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In this lesson, you will examine data to gain a better understanding of modern Louisiana and how it compares to other states. Maybe you can figure out this crazy map?



Instructions: Use the link below to access the website needed to complete the table and each item. Explore the website by clicking on a state and noting what happens. Read the information in the sidebar, and try out the zoom and resize buttons at left.

<http://show.mappingworlds.com/usa/>
Louisiana Population Facts

<i>Population</i>	
<i>Population Rank</i>	
<i>Population Density</i>	
<i>Rural Population (rank)</i>	
<i>Urban Population (rank)</i>	

Set the map to show **Population**, and click on Louisiana.

1. What happens when you click on Louisiana? Why?

2. Explain what happens to the state of Alaska.

3. Explain what happened to the state of New Jersey.

Click on **Demographics** and choose **African Americans**.

4. What is the population of African Americans in Louisiana? What is the rank?

5. What pattern do you notice in African American population when you look at the map?

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6. How does the demographic map change when you switch to view **Hispanic** population?

Click on **Demographics** and choose **Population Density**. Click a state for more facts!

7. What do you notice about how the map has changed? Why does this happen?

8. How does Louisiana compare to New Jersey?

Choose a data set from the website and use it to complete the information below.

9. Which data set did you choose?

10. What are the units of measure (e.g. people per square mile)? _____

11. What is the data for Louisiana? _____

12. What is the rank for Louisiana? _____

13. What pattern do you notice about these data in the U.S.?
