

Numbers of Cities with at least 10,000 inhabitants (by region) [total population in '000s]

Region	1500	1550	1600	1650
North and North-Western Europe	30 [552]	30 [704]	40 [976]	45 [1,628]
Scandinavia	1 [13]	1 [13]	2 [26]	2 [63]
England and Wales	5 [80]	4 [112]	6 [255]	8 [495]
Scotland and Ireland	1 [13]	1 [13]	1 [30]	2 [35]
Northern Netherlands	11 [150]	12 [191]	19 [364]	19 [603]
Southern Netherlands	12 [295]	12 [375]	12 [301]	14 [415]
Central Western Europe	56 [1,083]	62 [1,360]	75 [1,801]	69 [1,988]
Germany	23 [385]	27 [534]	30 [662]	23 [528]
France	32 [688]	34 [814]	43 [1,114]	44 [1,438]
Swiss Cantons	1 [10]	1 [12]	2 [25]	2 [22]
Mediterranean Europe	65 [1,746]	77 [2,275]	101 [3,051]	79 [2,448]
Northern Italy	21 [638]	22 [711]	30 [897]	19 [614]
Central and Southern Italy	23 [664]	24 [787]	29 [1,076]	31 [963]
Spanish Peninsula	21 [444]	31 [777]	43 [1,078]	29 [871]
Eastern Europe	3 [60]	4 [77]	4 [105]	4 [120]
Austrian Habsburg Lands	3 [60]	3 [67]	3 [90]	3 [100]
Poland	0 [0]	1 [10]	1 [15]	1 [20]
Totals	154 (3,441)	173 (4,416)	220 (5,933)	197 (6,184)

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