

HISTORICAL FEDERAL REPRESENTATION FOR AMERICA'S POPULATION 1787 to 2020

Date	US Census Population (1)	US House Members (2)	Persons per Member (3)	US Senate Members (4)	Persons per Senator (5)
1787	3,584,570	65	55,147	26	137,868
1790	3,929,214	105	37,421	26	151,124
1800	5,308,483	141	37,649	32	165,890
1810	7,239,881	182	39,780	34	212,938
1820	9,638,453	213	45,251	44	219,056
1830	12,866,020	240	53,608	48	268,042
1840	17,069,453	223	76,545	52	328,259
1850	23,191,876	233	99,536	60	386,531
1860	31,443,321	178	176,648	66	476,414
1870	39,818,449	293	135,899	74	538,087
1880	50,155,783	325	154,325	76	659,945
1890	62,947,714	333	189,032	84	749,378
1900	75,994,575	386	196,877	90	844,384
1910	91,972,266	391	235,223	92	999,699
1920	105,710,620	435	243,013	96	1,101,152
1930	122,775,046	435	282,241	96	1,278,907
1940	131,669,275	435	302,688	96	1,371,555
1950	150,697,361	435	346,431	96	1,569,764
1960	179,323,175	435	412,237	100	1,793,232
1970	203,302,031	435	467,361	100	2,033,020
1980	226,545,805	435	520,795	100	2,265,458
1990	248,709,873	435	571,747	100	2,487,099
2000	281,421,906	435	646,947	100	2,814,219
2010	308,400,408	435	708,966	100	3,084,004
2020	331,449,281	435	761,952	100	3,314,493

1a 1787 Population Data is a rough estimate, but was used by the Federal Government.

1b 2020 is an estimate based on the US Census.

2a The closest estimate is given for each year. Some fluctuations are not shown.

2b The Civil war caused a drop in the number of House members in the mid 1800's.

2c The number 435 does not include the non-voting members of Congress such as DC's rep.

2d The US House went to 437 members in 1959 and was quickly reduced in the next census.

3 This chart assumes equal US population distribution by each U.S. House member.

4 This number is based on the decade marker and the number of United States.

5 This assumes full dilution where each US Senator is divided by the total US Population.

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