

Population and Rural Population in CIS and Georgia, 1980-2015

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Sources:

Most data are from the database *Official Statistics of the Countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States* (CIS database) published annually on CD by the CIS Interstate Statistical Committee (Moscow). Latest updates were obtained as needed from country statistical yearbooks on the Internet. The data for Turkmenistan are from *World Development Indicators* (WDI), which match the official statistics up to 1990 and then diverge. A separate section discusses the idiosyncrasies of the population statistics of both Turkmenistan (since 1990) and Uzbekistan (since 2007).

Country prefixes:

Az	Azerbaijan	Arm	Armenia	Bel	Belarus	Gru	Georgia	Kaz	Kazakhstan	Kyr	Kyrgyzstan
Mol	Moldova	Rus	Russia	Taj	Tajikistan	Tur	Turkmenistan	Uzb	Uzbekistan	Ukr	Ukraine

Variables:

xxx_Pop Total (resident) population in country xxx ('000)

xxx_RurPop Rural population in country xxx ('000)

Regional prefixes:

TC	Trans-Caucasia (Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia)
CA	Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan)
Eur	European CIS (Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine)

Population and rural population 1980-2015 (end of year data, '000)

year	Az_Pop	Az_RurPop	Arm_Pop	Arm_RurPop	Bel_Pop	Bel_RurPop	Gru_Pop	Gru_RurPop	Kaz_Pop	Kaz_RurPop	Kyr_Pop	Kyr_RurPop
1980	6202	2921.5	3125.3	1063	9662.9	4157.3	5067.4	2447	14990.6	6862.5	3650.4	2269.3
1981	6302.6	2963.1	3176	1069.5	9736.1	4086.4	5104.7	2443.1	15164.6	6861.1	3721.1	2314.9
1982	6398.6	3003.4	3225	1077.1	9800.6	4011.9	5146.5	2443.5	15342.5	6890.5	3797.5	2367.6
1983	6504.1	3051.5	3273.5	1082.5	9869.4	3929.8	5188	2444.8	15518.6	6919.9	3879.2	2416.8
1984	6611.7	3089.8	3323.2	1088.2	9929	3851.6	5230	2443.6	15695.9	6939.2	3953.6	2460.7
1985	6705.7	3115.6	3368.3	1094	9986.4	3771.3	5273.6	2443.4	15864.8	6969.1	4026.9	2505.9
1986	6809.1	3151.1	3418.5	1101.3	10042.8	3696.2	5317.1	2437.8	16065.3	6996.9	4106.2	2554.9
1987	6912.8	3178.9	3463.6	1107.5	10089.7	3601.3	5356.3	2426.4	16267.8	7025.4	4183	2597.8
1988	7021.2	3215.3	3448.6	1090.6	10151.8	3510.4	5400.8	2409.5	16199.1	7016.5	4257.7	2633.2
1989	7131.9	3284.6	3514.9	1098.1	10188.9	3457	5424.4	2425.9	16298	6997.2	4357.6	2721
1990	7218.5	3360.2	3574.5	1100.9	10189.8	3384.7	5453.3	2448.7	16358.2	6991.3	4424.9	2764.5
1991	7324.1	3439.7	3633.3	1130	10198.3	3342	5467.4	2484	16451.7	7047.7	4502.4	2816.3
1992	7440	3511.5	3463.7	1104.9	10234.6	3335.3	5345.8	2431.7	16426.5	7083.2	4528.4	2859.1
1993	7549.6	3578.7	3356.7	1081.8	10243.5	3316.5	4929.9	2277.1	16334.9	7172.3	4505.1	2880.6
1994	7643.5	3637.9	3260.3	1093.9	10210.4	3278.2	4794.2	2225.8	15956.7	7072.3	4525	2912.6
1995	7726.2	3691.7	3248.8	1099.7	10177.3	3242.6	4674.5	2191.3	15675.8	6945.5	4595.9	2972.9

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1996	7799.8	3742	3246	1107.6	10141.9	3203.9	4558.4	2145.9	15480.6	6845.4	4661	3024.6
1997	7876.7	3794.2	3238.2	1115.3	10093	3146.9	4504.9	2131.9	15188.2	6688.8	4731.9	3081.3
1998	7953.4	3889.1	3232.1	1120.5	10045.2	3083.7	4469.8	2131.6	14955.1	6579.9	4806.1	3131.4
1999	8032.8	3925.5	3226.9	1131.1	10002.5	3035.1	4435.2	2127	14901.6	6543.8	4874.7	3178.4
2000	8114.3	3965.2	3213	1146.9	9956.7	2977.1	4401.4	2120.7	14865.6	6491.7	4922	3200.9
2001	8191.4	3998.8	3208.3	1145.5	9900.4	2917.5	4371.5	2086.7	14851.1	6461.1	4968.1	3220
2002	8269.2	4031.6	3191.2	1142.1	9830.7	2857.2	4342.6	2075.8	14866.9	6449.2	5013.3	3254.5
2003	8349.1	3990.7	3173.8	1138.5	9762.8	2794.8	4315.2	2062.7	14951.2	6472.7	5073.3	3279.9
2004	8447.4	4024	3156	1135.1	9697.5	2732.1	4321.5	2064	15074.8	6460.1	5136.1	3302.2
2005	8553.1	4050.7	3136.8	1131.4	9630.4	2673.7	4401.3	2090.9	15219.3	6522.8	5189.2	3339.3
2006	8666.1	4101.9	3117.4	1125.7	9579.5	2615.6	4394.7	2085.8	15396.9	6563.6	5247.6	3443.1
2007	8779.9	4127.7	3097.3	1121.8	9542.4	2553.2	4382.1	2078.3	15571.5	7305.6	5289.2	3478.7
2008	8897	4169.2	3076.8	1117.9	9513.6	2486.5	4385.4	2076.3	15982.3	7319.5	5348.3	3525
2009	8997.6	4222.7	3055.2	1113.7	9500	2422.9	4436.4	2085.9	16203	7383.7	5418.3	3571.5
2010	9111	4281.6	3018.9	1107.6	9481.2	2358.8	4469.2	2097.9	16440.1	7466.3	5477.6	3615.9
2011	9235.1	4346.4	3021.4	1108.7	9465.2	2290.2	4497.6	2105.9	16673.1	7546	5551.9	3667.5
2012	9356.5	4390.3	3026.9	1109.4	9463.8	2242.9	4483.8	2073	16909.8	7632.1	5663.1	3762.9
2013	9477.1	4431.7	3017.1	1103	9468.2	2193.4	4490.5	2078.8	17160.8	7727.3	5776.6	3833
2014	9593	4494.7	3010.6	1097.7	9480.9	2155.9	3713.7	1590.8	17417.7	7549	5895.1	3908
2015	9705.6	4553.2	2998.6	1091.6	9498.4	2128.3	3720.4	1591.9	17670.9	7604	6019.5	3990

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1980	4033.4	2424.2	138839.2	41530.3	4006.3	2646.7	2931.3	1557.8	16126	9578.9	50070.1	19078
1981	4077.8	2430.1	139603.8	41076.6	4114.6	2730.1	3002.8	1602.4	16543.1	9791.5	50269.4	18894.7
1982	4118.1	2427.2	140529.8	40577.3	4231.8	2818.3	3075.9	1648.1	16974.1	10069.8	50445.6	18696
1983	4155.7	2411.2	141582.7	40413.3	4354.4	2913.1	3151.3	1695.5	17413.5	10292	50665.9	18467.8
1984	4194.2	2402.5	142539	40169.6	4485.3	3004.3	3229.5	1744.7	17868	10663.6	50842.4	18208.3
1985	4234.3	2391.7	143527.9	39838.2	4630.8	3111.7	3310.1	1795.5	18355.5	10971.4	50985.7	17958.1
1986	4273.6	2381.2	144783.7	39545.2	4784.9	3218.1	3392.8	1847.8	18859.7	11278.6	51167.2	17725.4
1987	4303.4	2341.6	145988.3	39325.8	4938.2	3329.4	3479.1	1902.5	19343.7	11514.4	51308	17441.7
1988	4335.4	2315.2	147021.9	39062.9	5092.6	3437.5	3570.6	1958.1	19810.1	11769.1	51452	17154.8
1989	4359.4	2306.3	147665.1	38928.9	5243.9	3561	3668.0	2014.6	20227.3	12015	51556.5 ...	
1990	4364.1	2306.7	148273.7	38868.6	5361	3684.4	3772.4	2075.2	20613.2	12339.3	51623.5 ...	
1991	4356.9	2320.9	148514.7	39157	5505.6	3807.6	3882.0	2138.8	21111.8	12698.1	51708.2 ...	
1992	4345.6	2322.6	148561.7	39893.3	5567.2	3913.7	3991.9	2202.8	21607.7	13118.6	51870.4 ...	
1993	4350.5	2330.1	148355.9	40051.1	5579.4	3965.9	4095.5	2263.4	22097.5	13514.2	51715.4 ...	
1994	4345.7	2328.9	148459.9	40138.2	5633.8	4051.4	4188.0	2312.0	22467.3	13804.6	51300.4 ...	

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1995	4331.9	2344.3	148291.6	39981	5701.4	4137.2	4267.7	2346.5	22912.1	14151	50874.1	...
1996	4317.5	2339.1	148028.6	39840.8	5769.1	4220.7	4336.0	2374.3	23348.7	14474.6	50400	...
1997	3655.6	2132.7	147802.1	39691.3	5875.8	4309.6	4395.3	2397.0	23772.3	14783.5	49973.5	...
1998	3649.9	2133.1	147539.4	39486.2	6001.3	4407	4449.4	2416.5	24135.6	15048.6	49544.8	...
1999	3644.1	2130	146890.1	39470.6	6128.5	4498.5	4501.4	2434.7	24487.7	15322.2	49115	...
2000	3635.1	2148.7	146303.6	39231.9	6264.6	4594	4551.8	2451.7	24813.1	15587.8	48663.6	...
2001	3627.8	2142.6	145649.4	38924	6371.2	4675.8	4600.2	2467.4	25115.8	15828.9	48240.9	...
2002	3618.3	2134.2	144963.7	38642.4	6487.1	4764.8	4648.0	2482.7	25427.9	16024.7	47823.1	...
2003	3607.4	2129.5	143333.6	38349.8	6598.8	4846.2	4696.9	2498.2	25707.4	16239.4	47442.1	15551.2
2004	3600.4	2124.4	143801	38754.9	6718.9	4938.7	4747.8	2514.1	26021.3	16476.7	47100.5	15346.8
2005	3589.9	2120.1	143236.6	38648.7	6842.2	5032.2	4801.6	2530.6	26313	16700.9	46749.2	15127.1
2006	3581.1	2103.1	142862.7	38442.6	6965.5	5127.2	4858.2	2547.9	26664	16958.3	46465.7	14943.9
2007	3572.7	2096.6	142747.5	38235.8	7096.9	5227.1	4917.5	2565.7	27073	17242.8	46192.3	14779.2
2008	3567.5	2091.4	142737.2	38213.6	7250.8	5336.2	4979.0	2583.6	27534	17555.7	45963.3	14631.8
2009	3563.7	2087	142833.5	37600	7417.4	5443.9	5042.0	2601.6	28001	17867.4	45782.6	14513.4
2010	3560.4	2078.7	142865.4	37444.2	7621.2	5600.7	5106.7	2619.4	29100	18574.5	45598.2	14336.9
2011	3559.5	2073.8	143056.4	37314.4	7807.2	5742.4	5172.9	2637.0	29555.4	18862.3	45453.3	14252.7
2012	3559.5	2067.3	143347.1	37228.8	7987.4	5880.9	5240.1	2654.1	29993.5	19129.9	45372.7	14174.4
2013	3557.6	2054.6	143666.9	37118.2	8161.1	5990.2	5307.2	2670.2	30492.8	19430.0	42928.9 w/out Crimea	
2014	3555.2	2047.9	146267.3	37985.1	8352	6136.5	5373.5	2684.8	31925.5		42759.3 w/out Crimea	
2015	3553.1	2042	146544.7	37887.3	8551.2	6290.9			31576.4		42590.9 w/out Crimea	

Population and Rural Population Indexes (1980=100): 12 countries

year	Az_Pop	Az_RurPop	Arm_Pop	Arm_RurPop	Bel_Pop	Bel_RurPop	Gru_Pop	Gru_RurPop	Kaz_Pop	Kaz_RurPop	Kyr_Pop	Kyr_RurPop
1980	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1981	101.6	101.4	101.6	100.6	100.8	98.3	100.7	99.8	101.2	100.0	101.9	102.0
1982	103.2	102.8	103.2	101.3	101.4	96.5	101.6	99.9	102.3	100.4	104.0	104.3
1983	104.9	104.4	104.7	101.8	102.1	94.5	102.4	99.9	103.5	100.8	106.3	106.5
1984	106.6	105.8	106.3	102.4	102.8	92.6	103.2	99.9	104.7	101.1	108.3	108.4
1985	108.1	106.6	107.8	102.9	103.3	90.7	104.1	99.9	105.8	101.6	110.3	110.4
1986	109.8	107.9	109.4	103.6	103.9	88.9	104.9	99.6	107.2	102.0	112.5	112.6
1987	111.5	108.8	110.8	104.2	104.4	86.6	105.7	99.2	108.5	102.4	114.6	114.5
1988	113.2	110.1	110.3	102.6	105.1	84.4	106.6	98.5	108.1	102.2	116.6	116.0
1989	115.0	112.4	112.5	103.3	105.4	83.2	107.0	99.1	108.7	102.0	119.4	119.9
1990	116.4	115.0	114.4	103.6	105.5	81.4	107.6	100.1	109.1	101.9	121.2	121.8
1991	118.1	117.7	116.3	106.3	105.5	80.4	107.9	101.5	109.7	102.7	123.3	124.1
1992	120.0	120.2	110.8	103.9	105.9	80.2	105.5	99.4	109.6	103.2	124.1	126.0

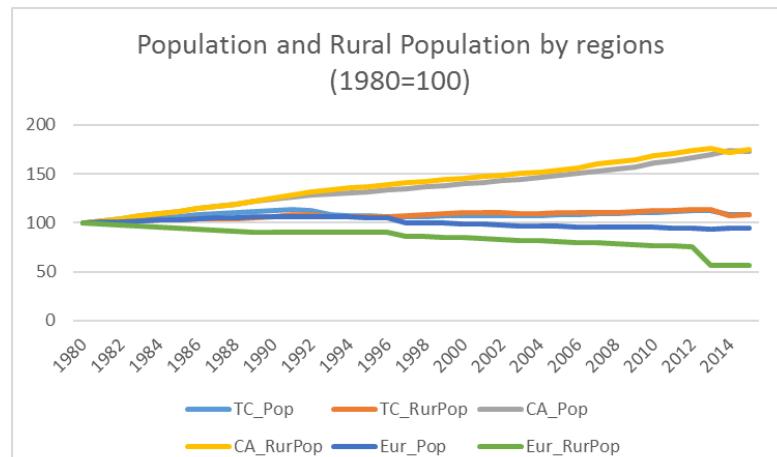
year	Az_Pop	Az_RurPop	Arm_Pop	Arm_RurPop	Bel_Pop	Bel_RurPop	Gru_Pop	Gru_RurPop	Kaz_Pop	Kaz_RurPop	Kyr_Pop	Kyr_RurPop
1993	121.7	122.5	107.4	101.8	106.0	79.8	97.3	93.1	109.0	104.5	123.4	126.9
1994	123.2	124.5	104.3	102.9	105.7	78.9	94.6	91.0	106.4	103.1	124.0	128.3
1995	124.6	126.4	104.0	103.5	105.3	78.0	92.2	89.6	104.6	101.2	125.9	131.0
1996	125.8	128.1	103.9	104.2	105.0	77.1	90.0	87.7	103.3	99.8	127.7	133.3
1997	127.0	129.9	103.6	104.9	104.5	75.7	88.9	87.1	101.3	97.5	129.6	135.8
1998	128.2	133.1	103.4	105.4	104.0	74.2	88.2	87.1	99.8	95.9	131.7	138.0
1999	129.5	134.4	103.3	106.4	103.5	73.0	87.5	86.9	99.4	95.4	133.5	140.1
2000	130.8	135.7	102.8	107.9	103.0	71.6	86.9	86.7	99.2	94.6	134.8	141.1
2001	132.1	136.9	102.7	107.8	102.5	70.2	86.3	85.3	99.1	94.2	136.1	141.9
2002	133.3	138.0	102.1	107.4	101.7	68.7	85.7	84.8	99.2	94.0	137.3	143.4
2003	134.6	136.6	101.6	107.1	101.0	67.2	85.2	84.3	99.7	94.3	139.0	144.5
2004	136.2	137.7	101.0	106.8	100.4	65.7	85.3	84.3	100.6	94.1	140.7	145.5
2005	137.9	138.7	100.4	106.4	99.7	64.3	86.9	85.4	101.5	95.0	142.2	147.2
2006	139.7	140.4	99.7	105.9	99.1	62.9	86.7	85.2	102.7	95.6	143.8	151.7
2007	141.6	141.3	99.1	105.5	98.8	61.4	86.5	84.9	103.9	106.5	144.9	153.3
2008	143.5	142.7	98.4	105.2	98.5	59.8	86.5	84.9	106.6	106.7	146.5	155.3
2009	145.1	144.5	97.8	104.8	98.3	58.3	87.5	85.2	108.1	107.6	148.4	157.4
2010	146.9	146.6	96.6	104.2	98.1	56.7	88.2	85.7	109.7	108.8	150.1	159.3
2011	148.9	148.8	96.7	104.3	98.0	55.1	88.8	86.1	111.2	110.0	152.1	161.6
2012	150.9	150.3	96.9	104.4	97.9	54.0	88.5	84.7	112.8	111.2	155.1	165.8
2013	152.8	151.7	96.5	103.8	98.0	52.8	88.6	85.0	114.5	112.6	158.2	168.9
2014	154.7	153.8	96.3	103.3	98.1	51.9	73.3	65.0	116.2	110.0	161.5	172.2
2015	156.5	155.9	95.9	102.7	98.3	51.2	73.4	65.1	117.9	110.8	164.9	175.8

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1980	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1981	101.1	100.2	100.6	98.9	102.7	103.2	102.4	102.9	102.6	102.2	100.4	99.0
1982	102.1	100.1	101.2	97.7	105.6	106.5	104.9	105.8	105.3	105.1	100.7	98.0
1983	103.0	99.5	102.0	97.3	108.7	110.1	107.5	108.8	108.0	107.4	101.2	96.8
1984	104.0	99.1	102.7	96.7	112.0	113.5	110.2	112.0	110.8	111.3	101.5	95.4
1985	105.0	98.7	103.4	95.9	115.6	117.6	112.9	115.3	113.8	114.5	101.8	94.1
1986	106.0	98.2	104.3	95.2	119.4	121.6	115.7	118.6	117.0	117.7	102.2	92.9
1987	106.7	96.6	105.1	94.7	123.3	125.8	118.7	122.1	120.0	120.2	102.5	91.4
1988	107.5	95.5	105.9	94.1	127.1	129.9	121.8	125.7	122.8	122.9	102.8	89.9
1989	108.1	95.1	106.4	93.7	130.9	134.5	125.1	129.3	125.4	125.4	103.0	
1990	108.2	95.2	106.8	93.6	133.8	139.2	128.7	133.2	127.8	128.8	103.1	
1991	108.0	95.7	107.0	94.3	137.4	143.9	132.4	137.3	130.9	132.6	103.3	

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1992	107.7	95.8	107.0	96.1	139.0	147.9	136.2	141.4	134.0	137.0	103.6	
1993	107.9	96.1	106.9	96.4	139.3	149.8	139.7	145.3	137.0	141.1	103.3	
1994	107.7	96.1	106.9	96.6	140.6	153.1	142.9	148.4	139.3	144.1	102.5	
1995	107.4	96.7	106.8	96.3	142.3	156.3	145.6	150.6	142.1	147.7	101.6	
1996	107.0	96.5	106.6	95.9	144.0	159.5	147.9	152.4	144.8	151.1	100.7	
1997	90.6	88.0	106.5	95.6	146.7	162.8	149.9	153.9	147.4	154.3	99.8	
1998	90.5	88.0	106.3	95.1	149.8	166.5	151.8	155.1	149.7	157.1	99.0	
1999	90.3	87.9	105.8	95.0	153.0	170.0	153.6	156.3	151.9	160.0	98.1	
2000	90.1	88.6	105.4	94.5	156.4	173.6	155.3	157.4	153.9	162.7	97.2	
2001	89.9	88.4	104.9	93.7	159.0	176.7	156.9	158.4	155.7	165.2	96.3	
2002	89.7	88.0	104.4	93.0	161.9	180.0	158.6	159.4	157.7	167.3	95.5	
2003	89.4	87.8	103.2	92.3	164.7	183.1	160.2	160.4	159.4	169.5	94.8	81.5
2004	89.3	87.6	103.6	93.3	167.7	186.6	162.0	161.4	161.4	172.0	94.1	80.4
2005	89.0	87.5	103.2	93.1	170.8	190.1	163.8	162.5	163.2	174.4	93.4	79.3
2006	88.8	86.8	102.9	92.6	173.9	193.7	165.7	163.6	165.3	177.0	92.8	78.3
2007	88.6	86.5	102.8	92.1	177.1	197.5	167.8	164.7	167.9	180.0	92.3	77.5
2008	88.4	86.3	102.8	92.0	181.0	201.6	169.9	165.9	170.7	183.3	91.8	76.7
2009	88.4	86.1	102.9	90.5	185.1	205.7	172.0	167.0	173.6	186.5	91.4	76.1
2010	88.3	85.7	102.9	90.2	190.2	211.6	174.2	168.1	180.5	193.9	91.1	75.1
2011	88.3	85.5	103.0	89.8	194.9	217.0	176.5	169.3	183.3	196.9	90.8	74.7
2012	88.3	85.3	103.2	89.6	199.4	222.2	178.8	170.4	186.0	199.7	90.6	74.3
2013	88.2	84.8	103.5	89.4	203.7	226.3	181.0	171.4	189.1	202.8	85.7 w/out Crimea	
2014	88.1	84.5	105.4	91.5	208.5	231.9	183.3	172.3	198.0		85.4 w/out Crimea	
2015	88.1	84.2	105.5	91.2	213.4	237.7			195.8		85.1 w/out Crimea	

Population and Rural Population Indexes (1980=100): 3 regional groupings

year	TC_Pop	TC_RurPop	CA_Pop	CA_RurPop	Eur_Pop	Eur_RurPop
1980	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1981	101.3	100.6	102.2	102.0	100.7	99.1
1982	102.6	101.3	104.4	104.4	101.4	98.1
1983	104.0	102.1	106.8	106.7	102.1	97.0
1984	105.4	102.7	109.2	109.3	102.7	96.0
1985	106.7	103.1	111.7	111.9	103.4	94.9
1986	108.0	103.7	114.4	114.5	104.1	93.8
1987	109.3	104.1	117.0	117.0	104.7	92.3
1988	110.0	103.7	119.3	119.3	105.3	91.0
1989	111.5	105.0	121.9	122.2	105.7	90.7
1990	112.8	106.2	124.1	125.0	105.9	90.1
1991	114.1	108.5	126.8	128.1	106.0	90.1
1992	112.1	107.8	128.6	131.1	106.1	90.7
1994	107.4	106.1	130.6	135.4	105.7	90.5
1995	106.9	106.5	132.1	137.4	105.3	90.3
1997	106.5	107.3	135.0	140.9	100.3	86.4
1998	106.6	108.5	136.5	142.5	99.9	85.7
1999	106.8	109.2	138.3	144.3	99.4	85.3
2000	106.8	110.1	139.9	145.9	98.9	84.9
2001	107.0	110.0	141.4	147.3	98.4	84.1
2002	107.0	110.1	142.9	148.8	97.8	83.3
2003	107.1	109.3	144.6	150.4	97.1	82.2
2004	107.5	109.6	146.5	151.9	96.8	81.8
2005	108.4	110.2	148.3	153.8	96.3	81.0
2006	108.7	110.5	150.3	156.3	95.9	80.1
2007	109.0	110.6	152.3	160.4	95.6	79.4
2008	109.5	110.9	154.9	162.5	95.4	78.7
2009	110.1	111.5	157.5	164.8	95.2	77.7
2010	110.6	112.2	160.9	168.4	95.1	76.9
2011	111.4	113.0	163.6	170.9	95.0	76.3
2012	112.1	113.1	166.4	173.9	95.0	75.8
2013	112.7	113.5	169.3	176.4	93.9	
2014	108.1	107.4	173.5	171.6	94.3	
2015	108.6	107.9	173.0	174.8	94.3	

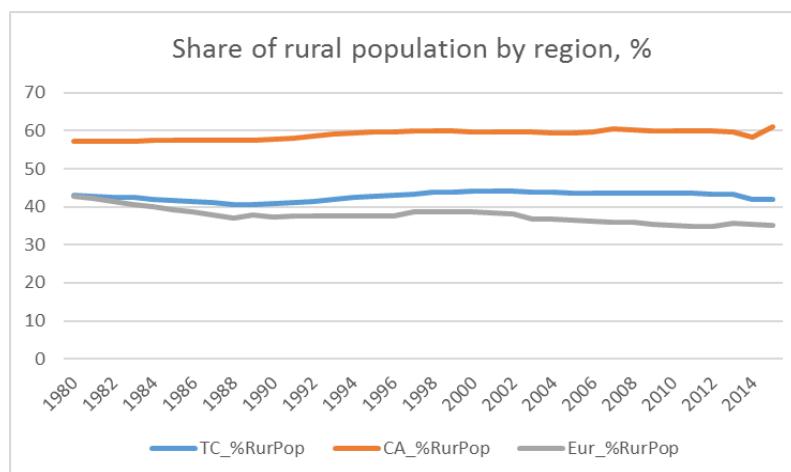


Share of rural population in total population, %: 12 countries

year	Az_RurPop	Arm_RurPop	Bel_RurPop	Gru_RurPop	Kaz_RurPop	Kyr_RurPop	Mol_RurPop	Rus_RurPop	Taj_RurPop	Tur_RurPop	Uzb_RurPop	Ukr_RurPop
1980	47.1	34.0	43.0	48.3	45.8	62.2	60.1	29.9	66.1	53.1	59.4	38.1
1981	47.0	33.7	42.0	47.9	45.2	62.2	59.6	29.4	66.4	53.4	59.2	37.6
1982	46.9	33.4	40.9	47.5	44.9	62.3	58.9	28.9	66.6	53.6	59.3	37.1
1983	46.9	33.1	39.8	47.1	44.6	62.3	58.0	28.5	66.9	53.8	59.1	36.5
1984	46.7	32.7	38.8	46.7	44.2	62.2	57.3	28.2	67.0	54.0	59.7	35.8
1985	46.5	32.5	37.8	46.3	43.9	62.2	56.5	27.8	67.2	54.2	59.8	35.2
1986	46.3	32.2	36.8	45.8	43.6	62.2	55.7	27.3	67.3	54.5	59.8	34.6
1987	46.0	32.0	35.7	45.3	43.2	62.1	54.4	26.9	67.4	54.7	59.5	34.0
1988	45.8	31.6	34.6	44.6	43.3	61.8	53.4	26.6	67.5	54.8	59.4	33.3
1989	46.1	31.2	33.9	44.7	42.9	62.4	52.9	26.4	67.9	54.9	59.4	
1990	46.5	30.8	33.2	44.9	42.7	62.5	52.9	26.2	68.7	55.0	59.9	
1991	47.0	31.1	32.8	45.4	42.8	62.6	53.3	26.4	69.2	55.1	60.1	
1992	47.2	31.9	32.6	45.5	43.1	63.1	53.4	26.9	70.3	55.2	60.7	
1993	47.4	32.2	32.4	46.2	43.9	63.9	53.6	27.0	71.1	55.3	61.2	
1994	47.6	33.6	32.1	46.4	44.3	64.4	53.6	27.0	71.9	55.2	61.4	
1995	47.8	33.8	31.9	46.9	44.3	64.7	54.1	27.0	72.6	55.0	61.8	
1996	48.0	34.1	31.6	47.1	44.2	64.9	54.2	26.9	73.2	54.8	62.0	
1997	48.2	34.4	31.2	47.3	44.0	65.1	58.3	26.9	73.3	54.5	62.2	
1998	48.9	34.7	30.7	47.7	44.0	65.2	58.4	26.8	73.4	54.3	62.4	
1999	48.9	35.1	30.3	48.0	43.9	65.2	58.5	26.9	73.4	54.1	62.6	
2000	48.9	35.7	29.9	48.2	43.7	65.0	59.1	26.8	73.3	53.9	62.8	
2001	48.8	35.7	29.5	47.7	43.5	64.8	59.1	26.7	73.4	53.6	63.0	
2002	48.8	35.8	29.1	47.8	43.4	64.9	59.0	26.7	73.5	53.4	63.0	
2003	47.8	35.9	28.6	47.8	43.3	64.7	59.0	26.8	73.4	53.2	63.2	32.8
2004	47.6	36.0	28.2	47.8	42.9	64.3	59.0	27.0	73.5	53.0	63.3	32.6
2005	47.4	36.1	27.8	47.5	42.9	64.4	59.1	27.0	73.5	52.7	63.5	32.4
2006	47.3	36.1	27.3	47.5	42.6	65.6	58.7	26.9	73.6	52.4	63.6	32.2
2007	47.0	36.2	26.8	47.4	46.9	65.8	58.7	26.8	73.7	52.2	63.7	32.0
2008	46.9	36.3	26.1	47.3	45.8	65.9	58.6	26.8	73.6	51.9	63.8	31.8
2009	46.9	36.5	25.5	47.0	45.6	65.9	58.6	26.3	73.4	51.6	63.8	31.7
2010	47.0	36.7	24.9	46.9	45.4	66.0	58.4	26.2	73.5	51.3	63.8	31.4
2011	47.1	36.7	24.2	46.8	45.3	66.1	58.3	26.1	73.6	51.0	63.8	31.4
2012	46.9	36.7	23.7	46.2	45.1	66.4	58.1	26.0	73.6	50.7	63.8	31.2
2013	46.8	36.6	23.2	46.3	45.0	66.4	57.8	25.8	73.4	50.3	63.7	
2014	46.9	36.5	22.7	42.8	43.3	66.3	57.6	26.0	73.5	50.0		
2015	46.9	36.4	22.4	42.8	43.0	66.3	57.5	25.9	73.6			
Average	47.3	34.4	31.2	46.6	44.1	64.2	57.0	27.0	71.2	53.4	61.7	33.8

Share of rural population in total population, %: 3 regional groupings

year	TC_%RurPop	CA_%RurPop	Eur_%RurPop
1980	43.1	57.3	42.8
1981	42.8	57.3	42.1
1982	42.6	57.4	41.5
1983	42.4	57.3	40.7
1984	42.1	57.4	40.0
1985	41.8	57.5	39.3
1986	41.4	57.5	38.6
1987	41.1	57.4	37.8
1988	40.7	57.4	37.0
1989	40.7	57.5	37.7
1990	40.8	57.8	37.4
1991	41.2	58.0	37.5
1992	41.5	58.5	37.6
1993	41.9	59.1	37.6
1994	42.5	59.5	37.6
1995	42.8	59.7	37.6
1996	43.1	59.8	37.6
1997	43.3	59.8	38.8
1998	43.8	59.8	38.6
1999	44.0	59.8	38.6
2000	44.2	59.7	38.6
2001	44.1	59.7	38.4
2002	44.1	59.6	38.2
2003	43.8	59.5	36.8
2004	43.8	59.4	36.7
2005	43.6	59.4	36.5
2006	43.6	59.6	36.3
2007	43.6	60.4	36.1
2008	43.5	60.2	35.8
2009	43.5	60.1	35.5
2010	43.5	60.0	35.2
2011	43.5	59.9	35.0
2012	43.3	59.9	34.7
2013	43.2	59.8	35.6
2014	42.1	58.3	35.4
2015	42.0	61.0	35.2
Average	42.7	58.9	37.7



Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan: Population statistics idiosyncrasies

Turkmenistan's inconsistent population numbers

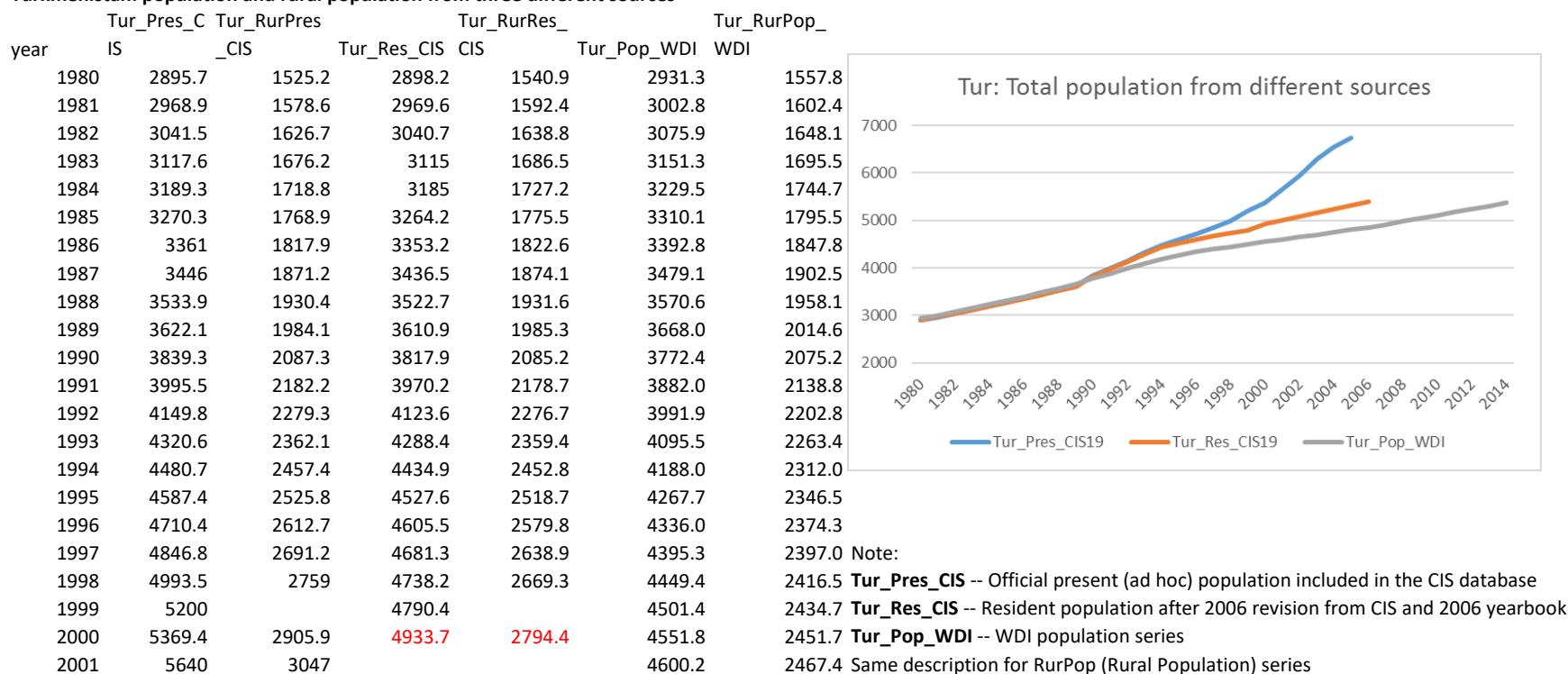
Saparmurat Niyazov, the First Secretary of the Communist Party of Turkmen SSR during the Soviet era, was elected the first President of independent Turkmenistan in 1992.

Niyazov encouraged extreme forms of personality cult and basked in his two popular titles of Turkmenbashi ("Father of the Turkmen") or Serdar ("The Leader").

His rule was officially described as "the Golden Age" of Turkmenistan and the sycophantic bureaucracy made every possible effort to justify this characterization.

The statistical organs contributed their share to the President's aggrandizement by consistently inflating wheat production and population numbers that grew exponentially under Turkmenbashi's "wise leadership". By 2006, the officially reported population in Turkmenistan had reached 6.7 million, up from 5.4 million just five years earlier. Western experts (UNPD -- the U.N. Population Division and PRB -- the U.S. Population Reference Bureau) estimated Turkmenistan's population at that time around 5 million. The second President of Turkmenistan, Gurbanguly Berdymuhamedov, initiated a massive cleanup of Turkmenistan's statistics after assuming power in February 2007. The official population for 2006 was revised down to 5.4 million, but no further official updates have been published since then. Turkmenistan's statistical yearbooks simply do not report any population numbers. The most reliable estimates available today are from *World Development Indicators* (WDI), based on UNPD and PRB. The effect of the 2006 revision is clearly seen in the graph, which shows how the (interpolated) curve based on the CIS database and the 2006 Uzbekistan statistical yearbook diverges downward after 2006 from the steeply rising curve before the revision.

Turkmenistan: population and rural population from three different sources



year	Tur_Pres_C	Tur_RurPres	Tur_RurRes_		Tur_RurPop_	
	IS	_CIS	Tur_Res_CIS	CIS	Tur_Pop_WDI	WDI
2002	5936.8	3191			4648.0	2482.7
2003	6298.8	3356.6			4696.9	2498.2
2004	6550	3468			4747.8	2514.1
2005	6746.5	3553.5	5323.2	3077	4801.6	2530.6
2006			5402.2	3132.6	4858.2	2547.9
2007					4917.5	2565.7
2008					4979.0	2583.6
2009					5042.0	2601.6
2010					5106.7	2619.4
2011					5172.9	2637.0
2012					5240.1	2654.1
2013					5307.2	2670.2
2014					5373.5	2684.8

Uzbekistan's rural population conundrum

The series for Uzbekistan from the CIS database closely match the WDI series for the entire period 1980-2015. These series also match the data published in Uzbekistan statistical yearbooks up to 2007. Starting in 2008, the rural population series from CIS and WDI (web) diverge from the series in Uzbekistan statistical yearbooks (print only). This divergence is the result of administrative reclassification of rural settlements (Presidential Decree 120 dated 14 July 2005), which has led to an abrupt decrease in domestically reported share of rural population from more than 60% to less than 50% after 2007. While reported in country yearbooks, this decrease is not reflected in either CIS or WDI statistics. The reclassification was apparently deemed necessary because the high share of rural population cast Uzbekistan in the unflattering light of an underdeveloped agrarian country.

Uzbekistan (resident) population and rural population from CIS database and from country statistical yearbooks

year	IS	Uzb_Pop_C	Uzb_Pop_YB	Uzb_RurPop_CIS	Uzb_RurPop_YB	Uzb_%RurPop_CIS	Uzb_%RurPop_YB
1980		16126	16126	9578.9	9578.9	59.4	59.4
1981	16543.1			9791.5		59.2	
1982	16974.1			10069.8		59.3	
1983	17413.5			10292		59.1	
1984	17868			10663.6		59.7	
1985	18355.5			10971.4		59.8	
1986	18859.7			11278.6		59.8	
1987	19343.7			11514.4		59.5	
1988	19810.1			11769.1		59.4	
1989	20227.3			12015		59.4	
1990	20613.2			12339.3		59.9	
1991	21111.8			12698.1		60.1	
1992	21607.7			13118.6		60.7	
1993	22097.5			13514.2		61.2	
1994	22467.3			13804.6		61.4	
1995	22912.1			14151		61.8	
1996	23348.7			14474.6		62.0	
1997	23772.3			14783.5		62.2	
1998	24135.6			15048.6		62.4	
1999	24487.7			15322.2		62.6	
2000	24813.1			15587.8		62.8	
2001	25115.8			15828.9		63.0	
2002	25427.9			16024.7		63.0	
2003	25707.4	25707.4	16239.4	16326.1	63.2	63.5	
2004	26021.3	26021.3	16476.7	16579.4	63.3	63.7	
2005	26313	26312.7	16700.9	16817.6	63.5	63.9	
2006	26664	26663.8	16958.3	17019.2	63.6	63.8	
2007	27073	27072.2	17242.8	17374.0	63.7	64.2	
2008	27534	27533.4	17555.7	13297.4	63.8	48.3	
2009	28001	28001.4	17867.4	13575.5	63.8	48.5	
2010	29100	29123.4	18574.5	14226.0	63.8	48.8	
2011	29555.4	29555.4	18862.3	14412.2	63.8	48.8	
2012	29993.5	29994.6	19129.9	14679.3	63.8	48.9	
2013	30492.8	30488.6	19430.0	14935.8	63.7	49.0	
2014	31925.5	31925.5		15278.7		47.9	
2015	31576.4	31576.4		15612.4		49.4	

