

Changing Land, Enduring People: The Dawes Act and Land Loss





Essential Questions

What was the Dawes Act and how did it affect tribal lands and lifeways?

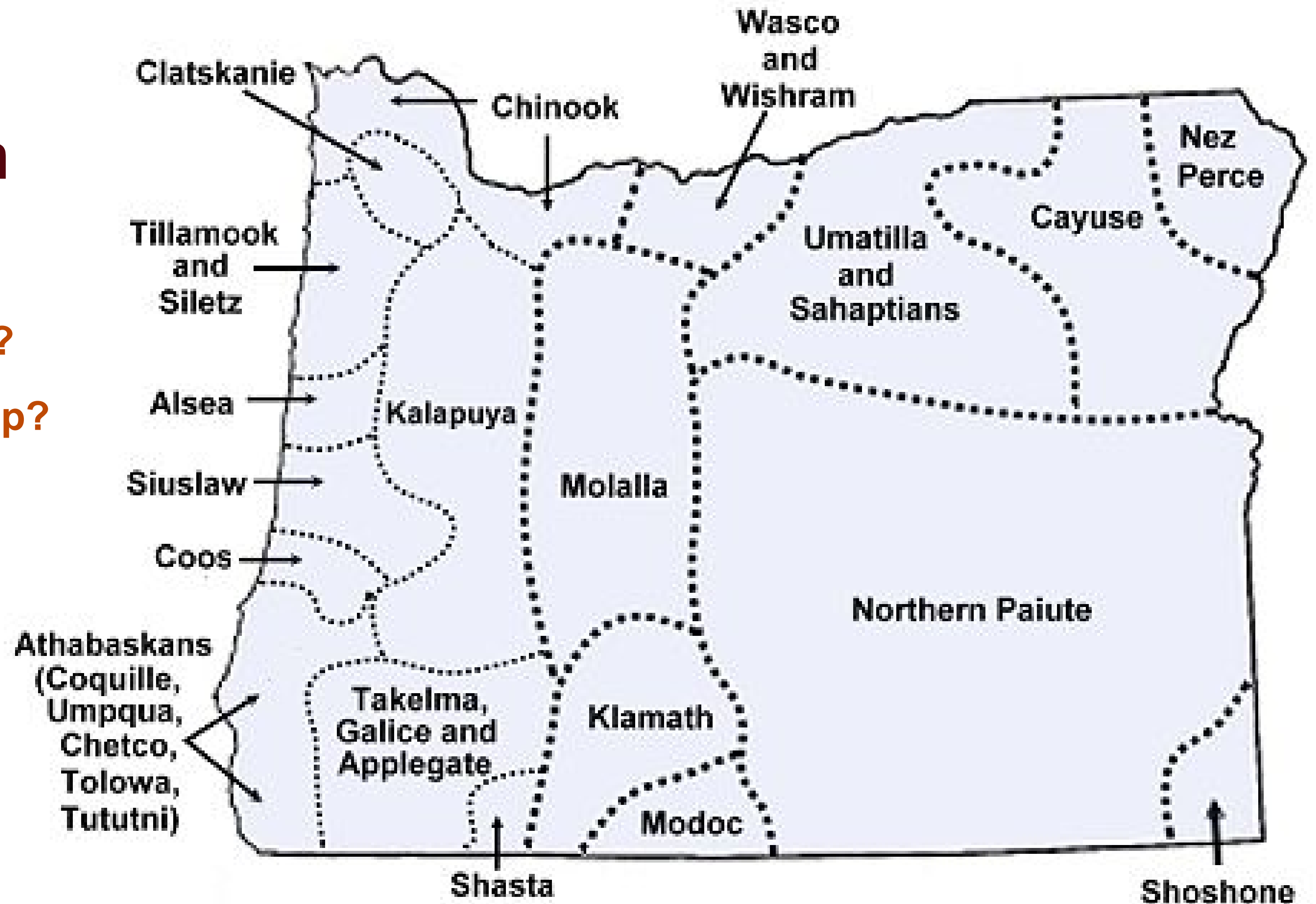
Nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon

Which Tribe is closest to you?



Early Map of Oregon Tribes' Homelands

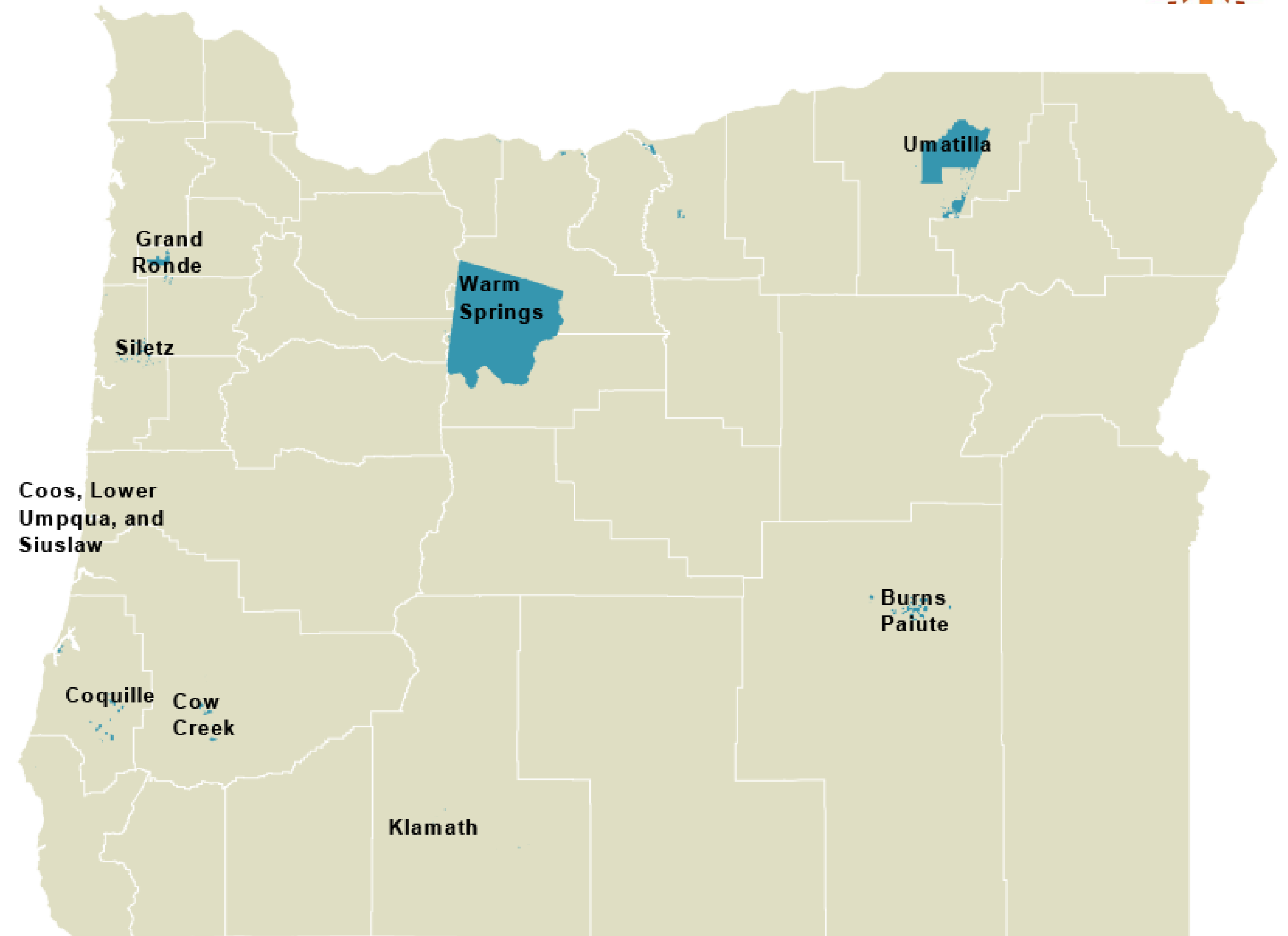
- What do you notice in this map?
- How many Tribes are on the map?



<https://www.native-languages.org/maps.htm>

Current Map of Oregon Tribal Lands and Reservations

- What do you notice in this map?
- How many Tribes are on the map?



<https://www.nwcphp.org/docs/tribes-toolkit/tribal/oregon.html>

Why Maps of Native American Lands Are Not Exact

- Borders of Oregon Tribes' homelands changed frequently.
- Everything changed when European American settlers came and wanted the land.
- No one was good at making maps back then.

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INDIAN LAND FOR SALE

GET A HOME OF YOUR OWN



PERFECT TITLE
POSSESSION
WITHIN
THIRTY DAYS

FINE LANDS IN THE WEST

IRRIGATED IRRIGABLE	GRAZING	AGRICULTURAL DRY FARMING
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IN 1910 THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR SOLD UNDER SEALED BIDS ALLOTTED INDIAN LAND AS FOLLOWS:

Location	Area	Average Price per Acre	Location	Area	Average Price per Acre
Colorado	5,211.21	\$7.27	Oklahoma	54,664.00	\$19.14
Idaho	17,013.00	24.85	Oregon	1,020.00	15.43
Kansas	1,684.50	33.45	South Dakota	120,445.00	16.53
Montana	11,034.00	9.86	Washington	4,879.00	41.37
Nebraska	5,641.00	36.65	Wisconsin	1,069.00	17.00
North Dakota	22,610.70	9.93	Wyoming	865.00	20.64

FOR THE YEAR 1911 IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 350,000 ACRES WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE

For information as to the character of the land write for booklet, "INDIAN LANDS FOR SALE," to the Superintendent U. S. Indian School at any one of the following places:

CALIFORNIA: Bakersfield Dana Point Hayward Los Angeles Long Beach Oakland San Diego San Francisco Stockton	MINNESOTA: Bemidji Duluth Mankato Minneapolis Rochester St. Paul St. Cloud Wadena	SOUTH DAKOTA: Deadwood Huron Sioux Falls Watkins Yankton	ILLINOIS: Chicago Springfield Urbana Vandalia Yolanda	SOUTH DAKOTA: Cherokee Agency Crow Creek Grand Coulee Lower Brule Rosebud Sisseton Wichita	WASHINGTON: Port Angeles Port Blakely Tacoma Tulalip Wenatchee Olympia
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Today: Land Recovery and Land Care Partnerships



These Oregon Tribes have recently recovered land

- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
- Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians
- Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

A few Land Care Partnerships

- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC)
- Umatilla River Restoration
- Coquille Indian Tribe Cooperative Management
- Warm Springs Forest Research Partnership

Self-assessment

#	Did I...	Sort of 	Yes 
1	explain the effects of the Dawes Act on Oregon Tribes?		
2	describe how Tribes today are working to get their land back?		