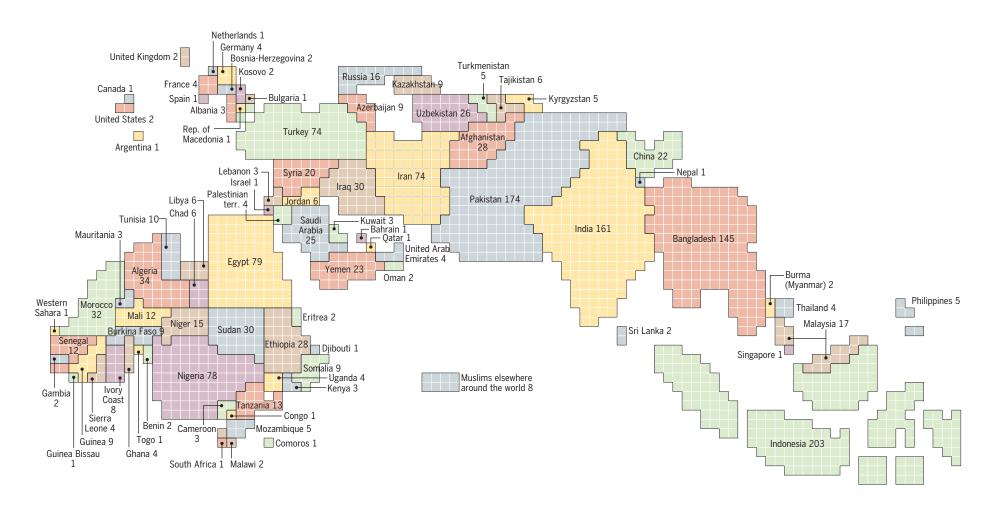
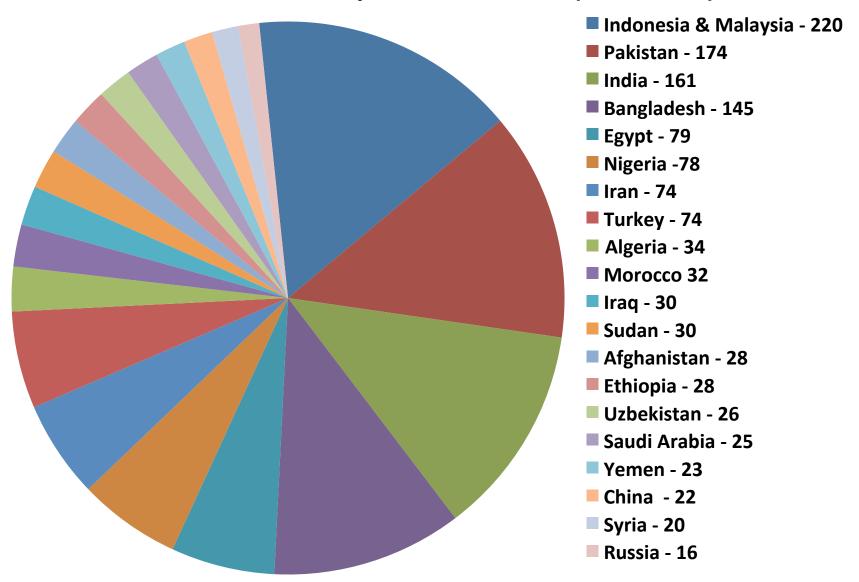
World Distribution of Muslim Population

This 'weighted' map of the world shows each country's relative size based on its Muslim population. Figures are rounded to the nearest million.



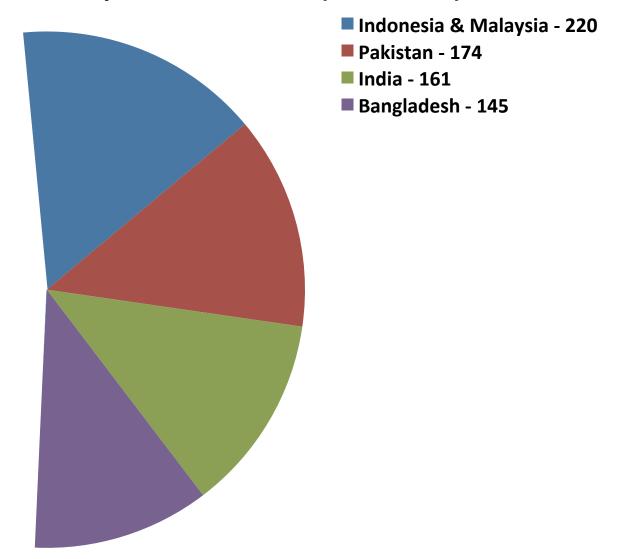


World Muslim Populations in 2009 (in millions)

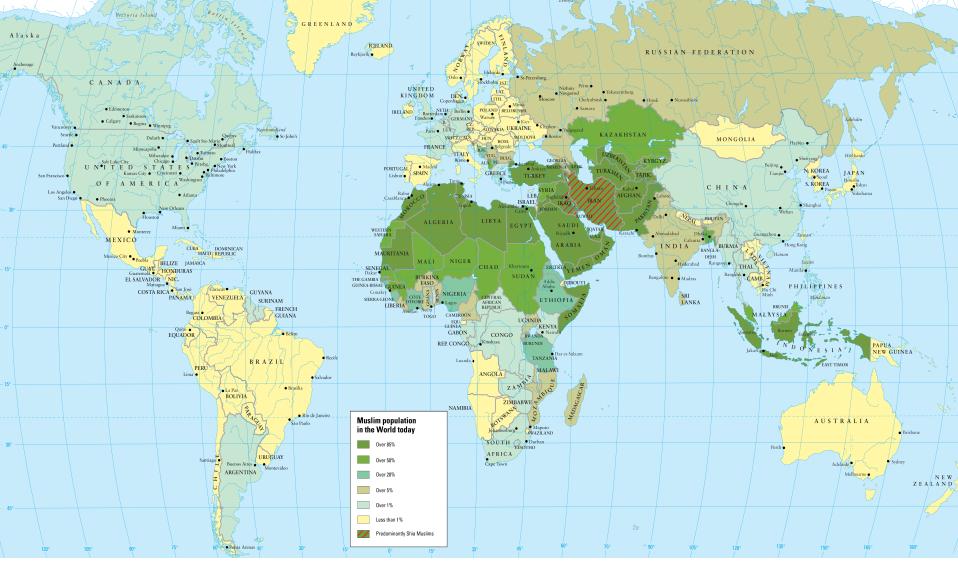


This pie chart, created from the Pew Research Center "World Distribution of Muslim Population" map data, shows the overall Muslim populations of several countries and makes it easy to compare their relative sizes.

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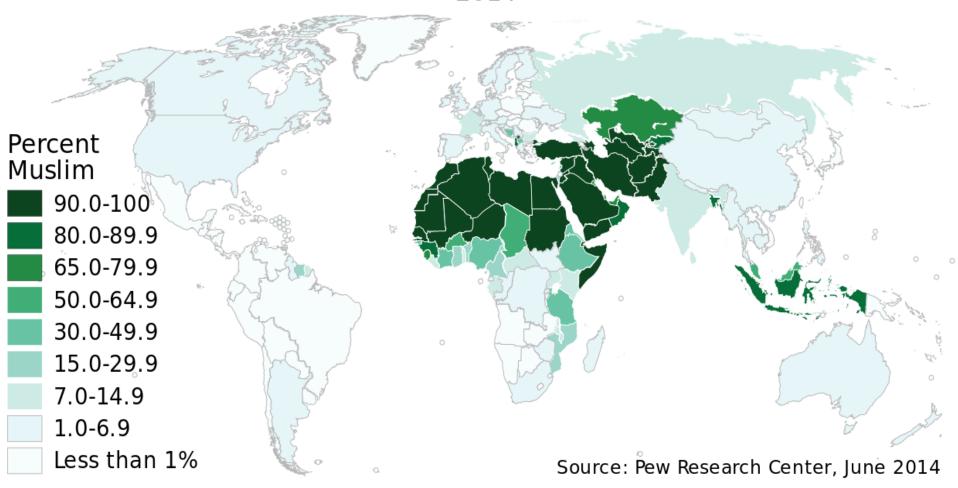


An alternative view of the same pie chart. By hiding from view all of the countries except those with the largest Muslim populations, we see that these countries (Indonesia & Malaysia treated as a single unit, Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh) account for more than 50% -- a majority -- of the world's Muslims. These countries are *not* geographically part of the Middle East. Arabic is NOT an official language in any of these countries, and their Arab populations are relatively small.



This map shows the percentage of a country's population that is Muslim. The darkest shade of green indicates that 85% or more of that country's population is Muslim, but it does not mean that those countries have the largest Muslim populations. For example, India is shown above to have a Muslim population that falls in the 5-20% range. However, at ~160 million, its Muslim population is actually the world's third largest. These facts make it clear that a higher percentage does not necessarily indicate a larger size, and that India has a very large population overall. According to this map, approximately what percent of the population of the United States is Muslim?

Muslim Population



This map can be substituted for the "Muslim Population in the World Today" map on the previous page. It shows the percentage of a country's population that is Muslim. The darkest shade of green means that 90% or more of that country's population is Muslim, but it does not mean that those countries have the largest Muslim populations. For example, India is shown above to have a Muslim population that falls in the 7.0-14.9% range. However, at ~160 million, its Muslim population is actually the world's third largest. These facts make it clear that a higher percentage does not necessarily indicate a larger size, and that India has a very large population overall. According to this map, approximately what percent of the population of the United States is Muslim?