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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES JANUARY 1, 1950, TO DECEMBER 1, 1959

(Figures from February 1 to date include Alaska; figures for prior dates exclude Alaska. Figures from September 1 to date include Hawaii; figures for prior dates exclude Hawaii. Comparable estimates for each month, from January 1, 1950, to December 1, 1956, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 206)

The total population of the United States including Armed Forces abroad was about 179,013,000 on Dec. 1, 1959, according to estimates released today by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents an increase of 27,881,000,[1] or 18.4 percent, since April 1, 1950, the date of the last census, and an increase of 3,655,000,[1] or 2.1 percent, over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago. Estimates of the total population including Armed Forces abroad, of the population residing in United States (excluding Armed Forces abroad), 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.

[1] Increase reflects inclusion of Alaska and Hawaii in figures starting with February 1, 1959, and September 1, 1959, respectively. A provisional estimate of the civilian population of Alaska on January 1, 1959, is 153,000; a provisional estimate of the civilian population of Hawaii on September 1, 1959, is 603,000. Alaska and Hawaii were admitted to the Union on January 3, 1959, and August 21, 1959, respectively.

Date	Total population including Armed Forces abroad	Total population residing in United States (excluding Armed Forces abroad)	Civilian population
1959			
December 1	179,013,000	178,341,000	176,481,000
November 1	178,780,000	178,108,000	176,481,000
October 1	178,521,000	177,847,000	175,995,000
September 1	178,252,000	177,571,000	175,720,000
August 1	177,374,000	176,631,000	174,837,000
July 1	177,103,000	176,365,000	174,566,000
June 1	176,865,000	176,131,000	174,327,000
May 1	176,639,000	175,872,000	174,089,000
April 1	176,421,000	175,676,000	173,850,000
March 1	176,188,000	175,432,000	173,604,000
February 1	175,969,000	175,224,000	173,374,000
January 1	175,591,000	174,833,000	172,990,000
1958			
December 1	175,359,000	174,572,000	172,732,000
November 1	175,125,000	174,335,000	172,492,000
October 1	174,861,000	174,048,000	172,227,000
September 1	174,584,000	173,793,000	171,944,000
August 1	174,315,000	173,484,000	171,681,000
July 1	174,054,000	173,232,000	171,420,000
June 1	173,810,000	173,007,000	171,178,000
May 1	173,573,000	172,771,000	170,934,000
April 1	173,359,000	172,540,000	170,704,000
March 1	173,135,000	172,284,000	170,485,000
February 1	172,941,000	172,086,000	170,294,000
January 1	172,726,000	171,910,000	170,074,000
1957			
December 1	172,494,000	171,649,000	169,798,000
November 1	172,270,000	171,408,000	169,534,000
October 1	172,020,000	171,091,000	169,226,000
September 1	171,745,000	170,861,000	168,922,000
August 1	171,467,000	170,563,000	168,625,000
July 1	171,198,000	170,295,000	168,370,000
June 1	170,959,000	170,072,000	168,138,000
May 1	170,722,000	169,803,000	167,900,000
April 1	170,496,000	169,606,000	167,674,000
March 1	170,258,000	169,370,000	167,440,000
February 1	170,038,000	169,151,000	167,221,000
January 1	169,803,000	168,950,000	166,992,000
1950 TO 1956			
July 1, 1956	168,176,000	167,261,000	165,341,000
January 1, 1956	166,818,000	165,931,000	163,902,000
July 1, 1955	165,270,000	164,302,000	162,306,000
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	151,132,000	[1]150,697,361	149,634,000
January 1, 1950	150,552,000	150,085,000	148,980,000

[1] 1950 Census count.

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