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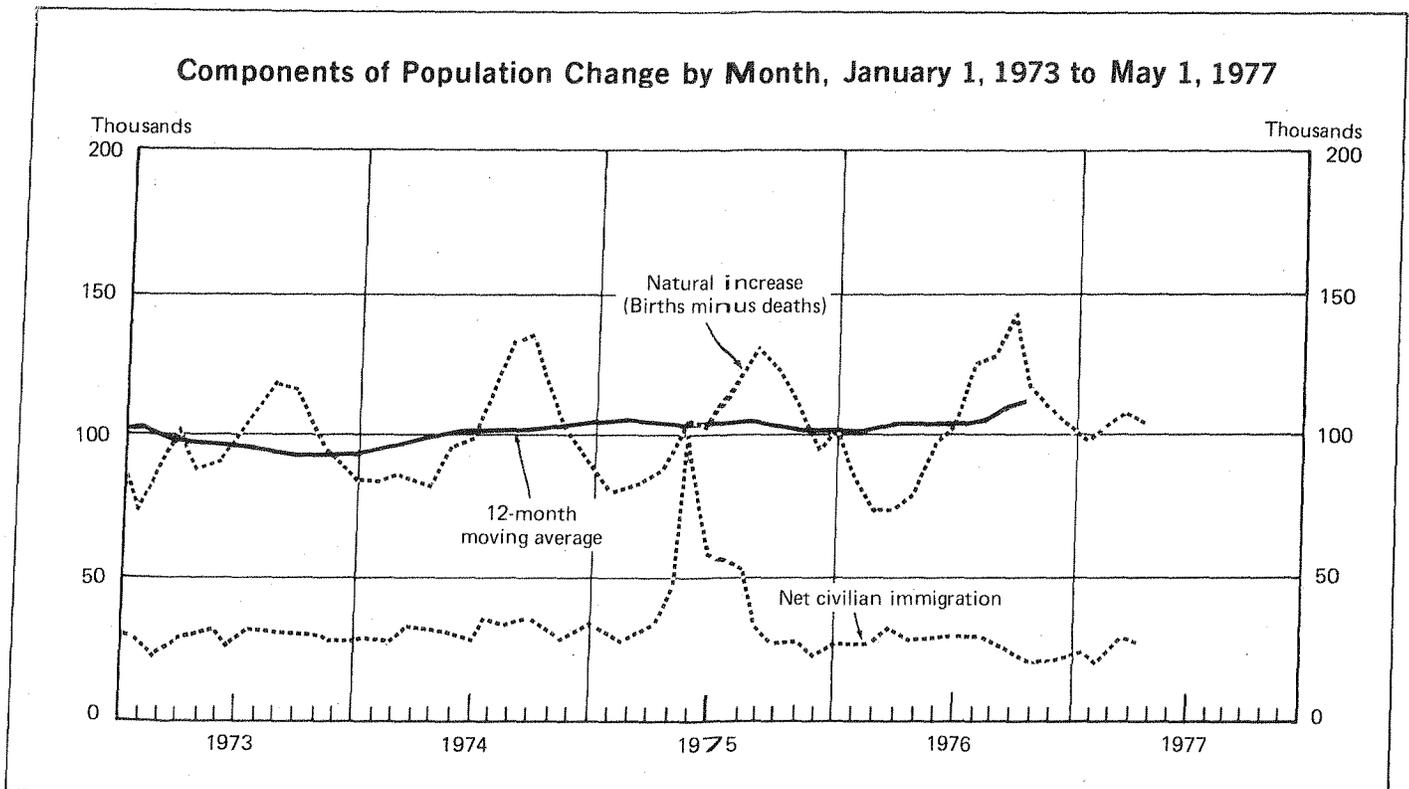
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Estimates of the Population of the United States to May 1, 1977

The total population of the United States (including Armed Forces overseas) was about 216,504,000 on May 1, 1977, according to estimates released today by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents an increase of 1,640,000, or 0.8 percent, over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago; and an increase of 128,000 over the previous month. The monthly gain was the result of a natural increase of 101,000 (excess of births over deaths), and estimated net civilian immigration of 27,000. (See chart below. Data are adjusted for number of days in

the month.) The May 1, 1977 total population represents an increase of 12,169,000 over the population on April 1, 1970, the date of the census upon which these estimates are based.

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, 1970. 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





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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, Nos. 545 and 632.

**ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, BY TYPE OF POPULATION:
 JANUARY 1, 1970 TO MAY 1, 1977**

(In thousands. Includes Alaska and Hawaii in all years. Estimates for each month from January 1, 1950, to January 1, 1976, and estimates for July 1 of each year from 1900 to 1949, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 632)

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population	Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population
1977				1975			
December 1.....				December 1.....	214,304	213,819	212,147
November 1.....				November 1.....	214,186	213,703	212,031
October 1.....				October 1.....	214,042	213,553	211,878
September 1.....				September 1.....	213,890	213,394	211,719
August 1.....				August 1.....	213,720	213,230	211,534
July 1.....				July 1.....	213,540	213,032	211,355
June 1.....				June 1.....	213,381	212,868	211,202
May 1.....	216,504	216,019	214,377	May 1.....	213,174	212,657	210,993
April 1.....	216,376	215,892	214,244	April 1.....	213,052	212,538	210,861
March 1.....	216,237	215,754	214,102	March 1.....	212,944	212,433	210,740
February 1.....	216,123	215,644	213,985	February 1.....	212,850	212,345	210,647
January 1.....	215,998	215,523	213,865	January 1.....	212,748	212,245	210,555
1976				1970 to 1974			
December 1.....	215,869	215,396	213,725	July 1, 1974.....	211,901	211,389	209,683
November 1.....	215,740	215,270	213,591	January 1, 1974.....	211,207	210,692	208,951
October 1.....	215,599	215,135	213,452	July 1, 1973.....	210,410	209,859	208,102
September 1.....	215,434	214,970	213,286	January 1, 1973.....	209,711	209,136	207,306
August 1.....	215,276	214,808	213,129	July 1, 1972.....	208,846	208,234	206,461
July 1.....	215,118	214,649	212,976	January 1, 1972.....	208,088	207,396	205,496
June 1.....	214,988	214,515	212,851	July 1, 1971.....	207,053	206,219	204,258
May 1.....	214,864	214,389	212,722	January 1, 1971.....	206,076	205,156	203,109
April 1.....	214,756	214,280	212,611	July 1, 1970.....	204,878	203,810	201,722
March 1.....	214,647	214,167	212,499	April 1, 1970.....	204,335	¹ 203,235	201,064
February 1.....	214,550	214,069	212,404	January 1, 1970.....	203,849	202,717	200,466
January 1.....	214,435	213,953	212,296				

¹Census count: April 1, 1970--203,235,298.

