

Political inequality

**In 1790,
a voter in Delaware
(the least populous state)
had about thirteen times more influence
in the U.S. Senate than a voter in
the most populous state, Virginia.**

**In 2000,
by contrast, a voter in Wyoming
has nearly seventy times more influence
in the U.S. Senate than a voter
from California.**

**What began as a strictly small -state bias
has become a rural -state bias.**

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