

# **Indian Land Cessions**

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# **Relocated Tribes**

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# Land Cessions

- Colonial America and France showed little interest in land acquisition but formed alliances with different Indian Nations to achieve their diplomatic goals
- Spain and England were interested in formally acquiring land and preferred written agreements
- During the 18<sup>th</sup> century, European bargaining advanced the non-Indians' cause

# Land Cessions

- During the American Revolution the United States negotiated a number of treaties for either alliances or peace
- The Delaware Treaty of September 17, 1778, was the first to utilize legal language and enumerate articles
- This treaty was the model for future treaties between the United States and Indian Tribes

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- The Delaware Treaty specified cession boundaries, annuity payments, and the role of Indian agents and tribal leaders
- This treaty was negotiated in a European legal form
- All succeeding treaties would use the same format as the Delaware Treaty of 1778

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- After the Revolutionary War, the Indians did not agree that the land of the trans-Appalachian west, especially the Ohio Valley, belonged to the new nation by right of conquest
- Indian Nations fought back, and in 1791, American leaders abandoned the claim of conquest and began to seek peaceful land purchases through treaties

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- In 1795, the Greenville Treaty was signed
- Indian Nations ceded most of modern-day Ohio in return for annuities
- This treaty successfully inaugurated a general peace in the Old Northwest for the next 15 years
- William Henry Harrison became governor of Indiana Territory in 1800
- Indiana Territory was present-day Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin

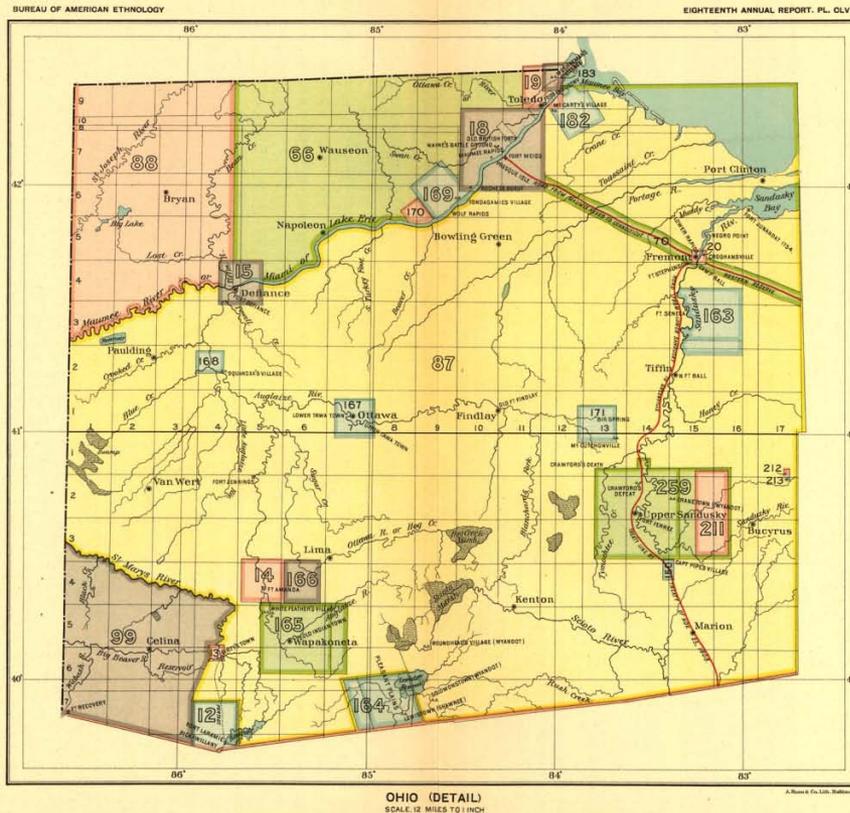
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- President Thomas Jefferson urged Governor Harrison to purchase Indian lands and use treaty payments
- President Jefferson foresaw that Indians would become indebted to the American traders and would sell their land to the United States
- Between 1803 and 1805, Governor Harrison purchased millions of acres of land in what would become Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin

# Removal

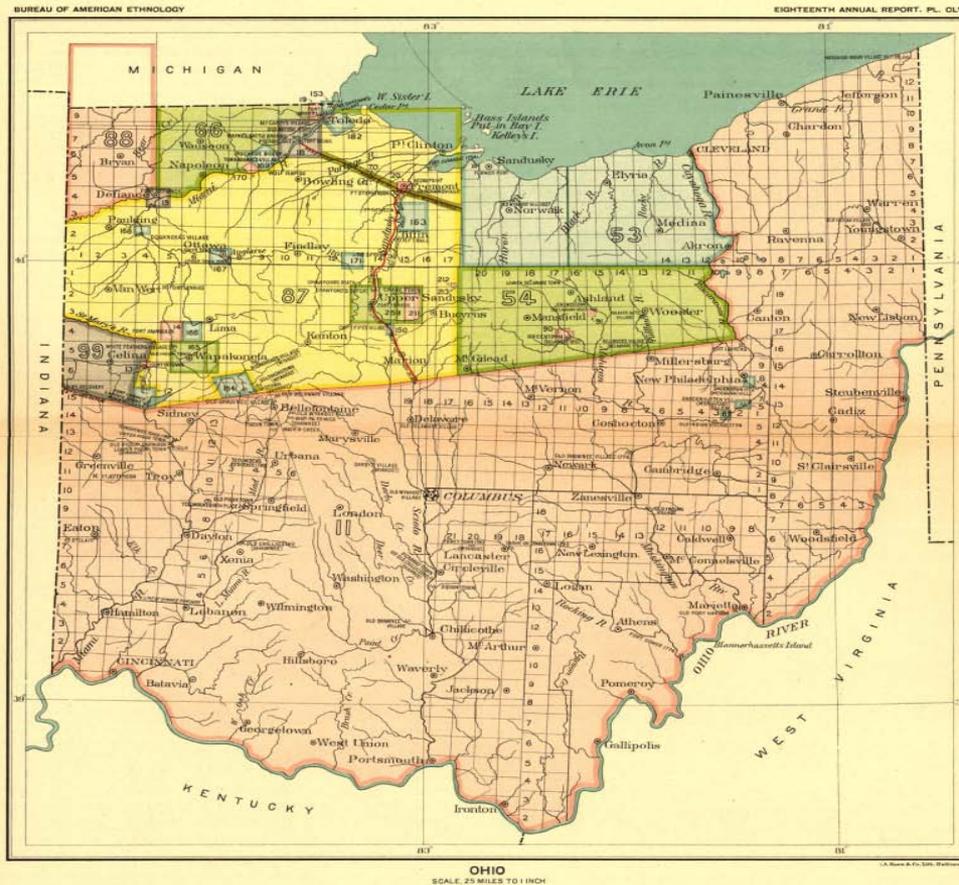
- After the War of 1812, the Indians in the eastern half of the United States were no longer a military threat, but instead, were obstacles to be removed
- The removal period of the 1830's produced a new generation of land cessions
- By 1840, the removal treaties had moved many tribes to Oklahoma and other areas west of the Mississippi River

# Ohio Land Cessions



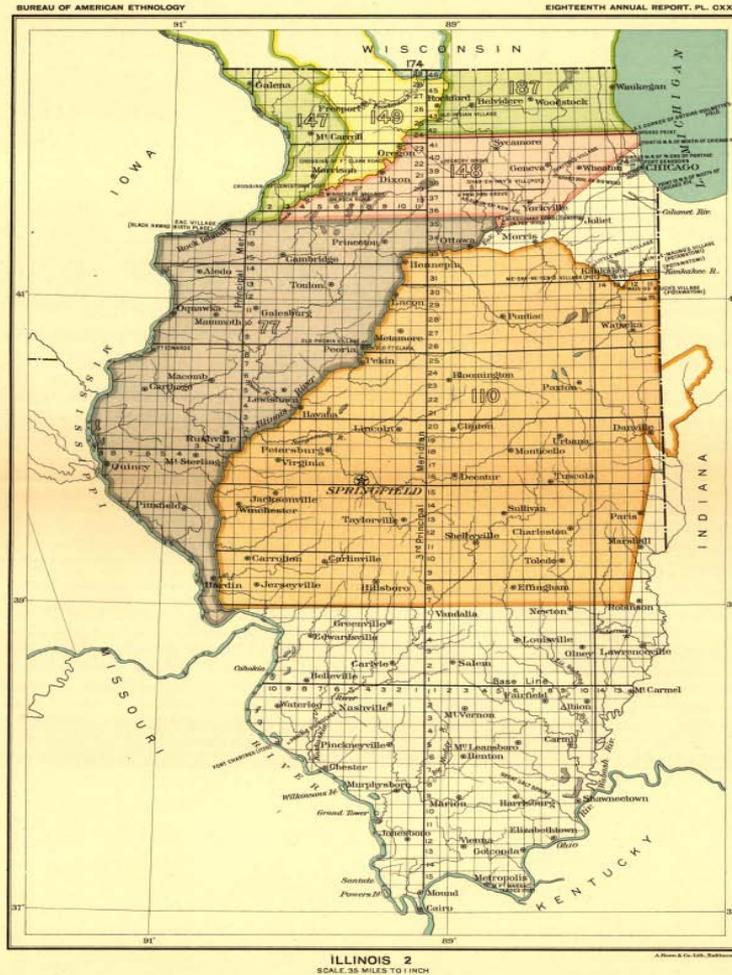
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- Potawatomi (7 different nations)
- Kickapoo (3 different nations)
- Shawnee (3 different nations)
- Ottawa (3 different nations)
- Delaware (2 different nations)
- Seneca (2 different nations)
- Miami
- Wyandot

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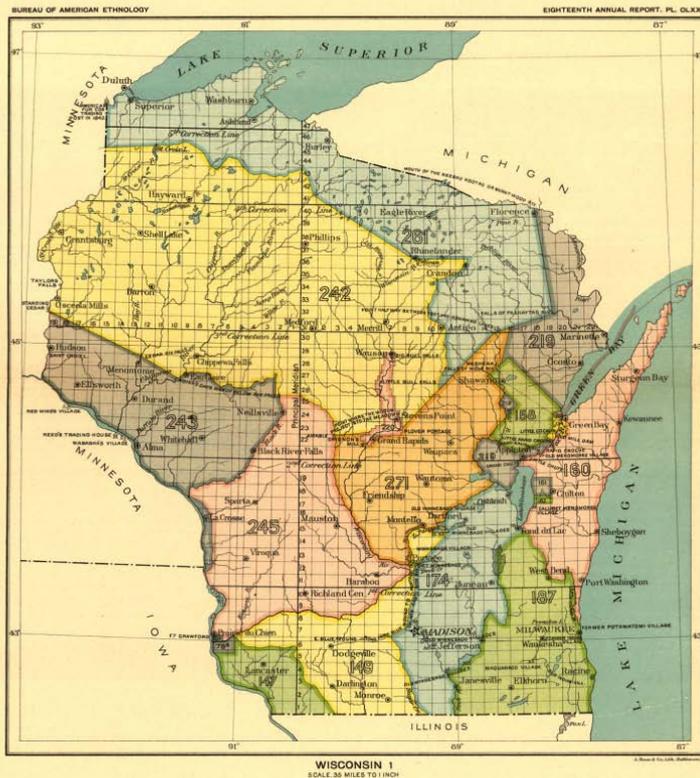




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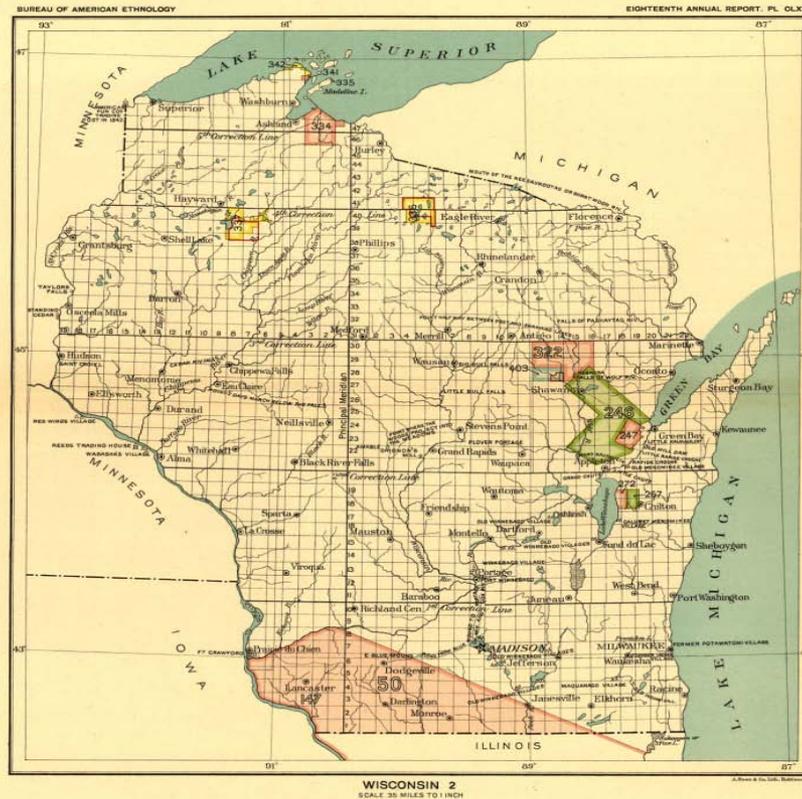


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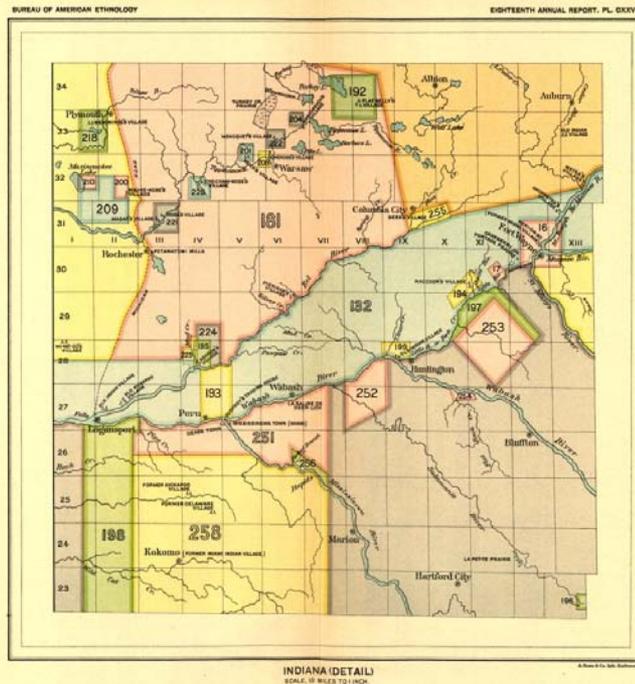


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- Potawatomi (7 different nations)
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- Stockbridge Munsee
- Menominee

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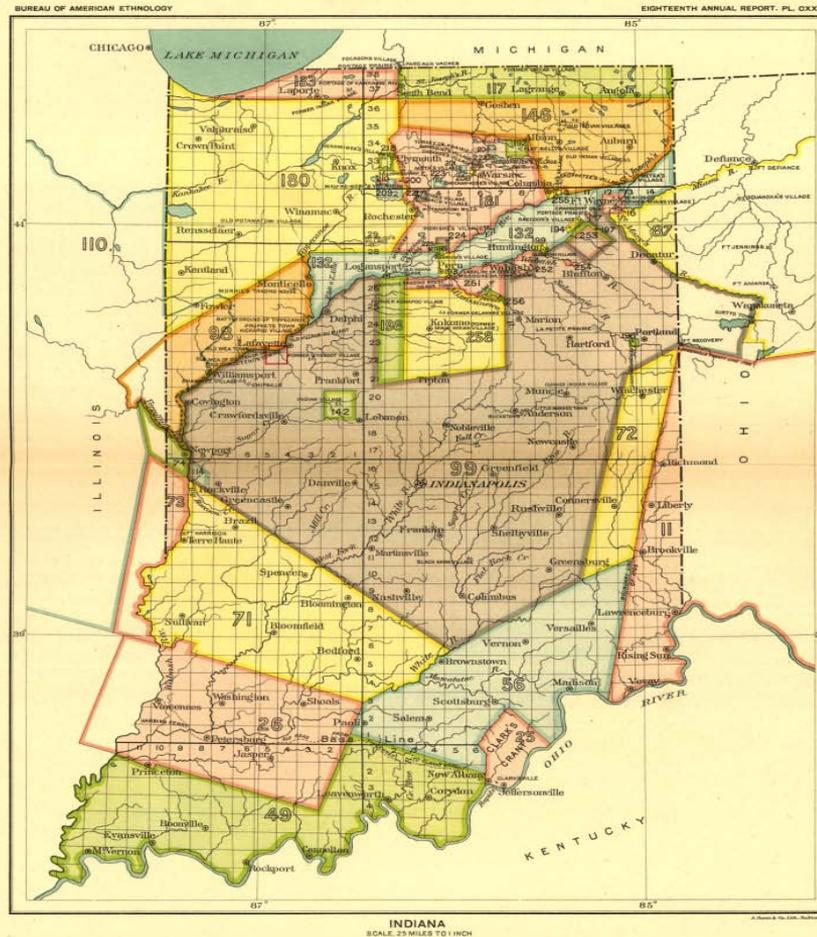


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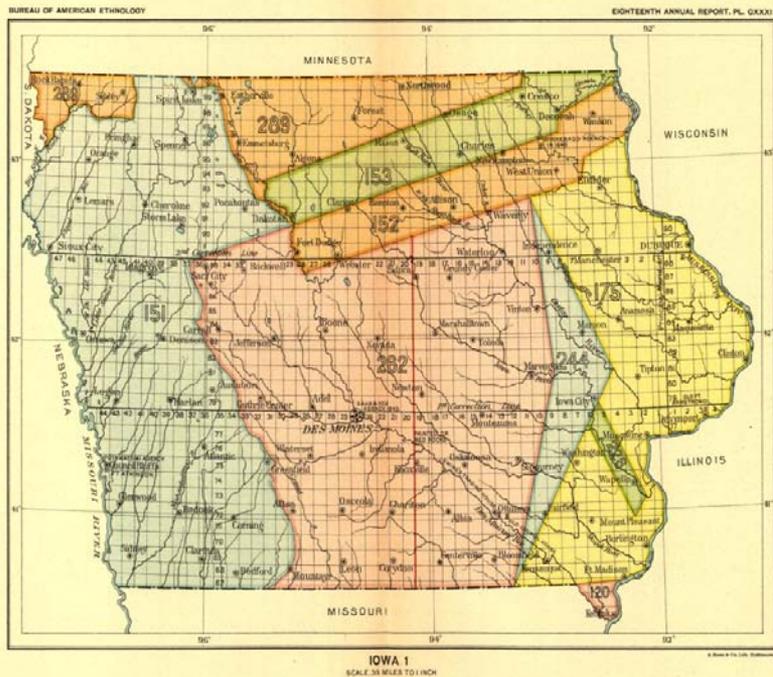


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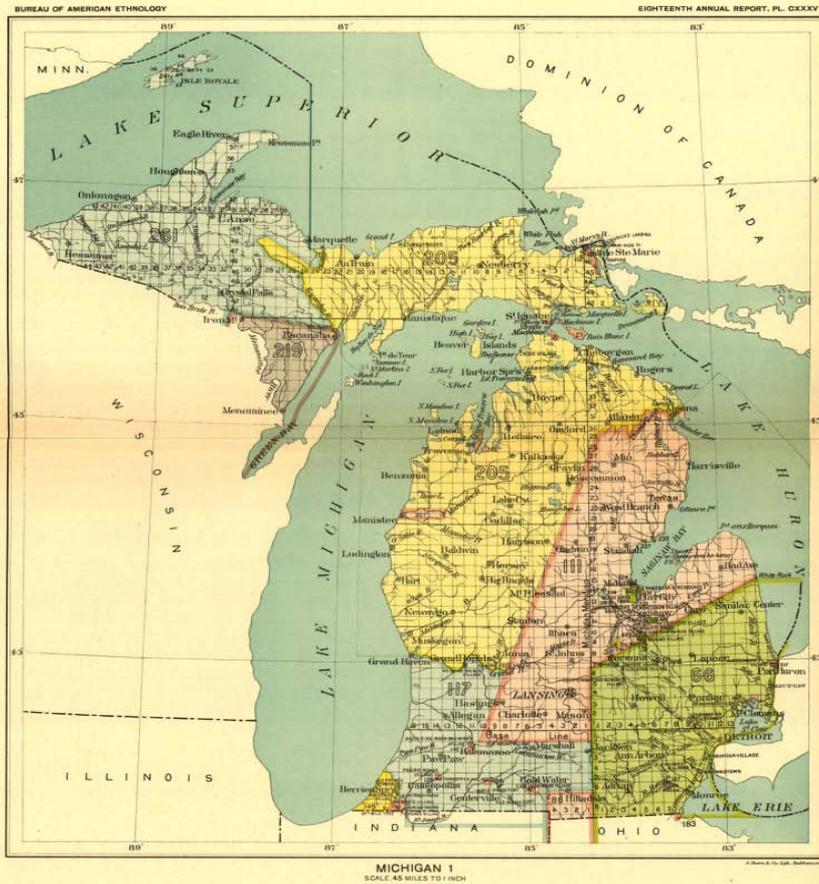
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- Chippewa (16 different nations)
- Potawatomi (7 different nations)
- Ottawa (3 different nations)
- Sac & Fox (3 different nations)
- Winnebago (2 different nations)
- Iowa (2 different nations)
- Omaha
- Oto- Missouri
- Wahpeton-Sisseton Sioux

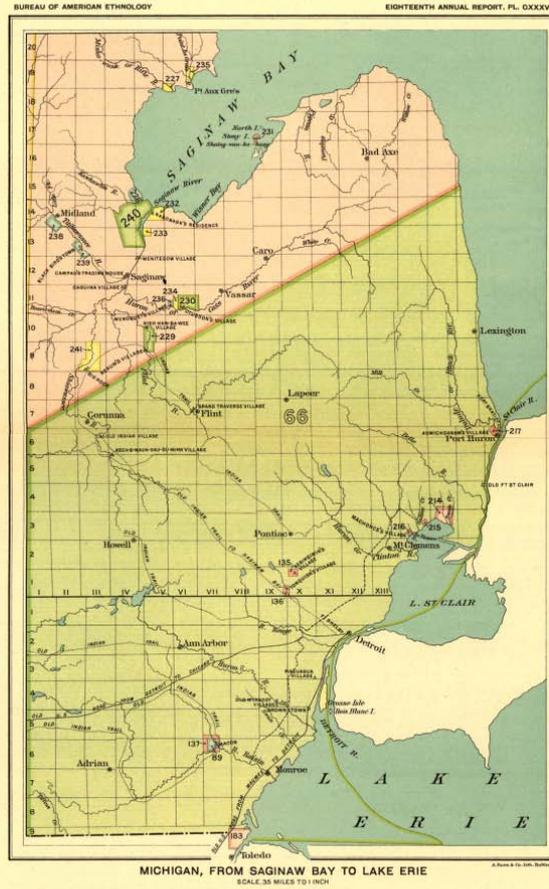


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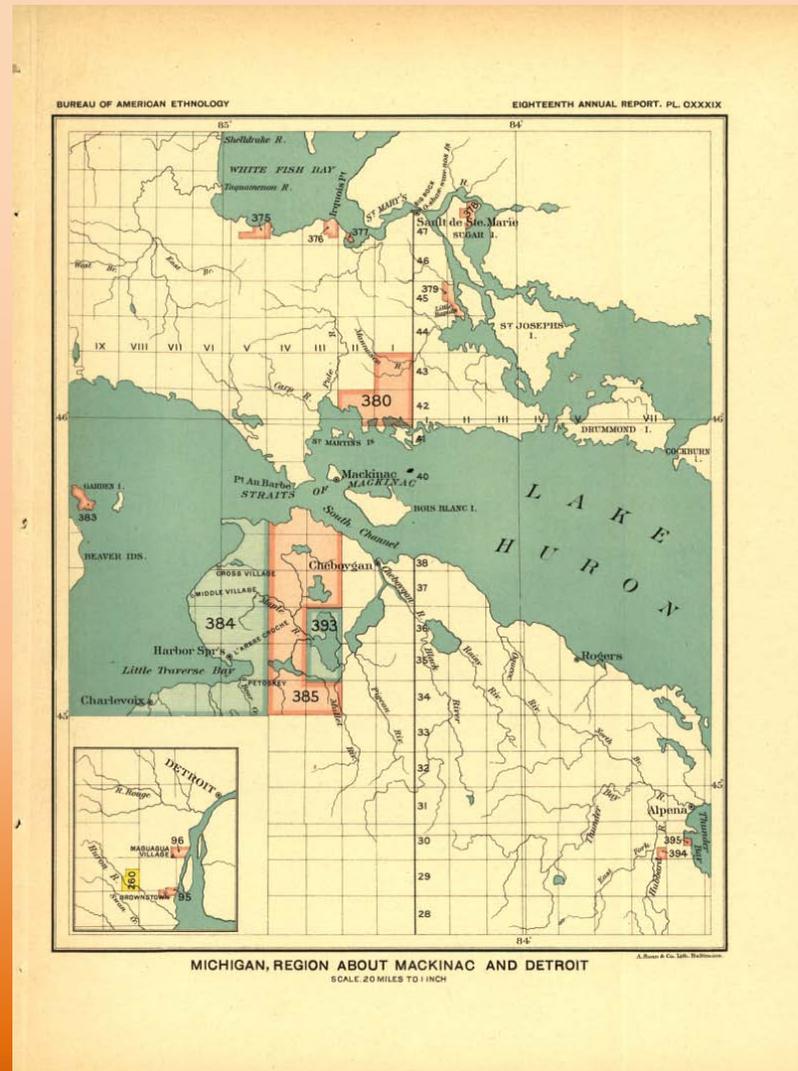


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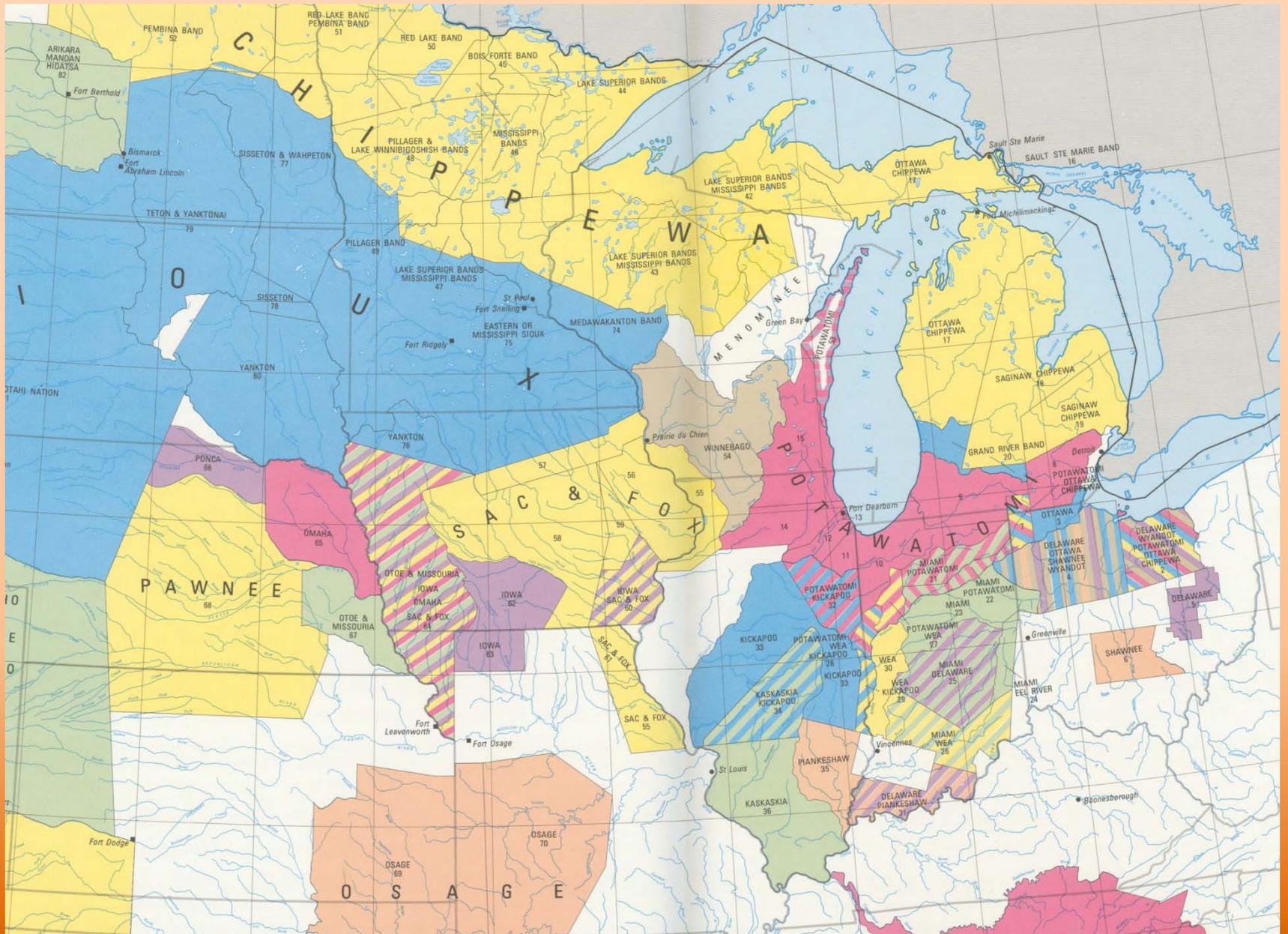
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# Questions