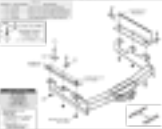


UNIT 1: THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES



UNIT 2: THE AMERICAN WEST

The American West is a region of the United States that includes the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, and Washington. It is known for its vast, open spaces, rugged terrain, and rich history of exploration and settlement.

Key Features of the American West:

- Geography:** The region is characterized by diverse landscapes, including mountains, plains, and deserts.
- History:** The West has a long history of exploration, starting with Spanish and French expeditions in the 16th and 17th centuries. It became a major area of settlement in the 19th century.
- Culture:** The West is known for its cowboy culture, which has become a symbol of American identity.
- Economy:** The West has a diverse economy, including agriculture, mining, and tourism.

Further Reading:

- [The American West: A History](#)
- [The American West: A Geography](#)
- [The American West: A Culture](#)