

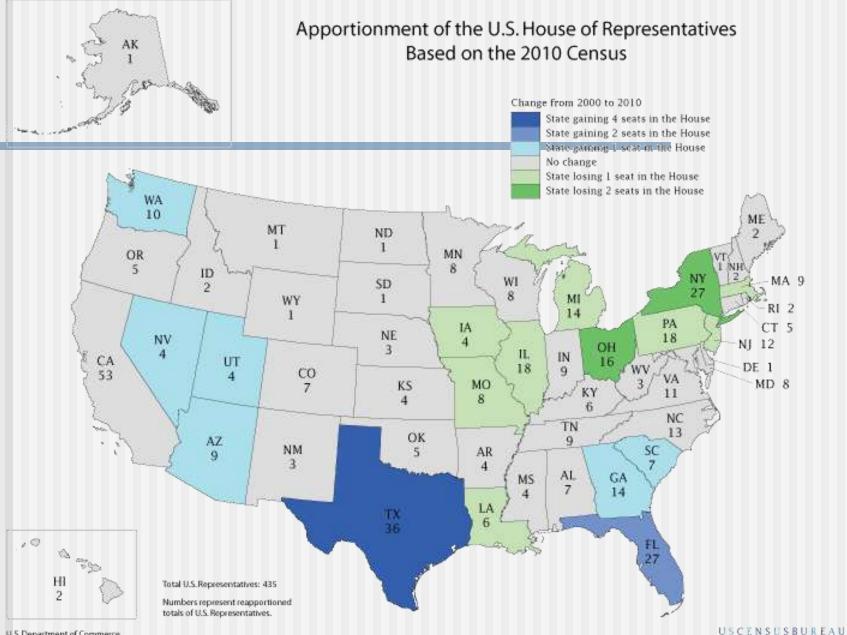
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEMOGRAPHICS

- About 308 million people(about 1 out of every 22 people on the planet is American)
- Birth rate 14 per 1,000, death rate 8 per 1,000; TFR: 2.1
- Net Migration Rate: +3 per 1,000
- Life Expectancy 78(80F, 75M)
- Population Density: 83 people per square mile
- IMR: 6.6 per 1,000

DEMOGRAPHICS

- Biggest states by population are California(38M) & Texas(26M)
- Southern states & western states are the fastest growing
- Most crowded states: New Jersey (1,189) and Rhode Island (1,006)....(D.C. is 10,065 but its not a state)
- Least crowded states: Alaska(1.26) and Wyoming(5.85)



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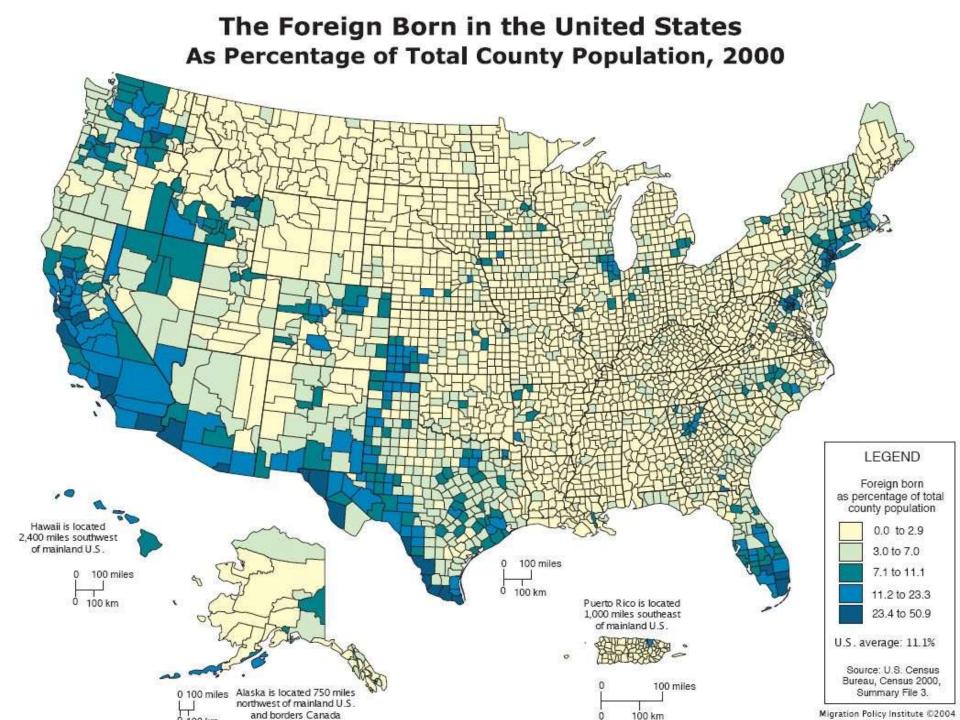
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HISTORY

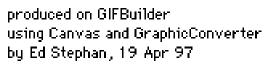
- Independent since 1776
- Settlement began in original 13 states; westward movement was heavy in 19th century
- States #49 & 50 added in 1959
- 20th century dominated by movements towards suburbs(intraurban growth)

HISTORY

- In the last few decades there have been 4 population shifts
 - 1)Movement to the west/south
 - 2)Metropolitan growth
 - 3)African-American migration to the North from the South
 - 4)Emergence of Latin American immigrants

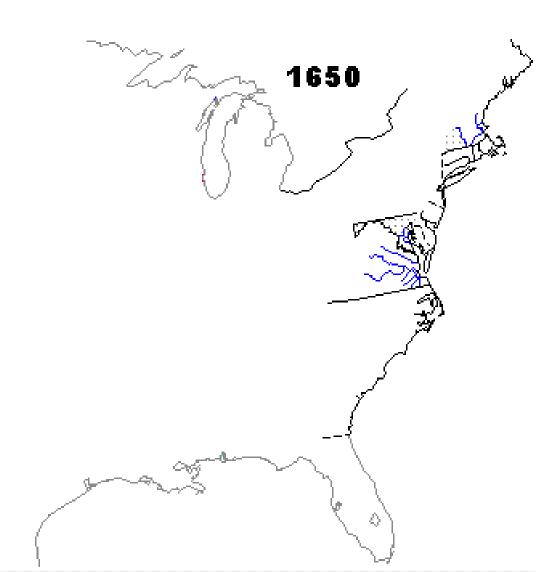


Extension of U.S. counties

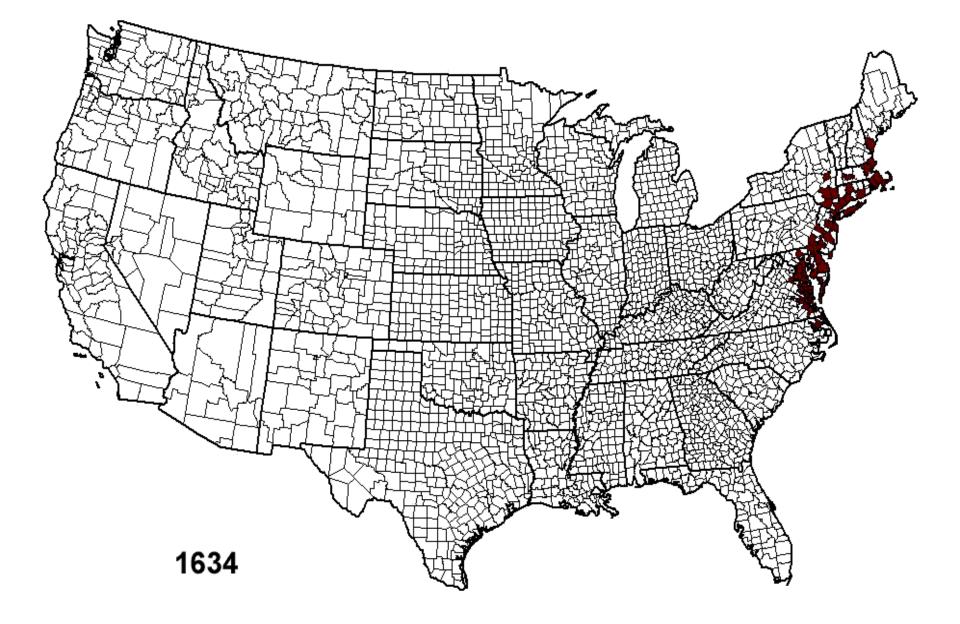


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United States Population Change by County 1634-1951



JOHN ADAM'S 4-STAGE MODEL OF INTRA URBAN GROWTH

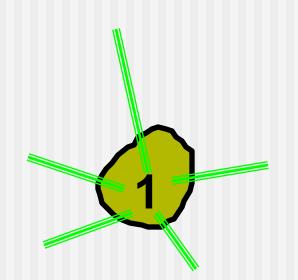
- FOCUSED ON INTRAURBAN GROWTH
- BASED ON BREAKTHROUGHS IN TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY
- A PATTERN OF OUTWARD-AREAL EXPANSION
- OCCURRED IN 4 STAGES
 - <1888- WALKING-HORSECAR ERA</p>
 - 1888-1920- ELECTRIC STREETCAR ERA
 - 1920-1945- RECREATIONAL AUTO ERA
 - 1945-PRESENT- FREEWAY ERA

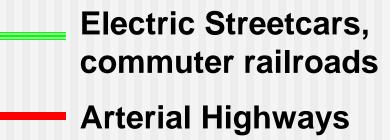
Electric Streetcars, commuter railroads

Arterial Highways

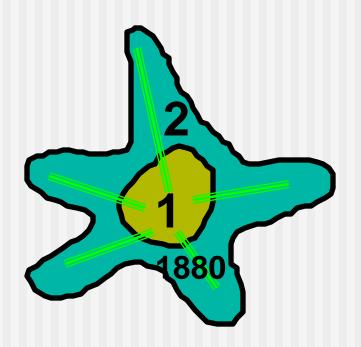
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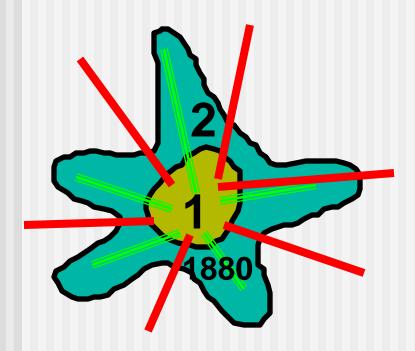
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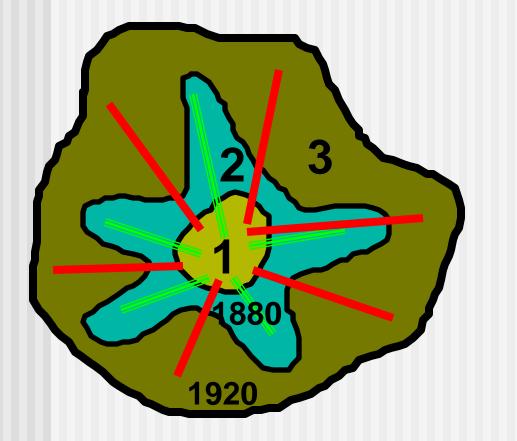
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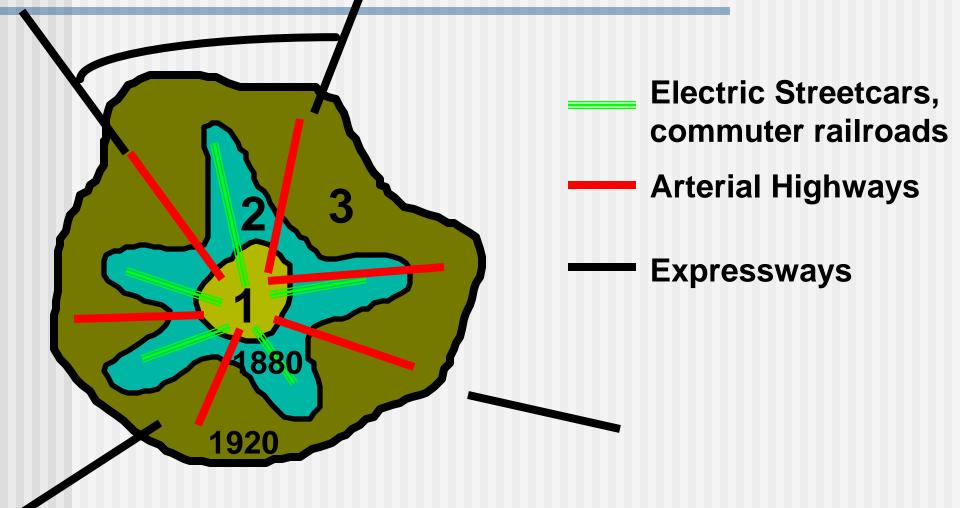


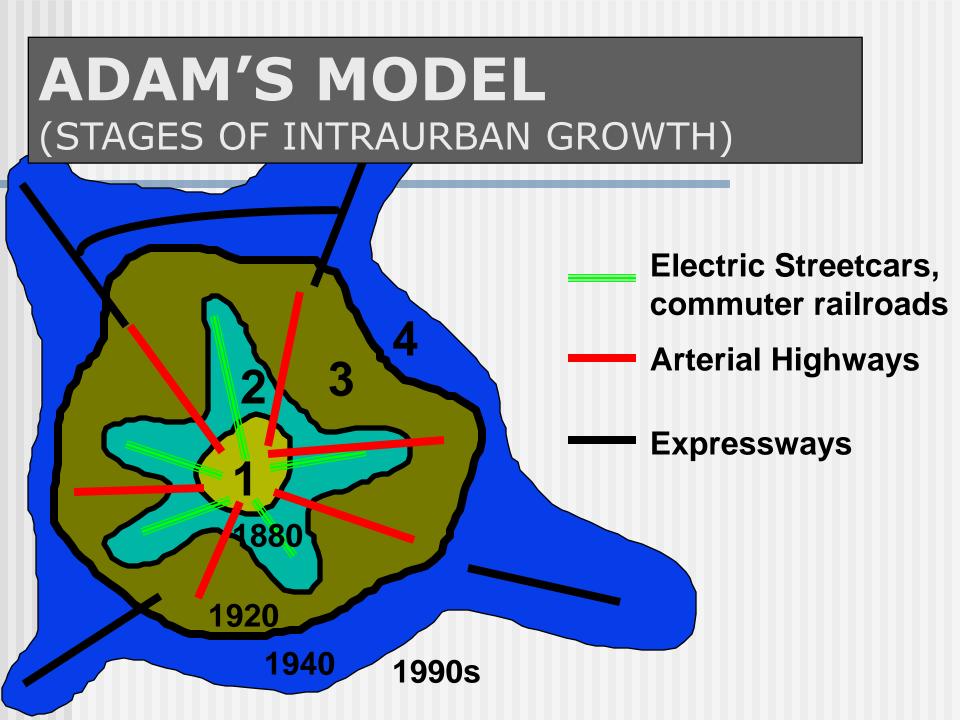
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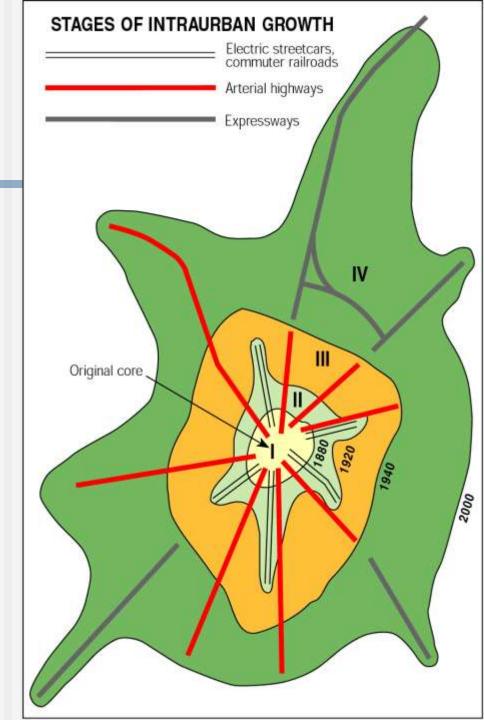


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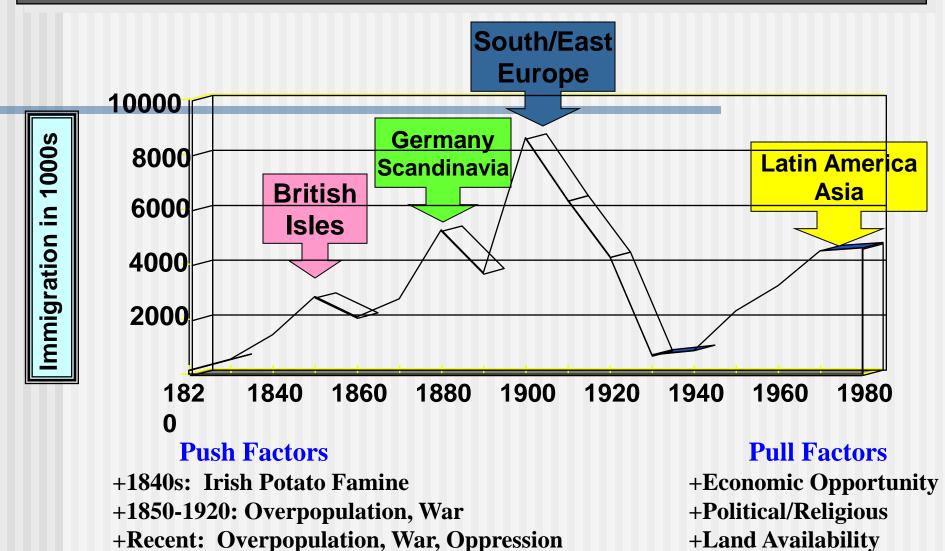




John Adam's 4-stage model of intraurban growth



THE IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE: 1820-1980



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Megalopolis & Other Conurbations

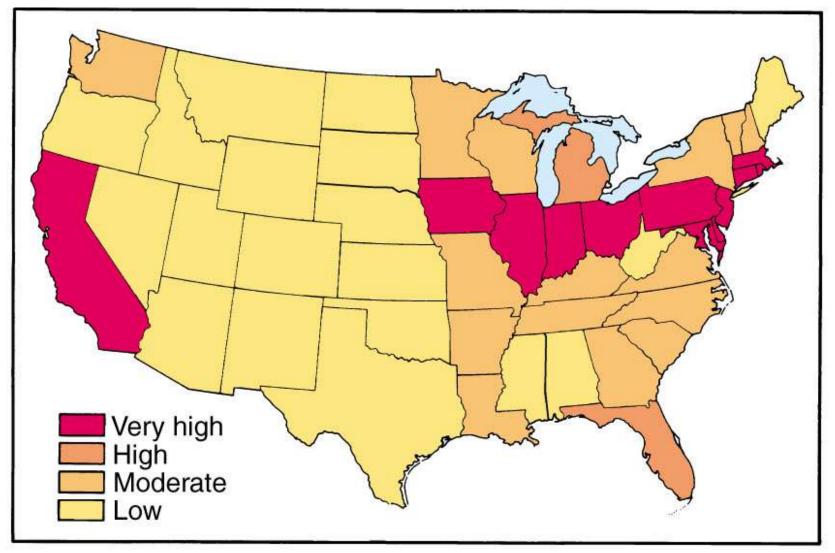
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Relative Value per Acre

Figure 8.18



8-10 Source: Statistical Abstract of the United States.

POLITICS

- 44 presidents in our country's history
- Three branches of government(designed to check & balance each other)
- Oldest Constitution that hasn't been thrown out & rewritten(although 27 amendments have been added)

POLITICS

- We have one of the lowest voter turn-out rates in the world(usually around 50% of the voting population actually votes)
- Electoral college process for electing president is very unique(and controversial)
- U.S. leaders have enormous influence over world politics(U.N. headquarters is in NYC)

ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT

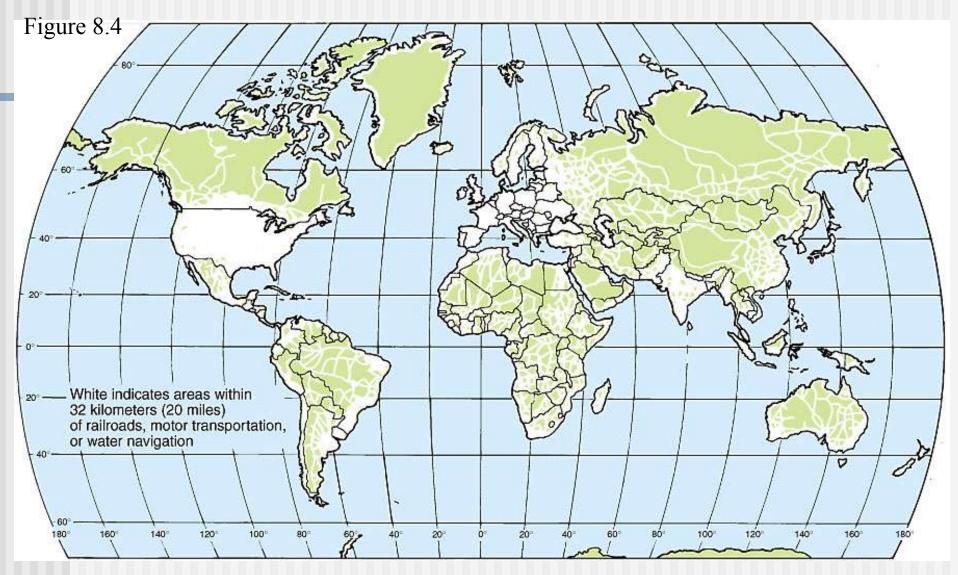
- Per capita income: \$47,000 (world average is \$10,000)
- 79% of our population lives in cities
- We rank #4 on the UN Human
 Development Index rankings (Iceland & Norway are tied for #1)
- Only 5 countries have a higher PCI (all have under 8 million people)

ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT

- Industrial Revolution transformed American cities
- Only 2% of Americans today are farmers (primary jobs)....most have quaternary jobs

Patterns of Access and Isolation

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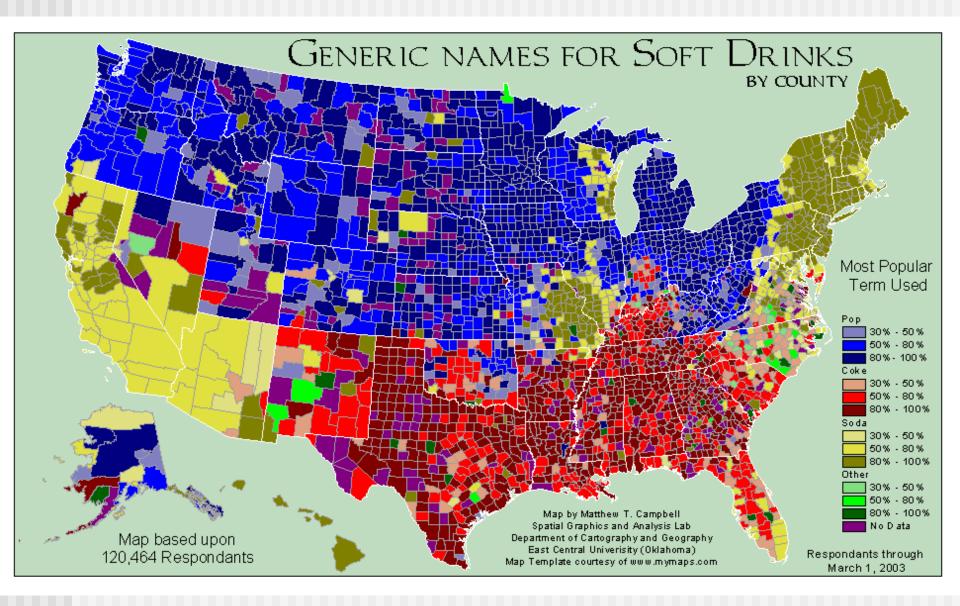
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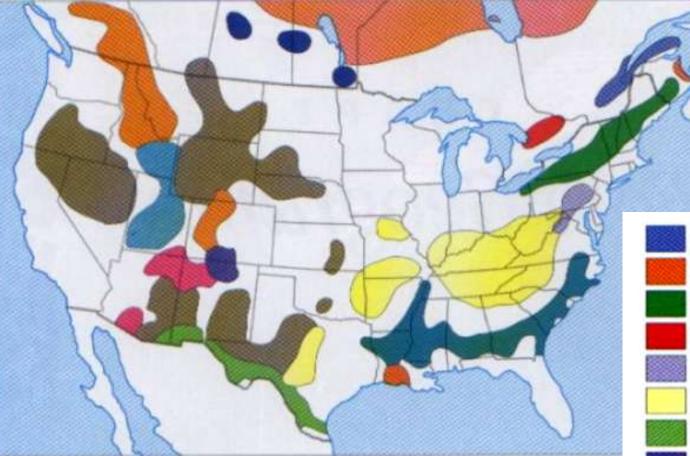
CULTURE

- 82% speak English; 12% Spanish; 3% other European languages; 3% Asian/Pacific languages
- 51% Protestant; 25% Catholic; 1.7% LDS; 1.7% Jewish; 0.7% Buddhist; 0.6% Muslim (Islam is the fastest growing religion in the U.S.)

Percent of People 5 Years and Older

Who Speak a Language other than English at Home

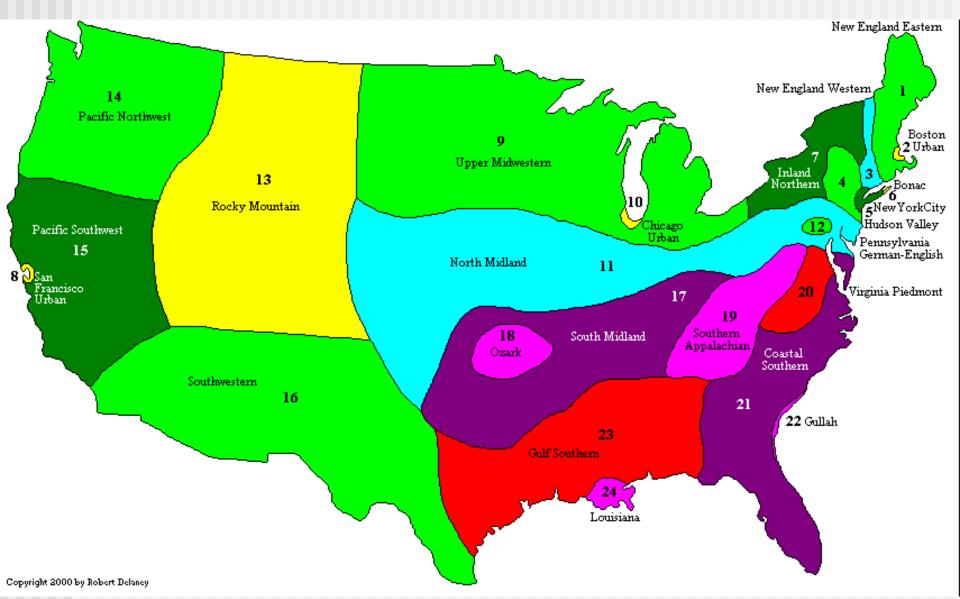




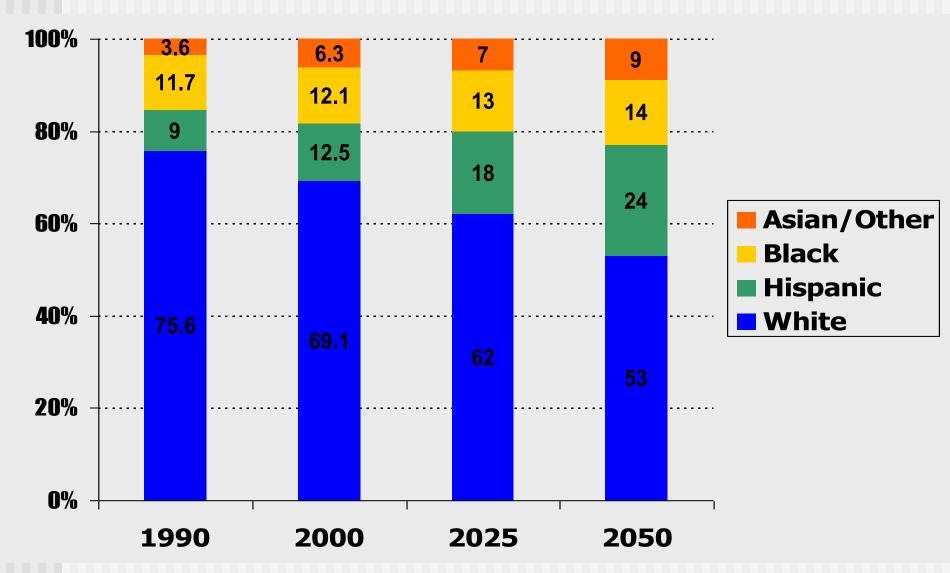
North American Folk Culture Regions



U.S. regional dialects

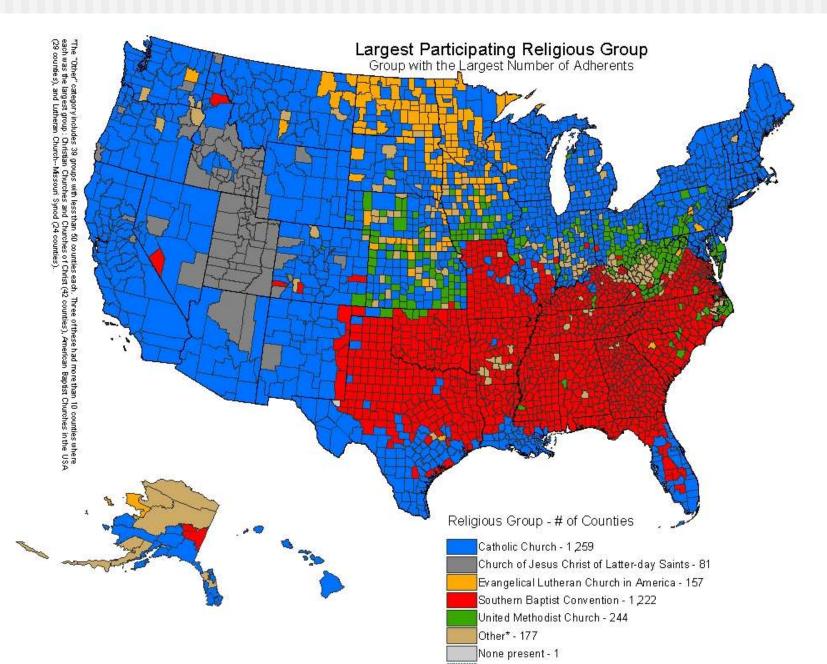


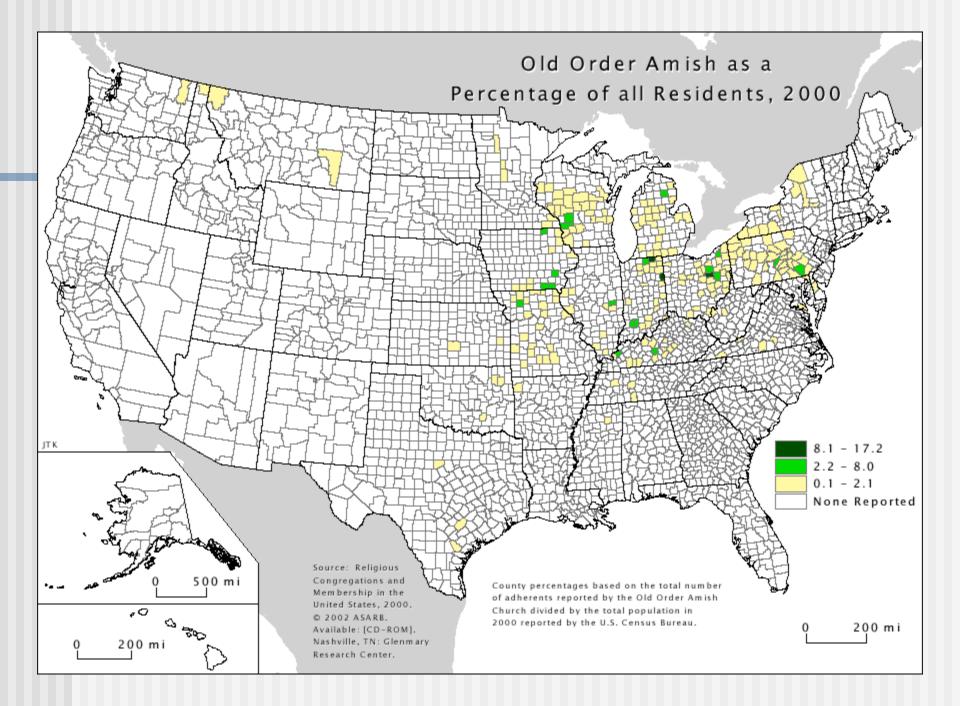
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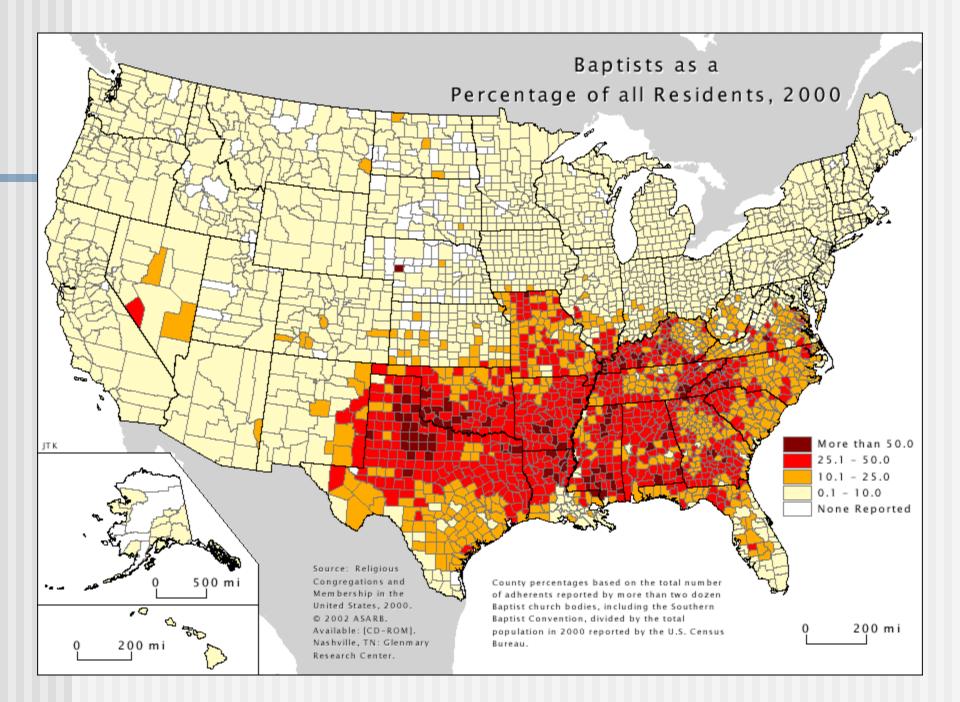


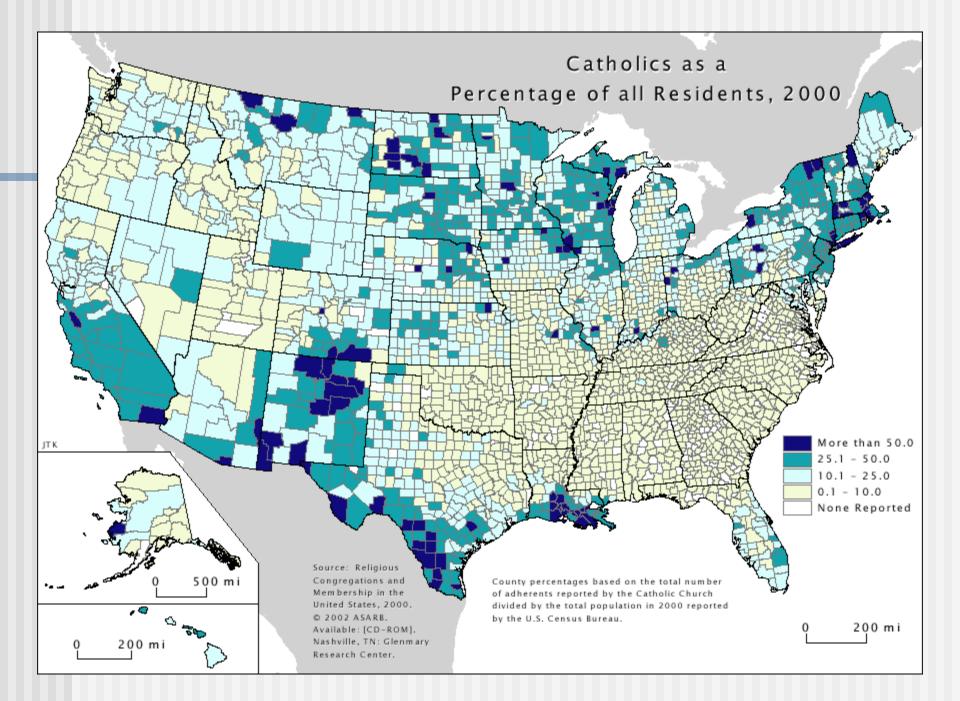
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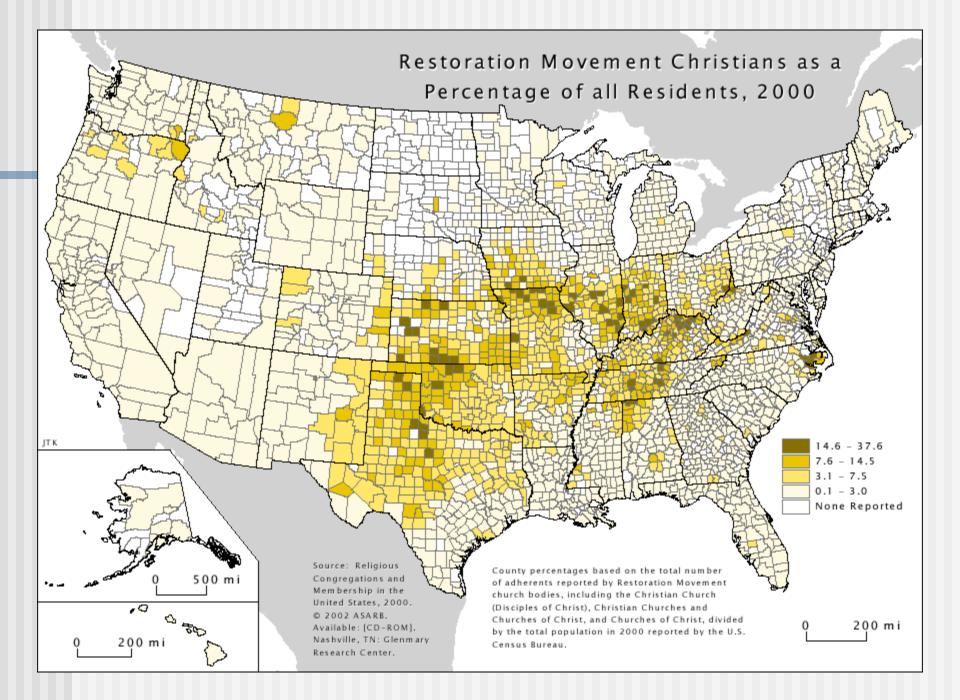
Christianity in the U.S. Today

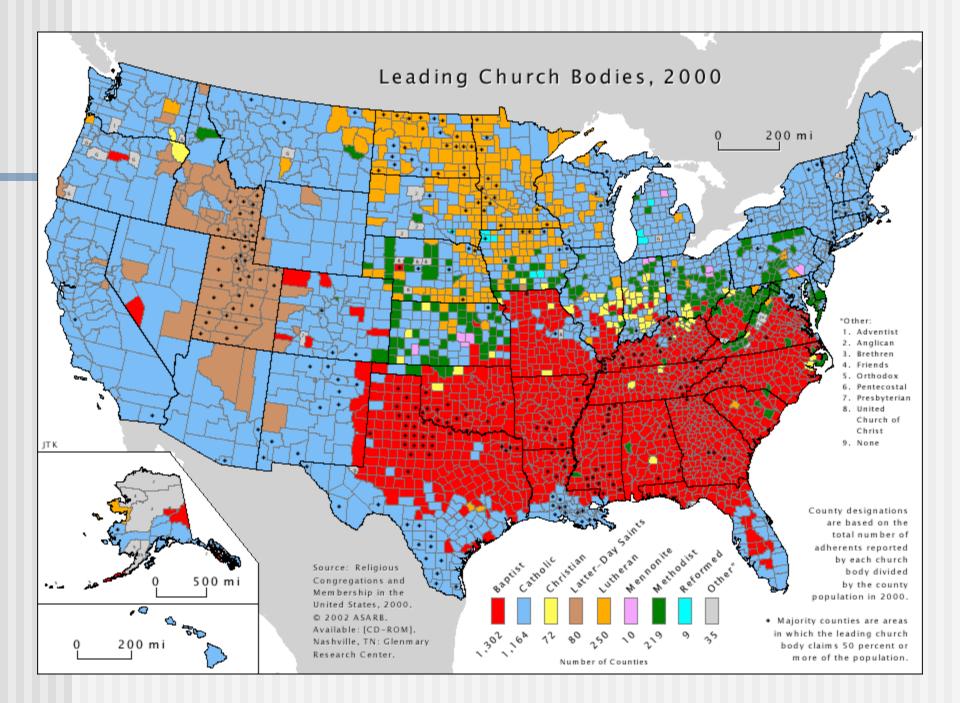


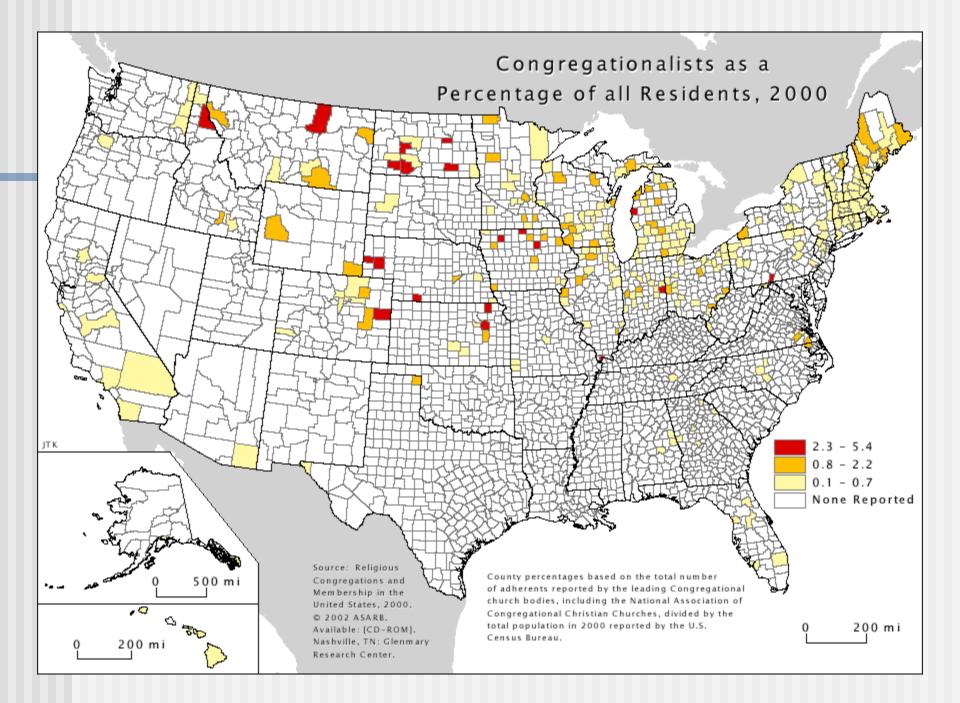


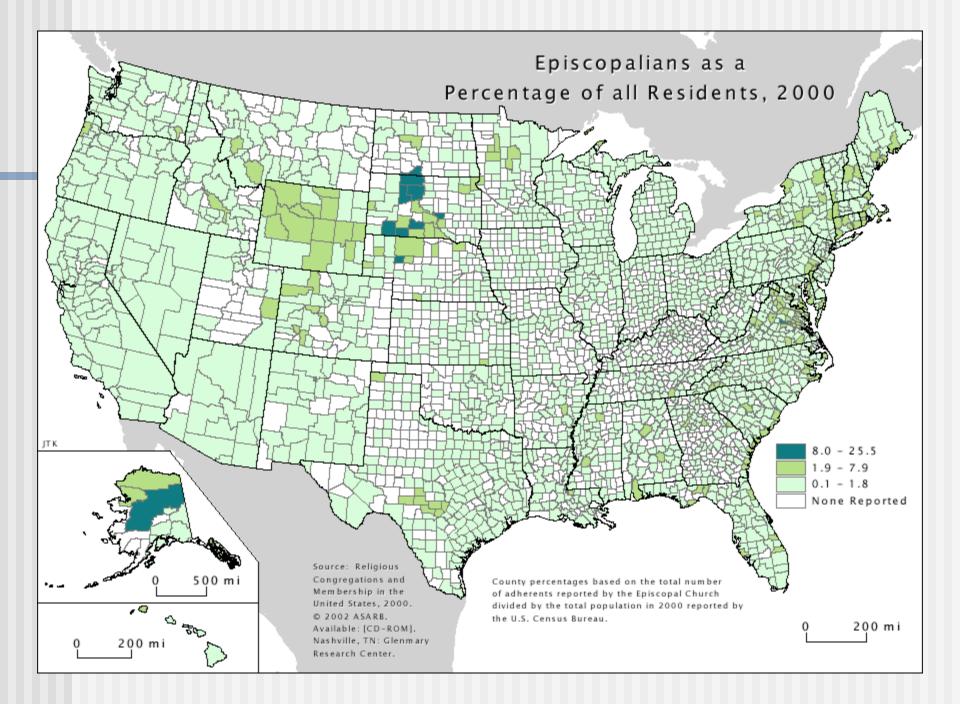


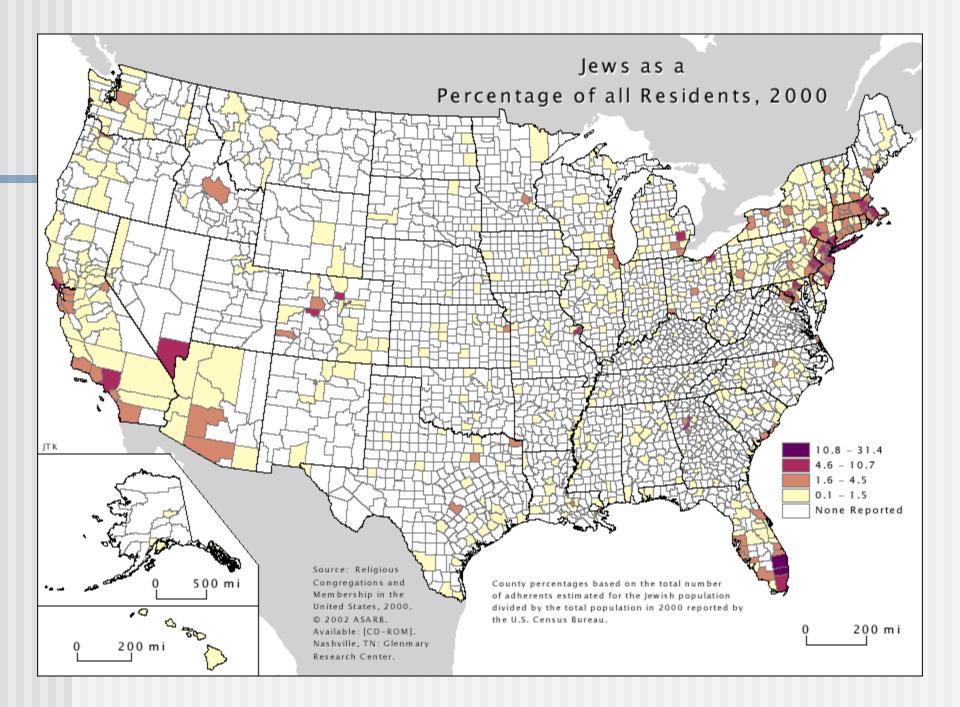


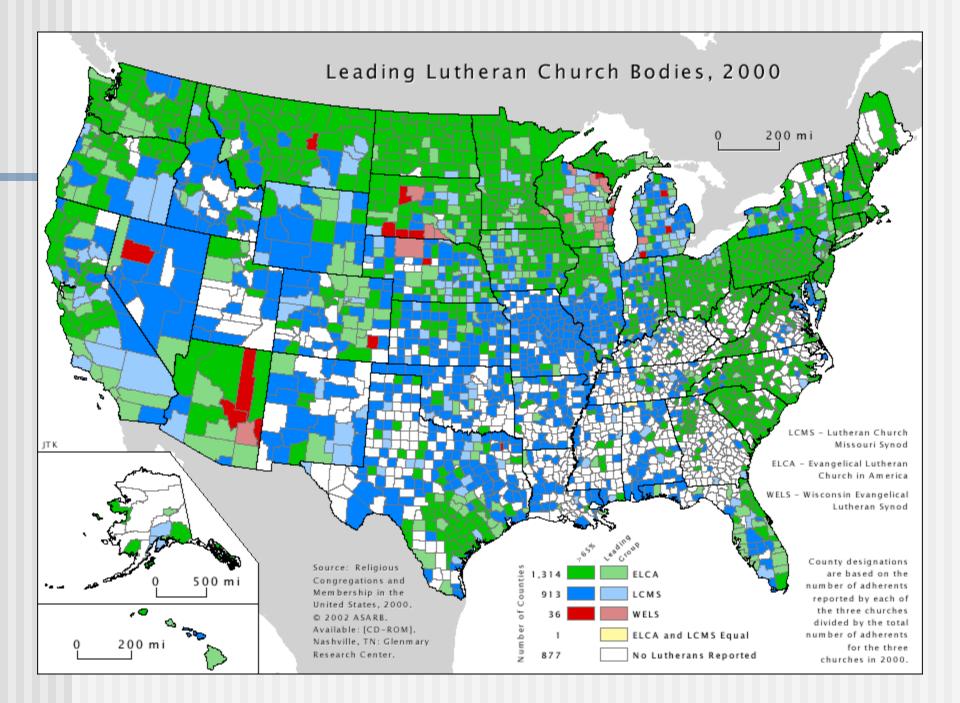


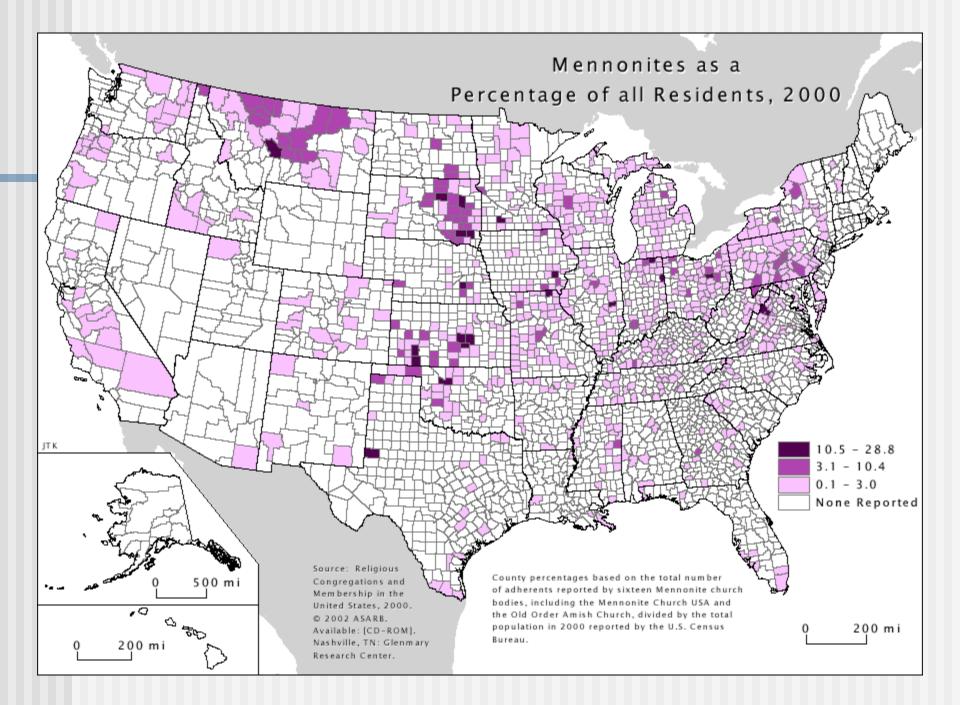


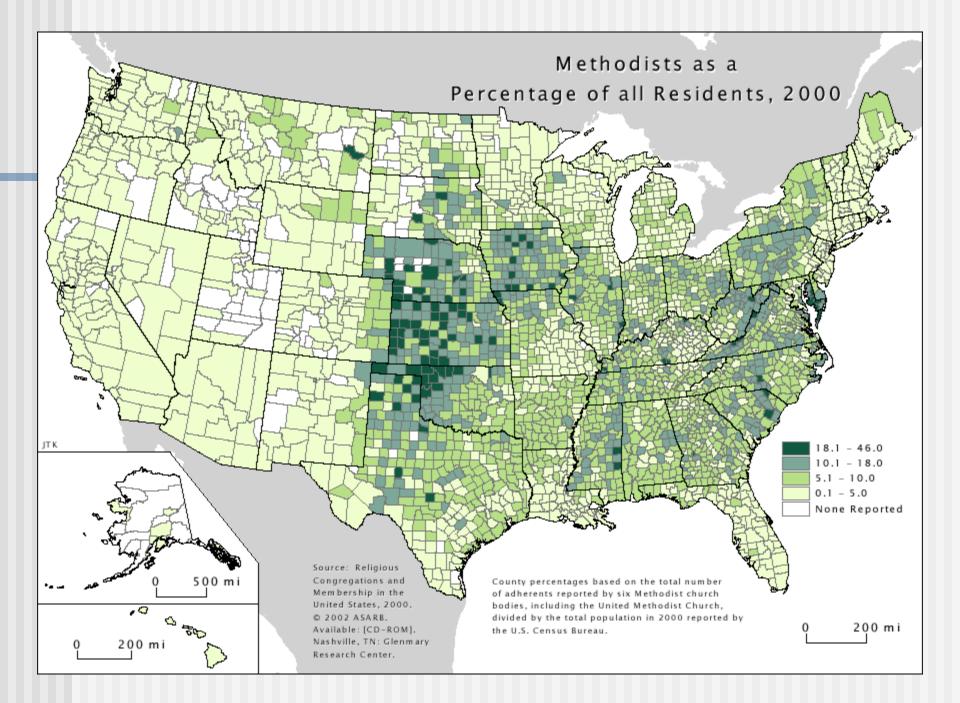


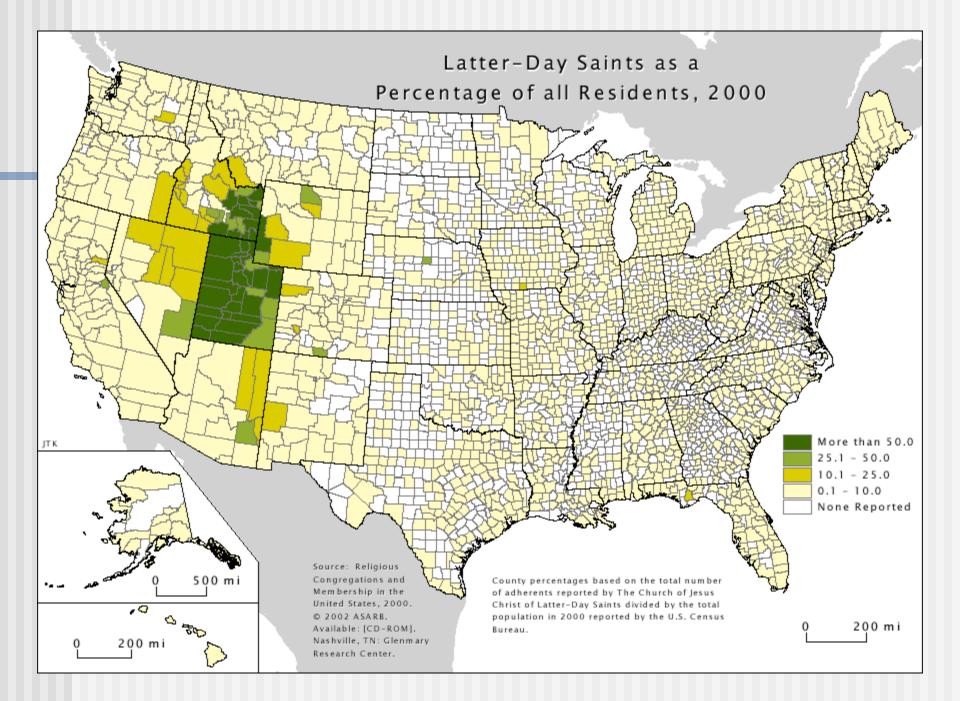


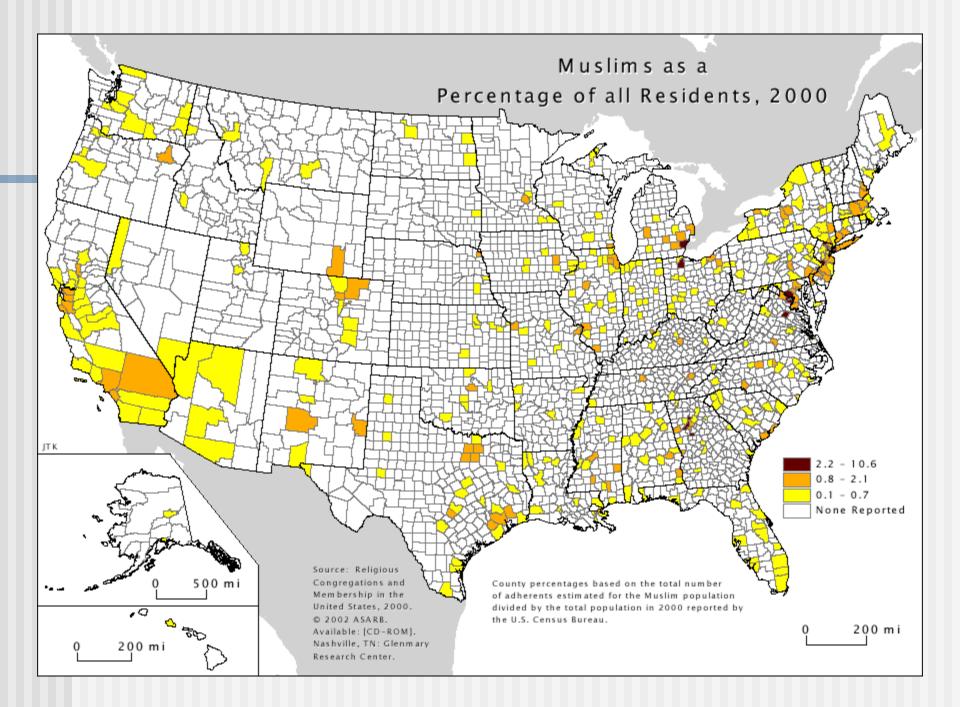


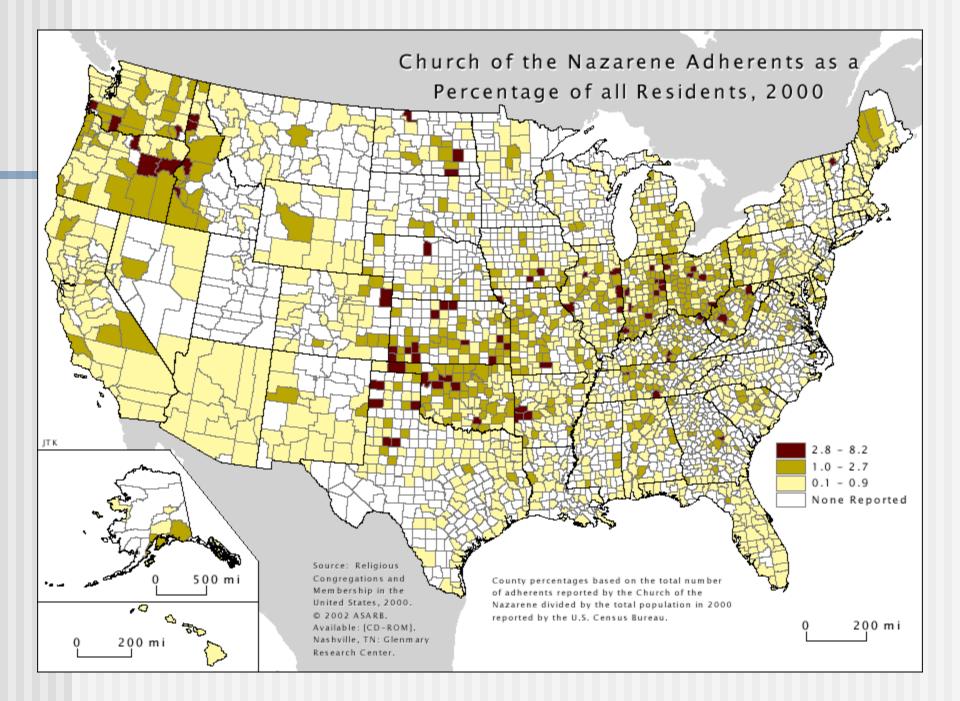


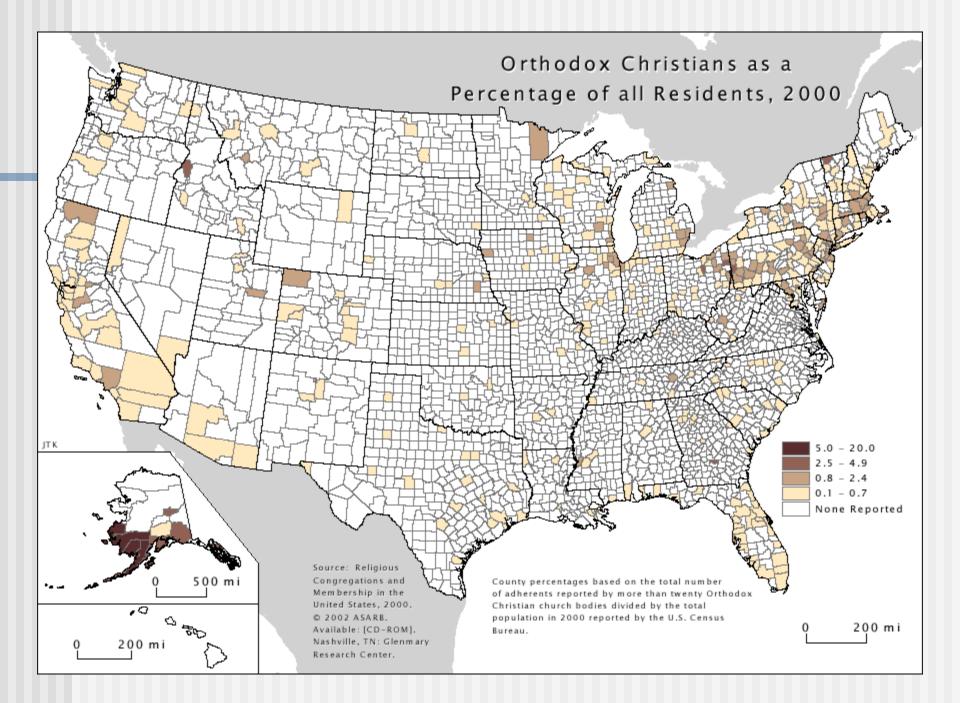


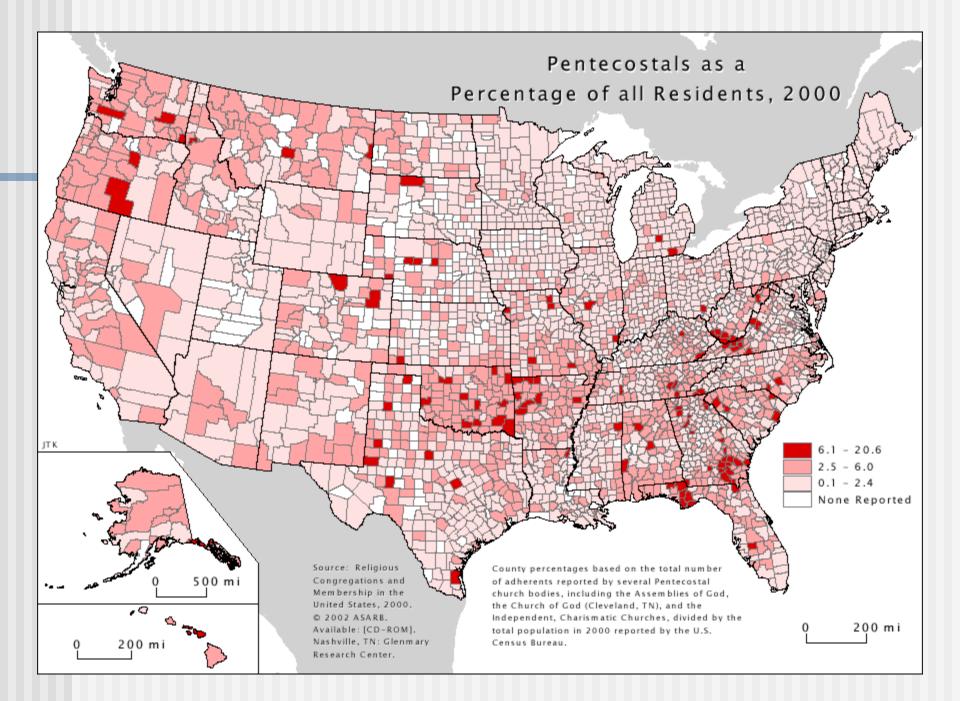


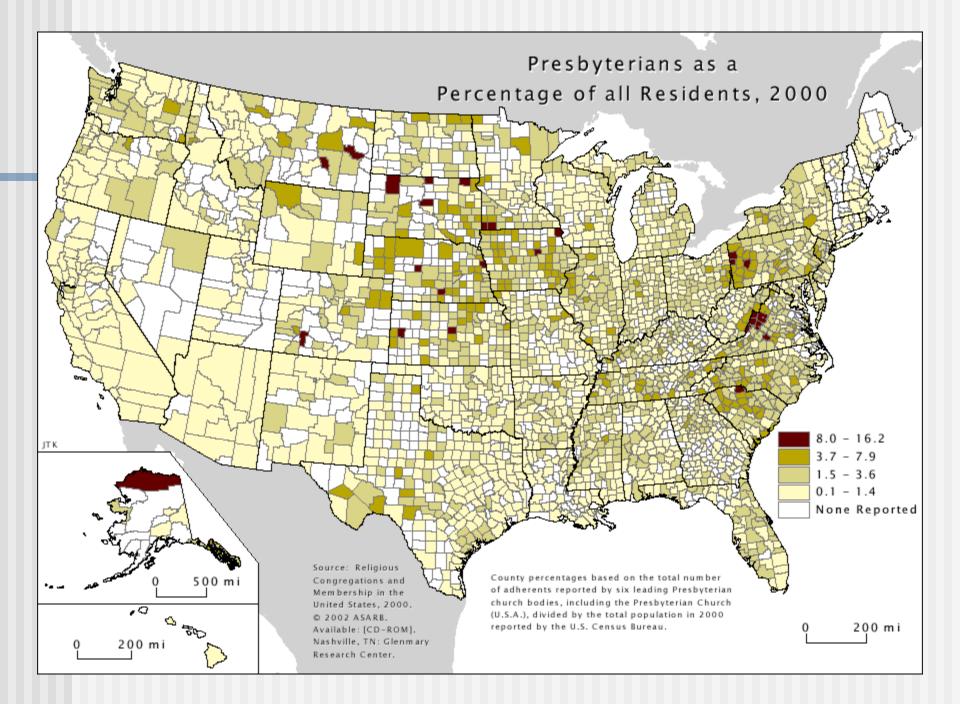


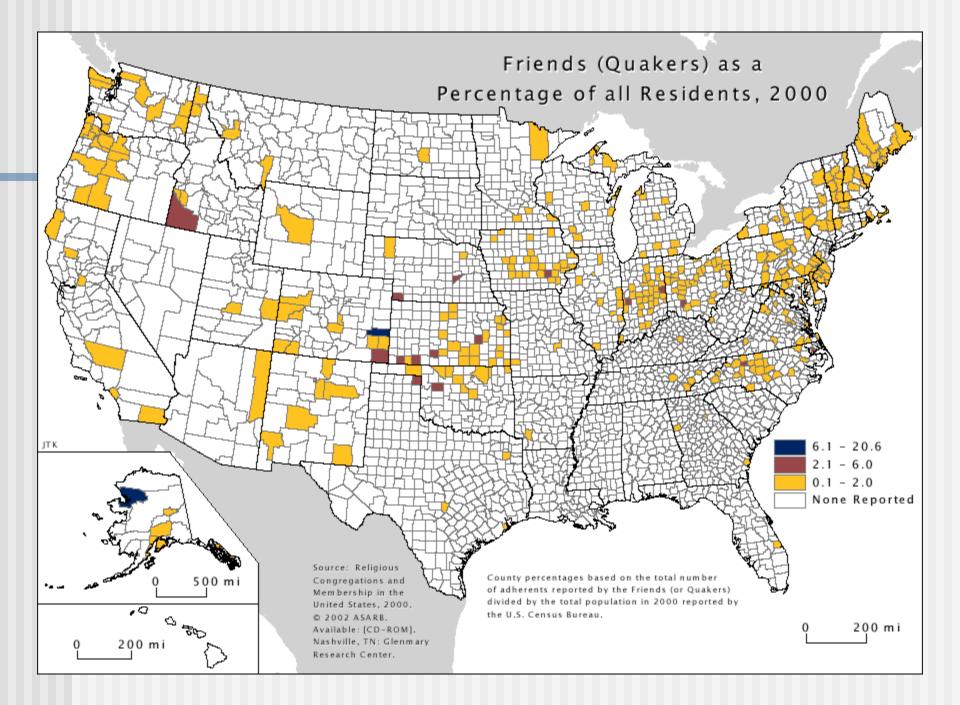


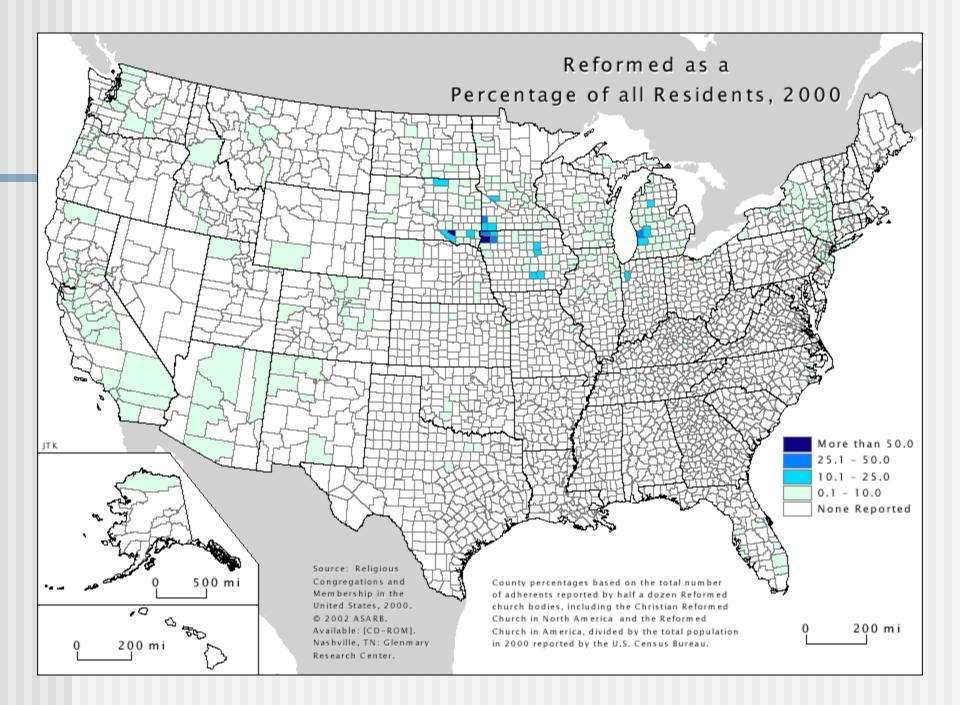


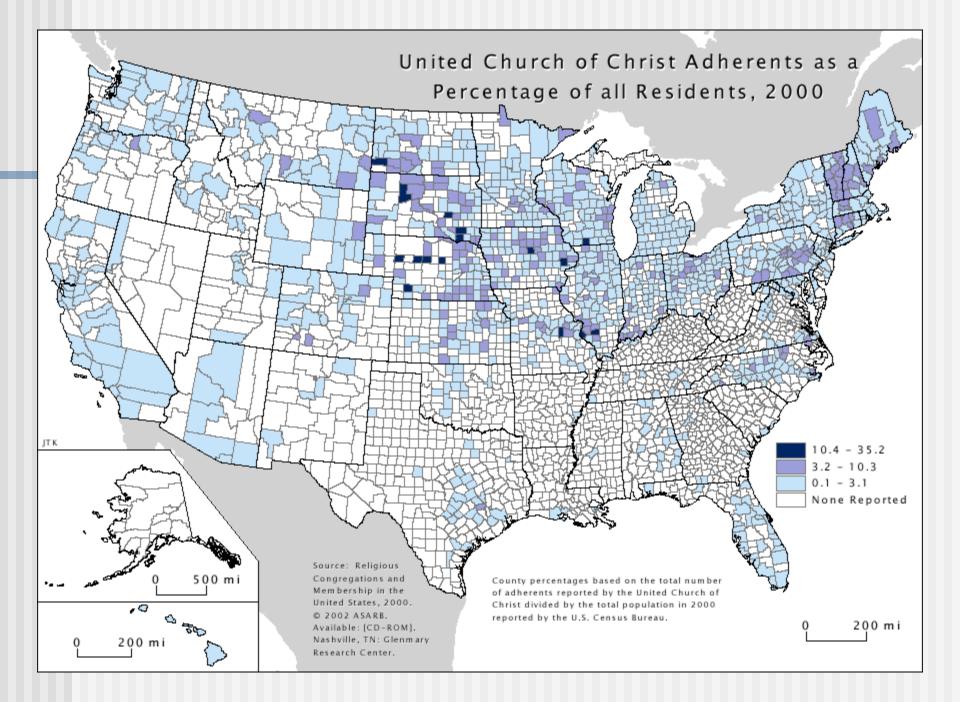


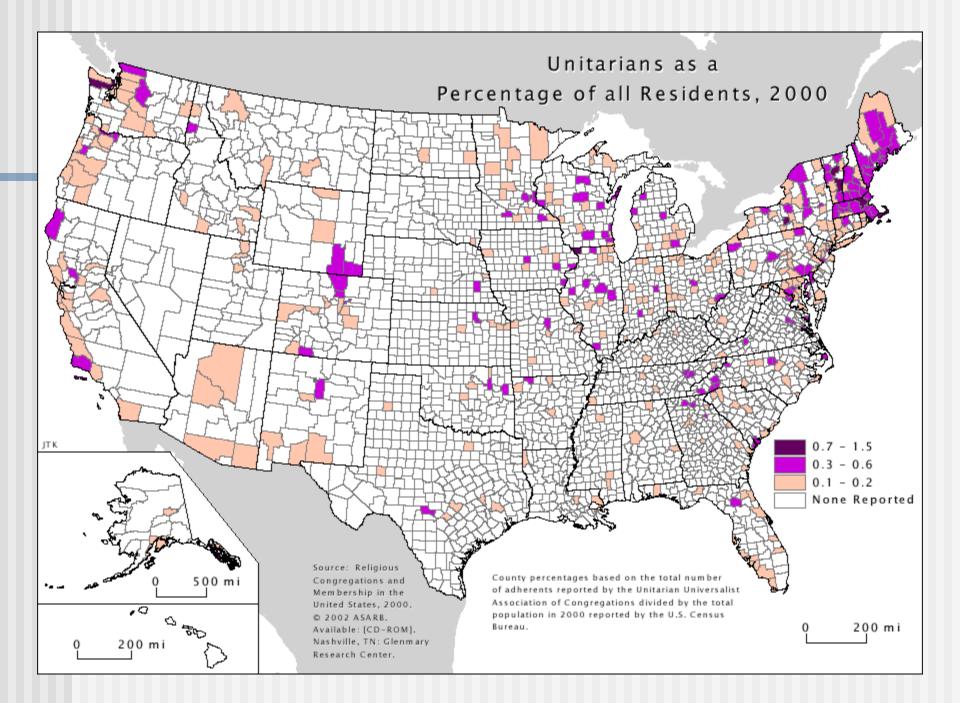


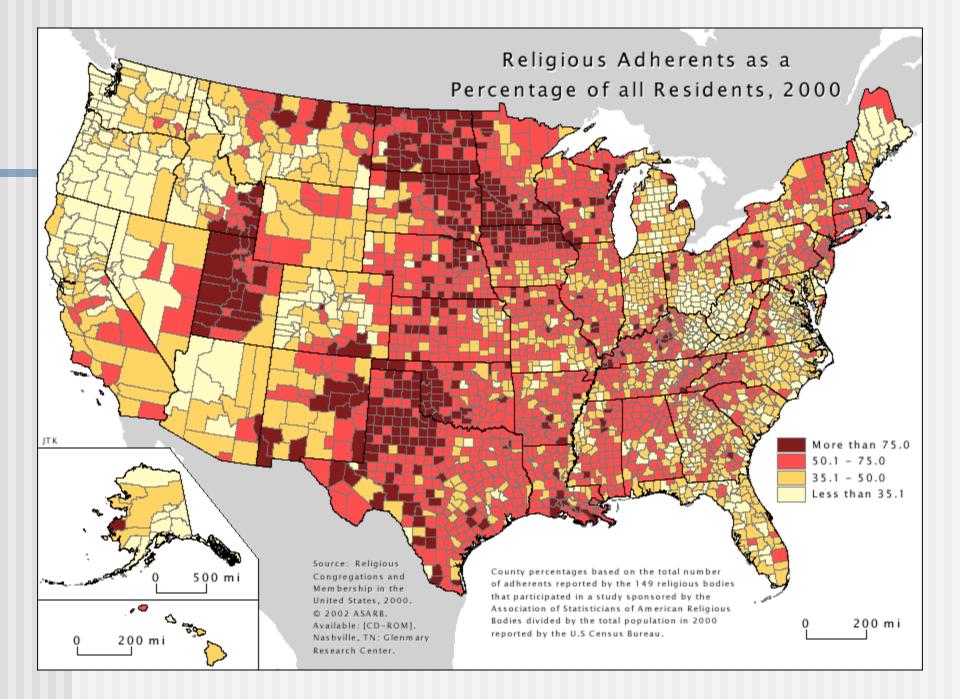












CULTURE

- We are one of the few countries that has a major cultural influence worldwide
- Major U.S. celebrities are also global celebrities (can't say that about other country's celebrities)
- Some countries try and keep out American culture/influences



CANADA

DEMOGRAPHICS

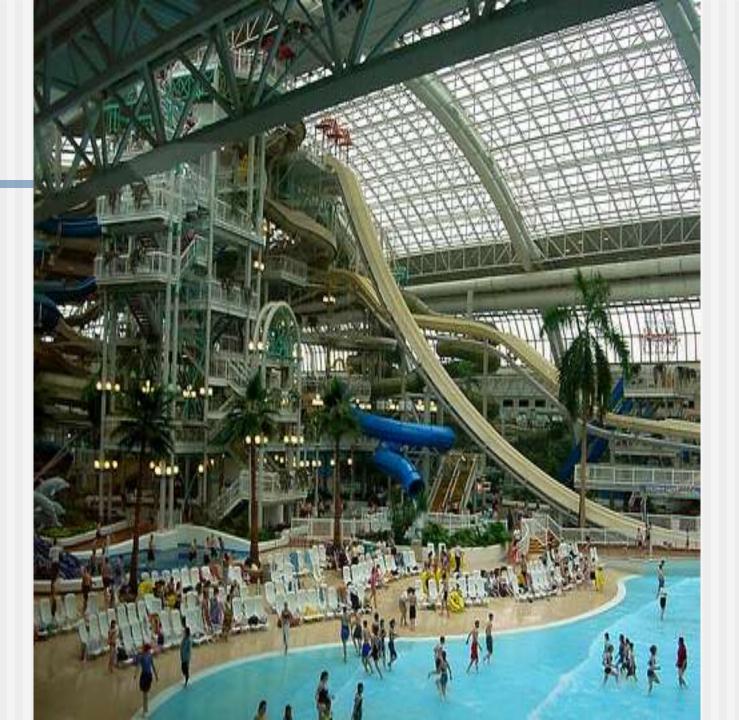
- About 34 million people(less than California)
- Birth rate: 11, Death rate: 7
- Net Migration rate: +8 per 1,000
- TFR: 1.6, IMR: 5.0
- Life expectancy: 81(83F, 79M)
- Population Density: 8

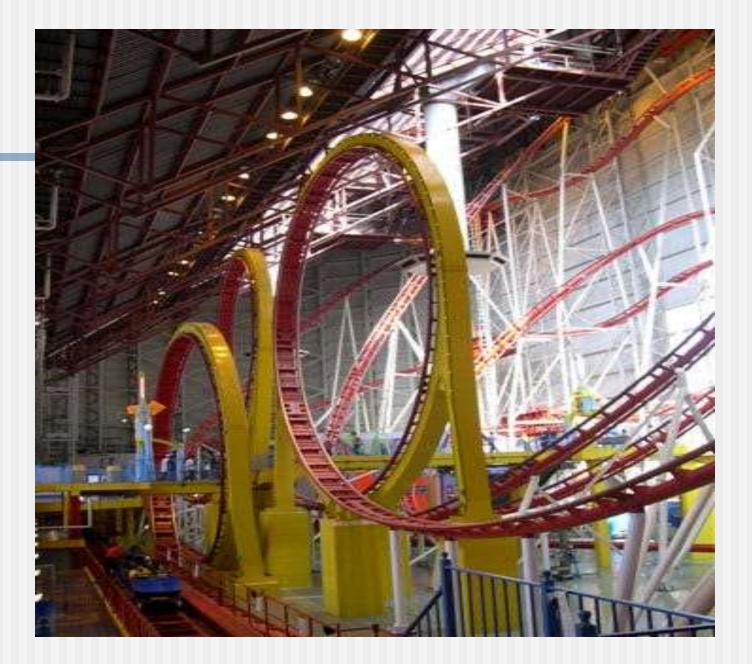
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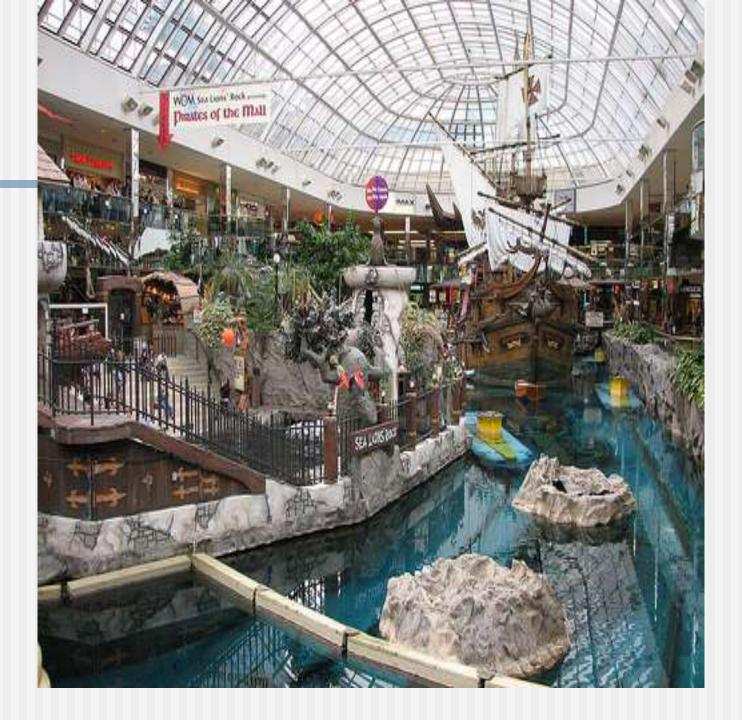
- Made up of 10 provinces & 3 territories
- Biggest provinces by population are Ontario & Quebec
- Montreal, Toronto & Ottawa are major cities in those two provinces; other major cities include Vancouver, Edmonton & Calgary in the west

















FAMOUS CANADIANS

- Stephen Harper: Prime Minister
- <u>http://www.ualberta.ca/~pletendr/c</u> <u>anadians.html#actors</u>



HISTORY

- Colonized by the French & British
- French & Indian War was fought over control of lands in what is now Canada (French gave up its lands as result of the war)
- A 1931 act by British parliament gave Canadians equal control over their lands that the U.K. government had
- Final legislative ties to the U.K. were severed with the Canada Act of 1982

HISTORY

- Huge British influence remains
- Queen Elizabeth II remains on Canada's money
- Government is setup much like the U.K.(Senate, House of Commons, P.M.)
- Country was mostly neutral and a non-player in modern global conflicts; sends aid and personnel to assist the U.N. in peacekeeping missions

POLITICS

- Capital city is Ottawa
 Harper has been the Prime
- Minister since 2006
- Head of state is still considered the Queen of England (leads to the question of whether Canada is truly sovereign)

POLITICS

- Elections for Prime Minister tend to happen about every two years
- Canadian constitution is very open to when/how often national elections can take place (not nearly as concrete as the U.S. setup)

ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT

- PCI: a little over \$36,000
- 81% live in cities
- Canada ranks # 6 in the HDI
- Major U.S./Canadian difference is Canada's socialized health care system
- Average Canadian spends about \$3,700 towards health care (mostly in taxes)...average American spends almost \$7,000(NOT in taxes)

ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT

- Obviously, there are numerous criticisms of the U.S. health care system
- Criticisms of Canada's health care system
 - WAIT TIME: can take weeks to see specialists; many hours in emergency waiting; months to get testing results back
 - SHORTAGES: not enough doctors (many move to the U.S. for more pay)
 - LACK OF CHOICE: does not allow people to buy their own health insurance; limits choices
- Some Canadians come here for certain services; some Americans try and go to Canada for some services too

CULTURE

- 43% Catholic, 23% Protestant, 2% Muslim
- 59% speak English, 23% speak French
- 95% of Quebecers can speak French
- Quebec issue has been a hot topic in Canada for years
- Some want to separate/secede from Canada

CULTURE

- Some feel discrimination (English is mandatory in Canadian schools; many feel it is difficult to gain certain jobs without English bilingualism)
- 1995 referendum vote asking about possible secession was very close (50.6% voted to stay, 49.4% voted to secede)
- Issue has died down in the last decade mainly because English-speaking Quebecers have assimilated more into the French culture