

CVSP 295 AB Cultural Geography of North America

Test Questions for the Final Exam

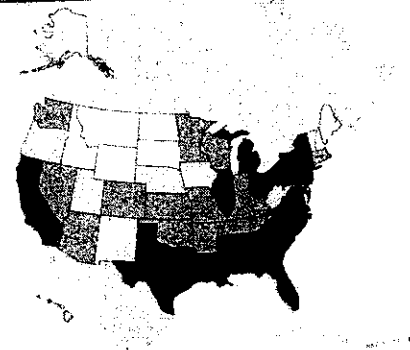
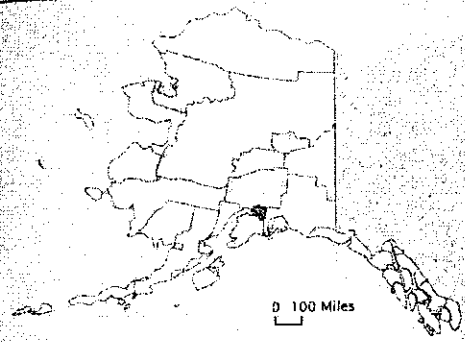
This will be a take-home exam. **Answer four** out of the following five questions. Do not copy long quotations from readings; answer the questions in your own words. Copying sections from websites is plagiarism and will result in a grade of zero. There is a limit of eight pages in total (double-spaced, 12 point). Turn in your test to the CASAR Office (443 College Hall) or attach it to an email and send it to pm07@aub.edu.lb (make sure you get a reply) by **14 June 2005**.

1. More than 20 years after its publication, what are the strengths and weaknesses of Garreau's "Nine Nations" hypothesis?
2. To what extent is the Federal Rectangular Survey System an expression of U.S. culture and society and to what extent has it shaped them?
3. Why do events of the "1960s" loom so large in the debates that demarcate U.S. political divisions today?
4. According to Cronon, what is "the trouble with wilderness"? If his thesis is correct, what does this imply about what can be done to repair the "trouble"? Does it have public policy implications? To what extent do you think he is right, and why?
5. Consider the two following maps: African-American population, and Hispanic-American population. How can the two distributions be explained (why are they where they are today)? In comparing the two patterns, why are they so different?

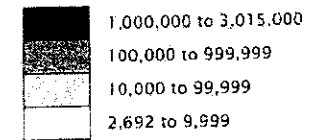


Number of People, 2000

One Race: Black or African American

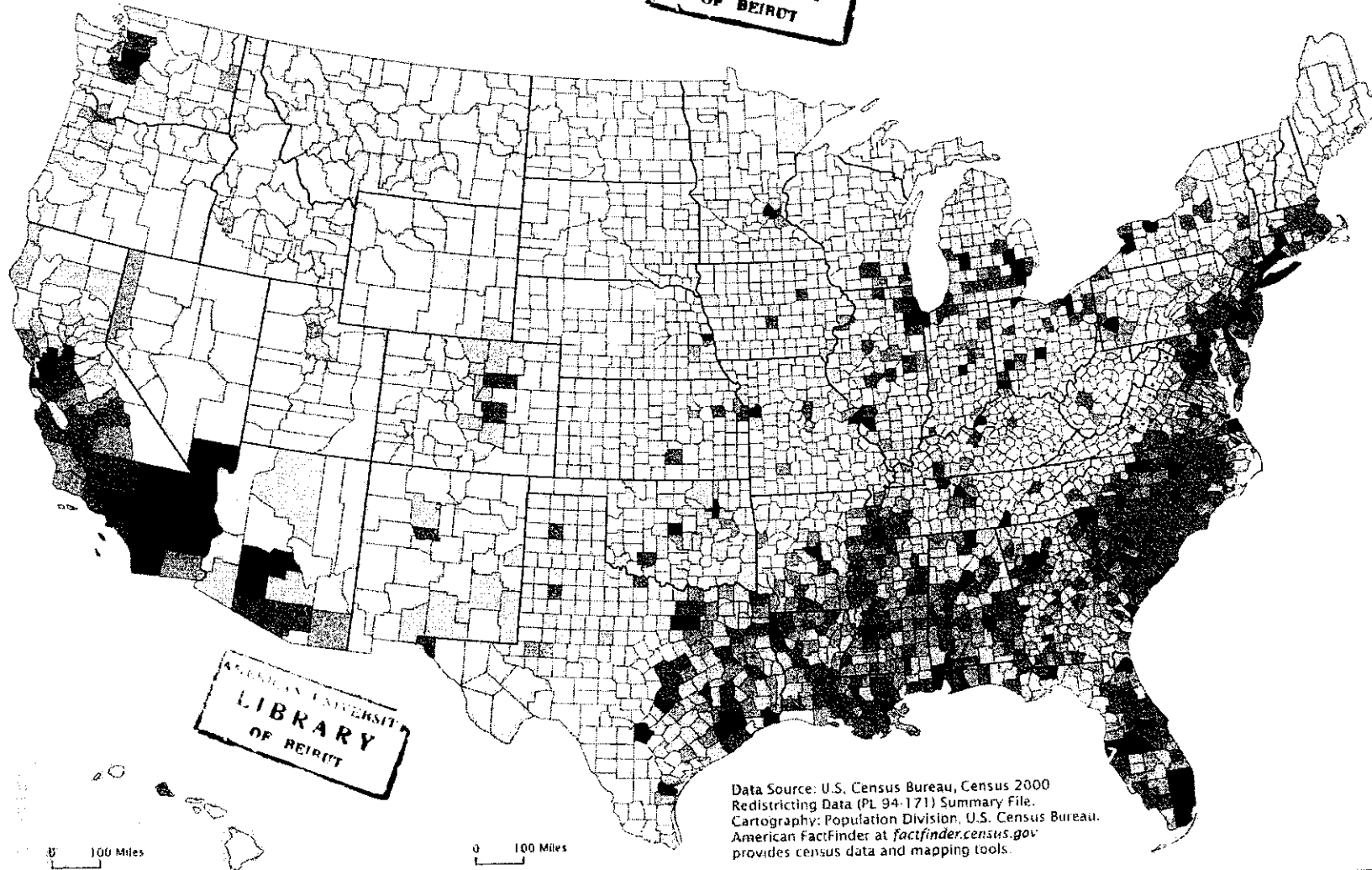


Number of people
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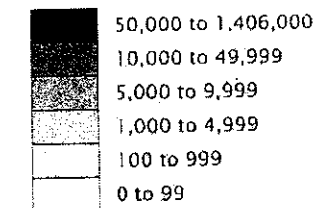


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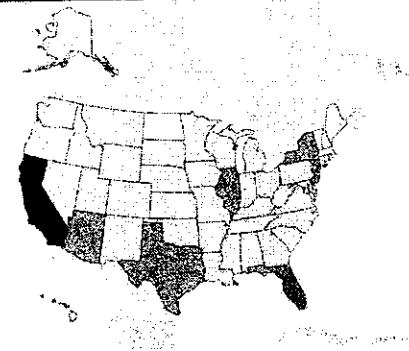
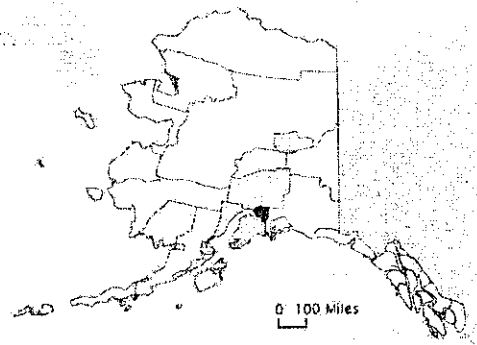
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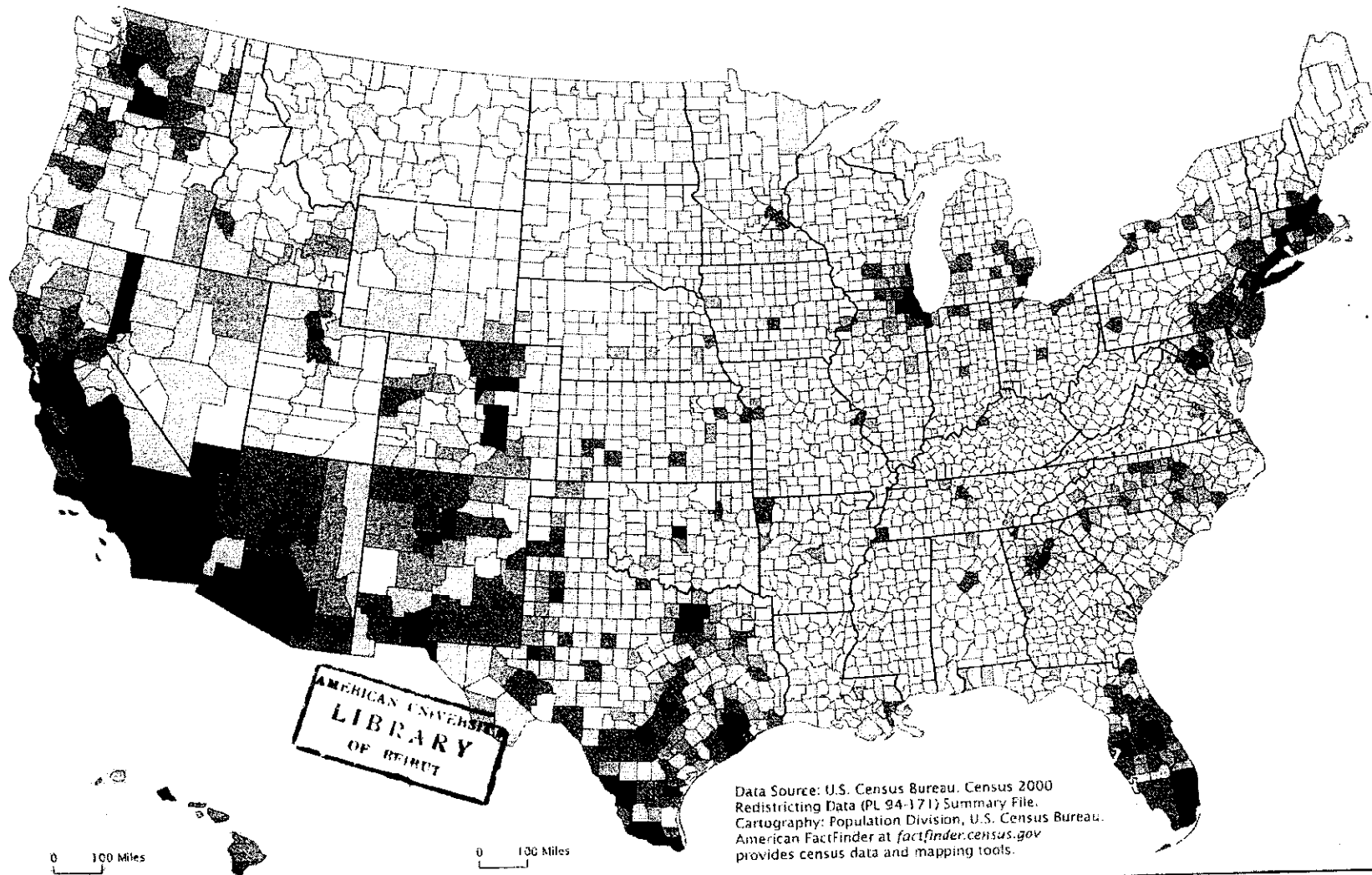
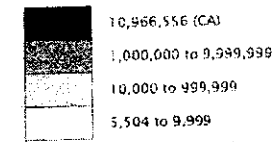
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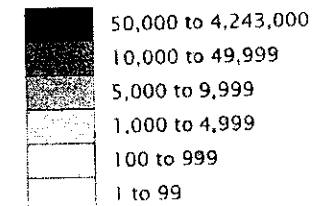
Number of People, 2000 Hispanic or Latino Origin All Races



All races:
Number of people
indicating Hispanic
or Latino origin
by state



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