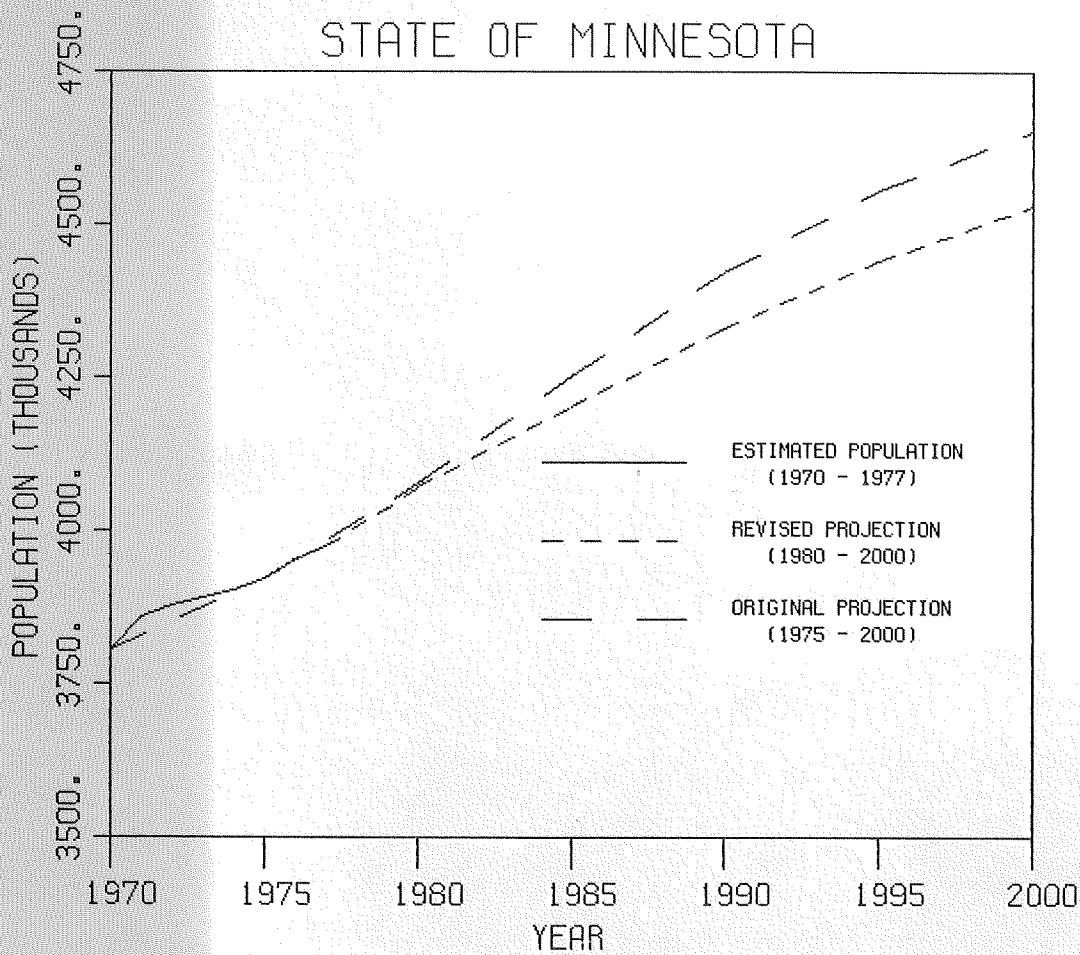


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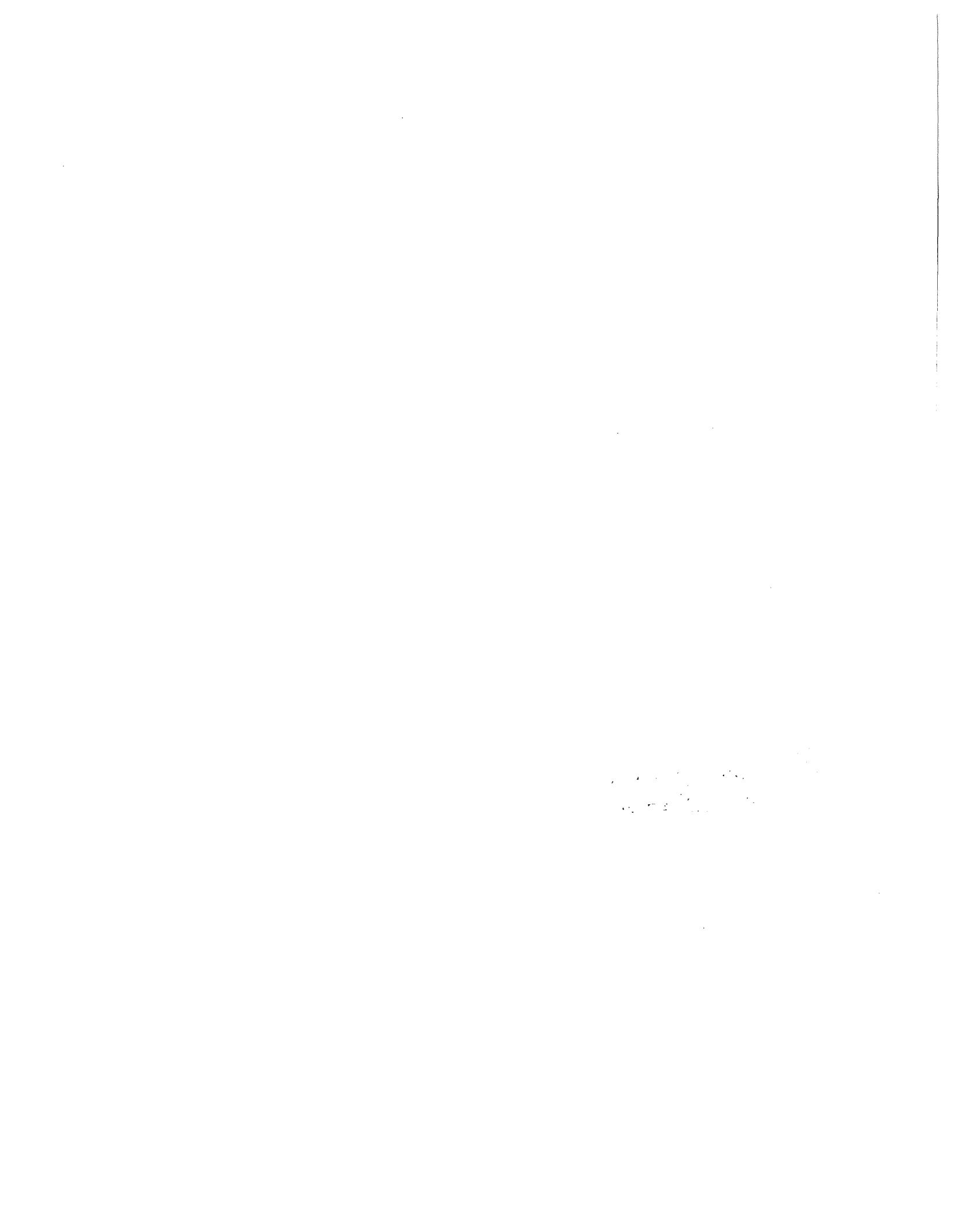
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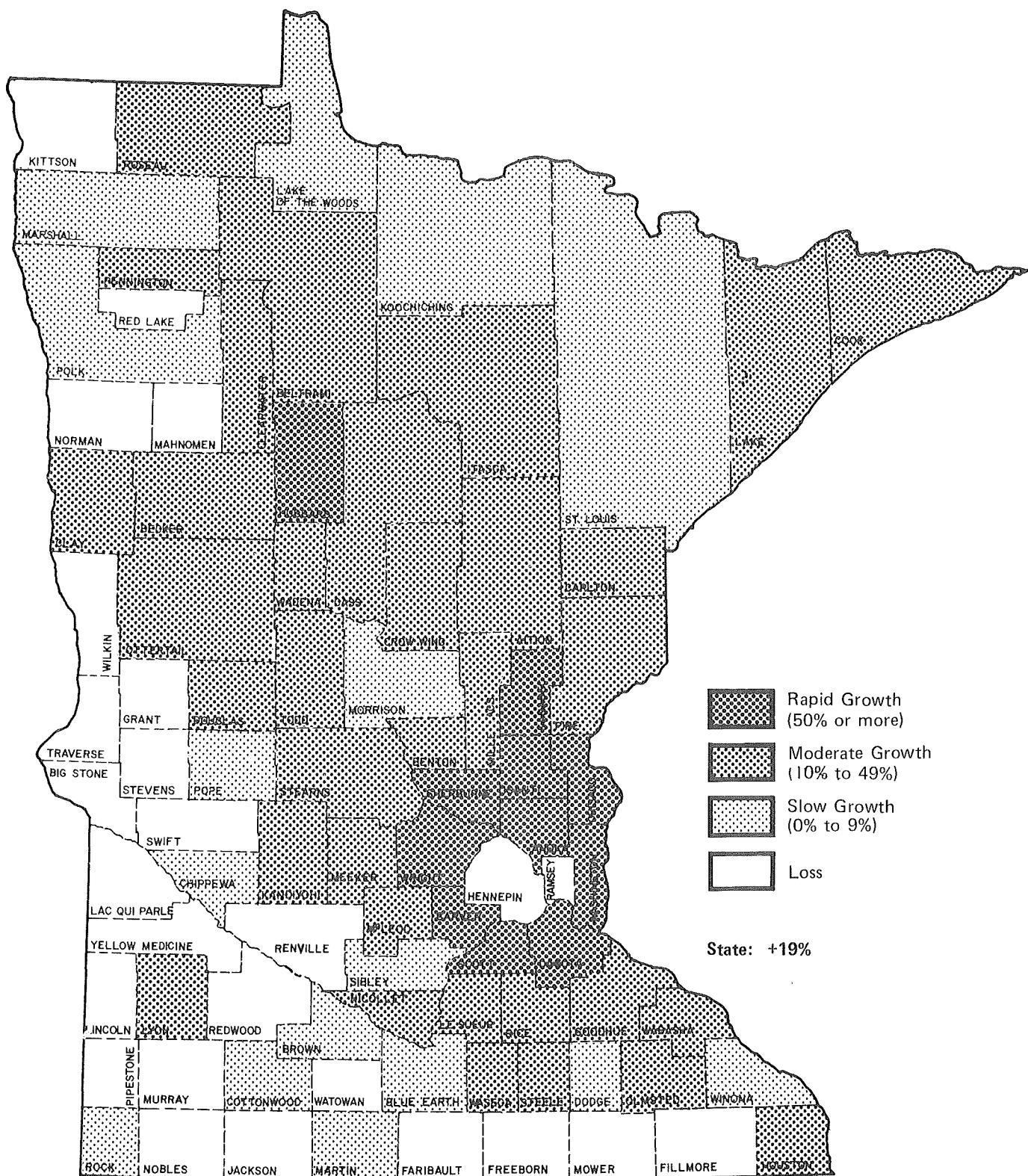


# Preface

This publication contains revised projections of total population of Minnesota counties for the period 1980-2000. These revisions are based on our assessment of the projections originally made by this office in 1975 (*Minnesota Population Projections: 1970-2000*) in light of recent estimates of trends in population, migration, fertility and employment.

The projections presented in this publication are for total county population only. A complete set of projections for the period 1980-2010 with age-sex detail will be made following the 1980 census. Anticipated publication date is late 1982.

**Figure 1**  
**Projected Population Change 1970-2000**



# Highlights

The population of Minnesota is projected to increase from 3,975,000 in 1977 to 4,529,800 in 2000, a gain of 14 percent. This projection is 123,000 lower than the 2000 projection of 4,652,800 made by this office in 1975.<sup>1</sup> This decrease is due to a changed assumption in migration.

Declining population throughout the period is now projected for Hennepin and Ramsey Counties. Hennepin County is projected to have 80,000 fewer people in 2000 than in 1970, a decrease of 8.3 percent. Over the same period, Ramsey County is expected to lose 34,000 people, a decline of 7.2 percent. This projected decline reflects an assumption of a slower rate of population loss than that experienced by these counties in the 1970s, and is therefore conservative. A more substantial decline is well within the realm of possibility. Other counties for which a decline in population is projected are concentrated in agricultural areas of the state, most notably along the southern and western borders of the state and in Regions 6W, 8 and 9.

Growth will continue to be most rapid in counties north and northwest of the Twin Cities as well as in the suburban counties of the Twin Cities metropolitan area. Five counties, Chisago, Dakota, Isanti, Sherburne and Wright, are projected to more than double their 1970 population by 2000. Anoka, Carver, Hubbard, Kanabec, Scott and Washington Counties are projected to grow by more than 65 percent over the same period.

Growth is also expected in the "scenic" or "resort" counties in northern Minnesota such as Aitkin, Cass, Cook and Itasca. In western Minnesota, counties with a relatively large concentration of lakes, such as Becker, Douglas and Otter Tail, are gaining in population in contrast to more agricultural areas.

Among metropolitan areas, the most rapid growth is projected for the St. Cloud and Rochester areas. The three counties surrounding St. Cloud (Benton, Sherburne, Stearns) are projected to increase by 51 percent from 1970 to 2000, while the Rochester area (Olmsted County) is projected to grow by 49 percent over the same period.

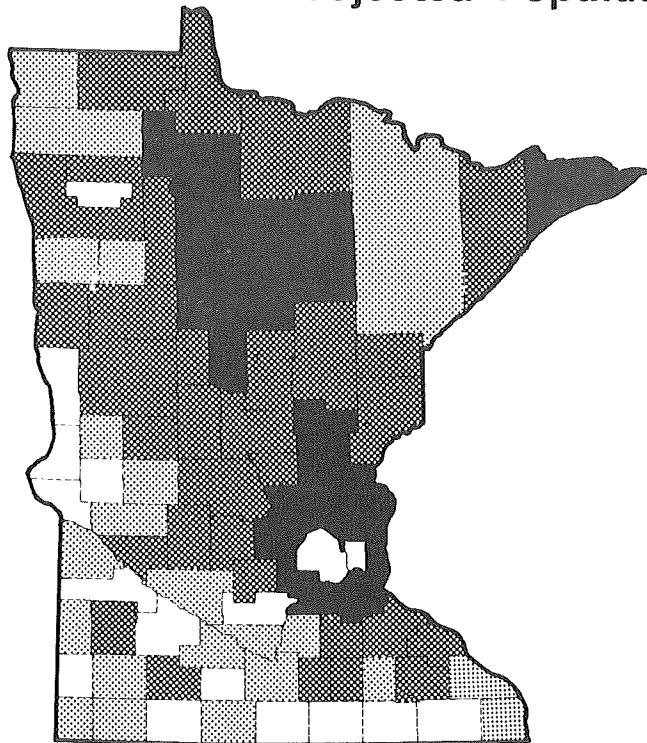
Growth is expected to be most rapid during the early part of the period from 1970 to 2000, and is projected to slow down noticeably by the end of the period. This slowing down of growth is due primarily to the aging of the population that will occur as the "baby-boom generation" passes its peak childbearing years. Growth of more than 30 percent from 1970 to 1980 is projected in nine counties, while only one, Chisago County, is projected to grow by this amount from 1990 to 2000. Seventeen counties are projected to have declining populations from 1970 to 1980 while 44 counties will show declines from 1990 to 2000.

Hennepin and Ramsey Counties will continue to be the two most populous counties in the state through 2000. Anoka and Dakota Counties are projected to overtake St. Louis County by 1990 and become the third and fourth largest counties, respectively. Rounding out the list of the ten most populous counties in 2000 will be Washington, Stearns, Olmsted, Wright and Scott. Ramsey will continue to be the most densely populated county with 2,852 persons per square mile in the year 2000, while Hennepin will have the second highest density (1,552 persons per square mile). Even with a rapidly growing population the third most densely populated county, Anoka, will have less than half the density of Hennepin County and about a quarter of the density of Ramsey County by the turn of the century.

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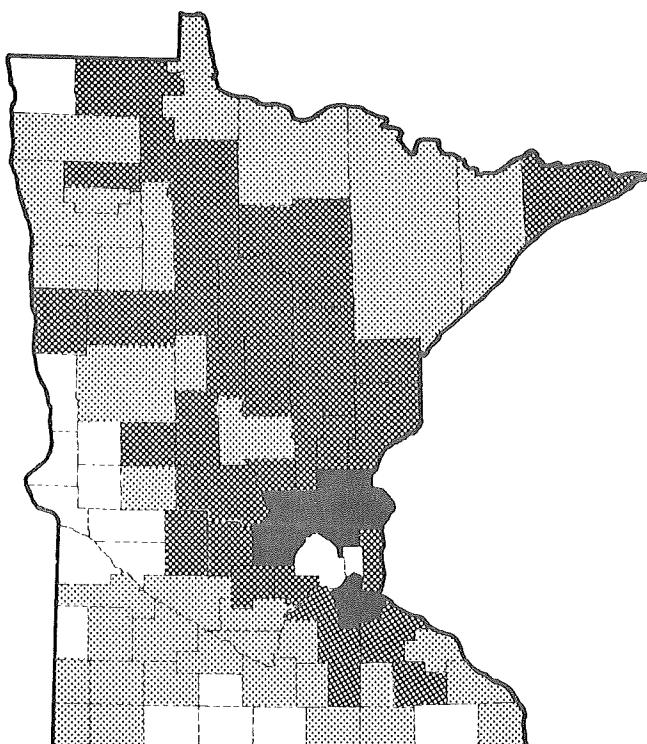
<sup>1</sup>Minnesota State Planning Agency, Office of State Demographer, *Minnesota Population Projections: 1970-2000* (1975).

Figure 2  
Projected Population Change by Decade

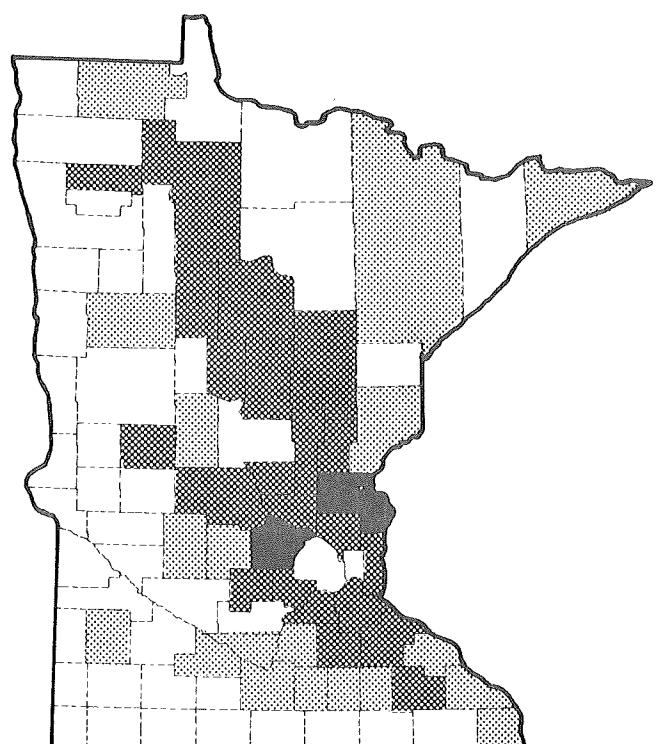


1970 – 1980  
State: +6.9%

- Rapid Growth (20% or more)
- Moderate Growth (5% to 19%)
- Slow Growth (0% to 4%)
- Loss



1980 – 1990  
State: +6.4%



1990 – 2000  
State: +4.6%

# Changes from Original Projections: Assumptions and Methodology

The legislation establishing the Office of State Demographer (Minnesota Statutes §4.12 (1974)) requires that population projections be made and then assessed annually. The first set of projections was published in November 1974.<sup>2</sup> The decision to issue a revised set of county population projections at this time was made following an assessment of the original projections in light of annual population estimates developed by this office.<sup>3</sup>

Most revisions are relatively minor. Projections for 51 of the 87 counties in both 1980 and 2000 were adjusted by less than five percent. Major adjustments, however, were made in several of the largest counties in the state, most notably Hennepin, Ramsey and St. Louis Counties. Other counties in which significant changes were made include the amenity counties in northern Minnesota and counties with large college populations. Short-term projections were revised upward in many of the counties surrounding the Twin Cities because of higher than projected growth rates in the 1970s. However, the long-term projections in these counties remain unchanged reflecting anticipated slower rates of growth in the later part of this century.

The revised projections presented here reflect changes in several assumptions used in developing the original projections. These include:

- Slight net immigration to Minnesota from the rest of the country was measured from 1970 to 1974 and was incorporated into the projections made at that time. However, recent estimates indicate that Minnesota has resumed its historical role as a net outmigration state. The 1960-1970 net migration rate, indicating slight outmigration, now appears to be more appropriate. This change results in a decrease of 123,000 (three percent) in the projected Minnesota 2000 population.

- The assumption of a statewide fertility rate of 1.9 children per woman at the end of childbearing remains unchanged for the revised state projection. However, it appears that several counties either have fertility rates significantly higher or lower than this level, differences in the timing of births, or both. Projections in these counties have been adjusted accordingly.
- Counties with institutions of higher education presented special problems in both the original projections and the revisions. Both in and outmigration rates in these counties are high, particularly among 18 to 24 year-olds. In addition, fertility rates in these counties tend to be much lower than the statewide average. While adjustments were made for these factors in the original projections it is apparent that these adjustments were not large enough. The revised projections for most of these counties are lower.
- The proportion of the state's population living in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area (Region 11)<sup>4</sup> has declined steadily from 49.3 percent in 1970 to an estimated 48.4 percent in 1977. This represents a shift of more than 35,000 people to outstate areas. These revised projections show a leveling off in this proportion by 1990, with the proportion of the state living in Region 11 at the 1977 level in 2000.

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<sup>2</sup>Minnesota State Planning Agency, Office of State Demographer, *Minnesota Population Projections 1970-2000* (1975).

<sup>3</sup>Minnesota State Planning Agency, Office of State Demographer, *Population Estimates for Minnesota Counties, 1977* (1978).

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<sup>4</sup>Region 11 is the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area — Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington Counties.

Within Region 11, the population of Hennepin and Ramsey Counties has declined substantially since 1970, with the suburban counties (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Scott and Washington) being the major beneficiaries. The prospect of underprojecting the fast growing suburban counties was raised in *Minnesota Population Projections: 1970-2000*.

*The estimated population decline in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties since 1970 presents certain theoretical problems. Will that decline continue? If so, for how long? Since the decline is not small, its projected continuation would greatly reduce the size of these counties by 2000, a prospect that seems unlikely from the vantage point of 1975 . . . . The projection for 1980 may well exceed the census of 1980 for these two counties, Hennepin and Ramsey. The other counties of the Metro Area (Region 11) are the main benefactors of the decline in population in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties, thus, they may be slightly under-projected in 1980.<sup>5</sup>*

The rapid growth in these suburban counties shows no signs of abating. In order for this rate of growth to continue the population of Hennepin and Ramsey must continue to decline. Although the projections presented here show a dramatic slowdown in the rate of population loss in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties, this must be considered an optimistic outlook given the trends of the 1970s.

- In the original projections, two sets of projections were prepared for St. Louis County. Neither of these appears reasonable in light of recent estimates. During the early 1970s, St. Louis County was losing population. However, beginning in 1974 this trend reversed itself and by 1977 St. Louis County had regained its 1970 population level. Given this turnaround, it now seems reasonable that St. Louis County will show some growth in the remainder of this century.

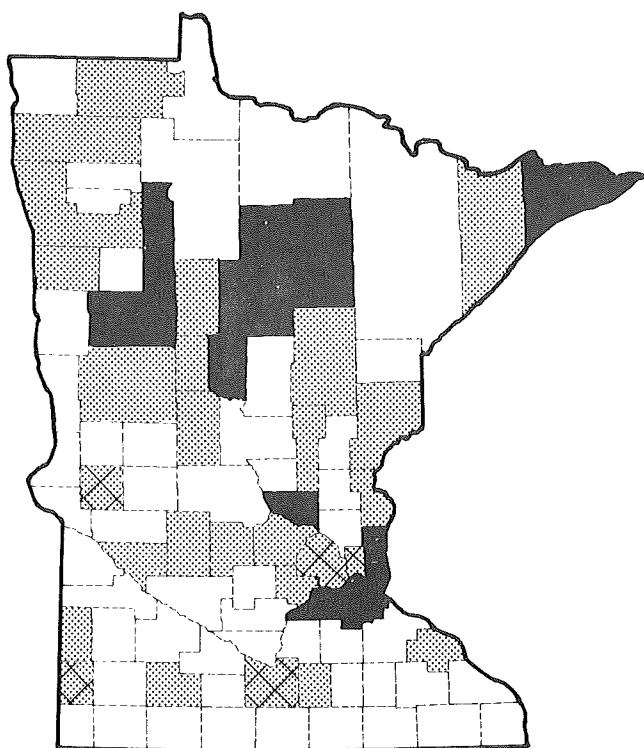
- Much speculation has taken place concerning the effect of potential energy shortages on population trends. As no evidence of population shifts due to energy availability is yet apparent, this possibility is not reflected in these projections. However, future energy availability and costs are key factors that could result in significant deviations from the projections.

These revised projections were developed by first making adjustments to the original projections for 2000. These adjustments were based on the above changes in assumptions, current population estimates, and information on migration patterns, births, deaths and recent employment changes. The state projection was revised first, after which regional projections were made and adjusted to agree with the state total. County projections were then derived within the constraints provided by the regional projections. After the 2000 projections were made it was determined which counties were in need of adjustments to intervening years. A variety of curvefitting techniques were used to derive projections for the interval 1980 to 1995.

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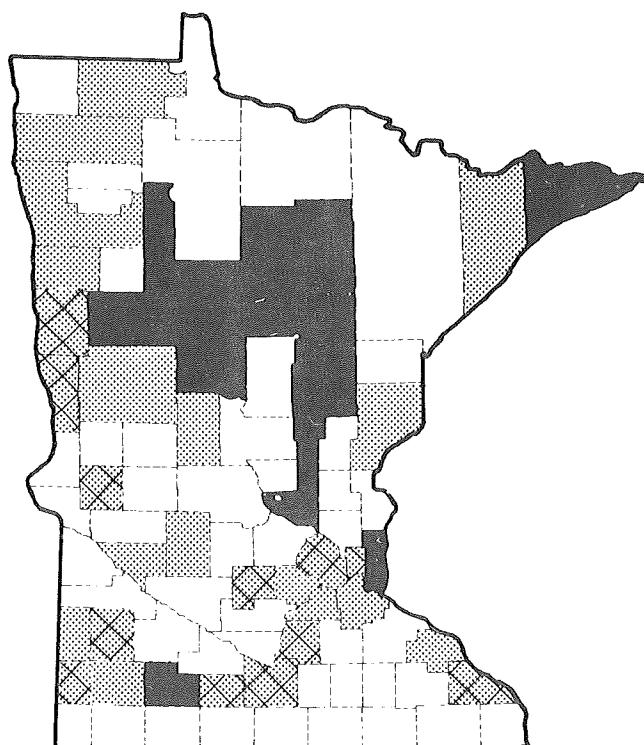
<sup>5</sup>Minnesota State Planning Agency, Office of State Demographer, *Minnesota Population Projections: 1970-2000* (1975), p. 35.

**Figure 3**  
**Comparison of Revised and Original Projections**

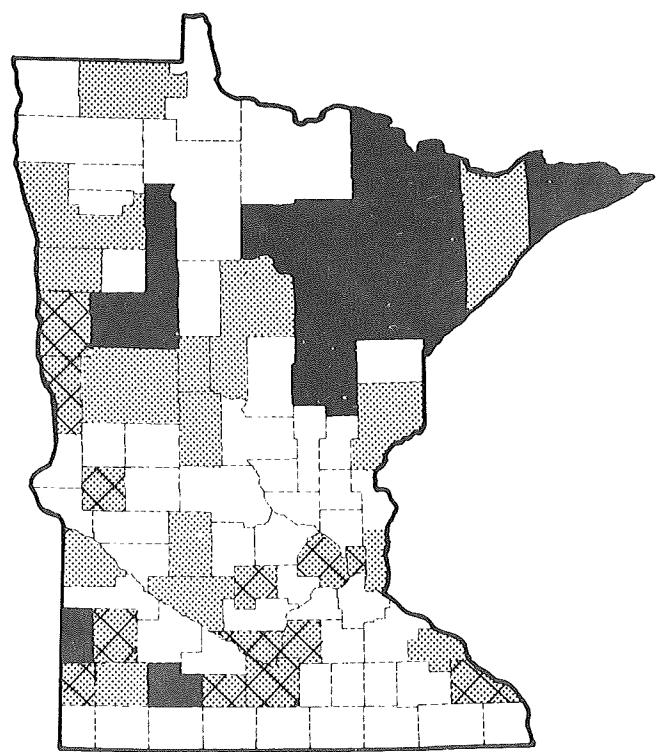


1980  
State: -0.2%

- Revised projection more than 10% higher than original
- Revised projection between 5% and 10% higher than original
- Revised projection within 5% of original
- Revised projection more than 5% lower than original



1990  
State: -2.1%



2000  
State: -2.6%

TABLE 1  
Revised Minnesota County Population Projections: 1970-2000

County	(Census)	(Estimate)	Projections				
	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000
Aitkin	11,400	12,400	13,600	14,100	14,600	15,100	15,400
Anoka	154,700	185,400	209,800	233,100	260,300	282,300	305,900
Becker	24,400	26,600	28,600	29,800	30,800	31,400	31,800
Beltrami	26,400	29,200	31,700	33,700	35,500	37,100	38,400
Benton	20,800	23,000	24,000	25,600	27,000	28,600	29,700
Big Stone	7,900	7,900	7,600	7,600	7,500	7,300	7,000
Blue Earth	52,300	51,600	52,400	53,300	54,200	54,900	55,500
Brown	28,900	29,700	29,300	30,000	30,600	30,800	30,700
Carlton	28,100	28,600	30,600	31,600	32,200	32,400	32,100
Carver	28,300	33,500	37,300	40,700	43,600	45,900	47,800
Cass	17,300	19,500	21,800	23,300	24,300	25,100	25,800
Chippewa	15,100	15,400	16,100	16,100	15,900	15,600	15,200
Chisago	17,500	21,900	25,300	29,700	34,400	39,800	44,900
Clay	46,600	46,600	49,300	51,100	52,400	53,400	54,000
Clearwater	8,000	8,700	9,300	9,600	9,700	9,700	9,500
Cook	3,400	3,700	4,400	4,700	4,800	4,800	4,900
Cottonwood	14,900	15,200	15,700	15,900	15,900	15,700	15,200
Crow Wing	34,800	38,700	41,300	43,800	46,200	48,500	50,600
Dakota	139,800	145,100	202,200	225,800	249,300	272,400	293,300
Dodge	13,000	13,400	13,400	13,500	13,600	13,600	13,400
Douglas	22,900	24,900	26,800	28,700	30,500	32,300	34,100
Faribault	20,900	20,200	19,600	19,100	18,700	18,100	17,300
Fillmore	21,900	21,900	21,700	21,500	21,200	20,800	20,400
Freeborn	38,100	36,700	37,400	37,800	37,900	37,600	36,800
Goodhue	34,800	37,600	39,900	42,300	44,500	46,600	48,600
Grant	7,500	7,400	7,500	7,300	7,200	7,000	6,600
Hennepin	960,100	921,000	899,400	891,200	886,000	882,500	880,000
Houston	17,600	17,900	18,400	18,800	19,200	19,500	19,900
Hubbard	10,600	12,200	13,600	14,700	15,800	16,800	17,500
Isanti	16,600	19,900	21,700	25,300	29,000	33,000	37,000

County	(Census)	(Estimate)	Projections				
	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000
Itasca	35,500	38,300	43,800	45,800	47,000	47,300	46,500
Jackson	14,400	14,600	14,200	14,100	14,000	13,700	13,200
Kanabec	9,800	11,300	11,800	12,900	14,000	15,300	16,500
Kandiyohi	30,500	32,500	34,900	36,200	37,400	38,400	39,100
Kittson	6,900	6,800	6,900	6,800	6,700	6,500	6,200
Koochiching	17,100	17,500	18,000	18,300	18,400	18,300	17,800
Lac Qui Parle	11,200	11,200	11,200	11,100	10,900	10,700	10,400
Lake	13,400	13,600	14,600	15,000	15,100	15,000	14,700
Lake of the Woods	4,000	4,300	4,200	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,200
Le Sueur	21,300	22,300	22,200	22,600	23,000	23,300	23,500
Lincoln	8,100	8,300	8,300	8,300	8,200	8,100	7,900
Lyon	24,300	24,700	25,600	26,200	26,700	27,200	27,600
McLeod	27,700	29,000	30,500	32,200	33,800	35,400	37,400
Mahnomen	5,600	5,800	5,800	5,900	5,800	5,600	5,400
Marshall	13,100	13,200	13,700	13,800	13,800	13,700	13,400
Martin	24,300	25,000	25,200	25,300	25,100	24,700	24,300
Meeker	18,400	18,700	20,700	21,300	21,700	22,100	22,300
Mille Lacs	15,700	17,900	19,400	20,800	22,000	22,900	23,500
Morrison	26,900	27,700	28,400	28,800	29,100	29,100	28,700
Mower	43,900	43,500	42,600	43,000	43,400	43,100	41,900
Murray	12,500	11,800	12,500	12,600	12,500	12,200	11,700
Nicollet	24,500	24,600	25,600	26,200	26,600	27,000	27,300
Nobles	23,200	23,100	23,400	23,800	23,900	23,700	23,100
Norman	10,000	9,400	10,200	10,300	10,200	10,000	9,600
Olmsted	84,100	88,400	95,800	103,900	112,200	119,500	125,500
Otter Tail	46,100	48,500	50,300	51,300	52,000	52,200	51,700
Pennington	13,300	14,500	15,600	16,500	17,300	18,000	18,600
Pine	16,800	18,500	19,700	20,500	21,200	21,800	22,200
Pipestone	12,800	12,000	11,700	11,800	11,700	11,500	11,100
Polk	34,400	35,100	37,300	37,700	37,600	37,300	36,500
Pope	11,100	11,000	11,500	11,600	11,600	11,500	11,400
Ramsey	476,300	460,300	450,100	446,500	444,500	443,000	442,000
Red Lake	5,400	5,300	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,100
Redwood	20,000	19,600	19,400	19,600	19,500	19,100	18,500
Renville	21,100	20,900	21,400	21,600	21,500	21,200	20,800

County	(Census)	(Estimate)	Projections				
	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000
Rice	41,600	43,500	46,200	47,900	49,100	50,500	51,700
Rock	11,300	11,400	11,400	11,500	11,600	11,500	11,300
Roseau	11,600	12,200	13,100	13,500	13,700	13,800	13,700
St. Louis	220,700	216,600	224,500	227,400	229,900	232,100	234,000
Scott	32,400	39,600	44,600	48,600	51,700	55,500	58,700
Sherburne	18,300	25,600	32,100	37,300	41,200	43,900	45,300
Sibley	15,800	15,700	15,700	15,900	16,000	16,000	15,800
Stearns	95,400	102,300	109,600	115,700	121,100	125,600	129,300
Steele	26,900	28,700	30,100	31,200	32,000	32,500	32,700
Stevens	11,200	11,200	11,000	10,900	10,900	10,800	10,700
Swift	13,200	13,300	13,200	13,100	13,000	12,800	12,400
Todd	22,100	23,300	25,000	25,700	26,200	26,600	26,700
Traverse	6,300	6,100	6,000	6,100	5,900	5,700	5,500
Wabasha	17,200	18,400	19,400	19,800	20,000	20,100	20,100
Wadena	12,400	13,300	13,900	14,100	14,200	14,100	13,900
Waseca	16,700	17,800	18,300	18,700	19,100	19,400	19,500
Washington	83,000	103,400	119,300	131,000	141,900	153,900	163,500
Watsonwan	13,300	12,600	12,100	11,900	11,800	11,600	11,300
Wilkin	9,400	8,900	8,800	8,700	8,600	8,400	8,100
Winona	44,400	45,100	45,600	45,800	46,000	46,100	46,200
Wright	38,900	47,700	55,200	63,200	71,100	79,100	87,000
Yellow Medicine	14,500	14,200	14,100	14,100	14,100	13,900	13,500
STATE	3,806,100	3,921,000	4,070,600	4,203,600	4,329,700	4,440,400	4,529,600

**TABLE 2**  
**State and Regional Population Projections: 1970-2000**

Region	(Census) 1970		(Estimate) 1975		Projections									
					1980		1985		1990		1995		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Region 1	94,600	2.5	96,500	2.5	102,000	2.5	103,800	2.5	104,500	2.4	104,500	2.4	103,100	2.3
Region 2	54,600	1.4	60,000	1.5	64,600	1.6	68,200	1.6	71,100	1.6	73,500	1.7	75,000	1.7
Region 3	329,600	8.7	330,700	8.4	349,500	8.6	356,900	8.5	362,000	8.4	365,000	8.2	365,400	8.1
Region 4	185,400	4.9	191,200	4.9	199,800	4.9	205,500	4.9	209,900	4.8	212,700	4.8	213,900	4.7
Region 5	113,600	3.0	122,500	3.1	130,400	3.2	135,700	3.2	140,000	3.2	143,400	3.2	145,700	3.2
Region 6E	97,700	2.6	102,400	2.6	107,500	2.6	111,300	2.6	114,400	2.6	117,100	2.6	119,600	2.6
Region 6W	61,900	1.6	62,000	1.6	62,200	1.5	62,000	1.5	61,400	1.4	60,300	1.4	58,500	1.3
Region 7E	76,400	2.0	89,500	2.3	97,900	2.4	109,200	2.6	120,600	2.8	132,800	3.0	144,100	3.2
Region 7W	173,500	4.6	198,600	5.1	220,900	5.4	241,800	5.8	260,400	6.0	277,200	6.2	291,300	6.4
Region 8	141,500	3.7	140,700	3.6	142,200	3.5	143,800	3.4	144,000	3.3	142,700	3.2	139,600	3.1
Region 9	218,100	5.7	219,500	5.6	220,400	5.4	223,000	5.3	225,100	5.2	225,800	5.1	225,200	5.0
Region 10	384,500	10.1	395,100	10.1	410,500	10.1	425,500	10.1	439,000	10.1	449,900	10.1	457,200	10.1
Region 11	1,874,600	49.3	1,912,500	48.8	1,962,700	48.2	2,016,900	48.0	2,077,300	48.0	2,135,500	48.1	2,191,200	48.4
STATE	3,806,100	100.0	3,921,000	100.0	4,070,600	100.0	4,203,600	100.0	4,329,700	100.0	4,440,400	100.0	4,529,800	100.0

NOTE: The sum of the regional populations and percentages may not exactly agree with the state totals due to rounding.

**TABLE 3**  
**Metropolitan Area Population Projections: 1970-2000**

Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area and County	(Census)	(Estimate)	Projections					Projected Change (Percentages)			
	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	1970-1980	1980-1990	1990-2000	1970-2000
Duluth-Superior, Minn.-Wisc. (Minn. Portion) St. Louis County	220,700	216,000	224,500	227,400	229,900	232,100	234,000	1.7	2.4	1.8	6.0
Fargo-Moorhead, N. Dakota-Minn. (Minn. Portion) Clay County	46,600	46,600	49,300	51,100	52,400	53,400	54,000	5.8	6.3	3.1	15.9
Grand Forks, N. Dakota-Minn. (Minn. Portion) Polk County	34,400	35,100	37,300	37,700	37,600	37,300	36,500	8.4	0.8	-2.9	6.1
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wisc. (Minn. Portion) Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, Washington, Wright Counties	1,931,000	1,982,100	2,043,200	2,109,800	2,182,800	2,254,400	2,323,100	5.8	6.8	6.4	20.3
Rochester, Minn. Olmsted County	84,100	88,400	95,800	103,900	112,200	119,500	125,500	13.9	17.1	11.9	49.2
St. Cloud, Minn. Benton, Sherburne, Stearns Counties	134,600	150,900	165,700	178,600	189,300	198,100	204,300	23.1	14.2	7.9	51.8

TABLE 4

**Projected Percentage Population Change,  
Minnesota Counties by Region, 1970-1980, 1980-1990, 1990-2000**

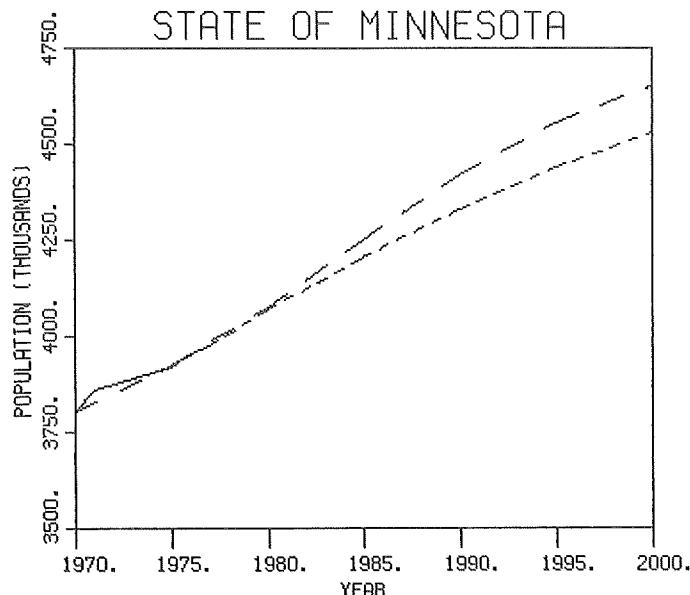
	<u>1970-1980</u>	<u>1980-1990</u>	<u>1990-2000</u>	<u>1970-2000</u>
<b>Region 1</b>				
Kittson	0.0	-2.9	-7.5	-10.1
Marshall	4.6	0.7	-2.9	2.3
Norman	2.0	0.0	-5.9	-4.0
Pennington	17.3	10.9	7.5	39.8
Polk	8.4	0.8	-2.9	6.1
Red Lake	-3.7	0.0	-1.9	-5.6
Roseau	12.9	4.6	0.0	18.1
Region	7.8	2.5	-1.3	9.0
<b>Region 2</b>				
Beltrami	20.1	12.0	8.2	45.5
Clearwater	16.3	4.3	-2.1	18.8
Hubbard	28.3	16.2	10.8	65.1
Lake of the Woods	5.0	2.4	-2.3	5.0
Mahnomen	3.6	0.0	-6.9	-3.6
Region	18.3	10.1	5.5	37.4
<b>Region 3</b>				
Aitkin	19.3	7.4	5.5	35.1
Carlton	8.9	5.2	-0.3	14.2
Cook	29.4	9.1	2.1	44.1
Itasca	23.4	7.3	-1.1	31.0
Koochiching	5.3	2.2	-3.3	4.1
Lake	9.0	3.4	-2.6	9.7
St. Louis	1.7	2.4	1.8	6.0
Region	6.0	3.6	0.9	10.9
<b>Region 4</b>				
Becker	17.2	7.7	3.2	30.3
Clay	5.8	6.3	3.1	15.9
Douglas	17.0	13.8	11.8	48.9
Grant	0.0	-4.0	-8.3	-12.0
Otter Tail	9.1	3.4	-0.6	12.1
Pope	3.6	0.9	-1.7	2.7
Stevens	-1.8	-0.9	-1.8	-4.5
Traverse	-4.8	-1.7	-6.8	-12.7
Wilkin	-6.4	-2.3	-5.8	-13.8
Region	7.8	5.1	1.9	15.4

	<u>1970-1980</u>	<u>1980-1990</u>	<u>1990-2000</u>	<u>1970-2000</u>
<b>Region 5</b>				
Cass	26.0	11.5	6.2	49.1
Crow Wing	18.7	11.9	9.5	45.4
Morrison	5.6	2.5	-1.4	6.7
Todd	13.1	4.8	1.9	20.8
Wadena	12.1	2.2	-2.1	12.1
Region	14.8	7.4	4.1	28.3
<b>Region 6E</b>				
Kandiyohi	14.4	7.2	4.5	28.2
McLeod	10.1	10.8	10.7	35.0
Meeker	12.5	4.8	2.8	21.2
Renville	1.4	0.5	-3.3	-1.4
Region	10.0	6.4	4.5	22.4
<b>Region 6W</b>				
Big Stone	-3.8	-1.3	-6.7	-11.4
Chippewa	6.6	-1.2	-4.4	0.7
Lac Qui Parle	0.0	-2.7	-4.6	-7.1
Swift	0.0	-1.5	-4.6	-6.1
Yellow Medicine	-2.8	0.0	-4.3	-6.9
Region	0.5	-1.3	-4.7	-5.5
<b>Region 7E</b>				
Chisago	44.6	36.0	30.5	156.6
Isanti	30.7	33.6	27.6	122.9
Kanabec	20.4	18.6	17.9	68.4
Mille Lacs	23.6	13.4	6.8	49.7
Pine	17.3	7.6	4.7	32.1
Region	28.1	23.2	19.5	88.6
<b>Region 7W</b>				
Benton	15.4	12.5	10.0	42.8
Sherburne	75.4	28.3	10.0	147.5
Stearns	14.9	10.5	6.8	35.5
Wright	41.9	28.8	22.4	123.7
Region	27.3	17.9	11.9	67.9
<b>Region 8</b>				
Cottonwood	5.4	1.3	-4.4	2.0
Jackson	-1.4	-1.4	-5.7	-8.3
Lincoln	2.5	-1.2	-3.7	-2.5
Lyon	5.3	4.3	3.4	13.6
Murray	0.0	0.0	-6.4	-6.4
Nobles	0.9	2.1	-3.3	-0.4
Pipestone	-8.6	0.0	-5.1	-13.3
Redwood	-3.0	0.5	-5.1	-7.5
Rock	0.9	1.8	-2.6	0.0
Region	0.5	1.3	-3.1	-1.3

	<u>1970-1980</u>	<u>1980-1990</u>	<u>1990-2000</u>	<u>1970-2000</u>
<b>Region 9</b>				
Blue Earth	0.2	3.4	2.4	6.1
Brown	1.4	4.4	0.3	6.2
Faribault	-6.2	-4.6	-7.5	-17.2
Le Sueur	4.2	3.6	2.2	10.3
Martin	3.7	-0.4	-3.2	0.0
Nicollet	4.5	3.9	2.6	11.4
Sibley	-0.6	1.9	-1.3	0.0
Waseca	9.6	4.4	2.1	16.8
Watonwan	-9.0	-2.5	-4.2	-15.0
Region	1.1	2.1	0.0	3.3
<b>Region 10</b>				
Dodge	3.1	1.5	-1.5	3.1
Fillmore	-0.9	-2.3	-3.8	-6.8
Freeborn	-1.8	1.3	-2.9	-3.4
Goodhue	14.7	11.5	9.2	39.7
Houston	4.5	4.3	3.6	13.1
Mower	-3.0	1.9	-3.5	-4.6
Olmsted	13.9	17.1	11.9	49.2
Rice	11.1	6.3	5.3	24.3
Steele	11.9	6.3	2.2	21.6
Wabasha	12.8	3.1	0.5	16.9
Winona	2.7	0.9	0.4	4.1
Region	6.8	6.9	4.1	18.9
<b>Region 11</b>				
Anoka	35.6	24.1	17.5	97.7
Carver	31.8	16.9	9.6	68.9
Dakota	44.6	23.3	17.6	109.8
Hennepin	-6.3	-1.5	-0.7	-8.3
Ramsey	-5.5	-1.2	-0.6	-7.2
Scott	37.7	15.9	13.5	81.2
Washington	43.7	18.9	15.2	97.0
Region	4.7	5.8	5.5	16.9
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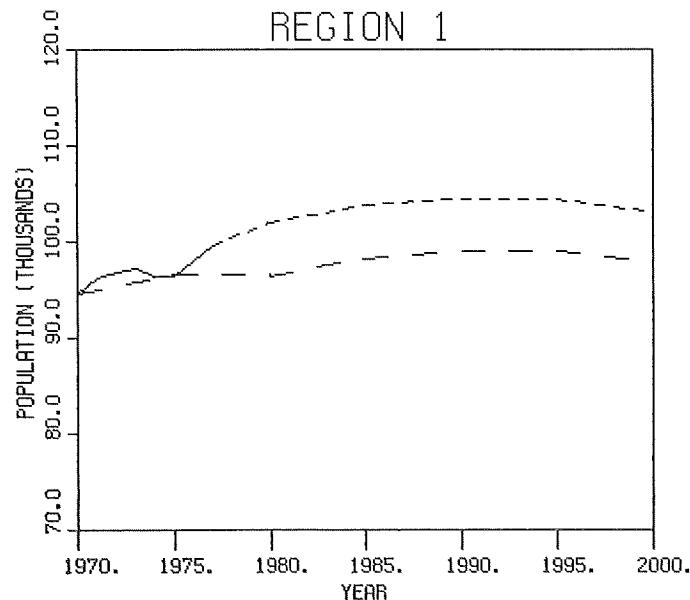
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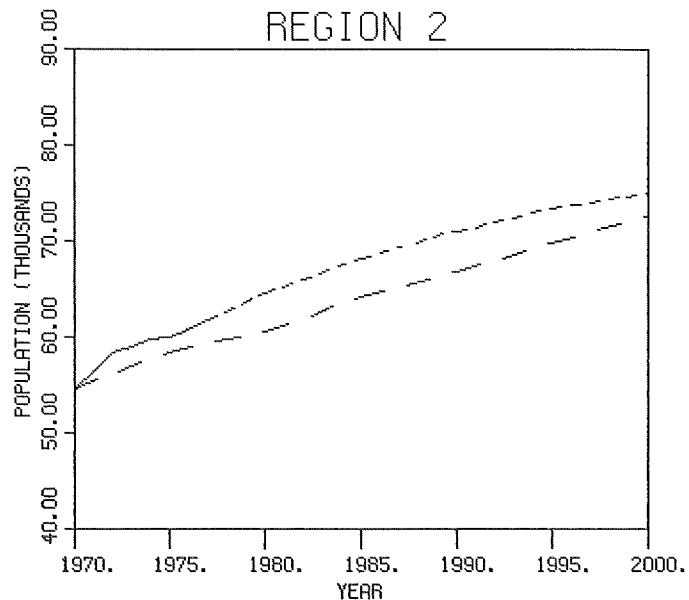


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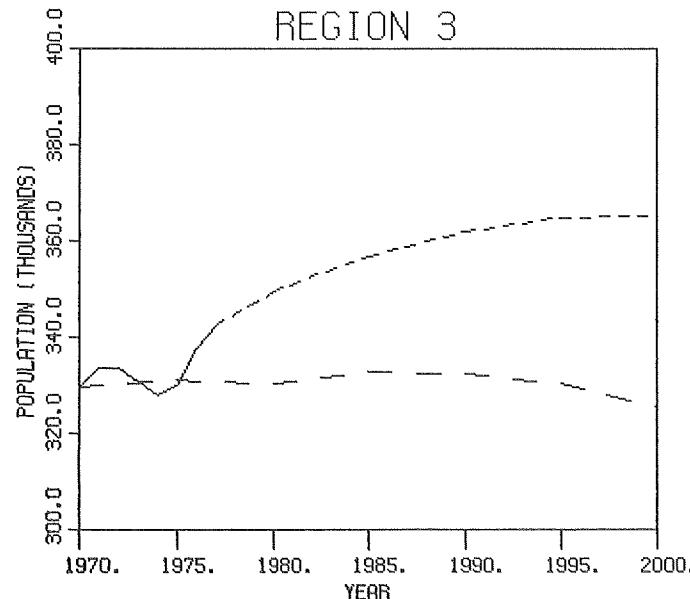
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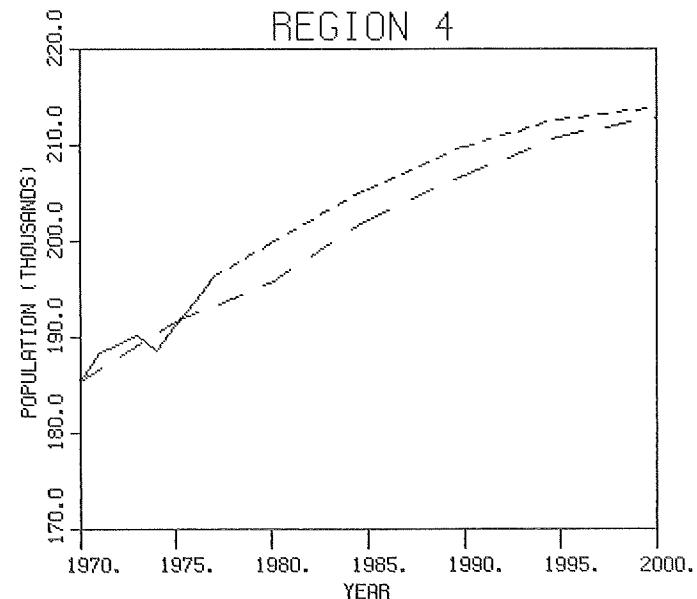
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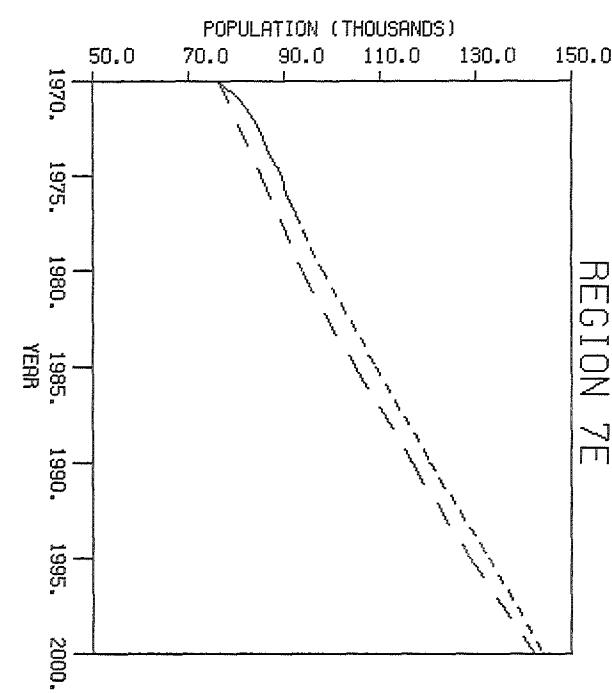
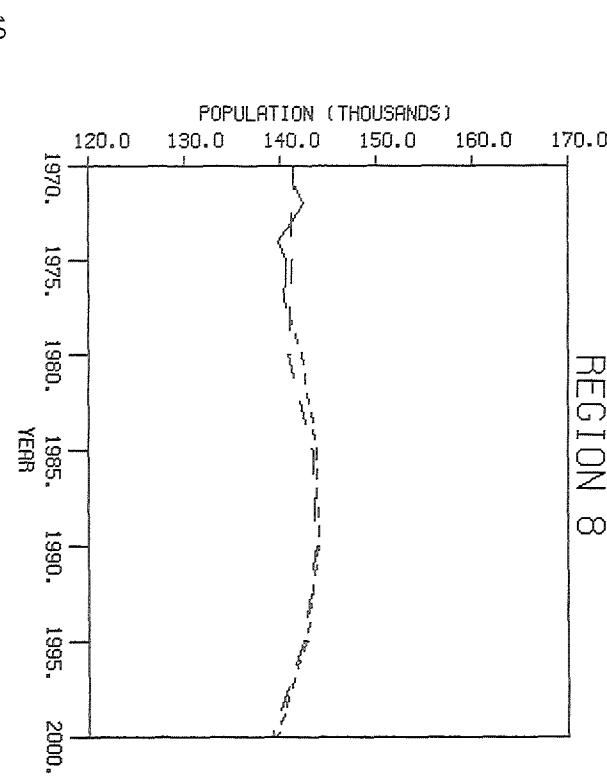
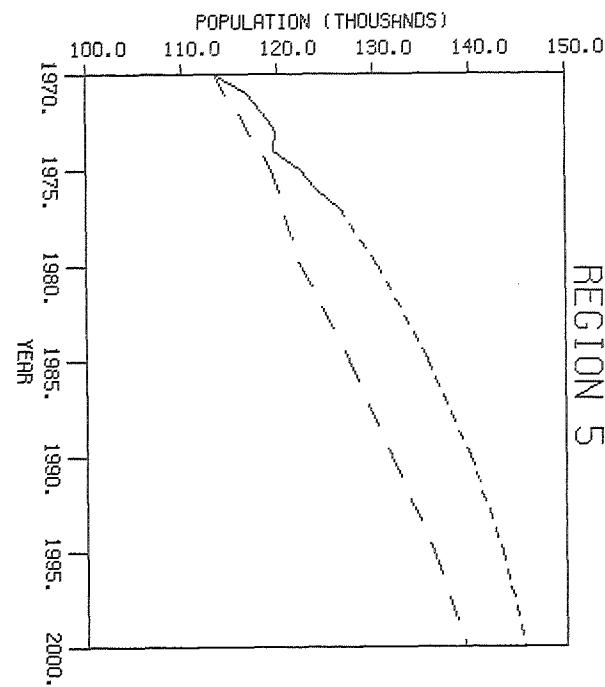
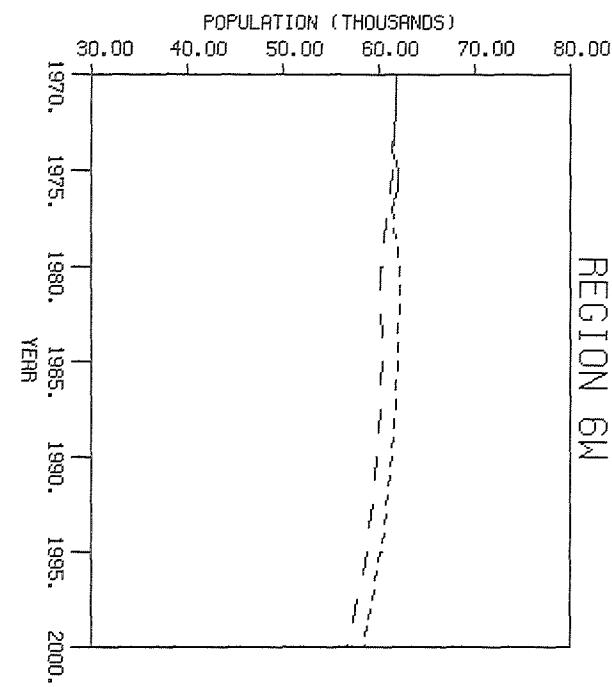
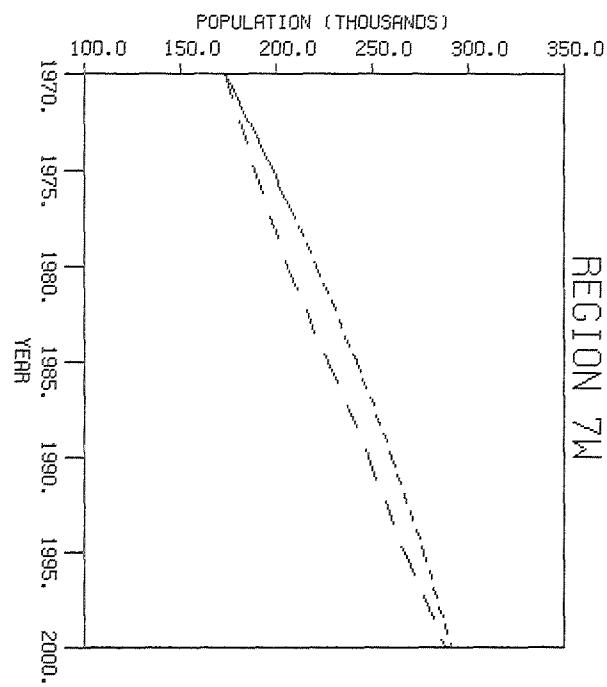
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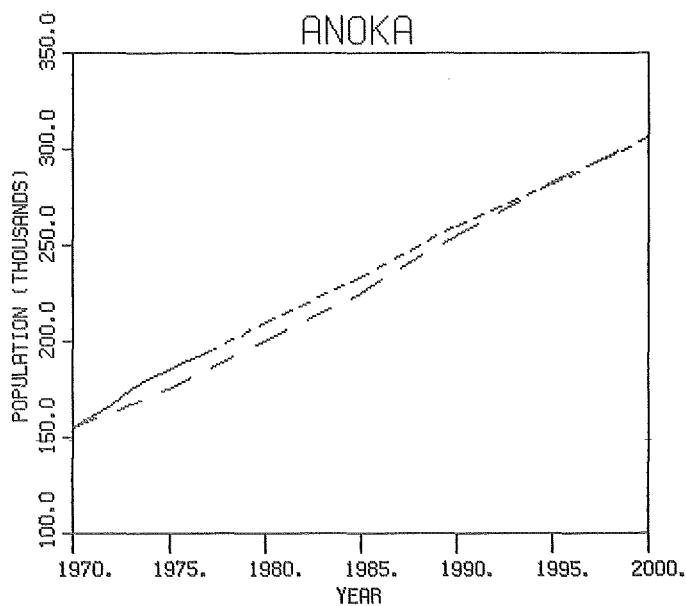
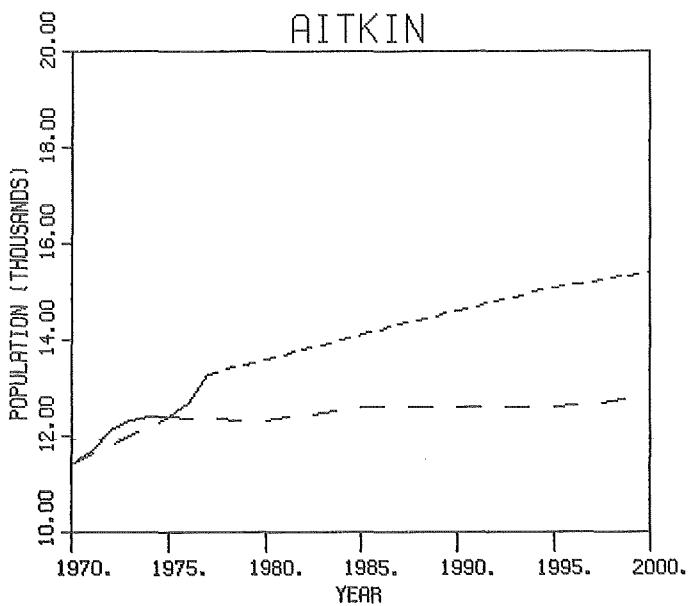
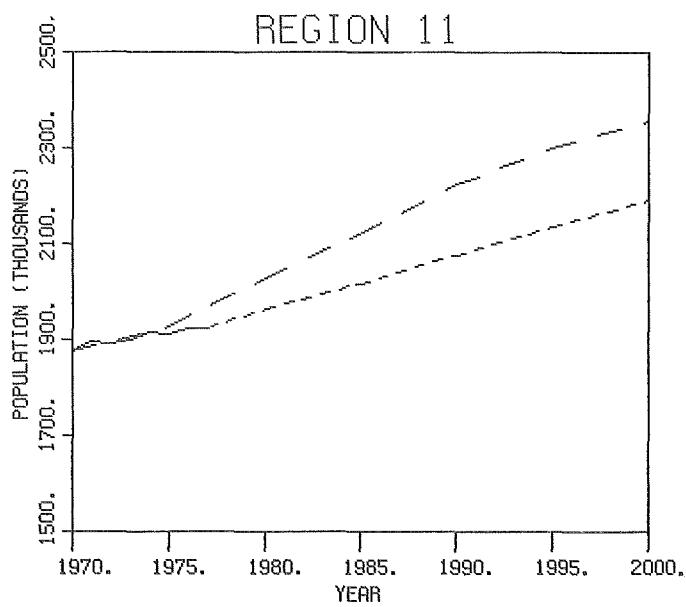
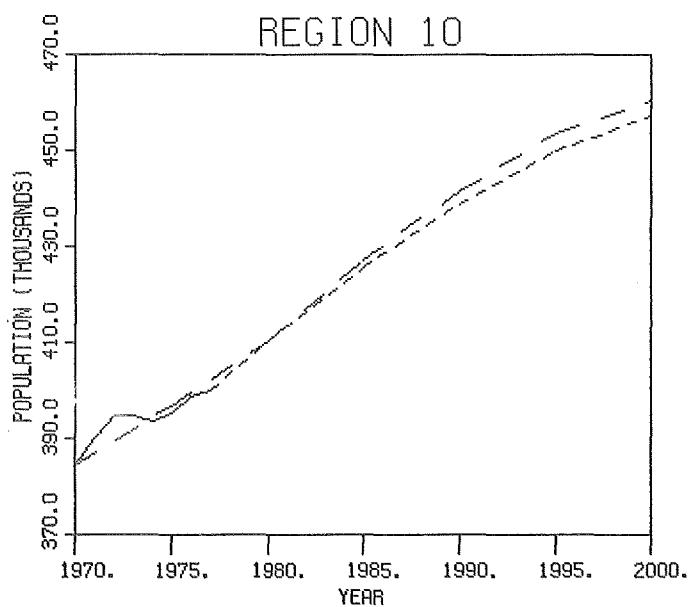
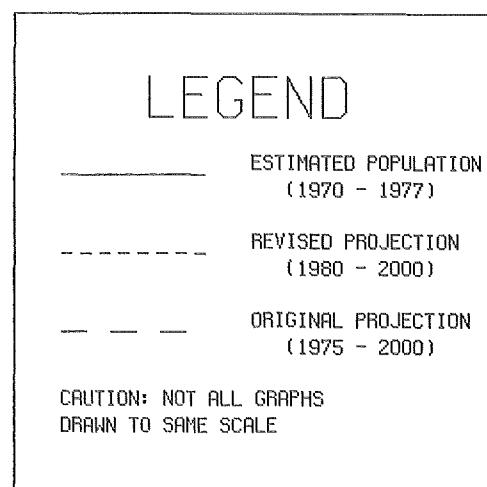
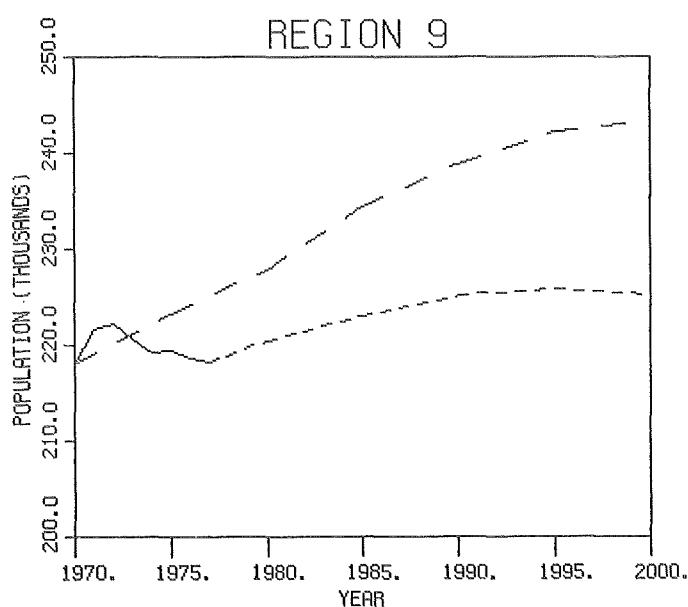
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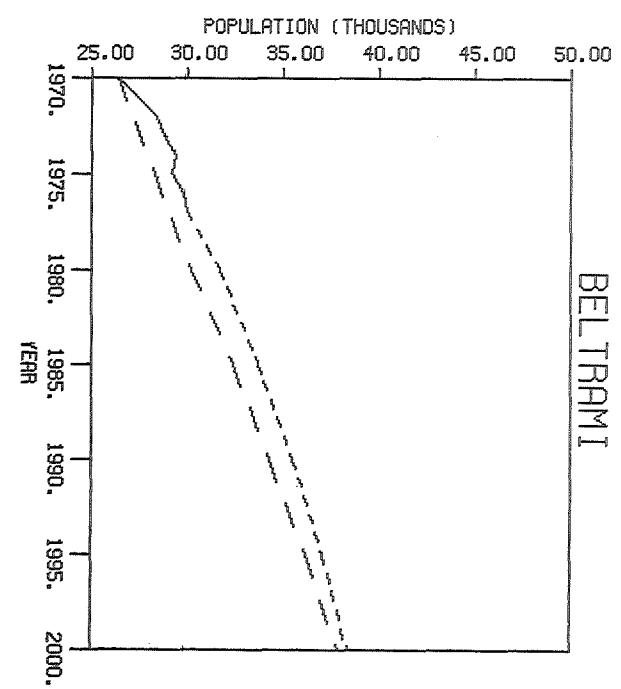
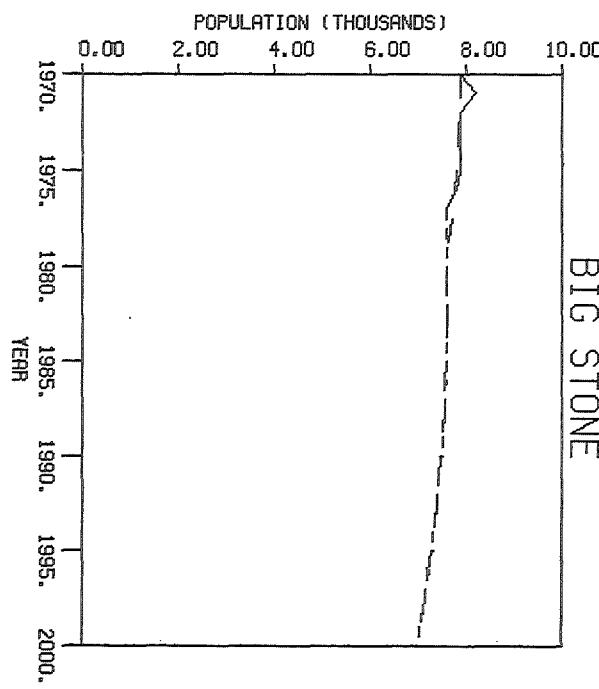
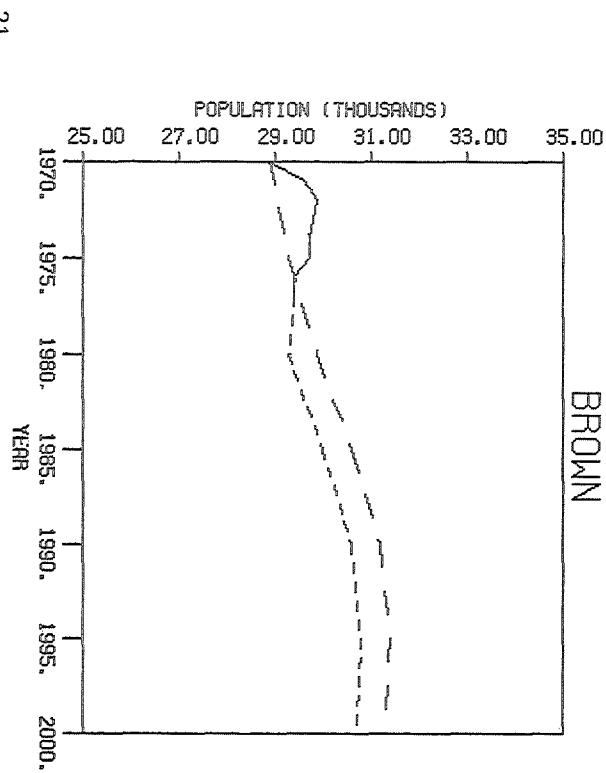
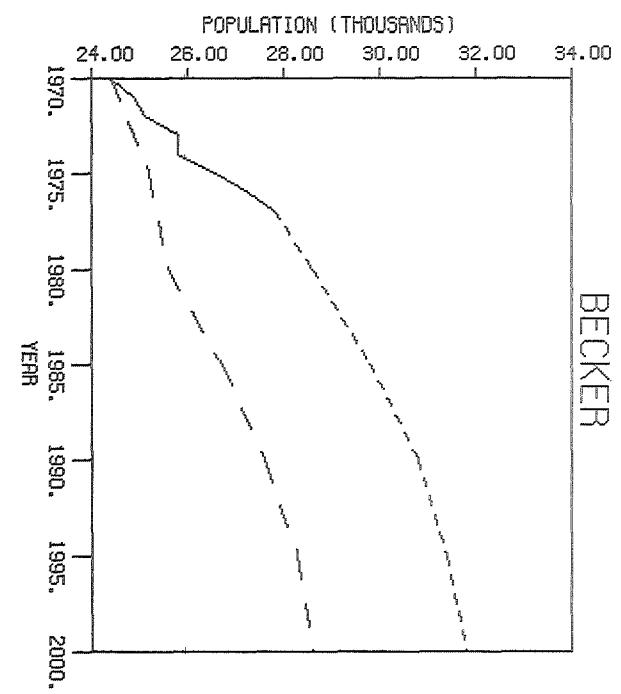
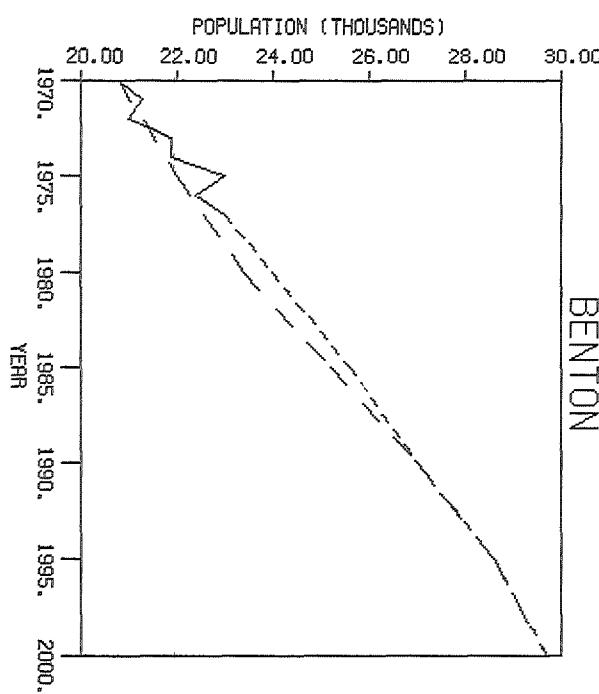
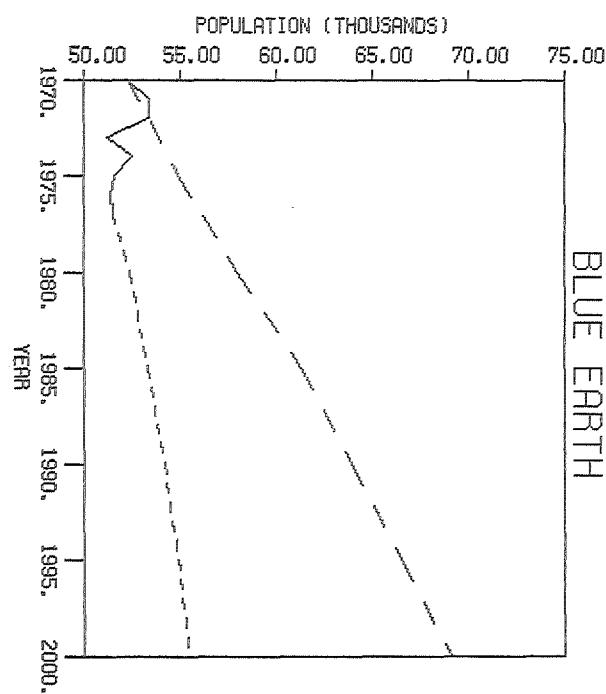
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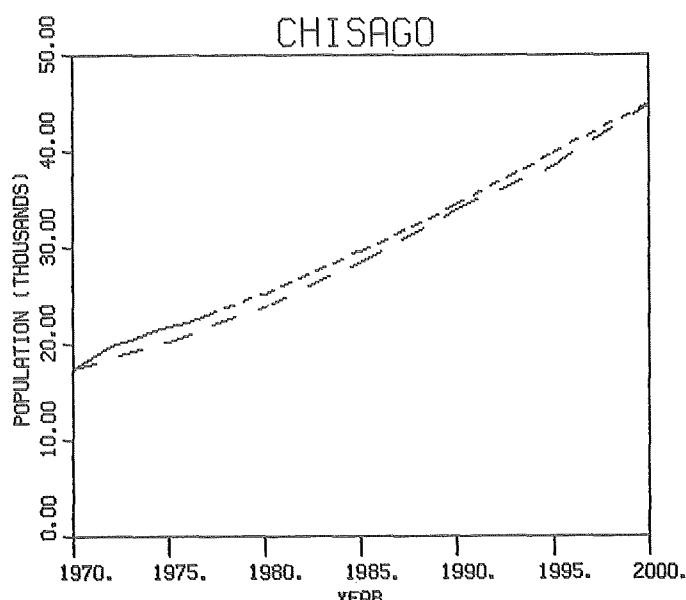
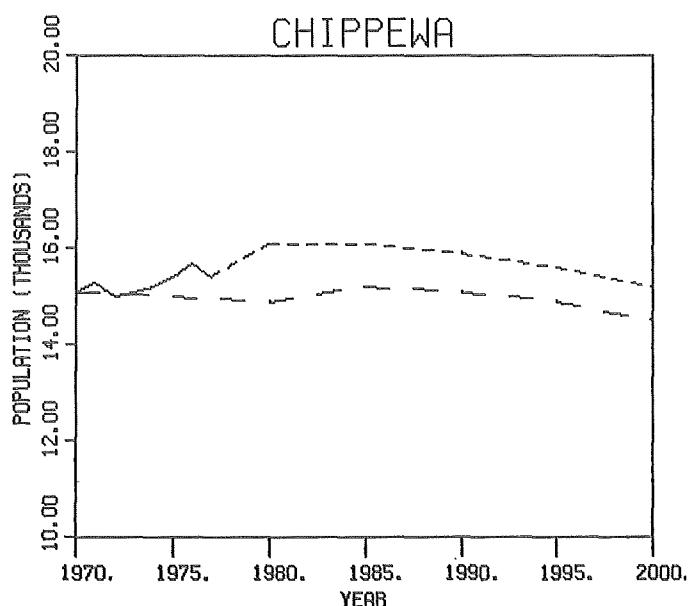
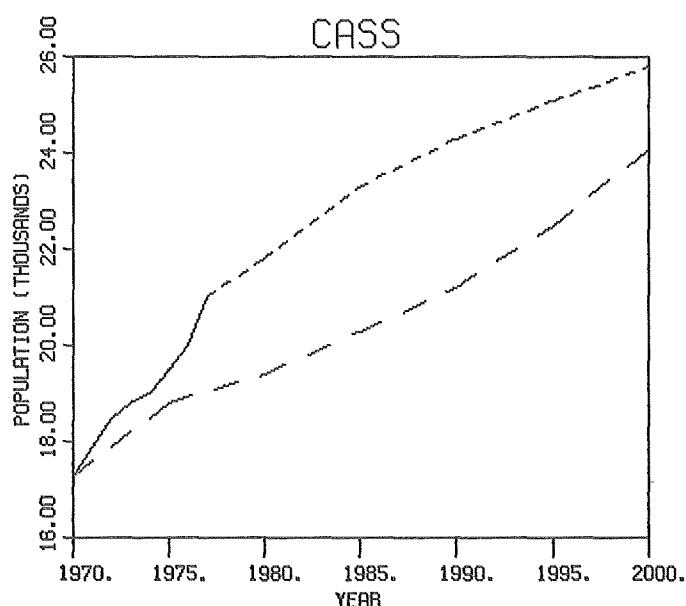
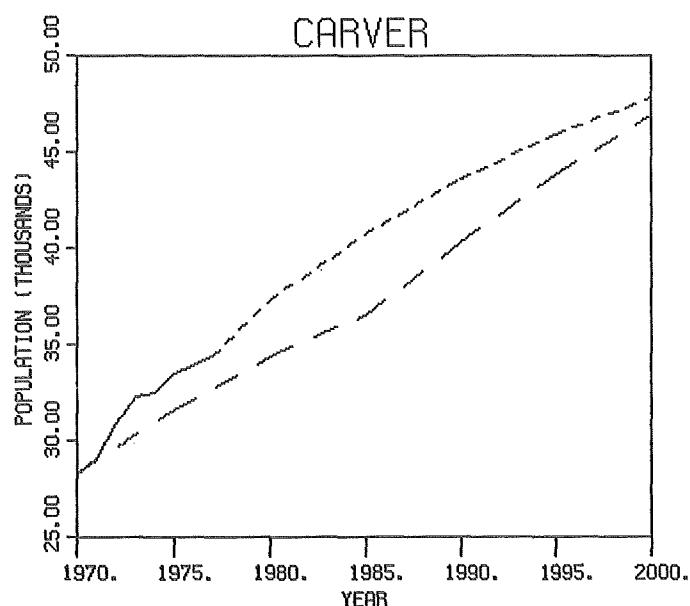
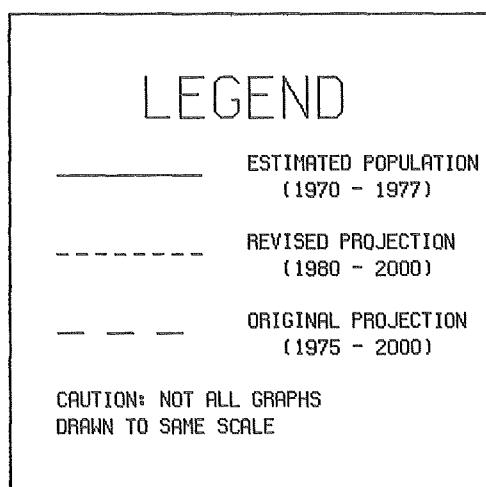
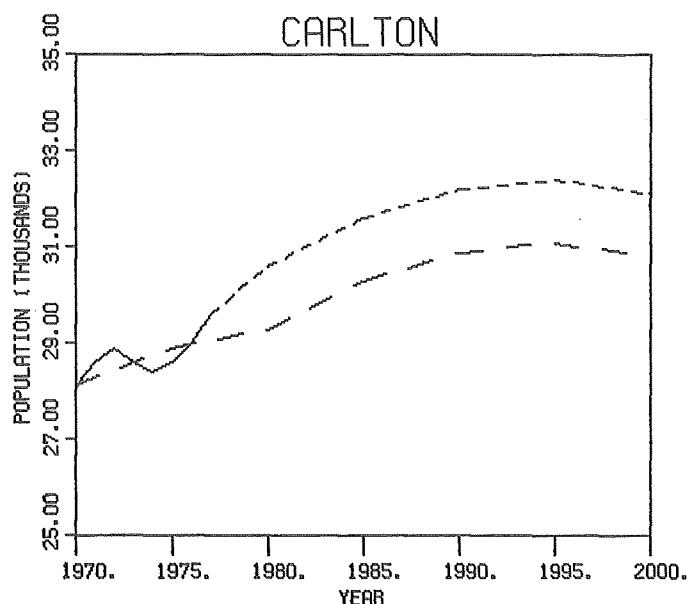
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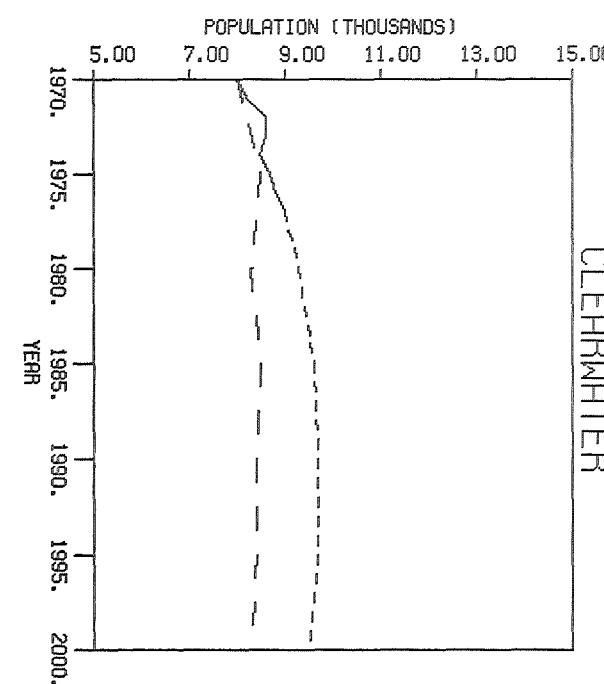
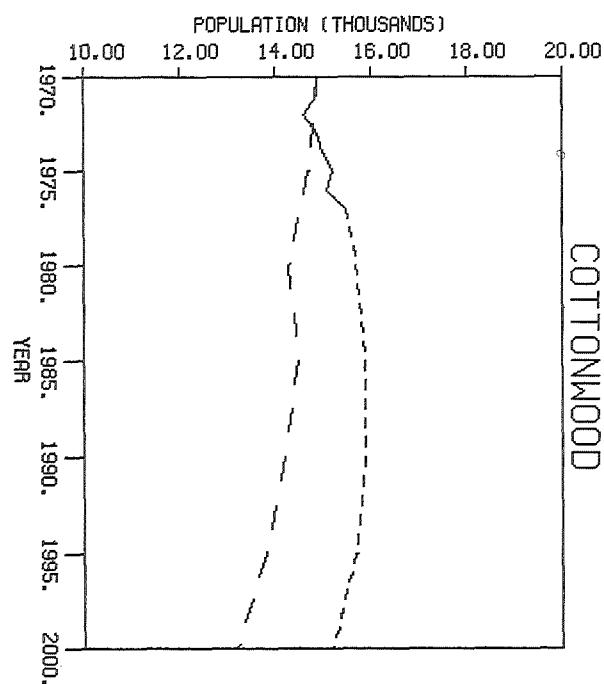
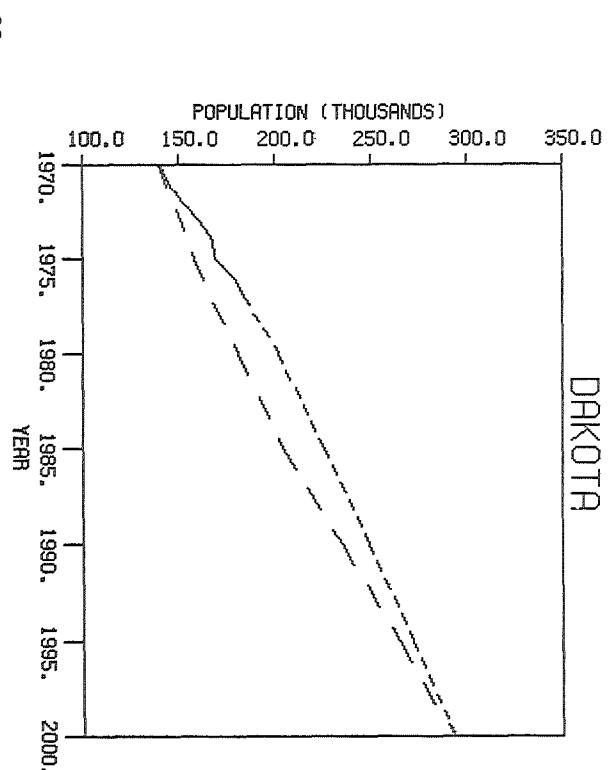
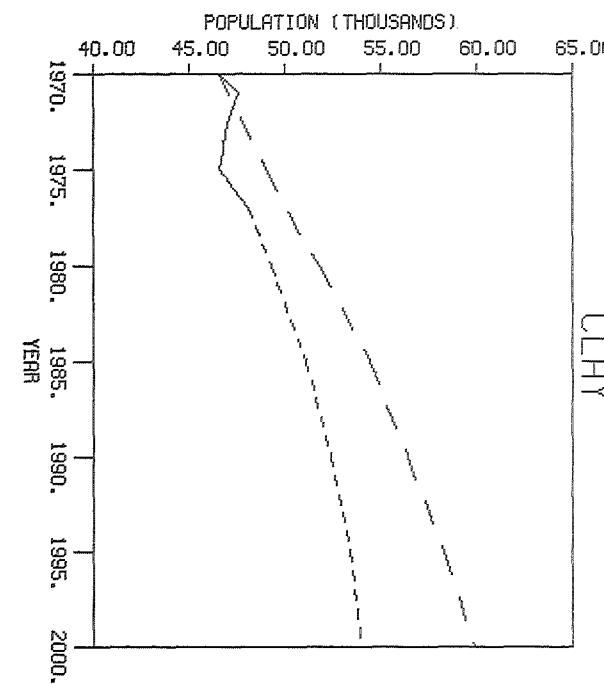
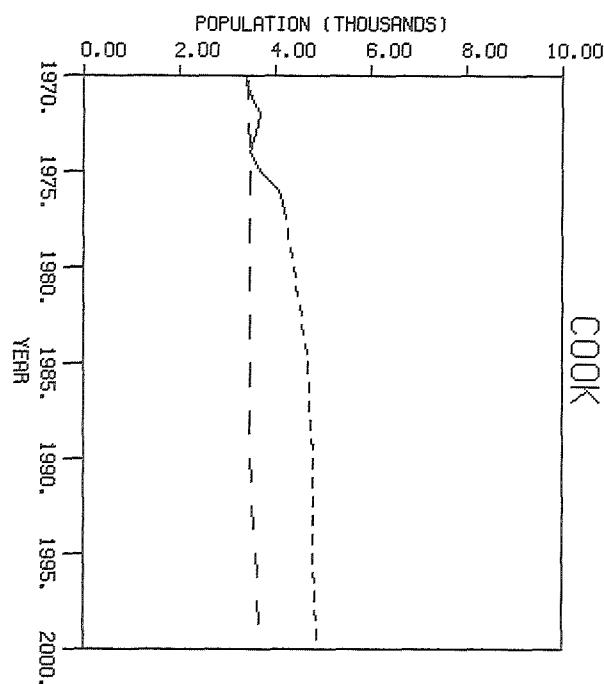
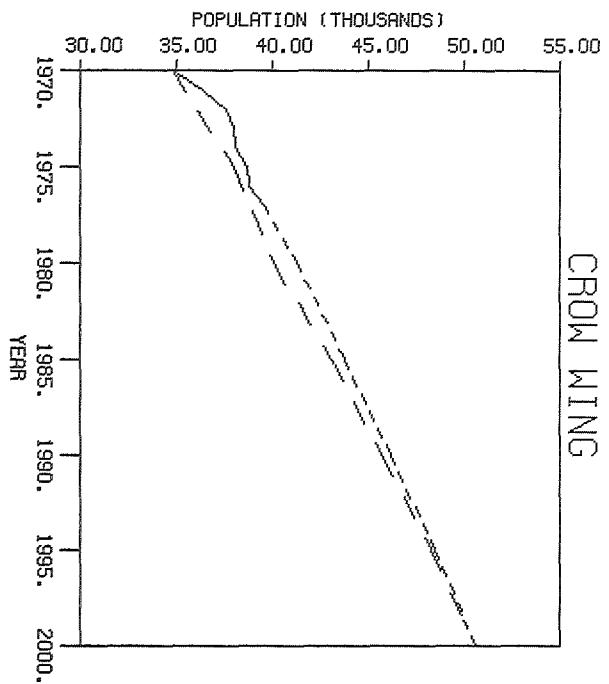
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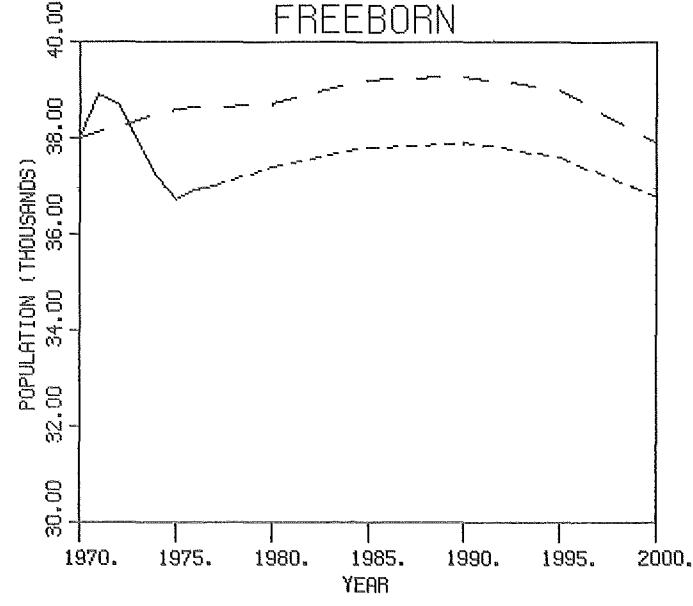
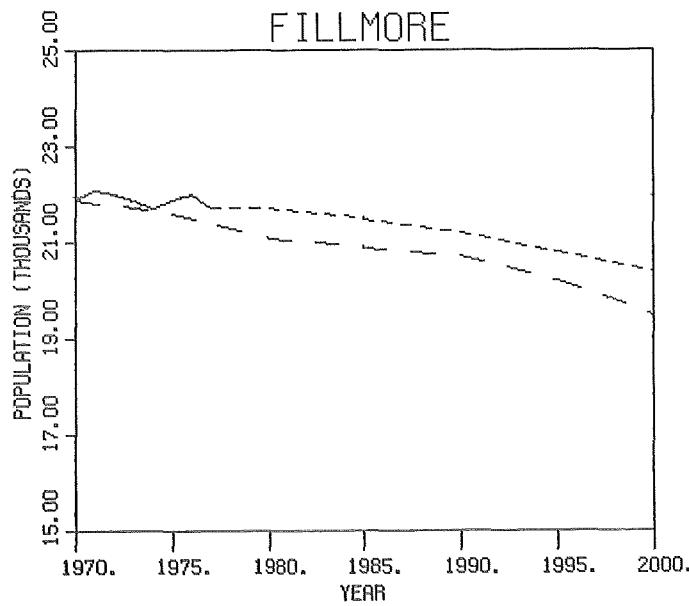
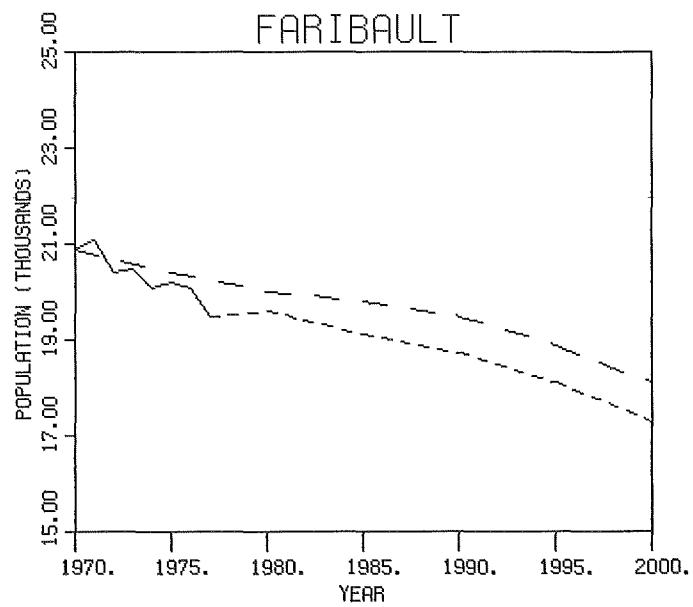
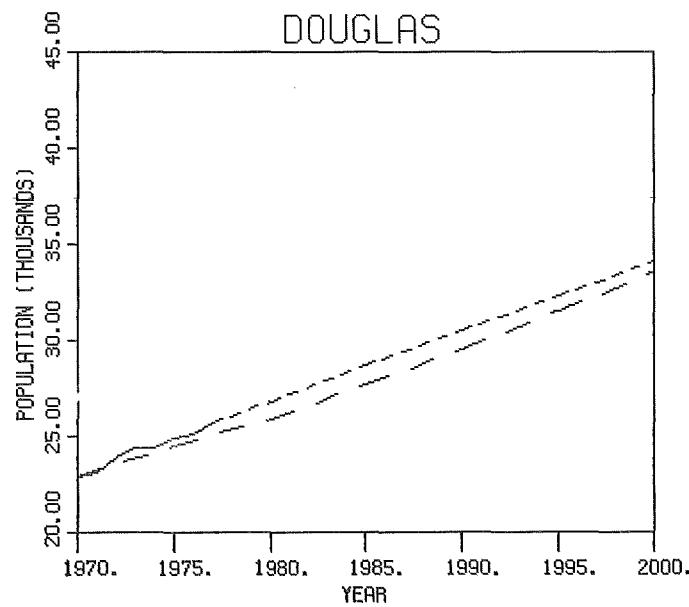
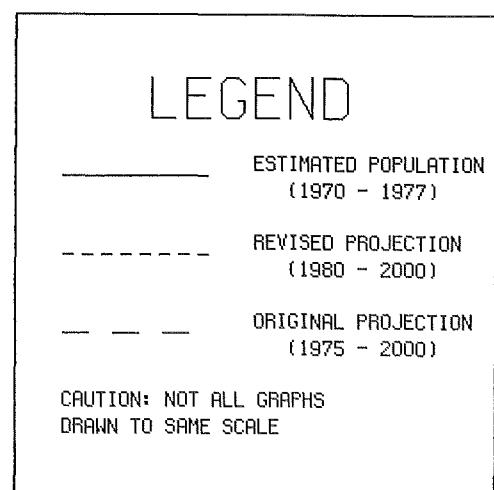
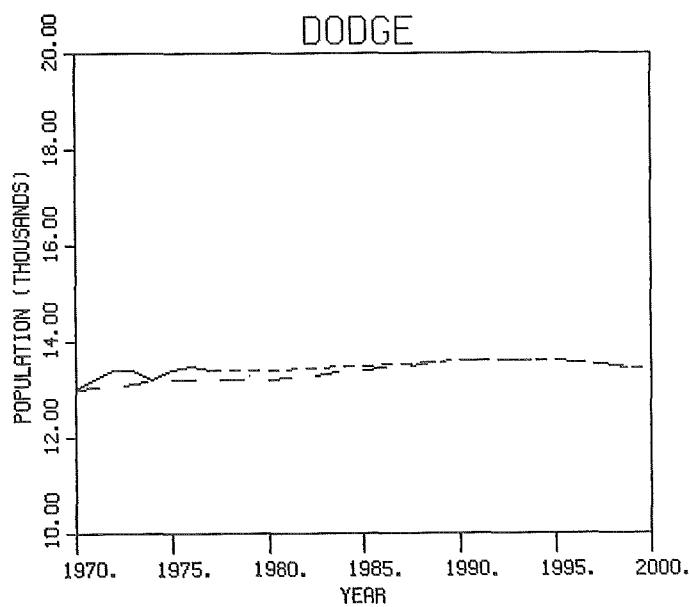
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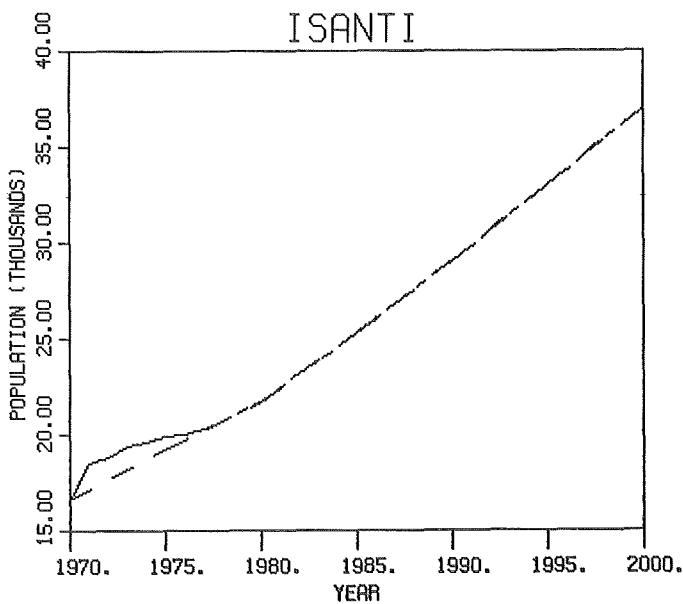
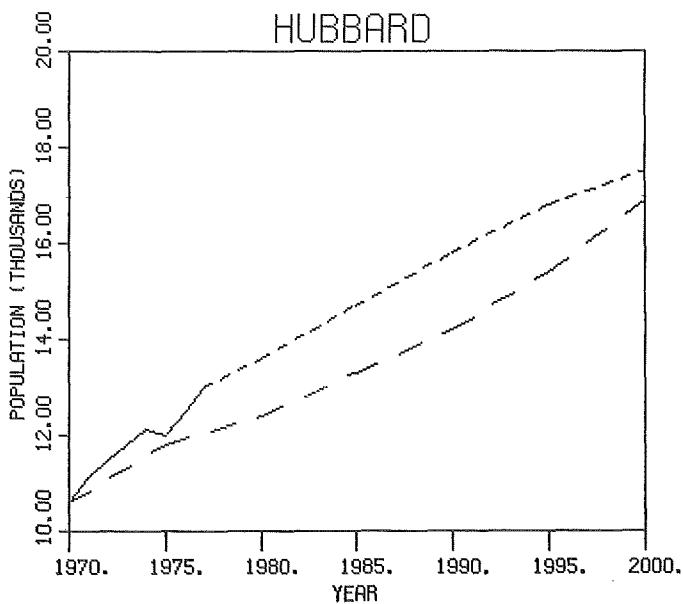
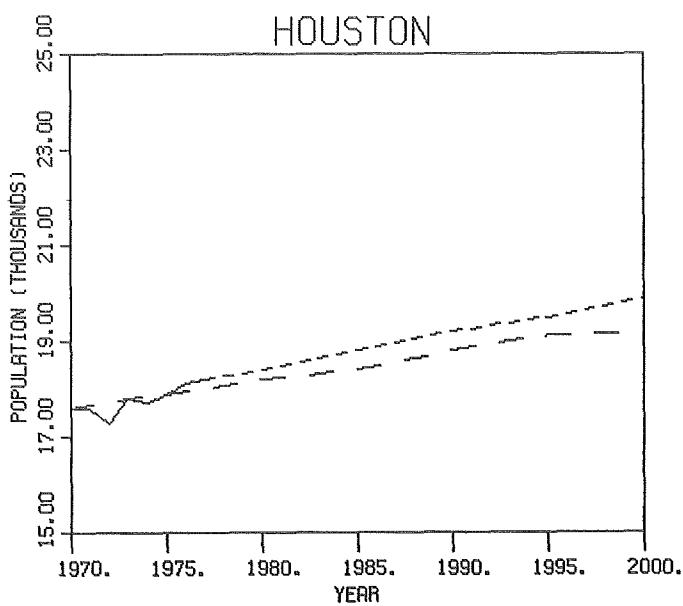
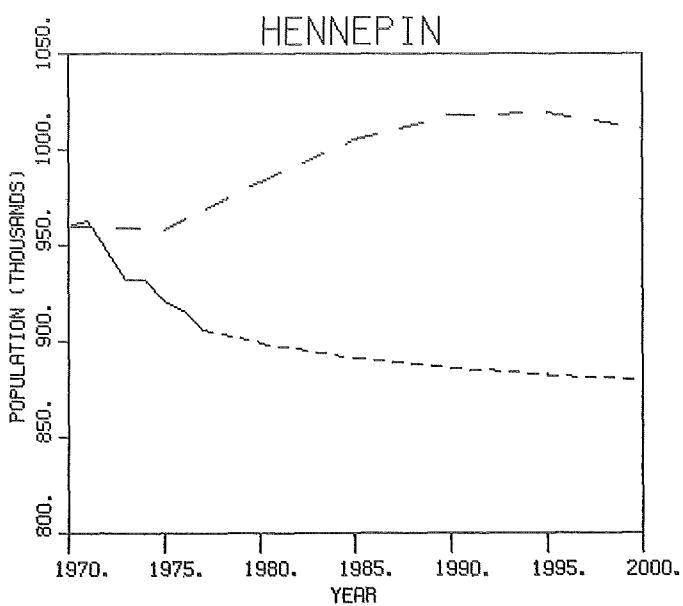
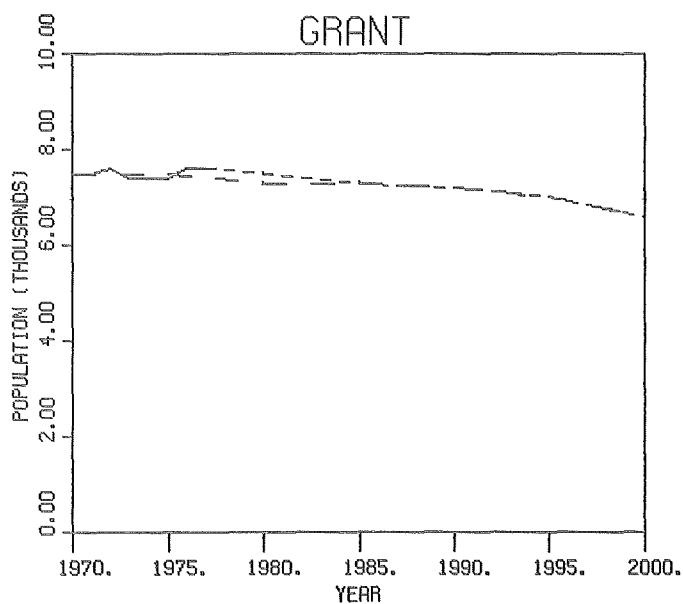
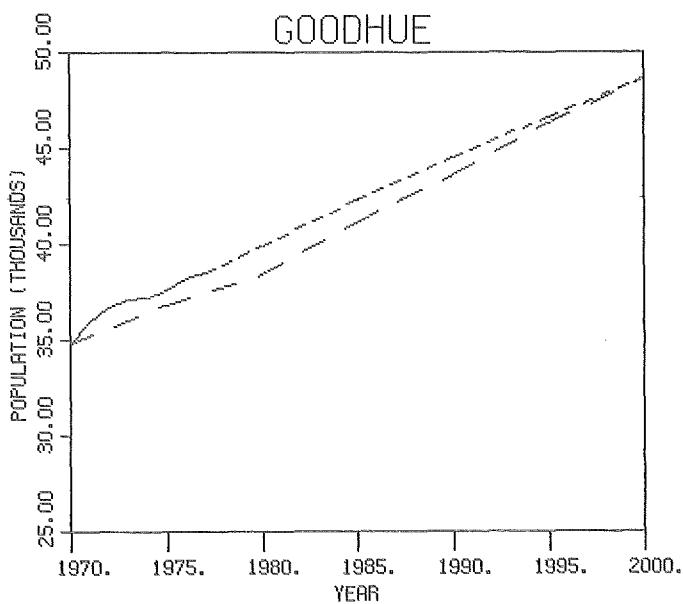
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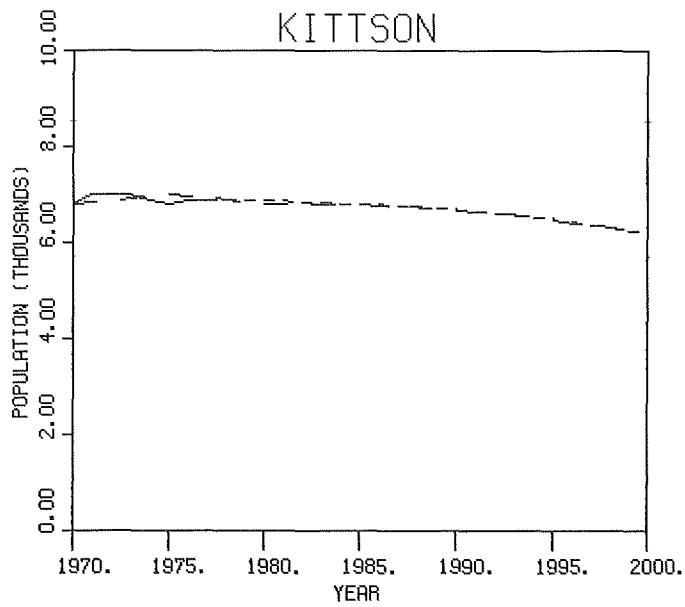
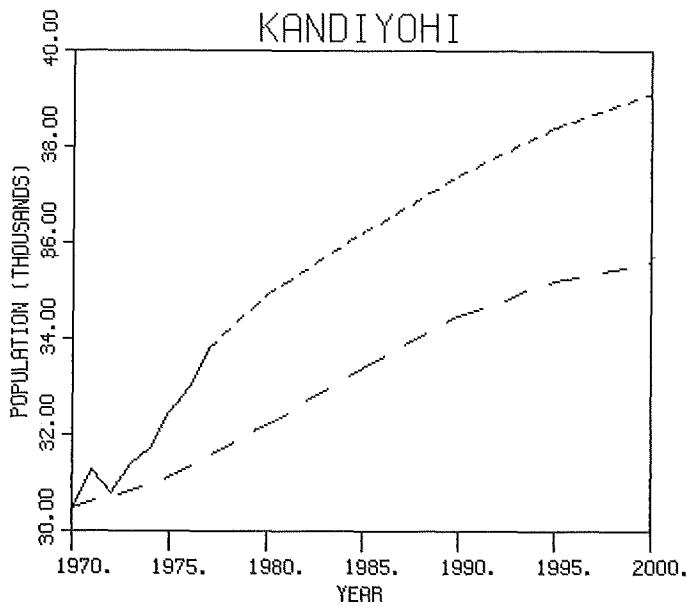
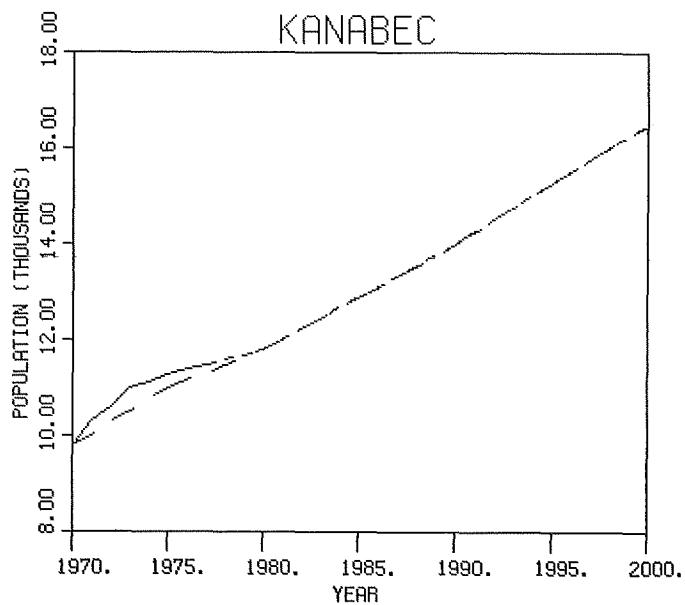
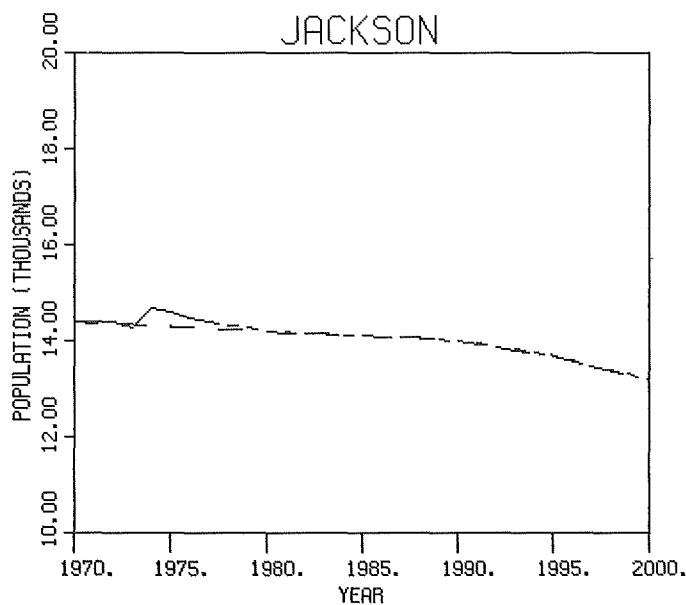
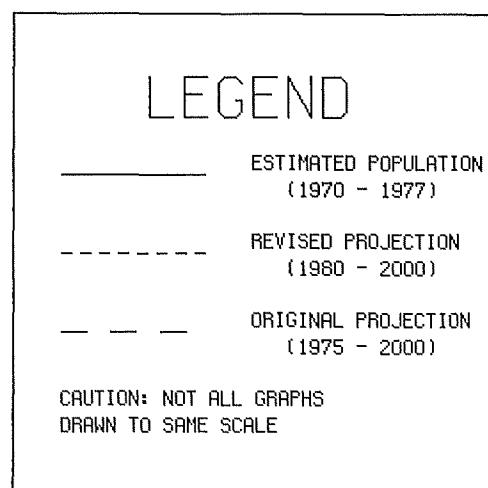
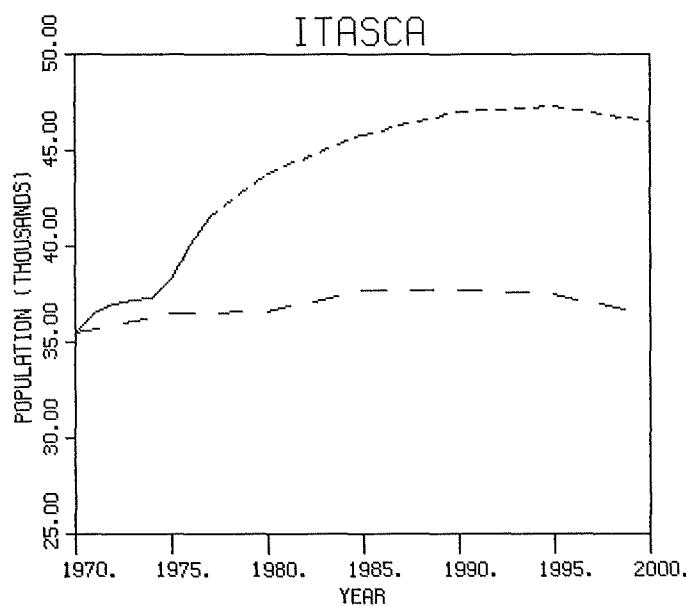
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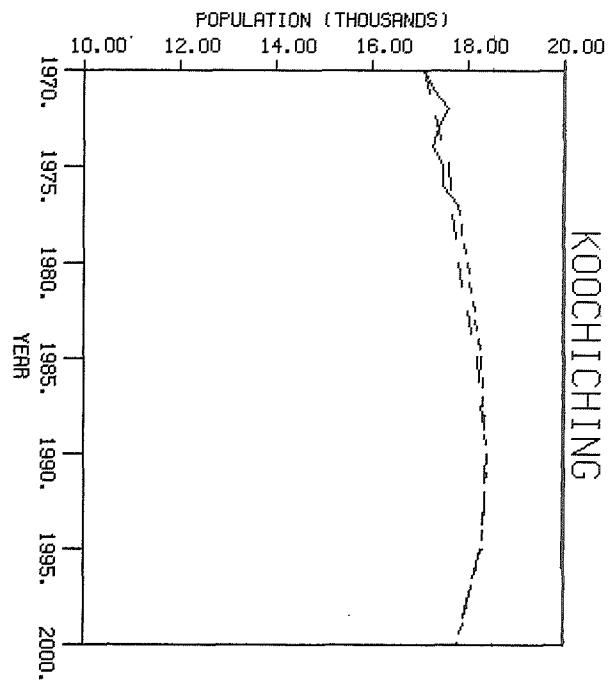


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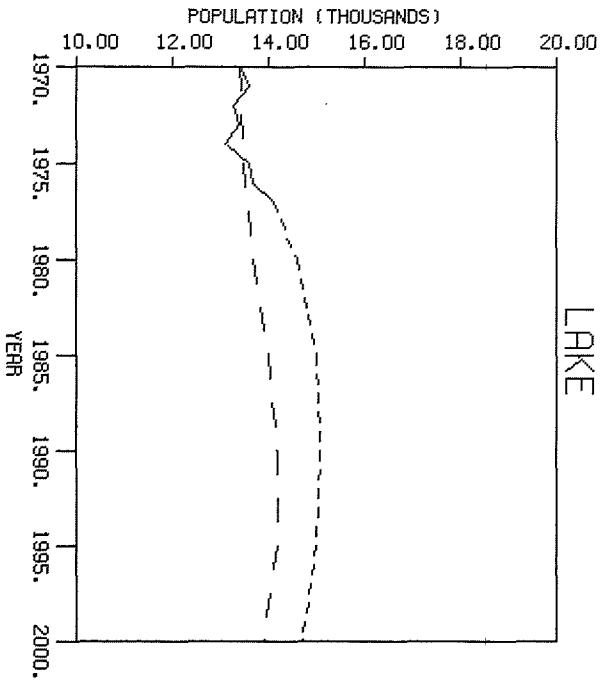


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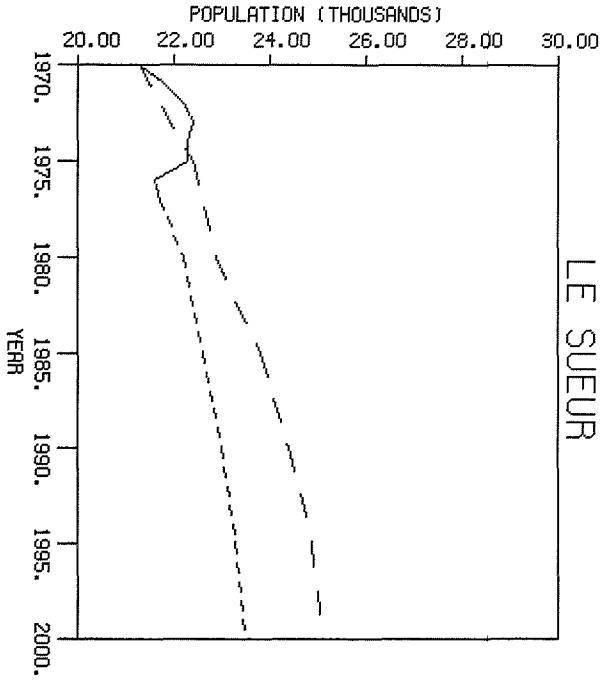
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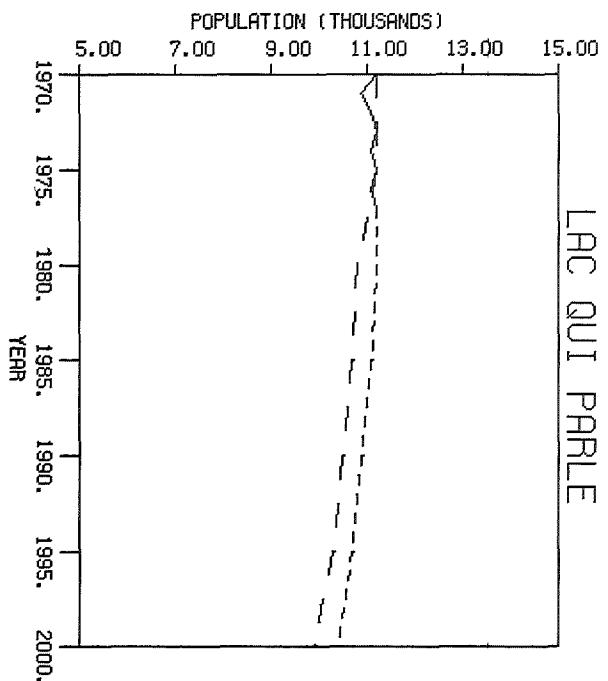
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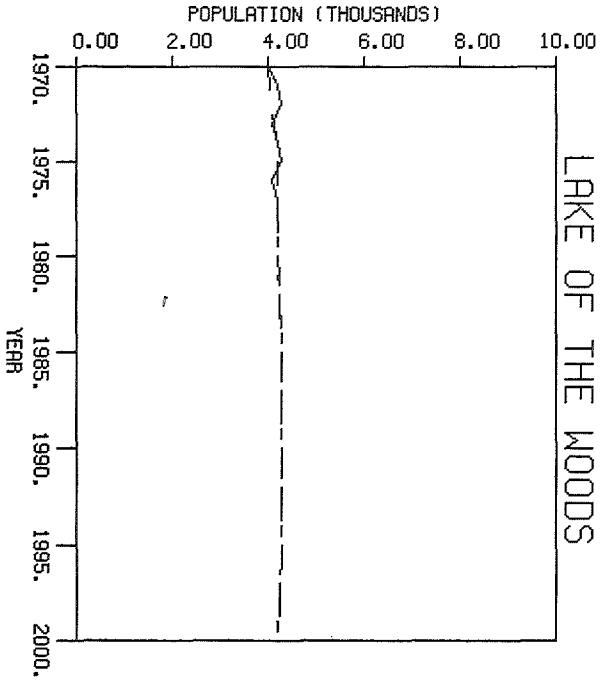
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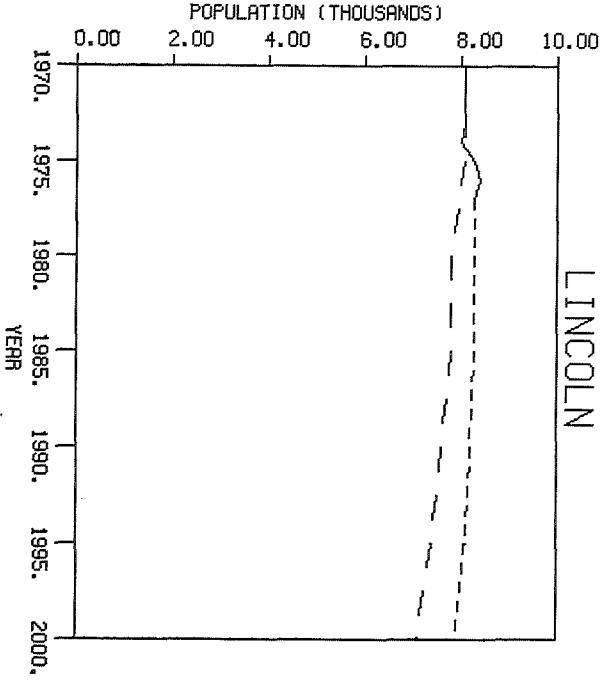
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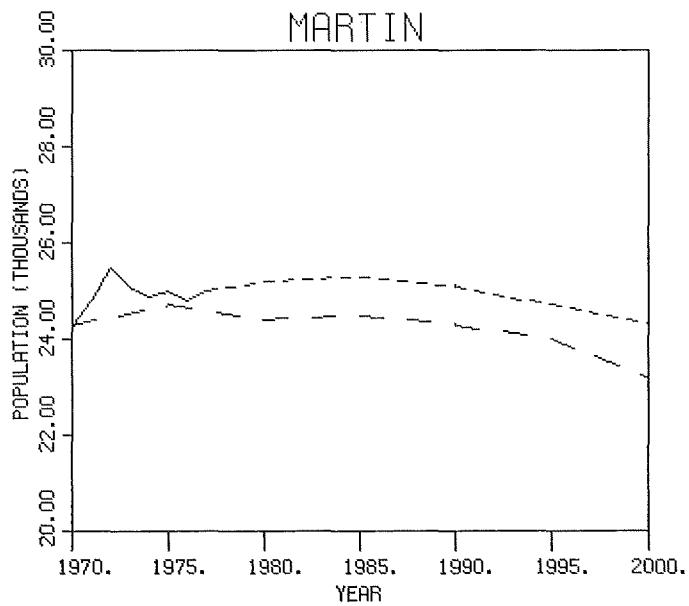
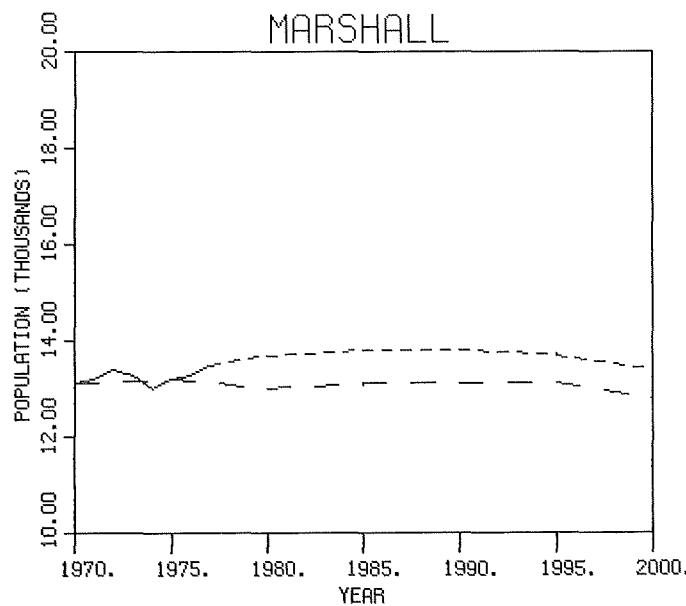
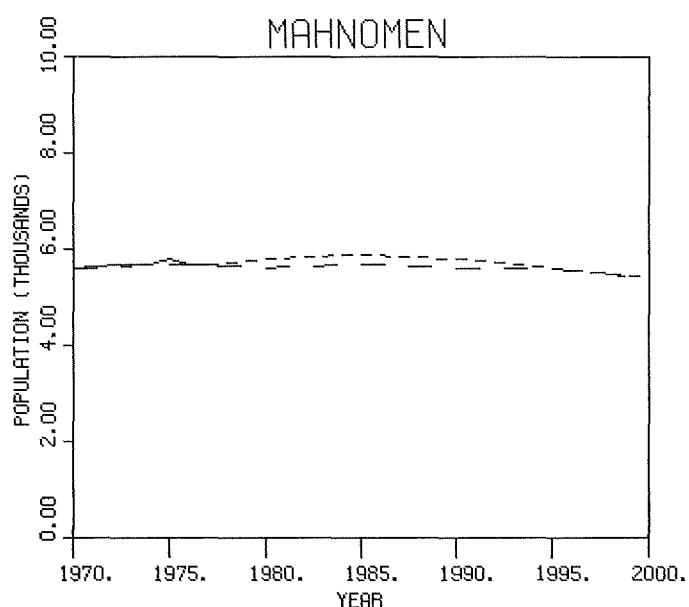
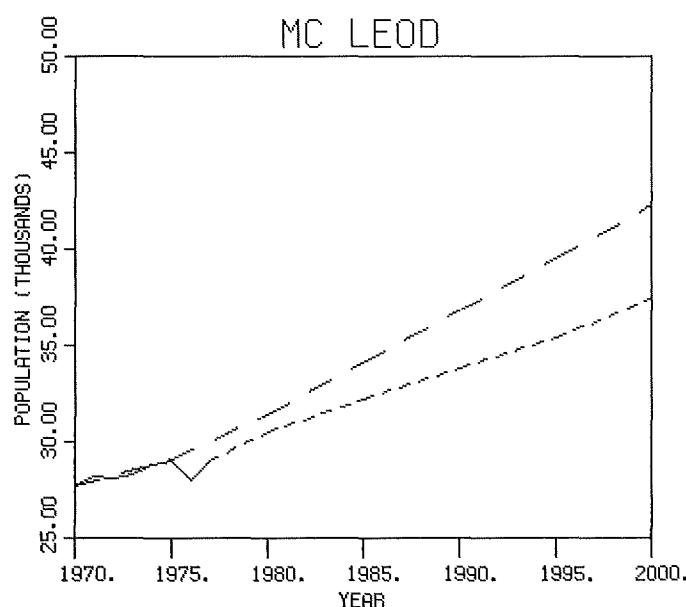
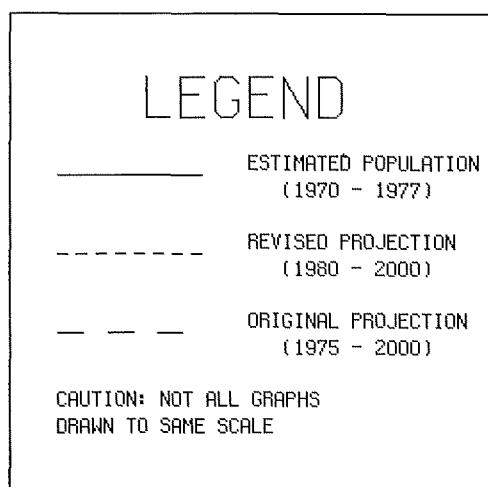
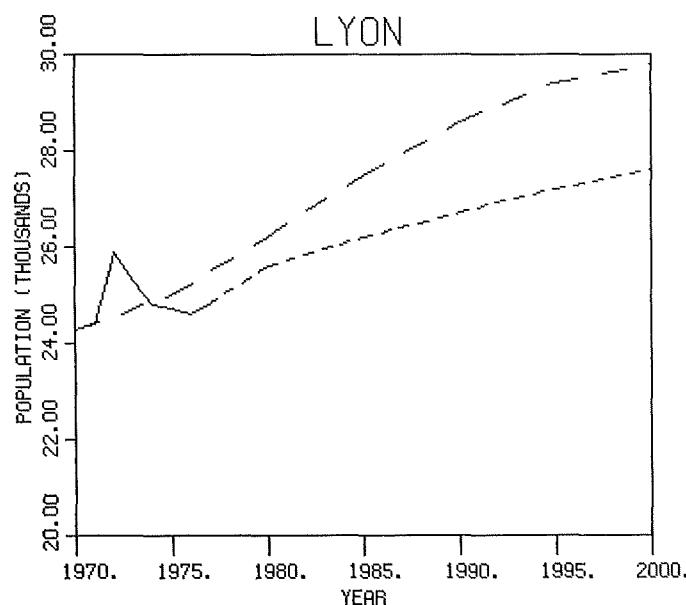
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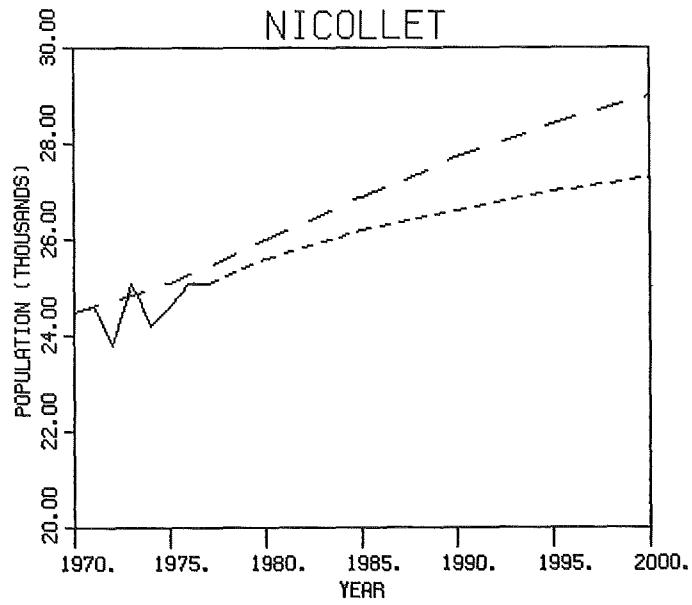
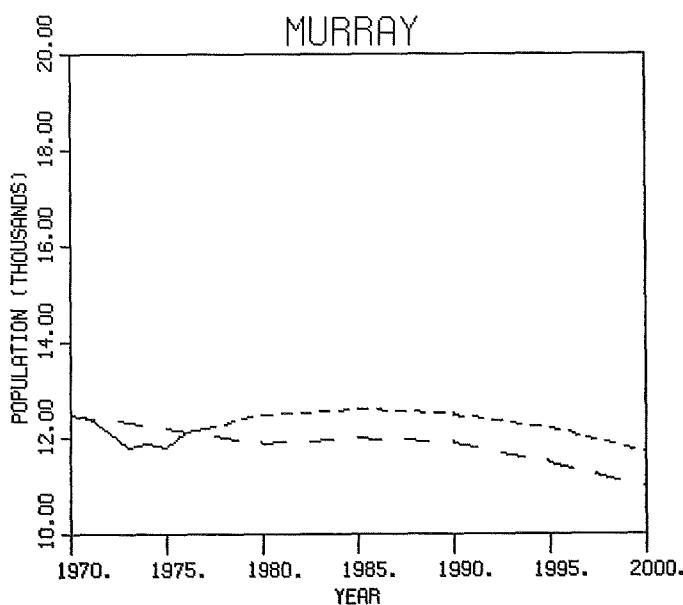
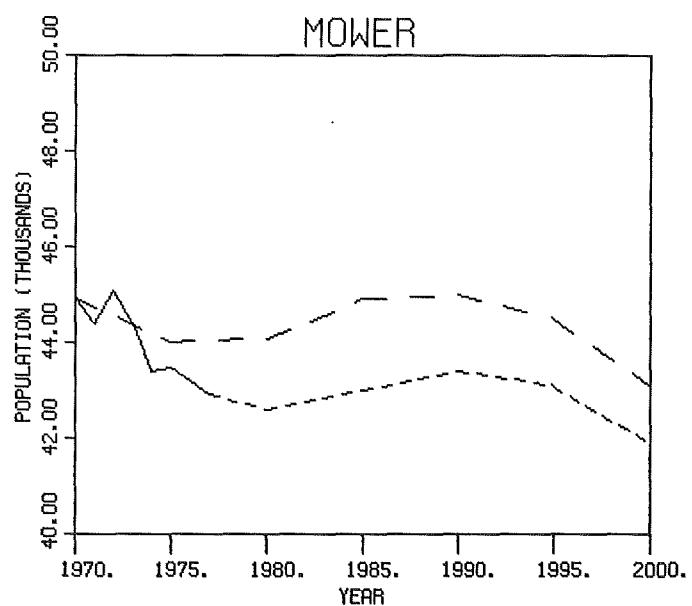
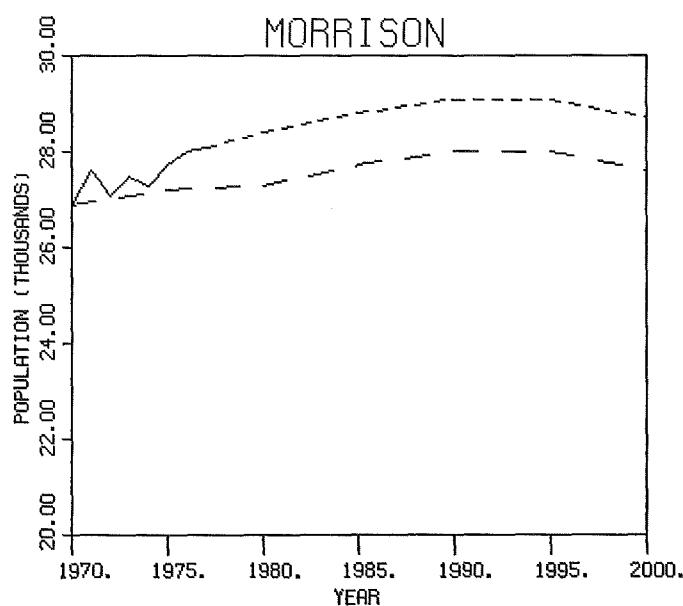
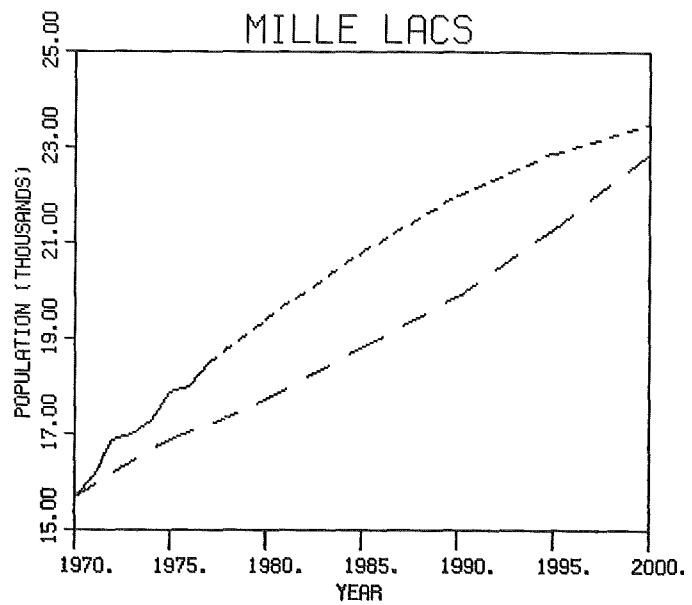
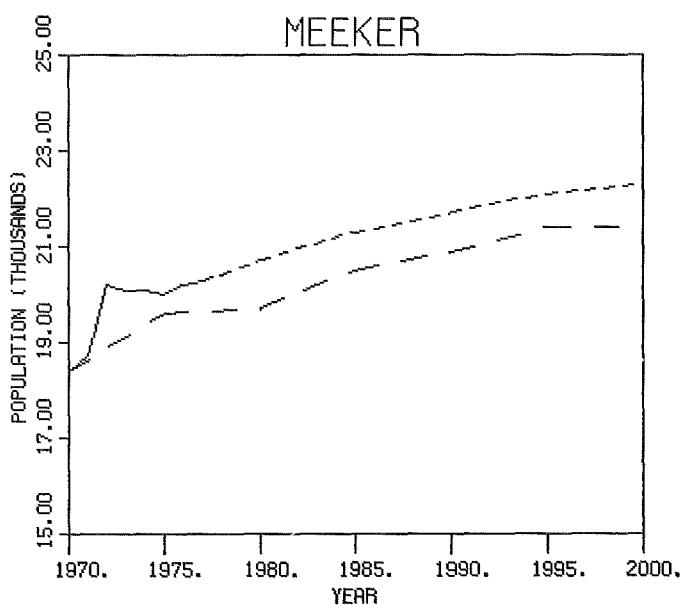
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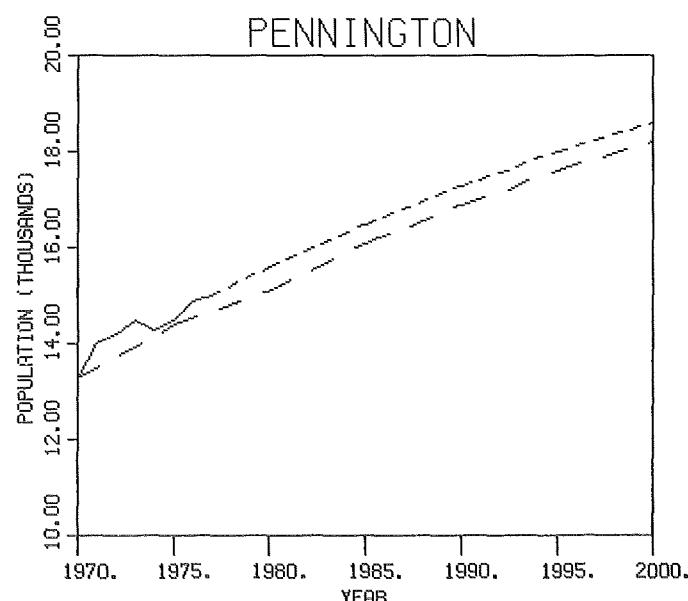
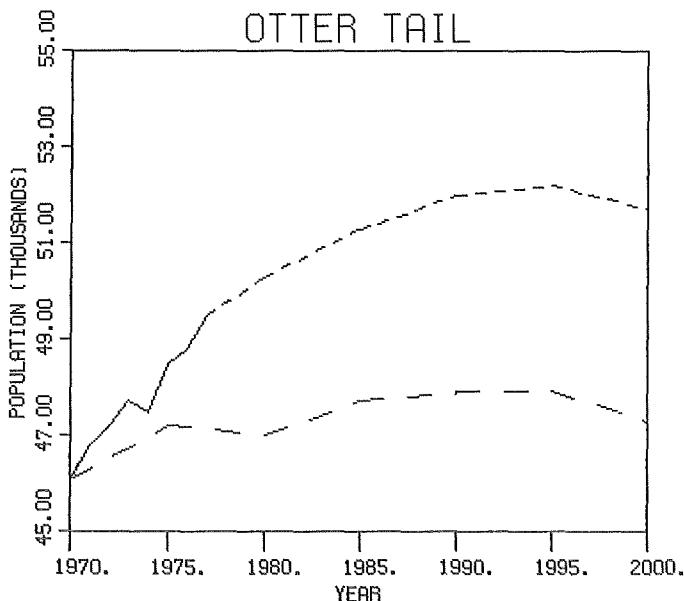
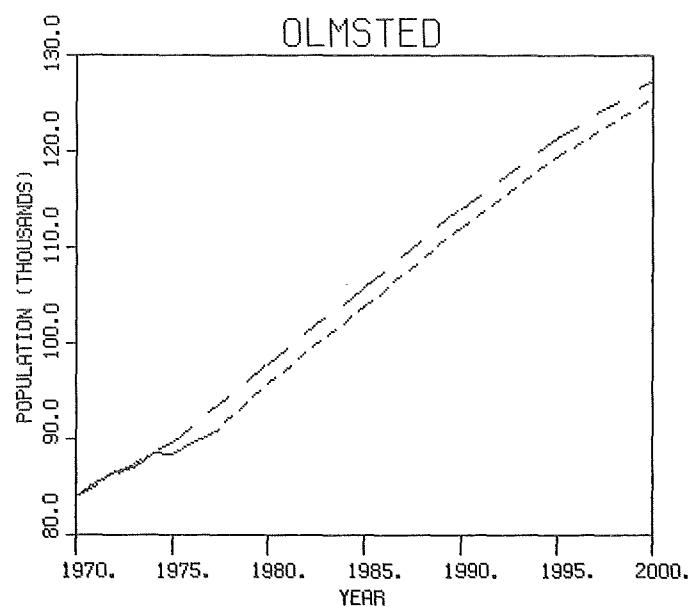
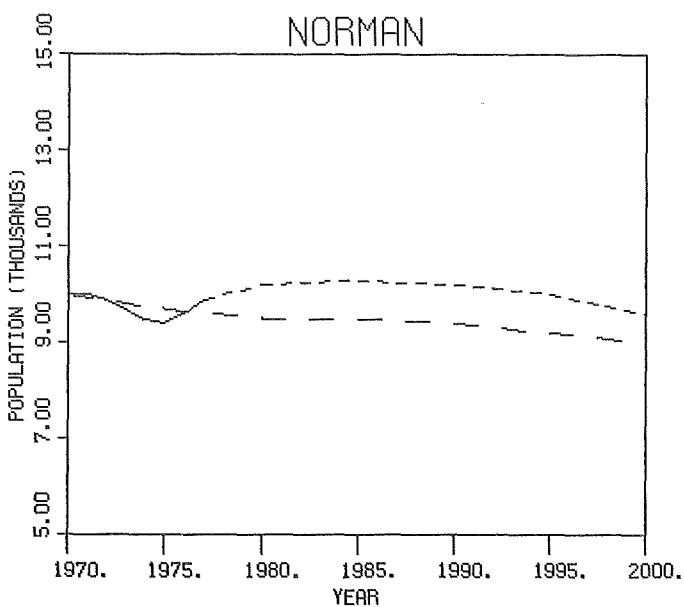
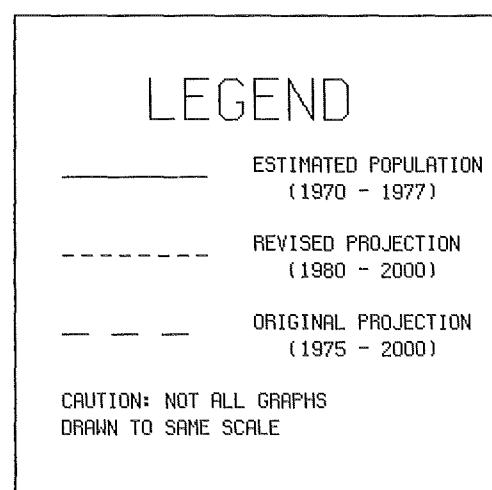
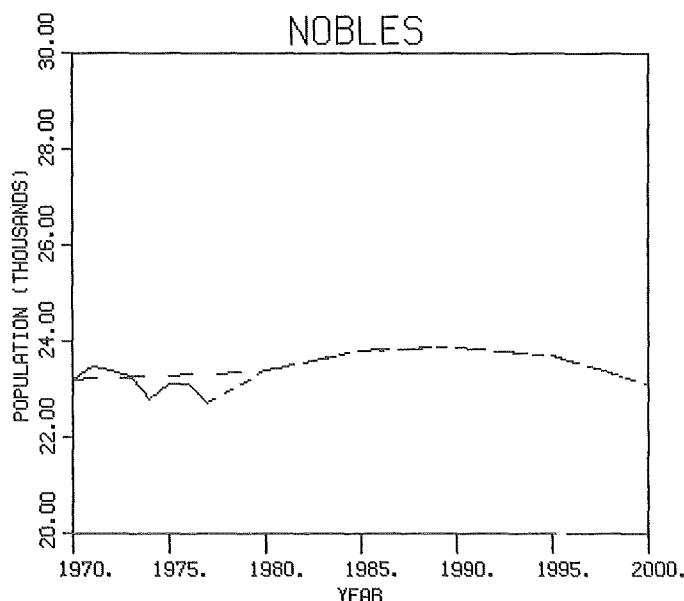
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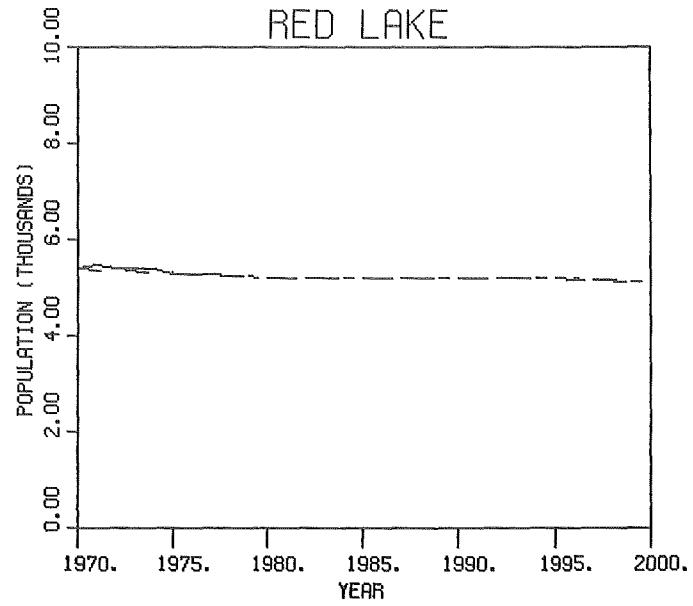
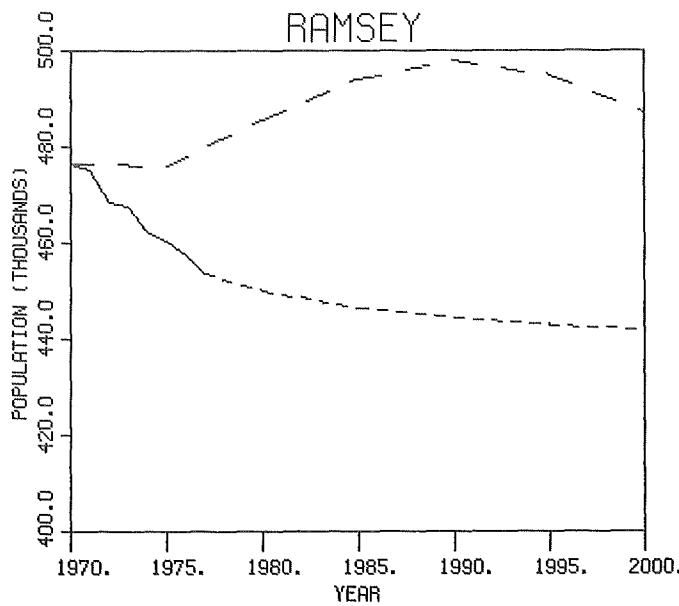
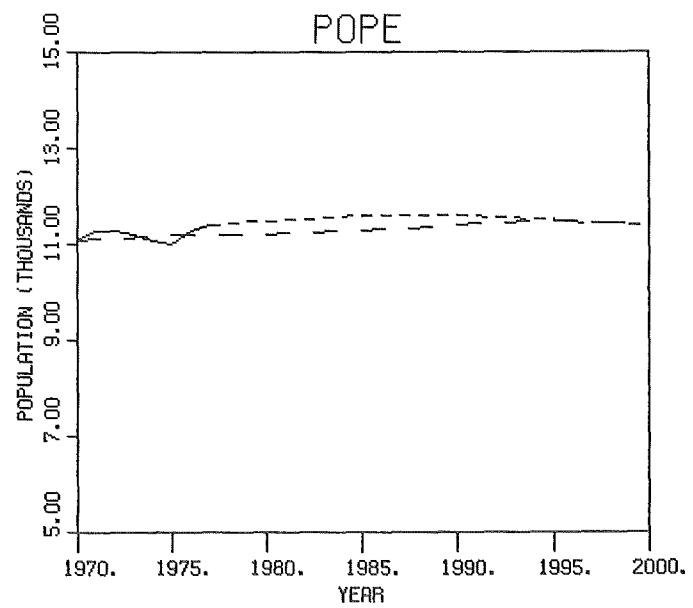
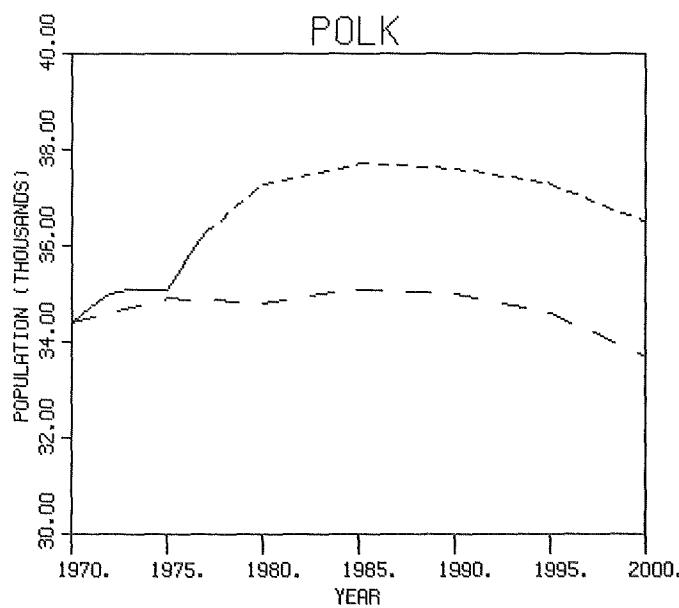
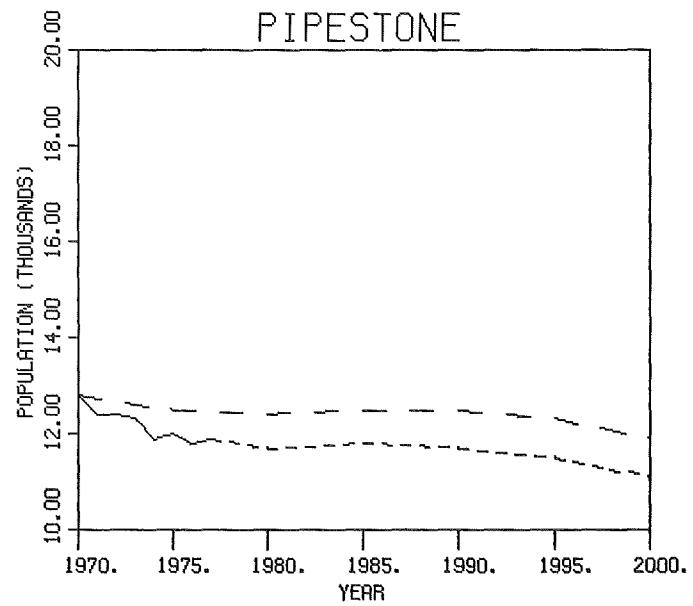
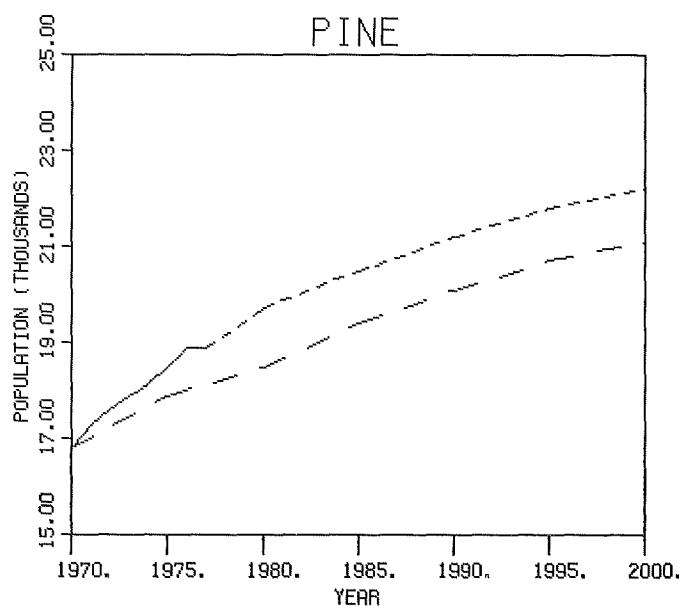
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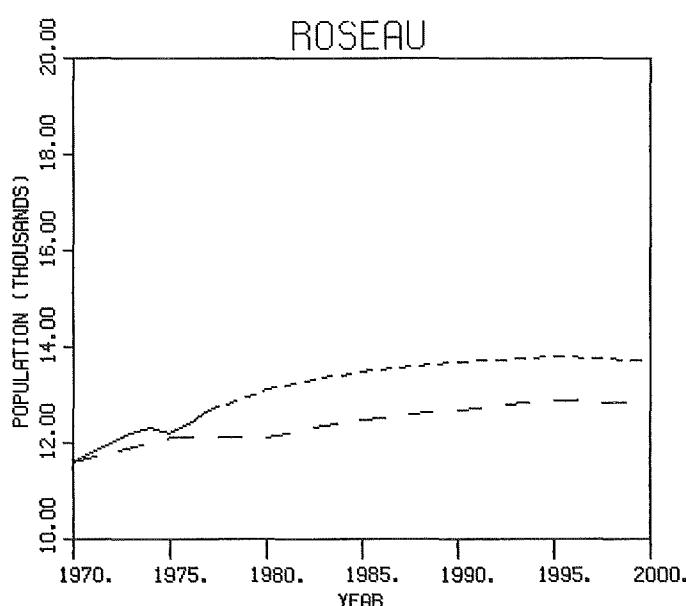
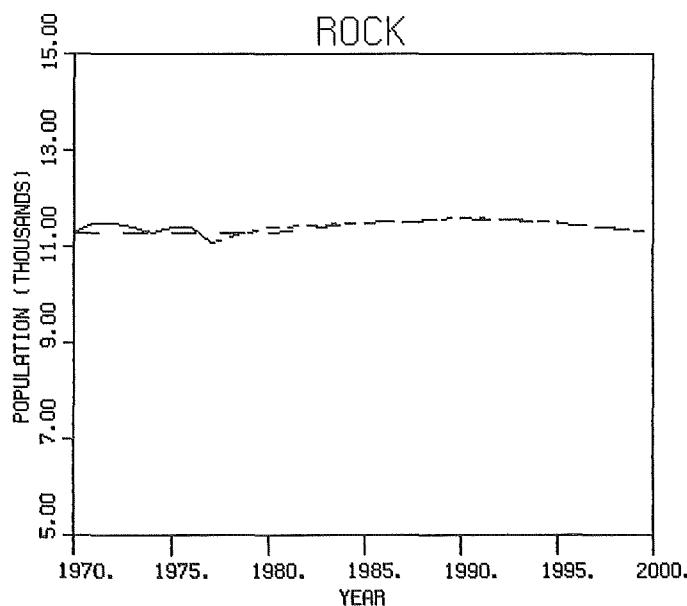
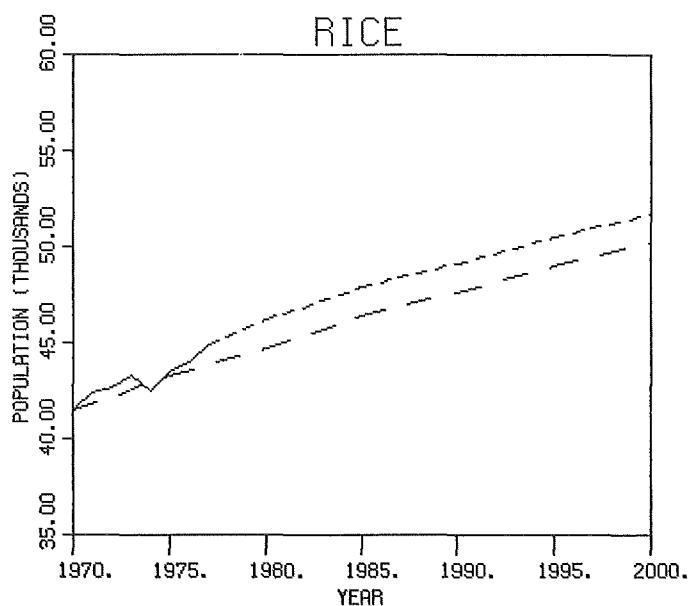
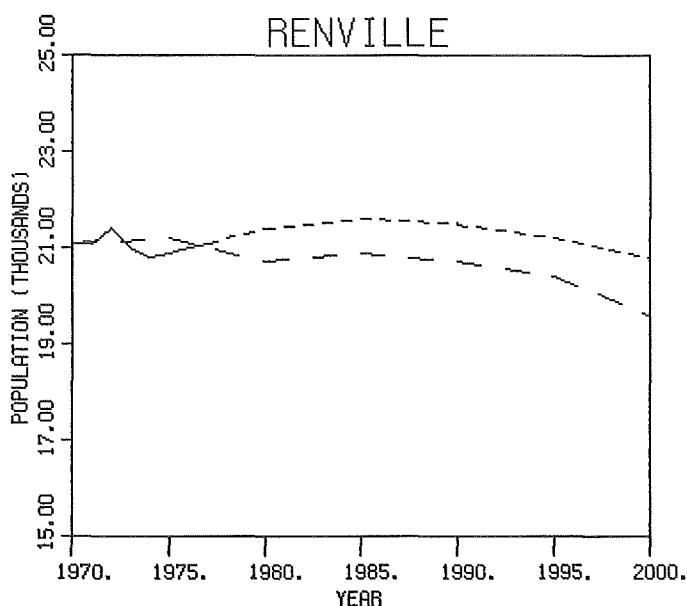
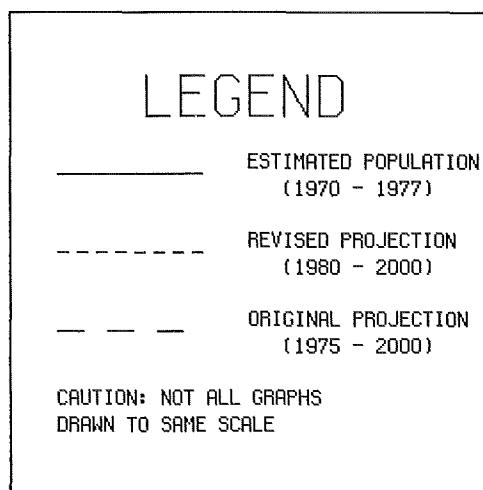
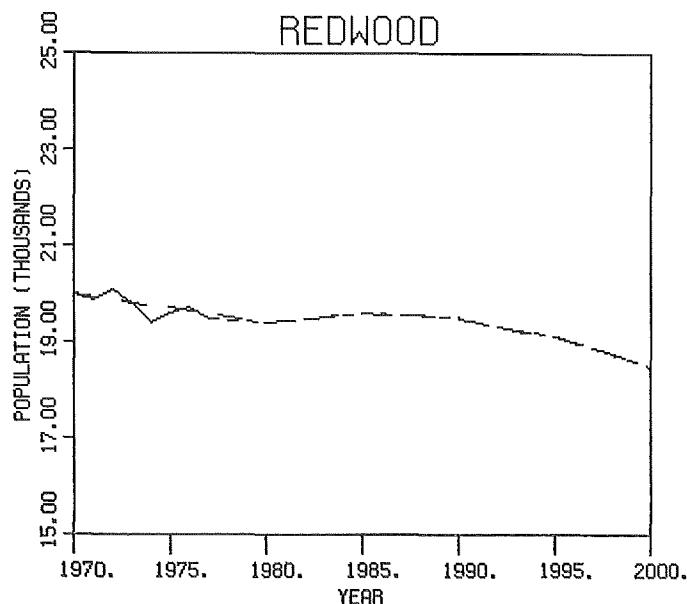
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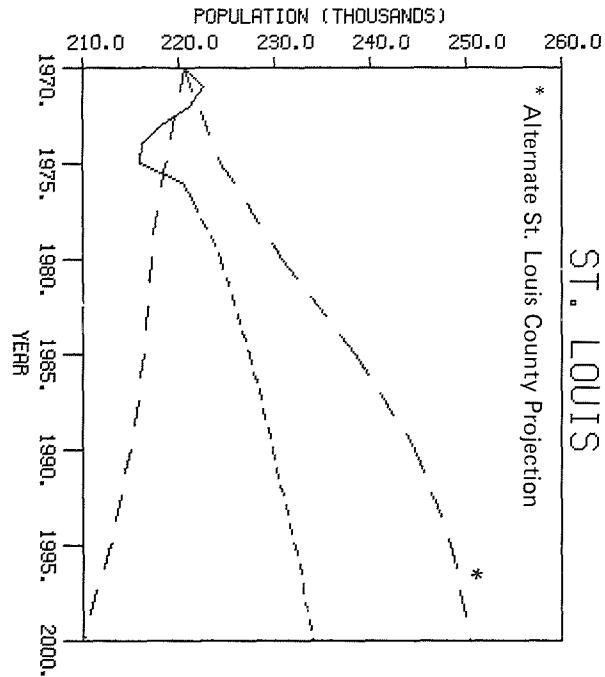


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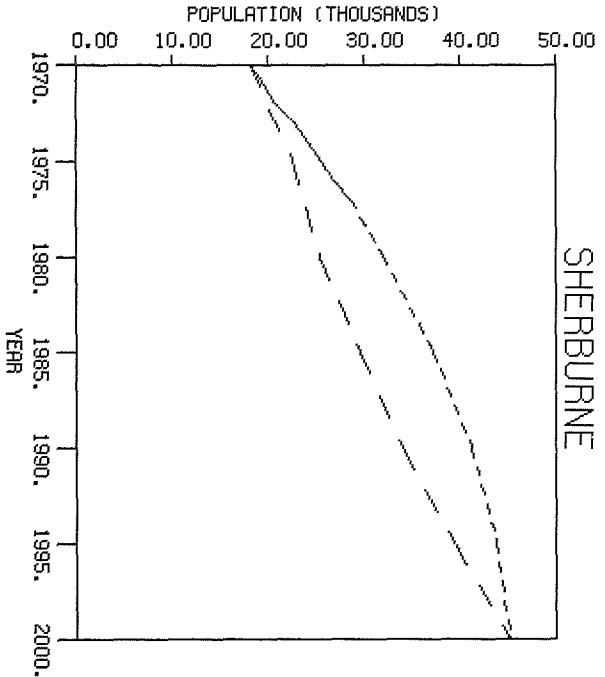


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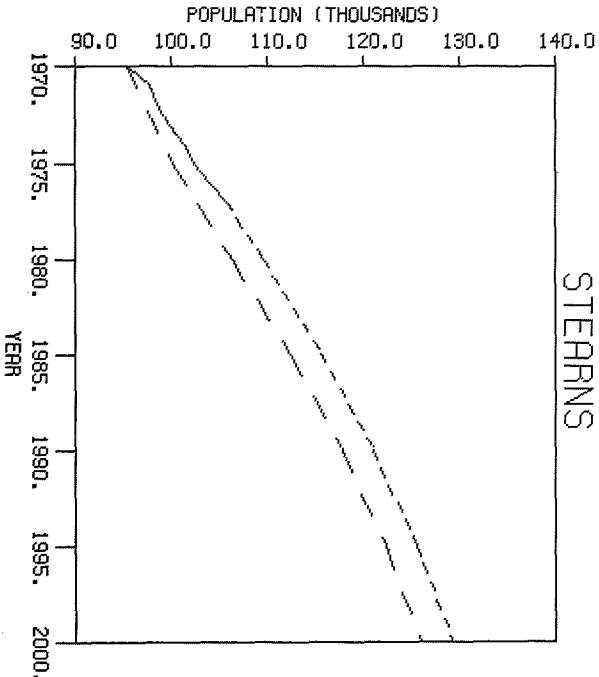
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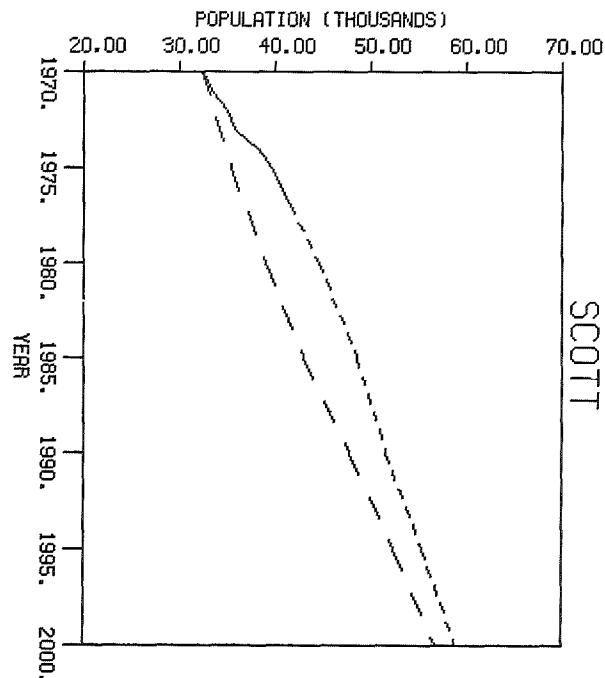


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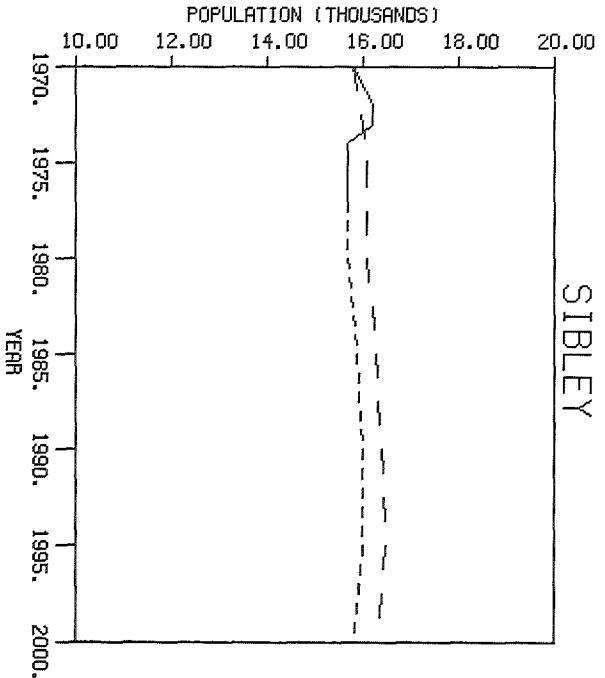


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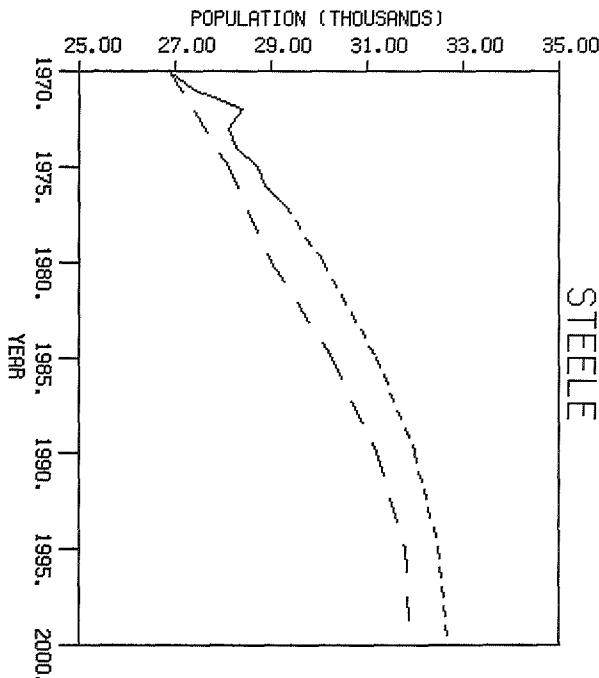
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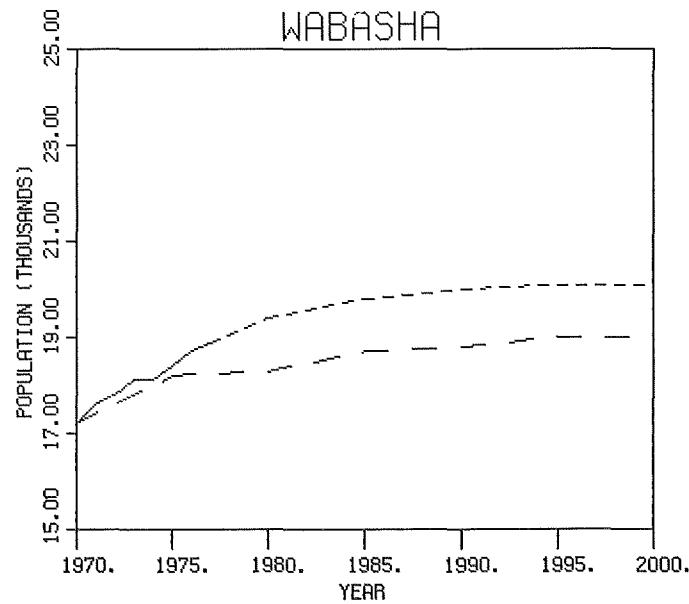
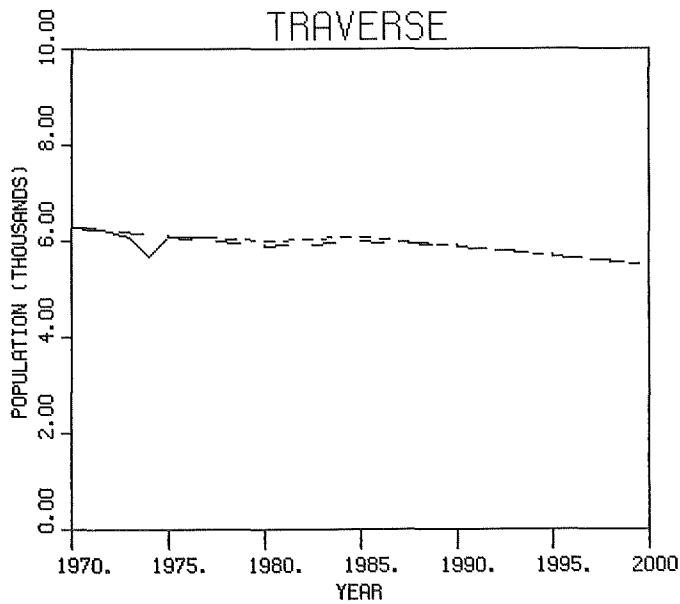
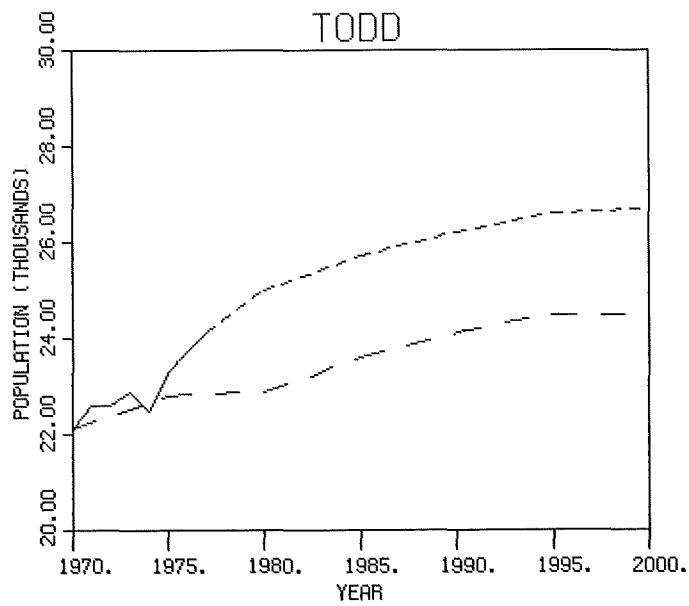
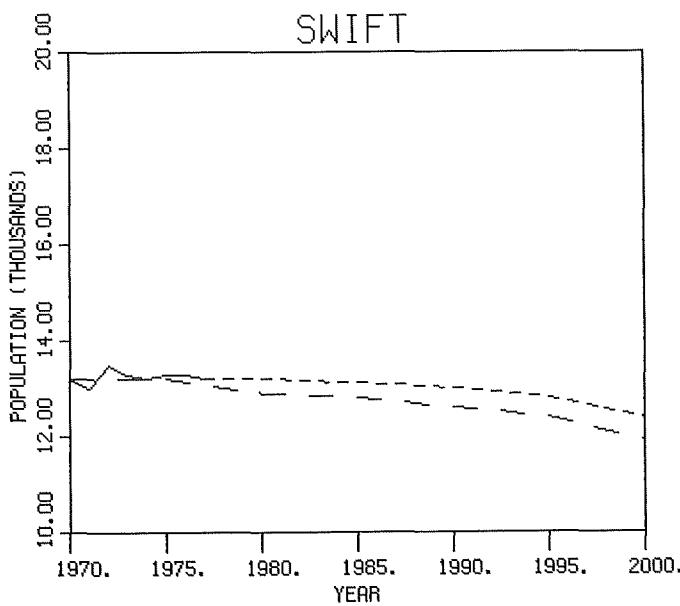
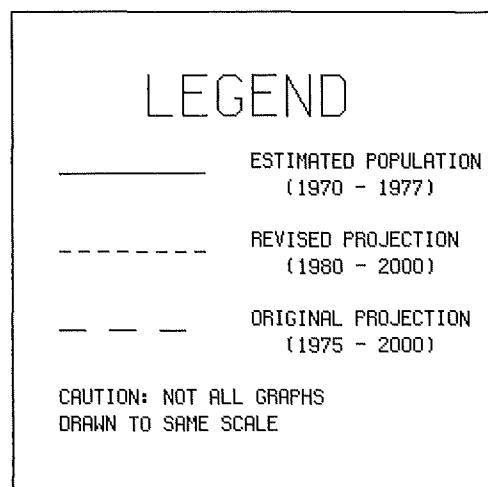
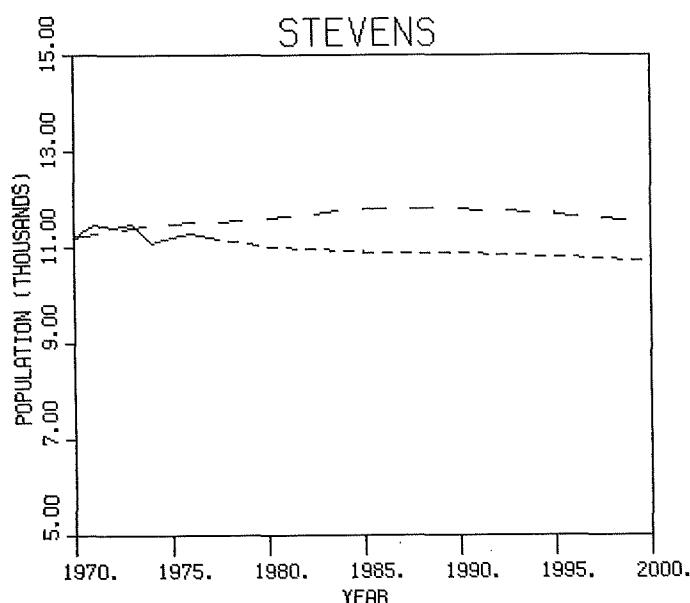
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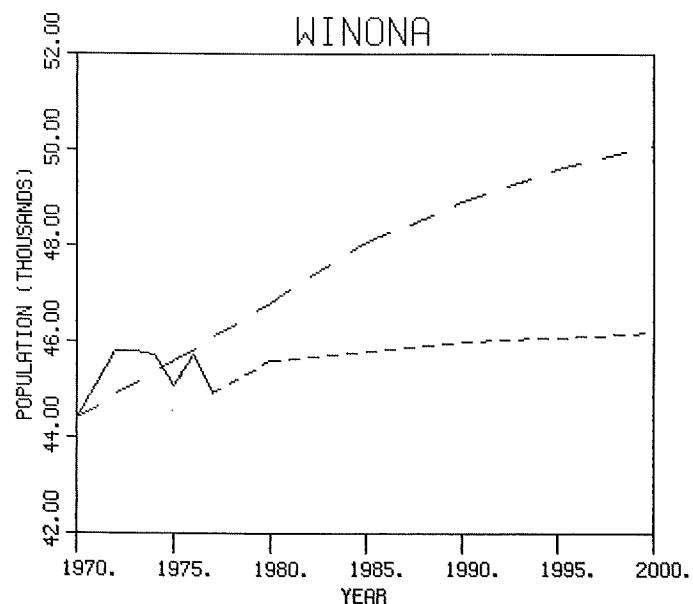
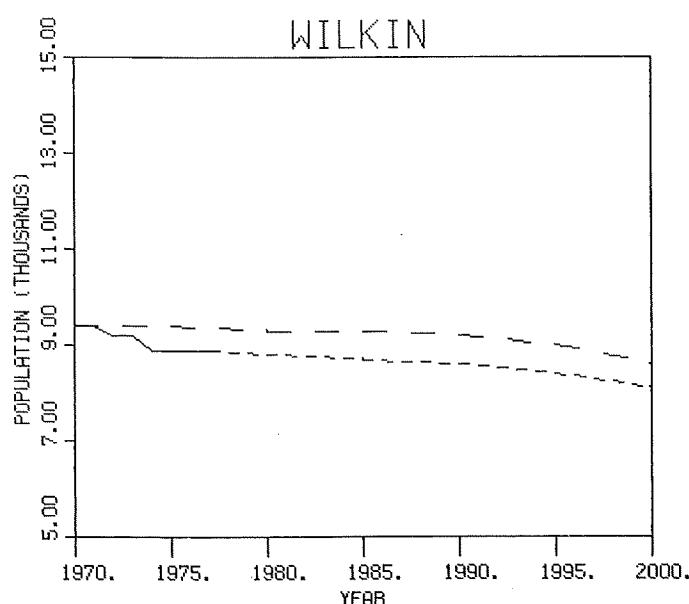
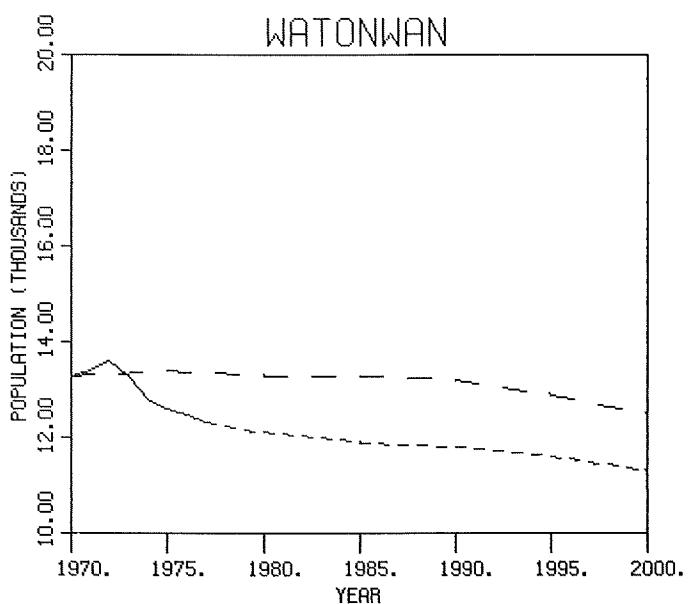
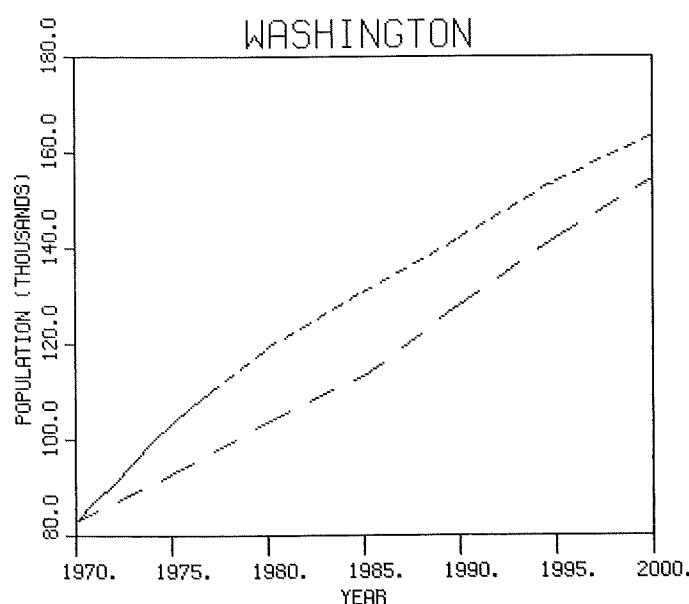
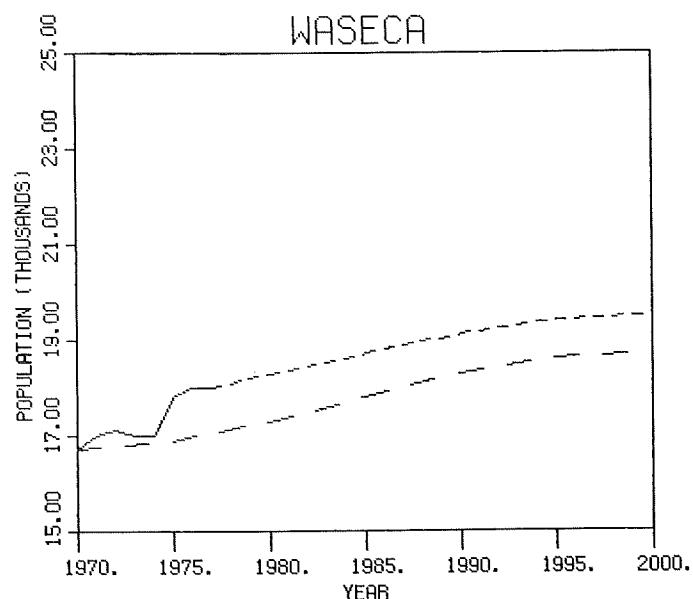
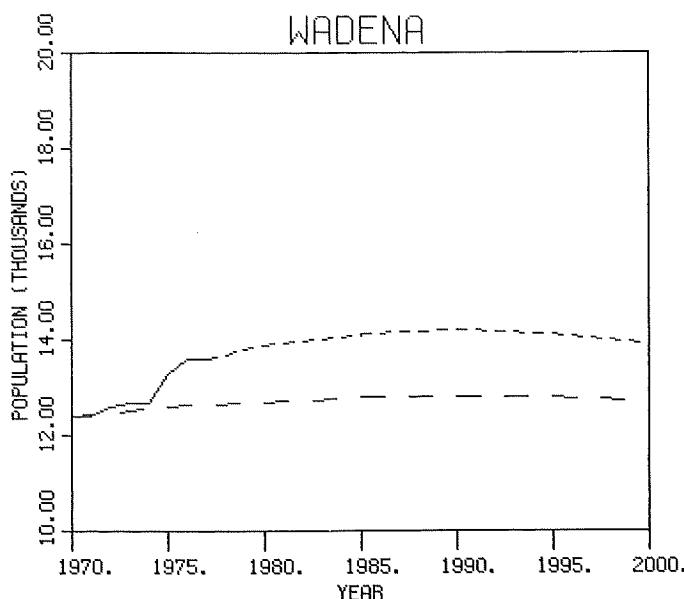
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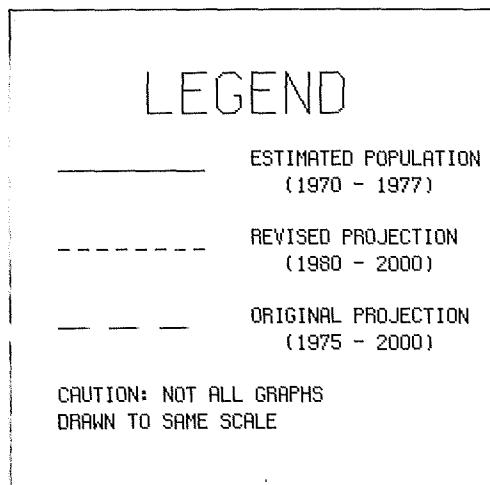
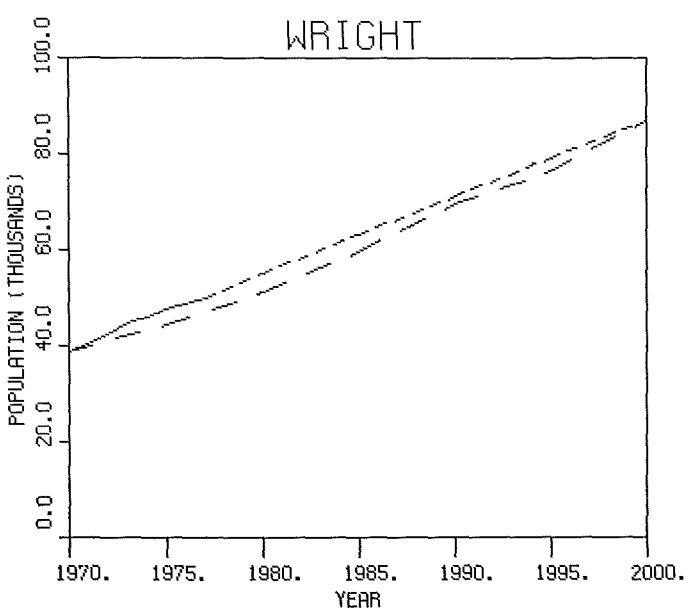
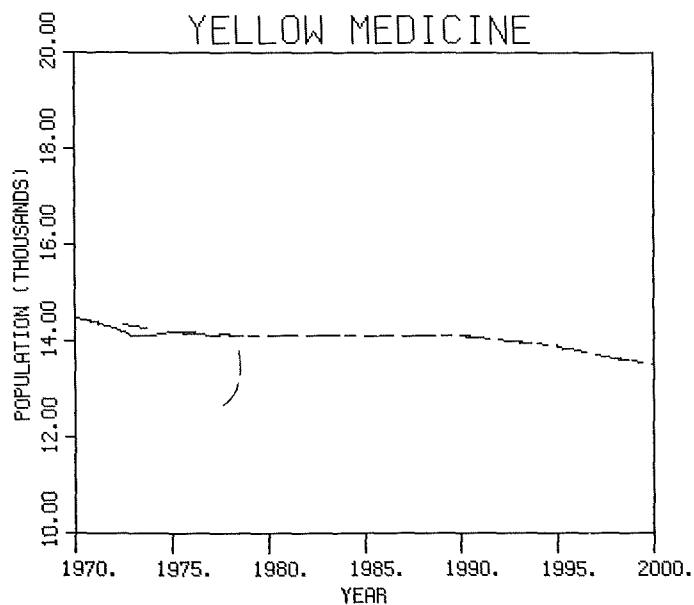
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Figure 5  
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