**Oregon**

**BASIC INFORMATION**

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- **Density:** 39.9 persons per square mile (39th)
- **Capital:** Salem

**HISTORY**

The United States acquired the area of Oregon by a treaty with Great Britain in 1846. Oregon Territory was organized from the acquired area on August 14, 1848, and included all of present-day Oregon, Idaho, and Washington and part of western Montana and Wyoming. The territory was reduced in 1853 when Washington Territory was organized. In 1859, additional territory was transferred to Washington Territory, leaving Oregon with generally the same boundary as the present state.

Census data for Oregon are available beginning with the 1850 census. The 1850 population is for the area in present-day Oregon; it does not include the entire territory as legally established. The population of Oregon Territory as legally constituted in 1850 was 13,294.

Data for the legally established state of Oregon are available beginning with the 1860 census.

**AMERICAN INDIAN AREAS**

Oregon has 11 American Indian area reservations, 6 with off-reservation trust land.

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**Bordering States:** California, Idaho, Nevada, Washington
**Abbreviation:** OR
**ANSI/FIPS Code:** 41

**METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS AND RELATED STATISTICAL AREAS**

Oregon has 6 metropolitan statistical areas, 13 micropolitan statistical areas, and 2 combined statistical areas.

**COUNTIES**

Oregon has 36 counties. All counties are functioning governmental units, each governed by a board of county commissioners.

**COUNTY SUBDIVISIONS**

There are 212 county subdivisions in Oregon. They are all census county divisions (CCDs), which are delineated for statistical purposes, have no legal function, and are not governmental units.

**PLACES**

Oregon has 377 places; 242 incorporated places and 135 census designated places (CDPs). The incorporated places consist of 233 cities and 9 towns.

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Became a State: February 14, 1859 (33rd)