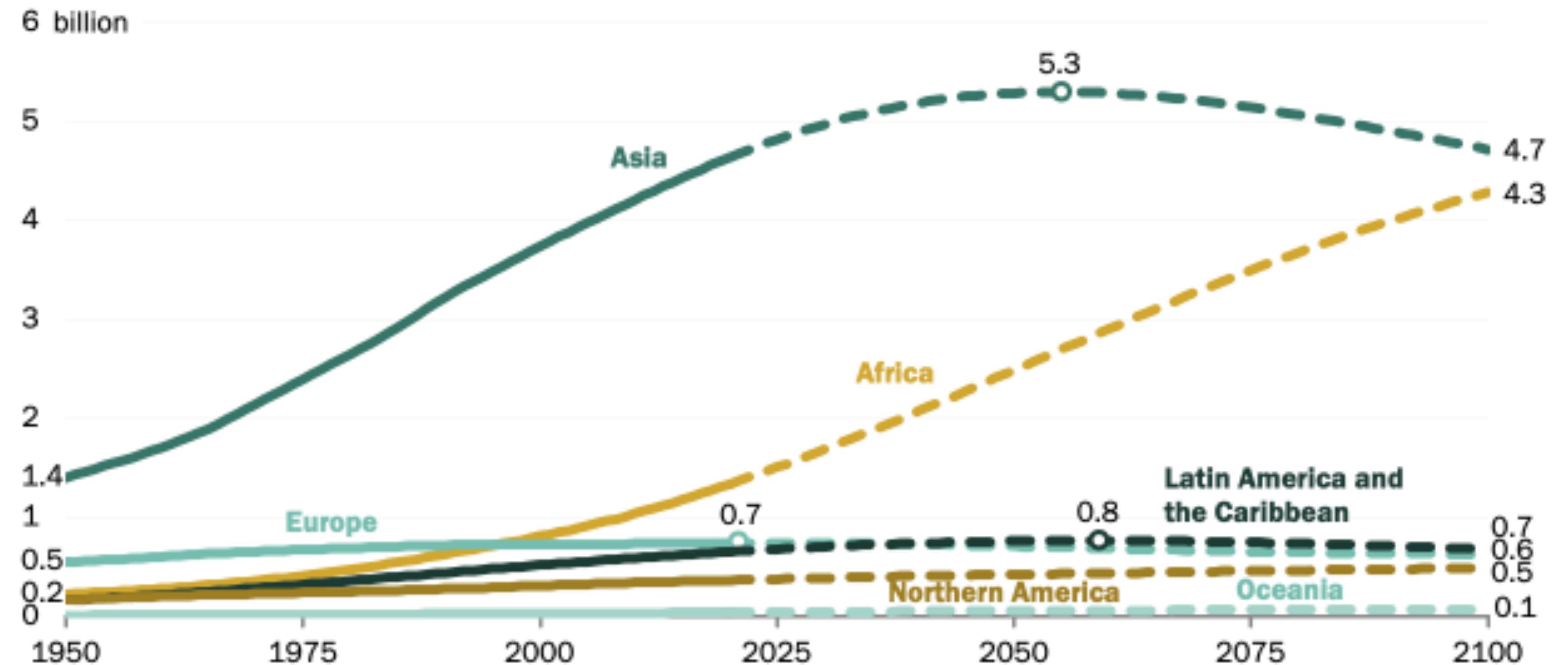


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## Population growth in Africa is projected to remain strong throughout this century

Population by region, in billions



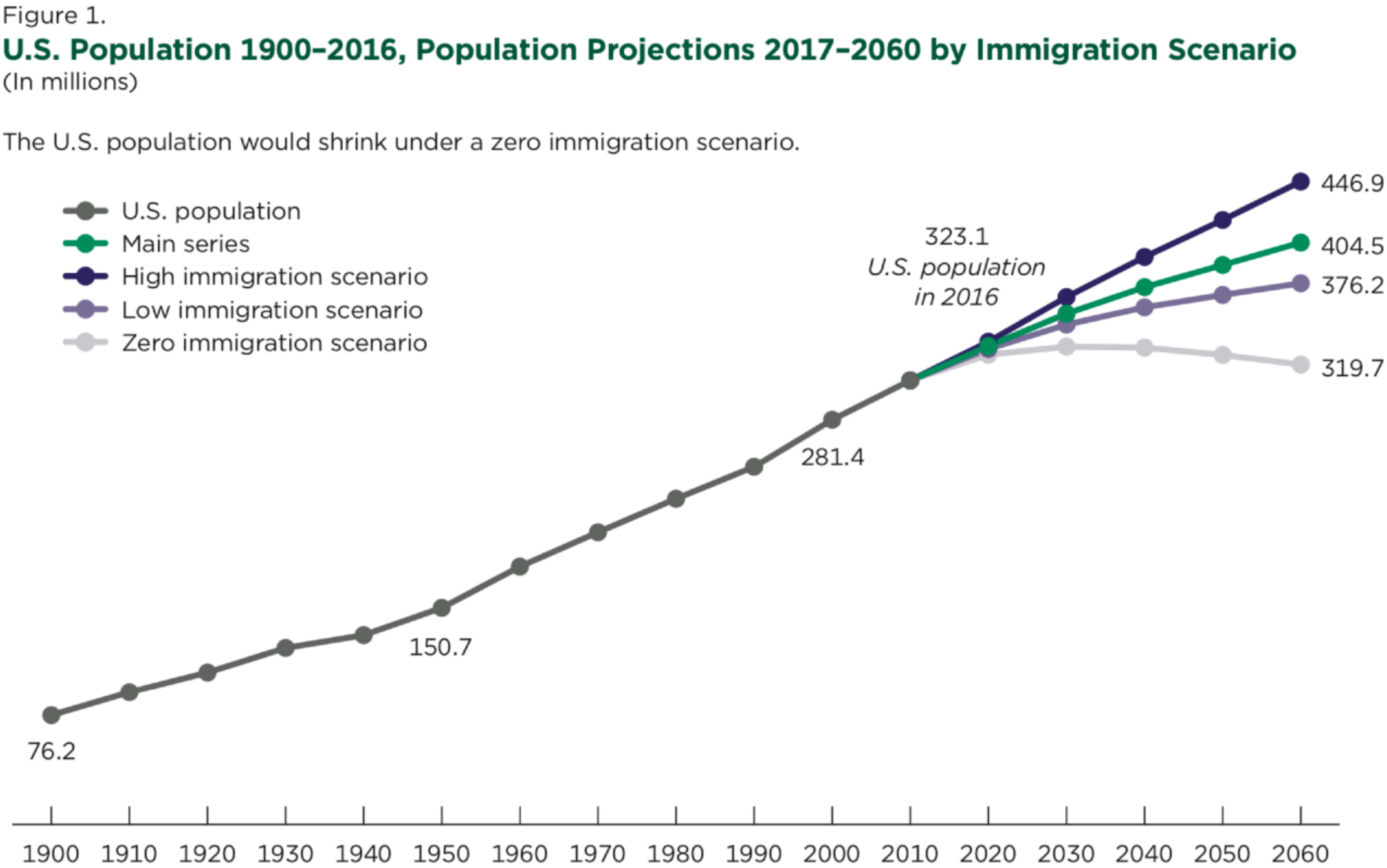
Note: Data labels show projected peak population for each region: Europe (2021), Asia (2055) and Latin America and the Caribbean (2058). Regions follow United Nations definitions and may differ from other Pew Research Center reports.

Source: United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, "World Population Prospects 2019."

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Note: Census values for 1950 and earlier exclude the populations of Alaska and Hawaii.  
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 National Population Projections; U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 National Population Estimates; U.S. Census Bureau, 1900–2000 Decennial Censuses.