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and Projections**



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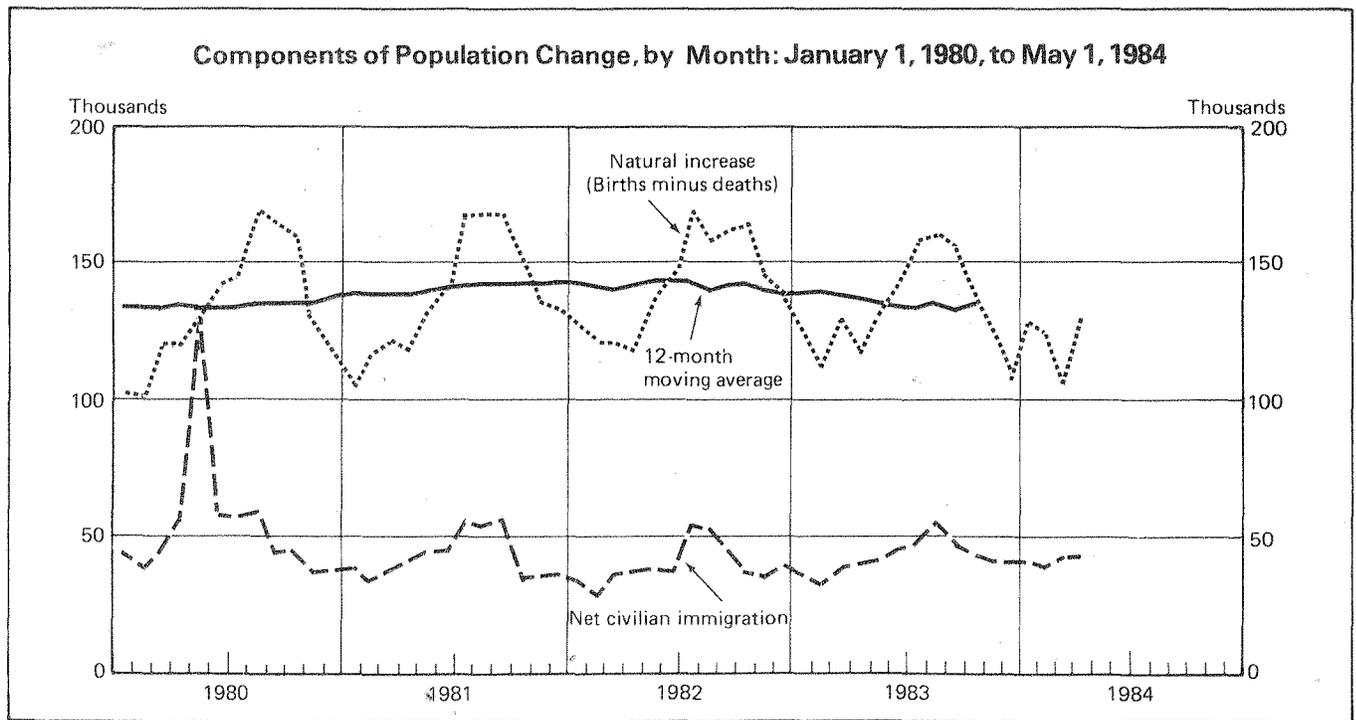
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Estimates of the Population of the United States to May 1, 1984

The total population of the United States (including Armed Forces overseas) was estimated to be approximately 236,280,000 on May 1, 1984. This figure represents an increase of 2,143,000 or 0.9 percent over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago, and an increase of 171,000 over the previous month. The monthly gain was the result of a natural increase of 127,000 (excess of births over deaths) and estimated net civilian immigration of 44,000. (See chart below. Data are adjusted for number of days in the month.) The May 1, 1984, total population represents an increase of 9,219,000 over the population counted on April 1, 1980, which serves as the beginning point for the estimate.

This report presents estimates for months back to April 1, 1970, of the (1) total population including Armed Forces overseas, (2) resident population, and (3) civilian population. The estimates are based on data from the decennial censuses; 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 Federal civilian employees abroad and their dependents provided by the Department of Defense and the Office of Personnel Management; data on movement between Puerto Rico and the 50 States (including the District of Columbia) provided by the Puerto Rico Planning Board; and data on the Armed Forces provided by the Department of Defense. The estimates for the months between April 1, 1970, and April 1, 1980, were derived by adjusting the estimates made during those years by distributing the error of closure (the difference between the 1980 census count and the postcensal estimate for April 1, 1980) in proportion to time elapsed since 1970 and population size. Comparable estimates for States are available from the Population Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.



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Estimates of the Population, by Type: April 1, 1970, to May 1, 1984

(In thousands. Includes Alaska and Hawaii in all years. Estimates for each month from January 1, 1950, to January 1, 1970, and estimates for July 1 of each year from 1900 to 1949, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 802)

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population	Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population
1984				1970 to 1981--Continued			
May 1.....	236,280	235,753	234,065	July 1, 1980.....	227,738	227,236	225,632
April 1.....	236,109	235,584	233,892	April 1, 1980.....	227,061	¹ 226,546	224,968
March 1.....	235,957	235,435	233,746	January 1, 1980.....	226,444	225,938	224,367
February 1.....	235,801	235,279	233,596				
January 1.....	235,627	235,110	233,430				
1983				July 1, 1979.....	225,055	224,567	222,969
December 1.....	235,473	234,958	233,271	January 1, 1979.....	223,880	223,392	221,783
November 1.....	235,306	234,792	233,108				
October 1.....	235,122	234,606	232,919	July 1, 1978.....	222,585	222,095	220,467
September 1.....	234,919	234,405	232,716	January 1, 1978.....	221,477	220,995	219,358
August 1.....	234,704	234,189	232,494				
July 1.....	234,496	233,981	232,286	July 1, 1977.....	220,239	219,760	218,106
June 1.....	234,315	233,797	232,119	January 1, 1977.....	219,179	218,706	217,046
May 1.....	234,137	233,620	231,939				
April 1.....	233,981	233,462	231,778	July 1, 1976.....	218,035	217,563	215,894
March 1.....	233,809	233,289	231,613	January 1, 1976.....	217,095	216,609	214,957
February 1.....	233,674	233,152	231,481				
January 1.....	233,506	232,987	231,322	July 1, 1975.....	215,973	215,465	213,788
1982				January 1, 1975.....	214,931	214,428	212,738
December 1.....	233,323	232,804	231,133	July 1, 1974.....	213,854	213,342	211,636
November 1.....	233,141	232,622	230,954	January 1, 1974.....	212,932	212,418	210,676
October 1.....	232,944	232,425	230,764				
September 1.....	232,743	232,223	230,553	July 1, 1973.....	211,909	211,357	209,600
August 1.....	232,531	232,007	230,332	January 1, 1973.....	210,985	210,410	208,580
July 1.....	232,309	231,786	230,117				
June 1.....	232,117	231,593	229,942	July 1, 1972.....	209,896	209,284	207,511
May 1.....	231,928	231,407	229,752	January 1, 1972.....	208,917	208,224	206,324
April 1.....	231,764	231,246	229,588				
March 1.....	231,592	231,076	229,415	July 1, 1971.....	207,661	206,827	204,866
February 1.....	231,437	230,923	229,267	January 1, 1971.....	206,466	205,546	203,499
January 1.....	231,256	230,744	229,098				
1970 to 1981				July 1, 1970.....	205,052	203,984	201,895
July 1, 1981.....	230,019	229,518	227,870	April 1, 1970.....	204,401	² 203,302	201,131
January 1, 1981.....	228,976	228,484	226,860				

¹Census count April 1, 1980--226,545,805.

²Census count April 1, 1970--203,302,031.

