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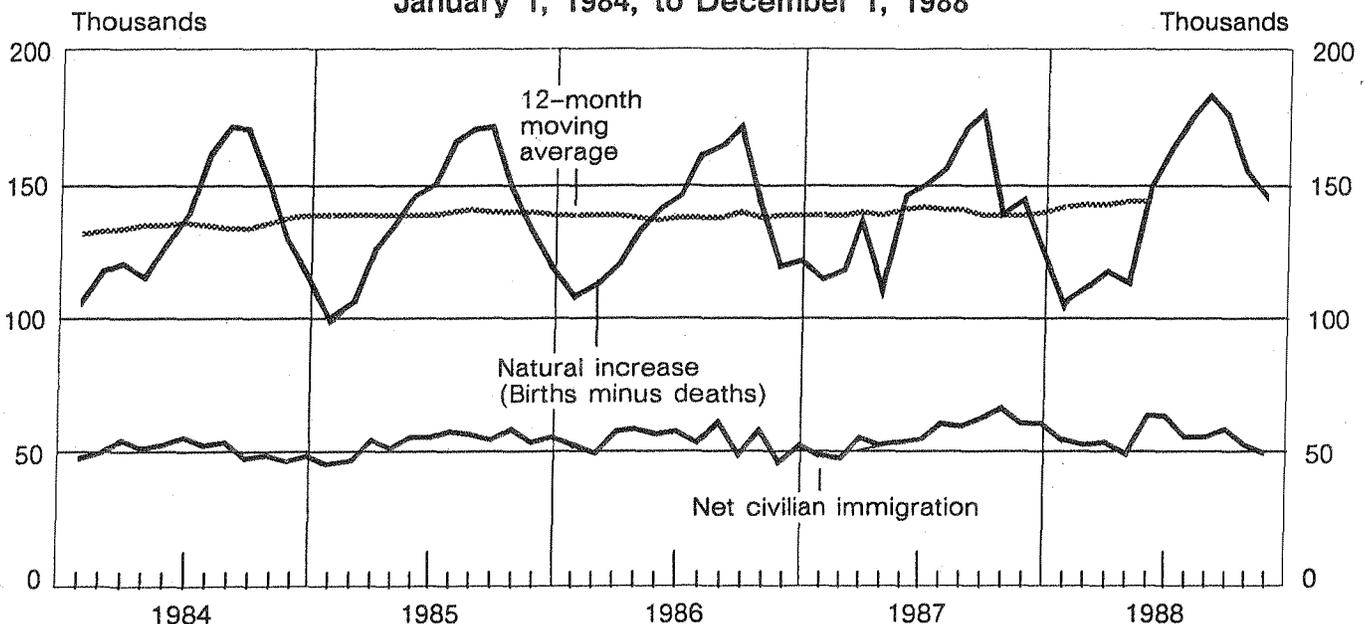
(Note: Since the release of the November 1, 1988 estimates, the series have been revised. Changes are reflected in all estimates back to February 1, 1986.)

The total population of the United States (including Armed Forces overseas) was estimated to be approximately 247,443,000 on December 1, 1988. This figure represents an increase of 2,402,000 or 1.0 percent over the estimate for the corresponding month a year ago, and an increase of 194,000 over the previous month. The monthly gain was the result of a natural increase of 144,000 (excess of births over deaths) and estimated net civilian immigration of 50,000. (See chart below. Data are adjusted for number of days in the month.) The December 1, 1988, total population represents an increase of 20,382,000 over the population counted April 1, 1980, which serves as the beginning point for the estimate.

This report presents estimates for months back to April 1, 1980, 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 census; 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. For a complete discussion of the estimating procedure used in deriving these estimates, see Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 1022.

**Components of Population Change, by Month:
January 1, 1984, to December 1, 1988**



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Estimates of the Population, by Type: April 1, 1980, to December 1, 1988

(In thousands. Includes Alaska and Hawaii in all years. Estimates for each month from January 1, 1950, to January 1, 1986, are given in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 1023)

Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population	Date	Total population including Armed Forces overseas	Resident population	Civilian population
1988				1985-Continued			
December 1	247,443	246,924	245,228	June 1	239,074	238,534	236,848
November 1	247,249	246,729	245,033	May 1	238,869	238,331	236,643
October 1	247,039	246,517	244,812	April 1	238,684	238,149	236,457
September 1	246,807	246,286	244,588	March 1	238,500	237,966	236,275
August 1	246,563	246,040	244,347	February 1	238,356	237,824	236,133
July 1	246,329	245,807	244,125	January 1	238,207	237,677	235,994
June 1	246,104	245,585	243,921	1984			
May 1	245,889	245,372	243,699	December 1	238,039	237,512	235,820
April 1	245,728	245,208	243,502	November 1	237,865	237,340	235,647
March 1	245,554	245,033	243,309	October 1	237,663	237,140	235,444
February 1	245,395	244,875	243,145	September 1	237,447	236,923	235,215
January 1	245,231	244,712	242,982	August 1	237,218	236,694	234,978
1987				July 1	237,001	236,477	234,762
December 1	245,041	244,523	242,780	June 1	236,807	236,283	234,586
November 1	244,837	244,321	242,575	May 1	236,624	236,101	234,409
October 1	244,627	244,112	242,361	April 1	236,458	235,935	234,241
September 1	244,388	243,873	242,123	March 1	236,280	235,760	234,069
August 1	244,154	243,638	241,887	February 1	236,118	235,598	233,912
July 1	243,934	243,419	241,680	January 1	235,961	235,444	233,763
June 1	243,731	243,217	241,491	1983			
May 1	243,528	243,014	241,285	December 1	235,796	235,282	233,593
April 1	243,363	242,850	241,109	November 1	235,623	235,112	233,425
March 1	243,166	242,653	240,909	October 1	235,439	234,928	233,235
February 1	243,009	242,494	240,746	September 1	235,225	234,715	233,021
January 1	242,843	242,326	240,584	August 1	235,005	234,492	232,795
1986				July 1	234,799	234,284	232,589
December 1	242,666	242,150	240,399	June 1	234,599	234,081	232,402
November 1	242,500	241,985	240,236	May 1	234,411	233,894	232,213
October 1	242,295	241,782	240,037	April 1	234,237	233,718	232,034
September 1	242,074	241,562	239,819	March 1	234,054	233,534	231,858
August 1	241,844	241,330	239,590	February 1	233,901	233,379	231,709
July 1	241,625	241,107	239,386	January 1	233,736	233,217	231,552
June 1	241,422	240,900	239,198	1982			
May 1	241,221	240,697	238,987	July 1	232,520	231,996	230,327
April 1	241,031	240,505	238,792	January 1	231,405	230,893	229,247
March 1	240,851	240,325	238,611	1981			
February 1	240,697	240,169	238,461	July 1	230,138	229,637	227,989
January 1	240,532	240,004	238,304	January 1	229,033	228,542	226,918
1985				1980			
December 1	240,355	239,827	238,121	July 1	227,757	227,255	225,651
November 1	240,170	239,641	237,935	April 1	227,061	226,546	224,968
October 1	239,960	239,427	237,725				
September 1	239,736	239,201	237,488				
August 1	239,505	238,965	237,248				
July 1	239,279	238,736	237,031				

NA Not available.
 1 Census count April 1, 1980-226,545,805.