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THE AGING POPULATION: NATIONAL TOTALS, 1959

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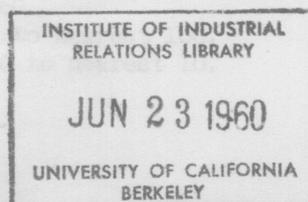
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ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION, CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES¹, TOTAL AND SELECTED AGE GROUPS, AS OF JULY 1, 1959, BY SEX AND COLOR, AND COMPARISONS WITH APRIL 1, 1950, CENSUS ENUMERATION.

[All population figures in thousands (000 omitted). Details may not add to totals due to rounding.]

Color and sex	Total: All ages			45 through 64 years of age					65 years of age and over				
	Number in 1950 (1)	1959		1950		1959			1950		1959		
		Number (2)	Percent change over 1950 (3)	Number (4)	Percent of total (5)	Number (6)	Percent of total (7)	Percent change over 1950 (8)	Number (9)	Percent of total (10)	Number (11)	Percent of total (12)	Percent change over 1950 (13)
Total ¹	149,634	174,413	+16.6	30,691	20.3	35,765	20.5	+16.5	12,194	8.2	15,373	8.8	+26.1
Male	73,789	85,065	+15.3	15,332	20.4	17,346	20.4	+13.1	5,767	7.7	6,962	8.2	+20.7
Female	75,845	89,348	+17.8	15,359	20.3	18,419	20.6	+19.9	6,427	8.4	8,411	9.4	+30.9
White	133,953	154,835	+15.6	28,033	20.7	32,491	21.0	+15.9	11,374	8.5	14,325	9.3	+25.9
Male	66,158	75,593	+14.3	13,997	20.8	15,771	20.9	+12.7	5,360	7.9	6,468	8.6	+20.7
Female	67,796	79,242	+16.9	14,036	20.7	16,720	21.1	+19.1	6,014	9.0	7,857	9.9	+30.6
Nonwhite	15,681	19,578	+24.9	2,657	16.8	3,274	16.7	+23.2	820	5.2	1,048	5.4	+27.8
Male	7,631	9,472	+24.1	1,334	17.3	1,575	16.6	+18.1	408	5.3	494	5.2	+21.1
Female	8,050	10,106	+25.5	1,323	16.4	1,698	16.8	+28.3	413	5.1	554	5.5	+34.1

Estimated Rate of Growth in Population Aged 65 and Over, Continental United States.

A. Net (increase in total number of persons aged 65 and over).

As of July 1:	Total Number	Net increase during period		
		Annual	Monthly ²	Daily ³
1951	12,644,000	358,000	29,800	980
1952	12,996,000	352,000	29,300	960
1953	13,333,000	337,000	28,100	920
1954	13,698,000	365,000	30,400	1,000
1955	14,069,000	371,000	30,900	1,020
1956	14,406,000	337,000	28,100	920
1957	14,750,000	344,000	28,700	940
1958	15,041,000	291,000	24,300	800
1959	15,373,000	332,000	27,700	910
Average for last:				
2 fiscal years		312,000	26,000	850
3 fiscal years		322,000	26,800	880
4 fiscal years		326,000	27,200	890

B. Gross (number of persons reaching age 65).

Period	Gross increase during period		
	Annual	Monthly ²	Daily ³
<u>Decades</u>			
1931-1940	758,000	63,200	2,080
1941-1950	985,000	82,100	2,700
1951-1959	1,198,000	99,800	3,280
<u>Fiscal years ending June 30:</u>			
1951	1,120,000	93,300	3,070
1952	1,135,000	94,600	3,110
1953	1,151,000	95,900	3,150
1954	1,172,000	97,700	3,210
1955	1,196,000	99,700	3,280
1956	1,219,000	101,600	3,340
1957	1,242,000	103,500	3,400
1958	1,263,000	105,300	3,460
1959	1,284,000	107,000	3,520
<u>Average for last:</u>			
2 fiscal years	1,274,000	106,200	3,490
3 fiscal years	1,263,000	105,300	3,460
4 fiscal years	1,252,000	104,300	3,430

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² Annual increase divided by 12, rounded to nearest 100.

³ Annual increase divided by 365, rounded to nearest 10.

Sex Ratios (number of males per 100 females)

Year	Total: All ages	45 through 64 years of age	65 years of age and over
1900	104.4	111.1	102.2
1910	106.0	114.7	101.4
1920	104.1	114.4	101.6
1930	102.5	109.0	100.4
1940	100.9	105.0	95.3
1950	99.2	99.8	89.6
1959 - Total	98.0	94.5	82.8
White	98.3	94.7	82.4
Nonwhite	95.6	93.0	89.3