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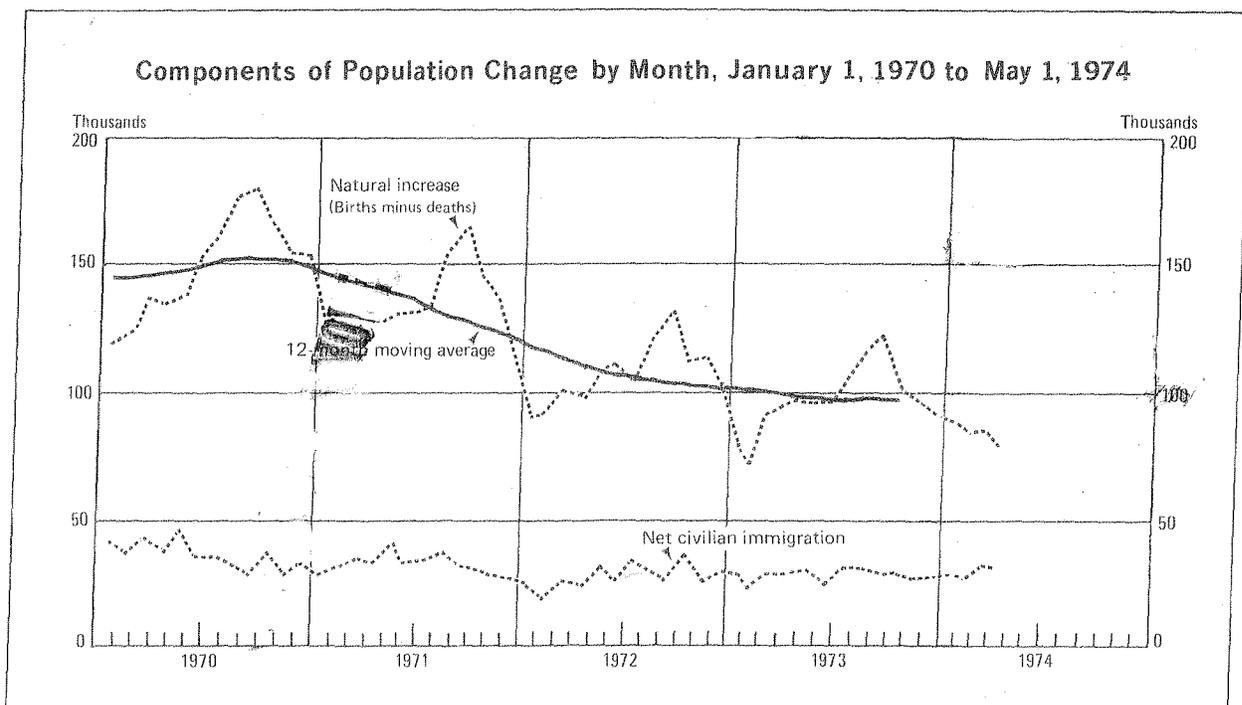
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ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES TO MAY 1, 1974

The total population of the United States (including Armed Forces overseas) was about 211,660,000, on May 1, 1974 according to estimates released today by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents an increase of 1,524,000, or 0.7 percent, over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago; and an increase of 110,000 over the previous month. The monthly gain was the result of a natural increase of 78,000 (excess of births over deaths), and estimated net civilian immigration of 31,000. (See chart below. Data are adjusted for number of days in the month.)

The May 1, 1974, total population represents an increase of 7,326,000 over the population on April 1, 1970, the date of the census upon which these estimates are based. Estimates for the period since April 1, 1960 have been adjusted to be consistent with the official 1970 resident population count of 203,235,298.

This report presents estimates for (1) the total population including Armed Forces overseas, (2) the resident population, and (3) the civilian population, for selected months back to January 1, 1960. The population coverage



shown by the Census Clock in the lobby of the Department of Commerce includes, in addition to the total population including Armed Forces overseas, overseas civilian employees of the Federal Government, their dependents, and the dependents of the Armed Forces overseas. On April 1, 1970, this population was 204,839,000.

In addition to data from the decennial censuses, the estimates are based on statistics on births and deaths provided by the National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Public Health Service;

statistics on immigration provided by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; data on civilian citizens abroad provided by the Department of Defense and the Civil Service Commission; data on movement between Puerto Rico and the United States mainland provided by the Puerto Rico Planning Board; and data on the Armed Forces provided by the Department of Defense. For a complete discussion of the estimating procedure used in deriving these estimates, see Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 521.

ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, BY TYPE OF POPULATION: JANUARY 1, 1960 TO MAY 1, 1974

(In thousands. Includes Alaska and Hawaii in all years. Estimates for each month from January 1, 1950, to January 1, 1974, and estimates for July 1 of each year from 1900 to 1949, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 521)

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population	Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population
1974				1972--Continued			
December 1.....				June 1.....	208,706	208,095	206,321
November 1.....				May 1.....	208,562	207,934	206,146
October 1.....				April 1.....	208,441	207,797	205,978
September 1.....				March 1.....	208,312	207,622	205,807
August 1.....				February 1.....	208,206	207,518	205,666
July 1.....				January 1.....	208,089	207,397	205,497
June 1.....				1960 to 1971			
May 1.....	211,660	211,143	209,430	July 1, 1971.....	207,045	206,212	204,250
April 1.....	211,551	211,036	209,308	January 1, 1971.....	206,072	205,152	203,106
March 1.....	211,432	210,898	209,182	July 1, 1970.....	204,875	203,806	201,718
February 1.....	211,329	210,795	209,071	April 1, 1970.....	204,335	203,235	201,064
January 1.....	211,210	210,674	208,952	January 1, 1970.....	203,849	202,717	200,466
1973				July 1, 1969.....	202,677	201,385	199,145
December 1.....	211,090	210,557	208,816	January 1, 1969.....	201,760	200,498	198,287
November 1.....	210,969	210,430	208,686	July 1, 1968.....	200,706	199,399	197,113
October 1.....	210,834	210,298	208,545	January 1, 1968.....	199,808	198,578	196,359
September 1.....	210,684	210,150	208,393	July 1, 1967.....	198,712	197,457	195,264
August 1.....	210,536	209,996	208,229	January 1, 1967.....	197,736	196,596	194,355
July 1.....	210,396	209,844	208,087	July 1, 1966.....	196,560	195,576	193,420
June 1.....	210,273	209,721	207,961	January 1, 1966.....	195,539	194,649	192,633
May 1.....	210,137	209,576	207,804	July 1, 1965.....	194,303	193,526	191,605
April 1.....	210,011	209,445	207,659	January 1, 1965.....	193,223	192,529	190,512
March 1.....	209,894	209,326	207,520	July 1, 1964.....	191,889	191,141	189,141
February 1.....	209,809	209,212	207,416	January 1, 1964.....	190,668	189,973	187,942
January 1.....	209,704	209,130	207,299	July 1, 1963.....	189,242	188,483	186,493
1972				January 1, 1963.....	188,013	187,284	185,282
December 1.....	209,572	208,969	207,142	July 1, 1962.....	186,538	185,771	183,677
November 1.....	209,437	208,828	207,005	January 1, 1962.....	185,242	184,508	182,392
October 1.....	209,295	208,681	206,878	July 1, 1961.....	183,691	182,992	181,143
September 1.....	209,132	208,529	206,727	January 1, 1961.....	182,287	181,629	179,742
August 1.....	208,975	208,364	206,583	July 1, 1960.....	180,671	179,979	178,140
July 1.....	208,842	208,230	206,457	April 1, 1960.....	180,007	179,323	177,472
				January 1, 1960.....	179,386	178,729	176,850

¹Census counts: April 1, 1970--203,235,298; April 1, 1960--179,323,175.

