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Summary: The Earth will top out at around 10.29 billion people in 2084, before declining to 10.18 billion by 2100. That compares with the Earth's population in July 2023 of 8.09 billion. Across much of Europe—and in longtime population leader China—population levels have already peaked and are declining. Notably, this population reversal means that India has now surpassed China as the world's most populous country, with 1.44 billion people last year, compared with China's 1.42 billion. India's population won't peak until 2061, the U.N. projects. The U.S. population, estimated at 343.5 million in 2023, is expected to keep climbing through the end of the century, but at a slowing rate. Amid those slowing growth rates, sub-Saharan Africa is expected to make up a larger slice of the world population, climbing to just under a third by 2100. This reflects not just growth in Africa, but also declining Asian populations and flattening population growth in the Americas.

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