THE HUMAN WORLD

POPULATION

World – 7,979,261,010 (2023 est.)

Most populous countries (in millions) (2023 est.)
1. China 1413.14
2. India 1339.92
3. US 339.67
4. Indonesia 279.48
5. Pakistan 247.65
6. Nigeria 230.84
7. Brazil 218.69
8. Bangladesh 167.18
9. Russia 141.7
10. Japan 129.88

Least populous countries (2023 est.)
1. Holy See (Vatican City) 1,000
2. Saint Pierre & Miquelon 5,195
3. Montserrat 5,440
4. Saint Barthelemy 7,093
5. Saint Helena, Ascension, & Tristan da Cunha 7,935
6. Cook Islands 7,939
7. Nauru 9,852
8. Tuvalu 11,639
9. Wallis & Futuna 15,929
10. Anguilla 19,079

Most densely populated countries (population per sq km) (2023 est.)
1. Macau 22,856.1
2. Monaco 15,798.5
3. Singapore 8,427.9
4. Hong Kong 6792.3
5. Gaza Strip 5,660.4
6. Gibraltar 4,232.7
7. Bahrain 2,044.6
8. Malta 1,478.3
9. Bermuda 1,478.3
10. Maldives 1,343.4

Least densely populated countries (population per sq km) (2023 est.)
1. Greenland 0.03
2. Falkland Islands 0.26
3. Mongolia 2.1
4. Namibia 3.37
5. Australia 3.4
6. Iceland 3.6
7. Guyana 4
8. Suriname 4.1
9. Mauritania 4.1
10. Libiya 4.1

Largest urban agglomerations (in millions) (2023 est.)
1. Tokyo (Japan) 37.2
2. New Delhi (India) 32.9
3. Shanghai (China) 29.2
4. Dhaka (Bangladesh) 23.2
5. Sao Paulo (Brazil) 22.6
6. Mexico City (Mexico) 22.3
7. Cairo (Egypt) 22.2
8. Beijing (China) 21.8
9. Mumbai (India) 21.3
10. Osaka (Japan) 19

Highest population growth rate (2023 est.)
1. Syria 6.39%
2. South Sudan 4.78%
3. Niger 3.66%
4. Burundi 3.59%
5. Equatorial Guinea 3.36%
6. Angola 3.34%
7. Benin 3.31%
8. Uganda 3.22%
9. Democratic Republic of the Congo 3.13%
10. Chad 3.05%

Lowest population growth rate (2023 est.)
1. Cook Islands -2.31%
2. American Samoa -1.74%
3. Puerto Rico -1.29%
4. Saint Pierre & Michelon -1.19%
5. Moldova -1.14%
6. Latvia -1.13%
7. Lithuania -1.04%
8. Romania -1.01%
9. Estonia -0.74%
10. Micronesia -0.7%

Highest life expectancy at birth (2023 est.)
1. Monaco 89.6
2. Singapore 86.5
3. Macau 85.2
4. Japan 85
5. San Marino 84.1
6. Canada 84
7. Iceland 83.83
8. Andorra 83.4
9. Hong Kong 83.8
10. Andorra 83.61
11. Israel 83.5

Lowest life expectancy at birth (2023 est.)
1. Afghanistan 54.05
2. Central African Republic 55.96
3. Somalia 56.12
4. Mozambique 57.7
5. Sierra Leone 59.07
6. Chad 59.57
7. South Sudan 59.71
8. Lesotho 59.87
9. Eswatini 60.22
10. Niger 60.48

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Highest total fertility rate (children per woman)
(2023 est.)
1. Niger 6.73
2. Angola 5.76
3. Democratic Republic of Congo 5.56
4. Mali 5.45
5. Chad 5.39
6. Benin 5.35
7. Uganda 5.26
8. South Sudan 5.22
9. Somalia 5.2
10. Burundi 4.96

Lowest total fertility rate (children per woman)
(2023 est.)
1. Taiwan 1.09
2. South Korea 1.1
3. Singapore 1.17
4. Hong Kong 1.23
5. Macau 1.23
6. Italy 1.24
7. Puerto Rico 1.25
8. Spain 1.29
9. Montserrat 1.32
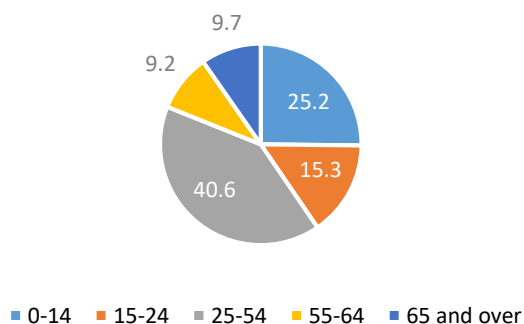10. Mauritius 1.35

LANGUAGES

Most spoken languages globally (2020 est.)
1. English 16.5%
2. Mandarin Chinese 14.6%
3. Hindi 8.3%
4. Spanish 7%
5. French 3.6%
6. Arabic 3.6%
7. Bengali 3.4%
8. Russian 3.4%
9. Portuguese 3.3%
10. Indonesia 2.6%

Most spoken first languages globally (2018 est.)
1. Mandarin Chinese 12.3%
2. Spanish 6%
3. English 5.1%
4. Arabic 5.1%
5. Hindi 3.5%
6. Bengali 3.3%
7. Portuguese 3%
8. Russian 2.1%
9. Japanese 1.7%
10. Punjabi, Western 1.3%

World Population - Age Structure (2022 est.)

Pie chart values: 0-14: 25.2, 15-24: 15.3, 25-54: 40.6, 55-64: 9.2, 65 and over: 9.7

Legend: 0-14 | 15-24 | 25-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over

Global Religious Adherents (2020 est.)

Pie chart values: Christian: 31.1, Muslim: 24.9, Hindu: 15.2, Buddhist: 6.6, Folk religion: 5.6, Other: 1, Unaffiliated: 15.6

Legend: Christian | Muslim | Hindu | Buddhist | Folk religion | Other | Unaffiliated