

# POPULATION

(Josh McDowell research 2006 to present)

## “FAST FACTS ABOUT POPULATION”

- “In ’08, there were approximately 21 million children ages 8-14 in U.S.”
- “23% of people on the planet used the Internet in ’08, up from 11% in ’02.”

(Gary Foster, “Fast Facts,” *Religious Market Update*, (March 10, 2009): 4; [www.garydfoster.com](http://www.garydfoster.com))

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## “THE BIRTHRATE OF HISPANICS”

“The birthrate of Hispanics in the U.S. outpaces the rate of immigration and is so exponential the U.S. Census Bureau has revised its projection for a majority-minority-nation by 8 years, from 2050 to 2042.”

(Gary Foster, “The Birthrate of Hispanics,” *Religious Market Update*, April 25, 2009, p3; [www.garydfoster.com](http://www.garydfoster.com))

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## “THE NUMBER OF CANADIANS”

“The number of Canadians who believe in God dropped from 13% (from 84% to 73%) between ’00 and ’09, according to an Ipsos Reid survey.”

(Gary Foster, “The Number of Canadians,” *Religious Market Update*, April 25, 2009, p2; [www.garydfoster.com](http://www.garydfoster.com))

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## “THE U.S. HAS 5% OF THE WORLD’S POPULATION”

The U.S. has 5% of the world’s population but 25% of the world’s prison inmates.”

(Gary Foster, “Fast Facts,” *Religious Market Update*, April 10, 2009, p4; [www.garydfoster.com](http://www.garydfoster.com))

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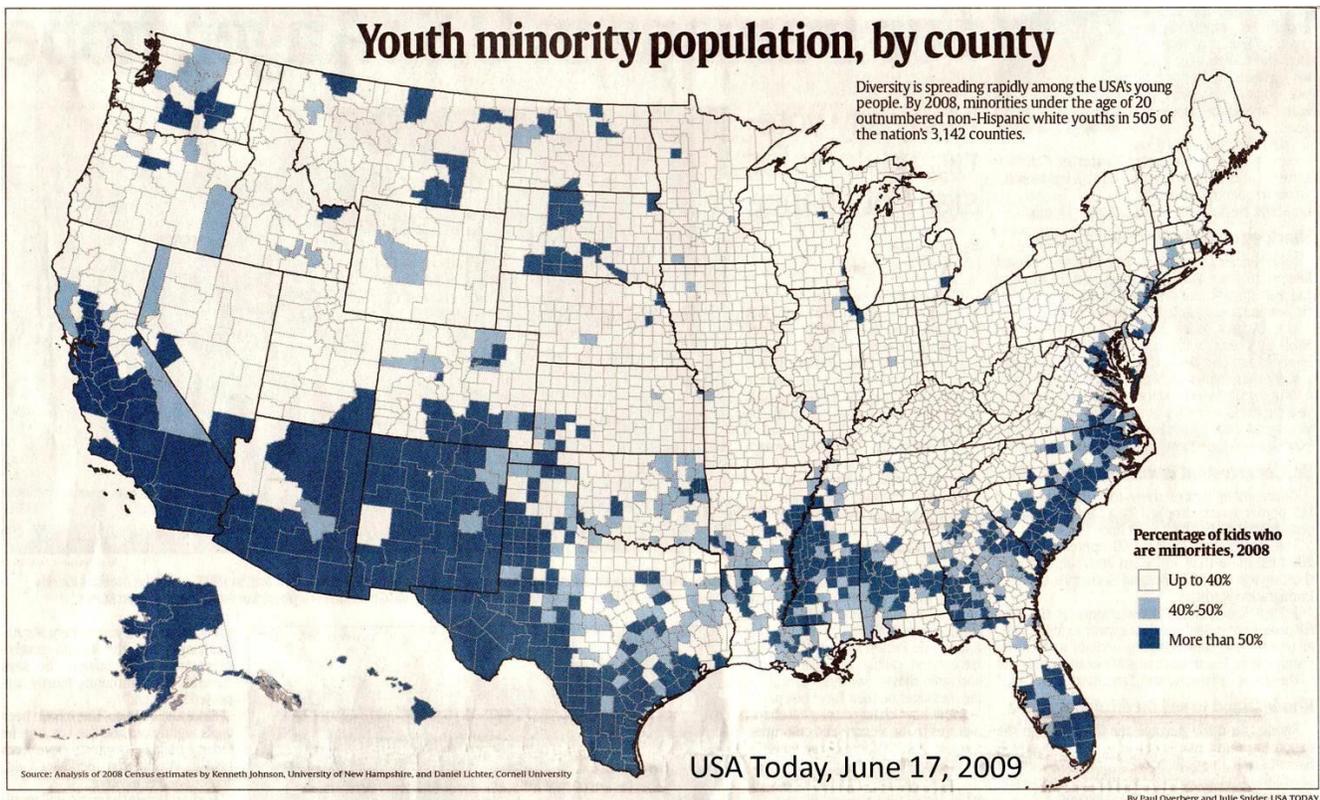
## “WORKERS URGED: GO HOME AND MULTIPLY”

“At 1.34, the birthrate is well below the 2.0 needed to maintain Japan’s population, according to the country’s Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare.”

(Kyung Lah, “Workers Urged: Go Home and Mulipty,” CNN.com, <http://www.cnn.com/2009/WORLD/asiapcf/01/26/canon.babies/index.html>)

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## “YOUTH MINORITY BY COUNTRY”



## “ASIAN POPULATION GROWTH”

“A Census Bureau stats analysis from American Community Survey 2005 shows the three fastest growing Asian populations since '00 are Asian Indians, Vietnamese, and Filipinos. The total U.S. Asian population has grown to 12.4 million, up 23% from '00. The Asian Indian population grew 41%, and now totals 2.32 million. The Vietnamese population grew 28%, and is now 1.42 million. The Filipino population grew 22% to 2.28 million. The South boasts the fastest Asian population growth rate (31%), followed by the Midwest (24%), the Northeast (23%), and the West (19%). L.A., New York, and San Francisco are the top three cities for Asians.”

(The Foster Letter: Religious Market Update, Gary D. Foster Consulting, September 25, 2006 [Center for Media Research 8/25/06]: 2.

## “CHILDPROOF”

“Even adjusted for potential under-reporting, according to Wang, China's fertility rate is likely 1.5 to 1.6 births per woman (bpw)—well below the replacement rate of 2.1 bpw.”

““At the same time,” Wang says, “China's aging process will accelerate, with the share of its population aged 65 and over rising to 14 percent in 2025, 20 percent in 2035, and more than 24 percent in 2050.””

(Becky Perry, "Childproof," World, (July 2006):27)

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### **"HISPANICS"**

"Hispanics remain the USA's fastest-growing minority group, but *most of the population increase comes from births here rather than immigration*, according to the Census Bureau. 60% of the 1.3 million new Hispanics in 2005 are U.S. citizens by birth. In effect, even if immigration came to a standstill, the Hispanic population boom would not end for at least another generation. A third of the nation's 296.4 million people are minorities. Hispanics are the largest group at 42.7 million, up 3.3% from mid-2004 to mid-2005. It's estimated up to 12 million U.S. residents are undocumented, most of them Hispanic."

(USA Today, 5/10/06)

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### **"MAJORITY OF BIRTHS WILL SOON BE OUT OF WEDLOCK (IN U.K.)"**

"Half of all babies will be born to unmarried mothers by 2012 if present trends continue, says new research that suggests the rapid erosion of moral and religious taboos." (in U.K.)

"The Office for National Statistics' Social Trends report, an annual snapshot of Britain, said that the figure rose to 42.3 percent last year."

"In 1994, the figure was 32 percent and in the early 1970s it was less than 10 percent."

"The number of births outside wedlock exceeds 50 percent in some parts, including Wales. In the North East, it was 54.1 percent last year."

"John Ermisch, a professor of economics at Essex University, said in a paper for the council: 'Only 35 percent of children born into a cohabiting union will live with both parents throughout childhood, compared with 70 percent born within marriage.'"

(By Jonathan Petre, Religion Correspondent, 2/21/06,  
[www.telegraph.co.uk/core/Content/displayPrintable.jhtml;jsessionid=4ZDNQOMELS](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/core/Content/displayPrintable.jhtml;jsessionid=4ZDNQOMELS))

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### **"MISSING GIRLS"**

"6.7 million abortions occur yearly in India, but aborted girls outnumber boys by 500,000 (or 10 million over the past 20 years) creating a huge gender imbalance in the world's largest democracy. The British medical journal *Lancet* estimates the male-female gap at 43 million. Globally, there are 100 million 'missing girls' who should have been born but were not. 50 million would have been Chinese and 43 million Indian. The rest would have been born in South Korea, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nepal. As a result, a new class of wifeless men are absorbing a new trade in girls kidnapped or sold."

*(Washington Times, 2/26/07)*

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