

Student task

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Comoros	0.734
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Djibouti	0.872
Egypt	82.06
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Eritrea	6.3
Ethiopia	94.1
Gabon	1.672
Gambia	1.849
Ghana	25.9
Guinea	11.75
Guinea Bissau	1.704
Kenya	44.35
Lesotho	2.074
Liberia	4.294
Libya	6.202
Madagascar	22.92
Malawi	16.36
Mali	15.3
Mauritania	3.89
Mauritius	1.296
Morocco	33.01
Mozambique	25.83
Namibia	2.303
Niger	17.83
Nigeria	173.86
Republic of Congo	4.448
Rwanda	11.78
Sao Tome and Principe	0.192
Senegal	14.13
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Sierra Leone	6.092
Somalia	10.5
South Africa	52.98
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Key:

Colour	Population in millions
	Under 1 million
	1.01 - 25 million
	25.01 - 50 million
	50.01 - 75 million
	75.01 - 100 million
	100 million plus

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Look at the following paragraph which explains what the choropleth map shows. Can you analyse it according to what makes a good explanation?

Complete the key below for each of the categories, then colour code the paragraph.

What a good one looks like...

The population of Africa is not distributed evenly; some countries such as Nigeria have a much larger population (173.6 million) than others such as Eritrea which has a population of 6.3 million.

There are countries of differing sizes in Africa and this is partly the reason why the population size varies so much, however another reason is the type of biome that the country is located in.

Sudan is partly located in the desert, this could be one reason why their population is lower (37.96 million) despite being a very large country. Uganda is a much smaller country by area but has a population of 37.58 million. The biome here is Savanna which is much greener and easier to live in.

Key:

Data

Country names

Connectives

Technical terms