## Describing Bar Charts

## Practice 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.
The chart below shows the population of major countries in the years 1996 and 2007.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Population of Major European Countries in 1997 and 2007


## Fill in the missing information.

 The $\mathbf{x}$ axis of the graph represents the ................................ while the $\mathbf{y}$ axis shows the ..................................in............................................. . As can be clearly seen, the population $\qquad$ in all countries except $\qquad$ in this period.

Looking at the chart in more detail, we can see that the largest rise was in where the population increased from over $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ million. Secondly, the smallest increase was in ............................. where the population of 82 $\qquad$ rose by a few thousand. Spain also had a fairly large increase from 39.4 million to $\qquad$ and France had an increase of almost $\qquad$ million. Moreover, in the other two countries, $\qquad$ and the $\qquad$ population growth was more modest with increases of about 2.3 and $\qquad$ million respectively. In Poland, the population …..................... by half a million. Poland had the $\qquad$ population in both 1996 and $\qquad$ Although Spain and Poland had comparable populations in 1996, Spain's population is now nearly six and a half million greater than $\qquad$

In general, we can see a clear $\qquad$ trend in the population of $\qquad$ while $\qquad$ seem to have $\qquad$ .. .

