

Figure 2-6.

Number of Places of 2,500 or More Population by Size of Place for the United States by Region: 1790, 1820, 1860, 1900, 1940, 1970, 2000, and 2010

Year	Region	Total	1,000,000 or more	500,000-999,999	250,000-499,999	100,000-249,999	50,000-99,999	25,000-49,999	10,000-24,999	5,000-9,999	2,500-4,999
1790.....	U.S.	24	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	7	12
	North	18	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	7	8
	South	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4
1820.....	U.S.	61	-	-	-	1	2	2	8	22	26
	North	44	-	-	-	1	1	1	5	16	20
	South	17	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	6	6
1860.....	U.S.	392	-	2	1	6	7	19	58	136	163
	North	314	-	2	1	4	4	16	46	116	125
	South	70	-	-	-	2	2	3	11	19	33
	West	8	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	5
1900.....	U.S.	1,737	3	3	9	23	40	82	280	465	832
	North	1,256	3	2	6	19	29	60	219	367	551
	South	355	-	1	2	2	7	17	47	74	205
	West	126	-	-	1	2	4	5	14	24	76
1940.....	U.S.	3,464	5	9	23	55	107	213	665	965	1,422
	North	2,062	4	6	11	36	68	146	438	588	765
	South	1,002	-	2	8	13	30	43	154	267	485
	West	400	1	1	4	6	9	24	73	110	172
1970.....	U.S.	6,435	6	20	30	100	240	520	1,385	1,839	2,295
	North	3,311	4	8	11	46	119	273	724	974	1,152
	South	2,046	1	7	12	34	56	130	414	592	800
	West	1,078	1	5	7	20	65	117	247	273	343
2000.....	U.S.	9,063	9	20	38	178	419	838	2,054	2,412	3,095
	North	4,118	3	5	12	49	160	369	932	1,109	1,479
	South	3,154	3	10	11	56	121	258	739	848	1,108
	West	1,791	3	5	15	73	138	211	383	455	508
2010.....	U.S.	9,644	9	24	41	208	488	896	2,212	2,510	3,256
	North	4,194	3	5	14	50	169	360	944	1,121	1,528
	South	3,461	3	11	12	70	151	309	827	888	1,190
	West	1,989	3	8	15	88	168	227	441	501	538

CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF PLACES IN SIZE CATEGORY AND LARGER

1790.....	U.S.	24	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	12	24
	North	18	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	10	18
	South	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	6
1820.....	U.S.	61	-	-	-	1	3	5	13	35	61
	North	44	-	-	-	1	2	3	8	24	44
	South	17	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	11	17
1860.....	U.S.	392	-	2	3	9	16	35	93	229	392
	North	314	-	2	3	7	11	27	73	189	314
	South	70	-	-	-	2	4	7	18	37	70
	West	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1900.....	U.S.	1,737	3	6	15	38	78	160	440	905	1,737
	North	1,256	3	5	11	30	59	119	338	705	1,256
	South	355	-	1	3	5	12	29	76	150	355
	West	126	-	-	1	3	7	12	26	50	126
1940.....	U.S.	3,464	5	14	37	92	199	412	1,077	2,042	3,464
	North	2,062	4	10	21	57	125	271	709	1,297	2,062
	South	1,002	-	2	10	23	53	96	250	517	1,002
	West	400	1	2	6	12	21	45	118	228	400
1970.....	U.S.	6,435	6	26	56	156	396	916	2,301	4,140	6,435
	North	3,311	4	12	23	69	188	461	1,185	2,159	3,311
	South	2,046	1	8	20	54	110	240	654	1,246	2,046
	West	1,078	1	6	13	33	98	215	462	735	1,078
2000.....	U.S.	9,063	9	29	67	245	664	1,502	3,556	5,968	9,063
	North	4,118	3	8	20	69	229	598	1,530	2,639	4,118
	South	3,154	3	13	24	80	201	459	1,298	2,146	3,154
	West	1,791	3	8	23	96	234	445	828	1,283	1,791
2010.....	U.S.	9,644	9	33	74	282	770	1,666	3,878	6,388	9,644
	North	4,194	3	8	22	72	241	601	1,545	2,666	4,194
	South	3,461	3	14	26	96	247	556	1,383	2,271	3,461
	West	1,989	3	11	26	114	282	509	950	1,451	1,989

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census publications. See www.demographicchartbook.com, References.

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