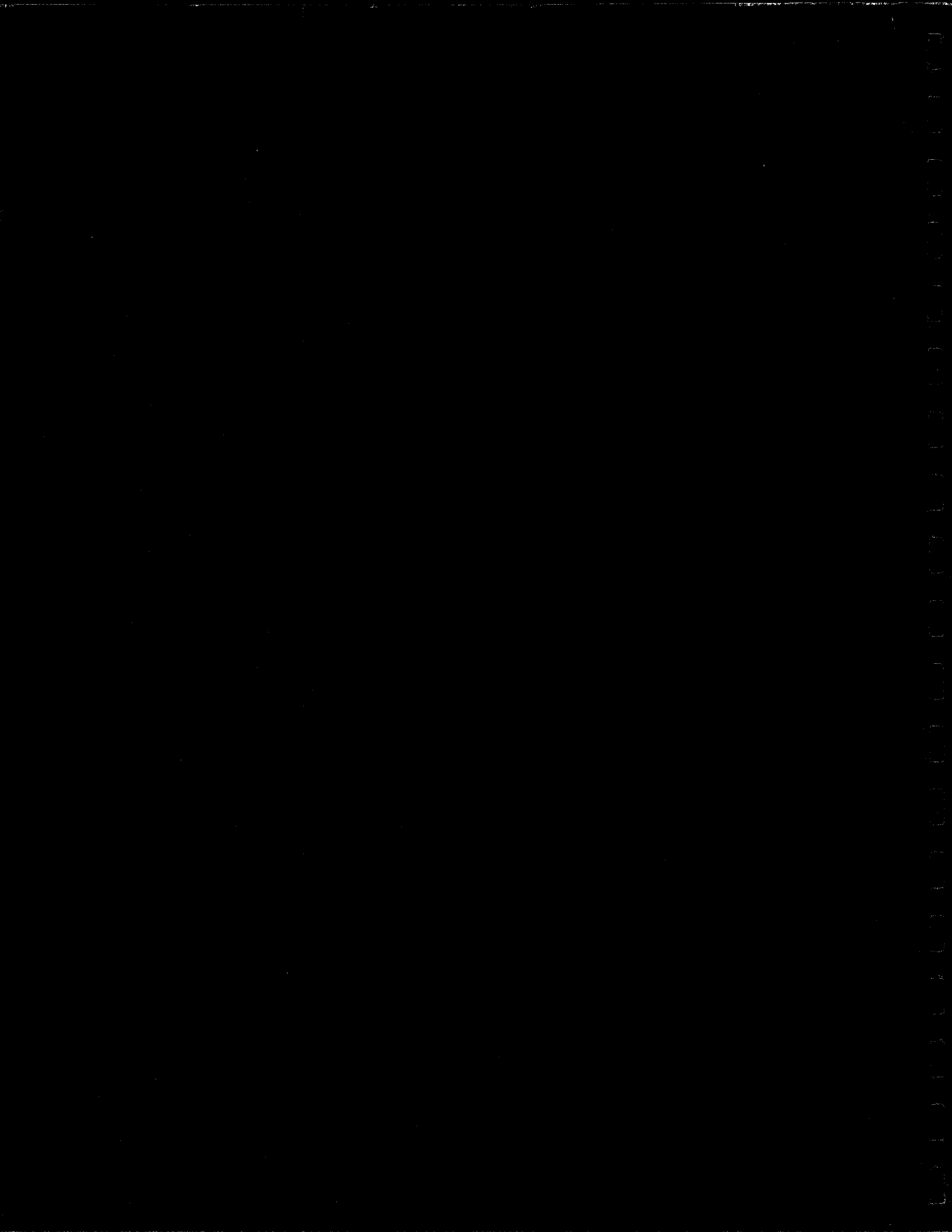
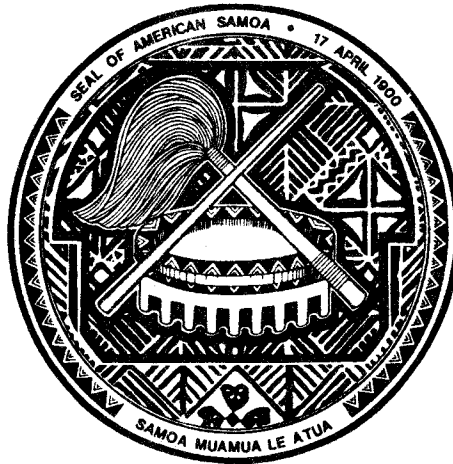


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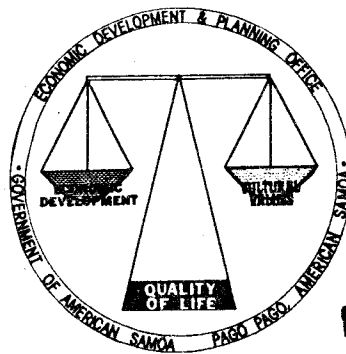


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Emphasis is given to the most recent available economic and social data. Source references for additional statistical detail are given in the introductions to the various sections and at the end of each table.

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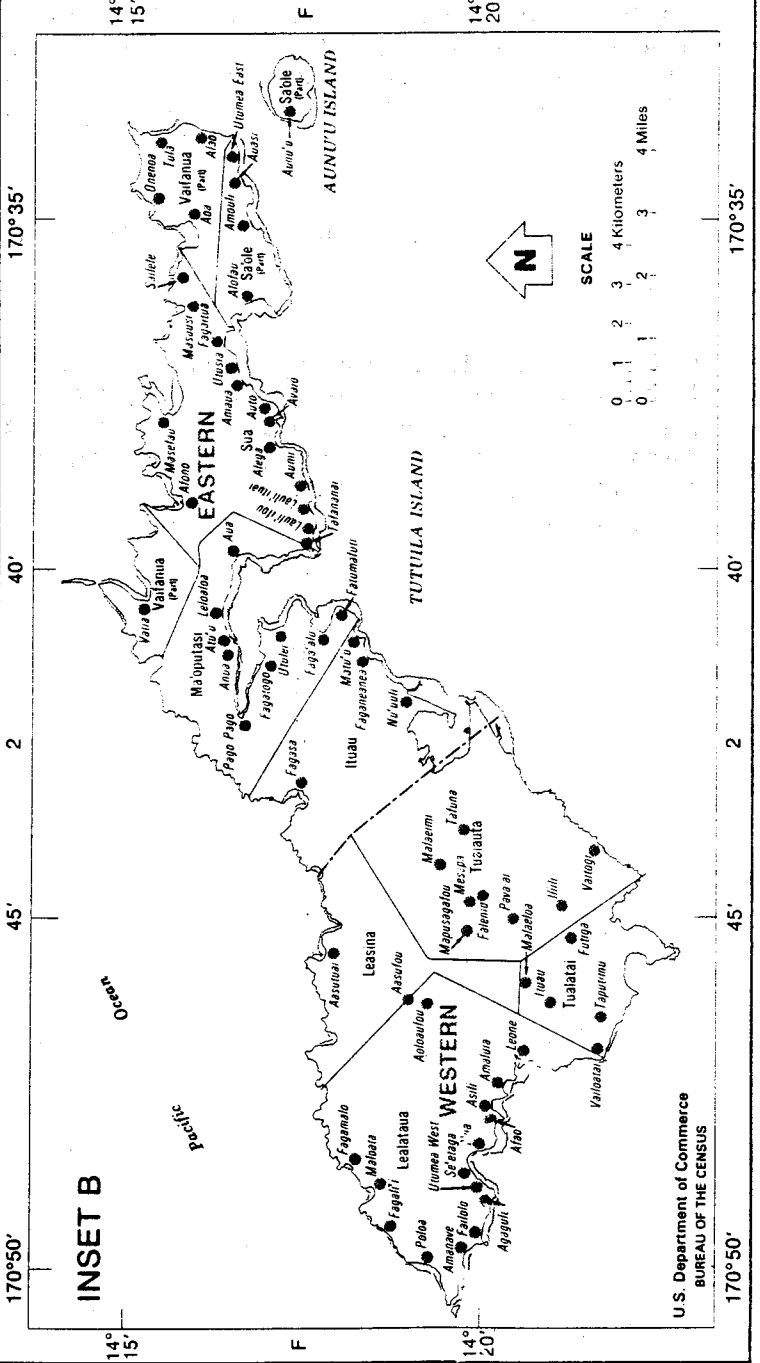
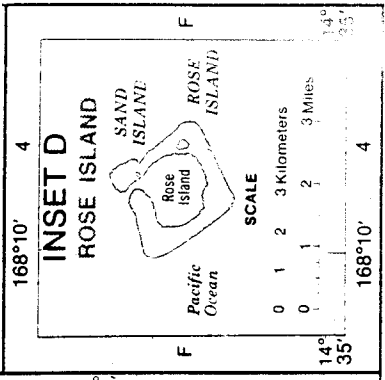
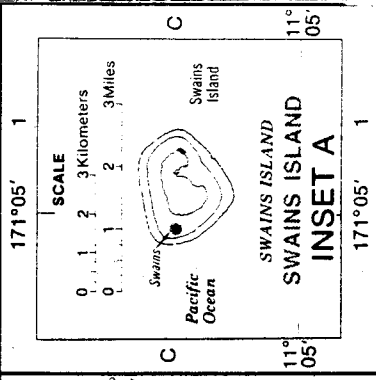
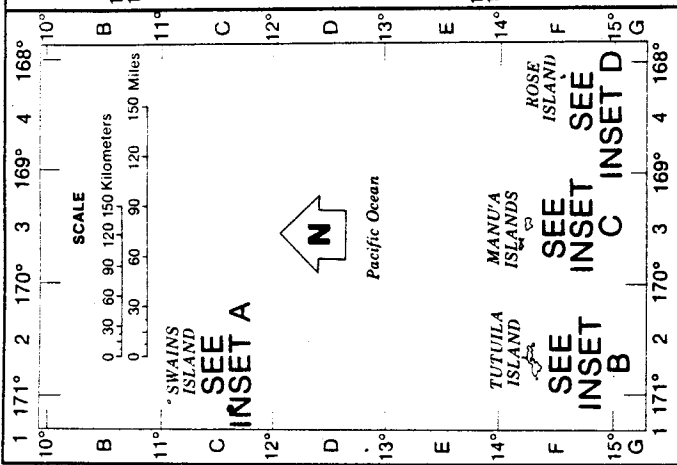
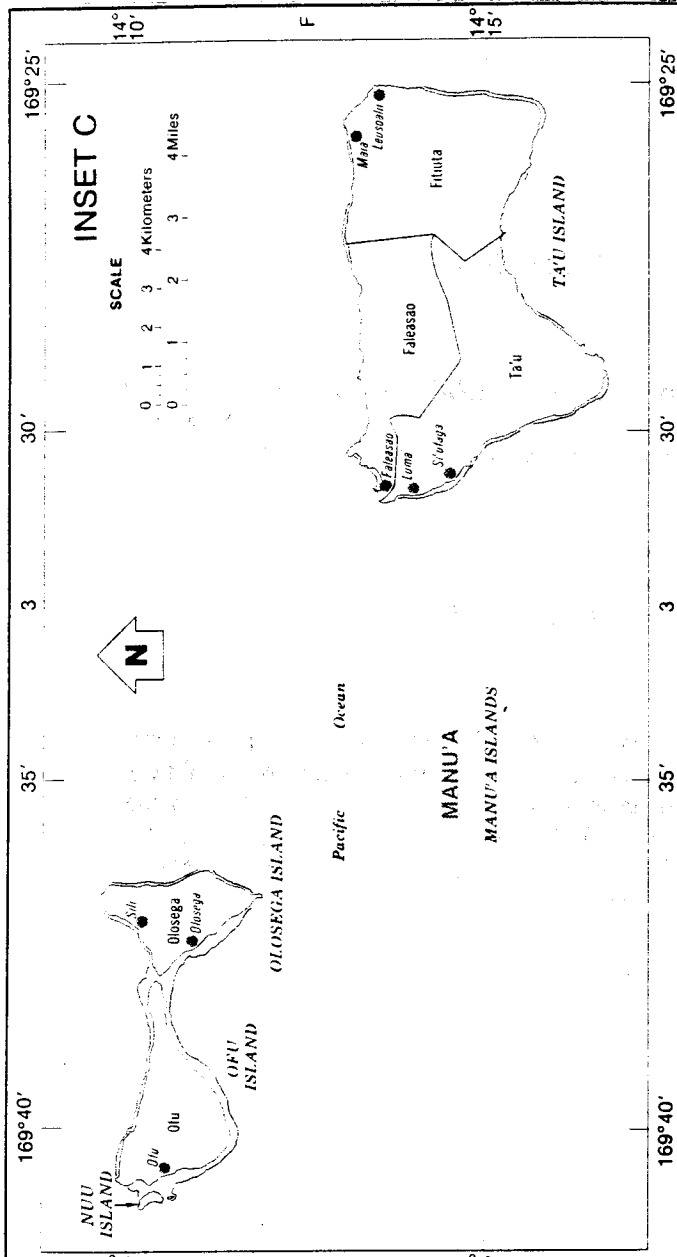
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UNITED STATES AND METRIC WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

U.S.		to		Metric		to		U.S.	
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Length									
Inches	x	25.4	=	millimeters	x	0.039	=	inches	
Feet	x	0.305	=	meters	x	3.281	=	feet	
Statute miles	x	1.609	=	kilometers	x	0.621	=	miles	
Area									
Sq. feet	x	0.093	=	sq. meters	x	10.764	=	sq. feet	
Acres	x	0.405	=	hectares	x	2.471	=	acres	
Sq. miles	x	2.589	=	sq. kilometers	x	0.386	=	sq. miles	
Volume & Capacity									
Cubic feet	x	0.028	=	cu. meters	x	35.315	=	cu. feet	
Cubic yards	x	0.765	=	cu. meters	x	1.308	=	cu. yards	
Fluid ounces	x	29.573	=	milliliters	x	0.034	=	fl. oz.	
Quarts (liq.)	x	0.946	=	liters	x	0.057	=	qts. (liq.)	
Gallons (liq.)	x	3.785	=	liters	x	0.264	=	gals (liq.)	
Mass									
Oz. (avdp.)	x	28.35	=	grams	x	0.035	=	oz. (avdp.)	
Lbs. (avdp.)	x	0.454	=	kilograms	x	2.205	=	lbs. (avdp.)	
hwt.	x	45.359	=	kilograms	x	0.022	=	hwt.	
Short tons	x	0.907	=	metric tons	x	1.102	=	short tons	
Miscellaneous conversions									
1 status mile	=	5,280	ft.	=	1,760	yards			
1 acre	=	43,560	sq. feet						
1 square mile	=	640	acres						
1 short ton	=	2,000	pounds						

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Fahrenheit		to		Celsius		to		Fahrenheit	
Temperature	°F	37.8	°C	40	°C	104.0	°F		
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	80	26.7		30		86.0			
	70	21.1		25		77.0			
	60	15.6		20		68.0			
	50	10.0		15		59.0			
	40	4.4		10		50.0			
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SECTION 1

POPULATION

This section presents statistics on the growth, geographic distribution, and composition of the population of American Samoa.

The provisional estimate for 1990 was 46,638, which was very close to the final figure of 46,773 for the 1990 Census as released by the Bureau of the Census. The 1990 count is well above the 1980 Census count of 32,297. An increase of about 45.0 percent; with an annual growth rate of 3.7 percent, compared to 1.8 in 1980. It is projected that the population will total over 50,000 in 1995, and 60,000 by the year 2000. Should this population growth continued, we would expect a population of about 100,000 by the year 2025.

The Western District constituted about 51.0 percent, the Eastern District with 45.0 percent, and Manu'a with about 4.0 percent of the 1990 population. The Western District increased by about 80.0 percent between 1980 and 1990, the Eastern District increased by 22.0 percent, while Manu'a declined by about 2.0 percent. The rapid growth in the Western District is concentrated in the Tualauta County, where people bought prime land, and built new homes. The population density for American Samoa is 234 persons per square kilometer. The density for the Eastern District is 371 persons compared to 327 persons for the Western District, and 25 persons for Manu'a.

The population is young, but is gradually getting older. The median age has increased from 18.8 years in 1980 to 20.2 years in 1985. According to the preliminary census count for 1990, males continue to out-numbered females. About 42.0 percent of persons 15 years and older were not married in 1985 as compared to 38.8 percent in 1980. Single mean age at first marriage in 1985 for males was 27 compared to 25 for females.

According to the 1985 Household Survey of Tutuila, 58.0 percent of the population were born in American Samoa, while 42.0 percent were born elsewhere. About 30.0 percent were born in Western Samoa, about 8.0 percent were born in the United States, and about 4.0 percent were born elsewhere. Samoan still remains the single dominating ethnic group in the territory with 91.0 percent.

TABLE 1.1. PRINCIPAL PHYSICAL FEATURES OF ISLAND COUNTRIES IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC: 1986

Island group	Estimated population mid-1986	Land area, sq. kilo-meter	Sea area, square kilometer	Population density, persons per sq.km.	Annual growth rate (%) 1981-1986
South Pacific Region ...	5,542,400	550,047	29,523	10	2.1
American Samoa	36,100	200	390	180	1.7
Cook Islands	17,200	240	1,830	72	-0.3
Federated States of Micronesia	94,400	701	2,978	135	3.5
Fiji	711,100	18,272	1,290	39	1.9
French Polynesia	176,100	3,265	5,030	54	3.3
Guam	117,200	541	218	217	1.8
Kiribati	65,300	690	3,550	95	2.0
Marshall Islands	36,700	181	2,131	203	2.9
Nauru	8,600	21	320	410	1.2
New Caledonia	150,500	19,103	1,740	8	1.1
Niue	2,500	259	390	10	-4.7
Northern Mariana Is.	20,200	471	777	43	2.8
Palau	13,900	494	629	28	0.7
Papua New Guinea	3,390,400	462,243	3,120	7	2.1
Pitcairn Island	100	5	800	20	0.0
Solomon Islands	282,100	27,556	1,340	10	3.7
Tokelau	1,600	10	290	160	0.1
Tonga	94,500	699	700	135	0.2
Tuvalu	8,400	26	900	323	1.8
Vanuatu	140,200	11,880	680	12	3.3
Wallis & Futuna	14,300	255	300	56	5.0
Western Samoa	161,000	2,935	120	55	0.6

SOURCE: South Pacific Commission, South Pacific Economies Statistical Summary Edition NO. 10, 1989.

Table 1.2. POPULATION AND ANNUAL GROWTH RATE: 1900 TO 1990

Year	Population			Annual growth rate (percent)
	Total	Males	Females	
1990	46,773	..	..	3.7
1985	35,527	17,995	17,532	1.9
1980	32,297	16,384	15,913	1.8
1974	29,190	14,747	14,443	1.6
1970	27,159	13,682	13,477	3.0
1960	20,051	10,164	9,887	-0.1
1956	20,154	10,107	10,047	1.0
1950	18,937	9,818	9,119	2.8
1945	16,493	8,565	7,928	4.9
1940	12,908	6,612	6,296	2.5
1930	10,055	5,208	4,847	3.4
1926	8,763	4,494	4,269	1.4
1920	8,058	4,092	3,966	1.3
1912	7,251	3,836	3,415	1.3
1908	6,780	3,619	3,161	2.8
1903	5,888	..	..	2.8
1901	5,563	..	..	-2.0
1900	5,679	..	..	..

NOTE: The 1985 survey was a 20% sample of Tutuila, extrapolated to 100%. Censuses of 1956 and 1974 were local censuses.

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Censuses of Population, Economic Development Planning Office, 1985 Household Survey of Tutuila.

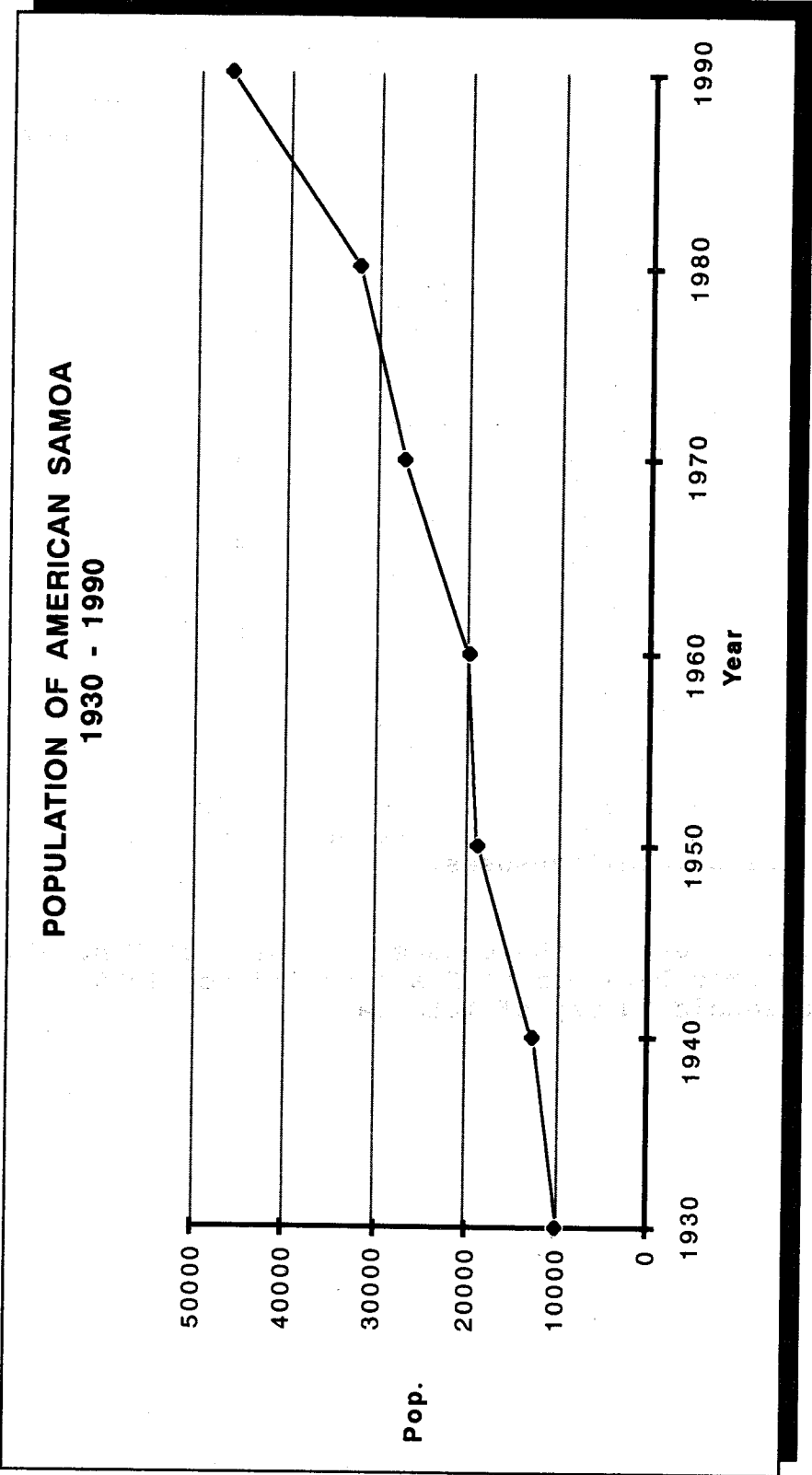


FIGURE 1

4. Table 10.17, Page 150.

Source, third line, "8C80-1CD56" should read "PC80-1-C/D56".

5. Narrative, Section 11, Page 154.

Second paragraph, fourth line. "The annual inflation rate measured at the end of 1990 stood at 7.0 percent compared to 6.6 percent of the same period in 1989; an increase of 0.4 percentage point."

6. Table 11.2, Page 156.

Sub-heading Percent Change should read, "Average Percent Increase".

7. Narrative, Section 13, Page 171.

Fifth Paragraph, second line, "Hurricane" is misspelled as Hurrircan.

8. Table 13.12, Page 186.

Third column, "Tapioca" is misspelled as Tabioca.

9. Table 14.9, Page 198.

First column "Mayonnaise" is misspelled as Mayonnaise.

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1. Narrative, Section 10, Page 133.
Third paragraph, first line, insert "for" after 1990.
2. Table 10.4, Page 137.
Last column. The 1986 minimum wage rates recommended by Industry Committee No.17 were set aside following petitions filed with the Court of Appeals seeking relief of the Committee No.17 recommendations, and modifications to the Insular Area Regulation Act . This Act, which was signed by the President on August 27, 1986, provided that the previously published final rule of Industry Committee No.17 shall have no effect and that the minimum wage rates effective for American Samoa shall be those in effect prior to the convening of Industry Committee No.17. Therefore, the 1986 MINIMUM WAGE RATES are the same as the 1985 rates published in the American Samoa Statistical Digest 1990.
3. Table 10.5, Page 138.
Last column, under % change, "89-89" should read "86-89".

TABLE 1.3. POPULATION DENSITY BY DISTRICT: 1900 TO 1990

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Persons per square kilometer

Census year	Popula- tion	American Samoa	Total	Tutuila		Manu'a
				Eastern	Western	
1990	46,773	234	346	371	327	25
1985	35,527	178	258	343	192	28
1980	32,297	161	235	304	181	26
1974	29,190	146	210	295	144	27
1970	27,159	136	192	280	124	32
1960	20,051	100	133	195	84	41
1956	20,154	101	133	200	81	42
1950	18,937	95	123	186	73	44
1940	12,908	65	78	118	47	40
1930	10,055	50	60	88	38	33
1926	8,763	44	51	74	33	32
1920	8,058	40	48	66	33	28
1912	7,251	36	42	56	31	26
1908	6,780	34	38	53	26	27
1903	5,888	29	32	43	24	25
1901	5,563	28	30	41	22	24
1900	5,679	28	30	39	23	26

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Censuses of Population;
Economic Development Planning Office, 1985 Household
Survey of Tutuila.