

30 Most Populous Cities in the World (2025)

Rank	City	Country	Population (2025)	Climate	Primary Language	Currency
1	Tokyo	Japan	37,036,204	Humid subtropical	Japanese	Japanese Yen (JPY)
2	Delhi	India	34,665,569	Semi-arid/subtropical	Hindi/English	Indian Rupee (INR)
3	Shanghai	China	30,482,140	Humid subtropical	Mandarin Chinese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
4	Dhaka	Bangladesh	24,652,864	Tropical monsoon	Bengali	Bangladeshi Taka (BDT)
5	Cairo	Egypt	23,074,225	Hot desert	Arabic	Egyptian Pound (EGP)
6	São Paulo	Brazil	22,990,007	Humid subtropical	Portuguese	Brazilian Real (BRL)
7	Mexico City	Mexico	22,752,414	Subtropical highland	Spanish	Mexican Peso (MXN)
8	Beijing	China	22,596,455	Continental/humid subtropical	Mandarin Chinese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
9	Mumbai	India	22,088,953	Tropical monsoon	Hindi/Marathi/English	Indian Rupee (INR)
10	New York	United States	19,154,024	Humid continental/subtropical	English	US Dollar (USD)
11	Osaka	Japan	18,921,632	Humid subtropical	Japanese	Japanese Yen (JPY)

12	Chongqing	China	18,171,198	Humid subtropical	Mandarin Chinese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
13	Karachi	Pakistan	18,076,794	Hot semi-arid	Urdu/Sindhi	Pakistani Rupee (PKR)
14	Kinshasa	DR Congo	17,778,474	Tropical savanna	French/Lingala	Congolese Franc (CDF)
15	Lagos	Nigeria	17,156,393	Tropical savanna	English/Yoruba	Nigerian Naira (NGN)
16	Istanbul	Turkey	16,236,703	Mediterranean/oceanic	Turkish	Turkish Lira (TRY)
17	Kolkata	India	15,845,219	Tropical wet-and-dry	Bengali/Hindi/English	Indian Rupee (INR)
18	Buenos Aires	Argentina	15,752,275	Humid subtropical	Spanish	Argentine Peso (ARS)
19	Manila	Philippines	15,230,559	Tropical monsoon	Filipino/English	Philippine Peso (PHP)
20	Guangzhou	China	14,878,691	Humid subtropical	Mandarin Chinese/Cantonese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
21	Lahore	Pakistan	14,825,828	Hot semi-arid	Urdu/Punjabi	Pakistani Rupee (PKR)
22	Tianjin	China	14,704,080	Continental monsoon	Mandarin Chinese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
23	Bangalore	India	14,395,443	Tropical savanna	Kannada/English/Hindi	Indian Rupee (INR)
24	Rio de Janeiro	Brazil	13,923,245	Tropical monsoon	Portuguese	Brazilian Real (BRL)

25	Shenzhen	China	13,545,445	Humid subtropical	Mandarin Chinese/Cantonese	Chinese Yuan (CNY)
26	Moscow	Russia	12,737,356	Humid continental	Russian	Russian Ruble (RUB)
27	Los Angeles	United States	12,677,559	Mediterranean/semi-arid	English/Spanish	US Dollar (USD)
28	Chennai	India	12,336,047	Tropical wet-and-dry	Tamil/English	Indian Rupee (INR)
29	Bogotá	Colombia	11,795,829	Subtropical highland	Spanish	Colombian Peso (COP)
30	Jakarta	Indonesia	11,634,078	Tropical monsoon	Indonesian	Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)