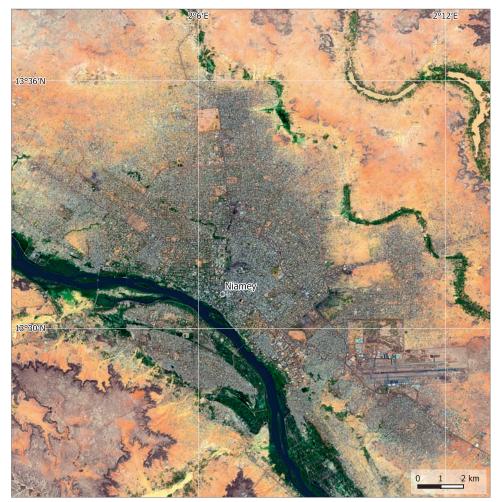
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1. Niamey, Niger, in 1984. Data: Landsat 4, 1984-10-13.

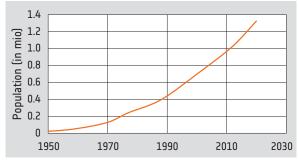


2. Niamey, Niger, in 2023. The city area has increased significantly, accompanied by the development of large infrastructure projects. Data: Sentinel-2, 2023-02-27.

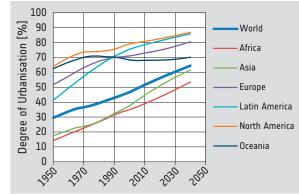
Niamey, Niger

Niamey, the capital city of Niger, has seen a remarkable population development over the years. Situated on the banks of the Niger River, the city has grown significantly since Niger gained independence in 1960. By the turn of the century, it had become one of the fastest-growing cities in Africa.

Several factors have contributed to Niamey's population boom, including improved health care services and educational opportunities. The most important factor is rural-to-urban migration. These factors have increased the city's overall population and have also influenced the age structure with its average age of 21 years. This youthful population is a resource for the city's development, offering workforce and potential for innovation. However, it also presents enormous challenges in terms of providing education, employment, and health care.



3. Niamey. Development of the population numbers since 1900. Note the sharp rise starting in the middle of the 20th century.



 Recorded and prospected development of the degree of urbanisation in different parts of the world.



5. Niamey Bridge crossing the Niger River, one of the infrastructure projects of the city.