

# The Largest Cities in the World

Cities 2014		Urban Areas 2014		Metro Areas 2014		Urban Areas 1950					
1	Tokyo, Japan	37,833,000	1	Tokyo, Japan	37,126,000	1	Tokyo	36,923,000	1	New York	12,914,000
2	Delhi, India	24,953,000	2	Jakarta, Indonesia	26,063,000	2	Seoul	25,620,000	2	London	12,088,000
3	Shanghai, China	22,991,000	3	Seoul, South Korea	22,547,000	3	Shanghai	24,750,000	3	Tokyo	8,400,000
4	Mexico City, Mexico	20,843,000	4	Delhi, India	22,242,000	4	Guangzhou	23,900,000	4	Moscow	7,000,000
5	São Paulo, Brazil	20,831,000	5	Shanghai, China	20,860,000	5	Delhi	21,753,486	5	Rhine-Ruhr	6,900,000
6	Mumbai, India	20,741,000	6	Manila, Philippines	20,767,000	6	Mexico City	21,178,959	6	Paris	6,650,000
7	Osaka, Japan	20,123,000	7	Karachi, Pakistan	20,711,000	7	Beijing	21,148,000	7	Shanghai	5,800,000
8	Beijing, China	19,520,000	8	New York, USA	20,464,000	8	Lagos	21,000,000	8	Chicago	5,587,000
9	New York/Newark, US	18,591,000	9	Sao Paulo, Brazil	20,186,000	9	São Paulo	20,935,204	9	Buenos Aires	4,618,000
10	Cairo, Egypt	18,419,000	10	Mexico City, Mexico	19,463,000	10	Mumbai	20,748,395	10	Calcutta	4,600,000
11	Dhaka, Bangladesh	16,982,000	11	Cairo, Egypt	17,816,000	11	New York	20,092,883	11	Osaka-Kobe	4,425,000
12	Karachi, Pakistan	16,126,000	12	Beijing, China	17,311,000	12	Moscow	19,428,664	12	Los Angeles	4,368,000
13	Buenos Aires, Argentina	15,024,000	13	Osaka, Japan	17,011,000	13	Osaka	19,342,000	13	Leningrad	4,200,000
14	Calcutta, India	14,766,000	14	Mumbai, India	16,910,000	14	Dhaka	17,151,925	14	Beijing	3,900,000
15	Istanbul, Turkey	13,954,000	15	Guangzhou, China	16,827,000	15	Kolkata	14,617,882	15	Philadelphia	3,671,000
16	Chongqing, China	12,916,000	16	Moscow, Russia	15,512,000	16	Tehran	14,595,904	16	Berlin	3,300,000
17	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	12,825,000	17	Los Angeles, USA	14,900,000	17	Istanbul	14,377,018	17	Mexico City	3,125,000
18	Manila, Philippines	12,764,000	18	Calcutta, India	14,374,000	18	London	14,031,830	18	Detroit	3,016,000
19	Lagos, Nigeria	12,614,000	19	Dhaka, Bangladesh	14,000,000	19	Bogotá	13,864,952	19	Bombay	3,000,000
20	Los Angeles	12,308,000	20	Buenos Aires, Argentina	13,639,000	20	Los Angeles	13,262,220	20	Rio de Janeiro	2,413,000

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Moral of the story? Do not memorize any list as "the" list of the world's largest cities. Do form a mental image of the changing geographic pattern.