



World Population Day

11 July is celebrated as World Population Day

- In 1989, the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme recommended that 11 July be observed by the international community as World Population Day, a day to focus attention on the urgency and importance of population issues.
- The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) seeks to create awareness about the [issues](#) associated with population.

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- The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), formerly the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, is a UN organization. It was created in 1969.
- UNFPA works to support family planning by ensuring a steady, reliable supply of quality contraceptives; strengthening national health systems; advocating for policies supportive of family planning; and gathering data to support this work.
- UNFPA also provides global leadership in increasing access to family planning, by convening partners – including governments – to develop evidence and policies, and by offering programmatic, technical and financial assistance to developing countries.

Present Population Trends

- Current estimates indicate that roughly 83 million people are being added to the world's population every year.
- Even assuming that fertility levels will continue to decline, the global population is expected to reach 8.6 billion in 2030, 9.8 billion in 2050 and 11.2 billion in 2100
- According to [‘The World Population Prospects 2019’](#) published by the Population Division of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, India is projected to surpass China as the world's most populous country by 2027.
- But according to the Economic Survey 2018-19, India's population growth rate will [decline faster](#) than assumed as the fertility rate in many states has reached the replacement rate.