

their fellow countrymen most wish for the future of the Eskimo is that, like themselves, he be equipped to choose the kind of life he wishes to live where, and how, he wishes to live it.

Section 4.—Statistics of World Population

World population figures given in Table 29 are from the United Nations *Population and Vital Statistics Report* for October 1959 and, except as otherwise noted, are official mid-year estimates for 1958. The area figures are from the United Nations *Statistical Yearbook, 1958*.

Estimated Population of the World by Continents.—The statement below presents adjusted estimates of the 1958 mid-year population of the world by continental divisions. These aggregates do not coincide exactly with the sum of the figures for individual countries because they include, in addition, adjustments for over- and under-enumeration, over-estimation, categories of population not regularly included in the official figures, and approximations for those countries that have not provided official 1958 data. The estimates are as follows:—

<u>Continental Division</u>	<u>Number</u>
Africa ¹	230,000,000
North America.....	256,000,000
South America.....	134,000,000
Asia ²	1,592,000,000
Europe ³	418,000,000
Oceania.....	15,800,000
WORLD TOTAL.....	2,852,000,000 ⁴
Commonwealth countries.....	683,600,000

¹ Excludes Syria, a province of the United Arab Republic. ² Excludes U.S.S.R. Includes Syria and Asiatic Turkey. ³ Excludes U.S.S.R. Includes European Turkey. ⁴ Includes an allowance for population of the U.S.S.R.

29.—Areas and Populations of the Countries or Areas of the World, 1958

NOTE.—Commonwealth countries are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Continent and Country	Area	Population
	sq. miles	'000
Africa		
Ethiopia.....	457,267	21,600
*Ghana.....	91,843	4,836
Guinea.....	94,926	2,800 ¹
Liberia.....	43,000	1,250 ¹
Libya.....	679,360	1,153
Morocco.....	171,305	10,330
Sudan.....	967,501	11,037 ²
Tunisia.....	48,332	3,852
*Union of South Africa ³	472,359	14,418
United Arab Republic.....	457,329	29,061 ⁴
Egypt.....	386,101	24,781
Syria.....	71,228	4,280
TERRITORIES AND DEPENDENCIES		
Belgium—		
Belgian Congo.....	905,381	13,559
France—		
Algeria.....	919,593	10,265
Comoro Islands.....	838	182

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