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- ◆ 6 teacher-friendly lesson plans that fit easily into your curriculum
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- ◆ Fun state facts and information on the new quarter designs
- ◆ USA map template with state outlines, names, and capitals
- ◆ 50 State Quarters™ Program 1999-2001 Reproducible Coin Art



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Grades 4-6



State Information 2001 Quarters

New York

The New York quarter, the first quarter of the 2001 series, features the Statue of Liberty superimposed over an outline of the state along with the inscription “Gateway to Freedom.” Also incorporated into the state outline is a line tracing the Hudson River and the route of the Erie Canal.

The New York design celebrates the “Empire State” as a point of entry for millions of immigrants seeking the political freedom and democracy that American citizenship provides. President Grover Cleveland accepted the Statue of Liberty, a gift from the people of France, on behalf of the United States on October 28, 1886. Lady Liberty was designated a National Monument on October 15, 1924, and underwent extensive restoration for her remarkable centennial on July 4, 1986. Governor George E. Pataki asked the U.S. Mint to add the line tracing the Hudson River and the route of the Erie Canal because of the vital developmental role of the waterways.



State Capital: Albany
State Bird: Eastern Bluebird
State Tree: Sugar Maple
State Flower: Rose
State Motto: Excelsior
 (Ever upward)

Entered Union (rank): . . . July 26, 1788 (11)
Nickname: Empire State
Origin of Name: In honor of the
 Duke of York
State Song: “I Love New York”

North Carolina

The North Carolina quarter, the 12th in the series and the second quarter to be released in the 2001 series, highlights the famous 1903 photograph of the “First Flight.”

The North Carolina quarter commemorates the historic feat that took place on December 17, 1903, at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina with the first successful flight of a heavier-than-air, self-propelled flying machine. The craft, called the Flyer, traveled a distance of approximately 37 meters (120 feet) on its first flight and soared even further as one of the most significant human achievements in history.



State Capital: Raleigh
State Bird: Cardinal
State Tree: Pine
State Flower: Dogwood
State Motto: Esse quam videri
 (To be rather than to seem)

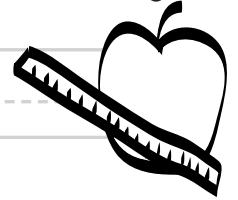
Entered Union (rank): November 21, 1789 (12)
Nickname: The Tar Heel State or
 The Old North State
Origin of Name: In honor of King Charles I
 of England
State Song: “The Old North State”

Rhode Island

The Rhode Island quarter, the third quarter of the 2001 series, honors the “Ocean State.” Featuring a vintage sailboat gliding through Rhode Island’s famous Narragansett Bay, and an image of the Pell Bridge in the background, with the design showcasing Rhode Island’s most popular sport—sailing.

With more than 400 miles of coastline, Rhode Island, the smallest state in the Union, has more than 100 fresh water and salt water beaches. Known as the “sailing capital” of the world, Rhode Island was home to the America’s Cup for more than 50 years. Narragansett Bay is crucial to the architecture of Rhode Island. An inlet of the Atlantic Ocean, extending into eastern Rhode Island, the Bay receives four major rivers, and has several islands.

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State Capital: Providence
State Bird: Rhode Island
 Red Hen
State Tree: Red Maple
State Flower: Violet
State Motto: Hope

Entered Union (rank): May 29, 1790 (13)
Nickname: The Ocean State
Origin of Nickname: From the Greek
 Island of Rhodes
State Song: "Rhode Island
 It's for Me"

Vermont

The Vermont quarter, the fourth quarter in the 2001 series, features Camel's Hump Mountain with an image of maple trees with sap buckets in the forefront.

The design honors the "Green Mountain State," the first state admitted to the Union after the original 13 colonies. Vermont is most famous for its skiing and the production of maple sugar and syrup. Until the 1800s when cane sugar was introduced, Americans relied on Vermont's maple sugar for much of its sugar supply. Featured on the quarter is Camel's Hump Mountain in the northern half of Vermont's Green Mountains. Camel's Hump is easily recognized by its unique double-humped profile and is one of the highest peaks in Vermont.



State Capital: Montpelier
State Bird: Hermit Thrush
State Tree: Sugar Maple
State Flower: Red Clover
State Motto: Freedom and
 Unity

Entered Union (rank): March 4, 1791 (14)
Nickname: Green Mountain State
Origin of Name: From the French "Les verts
 mont," meaning "green mountain"
State Song: "Hail, Vermont!"

Kentucky

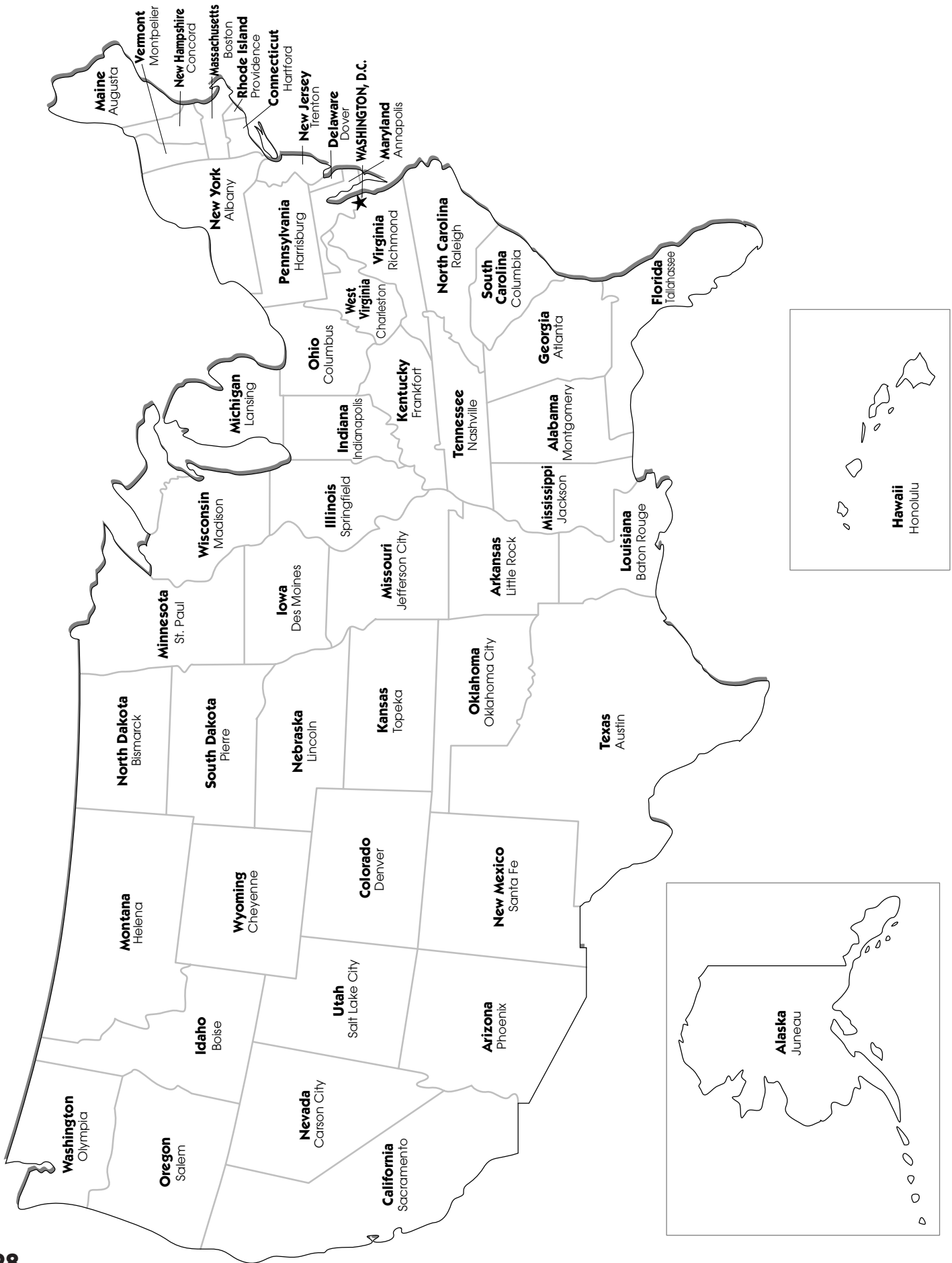
The Kentucky quarter, the fifth and last quarter in the 2001 series, shows the stately mansion, Federal Hill, with an inscription that reads, "My Old Kentucky Home." A thoroughbred racehorse is positioned behind a fence in the foreground of the quarter.

Kentucky was the first state on the western frontier to join the Union and is one of four states to call itself a "commonwealth." Kentucky is home of the longest running annual horse race in the country, the Kentucky Derby. The famous Kentucky Bluegrass country is also grazing ground for some of the world's finest racehorses. Featured on the new quarter is another prominent symbol of Kentucky, Federal Hill, which has become known as "My Old Kentucky Home." The design shows a side view of the famous Bardstown home where Stephen Foster wrote the state song, "My Old Kentucky Home."



State Capital: Frankfort
State Bird: Kentucky Cardinal
State Tree: Tulip Poplar
State Flower: Goldenrod
State Motto: United we stand,
 divided we fall

Entered Union (rank): June 1, 1792 (15)
Nickname: Bluegrass State
Origin of Name: Generally thought to be a
 Native American word meaning "great prairie"
State Song: "My Old Kentucky Home"



1999



2000



2001





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Release Year Statehood Date

1999

Delaware December 7, 1787
 Pennsylvania December 12, 1787
 New Jersey December 18, 1787
 Georgia January 2, 1788
 Connecticut January 9, 1788

2000

Massachusetts February 6, 1788
 Maryland April 28, 1788
 South Carolina May 23, 1788
 New Hampshire June 21, 1788
 Virginia June 25, 1788

2001

New York July 26, 1788
 North Carolina November 21, 1789
 Rhode Island May 29, 1790
 Vermont March 4, 1791
 Kentucky June 1, 1792

2002

Tennessee June 1, 1796
 Ohio March 1, 1803
 Louisiana April 30, 1812
 Indiana December 11, 1816
 Mississippi December 10, 1817

2003

Illinois December 3, 1818
 Alabama December 14, 1819
 Maine March 15, 1820
 Missouri August 10, 1821
 Arkansas June 15, 1836

Release Year Statehood Date

2004

Michigan January 26, 1837
 Florida March 3, 1845
 Texas December 29, 1845
 Iowa December 28, 1846
 Wisconsin May 29, 1848

2005

California September 9, 1850
 Minnesota May 11, 1858
 Oregon February 14, 1859
 Kansas January 29, 1861
 West Virginia June 20, 1863

2006

Nevada October 31, 1864
 Nebraska March 1, 1867
 Colorado August 1, 1876
 North Dakota November 2, 1889
 South Dakota November 2, 1889

2007

Montana November 8, 1889
 Washington November 11, 1889
 Idaho July 3, 1890
 Wyoming July 10, 1890
 Utah January 4, 1896

2008

Oklahoma November 16, 1907
 New Mexico January 6, 1912
 Arizona February 14, 1912
 Alaska January 3, 1959
 Hawaii August 21, 1959