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Top 3 PC MMOs and MMORPGs rated by the player count

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Sometimes, picking a new MMO or MMO RPG to play can be a daunting task when you aren't currently invested in one. You know that you will commit hours and hours of your life to that one game, so you want to be sure that you are picking the best one for your tastes.

One of the best ways to know if a game is worth your time is to see which games people are playing. They've already spent days' worth of hours grinding every nook and cranny of that game. Player count isn't a hard tell, but it is a great way to learn the genre's standard expectations. Then, you can compare that foundation with your desires in a video game.

Lucky for us, a website called MMO Population has collected that data for our scrutiny, and we've listed the top 3 most played MMO's here for you, according to the site.

DISCLAIMER: All data in this blog was captured as of April 13, 2021 at 10:00 PM EST. Visit <https://mmo-population.com/top/2021> for a live count.

1. World of Warcraft

Active Players: 3,239,522

Total Population: 113,667,426

WoW has stood the test of time as the single most played game in its genre by far. When asked to describe an "MMO," you can just say World of Warcraft. You can even define the term "MMO" using this game's abbreviation. That cannot be a coincidence.

Recent News: Blizzard released more details about World of Warcraft's competitive dungeon one-off tournament of the year called The Great Push. A \$20,000 prize pool, qualifiers, and no prerequisites to participate in the contest.

2. FINAL FANTASY XIV: A Realm Reborn

Active Players: 2,293,018

Total Population: 24,137,035

Fans of the popular Final Fantasy franchise will most likely be more likely to play Final Fantasy XIV. With familiar themes and tropes from other entries in the series, it's much easier for traditional JRPG and RPG fans to give this a shot than some of the more typical iterations of an

MMO.

Recent News: There has recently been a new update (patch 5.5) that boasts new story quests and a raid based on Nier. A Nier cameo, as in Nier: Automata and the recently released Nier: Replicant (a remake of the original Nier game), is super exciting news for Square Enix fans.

3. Old School RuneScape

Active Players: 1,991,870

Total Population: 29,952,939

Although Old School RuneScape is relatively old, it still receives updates from the devs and support from new and old players every day. Fans of the franchise feel that compared to RuneScape 3, OSRS is hard to leave behind. It is known in the community for having more PVP players, nostalgic gameplay, and the game is easier to run on older or weaker machines, making it more accessible than many other MMOs in 2021.

Recent News: As mentioned above, Old School RuneScape is still receiving updates to enhance the player experience. For example, there was a list of issues and hotfixes addressed on April 7 of this year. The most important one was a correction of the players' Collection Log not displaying correctly, a big deal in a game whose main mechanic involves getting [OSRS loot and gear](#).

Honorable mentions

Below is a shortlist of the remaining games that made the site's top 10 most played MMOs list. You should check some of these to continue your research for a new MMO or MMO RPG to play.

4. *World of Warcraft Classic* – **1,161,225/24,446,849**
5. *Runescape 3* – **1,072,131/14,106,983**
6. *The Elder Scrolls Online* – **992,960/17,420,347**
7. *Destiny 2* – **906,800/31,817,552**
8. *Black Desert Online* – **889,714/10,406,014**
9. *Elite Dangerous* – **837,732/14,697,056**
10. *Guild Wars 2* – **532,664/14,017,478**

Which MMO or MMO RPG are you playing?

It would help if you didn't overthink the hunt for a new MMO game to play. Many of these are free to play, and paywalls for content aren't that steep. Plus, you'll know if a game is suitable for you if you see some gameplay.

Let us know in the comments which MMO has stolen months' worth of hours from your day.

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