

U.S. Urban and Rural Populations, 1790-2000, with Projection to 2050

Year	Rural	Urban	Total	Urban Share of Total Population Percent
1790	4	<1	4	5
1800	5	<1	5	6
1810	6	<1	7	7
1820	6	1	9	8
1830	11	1	12	9
1840	14	2	15	12
1850	17	4	20	17
1860	22	6	28	22
1870	24	10	34	29
1880	28	14	42	34
1890	33	22	55	40
1900	34	30	64	47
1910	50	42	92	46
1920	52	54	106	51
1930	54	69	123	56
1940	58	75	132	56
1950	54	97	151	64
1960	54	125	179	70
1970	54	150	203	74
1980	60	167	226	74
1990	55	194	249	78
2000	59	222	281	79
2010	56	259	315	82
2020	52	291	342	85
2030	48	318	366	87
2040	43	343	386	89
2050	39	364	402	90

Source: compiled by Earth Policy Institute with 1790-2000 data from "Population and Urbanization in the U.S., 1790-2000," Table in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), *Report on the Environment: Urbanization and Population Change*, at <http://cfpub.epa.gov/eroe>, updated 1 June 2009; 2010-2050 data from U.N. Population Division, *World Urbanization Prospects: The 2007 Revision Population Database*, at esa.un.org/unpp, updated 2008.