HOW SYSTEMIC RACISM IS STAMPED IN AMERICA'S DNA

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Connecting the dots...



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Books that I have Written:

It's just <u>one</u> book, but don't tell anybody...

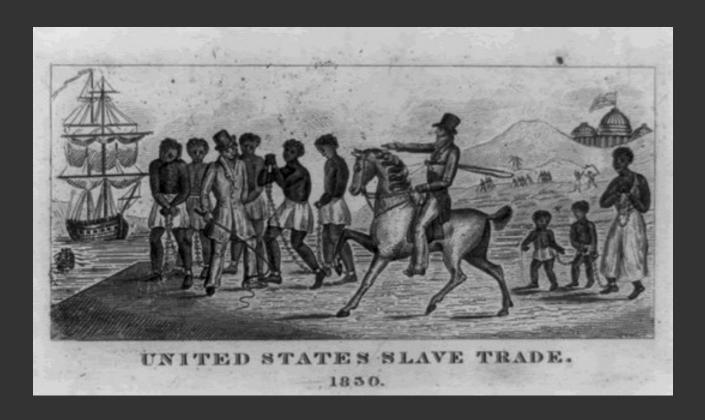
- Invisible Houston
- Dumping in Dixie
- In Search of the New South
- Growth and Decline of a Sunbelt Boomtown
- Confronting Environmental Racism
- Residential Apartheid
- Unequal Protection
- Just Transportation
- Sprawl City

- Just Sustainabilities
- Highway Robbery
- The Quest for Environmental Justice
- Growing Smarter
- The Black Metropolis in the Twenty-First Century
- Race, Place, and Environmental Justice After Hurricane Katrina
- The Wrong Complexion for Protection

First Africans in Virginia Landed in 1619



Slave Patrols Origins of Policing





CAUTION!!

COLORED PEOPLE

OF BOSTON, ONE & ALL,

You are hereby respectfully CAUTIONED and advised, to avoid conversing with the

Watchmen and Police Officers of Boston.

For since the recent ORDER OF THE MAYOR & ALDERMEN, they are empowered to act as

KIDNAPPERS

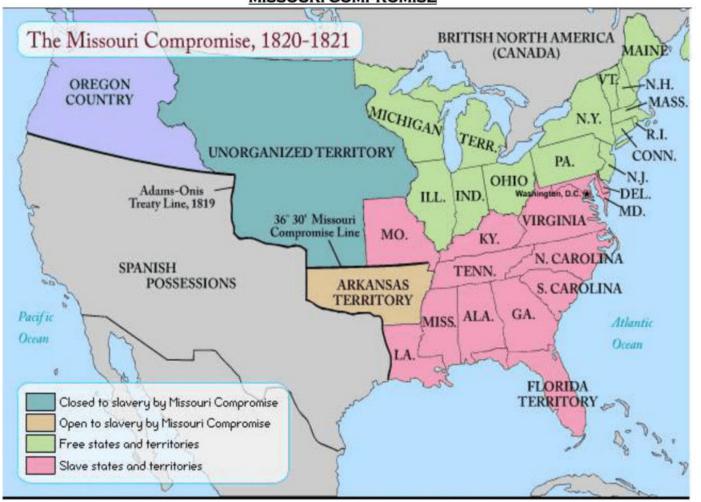
Slave Catchers,

And they have already been actually employed in KIDNAPPING, CATCHING, AND KEEPING SLAVES. Therefore, if you value your LIBERTY, and the Welfare of the Fugitives among you, Shun them in every possible manner, as so many HOUNDS on the track of the most unfortunate of your race.

Keep a Sharp Look Out for KIDNAPPERS, and have TOP EYE open.

APRIL 24, 1851.

MISSOURI COMPROMISE



U.S. Supreme Court Decision

The Dred Scott Decision (1857)





Chief Justice Roger B. Taney: The framers of the Constitution, he wrote, believed that blacks "had no rights

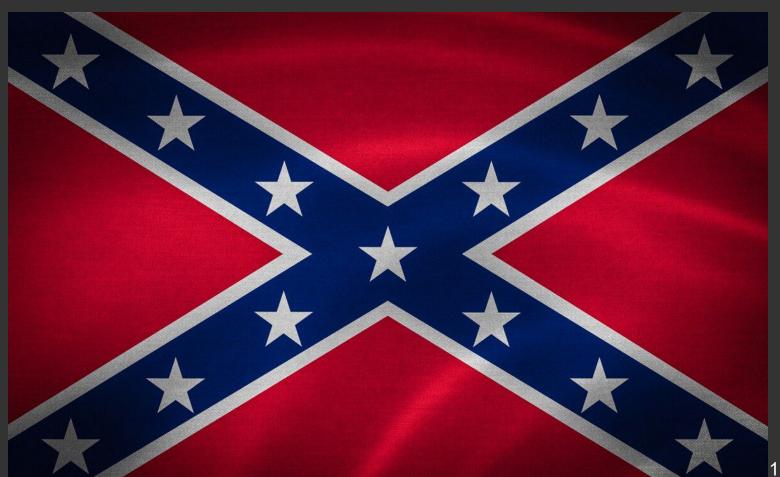
United States in 1860









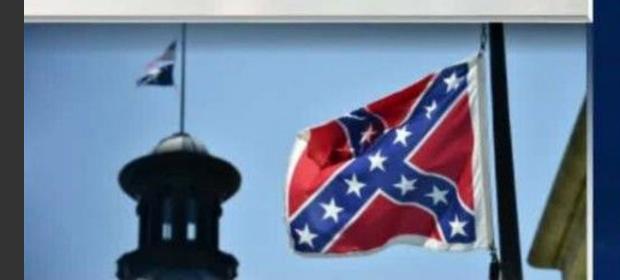




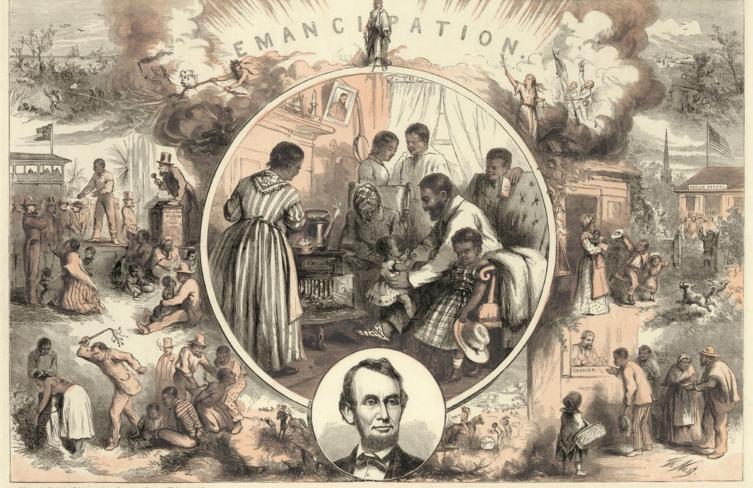


JUNE 26-28 CM/ORC POLL

THE CONFEDERATE FLAG IS A SYMBOL OF...

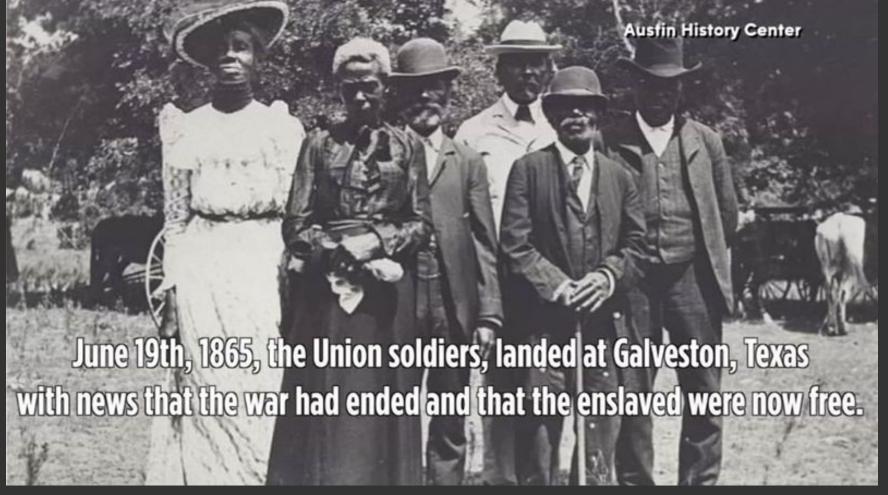


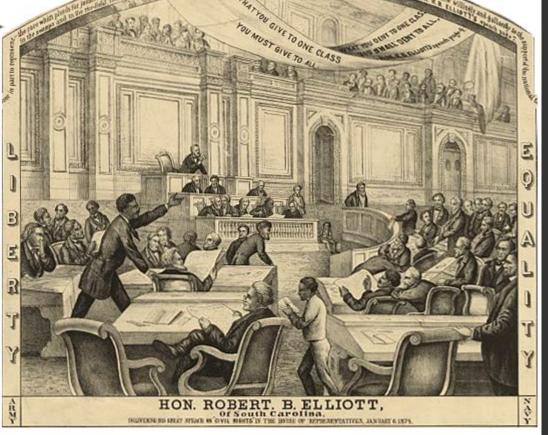
RACISM SOUTHERN PRIDE



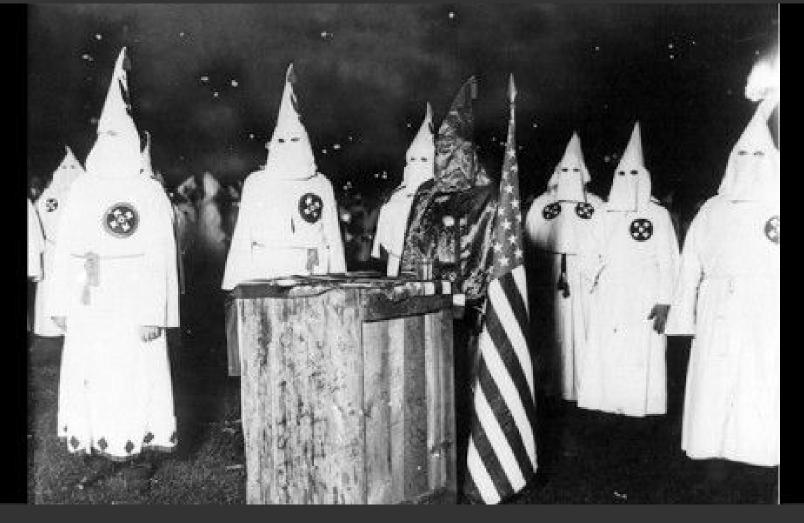
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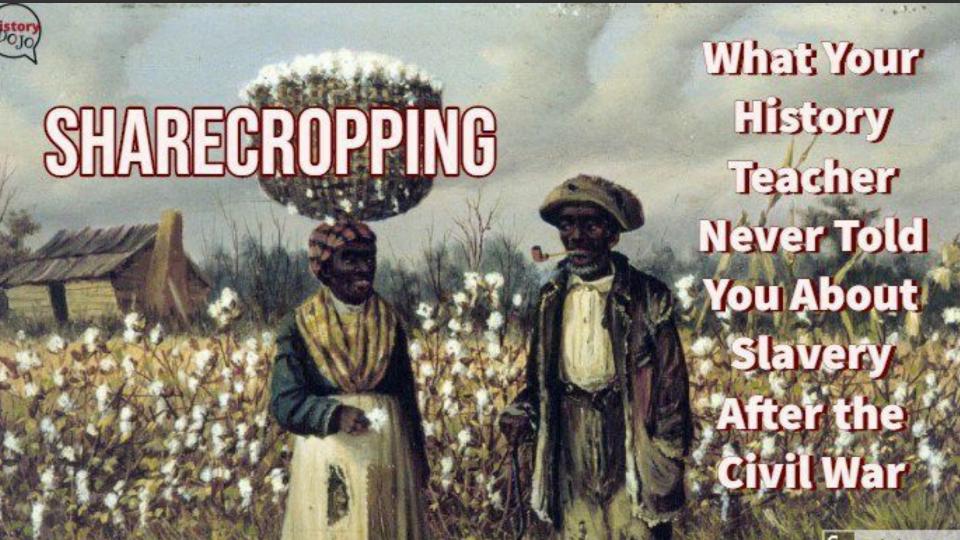


BLACK POWER DURING RECONSTRUCTION











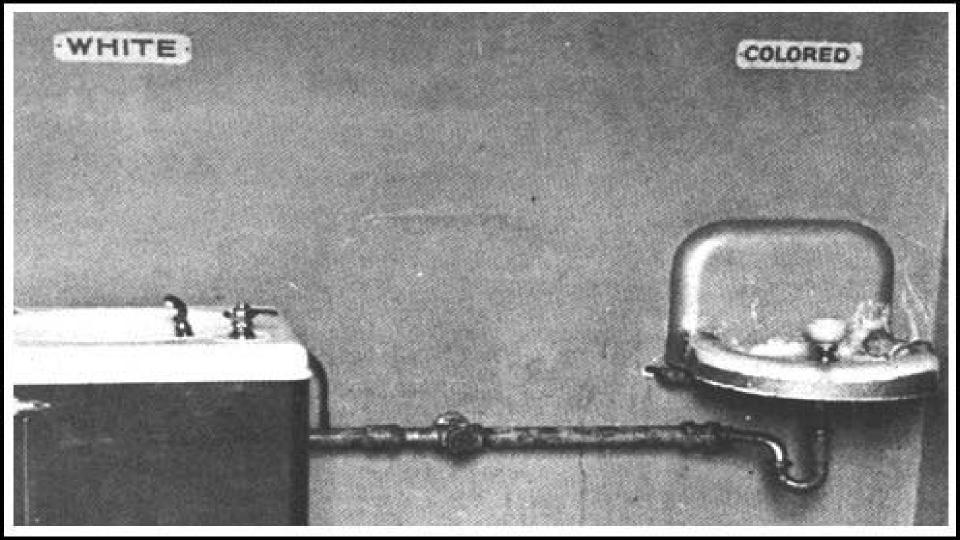


SEPARATE FACILITIES

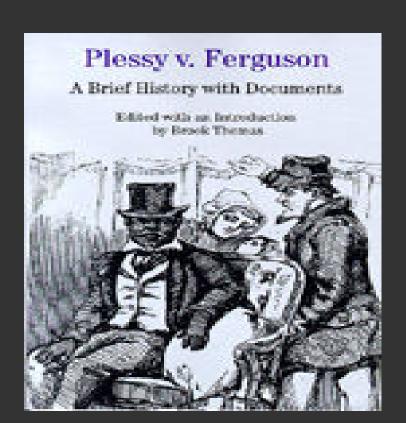
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Dismantling Separate But Equal

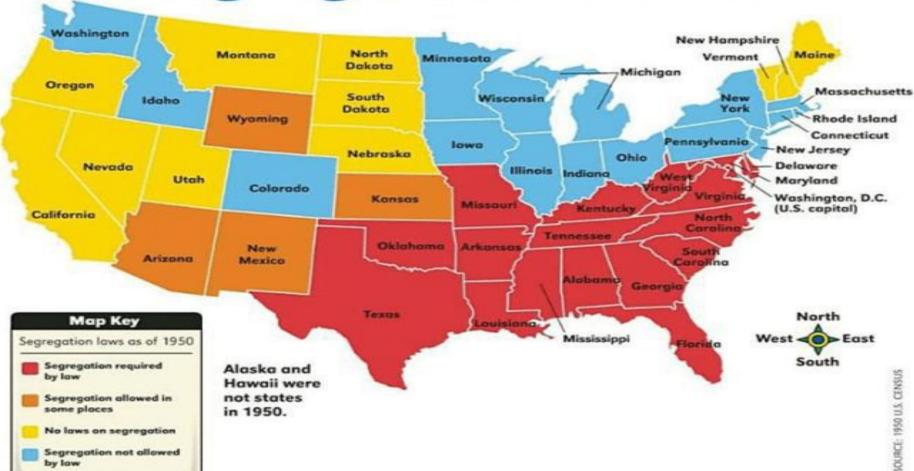


- Transportation and Civil Rights have been linked for more than a century
- The 1896 U.S. Supreme Court *Plessy v. Ferguson* decision codified "Jim Crow" segregation



RYNING THE NEGRO OUT OF JUNE THE 1921

Segregation in 1950



1950s



Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Frontal Assault on Transportation Apartheid



- U.S. Supreme Court overturned Plessy in 1954 Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka
- The system was later challenged by Rosa Parks in 1955 and Montgomery Boycott
- December 2005 marked mark the 50th anniversary of the Montgomery Bus Boycott
- It is ironic that Rosa Parks could not have sat on the front or back of the Montgomery bus then, because the city dismantled its bus system in 1997





1960s







Dr. King Speaks in Support of Garbage Workers - 1968



Environmental and Economic Justice Mission in Memphis



















Minority Populations

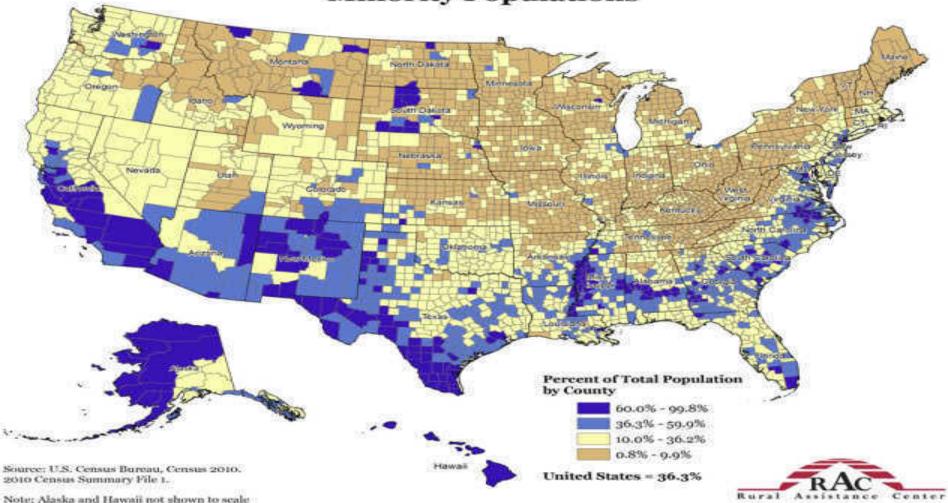


FIGURE 2: PERCENTAGE HISPANIC BY COUNTY

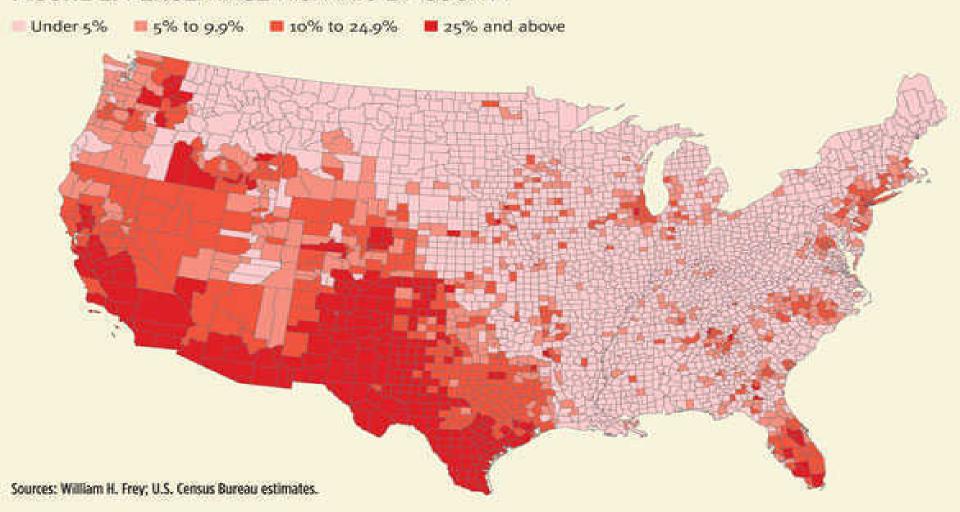
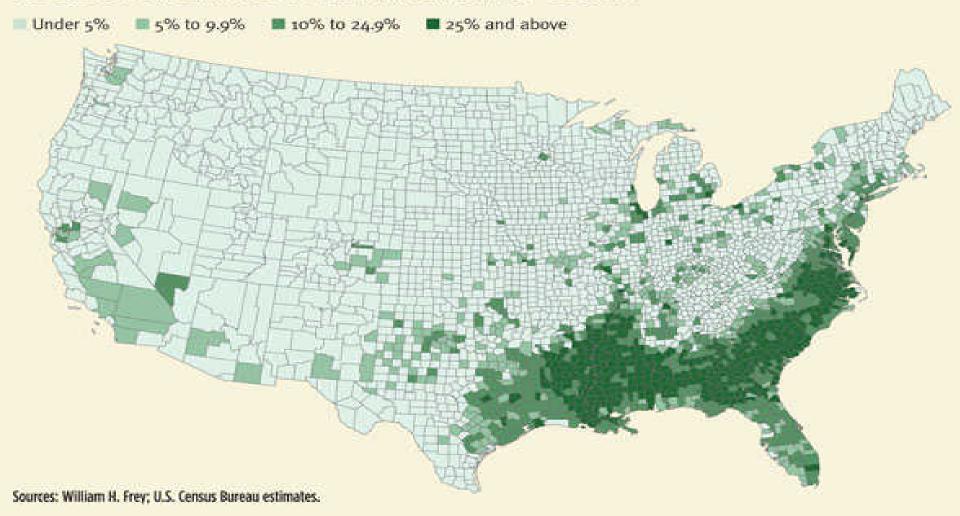
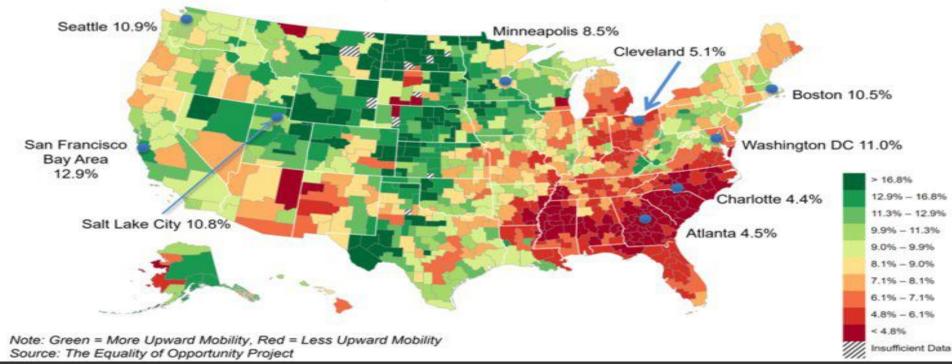


FIGURE 3: PERCENTAGE AFRICAN AMERICAN BY COUNTY



The Geography of Upward Mobility in the United States

Chances of Reaching the Top Fifth Starting from the Bottom Fifth by Metro Area



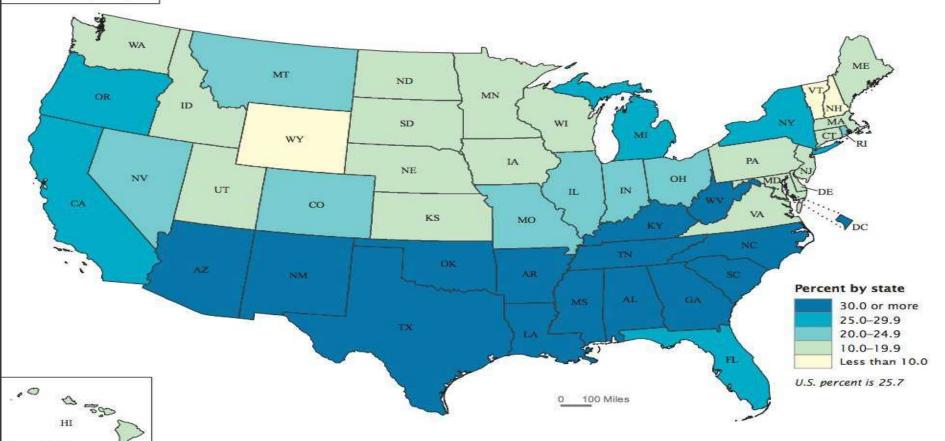
Source: Chetty (2018)

0 500 Miles

100 Miles

Figure 4.

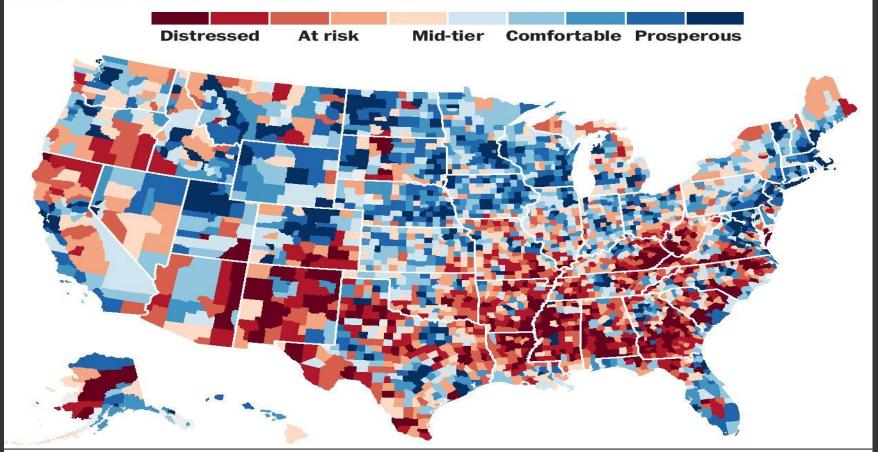
People Living in Poverty Areas by State: 2010



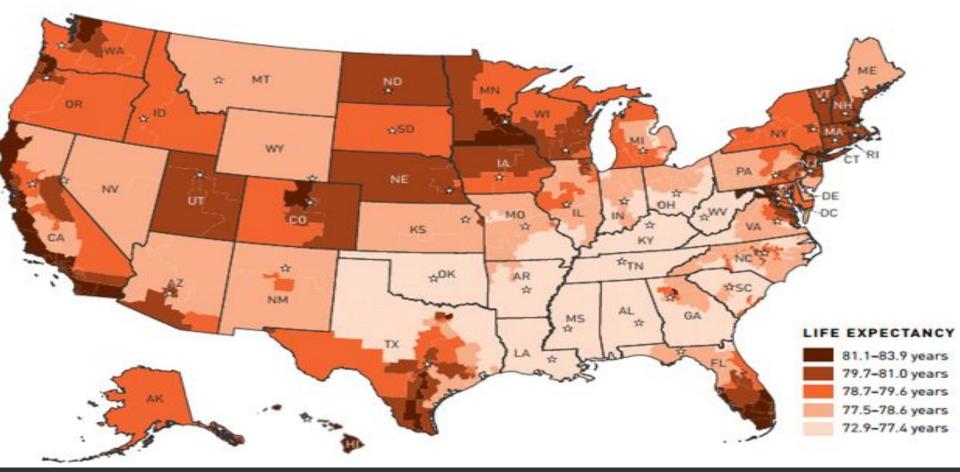
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008-2012 5-year American Community Survey.

Prosperity and distress

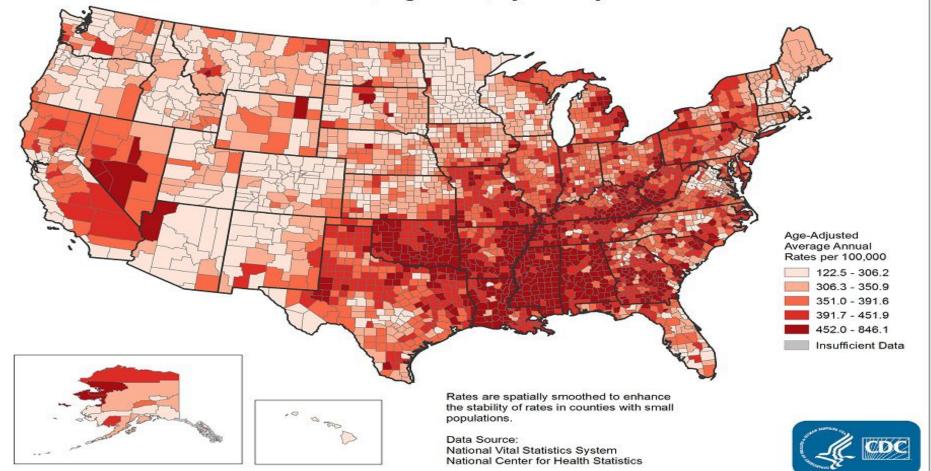
2017 Distressed Communities Index scores

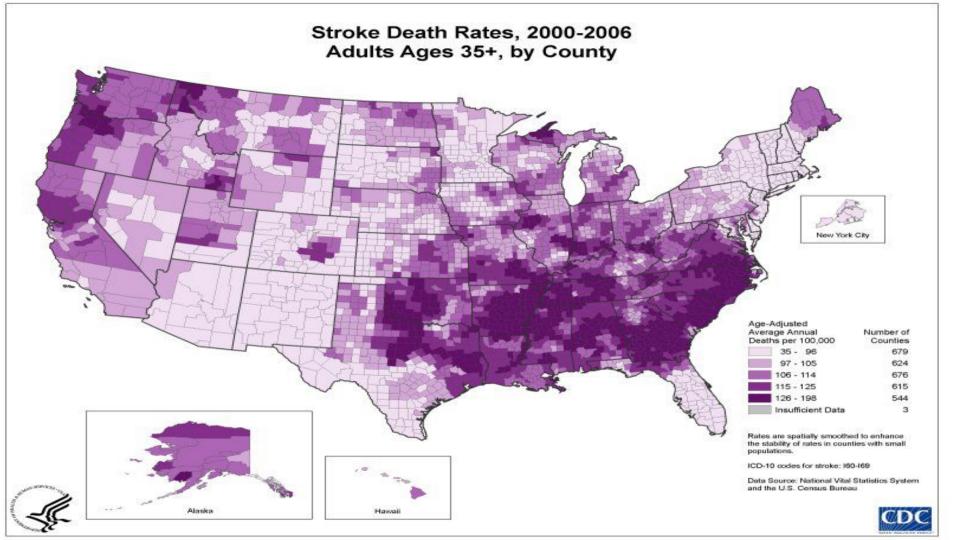


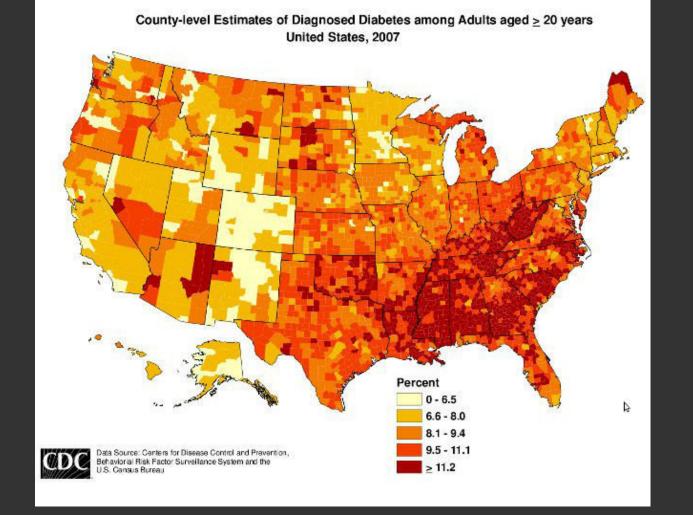
MAP 2 Life Expectancy by Congressional District



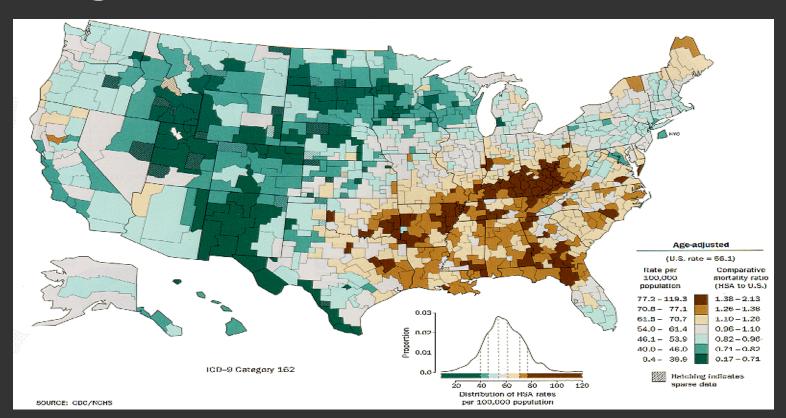
Heart Disease Death Rates, 2008-2010 Adults, Ages 35+, by County





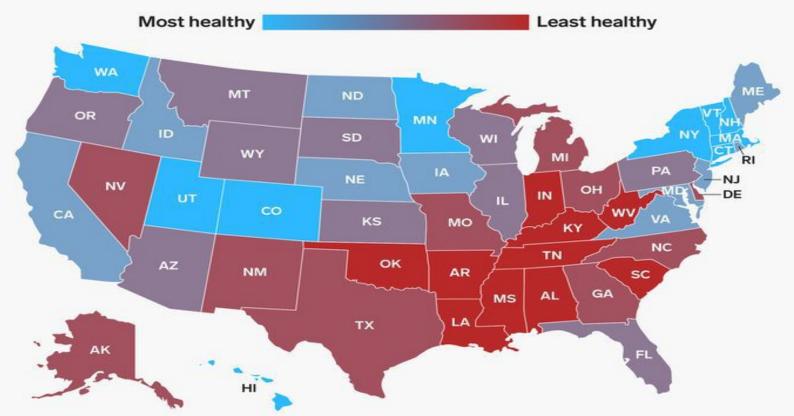


Lung Cancer Distribution in the U.S.



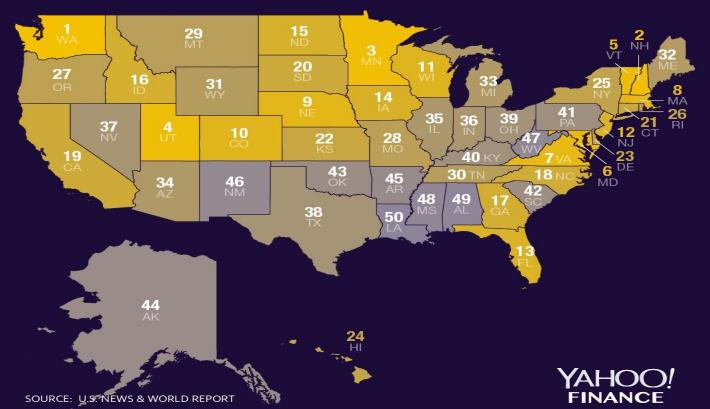
Every state ranked by healthiness, 2018

Rank based on behaviors, environmental factors, policies, medical care, and outcomes

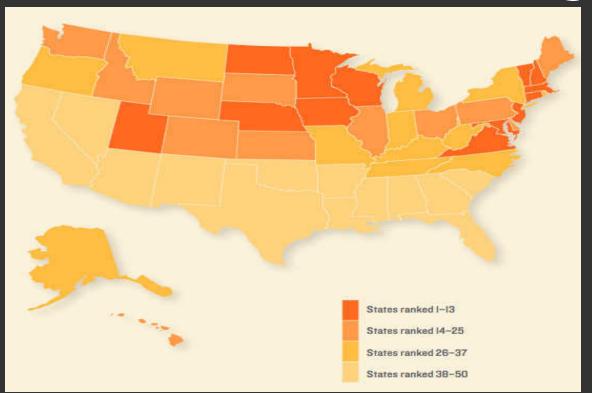


THE UNITED STATES, RANKED

U.S. News and World Report evaluated all 50 U.S. states in health care, education, economy, infrastructure, opportunity, fiscal stability, crime, and environment to create a comprehensive ranking.



Overall Child Well-Being



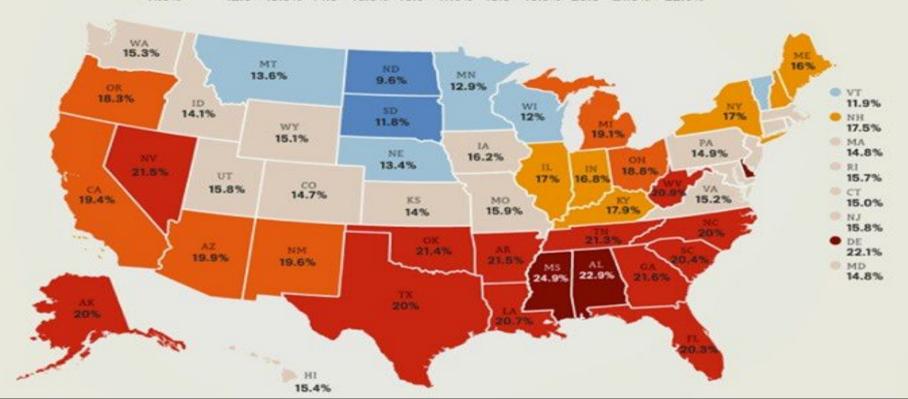
Source: Annie E. Casey Foundation (2014)



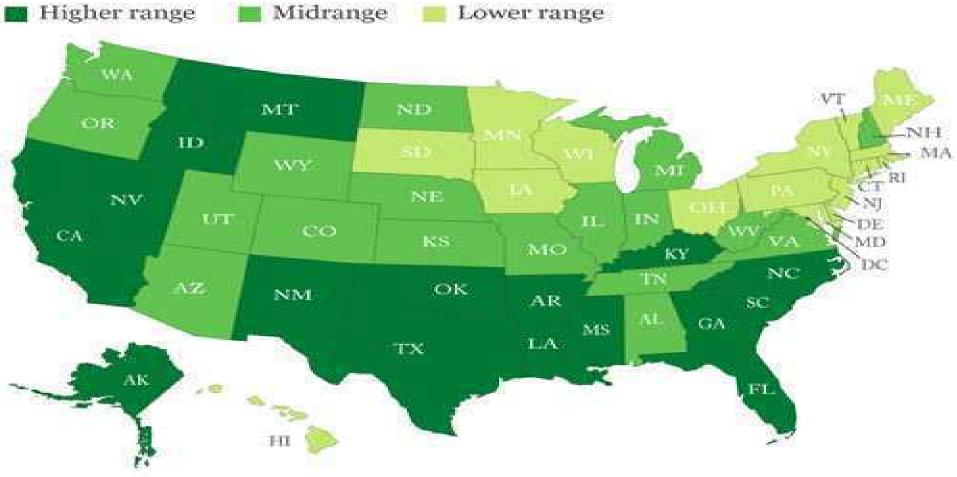
THE STATE OF FOOD INSECURITY

Food insecurity exists in every county of the U.S. According to Gallup, 18.2% of Americans lacked money for food in 2012, but some areas, such as the South, regularly have higher food-insecurity rates than the national average.

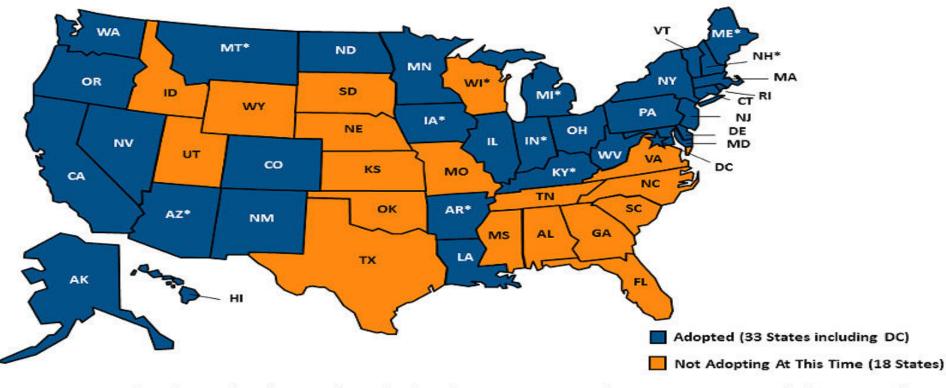




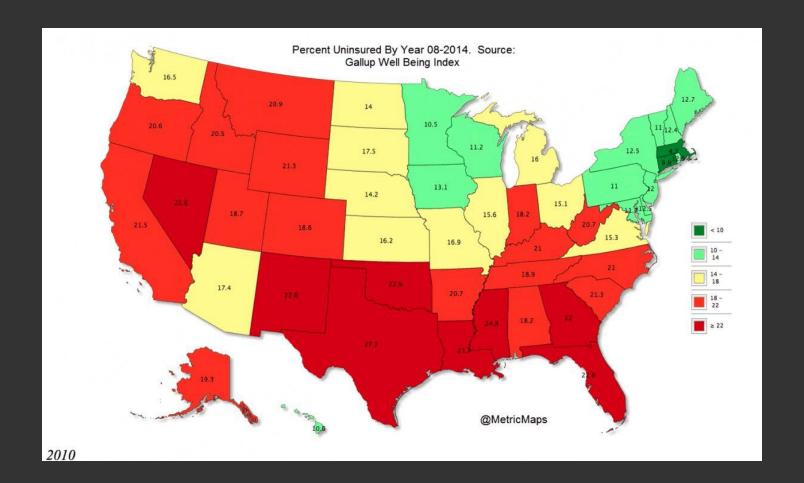
Uninsured, January-June 2011

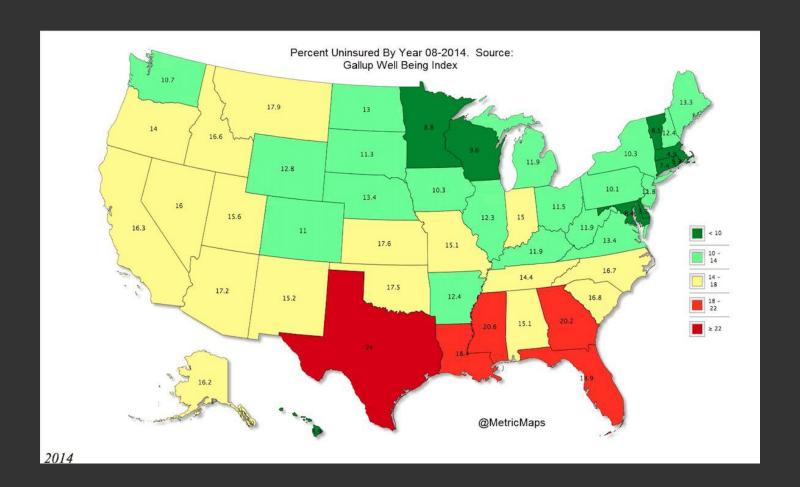


Current Status of State Medicaid Expansion Decisions

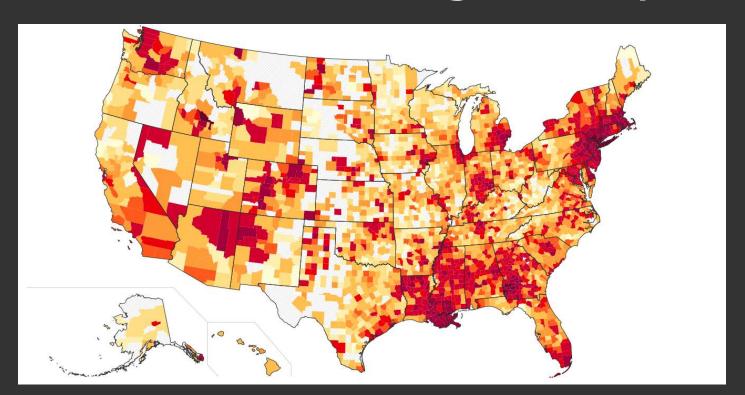


NOTES: Current status for each state is based on KFF tracking and analysis of state executive activity. *AR, AZ, IA, IN, KY, MI, MT, and NH have approved Section 1115 expansion waivers. KY initially adopted expansion through a state plan amendment but received CMS approval for the Kentucky HEALTH expansion waiver on January 12, 2018; implementation will start in April 2018 with full implementation by July 2018. ME adopted the Medicaid expansion through a ballot initiative in November 2017; the ballot measure requires submission of a state plan amendment within 90 days and implementation of expansion within 180 days of the measure's effective date. WI covers adults up to 100% FPL in Medicaid, but did not adopt the ACA expansion. SOURCE: "Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision," KFF State Health Facts, updated January 16, 2018. http://kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-under-the-affordable-care-act/





Covid-19 Tracking Hot Spots



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