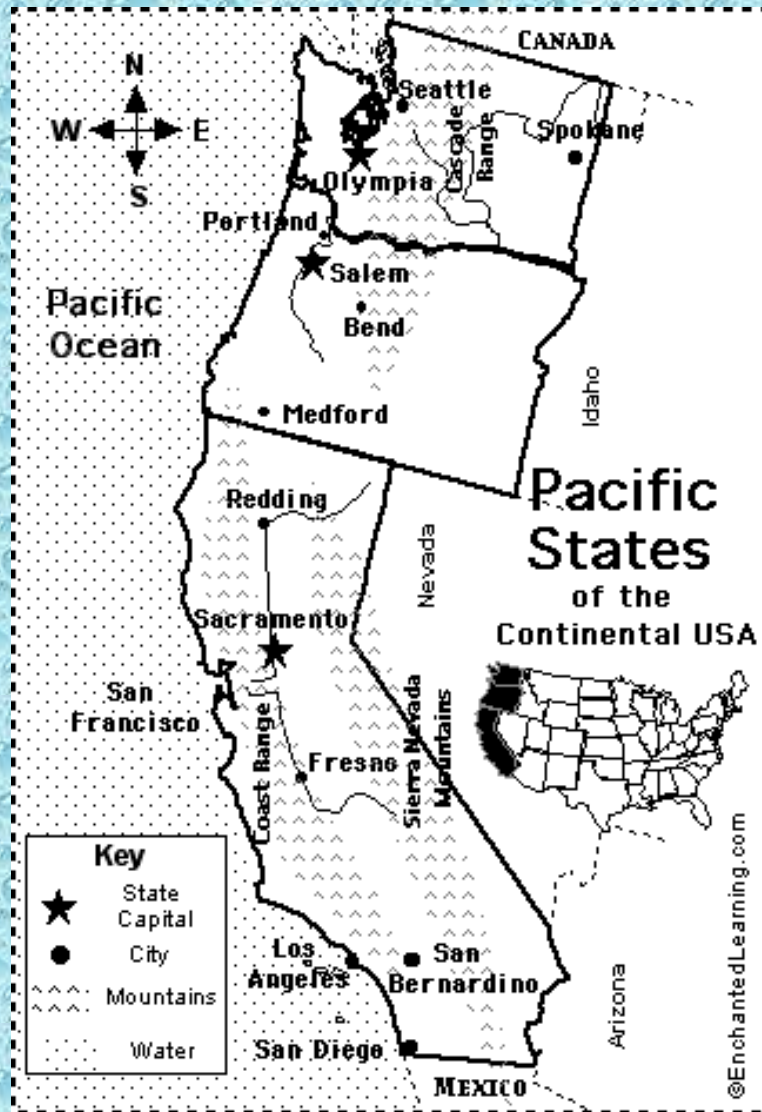


The Pacific States

CALIFORNIA
OREGON
WASHINGTON
ALASKA
HAWAII



Washington + Oregon = The Pacific Northwest

Lewis and Clark expedition 1804-06



- **Lewis and Clark Expedition**, (1804–06), U.S. military expedition, led by Captain Meriwether Lewis and Lieutenant William Clark, to explore the Louisiana Purchase and the Pacific Northwest. The expedition was a major chapter in the history of American exploration.

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Lewis and Clark expedition

- **The expedition contributed significant geographic and scientific knowledge of the West**, aided the expansion of the fur trade, and strengthened U.S. claims to the Pacific. Clark's maps portraying the geography of the West, printed in 1810 and 1814, were the best available until the 1840s.
- **No American exploration looms larger in U.S. history.** The Lewis and Clark Expedition has been commemorated with stamps, monuments, and trails and has had numerous places named after it. St. Louis hosted the 1904 World's Fair during the expedition's centennial, and Portland, Oregon, sponsored the 1905 Lewis and Clark Exposition. In 1978 Congress established the 3,700-mile (6,000-km) Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. While Lewis and Clark had a great interest in documenting Indian cultures, **they represented a government whose policies can now be seen to have fostered dispossession and cultural genocide.** This dichotomy was on display during the event's bicentennial, commemorated by two years of special events across the expedition route.

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Washington, the Evergreen State



- **Washington**, constituent state of the United States of America. Lying at the northwestern corner of the 48 conterminous states, it is bounded by the Canadian province of British Columbia to the north, the U.S. states of Idaho to the east and Oregon to the south, and the Pacific Ocean to the west. The capital is Olympia.

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Washington



Washington's forests are among the most extensive in the United States; about half the state's land area is forested. Major tree species are Douglas fir, hemlock and western red cedar.



Washington

Mt Rainier

Mt St Helens – last erupted in 1980



A marmot



Hurricane Ridge, Olympic National Park

Northwest Coast Indians

- **Northwest Coast Indian**, member of any of the Native American peoples inhabiting a narrow belt of Pacific coastland and offshore islands from the southern border of Alaska to northwestern California.
- **Potlatches** were used to mark a wide variety of transitions, including marriages, the building of a house, chiefly funerals, and the bestowal of adult names, noble titles and ceremonial rights.
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Northwest Coast Indians

- **Totem pole** - a carved and painted log, mounted vertically, constructed by the Indians of the Northwest Coast of the United States and Canada.
- There are **seven principal kinds of totem pole**: memorial, or heraldic, poles, erected when a house changes hands to commemorate the past owner and to identify the present one; grave markers (tombstones); house posts, which support the roof; portal poles, which have a hole through which a person enters the house; welcoming poles, placed at the edge of a body of water to identify the owner of the waterfront; mortuary poles, in which the remains of the deceased are placed; and ridicule poles, on which an important individual who had failed in some way had his likeness carved upside down.

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Seattle, Washington

- The Emerald City
- Jewel of the Pacific Northwest
- **Seattle**, chief city of the state of Washington, U.S., seat (1853) of King county, the largest metropolis of the Pacific Northwest, and one of the largest and most affluent urban centres in the United States. A major port of entry and an air and sea gateway to Asia and Alaska.



Seattle – the economy

- Seattle was formerly the headquarters for the **Boeing Company**, the world's largest manufacturer of commercial aircraft and among the largest exporters in the country in the second half of the 20th century. Although Boeing relocated to Chicago in 2001, much of the company's airplane production is still based in Seattle. Founded in 1916 as a military-aircraft manufacturer, Boeing produces commercial jetliners as well as a range of military and space-exploration craft.
- The largest manufacturer in the Seattle area is the **Microsoft Corporation**, the world's largest maker of computer operating systems and applications such as word-processing and spreadsheet programs. Although it has offices throughout the world, Microsoft does most of its research and product development at its corporate headquarters in suburban Redmond. Its presence has attracted many software firms to the Seattle area and spurred much infrastructure development, including the construction of reliable broadband fibre-optic networks.

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Oregon

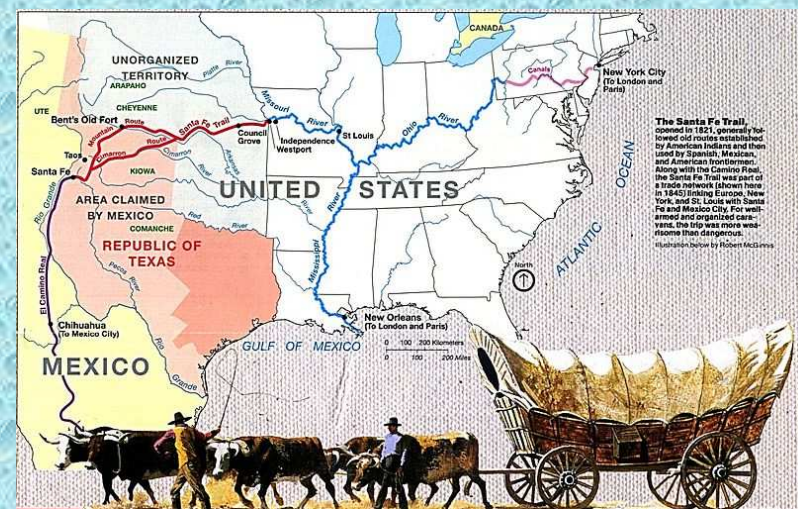
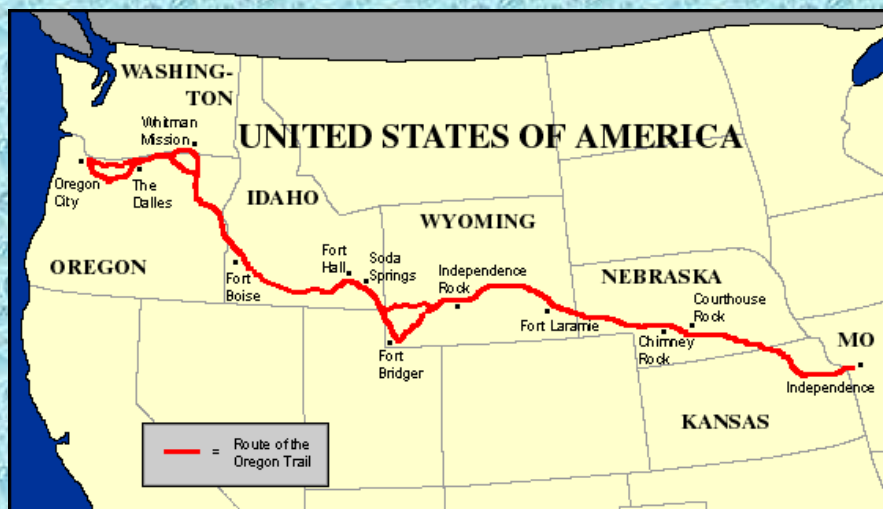
- **Oregon**, constituent state of the United States of America. Oregon is bounded to the north by Washington state, from which it receives the waters of the Columbia River; to the east by Idaho, to the south by Nevada and California, with which Oregon shares its mountain and desert systems; and to the west by the Pacific Ocean, which produces the moderate climate of Oregon's western lands. The capital is Salem, in the northwestern part of the state.
- The largest city is Portland

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Oregon Trail

- **Oregon Trail**, also called **Oregon-California Trail**, in U.S. history, an overland trail between Independence, Missouri, and Oregon City, near present-day Portland, Oregon. It was one of the two main emigrant routes to the American West in the 19th century, the other being the southerly **Santa Fe Trail** from Independence to Santa Fe (now in New Mexico). In addition, branches from each main trail provided connections to destinations in California, and a spur of the northerly Oregon route, part of the Oregon Trail, led to the Great Salt Lake region of what is now northern Utah.

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Portland

