*Chapter 17: As One Century Ends, Another Begins*

**West Virginia in the Modern Era**

In this lesson, you will examine data about West Virginia today and how it compares to other states. Maybe you can figure out this crazy map?

**Part I:** Use the link to access the websites needed to complete the table and answer each item. Try out the Zoom and Bouncy Map options.

[Bouncy Maps – United States](https://www.bouncymaps.com/#!/bouncymaps/usa/-2118012537)

**West Virginia Population Facts**

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| ***Population*** |  |
| ***Population Rank*** |  |
| ***Population Share*** |  |
| ***African American Population (rank)*** |  |
| ***Hispanic Population (rank)*** |  |

(“share” is the percent of the total U.S. population)

Set the map to show **Population** and toggle the **Regular/Bouncy** option.

1. What happens to West Virginia when you switch to Bouncy? Why? *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Explain what happens to the state of Alaska. *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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1. Explain what happens to the state of New Jersey. *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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1. Which livestock category is the largest for West Virginia? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Which Energy category is the largest for West Virginia? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Population and Population Density by County**

**Part II:** Use the link to locate a **population** map to complete each item.

[Index Mundi – West Virginia](https://www.indexmundi.com/facts/united-states/quick-facts/west-virginia/population#map)

1. Which is the least populated county in West Virginia?

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1. Which county has the largest population in West Virginia? *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*
2. What is your county’s population? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Now, use this [link](https://statisticalatlas.com/state/West-Virginia/Population#data-map/county) to look at **population density** in different counties.

1. What do you notice about how the map has changed from the previous one?

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1. Which county has the highest population density in people per square mile? What is that density?

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1. Which county has the lowest population density in people per square mile? What is that density?

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1. What is the population density of your home county in people per square mile? What is that density?

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1. Locate Ohio County and find its population density. Explain why this small county can be listed as having a high population density.

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