

WORLD INTERNET USAGE AND POPULATION STATISTICS

World Regions	Population (2004 Est.)	Internet Usage, (Year 2000)	Internet Usage, Latest Data	User Growth (2000-2004)	Penetration (% Population)	% of World
Africa	893,197,200	4,514,400	12,786,100	183.2 %	1.4 %	1.5 %
Asia	3,607,499,800	114,303,000	256,454,536	124.4 %	7.1 %	32.1 %
Europe	730,894,078	103,096,093	224,462,968	117.7 %	30.7 %	28.1 %
Middle East	258,993,600	5,284,800	16,843,900	218.7 %	6.5 %	2.1 %
North America	325,246,100	108,096,800	222,956,690	106.3 %	68.6 %	27.9 %
Latin America/Caribbean	541,775,800	18,068,919	50,749,374	180.9 %	9.4 %	6.3 %
Oceania	32,540,909	7,619,500	15,786,930	107.2 %	48.5 %	2.0 %
WORLD TOTAL	6,390,147,487	360,971,012	800,040,498	121.6 %	12.5 %	100.0 %

TOP TEN COUNTRIES WITH HIGHEST NUMBER OF INTERNET USERS

#	Country or Region	Internet Users Latest Data	Population (2004 Est.)	Internet Penetration	Source of Latest Data	% of World Usage / Users
1	United States	202,452,190	293,271,500	69.0 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	25.3 %
2	China	87,000,000	1,288,307,100	6.8 %	CNNIC June/04	10.9 %
3	Japan	66,548,060	127,853,600	52.1 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	8.3 %
4	Germany	47,182,668	82,633,200	57.1 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	5.9 %
5	United Kingdom	34,874,492	59,595,900	58.5 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	4.4 %
6	South Korea	30,670,000	49,131,700	62.4 %	KRNIC June/04	3.8 %
7	Italy	28,610,000	57,987,100	49.3 %	C+I+A Dec/03	3.6 %
8	France	23,216,191	60,011,200	38.7 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	2.9 %
9	Canada	20,450,000	31,846,900	64.2 %	C+I+A Dec/03	2.6 %
10	Brazil	19,311,854	179,383,500	10.8 %	Nielsen//NR July/04	2.4 %
TOP TEN COUNTRIES		560,315,455	2,230,021,700	25.1 %	IWS - Sept.1/04	70.0 %
Rest of the World		239,725,043	4,160,125,787	5.8 %	IWS - Sept.1/04	30.0 %
Totals		800,040,498	6,390,147,487	12.5 %	IWS - Sept.1/04	100.0 %

INTERNET USAGE AND POPULATION IN ASIA

ASIA	Population (2004 Est.)	Internet Users, (Year 2000)	Internet Users, Latest Data	Use Growth (2000-2004)	% Population (Penetration)	(%) Users in Asia
Cambodia	14,131,000	6,000	30,000	400.0 %	0.2 %	0.0 %
China	1,288,307,100	22,500,000	87,000,000	286.7 %	6.8 %	33.9 %
Hong Kong	6,727,900	2,283,000	4,878,713	113.7 %	72.5 %	1.9 %
Japan	127,853,600	47,080,000	66,548,060	41.4 %	52.1 %	25.9 %
Korea, South	49,131,700	19,040,000	30,670,000	61.1 %	62.4 %	12.0 %
Laos	5,692,800	6,000	15,000	150.0 %	0.3 %	0.0 %
Malaysia	25,581,000	3,700,000	8,692,100	134.9 %	34.0 %	3.4 %
Myanmar	52,804,800	1,000	28,000	2,700.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %
Philippines	83,407,700	2,000,000	3,500,000	75.0 %	4.2 %	1.4 %
Singapore	3,499,500	1,200,000	2,100,000	75.0 %	60.0 %	0.8 %
Taiwan	22,689,300	6,260,000	11,602,523	85.3 %	51.1 %	4.5 %
Thailand	65,065,800	2,300,000	6,031,300	162.2 %	9.3 %	2.4 %
Vietnam	83,030,400	200,000	5,111,240	2455.6 %	6.2 %	2.0 %
Totals	1,744,514,900	106,576,000	226,206,936	112.2 %	12.9 %	88.2 %

NOTES:

- The Asian Internet Statistics were updated on September 1, 2004.
- The demographic (population) numbers are based on data contained in gazetteer.de. (<http://www.gazetteer.de/home.htm>)
- The usage numbers come from various sources, mainly from data published by Nielsen//NetRatings (<http://www.nielsen-netratings.com/>), ITU (<http://www.itu.int/home/index.html>), and local NICs.
- Data may be cited, giving due credit and establishing a link to Internet World Stats.

Source: <http://www.internetworldstats.com/stats.htm>