

SOCI 101
INTRODUCTION TO
SOCIOLOGY

URBANIZATION

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Population & Urbanization

1. Megacities

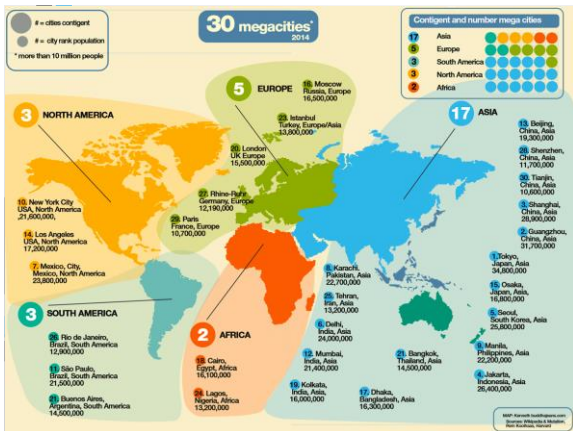
a. The emerging **MEGACITIES** of the world

- Megacity:** A vast urban area containing a number of cities and their surrounding suburbs: "**super cities**" with **more than 10 million people**. Most are found in low-income nations.

In 1975 there were only **5 megacities worldwide**.
 In 2003, there were **20 megacities**.
 By 2014, the number of megacities had grown to over **30**.
2018: Megacities = 31
 By 2030, the number of megacities will grow to over **40**.

In 1950 only **30%** of the world pop. (2.5 billion) were urban: by 2025 over **60%** of the world population will be urban (over 5 billion).

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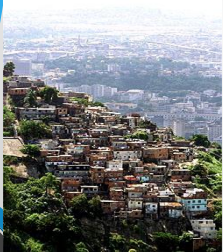


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2. Megacity Problems: Examples

- b. Problems of inadequate housing - [Shantytown Development \(and clearance\)](#)



Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (pop ~12 mil)



Lagos, Nigeria, Africa (pop ~15mil)

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2c. Photos and Other Info on Urbanization by Region

i. Latin America

[Mexico City](#) - 2

[Rio De Janeiro](#) (Brazil's economy)



ii. Asia

[Manila, Phillipines](#)

iii. Africa

[Sub-Saharan African Urbanization \(CSIS\)](#)
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