



It's a changing world!



Instructions: One way to appreciate how the world is changing is to look at how the population centers have shifted over the years and how they are projected to shift in the future. You will notice below three years - 1950, 2000, 2015. The ten most populated urban areas (from high to low) are ranked for the year 1950. Some cities are listed in their rank positions for the year 2000 and the year 2015 (projected findings). See if you can complete the rankings - the cities are provided. Remember each year's rankings goes from most populated city (and surrounding area) to least populated city. Good luck...

World's Most Populated Urban Areas

<u>1950</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2015</u> (projected)
1. New York City, United States	1.	1.
2. London, England	2. Mexico City, Mexico	2.
3. Tokyo, Japan	3.	3. Lagos, Nigeria
4. Moscow, Russia	4. São Paulo, Brazil	4.
5. Paris, France	5.	5. São Paulo, Brazil
6. Shanghai, China	6. Los Angeles, United States	6.
7. Buenos Aires, Argentina	7.	7. Mexico City, Mexico
8. Chicago, United States	8.	8. New York City, United States
9. Calcutta, India	9. Calcutta, India	9.
10. Osaka, Japan	10.	10.

Complete the 2000 rankings with the following cities: Buenos Aires, Bombay (India), Lagos, Tokyo, New York City, Shanghai
Complete the 2015 rankings with the following cities: Bombay, Dhaka (Bangladesh), Karachi (Pakistan), Jakarta (Indonesia), Calcutta, Tokyo

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