

VISUAL TRUMPERY

How Charts Lie —And How They Can Make Us Smarter

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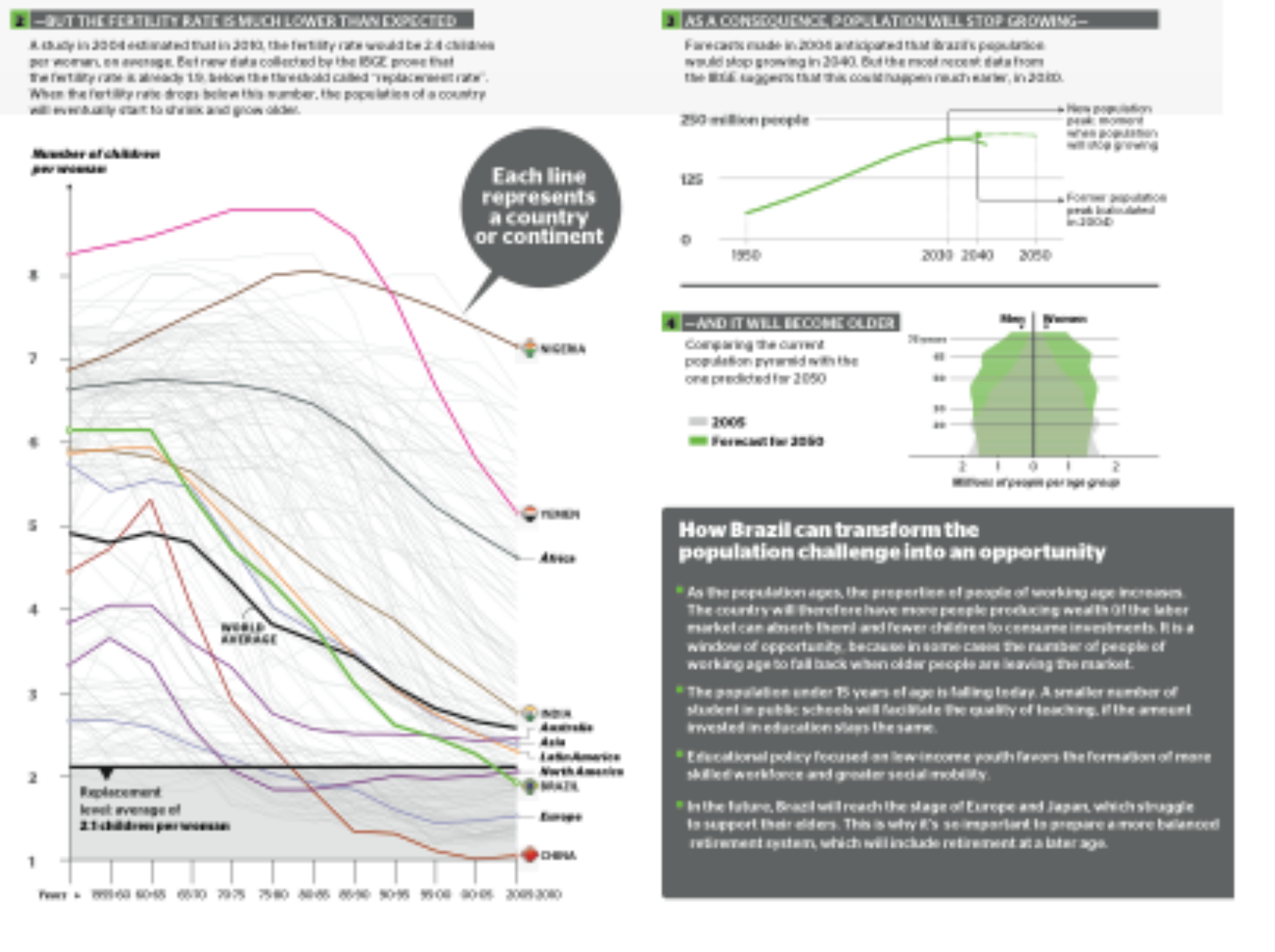
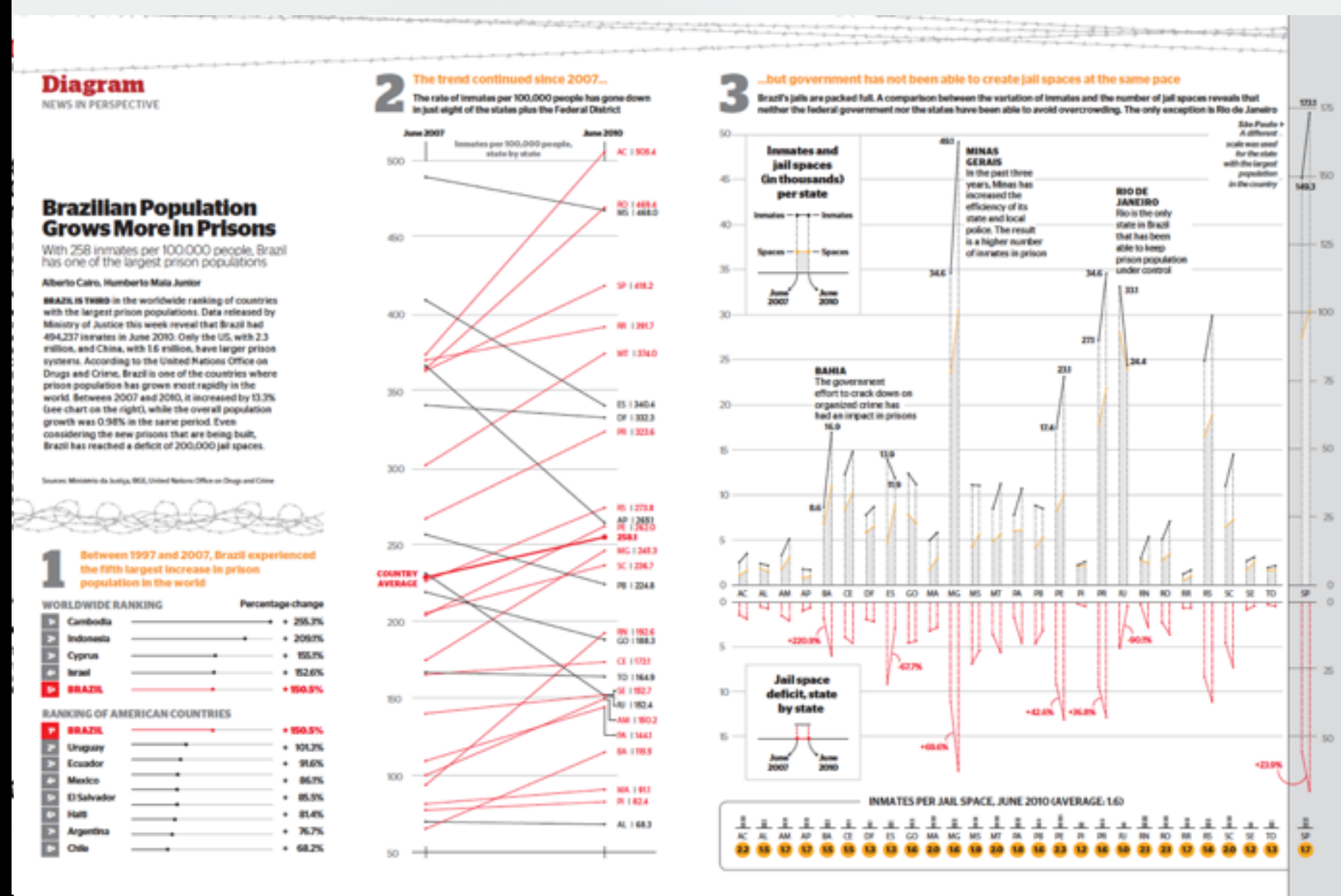
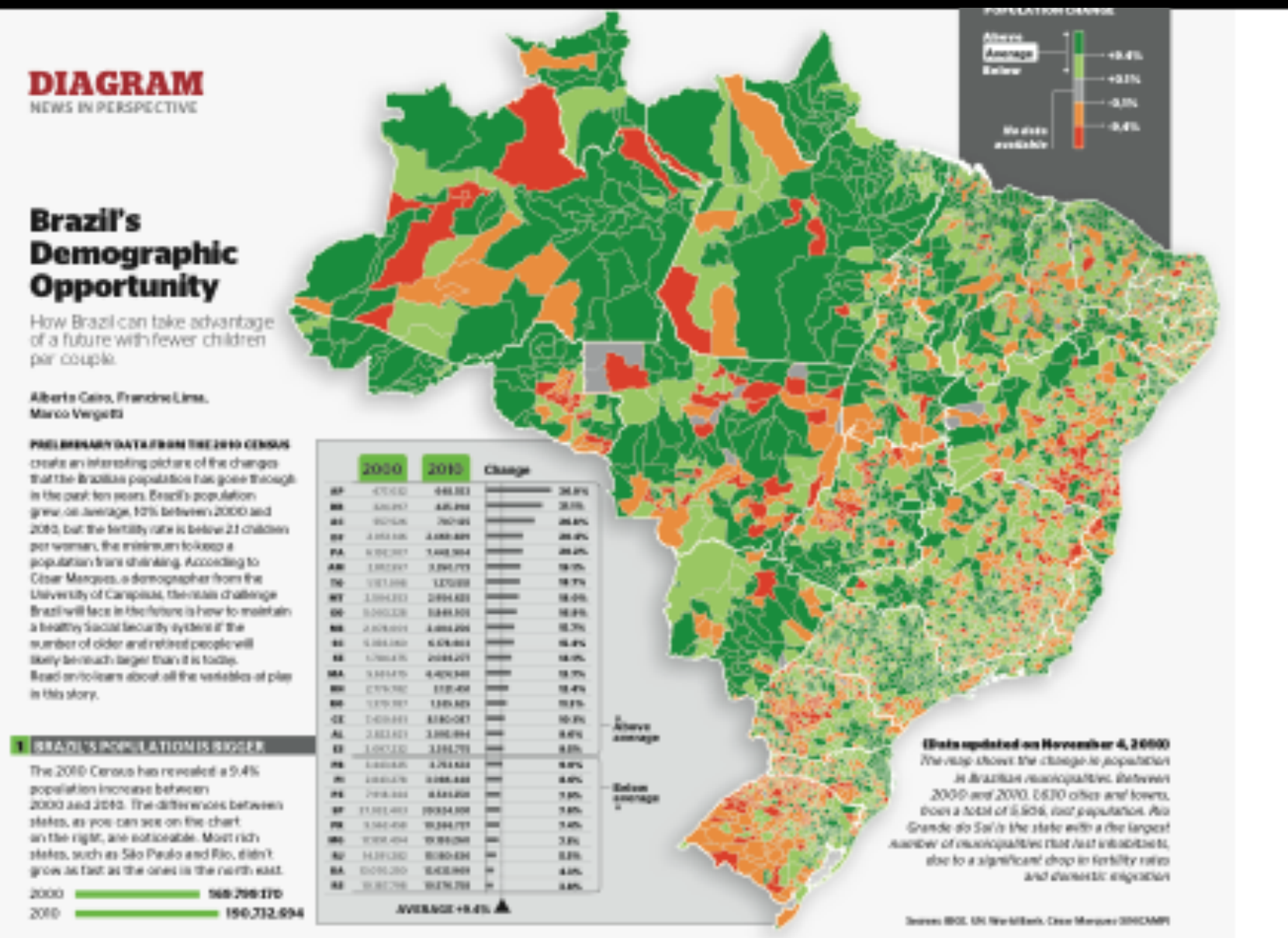
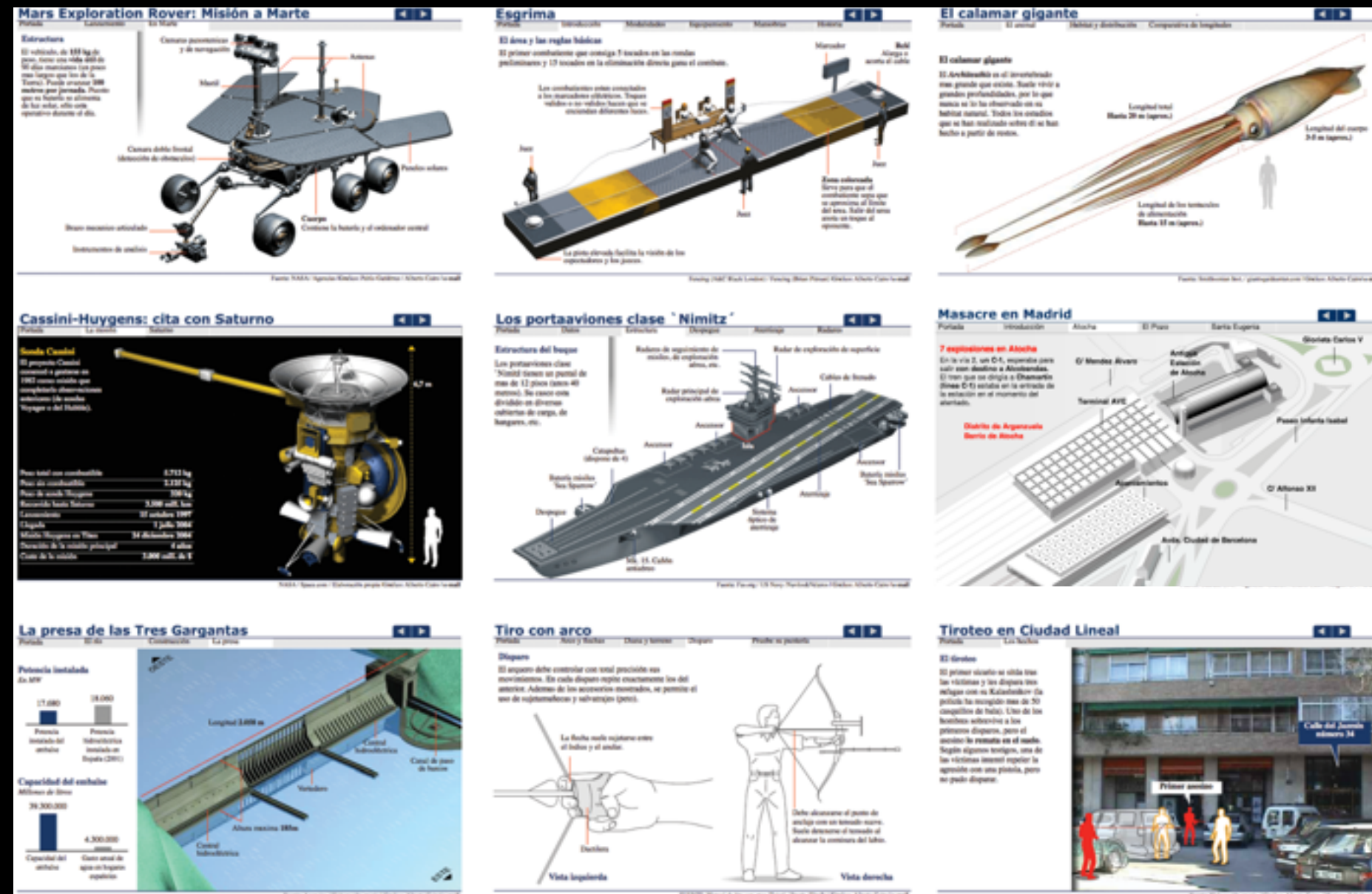
The word 'Trumpery' has origins tracing to 15th Century Middle English. How prescient.
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Trumpery derives from the Middle English *tromper* and ultimately from the Middle French *tromper*, meaning "to deceive." (You can see the meaning of this root reflected in the French phrase *trompe-l'oeil*-literally, "deceives the eye"-which in English refers to a style of painting with photographically realistic detail.) *Trumpery* first appeared in English in the mid-15th century with the meanings "deceit or fraud" (a sense that is now obsolete) and "worthless nonsense." Less than 100 years later, it was being applied to material objects of little or no value. The verb phrase *trump up* means "to concoct with the intent to deceive," but there is most likely no etymological connection between this phrase and *trumpery*.

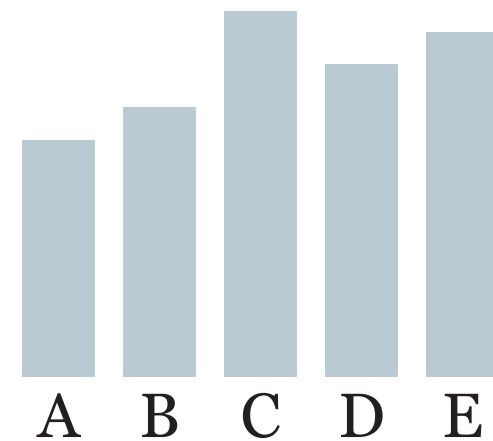
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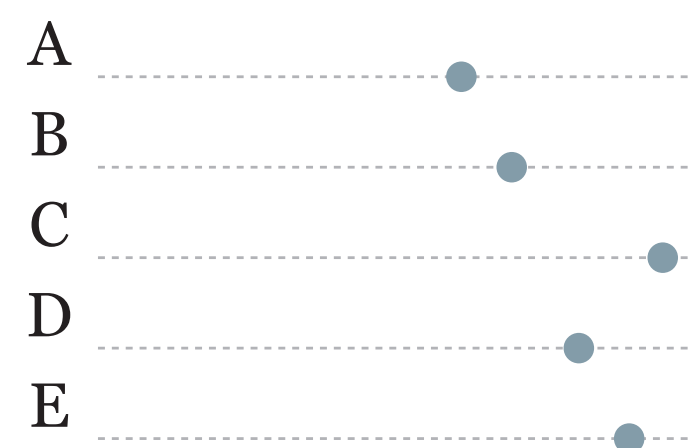
I've devoted my career to doing all kinds of charts for media publications



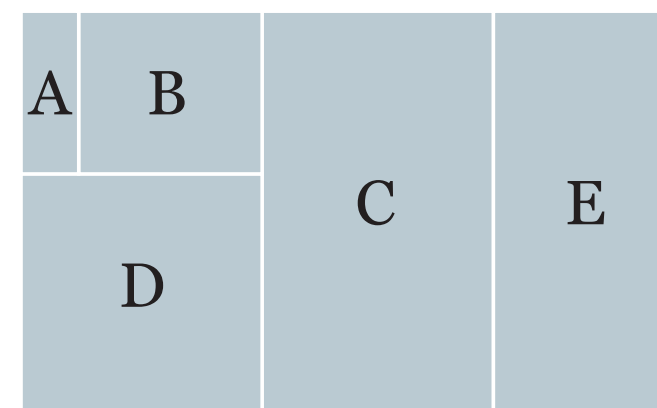
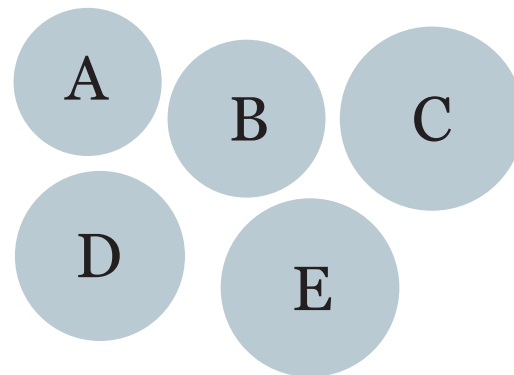
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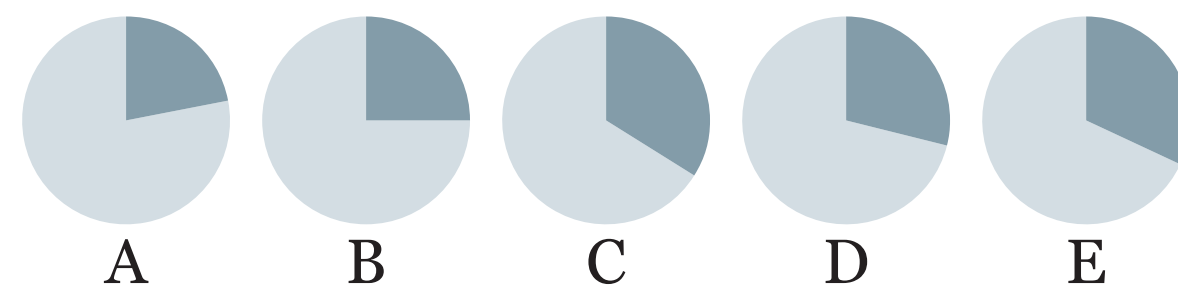
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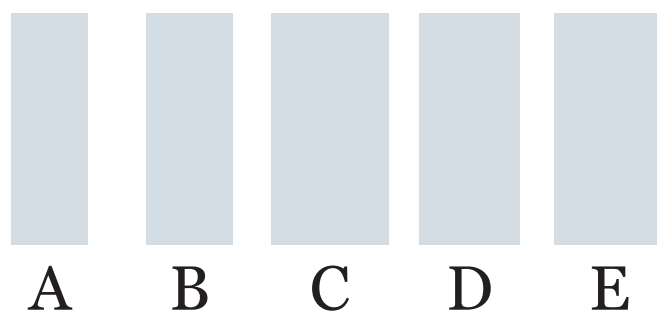
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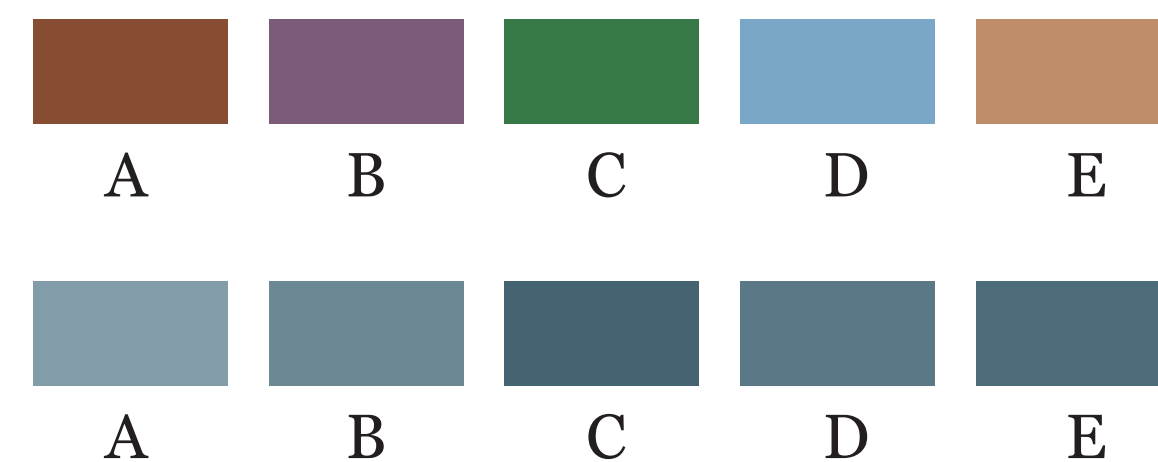
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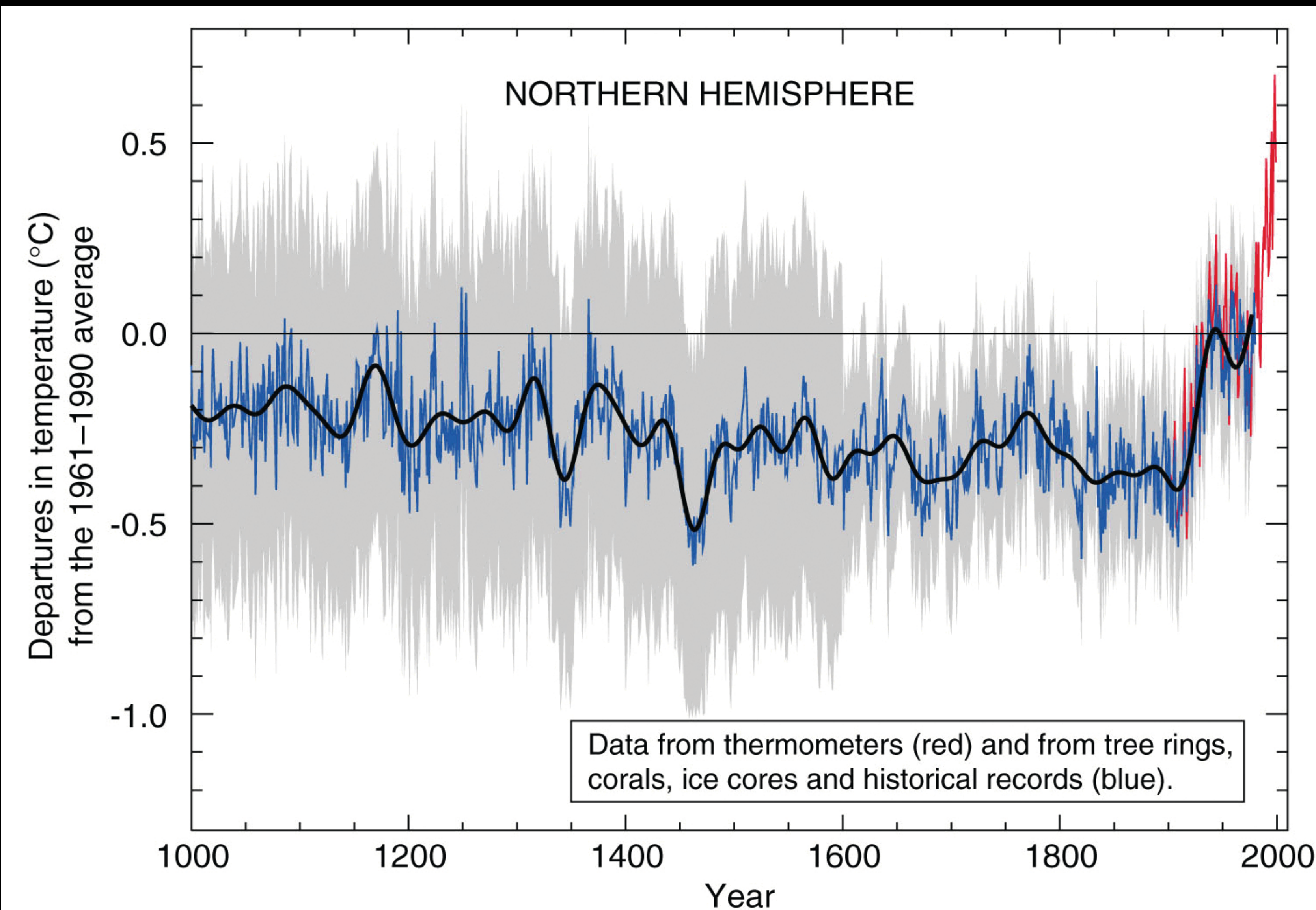
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Charts (or “visualization”) are based on the idea of **visual encoding**.

Visualization is quickly becoming a mainstream language adopted by professional in many disciplines because it is useful to **explore** data and to **communicate** it

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It's easier with a chart

Michael E. Mann, Raymond S. Bradley, and Malcolm K. Hughes

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Third Report, 2001

CHARTS ARE EVERYWHERE, in part thanks to news media

The collage displays a variety of news websites, each showcasing different types of charts and data visualizations:

- The New York Times:** Features a grid of small portraits and a line chart titled "The insane news cycle of Trump's presidency in 1 chart".
- The Washington Post:** Includes a bar chart showing "We're losing some of the classic culture: High schools and lockers no longer the right combination" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- ProPublica:** Shows a bar chart titled "The Red Cross Forced Out an Executive Over Sexual Harassment" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- Standard:** Features a bar chart titled "LABASH: Drone-Assisted Fishing Is Real, and It's Pathetic" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
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- FiveThirtyEight:** Shows a bar chart titled "7 Ways To Redistrict The Entire Freakin' Country" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- Vox:** Features a bar chart titled "Activists got Democrats to shut down the government. Can they do it again?" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- The Wall Street Journal:** Includes a bar chart titled "Trump Says He Is Willing to Testify to Mueller Under Oath" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- ZEITUNG ONLINE:** Shows a bar chart titled "A question of credibility" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- TEKSTI.ORG.UA:** Features a bar chart titled "Діло йде до хунти. Цивільні органи влади втрачають довіру, військові нараховують (ІНФОГРАФІКА)" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- FINANCIAL TIMES:** Includes a bar chart titled "Downfall How the high-flying boss of China's Anbang fell foul of the ruling party" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".
- Berliner Morgenpost:** Shows a bar chart titled "Zehnjährige in Brandenburg von Laster überrollt" and a line chart titled "How Popular is Donald Trump?".

How Y'all, Youse and You Guys Talk

By JOSH KATZ and WILSON ANDREWS DEC. 21, 2013

What does the way you speak say about where you're from? Answer all the questions below to see your personal dialect map.

QUESTION 1 OF 25

How would you address a group of two or more people?

- ☐ you all
- ☐ yous / youse
- ☐ you lot
- ☐ you guys
- ☐ you 'uns
- ☐ yinz
- ☐ you
- ☐ other
- ☐ y'all

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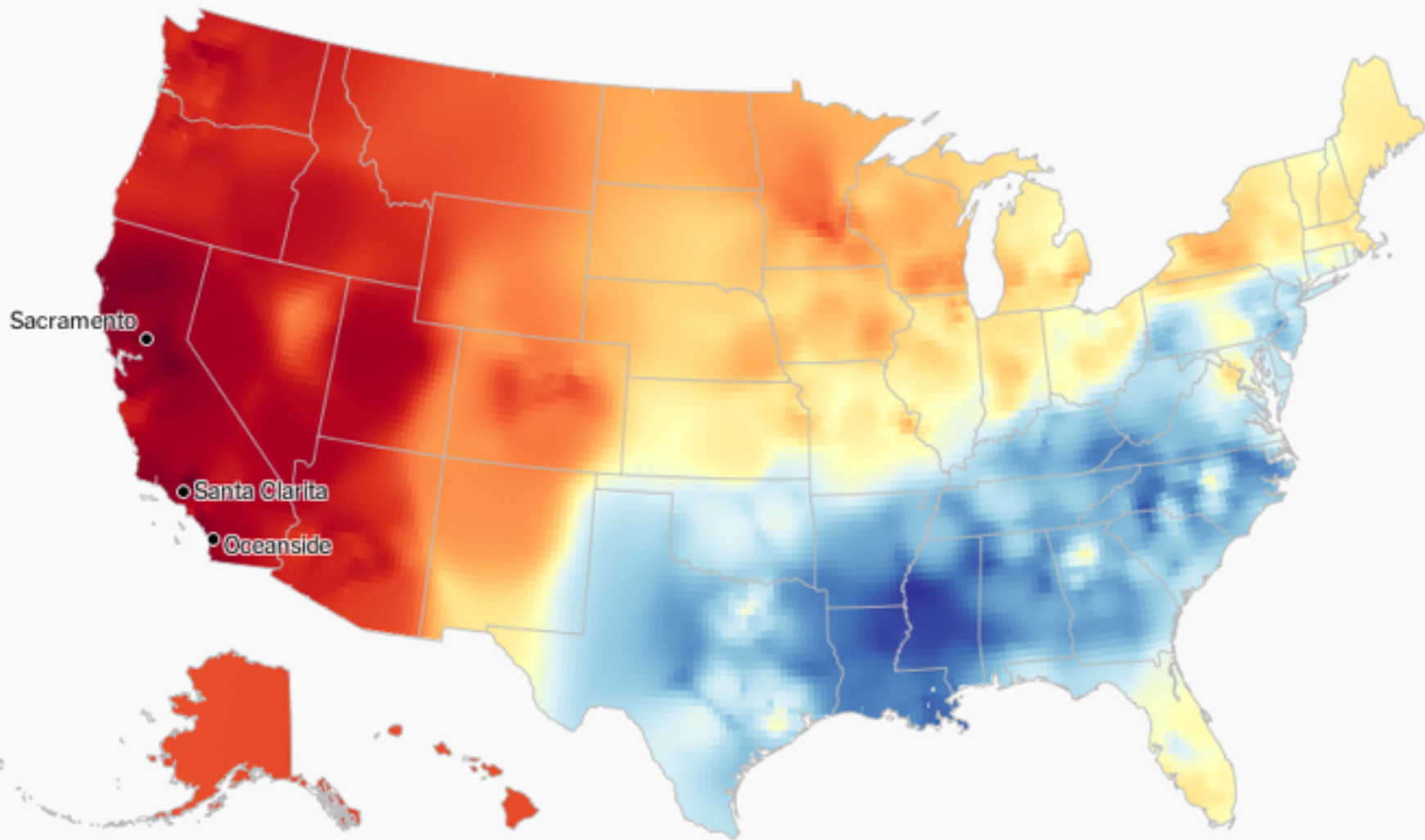
Your Map

See the pattern of your dialect in the map below. Three of the most similar cities are shown.

Least similar Most similar

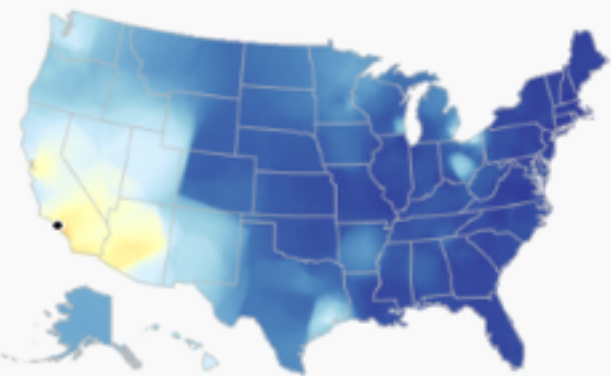
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Take the quiz



These maps show your most distinctive answer for each of these cities.

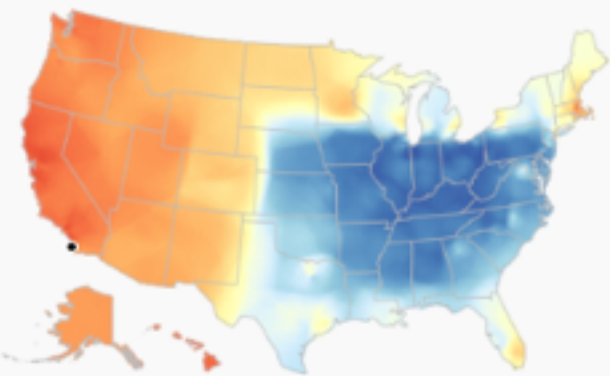
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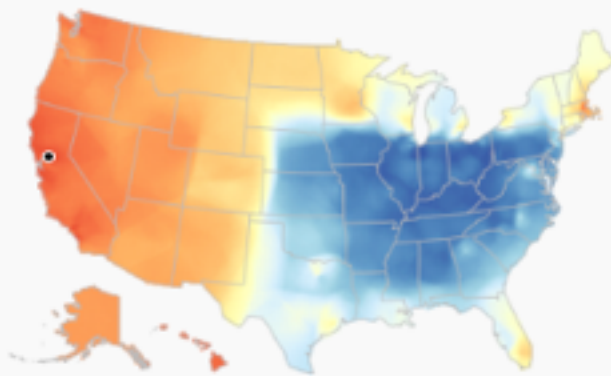
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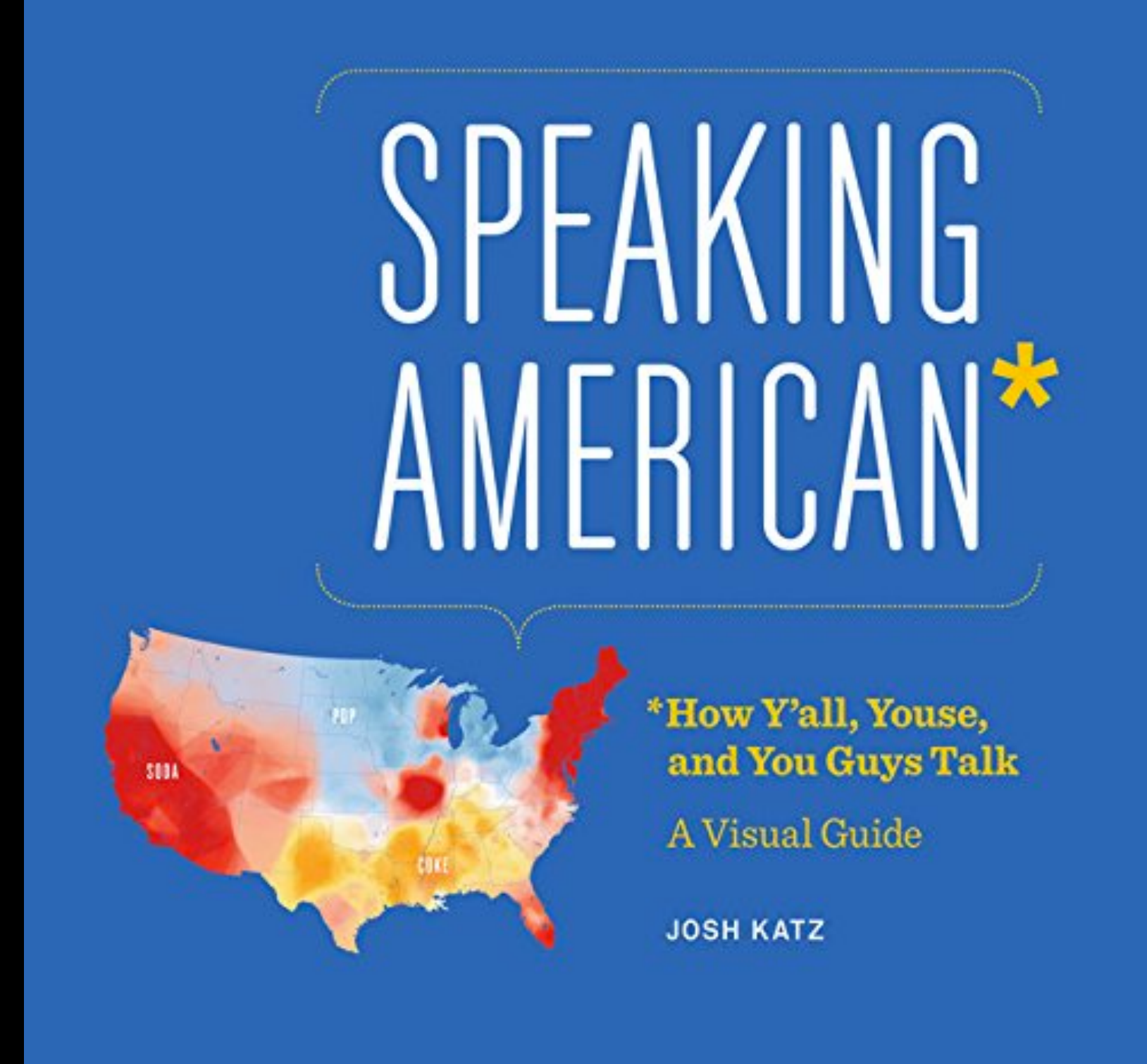
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SACRAMENTO




What do you call the insect that flies around in the summer and glows in the dark?

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CHARTS ARE EVERYWHERE, in part, thanks to new software



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Thursday, February 1, 2018

A new data visualization tool: Flourish

(Full disclosure: the development of Flourish was partially supported by the [Google News Lab](#). I have an ongoing consulting collaboration with the Lab, so I provided some feedback before the tool was launched.)

In the past I've praised several visualization tools, some of which are still part of my **workflow** — **INZight** or **RAWGraphs**— and others that I've been planning to incorporate into classes for a while, such as **DataWrapper**, **Quadrigram**, or **Plotly**. These tools contribute to the democratization of visualization, something I care about quite a bit. A new one, **Flourish**, has been launched today. I'd like to bring it to your attention.

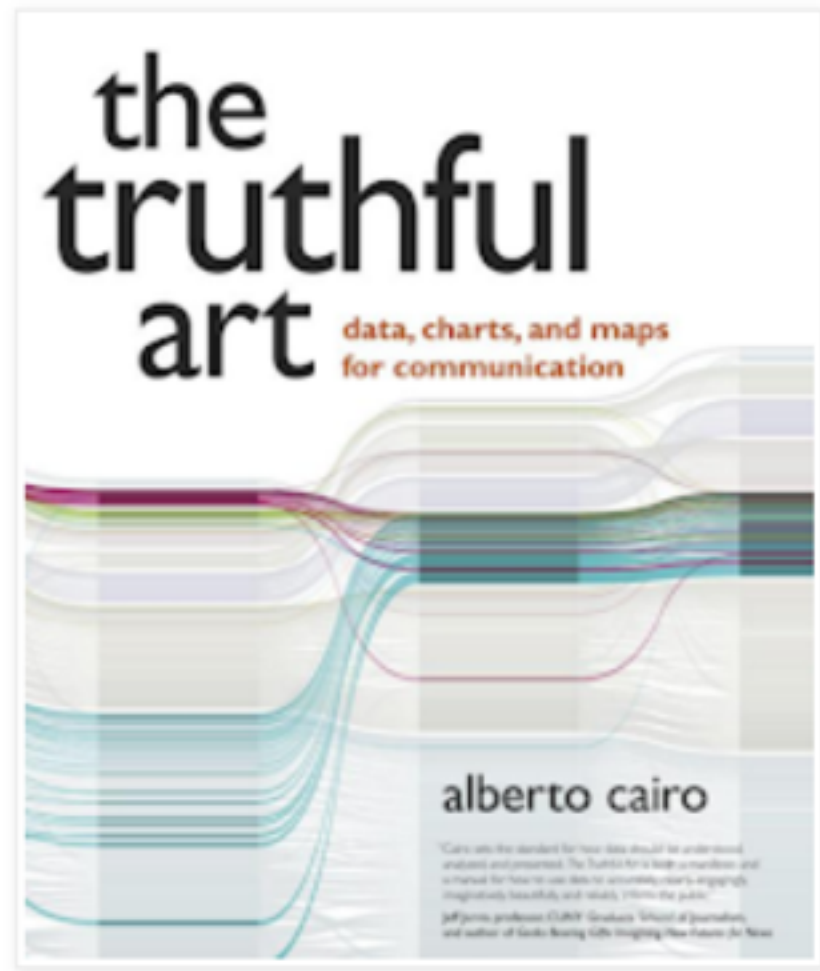
I've been playing with Flourish's beta for a few weeks, and liked it so much that I recorded an informal video tutorial for my students. You can [download it here](#) or find it in the **tutorials section** of this website.

(Update: I've uploaded the videos to a [YouTube playlist](#).)

Flourish lets you quickly develop tons of different kinds of graphs and maps. This is a screenshot of the templates available so far, with more coming soon:

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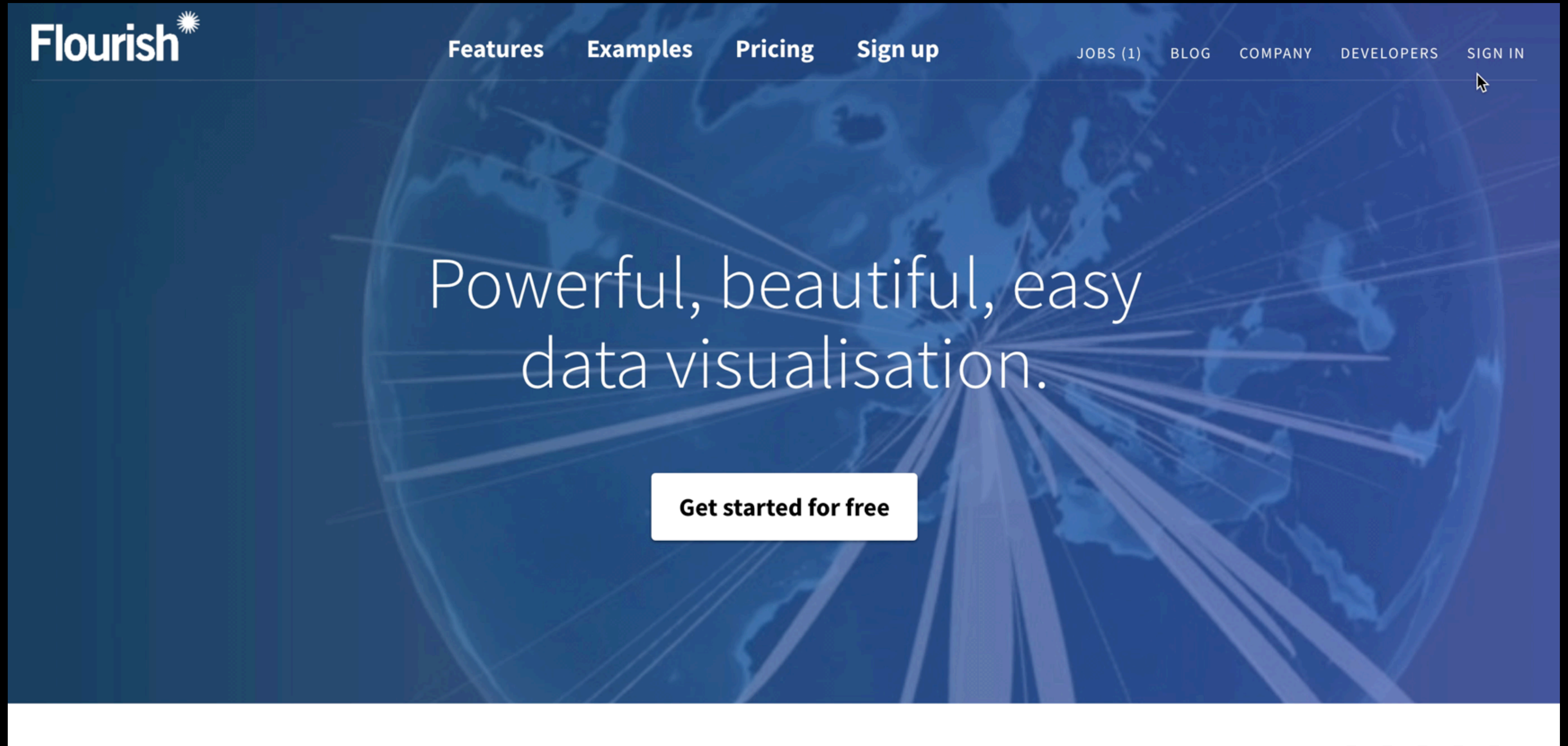
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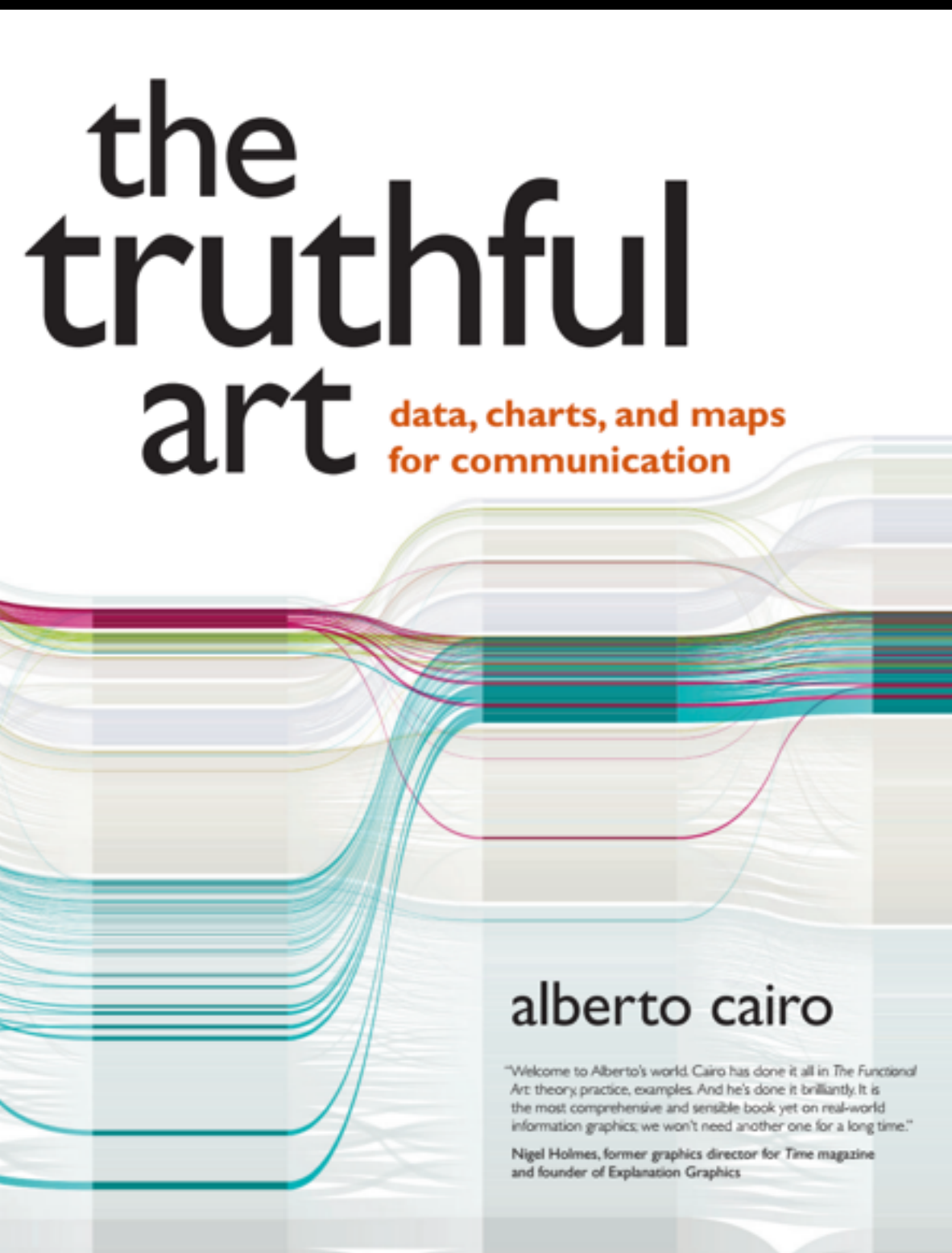
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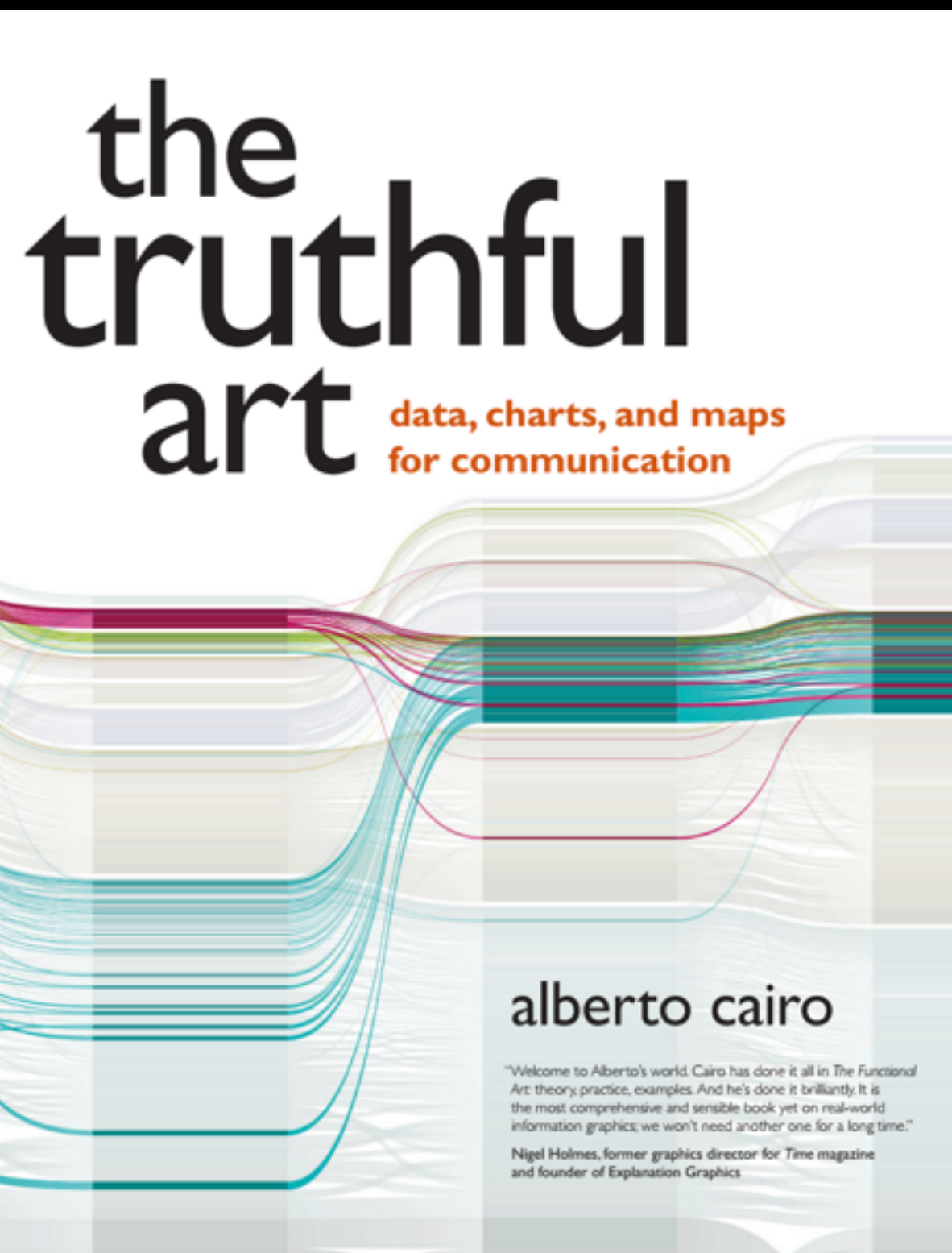


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BUT WHAT ABOUT READERS?

CAN PEOPLE GRASP THE
GRAMMAR AND
VOCABULARY OF CHARTS?
AND, IF THEY DO,
DO THEY EXTRACT
THE RIGHT MESSAGES?

April 27, 2017



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here's a pic from reuters of Trump with the electoral maps he showed to reporters yesterday



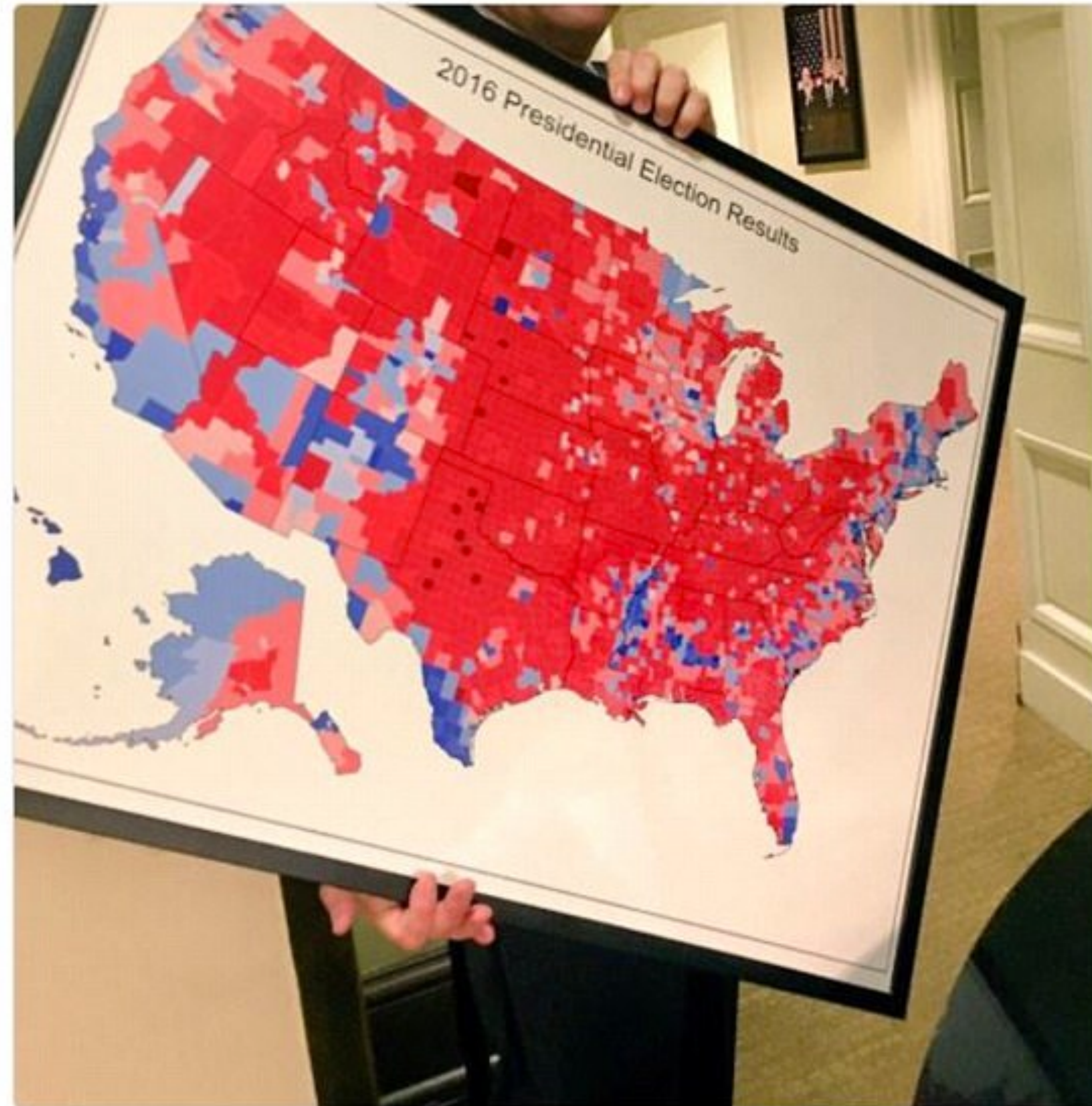
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Trey Yingst [@TreyYingst](#) · May 11

Spotted: A map to be hung somewhere in the West Wing



https://twitter.com/TreyYingst?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor



Donald J. Trump  @realDonaldTrump · Feb 27

I want to encourage all of my many Texas friends to vote in the primary for Governor Greg Abbott, Senator Ted Cruz, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, and Attorney General Ken Paxton. They are helping me to Make America Great Again! Vote early or on March 6th.

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Such a beautiful map, thank you!



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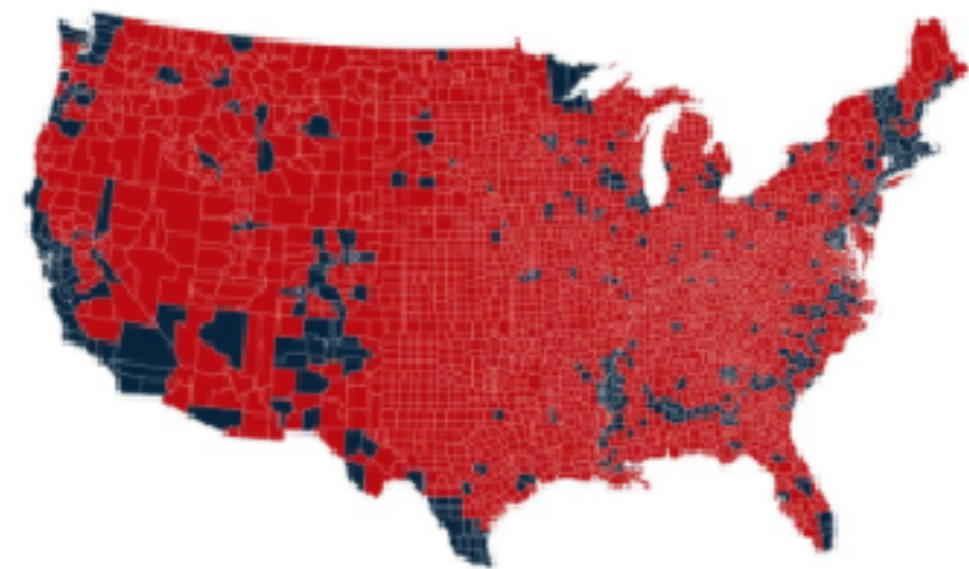
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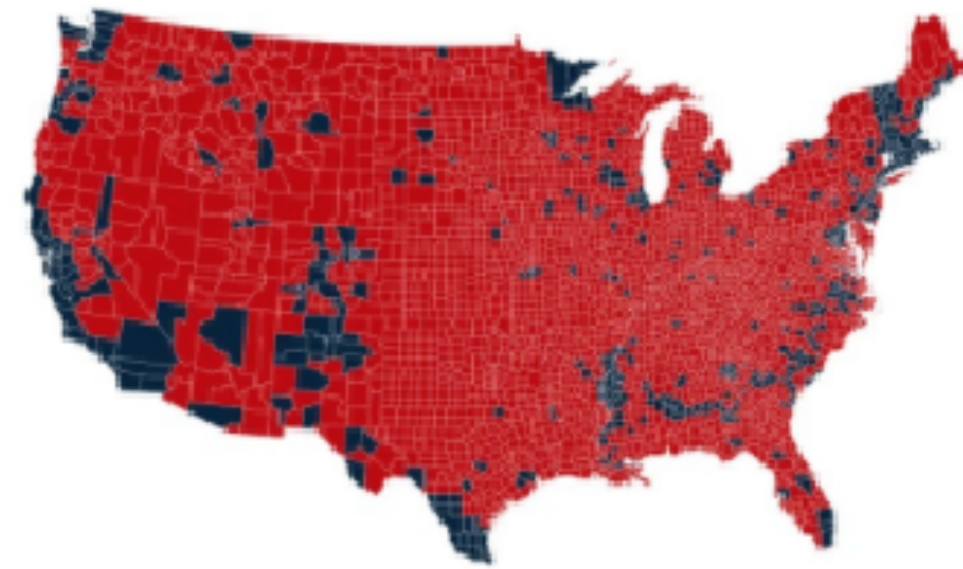
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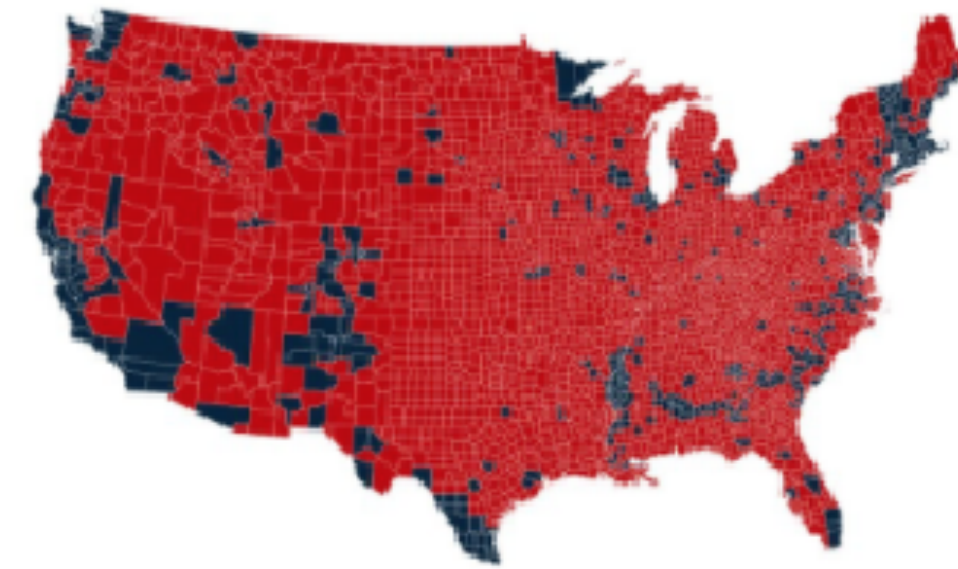
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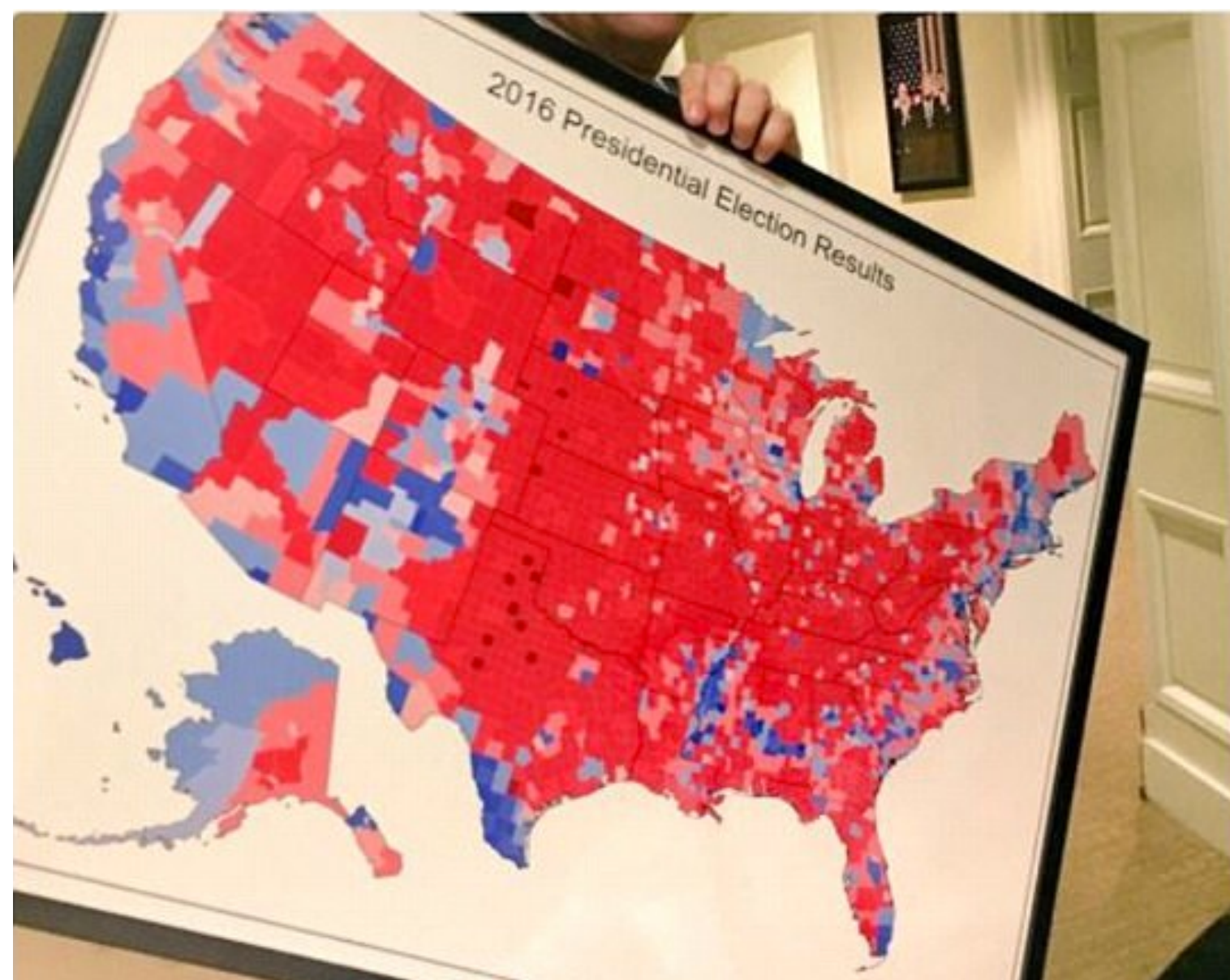
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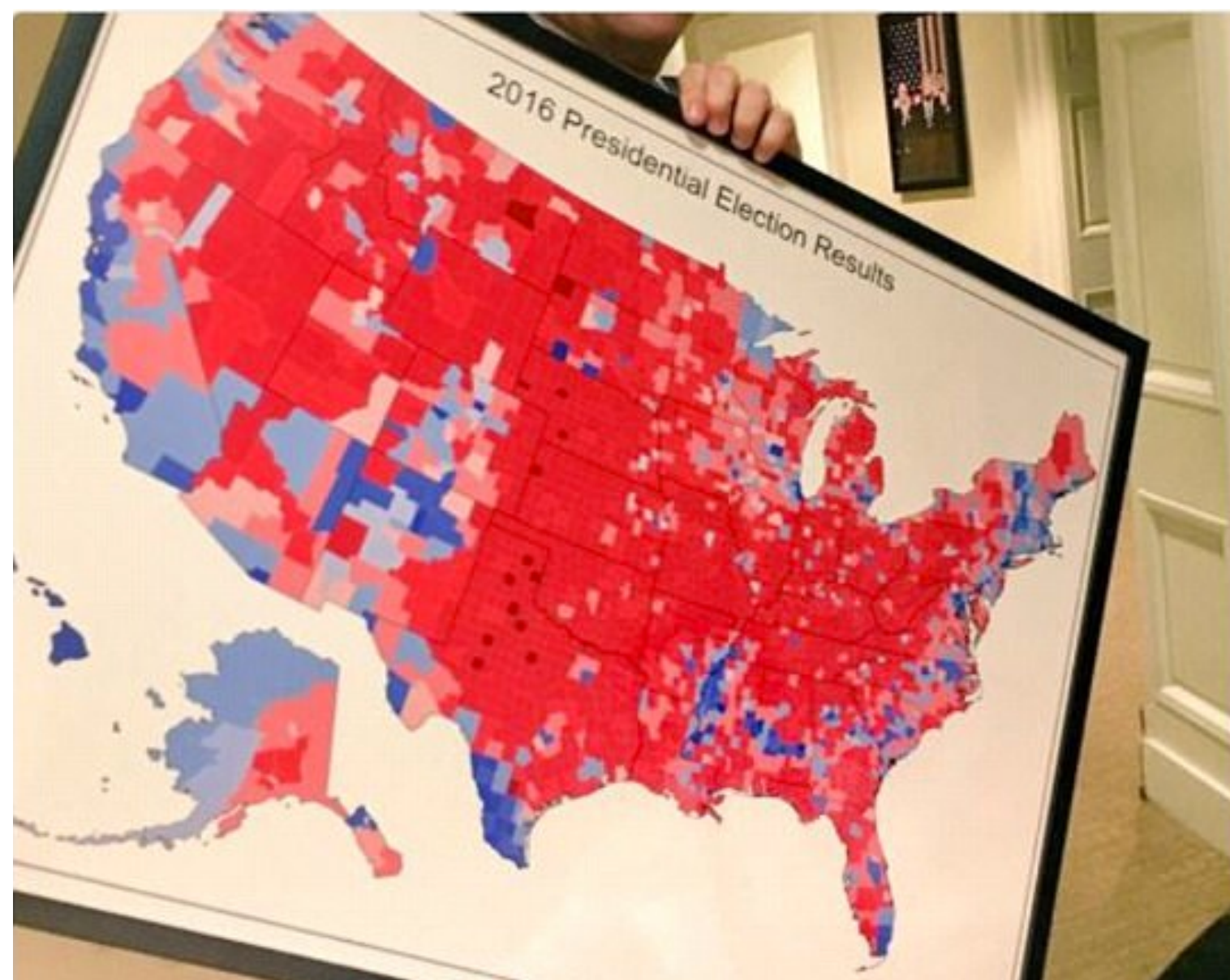


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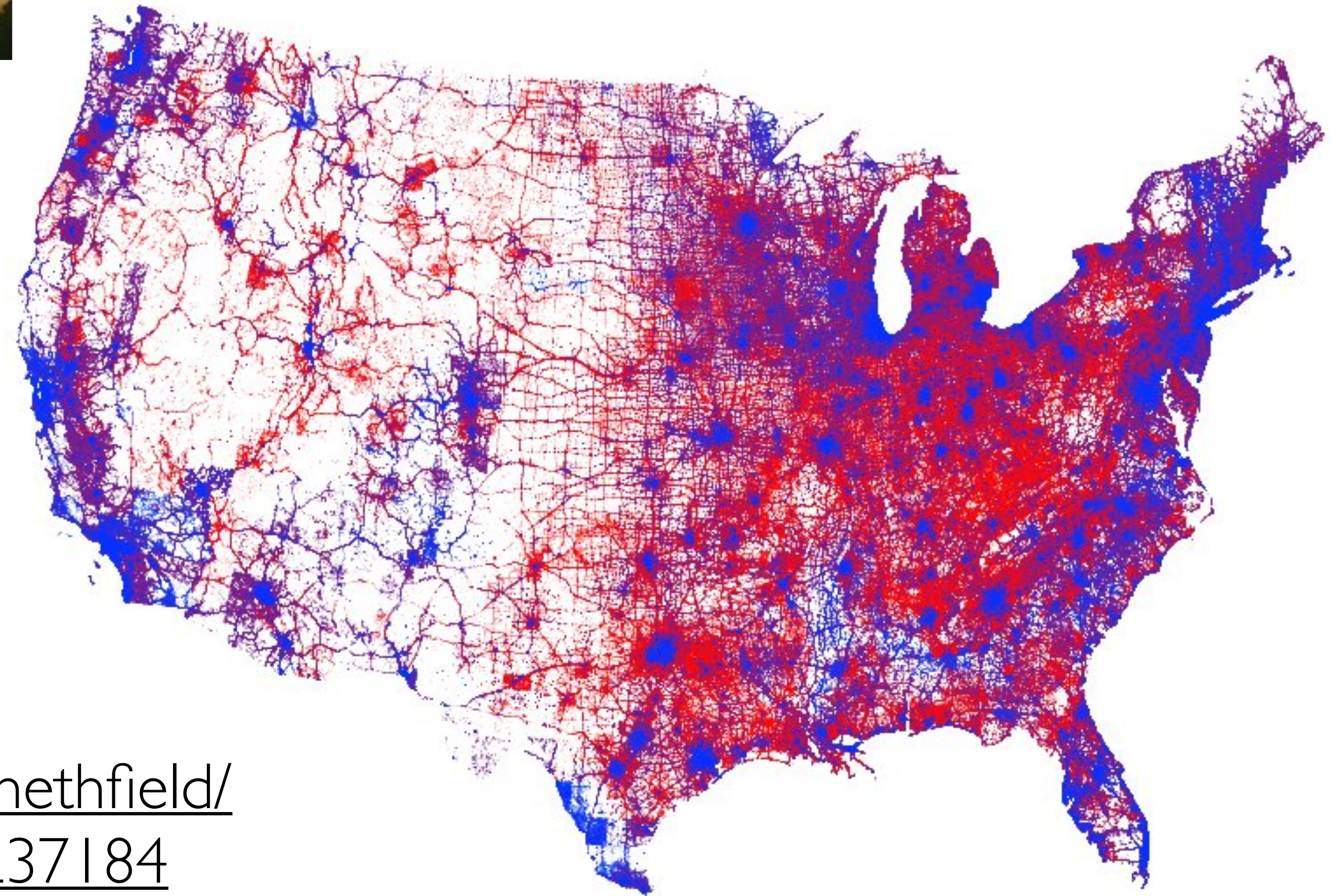


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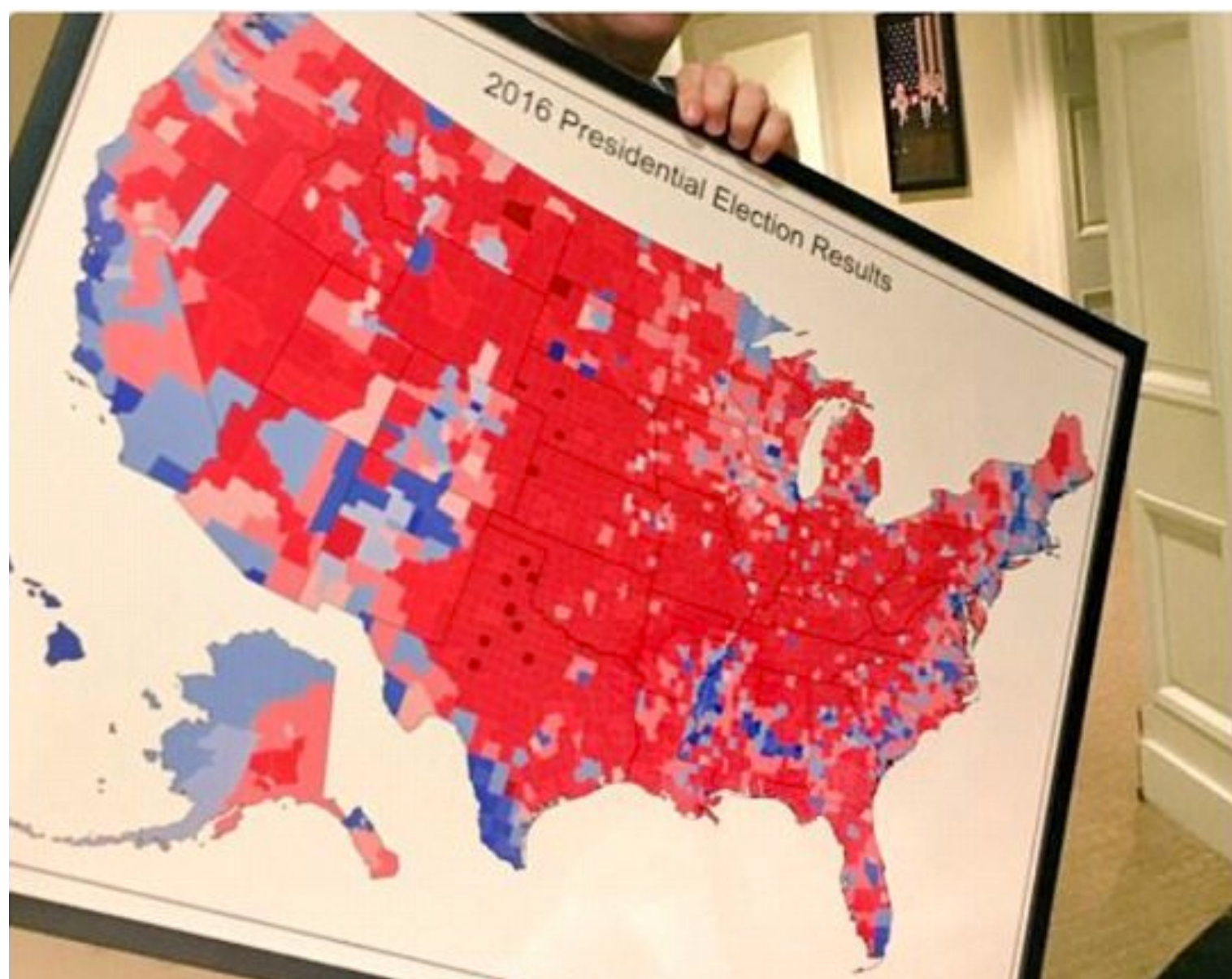
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Map by Kenneth Field
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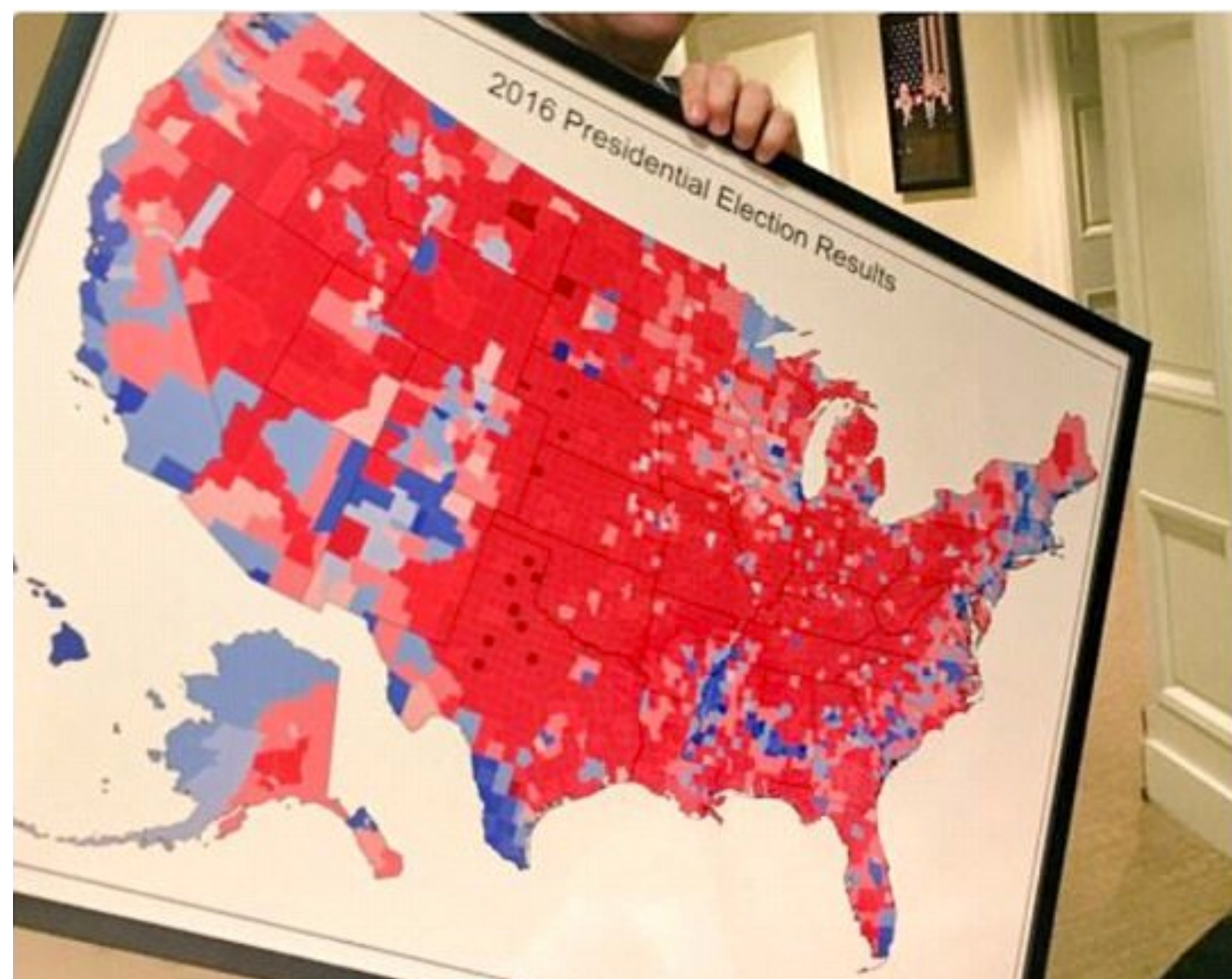
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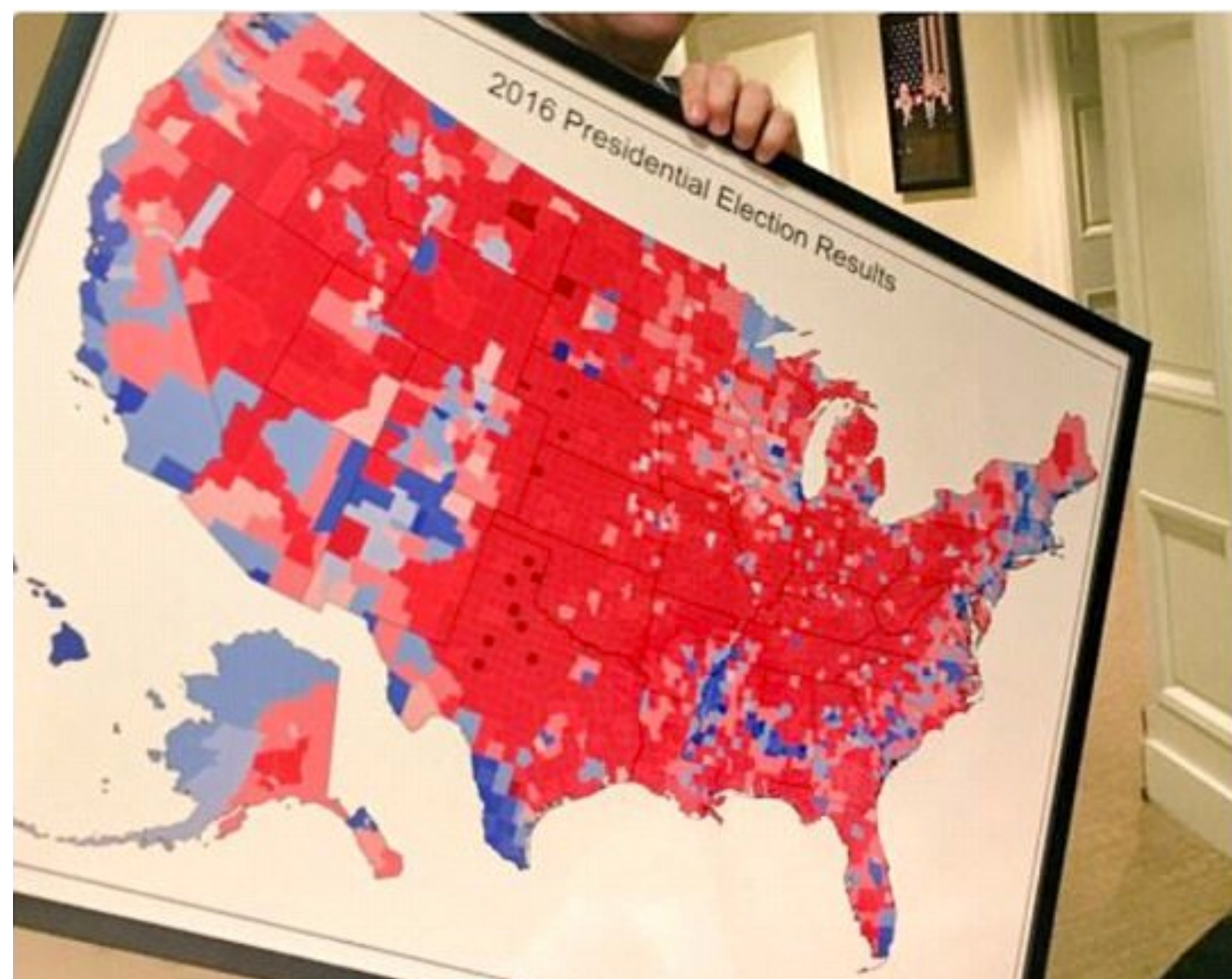
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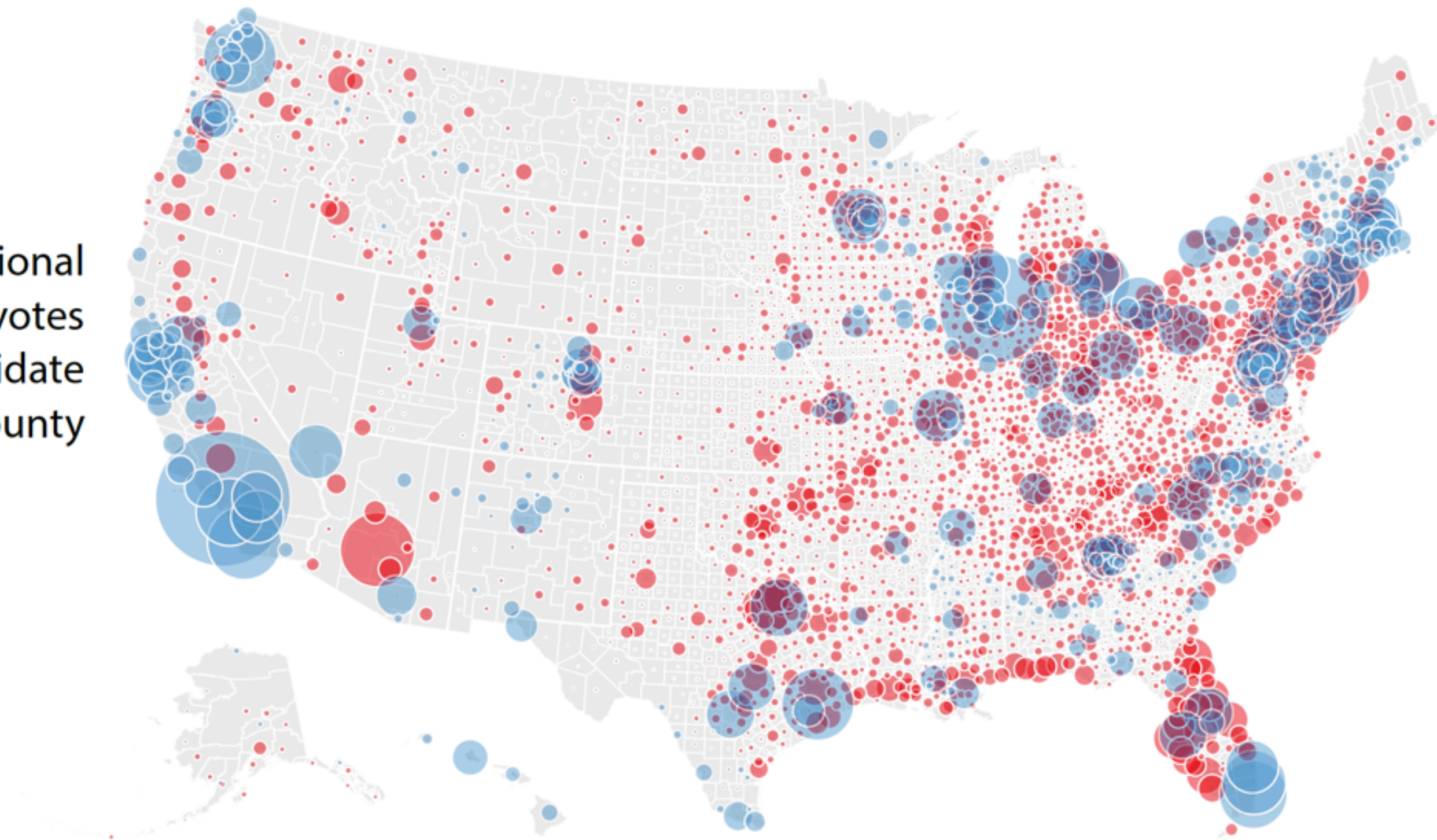


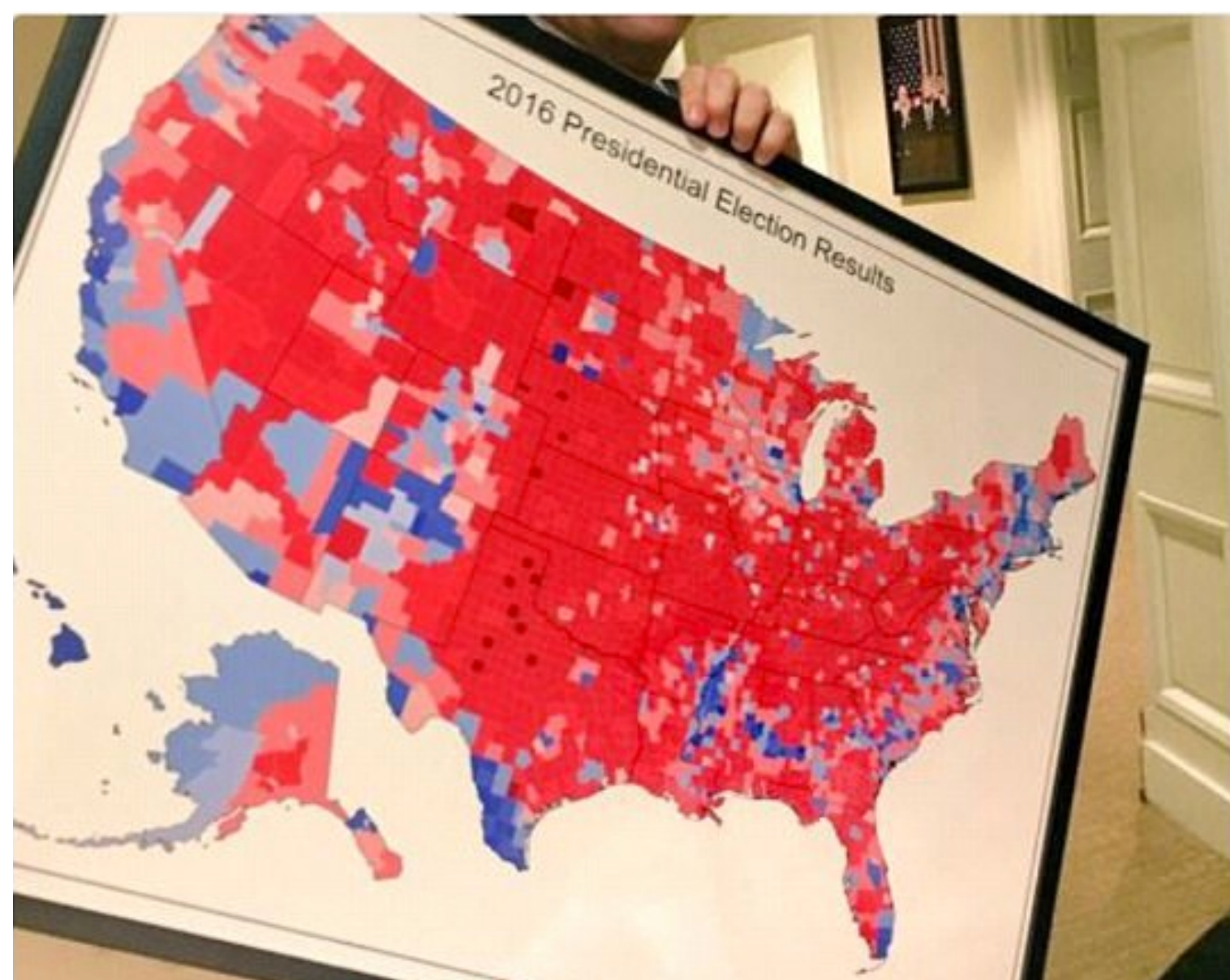
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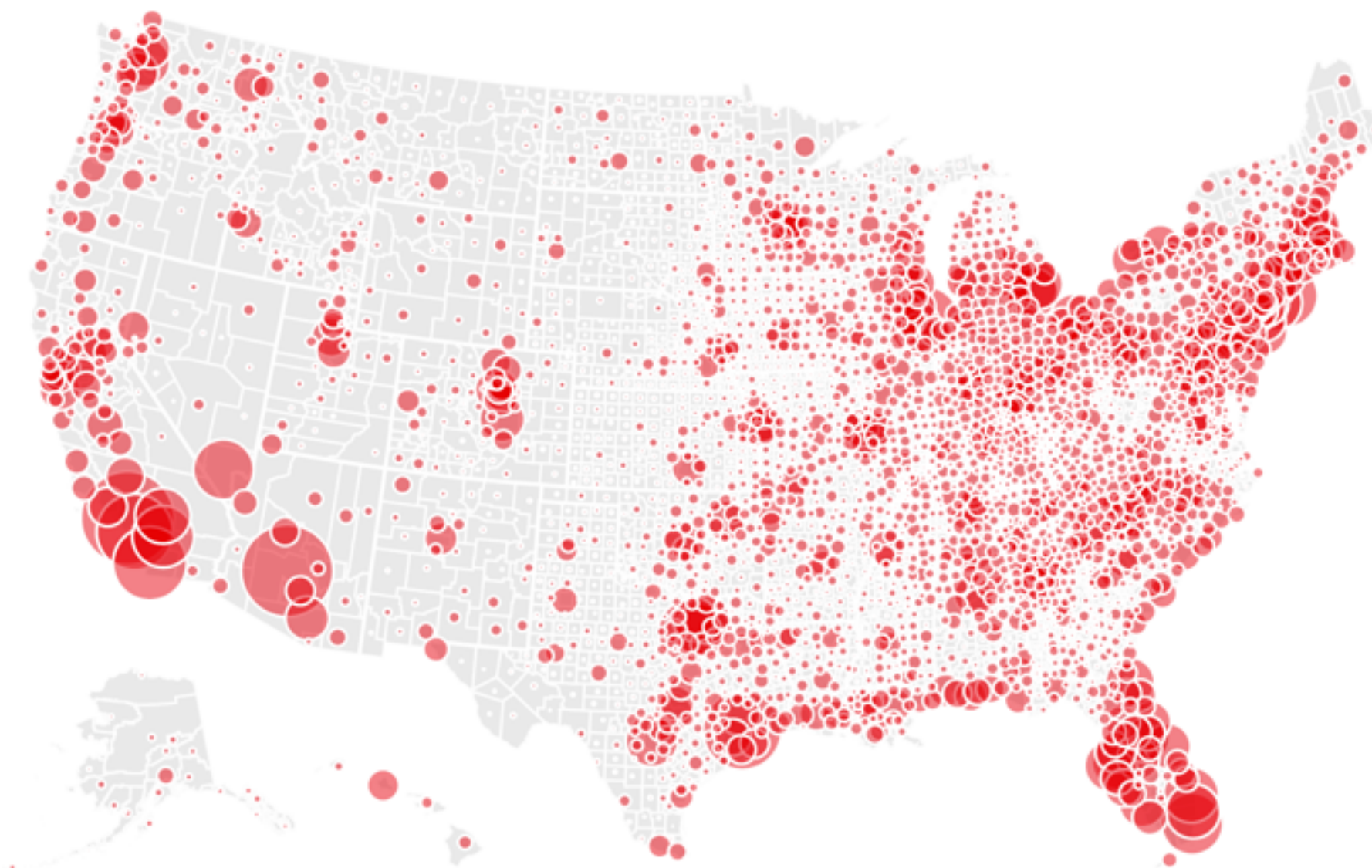
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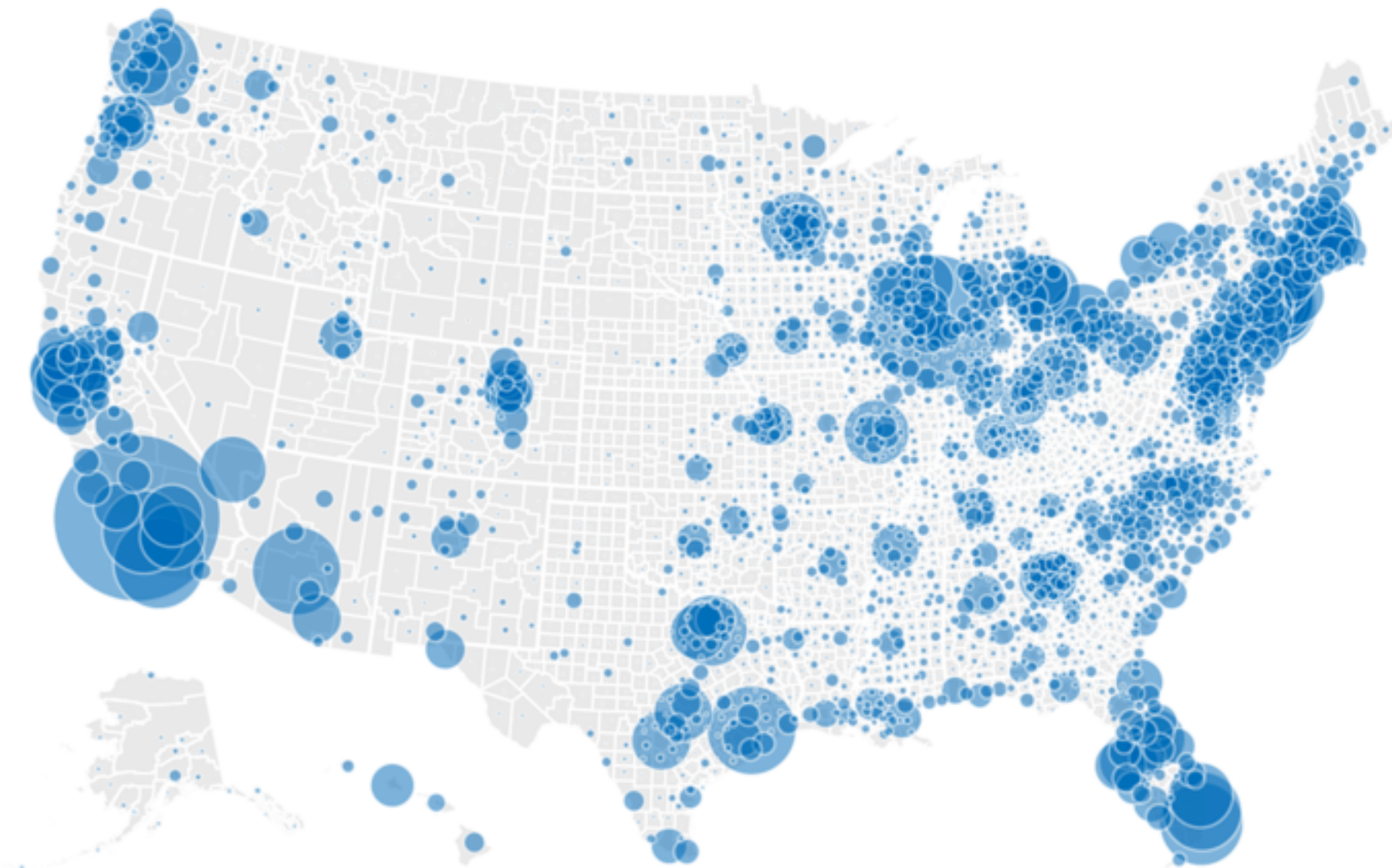
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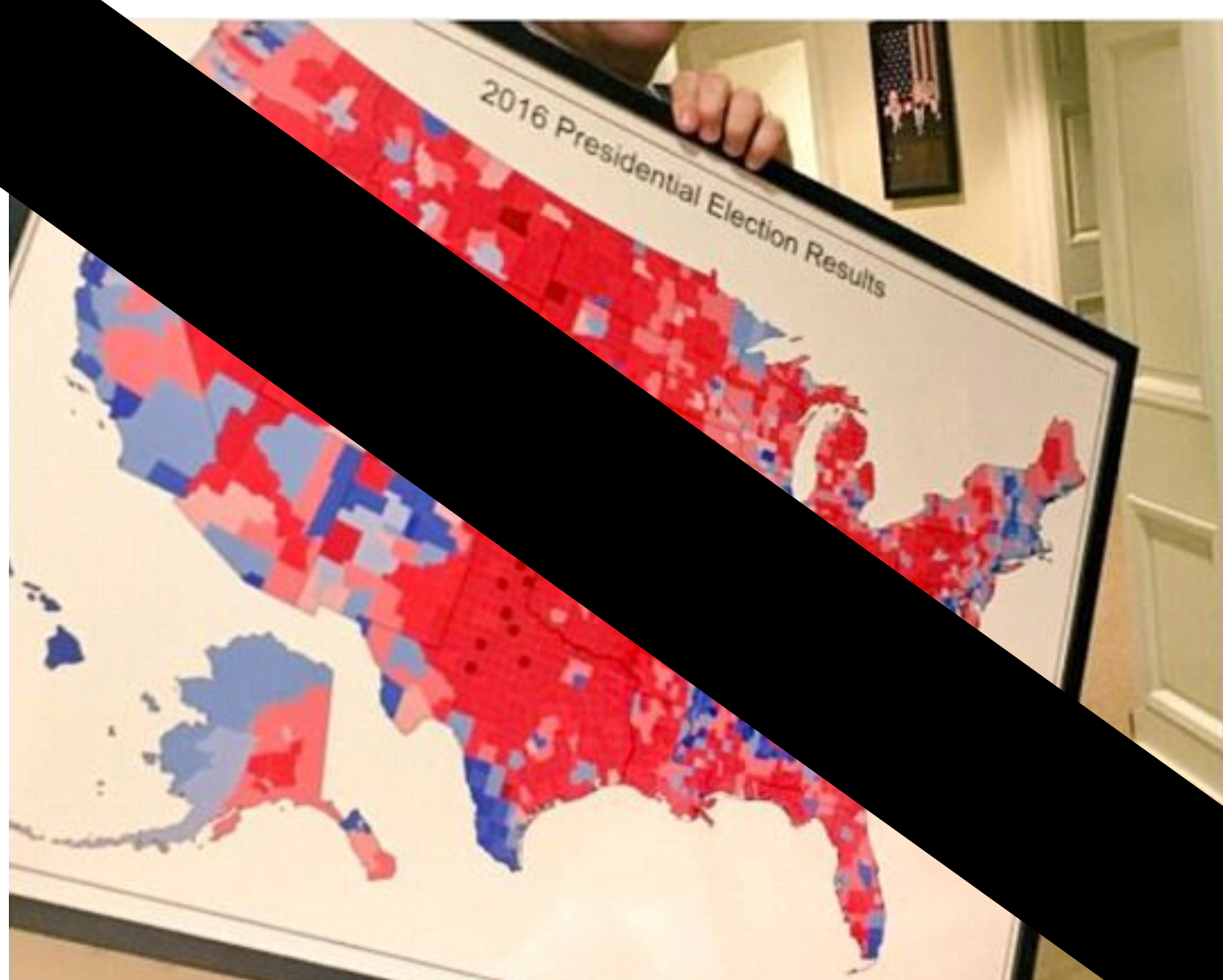
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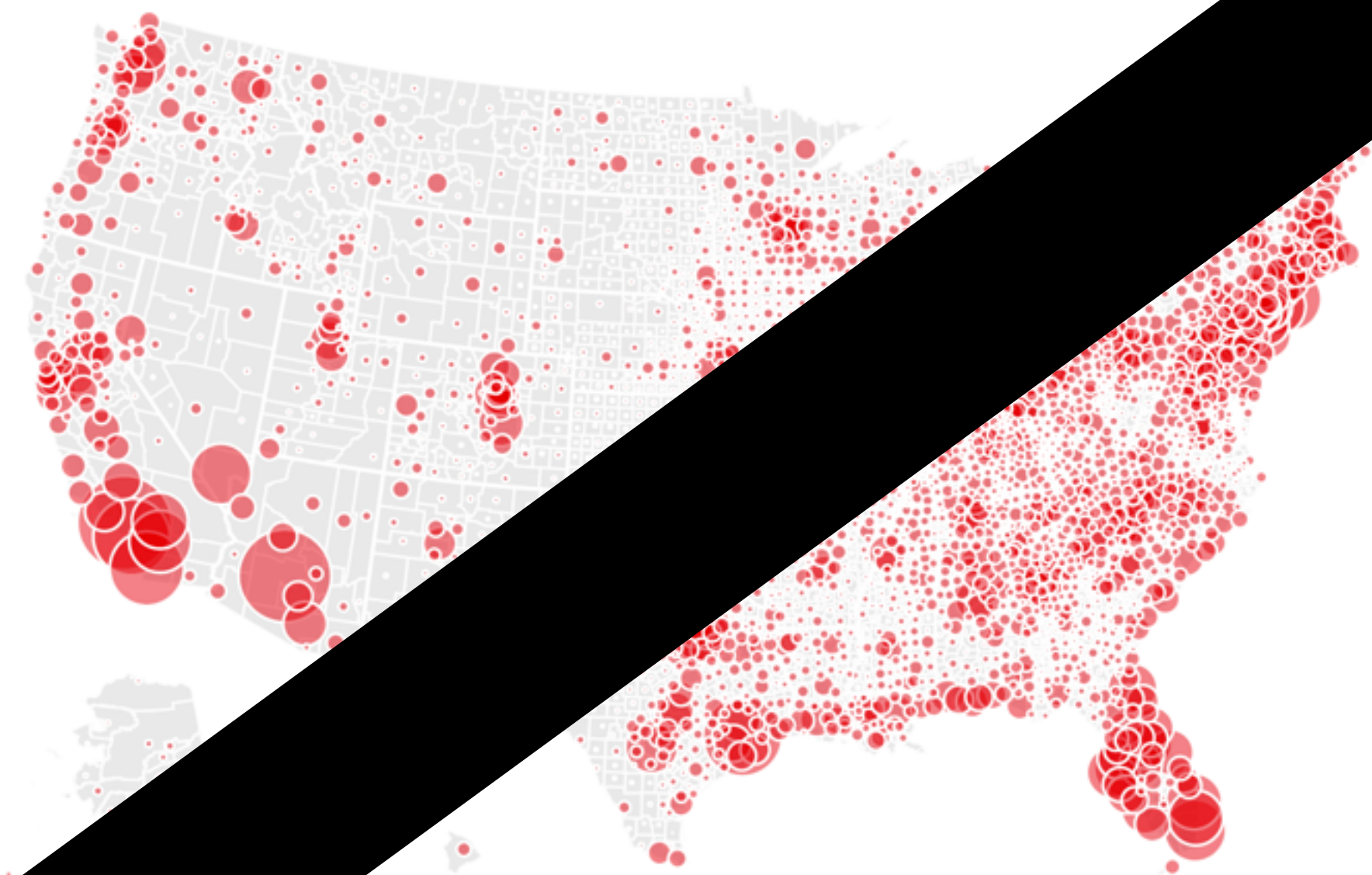
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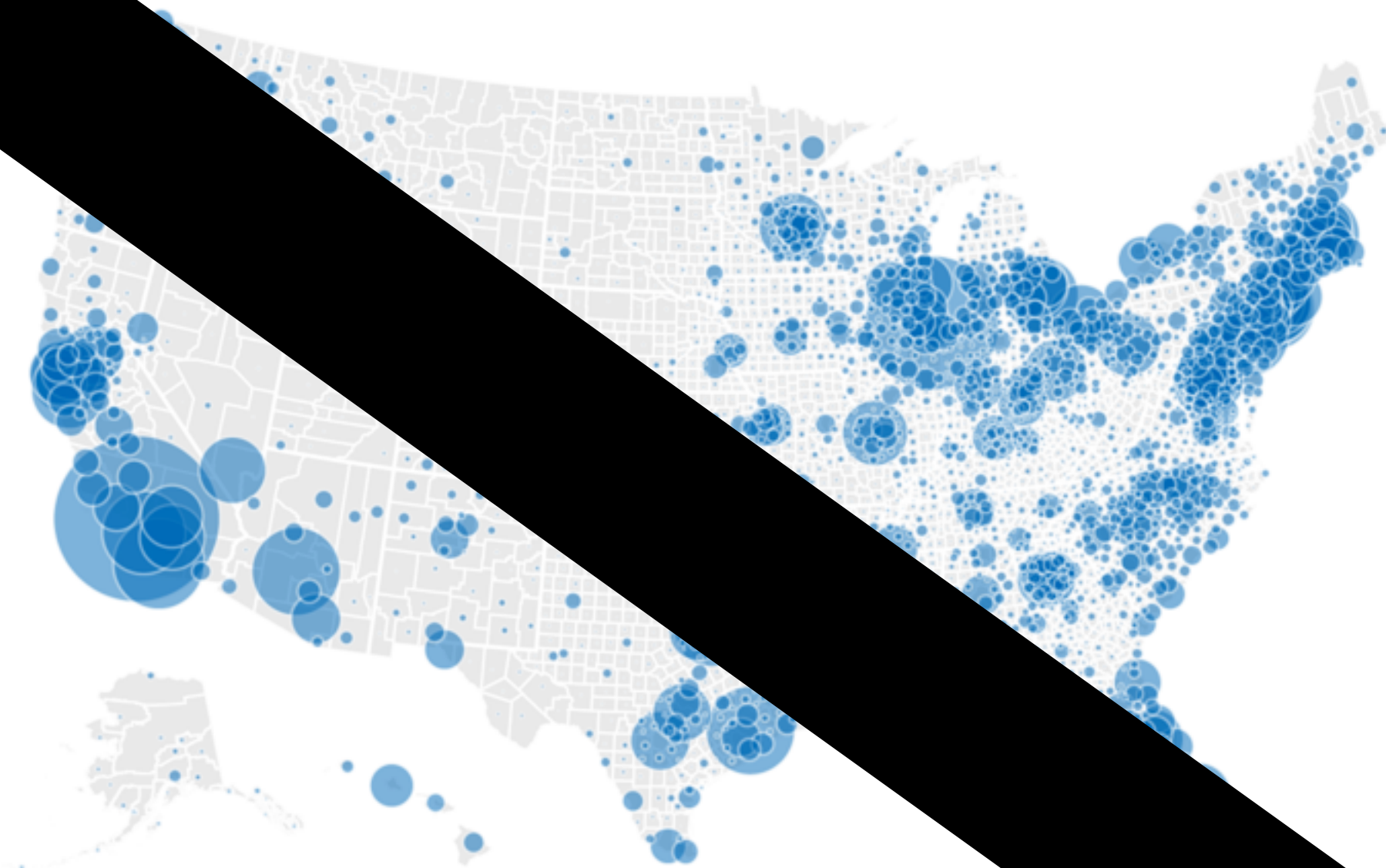
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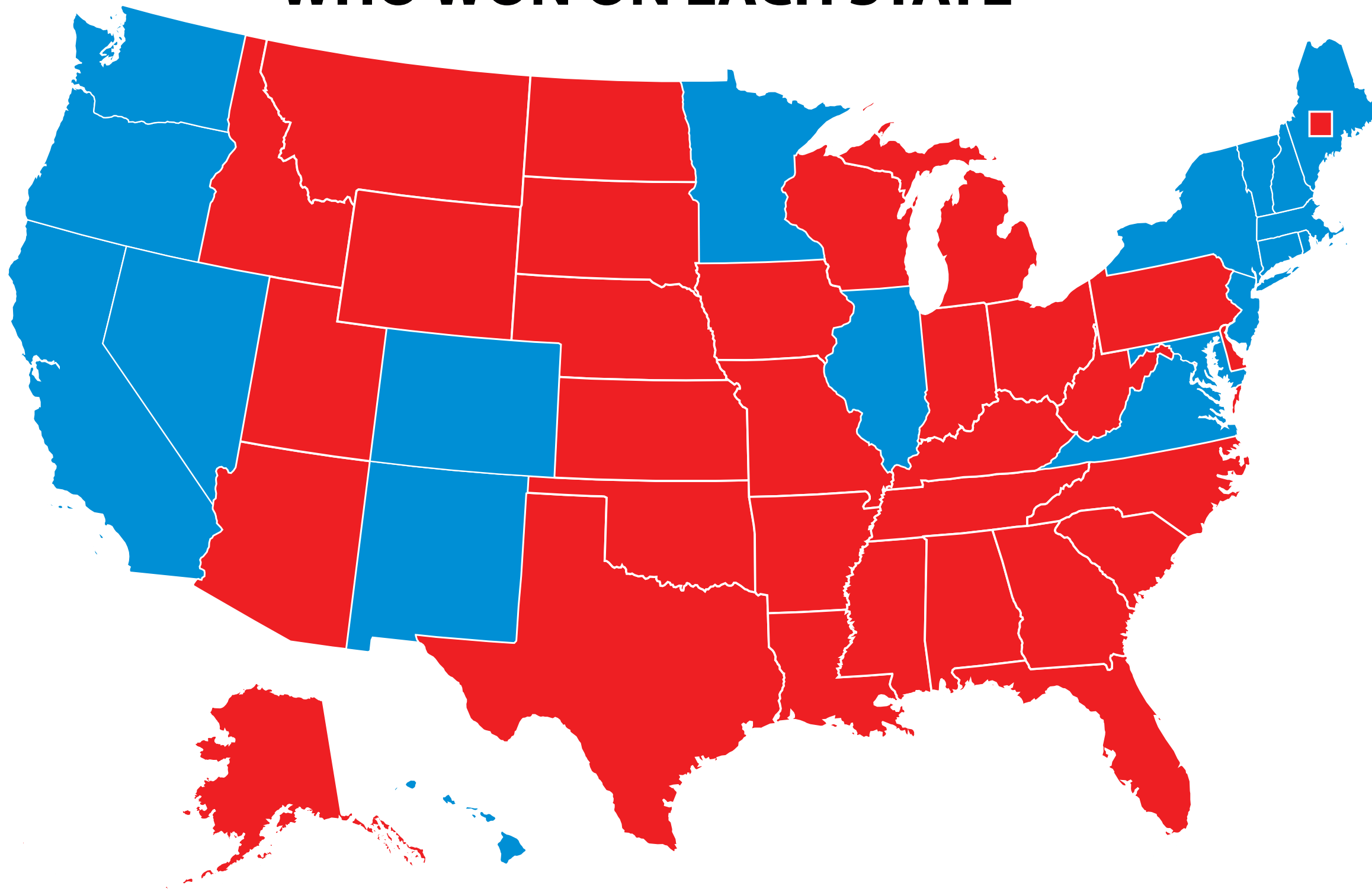
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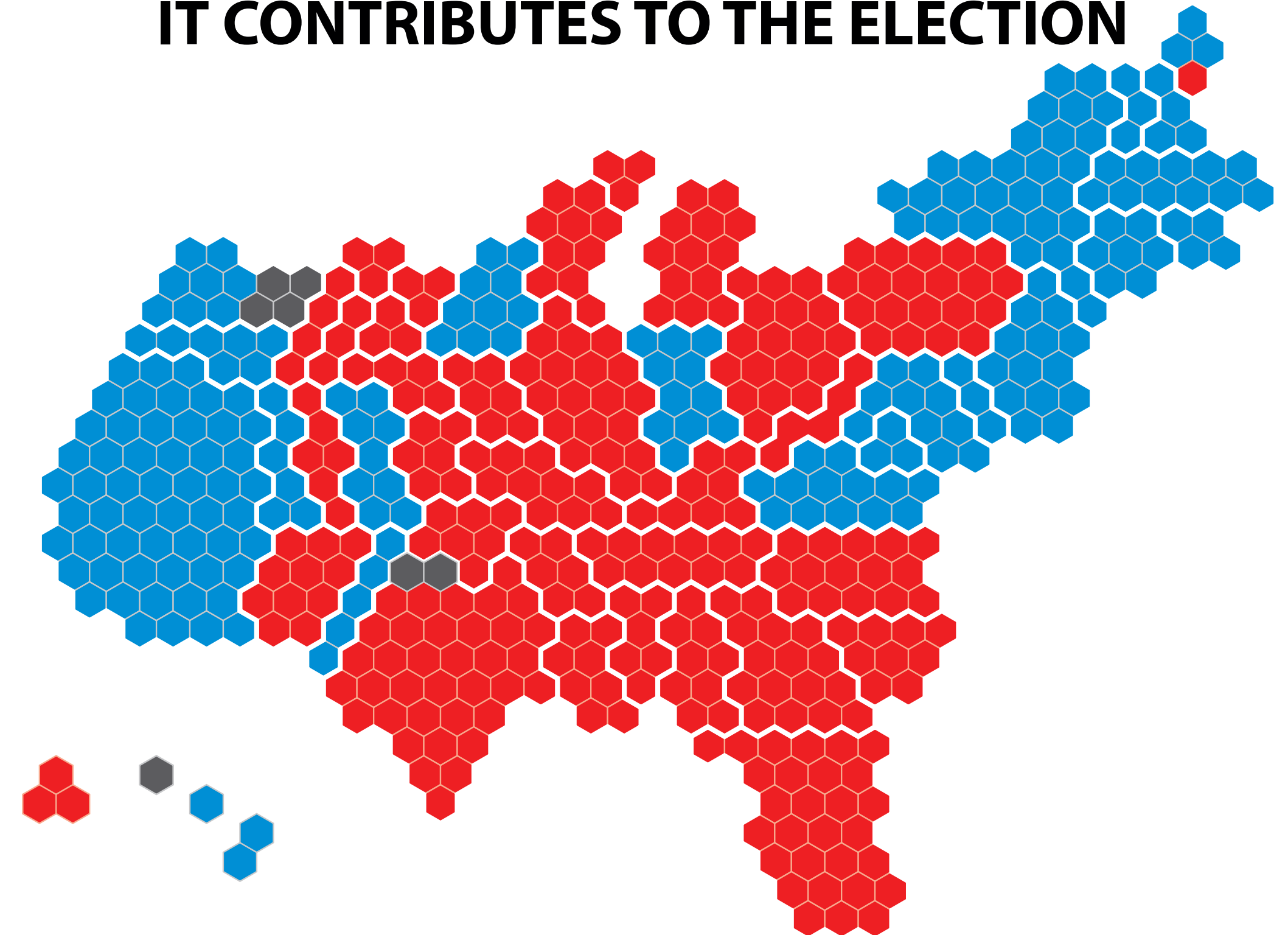
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WHO WON ON EACH STATE



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Charts lie

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mainly because we love to lie to ourselves

The Persuasive Power of Data Visualization

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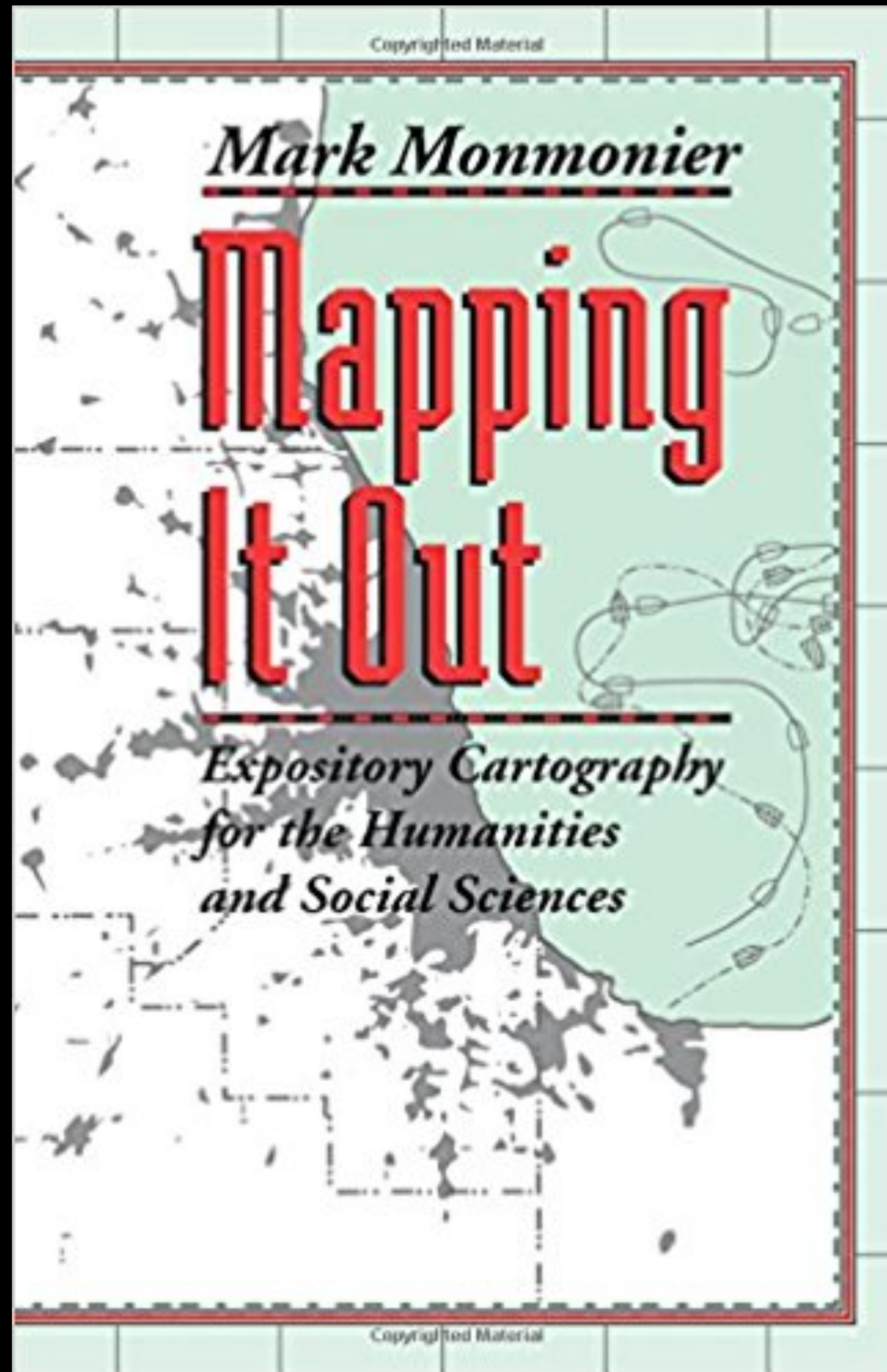
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After looking into common effects in attitude formation and change we searched for specific mentions to the graphical appearance of charts as a driver for persuasion. Some of the comments we collected seem to back up the findings we found in our results. Some participants explicitly mention the charts as being the main reason for their change: *"I already knew that increased incarceration didn't lower crime, but I wasn't sure of the statistics. To see it on the graphs is really eye opening."*; *"I was influenced by the bar graph showing the reasons why the survey respondents played video games."*; *"I would not know exact numbers on this issue - the graphs gave a visual and helped identify the numbers"*; *"Seeing the graphs conflicted with my previous opinion, so I feel like I need to reevaluate my stance in a way."*

It is also important to mention that the graphical appearance of charts is not the only factor that has a strong impact on people's attitude. In our collected feedback, we found numerous references to statistics and numbers, suggesting that mere exposure to data does have a persuasive effect – maybe at least partially due to the increased sense of objectivity evidence supported by numbers carries. We found comments like: *"It was concrete data that seemed compelling."*; *"Seeing numbers is a good indicator of change rather than just reading what someone has to say"*; *"It showed a large amount of different sources, which made it more credible"*. More research is needed to disentangle what kind of specific effects each of these components have on persuasion.

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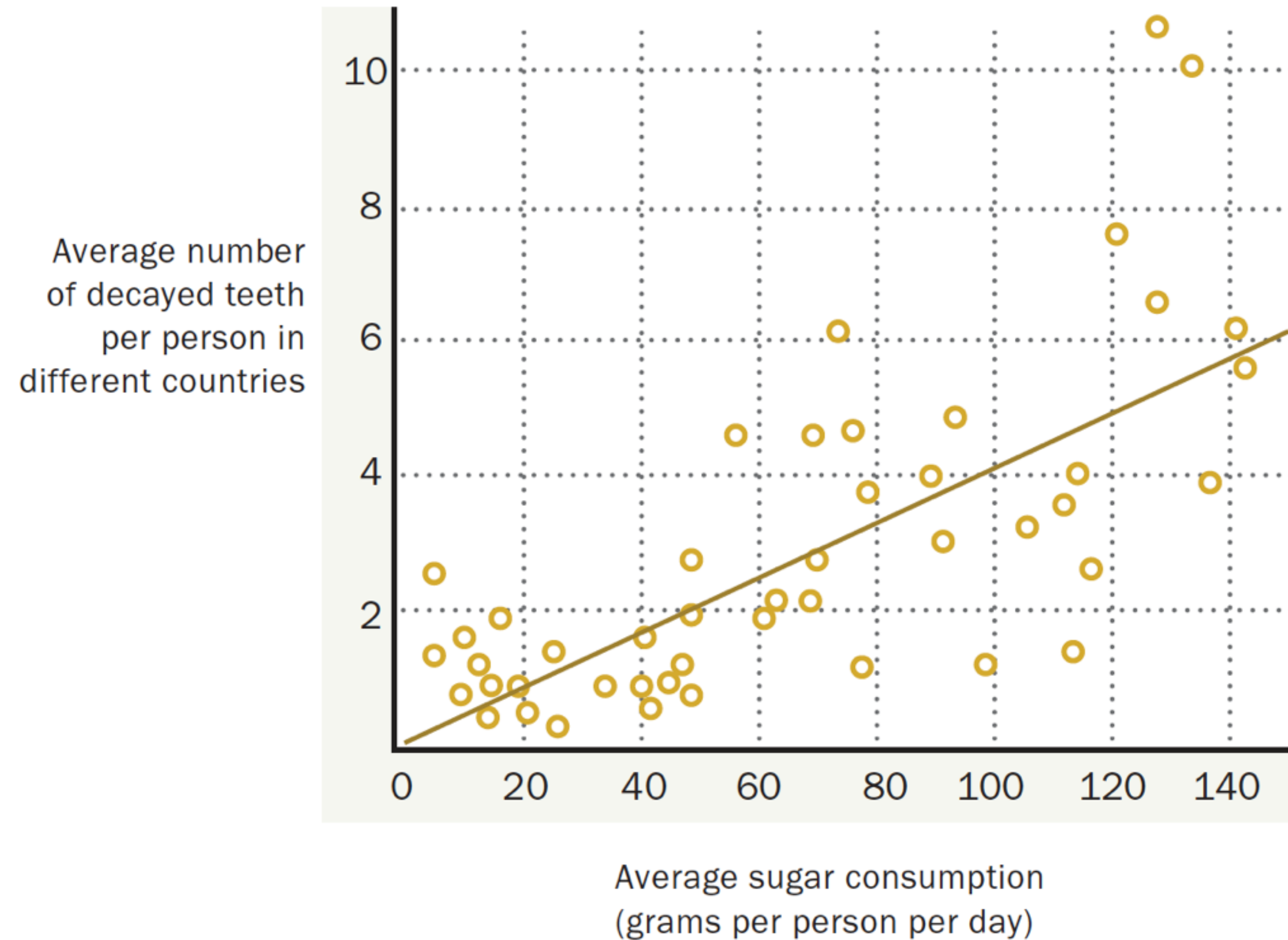
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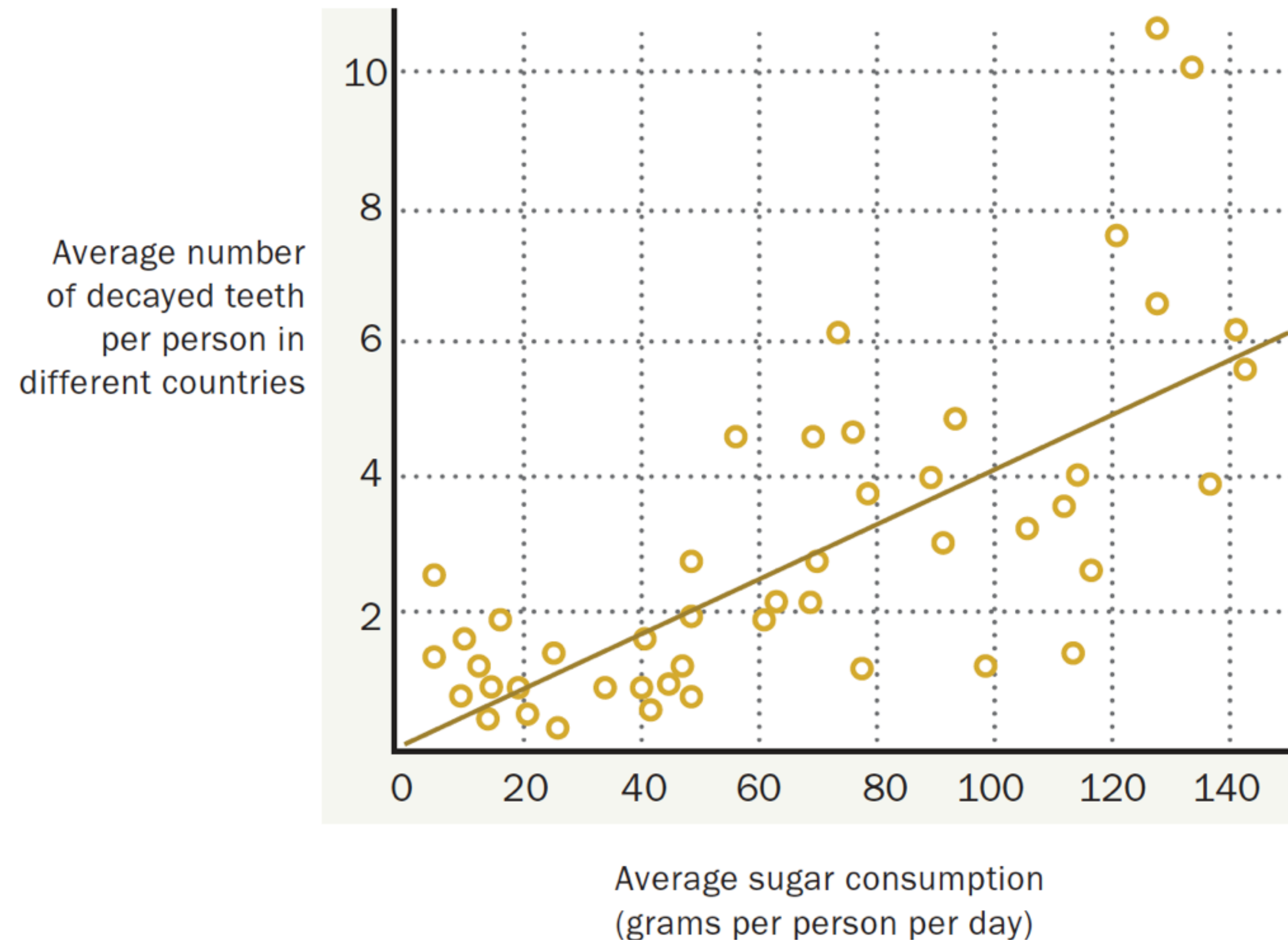
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63% of American Adults Can Correctly Read This Chart

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Despite of everything you've heard,
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Above all, pay attention
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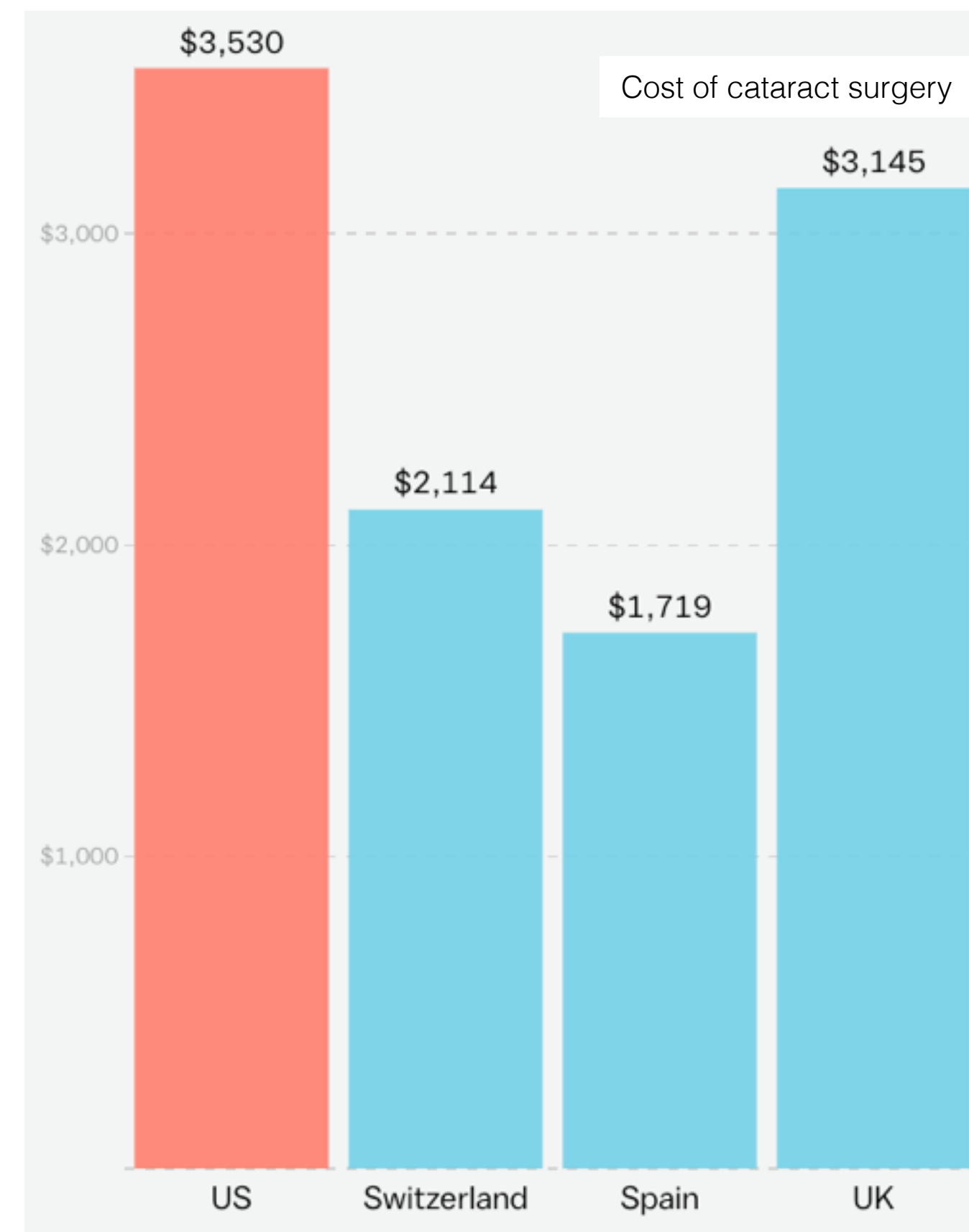
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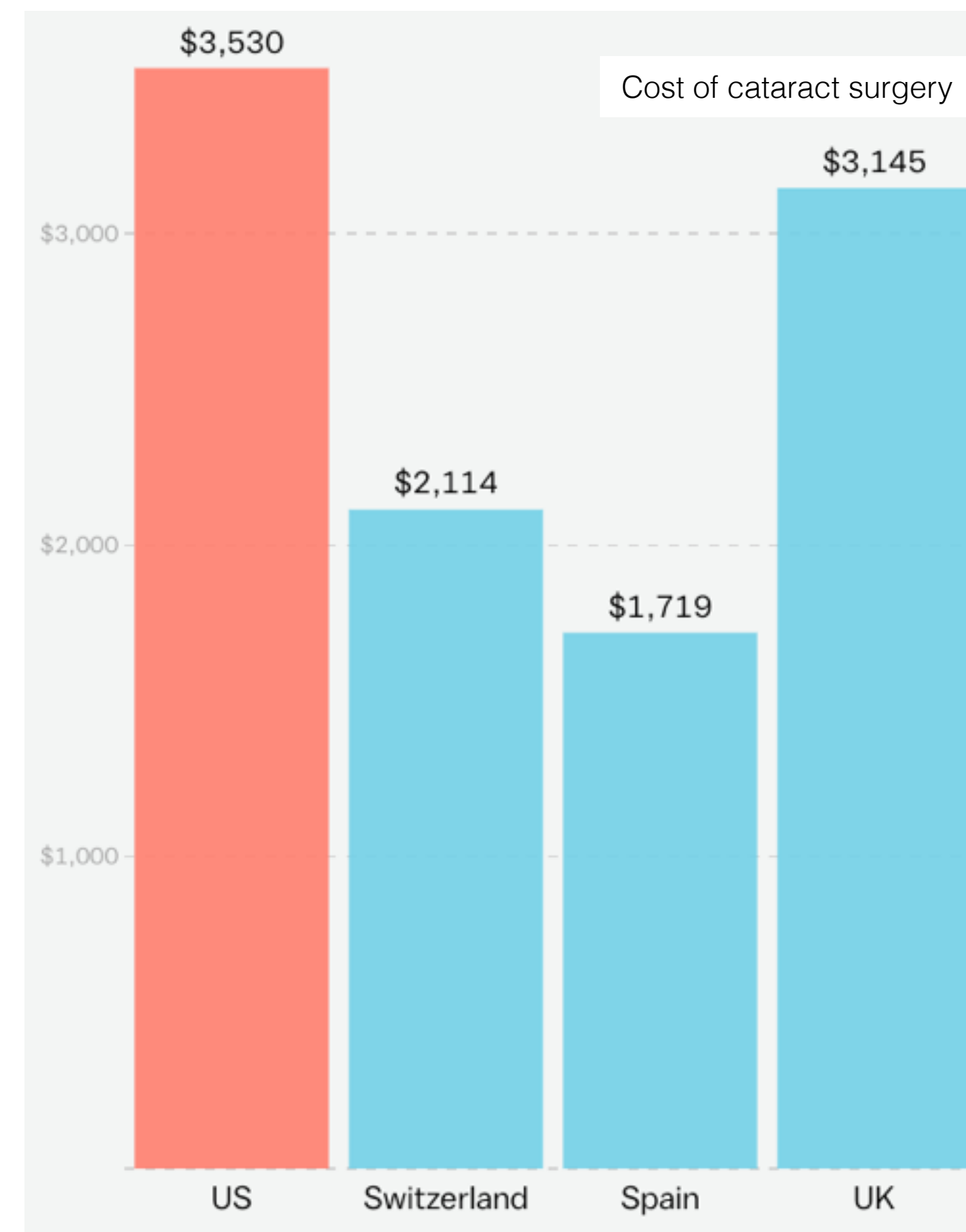
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Australia: **\$33,000**

Relative cost of cataract surgery:

U.S: **8%**

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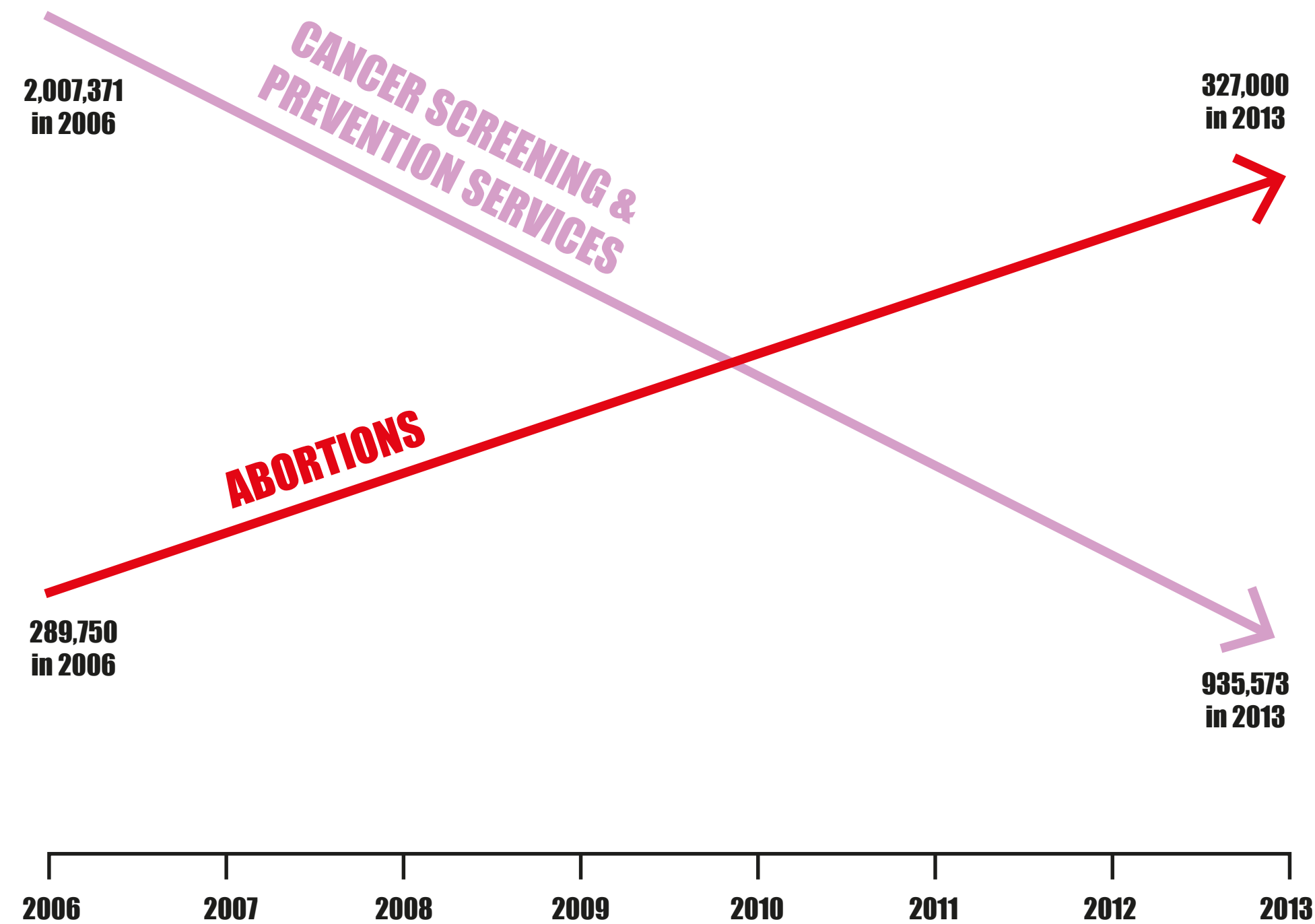
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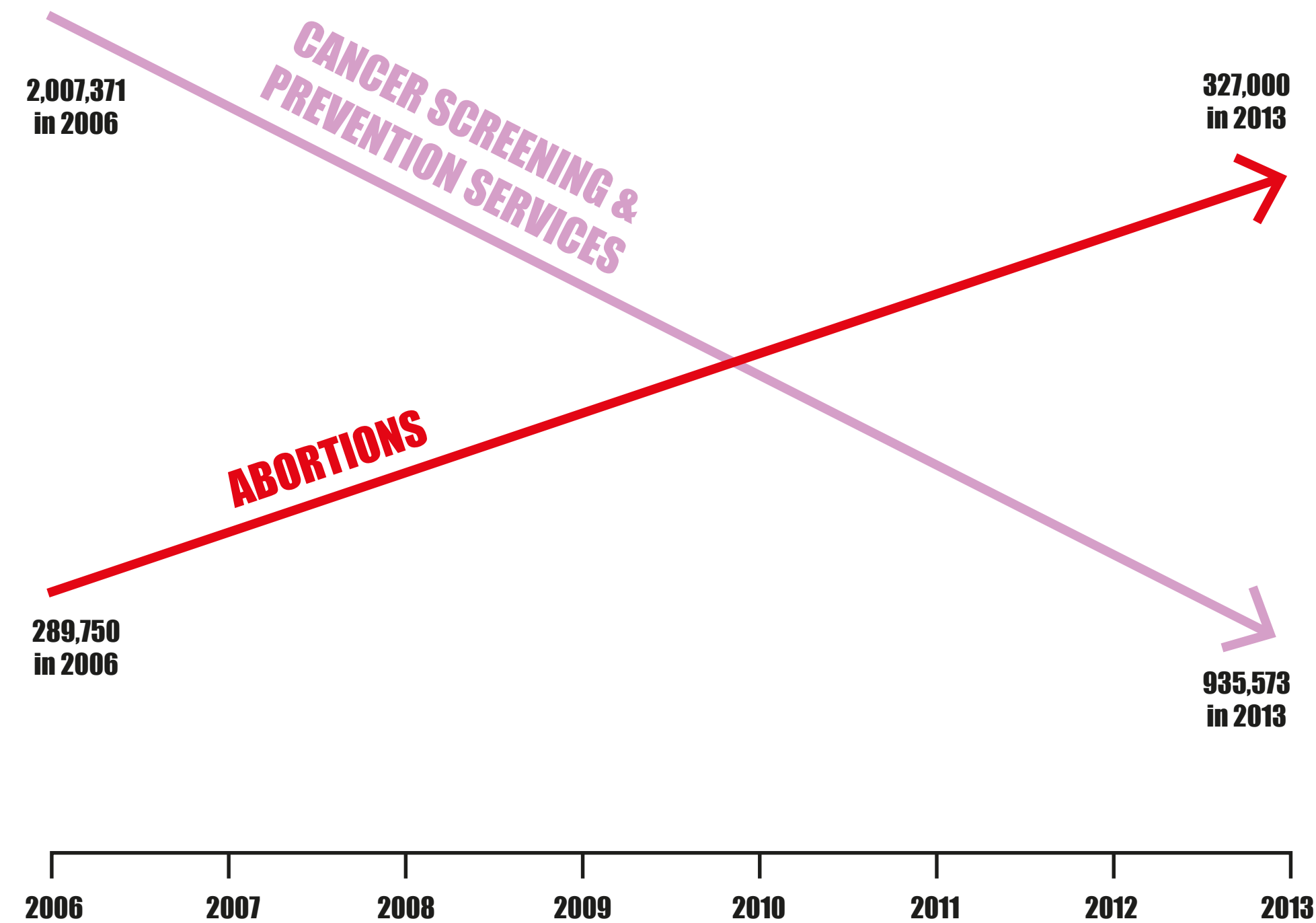
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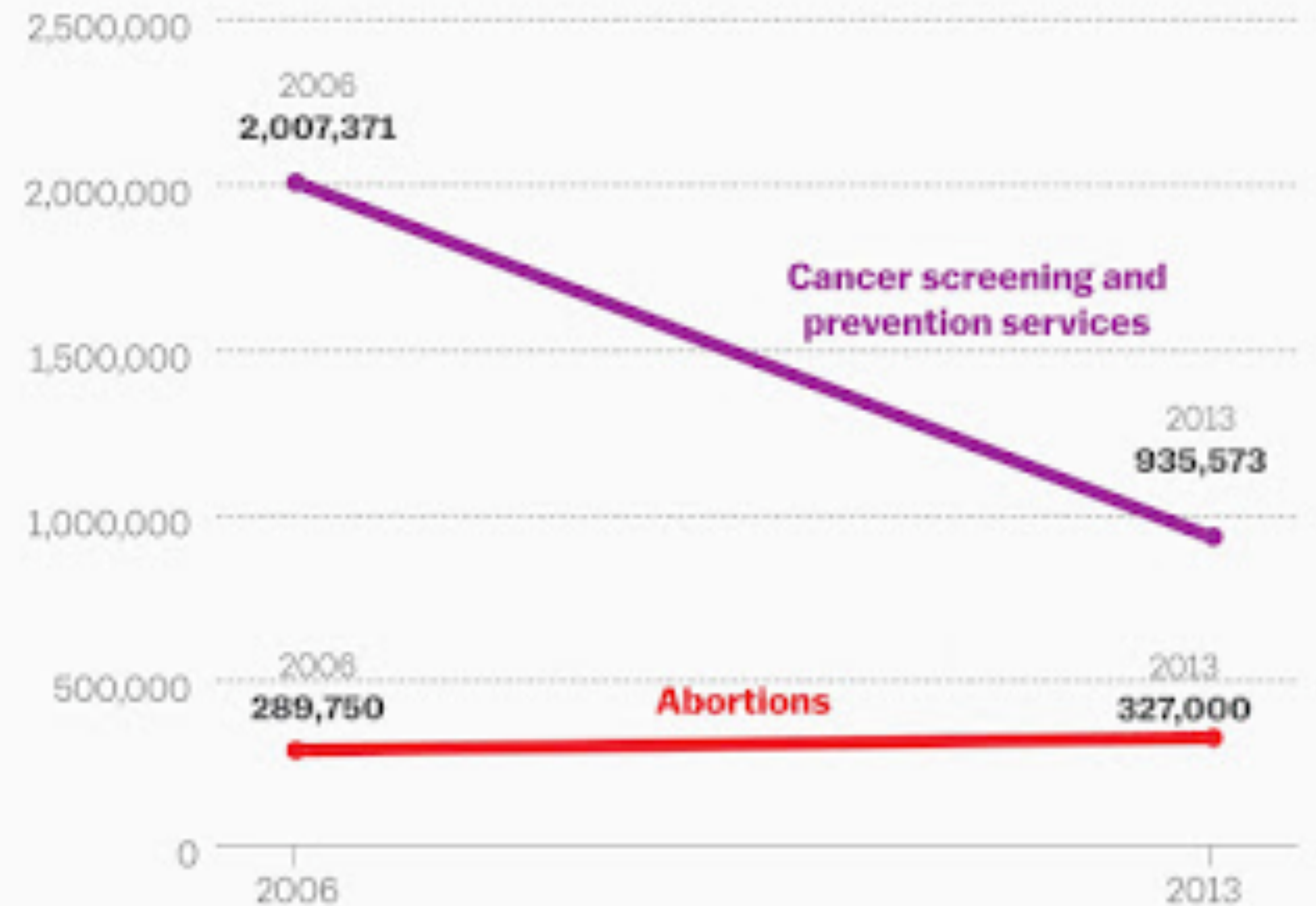
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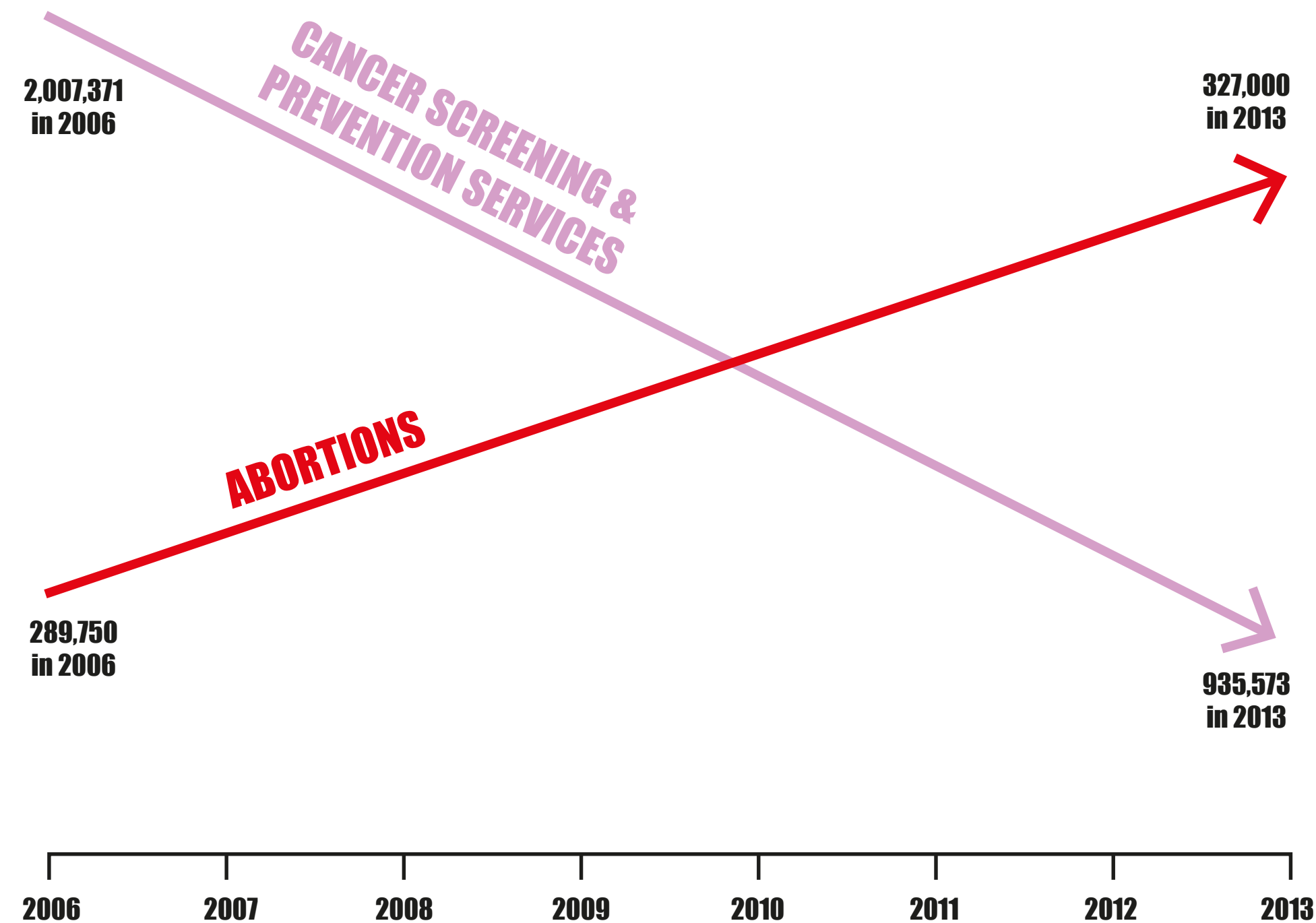


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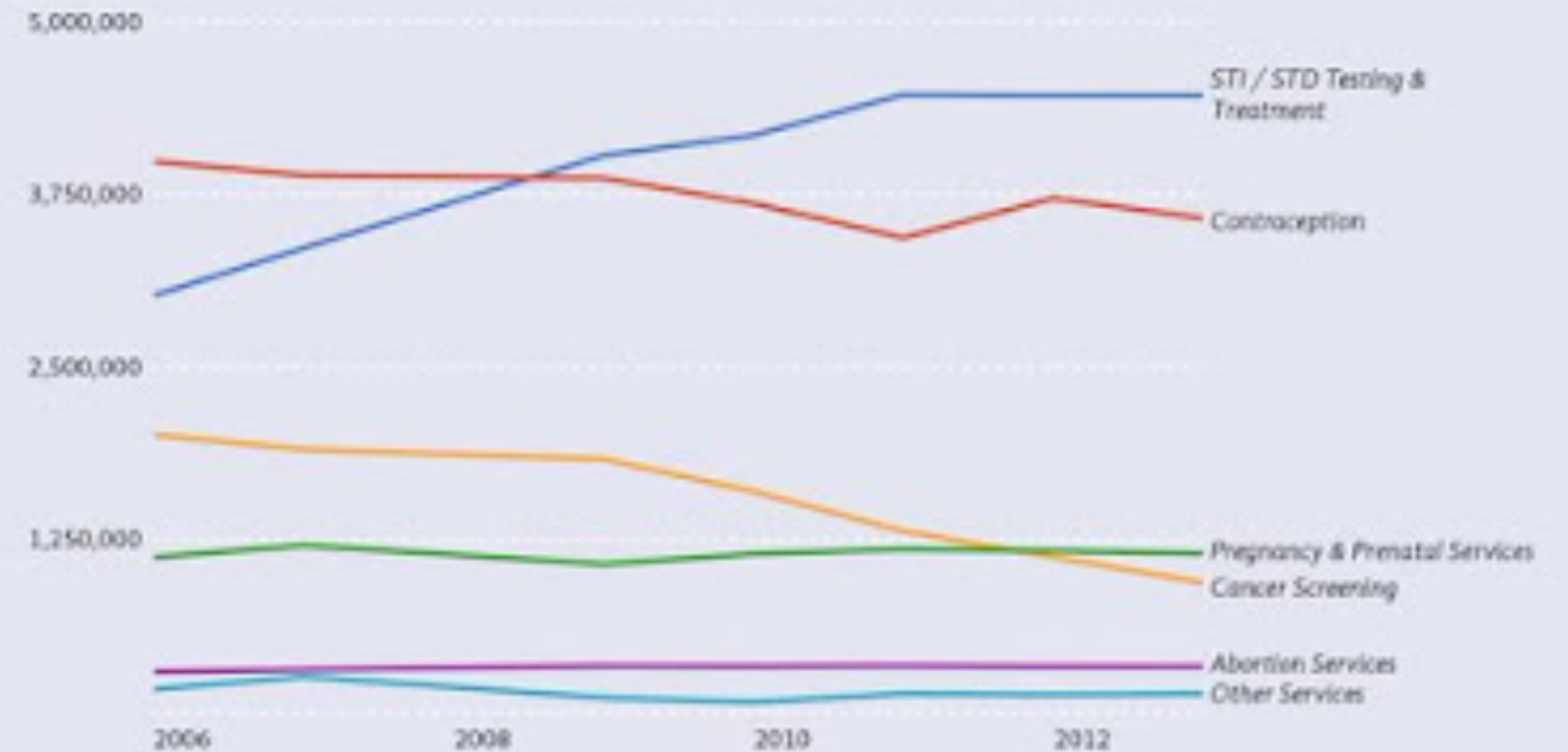
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Speaker Paul Ryan

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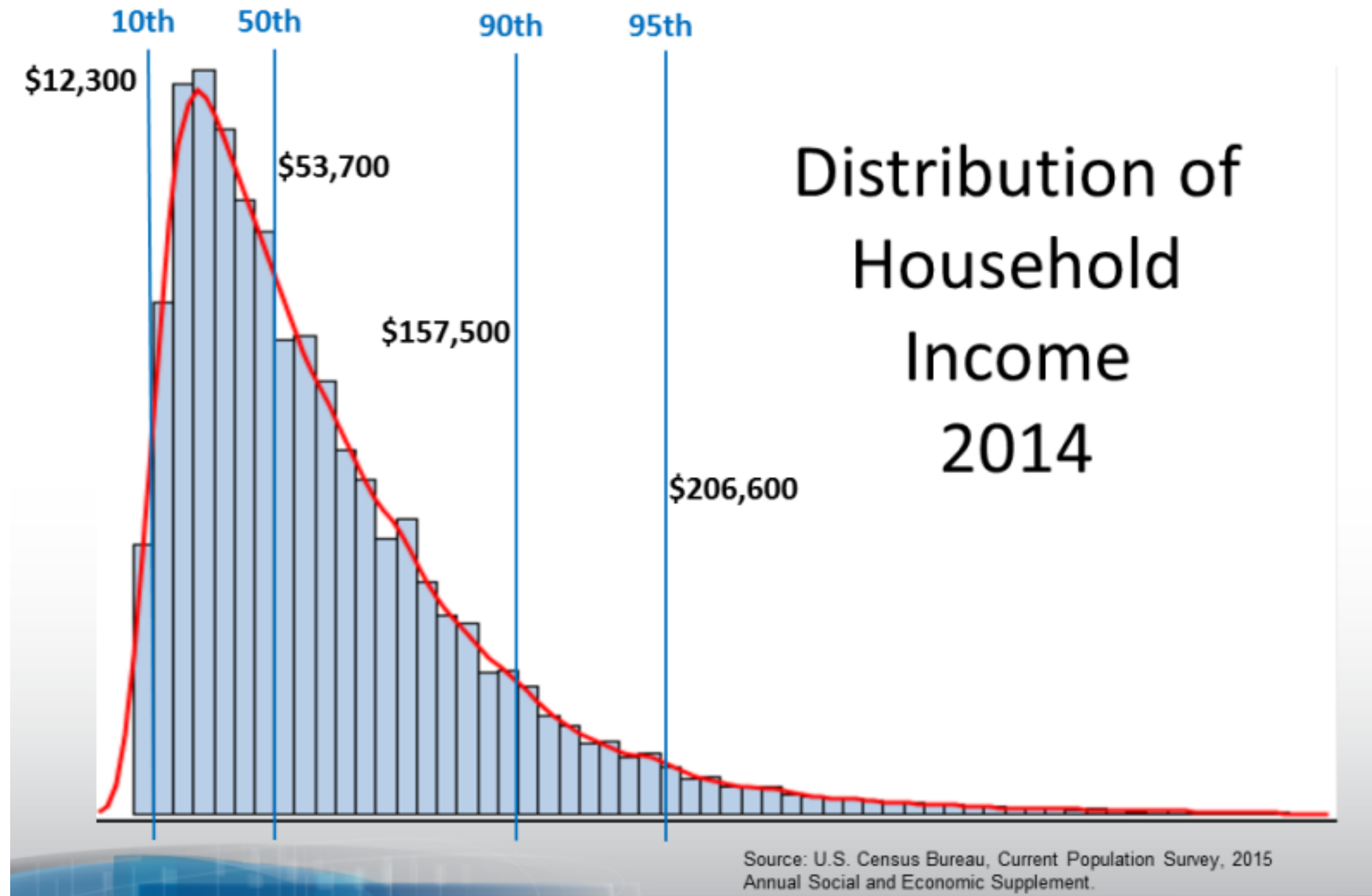
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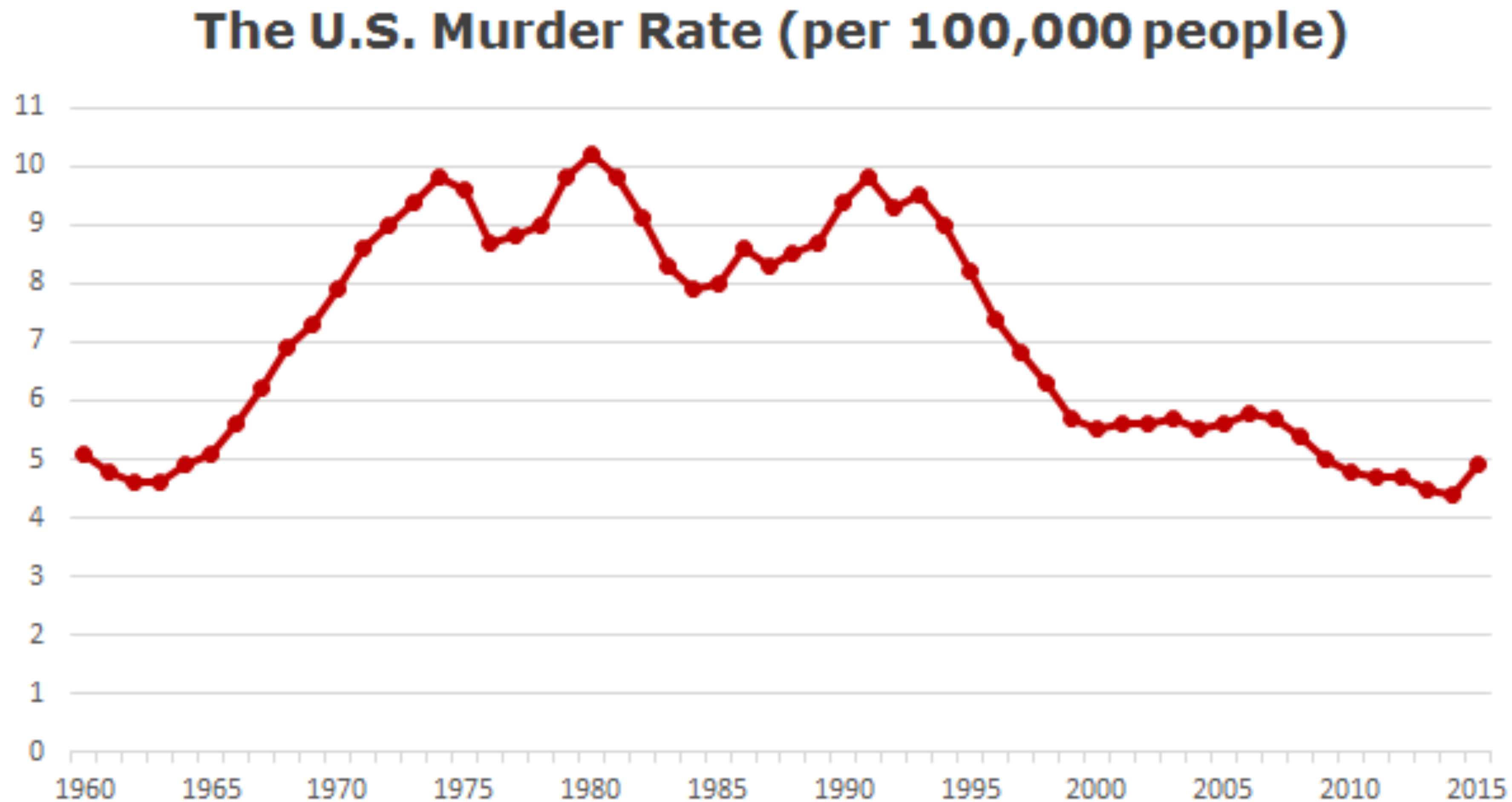
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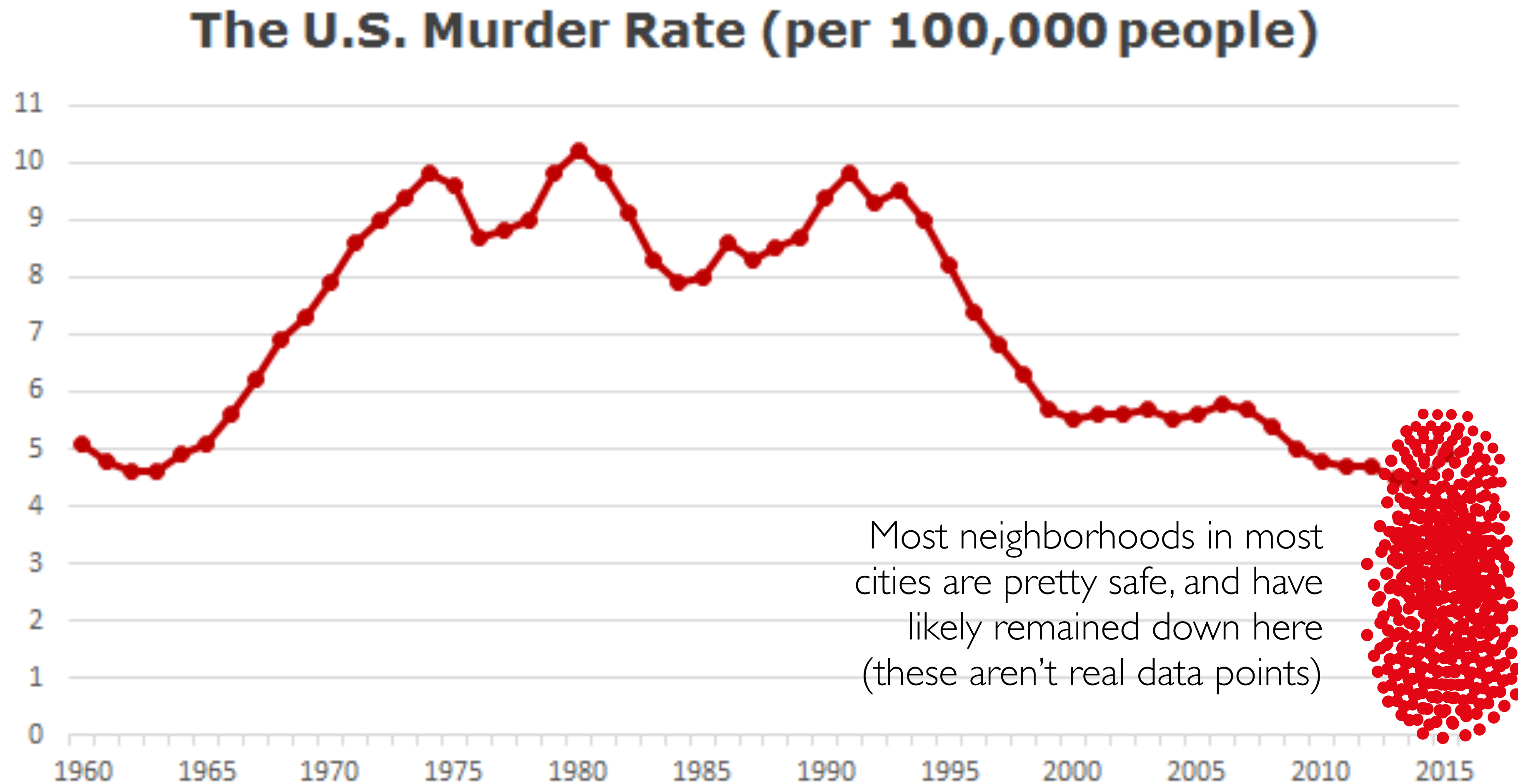
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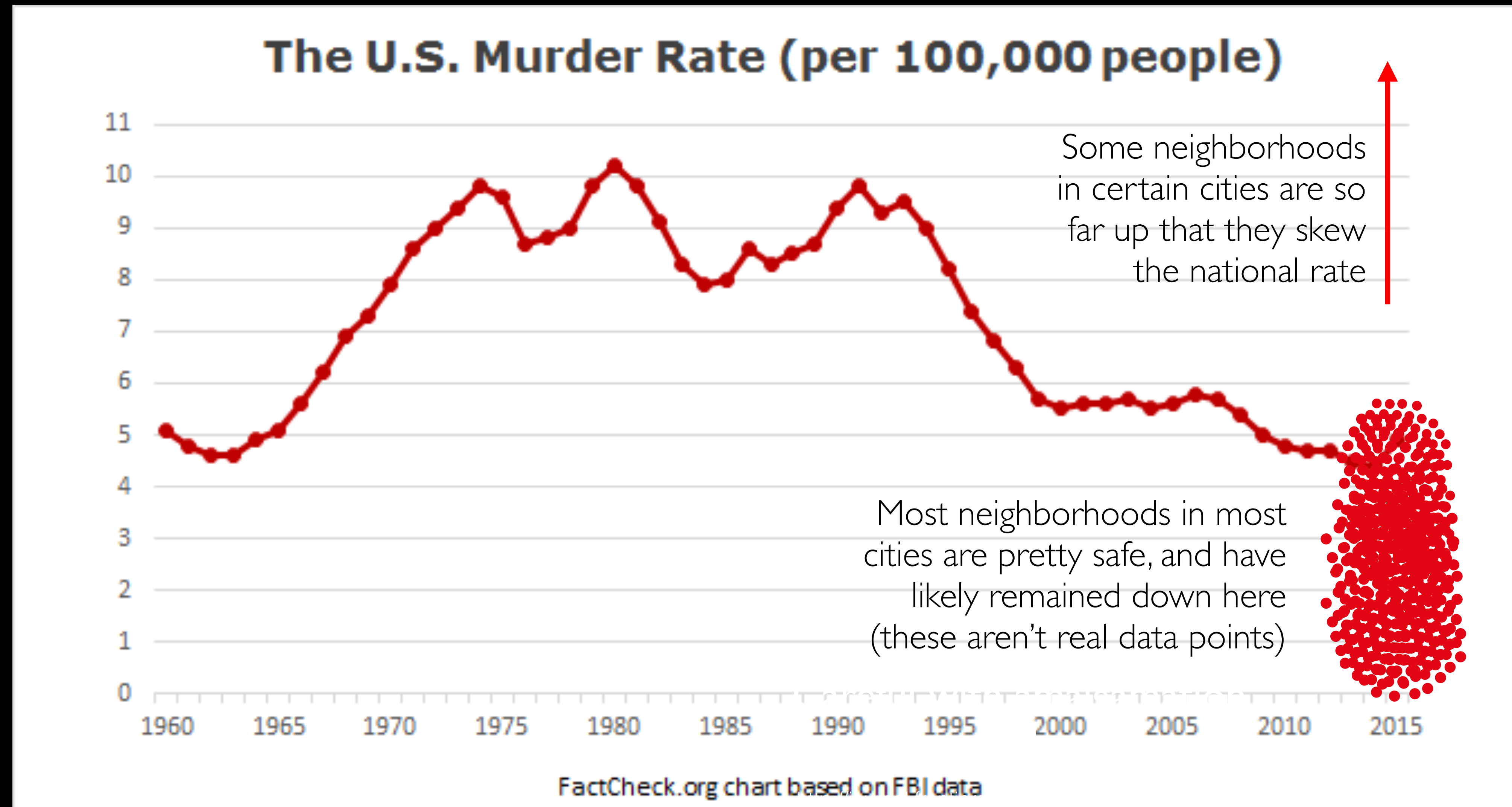
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REGIONAL POLITICS

Catalan public opinion swings toward “no” for independence, says survey

Growing numbers of citizens support federal model that falls short of secession from Spain



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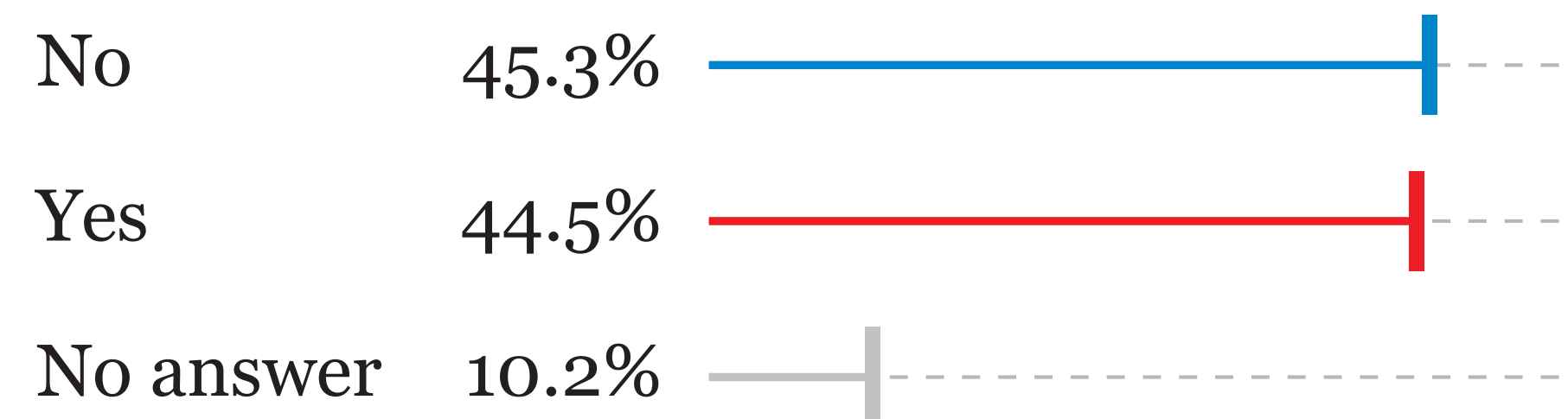
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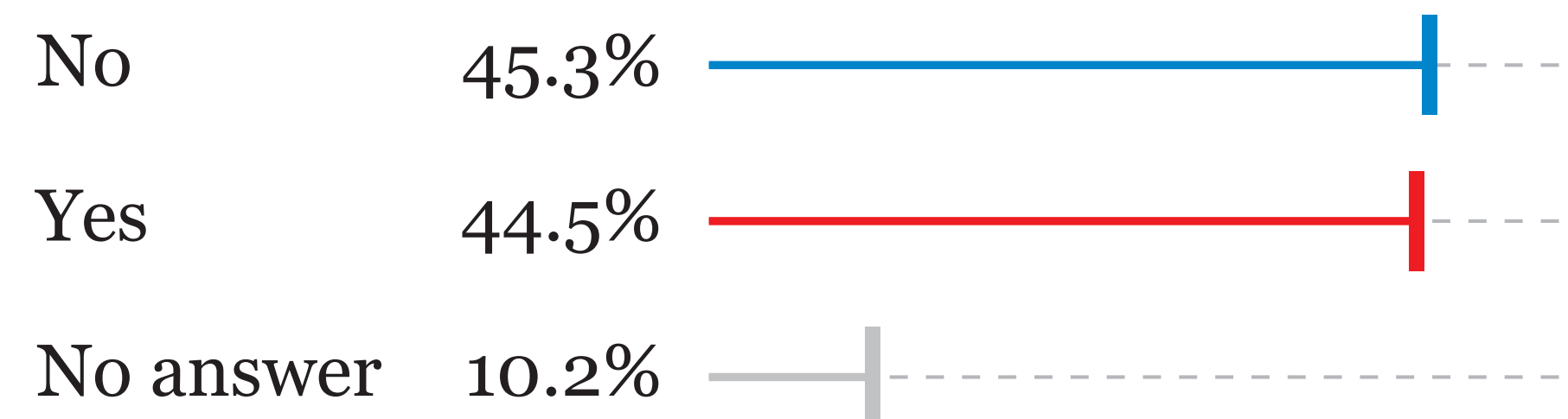


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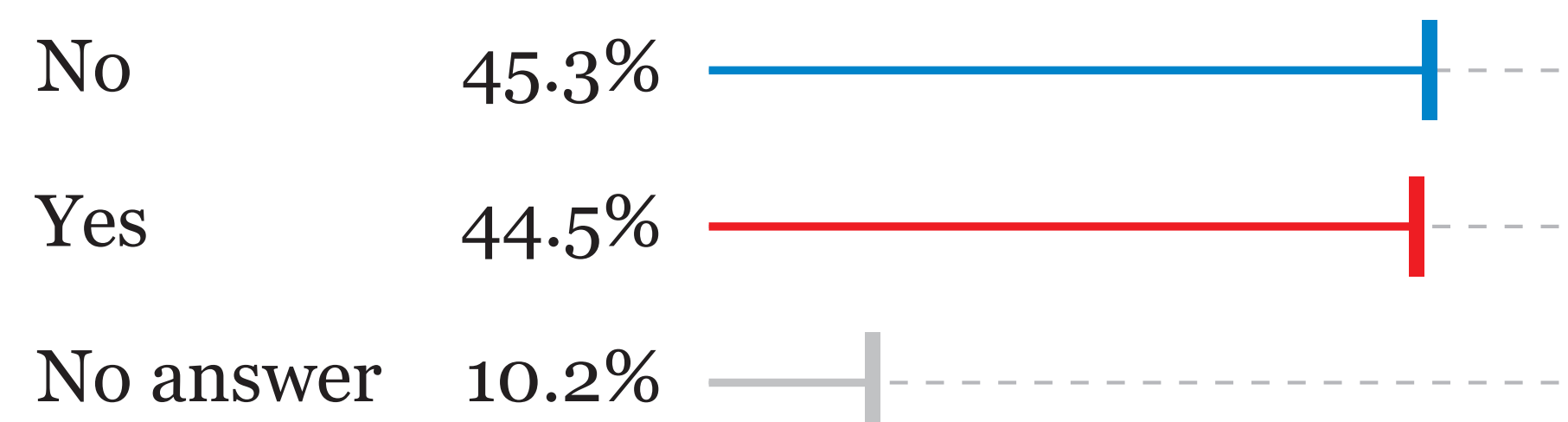
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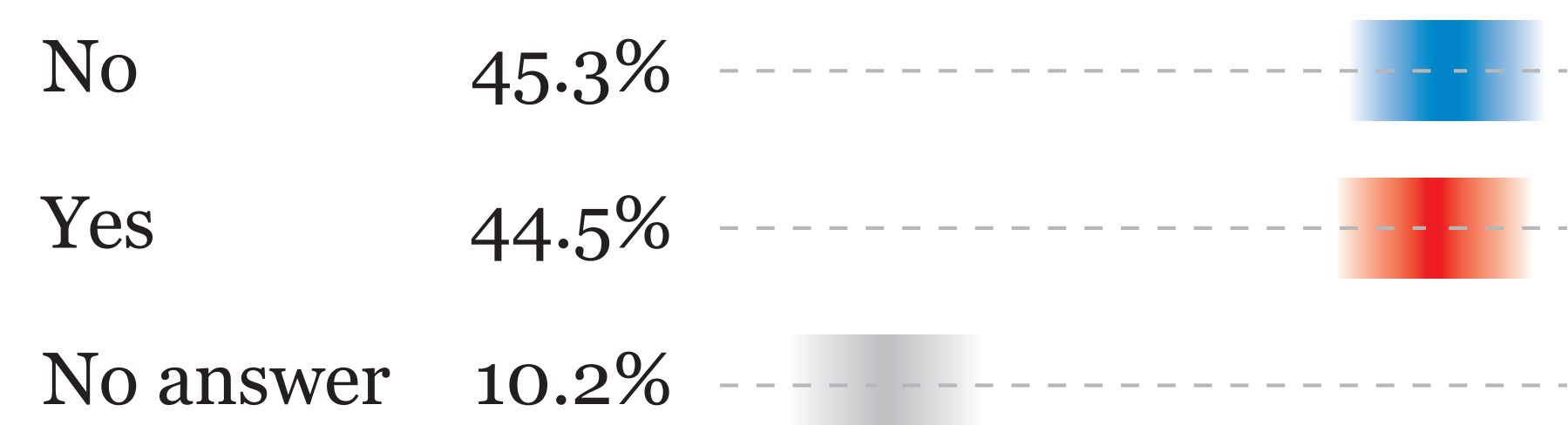
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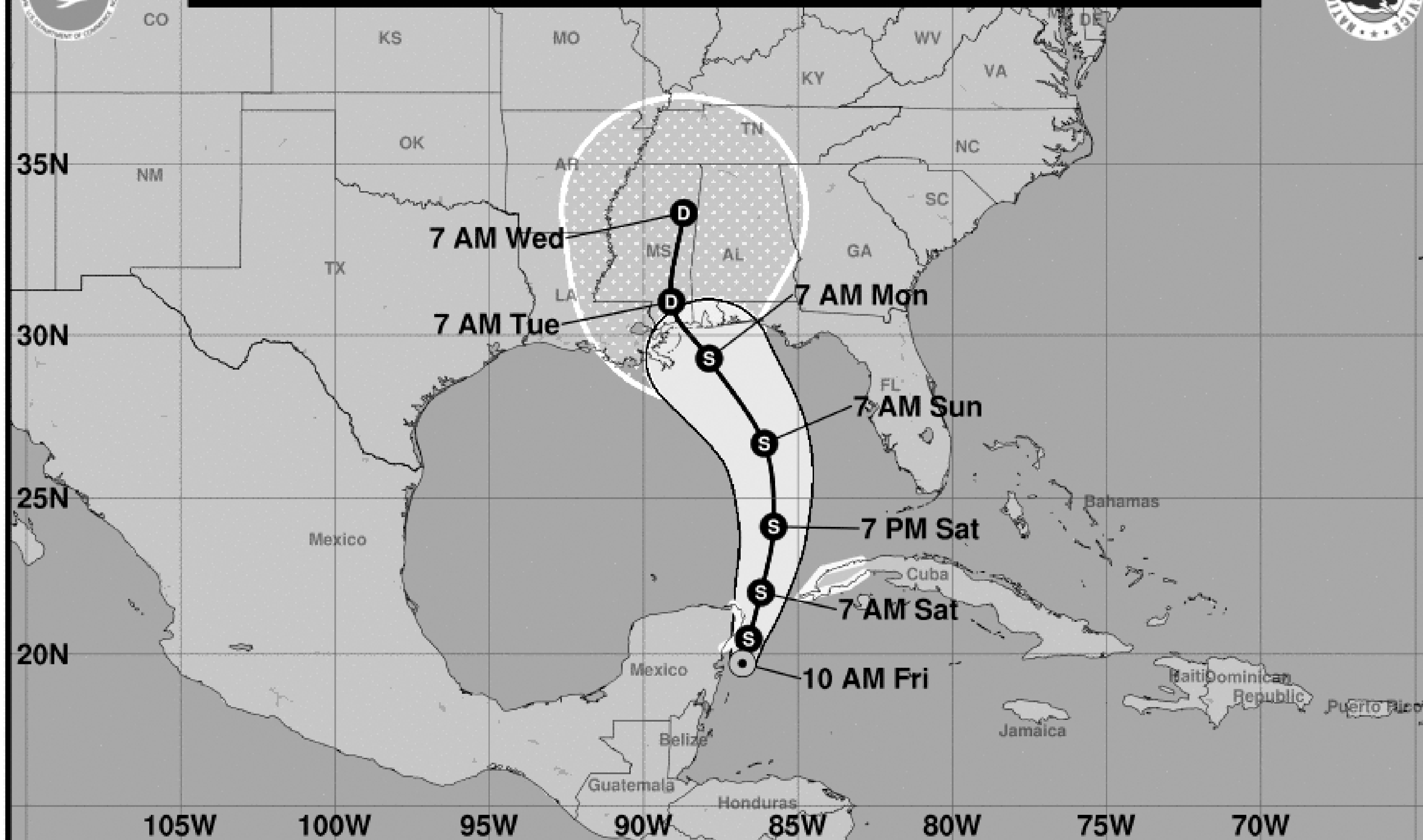


The probability of the tiny difference between the "No" and the "Yes" being just due to random chance is very high

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Friday May 25, 2018
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NWS National Hurricane Center

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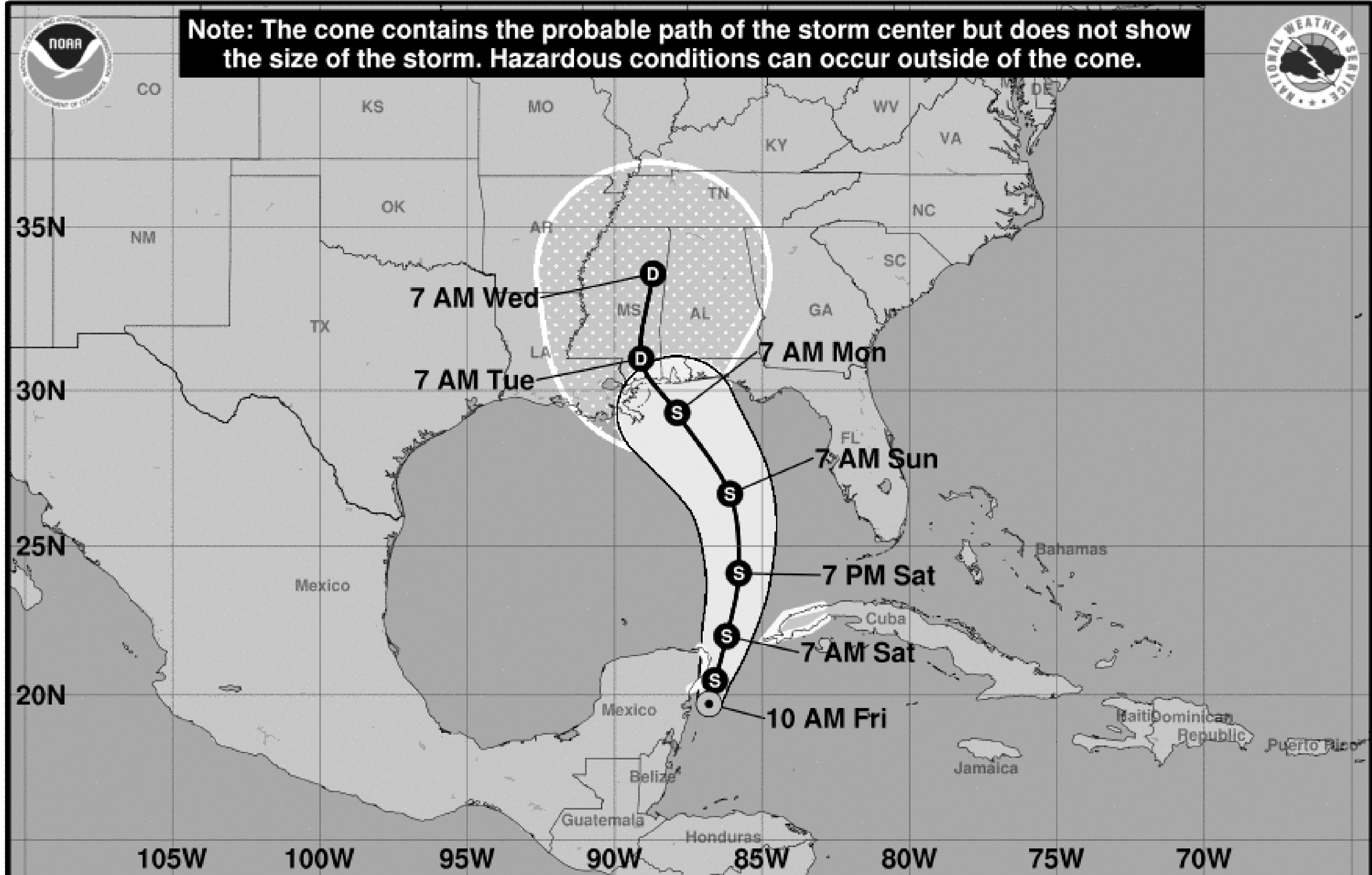
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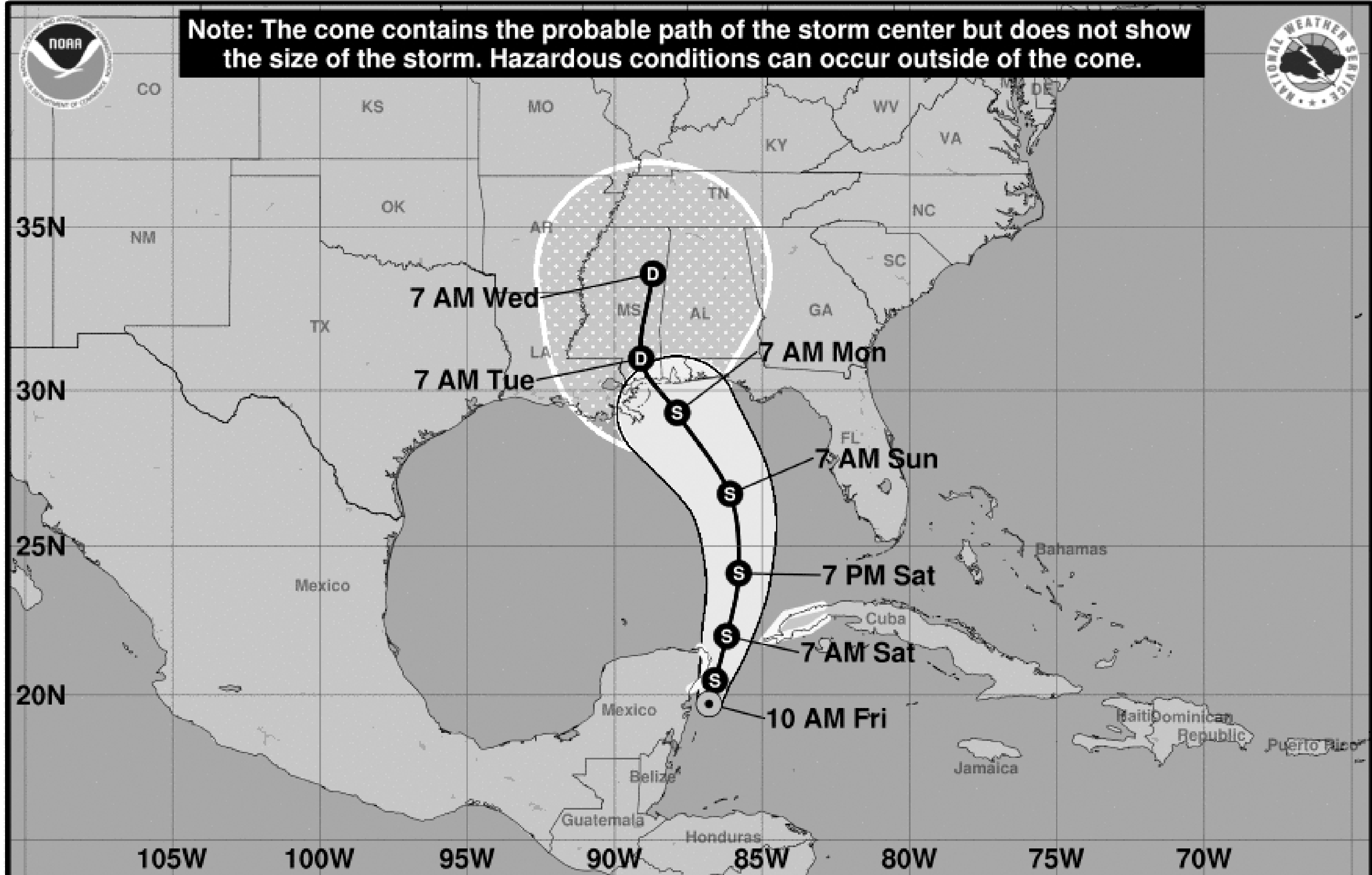
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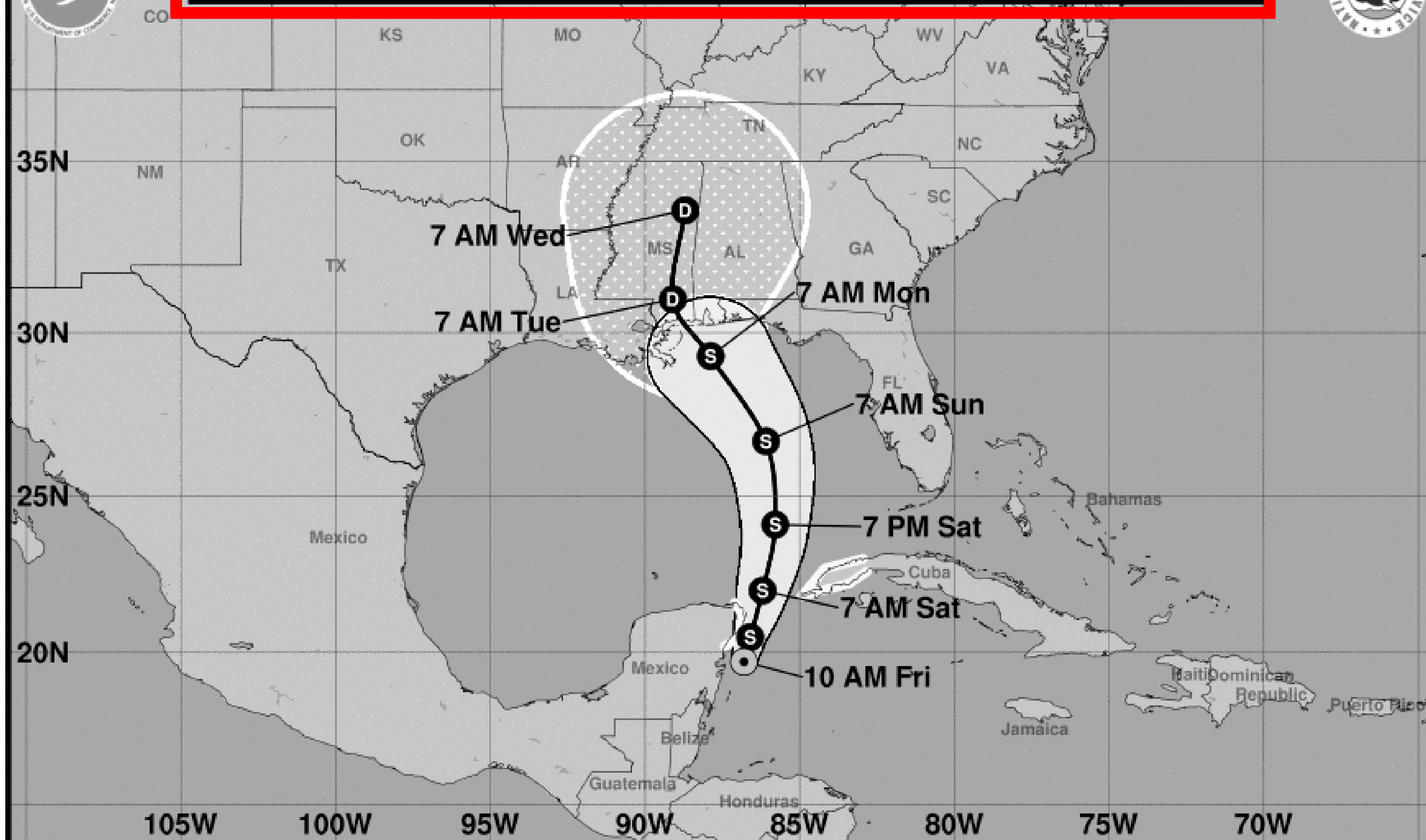
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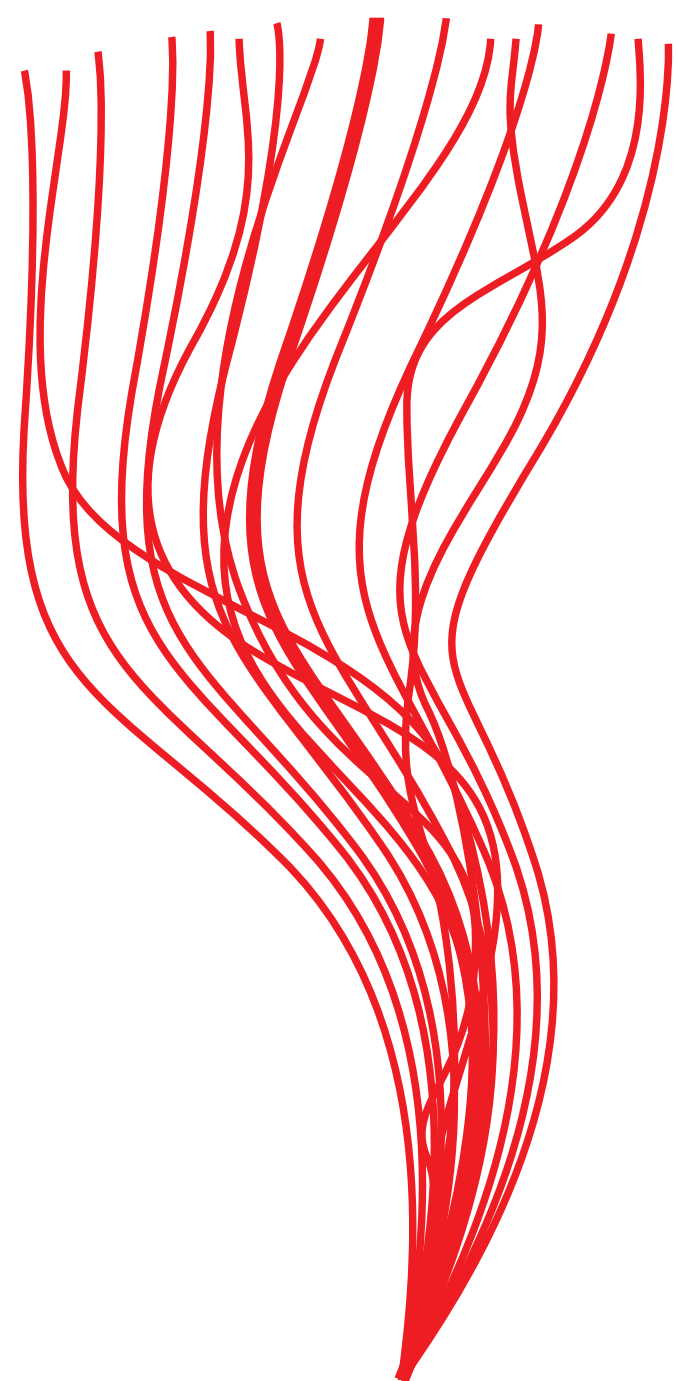
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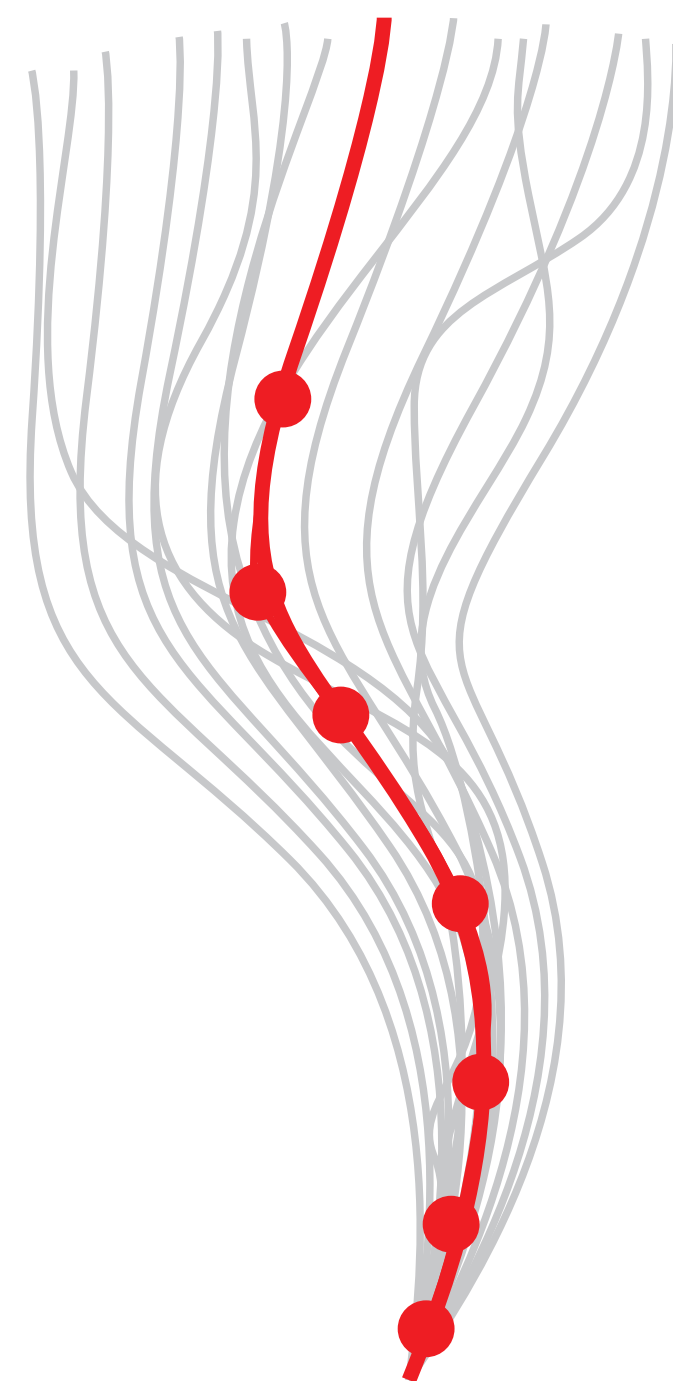
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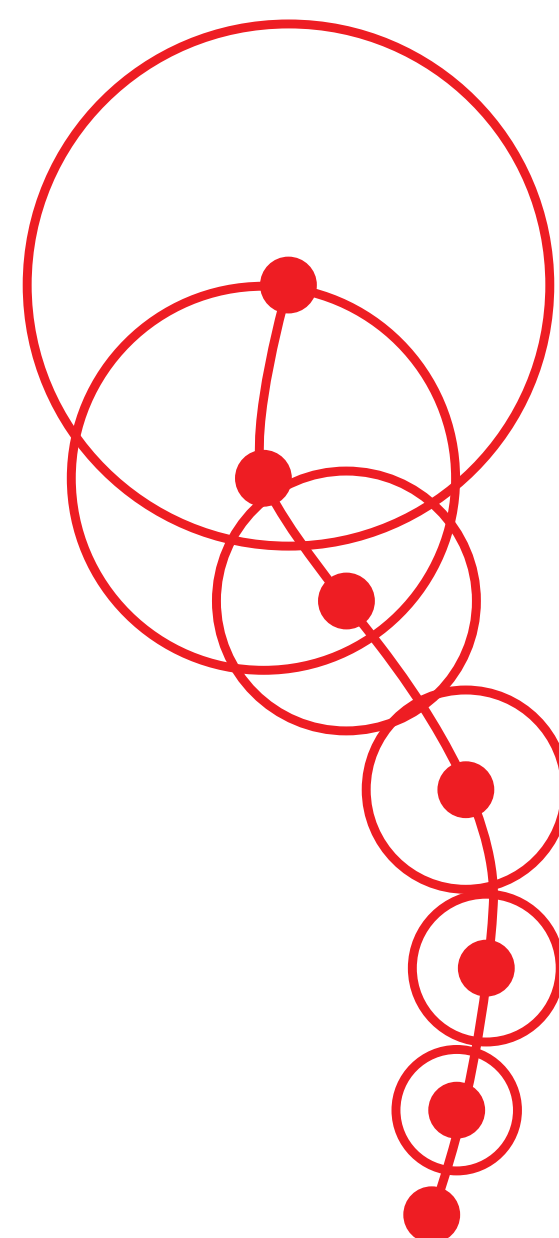
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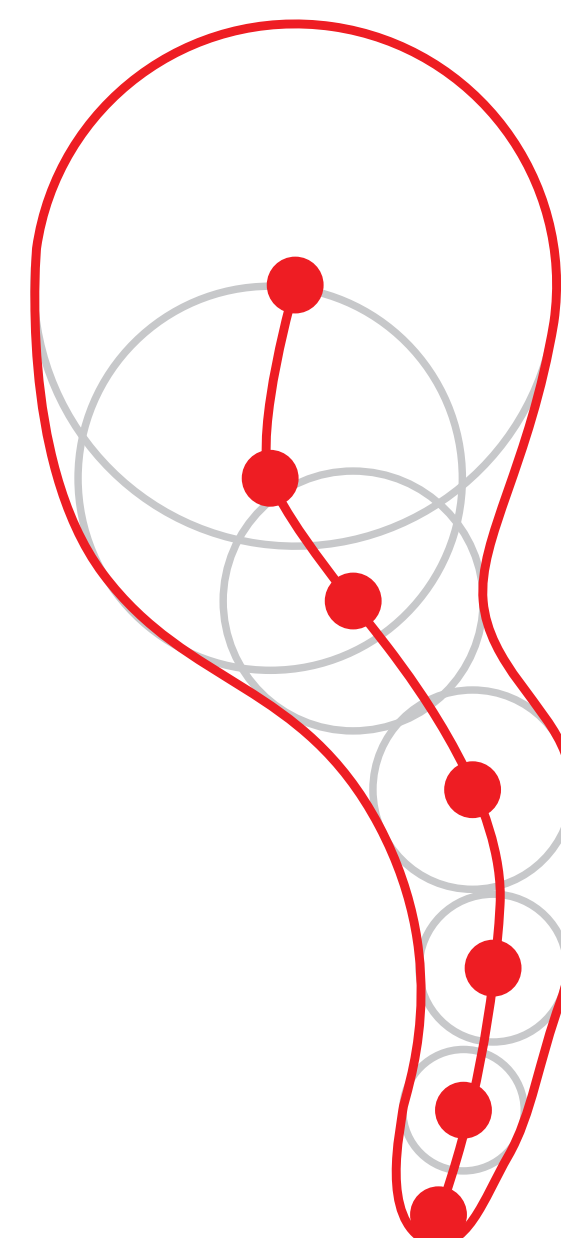
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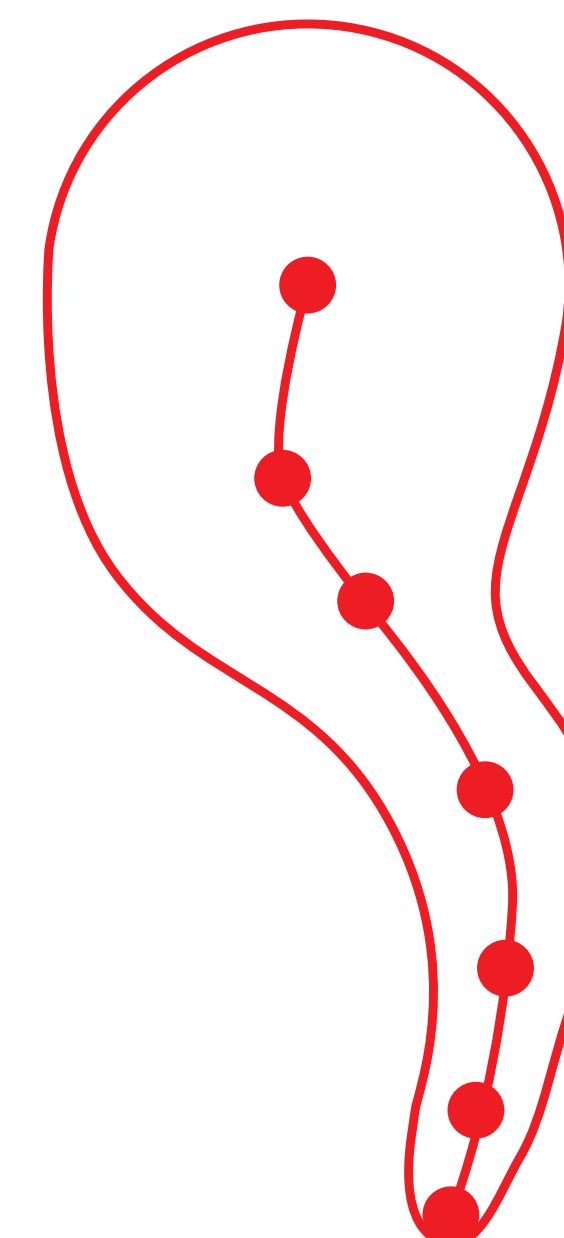
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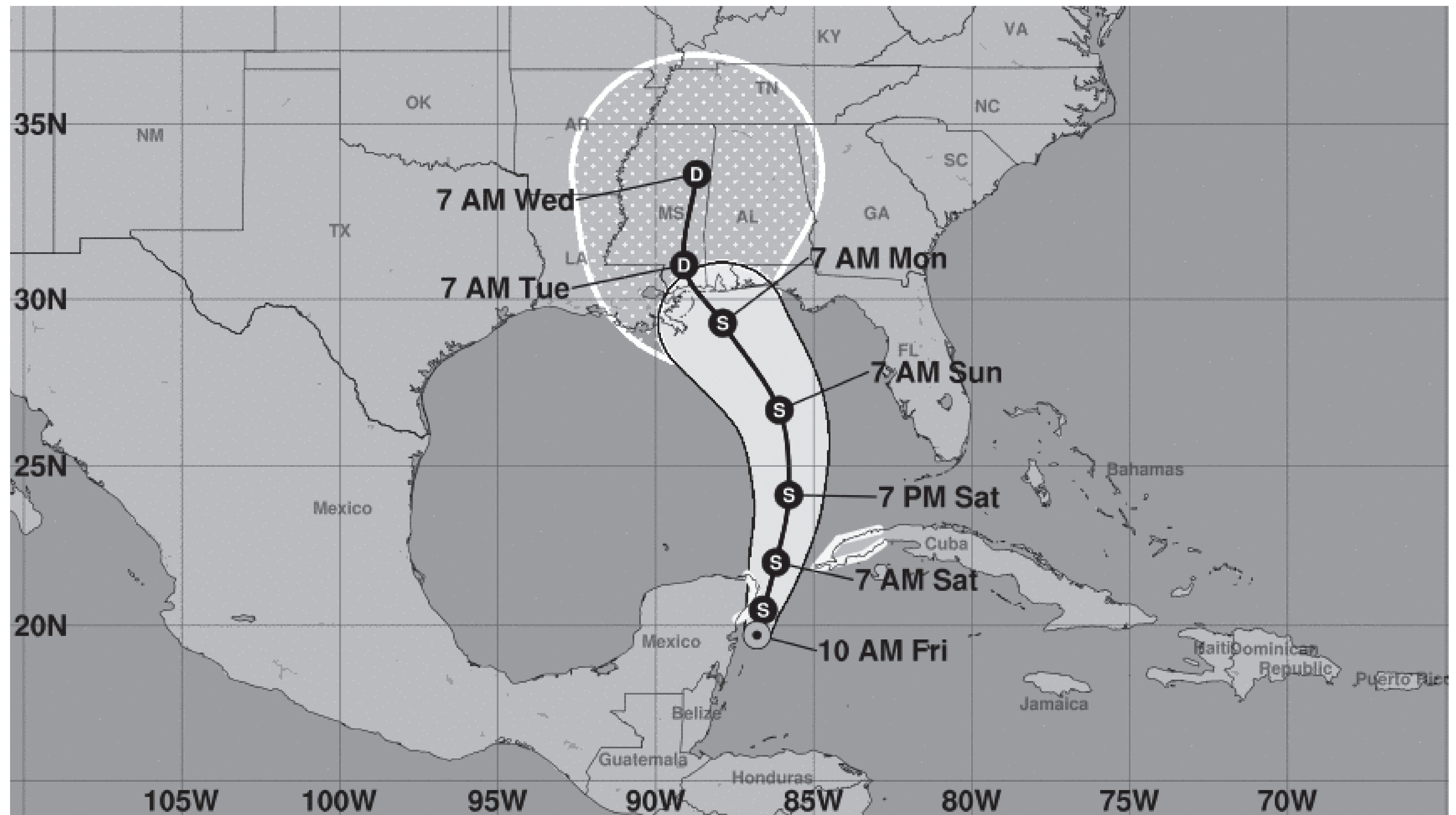
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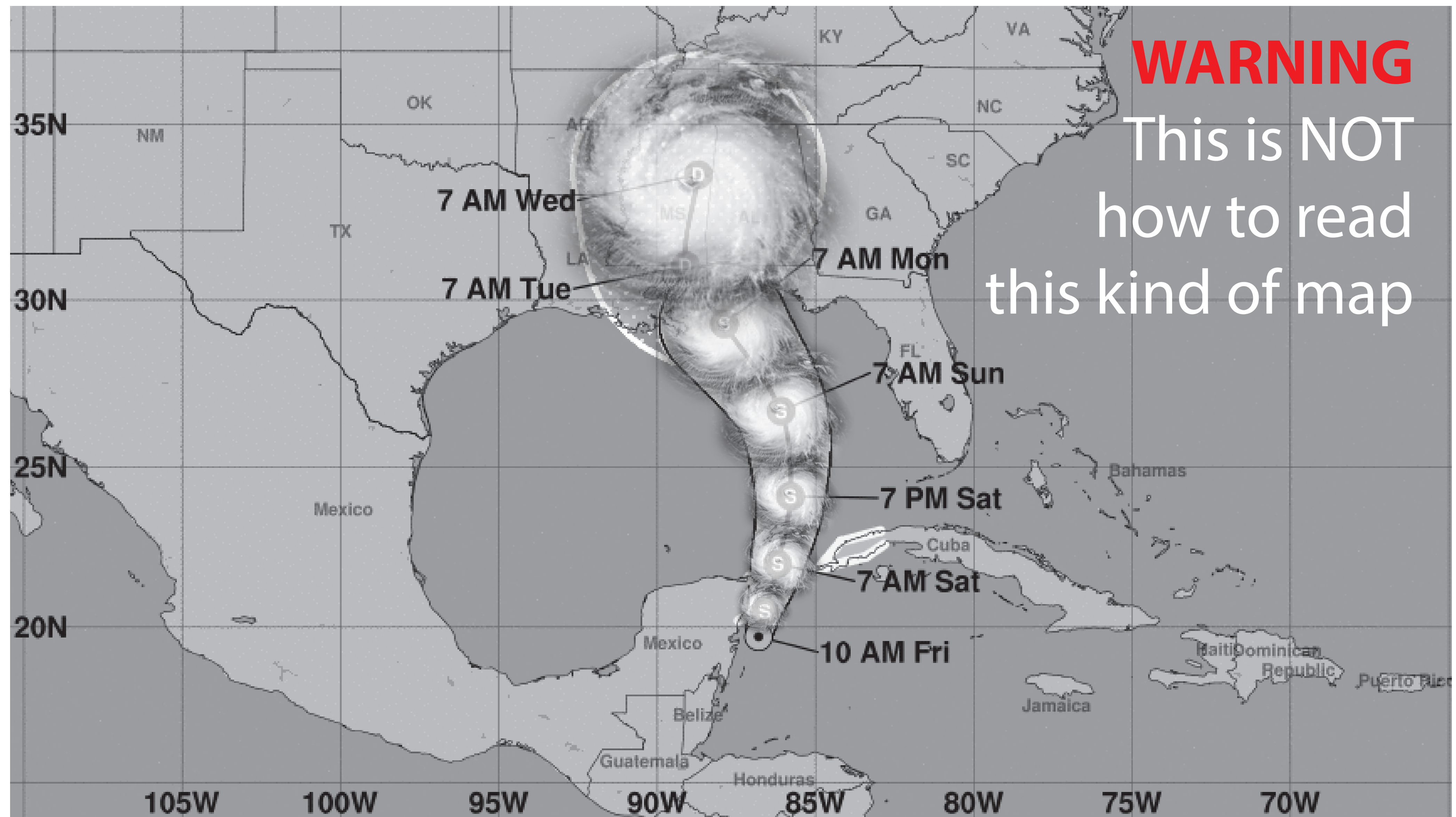
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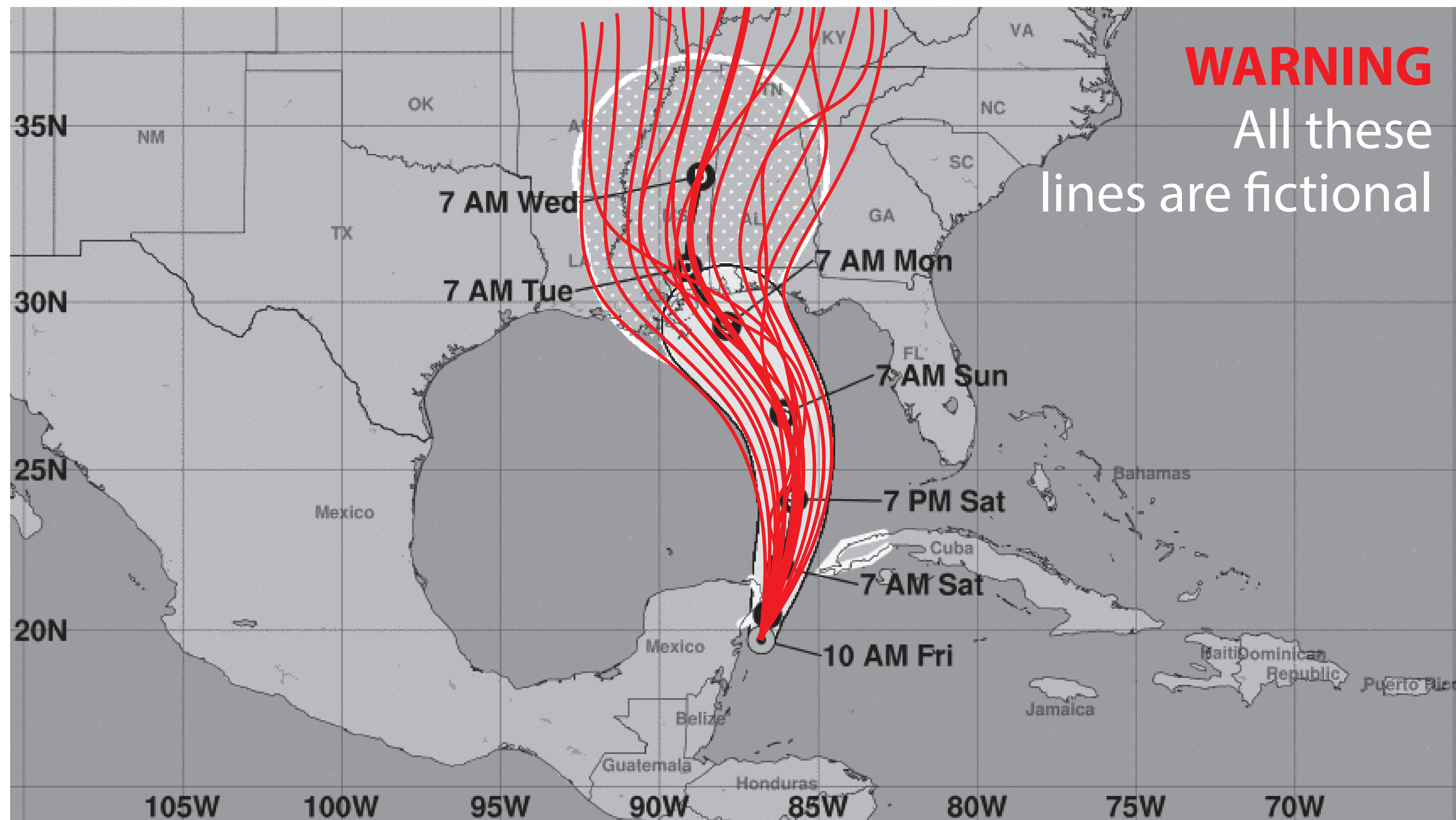


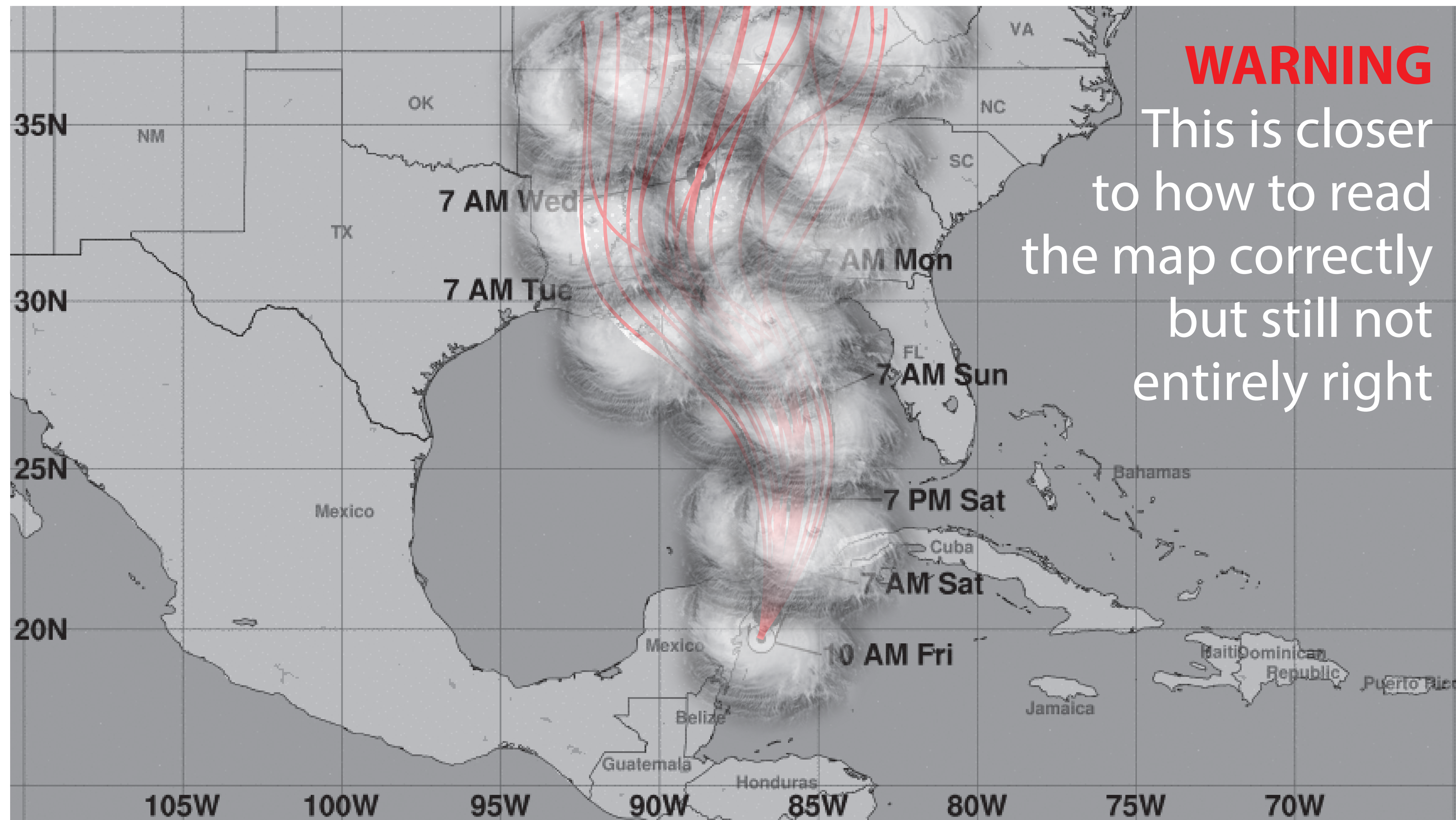
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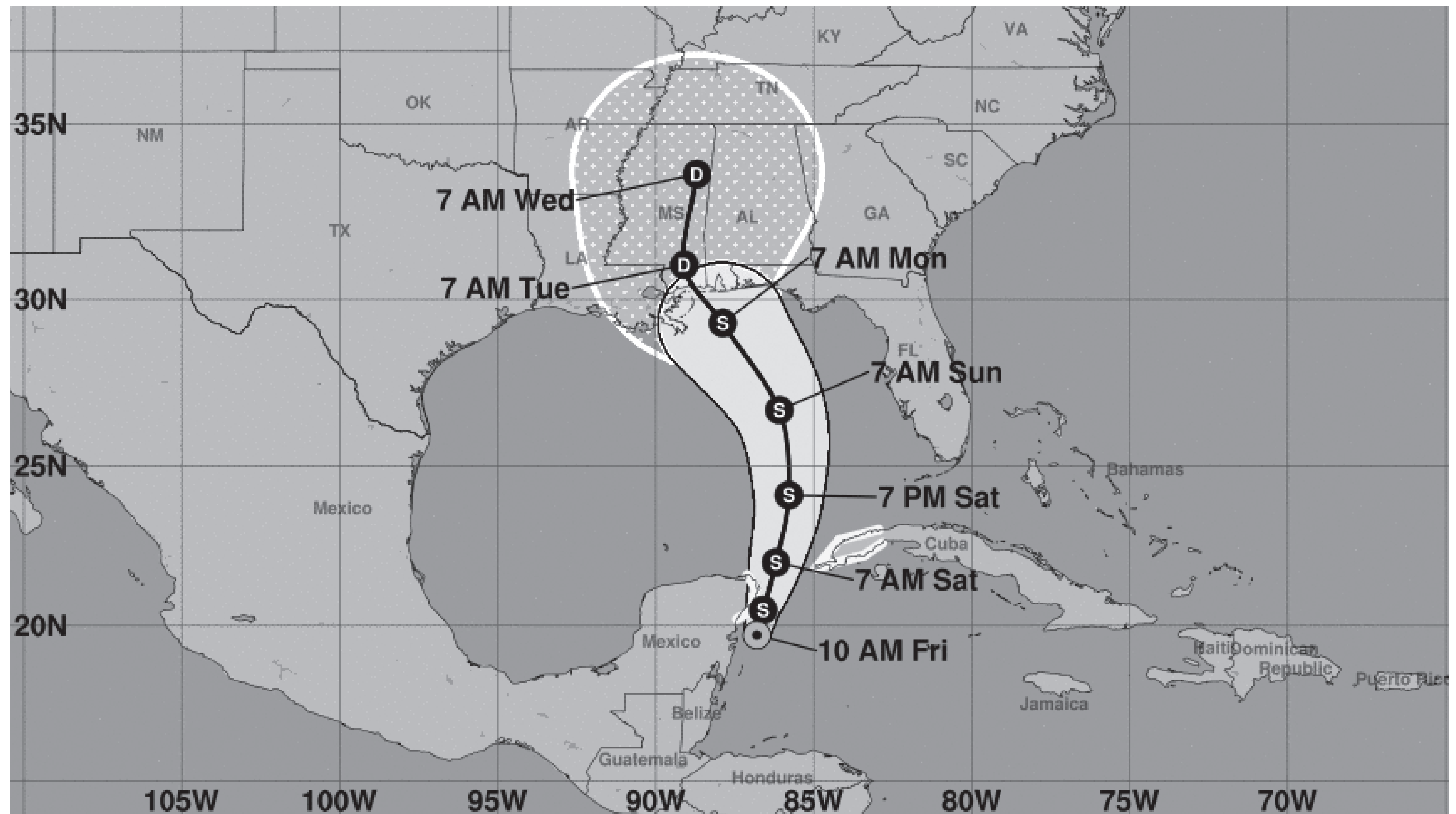
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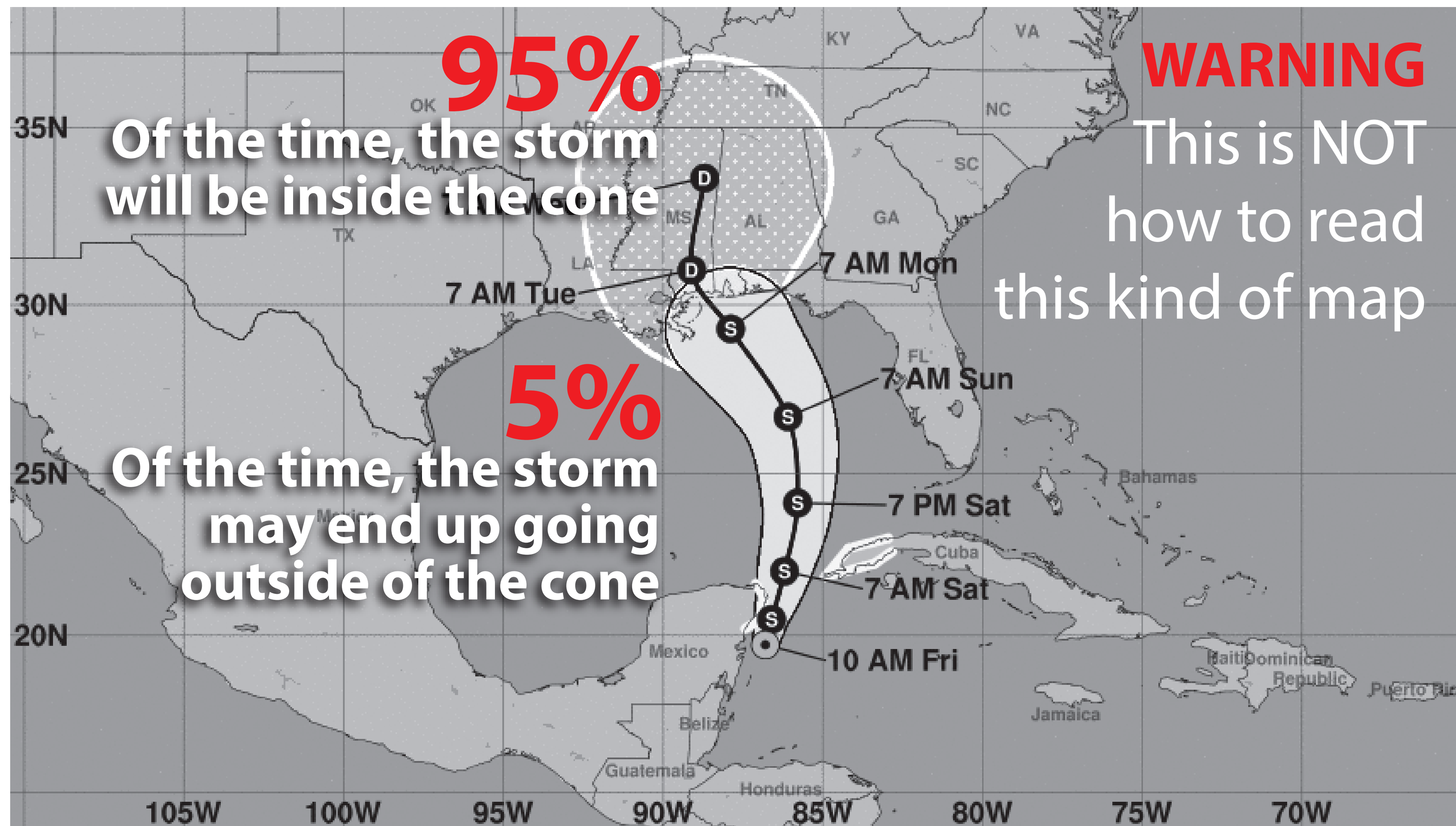


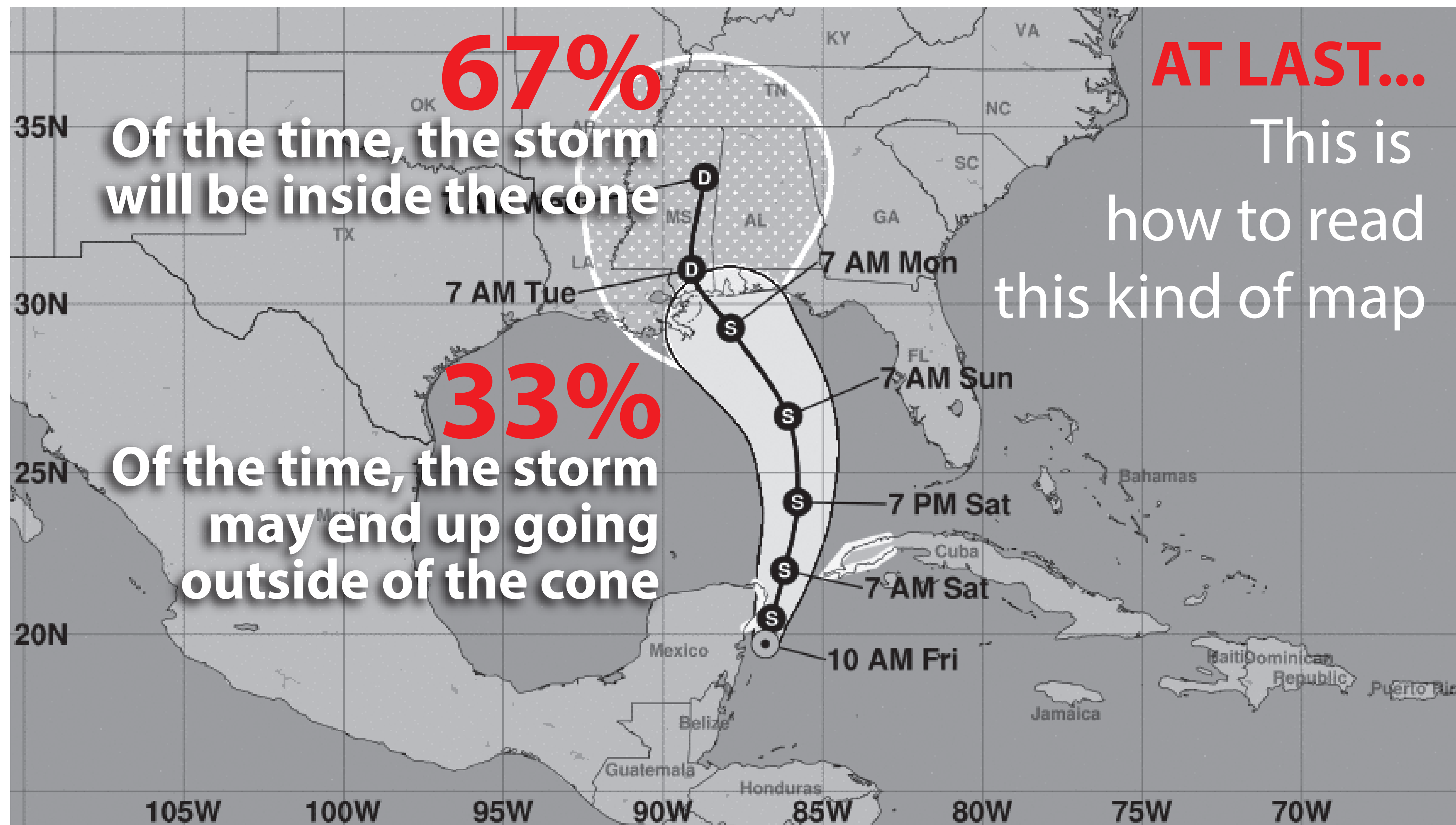


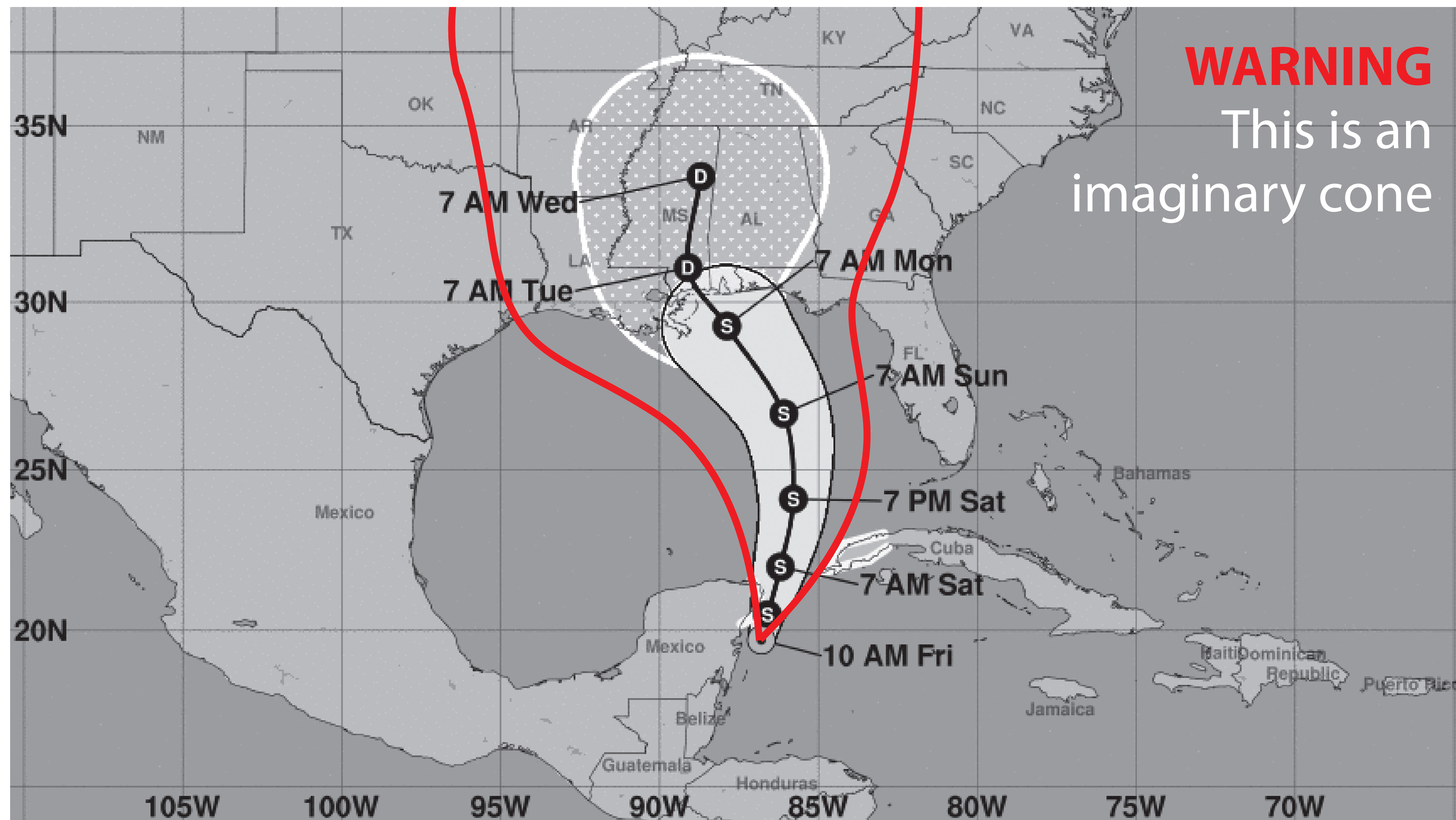


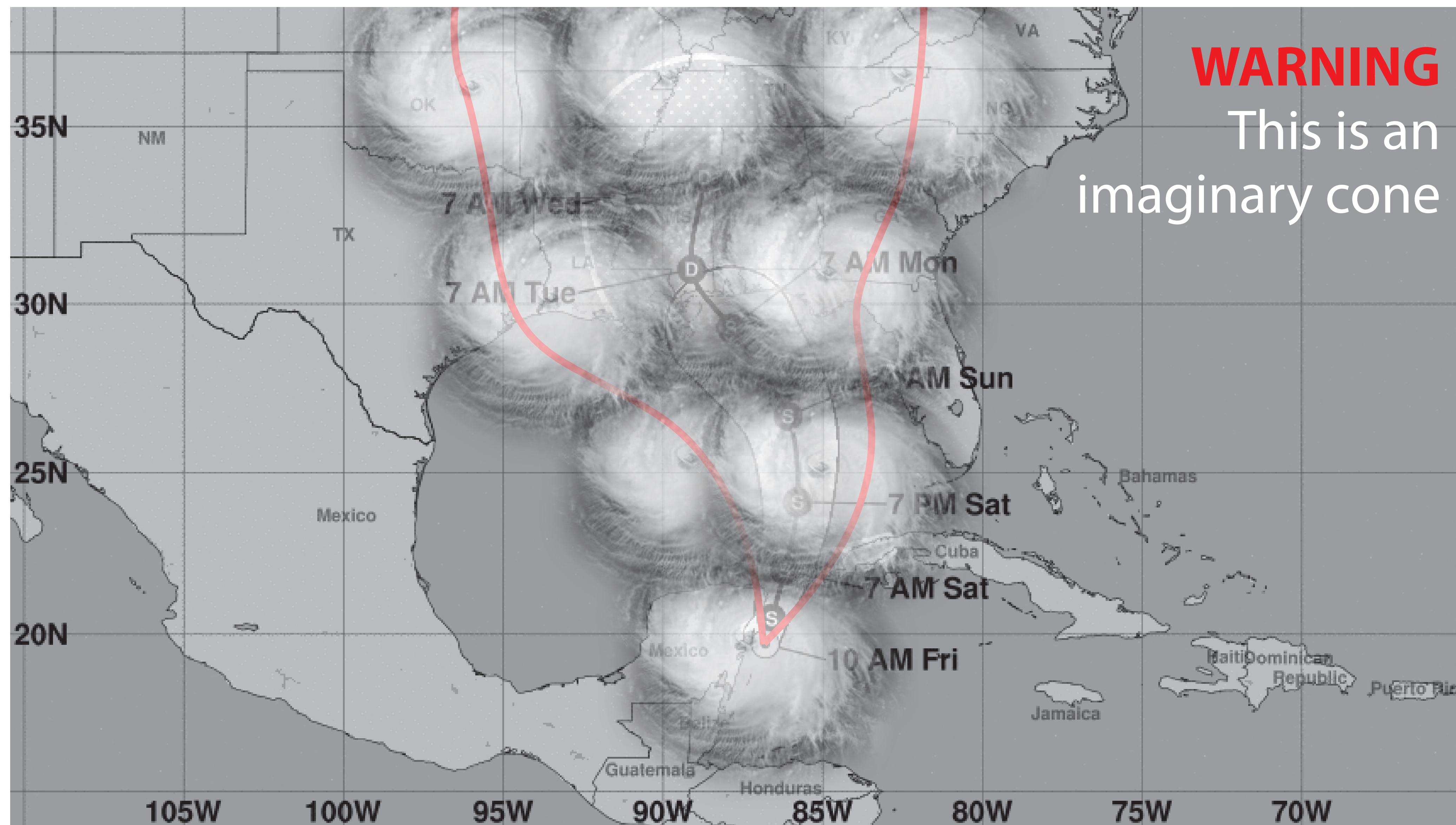












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Key Messages for Subtropical Storm Alberto

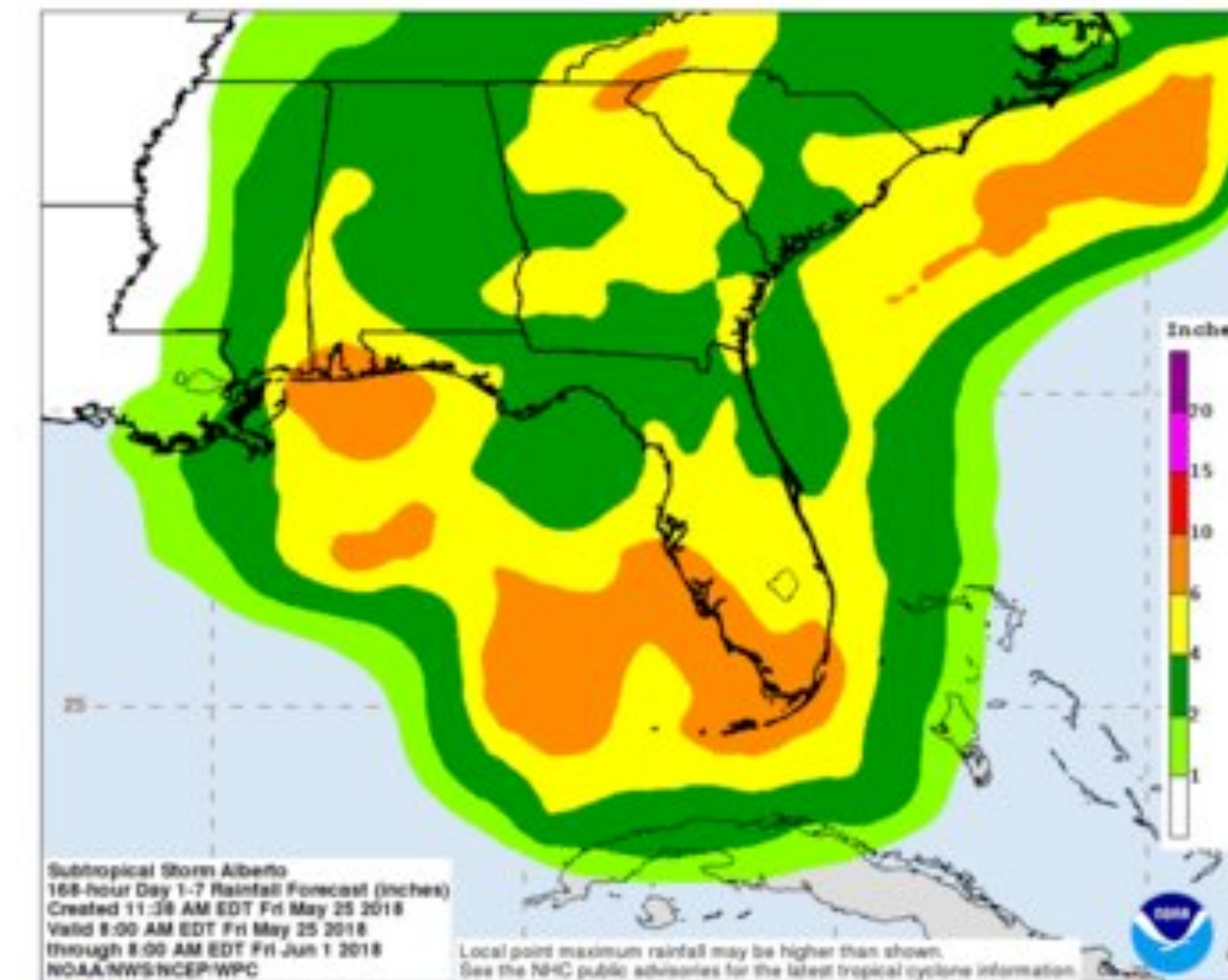


Advisory 1: 10:00 AM CDT Fri May 25, 2018

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2. Alberto could bring tropical storm conditions and storm surge to portions of the central and eastern Gulf Coast later this weekend and early next week, although it is too soon to specify the exact location and magnitude of these impacts. Residents in these areas should monitor the progress of Alberto, as tropical storm and storm surge watches may be required later today or tonight.

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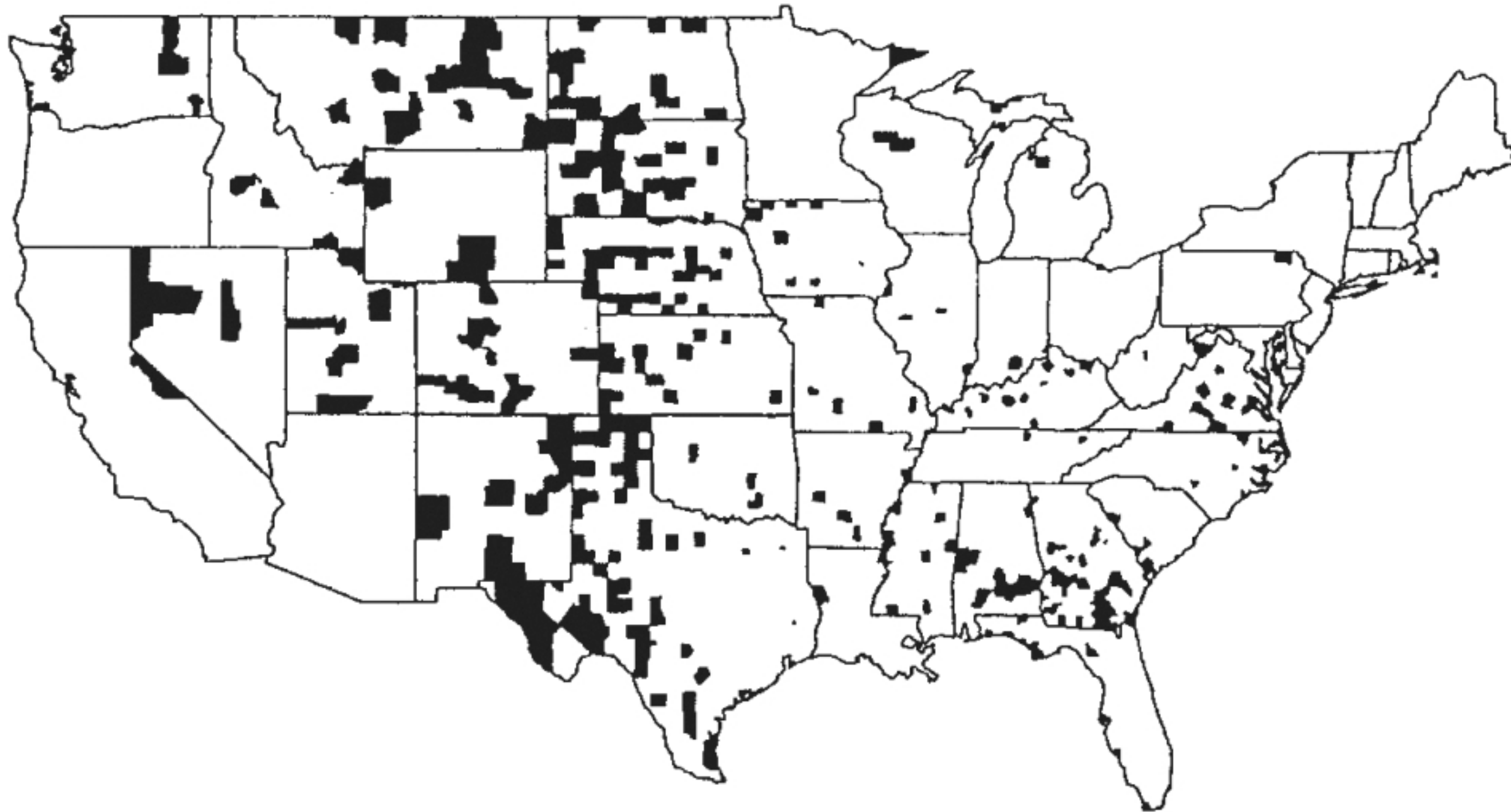


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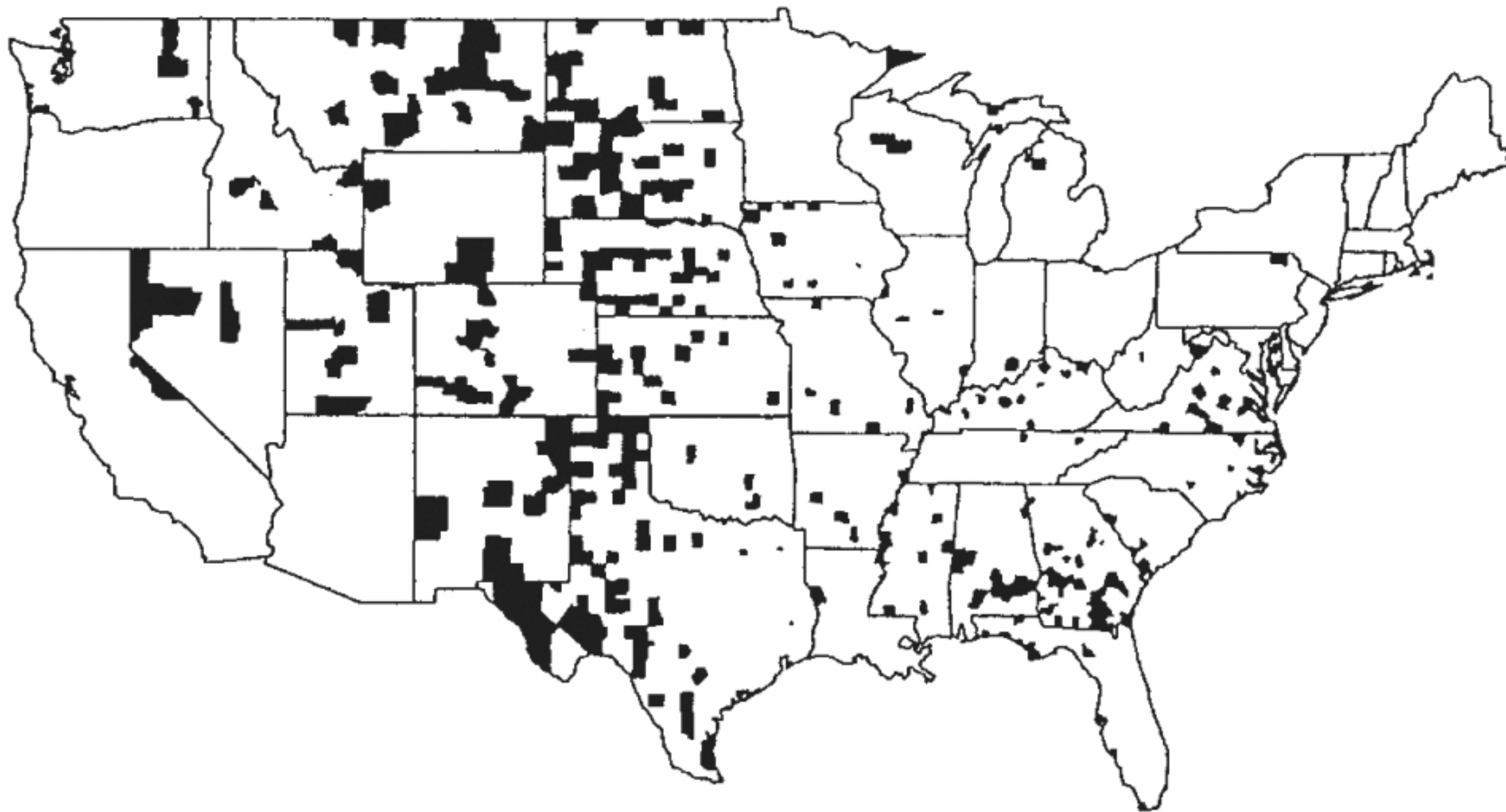
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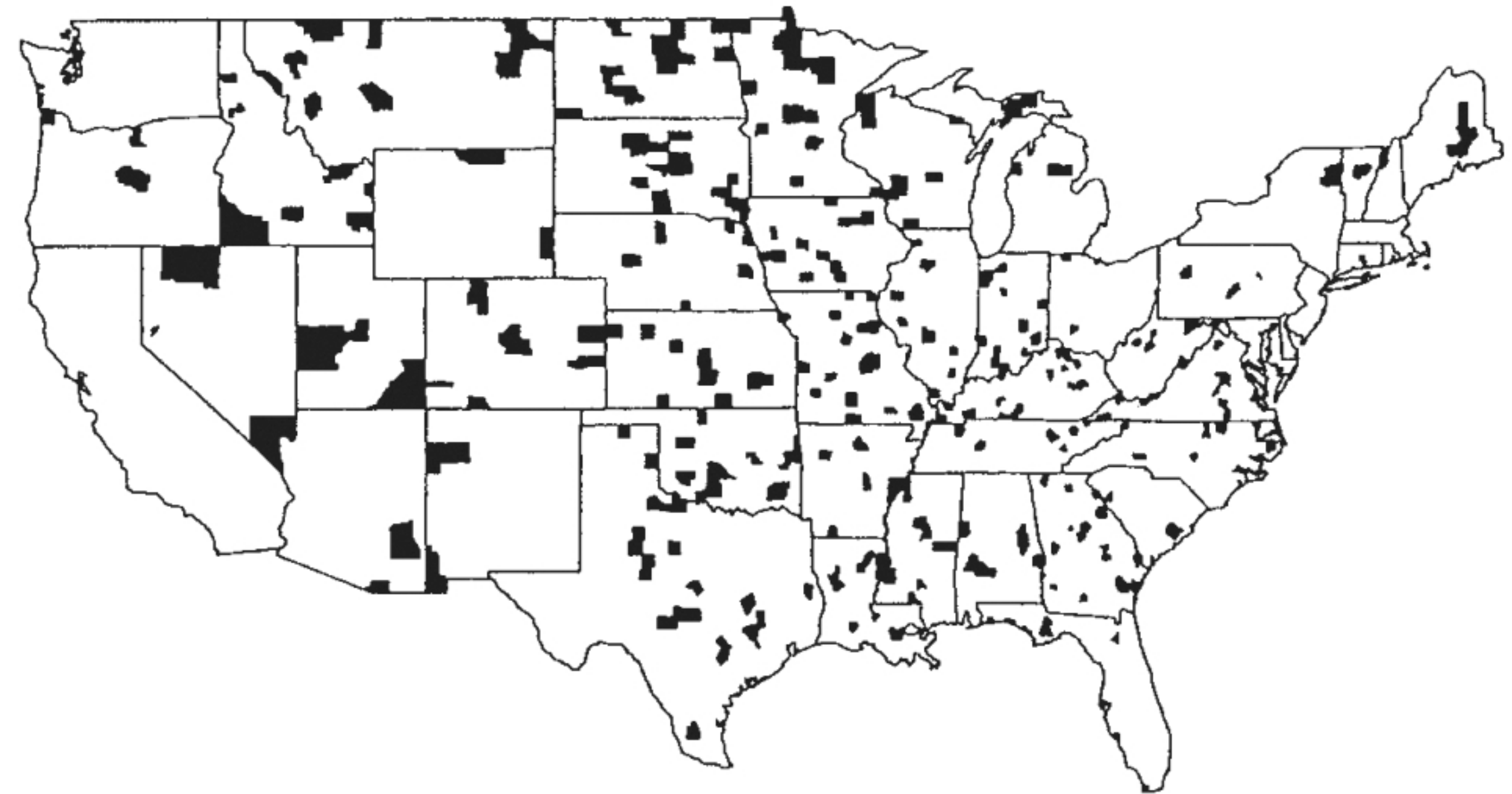


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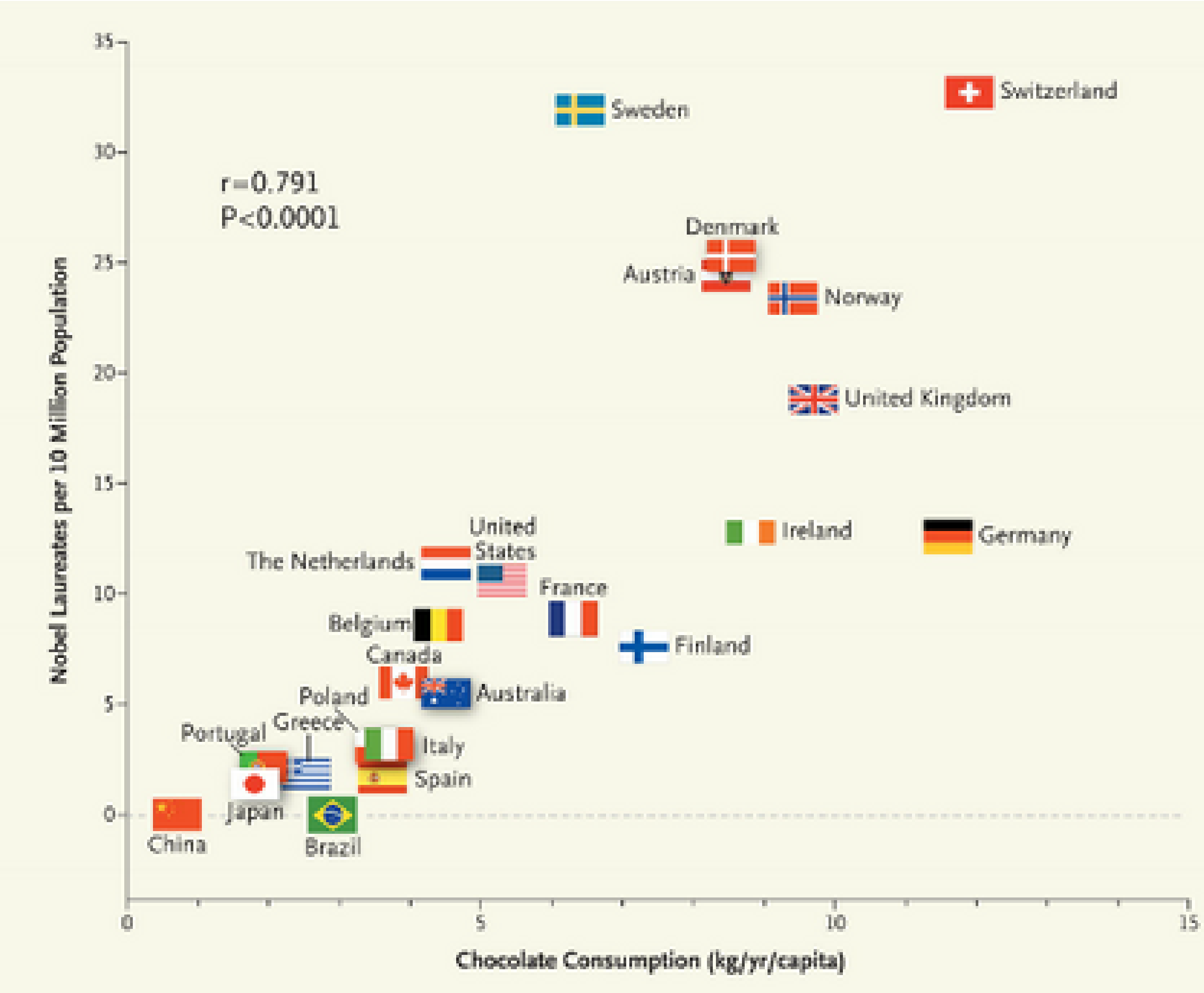
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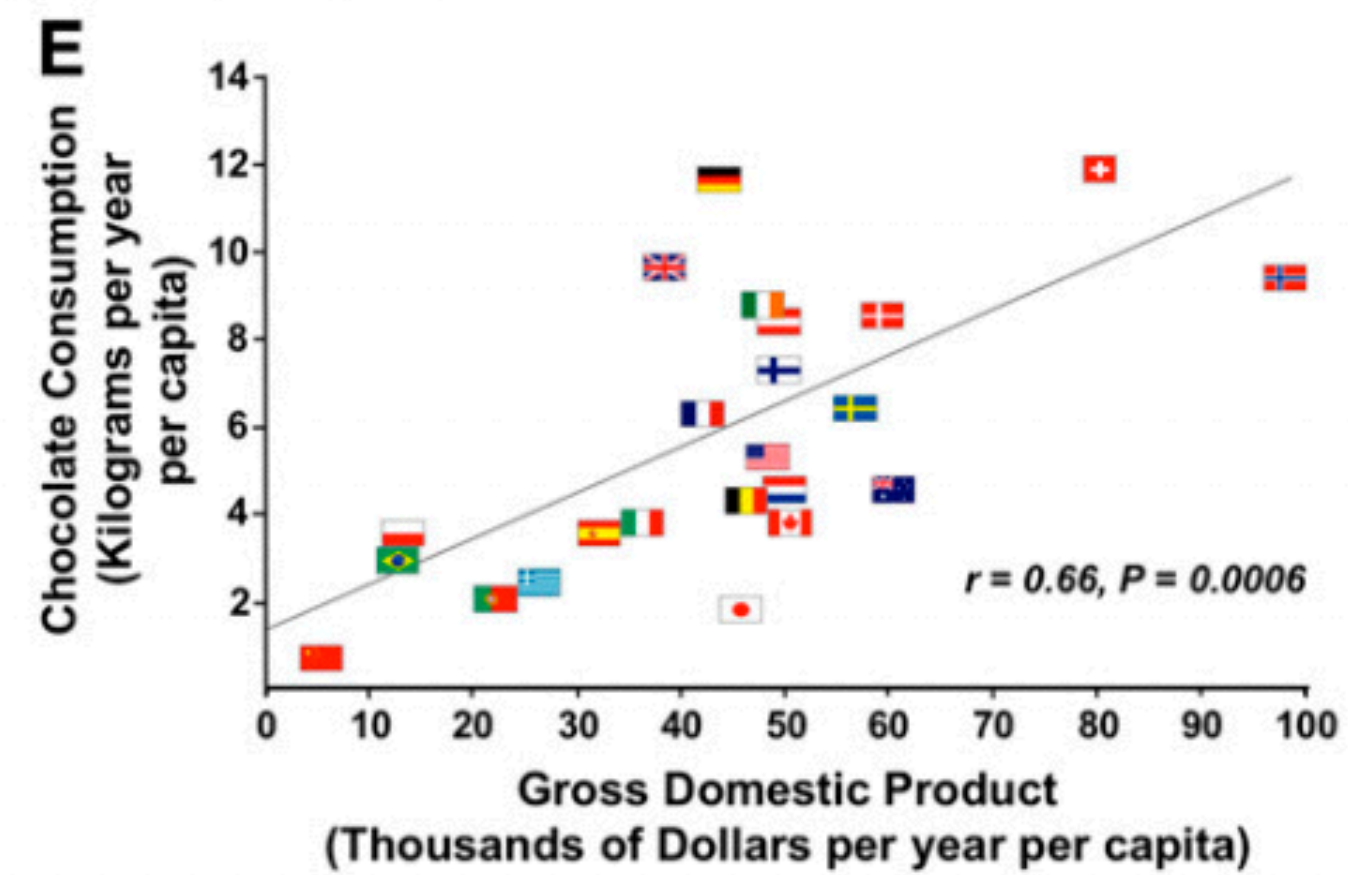
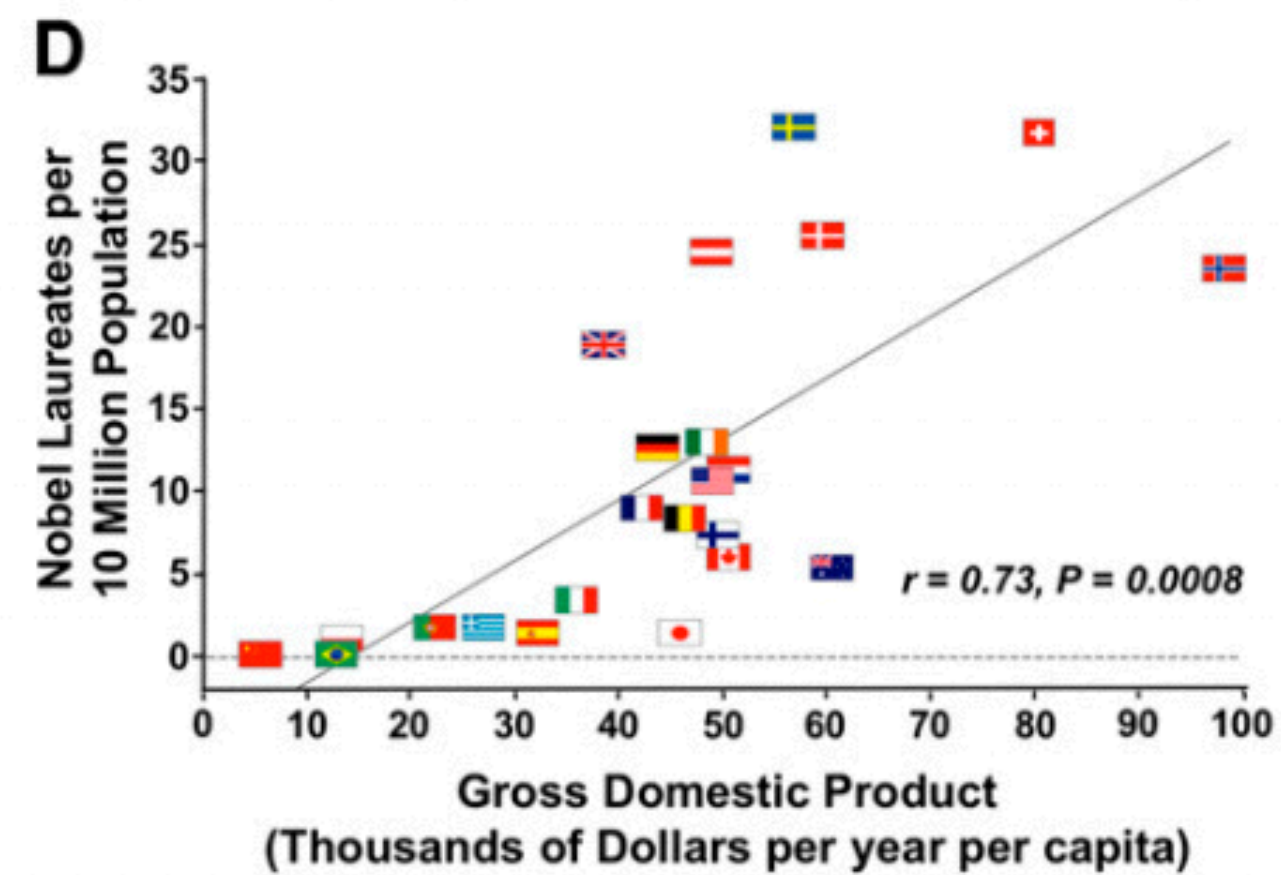
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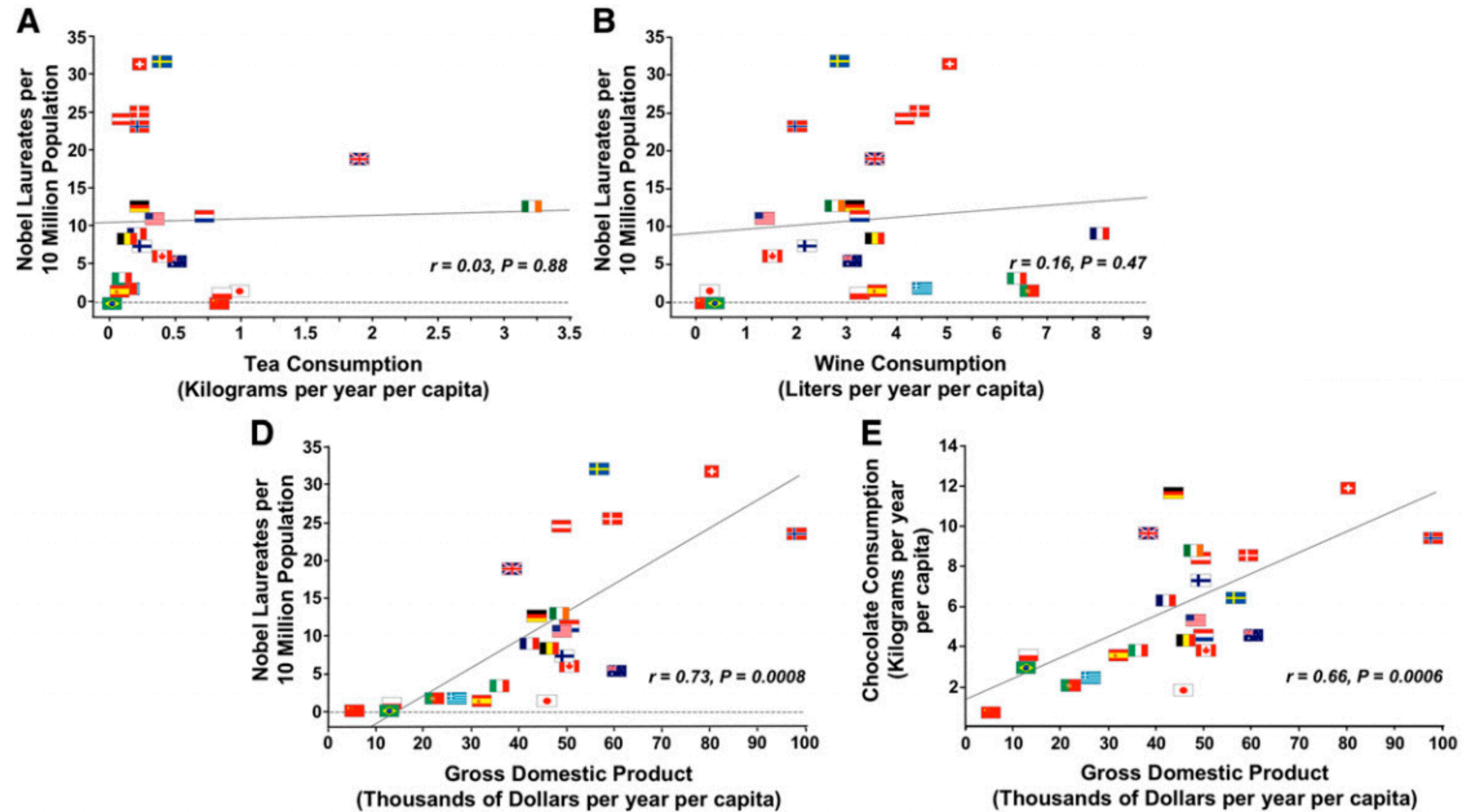
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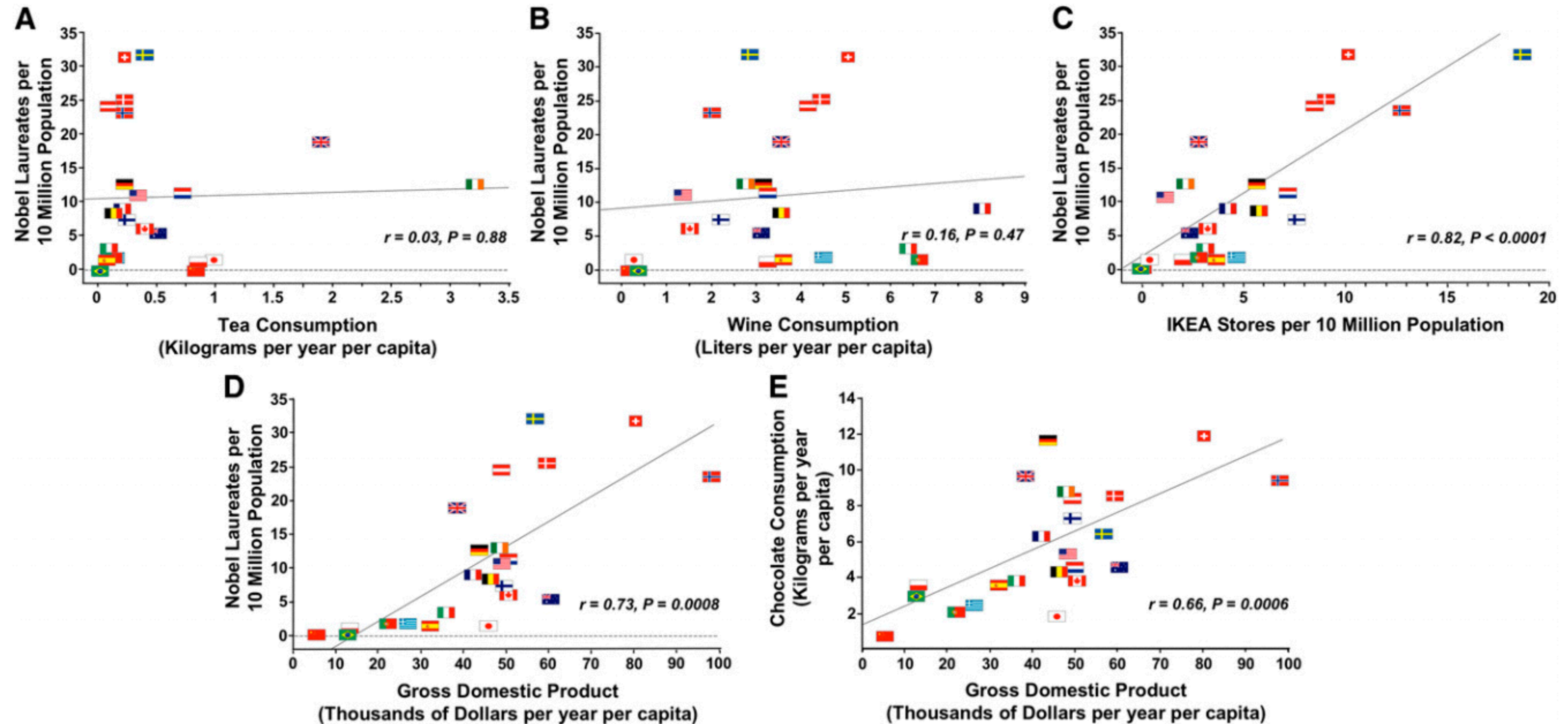
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