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PREFACE

This volume presents statistics on the number of inhabitants for States, counties, and minor civil divisions (townships, etc.), with separate figures for cities and other incorporated places, for unincorporated places, for wards of cities of 5,000 inhabitants or more, and for urbanized areas. In addition to separate chapters for the States and the District of Columbia, there are also separate chapters for Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, and one for American Samoa, the Canal Zone, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the United States. In the United States Summary chapter, the population data for the several States, Territories, possessions, etc., are brought together. The data are based upon the tabulations from the Seventeenth Decennial Census of the population of the United States, its Territories and possessions, conducted as of April 1, 1950. Provision for the Seventeenth Decennial Census was made in the act providing for the Fifteenth and subsequent decennial censuses, approved June 18, 1929, as amended.

The major portion of the information compiled from the Census of Population of 1950 is contained in this volume and in Volume II, *Characteristics of the Population*. These final volumes first appeared in the form of three series of State bulletins: Series P-A, "Number of Inhabitants"; Series P-B, "General Characteristics"; and Series P-C, "Detailed Characteristics."

Final Population Volumes I and II are assembled as follows:

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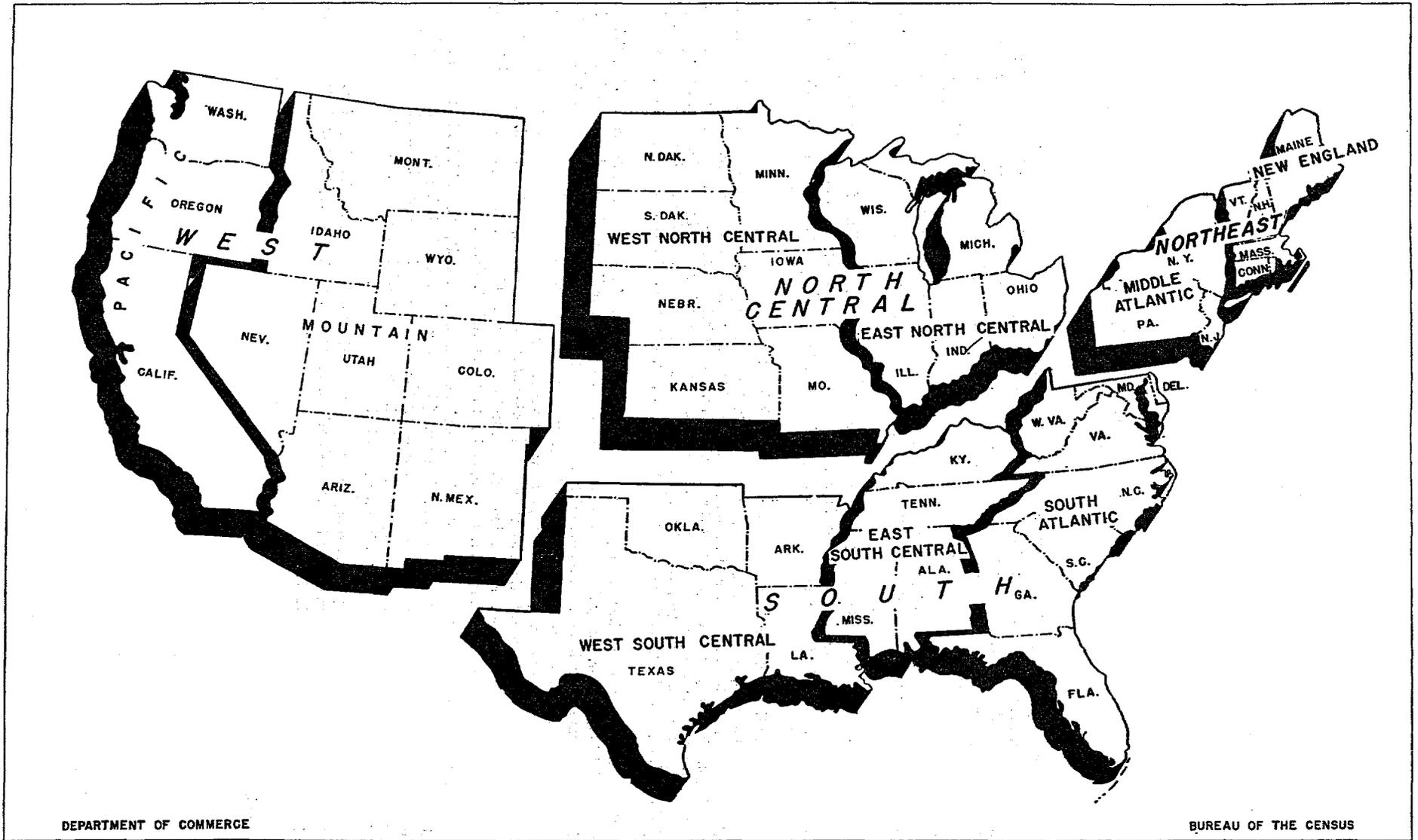
Population Volume II comprises all three series of bulletins (Series P-A, P-B, and P-C). This volume is divided into a U. S. Summary part, a part for each State, and parts for the Territories and possessions, each part comprising the three bulletins for that area. All reports for a given State are thereby made available within a single binding. The three bulletin series (P-A, P-B, and P-C) represent Chapters A, B, and C of the corresponding State part of Population Volume II.

The materials presented here were prepared under the supervision of Howard G. Brunsman, Chief, Population and Housing Division, and Dr. Henry S. Shryock, Jr., Assistant Chief for Population Statistics, with the assistance of Edwin D. Goldfield, Program Coordinator. The materials for continental United States were prepared by Dr. Henry D. Sheldon, Chief, Demographic Statistics Section, assisted by Norman Lawrence, Charles P. Brinkman, and Suzanne F. Bershad. The materials for the Territories, possessions, etc., were prepared by Joel Williams, Chief, Territories and Possessions Section. The compilation of the statistics was under the direction of Robert B. Voight, Assistant Chief for Operations, assisted by Milton D. Lieberman, E. Richard Bourdon, Lillian I. Hoffman, and Kathleen G. Murphy. The technical editorial work was under the supervision of Mildred M. Russell, assisted by Dorothy M. Belzer.

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In addition to those of the present staff, important contributions to the general planning of the 1950 Census were made by the late J. C. Capt, Director of the Census until his retirement on August 17, 1949, and Dr. Philip M. Hauser, Acting Director until March 9, 1950.

Figure 1.—REGIONS AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS OF THE UNITED STATES



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