

FOR RELEASE ON DELIVERY

1970 CENSUS FINAL NATIONAL AND STATE
TOTALS AND CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT STATISTICS

The following is a summary list of the news material contained in this press packet:

1. General news release on population and apportionment.
2. Background fact sheet.
3. Apportionment table.
4. Apportionment map.
5. Table changes in Congressional representation by region, comparing 1960.
6. Alphabetic tables on State population changes 1960 - 1970.
7. Table by State total population rankings.
8. Map of percentage change by States.
9. Table showing population changes by region.
10. Written explanation on apportionment.
11. Written explanation of the resident and apportionment population counts.

States with More Than 1 Percentage-Point Difference in
Distribution Between Their Resident Population and Overseas
Population

1970

Illinois	(+1.02)
New Jersey	(+1.01)
New York	(+2.86)

1990

California	(+3.38)
Florida	(-1.89)
Massachusetts	(+1.05)
New Jersey	(+1.11)
New York	(+1.37)
Texas	(-1.11)

- + Proportion of state's resident population greater than overseas population.
- Proportion of state's overseas population greater than resident population.

Speakey

FOR RELEASE ON DELIVERY

1970 CENSUS FINAL NATIONAL AND STATE
TOTALS AND CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT STATISTICS

The following is a summary list of the news material contained in this press packet:

1. General news release on population and apportionment.
2. Background fact sheet.
3. Apportionment table.
4. Apportionment map.
5. Table changes in Congressional representation by region, comparing 1960.
6. Alphabetic tables on State population changes 1960 - 1970.
7. Table by State total population rankings.
8. Map of percentage change by States.
9. Table showing population changes by region.
10. Written explanation on apportionment.
11. Written explanation of the resident and apportionment population counts.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE
NEWS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230

OFFICE
OF THE
SECRETARY

FINAL 1970 CENSUS FIGURES

The grand total population of the United States as of April 1, 1970 was 204,765,770. This includes United States armed forces stationed abroad and Federal Employees overseas as well as dependents of both living with them abroad. It also includes the population of the District of Columbia.

The resident population of the United States as of April 1, 1970 was 203,184,772.

Announcement of these final population figures of the 1970 Census was included in a message on the Census transmitted today by Commerce Secretary Maurice Stans to President Nixon. Mr. Stans was accompanied to the White House by Dr. George Hay Brown, Director of the Bureau of the Census.

The resident total is 13.3 percent higher than the 1960 Census figure of 179,323,175. Although the increase in resident population was the second largest of any decade in U.S. history, the percentage increase was nevertheless the second lowest - second only to the years of the Great Depression, the 1930's, when the increase was 7.3 percent.

Included with Secretary Stans' message to the President was a report showing the redistribution of U. S. Representatives in the Congress among the 50 States, based on their populations as of April 1, 1970, in accordance with present law.

The report, in the form of an apportionment table, shows that the State of California will gain 5 seats in the House of Representatives when Congress convenes for its 93rd session in January 1973. The gain will move California into the lead among the States in House representation with 43 members; New York, the loser of 2 seats, will drop to second place with 39 Representatives.

Other States which will gain seats are: Florida (3); and Arizona, Colorado and Texas (1 each).

Those losing seats, in addition to New York, are: Pennsylvania (2); and Alabama, Iowa, North Dakota, Ohio, Tennessee, West Virginia and Wisconsin (1 each).

(more)

The States with the greatest gains in number of people are California with 4.2 million; Florida, 1.8 million; Texas, 1.6 million; and, New York, 1.4 million. The greatest percentage gainers are Nevada with 71.3 percent; Florida, 37.1 percent; and Arizona, 36.1 percent.

Both of the Nation's newest States had increases above the national average. Alaska's increase was 33.6 percent while Hawaii had an 21.7 percent rise.

It is to be noted that the apportionment population total -- which is 204,002,799 -- is greater than the resident population total of the United States. The apportionment figure, which is used to allocate Representatives to the individual States, includes both the resident population and, for the first time, members of the U.S. Armed Forces abroad and employees of the Federal Government who are overseas together with dependents of these two groups living with them. For apportionment purposes, the District of Columbia is excluded from this total.

The report to President Nixon was prepared in accordance with the provisions of Title 13, U.S. Code, section 141(b), and Title 2, U.S. Code, sections 2a and 2b. The law stipulates the Secretary of Commerce must forward to the President the population of the 50 States as shown in the Census "...within 8 months of the Census date" and that the President must submit an apportionment report to Congress "...on the first day or within one week...of the first regular session" (of Congress)--- in this case, of the 92nd Congress which convenes in January 1971.

Congress, by law, has 15 days after receipt of the report from the President to act if it chooses to change the number of Representatives or the method of allocation.

If Congress takes no action within 15 days it, in effect, accepts the apportionment figures as submitted and the existing law as it applies to apportionment. The final step in this process is for the Clerk of the House of Representatives to inform the governors of the 50 States of the number of seats each will be entitled to fill in the 93rd and ensuing Congresses.

* * *

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census

BACKGROUND FACT SHEET: PRESENT HIGHLIGHTS OF 1970 CENSUS

1. Fourteen States are being affected by reapportionment. Those gaining seats in the House of Representatives are: California (5); Florida (3); and Arizona, Colorado, and Texas (1 each). Those losing seats are: New York (2); Pennsylvania (2); and Alabama, Iowa, North Dakota, Ohio, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Wisconsin (1 each).
2. More than three-fourths of the national growth occurred in metropolitan areas with suburban rings showing rapid and substantial population growth. Suburbanites now outnumber those living in central cities.
3. Population in many central cities declined sharply. Declines also occurred in the decade of the 1950's, but the number of cities showing population losses in the 1960's appears to be greater than in the previous decade.
4. The farm population declined by approximately one-third since 1960, dropping from about 15 million to some 10 million.
5. About one-half of the Nation's counties lost population between 1960 and 1970. In an additional one-fourth of the counties, there was a low rate of growth. This was because there had been a net migration out of the county. Approximately two-thirds of the counties showing a decrease in the 1960's also had lost population between 1940 and 1960.
6. Migration patterns continued much as in the past -- from mid-country out, from rural to urban; coastal areas continued to grow.
7. California led all States in the amount of growth with a population increase of more than four million persons. Other States with large absolute gains -- Florida, Texas and New York.
8. Three States and the District of Columbia lost population during the decade. The States are West Virginia (which also lost population during the 1950's) North Dakota and South Dakota.

Table 1.--1970 POPULATION AND NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES, BY STATE

State	Resident Population (1)	Population Abroad ^{1/} (2)	Population used as basis for apportionment (3) = (1) + (2)	No. of Rep. based on 1970 census (4)	Change from 1960 apportion- ment (5)
United States...	203,184,772 203,285,293	1,580,998	2/ 204,602,799 204,866,291	435	
Alabama.....	3,444,165	31,720	3,475,885	7	-1
Alaska.....	302,173	1,894	304,067	1	
Arizona.....	1,772,482	15,138	1,787,620	4	+1
Arkansas.....	1,923,295	19,008	1,942,303	4	
California.....	19,953,134	145,729	20,098,863	43	+5
Colorado.....	2,207,259	19,512	2,226,771	5	+1
Connecticut.....	3,032,217	18,476	3,050,693	6	
Delaware.....	548,104	3,824	551,928	1	
District of Columbia...	756,510	6,461	-	-	
Florida.....	6,789,443	66,259	6,855,702	15	+3
Georgia.....	4,589,575	37,731	4,627,306	10	
Hawaii.....	769,913	14,988	784,901	2	
Idaho.....	713,008	6,913	719,921	2	
Illinois.....	11,113,976	70,344	11,184,320	24	
Indiana.....	5,193,669	34,487	5,228,156	11	
Iowa.....	2,825,041	21,879	2,846,920	6	-1
Kansas.....	2,249,071	16,775	2,265,846	5	
Kentucky.....	3,219,311	27,170	3,246,481	7	
Louisiana.....	3,643,180	28,828	3,672,008	8	
Maine.....	993,663	12,657	1,006,320	2	
Maryland.....	3,922,399	31,299	3,953,698	8	
Massachusetts.....	5,689,170	37,506	5,726,676	12	
Michigan.....	8,875,083	62,113	8,937,196	19	
Minnesota.....	3,805,069	28,104	3,833,173	8	
Mississippi.....	2,216,912	16,936	2,233,848	5	
Missouri.....	4,677,399	40,635	4,718,034	10	
Montana.....	694,409	7,164	701,573	2	
Nebraska.....	1,483,791	13,029	1,496,820	3	
Nevada.....	488,738	3,658	492,396	1	
New Hampshire.....	737,681	8,603	746,284	2	
New Jersey.....	7,168,164	39,871	7,208,035	15	
New Mexico.....	1,016,000	10,664	1,026,664	2	
New York.....	18,190,748 18,412,640	96,789	18,287,529 18,509,429	39	-2
North Carolina.....	5,082,059	43,171	5,125,230	11	
North Dakota.....	617,761	6,420	624,181	1	-1
Ohio.....	10,652,017	78,183	10,730,200	23	-1
Oklahoma.....	2,559,253	26,233	2,585,486	6	
Oregon.....	2,091,385	19,425	2,110,810	4	
Pennsylvania.....	11,793,909	90,405	11,884,314	25	-2
Rhode Island.....	949,723	8,075	957,798	2	
South Carolina.....	2,590,516	26,804	2,617,320	6	
South Dakota.....	666,257	6,990	673,247	2	
Tennessee.....	3,924,164	36,896	3,961,060	8	-1
Texas.....	11,196,730	102,057	11,298,787	24	+1
Utah.....	1,059,273	8,537	1,067,810	2	
Vermont.....	444,732	3,595	448,327	1	
Virginia.....	4,648,494	42,248	4,690,742	10	
Washington.....	3,409,169	34,318	3,443,487	7	
West Virginia.....	1,744,237	19,094	1,763,331	4	-1
Wisconsin.....	4,417,933	29,080	4,447,013	9	-1
Wyoming.....	332,416	3,303	335,719	1	

1/ Includes: (a) Members of the Armed Forces; (b) Civilian employees of any Federal department or agency who are citizens of the United States or who have a home State; (c) Spouses and children who are living abroad with persons classified in groups (a) and (b); (d) Other relatives living abroad with persons in groups (a) and (b) who are citizens of the United States or have a home State.

2/ Excludes the District of Columbia. The total including the District of Columbia is 204,765,770.

Changes in Congressional Representation, by States: 1960 to 1970

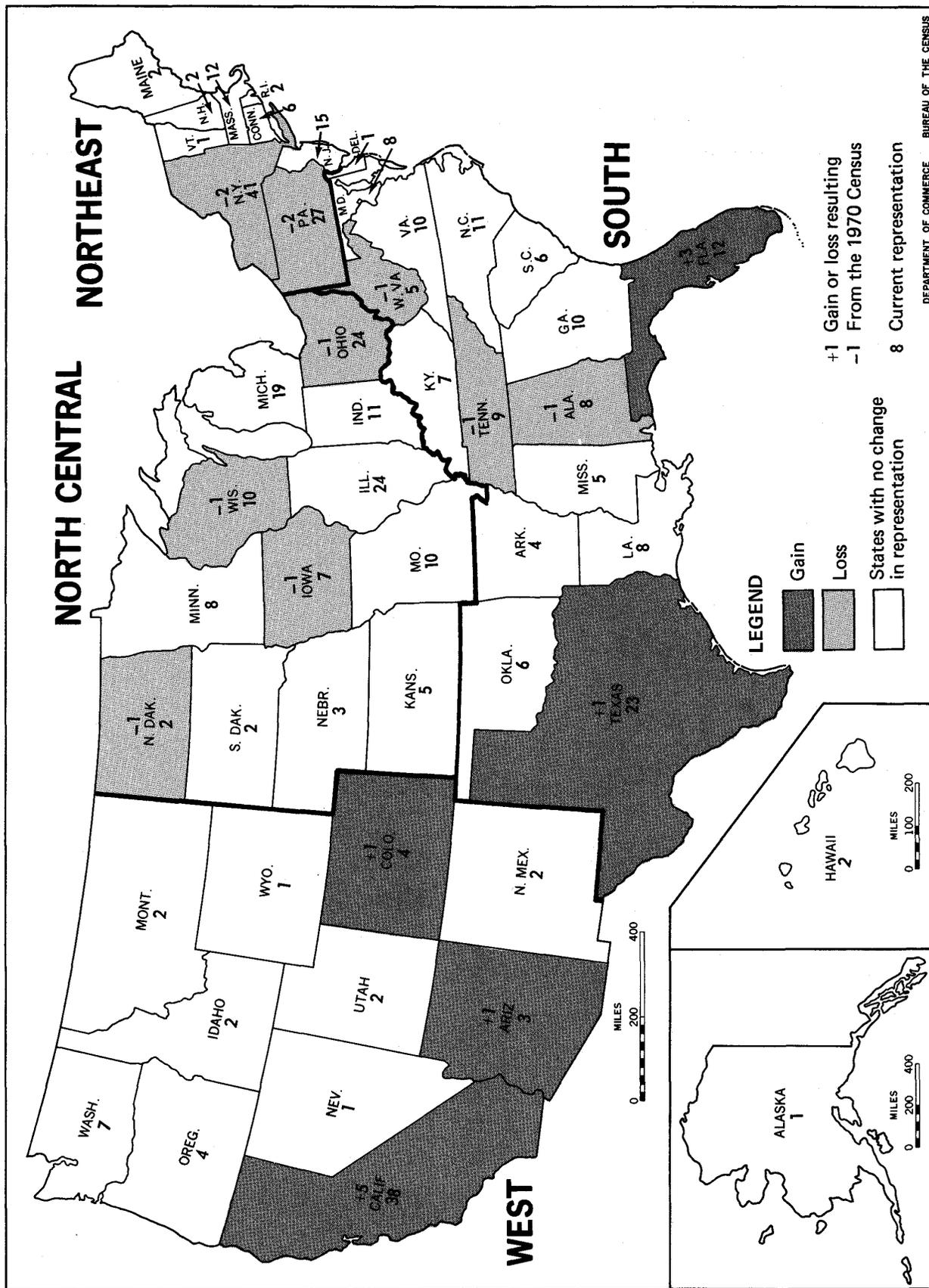


Table 2.--CHANGES IN NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES, BY REGION: 1960 TO 1970

Region	Number of Representatives based on 1970 census	Number of seats gained ^{1/}	Number of seats lost ^{2/}	Net gain or loss
United States	435	11	11	-
Northeast	104	-	4	-4
North Central	121	-	4	-4
South	134	4	3	+1
West	76	7	-	+7

^{1/} Number of seats gained in States gaining representatives.

^{2/} Number of seats lost in States losing representatives.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census

Table 3.—RESIDENT POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, BY STATE: 1970 and 1960

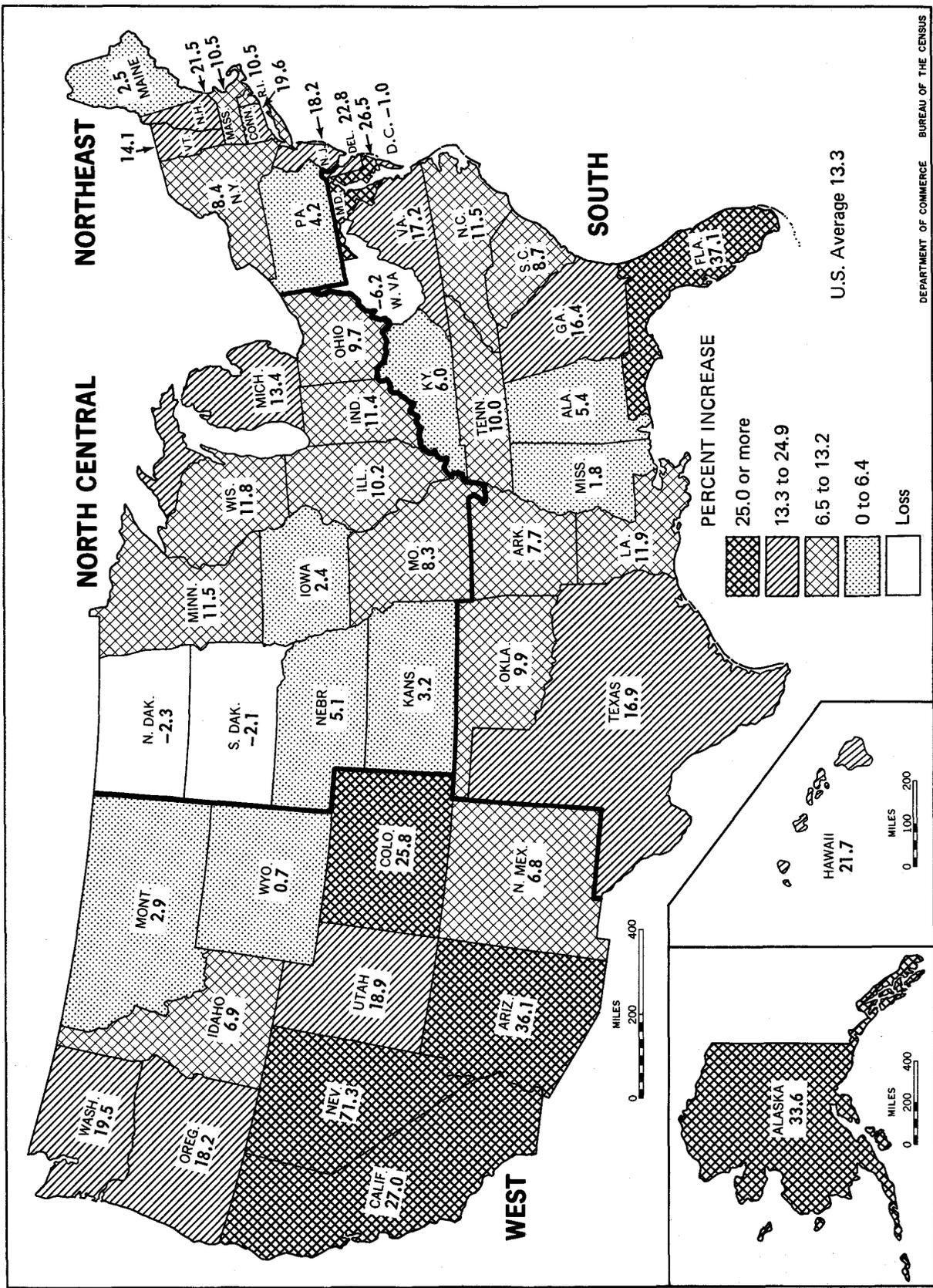
State	1970	1960	Change, 1960 to 1970	
			Number	Percent
U.S.	203,184,772	179,323,175	23,861,597	13.3
Alabama	3,444,165	3,266,740	177,425	5.4
Alaska	302,173	226,167	76,006	33.6
Arizona	1,772,482	1,302,161	470,321	36.1
Arkansas	1,923,295	1,786,272	137,023	7.7
California	19,953,134	15,717,204	4,235,930	27.0
Colorado	2,207,259	1,753,947	453,312	25.8
Connecticut	3,032,217	2,535,234	496,983	19.6
Delaware	548,104	446,292	101,812	22.8
District of Columbia ..	756,510	763,956	-7,446	-1.0
Florida	6,789,443	4,951,560	1,837,883	37.1
Georgia	4,589,575	3,943,116	646,459	16.4
Hawaii	769,913	632,772	137,141	21.7
Idaho	713,008	667,191	45,817	6.9
Illinois	11,113,976	10,081,158	1,032,818	10.2
Indiana	5,193,669	4,662,498	531,171	11.4
Iowa	2,825,041	2,757,537	67,504	2.4
Kansas	2,249,071	2,178,611	70,460	3.2
Kentucky	3,219,311	3,038,156	181,155	6.0
Louisiana	3,643,180	3,257,022	386,158	11.9
Maine	993,663	969,265	24,398	2.5
Maryland	3,922,399	3,100,689	821,710	26.5
Massachusetts	5,689,170	5,148,578	540,592	10.5
Michigan	8,875,083	7,823,194	1,051,889	13.4
Minnesota	3,805,069	3,413,864	391,205	11.5
Mississippi	2,216,912	2,178,141	38,771	1.8
Missouri	4,677,399	4,319,813	357,586	8.3
Montana	694,409	674,767	19,642	2.9
Nebraska	1,483,791	1,411,330	72,461	5.1
Nevada	488,738	285,278	203,460	71.3
New Hampshire	737,681	606,921	130,760	21.5
New Jersey	7,168,164	6,066,782	1,101,382	18.2
New Mexico	1,016,000	951,023	64,977	6.8
New York	16,190,740	16,782,304	1,408,436	8.4
North Carolina	5,082,059	4,556,155	525,904	11.5
North Dakota	617,761	632,446	-14,685	-2.3
Ohio	10,652,017	9,706,397	945,620	9.7
Oklahoma	2,559,253	2,328,284	230,969	9.9
Oregon	2,091,385	1,768,687	322,698	18.2
Pennsylvania	11,793,909	11,319,366	474,543	4.2
Rhode Island	949,723	859,488	90,235	10.5
South Carolina	2,590,516	2,382,594	207,922	8.7
South Dakota	666,257	680,514	-14,257	-2.1
Tennessee	3,924,164	3,567,089	357,075	10.0
Texas	11,196,730	9,579,677	1,617,053	16.9
Utah	1,059,273	890,627	168,646	18.9
Vermont	444,732	389,881	54,851	14.1
Virginia	4,648,494	3,966,949	681,545	17.2
Washington	3,409,169	2,853,214	555,955	19.5
West Virginia	1,744,237	1,860,421	-116,184	-6.2
Wisconsin	4,417,933	3,951,777	466,156	11.8
Wyoming	332,416	330,066	2,350	0.7

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census

Table 4.--Ranking of States by Population: 1970 and 1960

1970		1960	
Rank	State	Rank	State
1	California	1	New York
2	New York	2	California
3	Pennsylvania	3	Pennsylvania
4	Texas	4	Illinois
5	Illinois	5	Ohio
6	Ohio	6	Texas
7	Michigan	7	Michigan
8	New Jersey	8	New Jersey
9	Florida	9	Massachusetts
10	Massachusetts	10	Florida
11	Indiana	11	Indiana
12	North Carolina	12	North Carolina
13	Missouri	13	Missouri
14	Virginia	14	Virginia
15	Georgia	15	Wisconsin
16	Wisconsin	16	Georgia
17	Tennessee	17	Tennessee
18	Maryland	18	Minnesota
19	Minnesota	19	Alabama
20	Louisiana	20	Louisiana
21	Alabama	21	Maryland
22	Washington	22	Kentucky
23	Kentucky	23	Washington
24	Connecticut	24	Iowa
25	Iowa	25	Connecticut
26	South Carolina	26	South Carolina
27	Oklahoma	27	Oklahoma
28	Kansas	28	Kansas
29	Mississippi	29	Mississippi
30	Colorado	30	West Virginia
31	Oregon	31	Arkansas
32	Arkansas	32	Oregon
33	Arizona	33	Colorado
34	West Virginia	34	Nebraska
35	Nebraska	35	Arizona
36	Utah	36	Maine
37	New Mexico	37	New Mexico
38	Maine	38	Utah
39	Rhode Island	39	Rhode Island
40	Hawaii	40	District of Columbia
41	District of Columbia	41	South Dakota
42	New Hampshire	42	Montana
43	Idaho	43	Idaho
44	Montana	44	Hawaii
45	South Dakota	45	North Dakota
46	North Dakota	46	New Hampshire
47	Delaware	47	Delaware
48	Nevada	48	Vermont
49	Vermont	49	Wyoming
50	Wyoming	50	Nevada
51	Alaska	51	Alaska

Percent Change in Population, by State: 1960-1970



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census

Table 5.--RESIDENT POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, BY REGION: 1970 and 1960

Regions	1970	1960	Percent change, 1960 to 1970	Percent distribution	
				1970	1960
U.S.....	203,184,772	179,323,175	+13.3	100.0	100.0
Northeast.....	48,999,999	44,677,819	+9.7	24.1	24.9
North Central.....	56,577,067	51,619,139	+9.6	27.9	28.8
South.....	62,798,347	54,973,113	+14.2	30.9	30.7
West.....	34,809,359	28,053,104	+24.1	17.1	15.6