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Table 18. Nativity of the Population by Urban-Rural Residence and Size of Place: 1870 to 1940 and 1960 to 1990

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Year, type of residence, and size of place	Population				Percent distribution by type of residence		
	Total	Native	Foreign born		Total	Native	Foreign born
			Number	Percent			
1920							
Total	105,710,620	91,789,928	13,920,692	13.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
Urban	54,304,603	43,803,661	10,500,942	19.3	51.4	47.7	75.4
100,000 or more	27,429,326	20,786,024	6,643,302	24.2	25.9	22.6	47.7
2,500 to 99,999	26,875,277	23,017,637	3,857,640	14.4	25.4	25.1	27.7
Rural	51,406,017	47,986,267	3,419,750	6.7	48.6	52.3	24.6
1910							
Total	91,972,266	78,456,380	13,515,886	14.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Urban	42,623,383	32,877,686	9,745,697	22.9	46.3	41.9	72.1
100,000 or more	20,302,138	14,419,064	5,883,074	29.0	22.1	18.4	43.5
2,500 to 99,999	22,321,245	18,458,622	3,862,623	17.3	24.3	23.5	28.6
Rural	49,348,883	45,578,694	3,770,189	7.6	53.7	58.1	27.9
1900							
Total	75,994,575	65,653,299	10,341,276	13.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
Urban	30,583,411	23,724,333	6,859,078	22.4	40.2	36.1	66.3
100,000 or more	14,208,347	10,200,262	4,008,085	28.2	18.7	15.5	38.8

Less than 100,000	16,375,064	13,524,071	2,850,993	17.4	21.5	20.6	27.6
25,000 to 99,999	5,509,965	4,387,769	1,122,196	20.4	7.3	6.7	10.9
2,500 to 24,999	10,865,099	9,136,302	1,728,797	15.9	14.3	13.9	16.7
Rural	45,411,164	41,928,966	3,482,198	7.7	59.8	63.9	33.7
1890							
Total	62,622,250	53,372,703	9,249,547	14.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Urban	22,559,367	16,880,232	5,679,135	25.2	36.0	31.6	61.4
100,000 or more	9,697,960	6,613,312	3,084,648	31.8	15.5	12.4	33.3
Less than 100,000	12,861,407	10,266,920	2,594,487	20.2	20.5	19.2	28.0
25,000 to 99,999	4,291,608	3,294,329	997,279	23.2	6.9	6.2	10.8
2,500 to 24,999	8,569,799	6,972,591	1,597,208	18.6	13.7	13.1	17.3
Rural	40,062,883	36,492,471	3,570,412	8.9	64.0	68.4	38.6
1880							
Total	50,155,783	43,475,840	6,679,943	13.3	100.0	100.0	100.0
100,000 or more	6,210,909	4,260,285	1,950,624	31.4	12.4	9.8	29.2
25,000 to 99,999	2,394,284	1,829,060	565,224	23.6	4.8	4.2	8.5
Remainder of population	41,550,590	37,386,495	4,164,095	10.0	82.8	86.0	62.3
1870							
Total	38,558,371	32,991,142	5,567,229	14.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
100,000 or more	4,129,989	2,657,925	1,472,064	35.6	10.7	8.1	26.4
25,000 to 99,999	1,698,357	1,195,776	502,581	29.6	4.4	3.6	9.0
Remainder of population	32,730,025	29,137,441	3,592,584	11.0	84.9	88.3	64.5