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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES JANUARY 1, 1950, TO MAY 1, 1958

(Comparable estimates for each month, from January 1, 1950, to December 1, 1955, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 173)

The total population of the United States including Armed Forces overseas was about 173,652,000 on May 1, 1958, according to estimates released today by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents an increase of 22,519,000, or 14.9 percent, since April 1, 1950, the date of the last census, and an increase of 2,914,000, or 1.7 percent, over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago. Estimates of the total population including Armed Forces overseas, of the population residing in continental United States (excluding Armed Forces overseas), and of the civilian population, for selected months back to January 1, 1950, are shown below.

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.

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Total population residing in United States (excluding Armed Forces overseas)	Civilian population
1958			
December 1			
November 1			
October 1			
September 1			
August 1			
July 1			
June 1			
May 1	173,652,000	172,826,000	171,014,000
April 1	173,435,000	172,607,000	170,782,000
March 1	173,210,000	172,386,000	170,562,000
February 1	173,011,000	172,190,000	170,367,000
January 1	172,790,000	171,971,000	170,143,000
1957			
December 1	172,554,000	171,710,000	169,866,000
November 1	172,327,000	171,481,000	169,598,000
October 1	172,069,000	171,212,000	169,283,000
September 1	171,790,000	170,903,000	168,971,000
August 1	171,510,000	170,607,000	168,671,000
July 1	171,229,000	170,333,000	168,406,000
June 1	170,981,000	170,096,000	168,162,000
May 1	170,737,000	169,846,000	167,917,000
April 1	170,510,000	169,615,000	167,690,000
March 1	170,270,000	169,382,000	167,454,000
February 1	170,045,000	169,170,000	167,228,000
January 1	169,800,000	168,914,000	166,983,000

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Total population residing in United States (excluding Armed Forces overseas)	Civilian population
1956			
December 1	169,541,000	168,662,000	166,715,000
November 1	169,291,000	168,412,000	166,460,000
October 1	169,028,000	168,146,000	166,202,000
September 1	168,737,000	167,850,000	165,908,000
August 1	168,451,000	167,538,000	165,610,000
July 1	168,174,000	167,259,000	165,339,000
June 1	167,934,000	167,030,000	165,093,000
May 1	167,715,000	166,810,000	164,850,000
April 1	167,498,000	166,575,000	164,619,000
March 1	167,260,000	166,326,000	164,367,000
February 1	167,040,000	166,114,000	164,132,000
January 1	166,805,000	165,918,000	163,889,000
1950 TO 1955			
July 1, 1955	165,270,000	164,303,000	162,307,000
January 1, 1955	163,956,000	162,927,000	160,748,000
July 1, 1954	162,417,000	161,191,000	159,086,000
January 1, 1954	161,115,000	159,825,000	157,679,000
July 1, 1953	159,636,000	158,313,000	156,046,000
January 1, 1953	158,434,000	157,177,000	154,891,000
July 1, 1952	157,028,000	155,761,000	153,366,000
January 1, 1952	155,790,000	154,649,000	152,292,000
July 1, 1951	154,360,000	153,384,000	151,082,000
January 1, 1951	153,072,000	152,361,000	150,689,000
July 1, 1950	151,683,000	151,234,000	150,202,000
April 1, 1950	[1]151,132,000	[2]150,697,361	[3]149,634,000
January 1, 1950	150,552,000	150,085,000	148,980,000

[1] 1950 Census count (150,697,361) plus estimate of Armed Forces overseas. [2] 1950 Census count.
[3] 1950 Census count minus estimate of Armed Forces in continental United States.

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