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The Population of the World (2015)

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Every other year, *Population and Societies* publishes a special issue called *The Population of the World*, presenting an overall picture of the situation across the globe.** There were around 7.3 billion humans on the planet in 2015. The world population has risen seven-fold over the last two hundred years and may well reach 11 billion by the end of the twenty-first century.

The data shown in the central data sheet concern all geopolitical entities with a population of 150,000 or more, along with a few others. Sovereign states are listed along with non-sovereign territories, including France's overseas *départements*. Countries and territorial entities are listed following the United Nations system of classification by region and continent.

The demographic indicators are the same as those used in earlier editions: land area, mid-2015 population estimate, birth and death rates, infant mortality rate, total fertility rate, percentage of population under 15 and over 65, male and female life expectancy at birth, gross national income per capita adjusted for purchasing power parity (GNI PPP) in 2014. Note that the indicators are projections, but over a short period, as vital statistics and survey data are not yet available for the year 2015.

Eighteen smaller tables classify countries or geopolitical entities according to different indicators, following a downward scale. In the first eight tables, a world total is given and a line separates the countries which together account for more than half of that total. For instance, the seven most populated countries (China, India, United States, Indonesia, Brazil, Pakistan, Nigeria) represent a total population of 3.85 billion, or more than half of the world population, estimated at 7.34 billion. In Table 7, countries are ranked by number of maternal deaths in 2013, and in Table 10 by maternal mortality rate. These estimates are relatively uncertain, notably for countries where maternal mortality is high.

In the 17th and penultimate small table, countries are classified according to the proportion of working-age persons aged 15-64 in the total population. This proportion is especially high in the small Persian Gulf states, which have large populations of immigrant workers living without their families, and in countries where fertility has fallen sharply to very low levels (Russia, Poland). Persons of working age also represent a large proportion of the total population in Southern countries where fertility has also declined rapidly in recent years (China, Iran, Vietnam). Their population pyramids have narrowed at the base, while their summit is still very small. Their shape will change, however, as the proportion of persons aged 15-64 decreases due to population ageing.

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** The data are drawn mainly from the *World Population Data Sheet* published by the Population Reference Bureau (PRB) [1]. Each year, this independent organization provides summary data sheets using figures issued by different sources – mainly the United Nations Population Division [2], the United States Census Bureau, the Council of Europe and INED – based on all demographic data published by national statistics agencies and international organizations.

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Indicator	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
WORLD	136,137	7,336	20	8	9,804	37	2.5	26	8	69	73	15,103
AFRICA	30,312	1,171	36	10	2,473	59	4.7	41	4	58	61	4,720
NORTHERN AFRICA	7,880	222	29	6	392	29	3.4	31	5	69	72	9,741
Algeria	2,382	39.9	26	6	60	21	3.0	28	6	72	77	13,540
Egypt	1,001	89.1	31	6	162	22	3.5	31	4	70	73	11,020
Libya	1,760	6.3	21	4	8	14	2.4	29	5	69	74	16,190
Morocco	447	34.1	22	6	42	26	2.5	25	6	73	75	7,180
Sudan	1,861	40.9	38	9	105	52	5.2	43	3	60	64	3,980
Tunisia	164	11.0	19	6	13	16	2.1	23	8	74	78	10,600
Western Sahara	266	0.6	20	6	0.8	37	2.4	26	3	66	70	-
WESTERN AFRICA	6,138	349	39	12	784	64	5.4	43	3	54	56	4,041
Benin	113	10.6	37	10	22	67	4.9	45	3	58	61	1,850
Burkina Faso	274	18.5	44	11	47	69	6.0	45	2	56	57	1,660
Cape Verde	4.0	0.5	21	6	0.7	22	2.4	31	6	71	80	6,320
Côte d'Ivoire	322	23.3	37	14	46	74	4.9	41	3	50	52	3,350
Gambia	11	2.0	42	10	5.0	47	5.6	46	2	58	60	1,580
Ghana	239	27.7	33	8	53	41	4.2	39	5	60	63	3,960
Guinea	246	11.0	38	12	24	67	5.1	42	3	58	61	1,140
Guinea-Bissau	36	1.8	37	13	3.5	92	4.9	43	3	53	56	1,430
Liberia	111	4.5	36	9	9	54	4.7	42	3	59	61	820
Mali	1,240	16.7	44	15	44	56	5.9	47	3	53	53	1,660
Mauritania	1,026	3.6	34	9	7	72	4.2	40	3	62	64	3,700
Niger	1,267	18.9	50	11	68	60	7.6	52	4	59	61	950
Nigeria	924	181.8	39	14	397	69	5.5	43	3	52	53	5,680
Senegal	197	14.7	37	8	32	33	5.0	42	4	63	67	2,290
Sierra Leone	72	6.5	37	14	11	92	4.9	41	3	50	51	1,830
Togo	57	7.2	38	11	16	49	4.8	42	3	56	57	1,310
EASTERN AFRICA	7,006	388	36	9	841	52	4.8	43	3	59	63	1,928
Burundi	28	10.7	43	10	30	65	6.2	46	3	57	61	790
Comoros	2.2	0.8	33	9	1.3	36	4.3	41	3	60	62	1,530
Djibouti	23	0.9	27	9	1.2	58	3.4	34	4	60	63	-
Eritrea	118	5.2	37	7	10	46	4.4	43	2	60	65	1,180
Ethiopia	1,104	98.1	31	8	165	49	4.1	41	4	62	65	1,500
Kenya	580	44.3	31	8	81	39	3.9	41	3	60	65	2,890
Madagascar	587	23.0	34	7	53	38	4.4	41	3	64	66	1,400
Malawi	118	17.2	37	11	37	53	5.0	44	3	60	62	780
Mauritius	2.0	1.3	11	8	1.2	15	1.4	20	9	71	78	18,290
Mayotte	0.4	0.23	31	2	0.5	4	4.1	44	3	76	83	-
Mozambique	802	25.7	45	13	73	83	5.9	45	3	52	56	1,170
Ouganda	241	40.1	40	9	104	54	5.9	48	2	58	60	1,690
Reunion	2.5	0.9	17	5	1.2	8	2.4	24	10	77	84	-
Rwanda	26	11.3	31	8	21	32	4.2	41	3	63	66	1,530
Seychelles	0.5	0.09	17	8	0.10	13	2.4	22	8	69	78	24,630
Somalia	638	11.1	44	12	27	79	6.6	47	3	53	57	-
South Sudan	644	12.2	36	12	25	77	6.9	42	3	54	56	-
Tanzania	945	52.3	39	9	129	37	5.2	45	3	60	63	2,530
Zambia	753	15.5	43	13	42	75	5.6	46	3	51	56	3,860
Zimbabwe	391	17.4	33	9	37	55	4.3	43	3	60	62	-
MIDDLE AFRICA	6,613	149	44	14	378	96	6.1	46	3	50	54	2,684
Angola	1,247	25.0	46	14	66	95	6.1	47	2	50	53	7,150
Cameroon	475	23.7	37	11	52	57	4.9	43	3	56	58	2,940
Central African Republic	623	5.6	45	16	14	109	6.2	45	3	48	52	610
Chad	1,284	13.7	48	14	37	95	6.5	48	2	50	52	2,130
Congo	342	4.8	37	10	10	61	4.8	41	3	57	59	5,120
Congo (Dem. Rep.)	2,345	73.3	46	16	194	108	6.6	46	3	48	52	700
Equatorial Guinea	28	0.8	37	13	1.8	70	5.1	39	3	56	59	22,480
Gabon	268	1.8	32	9	3.3	43	4.1	38	5	62	64	16,500
São Tomé and Príncipe	1.0	0.2	36	7	0.42	43	4.3	42	4	64	68	3,030
SOUTHERN AFRICA	2,675	63	23	10	77	36	2.7	31	5	59	63	12,288
Botswana	582	2.1	26	8	2.5	31	2.9	33	5	62	67	17,460
Lesotho	30	1.9	31	20	3.0	59	3.3	36	5	43	46	3,260
Namibia	824	2.5	29	7	4.7	39	3.6	35	4	62	67	9,880
South Africa	1,221	55.0	22	10	65	34	2.6	30	6	59	63	12,700
Swaziland	17	1.3	30	14	1.8	50	3.3	37	4	50	48	5,940

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Indicator	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	⑦	⑧	⑨	⑩	⑪	⑫
AMERICAS	42,322	987	16	7	1,221	14	2.0	24	10	74	79	29,902
NORTHERN AMERICA	21,776	357	12	8	445	6	1.8	19	15	77	81	54,628
Canada	9,971	35.8	11	7	47	5	1.6	16	16	79	84	43,400
United States	9,629	321.2	13	8	398	6	1.9	19	15	76	81	55,860
CENTRAL AMERICA	2,480	173	20	5	231	14	2.4	29	6	72	78	14,418
Belize	23	0.37	21	4	0.5	13	2.4	36	4	71	77	7,870
Costa Rica	51	4.8	15	4	6	8	1.9	23	7	77	82	13,900
El Salvador	21	6.4	18	5	7	17	2.0	31	7	68	77	7,720
Guatemala	109	16.2	25	5	27	19	3.1	40	5	69	76	7,260
Honduras	112	8.3	24	5	12	22	2.7	34	5	72	76	4,120
Mexico	1,958	127.0	19	5	164	13	2.3	28	7	73	78	16,710
Nicaragua	130	6.3	23	5	8	16	2.4	32	5	72	78	4,670
Panama	76	4.0	19	5	6	17	2.7	28	8	75	80	19,630
CARIBBEAN	234	43	18	8	50	28	2.3	26	9	70	76	12,799
Antigua and Barbuda	0.4	0.09	14	6	0.11	16	1.5	24	8	74	80	21,120
Aruba	0.2	0.11	11	5	0.11	11	1.7	19	12	74	80	-
Bahamas	14	0.38	15	6	0.48	14	1.9	26	7	71	77	22,310
Barbados	0.4	0.28	12	9	0.30	19	1.7	20	13	73	78	14,750
Cuba	111	11.1	11	8	11	4	1.7	17	13	77	80	-
Curacao	0.4	0.16	13	8	0.19	9	2.1	19	15	75	81	-
Dominican Republic	49	10.5	21	6	12	31	2.5	31	6	70	77	12,450
Dominica	0.8	0.07	14	9	0.06	20	2.1	22	10	72	77	10,300
Grenada	0.3	0.11	17	8	0.10	15	2.1	26	7	74	79	11,650
Guadeloupe	1.7	0.41	13	7	0.40	9	2.2	21	14	78	84	-
Haiti	28	10.9	28	9	17	42	3.2	35	4	61	65	1,750
Jamaica	11	2.7	18	7	2.7	21	2.3	24	9	70	78	-
Martinique	1.1	0.38	11	8	0.40	8	1.9	19	17	79	85	-
Puerto Rico	9	3.5	10	8	3.4	7	1.5	18	17	76	83	-
Saint Lucia	0.5	0.18	12	6	0.20	18	1.5	22	9	75	83	10,230
St. Kitts-Nevis	0.3	0.05	14	8	0.06	13	1.8	21	8	73	78	21,990
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	0.4	0.11	17	8	0.11	20	2.0	25	6	70	74	10,610
Trinidad and Tobago	5.1	1.4	14	8	1.2	13	1.7	21	9	71	78	26,220
Virgin Islands	0.3	0.11	13	7	0.10	9	2.3	21	15	77	83	-
SOUTH AMERICA	17,832	414	17	6	496	18	2.0	26	8	72	78	14,857
Argentina	2,780	42.4	18	8	58	11	2.2	24	11	73	80	-
Bolivia	1,099	10.5	26	7	16	39	3.2	31	6	65	69	6,130
Brazil	8,515	204.5	15	6	226	19	1.8	24	7	71	79	15,900
Chile	756	18.0	14	6	20	7	1.8	21	10	76	81	21,570
Colombia	1,139	48.2	19	6	55	16	1.9	27	7	72	79	12,600
Ecuador	284	16.3	21	5	23	17	2.6	31	7	72	78	11,120
French Guiana	90	0.25	26	3	0.6	9	3.5	34	5	77	83	-
Guyana	215	0.7	21	7	0.7	32	2.6	27	6	64	69	6,930
Paraguay	407	7.0	23	6	10	29	2.8	33	5	70	74	8,010
Peru	1,285	31.2	20	5	40	17	2.5	29	6	72	78	11,510
Suriname	164	0.6	18	7	0.7	17	2.3	28	6	68	74	15,960
Uruguay	175	3.6	14	10	3.8	9	1.9	21	14	73	80	20,220
Venezuela	912	30.6	20	5	41	13	2.5	28	6	72	78	17,140
ASIA	31,877	4,397	18	7	5,324	33	2.2	25	8	70	74	11,452
WESTERN ASIA	4,831	257	22	5	387	22	2.9	30	5	71	76	25,130
Armenia	30	3.0	14	9	2.5	9	1.5	19	11	72	78	8,550
Azerbaijan	87	9.7	18	6	12	11	2.2	22	6	72	77	16,910
Bahrain	0.7	1.4	15	2	1.9	8	2.1	21	2	75	76	38,140
Cyprus	9	1.2	12	6	1.4	5	1.4	17	12	78	82	29,800
Georgia	70	3.8	14	12	4.7	10	1.7	17	14	71	79	7,510
Iraq	438	37.1	31	4	77	37	4.2	41	3	67	71	14,670
Israel	22	8.4	21	5	14	3	3.3	28	11	80	84	32,550
Jordan	89	8.1	28	6	11	17	3.5	37	3	73	77	11,910
Kuwait	18	3.8	17	2	6	8	2.3	23	2	73	76	87,700
Lebanon	10	6.2	15	5	6	8	1.7	26	6	76	79	17,330
Oman	310	4.2	21	3	6	10	2.9	22	3	75	79	36,240
Palestinian Territory	6	4.5	32	4	9	18	4.1	40	3	72	75	-
Qatar	11	2.4	12	1	3.0	7	2.0	15	1	78	79	133,850

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Indicator	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
Saudi Arabia	2,150	31.6	20	4	47	16	2.9	30	3	73	75	53,760
Syria	185	17.1	23	7	31	16	2.8	33	4	64	76	-
Turkey	784	78.2	17	5	93	11	2.2	24	8	75	79	19,040
United Arab Emirates	84	9.6	14	1	15	6	1.8	16	1	76	78	63,750
Yemen	528	26.7	33	7	46	43	4.4	41	3	62	67	3,820
CENTRAL ASIA	4,003	69	25	6	96	37	2.9	29	5	65	72	9,932
Kazakhstan	2,725	17.5	25	8	25	25	3.0	25	7	66	75	21,580
Kyrgyzstan	200	6.0	27	6	12	24	4.0	32	4	66	74	3,220
Tajikistan	143	8.5	33	7	15	40	3.8	36	3	64	71	2,630
Turkmenistan	488	5.4	21	8	7	46	2.3	28	4	61	70	14,520
Uzbekistan	447	31.3	23	5	38	44	2.4	28	4	65	72	5,840
SOUTH ASIA	6,788	1,834	22	7	2,430	45	2.5	30	5	66	70	5,869
Afghanistan	652	32.2	34	8	64	74	4.9	45	2	60	62	1,980
Bangladesh	144	160.4	20	6	202	38	2.3	33	5	70	71	3,340
Bhutan	47	0.8	18	7	1.1	47	2.2	31	5	68	69	7,560
India	3,287	1,314.1	21	7	1,660	42	2.3	29	5	66	69	5,760
Iran	1,648	78.5	19	5	99	15	1.8	24	5	72	76	16,080
Maldives	0.3	0.35	22	3	0.6	9	2.2	26	5	73	75	12,770
Nepal	147	28.0	22	7	36	33	2.4	33	6	66	69	2,420
Pakistan	796	199.0	30	7	344	69	3.8	36	4	66	67	5,100
Sri Lanka	66	20.9	18	6	23	9	2.3	25	8	71	77	10,270
SOUTHEAST ASIA	4,495	628	20	7	839	28	2.4	27	6	68	73	10,719
Brunei	6	0.41	17	3	0.53	4	1.6	25	5	77	80	71,020
Cambodia	181	15.4	24	6	21	28	2.7	31	6	61	66	3,080
East Timor	15	1.2	36	8	2.8	45	5.7	42	5	66	69	5,680
Indonesia	1,905	255.7	21	6	366	31	2.6	29	5	69	73	10,250
Laos	237	6.9	27	6	11	68	3.1	37	4	67	70	4,910
Malaysia	330	30.8	17	5	42	7	2.0	26	6	73	77	23,850
Myanmar (Burma)	677	52.1	19	9	56	62	2.3	24	5	63	67	-
Philippines	300	103.0	23	6	157	23	2.9	34	4	65	72	8,300
Singapore	0.7	5.5	10	5	7	2	1.3	16	11	80	85	80,270
Thailand	513	65.1	12	8	66	11	1.6	18	11	72	78	13,950
Vietnam	332	91.7	17	7	108	16	2.4	24	7	71	76	5,350
EAST ASIA	11,760	1,609	12	7	1,572	11	1.6	17	12	74	79	16,041
China	9,561	1,371.9	12	7	1,366	12	1.7	17	10	73	78	13,130
China. Hong Kong	1.1	7.3	9	6	9	2	1.2	11	15	81	87	56,570
China. Macao	0.03	0.7	12	3	0.8	3	1.2	11	8	80	86	118,460
Japan	378	126.9	8	10	97	2	1.4	13	26	80	87	37,920
Korea. North	121	25.0	14	9	27	25	2.0	22	10	66	74	-
Korea. South	100	50.7	9	5	48	3	1.2	14	13	79	85	34,620
Mongolia	1,564	3.0	28	6	4.4	21	3.1	27	4	65	75	11,230
Taiwan	36	23.5	9	7	20	4	1.2	14	12	77	83	-
EUROPE	23,061	742	11	11	728	6	1.6	16	17	74	81	31,650
NORTHERN EUROPE	1,810	103	12	9	120	4	1.8	18	17	78	83	40,344
Denmark	43	5.7	10	9	6	4	1.7	17	19	79	83	46,160
Estonia	45	1.3	10	12	1.2	3	1.5	16	19	73	81	25,690
Finland	338	5.5	10	10	6	2	1.7	16	20	78	84	40,000
Iceland	103	0.33	13	6	0.43	2	1.9	20	14	81	84	42,530
Ireland	70	4.6	15	6	6	4	2.0	22	13	79	83	40,820
Latvia	65	2.0	11	14	1.4	4	1.6	15	19	70	79	23,150
Lithuania	65	2.9	11	14	2.4	4	1.7	15	18	69	79	25,390
Norway	385	5.2	12	8	7	2	1.8	18	16	80	84	65,970
Sweden	450	9.8	12	9	12	2	1.9	17	20	80	84	46,710
United Kingdom	243	65.1	12	9	77	4	1.9	18	17	79	83	38,370
WESTERN EUROPE	1,108	191	10	10	199	3	1.7	16	19	79	84	44,794
Austria	84	8.6	10	9	10	3	1.5	14	18	78	84	45,040
Belgium	31	11.2	11	10	13	4	1.8	17	18	78	83	43,030
France (metropolitan)	552	64.3	12	8	72	4	2.0	19	18	79	85	39,720
Germany	357	81.1	8	11	76	3	1.4	13	21	78	83	46,840
Liechtenstein	0.2	0.04	9	7	0.05	3	1.5	15	16	81	84	-
Luxembourg	2.6	0.6	11	7	0.7	3	1.5	17	14	80	84	57,830
Monaco	0.001	0.04	6	7	0.05	-	1.4	13	24	-	-	-
Netherlands	42	16.9	10	9	18	4	1.7	17	17	79	83	47,660
Switzerland	41	8.3	10	8	9	4	1.5	15	18	81	85	59,600

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COUNTRY or geopolitical entity	Area (in thousands of sq. km)	Population mid-2015 (millions)	Births (per 1000 pop.)	Deaths (per 1000 pop.)	Projected population 2050 (millions)	Infant mortality rate (per 1000 births)	Total fertility rate (children per woman)	Pop. age 0-14 (%)	Pop. age 65+ (%)	Life expectancy at birth, male (years)	Life expectancy at birth, female (years)	GNI PPP per capita in 2014 (USD)
Indicator	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
EASTERN EUROPE	18,826	292	12	13	260	8	1.6	16	14	68	78	21,131
Belarus	208	9.5	13	13	9	4	1.7	16	14	67	78	17,610
Bulgaria	111	7.2	9	15	6	8	1.5	14	20	71	78	15,850
Czech Republic	79	10.6	10	10	11	2	1.5	15	17	76	82	26,970
Hungary	93	9.8	9	13	9	5	1.4	15	18	72	79	23,830
Moldova	34	4.1	11	11	2.9	10	1.3	16	10	68	76	5,480
Poland	313	38.5	10	10	34	4	1.3	15	15	74	82	24,090
Romania	238	19.8	9	13	16	9	1.3	16	17	71	78	19,030
Russia	17,098	144.3	13	13	134	9	1.8	16	13	65	76	24,710
Slovakia	49	5.4	10	9	5.0	6	1.4	15	14	73	80	25,970
Ukraine	604	42.8	11	15	32	10	1.5	15	15	66	76	8,560
SOUTHERN EUROPE	1,317	156	9	10	149	4	1.4	15	19	79	84	29,727
Albania	29	2.9	12	7	2.8	8	1.8	19	12	76	80	10,260
Andorra	0.5	0.08	9	4	0.07	3	1.3	15	18	-	-	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	51	3.7	7	9	3.2	5	1.2	15	16	72	78	10,020
Croatia	57	4.2	9	12	3.6	4	1.5	15	18	74	81	20,560
Greece	132	11.5	9	10	10	4	1.3	15	21	78	83	26,130
Italy	301	62.5	8	10	64	3	1.4	14	22	80	85	34,710
Kosovo	11	1.8	13	4	1.9	12	2.3	28	7	74	79	-
Macedonia	26	2.1	11	10	1.8	10	1.5	17	13	73	77	12,600
Malta	0.3	0.4	10	8	0.42	6	1.4	15	16	80	84	27,020
Montenegro	14	0.6	12	10	0.8	4	1.6	18	14	74	79	14,510
Portugal	92	10.3	8	10	9	3	1.2	14	19	77	83	28,010
San Marina	0.1	0.03	9	8	0.03	2	1.5	15	18	84	89	-
Serbia	77	7.1	9	14	6	6	1.6	14	18	73	78	12,150
Slovenia	20	2.1	10	9	2.0	2	1.6	15	18	78	84	28,650
Spain	506	46.4	9	9	44	3	1.3	15	18	80	86	32,860
OCEANIA	8,564	40	18	7	59	22	2.5	24	12	75	80	31,596
Australia	7,741	23.9	13	7	34	4	1.9	19	15	80	84	42,880
Federated States of Micronesia ...	0.7	0.10	24	5	0.11	29	3.5	34	4	69	72	3,680
Fiji	18	0.9	21	8	1.0	15	3.1	29	5	67	73	8,030
French Polynesia	4.0	0.26	16	5	0.32	6	2.0	24	7	75	79	-
Guam	0.5	0.18	21	6	0.23	13	2.9	26	8	76	82	-
Kiribati	0.7	0.11	30	9	0.21	45	3.8	36	4	63	68	2,580
Marshall Islands	0.2	0.06	30	4	0.07	26	4.1	41	3	70	75	-
New Caledonia	19	0.27	15	6	0.34	5	2.3	24	9	74	81	-
New Zealand	271	4.6	13	7	6	6	1.9	20	15	80	83	33,760
Papua New Guinea	463	7.7	33	10	14	47	4.3	39	3	60	65	2,510
Samoa	2.8	0.19	29	5	0.20	16	4.7	39	5	73	76	5,600
Solomon Islands	29	0.6	30	5	1.4	26	4.1	39	3	67	74	2,020
Tonga	0.7	0.10	27	7	0.13	17	3.9	37	6	74	77	5,300
Vanuatu	12	0.28	33	5	0.48	28	4.2	39	4	70	73	2,870

Notes

- **World and regional totals** – Regional population totals are independently rounded and include small countries or areas not shown in the table. Regional and world rates and percentages are weighted averages of countries for which data are available; regional averages are shown when data are available for at least three quarters of the region's population.
- **The tables taken from the World Population Data Sheets should not be used as a time series.** Fluctuations in values from year to year often reflect revisions based on new data or estimates rather than actual changes in levels. Additional information on likely trends and consistent time series can be obtained by consulting publications of the organizations listed above.
- **Area** – This refers to the “land area” or “total area” of the country, excluding area under inland

water bodies, i.e. major rivers and lakes. Variations are due to updates and revised data provided by the countries and do not necessarily reflect an actual change in the country's area. The PRB used the data provided by the last FAO Production Yearbook.

- **Population mid-2015** – Estimates are based on a recent census, official national data, or UN and U.S. Census Bureau projections. The effects of refugee movements, large numbers of foreign workers and population shifts due to contemporary political events are taken into account where possible. Such events can lead to a high degree of uncertainty in the estimates.
- **GNI PPP** – gross national income converted to US dollars using a purchasing power parity (PPP) factor; this indicator is not available for all countries.

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Table 1 - Area (in thousands of sq. km.)	
Indicator ①	Thousands
1 Russia	17,098
2 Canada	9,971
3 United States	9,629
4 China	9,561
5 Brazil	8,515
6 Australia	7,741
European Union (28)	4,387
7 India	3,287
8 Argentina	2,780
9 Kazakhstan	2,725
10 Sudan	2,506
11 Algeria	2,382
12 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	2,345
13 Saudi Arabia	2,150
14 Mexico	1,958
15 Indonesia	1,905
16 Libya	1,760
17 Iran	1,648
18 Mongolia	1,564
19 Peru	1,285
20 Chad	1,284
21 Niger	1,267
22 Angola	1,247
23 Mali	1,240
24 South Africa	1,221
25 Colombia	1,139
26 Ethiopia	1,104
27 Bolivia	1,099
28 Mauritania	1,026
29 Egypt	1,001
47 France (metropolitan)	552
WORLD	136,137

Table 2 - Most populated countries, 2015 estimate (in millions pop.)	
Indicator ②	Thousands
1 China	1,371.9
2 India	1,314.1
European Union (28)	509.6
3 United States	321.2
4 Indonesia	255.7
5 Brazil	204.5
6 Pakistan	199.0
7 Nigeria	181.8
8 Bangladesh	160.4
9 Russia	144.3
10 Mexico	127.0
11 Japan	126.9
12 Philippines	103.0
13 Ethiopia	98.1
14 Vietnam	91.7
15 Egypt	89.1
16 Germany	81.1
17 Iran	78.5
18 Turkey	78.2
19 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	73.3
20 Thailand	65.1
21 United Kingdom	65.1
22 France (metropolitan)	64.3
23 Italy	62.5
24 South Africa	55.0
25 Tanzania	52.3
26 Myanmar (Burma)	52.1
27 South Korea	50.7
28 Colombia	48.2
29 Spain	46.4
30 Kenya	44.3
WORLD	7,336.4

Table 3 - Most populated countries, projection to 2050 (in millions pop.)	
Indicator ⑤	Thousands
1 India	1,660
2 China	1,366
European Union (28)	518
3 United States	398
4 Nigeria	397
5 Indonesia	366
6 Pakistan	344
7 Brazil	226
8 Bangladesh	202
9 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	194
10 Ethiopia	165
11 Mexico	164
12 Egypt	162
13 Philippines	157
14 Russia	134
15 Tanzania	129
16 Vietnam	108
17 Sudan	105
18 Uganda	104
19 Iran	99
20 Japan	97
21 Turkey	93
22 Kenya	81
23 United Kingdom	77
24 Iraq	77
25 Germany	76
26 Mozambique	73
27 France (metropolitan)	72
28 Niger	68
29 Thailand	66
30 Angola	66
WORLD	9 804

Table 4 - Annual number of births (in thousands)	
Indicator ② × ③	Thousands
1 India	27,859
2 China	16,971
3 Nigeria	7,164
4 Pakistan	6,011
5 Indonesia	5,357
European Union (28)	5,105
6 United States	4,015
7 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	3,388
8 Bangladesh	3,219
9 Ethiopia	3,072
10 Brazil	3,002
11 Egypt	2,761
12 Mexico	2,413
13 Philippines	2,393
14 Tanzania	2,045
15 Russia	1,919
16 Uganda	1,608
17 Vietnam	1,577
18 Sudan	1,537
19 Iran	1,474
20 Kenya	1,389
21 Turkey	1,353
22 South Africa	1,233
23 Mozambique	1,161
24 Iraq	1,152
25 Angola	1,146
26 Afghanistan	1,099
27 Algeria	1,036
28 Japan	1,015
29 Myanmar (Burma)	986
37 France (metropolitan)	797
WORLD	145,973

Table 5 - Annual number of deaths (in thousands)	
Indicator ② × ④	Thousands
1 China	9,823
2 India	9,199
European Union (28)	4,970
3 United States	2,597
4 Nigeria	2,509
5 Russia	1,890
6 Indonesia	1,601
7 Pakistan	1,413
8 Japan	1,281
9 Brazil	1,227
10 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	1,166
11 Bangladesh	911
12 Germany	891
13 Ethiopia	742
14 Mexico	635
15 Vietnam	633
16 Ukraine	630
17 Philippines	620
18 Italy	612
19 South Africa	561
20 United Kingdom	558
21 France (metropolitan)	541
22 Egypt	534
23 Thailand	521
24 Tanzania	447
25 Myanmar (Burma)	446
26 Iran	407
27 Turkey	399
28 Spain	394
29 Poland	377
30 Uganda	372
WORLD	57,052

Table 6 - Annual number of deaths under age one (in thousands)	
Indicator ② × ③ × ⑥	Thousands
1 India	1,170
2 Nigeria	494
3 Pakistan	417
4 Congo (Dem. Rep.)	366
5 China	204
6 Indonesia	164
7 Ethiopia	150
8 Bangladesh	122
9 Angola	109
10 Mozambique	96
11 Uganda	87
12 Afghanistan	81
13 Sudan	80
14 Tanzania	76
15 Côte d'Ivoire	63
16 Chad	62
17 Myanmar (Burma)	61
18 Egypt	61
19 Brazil	57
20 Niger	56
21 Burkina Faso	55
22 Philippines	55
23 Kenya	54
24 Cameroon	50
25 Zambia	49
26 Iraq	43
27 South Africa	42
28 Mali	41
29 Yemen	38
European Union (28)	19
89 France (metropolitan)	3
WORLD	5,351

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Table 7 - Maternal deaths in 2013 (thousands)	
	Thousands
1 India	53
2 Nigeria	40
3 Ethiopia	13
4 Pakistan	10
5 Indonesia	10
6 Tanzania	8
7 Chad	6
8 Côte d'Ivoire	6
9 Niger	6
10 Uganda	6
11 Mozambique	6
12 Kenya	6
13 Sudan	6
14 Bangladesh	5
15 China	5
16 Angola	5
17 Cameroon	5
18 Afghanistan	4
19 Somalia	4
20 Mali	4
21 Madagascar	3
22 Ghana	3
23 Burundi	3
24 Malawi	3
25 Burkina Faso	3
26 South Sudan	3
27 Philippines	3
28 Zimbabwe	3
29 Guinea	3
<i>Union Européenne (28)</i>	<i>0.4</i>
95 France (metropolitan)	0.07
WORLD	199

Table 8 - GNI PPP in 2014 (billion USD)		
Indicators	② × ⑫	Bn USD
<i>European Union (28)</i>		
1 China		18,013
2 United States		17,944
3 India		7,569
4 Japan		4,811
5 Germany		3,800
6 Russia		3,566
7 Brazil		3,252
8 Indonesia		2,621
9 France (metropolitan)		2,556
10 United Kingdom		2,498
11 Italy		2,168
12 Mexico		2,122
13 South Korea		1,756
14 Saudi Arabia		1,697
15 Canada		1,555
16 Spain		1,524
17 Turkey		1,489
18 Iran		1,262
19 Nigeria		1,033
20 Australia		1,024
21 Pakistan		1,015
22 Egypt		982
23 Poland		927
24 Thailand		908
25 Philippines		855
26 Netherlands		807
27 Malaysia		734
28 South Africa		699
29 United Arab Emirates		611
30 Colombia		608
WORLD		110,803

Table 9 - Density (pop. / sq.km)		
Indicators	② / ①	pop./sq.km
1 Macao (China)		25,331
11 Bangladesh		1,114
14 Taiwan		652
20 Lebanon		595
23 South Korea		509
27 Netherlands		408
28 India		400
33 Belgium		367
36 Philippines		343
40 Japan		336
49 Vietnam		277
50 United Kingdom		268
52 Pakistan		250
56 Germany		227
61 Italy		207
67 Switzerland		201
68 Nigeria		197
82 China		143
91 Poland		123
95 France (metropolitan)		117
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>116</i>
108 Turkey		100
113 Spain		92
127 Morocco		76
WORLD		54
177 United States		33
188 Brazil		24
222 Russia		8
228 Canada		4
234 Australia		3
236 French Guiana		3
238 Mongolia		2

Table 10 - Maternal mortality rate in 2013 (maternal deaths per 100,000 live births)	
1 Israel	2
2 Poland	3
8 Italy	4
13 Greece	5
16 Japan	6
21 Germany	7
<i>European Union (28)</i>	<i>8</i>
25 United Kingdom	8
29 France (metropolitan)	9
32 Canada	11
41 Hungary	14
46 Turkey	20
48 Chile	22
52 Russia	24
55 Thailand	26
57 United States	28
62 China	32
63 Romania	33
68 Egypt	45
71 Mexico	49
82 Brazil	69
93 Peru	89
98 Morocco	120
WORLD	136
104 South Africa	140
109 Cambodia	170
110 India	190
116 Laos	220
126 Senegal	320
134 Haiti	380
140 Ethiopia	420
148 Malawi	510

Table 11 - Infant mortality rate (deaths below age one per 1,000 live births)		
Indicator	⑥	%
1 Singapore		2
2 Japan		2
6 Sweden		2
19 Germany		3
23 France (metropolitan)		4
30 Belgium		4
31 Netherlands		4
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>4</i>
33 United Kingdom		4
45 Hungary		5
57 United States		6
88 Russia		9
91 Ukraine		10
98 Turkey		11
102 China		12
123 Tunisia		16
125 Vietnam		16
138 Brazil		19
144 Algeria		21
148 Philippines		23
155 Cambodia		28
159 Indonesia		31
165 Senegal		33
WORLD		37
174 Bangladesh		38
180 India		42
196 Sudan		52
205 Niger		60
213 Nigeria		69
221 Somalia		79
223 Guinea-Bissau		92
227 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		108

Table 12 - Life expectancy at birth (years, both sexes)		
Indicators	(⑩ + ⑪) / 2	Years
1 Japan		83
2 Spain		83
4 Switzerland		83
5 Italy		83
8 France (metropolitan)		82
12 Australia		82
21 Canada		81
26 Austria		81
33 United Kingdom		81
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>80</i>
37 Germany		80
39 Portugal		80
54 United States		79
76 Argentina		77
85 China		75
89 Mexico		75
99 Brazil		75
129 Vietnam		73
141 Paraguay		72
144 Ukraine		71
WORLD		71
146 Egypt		71
148 Russia		71
162 Philippines		69
167 India		68
180 Senegal		65
192 Kenya		62
197 South Africa		61
213 Burkina Faso		56
221 Angola		52
225 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		50
229 Sierra Leone		45

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Table 13 - Rate of natural increase (annual, %)		
Indicators	③ – ④	annual %
1 Niger		3.9
3 Burundi		3.3
4 Burkina Faso		3.2
9 Uganda		3.1
11 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		3.0
20 Central African Republic		2.8
26 Madagascar		2.7
36 Nigeria		2.6
39 Egypt		2.5
51 Pakistan		2.3
65 Algeria		2.0
75 Cambodia		1.8
77 Philippines		1.7
96 Indonesia		1.5
102 India		1.4
105 Mexico		1.4
112 Colombia		1.3
118 Turkey		1.2
WORLD		1.2
129 Vietnam		1.0
142 Brazil		0.9
168 China		0.5
175 United States		0.4
178 France (metropolitan)		0.4
194 Switzerland		0.2
214 Austria		0.0
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>0.0</i>
216 Russia		0.0
250 Italy		-0.1
254 Germany		-0.3
259 Hungary		-0.4
263 Bulgaria		-0.6

Table 14 - Total fertility rate (Children per woman)		
Indicator	⑦	ch./wm.
1 Niger		7.6
4 Somalia		6.6
6 Central African Republic		6.2
9 Burkina Faso		6.0
16 Nigeria		5.5
17 Tanzania		5.2
28 Côte d'Ivoire		4.9
34 Madagascar		4.4
45 Ethiopia		4.1
56 Pakistan		3.8
62 Egypt		3.5
68 Haiti		3.2
74 Algeria		3.0
86 Cambodia		2.7
WORLD		2.5
103 Vietnam		2.4
110 India		2.3
123 Argentina		2.2
125 Turkey		2.2
126 Tunisia		2.1
140 France (metropolitan)		2.0
151 United States		1.9
161 Brazil		1.8
165 Russia		1.8
170 Netherlands		1.7
179 China		1.7
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>1.5</i>
195 Switzerland		1.5
210 Germany		1.4
220 Poland		1.3
227 South Korea		1.2
229 Portugal		1.2

Table 15 - Proportion of pop. under age 15 (%)		
Indicator	⑧	%
1 Niger		52
4 Angola		47
7 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		46
11 Burkina Faso		45
20 Nigeria		43
28 Senegal		42
39 Côte d'Ivoire		41
46 Ghana		39
52 Gabon		38
57 Laos		37
66 Philippines		34
80 Egypt		31
91 India		29
96 Algeria		28
105 Colombia		27
WORLD		26
130 Brazil		24
137 Tunisia		23
143 Ireland		22
166 United States		19
173 France (metropolitan)		19
181 United Kingdom		18
188 China		17
197 Russia		16
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>16</i>
205 Romania		16
208 Spain		15
212 Poland		15
230 Taiwan		14
231 Italy		14
232 Germany		13
234 Japan		13

Table 16 - Proportion of pop. aged 65+ (%)		
Indicator	⑨	%
1 Japan		26
3 Italy		22
4 Germany		21
12 Denmark		19
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>18</i>
16 France (metropolitan)		18
25 Spain		18
26 Belgium		18
31 Netherlands		17
38 Canada		16
51 United States		15
59 Slovakia		14
63 Russia		13
70 Taiwan		12
74 Israel		11
81 China		10
87 Mauritius		9
WORLD		8
100 Tunisia		8
102 Brazil		7
112 Mexico		7
131 Algeria		6
142 Iran		5
143 India		5
164 Egypt		4
170 Pakistan		4
186 Mozambique		3
201 Nigeria		3
215 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		3
224 Uganda		2
226 Afghanistan		2

Table 17 - Working age population (percentage aged 15-64)		
Indicator		%
1 Qatar		84
2 United Arab Emirates		83
15 China		73
26 Iran		71
27 Russia		71
38 Poland		70
48 Vietnam		69
61 Brazil		69
64 Canada		68
87 Spain		67
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>66</i>
99 United States		66
105 Indonesia		66
109 Germany		66
113 Algeria		66
119 India		66
WORLD		66
127 United Kingdom		65
137 South Africa		65
138 Egypt		65
153 France (metropolitan)		63
161 Philippines		62
172 Japan		61
178 Pakistan		60
180 Laos		59
188 Mauritania		57
201 Ghana		56
214 Sudan		54
218 Mayotte		53
221 Afghanistan		52
235 Chad		49

Table 18 - GNI PPP per capita in 2014 (in US dollars)		
Indicator	⑫	USD
1 Qatar		13,3850
7 Norway		65,970
9 Switzerland		59,600
12 United States		55,860
15 Germany		46,840
25 France (metropolitan)		39,720
26 United Kingdom		38,370
28 Japan		37,920
<i>European Union (28)</i>		<i>36,049</i>
31 South Korea		34,620
39 Czech Republic		26,970
45 Russia		24,710
55 Chile		21,570
60 Turkey		19,040
68 Mexico		16,710
73 Brazil		15,900
WORLD		15,103
83 China		13,130
85 South Africa		12,700
92 Peru		11,510
101 Indonesia		10,250
105 Ukraine		8,560
107 Philippines		8,300
115 Morocco		7,180
122 India		5,760
123 Nigeria		5,680
127 Vietnam		5,350
140 Côte d'Ivoire		3,350
163 Mali		1,660
174 Niger		950
181 Congo (Dem. Rep.)		700