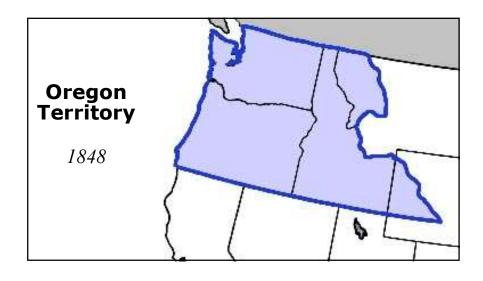


Oregon Country

1818

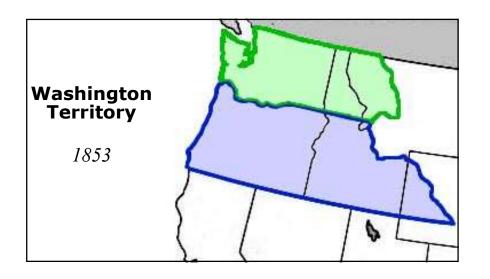
- Treaty of 1818.
- Jointly occupied by both the U.S. and England.
- Not claimed outright by either country.
- Stretched from present-day Alaska to California, from the Pacific to the Rocky Mountains.



Oregon Territory

1848

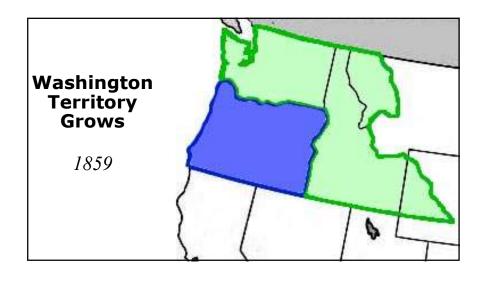
- Treaty of 1846 created border at 49th parallel.
- Oregon became an official territory in 1848.
- Territorial government formed.
- Stretched from 49th parallel to California, and from the Pacific to the Rocky Mountains.



Washington Territory

1853

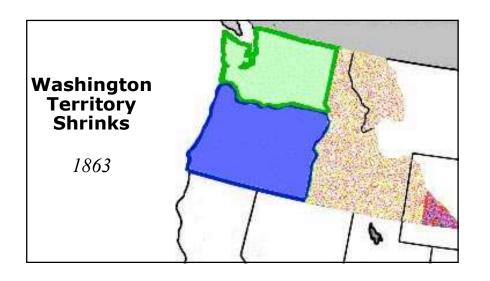
- Settlers north of the Columbia River petitioned congress to split Oregon Territory.
- 1853: New Washington Territory formed.



Washington Territory Grows 1859

• Oregon became a state in 1859.

• Eastern part of former Oregon Territory was added to Washington Territory.



Washington Territory Shrinks

1863

- Eastern part of Washington Territory was split off to become Idaho Territory in 1863.
- Washington Territory shrank to its present borders.



Washington Statehood

1889

- Washington became the 42nd state in 1889.
- State government formed.
- · State constitution created.

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Washington State History

• What is the difference between a Territory and a State?

Territory

- Land owned by the U.S., not yet a state.
- Limited self-government, directly overseen by Federal Government.
- Governor appointed by the President, not elected by citizens.
- Advisory-only representation in federal government. No voting role.

Requirements for Statehood

- Needed at least 60,000 citizens.
- (unwritten) Pacification of Indians.
- Create a state constitution.
- Get approval by congress and president.

State

- · Self governed.
- Has a state constitution.
- Governor elected by citizens.
- Represented in federal government (Senate and House of Representatives).
- Participates in presidential elections.