the number of persons serving in the Armed Forces on April 1, 1950, who reported the area as their preservice residence from (b) the number serving in the Armed Forces on the estimate date who reported the area as their preservice residence, and (2) adding an allowance for former residents of the area who died during the period while serving in the Armed Forces.

The birth and death statistics used in preparing the estimates for States shown here include final figures for 1955 classified geographically on the basis of the residence of the mother for births and of the decedent for deaths, and provisional figures for 1956 and 1957 classified geographically on the basis of the place where the birth or death occurred. For the present purpose, the provisional figures were adjusted to a residence basis. All

figures were corrected for underregistration. The factors used in correcting the births for underregistration were obtained by extending the results of the 1950 Birth Registration Test to the estimate dates. This test was conducted by the National Office of Vital Statistics in conjunction with the 1950 Census of Population. The adjustment of the death statistics for underregistration was confined to infants under 1 year of age.

Many of the data used to prepare the population estimates for States given in this report were obtained from other agencies and organizations. The National Office of Vital Statistics, United States Public Health Service, provided the vital statistics. The Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, provided statistics on immigration and emigration. The Department of Defense provided the figures relating to the Armed Forces. State Departments of Education and parochial school systems throughout the country provided the data on school enrollment used in developing estimates of net internal migration.

As has been indicated, total change in the civilian population of a State between the census date and a given estimate date consists of the net contribution of births, deaths, net movement into the Armed Forces, and net civilian migration. The estimates of net migration between the census date and 1956 or 1957 implied by the population estimates shown in this report are subject to considerably greater percentage error than the estimates for the other components of population change. Since net migration is frequently an important component of change, the estimates of total population change between the census date and the estimate date are also subject to substantial error, and particular care should be used in interpreting small changes. Although the estimates of total population change and the population estimates themselves have the same absolute errors, percentagewise the errors in the population estimates are considerably

smaller than those in the estimates of total population change.

This caution applies with special force to the estimates of total population change for States between July 1, 1956, and July 1, 1957, implied by the State population estimates for these dates. As stated, the estimates of net migration for this 12-month period are not based on current data reflecting migration but were obtained by extrapolation; hence, the estimates of total population change between 1956 and 1957 are subject to considerable error.

Many of the data used to prepare the population estimates for the outlying areas were provided by local government departments. Data on migration for Alaska and American Samoa for the period ending June 30, 1956, and data on migration for Hawaii and Puerto Rico for the period ending June 30, 1957, were obtained from this source.

In addition to the types of data described above, the estimates for American Samoa take into account the results of a census conducted by the Director of Local Government, American Samoa, during September 1956.

Because of the highly seasonal pattern of migration to and from Alaska (with a midsummer peak and winter low), the monthly statistics on migration for this area for the period through 1956, obtained from the Alaska Development Board, were adjusted to eliminate seasonal variations. Thus, although the population estimates shown here for Alaska are described as relating to July 1, the figures include "average" annual migration and reflect essentially the average population rather than the midsummer peak population.

Estimates for the Panama Canal Zone, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and Guam for July 1, 1956 and 1957, are not available. Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 167, presents the available postcensal data for these areas.

ESTIMATES OF THE TOTAL AND CIVILIAN POPULATION OF STATES AND SELECTED OUTLYING AREAS OF THE UNITED STATES: JULY 1, 1957 AND 1956

[Total population figures include persons in the Armed Forces stationed in each State and exclude members of the Armed Forces overseas. Each estimate has been independently rounded to the nearest thousand (nearest hundred for American Samoa) from figures computed to the last digit; hence, the sums of parts shown may differ slightly from the totals shown. Amounts and percents of change are based on unrounded numbers]

Region, division, and State	Total population					Civilian population				
	July 1, 1957 (provisional)	July 1, 1956 ¹	April 1, 1950 (census)	Increase (+) or decrease (-), April 1, 1950, to July 1, 1957		July 1, 1957 (provisional)	July 1, 1956 ¹	April 1, 1950	Increase (+) or decrease (-), April 1, 1950, to July 1, 1957	
				Amount	Percent				Amount	Percent
Continental United States..	2170,333,000	2167,259,000	150,697,361	+19,636,000	+13.0	168,406,000	165,339,000	149,634,000	+18,772,000	+12.5
REGIONS:										
Northeast.....	42,427,000	42,024,000	39,477,986	+2,949,000	+7.5	42,179,000	41,786,000	39,344,000	+2,835,000	+7.2
North Central.....	50,343,000	49,433,000	44,460,762	+5,883,000	+13.2	50,144,000	49,231,000	44,369,000	+5,775,000	+13.0
South.....	52,772,000	51,724,000	47,197,088	+5,575,000	+11.8	51,807,000	50,785,000	46,653,000	+5,155,000	+11.0
West.....	24,791,000	24,078,000	19,561,525	+5,229,000	+26.7	24,277,000	23,537,000	19,269,000	+5,008,000	+26.0
NORTHEAST:										
New England.....	9,870,000	9,745,000	9,314,453	+556,000	+6.0	9,746,000	9,637,000	9,261,000	+485,000	+5.2
Middle Atlantic.....	32,557,000	32,279,000	30,163,533	+2,394,000	+7.9	32,432,000	32,149,000	30,083,000	+2,350,000	+7.8
NORTH CENTRAL:										
East North Central.....	35,035,000	34,358,000	30,399,368	+4,636,000	+15.2	34,935,000	34,255,000	30,337,000	+4,598,000	+15.2
West North Central.....	15,308,000	15,075,000	14,061,394	+1,247,000	+8.9	15,209,000	14,975,000	14,032,000	+1,177,000	+8.4
SOUTH:										
South Atlantic.....	24,682,000	24,072,000	21,182,335	+3,500,000	+16.5	24,104,000	23,507,000	20,860,000	+3,244,000	+15.6
East South Central.....	11,839,000	11,693,000	11,477,181	+361,000	+3.1	11,736,000	11,596,000	11,412,000	+324,000	+2.8
West South Central.....	16,251,000	15,960,000	14,537,572	+1,714,000	+11.8	15,967,000	15,683,000	14,380,000	+1,587,000	+11.0
WEST:										
Mountain.....	6,378,000	6,199,000	5,074,998	+1,303,000	+25.7	6,259,000	6,071,000	5,021,000	+1,238,000	+24.7
Pacific.....	18,412,000	17,879,000	14,486,527	+3,926,000	+27.1	18,018,000	17,466,000	14,248,000	+3,770,000	+26.5
NEW ENGLAND:										
Maine.....	943,000	930,000	913,774	+29,000	+3.2	927,000	916,000	912,000	+15,000	+1.6
New Hampshire.....	572,000	564,000	533,242	+39,000	+7.2	565,000	558,000	531,000	+33,000	+6.3
Vermont.....	376,000	371,000	377,747	-2,000	-0.6	374,000	369,000	378,000	-3,000	-0.9
Massachusetts.....	4,866,000	4,813,000	4,690,514	+176,000	+3.7	4,810,000	4,766,000	4,665,000	+145,000	+3.1
Rhode Island.....	862,000	846,000	791,896	+70,000	+8.8	830,000	816,000	774,000	+56,000	+7.2
Connecticut.....	2,252,000	2,221,000	2,007,280	+245,000	+12.2	2,240,000	2,212,000	2,001,000	+239,000	+12.0
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:										
New York.....	15,888,000	15,826,000	14,830,192	+1,057,000	+7.1	15,833,000	15,766,000	14,801,000	+1,032,000	+7.0
New Jersey.....	5,627,000	5,513,000	4,835,329	+792,000	+16.4	5,580,000	5,468,000	4,802,000	+778,000	+16.2
Pennsylvania.....	11,043,000	10,940,000	10,498,012	+545,000	+5.2	11,020,000	10,915,000	10,480,000	+540,000	+5.2
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:										
Ohio.....	9,200,000	9,071,000	7,946,627	+1,254,000	+15.8	9,180,000	9,052,000	7,938,000	+1,242,000	+15.6
Indiana.....	4,533,000	4,436,000	3,934,224	+598,000	+15.2	4,525,000	4,430,000	3,932,000	+592,000	+15.1
Illinois.....	9,637,000	9,482,000	8,712,176	+925,000	+10.6	9,585,000	9,425,000	8,672,000	+913,000	+10.5
Michigan.....	7,803,000	7,580,000	6,371,766	+1,431,000	+22.5	7,788,000	7,565,000	6,361,000	+1,427,000	+22.4
Wisconsin.....	3,862,000	3,788,000	3,434,575	+428,000	+12.5	3,857,000	3,783,000	3,433,000	+423,000	+12.3
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:										
Minnesota.....	3,321,000	3,260,000	2,982,483	+338,000	+11.3	3,315,000	3,255,000	2,981,000	+335,000	+11.2
Iowa.....	2,799,000	2,754,000	2,621,073	+178,000	+6.8	2,796,000	2,752,000	2,621,000	+176,000	+6.7
Missouri.....	4,255,000	4,197,000	3,954,653	+301,000	+7.6	4,224,000	4,167,000	3,952,000	+272,000	+6.9
North Dakota.....	644,000	642,000	619,636	+25,000	+4.0	644,000	642,000	620,000	+24,000	+3.9
South Dakota.....	702,000	693,000	652,740	+49,000	+7.5	695,000	686,000	650,000	+45,000	+7.0
Nebraska.....	1,452,000	1,426,000	1,325,510	+126,000	+9.5	1,439,000	1,414,000	1,322,000	+117,000	+8.9
Kansas.....	2,136,000	2,103,000	1,905,299	+230,000	+12.1	2,095,000	2,061,000	1,887,000	+208,000	+11.0
SOUTH ATLANTIC:										
Delaware.....	438,000	418,000	318,085	+120,000	+37.7	430,000	410,000	318,000	+112,000	+35.2
Maryland.....	2,895,000	2,825,000	2,343,001	+552,000	+23.5	2,827,000	2,753,000	2,301,000	+526,000	+22.8
District of Columbia.....	831,000	831,000	802,178	+29,000	+3.6	809,000	809,000	787,000	+22,000	+2.8
Virginia.....	3,797,000	3,704,000	3,318,680	+479,000	+14.4	3,638,000	3,543,000	3,208,000	+430,000	+13.4
West Virginia.....	1,976,000	1,964,000	2,005,652	-33,000	-1.5	1,975,000	1,963,000	2,005,000	-30,000	-1.5
North Carolina.....	4,498,000	4,406,000	4,061,326	+436,000	+10.7	4,417,000	4,326,000	4,014,000	+403,000	+10.0
South Carolina.....	2,370,000	2,329,000	2,117,027	+252,000	+11.9	2,308,000	2,275,000	2,096,000	+213,000	+10.1
Georgia.....	3,779,000	3,709,000	3,444,578	+334,000	+9.7	3,699,000	3,633,000	3,402,000	+297,000	+8.7
Florida.....	4,098,000	3,885,000	2,771,305	+1,327,000	+47.9	4,001,000	3,794,000	2,729,000	+1,272,000	+46.6
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:										
Kentucky.....	3,040,000	2,998,000	2,944,806	+95,000	+3.2	2,999,000	2,966,000	2,913,000	+86,000	+2.9
Tennessee.....	3,463,000	3,420,000	3,291,718	+171,000	+5.2	3,443,000	3,400,000	3,281,000	+162,000	+4.9
Alabama.....	3,151,000	3,121,000	3,061,743	+89,000	+2.9	3,126,000	3,095,000	3,053,000	+72,000	+2.4
Mississippi.....	2,185,000	2,154,000	2,178,914	+6,000	+0.3	2,168,000	2,135,000	2,164,000	+4,000	+0.2
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:										
Arkansas.....	1,768,000	1,761,000	1,909,511	-141,000	-7.4	1,744,000	1,739,000	1,908,000	-164,000	-8.6
Louisiana.....	3,068,000	3,010,000	2,683,516	+385,000	+14.3	3,027,000	2,969,000	2,670,000	+357,000	+13.4
Oklahoma.....	2,277,000	2,245,000	2,223,351	+44,000	+1.9	2,243,000	2,213,000	2,218,000	+25,000	+1.1
Texas.....	9,136,000	8,944,000	7,711,194	+1,427,000	+18.5	8,953,000	8,761,000	7,584,000	+1,368,000	+18.0
MOUNTAIN:										
Montana.....	666,000	591,024	591,024	+75,000	+12.6	660,000	648,000	589,000	+71,000	+12.1
Idaho.....	640,000	625,000	588,637	+51,000	+8.7	636,000	621,000	588,000	+47,000	+8.1
Wyoming.....	316,000	316,000	290,529	+26,000	+8.8	309,000	304,000	282,000	+27,000	+9.5
Colorado.....	1,673,000	1,628,000	1,325,089	+348,000	+26.3	1,632,000	1,577,000	1,307,000	+325,000	+24.9
New Mexico.....	830,000	811,000	681,187	+149,000	+21.8	805,000	787,000	668,000	+137,000	+20.6
Arizona.....	1,136,000	1,086,000	749,587	+386,000	+51.5	1,111,000	1,063,000	742,000	+369,000	+49.8
Utah.....	851,000	825,000	688,862	+162,000	+23.5	847,000	821,000	687,000	+160,000	+23.3
Nevada.....	267,000	256,000	160,083	+107,000	+66.6	257,000	248,000	157,000	+100,000	+63.8
PACIFIC:										
Washington.....	2,722,000	2,675,000	2,378,963	+343,000	+14.4	2,653,000	2,601,000	2,317,000	+336,000	+14.5
Oregon.....	1,769,000	1,733,000	1,521,341	+247,000	+16.3	1,764,000	1,728,000	1,519,000	+246,000	+16.2
California.....	13,922,000	13,471,000	10,586,223	+3,336,000	+31.5	13,600,000	13,137,000	10,413,000	+3,188,000	+30.6
OUTLYING AREAS:										
Alaska.....	(3)	206,000	128,643	(3)	(3)	165,000	161,000	108,000	+56,000	+52.0
Hawaii.....	(3)	584,000	499,794	(3)	(3)	554,000	526,000	477,000	+77,000	+16.1
Puerto Rico.....	(3)	2,267,000	2,210,703	(3)	(3)	2,272,000	2,256,000	2,205,000	+67,000	+3.0
American Samoa.....	(3)	19,900	18,937	(3)	(3)	20,400	19,900	18,900	+1,500	+7.8

¹ The figures for July 1, 1956, are revised estimates previously published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 165.
² The estimated total population of the United States including Armed Forces overseas for July 1, 1957, is 171,229,000, and the estimated total for July 1, 1956, is 168,174,000.
³ Data not available.