

Figure 2-4.

Percent Urban in the Population by Size of Place for the United States: 1790 to 2010

Year	Total	1,000,000 or more	500,000- 999,999	250,000- 499,999	100,000- 249,999	50,000- 99,999	25,000- 49,999	10,000- 24,999	5,000- 9,999	2,500- 4,999	Other
1940 urban concept											
1790.....	5.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	(x)
1800.....	6.1	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.8	0.9	(x)
1810.....	7.3	-	-	-	-	2.1	1.1	1.5	1.6	1.0	(x)
1820.....	7.2	-	-	-	1.3	1.3	0.7	1.3	1.6	1.0	(x)
1830.....	8.8	-	-	-	1.6	1.7	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.0	(x)
1840.....	10.8	-	-	1.8	1.2	1.1	1.4	2.4	1.9	1.0	(x)
1850.....	15.3	-	2.2	-	2.8	1.2	2.6	2.4	2.6	1.4	(x)
1860.....	19.8	-	4.4	0.8	3.2	1.4	2.1	2.8	3.1	1.9	(x)
1870.....	25.7	-	4.2	4.0	2.6	2.0	2.4	4.4	3.3	2.8	(x)
1880.....	28.2	2.4	3.8	2.6	3.6	1.9	2.9	4.4	3.4	3.2	(x)
1890.....	35.1	5.8	1.3	3.9	4.4	3.2	3.6	5.5	3.8	3.6	(x)
1900.....	39.7	8.5	2.2	3.8	4.3	3.6	3.7	5.7	4.2	3.8	(x)
1910.....	45.7	9.2	3.3	4.3	5.3	4.5	4.4	6.0	4.6	4.1	(x)
1920.....	51.2	9.6	5.9	4.3	6.2	5.0	4.8	6.7	4.7	4.1	(x)
1930.....	56.2	12.3	4.7	6.5	6.1	5.3	5.2	7.4	4.8	3.8	(x)
1940.....	56.5	12.1	4.9	5.9	5.9	5.6	5.6	7.6	5.1	3.8	(x)
1950.....	59.0	11.5	6.1	5.5	6.4	6.0	6.3	8.3	5.2	3.7	(x)
1950 urban concept											
1950.....	64.0	11.5	6.1	5.5	6.3	5.9	5.8	7.9	5.4	4.3	5.3
1960.....	69.9	9.8	6.2	6.0	6.5	7.7	8.3	9.8	5.5	4.2	5.9
1970.....	73.5	9.2	6.4	5.1	7.0	8.2	8.8	10.5	6.4	4.0	7.8
1980.....	73.7	7.7	4.8	5.4	7.5	8.7	10.3	12.2	6.8	4.1	6.1
1990.....	75.2	8.0	4.1	5.9	7.9	9.7	10.3	11.7	6.7	4.3	6.7
2000 urban concept											
1990.....	78.0	8.0	4.0	5.8	7.9	9.6	10.2	11.5	6.4	3.8	10.8
2000.....	79.0	8.1	4.5	4.8	9.3	10.0	10.2	11.1	5.8	3.4	11.6
2010.....	80.7	7.6	5.2	4.6	10.1	10.9	9.9	10.9	5.4	3.2	12.8
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1940 urban concept											
1790.....	5.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	2.8	4.0	5.1	(x)
1800.....	6.1	-	-	-	-	1.1	2.4	3.4	5.2	6.1	(x)
1810.....	7.3	-	-	-	-	2.1	3.2	4.7	6.3	7.3	(x)
1820.....	7.2	-	-	-	1.3	2.6	3.3	4.6	6.2	7.2	(x)
1830.....	8.8	-	-	-	1.6	3.3	4.1	6.0	7.8	8.8	(x)
1840.....	10.8	-	-	1.8	3.0	4.1	5.5	7.9	9.8	10.8	(x)
1850.....	15.3	-	2.2	2.2	5.1	6.3	8.9	11.3	13.9	15.3	(x)
1860.....	19.8	-	4.4	5.2	8.4	9.8	12.0	14.8	17.9	19.8	(x)
1870.....	25.7	-	4.2	8.1	10.7	12.7	15.1	19.5	22.9	25.7	(x)
1880.....	28.2	2.4	6.2	8.8	12.4	14.3	17.2	21.5	24.9	28.2	(x)
1890.....	35.1	5.8	7.1	11.0	15.4	18.6	22.2	27.7	31.5	35.1	(x)
1900.....	39.7	8.5	10.6	14.4	18.7	22.3	25.9	31.7	35.9	39.7	(x)
1910.....	45.7	9.2	12.5	16.8	22.1	26.6	31.0	37.0	41.6	45.7	(x)
1920.....	51.2	9.6	15.5	19.8	25.9	30.9	35.7	42.4	47.1	51.2	(x)
1930.....	56.2	12.3	17.0	23.4	29.6	34.9	40.1	47.5	52.3	56.2	(x)
1940.....	56.5	12.1	17.0	22.9	28.9	34.4	40.1	47.6	52.7	56.5	(x)
1950.....	59.0	11.5	17.6	23.1	29.5	35.5	41.8	50.1	55.3	59.0	(x)
1950 urban concept											
1950.....	64.0	11.5	17.6	23.1	29.4	35.3	41.2	49.0	54.5	58.8	64.0
1960.....	69.9	9.8	15.9	21.9	28.4	36.2	44.5	54.3	59.8	64.0	69.9
1970.....	73.5	9.2	15.6	20.8	27.8	36.0	44.8	55.3	61.7	65.7	73.5
1980.....	73.7	7.7	12.5	17.9	25.4	34.1	44.5	56.7	63.5	67.6	73.7
1990.....	75.2	8.0	12.1	18.0	25.9	35.5	45.9	57.5	64.2	68.5	75.2
2000 urban concept											
1990.....	78.0	8.0	12.1	17.9	25.7	35.3	45.6	57.0	63.4	67.3	78.0
2000.....	79.0	8.1	12.7	17.5	26.9	36.9	47.1	58.2	64.0	67.4	79.0
2010.....	80.7	7.6	12.8	17.4	27.5	38.4	48.3	59.3	64.7	67.9	80.7

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census publications. See www.demographicchartbook.com, References.

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