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ABSTRACT

These lessons are based on U.S. Census 2000 results, focusing on changes in the United States during the 1990s. Students construct choropleth (thematic) maps, analyze information from tables and maps, discuss the impact of the Census 2000 apportionment counts on their state and the United States, and calculate population totals. Lessons include teaching suggestions, worksheets, answer keys, data tables, and Web sites. (BT)

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Social Studies Activities

Data Sources:

www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab04.pdf

www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab05.pdf

www.census.gov/main/www/cen2000.html

- Students will construct choropleth (thematic) maps.
- Students will analyze information from tables and maps.
- Students will discuss the impact of the Census 2000 apportionment counts on their state and the nation.
- Students will read tables to gather information about the April 1, 2000 U.S. population.

Lessons to Use with Census 2000 Results

In spring 2000, families across the nation participated in Census 2000. The Census Bureau has begun tabulating the responses from the millions of questionnaires. On December 28, 2000, the first Census 2000 numbers, showing the state population totals for April 1, 2000, were released. The following teaching suggestions and worksheets will give you and your students an opportunity to learn about the changes that took place in our country during the 1990s. Skills and objectives covered are indicated (*) beneath each teaching suggestion below.

Census 2000 Lesson 1

"The State of the States" Worksheet
"The State of the States" Teacher's Answer Key
Data Source: Table T1

- Students will read tables to gather information about the April 1, 2000 U.S. population.
- Students will analyze information from tables and maps.

Census 2000 Lesson 2

"The State of Your State" Worksheet
"The State of Your State" Sample Paragraph
Data Source: Table T1

- Students will read tables to gather information about the April 1, 2000 U.S. population.
- Students will compose a paragraph to describe population change in their state.
- Students will analyze information from tables and maps.

Census 2000 Quick Tips

Math Activities

Student Data Source: "Student Table 1"

Teacher Data Sources:

www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab04.pdf

www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab05.pdf

- Students will do math calculations (ranking, subtraction, and percentages) to complete a table showing Census 2000 population totals.
- Students will use Census 2000 data to create spreadsheets.
- Students will analyze information from tables and maps.

Lesson 1
Census 2000
The State of the States Worksheet

The 2000 Census revealed some important facts and trends. No state lost population. (The District of Columbia lost population, but is not considered a state.) The U.S. population has been shifting to the west and south since the early 1800's. This trend also continued between 1990 and 2000. To learn more about how the United States changed during the last decade, answer the following questions using Table T1, "Resident Population of the United States."

1a. Name the five states that increased by the largest percentages (grew the fastest) between 1990 and 2000. Rank them in order (1 = state with largest percent change) and give the percentage by which they grew.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

1b. Looking at the map of the United States, what do you notice about these states in terms of their location? _____

2a. Name the five states that added the greatest number of people during the 1990's. Rank them in order (1 = state with largest numeric change) and give the number of people added.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

2b. Looking at the map of the United States, what do you notice about these states in terms of their location? _____

3a. Name the five states that increased by the smallest percentages (grew the least) between 1990 and 2000. Rank them in order (1 = state with smallest percent change) and give the percentages by which they grew.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

3b. Looking at the map of the United States, what do you notice about these states in terms of their location? _____

4a. Name the five most populous states in 2000 and 1990. Rank them in order (1 = state with largest population).

	2000	1990
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

4b. How did the ranking of the states change between 2000 and 1990? _____

5a. Name the five least populous states in 2000 and 1990. Rank them in order (1 = state with smallest population).

	2000	1990
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

5b. How did the ranking of the states change between 2000 and 1990? _____

6. Based on the information gathered above, which region* (see regions listed below) do you think increased by the largest percentage between 1990 and 2000? Include facts to support your answer.

7. Based on the information gathered above, which region* (see regions listed below) do you think increased by the largest numeric value between 1990 and 2000? Include facts to support your answer.

***Census Bureau Regions**

- Northeast** CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
- South** AL, AR, DC, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA, WV
- Midwest** IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
- West** AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

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Teacher's Answer Key
The State of the States

- 1a. #1 Nevada - 66.3 %
#2 Arizona - 40.0 %
#3 Colorado - 30.6 %
#4 Utah - 29.6 %
#5 Idaho - 28.5 %
- 1b. The states with the largest percent increase are located in the west.
- 2a. #1 California - 4,111,627
#2 Texas - 3,865,310
#3 Florida - 3,044,452
#4 Georgia - 1,708,237
#5 Arizona - 1,465,404
- 2b. Most of the states with the largest numeric increase are located in the south.
- 3a. #1 North Dakota - 0.5 %
#2 West Virginia - 0.8 %
#3 Pennsylvania - 3.4 %
#4 Connecticut - 3.6 %
#5 Maine - 3.8 %
- 3b. Most of the states with the smallest percent increase are located in the east.
- 4a.
- | | 2000 | 1990 |
|----|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| #1 | California - 33,871,648 | California - 29,760,021 |
| #2 | Texas - 20,851,820 | New York - 17,990,455 |
| #3 | New York - 18,976,457 | Texas - 16,986,510 |
| #4 | Florida - 15,982,378 | Florida - 12,937,926 |
| #5 | Illinois - 12,419,293 | Pennsylvania - 11,881,643 |
- 4b. In 1990, more people lived in New York than in Texas and more people lived in Pennsylvania than in Illinois. By 2000, there were more people living in Texas than New York and more people living in Illinois than Pennsylvania. California and Florida maintained their rankings.
- 5a.
- | | 2000 | 1990 |
|----|------------------------|------------------------|
| #1 | Wyoming - 493,782 | Wyoming - 453,588 |
| #2 | Vermont - 608,827 | Alaska - 550,043 |
| #3 | Alaska - 626,932 | Vermont - 562,758 |
| #4 | North Dakota - 642,200 | North Dakota - 638,800 |
| #5 | South Dakota - 754,844 | Delaware - 666,168 |
- 5b. In 1990, more people lived in Alaska than in Vermont and more people lived in Delaware than in South Dakota. By 2000, there were more people living in Vermont than Alaska and more people living in South Dakota than Delaware. Wyoming and North Dakota maintained their rankings.
6. The western region increased by the largest percentage between 1990 and 2000. The states with the largest percentage increases are in the west.
7. The southern region had the largest numeric increase between 1990 and 2000. The states with the largest numeric increases were in the south.

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Table T1. Resident Population of the United States
 April 1, 2000 and April 1, 1990

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Alabama	4,447,100	4,040,587	406,513	10.1	23	22
Alaska	626,932	550,043	76,889	14.0	48	49
Arizona	5,130,632	3,665,228	1,465,404	40.0	20	24
Arkansas	2,673,400	2,350,725	322,675	13.7	33	33
California	33,871,648	29,760,021	4,111,627	13.8	1	1
Colorado	4,301,261	3,294,394	1,006,867	30.6	24	26
Connecticut	3,405,565	3,287,116	118,449	3.6	29	27
Delaware	783,600	666,168	117,432	17.6	45	46
District of Columbia	572,059	606,900	-34,841	-5.7	(NA)	(NA)
Florida	15,982,378	12,937,926	3,044,452	23.5	4	4
Georgia	8,186,453	6,478,216	1,708,237	26.4	10	11
Hawaii	1,211,537	1,108,229	103,308	9.3	42	41
Idaho	1,293,953	1,006,749	287,204	28.5	39	42
Illinois	12,419,293	11,430,602	988,691	8.6	5	6
Indiana	6,080,485	5,544,159	536,326	9.7	14	14
Iowa	2,926,324	2,776,755	149,569	5.4	30	30
Kansas	2,688,418	2,477,574	210,844	8.5	32	32
Kentucky	4,041,769	3,685,296	356,473	9.7	25	23
Louisiana	4,468,976	4,219,973	249,003	5.9	22	21
Maine	1,274,923	1,227,928	46,995	3.8	40	38
Maryland	5,296,486	4,781,468	515,018	10.8	19	19
Massachusetts	6,349,097	6,016,425	332,672	5.5	13	13
Michigan	9,938,444	9,295,297	643,147	6.9	8	8
Minnesota	4,919,479	4,375,099	544,380	12.4	21	20
Mississippi	2,844,658	2,573,216	271,442	10.5	31	31
Missouri	5,595,211	5,117,073	478,138	9.3	17	15
Montana	902,195	799,065	103,130	12.9	44	44
Nebraska	1,711,263	1,578,385	132,878	8.4	38	36
Nevada	1,998,257	1,201,833	796,424	66.3	35	39
New Hampshire	1,235,786	1,109,252	126,534	11.4	41	40
New Jersey	8,414,350	7,730,188	684,162	8.9	9	9
New Mexico	1,819,046	1,515,069	303,977	20.1	36	37
New York	18,976,457	17,990,455	986,002	5.5	3	2
North Carolina	8,049,313	6,628,637	1,420,676	21.4	11	10
North Dakota	642,200	638,800	3,400	0.5	47	47
Ohio	11,353,140	10,847,115	506,025	4.7	7	7
Oklahoma	3,450,654	3,145,585	305,069	9.7	27	28
Oregon	3,421,399	2,842,321	579,078	20.4	28	29
Pennsylvania	12,281,054	11,881,643	399,411	3.4	6	5
Rhode Island	1,048,319	1,003,464	44,855	4.5	43	43
South Carolina	4,012,012	3,486,703	525,309	15.1	26	25
South Dakota	754,844	696,004	58,840	8.5	46	45
Tennessee	5,689,283	4,877,185	812,098	16.7	16	17
Texas	20,851,820	16,986,510	3,865,310	22.8	2	3
Utah	2,233,169	1,722,850	510,319	29.6	34	35
Vermont	608,827	562,758	46,069	8.2	49	48
Virginia	7,078,515	6,187,358	891,157	14.4	12	12
Washington	5,894,121	4,866,692	1,027,429	21.1	15	18
West Virginia	1,808,344	1,793,477	14,867	0.8	37	34
Wisconsin	5,363,675	4,891,769	471,906	9.6	18	16
Wyoming	493,782	453,588	40,194	8.9	50	50
Total Resident Population¹	281,421,906	248,709,873	32,712,033	13.2	(NA)	(NA)
Northeast	53,594,378	50,809,229	2,785,149	5.5	(NA)	(NA)
Midwest	64,392,776	59,668,632	4,724,144	7.9	(NA)	(NA)
South	100,236,820	85,445,930	14,790,890	17.3	(NA)	(NA)
West	63,197,932	52,786,082	10,411,850	19.7	(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rico	3,808,610	3,522,037	286,573	8.1	(NA)	(NA)
Total Resident Population Including Puerto Rico	285,230,516	252,231,910	32,998,606	13.1	(NA)	(NA)

¹ Includes the population of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.
 Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau
 NA: Not Applicable

Lesson 2
Census 2000
The State of Your State Worksheet

Find out what Census 2000 revealed about your state. Did it grow? How fast? How does it compare to other states? Complete the following activities to learn how your state changed during the last decade. Use Table T1, "Resident Population of the United States, to gather your information about your state.

1. What is the April 1, 2000, population of your state? _____

2. Did your state's population increase or decrease between 1990 and 2000? What was the percent change?

3. Was the percent population change for your state higher or lower than the national average?

4. What was your state rank in population size in 1990? 2000? _____

5. Calculate the percentage of the U.S. population that resides in your state. _____
Compare the percentage of the U.S. population that resides in your state with the percentages residing in two other states of your choice.
6. Select a state. Compare the percent change of your state to the state you chose. How do they differ? Why do you think your state differs from the state you chose?

7. Write a paragraph describing the population growth and change in your state (or a selected state) between 1990 and 2000. Your paragraph may contain information about the size, numeric change, percent change, rank, relationship to the national average, and relationship with other states. Paragraphs should contain at least five sentences.

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The State of Your State Sample Paragraph

I live in the state of Maryland. In 1990 there were 4,781,468 people living in Maryland. According to the 2000 Census, 515,018 more people now live in my state. That is a total of 5,296,486 people now living in the state of Maryland. My state grew by 10.8 percent. Maryland's percent increase was less than the national average, which was 13.2 percent. Maryland maintained its population ranking of 19 from 1990 to 2000. Less than 2 percent of the U.S. population resides in my state.

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Census 2000 Quick Tips

Math Activities

The Census Bureau provides several tables showing the Resident Population Totals for April 1, 2000. These tables include the state population totals for 2000 and 1990, the numeric change, percent change, and various rankings. Rather than giving the Census Bureau tables to students, students can practice basic math skills by completing their own table (see Student Table 1). Student's results may then be compared to the Census Bureau results.

- I. Have students work in teams to calculate the following information to complete columns in Student Table 1:
 - a) Column 4, Numeric Change
 - b) Column 5, Percent Change
 - c) Column 6, State Rank as of April 1, 2000
 - f) Column 7, State Rank as of April 1, 1990

Note: Older students can practice computer skills by creating their own spreadsheets.

Optional Extension:

Add the following columns to the table:

Column 8, State Rank Based on Numeric Change

Column 9, State Rank Based on Percent Change

1. Have students check their answers with the actual data from the following Census Bureau tables:
(www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab04.pdf and
www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab05.pdf)
 2. Students may complete the worksheet, "The State of the States," to analyze the data that they have compiled.
- II. Assign or have students select five states and construct a graph comparing 1990 and 2000 Resident Population Totals for each state. Students may then construct graphs for other variables, the table that they compiled, or Tables 4 and 5 from the Census Bureau
(www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab04.pdf and
www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab05.pdf.)
 - III. Have students calculate the percent of the total population in several states. For example: The April 1, 2000 population of Michigan is 9,938,444; Michigan residents make up 3.5 percent of the U.S. population.

Social Studies Activities

1. Have students construct a choropleth (thematic) map of the Census 2000 population by state. Use the key from the "We Count: Population of the United States" map from the "Making Sense of Census 2000" teaching kit as a guide. The April 1, 2000 resident population totals may be found at www.census.gov. These tables may be accessed directly at www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab04.pdf and www.census.gov/population/cen2000/tab05.pdf. Students may also map other variables from Tables 4

and 5. Creating a map showing the percent change by state will give students a better idea of the rate of change across the country.

2. **Apportionment Data.** On December 28, 2000 the Census Bureau delivered the apportionment population counts for each state to the President. Have your students review current and historical apportionment information and discuss the changes in their state and the nation over time. Recent news articles may provide some interesting discussion and debate themes. Download more information on apportionment, including charts and maps from www.census.gov/main/www/cen2000.html.

A complete reapportionment/redistricting lesson, "[District Decisions](#)," is available from "Making Sense of Census 2000 (9-12)." Use the new redistricting numbers to update this lesson.

Student Table 1. Resident Population of the United States
 April 1, 2000 (Census 2000) and April 1, 1990 (Census 1990)

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New Hampshire	1,235,786	1,109,252				
New Jersey	8,414,350	7,730,188				
New Mexico	1,819,046	1,515,069				
New York	18,976,457	17,990,455				
North Carolina	8,049,313	6,628,637				
North Dakota	642,200	638,800				
Ohio	11,353,140	10,847,115				
Oklahoma	3,450,654	3,145,585				
Oregon	3,421,399	2,842,321				
Pennsylvania	12,281,054	11,881,643				
Rhode Island	1,048,319	1,003,464				
South Carolina	4,012,012	3,486,703				
South Dakota	754,844	696,004				
Tennessee	5,689,283	4,877,185				
Texas	20,851,820	16,986,510				
Utah	2,233,169	1,722,850				
Vermont	608,827	562,758				
Virginia	7,078,515	6,187,358				
Washington	5,894,121	4,866,692				
West Virginia	1,808,344	1,793,477				
Wisconsin	5,363,675	4,891,769				
Wyoming	493,782	453,588				
Total Resident Population¹	281,421,906	248,709,873			(NA)	(NA)
Northeast	53,594,378	50,809,229			(NA)	(NA)
Midwest	64,392,776	59,668,632			(NA)	(NA)

¹ Includes the population of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau

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South	100,236,820	85,445,930			(NA)	(NA)
West	63,197,932	52,786,082			(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rico	3,808,610	3,522,037			(NA)	(NA)
Total Resident Population Including Puerto Rico	285,230,516	252,231,910			(NA)	(NA)

Table 4. Resident Population of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico:
April 1, 2000 (Census 2000) and April 1, 1990 (1990 Census)

Area	April 1, 2000	April 1, 1990	State Rank as of April 1, 2000	State Rank as of April 1, 1990
Alabama	4,447,100	4,040,587	23	22
Alaska	626,932	550,043	48	49
Arizona	5,130,632	3,665,228	20	24
Arkansas	2,673,400	2,350,725	33	33
California	33,871,648	29,760,021	1	1
Colorado	4,301,261	3,294,394	24	26
Connecticut	3,405,565	3,287,116	29	27
Delaware	783,600	666,168	45	46
District of Columbia	572,059	606,900	(NA)	(NA)
Florida	15,982,378	12,937,926	4	4
Georgia	8,186,453	6,478,216	10	11
Hawaii	1,211,537	1,108,229	42	41
Idaho	1,293,953	1,006,749	39	42
Illinois	12,419,293	11,430,602	5	6
Indiana	6,080,485	5,544,159	14	14
Iowa	2,926,324	2,776,755	30	30
Kansas	2,688,418	2,477,574	32	32
Kentucky	4,041,769	3,685,296	25	23
Louisiana	4,468,976	4,219,973	22	21
Maine	1,274,923	1,227,928	40	38
Maryland	5,296,486	4,781,468	19	19
Massachusetts	6,349,097	6,016,425	13	13
Michigan	9,938,444	9,295,297	8	8
Minnesota	4,919,479	4,375,099	21	20
Mississippi	2,844,658	2,573,216	31	31
Missouri	5,595,211	5,117,073	17	15
Montana	902,195	799,065	44	44
Nebraska	1,711,263	1,578,385	38	36
Nevada	1,998,257	1,201,833	35	39
New Hampshire	1,235,786	1,109,252	41	40
New Jersey	8,414,350	7,730,188	9	9
New Mexico	1,819,046	1,515,069	36	37
New York	18,976,457	17,990,455	3	2
North Carolina	8,049,313	6,628,637	11	10
North Dakota	642,200	638,800	47	47
Ohio	11,353,140	10,847,115	7	7
Oklahoma	3,450,654	3,145,585	27	28
Oregon	3,421,399	2,842,321	28	29
Pennsylvania	12,281,054	11,881,643	6	5
Rhode Island	1,048,319	1,003,464	43	43
South Carolina	4,012,012	3,486,703	26	25
South Dakota	754,844	696,004	46	45
Tennessee	5,689,283	4,877,185	16	17
Texas	20,851,820	16,986,510	2	3
Utah	2,233,169	1,722,850	34	35
Vermont	608,827	562,758	49	48
Virginia	7,078,515	6,187,358	12	12
Washington	5,894,121	4,866,692	15	18
West Virginia	1,808,344	1,793,477	37	34
Wisconsin	5,363,675	4,891,769	18	16
Wyoming	493,782	453,588	50	50
Total Resident Population¹	281,421,906	248,709,873	(NA)	(NA)
Northeast	53,594,378	50,809,229	(NA)	(NA)
Midwest	64,392,776	59,668,632	(NA)	(NA)
South	100,236,820	85,445,930	(NA)	(NA)
West	63,197,932	52,786,082	(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rico	3,808,610	3,522,037	(NA)	(NA)
Total Resident Population, including Puerto Rico	285,230,516	252,231,910	(NA)	(NA)

¹ Includes the population of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

NA Not applicable.

NOTE: Consistent with the January 1999 U.S. Supreme Court ruling (Department of Commerce v. House of Representatives, 525 U.S. 316, 119 S. Ct. 765 (1999)), these resident population counts do not reflect the use of statistical sampling to correct for overcounting or undercounting.

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Table 5. Resident Population of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico:
April 1, 2000 (Census 2000) and April 1, 1990 (1990 Census)

Area	April 1, 2000	April 1, 1990	Numeric Change	Percent Change	State Rank Based on Numeric Change	State Rank Based on Percent Change
Alabama	4,447,100	4,040,587	406,513	10.1	25	25
Alaska	626,932	550,043	76,889	14.0	43	17
Arizona	5,130,632	3,665,228	1,465,404	40.0	5	2
Arkansas	2,673,400	2,350,725	322,675	13.7	29	19
California	33,871,648	29,760,021	4,111,627	13.8	1	18
Colorado	4,301,261	3,294,394	1,006,867	30.6	8	3
Connecticut	3,405,565	3,287,116	118,449	3.6	39	47
Delaware	783,600	666,168	117,432	17.6	40	13
District of Columbia	572,059	606,900	-34,841	-5.7	(NA)	(NA)
Florida	15,982,378	12,937,926	3,044,452	23.5	3	7
Georgia	8,186,453	6,478,216	1,708,237	26.4	4	6
Hawaii	1,211,537	1,108,229	103,308	9.3	41	31
Idaho	1,293,953	1,006,749	287,204	28.5	32	5
Illinois	12,419,293	11,430,602	988,691	8.6	9	34
Indiana	6,080,485	5,544,159	536,326	9.7	18	27
Iowa	2,926,324	2,776,755	149,569	5.4	36	43
Kansas	2,688,418	2,477,574	210,844	8.5	35	35
Kentucky	4,041,769	3,685,296	356,473	9.7	27	28
Louisiana	4,468,976	4,219,973	249,003	5.9	34	40
Maine	1,274,923	1,227,928	46,995	3.8	45	46
Maryland	5,296,486	4,781,468	515,018	10.8	20	23
Massachusetts	6,349,097	6,016,425	332,672	5.5	28	41
Michigan	9,938,444	9,295,297	643,147	6.9	15	39
Minnesota	4,919,479	4,375,099	544,380	12.4	17	21
Mississippi	2,844,658	2,573,216	271,442	10.5	33	24
Missouri	5,595,211	5,117,073	478,138	9.3	23	30
Montana	902,195	799,065	103,130	12.9	42	20
Nebraska	1,711,263	1,578,385	132,878	8.4	37	37
Nevada	1,998,257	1,201,833	796,424	66.3	13	1
New Hampshire	1,235,786	1,109,252	126,534	11.4	38	22
New Jersey	8,414,350	7,730,188	684,162	8.9	14	33
New Mexico	1,819,046	1,515,069	303,977	20.1	31	12
New York	18,976,457	17,990,455	986,002	5.5	10	42
North Carolina	8,049,313	6,628,637	1,420,676	21.4	6	9
North Dakota	642,200	638,800	3,400	0.5	50	50
Ohio	11,353,140	10,847,115	506,025	4.7	22	44
Oklahoma	3,450,654	3,145,585	305,069	9.7	30	26
Oregon	3,421,399	2,842,321	579,078	20.4	16	11
Pennsylvania	12,281,054	11,881,643	399,411	3.4	26	48
Rhode Island	1,048,319	1,003,464	44,855	4.5	47	45
South Carolina	4,012,012	3,486,703	525,309	15.1	19	15
South Dakota	754,844	696,004	58,840	8.5	44	36
Tennessee	5,689,283	4,877,185	812,098	16.7	12	14
Texas	20,851,820	16,986,510	3,865,310	22.8	2	8
Utah	2,233,169	1,722,850	510,319	29.6	21	4
Vermont	608,827	562,758	46,069	8.2	46	38
Virginia	7,078,515	6,187,358	891,157	14.4	11	16
Washington	5,894,121	4,866,692	1,027,429	21.1	7	10
West Virginia	1,808,344	1,793,477	14,867	0.8	49	49
Wisconsin	5,363,675	4,891,769	471,906	9.6	24	29
Wyoming	493,782	453,588	40,194	8.9	48	32
Total Resident Population¹	281,421,906	248,709,873	32,712,033	13.2	(NA)	(NA)
Northeast	53,594,378	50,809,229	2,785,149	5.5	(NA)	(NA)
Midwest	64,392,776	59,668,632	4,724,144	7.9	(NA)	(NA)
South	100,236,820	85,445,930	14,790,890	17.3	(NA)	(NA)
West	63,197,932	52,786,082	10,411,850	19.7	(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rico	3,808,610	3,522,037	286,573	8.1	(NA)	(NA)
Total Resident Population, including Puerto Rico	285,230,516	252,231,910	32,998,606	13.1	(NA)	(NA)

¹ Includes the population of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

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