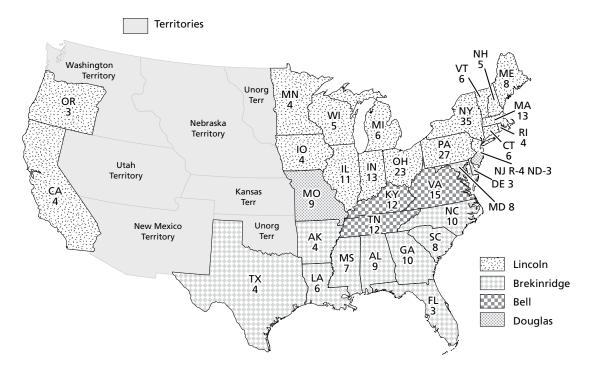
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## **The Presidential Election of 1860**

**Directions:** In national elections, the president is not elected directly by the voters. Instead, a group of *electors* is chosen by the voters in each state. It is the electors who vote for the president. The following table and map show the results of the Election of 1860. Use the information in the table and in the map to answer the questions below.

Candidate	Popular Vote	Electoral Vote
Abraham Lincoln	1,865,908	180
Stephen A. Douglas	1,380,202	12
John C. Breckinridge	848,019	72
John Bell	590,901	39



- 1. Which state had the greatest number of electoral votes?
- 2. How many states did John Bell win?
- 3. Which candidate won Virginia's electoral votes?
- 4. How many popular votes were cast?

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- 5. a. Which candidate received the fewest electoral votes?
  - b. Where did that candidate rank in the popular vote?
- 6. Calculate the percentage of the popular vote for each candidate.
- Lincoln: \_\_\_\_\_ Douglas: \_\_\_\_\_ Breckinridge: \_\_\_\_\_ Bell: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Calculate the percentage of the electoral vote for each candidate.

  Lincoln: \_\_\_\_\_ Douglas: \_\_\_\_\_ Breckinridge: \_\_\_\_\_ Bell: \_\_\_\_\_