

North Korea

COUNTRY DATA AND GRAPHS

RELEASE

2026_09

COVERAGE

1800 – 2030

Data availability heatmap	3
Real GDP	4
Nominal GDP	5
Total Consumption	6
Exports	7
Imports	8
USD Exchange Rate	9
Population	10
References	11

Data availability heatmap

COVERAGE
1800–2030

VARIABLES
7

Source coverage by variable

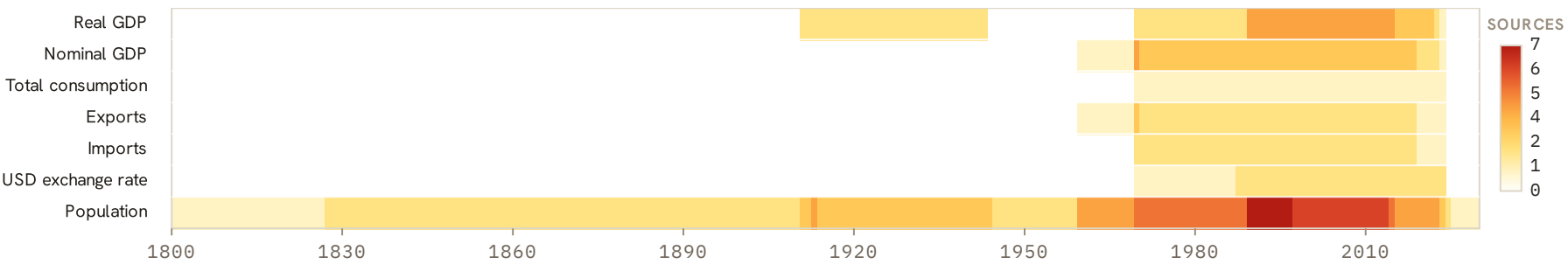


Figure 1. Count of overlapping source series available for each variable–year cell. Darker cells indicate more corroborating sources; blank cells denote years with no documented source.

Real GDP

COVERAGE
1911-2024

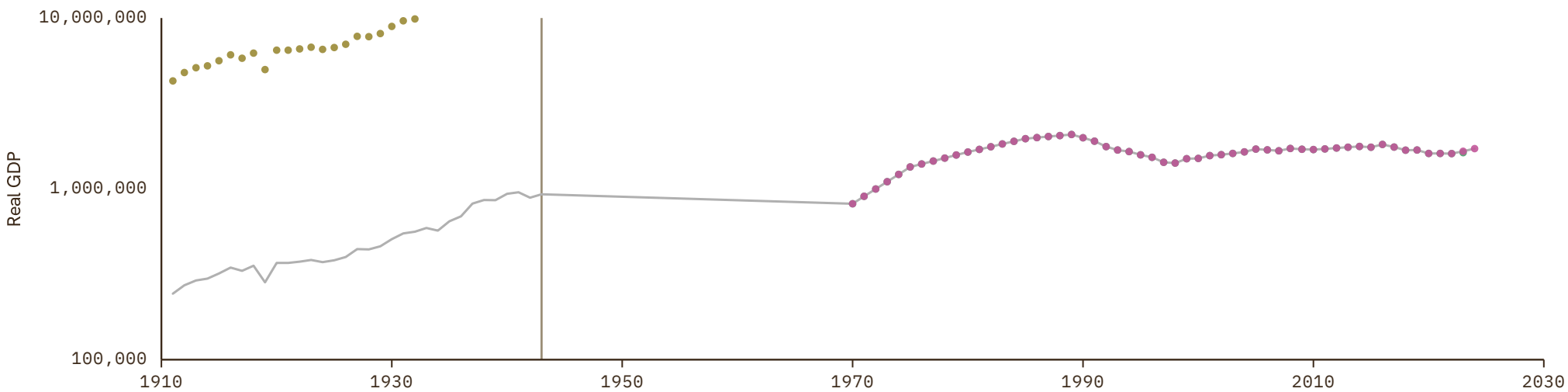
UNIT
millions of LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
Cha et al. (2022)	CS2 PRK	1911 - 1943	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1944: (ratio = 5.7%).
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate | Source change ● Maddison ● CS2 ● FAO ● UN



Nominal GDP

COVERAGE
1960-2024

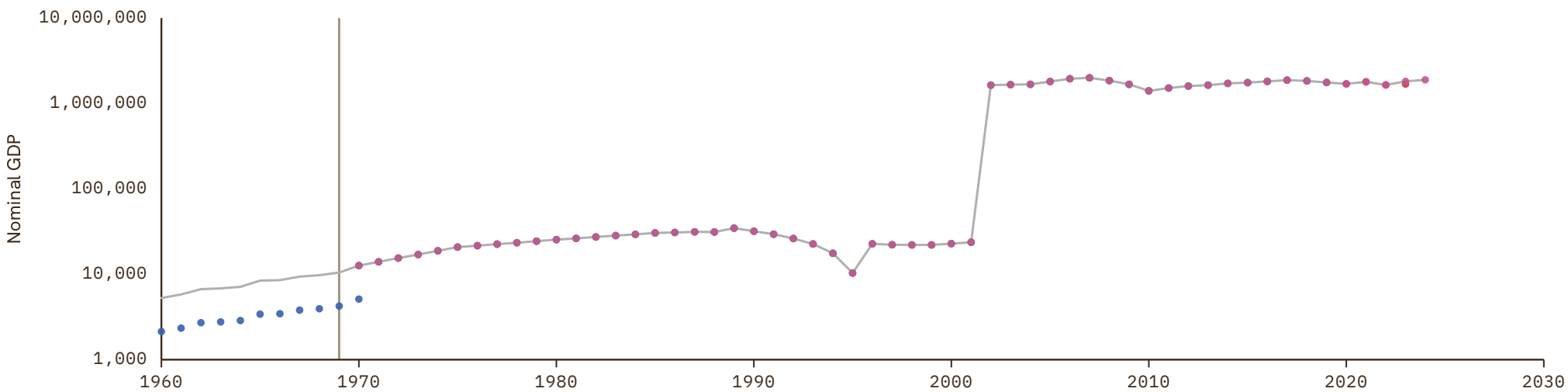
UNIT
millions of LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
Fouquin et al. (2016)	CEPII	1960 - 1969	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1970: (ratio = 247.3%).
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate | Source change ● CEPII ● FAO ● PWT ● UN



Total Consumption

COVERAGE
1970-2024

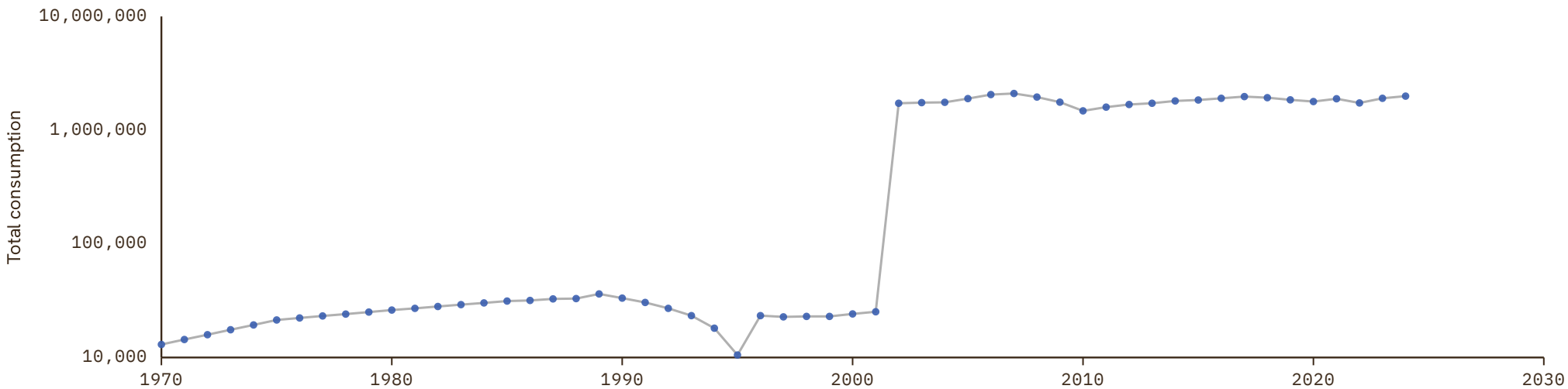
UNIT
millions of LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate ● UN



Exports

COVERAGE
1960-2024

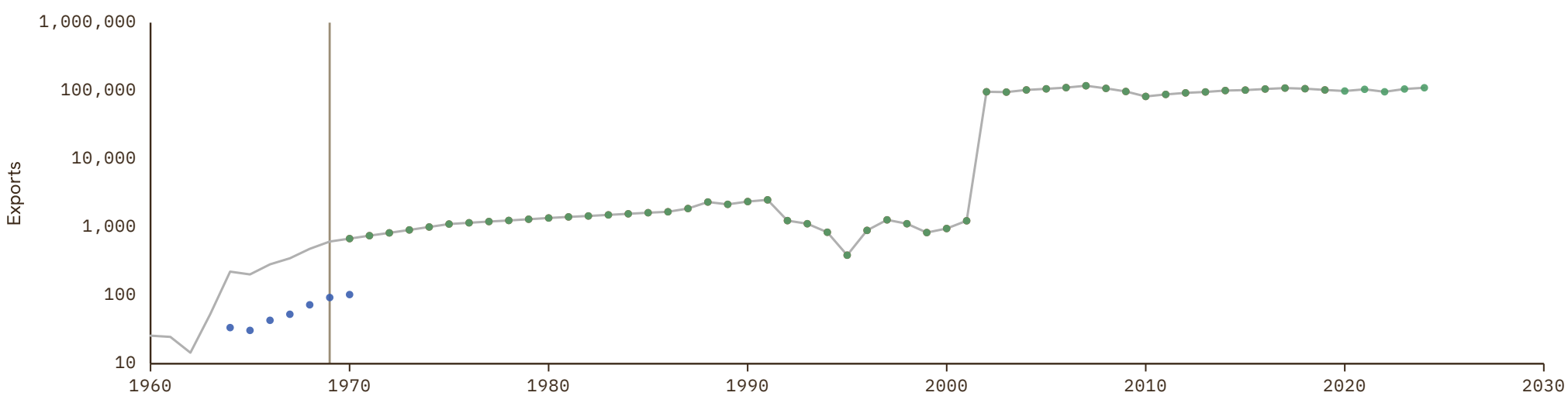
UNIT
millions of LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
Fouquin et al. (2016)	CEPII	1960 - 1969	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1970: (ratio = 661.2%).
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate | Source change ● CEPII ● PWT ● UN



Imports

COVERAGE
1970-2024

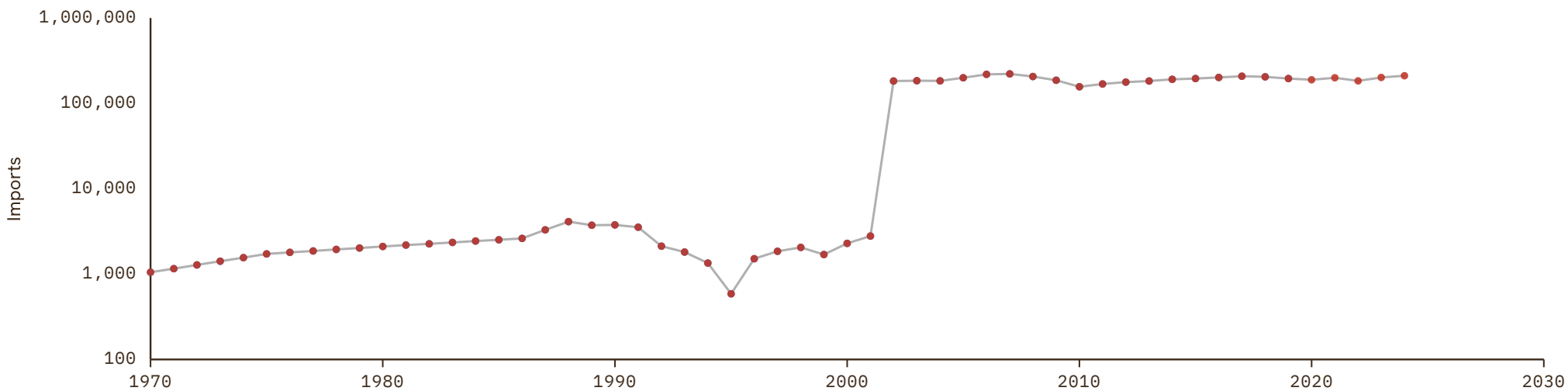
UNIT
millions of LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate ● PWT ● UN



USD Exchange Rate

COVERAGE
1970-2024

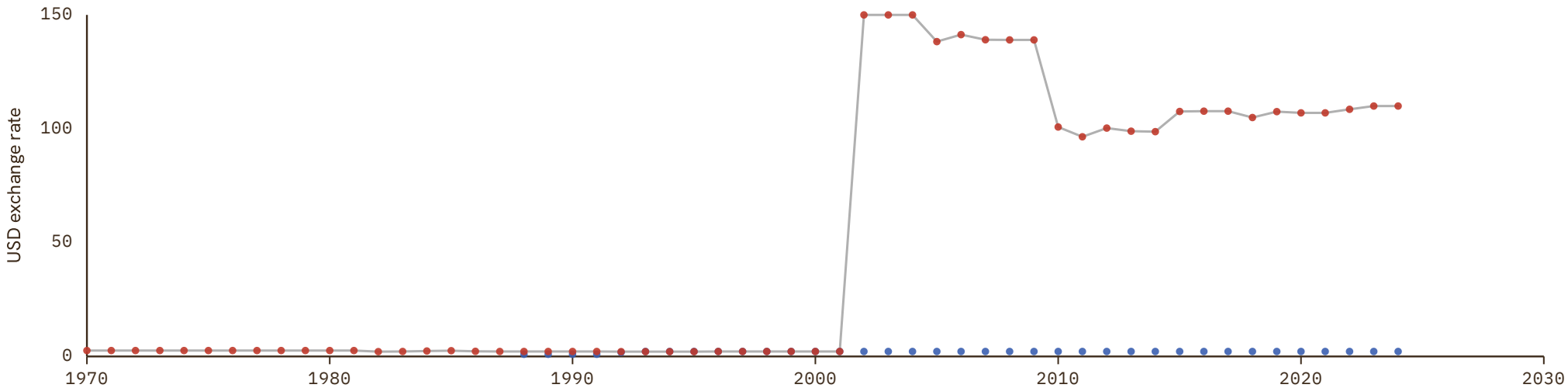
UNIT
1 USD in LC

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
United Nations (2024)	UN	1970 - 2024	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.

2 Historical series

— GMD estimate ● BIT ● UN



Population

COVERAGE
1800–2030

UNIT
millions

1 Source composition

SOURCE	CODE	TIME SPAN	NOTES
Gapminder (2024)	Gapminder	1800 - 1910	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1911: (ratio = 103%).
Cha et al. (2022)	CS2 PRK	1911 - 1944	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1945: (ratio = 105.9%).
Gapminder (2024)	Gapminder	1945 - 1959	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 1960: (ratio = 100.2%).
World Bank (2024)	WDI	1960 - 2025	Baseline source, overlaps with anchor year 2018.
Gapminder (2024) (forecasts)	Gapminder forecast	2026 - 2030	Ratio-spliced using overlapping data in 2031: (ratio = 99.9%).

2 Historical series

GMD forecast

GMD estimate

Source change

CEPII

CS2

Gapminder forecast

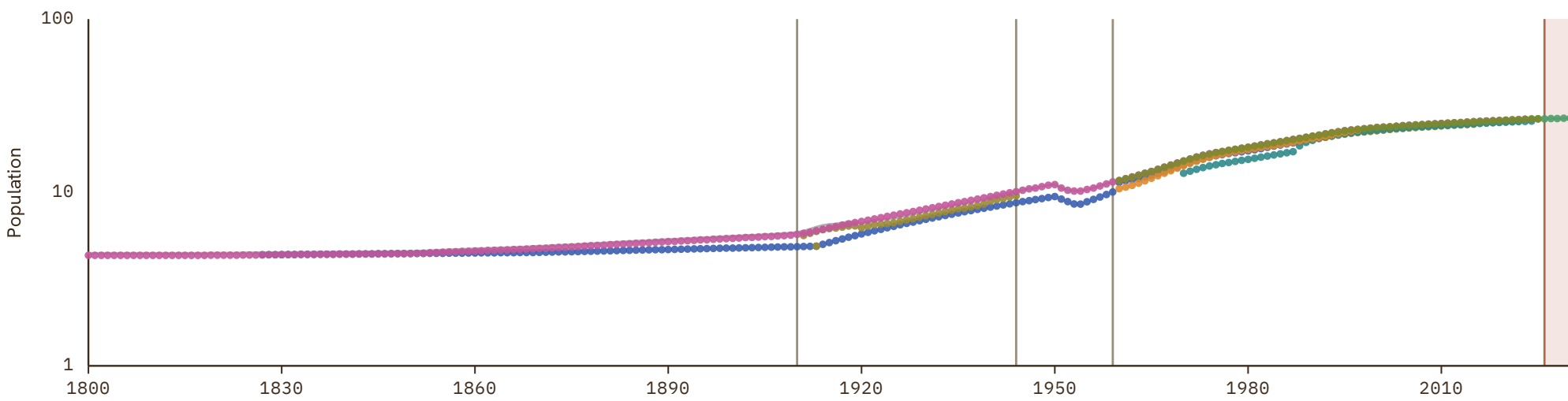
Gapminder

Maddison

UN

WDI ARC

WDI



References

CEPII Fouquin, Michel and Hugot, Jules (2016). Two Centuries of Bilateral Trade and Gravity Data: 1827-2014. CEPII. <https://www.cepii.fr/CEPII/en/publications/wp/abstract.asp?NoDoc=9134>

CS2_PRK Cha, Myung Soo and Kim, Nak Nyeon and Park, Ki-Joo and Park, Yitaek (2022). Historical Statistics of Korea. Springer.

Gapminder Gapminder (2024). Gapminder: Total Population. <http://gapm.io/dpop>

Gapminder_forecast Gapminder (2024). Gapminder: Total Population. <http://gapm.io/dpop>

UN United Nations (2024). National Accounts - Analysis of Main Aggregates (AMA). <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/snaama/Downloads>

WDI World Bank (2024). World Development Indicators. <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator>
