

Table 1286. Population by Continent: 1980 to 2050

[In millions, except percent (4,453 represents 4,453,000,000). As of midyear]

Year	World	Africa ¹	North America ¹	South America ¹	Asia	Europe ¹	Oceania
1980	4,453	478	371	242	2,644	695	23
1990	5,282	633	423	297	3,180	722	27
2000	6,085	810	485	349	3,678	731	31
2010	6,867	1,017	539	398	4,149	729	35
2020	7,659	1,252	592	444	4,611	720	40
2030	8,373	1,508	644	483	4,993	702	44
2040	9,003	1,784	691	512	5,291	679	47
2050	9,539	2,073	732	531	5,503	649	50
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION							
1980	100.0	10.7	8.3	5.4	59.4	15.6	0.5
2000	100.0	13.3	8.0	5.7	60.5	12.0	0.5
2050	100.0	21.7	7.7	5.6	57.7	6.8	0.5

¹ Estimates and projections for France now include the 4 overseas departments of French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique, and Reunion in the national total. These areas will now be included in the same regions as France (Europe) and not in the regions where they were included in prior releases (French Guiana in South America, Guadeloupe and Martinique in North America, and Reunion in Africa). Saint Barthelemy and Saint Martin recently voted to become French overseas collectivities apart from Guadeloupe and are included in the totals for North America.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, "International Data Base" (as of 18 June 2008); <<http://www.census.gov/ipc/www/idb/>>.