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POPULATION OF NEW MEXICO, BY COUNTIES
APRIL 1, 1950

(The figures in this report are preliminary counts of population as compiled in field offices and supersede those for the same areas which have been published in Series PC-1. Figures for some areas not published in Series PC-1 are also included in this report. Additional reports in Series PC-2 will be issued as preliminary counts for other States become available)

The population of New Mexico as of April 1, 1950, was 677,152, according to a preliminary count of the returns of the 1950 Decennial Census of Population, reported today by Roy V. Peel, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This figure represents a gain of 145,334, or 27.3 percent, over the 531,818 inhabitants of the State enumerated in the 1940 Census.

The preliminary population counts shown below represent the number of persons enumerated in the State, each county, and each incorporated place of 1,000 or more, but not the final verified population totals. The final population totals may differ from the preliminary counts because of the allocation to the place of usual residence of persons who were enumerated elsewhere, and because of other revisions.

Area	Preliminary count, April 1, 1950	April 1, 1940	Percent of change, 1940 to 1950
State total	677,152	531,818	27.3
Bernalillo County	146,014	69,391	110.4
Albuquerque city	97,012	35,449	173.7
Catron County	3,517	4,881	-27.9
Chaves County	39,884	23,980	66.3
Hagerman town	1,024	854	19.9
Roswell city	25,572	13,482	89.7
Colfax County	16,356	18,718	-12.6
Raton city	7,927	7,607	4.2
Springer town	1,566	1,314	19.2
Curry County	23,174	18,159	27.6
Clovis city	17,168	10,065	70.6
De Baca County	3,460	3,725	-7.1
Fort Sumner village	1,978	1,669	18.5

Note: A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

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Area	Preliminary count, Apr. 1, 1950	Apr. 1, 1940	Percent of change, 1940 to 1950	Area	Preliminary count, Apr. 1, 1950	Apr. 1, 1940	Percent of change, 1940 to 1950
Dona Ana County.....	39,044	30,411	28.4	Otero County.....	14,709	10,522	39.8
Hatch village.....	1,064	822	29.4	Alamogordo town....	6,767	3,950	71.3
Las Cruces city...	12,280	8,385	46.5	Tularosa village...	1,636	1,446	13.1
Eddy County.....	40,421	24,311	66.3	Quay County.....	13,912	12,111	14.9
Artesia city.....	8,115	4,071	99.3	Tucumcari city.....	8,369	6,194	35.1
Carlsbad city.....	17,915	7,116	151.8	Rio Arriba County....	24,543	25,352	-3.2
Loving village....	1,487	(1)	-	Espanola village...	1,434	643	123.0
Grant County.....	21,561	20,050	7.5	Roosevelt County.....	16,391	14,549	12.7
Bayard village....	2,099	764	174.7	Portales city.....	8,093	5,104	58.6
Central town.....	1,512	(1)	-	Sandoval County[3].....	12,427	13,898	-10.6
Silver City town..	7,019	5,044	39.2	Bernalillo town....	1,920	(1)	-
Guadalupe County....	6,756	8,646	-21.9	San Juan County.....	18,116	17,115	5.8
Santa Rosa town...	2,184	2,310	-5.5	Farmington town....	3,572	2,161	65.3
Vaughn village....	1,356	1,331	1.9	San Miguel County....	26,411	27,910	-5.4
Harding County.....	3,034	4,374	-30.6	Las Vegas city.....	7,449	5,941	25.4
Roy village.....	1,127	1,138	-1.0	Las Vegas town.....	6,250	6,421	-2.7
Hidalgo County.....	5,110	4,821	6.0	Santa Fe County[3].....	37,582	30,826	21.9
Lordsburg city....	3,543	3,101	14.3	Santa Fe city.....	27,547	20,325	35.5
Lea County.....	30,577	21,154	44.5	Sierra County.....	7,174	6,962	3.0
Eunice city.....	2,335	1,227	90.3	Hot Springs city...	4,580	2,940	55.8
Hobbs city.....	13,801	10,619	30.0	Socorro County.....	9,665	11,422	-15.4
Jal town.....	2,038	1,157	76.1	Magdalena village..	1,297	1,323	-2.0
Lovington town....	3,117	1,916	62.7	Socorro city.....	4,476	3,712	20.6
Lincoln County.....	7,371	8,557	-13.9	Taos County.....	17,303	18,528	-6.6
Carrizozo village.	1,387	1,457	-4.8	Taos town.....	1,804	965	86.9
Los Alamos County[2]...	10,467	-	-	Torrance County.....	8,060	11,026	-26.9
Luna County.....	8,640	6,457	33.8	Mountainair town...	1,416	1,477	-4.1
Deming village....	5,697	3,608	57.9	Union County.....	7,375	9,095	-18.9
McKinley County.....	26,920	23,641	13.9	Clayton town.....	3,268	3,188	2.5
Gallup town.....	9,143	7,041	29.9	Valencia County.....	22,574	20,245	11.5
Mora County.....	8,604	10,981	-21.6	Belen town.....	4,502	3,038	48.2
Wagon Mound village	1,132	979	15.6	Grants town.....	2,281	(1)	-

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[1] Not shown separately in 1940.
[2] Organized from parts of Sandoval and Santa Fe Counties in 1949.
[3] Part taken to form part of Los Alamos County in 1949.