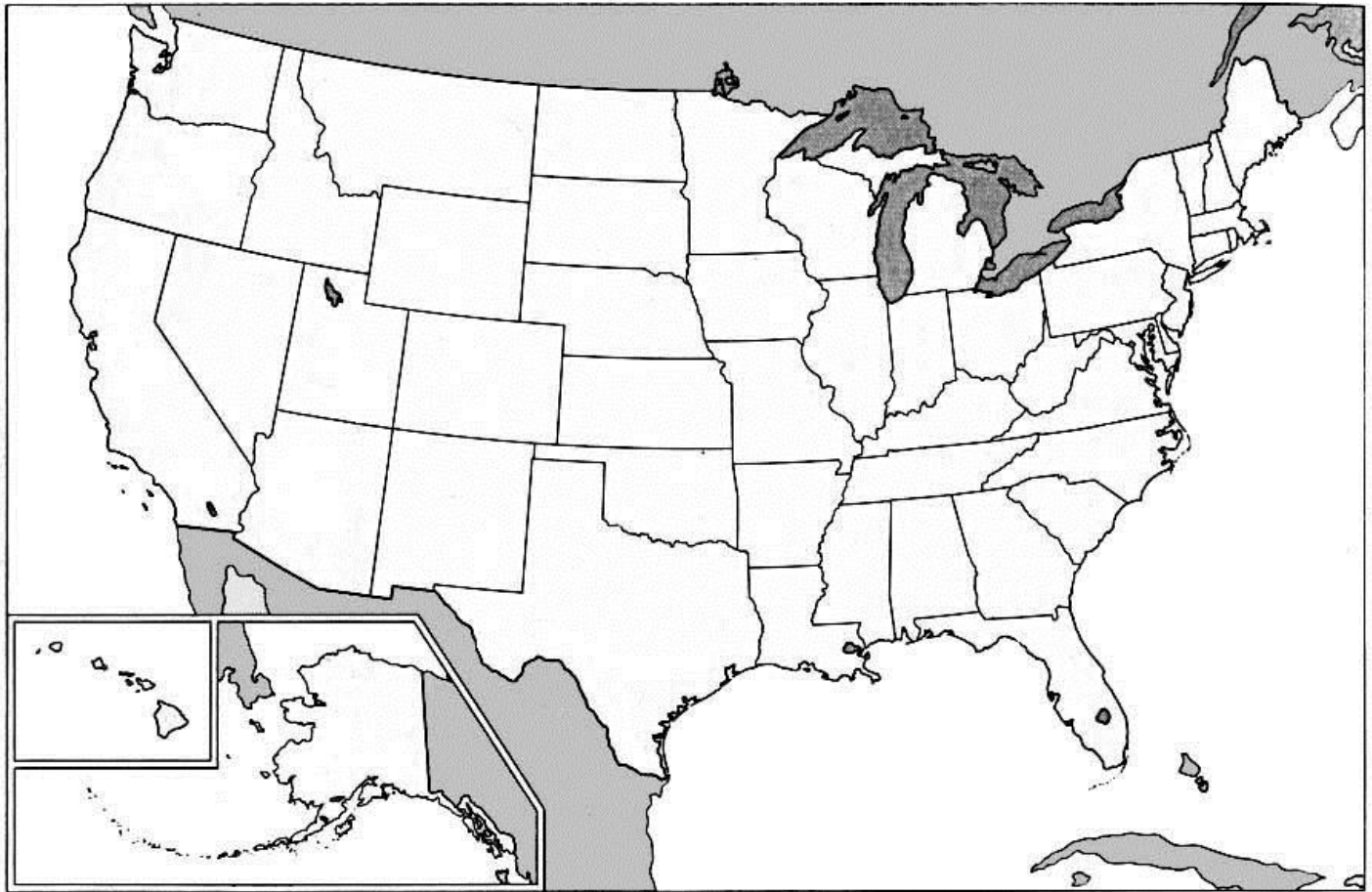


Unit 6 – Development (in the United States)

http://www.economist.com/blogs/dailychart/2011/01/comparing_us_states_countries



Part I: Shade the US map with the appropriate scale for GDP. Be sure to clearly show the key on the map (only the continental United States).

Part II: Answer and respond to the following questions based on the map you created.

1. What US State has the largest GDP? Where would it rank on the overall list of GDP's in the World?
2. What US State has the smallest GDP? Where would it rank on the overall list of GDP's in the World?
3. How many US states might be considered 'Core' States economically?
4. Based on the information provided on the map, how many US states might be considered 'Semi-periphery' States economically.
5. Explain the location of the 'MDC' US States geographically.
6. Explain the location of the 'LDC' US States geographically.
7. Explain how the US states that are labeled 'LDCs', face similar disadvantages to their actual counterparts.
8. Explain how the number of US 'LDC' States compared to the number of US 'MDC' States is reflective of the current global pattern.

Part III: Answer the following in response to information above.

1. What surprised you the most from the activity?
2. Does this change your perception on the current economic situation of the United States?
3. Would this affect your willingness to live or travel to one of these states if this were the actual representation, explain?