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PREFACE

The *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, published annually since 1878, is the standard summary of statistics on the social, political, and economic organization of the United States. It is designed to serve as a convenient volume for statistical reference and as a guide to other statistical publications and sources. The latter function is served by the introductory text to each section, the source notes appearing below each table, the Guide to Sources (pp. 949–987), the section on Publications of Major Censuses (pp. 987–990), and the Guide to State Statistical Abstracts (pp. 991–993).

This volume includes a selection of data from many statistical publications, both governmental and private. Publications cited as sources usually contain additional statistical detail and more comprehensive discussions of definitions and concepts than can be presented here. Data not available in published sources but obtained from unpublished tabulations and records of contributing agencies are identified in the source notes as "unpublished data." More information on the subjects covered in tables so noted may generally be obtained from the contributing agency.

Although emphasis in the *Statistical Abstract* is given primarily to national data, many tables present data for regions and individual States. Statistics for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and for outlying areas of the United States are included in the State tables whenever available and are supplemented by information in section 32. Statistics for cities or other relatively small geographic units appear only in a few instances. Additional information for cities, counties, metropolitan areas, congessional districts and other small units, as well as more historical data, are available in various supplements to the *Abstract*. (See page V).

Changes in the 1964 edition.—This edition, the 85th annual issue, presents data for the most recent year or period available during the early part of 1964.

Each year the more than 1,300 tables and charts are reviewed and evaluated. New tables and charts of current interest are added, continuing series are brought up to date, and less timely data are curtailed or eliminated. Text notes are revised as necessary to incorporate new definitions and source references. This year, to the extent that data are available and space permits, a white-nonwhite classification is given in more tables than in previous editions.

The only major change in organization is that the tables on land, air, and water transportation, which formerly appeared in three sections, are now consolidated into two. The former section, "Roads and Motor Vehicles," is combined with the land transportation part of the former section "Transportation, Land and Air." The air transportation part of that section is combined with the former section "Waterways, Water Traffic, and Shipping." The titles of the two sections are "Transportation—Land" and "Transportation—Air and Water."

There are 67 entirely new tables in this edition, scattered through 23 of its 33 sections. Topics of current major interest and concern are covered statistically by 8 new tables on education, of which 2 reflect the segregation–desegregation status of public schools in Southern States, 6 new tables on social insurance and welfare services, and 7 new tables on income, 1 of which features a comparison of all families and poor families. Significant additions to other sections include 3 new tables on crime and law enforcement, 3 on revenue and expenditure of State and local governments, 6 on science and related subjects, and 3 on housing. A highlight of the international statistics section is a new summary table giving world totals for selected series.

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Responsibility.—The contents of this volume are taken from a large number of sources (see pp. 994–998). The Bureau of the Census cannot accept the responsibility for the accuracy or limitations of the data presented here, other than for those which it collects. The responsibility for selection of the material and for proper presentation, however, rests with the Bureau.

SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Many persons have offered suggestions for improving the presentation of data in the *Statistical Abstract* and its supplements. Their comments have been most helpful. Users of these publications are urged to continue to make their needs known for consideration in planning future editions. Suggestions and comments should be sent to the Director, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C., 20233.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DATA PRESENTED

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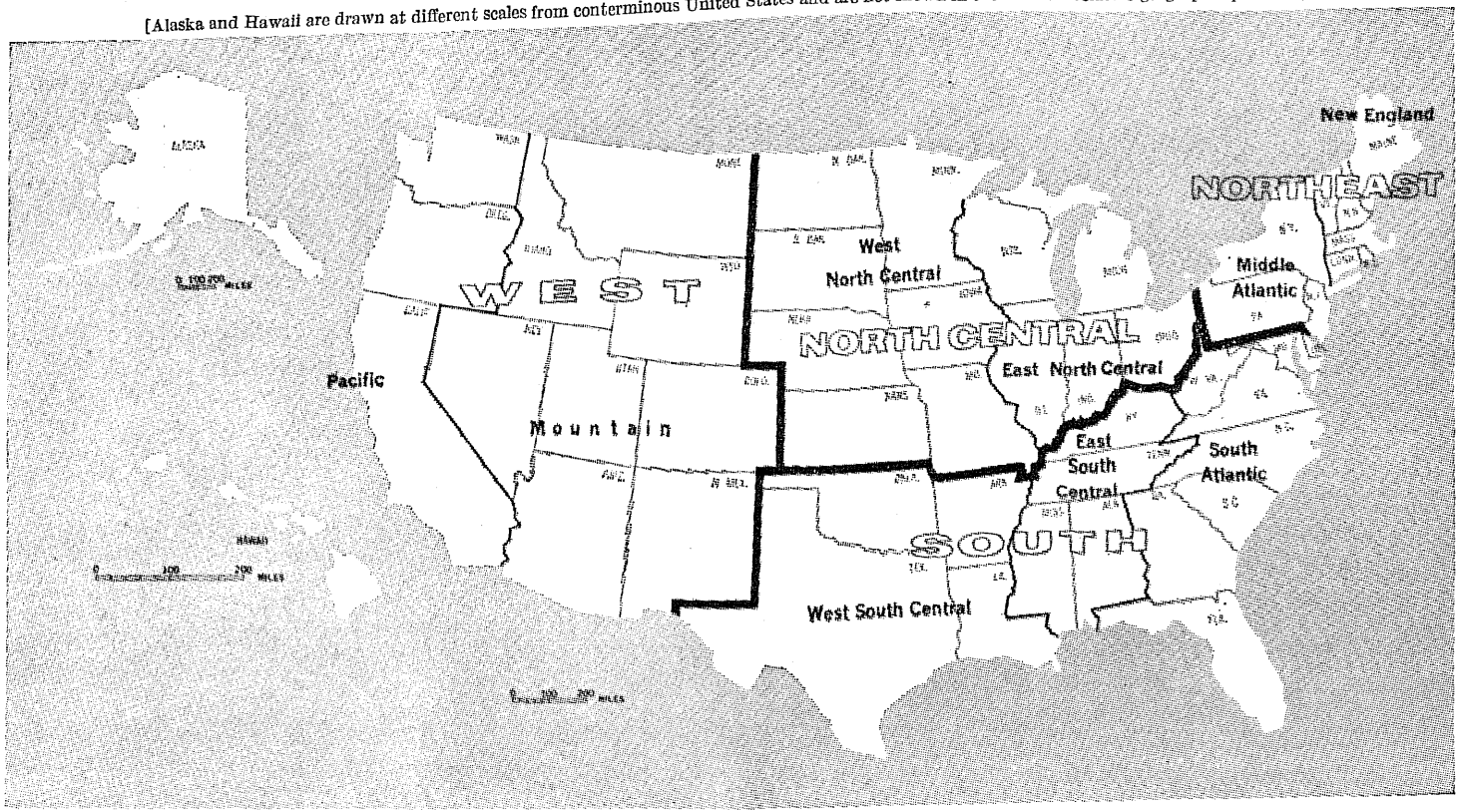

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