

URBANIZATION IN AFRICA

Africa's Capital Cities

Population figures are in thousands



Note: South Africa - Pretoria is the administrative capital, Cape Town is the legislative capital and Bloemfontein is the judicial capital.
Source: United Nations Population Division (UNDP), ESA/P/WP.173, 20 March 2002, 'World Urbanization Prospects: The 2001 Revision', Table A.13. 'Population of capital cities in 2001', pages 132-35

Countries	Each Country's Total Population		Urban Population					
			As % of Total Population		Total Urban Population		Annual Growth (as %)	
	1991	2001	1991	2001	1991	2001	1991	2001
Algeria	25,643,000	30,893,800	52	58	13,326,103	17,825,324	4	3
Angola	9,931,770	13,512,450	28	35	2,803,103	4,707,210	6	5
Benin	4,860,860	6,436,657	35	43	1,712,491	2,767,640	5	4
Botswana	1,314,750	1,615,210	43	49	568,884	798,634	6	2
Burkina Faso	9,090,530	11,552,570	14	17	1,257,884	1,948,757	6	5
Burundi	5,603,820	6,938,011	7	9	364,422	642,786	6	5
Cameroon	11,953,010	15,197,720	41	50	4,917,492	7,546,185	5	4
Cape Verde	346,930	453,879	46	63	159,599	287,379	6	5
C. African Rep.	3,002,420	3,770,885	38	42	1,134,885	1,571,384	3	3
Chad	5,891,080	7,916,727	21	24	1,253,716	1,913,077	4	4
Comoros	443,470	571,948	28	34	125,898	193,386	4	4
Congo, Dem. Rep.	38,270,520	52,359,770	4	4
Congo, Rep.	2,298,750	3,103,768	57	66	1,305,377	2,048,512	5	4
Djibouti	504,610	644,269	81	84	410,517	542,316	8	2
Egypt	53,616,930	65,172,580	43	43	23,314,572	27,850,722	2	2
Equat. Guinea	360,010	469,088	37	49	133,028	230,902	6	5
Eritrea	3,221,540	4,204,024	16	19	517,064	803,902	4	5
Ethiopia	52,954,000	65,816,060	13	16	6,865,963	10,442,770	6	5
Gabon	963,580	1,260,794	70	82	670,935	1,035,791	5	3
Gambia, The	968,430	1,341,071	25	31	246,032	419,337	7	5
Ghana	15,642,540	19,707,870	34	36	5,285,990	7,173,940	4	4
Guinea	5,923,800	7,579,660	24	28	1,410,759	2,119,121	6	4
Guinea-Bissau	975,580	1,225,624	24	32	238,766	395,955	5	4
Ivory Coast	12,207,710	16,409,950	40	44	4,909,477	7,226,861	5	4
Kenya	24,015,000	30,735,760	25	34	5,965,374	10,540,830	6	5
Lesotho	1,715,080	2,061,728	21	29	356,857	591,856	6	4
Liberia	2,484,520	3,216,189	42	45	1,043,503	1,462,858	2	4
Libya	4,404,090	5,410,297	83	88	3,634,541	4,755,786	3	3
Madagascar	11,885,230	15,975,750	24	30	2,865,719	4,810,507	5	5
Malawi	8,643,170	10,526,180	12	15	1,025,279	1,588,211	4	5
Mali	8,696,730	11,094,340	24	31	2,122,124	3,423,425	5	5
Mauritania	2,042,160	2,750,061	45	59	925,533	1,622,679	6	5
Mauritius	1,066,660	1,197,900	41	42	431,997	498,492	1	2
Morocco	24,523,960	29,173,130	49	56	12,039,817	16,365,834	4	3
Mozambique	14,420,000	18,071,160	22	33	3,179,163	5,999,913	7	5
Namibia	1,429,360	1,792,060	27	31	385,581	562,144	5	4
Niger	7,947,640	11,192,240	17	21	1,311,400	2,357,869	6	6
Nigeria	98,983,000	129,880,700	36	45	35,546,084	58,287,100	5	4
Rwanda	7,150,000	8,705,841	5	6	385,514	546,823	4	7
São Tomé & Prin.	118,330	151,168	40	48	47,175	71,994	5	4
Senegal	7,476,770	9,769,448	41	48	3,046,664	4,701,918	4	4
Seychelles	70,750	82,416	55	65	38,603	53,189	3	3
Sierra Leone	4,093,000	5,140,976	31	37	1,253,686	1,917,625	4	4
Somalia	7,517,840	9,088,572	24	28	1,840,954	2,539,420	6	5
South Africa	35,933,110	43,240,000	50	58	17,810,390	24,916,618	4	2
Sudan	25,324,080	31,687,240	28	37	6,965,211	11,722,759	5	4
Swaziland	794,450	1,068,052	24	27	190,725	285,166	4	3
Tanzania	26,277,690	34,450,420	23	33	5,953,106	11,447,393	6	5
Togo	3,533,450	4,653,458	29	34	1,022,683	1,578,337	4	4
Tunisia	8,318,200	9,674,605	59	66	4,884,980	6,398,136	3	2
Uganda	16,897,510	22,791,040	11	15	1,930,220	3,308,393	5	5
Zambia	8,022,380	10,282,500	39	40	3,157,392	4,097,052	3	3
Zimbabwe	10,521,210	12,820,650	29	36	3,054,139	4,615,984	5	4

Source: World Bank, World Development Indicatorsdatabase – compiled 07/11/2002

Africa's Urban Population (in thousands)										
Regions/Years	1985 ¹	1990 ¹	1995 ²	2000 ²	2005 ²	2010 ²	2015 ²	2020 ²	2025 ²	2030 ²
Africa	159,404	197,246	242,822	295,228	356,335	425,596	503,257	589,408	684,574	787,235
Eastern Africa	27,632	36,492	47,581	61,405	77,675	96,959	119,589	145,413	174,289	206,678
Middle Africa	17,893	22,040	27,762	33,862	42,200	52,924	65,858	81,250	99,177	119,619
Northern Africa	54,186	64,208	74,456	85,157	97,337	110,131	123,339	137,157	151,794	166,226
Southern Africa	16,814	19,174	22,842	26,740	29,739	31,663	32,989	34,052	35,219	36,592
Western Africa	42,879	55,331	70,181	88,063	109,383	133,920	161,482	191,536	224,096	258,119

Notes: 1 = estimates; 2 = projections. Source: United Nations Population Division, World Urbanization Prospects: The 2001 Revision, Table A.3. Urban population at mid-year by major area, region and country, 1950-2030, pages 36-44.