

THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST

The people who have been interviewed for this project came from a number of countries. Their experience of the Holocaust and that of people in other countries could vary a great deal. The table below gives some idea of the extent of the Holocaust on the pre-war Jewish populations.

Country	Estimated Jewish population before WWII	Estimated Murdered	% of the Jewish population who were killed in the Holocaust.
Austria	185,000	50,000	
Belgium	66,000	28,900	
Bohemia/Moravia	118,000	78,150	
Bulgaria	50,000	0	
Denmark	8,000	60	
Estonia	4,500	1,500	
Finland	2,000	7	
France	350,000	77,320	
Germany	565,000	134,500	
Greece	75,000	65,000	
Hungary	825,000	550,000	
Italy	44,500	7,500	
Latvia	91,500	70,000	
Lithuania	168,000	140,000	
Luxembourg	3,500	1,950	
Netherlands	140,000	100,000	
Norway	1,700	762	
Poland	3,300,000	3,000,000	
Romania	609,000	270,000	
Slovakia	89,000	71,000	
Soviet Union	3,020,000	1,000,000	
Yugoslavia	78,000	60,000	
Total:	9,793,700	5,706,649	

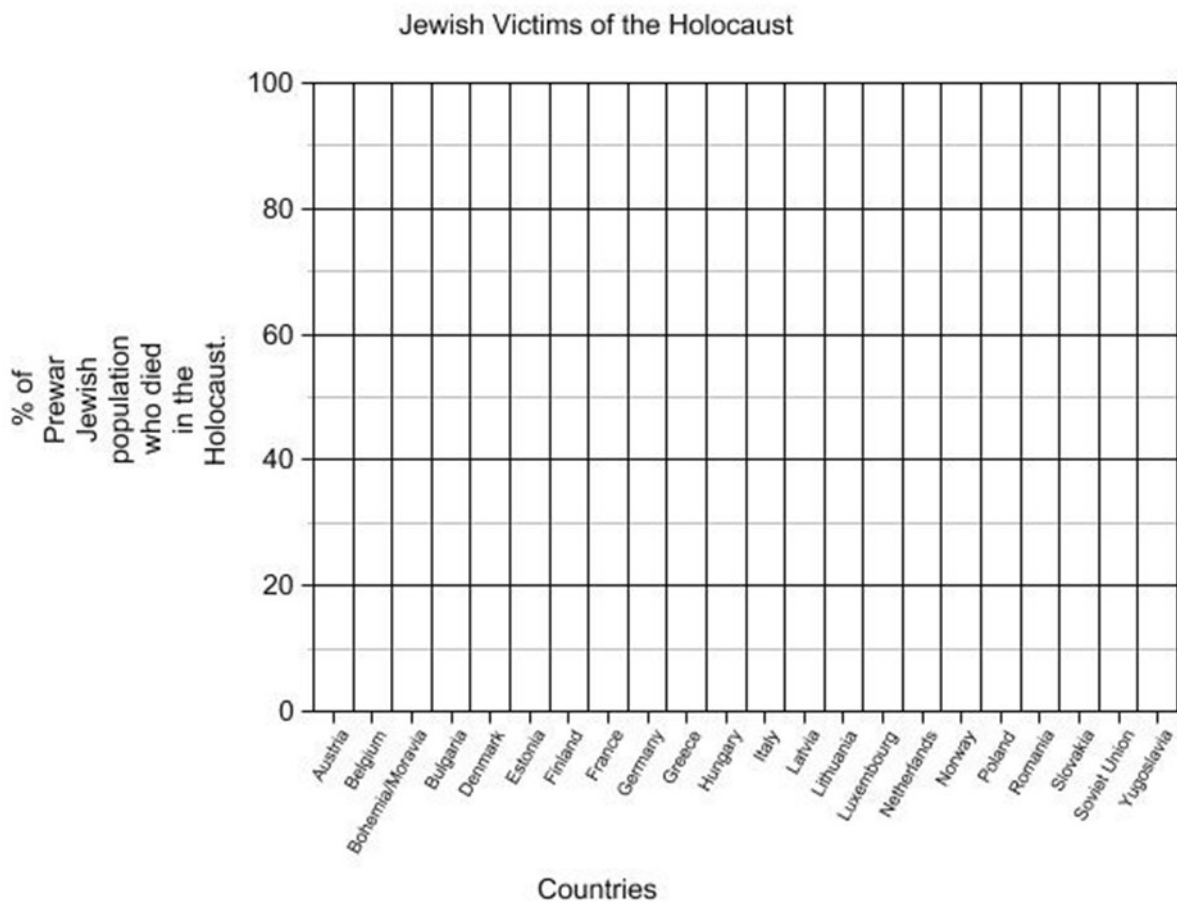
TASK ONE

1. Use the figures in the first two columns to work out the % of the Jewish population in each country who became victims. For instance in Austria: $50000 / 185000 \times 100 = 27\%$. Mark your answer in the third column.
2. Which countries had the largest Jewish populations before 1939?
3. Which countries suffered the greatest loss of Jews during the Holocaust?
4. Which areas suffered the least amount of loss?
5. Why do you think many of the figures are estimates?

TASK TWO

Use your answers to complete a bar graph showing the % of each countries Jewish population who died during the Holocaust.

TASK



THE LOCATION OF THE CAMPS

The following website gives the locations of many of the Concentration Camps that existed during the Holocaust. It also shows the location of extermination camps.

http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/education/learning_environments/sites_map.asp

Compare the map with the table on page 10 of this unit.

Why do you think the Nazis built the camps where they did?

TASK

The people who have given their testimony to “Gathering the Voices” came from a number of countries. Their experience was different. The following websites will provide information which can help you understand why Jews in some countries were able to survive the war. They will also allow you to place the experience of the survivors in a wider context.

- Choose three of the countries listed below and compare the experience of Jews in these countries.
- Use the evidence to complete the following questions.

DIFFERENT EXPERIENCES	
QUESTION	RESPONSE
What was the attitude of the authorities/Government towards Jews?	
On what date did attacks on the Jewish population begin?	
What groups were involved in helping carrying out the attacks on the Jews?	
Describe the treatment of Jews in these countries during the Holocaust	

AUSTRIA

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005447>

BULGARIA

<http://www.centropa.org/centropa-cinema/history-bulgarian-jewry-during-holocaust>
<http://www.jewishfederations.org/page.aspx?id=68270>

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005688>

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007323>

DENMARK

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005209#seealso>

FRANCE

<http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/holocaust/france/deportations.asp>
<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005429>

GERMANY

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005469>

<http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/holocaust/about/01/persecution.asp>

GREECE

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005778>

HUNGARY

<http://www.theholocaustexplained.org/ks3/life-in-nazi-occupied-europe/jews-in-occupied-countries/hungary/>

<http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/holocaust/about/09/hungary.asp>

<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005458>

POLAND

<http://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/holocaust/about/09/poland.asp>
<http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10005473>