

Weekly Insights on Global Trends

Urbanization Trends

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India, China and Nigeria are expected to account for **35% of the growth in the world's urban population** between 2018 and 2050

+8 billion

Within 150 years, the global urban population could increase from less than **1 billion in 1950 to 9 billion by 2100.**

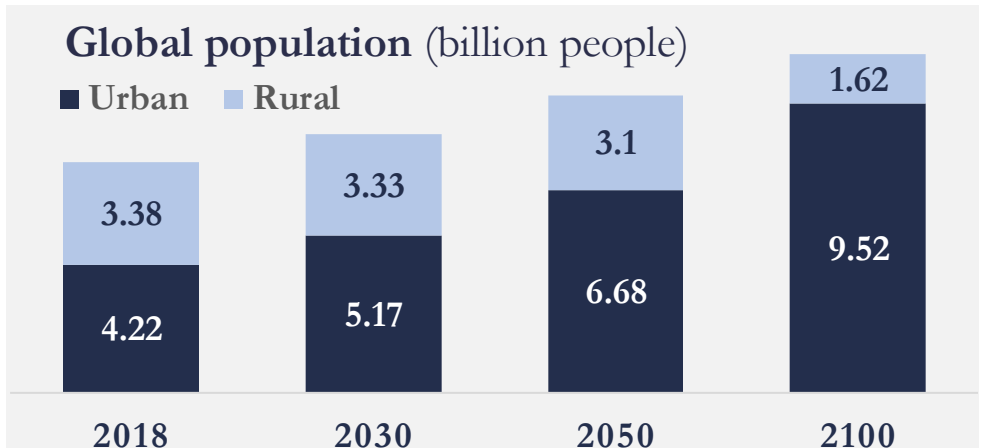
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The **number of cities with more than 5 million inhabitants** should be in 2100 **2.3 times higher** than in 2018.

+20%

The global **smart city market** is expected to grow by more than 20% annually in the coming years, reaching **\$2,600 billion in 2025**

The urbanization rate is currently at 55% and should continue to grow during the century to reach around **85% in 2100**. 90% of the urban population's increase will take place in Asia and Africa.



In 2010, 757 million people resided in the 101 largest cities (11% of the world's population). By the end of the century, **2.3 billion people** should live in the **101 largest cities** (20% of the world's population).

Rank	2025		→	2100	
1	Tokyo	34m		Lagos	88m
2	Mumbai	27m		Kinshasa	83m
3	Mexico C.	26m		Dar es Salaam	74m
4	Sao Paulo	24m		Mumbai	67m
5	Beijing	23m		Delhi	57m
6	Delhi	23m		Khartoum	57m
7	Dhaka	21m		Niamey	56m
8	New York	21m		Dhaka	54m
9	Kolkata	21m		Kolkata	52m
10	Karachi	20m		Kabul	50m

Urbanization trends might be profoundly shaped in the long-term by the consequences of the Covid-19 crisis. According to A&A, **smart cities, within the context of the Economy of Life, will become the norm much faster than expected by traditional thinking.**